

FISH RESOURCE PERMIT (FRP) FOR CLASSROOM INCUBATION PROJECTS

- September 1 Schools should have a Fish Resource Permit for their classroom incubation project. (If not and if they will be obtaining eggs prior to the end of the calendar year, they should apply immediately. The application review process is 30 days.) The classroom instructor who has daily supervision is the applicant. The school is considered the primary employer, not the school district.
- Oct-Nov If the school has a permit, it may obtain eggs and begin the classroom incubation project. (A copy of the permit must accompany the fish or egg transport). The classroom is expected to:
1. Measure and record daily water temperatures
 2. Keep a cumulative log of temperature unit development.
 3. Note on temperature unit log when the eggs are eyed, when hatching begins and ends, and when fry begin to "swim up" in the tank.
- December 31 **All permits expire December 31.** An application for next calendar year is due, *with a copy of the study plan* for the calendar year, and a collection report (Report # 1). Negative reports and "no collections" reports – are required. The application and study plan may be filed anytime during this month.

The study plan is a written operational plan that identifies the purpose and need for the project, the research objectives, procedures, and an explanation of benefits that may accrue from the requested activities. It is a requirement of the "Uniform Application Procedures."

- January 31 If not already filed, the report is absolutely due. Failure to file a report, even a negative or "no collection," can result in denial of a permit for the school in future years. The commissioner will not re-issue a permit to the teacher or school until reporting requirements are met. Incubation cannot continue into the new calendar year without a new permit. You may be requested to destroy the fry immediately if you continue incubation without proof of filing an application or a permit.
- May-June Note the date the fry are released or sacrificed on the cumulative log. Send a copy of the log with the final report (Report #2).

The permit does not expire until December 31. The teacher will be able to use this permit to begin the project the following school year.

AMENDMENTS: If you decide you need to change the egg source, write a short letter/memo/note/e-mail explaining why you need to make the change and name the new source. Send it to the address below. You may not use the new source until you receive the permit.

OTHER COLLECTIONS: A permit is required for the collection of fish, shellfish, or aquatic plants. The permit is required if the specimens will be killed at the collection site, or caught and released unharmed at the collection site.

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