



# Research Permits

WITH SALMON COAST FIELD STATION

# Why do you need a research permit?

- Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) is the federal department responsible for scientific interest in ocean and inland waters.
  - Need DFO permission to collect salmon
- Apply for a permit well before you plan to start sampling to allow processing time

# Obtaining Research Permits from Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO)

## Website and Information Links

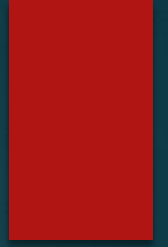
- ▶ [Scientific licences | Pacific Region | Fisheries and Oceans Canada \(dfo-mpo.gc.ca\)](#)

## Application Form

- ▶ [licence-sci-permis-eng.pdf](#)

- ▶ **No fee to apply for a permit - woo-hooo!!!**

# Reporting requirements to DFO



- ▶ Must inform DFO each time you're going to survey via email
  - ▶ Indicate: license number, what you're sampling, GPS Locations, vessel name and time of sampling
- ▶ Must submit an end-of-season spreadsheet to DFO
  - ▶ Indicate all seasons: locations, times, GPS coordinates, management sub areas, all biological data collected

# Examples

## Sample Scientific License

- ▶ [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1R0oc517TruvuuepA-orfw\\_qqzWJ8nIz/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1R0oc517TruvuuepA-orfw_qqzWJ8nIz/view?usp=sharing)

## Sample End of Season Report

- ▶ <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/159HkjQHRsbxBV5KkRCyWkYI0yXA2RSpW/edit?usp=sharing&oid=118356959531613903440&rtpof=true&sd=true>

# Advice from those who've done it

- ▶ Often incorrect mailing links attached so **be diligent** in ensuring to contact correct person/department - can be super frustrating
- ▶ Takes **about a month** but **can take 3-4 months** if sampling a sensitive population
- ▶ **Apply early!** Do it really really early-can take a long time with emails back and forth
- ▶ “Purpose of the project” section-attach a sheet with a fully detailed description of what you plan to do and **emphasize how you plan to mitigate bycatch and affecting sensitive populations**
- ▶ **Don't be discouraged!** Be meticulous in the application and descriptions and relentless in getting it to the source and it will come together!



Got Questions?

Please feel welcome to contact Salmon Coast if you need help at any point!