Otter CITES Tag FAQ:

- **Who can apply for an Otter Pelt Dealer Permit?**
  - Only licensed wholesale fur dealers may apply for an Otter Pelt Dealer Permit.

- **When is an otter pelt required to be tagged?**
  - All legally taken otters in this state shall be permanently tagged with a CITES tag within 90 days of take.

- **How do I apply for or renew an Otter Pelt Dealer Permit?**
  - The application to apply for or renew the Bobcat Pelt Dealer Permit can be found at: [https://tpwd.texas.gov/business/permits/land/wildlife/cites/](https://tpwd.texas.gov/business/permits/land/wildlife/cites/).
  - (Allow 2-4 weeks for tags to be mailed)

- **How do I request otter CITES tags?**
  - To request CITES tags, please email your request wpoffice@tpwd.texas.gov.
    - (Allow 2-4 weeks for tags to be mailed)
  - No otter CITES tags will be issued between May 31st and October 1st.

- **What are the reporting requirements for an Otter Pelt Dealer?**
  - The reporting period for dealers begins **October 2** and ends **May 30** of the following year.
  - All information shall be filled out on the report form. The hunting license number is the Doc # found on the front of the license.
  - The electronic Annual Otter Pelt Tag Report shall be submitted no later than **May 31st** to wpoffice@tpwd.texas.gov.

- **Where can I find the electronic Annual Otter Pelt Tag Report?**

- **What do I do with unused and damaged otter CITES tags?**
  - All unused CITES tags (including damaged tags) with a signed list of unused tag numbers must be returned no later than **May 31st** to:
    - Texas Parks and Wildlife Department
    - Wildlife Diversity Permits Office
    - 4200 Smith School Road
    - Austin, TX 78744