

E. EXPORT OF AMERICAN GINSENG (MULTIPLE COMMERCIAL SHIPMENTS)

Note: This application should be used to request authorization to export multiple commercial shipments of artificially propagated and wild-harvested American ginseng (*Panax quinquefolius*). For a single shipment of American ginseng, submit form [3-200-32](#).

This application establishes a Master File, valid for up to three years for artificially propagated American ginseng and one year for wild-harvested American ginseng (both are renewable), for commercial exports. Once the Master File is approved, you must obtain single-use permits, valid for 6 months for each export ([50 CFR 13](#)).

Activity being requested:

- Three-year Artificially Propagated authorization (click this link for the fee)
- Renewal of Artificially Propagated authorization; Master File # _____ (click this link for the fee)
- One-year wild-harvested authorization for harvest season _____ (click this link for the fee)
- Renewal of a one-year wild authorization for harvest season _____;
Master File # _____ (click this link for the fee)

How many single-use permits do you wish to request (anticipate using in the next 6 months) upon completion of this Master File review? _____. (Provide the fee for each single use 6-month permit)

Additional permits may be requested via form [3-200-74](#).

All processing fees are non-refundable.

To see the States and Tribes with a USFWS Approved Export Program for wild and artificially propagated American ginseng, [click here](#).

Complete Part I and either Part II (wild-harvested American ginseng) or Part III (artificially propagated American ginseng), as appropriate. If both artificially propagated and wild ginseng are to be exported, submit a separate application for each. For wild ginseng, submit a separate application for each harvest season. Complete all pages of the application, for your requested activity.

PART I. ALL APPLICANTS COMPLETE

1. Name and address where you wish the permit to be mailed, if different from page 1. If you would like expedited shipping, please enclose a self-addressed, pre-paid, computer-generated, courier service airway bill. If unspecified, all documents will be mailed via regular mail through the U.S. Postal Service.
2. Who should we contact if we have questions about the application (name, phone number, and e-mail)?
3. Have you or any of the owners of the business (if applying as a business, corporation, or institution), been assessed a civil penalty or convicted of any criminal provision of any statute or regulation relating to the activity for which the application is filed; been convicted, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, for a felony violation of the Lacey Act, the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, or the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act; forfeited collateral; OR are currently under charges for any violation of the laws mentioned above?

No Yes

If you answered "Yes" to Question 3, provide: a) the individual's name; b) date of charge; c) charge(s); d) location of

incident; e) court, and f) action taken for each violation. Please be aware that a "Yes" response does not automatically disqualify you from getting a permit.

PART II. COMPLETE IF EXPORTING WILD AMERICAN GINSENG (*PANAX QUINQUEFOLIUS*).

4. Harvest season (year) that the ginseng was/will be harvested: _____

5. List State(s) or Tribal lands where ginseng was/will be harvested:

6. Approximate number of pounds expected to be exported during the time your Master File is valid:

7. ENTER an "X" in the box that applies. Type of roots or other specimens to be exported:
___ Dried roots ___ Green roots ___ Other (ENTER a description: _____)

Please note that all ginseng that is exported must be accompanied by valid State or Tribal documents that certify the state of the root (i.e., green or dried), the weight of the roots, and that they were legally harvested within the State or Tribal lands ([50 CFR 23.68](#)).

Roots must be exported in the same state (i.e., green or dried) as identified on the face of the State or Tribal document.

Please attach a copy of your valid State license(s) or permit(s) authorizing you to deal in ginseng (if uncertain, check with your State) and a copy of your valid USDA Protected Plant Permit.

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT: (ORIGINAL SIGNATURE IS REQUIRED)

I understand that all wild American ginseng to be exported must have been harvested within a single year, as identified above and must be accompanied by valid State or Tribal documents that certify it was legally harvested in the State(s) and/or on the Tribal lands listed above (#5) and identifies the state (i.e., dried or green) of the ginseng root. I further acknowledge that the roots must be exported in the same state (i.e., dried or green) as is identified on the State or Tribal land certificate(s).

