



# PRIVATE LANDS FIELD DOG TRIAL APPLICATION AND PERMIT

Issued under the authority of Public Act of 1994, part 401, and the Wildlife Conservation Order, Chapter XV. Making a false statement on this application, or failure to comply with the provisions of this Act, is a violation of state law and may result in the revocation of this permit and criminal penalties.

This application and permit is required prior to conducting a field dog trial on private land in Michigan. This form becomes a valid permit only after being approved and signed by the Director's authorized representative. Applicants must complete and submit this application **at least 30 days prior** to a requested event. Trials are valid only for dates approved by this permit. For trials that will take place in more than one specific location (typically coon dog night trials) this permit is valid only if the permittee contacts the Law Enforcement Supervisor for the District in which the trial will be conducted, no later than five days prior to each event, providing him/her with the specific location of the field trial headquarters for that event, and list up to three field trail 24 hour contact telephone numbers. Additional instructions and requirements regarding this permit are listed on the back of this application.

Name of Applicant	Club or Organization	Telephone	E-Mail Address
Mailing Address		Is this a sanctioned event? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <i>If yes, list below</i>	
City, State, ZIP		Name of Sanctioning Organization	
Field Trail 24 hour Contact Telephone <i>(list up to three)</i>			

### TRIAL TYPE

Coon Dog Night     Retrieving Trial     Hound Chase     Water Trials     Coon Dog Water     Pointing Dog Trial

### INDICATE ONE OF TWO CHOICES BELOW REGARDING TRIAL LOCATION:

1)  The trial or trials requested will take place at one specific location. In the area below, indicate the name and address of the landowner, and the county, township, and section where the trial or trials will take place.

Name of Land Owner	Land Owner Telephone
Address of Land Owner	County/Township
City, State, ZIP	Section(s)

2)  The trial or trials will take place at more than one specific location (typically coon dog night trials). In the area below, list the counties in which the trial or trials will take place and see number eight within the instructions on the back of this form.

**Provide list of counties:** 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_

More than one trial may be requested per year provided the trial locations are the same as indicated on this application.

**Provide date(s) of trial(s):** 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_

Michigan game birds used are to be released  Yes  No *(refer to number seven (7) on the back of this application)*

Provide the kind and number of birds to be released: \_\_\_\_\_ Will birds be shot?  Yes  No

**LIABILITY.** Grantee hereby releases, waives, discharges and covenants not to sue the State of Michigan, its departments, officers, employees and agents, from any and all liability to Grantee, its officers, employees and agents, for all losses, injury, death or damage, and any claims or demands thereto, on account of injury to person or property, or resulting in death of Grantee, its officers, employees or agents, in reference to the activities authorized by this permit.

**INDEMNIFICATION.** Grantee hereby covenants and agrees to indemnify and save harmless, the State of Michigan, its departments, officers, employees and agents, from any and all claims and demands, for all loss, injury, death or damage, that any person or entity may have or make, in any manner, arising out of any occurrence related to (1) issuance of this permit; (2) the activities authorized by this permit; and (3) the use or occupancy of the premises which are the subject of this permit by the Grantee, its employees, contractors, or its authorized representatives.

*I certify that I have read and understand the information on the front and back of this form. I, and the organization I represent, agree to abide by the rules established in all activities pertaining to this permit. I understand that this permit does not provide any authorization to circumvent any federal, state, local laws, or any other local zoning and ordinances; nor does it provide any exception to the law other than allowing for the activities specifically authorized by this permit, on the property specifically authorized by this permit. I understand that the Michigan DNR has the right to discontinue or change these permits.*

**Further, I understand this permit does not authorize the use of private property without prior permission.**

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Return completed application to:

**Wildlife Division  
Michigan Department of Natural Resources  
PO Box 30444  
Lansing MI 48909-7944**

DNR USE ONLY	
Permit Number: _____	Expiration: _____
Signature of Director's Authorized Representative _____	Date _____

**REQUIREMENTS AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR PRIVATE LANDS FIELD DOG TRIAL APPLICATION AND PERMIT**

A "field dog trial" is defined as a trial or meet, advertised as such and open to entry by persons whose dogs qualify, in which not less than four participants, with dogs, are permitted to dog train in competition or contest. This definition does not apply to an individual cast of a field dog trial in which fewer than four participants with dogs constitute a cast. Dogs in a field dog trial must be awarded points, trophies, or other actual honors for their performance and demonstration of hunting skills. A person or a group of persons training their dogs, but not competing for prizes, points, trophies, or other actual honors are not participants in a field dog trial and shall not train dogs under the authority of a permit authorizing a field dog trial.

