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*Fact Sheet*

**IMPORTANT NOTE TO PERMIT APPLICANTS**

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**The completed application consists of 3 parts:**

1. Answers to the 12 questions on the "Information Sheet"
2. Completed "Federal Fish and Wildlife License/Permit Application Form"
3. Check to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for \$25

**Mail the completed application to:**

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
Migratory Bird and Eagle Permit Office  
P.O. Box 779  
Hadley, MA 01035-0779

Call the FWS directly (413) 253-8698 to check on the status of your application.

**Make and keep a photocopy of your application.**

**Permit application processing time may be 4-12 weeks.** Apply well in advance of the expected onset of damage. Send in goose nest/egg treatment permit applications as early as September 1, for use in the next goose nesting season (March-May).

**Tips on Filling out the Permit Application Form**

Sections A and B are self-explanatory.

Section C. Question 3.

In NJ, for permits to control game bird species such as Canada Geese, no separate State permit is required. The State will cosign the bottom of the Federal permit. Circle "Not Required."

If you are applying for a permit to control nongame birds, such as Black Vultures, Turkey Vultures, woodpeckers, and gulls, a separate State permit is required, and should be applied for concurrently. Write "In Process Of Obtaining State Permit"