

SCIENTIFIC COLLECTING PERMIT FISH, INLAND

The South Carolina Department of Natural Resources, Fisheries Section, is responsible for conservation and management of the State's freshwater fisheries resources. A scientific collecting permit is required when collection methods or harvest are not legal under general licenses, such as sportfishing or commercial fishing licenses. Scientific collecting permits are only issued when agency judgment indicates the obtained information will benefit resource management efforts. The attached application form is intended to streamline the process. Specific questions are encouraged.

General Guideline/Conditions-Applicable to all issued permits

1. **FEE** - A non-refundable processing fee of \$10.00 per application is required. In cases where one permit is issued to an organization, the named permittee is responsible for others in the organization operating under the guidelines of the permit.
2. **EFFECTIVE DATE** - A permit is valid for up to one year from date of issuance until the end of that calendar year.
3. **REVIEW PERIOD** - Up to a 20 working day review period may be required before the permit issuance. Applications which desire permit issuance on January 1 should generally be submitted by November 25 to insure adequate review time. Please plan ahead, where possible, and not expect same day turn around.
4. **PROPER DISPOSAL OF SPECIMENS** - Whenever possible, specimens should be returned alive to the sampled stream. If fish must be sacrificed, they must be disposed of in an appropriate manner, such as burial; fish collected under a permit must not be used for personal consumption or gain.
5. **LISTED SPECIES** - Unless specifically listed on the permit, collection, transport or possession of state or federally listed species is not allowed.
6. **NOTIFICATION OF FIELD SAMPLING** - The appropriate regional fisheries biologist (see list) and conservation officer (see list) should be notified of planned sampling at least 24 hours in advance. Where long-term intensive field studies are planned, it may be appropriate to provide an anticipated sampling schedule.
7. **MARKING OF GEAR** - Unattended sampling gear must be marked with permittee's name and permit number.
8. **MARKING OR TAGGING FISH** - If study design necessitates marking or tagging, the applicant is required to furnish a full description, including identifying codes.

9. **PROVISION OF PUBLIC REPORTS** - Two copies of publicly distributed reports generated by field sampling should be forwarded to the freshwater fisheries section as they become available.

10. **ANNUAL REPORT** - *A summary report will be required.* The report should list by species and location the number collected and sacrificed under an annual permit. The report should be submitted within 120 days of termination of field sampling for a calendar year. *If no collection is made, please send documentation stating No collection made.*

11. **FIELD DATA** - In some cases, submission of field data may be required as it may expand the state's freshwater fishery database. Information transfer request will be made on an individualized basis to the permittee in concert with permit mailing. Received information will be used for management decisions only unless otherwise requested.

12. After a favorable review of application, a wallet-sized permit with basic information will be used for management decisions only, unless otherwise requested.

13. **CORRESPONDENCE:** Direct all correspondence to:

South Carolina Department of Natural Resources
Freshwater Fisheries
Scientific Collecting Permit
P.O. Box 167
Columbia, SC 29202

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **SCDNR**

INSTRUCTIONS

Scientific Collecting Permit Application Form (Reference Attached Form)

1. Self explanation.
2. Self explanatory; provide basic professional qualifications.
3. If more than a single stream or pond will be sampled, request a permit for the sub-basin(s) where sampling will occur (the 15 sub-basins in South Carolina are identified on the enclosed map). If statewide collecting authority is required, request appropriately.
4. Note that the use of toxicant will be severely restricted while fill net use is discouraged, where possible.
5. Teaching indicates the collections will be for educational purposes only. Research indicates a hypothesis is being tested by an educational institution, governmental agency or privately held firm. Contacted survey indicates a fee is being received by applicant to perform research or conduct a survey.
6. It is essential that a separate page of Part II of the application be filed for each major objective under investigation. For example if Professor A wishes to study darter distribution in the Saluda sub-drainage and feeding habits of blue catfish in Lake Brown, two descriptions of the basis study plan are needed.
7. Provide minimal information on how field data could be transferred to agency, if desired.
8. Provide any additional information or questions relative to the application.

