



Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management DIVISION OF FISH & WILDLIFE

APPLICATION FOR SCIENTIFIC COLLECTOR'S PERMIT

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Please type or print all information. Attach additional sheets for explanation, if necessary.
2. Refer to the *Rules and Regulations Governing Collector's Permits* for specific prohibitions, exemptions, and other requirements.
3. **This application must be filled out COMPLETELY and all applicable information provided, or application will not be processed.**
4. A fee of \$25.00 is required to process this application and can be paid by Check or Money Order ONLY. Checks may be made out to RIDEM/Div. of Fish and Wildlife.

If collecting **terrestrial or freshwater species**, send to:
 RIDEM Division of Fish and Wildlife
 Great Swamp Field Headquarters
 277 Great Neck Road
 West Kingston, RI 02892
 Or email to: DEM.DFW@dem.ri.gov
 Phone: 401-789-0281 Fax: 401-783-7490

If collecting **marine species**, send to:
 RIDEM Division of Fish and Wildlife
 Marine Fisheries
 3 Ft. Wetherill Road
 Jamestown, RI 02835
 Or email to: DEM.MarineFisheries@dem.ri.gov
 Phone: 1-401-423-1923 Fax: 1-401-423-1925

New Applicant

- Type 1 (Research & Education)
- Type 2 (Governmental)
- Type 3 (Consulting)
- Type 4 (Municipal Deer Management Permit)

Renewal, Permit #: _____ No Changes to Application/Permit
 Report Submitted: ____/____/____

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____ Occupation: _____

Education* (Degree, Institution): _____ D.O.B.: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Business Name: _____

Principal Officer/Title: _____

Business Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Bus. Phone #: _____ Bus. Email: _____

**If education does not meet minimum criteria, attach a description of related professional experience, certifications by professional societies, or recommendations by acknowledged authorities.*

- ➔ If applying for a Type I, II or III Scientific Collector’s Permit, complete Section A.
- ➔ If applying for a Type IV Scientific Collector’s Permit, continue to Section B and provide all the required information.

PURPOSE OF COLLECTION

Section A: Type I, II or III Scientific Collector’s Permit

1. Purpose of collection (be specific, attach additional sheet if necessary): _____

[Educational/Research institutes] IACUC Protocol Number: _____ Approval Date: _____

****Must include IACUC approval with application****

2. Terrestrial and/or freshwater species (**common and scientific names**) to be collected. Fill out attached checklist for marine species: _____

3. [Fish Collection] Will you collect sub-legal sized individuals? NO or YES
 If yes, list species: _____

4. Number required to be collected for each species: _____

5. **Specific** collecting location(s): _____

Will collection take place on RIDEM public reservations¹? NO or YES: If yes, please be advised you may be contacted by the RIDEM Management Area Stewardship Committee.

6. Collecting technique(s) (describe any modified gear): _____

7. Period required for collection: _____

8. Will specimens be retained for study/research? NO or YES
 If yes, where will the collection be housed? _____

Housing period required: _____

9. Final disposition of collected organisms (e.g., released, euthanized): _____

10. Federal permit # (if applicable): _____

11. Vessel information (if applicable): _____

¹ “Public reservation” means any property under the care, control or custody of RIDEM (e.g. Wildlife Management Area, State Park)

12. Attach a list of all sub-permittees, including name, position, address, phone number, and affiliation, to be covered by the permit (if applicable).
13. If animals are for experimental purposes, attach a statement or outline of research protocol and/or IACUC protocol and approval information.
14. If collecting marine species, please indicate which species you intend to collect on the marine species checklist (attached). Include additional list of species intended for collection that are not supplied on checklist.
15. If collecting on RIDEM public reservations, please be advised you may be contacted by the RIDEM Management Area Stewardship Committee.

Section B: Type IV Scientific Collector's Permit (Municipal Deer Management Permit)

Submit a Deer Management Plan and provide all required supporting information per the specifications outlined in Rule 4.6(E)(4) Rhode Island Rules and Regulations Governing Collector's Permits.

The signature attests to the possession of knowledge, understanding, and willingness to abide by all applicable laws, regulations and requirements, and releases the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management and the State of Rhode Island and all of their employees and agents from all liability for any injury, damage, or the like, resulting from the activity authorized under the subject collector's permit if issued. Further, the signatory agrees to hold the Department and the State harmless for any damages flowing from activities conducted related to this Permit.

