



APPLICATION AND PERMIT TO REMOVE MUTE SWANS

Required under the authority of the Wildlife Conservation Order, Sections 5.51 and 9.1.

A permit is required to remove mute swans. This form is the application and becomes the permit to remove mute swans. After being approved and signed by the Director's authorized representative, it becomes a valid permit.

APPLICANT INFORMATION	PROPERTY INFORMATION (IF DIFFERENT FROM APPLICANT)	
Applicant	Property Contact	Telephone (including area code)
Mailing Address	Property Address	
City, State, ZIP	City, State, ZIP	
Telephone (including area code)	Name of Site (lake, park, etc.)	
Email Address	Township	County
Name of nuisance animal control firm or agency removing mute swans (if applicable)		

TYPE OF APPLICATION
<input type="checkbox"/> LAKE ASSOCIATION, LAKE AND/OR SITE WITH MULTIPLE PROPERTY OWNERS (must have resolution or petition) This will require <u>one</u> of the following to be submitted with your application: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resolution: A resolution approved by the local government official (township, city etc), which represents the property owners on the subject lake, body of water or site, approving the mute swan removal for their site. Copy of resolution must be sent with application. Contact your local township/city clerk's office to request a resolution for your site. Resolutions are usually valid for one year, but can be valid for up to 5 years. • Petition: Applicant is a lake, lake association, or site, which has public approval consisting of a signed petition from at least 70% of the lakeshore property owners. The petition must clearly state that its purpose is for mute swan removal and that mute swans will be killed. Petition forms are available from the Michigan DNR. The petition will be valid for a 5 year period. A copy of signed petition must be on file with the Michigan DNR.
<input type="checkbox"/> SOLE OWNERSHIP Applicant is an individual, institution, corporation, or other single entity with sole ownership and control of the subject lake, body of water or site, with no public access.
<input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE COUNTY, TOWNSHIP AND CITY OWNERSHIP; OR NATIONAL PARK, WILDLIFE REFUGE, OR FOREST
<input type="checkbox"/> SOLE BOTTOMLAND OWNERSHIP Applicant has sole ownership and control of the bottom lands of the subject lake/body of water.

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REQUIREMENTS

- Applicant is responsible to notify all lake front landowners or sites with multiple property owners of mute swan removal activities.
- Permits shall be valid for five years or until the management needs identified are no longer applicable. Permits may be revoked prior to expiration date if the guidelines in the Michigan DNR Mute Swan Management and Control Program Policy and Procedures are not followed or if management activities result in a threat to public health or safety.
- Applicant/Permit Holder must provide all manpower to remove mute swans, under procedures prescribed by the Michigan DNR, or the Applicant/Permit Holder may contract the services of a permitted nuisance animal control firm or agency. The Applicant/Permit Holder must bear all costs of the mute swan removal operations.
- Permit Holder must carry a legible copy of this permit and display it upon request whenever you are exercising its authority.
- Prior to undertaking mute swan removal, the Permit Holder must call 1 800-292-7800 and render any information requested by the Report All Poaching (RAP) office of the DNR, including but not limited to: location of control activity, date and approximate time of control activity, description and count of individuals involved in the control activity, and description of the equipment (boats, etc.) used in the control activity.
- Captured mute swans shall not be released back into the wild in Michigan.
- Swans must be euthanized by one of the following methods approved by the American Veterinary Medical Association: live capture and euthanized by a veterinarian at the WLD Wildlife Disease Lab, live capture and inhalation of carbon dioxide, live capture and injection of approved euthanasia drugs, live capture and cervical dislocation, capture with Alpha Chloralose, or single shot to the head with approved firearm as indicated in this permit.
- Mute swans euthanized or removed by approved methods must be incinerated, buried, or placed in a landfill according to federal, state, and local regulations.
- If lethal shooting of free swimming mute swans is allowed, the Permit Holder must follow all safety protocols. Firearms are restricted to those lawfully allowed during the regular waterfowl season. Shot is restricted to nontoxic varieties.
- A completion report must be submitted to the issuing DNR Wildlife Biologist for your site within 15 days of mute swan removal activity.

I have read, understand, and will comply with the terms and conditions of the permit. I assure the Michigan DNR that all lakefront landowners have been notified of the mute swan program and understand that mute swans removed from this site will be killed. If applicable, I have provided a copy of the petition/government resolution to the Michigan DNR, and at least seventy percent of the lakefront owners have signed the petition authorizing mute swan removal. I understand this permit does not authorize trespass.

Applicant Signature

Date

Please submit completed and signed application to:

Local DNR Operation Service Center
or Local DNR Wildlife Biologist

DNR USE ONLY		PERMIT CONDITIONS	
Printed Name of Director's Authorized Representative		Total Number of Swans Permitted for Removal	
Director's Authorized Representative Signature of Approval		Method(s) of removal allowed under this permit	
Issue Date	Expiration Date		
Law Enforcement District	Wildlife Region		