

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

Application for Permit to Use Captive-Reared Upland Game Birds for Dog Training.

Note: Applicants wishing to hold captive reared upland game birds for more than 1 day must provide information in Part 1 describing the type of enclosure that will be used to house and hold the birds. **Applicants must sign the back of the application.**

Name (Print) _____

Phone number _____ Date of Birth _____

Address _____

St. or P.O. Box _____ City _____ County _____ Zip _____

PART 1. DESCRIPTION OF ENCLOSURES

Species to be Possessed _____

Description of Enclosure _____

Location where birds will be held _____

Physical Address, City

PART 2. APPLICATION TO KILL BIRDS IN DOG TRAINING. PERMIT EXPIRES DECEMBER 31.

Game bird **species** and **number** requested (if more than 50 birds are requested, attach a letter justifying the need for additional birds) _____

It is the responsibility of the dog trainer to obtain permission for use of the training location. Legal description of the property(s) where training will take place:

Township _____ Range _____ Section _____

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Beginning and last dates for which permit is requested:

Beginning date _____ Last date _____

Dog training covered under this permit is defined as the handling, exercising, teaching, instructing, and disciplining of dogs in the skills and techniques of hunting and retrieving

game birds characterized by absence of judging, awards, or any fees related to the shooting of game birds.

General Terms of Permits

1. All birds killed must be game bird farm birds obtained from a lawful source and released on the day of training only. Birds may only be killed on the day they are released. All birds not killed become the property of the state.
2. Permittee shall attempt to flush all wild game birds from the training area each day.
3. Game bird farm birds may only be killed by the permittee or persons accompanied by the permittee and assisting in training dogs under the permittee's control. (Game bird farm birds may only be killed by the permittee or a person assisting the permittee in training a dog under the command of the permittee.)
4. All game bird farm birds used for training must have a streamer of fluorescent surveyor tape conspicuously attached prior to release at the training site.
5. Game bird farm birds killed during training shall remain in the possession of the permittee unless the game birds are transferred to a person either in possession of a valid permit listed under ARM 12.6.1602 or in possession of documentation signed by the permittee assigning ownership of the birds.
6. All dog training areas must be more than one mile from any bird nesting or management area or game preserve.
7. This permit does not authorize commercial shoots or organized hunts or the selling, breeding, or propagation of captive reared upland game birds.
8. Trainers utilizing captive reared mallards for dog training must have a bill of sale indicating legal acquisition and possession of the migratory birds. USFWS requires that captive reared mallards over 6 weeks must be banded, toe clipped, or have a wing pinioned.
9. The dog training permit expires on December 31 of the year of issue.
10. Any violation of the terms of this permit may result in permit revocation and/or criminal penalties.

_____ Applicant's Signature	_____ Date
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Return application to Regional FWP office that administers the area requested for game bird possession or dog training.

PERMIT APPROVAL:

_____	Date	_____	Date
Warden Captain		Wildlife Manager	

You must supply your permit number to the game bird farm operator or supplier of game birds in order to purchase birds or have birds shipped to you.

Copies to: Applicant, Warden, Helena HQ. Original in regional file.

FOR USE BY PERMITTEE			
# BIRDS PURCHASED	SPECIES	DATE	PURCHASED FROM
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____