Section 127 – Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020

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 | Harvesting licence (estuarine crocodile eggs)Important information for applicantsAs per the Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020 (Animals Regulation), the application must be supported by enough information to enable the application to be decided.Supporting information that must accompany this application includes a harvesting proposal and a report of research about the state of the local crocodile population. Please refer to the Nature Conservation (Estuarine Crocodile) Conservation Plan 2018and Appendix A of this form for more information.Applications can be made using the Department of Environment and Science (the department) digital platform for Online Services. Visit <https://www.business.qld.gov.au/running-business/environment/online-services> for more information. This form is to be used to apply for a harvesting licence for estuarine crocodile eggs. Information requested will enable your application to be processed as prescribed by the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* (the Act)*,* the Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020 (Animals Regulation) and the Nature Conservation (Estuarine Crocodile) Conservation Plan 2018*.*Your application must be assessed, and a licence granted by the chief executive before you can proceed with the proposed activity. **Your application may take up to 40 business days to process.** Before lodging this application, you should be familiar with the requirements of the Act, Animals Regulation and the Nature Conservation (Estuarine Crocodile) Conservation Plan 2018*,* available from the Office of the Queensland Parliamentary Counsel website <http://www.legislation.qld.gov.au>. If you have queries about how to complete this form correctly or need guidance, contact Permits and Licensing on **1300 130 372 option 4**.  |

**Terms and conditions**

**Permits, licences and authorities**

Queensland's native wildlife is protected by legislation that aims to conserve biodiversity by protecting native plants and animals and their habitat. All native birds, reptiles, mammals, and amphibians are protected, along with some invertebrates, freshwater fish, the estuary stingray, and the grey nurse shark.

Other aquatic species are protected by the [Department of Agriculture and Fisheries](https://www.daf.qld.gov.au/), the [Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority](http://www.gbrmpa.gov.au/) and the Australian Government.

A licensing system helps us protect native wildlife species. By regulating the sustainable taking, keeping, using, or moving of native animals we contribute to the maintenance of viable wild populations of plants and animals.

The type of approval(s) you will need depends upon a number of things, including:

* The nature and purpose of your proposed activity;
* The tenure of the area in which you intend to undertake your activity; and
* The species of wildlife concerned.

To apply for permits:

* within the protected area estate (including nature refuges and special wildlife reserves) as defined in the Act (e.g. national park, national park [Aboriginal land], national park [Torres Strait Island land] etc); or
* within a marine park under the *Marine Parks Act 2004*; or
* within State forest estate under the *Forestry Act 1959* (e.g. state forests and timber reserves).

Please contact Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service and Partnerships (QPWS&P) at parkaccess@des.qld.gov.au

Note: Corporations must have an office in Queensland to be eligible to apply for an authority. The *Nature Conservation Act 1992* and the subordinate Nature Conservation Regulations may be found on-line on the [Office of Queensland Parliamentary Counsel](https://www.legislation.qld.gov.au/Acts_SLs/Acts_SL.htm) website.

**Privacy statement for wildlife permits**

Information you provide, assists the department in administering animals and plant licences, permits and authorities granted under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*.

Some information may be provided to the Departments of Agriculture and Fisheries; Queensland Health; Queensland Police Service and the Australian Defence Force in order to investigate biosecurity or health issues or allegations of unlawful activity.

Some information, where relevant, may also be sent to non-government organisations such as the RSPCA Qld and the Queensland Wildlife Rehabilitation Council for the purpose of improving standards of native animal care.

Personal information in relation to your permit will not be disclosed to any other parties without your consent, unless authorised or required by law.

More information on our commitment to privacy is available on the department’s website at <https://www.des.qld.gov.au/legal/privacy.html>. For specific privacy information or enquiries please email privacy@des.qld.gov.au.

# Completion of this form

# To enable your application to be processed you must answer all sections and acknowledge you have read the ‘terms and conditions’ by checking the box in section 1.

# If you do not complete all sections, sign, and date the application form, your application will be returned to you as an invalid application.

# You may only lodge this application if you have accepted the above terms and conditions and are 18 years old, or older.

