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Mute Swan - Additional Requirements for Captive Wild Animal Farm License

Form 9400-577A (R 09/16)

Notice: Pursuant to s. 169.15(5), Wis. Stats., this form is required to be submitted along with form 9400-577, Captive Wild Animal Farm License Application, when applying for a license to have mute swans on a captive wild animal farm. The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has additional standards, limitations, and requirements for captive wild animal farm licenses and for captive wild animal farms, including fencing of the farms. Personal information collected may be used for participation in surveys, eligibility for approvals, law enforcement and other secondary purposes and may be provided to requesters to the extent required by Wisconsin's Open Records laws (ss. 19.31-19.39, Wis. Stats.)

Applicant Name (as entered on form 9400-577, Captive Wild Animal Farm License Application)	Date of Application

1. Fencing Requirement

In most cases an outdoor housing facility for harmful wild animals shall be enclosed by a secondary perimeter fence that is at least 8 feet high and at least 3 feet from the primary enclosure. **Mute swans are exempted from a perimeter fence requirement**.

2. Written Assurance Requirement

Initial Application - Initial captive wild animal farm applications **must** be accompanied by written assurance that the application is in compliance with local ordinances and zoning regulations on possession of captive wild animals.

Is the written assurance enclosed?

◯ Yes ◯ No Attach assurance to this application.

3. Environment Enrichment Requirement

The physical environment in the primary enclosure for captive wild animals shall be enriched by providing means of expressing species typical activities. Examples of environmental enrichment include providing perches, climbing apparatus, foraging or task oriented feeding methods.

4. Confinement Area

Mute swans. All mute swans held on a captive wild animal farm shall be confined within a covered pen except as follows:

NR 16.15(2)(e)1. **1.** Mute swans that are pinioned by 4 weeks of age shall be confined but do not require a covered pen.

NR 16.15(2)(e)2. **2.** Mute swans that are both sexually neutered and pinioned by 4 weeks of age need not be confined in a pen but shall be confined to the owner's property and not allowed to roam freely on waters of the state unless those waters are entirely bordered by lands owned or leased by the owner of the mute swans.

Mute Swan will be confined in a pen as follows:

◯ Covered top pen ◯ Pinioned and confined within an un-covered pen ◯ Pinioned, neutered and confined to owner's property and not allowed to roam freely

5. Exhibition

Facilities that Exhibit: Harmful wild animals may only be exhibited at the location authorized on the license. Exhibition of a harmful wild animal at an alternate location requires special written approval from the DNR. Pens must be surrounded on all sides where the public may approach them by substantial guard rails not less than 3 feet in height. Guard rails must be well supported, fully enclosed with not greater than 6 inch square fencing, and shall be at least 3 feet from the pens.

Do you exhibit?	Height of Guard Rails	Distance Guard Rail to Enclosure
◯ Yes ◯ No	Feet	Feet

6. Diagram

Draw Primary Enclosure, include dimensions in feet. Attach description of structure, additional diagram, or plat photo if needed.

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This license is subject to all conditions listed above and the following special restrictions:

Approved?	If not approved indicate reason.		
◯ Yes ◯ No			
Enclosure Inspected By	DNR Conservation Warden Name (Print)	Signature	Date