

MEMORANDUM

MTAB-28
January 8, 1976

TO : All Banders

FROM : Chief, Bird Banding Laboratory
Office of Migratory Bird Management
Laurel, Maryland 20811

- SUBJECT:
1. Requesting color-marking authorizations
 2. Altering the status of previously banded birds
 3. Banding captive birds
 4. Banding upland resident game birds
 5. U and AHY age codes
 6. Termination of Notice of Record Change Cards
 7. Permit numbers on correspondence from banders
 8. Data analyses references
 9. 1974 banding accomplishments
 10. End-of-the-Year Report and auxiliary marking authorization listings

1. Requests for auxiliary marking authorizations, (e.g., color bands, dye, etc.) should always include a project description. This will help us evaluate the need for the authorization, establish priorities for similar requests, avoid duplication with other marking projects, and possibly offer advice and suggestions useful to the researcher. Banders must have prior approval from the Bird Banding Laboratory before marking migratory birds with ANY auxiliary marker.

2. Banders must not alter the status of previously banded birds without receiving special permission from the Bird Banding Laboratory. Several banders recently auxiliary-marked and/or transported birds previously banded as status 300, normal, wild birds. After a bird has been auxiliary-marked or transported, it is no longer a normal, wild bird. Records must be changed for all birds that have their original status altered. This is a very tedious and time-consuming task. In addition, when a bander alters the status of a previously banded bird, he may be seriously biasing the data in any future analysis of the originally banded sample of normal, wild birds.

3. Do not place U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service bands on birds held in permanent or temporary captivity. Birds should not be banded until immediately before they are released to the wild. Banded birds held in captivity may escape; their recovery creates considerable record-keeping problems.

4. Banders are reminded that they should not band resident upland game birds (the Galliformes) with U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service bands. Bandings or recoveries of upland resident game birds are no longer entered into the Bird Banding Laboratory's files. Past records for these species except endangered species have been deleted from our computer files.

5. Birds banded between January 1 and the beginning of their nesting period cannot be coded as age Unknown on the banding schedule. By definition, these birds should be coded as AHY (or SY, ASY, TY or ATY when aging the birds is possible). See page 5-17 of the Bird Banding Manual for definitions of age codes.

6. The Notification of Record Change system, whereby we have tried to keep banders informed of changes to their data, has proved to be cumbersome, time consuming and confusing. Therefore, all recipients of recovery data are advised that future Report to the Bander and Recovery Statistical Records cards will be mailed out with the understanding that they are not always FINAL versions of the record. You will no longer be advised of changes as they are detected.

7. Please be sure to include your permit number on all correspondence to the Bird Banding Laboratory. Permit numbers are also essential when ordering bands, or reporting encounters of banded birds.

8. The Bird Banding Manual, Appendix B, pages B-7 and B-8, contain references regarding data analyses and other topics. These references are generally informative and helpful, and we encourage banders to use them in their research or publication endeavors.

9. A tabulation of your 1974 banding accomplishments, by species, is enclosed if any banding was done under your permit. Upland resident game bird bandings are no longer included in our summarization of a bander's annual accomplishments. Rebanded birds are not included in the summary, and a double-banded bird is counted as one bird.

10. Along with this MTAB and End-of-the-Year Report form, migratory game bird banders will receive a list of any auxiliary marking authorizations they may hold or have held recently. Please check to insure that all colors (including colors of markings) for each marker are listed. The "End Date" should reflect the last month that each particular colored marker was or will be used on that species in that State or Province. Temporary markings (i.e., dyes, imping, feather streamers) ending prior to January 1973 have not been listed, nor have marking authorizations expiring prior to January 1969.

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Enclosures:

- Eoy Report Form
- 1974 Bandings--permittee's
- Game bird auxiliary markings--permittee's

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 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
 Office of Migratory Bird Management
 Bird Banding Laboratory
 Laurel, Maryland 20811

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END-OF-THE-YEAR BANDING REPORT - CALENDAR YEAR 1975

Indicate necessary corrections to label at left:

Is this your permanent address? YES ___ NO ___

Please update telephone numbers: (Include A/C)
 Office: _____ Home: _____

Master/Station Permits Only: Please print the name of the "Responsible Individual" if not included in label above. _____

PLEASE READ NOTICE ON BACK.

THIS REPORT IS DUE IN THE BIRD BANDING LABORATORY ON JANUARY 31, 1976. FAILURE TO SUBMIT THIS REPORT WILL BE CONSIDERED JUSTIFICATION FOR REVOCATION OF YOUR PERMIT.

