

**APPLICATION AND PERMIT FOR
CANADA GOOSE NEST/EGG DESTRUCTION**

*Required under the authority of the Wildlife Conservation Order,
Chapter V, Sections 5.51, 5.15a, and 5.51b, and 5.110.*

This form is the application and permit for nest destruction. After being approved and signed by the Director's authorized representative, it becomes a valid permit. A permit is required to participate in any goose nest destruction activity. Permit eligibility requirements and additional information is on the back of this form.

APPLICANT INFORMATION		PROPERTY INFORMATION (IF DIFFERENT FROM APPLICANT)		
Applicant		Property Contact		Telephone
Mailing Address		Property Address		
City, State, ZIP		City, State, ZIP		
Telephone		Name of Site (lake, park, etc.) **One site per application**		
Email Address		Township/City	County	Nearest Crossroad
Who will do the nest destruction? <input type="checkbox"/> Myself <input type="checkbox"/> Myself with others assisting <input type="checkbox"/> Private Contractor: _____ Name of Private Contractor				
Did you watch the nest destruction training? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		If Yes, when?		
TYPE OF APPLICATION (PLEASE CHECK ONE)				
<input type="checkbox"/> LAKE ASSOCIATION, LAKE AND/OR SITE WITH MULTIPLE PROPERTY OWNERS (must have resolution or petition)				
<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL/BUSINESS				
<input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE				
ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY MARCH 11.				
<i>I have read, understand, and will comply with the terms and conditions of the permit. If applicable, I have provided a copy of the petition/resolution to the Michigan DNR, and at least seventy percent of the lakefront owners have signed the petition authorizing Canada goose nest destruction.</i>				
<i>I understand this permit does not authorize trespass.</i>				
<i>Further, I assure the Michigan DNR that lakefront landowners or sites with multiple property owners have been notified of Canada goose program activities.</i>				
Applicant Signature				Date

Please send completed and **signed** application to:

USDA Wildlife Services
2803 Jolly Road, Suite 100
Okemos, MI 48864
FAX: 517-336-1934
MI.Goose.Permits@usda.gov

AGENCY USE ONLY		
Director's Authorized Representative Signature of Approval		
Issue Date	Expiration Date	Permit Number
Law Enforcement District	Wildlife Region	

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REQUIREMENTS

To obtain a permit for Nest Destruction:

- It is recommended that the applicant must have tried to control geese using alternative measures which may include hunting; feeding bans; habitat modification; fencing; barriers; repellents; scare techniques such as scarecrows, flags, reflective tape; and harassment.
- A representative from each site must have attended a training session or completed online training before a permit will be issued. An application is required annually to participate in the program.
- Applicant must submit a permit application and verify they are within an eligible nest destruction area. The lake, body of water or site must be located within Oakland County, Macomb County, Wayne County, or another individual site that has been determined to be eligible for this program. It is the applicant's responsibility to confirm they are within the eligible area, before submitting application.
- Applicant will be responsible to assure that all persons involved with the actual nest destruction (i.e., harassing birds from nest sites, removing eggs) have completed training as designated by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR); OR be directly supervised by an individual who has completed this training. If applicant is hiring a nuisance animal control business to conduct the nest destruction, applicant (or representative) must still attend the mandatory training session, prior to a permit being issued. The Michigan DNR maintains a list of all individuals who have completed this training.
- Applicant will be responsible for providing complete and accurate recordkeeping of the nest destruction operations and file a report providing details as required by the Michigan DNR. **Reports due on May 10, 2024.** Failure to submit a report may result in the denial of permits for the following year.
- Training is required prior to the issuance of this permit. All applicants must attend a training session or complete online training.
- Applicant will be responsible to assure that all eggs, eggshell fragments and/or contents that are removed from nests be destroyed as specified in the training session.
- Applicant may destroy Canada goose eggs and nests only within the timeframe specified, in a manner approved by the Michigan DNR. Specifics on this will be conveyed at the training session.
- Applicant is responsible to notify all lake front landowners or sites with multiple property owners of Canada goose program activities.
- Round up requires ND for areas that qualify.
- **All applications must be postmarked by March 11, 2024.**

ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS

Permits for nest and egg destruction may be issued only to those that meet one or more of the following definitions:

1. **Lake, lake association, or site with multiple property owners, surrounding the lake/site:**

This will require one of the following to be submitted with your application:

- Resolution: a resolution approved by the local government official (township, city etc.), which represents the property owners on the subject lake, body of water or site, approving nest destruction for their site. Copy of resolution must be sent with application. Contact your local township/city clerk's office to request a resolution for your site. Resolutions are usually valid for one year but can be valid for up to 5 years.
 - Petition: applicant is a lake, lake association or site, which has public approval consisting of a signed petition from at least 70% of the lakeshore property owners. The petition must clearly state that its purpose is for Canada goose egg and nest destruction. Petition forms are available from the Michigan DNR. The petition will be valid for a 5-year period, though the applicant must apply annually for the program. A copy of signed petition must be on file with the Michigan DNR.
2. **Commercial/business:** applicant is an institution, corporation, or other single entity which owns/controls all lands surrounding or containing the subject lake, body of water or site. This can include golf courses, apartments/condos, parks, and recreation areas. This requires only a signature from the owner/land manager of the site.
3. **Single family residence:** applicant is an individual with sole ownership and control of the subject lake, body of water or site, with no public access.