# [ ]  I am 18 years old, or older, and accept the above terms and conditions.

# Applicant information

A wildlife authority may only be granted to an individual or corporation. A corporation must have an office in Queensland to be eligible to apply for an authority. Please tick the appropriate box:

[ ]  **An individual →** **Complete** Section 3 **applicant details — then complete sections 5 to 22.**

**[ ]  An organisation → Complete** Section 4 **applicant details — then complete sections 5 to 22.**

# Applicant details for an individual

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| TITLE | \*first name | Middle name | \*Surname | \*DATE OF BIRTH |
| [ ]  Mr[ ]  Mrs[ ]  Ms[ ]  Miss[ ]  Other |       |       |       |       |

# Applicant details for an organisation

Organisation type –

[ ]  Company [ ]  Australian registered (foreign) body [ ]  Incorporated association

[ ]  Cooperative [ ]  Government [ ]  Not for profit organisation

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| \*australian business number | \*business name |
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| Chief executive officer | Australian Company Number / Association number |
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# Applicant registered / residential address

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| \*REGISTERED/ RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (not a post office box) | \*Suburb | \*State | \*POST CODE |
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| POSTAL ADDRESS | Suburb | State | POST CODE |
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# Applicant contact details – email or phone contact is mandatory

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| EMAIL address |       |
| Phone type[ ]  Home phone [ ]  Office phone[ ]  Mobile phone  | Area code      | Phone number (NOTE: 10 digits including area code)      |

# Licensed premises

A harvesting licence for estuarine crocodile eggs must state the licensed premises for the licence. The licensed premises is the location where you will keep:

* estuarine crocodile eggs taken under the licence, prior to them being sold, given away or otherwise disposed of, and
* record/return books for the activities under the licence.

Please enter the Queensland location where the estuarine crocodile eggs are to be kept. This licence can only be granted for **one** location.

**[ ]  Please use the above registered / residential address as the licensed premises**

**[ ]  The licenced premises is a different location → complete details below**

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| LICENCED PREMISES ADDRESS | Suburb | State | POST CODE |
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**OR**

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| \* Lot Number  | \* Plan Number |
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# Wildlife suitability

During the past three (3) years, have you (or an associate) been convicted of: (i) an offence against the Act; or (ii) an animal welfare offence under the *Animal Care and Protection Act 2001*;or (iii) an offence relating to wildlife against another Act, or an offence, however described, equivalent to an offence mentioned under (i) or (ii) under the law of another State or country?

[ ]  Yes – an assessment officer will contact you regarding this response.

[ ]  No

Note: An associate, of a person whose suitability to hold an animal authority is being considered, means –

1. If the person is a corporation – each executive officer of the corporation; or
2. If the person is an individual – another person who –
	1. is, or is intended to be, regularly or usually in charge of the individual’s activity or business, or proposed activity or business, that relates, or is intended to relate, to the authority; or
	2. regularly directs staff for the activity or business in their duties; or
	3. is, or is intended to be, in a position to control or substantially influence the activity or business, or proposed activity or business.
3. **Person in charge**

[ ]  Same as applicant [ ]  Alternate person in charge

Details of the person nominated to be in charge of the place(s), where the authorised activity is to be undertaken.

**Person in charge identity details**

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| TITLE | \*first name | Middle name | \*Surname | \* DATE OF BIRTH |
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**Person in charge registered / residential address**

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| \* RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (not a post office box) | \* Suburb | \* State | \* POST CODE |
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**Person in charge contact details – email and phone contact is mandatory**

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| EMAIL address |       |
| Phone type[ ]  Home phone [ ]  Office phone[ ]  Mobile phone  | Area code      | Phone number: NOTE: 10 digits (including area code)      |

#  Location of the area which estuarine crocodile eggs will be taken. Provide the property details for where it is proposed to take estuarine crocodile eggs:

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| Property – specify Lot on Plan reference (e.g. Lot 2 on RP12345)  | landholder name  |
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Note: A map showing the boundaries of the proposed areas which estuarine crocodile eggs will be taken is required as part of the supporting information (see Appendix A).

#  Is the applicant the only landholder for all locations where eggs will be taken?

# Note: Landholders may include owners, lessees, trustees, easement rights holders, etc.

[ ]  Yes – go to section 13

[ ]  No – go to section 12

#  Have you obtained statements signed by each landholder that grant you access?

[ ]  Yes – completed landholder statements (Appendix B) attached

[ ]  No – STOP – do not proceed with this application until landholder statements have been obtained.

#  Have you provided the mandatory documents in Appendix A with this application?

[ ]  Yes

[ ]  Harvesting proposal; and

[ ]  Report of research.

[ ]  No – STOP – do not proceed with this application until you can provide a harvesting proposal and report of research.

#  Relevant experience

1. Have you ever applied to any other state or federal authority for a permit or licence authorising the wild harvest of crocodiles or crocodile eggs?

[ ]  No – go to section 14 (ii).

[ ]  Yes – please provide details below (including relevant jurisdiction and permit/licence type)

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1. Please provide details of experience relevant to harvesting of estuarine crocodile eggs.