Signature of Applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

REGULATIONS

RIDEM regulations, including the following, can be found at the [RI DEM website](#):

RHODE ISLAND RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING COLLECTOR'S PERMITS

<http://www.dem.ri.gov/pubs/regs/regs/fishwild/fwcollectors16.pdf>

RHODE ISLAND RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING IMPORTATION AND POSSESSION OF WILD ANIMALS

<https://rules.sos.ri.gov/regulations/part/250-40-05-3>

RULES & REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE PREVENTION, CONTROL AND SUPPRESSION OF RABIES WITHIN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

<https://rules.sos.ri.gov/regulations/part/250-40-05-2>

RHODE ISLAND HUNTING REGULATIONS

<https://rules.sos.ri.gov/regulations/part/250-60-00-9>

RHODE ISLAND FRESHWATER AND ANADROMOUS FISHING REGULATIONS

<https://rules.sos.ri.gov/regulations/part/250-60-00-10>

RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES REGULATIONS

https://risos-apa-production-public.s3.amazonaws.com/DEM/REG_11364_20210623083425.pdf

PARK AND MANAGEMENT AREA RULES AND REGULATIONS

<https://rules.sos.ri.gov/regulations/part/250-100-00-1>

RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS

[State of Rhode Island General Laws/ Title 20- Fish and Wildlife](#)

<http://webserver.rilin.state.ri.us/Statutes/title20/index.htm>

[State of Rhode Island General Laws/ Title 11/Chapter 47- Weapons](#)

<http://webserver.rilin.state.ri.us/Statutes/title11/index.htm>

Please Check All Marine Species You Intend To Collect*

Finfish

- American eel
- American plaice (Dab)
- American sand lance
- American shad
- Anchovy (spp)
- Atlantic cod
- Atlantic menhaden
- Atlantic moonfish
- Atlantic silverside
- Atlantic tomcod
- Atlantic sturgeon**
- Black sea bass
- Bluefish
- Blue runner
- Bonito
- Butterfish
- Conger eel
- Cunner
- Drum (spp)
- False albacore
- Filefish (spp)
- Fourspot flounder
- Goby (spp)
- Gulfstream flounder
- Grubby sculpin
- Haddock
- Hake (spp)
- Herring (spp)
- Hickory shad
- Hogchoker
- Jack (spp)
- Killifish (spp)
- Monkfish (Goosefish)
- Mullet (spp)
- Needlefish/halfbeaks
- Northern kingfish
- Northern pipefish
- Northern puffer
- Ocean pout
- Oyster toadfish
- Perch (spp)
- Pollock
- Rainbow smelt
- River herring
- Scad (spp)
- Sculpin (spp)
- Scup
- Seahorse
- Sea raven
- Sea robins (spp)
- Sheepshead minnow
- Smallmouth flounder
- Snapper (spp)
- Spotted hake
- Sticklebacks (spp)
- Striped bass
- Summer flounder (fluke)
- Tautog (blackfish)
- Triggerfish (spp)
- Tropical spp.
- Weakfish
- Windowpane
- Winter flounder
- Yellowfin tuna
- Yellowtail flounder

Elasmobranchs

Sharks:

- Atlantic sharpnose
- Blacknose
- Blacktip
- Blue
- Bonnethead
- Bull
- Common thresher
- Finetooth
- Great hammerhead
- Lemon
- Nurse
- Oceanic whitetip
- Porbeagle
- Scalloped hammerhead
- Shortfin mako
- Silky
- Smooth dogfish

- Smooth hammerhead
- Spinner
- Spiny dogfish
- Tiger

Skates:

- Barndoor
- Big
- Clearnose
- Little
- Rosette
- Thorny
- Winter

Rays:

- Atlantic torpedo
- Bluntnose
- Cownose

Prohibited Shark Species

- Atlantic angel
- Basking
- Bigeye sandtiger
- Bigeye sixgill
- Bigeye thresher
- Bignose
- Bluntnose sixgill
- Caribbean sharpnose
- Dusky
- Galapagos
- Longfin mako
- Narrowtooth
- Night
- Reef
- Sand tiger
- Sharpnose sevengill
- Smalltail
- Whale shark
- White shark

Research Shark Species**

- Sandbar
- American lobster
- Amphipods
- Asian shore crab
- Bay shrimp

- Blue crab
- Copepods
- Fiddler crab
- Green crab
- Hermit crab
- Horseshoe crab
- Jonah crab
- Lady crab
- Mantis shrimp
- Mud crab
- Rock crab
- Shrimp (spp)
- Spider crab

Shellfish

- Bay quahaug
- Bay scallop
- Deep sea scallop
- Mussels (spp)
- Ocean quahaug
- Oyster
- Periwinkle
- Razor clam
- Slippersnails
- Soft-shell clam
- Squid
- Surf clam
- Whelk (conch)

Other

- Algae
- Eelgrass
- Jellyfish
- Sponges
- Tunicates
- Polychaetes
- Sea cucumber
- Sea Star
- Northern star coral

* Collection of species in federal waters requires appropriate permit

** Endangered species, must have appropriate permission to collect
◇ Note reporting requirements for Prohibited and Research Shark Species as stated in RI Marine Fisheries Regulations Section 3.24.2