

**Antarctic Conservation Act
Permit Application Form
(NSF Form 1078)**

According to the regulations pursuant to the Antarctic Conservation Act as amended by the Antarctic Science, Tourism, and Conservation Act, a permit is required to “take” native animals or birds, engage in harmful interference, enter Antarctic Specially Protected Areas, introduce nonindigenous species into Antarctica, or import/export any antarctic fauna and flora into/from the United States.

Applicants should note that processing a permit application takes approximately 45-60 days primarily as a result of the required 30-day public comment period [Section 670.9(g)]. Questions on the Antarctic Conservation Act should be directed to:

ACA Permit Officer
Office of Polar Programs
U.S. National Science Foundation
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Alexandria, Virginia 22314

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A copy of the Antarctic Conservation Act Application and Permit Form follows. An up-to-date [list of Antarctic Specially Protected Areas \(ASPAs\)](#) and their management plans are posted on the Antarctic Treaty website.

U.S. NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22314		ANTARCTIC CONSERVATION ACT APPLICATION AND PERMIT FORM		PROPOSAL NO.	
1. TYPE OF PERMIT REQUESTED <input type="checkbox"/> TAKE <input type="checkbox"/> IMPORT INTO USA—PORT OF ENTRY <input type="checkbox"/> HARMFUL INTERFERENCE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> ENTER ANTARCTIC SPECIALLY PROTECTED AREA <input type="checkbox"/> EXPORT FROM USA <input type="checkbox"/> INTRODUCE NON-INDIGENOUS SPECIES INTO ANTARCTICA					
2. NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE/FAX NO. AND E-MAIL ADDRESS OF APPLICANT (IF APPLICANT IS A CORPORATION, FIRM, PARTNERSHIP, INSTITUTION, OR AGENCY, EITHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE, COMPLETE NO. 4).					
3. IF APPLICANT IS AN INDIVIDUAL, INCLUDE BUSINESS OR INSTITUTIONAL AFFILIATION (IF DIFFERENT THAN NO. 2)			4. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PRESIDENT OR PRINCIPAL OFFICER		
5. NAME OF PERMIT HOLDER'S AGENTS (FIELD PARTY MEMBERS), IF ANY (USE "TBA" AND INDICATE NUMBER, IF NAMES UNKNOWN)				6. DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATES	
7. LOCATION(S)—INCLUDE DESCRIPTION, TIME PERIOD, AND PROPOSED ACCESS TO THE LOCATION					
8. SPECIMEN INFORMATION (ATTACH SUPPLEMENTAL SPECIMEN TABLE IF MORE SPACE IS NEEDED)					
(a) SPECIMEN/SPECIES <i>(scientific name, if applicable)</i>	(b) NUMBER <i>PER ANNUM</i>	(c) DESCRIPTION OF SPECIMEN(S) <i>(life stage, sex, sample type & size, etc.)</i>	(d) MANNER OF TAKE OR INTERFERENCE	(e) IMPORT (Y/N)	(f) ULTIMATE DISPOSITION
CERTIFICATION					
I certify that the information submitted in this application for a permit is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. Any false statement will subject me to the criminal penalties of 18 U.S.C. 1001.					
SIGNATURE			DATE		
FOR NSF USE ONLY					
This application for a permit under the Antarctic Conservation Act, P.L. 95-541, as amended, and NSF regulations contained in Title 45 Part 670 of the Code of Federal Regulations is approved subject to the following conditions:					
THIS PERMIT EXPIRES ON: _____ (Date)					
TYPED NAME AND TITLE AND SIGNATURE OF NSF AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL				DATE	

9. DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITY FOR WHICH PERMIT IS NEEDED AND JUSTIFICATION FOR PROJECT. ALSO INCLUDE HERE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RELATING TO THE SPECIFIC ACTION FOR WHICH THE PERMIT IS BEING SOUGHT. ATTACH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AS REQUIRED.

PRIVACY ACT AND PUBLIC BURDEN STATEMENTS

The information requested in this application is solicited under the authority of the Antarctic Conservation Act (ACA), as amended, the National Science Foundation Act of 1950, as amended, and NSF regulations at 45 CFR Part 670. The information will be used in administration of the ACA, particularly to make a determination on eligibility for an ACA permit. The information requested may be disclosed to other Federal agencies or a court, administrative, or adjudicative body involved in implementing or enforcing the ACA; to Federal, state, or local agencies, or foreign governments, where necessary to obtain records in connection with an investigation, or to persons, including witnesses, who may have information, documents, or knowledge relevant to an ACA investigation or enforcement proceeding; to other Federal agencies when relevant to a decision by that agency on a security clearance, on the award of a contract or grant, on the issuance of a license or other benefit, or on a disciplinary or other administrative action concerning its employee; to government contractors, experts, volunteers and researchers as necessary to complete assigned work; to a grantee institution or contractor in connection with an investigation or enforcement proceeding where an ACA violation is alleged against it or one of its employees, researchers, or subcontractors; and to another Federal agency, court or party in a court or Federal administrative proceeding if the government is a party. See Systems of Records, NSF-56, "Antarctic Conservation Act Files," 59 Federal Register 5784 (February 8, 1994). Submission of this information is voluntary. However, failure to provide full and complete information necessary for an eligibility determination may reduce the possibility of receiving a permit.

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APPLICATION
TO:

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