INSTRUCTIONS
SPECIAL PURPOSE PERMIT

Fee:  $200.00 – 1 Year Permit (22.05)

LEGAL AUTHORITY:  NRS 503.597; NAC 503.0935

WILDLIFE DEFINED:  Any wild mammal, wild bird, fish, reptile, amphibian, mollusk, or crustacean found naturally in a wild state, whether indigenous to Nevada or not and whether raised in captivity or not.

PERMIT REQUIREMENT:  Upon the written permit of the Department, a person may handle, move or temporarily possess any wildlife which is classified as protected for the purpose of reducing or eliminating the risk of harm to the wildlife that may result from any lawful activity conducted on land where the wildlife is located. Permits expire December 31 of each year.

WHERE TO OBTAIN APPLICATION:  An application for a permit may be obtained from any Department office located, Elko, Las Vegas, Reno, or on the website at www.ndow.org under the License Office section.

PROCESSING TIME:  All applications are subject to a statewide review process. Allow 4 to 6 weeks for processing. Applications submitted with incomplete Applicant Information section will be returned to the client and could cause a delay in the approval and issuance of the permit.

DENIAL OF APPLICATION:  Whenever an application is denied, the Department shall notify the applicant in writing of the reason for the denial.

FEDERAL PERMIT REQUIREMENTS:  An applicant must submit a copy of his federal permit(s), issued by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service with his application that involve threatened or endangered species, or migratory birds protected by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act.

GENERAL RESTRICTIONS, CONDITIONS, AND REQUIREMENTS

POSESSION OF PERMIT.  A copy of the state permit and federal permit (if required) must be in the possession of the permittee while removal, relocating or transporting wildlife specimens.

TRESPASS.  The permit does not authorize trespass and/or collection activities on state or federal wildlife refuges or reserves, or other public and private property without permission from the landowner or custodian.

ANNUAL REPORTS.  A report of all removal, relocating and salvage activities listing: date of capture/relocated of each species; the number of specimens of each species which were captured/relocated; the habitat type where each specimen was taken; the sex of each specimen; and a description of the location of capture/relocated for each specimen by of the following method:
   - UTM coordinates, NAD 83, Zone 11, rounded to the nearest meter. -

Reports must be submitted to:
Nevada Department of Wildlife
License Office – Special Purpose Permit
6980 Sierra Center Pkwy, Ste 120
Reno, NV 89511

COMMERCIALIZATION PROHIBITED.  Wildlife collected under the authority of a special purpose permit must not be sold, bartered, traded, or converted to personal use.
PERTINENT STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

NAC 503.0935 Special Purpose Permit

1. The Department may issue a special purpose permit pursuant to NRS 503.597 which authorizes the handling, moving or temporarily possessing any wildlife which is classified as protected for the purpose of reducing or eliminating the risk of harm to the wildlife that may result from any lawful activity conducted on land where the wildlife is located.

2. An applicant for a special purpose permit must include on his application:
   (a) The name and date of birth of the applicant;
   (b) The physical or mailing addresses and telephone number of the applicant;
   (c) The name, address and telephone numbers of the place of employment of the applicant;
   (d) The driver’s license number, the state that issued the driver's license and the date of issue of the driver’s license of the applicant, if the applicant holds a driver’s license;
   (e) The name of the company or other entity that the applicant is representing, if different from the employer of the applicant;
   (f) The name of each person who, at the direction of the applicant, will handle, move or temporarily possess the wildlife under the authority of the special permit;
   (g) The common and scientific name and the number of each species of wildlife, or nests or eggs thereof, to be handled, moved or temporarily possessed;
   (h) The manner in which each specimen of wildlife will be handled, moved or temporarily possessed;
   (i) The locations at which and the dates when the wildlife are to be handled, moved or temporarily possessed;
   (j) The locations at which or to which the wildlife will be handled, moved or temporarily possessed, if any;
   (k) A brief synopsis, not to exceed five pages, of the purpose and justification for the handling, moving or temporary possession of the wildlife; and
   (l) The signature of the applicant and the date on which the applicant signed the application.

3. A special permit in subsection 1 must be valid for not more than 1 year. Upon its approval of the application and submission of the fee, the Department shall issue the special purpose permit based on a calendar year.

4. Based on its evaluation of the application, the Department may make such stipulations and conditions on the use and scope of the special permit as the Department deems appropriate. A violation of a stipulation or condition is cause for the cancellation of the special permit.

5. Not later than 30 days after expiration of a special permit specified in subsection 1, the holder of the special permit shall submit to the Department a report which includes, without limitation:
   (a) A list of each species of wildlife which is classified as protected that was handled, moved or temporarily possessed, for each such species:
       (1) The number of wildlife handled, moved or temporarily possessed at each location where the wildlife was handled, moved or temporarily possessed; and
       (2) The date on which the wildlife was handled, moved or temporarily possessed; and
   (b) Any other information which the Department requires.

6. A special permit specified in subsection 1 which is issued by the Department for the handling, movement or temporary possession of:
   (a) A migratory bird that is protected by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, as amended, 16 U.S.C. §§ 703 et seq.; or
   (b) A species of wildlife that is listed as threatened or endangered by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service,
   is not valid for the handling, movement or temporary possession of the migratory bird or the threatened or endangered species until the Department receives a copy of the federal permit issued by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to the applicant for handling, movement or temporary possession of the bird or species.

WHERE TO SEND APPLICATION

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