



## State of New Jersey

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Dear Commercial Hunting Preserve Permit Holders and New Applicants:

Please read the following information carefully and note new information relating to Commercial Shooting Preserve permits.

Commercial Preserve permit applications and renewal forms are not enclosed in this mailing, but may be downloaded from the Division's web site at [http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/comm\\_preserves.htm](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/comm_preserves.htm). If you are unable to download the forms, contact me at 609-984-1400, and I will gladly mail you the information. Application/renewal forms received by August 1 will be processed prior to the opening date of September 1. Applications/renewals received after August 1 will be processed in the order they are received.

The Commercial Preserve permit fee is \$320.00 for the first tract of land and \$165.00 for each additional tract. In addition, there is a \$2.00 application fee. Tags are \$0.15 each.

The property must be a minimum of 50 huntable acres, posted as a Commercial Preserve and include the club name, club contact, current permit number and date. Please post all safety zones.

#### Application/Renewal Forms:

- The contact person must sign and date the form.
- Be sure the block/lots on the map match those listed on the application.

#### Contract for Birds:

- You must submit a contract for birds (from a currently licensed supplier).
- The minimum stocking requirement is 500 birds.
- If you are obtaining birds from out of state, be sure to complete and submit an application to import. Contact the Division for current game bird importation requirements. Birds must originate from a NPIP facility or be able to provide documentation noting the facility/birds have been monitored for Avian Influenza, Pullorum/Typhoid. Importation permits require a minimum of 2 weeks to process.

#### Verification of Lease:

- If you are leasing property, you must complete and submit a verification of lease form.
- Both parties must sign the form.
- Be sure the lease covers the entire hunting season.

#### Maps:

With the rate of development within our state, it is imperative for you to provide accurate information for the evaluation of your property. You must note any change of land previously approved. Two

photocopies (8.5" x 11" or 11" x 17") of the new tax map must accompany all applications **EACH YEAR**. These maps must include the following:

- Pre-printed block/lot numbers and acreage must be readable
- Printed club name and club number
- Outline the property in red
- Mark all buildings and dwellings on the property or note if there are NO building/dwellings
- Mark all safety zones

Maps without complete and accurate information will result in your application being delayed until you can be contacted for clarification, or returned to you for appropriate corrections.

Site inspections by a conservation officer are conducted prior to the approval of all new applications. Site inspections may also be conducted when there are safety concerns. If a site inspection is conducted after a permit has been issued, and maps or information that have been provided in the permit application are found to be inaccurate, the Division may revoke the permit. Once a permit has been revoked, the permittee must reapply. This may result in the permit not being reinstated for the remainder of the current permit year. The submission of inaccurate permit application/renewal information may also result in prosecution under N.J.S.A 23:3-39 with a penalty of up to \$200.00 for each offense.

If you intend to purchase game birds from another state, you must apply for a permit to import. Importation permits are issued at no cost. An application is available at [http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/pdf/game\\_import-bird.pdf](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/pdf/game_import-bird.pdf).

Commercial Preserve permit holders may purchase a book of one-day licenses, containing 20 licenses, for a total cost of \$230.00 (\$11.50/license). Commercial Preserves may offer one-day licenses to customers for \$12.50. Please note that the customer must present you with a previous hunting license or hunter education certificate prior to you issuing a one-day license. **NO EXCEPTIONS**. Commercial Preserve permit holders are required to surrender all books when completed and/or at the end of the season. These books are then reviewed to ensure all information has been collected and recorded. The costs of unsold one-day licenses are to be absorbed by the Commercial Preserve; therefore, it is suggested that you plan accordingly.

Hunters under the age of 16, are required to display a NJ Youth hunting license. NJ Youth hunting licenses may be obtained at any authorized license agent. .

The receipt for the purchase of game birds acts as a temporary 20 day permit. If you intend to hold birds for more than 20 days from the date of purchase – or sell game birds, you are also required to maintain captive game possession permit. Captive game permits are \$12.00. Forms are available by calling (609) 292-2966.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please call the Division at (609) 984-1400.

Respectfully,

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Customer Service Rep. 4  
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