



Illinois Department of Natural Resources

Group Fishing Application/Permit

Illinois law affords the Illinois Department of Natural Resources the ability to issue at no cost, the following two types of group fishing permits: (Please check the type of permit for which you are applying.)

- A permit for groups of hospital patients or handicapped individuals for use on specified dates in connection with supervised fishing for therapy.*
- A permit for a group event, restricted to specific dates and locations if it is determined by the Department that the event is beneficial in promoting sport fishing in Illinois. **IN ADDITION TO THIS PERMIT, A SITE USE PERMIT IS REQUIRED FOR GROUPS OF 25 OR MORE IF THE EVENT IS BEING HELD AT A DNR SITE (contact the Site Manager).**

The group listed below is hereby making application for a group fishing permit and feels that the event meets the necessary eligibility qualifications. If the group has business letterhead stationary, please submit a letter of request with this application.

Group Supervisor (Name & Address):

_____	Date: _____
_____	Daytime Phone: _____
_____	Fax Number: _____

Group Name: _____

Address: _____

Approximate Number Attending the Event: _____ Date of the Event: _____

Location of the Event: _____
(Address including city) _____ County: _____

Reason(s) why the Department should issue this permit to the above group: _____

This area to be completed by the Department of Natural Resources

Authorization is given to the above group to fish without a license on the above date(s) at the location listed on this application. This permit must be kept in the possession of a designated supervisor of the fishing event and made available upon request by any enforcement officer. All participants must be instructed to direct any officer requesting to see a fishing license to the designated event supervisor. All Illinois fishing regulations must be followed.

Director: _____ Date: _____

* Fishing Event for Therapy Groups:

1. Fishing Group must have one supervisor for every 15 individuals.
2. The group(s) should be under the direct supervision of personnel/chaperones at all times.
3. If staff personnel/chaperones wish to fish, they must possess valid licenses. Staff may assist patients without obtaining a license.

Mail or fax application to:

Illinois Department of Natural Resources
Division of Fisheries
One Natural Resources Way
Springfield, IL 62702

FAX: 217-785-2438

Please submit applications 30 days prior to the event.

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