

#### **R12-4-416. Game Bird Field Training Permit**

- A. A game bird field training permit allows an individual to release and take of released live pen-reared game birds specified on the permit for the purpose of training a dog or raptor to hunt. Game birds may be purchased within the state, or imported if the shipment is accompanied by a certificate of health issued by a licensed veterinarian. Game birds possessed under this Section may be transported, given away, exported or killed.
- B. An applicant shall apply on a form provided by the Department. The form requires that the following be provided by the applicant:
1. Name, address, telephone number, birthdate, physical description, and if applicable, Department ID number;
  2. The wildlife species and the number of animals per species that will be used under the permit. If the application is for use of multiple species, the applicant shall list each species and the number of animals per species. The Department shall only issue a permit for the following game bird species:
    - a. Chukar, *Alectoris chukar*;
    - b. Mallard duck, *Anas platyrhynchos*;
    - c. Northern bobwhite, *Colinus virginianus*, except that no license shall be issued for this species in game management units 34A, 36A, 36B, and 36C, as prescribed in R12-4-108; and
    - d. Ringneck and whitewing pheasant, *Phasianus colchicus*.
  3. The name, address, and telephone number of the location where the wildlife will be held, if applicable. Otherwise, the applicant shall provide the physical description of the location, including township, range, and section;
  4. A description of how the applicant will comply with R12-4-428, and any other captivity standards that may be prescribed by this Section;
  5. The name, address, and telephone number of the location where the wildlife will be released, if applicable. Otherwise, the physical description of the location, including township, range, and section. If the applicant applies to release wildlife at more than one location, the applicant shall submit a separate application for each location;
  6. A range of dates within which training may take place;
  7. The name, address, and telephone number of all wildlife suppliers from whom the applicant will obtain wildlife;
  8. The applicant's signature and the date of signing. By signing the application, the applicant attests that the information provided is true and correct to the applicant's knowledge and that the applicant's live wildlife privileges are not revoked in this state, any other state, or by the United States.
- C. The Department shall issue a game bird field training permit in compliance with R12-4-106. If the Department denies the application for a permit, the Department shall proceed as prescribed by R12-4-409(D). The Department shall not issue a game bird field training permit if:
1. There is already an established wild population of upland game birds at the site where the field training event is planned to take place, and the wild population is the same species as the wildlife listed on the license;

2. The release of game birds interferes with wildlife or habitat restoration programs,  
or
  3. The release of game birds takes place during nesting periods of upland game birds  
or waterfowl that nest in the area.
- D. An applicant may request in writing that one or more named individuals be authorized to act as an agent on the applicant's behalf. An individual that has had wildlife privileges revoked in this state, any other state, or by the United States is not eligible to be agent. An agent is subject to the stipulations on the applicant's permit. The permit holder is responsible for acts of the agents if they fall within the requirements of this Section.
  - E. A game bird field training permit holder may make a written request to amend the permit to add or delete an agent at any time during the license period. The permit holder shall obtain written authorization from the Department before designating any additional agents.
  - F. A game bird field training permit holder shall notify the Department in writing within 10 calendar days of terminating an agent.
  - G. A game bird field training permit holder shall have the permit in possession and a permit holder's authorized agent shall have a copy of the permit in possession while conducting the activities authorized by the permit. The permit holder and agents shall make the permit and any copies of a permit available for Department inspection when conducting permitted activities.
  - H. A permit holder shall release authorized wildlife only at the location specified on the permit. Any released game birds not taken or recovered after the field training activity become property of the state and shall not be taken under a game bird field training permit.
  - I. A hunting license is not required to take game birds released under the provisions of this Section.
  - J. A field training permit holder is subject to the provisions of R12-4-409 and R12-4-428.