Please answer BOTH SIDES of this form by checking the appropriate boxes.

- | | YES | NO |
|--|---|---|
| A. Did you or your subpermittees band birds under this permit during 1975?
If "NO" omit B and G. | 6
<input type="checkbox"/> | 6
<input type="checkbox"/> |
| B. Have schedules been submitted for all F&W bands used under this permit in 1975?
If "NO" explain: _____ | 7
<input type="checkbox"/> | 7
<input type="checkbox"/> |
| C. Does your permit authorize the use of auxiliary markers? If "YES" indicate below those you no longer need and want to DELETE from your authorizations.
_____ | 8
<input type="checkbox"/> | 8
<input type="checkbox"/> |
| D. Does your permit authorize you to band: (1) Waterfowl?

(2) Endangered Species? If "YES" give End. Sp. Permit # _____

(3) Eagles? | 9
<input type="checkbox"/>
10
<input type="checkbox"/>
11
<input type="checkbox"/> | 9
<input type="checkbox"/>
10
<input type="checkbox"/>
11
<input type="checkbox"/> |
| E. Are you authorized to band: (1) In Canada?

(2) In other than Canada and the U.S.? | 12
<input type="checkbox"/>
13
<input type="checkbox"/> | 12
<input type="checkbox"/>
13
<input type="checkbox"/> |
| F. Are there any current subpermits issued under your Master Permit as of 12/31/75?
If "YES" enter total number in blocks 15-16. | 14
<input type="checkbox"/> | 14
<input type="checkbox"/> |

Example: 1 subpermittee = 01

0	1
1	0

15	16

10 subpermittees = 10

G. During 1975, approximately _____ birds of about _____ species were banded under this Master Permit. (Totals need not be exact - e.g., 100, 200 birds; 20, 50 species.)

- H. Does your permit expire during 1976? YES NO
- If "YES" do you need it renewed? YES NO

(Continued on Reverse)

YES NO

I. During 1975, did you or your subpermittees publish articles related to banding activities? If "YES" indicate in boxes below the total number of communications in each type medium.

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1. Newspaper articles

18 19

20 21

2. Magazine articles

22 23

3. Scientific journal articles

24 25

4. Radio or T.V. programs

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5. Other: (describe) _____

Please attach copies or a list of the articles published during 1975, including full citation. Include articles published by non-banders, if the subject matter chiefly resulted from your banding. Do not include progress or administrative reports.

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J. Did you salvage any birds during 1975 (other than those reported under a Scientific Collecting Permit)?

If "YES" submit data as outlined in par. 78 page 2-18 of the Banding Manual.

K. Briefly summarize your 1975 banding and what you plan to accomplish in the future.

In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (PL93-579), please be advised that:

1. The gathering of information on migratory birds and their uses is authorized by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16 U.S.C. 703-711) and the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 (16 U.S.C. 742d). The requested information is required as a condition of your migratory bird permit.
2. Information from this report will be used to further the understanding, management, and utilization of the North American migratory bird resource, by Federal, State, and private conservation organizations, and the Canadian Wildlife Service.
3. Failure to answer all questions fully may be sufficient cause for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to revoke your permit.
4. In the event there is indicated a violation of a statute, regulation, rule, order or license, whether civil, criminal, or regulatory in nature, the requested information may be transferred to the appropriate Federal, State, local, or foreign agency charged with investigating or prosecuting such violations.
5. In the event of litigation involving the records or the subject matter of the records, the requested information may be transferred to the U.S. Department of Justice.

