

North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries (NCDMF)
AQUACULTURE SEED TRANSPLANT PERMIT APPLICATION

Application Date	____/____/____
Expiration Date	____/____/____
Email Address	

Enter additional supporting permits (if applicable)	
Introduce/Transfer Permit #	
Polluted Area Relay Permit #	

Individual Participant Information (If a business, please skip and proceed to the Business Participant blocks below)

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Suffix	Date of Birth
				____/____/____
Address		City, State, Zip Code		Telephone Number
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Business (Facility) Participant Information

Business Name	Business Agent Name (First, MI, Last)	Agent Date of Birth
		____/____/____
Address	City, State, Zip Code	Telephone Number
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Specify applicable Lease / Franchise / Water Column, Aquaculture Operation Permit, and/or Under Dock Oyster Culture Program Permit with area where seed will be placed:

	Number	Water Body	County	Zip
Aquaculture Operation Permit #				
UDOC Permit #				
Lease/Franchise/Water Column#				

Supplier:

Supplier Business Name	Address	State	Zip
Supplier Contact Name (First, MI, Last)			Telephone Number
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Water Body, Species, Estimated Size and Number of Seed to be shipped

Species	
Water Body of Origin	
Water Body Classification	<input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Conditionally Approved

Please specify if multiple trips are to be used for transport of seed (seed must be transported prior to permit expiration)

	Trip 1	Trip 2	Trip 3
Estimated Size			
Number of Seed			
Planned Date of Shipment	____/____/____	____/____/____	____/____/____
Planned Date of Placement	____/____/____	____/____/____	____/____/____

Signature of Permittee

Date

SPECIFIC PERMIT CONDITIONS:

- It is unlawful to transport shellfish seed obtained from nurseries/hatcheries operating in water bodies classified as restricted or conditionally approved without first obtaining an Aquaculture Seed Transplant Permit per G.S. 113-203.
- It is unlawful to purchase or transport oysters or clams not meeting bag and size limit restrictions unless acquired from a nursery/hatchery that is in compliance with all conditions of the Aquaculture Operations Permit per 15A NCAC 03K .0207 and 03K .0305.
- An Aquaculture Seed Transplant Permit issued under this section shall expire on December 31 of the year in which the permit is issued, and can be renewed on a calendar year basis.
- The Aquaculture Seed Transplant Permit does not authorize the importation of shellfish seed from outside the Coastal Fishing Waters of the State of North Carolina unless issued in conjunction with the permit to Introduce, Transfer or Hold Marine and Estuarine Organisms into the Coastal Waters of the State of North Carolina.
- It is lawful to transplant from public bottoms to private beds oysters or clams taken from waters in the restricted or conditionally approved classifications with a permit from the Secretary setting out the waters from which the oysters or clams may be taken, the quantities which may be taken, the times during which the taking is permissible, and other reasonable restrictions imposed by the Secretary for the regulation of transplanting operations. Any transplanting operation which does not substantially comply with the restrictions of the permit issued is unlawful.
- If the waterbody classification changes during the effective period of the permit such that the waters are permanently closed, the permit will be revoked for the remainder of its issuance period.
- Shellfish seed may be obtained from nurseries/hatcheries operating in water bodies classified as restricted during the season for relaying shellfish from prohibited areas under the following conditions:
 - (a) The permit to Transport/Plant Shellfish Seed from Nurseries/Hatcheries Operating in Water Bodies Classified as Restricted may only be used when the clam seed is no greater than 12mm and oyster seed no greater than 25mm, per G.S. 113-203: or
 - (b) Clam seed greater than 12mm and oyster seed greater than 25mm may only be transported/planted during the season for relaying shellfish from prohibited areas with the issue of a permit to Transplant Prohibited (Polluted) Shellfish, per 15A NCAC 03K .0101(a).

The following conditions apply to all permits issued by the Fisheries Director:

15A NCAC 03O .0502 PERMIT CONDITIONS; GENERAL

- It is unlawful to operate under the permit except in areas, at times, and under conditions specified on the permit;
- It is unlawful to operate under a permit without having the permit or copy thereof in possession of the permittee or his or her designees at all times of operation and shall be ready at hand for inspection, except for Pound Net Permits;
- It is unlawful to operate under a permit without having a current picture identification in possession and ready at hand for inspection.
- It is unlawful to refuse to allow inspection and sampling of a permitted activity by an agent of the Division;
- It is unlawful to fail to provide complete and accurate information requested by the Division in connection with the permitted activity;
- It is unlawful to hold a permit issued by the Fisheries Director when not eligible to hold any license required as a condition for that permit as stated in 15A NCAC 3O.0501;
- It is unlawful to fail to provide reports within the timeframe required by the specific permit conditions;
- It is unlawful to fail to keep such records and accounts as required by the Rules in this Chapter for determination of conservation policy, equitable and efficient administration and enforcement, or promotion of commercial or recreational fisheries;
- It is unlawful to assign or transfer permits issued by the Fisheries Director, except for Pound Net Permits as authorized by 15A NCAC 3J .0107(h);
- The Fisheries Director, or his agent, may, by conditions of the permit, specify any or all of the following for the permitted purposes:

Species	Time period	Means and methods	Disposition of resources
Quantity or size	Location	Harvest conditions	Marking requirements
- Unless specifically stated as a condition on the permit, all statutes, rules and proclamations shall apply to the permittee and his or her designees.

As a condition of acceptance/use of this permit, the permittee agrees to abide by all conditions of the permit and agrees that if specific conditions of the permit as identified are violated, or if false information was provided in the application for initial issuance or renewal, the permit may be suspended or revoked by the Fisheries Director.