

Research Permit Application – Fish / freshwater crayfish and aquatic invertebrates listed under the *Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988*

Unsure if a permit is required? Please see the [pre-application checklist](#) for further guidance. Further information in relation to the application process is available from the [Conservation Regulator website](#).

If you intend to take listed fish / freshwater crayfish or aquatic invertebrates from any land managed by Parks Victoria you will also need to apply through [ParkConnect](#) for an Access Agreement. Approval may be required under the *Fisheries Act 1995*. Please contact the [Victorian Fisheries Authority](#) for further information.

* Denotes a mandatory field

1. Applicant details

Title	First name*	Other given names	Family name*
Date of birth*	Organisation		
Position / title			
Email address*		Phone number*	
Street name*	City/Suburb/Town*	Postcode*	

2. Project details

Project title*		
Proposed start date*:		Proposed finish date*:
Is this a renewal of an existing research permit?*		
Yes	☐	No ☐
If yes, please provide details of previous permit below, and Victorian Biodiversity Atlas (VBA) Reference number.		
Permit no.	Expiry date	VBA Reference number (Project ID)

Project aim*

Provide a concise overview of the project. Attach a separate page if necessary.

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3. Listed fish / freshwater crayfish / aquatic invertebrate species*

Attach a separate page if necessary. Please list only the target species. List the maximum number animals to be used in the research for (up to) three years of your research activities.

Scientific name	Common name	Total no. of animals

4. Listed fish / freshwater crayfish / aquatic invertebrates activities

Please select all relevant boxes:

☐ Capture/trapping using:

☐ Hand capture

☐ Netting

☐ Traps

☐ Electrofishing

☐ Other (please specify)

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☐ Translocation

☐ Fin / scale clipping

☐ Collect tissue / blood sample

☐ Microchipping

☐ Collection of biometric data

☐ Attaching telemetry devices

☐ Euthanasia

☐ Keeping / breeding in captivity *If yes to breeding, please provide information about how animals surplus to requirements will be disposed of.*

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Other (please specify)

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5. Animal ethics approval

Animal ethics approval may be required for fin clipping, tissue sampling, tagging and attaching tracking devices, and collection of biometric data. For further information visit <https://agriculture.vic.gov.au/livestock-and-animals/animal-welfare-victoria/animals-used-in-research-and-teaching/licensing-to-use-animals-in-research-or-teaching/activities-requiring-a-licence>

If you have obtained animal ethics approval please provide details below. A copy of the animal ethics application and approval must be submitted with the application.

Animal Ethics Approval Reference #

Approval date

Expiry date

6. Proposed research sites

Please provide the location of proposed research sites. For example 'Mt Clay State Forest, or private property at 123 Long St Woorndoo /Lagoon Plateau Reference Area or various locations in Melton Shire'. GPS coordinates are not required but may be included.

For the translocation and/or take from the wild, you must include details where they will be kept, collected from and/or released.

Please also include the street address of any location where listed fish / freshwater crayfish / aquatic invertebrates will be kept for the duration of the project. Please note, a research permit approved under the Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988 does not convey the right of entry to any property or site (including public or Crown Land) to conduct authorised research activities. Prior permission from the landowner or manager is required.

7. Acknowledgment by applicant*

- ☐ I understand that there are penalties for making a false declaration and that any permit issued as a result of false or misleading information will be cancelled and may affect my eligibility for future permits or licences under the *Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988*.
- ☐ I declare that all details provided in relation to this application are true and correct.

Signature of Applicant

Date

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**Please email this completed form and ethics documentation (if required)
to environmental.research@deeca.vic.gov.au**