



APPLICATION FOR A SCIENTIFIC PERMIT

Note: This application form is for new and renewal projects. Only one project, approved by an authorised Animal Ethics Committee, to go on this application form. Ongoing projects require current AEC approval. Separate authorisation is required to conduct scientific research in areas managed under the provisions of the *National Parks Act 1975*. Authorisation and project approval must be obtained from the Australian Bird and Bat Banding Schemes (ABBBS) prior to an application for a Scientific Permit involving the banding of birds and/or bats.

Please indicate to whom the permit should be issued. In the case of tertiary students undertaking research, the name of the project supervisor should be given below and the student listed as another person.

Title	Surname	First name	Other names
Phone BH		Fax	
Mobile / AH		Email	
Address for correspondence			Post code
Qualifications or relevant experience in methods		Previous permit number	
Other persons whom you wish to act under this authority. <i>These persons should also be named on the project proposal and AEC approval. In certain instances "staff and students" may be listed as other authorised persons.</i>			

Project title	
Project aim	
Indicate how the project will be reported eg. research paper, report	

What procedures do you intend to carry out on wildlife (please tick box/list)	Collect <input type="checkbox"/>	Mark and/or band <input type="checkbox"/>	Retain live <input type="checkbox"/>	Radio track <input type="checkbox"/>
	Live capture <input type="checkbox"/>	Release <input type="checkbox"/>	Retain dead <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (eg take blood) please specify

ABBBS number <i>If your proposed research requires the banding of birds or bats</i>	
Animal Ethics Committee (AEC) approval number	

A licence is required under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1986 if carrying out procedures beyond taking, collecting (ie. capture and release), marking or banding of wildlife in accordance with the Wildlife Act 1975. Individual permit applicants and small institutions may apply to the new wildlife AEC for their AEC approval Please refer to Bureau of Animal Welfare directly on 9217 4107 if you require a licence or further information.

If the project is not a survey list the species of wildlife and number of each species to be used.

Species	Number of individuals	Species	Number of individuals

PROPOSED RESEARCH SITES *Complete the relevant section/s below*

<p>National or State Parks</p> <p>Approval for research on land managed under the National Parks Act 1975 is usually only granted for research that benefits the Park. An additional National Parks permit is also required. Contact the Customer Service Centre on 136 186 for an application form.</p>			
Name of Park/s			
<p>Reference Areas</p> <p>Approval for research on land managed under the Reference Areas Act 1988 will only be granted in exceptional circumstances. An additional Reference Areas permit is also required. Written applications should be made directly to the Environmental Research Coordinator (see below)</p>			
Name of Reference Area			
<p>Public Land Managed by Parks Victoria or DSE</p> <p>Approval for research will only be granted subject to approval by the relevant land manager.</p>			
Name of reserve/s			
<p>Other Public Land</p> <p>Approval for research may only be granted subject to approval by the relevant land manager.</p>			
Name of Area Map References (Melway, Emergency Services, Vic Roads, other)			
<p>Private Land</p> <p>Approval for research may only be granted subject to approval by the relevant land manager.</p>			
Name of Area Map References (Melway, Emergency Services, Vic Roads, other)			

Signature of applicant: **Date:**

PLEASE ALLOW FOUR TO SIX WEEKS FOR THE PROCESSING OF THIS APPLICATION TO ENSURE YOUR APPLICATION IS PROCESSED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE PLEASE COMPLETE ALL RELEVANT SECTIONS. PLEASE ATTACH EXTRA PAGES FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

FORWARD TO:
 The Environmental Research Co-ordinator
 Department of Sustainability and Environment
 Locked Bag 3000 (30 Prospect Street)
 BOX HILL Victoria 3128.
 FAX Number 9296 4708
 PH Number 9296 4651
 Email: environmental.research@dse.vic.gov.au

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1. A full description of the project including methods, localities, species, etc
 2. A copy of the detailed project proposal as submitted to the AEEC (if appropriate).
 3. A copy of the signed AEEC approval
 4. Evidence of relevant experience for each researcher.
 5. Evidence of ABBBS approval if bird or bat banding is involved.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

It is an offence to take wildlife from the wild or release wildlife to the wild **without an appropriate permit**. Many Scientific Permits contain such a condition, however, you should check whether this is the case on your permit.

The making of an application involving wildlife does not in itself carry any entitlement or right. The outcome of an application cannot be predicted and should not be anticipated.

Renewals and Amendments: Please write to the Environmental Research Coordinator to request renewal or amendment stating the file number and permit number. Renewal requests must include a report of work undertaken under the previous permit.

National Parks Act 1975: Applications for authorisation to conduct scientific research in areas managed under the provisions of the *National Parks Act 1975* can be obtained from the Customer Service Centre.

Australian Bird and Bat Banding Schemes: Authorisation and project approval must be obtained prior to an application for a Scientific Permit involving the banding of birds and/or bats. Contact the Australian Bird and Bat Banding Schemes, GPO Box 8, Canberra, ACT, 2601; telephone (02) 6274 2407.

Taking of Protected Flora: A permit is required to take flora protected under the *Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988*. Applications for taking flora within Parks should be made to the Environmental Research Co-ordinator.

Research involving fish: Authorisation may be required under the *Fisheries Act 1998*. contact Fisheries Victoria, Phone: 136 186. If the research involves fish protected under the *Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988* applications should be made to the Environmental Research Co-ordinator.

Research involving listed invertebrates: If the research involves invertebrates protected under the *Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988* applications should be made to the Environmental Research Co-ordinator.

AEC approval: appropriate AEC approval and documentation must be provided. The AEC proposal should clearly quantify any numeric or volumetric measures (eg. the number of animals involved, the quantity of blood to be sampled).