INLAND FISHERIES
SCIENTIFIC COLLECTING PERMIT (APPLICATION FORM - PART I)
(Please Print or Type)

1. Applicant:

Institution: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (Office) _____

(Home) _____

INTERNAL USE ONLY
Application Fee _____
Date Received _____
Notification Deadline _____
Date Permit Issued _____

2. Applicant's Job Title: _____

Applicant's Education: _____

Experience:

Number of Subordinates: _____

(Provide names if they will sample without direct supervision of applicant)

3. Desired permit type:

Statewide _____

Sub-Basin _____

Single Site _____

(List, see map) _____

(Name County) _____

4. Method(s)

Statewide _____

Traps _____

Gill/Trammel nets _____

Other (name) _____

Toxicant (name) _____

Trawl _____

Seine _____

5. Purpose(s)

Teaching _____

Research _____

Contracted monitoring survey _____

SCIENTIFIC COLLECTING PERMIT APPLICATION FORM – PART II
(Please Print or Type)

6. Basic Study Plan (one form per study)

Objective: _____

INTERNAL USE ONLY
Annual Report Requested _____
Annual Report Due Date _____
Field Date Request _____
Field Data Transferred _____

Project Leader: _____

Location(s): _____

Sample Frequency: _____

Sampling Method: _____

Estimated number of fish collected: 100 _____ 1,000 _____ 10,000 _____

Fish measures recorded:	_____	Individual length	_____
Total weight by species	_____	Individual weight	_____

Will the above information be recorded for all sampled species: _____?
If not, which ones: _____

Is sacrifice anticipated? _____
If yes, estimated number by species: _____
Justification: _____

