

# Application form

## Protected Area Apiary Permit

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### GUIDE

A permit is not transferable.

A person under the age of 18 cannot hold an Apiary permit.

The applicant is the person intending to carry out the activity and in whose name the applicable permit is to be issued.

The residential address is legally required for the serving of notices. It is the address of a person and cannot be a post office box.

### Important information for applicants

This form is to be used to apply for an Apiary Permit. Information requested will enable your application to be processed as prescribed by the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*. Your application must be assessed and a permit granted by the chief executive before you can proceed with the proposed activity.

Please read the information materials included with your application kit. Before lodging this application you should be familiar with the requirements of the Nature Conservation Act available via 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 the Ecoaccess Customer Service Unit on 1300 368 326.

**A permit may only be granted to an individual or corporation, please tick the appropriate box below:**

- an individual** → Complete **section 1** applicant details - then complete sections 3 to 8
- a corporation** → Complete **section 2** applicant details - then complete sections 3 to 8

### Application details

#### 1. Applicant details for individuals

APPLICANT'S FAMILY NAME		TITLE	
APPLICANT'S GIVEN NAME/S		DATE OF BIRTH	
RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS		POST CODE	
TELEPHONE (BUSINESS HOURS)	MOBILE	FACSIMILE	
TELEPHONE (AFTER HOURS)	E-MAIL		
POSTAL ADDRESS (WRITE "AS ABOVE" IF THE SAME AS RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS)		POST CODE	

The applicant is the registered legal entity (not a business trading name) intending to carry out the activity and in whose name the permit is to be issued.

The registered address is legally required for the serving of notices. It is the registered business address of the company making the application and cannot be a post office box.

Enter the Australian Company Number (ACN) of the incorporated company or the Association Number (AN) of the incorporated association; or the title and section of the legislation that gives the statutory corporation its legal status.

If the applicant is a corporation, the permit must identify the name of the person in charge of the place where the licensed activity is to be undertaken.

## 2. Applicant details for corporations

REGISTERED LEGAL ENTITY NAME	
TRADING NAME (IF APPLICABLE)	
REGISTERED BUSINESS ADDRESS	POST CODE
TELEPHONE (BUSINESS HOURS)	FACSIMILE
E-MAIL	WEBSITE
POSTAL ADDRESS (WRITE "AS ABOVE" IF THE SAME AS REGISTERED BUSINESS ADDRESS)	POST CODE
ACN / AN / OR TITLE AND SECTION OF LEGISLATION	
NAME OF PRINCIPAL OF CORPORATION	
SIGNATURE OF PRINCIPAL OF CORPORATION (or person authorised to sign on their behalf)	

## Nominated person in charge details

NOMINATED CONTACT PERSON'S FAMILY NAME		TITLE
NOMINATED CONTACT PERSON'S GIVEN NAME/S		DATE OF BIRTH
RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS		POSTCODE
TELEPHONE (BUSINESS HOURS)	MOBILE	FACSIMILE
TELEPHONE (AFTER HOURS)	E-MAIL	
POSTAL ADDRESS (WRITE "AS ABOVE" IF THE SAME AS THE REGISTERED ADDRESS)		POST CODE

**3. Have you previously held this type of permit?**

YES  No

If yes, state the permit number (if known)	
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**4. Are you a registered beekeeper under the *Apiary Act 1982***

YES  No

If yes, state the registration number (if known)	
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**5. Location of apiary site/s**

Protected area	Site numbers

**6. Applicant suitability**

The permit may be granted if the applicant is an appropriate person to hold the permit, that is, if the applicant has the character, knowledge and ability relevant to the activities that may be carried out under the permit.

QUESTIONS		DETAILS
1. During the past 10 years have you ever (in Queensland or elsewhere) been found guilty of any criminal offence or entered a plea of guilty in a Court? (Note: does not include simple traffic offences such as parking, speeding) If yes, provide details of the offence/s.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
2. Have you ever had an equivalent permit from another State or country that was suspended and/or cancelled? If yes, provide details about the permit, the date it was suspended and/or cancelled and reasons for suspension/cancellation.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	

**7. Apiary permit conditions**

I agree to abide by the apiary permit conditions set out on the reverse of this form.

**8. Declaration**

Note: If you have not told the truth in this application you may be liable for prosecution under the relevant Acts or Regulations.

