

## Permitting Steps on Michigan Falconry

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1. Take the State of Michigan Department of Natural Resources Falconry Exam. Some study materials are available on our website [www.michigan.gov/wildlifepermits](http://www.michigan.gov/wildlifepermits). However, the Michigan Hawking Club may be your best resource for adequate study materials.
2. When you pass your test with 80% or better, you will receive a packet from the DNR-Wildlife Division Permit Specialist. The packet will have a Sponsorship Agreement Form and Permit Application.
3. Now you are ready to start constructing your mews. Once your facility is complete you may send in your permit application, \$100 and sponsorship agreement to the DNR Wildlife Division Permit Specialist at PO Box 30444, Lansing, MI 48909.
4. The Permit Specialist will then send a request to the DNR's Law Enforcement Division for an inspection.
5. Once the inspection is completed and all requirements have been met, your permit will be issued.
6. The Permit Specialist has 45 days to issue the permit once all documents have been received and the inspection is completed.
7. A raptor capture permit is required prior to trapping a wild bird in Michigan.

### Questions:

<http://www.fws.gov/pacific/migratorybirds/Permits/falconers.html>

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