



**BERMUDA GOVERNMENT**  
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**APPLICATION TO UNDERTAKE MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH IN BERMUDA**

After completing the below form, please save it as your surname + month –year + permit (i.e. Smith01-08permit) and submit it as an email attachment to the Senior Marine Resources Officer at [ttrott@gov.bm](mailto:ttrott@gov.bm). In addition, send the front page with your signature via pdf, fax or post to the Marine Resources Section (see contacts above).

Please allow at least 4 weeks for the approval process. NOTE: if the work involves collection or manipulation of protected species, sampling in protected areas or the use of restricted gear, processing may take longer.

Permits are issued for a maximum of 12 months, but can be renewed annually following receipt of a satisfactory research progress report. Permit renewals will not be processed until a research progress report has been submitted.

<b>Applicant details:</b>	
Title: Name: Institution or Organization: Address (line 1) Address (line 2) Address (line 3) City/State/Postcode Country Phone/Extension: Fax: E-mail:	

<b>Supervisor’s details (for student applicants):</b>		<b>Bermuda contact (if applicable):</b>	
Title: Name: Institution: Department/Section: Position: Phone/Extension: Fax: E-mail:		Title: Name: Institution: Department/Section: Position: Phone/Ext: Fax: E-mail:	

**Project Title:**

**I declare that the information on this form (and all other documents relating to the above project) is correct to the best of my knowledge.  
 I have read and understood the Research Permit Conditions included with this application.**

**Signature of Applicant:**

**Date:**

**Project Summary:**

Please provide a brief summary of the proposed project.

**Detailed Project Description:**

Please provide a detailed description of the project, including rationale, objectives and proposed methods. This detailed description can be submitted as a separate document. Write "See Attached" below if you are submitting a separate project description.

**Benefits for Bermuda:**

Please indicate how the proposed research will benefit Bermuda. How will the information obtained from the research be disseminated?

**Collaborators:**

Please list the names and contact details for any other individuals who will be collaborating in this project. Briefly describe their role in the project.

**Project Duration and Fieldwork Dates:**

Total duration of project:	
Anticipated fieldtrip dates:	

**Specimen Collection/Fieldwork Activities:**

Please provide details of any specimens that you wish to collect and/or all fieldwork activities.

Specimen/Activity Please provide scientific and common names where applicable.	Size/Quantity	Location

NOTE: If you are planning to take specimens out of Bermuda, you will need an Export permit. CITES permits are also required to export fire coral and most hard coral species (see [www.cites.org](http://www.cites.org) for CITES-listed species)

Please indicate whether you require any other permits:    Export Permit?    Yes  No     CITES Permit?    Yes  No

**Fate of Specimens:**

Please indicate the ultimate fate of specimens (e.g. Smithsonian Museum collection, released etc.)

## RESEARCH PERMIT CONDITIONS

1. This application, and any accompanying documents, will be sent to the relevant Bermuda Government officers for comment. You may be asked to modify your research plans based on these comments.
2. You as the Permit holder are responsible for the actions of any person designated to undertake research or collect specimens on your behalf.
3. Specimens collected under a Research Permit may not be used for any commercial interest without the explicit sanction of the Department of Environmental Protection and the Minister responsible, under terms that the Government deems appropriate. This includes any genetic material obtained from specimens and associated knowledge.
4. All relevant permits should be obtained before you export any specimens out of Bermuda. Export Permits should be requested from the Marine Resources Section at least two days before your departure from Bermuda.
5. If a CITES Permit is required, you should be aware that specimens must be inspected no earlier than one day before export to ensure compliance with CITES regulations. You will need to contact the Government Veterinary Officer at 239-2316 or [jwnisbet@gov.bm](mailto:jwnisbet@gov.bm) to arrange a suitable time.
6. A copy of any reports and publications resulting from research conducted under a Research Permit should be forwarded to the Marine Resources Section and the Department of Conservation Services ([conservation@gov.bm](mailto:conservation@gov.bm)).
7. Research Permits will not be renewed unless a satisfactory research progress report has been received by the Marine Resources Section.