- I do solemnly and sincerely declare that the information provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the *Oaths Act 1867*.
- I understand that all information supplied on or with this application form may be disclosed publicly in accordance with the *Freedom of Information Act 1992* and the *Evidence Act 1977*.

APPLICANT'S NAME	
APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE	DATE
IF APPLICANT IS A CORPORATION, WHAT IS YOUR POSITION IN THE CORPORATION?	

**9. Applicant checklist**

- Application form completed and signed
- Fees paid or enclosed

**Please make all cheques payable to the EPA.**

Please return your completed application kit to:

**Ecoaccess Customer Service Unit  
Environmental Protection Agency**

PO Box 15155  
City East Queensland 4002.

Enquiries: **1300 368 326**  
Facsimile: (07) 3115 9600  
E-mail: [eco.access@epa.qld.gov.au](mailto:eco.access@epa.qld.gov.au)

Guidelines may be obtained from the EPA website <http://www.epa.qld.gov.au>.

If you would like a printed copy of these documents mailed to you please tick this box

**Apiary Conditions**

**1 Environmental Management of Beekeeping**

All persons involved in beekeeping on the EPA estate will be required to comply with the Guideline for Environmental Management of Beekeeping on the EPA Estate.

**2 Apiary site size**

Apiary sites authorised under this permit, including firebreak, must cover an area no larger than 600 square meters.

**3 Number of hives**

The number of hives at any one designated site is not to exceed 150 at any one time during the term of this permit, and subject to the area constraints identified in Condition 2.

**4 Access**

The permittee will be authorised to use only those roads and access tracks as directed by the QPWS. Use of motorised vehicles must be limited to those activities essential to placing and managing hives.

Vegetation may only be cleared to the extent necessary to allow access to existing tracks

Based on environmental, safety or management concerns, the QPWS may at any time restrict the permit holder's access to an area.

**5 Identification of hives**

The permit holder is required to identify hives as per the Apiaries Act 1982.

**6 Gates**

Gates on or leading to apiary sites must be left as they are found (either open or closed). Locks may not be placed on gates without the permission of the District Manager.

**7 Disease management**

All notifiable diseases (i.e. specific bacteria, fungi, protozoa, viruses, parasites and/or pests) of honeybees must be reported to the DPIF Apiary Section in accordance with the Apiaries Regulation 1998.

**8 Termination of permit**

If at any time the permittee fails or neglects to comply with the terms and conditions of the apiary permit, the Regional Service Director can cancel the permit and direct the removal of the apiary from the park or reserve.

- 9 Transfer of permit.  
This permit shall not be transferred without the consent in writing of the QPWS.
- 10 Renewal  
Please note: While every effort will be made to notify apiarists that renewals are due, apiarists are ultimately responsible for ensuring that beekeeping activities are covered by the appropriate permits as required by the Nature Conservation Act 1992 and the Nature Conservation Regulation 1994.
- 11 Safety  
The permit holder must report all accidents or incidents on the EPA estate to the district office within three days of the incident or accident occurring.
- 12 Legislative compliance  
All persons involved in beekeeping activities must meet their obligations under the Workplace Health and Safety Act 1995 and other relevant legislation, codes, regulations and standards.
- 13 Competency  
Persons operating chainsaws and other plant or equipment as part of apiary site management on the EPA estate must obtain appropriate certificates of competence.
- 14 Non-compliance  
Non-compliance with safety requirements will be considered grounds for suspension or cancellation of activities or permits by EPA/QPWS.
- 15 Damage  
Any damage to EPA/QPWS property, or injuries to client(s) of the permit holder arising out of the implementation of the permit, must be reported to the local District Office within seven (7) days.  
In consideration of the permit, the EPA/QPWS takes no responsibility for the security, loss, damage or otherwise of any machinery, equipment or other goods owned or under the control of the permit holder.  
In wet conditions vehicle movement may be restricted to avoid undue damage to roads. The permit holder will repair any damage at his own cost caused by such movements as soon as possible.
- 16 Relocation  
Where there is the need to relocate an existing site due to unacceptable environmental impacts, user conflicts or park management programs, a new location in lieu of the former site may be created in accordance with the relocation protocol.

**17 Notification requirements**

The permit holder must notify the Ranger in Charge of the National Park/Conservation Park forty-eight hours prior to his/her intention to place hives of bees on an approved site.

A QPWS ranger may wish to be present at the time of placement of the hives on site.