- 1) This permit neither grants nor implies the granting of authority to enter upon private property without prior permission of the property owner. **It is the responsibility of the applicant to secure permission from all landowners for the use of the property on which the event is to be held.**
- 2) Field dog trials on public property require a separate permit. For more information contact the Michigan DNR, Wildlife Division, Permit Specialist at 517-284-6210.
- 3) Nonresidents may not train dogs on bear, bobcat, fox, coyote, raccoon, or opossum except upon authorized private dog training areas. However, nonresidents may participate in authorized field dog trials.
- 4) For any field trial held between April 16 and July 8, a list of all trial participants must be kept at the trial headquarters, and shall be made available for inspection at any time during the duration of the trial to any peace officer.
- 5) In fox and raccoon field trials, live fox or raccoon that are legally possessed under a DNR Permit to Hold Wildlife in Captivity may be used provided that such animals are not released, dragged on a leash, submerged in water, or allowed to come in contact with dogs.
- 6) Unless specifically authorized by this permit, it shall be unlawful for a person to possess a firearm other than a shotgun, pistol, or revolver or ammunition other than blank cartridges while engaged in a field dog trial.

- 7) If the shooting of birds defined as game in Michigan is authorized by this permit, such birds shall be legally obtained from persons authorized to possess and sell birds defined as game in Michigan. If such birds are to be imported into Michigan, a Veterinarian's Certificate of Health must accompany shipment across state lines. Birds may be shot by no more than four previously designated gunners. Birds lawfully taken may be sold or given, provided a receipt is issued by the field trial sponsor to each recipient. The receipt must be retained with the birds until disposal of the carcasses.
- 8) All requested information must be provided on this application. Blank applications will be sent back unapproved. **This application/permit must be received by the DNR Permit Specialist at least 30 days prior to the event. Failure to do so, will result in the denial of your permit. This permit may only be issued for one type of trial.** Please attach a separate sheet if additional space is needed for counties and dates.
- 9) For trials that will take place in more than one specific location (typically coon dog night trials) this permit is valid only if the permit contacts the Law Enforcement Office for the District in which the trial will be conducted, no later than five days prior to EACH event, providing him/her with the specific location of the field trial headquarters, number of participants, and 24 hour field trial contact number or numbers. If the trial will be conducted in more than one district, each of the offices must be contacted. Below is a list of all District Offices and telephone numbers.

COUNTIES:		DISTRICT LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPERVISOR:	COUNTIES:		DISTRICT LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPERVISOR:					
Baraga Dickinson Gogebic Houghton Iron	Keweenaw Marquette Menominee Ontonagon	} DISTRICT 1 LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION MARQUETTE OPERATIONS SERVICE CENTER MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES 1990 US-41 SOUTH MARQUETTE MI 49855 Telephone: 906-228-6561	Bay Gratiot Huron Isabella	Midland Montcalm Saginaw Sanilac Tuscola	} DISTRICT 6 LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION BAY CITY OPERATIONS SERVICE CENTER MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES 3580 STATE PARK DRIVE BAY CITY MI 48706 Telephone: 989-684-9141					
Alger Chippewa Delta	Luce Mackinac Schoolcraft		} DISTRICT 2 LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION NEWBERRY OPERATIONS SERVICE CENTER MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES 5100 STATE HWY M-123 NEWBERRY MI 49868 Telephone: 906-293-5131	Allegan Barry Berrien Cass Ionia Kalamazoo		} DISTRICT 7 LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION PLAINWELL OPERATIONS SERVICE CENTER MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES 621 NORTH 10th STREET PLAINWELL MI 49080 Telephone: 269-685-6851				
Alpena Antrim Charlevoix Cheboygan	Emmet Montmorency Otsego Presque Isle			} DISTRICT 3 LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION GAYLORD OPERATIONS SERVICE CENTER MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES 1732 WEST M-32 GAYLORD MI 49735 Telephone: 989-732-3541			Branch Calhoun Clinton Eaton Hillsdale Ingham	} DISTRICT 8 LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION ROSE LAKE FIELD OFFICE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES 8562 EAST STOLL ROAD EAST LANSING MI 48823 Telephone: 517-641-4903		
Benzie Grand Traverse Lake Leelanau Manistee Mason	Mecosta Newaygo Oceana Osceola Wexford						} DISTRICT 4 LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION CADILLAC OPERATIONS SERVICE CENTER MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES 8015 MACKINAW TRAIL CADILLAC MI 49601 Telephone: 231-775-9727		Genesee Lapeer Macomb Monroe	} DISTRICT 9 LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION SOUTHFIELD OPERATIONS SERVICE CENTER MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES 26000 WEST EIGHT MILE ROAD SOUTHFIELD MI 48034 Telephone: 248-359-9040
Alcona Arenac Clare Crawford Gladwin Iosco	Kalkaska Missaukee Ogemaw Oscoda Roscommon								} DISTRICT 5 LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION ROSCOMMON OPERATIONS SERVICE CENTER MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES 8717 NORTH ROSCOMMON ROAD ROSCOMMON MI 48653 Telephone: 989-275-5151	