Applicant's signature: _____ Date: _____

PART III. COMPLETE IF EXPORTING ARTIFICIALLY PROPAGATED AMERICAN GINSENG (*PANAX QUINQUEFOLIUS*).

NOTE: Artificially propagated American ginseng is defined under [50 CFR 23.64](#).

8. List State(s) or Tribal lands where ginseng was or will be harvested:

9. Approximate number of pounds expected to be exported each year during the time your Master File is valid:

10. ENTER an "X" in the box that applies. Type of roots or other specimens to be exported:

Dried roots Green roots Other (ENTER a description: _____)

Please note that all ginseng that is exported must be accompanied by valid State or Tribal documents that certify the state of the root (i.e., green or dried), the weight of the roots, and that they were artificially propagated within the State or Tribal lands. Roots must be exported in the same state (i.e., green or dried) as identified on the face of the State or Tribal document.

If applicable, please attach a copy of your valid State license(s) or permit(s) authorizing you to deal in ginseng (if uncertain, check with your State) and a copy of your valid USDA Protected Plant Permit.

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT: (ORIGINAL SIGNATURE IS REQUIRED)

I understand that all artificially propagated American ginseng to be exported must be accompanied by valid State and/or Tribal documents which certify that it was artificially propagated in the State(s) and/or on the Tribal lands listed above (#7).

Applicant's signature: _____ Date: _____

NOTICES

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

Authority: The information requested is authorized by the following: the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668), 50 CFR 22; the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531-1544), 50 CFR 17; the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16 U.S.C. 703-712), 50 CFR 21; the Marine Mammal Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 1361, et seq.), 50 CFR 18; the Wild Bird Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 4901-4916), 50 CFR 15; the Lacey Act: Injurious Wildlife (18 U.S.C. 42), 50 CFR 16; Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (TIAS 8249), 50 CFR 23; General Provisions, 50 CFR 10; General Permit Procedures, 50 CFR 13; and Wildlife Provisions (Import/export/transport), 50 CFR 14.

Purpose: The collection of contact information is to verify the individual has an eligible permit to conduct activities which affect protected species. This helps FWS monitor and report on protected species and assess the impact of permitted activities on the conservation and management of species and their habitats.

Routine Uses: The collected information may be used to verify an applicant's eligibility for a permit to conduct activities with protected wildlife; to provide the public and the permittees with permit related information; to monitor activities under a permit; to analyze data and produce reports to monitor the use of protected wildlife; to assess the impact of permitted activities on the conservation and management of protected species and their habitats; and to evaluate the effectiveness of the permit programs. More information about routine uses can be found in the System of Records Notice, Permits System, FWS-21.

Disclosure: The information requested in this form is voluntary. However, submission of requested information is required to process applications for permits authorized under the listed authorities. Failure to provide the requested information may be sufficient cause for the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service to deny the request.

PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT STATEMENT

We are collecting this information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501) in order provide the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service the information necessary, under the applicable laws governing the requested activity, for which a permit is requested. Information requested in this form is purely voluntary. However, submission of requested information is required in order to process applications for permits authorized under the applicable laws. Failure to provide all requested information may be sufficient cause for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to deny the request. According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. OMB has approved this collection of information and assigned Control No. 1018-0093.

ESTIMATED BURDEN STATEMENT

We estimate public reporting for this collection of information averages:

Original submission - paper-based: 20 minutes
Amended submission - paper-based: 15 minutes
Original submission - electronic: 25 minutes
Amended submission - electronic: 12 minutes

These estimates include time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of the form to the Service Information Clearance Officer, Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Department of the Interior, 5275 Leesburg Pike, MS: PRB/PERMA (JAO), Falls Church, VA 22041-3803, or via email at Info_Coll@fws.gov. Please do not send your completed form to this address.