



# Exotic Species Aquaculture Permit Application

(for exotic fish, shellfish and aquatic plants other than water spinach)

**Application Fee**  
**\$263**

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 all fees are received.

## 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 (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Organization Name (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City Zip County

Telephone Numbers: Primary: (\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_ Secondary: (\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_

E-Mail (Required): \_\_\_\_\_

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

## 2. CO-APPLICANTS:

Are there managers or other individuals who supervise permitted activities in the primary applicant's absence?

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](https://tpwd.texas.gov/publications/pwdforms/media/pwd_1420_t3200_permit_applicants_addendum.pdf)

## 3. REQUIRED LICENSES: APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED WITHOUT COPIES OF THE FOLLOWING: (Check the boxes to indicate you have enclosed copies of these items)

- Texas Department of Agriculture Aquaculture Facility License (not Fish Farm Vehicle)
- Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Wastewater Discharge Permit **OR** Notice of Water Quality Authorization (Attachment 1 of the General Permit TXG130000)

## 4. FACILITY INFORMATION: (A physical facility is required for permit issuance and must be ready for inspection before this application is submitted.)

A. Facility Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City Zip County

B. Facility Owner (if other than applicant): \_\_\_\_\_

C. Culture Complex: Is your facility in a complex with multiple aquaculturists?  Yes  No

**4. FACILITY INFORMATION (continued)**

D. Facility Map: Print and attach a facility map to your application that shows and labels the specific location of the aquaculture facilities (including ponds, tanks, greenhouses AND ALL DRAINS).

- If your facility is located in a **multi-operator culture complex**, please indicate on map the location of your facility (i.e., pond or greenhouse) relative to all other aquaculturists' facilities.
- If your facility is located **within the 100-year flood plain**, any ponds must be surrounded by a flood protective levee at least one foot above the 100-year flood plain. Please indicate on map the location of any flood protective levees.

DI. Emergency Plan: If your facility is located in the Exotic Species Exclusion Zone (east of IH-35 and south of Hwy 21), please attach PWD 1421, Exotic Species Aquaculture Emergency Plan (Forms are available at:

[https://tpwd.texas.gov/publications/pwdforms/media/pwd\\_1421\\_t3200\\_exotic\\_species\\_aquaculture\\_emergency\\_plan.pdf](https://tpwd.texas.gov/publications/pwdforms/media/pwd_1421_t3200_exotic_species_aquaculture_emergency_plan.pdf)

Emergency plan attached  Not in Exotic Species Exclusion Zone

F. Contact person for facility inspection:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

What is the best way to reach you to schedule the inspection?  Phone  Email

**5. SPECIES INFORMATION:** For each species you plan to possess, propagate, transport, import, export, or sell during the permit year, please check all boxes that apply. Indicate use where requested.

Species Name	Personal or Educational Use (if yes, indicate which)	Aquaponics/Aquaculture (Personal or Commercial)	Pond Management (Commercial)	Food Fish (if yes, indicate whether sold live or dead)
Nile tilapia ( <i>Oreochromis niloticus</i> )	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input type="checkbox"/> Educational		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Sold live <input type="checkbox"/> Sold dead
Blue tilapia ( <i>Oreochromis aureus</i> )	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input type="checkbox"/> Educational		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Sold live <input type="checkbox"/> Sold dead
Mozambique tilapia ( <i>Oreochromis mossambicus</i> )	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input type="checkbox"/> Educational		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Sold live <input type="checkbox"/> Sold dead
Hybrids of three tilapia species above	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input type="checkbox"/> Educational		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Sold live <input type="checkbox"/> Sold dead
Triploid grass carp ( <i>Ctenopharyngodon idella</i> )	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input type="checkbox"/> Educational		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Sold live <input type="checkbox"/> Sold dead
Whiteleg shrimp ( <i>Litopenaeus vannamei</i> )	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input type="checkbox"/> Educational		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Sold live <input type="checkbox"/> Sold dead

**Wastewater Treatment** (Only available to operators of a wastewater treatment facility permitted by the TCEQ, subject to inspection to verify that escapement will not occur).

Waterhyacinth (*Eichhornia crassipes*)

**6. 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)

and

(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.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

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Date

Return completed application, copies of required licenses, facility map, emergency plan (if needed) and \$263 fee to:

Permit Coordinator, Inland Fisheries  
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department  
4200 Smith School Rd.  
Austin, TX 78744

**TPWD may refuse issuance of a permit if the applicant has received a final conviction for a violation of Texas Parks and Wildlife Code, §§66.007, 66.0072, and 66.015, or Texas Administrative Code Title 31 Subchapter 57A (pertaining to harmful or potentially harmful exotic species), or if the application or facility fail to meet the requirements of this subchapter .**

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 552.023 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.