**18 Placement of beehives on site**

The permittee must abide by any lawful instruction issued by an officer of the QPWS regarding the placement of hives and all other apiary equipment within the National Park/Conservation Park.

With the exception of bee keeping stands, no structures are to be erected by the permittee on the National Park/Conservation Park.

**19 Producing your permit**

The permittee must carry a copy of this permit at all times when carrying out authorised activities under this permit. Employees/agents under the direction of the permittee must carry a copy of the permit endorsed by the permittee with the person's name and residential address plus a form of identification displaying a coloured photograph of the person eg driver's licence.

**20 Drainage**

Apiary sites must be maintained to prevent ponding and soil erosion. Where they exist, drainage structures must divert water onto stable, vegetated surfaces (e.g. apiary sites located on decommissioned landings or quarry sites).

**21 Water**

Approval and placement of water for the purpose of maintaining bees will be at the discretion of the Ranger in Charge of the National Park/Conservation Park. Where necessary an artificial water supply must be provided in such a way that access by wildlife is denied, e.g. water may be provided in a capillary form via wet gravel or a sand bed.

**22 Non-indigenous flora**

The permit holder will not take upon, or place within the National Park/Conservation Park any plant species. This includes planting for the purpose of shading and sheltering beehives.

The permittee must ensure that all vehicles and equipment brought into the National Park/Conservation Park are free from plant seeds and other vegetative material and deposits of mud or other debris that may house plant seeds or vegetative material.

23 Rubbish/equipment disposal

Apiary sites must be maintained in a neat, tidy and generally non-flammable condition to the satisfaction of the Ranger in Charge. The permittee must remove all rubbish, including old hive and beeholding stands, and disposed of in an appropriate manner off the park by the Permittee. Where the site is to be vacated through the permit for that site is still current, all beeholding equipment must be removed from the site within seven days of the hives being removed.

All faecal matter and toilet paper must be properly buried (at least 150mm deep) and 50 meters from tracks and watercourses.

24 Fire management

The permittee must promptly, at their own expense, do or cause to be done, everything reasonable within their power to prevent and extinguish any unauthorised fire on, or threatening the National Park/Conservation Park or adjoining the National Park/Conservation Park where it is safe to do so. QPWS must be notified, at the earliest possible opportunity.

25 Beekeepers are to comply with all fire bans place on areas where they have hives.

26 Under no circumstances should a fuel reduction burn be conducted except with the written permission from the QPWS and under a Permit to Light Fire in accordance with the Fire and Rescue Services Act 1990. The permit holder may be required to participate in co-operative fuel reduction burns.

27 Firebreaks

The permit holder must construct a firebreak no less than two meters wide within the outer boundaries of the apiary site(s). The firebreak must be maintained free of vegetation at all times while the hives are on the site, to the satisfaction of the Ranger in Charge [insert name] National Park/Conservation Park. Firebreaks must be in accordance with permit conditions and Guideline for Environmental Management of Beekeeping on the EPA Estate Schedule 5.

Any emergent rare & threatened species or 'of management status' species identified in the firebreak must be reported to the responsible agency management advice (refer to Schedule 4.3.1.4 Guideline for Environmental Management of Beekeeping on the EPA Estate).

28 Mechanical equipment, including any apparatus used for as a smoker, brought on to the Permit Area, must be maintained so that it does not constitute a fire threat.

29 Use of a lit smoker must be contained within the apiary site boundary and smokers must be completely extinguished after use and prior to transporting.



30 The permittee must have available on site, at all times when smoking the hives is being carried out, a knapsack spray in good working order and filled with water.

31 Indemnity

The permittee indemnifies the state from and against loss, damage or expense arising from any claim, demand, action suit or proceeding that may be made or brought by any person against the state in respect of:

- a) the death of or injury to any person;
- b) the loss of or damage to any property

where such death, injury, loss or damage arises out of or in conjunction with the permittee's activity in an area managed by the Environmental Protection agency and is caused by the negligent act or omission of the permittee or an employee, member, agent, invitee or client of the permittee.

The permittee shall not be liable for any liability or loss to the extent that it is the fault of the State. Where negligence is found to be contributory, each party shall bear full responsibility in accordance with the party's fault.

The permittee must advise the chief executive in writing of any death, injury, loss or damage immediately upon the permittee becoming aware of such death, injury loss or damage.