

APPLICATION TO UPGRADE TO GENERAL FALCONER

NAME: _____

SPONSOR NAME: _____

NAME OF OFFICER WHO CONDUCTED FACILITIES INSPECTION: _____

RAPTOR POSSESSION

Band #	Species	Hatch year	Gender	Wild/captive bred	Acquisition date	Reporting form submitted?	Disposition date	Reporting form submitted?

SEASONS OF EXPERIENCE

From the information above, mark complete months and half months of bird possession on the calendar below. Half months are counted from the first day of the month to the 15th day of the month or from the 16th day of the month to the last day of the month. Periods less than half months are not included in the total.

Note whether the year met the requirements for a complete Season of Experience and Federal Requirements.

- A. **Season of Experience.** One “Season of Experience” is 6 complete months within one Falconry Year. A “Falconry Year” is from May 1st to April 30th of the next year.
- B. **Federal Requirements.** To meet “Federal Requirements” the bird must be possessed and used for hunting for at least 4 months during the Hunting Season. The “Hunting Season” is between September 1st to February 28/29th (small game season).

Years	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Season of Experience	Federal Requirements
													Yes/No	Yes/No
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SUBMIT UPGRADE APPLICATION

1. Am I at least 18 years of age? **YES / NO**
2. Has it been at least 24 months since I was first permitted as an apprentice falconer? **YES / NO**
3. Do I have at least two Seasons of Experience? **YES / NO**
4. Do I meet Federal Requirements in each year that I count as a Season of Experience in #3? **YES / NO**
5. Has my sponsor submitted a letter of recommendation to the Falconry Permit Coordinator? **YES / NO**
6. Have I had my facilities inspected within the last year? **YES / NO**

If you circled YES to items 1-6 above, you are eligible for upgrade to General Falconer. Mail/email a completed copy of this upgrade application. It is your responsibility to ensure that your sponsor’s recommendation letter and the facilities inspection were received by the Falconry Permit Coordinator.