



Exotic Species Research Permit Application

(for exotic fish, shellfish, and aquatic plants)

For assistance completing this form, please call 512-389-4742 or email IFpermits@tpwd.texas.gov
This application will not be considered unless fully completed and must be received by the Department
at least 30 days prior to any prospective activity involving controlled exotic species.

1. PRIMARY APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Effective September 1, 2015, Texas Parks & Wildlife is required to collect Social Security numbers for the purpose of child support enforcement under the Texas Family Code, Section 231.302 and Federal Statute 42 U.S.C. §666. Missing or incomplete information may delay application processing time.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Social Security #: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Driver's License (DL) #: _____ DL State: _____

Title: _____

Company/Organization Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____
Street City Zip County

Telephone Numbers: Primary: (____)____-____ Secondary: (____)____-____

E-Mail: _____

Would you like to help us reduce paper by choosing to receive your permit by email? Yes No

2. CO-APPLICANTS: Are there other researchers, graduate students, or individuals who supervise permitted activities?

Yes No

If yes, they should be listed as co-applicants; attach PWD 1420-T3200, Permit Applicants Addendum found here: https://tpwd.texas.gov/publications/pwdforms/media/pwd_1420_t3200_permit_applicants_addendum.pdf

3. RESEARCHER QUALIFICATIONS: Attach a copy of the primary applicant's *curriculum vitae* or a brief description of qualifications to conduct research using harmful or potentially harmful exotic fish, shellfish, or aquatic plants.

4. RESEARCH PROPOSAL: Attach a detailed research proposal including the following sections:

(1) Objectives and Expected Benefits, (2) Species Information, (3) Methods, and (4) Project Timeline.

Proposals that do not follow this format or that are incomplete will be returned to the applicant.

Species information must clearly identify species (common and scientific name) you intend to collect, location(s) of collection (or other source), locations of release, if applicable, and describe final disposition of species. Proposal methodology must clearly describe adequate, appropriate measures that will be implemented to prevent release, discharge, escape or introduction of exotic species.

7. APPLICATION FEE:

Please email the permit coordinator at IFpermits@tpwd.texas.gov before submitting this application to discuss the inspection requirement for your facility.

\$263 if facility inspection is required

\$27 if no facility inspection is required

8. AFFIDAVIT:

I certify that

(1) I have received and read the Harmful or Potentially Harmful Exotic Fish, Shellfish and Aquatic Plant rules (31 TAC Ch.57A:

[https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=5&ti=31&pt=2&ch=57&sch=A&rl=Y](https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=5&ti=31&pt=2&ch=57&sch=A&rl=Y))

(2) I understand that I must permit authorized Department personnel to inspect facilities during normal business hours and randomly take samples of live exotic species in my possession for identification purposes if deemed necessary at any time.

(3) I understand that the permit application fee will not be refunded after the facility inspection has been completed by Department staff.

(4) I understand that under Texas Penal Code §37.10, it is a felony to make a false statement on this form.

Signature of Applicant

____/____/____
Date

Return completed application, proposal, facility map (if applicable), emergency plan (if needed) and fee determined after consultation with the permit coordinator to:

Permit Coordinator, Inland Fisheries
Texas Parks & Wildlife Department
4200 Smith School Road
Austin, Texas 78744

TPWD may refuse issuance of a permit if the application or facility fail to meet the requirements of this subchapter or if the applicant or another person employed, authorized, or otherwise utilized to perform permitted activities by the applicant has been convicted of, pleaded guilty or nolo contendere to, or received deferred adjudication or pre-trial diversion for a violation of Texas Administrative Code Title 31 Subchapter 57A (pertaining to harmful or potentially harmful exotic species); Texas Parks and Wildlife Code, §§66.007, 66.0072, or 66.015; Parks and Wildlife Code that is a Class B misdemeanor, a Class A misdemeanor, or felony; Penal Code, §37.10; Lacey Act, 16 U.S.C. §§3371-3378; or a provision of federal law applicable to grass carp. The department may refuse to issue a permit to any person the department has evidence is acting on behalf of or as a surrogate for another person who is not eligible for a permit.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department maintains the information collected through this form. With few exceptions, you are entitled to be informed about the information we collect. Under Sections 552.021 and 553.023 of the Texas Government Code, you are also entitled to receive and review the information. Under Section 559.004, you are also entitled to have this information corrected.