

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

INLAND FISH DIVISION

EXPERIMENTAL FRESHWATER MINNOW DIP NET PERMIT APPLICATION

APPLICANT INFORMATION

**(PLEASE PRINT)**

Name of Applicant (Last, First, Middle Init.): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Area Code (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security #: \_\_\_\_\_ Drivers License #: \_\_\_\_\_

Commercial Fisherman License #: \_\_\_\_\_

Commercial Dip Net License#: \_\_\_\_\_

Vessel Registration #: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicants Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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ENCLOSE APPLICATION, CHECK OR MONEY ORDER (**DO NOT SEND CASH**) FOR **\$20.00** TO:

La. Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
Attn: Mark McElroy, Inland Fish Division  
P.O. Box 98000  
Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000

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# Experimental Freshwater Minnow Dip Net Permit Regulations

Dear Permit Applicant:

You must read, understand and agree to abide by the permit regulations described below by signing the "Statement of Compliance" regarding the issuance of permits by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

- 1) Permittee may experimentally fish for bait fishes with a wire mesh dip net, 1/4 inch bar, no greater than 3 feet cylindrical open end net shaped in a cone, affixed to a handle that may be attached to a boat and is held by hand.
- 2) Only freshwater minnows may be taken; all threatened, endangered, specifically protected and game fish species (as defined in R.S. 56:327 A) shall be immediately returned to waters from which they were caught.
- 3) Permittee may only possess minnows taken under this permit and legal freshwater commercial species.
- 4) Permittee shall have the permit in possession at all times when using permitted gear; permittee shall be on board permitted vessel when operating under conditions of permit.
- 5) Permitted gear must be properly licensed as a Commercial Dip Net and may be fished in freshwater areas only.
- 6) Permittee may only possess the permitted gear and set lines while fishing under the permit.
- 7) Permittee may possess or fish no more than 2 dip nets as described in Subparagraph a above on board a vessel under this permit.
- 8) Permitted gear handle must be painted with international orange paint.
- 9) Permittee must furnish a monthly report to the Department, even when catch is zero. This report must show the pounds of each species and waterbody from which they were taken. The report shall be received by the Department no later than 30 days following the last day of each month. Reports are to be sent to the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Inland Fisheries Permits Manager, P.O. Box 98000, Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000.
- 10) This permit may be canceled at any time if in the judgment of the Secretary or his designee, the permit is being used for purposes other than that for which the permit was issued.
- 11) Violating any provisions or regulations of the experimental fishery permit shall deem a person not to be operating under the provisions of the program and shall subject the individual to the statutory requirements and penalties as provided for in R.S. 56:32.

## **Statement of Compliance**

I have been advised and do understand that by applying for and accepting a permit issued by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, I am being allowed to engage in an activity which would otherwise be prohibited by law or for which a permit is required. I understand that the permit is not a license and confers no property rights upon me. I specifically agree to abide by all State and Federal fish and wildlife laws and regulations, and all State and Federal laws and regulations which relate to this permit or the permitted activity, and by all other terms and conditions of this permit. I understand that the permit for which I am applying may be suspended, canceled or revoked at any time by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. I agree to immediately surrender the permit issued to me upon demand made upon me by any authorized employee of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. I understand that my failure to fully and completely comply with the laws, regulations, terms, and conditions referred to herein will result in the immediate suspension, cancellation or revocation of this and other permits issued to me by the Department and that I may be denied future permits as a consequence of my actions. I understand and agree that any permit issued to me by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is in the nature of a privilege which is being voluntarily extended to me by the Department and the failure on my part to cooperate fully and completely with the Department or any of its employees can result in the loss of the privilege conferred and the denial of future requests for permits. By accepting a permit, I evidence my agreement to be bound by all conditions and stipulations set forth herein.

PRINT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**THIS STATEMENT IS REQUIRED TO BE READ AND SIGNED BEFORE ANY PERMIT CAN BE ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES, EFFECTIVE 8/18/97.**