



Department of the Interior
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Migratory Bird and Eagle
Acquisition and Transfer Request

(Please see page 2 for instructions)

1 SPECIES: _____ Band number or other identification (if applicable): _____
Sex: ___ Male ___ Female ___ Unknown Age: ___ Nestling ___ Immature ___ Adult
2 SENDER (person transferring bird) Name: _____
Telephone No. (____) _____ Fax No.: (____) _____ E-mail: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
FWS Permit No.: _____ Type: ___ Rehabilitation ___ Special Purpose Possession ___ Other (specify): _____
Reason for Transfer: _____
If this bird is currently listed on your Special Purpose Possession (Education) permit & is being transferred, or has escaped or died, do you plan to replace it? ___ Yes ___ No
3 RECIPIENT (person acquiring bird) Name: _____
Telephone No. (____) _____ Fax No. (____) _____ E-mail: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
FWS Permit No.: _____ Type: ___ Rehabilitation ___ Special Purpose Possession ___ Other (specify): _____
Is this a replacement bird for a bird already on your permit? ___ Yes ___ No
Does your Federal permit already authorize possession of this species? ___ Yes ___ No
4 BIRD IS: RELEASABLE * NONRELEASABLE IF NON-RELEASABLE, WHY? Describe the bird's condition that renders it non-releasable (& attach a veterinarian's statement confirming that the bird is non-releasable & why):
*Releasable birds must be released except raptors may be transferred to permitted falconers (see 50 CFR 21.31(e)(4)(ii)).
5 ATTACHMENTS
(a) You must attach a veterinarian's statement confirming that the bird is non-releasable & why.
(b) If you are acquiring a bird & your permit does not already authorize this species or number of birds, attach a description & photographs of your permanent facilities for housing the bird.
(c) If you are acquiring a bird & your permit does not already list individuals of this species, attach:
(i) A brief outline of the educational program you will deliver regarding the species or similar species (educators, only), &
(ii) A description of your experience handling this particular species.
6 CERTIFICATION. I certify that the information submitted above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that making a false statement may subject me to the criminal penalties of 18 U.S.C. 1001.
Your signature: _____ Date: _____
U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE APPROVAL / DISAPPROVAL
Approved: _____ Signature of FWS official Title/Region Date
Concurrence: _____ Signature of FWS official Title/Region Date
Denied: _____ Signature of FWS official Title/Region Date
Reason denied _____

INSTRUCTIONS

This form is for use of holders of Federal Migratory Bird Special Purpose Possession Live (Education), Eagle Exhibition, and Rehabilitation permits.

Educators/Exhibitors: This form must be completed and approved for each transfer, acquisition, release, or loss of a migratory bird held under the permit. Both the transferring and the receiving permittees must complete a copy of this form and submit it to their issuing U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Migratory Bird Permit Office(s).

Rehabilitators: a) This form is required for transfer of nonreleasable birds from a permitted rehabilitator to another permittee or to another type of permit the rehabilitator holds. Both the transferring rehabilitator and the intended recipient must complete and submit copies of this form. b) This form is also required for transfer of a raptor to a permitted falconer. The falconer must complete a form 3-186A rather than this form. c) Rehabilitators must also use this form prior to transferring any live bird to a public institution that is exempt from the permit requirement. A receiving exempt institution does not need to submit a form.

You must submit the completed form to your issuing office for approval *prior* to receiving or transferring a bird. These forms may be faxed to the issuing office provided the original follows by mail. If the requested transaction necessitates amendment of your permit, the completed form will serve as your amendment request. The authorizing Service official will approve or deny the transaction at the bottom of the form and provide a copy to you for your records. If your request is approved, you may take possession or transfer the bird once you receive your copy. If your request is denied, you may not conduct the requested activity (see 50 CFR 13.29 for reconsideration procedures).

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If you:	then you must complete these sections on the front of this form
A. wish to transfer a bird to another permittee (or to another permit you hold, or to an institution exempt from the permit requirement under 50 CFR 21.12),	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6.
B. lost a bird due to its escape, theft, or death,	1, 2, and 6.
C. wish to acquire a bird from another permittee (or from another permit you hold),	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6.

2. A veterinarian's statement of non-releasability is required to transfer all birds from rehabilitation permits- except for releasable raptors being transferred to permitted falconers. Attach a veterinarian's statement describing the injury/illness that renders the bird non-releaseable.
3. If you are acquiring a migratory bird and your Federal permit does not already include authorization to possess this individual, you must provide your permitting office with a description and photographs of your permanent facilities for housing this bird. This information is required before your permit can be amended to authorize your possession and acquisition of this bird. Your permit will specify the number of birds of this species you are authorized to possess, based in part on the adequacy of your facilities.
4. If you are acquiring a bird that is a new species for you (i.e., your permit does not already authorize possession of individuals of this species), you must provide (a) a brief outline of the educational program you will deliver regarding this species, and (b) a description of your experience handling this particular species. This information is required before your permit can be amended to authorize your possession and acquisition of this bird.
5. Sign and date the form.
6. Mail the completed form and any required attachments to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Migratory Bird Permit Office that issued your permit.

Notice

Privacy Act (5 U.S.C.552a): The gathering of information on fish and wildlife is authorized by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16 U.S.C. 703 et seq.), and Parts 13 and 21 of Title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Disclosure of the requested information is necessary for administration of permits under MBTA and is a condition of your permit. Failure to disclose all of the requested information may be sufficient cause for revocation of your permit. The information will be used to monitor disposition of captive birds and the take of birds from the wild. Routine use disclosures outside the Department of the Interior may be made without the consent of an individual if the disclosure is compatible with the purposes for which the record was collected. (Ref. 68 FR 52611, September 4, 2003)

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