Form CR1: Application to trap and/or remove Crayfish

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Please read the additional notes on the reverse of this form before you fill it in.
It will take about 10-15 minutes to fill in this form.

1 Applicant details
Title
First name
Last name
Address
Postcode
Contact numbers, including the area code
Phone
Fax
Mobile
Email

2 About the water
Name of water
Nearest town and county
Location, give a national grid reference (an upstream and downstream point if on a stretch of river) or attach a clear map with the water marked
From
To
Type of water
Canal
River
Fully enclosed stillwater
Online stillwater
Stillwater in flood plain
Size of water, stillwater only
acres
hectares
Is the site covered by a conservation designation order - such as a SSSI?
No
Yes
Type of order

3 About the task you plan to carry out
When do you wish to trap? eg March to September
Trapping method
Crayfish trap
Hand net
Drop net
Other please specify below
Reason for use
Fishery management
Personal consumption
Commercial
Scientific

4 Trap details
Please give dimensions (in millimeters) if you are planning to use crayfish traps
A: Length
mm
B: Width
mm
C: Entrance
mm
Mesh size
mm
Please state how many traps or nets you are going to use.
Number of traps/nets

5 Crayfish removal
Please give details of crayfish species to be trapped/caught

Is this for survey purposes?
Yes
No

6 Signature and declaration
I have read and understood this form and the data protection notice in the additional notes on the reverse of this form. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the information I have given is correct.
Applicant’s signature
Print name
Signature date

7 What happens next?
Please post or fax the completed form to the Fisheries Permit Receipt Centre, National Resources Wales, 29 Newport Road, Cambria House, Cardiff CF24 0TP General enquiries: Tel: 0300 065 3000, Fax: 0844892 0845 email: enquiries@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk
If your application is successful we will send you a consent document along with plastic tags that must be attached to your traps to make them identifiable.
Please note that you will need permission from the fishery owner and any relevant angling clubs to use the traps in addition to consent from Natural Resources Wales.
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Additional notes

Why do I need to apply for consent?
Natural Resources Wales regulates the removal of crayfish from inland waters and the use of fishing instruments other than rod and line. This is to protect fisheries and the wider environment from the impacts of an inappropriate activity, the spread of non-native species and disease transmission.

The CR1 form is for crayfish trapping only.

You must not use your trap/s before you have written permission from us. Doing so could result in prosecution.

If you need help and advice
Please get in touch with us if you need any help with your application or if you need general advice about fish stocking or fisheries management. You can contact us on 0300 065 3000 or at enquiries@naturalresources.wales.gov.uk and ask for your local fisheries officer.

What you will receive and when
If your application is successful you will be sent a consent along with plastic tags. These must be attached to your traps at all times when in use. If you lose your tags please contact us on 0300 065 3000 or at enquiries@naturalresources.wales.gov.uk

We require 20 working days to process your application. However, we will aim to do it within 10 days. This may take longer if the water you plan to trap on has a conservation designation such as a SSSI, as we may need to consult with other organisations.

What if I trap other fish?
All species other than those listed on the consent document should be returned to the water from where they came, as soon as possible and with as little damage as possible.

Trap dimensions

![Diagram of trap dimensions]

We may not issue a consent if we consider the equipment to be inappropriate. Unless previously agreed in writing, the trap you use must be within the rules below.

A: The trap must be no longer than 600mm
B: It must be no wider than 350mm at its widest point
C: The entrance should be no larger than 95mm in diameter.

The mesh size should be no larger than 30mm at its widest point.

Data protection notice

The information provided on your application will be processed by us to deal with your application. We need the information on the form if we are to:
• consider your application; and
• provide an efficient service.

It will also be processed to:
• monitor compliance with the consent/permit conditions;
• process renewals; and
• maintain the relevant public register(s).

We may also use and/or disclose it in connection with:
• offering/providing you with our literature/services relating to environmental matters;
• consulting with the public, public bodies and other organisations (for example Welsh Government, Cefas) on environmental issues;
• carrying out statistical analysis, research and development on environmental issues;
• providing enquirers with information from the public register;
• investigating possible breaches of environmental law and taking any resulting action;
• preventing breaches of environmental law; and
• assessing customer service satisfaction and improving our service.

Our agents or representatives may do any of these on our behalf.

You should ensure that anyone named on this form is informed of the contents of this data protection notice.