



**MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**  
**Division of Enforcement**

Permit Number \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION AND SPECIAL PERMIT TO TRAIN DOGS AFIELD**

Permission is hereby granted to: \_\_\_\_\_

(Name of Individual or Organization)

(PH: \_\_\_\_\_ )

(Mailing Address: City/State/Zip Code)

Permits are as indicated below, subject to all included restrictions.

<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>DOG TRAINING ON DNR ADMINISTERED LANDS (NOT involving the use of live ammunition or the taking of birds)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Valid during the period April 16 through July 14, only on <b>land administered by the DNR</b>.</li> <li>May only carry firearm with blanks cartridges and shells on person during closed season for any game bird</li> <li>Permittee must comply with all applicable ordinances and zoning laws. Local ordinances may restrict the discharge of firearms and allowing dogs to run off lead.</li> </ol>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>-DOG TRAINING (using live ammunition and/or taking domestic or banded game farm birds) <u>Individual Permit</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Domesticated birds, other than pigeons, and game farm birds must be marked in a manner that makes them visually identifiable prior to being taken, by either marking with dye, or with a streamer attached to the leg. A band alone does not constitute sufficient visual identification of game farm birds.</li> <li>Permittee must comply with all applicable ordinances and zoning laws. Local ordinances may restrict the discharge of firearms and allowing dogs to run off lead.</li> <li>This permit does not allow the taking of wild birds.</li> </ol>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>DOG TRAINING FIELD TRIALS (using live ammunition or taking of birds) <u>May only be issued to an Organization</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Domesticated birds, other than pigeons, and game farm birds must be marked in a manner that makes them visually identifiable prior to being taken, by either marking with dye, or with a streamer attached to the leg. A band alone does not constitute sufficient visual identification of game farm birds</li> <li>Permittee must comply with all applicable ordinances and zoning laws. Local ordinances may restrict the discharge of firearms and allowing dogs to run off lead.</li> <li>This permit does not allow the taking of wild birds.</li> <li>The Commissioner may limit the number of dates approved.</li> </ol>

**Organizational Field Trials must be listed below; and are valid only for the property described:**

	County	Township	Range	Section(s)	Dates
1.					
2.					
3.					

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Director's Signature (Regional Supervisor/Designee)

**This permit is not transferable and expires on December 31,**

Return to the DNR Regional Law Enforcement Offices marked below:

- Region 1-2115 Birchmont Beach Rd. NE, Bemidji, MN 56601 (218) 308-2673
- Region 2-1201 East U.S. Hwy 2, Grand Rapids, MN 55744 Tel: (218) 327-4424
- Region 3-1200 Warner Road, Saint Paul, MN 55106 Tel: (651) 259-5884
- Region 4-261 State Hwy 15 South, New Ulm, MN 56073 Tel: (507) 359-6043

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## **DOG TRAINING SUMMARY OF LAW CHANGES**

- “Training dogs a field permits” are only required if training on **DNR-administered Lands** from April 16, to July 14 (effective August 1, 2005).
- Trainers using **private lands** without LIVE ammunition, do **NOT** need a permit.
- **Field Trial** permits may be issued to an **organization**, to use LIVE ammunition and domesticated or banded game farm birds. The permit is for events with specified dates and locations. The commissioner can limit the number of dates approved for any organization.
- **Field dog training permits** can only be issued to **individuals** to use LIVE ammunition and domesticated or banded game farm birds. (Each individual must have their own permit.)
- Domesticated birds, other than pigeons, and game farm birds, **must be clearly marked** with dye or flagged with a streamer attached to a leg in a manner that makes them visually identifiable prior to being taken.
- Permit to use captured raccoon for training is **eliminated**. Raccoons may be treed **without killing**, during closed season, **without** a license.
- Raccoon dog trials do **not** need a permit for events held in closed season, and no license is required if raccoons treed w/o killing. (Notes: Raccoon season closes March 15, 2006, and reopens the Saturday nearest October 22, through March 15. New law changes appear to require licenses for trials that are held during the open season.)

## 2007 Minnesota Statutes

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### 97B.005 TRAINING DOGS.

Subdivision 1. **Field training.** A person may not train hunting dogs afield on public lands administered by the commissioner from April 16 to July 14 except as specifically authorized by permit or rule.

Subd. 2. **Restriction on ammunition while training.** A person training a dog afield and carrying a firearm may only have blank cartridges and shells in personal possession when the season is not open for any game bird, except as provided in subdivision 3.

Subd. 3. **Permits for organizations and individuals to use game birds and firearms.** (a) The commissioner may issue special permits, without a fee, to use firearms and live ammunition on domesticated birds or banded game birds from game farms.

(b) Permits for holding field trials may be issued to organizations. The permit shall specify the dates and locations of the field trial. The commissioner may limit the number of dates approved for any organization.

(c) Permits for training hunting dogs may be issued to an individual.

(d) Domesticated birds, other than pigeons, and game farm birds used for trials or training under this section must be clearly marked with dye or a streamer attached to a leg in a manner that makes them visually identifiable prior to being taken.

Subd. 4.[Repealed, 2005 c 146 s 52]

### 97B.621 RACCOONS.

Subdivision 1. **Season.** The statewide open season for raccoon may be set by the commissioner.

Subd. 2. **Period for treeing raccoons.** Notwithstanding subdivision 1 and section 97B.005, subdivision 1, a person may use dogs to pursue and tree raccoons without killing or capturing the raccoons during the closed season and a license is not required.