



## Deer Breeder Program

The following information is intended to assist you with the application process. You must submit all original letters and forms to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD). Be sure to keep copies for your own records. In addition, you must be familiar with Texas Parks and Wildlife Code (Chapter 43, Subchapter L) and Texas Administrative Code (§65.601 - §65.613) **PRIOR** to application for permit. Should you have any questions, please contact the Deer Breeder Program Office at 512-389-4585.

- a. **Deer Breeder Permit Application:** The application must be completed in its entirety, signed and dated. Only one person can be the named applicant. Permits **are not** issued to multiple individuals and they are not transferable.
- b. **Facility Plat/Diagram:** The plat is a physical layout of the facility which should identify:
  - individual enclosures, and the dimension and size (sq. ft. or acres) of each enclosure;
  - approximate location of feeding and watering devices within each enclosure;
  - approximate location of man-made and/or natural shelters; and
  - additional information the applicant deems pertinent (i.e. location of gates, etc.)
- c. **Notice Regarding Access to Customer Information:** This form is not required for permit issuance. This form is only required if you do not wish to allow public access to your contact information (name, address or telephone number).
- d. **Application Processing Fee:** A **\$400.00 processing fee is required**. Please submit a check, money order or cashier's check, made payable to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. This application processing fee is **non-refundable**. Temporary checks, post-date checks, and checks without signatures will not be accepted (i.e., the Deer Breeder Permit Office will not receive your application).

The following items are REQUIRED for permit issuance. All items should be submitted together. Incomplete application packets will not be processed. **Applications are processed in the order received.** Please note that all deer breeder permits issued are only valid from date of issuance until the immediately following June 30th.

☐ Permit Application

☐ Facility Diagram/Plat

☐ \$400.00 Processing Fee



**Deer Breeder Program**  
**Application for New Permit**  
(Valid for White-tailed Deer and Mule Deer Only)

**1. APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security No.\*: \_\_\_\_\_ Ranch: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Driver's License No. and State: \_\_\_\_\_ Office: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Fax: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email (required): \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Home ☐ Work

**2. FACILITY LOCATION:**

Breeding Facility Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Facility ID (if available): \_\_\_\_\_  
County: \_\_\_\_\_ Nearest City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_  
Direction from Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Miles from Town: \_\_\_\_\_ On Hwy/Road: \_\_\_\_\_  
Physical address of facility: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of landowner on which the breeder facility is located: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. FACILITY DESCRIPTION: (NOTE - facility must be completed prior to application)**

Number of Enclosures (pens): \_\_\_\_\_ Minimum Height of Boundary Fence: \_\_\_\_\_ Feet \_\_\_\_\_ Inches  
Combined Area of All Enclosures: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Acres ☐ Sq.Ft.

- Is the facility constructed of a material appropriate to retain deer? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Is there adequate access to food, shelter and water?  
(Functional feeders, waterers and shelter must be in place prior to making application.) ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Is the facility fully constructed and functional? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Are the pens and facility completely unoccupied of white-tailed or mule deer? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Are the pens occupied by other cervid species? ☐ Yes ☐ No

**NOTE: No deer may be acquired or held in facility prior to permit issuance.**

**4. PERMIT INFORMATION:**

Species to be held: ☐ White-tailed Deer ☐ Mule Deer  
**Maximum Number** of Deer to be held (including fawns) \_\_\_\_\_ White-tailed Deer \_\_\_\_\_ Mule Deer

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**5. DESIGNATED AGENTS:** List the names and telephone numbers of all individuals that will be authorized to conduct activities on behalf of the permittee. Attach additional sheet if necessary. (Please print legibly)

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number with Area Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's License #: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Social Security#: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number with Area Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's License #: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Social Security#: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number with Area Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's License #: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Social Security#: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**6. FACILITY PLAT/DIAGRAM:** Attach a diagram or drawing of the physical layout of the facility. Identify individual enclosures, dimensions and size of individual enclosures, approximate location of watering and feeding devices, approximate location of natural and/or man-made shelters, any additional information the applicant deems pertinent (i.e. location of gates, etc.).

**7. APPLICATION PROCESSING FEE:** Include a check or money order for **\$400.00** made payable to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. This application processing fee is **NON-REFUNDABLE**. Temporary checks, post-dated checks, and checks without signatures will not be accepted (i.e., the Deer Breeder Permit Office will not receive your application).

**8. NOTE:** Application must be complete, signed by the applicant (not an agent) and dated.

**9. MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION AND ASSOCIATED MATERIALS TO:** Texas Parks and Wildlife Department  
Deer Breeder Program  
4200 Smith School Road  
Austin, Texas 78744.

Applications are processed in the order received. A game warden will visit the proposed facility and conduct an inspection prior to the issuance of the permit. A breeder permit issued pursuant to this application is only valid from the date of issuance to the immediately following June 30th.

**10. CERTIFICATION STATEMENT:**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (applicant), of \_\_\_\_\_ County, State of \_\_\_\_\_,  
declare that the facilities described herein meet or exceed the requirements of 31 TAC 65.605 and that the statements  
made by me on this application and associated materials are true and correct.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

**INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED**

\* State law requires that applicants provide their Social Security number on all permit applications. Texas Parks and Wildlife Department maintains the information collected through this form. With few exceptions, you are entitled to be informed about the information we collect. Under Sections 552.021 and 552.023 of the Texas Government Code, you are also entitled to receive and review the information. Under Section 559.004, you are also entitled to have this information corrected.



## Notice Regarding Access to Deer Breeder Customer Information

Under section 11.030 of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission is required to adopt rules regarding the disclosure of customer information. A customer includes a person that purchases a permit from TPWD.

The TPWD rules about customer information were revised in July 2004. Under these rules, if a member of the public requests the name, address, or telephone number of a commercial customer of TPWD, TPWD will disclose that information, unless the customer has advised TPWD in writing that he or she does not wish to have that information disclosed. However, TPWD will not disclose an individual's social security, driver's license, bank account, credit card, and charge card numbers for deer breeders, unless otherwise mandated by law.

Deer Breeders are considered commercial customers. Therefore, TPWD will disclose your name, address and telephone number upon request, unless you notify TPWD in writing that you do not wish for this information to be disclosed. If you do not make an election, your name, address, and/or telephone will be released to the public, upon request.

If you elect not to have this information disclosed, TPWD will not disclose your name, address and/or telephone number, unless otherwise required by law. However, if TPWD is asked whether you currently have or previously had a Deer Breeder's permit, TPWD will answer *yes* or *no*.

Regardless of your election, TPWD may disclose the name, address and telephone number of a corporation, partnership, or business. Also, other information related to your permit file may be considered public under the Texas Public Information Act.

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If you wish for TPWD to withhold from public disclosure your name, address and telephone number, please complete the information below and return this sheet with your completed application. **If you complete this form, your contact information will not be listed on a distribution list of Deer Breeders that is issued to the public upon request.**

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### Deer Breeder Program Election to Withhold Address and Telephone Information

I **do not** wish to allow public access to my name, address or telephone number. I understand that this only applies to the disclosure of my name, address or telephone number and that other information related to my permit file may be considered for disclosure under the Texas Public Information Act.

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail to:  
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