



# APPLICATION AND PERMIT FOR MUTE SWAN NEST/EGG DESTRUCTION

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

This form is the application and permit for mute swan nest/egg destruction. After being approved and signed by the Director's authorized representative, it becomes a valid permit. A permit is required to participate in any mute swan nest/egg destruction activity.

APPLICANT INFORMATION	PROPERTY INFORMATION (IF DIFFERENT FROM APPLICANT)	
Applicant	Property Contact	Telephone (       )
Mailing Address	Property Address	
City, State, ZIP	City, State, ZIP	
Telephone (       )	Name of Site (lake, park, etc.)	
Email Address	Township/City	County
Name of nuisance animal control firm or agency destroying nests/eggs (if applicable) _____		

TYPE OF APPLICATION
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>LAKE ASSOCIATION, LAKE AND/OR SITE WITH MULTIPLE PROPERTY OWNERS (must have resolution or petition)</b> This will require <u>one</u> of the following to be submitted with your application: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Resolution:</b> 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 nest/egg destruction 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.</li> <li>• <b>Petition:</b> 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 egg and nest destruction. 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.</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>SOLE OWNERSHIP</b> 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; <u>OR</u> an individual who does not have sole ownership or control of the subject lake/body of water/site, but wishes to destroy nests/eggs located only on their property.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>SINGLE COUNTY, TOWNSHIP AND CITY OWNERSHIP; OR NATIONAL PARK, WILDLIFE REFUGE, OR FOREST</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>SOLE BOTTOMLAND OWNERSHIP</b> Applicant has sole ownership and control of the bottom lands of the subject lake/body of water.

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**REQUIREMENTS**

To obtain a permit for Mute Swan Nest/Egg Destruction:

- Applicant is responsible to notify all lake front landowners or sites with multiple property owners of mute swan nest/egg destruction 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 destroy mute swan nests/eggs, 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 nest/egg destruction 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 nest/egg destruction, 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.
- Mute swan eggs and nests may be destroyed only in the following manner: 1) Eggs may be sprayed with or submerged in 100% food-grade corn oil. The entire surface of the egg must be coated. Eggs that are destroyed should be placed back in the nest to prevent re-nesting, 2) Eggs may be shaken and placed back in the nest to prevent re-nesting, 3) Eggs may be chilled, 4) Eggs may be removed and disposed of according to local ordinances and applicable state laws, and/or 5) Nest material may be physically removed or altered to deter nesting and/or re-nesting.
- A completion report must be submitted to the issuing DNR Wildlife Biologist for your site within 15 days of mute swan nest/egg destruction activity.

*I have read, understand, and will comply with the terms and conditions of the permit. If applicable, I have provided a copy of the petition/resolution to the Michigan DNR, and at least seventy percent of the lakefront owners have signed the petition authorizing Mute Swan nest/egg destruction.*

*I understand this permit does not authorize trespass.*

*Further, I assure the Michigan DNR that lakefront land owners or sites with multiple property owners have been notified of Mute Swan program activities.*

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Applicant Signature

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Date

**Please submit completed and signed application to:**

Local DNR Operation Service Center or  
Local DNR Wildlife Biologist

DNR USE ONLY	
Printed Name of Director's Authorized Representative	
Director's Authorized Representative Signature of Approval	
Issue Date	Expiration Date
Law Enforcement District	Wildlife Region