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#  Associated persons

An associated person is:

(a) if the application is for a corporation—each executive officer of the corporation; or

(b) if the application is for an individual—another person who—

(i) is, or will be, regularly or usually in charge of the individual’s activity or business, or proposed activity or business, that relates, or will relate, to the authority; or

(ii) regularly directs staff of the activity or business in their duties; or

(iii) is, or will be, in a position to control or substantially influence the activity or business, or proposed activity or business.

Please list all associated persons (other than the applicant):

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[ ]  I have a completed associated persons declaration form (Appendix C) for each person listed above.

#  Code of Practice

[ ]  I can comply with the Australian Crocodile Code where it relates to collecting, transporting, and processing of crocodile eggs.

Note: The Australian Crocodile Code is defined in the Nature Conservation (Estuarine Crocodile) Conservation Plan 2018as the document called ‘Code of Practice on the Humane Treatment of Wild and Farmed Australian Crocodiles’ published by the Commonwealth Government and approved by the chief executive under section 174A of the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*.

#  Regulated substances

Are you proposing to use any regulated substances when taking crocodile eggs, or during any other activities permitted by this license?

Note: Regulated substances means a substance which use of is regulated under an Act. It can include, but is not limited to, a poison or other toxic substance.

[ ]  No – no regulated substances will be used.

[ ]  Yes – provide details of regulated substances below.

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#  Requirement to keep a record book

Holders of this wildlife authority must keep a department approved record book and return of operations for a harvesting licence for estuarine crocodile eggs.

You can download a department approved record book and return of operations for a harvesting licence for estuarine crocodile eggs for free from the department’s website.

Licence holders should refer to the Nature Conservation (Estuarine Crocodile) Conservation Plan 2018, the Nature Conservation Regulationsand the Guideline for Estuarine crocodile nest and egg monitoring*,* for information about how to complete the requirements for monitoring crocodile nests and recording crocodile egg harvesting activities.

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| [ ]  I do not have a department approved record book and return of operations for a harvesting licence for estuarine crocodile eggs and would like to download one for free. | You can download a wildlife record book and return of operations for free from the departments [website](https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/crocodiles/licences-and-permits/egg-harvesting) at <https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/wildlife/animals/living-with/crocodiles/licences-and-permits/egg-harvesting>  |
| [ ]  I would like to submit my own electronic record system for approval to use to fulfil the record and return of operations requirements.  | [ ]  I have attached the electronic record system to be approved to this application. |

#  Additional information

Is there any other additional information you wish to provide to support your application?

[ ]  No – go to section 20.

[ ]  Yes – please provide details below.

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#  Application contact details

An alternative contact nominated by the legal entity which has submitted, or will in future submit, applications to be assessed by the department. All departmental correspondence relating to the assessment of applications will be directed to the application contact, however, if the application results in the issuing of a relevant authority, the relevant authority will be sent to the customer contact or if nominated, the primary contact.

[ ]  Same as applicant [ ]  Alternate contact person

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| \*name or position | \*PRIMARY PHONE. NOTE: 10 digits (INCLUDING area code) | email address | secondary phone |
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#  Applicant’s signature

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| APPLICANT’S NAME      |
| APPLICANT’S SIGNATURE | DATE      |
| if the applicant is a corporation, please indicate your position in the corporation      |
| Applicant checklist[ ]  All sections on this application form have been completed, signed, and dated[ ]  Supporting information attached (See Appendix A for guidance)[ ]  Landholder Statement forms attached (Appendix B)[ ]  Associated Persons Declaration Forms attached (Appendix C)Fees [ ]  cheque or money order attached; or[ ]  credit card – you will be contacted by Permits and Licensing.**Please make all cheques or money orders payable to Department of Environment and Science** | Please return your completed application:**Permits and Licensing****Department of Environment and Science**GPO Box 2454BrisbaneQueensland 4001Enquiries: **1300 130 372 option 4**Email: palm@des.qld.gov.au |

A schedule of fees information sheet and Australian Crocodile Code may be obtained from the department’s website <http://www.des.qld.gov.au> or by contacting the Permits and Licensing on 1300 130 372 option 4.

**Appendix A: Information to support the application**

Under section 37 of the Nature Conservation (Estuarine Crocodile) Conservation Plan 2018, a harvesting licence for estuarine crocodile eggs may only be granted if the activities to be carried out under the licence are not likely to adversely affect the local crocodile population.

