



# Wildlife Rehabilitation Permit

For an individual person continuing wildlife rehabilitation

## FACT SHEET AND APPLICATION FORM

If you would like to continue to rehabilitate injured and orphaned wildlife to enable release back into the wild you will need to complete the attached application. Please read this fact sheet before completing and submitting your application.

### What does the permit authorise?

A Wildlife Rehabilitation Permit (WRP) is issued under Regulation 48 of the *Nature Conservation (Wildlife) Regulations 2021* pursuant to Regulation 42 and may authorise one or more of the following actions as specified on the permit:

- to take injured wildlife for the purpose of providing treatment or intervention;
- to possess injured wildlife;
- to release rehabilitated wildlife from captivity;
- to lawfully destroy (euthanise) injured wildlife in specific circumstances; and
- to take, possess or dispose of products of wildlife (deceased wildlife).

**THE AIM OF WILDLIFE REHABILITATION IS THE SUCCESSFUL RELEASE OF WILDLIFE BACK INTO THE WILD.**

**A WRP does not authorise the display of wildlife undergoing rehabilitation or the transfer to a wildlife park or zoo – if you think an animal is unfit for release, please contact the Department.**

### Threatened species

In addition to a WRP, a Listed Taxon Permit (LTP) issued in accordance with the *Threatened Species Protection Regulations 2016* will be required to authorise the keeping and rehabilitation of threatened species scheduled under the *Threatened Species Protection Act 1995*. The following application will serve as an application for a LTP in this circumstance.

### Who can apply?

Any person who has previously held a WRP and does not wish to change Tiers.

### How do I apply?

Complete and return the attached application form (not this fact sheet).

### Cost of Permit

There is not a fee for this type of permit.

### Consent to release personal information

To support wildlife rehabilitation in Tasmania the Department

works collaboratively with Bonorong Wildlife Sanctuary and WIRES to assist in the placement and rehabilitation of injured and orphaned wildlife.

If you choose to share your details with vet clinics and wildlife sanctuaries, wildlife rescuers may be able to assist with transporting wildlife requiring rehabilitation to you. Sharing your information will enable continuity of care for the wildlife.

If you chose to share your details with WIRES, you will receive notifications from their xMatters platform notifying you of wildlife requiring rehabilitation.

The Department also distributes a Wildlife Rehabilitator Contact List to wildlife rehabilitators on an ad hoc basis to facilitate networking and mentoring support. Details shared on this list are your name, locality, phone number and rehabilitation experience.

## Useful Information

- Laws can be accessed from [Home - Tasmanian Legislation Online](#)
- Link to website and the Best Practice Guidelines

[Wildlife Rehabilitation in Tasmania | Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania \(nre.tas.gov.au\)](#)

## What will I receive?

Successful applicants will receive:

- a WRP in their name including return and record keeping requirements; and

- an LTP when applicable.

Unsuccessful applicants will receive an explanation as to why their application was unsuccessful.

## What do I have to do once I receive my permit?

Read and comply with the permit conditions and the [Best Practice Guidelines](#).

Complete and provide to the Department all return and record requirements.

A new permit will not be granted if return details for any previous permits have not been received.

You must only accept wildlife for rehabilitation that are authorised under your permit.

## What happens if I want to move to the next tier?

Throughout the duration of your permit, if you are approved to move to the next tier, the Department will automatically vary your existing WRP to reflect this change and authorise you to commence caring for wildlife at your new tier.

## Permit Reissue

If you wish to continue current activities to rehabilitate wildlife, the attached form must be completed and returned each year.

If you are granted a permit/licence and intend to conduct activities requiring the authority of a permit or licence

beyond its expiry, such as the possession of wildlife, it is your responsibility to ensure you submit a complete application within an appropriate timeframe for processing in order to continue operating lawfully.

## Duration of Permit

The WRP commences on the 1 June each year and ends on the 31 May of the following year.

