



APPLICATION FOR A SCIENTIFIC PERMIT TO KEEP FROGS, REPTILES AND BIRDS

I/We the undersigned, subject to the provisions of the Wildlife Act 1975, hereby make application to the Environmental Research Co-ordinator for a Scientific Permit.

If you are a State or Catholic School you may be eligible for the General School Authorisation, please contact the DSE Customer Service Centre on 136 186 for further information.

Date of this application / / .

Please indicate to whom the permit should be issued (additional persons acting under this authority may be listed as other authorised persons):

*Dr Mr Mrs Ms Surname Christian Name/s

Name of School

Postal Address:

Postcode

Telephone No (bh (ah) Fax No:

Email address:

Please indicate the relevant qualifications or experience of the above named proposed authority holder (in the procedures involving wildlife or animal welfare)

(please attach evidence of any additional experience)

Please list other persons whom you wish to act under this authority "other authorised persons"

Table with 6 columns: Title, Initials, Surname, Title, Initials, Surname

What is the source of the animals? (Note that permits will not be issued to schools to take animals from the wild).

Name of Wildlife Licence holder

Licence or permit number

What species of animals do you intend to keep? (Scientific name if possible please).

Table with 4 columns: Species to be kept, Number of individuals, Species to be kept, Number of individuals

If frogs, do you intend to keep the adult frogs? YES / NO (If yes you will have to apply for a renewal of your permit)

Do you intend to return the animals to another licence or permit holder? YES / NO

Project Title: " _____ "

Purpose of the project, eg "education": _____

Location of the animals during this project:

School term _____

Holidays: _____

Indicate how the project will be reported eg. written report, artworks, etc _____

(signature of applicant)

I _____ (name of principal) endorse this application and am satisfied that the project has scientific educational merit and will not cause undue stress, discomfort or pain to any animal, or interfere with the health of any animal.

(signature of Principal)

Principal's telephone number _____

FORWARD TO:

The Environmental Research Co-ordinator
Department of Sustainability and Environment
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PLEASE ALLOW FOUR TO SIX WEEKS FOR THE PROCESSING OF THIS APPLICATION

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.

Wildlife found dead: Wildlife found dead from natural or accidental causes may only be collected where a permit has been issued for this purpose. A permit is also required for display of such specimens.

Use of live wildlife: Neither teachers nor students will be allowed to undertake scientific procedures which cause undue stress, discomfort or pain to any animal, or interfere with the health of any animal. Teachers should familiarise themselves with the requirements for the proper care and handling of animals under the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1986*. Permits will not be issued to schools to retain live wildlife other than those species listed on Schedule 1 & 4 of the *Wildlife Regulations 2002*. The use of live wildlife in schools is restricted to observation and limited experimental studies according to Government guidelines.