7. Format of field data:

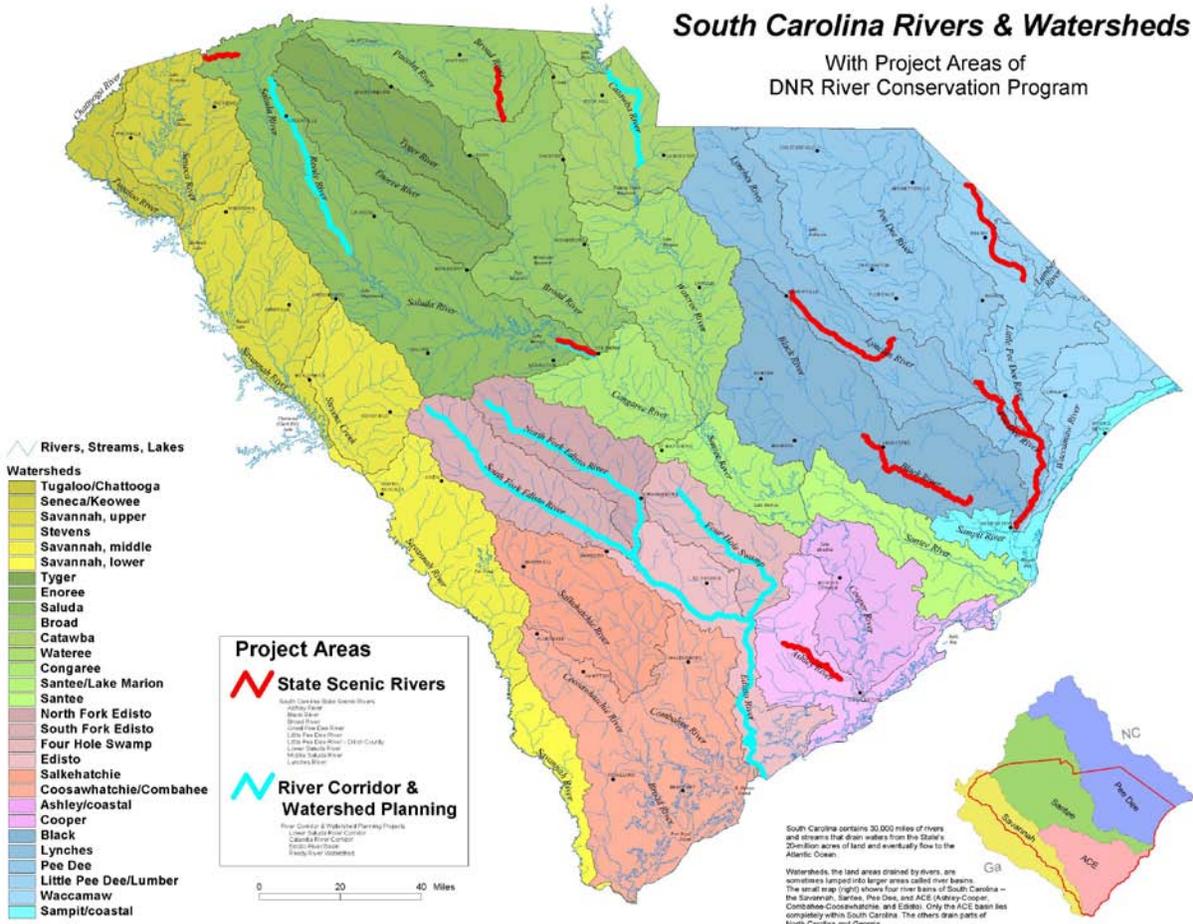
Paper file: _____
Computer file: _____

If computerized: transfer format = ASCH _____ dBaseIII+ _____: PC-SAS _____
Transfer medium – 5 ¼ floppy _____ other: _____

8. General Comments:

South Carolina Rivers & Watersheds

With Project Areas of
DNR River Conservation Program



Regional Biologist
And
Counties of Responsibility

Region 1 (Piedmont)

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Clemson, SC 29670
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Oconee, Pickens, Greenville, Anderson, Laurens,
Spartanburg, Cherokee, Abbeville, Greenwood,
Union, McCormick, Edgefield Counties

Region 2 (Catawba - Pee Dee)

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York, Chester, Fairfield, Lancaster, Kershaw,
Chesterfield, Marlboro, Darlington, Lee, Dillon,
Marion, Florence, Williamsburg Counties

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Hal Beard
2726 Fish Hatchery Road
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803-955-0462

Newberry, Saluda, Lexington, Richland, Aiken,
Barnwell, Bamberg, Allendale, Sumter, Calhoun,
Clarendon, Orangeburg Counties

Region 4 (Coastal)

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Horry, Georgetown, Berkeley, Dorchester,
Colleton, Dorchester, Charleston, Hampton,
Jasper, Beaufort Counties

Regional Law Enforcement Officers
And
Counties of Responsibilities

Region 1

Captain Larry Holbrooks
150 Oak Grove Lake Road
Greenville, SC 29607

Oconee, Pickens, Greenville, Anderson, Laurens,
Spartanburg, Cherokee, Abbeville, Greenwood,
Union, McCormick, Edgefield

864-288-1131

Region 2

Captain William Poole
2007 Pisgah Road
Florence, SC 29501

York, Chester, Fairfield, Lancaster, Kershaw,
Chesterfield, Marlboro, Darlington, Lee, Dillon,
Marion, Florence, Williamsburg

843-661-4766

Region 3

Captain Harvin Brock
PO Box 167
Columbia, SC 29202

Newberry, Saluda, Lexington, Richland, Aiken,
Barnwell, Bamberg, Allendale, Sumter, Calhoun,
Clarendon, Orangeburg

803-734-4303

Region 4

Captain Chisolm Frampton
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Horry, Georgetown, Berkeley, Dorchester,
Colleton, Dorchester, Charleston, Hampton,
Jasper, Beaufort

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