## Personal Information

Information on the collection, maintenance, use and disclosure of personal information can be found on our website. [Personal Information Protection Policy | Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania \(nre.tas.gov.au\)](#)



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## Return this form to:

Wildlife Services, GPO Box 44, Hobart TAS 7001

Phone (03) 6165 4305, Email [Wildlife.Services@nre.tas.gov.au](mailto:Wildlife.Services@nre.tas.gov.au)

## Application instructions:

All fields marked with an asterisk\* are mandatory and require a response, noting you may be prompted to fill out other sections based on your responses. Incomplete applications are unable to be processed by the Department and will be returned to you without further processing. A new complete application will need to be submitted. Please allow at least 20 business days for processing of applications. Where an application fee is required, please refer to [Licence and Permit Fees | Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania \(nre.tas.gov.au\)](#) for payment details. The Secretary may request further information or evidence in relation to this application. If you fail to provide the required information within 10 business days, your application will be refused and you will need to submit a new application. Please contact the Department at the earliest opportunity to discuss the potential for an extension, noting that your request may not be accepted. It is an offence to provide false and misleading information at any stage during the application process.

## Please note:

Applications will not be processed if you have any outstanding returns and/or records required from a previous permit or licence which have not been received by the Department.

## 1. Personal Information

Given names:\* \_\_\_\_\_

Family name:\* \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Permit Information

Previous Wildlife Rehabilitation Permit (WRP) number: \* \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Return and Record Keeping Requirements: Please tick one of the below.\*

I have already provided my previous WRP return and record keeping requirements to the Department.

I have attached my return and record keeping requirements to this application.

A copy of a Rehabilitation Record Form can be found on the Department's website: <https://nre.tas.gov.au/wildlife-management/caring-for-wildlife/injured-and-orphaned-wildlife/wildlife-rehabilitation-in-tasmania>

## 4. Please confirm the address where the wildlife listed on your permit will be held

Held address:\* \_\_\_\_\_

Post code: \_\_\_\_\_

## 5. Are you applying to change species or tiers from your previous permit?\*

No  Yes. If yes, you will need to reapply using the [Application Wildlife Rehabilitation Permit](#) form.

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## 6. Have any personal details changed since applying for the previous permit

i.e., new mentor, new contacts, change to enclosures or completion of further training?\*

No  Yes. *If yes, please details changes below:*

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## 7. Enclosures (if relevant)

I have enclosures that meet the [Best Practice Guidelines](#) for the species that I am applying for.

## 8. Consent to release personal information *Please see fact sheet for further information.*

Do you consent to having your details shared with vet clinics and wildlife sanctuaries?\*

Yes  No

Do you consent to having your details shared with WIRES including xMatters?\*

Yes  No

Do you consent to having your details placed on the Department's Wildlife Rehabilitator Contact List?\*

Yes  No

Do you consent to having your details shared with the Raptor Rehabilitation Coordinator?\*

Yes  No

## 9. Acknowledgements

I have read and understood Wildlife Network Tasmania's [Code of Conduct](#)

I have read and understood the Department of Natural Resources and Environment's [Best Practice Guidelines for Wildlife Rehabilitation](#)

## 10. Declarations and important information to read before applying for a permit

Please indicate whether you have been convicted of a 'Relevant Offence' within the period of 5 years immediately preceding the day on which this application is made.\*

A list of relevant offences determined by the Secretary for the purposes of the definition of relevant offence in Regulation 3(1) of the *Nature Conservation (Wildlife) Regulations 2021* can be found at

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<https://nre.tas.gov.au/wildlife-management/forms-permits-and-fees/relevant-offences>. Alternatively,

a copy of what constitutes a relevant offence can be posted to you by using the contact details found elsewhere on this form.

I HAVE been convicted of a Relevant Offence and I have attached written details

I have NOT been convicted of a Relevant Offence

Please note that when making this application, it is an offence to provide information that you know is false or misleading, or to mislead the Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania by omitting relevant information that you know you should provide. If you have any doubts about whether or not you should provide certain information you should contact the Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania using the contact details elsewhere on this form or seek independent legal advice.

I, the Applicant, hereby make application for a Wildlife Rehabilitation Permit to rehabilitate and release wildlife, inclusive of a permit for dealing with listed taxon if the wildlife I am authorised to rehabilitate are threatened species scheduled under the *Threatened Species Protection Act 1995*, and declare that:

- the information provided in this application is true and correct;
- I consent to the collection and use of my personal information in accordance with the Department's Personal Information Protection Policy; and
- my enclosures meet the minimum requirements laid out in the [Best Practice Guidelines](#) for the species that I am applying for.

Applicant's Signature:\* \_\_\_\_\_ Date:\* \_\_ / \_\_ / 20\_\_