A range of supporting information is required to assess the likely impact of the proposed activities and decide the application. This includes information required under section 35 of the Nature Conservation (Estuarine Crocodile) Conservation Plan 2018, namely a harvesting proposal and a report of research, conducted by an appropriately qualified person, about the state of the local crocodile population. Note, the local crocodile population is defined in the Nature Conservation (Estuarine Crocodile) Conservation Plan 2018 as the estuarine crocodile population in the area from which estuarine crocodile eggs will be taken under the licence.

The department suggests that the supporting information accompanying this application includes the information set out in the table below.

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| **Section Heading** | **Information to be included in section** |
| **Harvesting proposal** | 1. A description of the area from which estuarine crocodile eggs will be taken, including a map showing the river systems, the property boundaries and a clearly indicated scale.
2. The period during which estuarine crocodile eggs will be taken and sold/given away e.g. 10/11/2021 to 28/04/2022.
3. Describe the way in which estuarine crocodile eggs will be taken. This may include, but not be limited to:
	1. the estimated number of eggs that are likely to be taken during the period;
	2. the proportion of eggs likely to be taken from each nest e.g. 50 percent;
	3. the proportion of nests in the area from which eggs are likely to be taken;
	4. a description of the method proposed to be used to collect, transport, and process the eggs, including how this complies with the Australian Crocodile Code.
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| **Report of research** | 1. The research method.
2. Results of the research, including the distribution and abundance of:
3. adult estuarine crocodiles in the local crocodile population;
4. the nesting activity of the local crocodile population (including the estimated number of nests in the area).
5. An analysis and discussion of the likely impacts that taking eggs will have on the local crocodile population.
6. Assessment of possible damage or disturbance to other wildlife or the environment that may occur when undertaking the proposed egg harvesting activities.
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**Appendix B: Landholder Statement**

Important information

Each landholder for land where estuarine crocodile eggs are proposed to be taken are requested to complete a landholder statement. Note: Landholders may include owners, lessees, trustees, easement rights holders, etc. A landholder statement is not required by the licence applicant.

This form provides assurance that the applicant of the harvesting licence (estuarine crocodile eggs), has approval from the landholder to lawfully enter the land and collect estuarine crocodile eggs. The landholder, at any time, may withdraw consent to the harvest licence holder to enter the land.

**Landholder name(s)**

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| landholder name(s):      |

**Contact person’s details**

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| position:      |
| full postal address:      |
| telephone:(       )       |
| email:      |

Land description

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| lot number(s)      |
| Plan number(s)      |
| local authority      |

**Landholder certificate**

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| I,      PRINTED NAME OF TENEMENT HOLDERS |

[ ]  Authorise that the applicant may enter onto the property listed above for the purposes of harvesting estuarine crocodile eggs; and

[ ]  State that information supplied above is, to the best of my knowledge, true and accurate.

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| SIGNATURE: | Position of signatory (e.g. Director, manager, owner, partner, Chief executive officer etc.):       | DATE:      |

**Appendix C: Associated persons declaration form**

Note: An associated persons declaration form is not required by the licence applicant

# Associated person details

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| TITLE | \*first name | Middle name | \*Surname | \*DATE OF BIRTH |
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# Registered / residential address

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| \* RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (not a post office box) | \* Suburb | \* State | \* POST CODE |
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# Contact details – email or phone contact is mandatory.

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| EMAIL address |       |
| Phone type[ ]  Home phone [ ]  Office phone[ ]  Mobile phone  | Area code      | Phone number: NOTE: 10 digits (INCLUDING area code)      |

**Will this individual be in charge of the activities to be carried out under the authority?**

[ ]  Yes [ ]  No

# Wildlife Suitability

During the past three (3) years, have you (or an associate) been convicted of: (i) an offence against the Act; or (ii) an animal welfare offence under the *Animal Care and Protection Act 2001*;or (iii) an offence relating to wildlife against another Act, or an offence, however described, equivalent to an offence mentioned under (i) or (ii) under the law of another State or country?

[ ]  Yes – an assessment officer will contact you regarding this response. [ ]  No

Note: An associate, of a person whose suitability to hold an animal authority is being considered, means – (a) If the person is a corporation – each executive officer of the corporation; or (b) if the person is an individual – another person who – (i) is, or is intended to be, regularly or usually in charge of the individual’s activity or business, or proposed activity or business, that relates, or is intended to relate, to the authority; or (ii) regularly directs staff for the activity or business in their duties; or (iii) is, or is intended to be, in a position to control or substantially influence the activity or business, or proposed activity or business.

# Associated person’s signature

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| Associated persons NAME      | Associated person’s SIGNATURE       | DATE       |