Signature

Permit Number

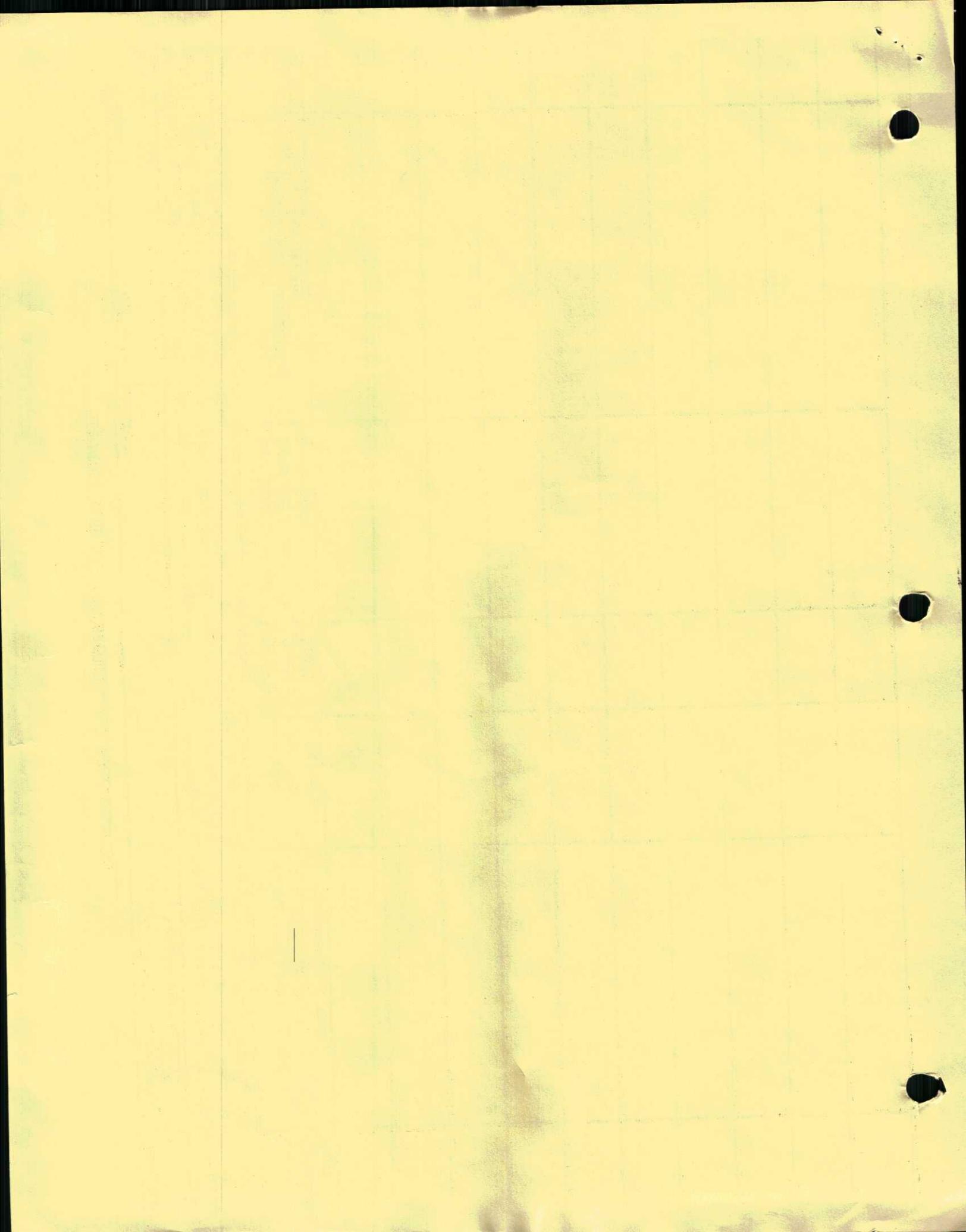
Date

FOR BIRD BANDING/EDP USE ONLY - Permittee Category Codes

1. Individual--U.S. 2. Station--U.S. 3. State--U.S. 4. Refuge--U.S.

5. SAQ--U.S. 6. W.E.B. 7. SRA--U.S. 8. State Supv. (USFWS)--U.S.

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PART 21 -- MIGRATORY BIRD PERMITS
Subpart C -- Specific Permit Provisions

§ 21.22 Banding or marking permits.

(a) Permit requirements. A banding or marking permit is required before any person may capture migratory birds for banding or marking purposes or use official bands issued by the Bureau for banding or marking any migratory bird. *

(b) Application procedures. Applications for banding or marking permits shall be submitted by letter of application addressed to the Bird Banding Laboratory, Office of Migratory Bird Management, Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, Laurel, Maryland 20810. Each such application shall contain the general information and certification set forth by § 13.12(a) of this subchapter plus the following additional information: *

- (1) Species and numbers proposed to be banded or marked;
- (2) Purpose of banding or marking;
- (3) State or States in which authorization is requested; and,
- (4) Name and address of the public, scientific, or educational institution to which any specimens will be donated that are salvaged pursuant to paragraphs (c)(3) and (4) of this section.

(c) Additional permit conditions. In addition to the general conditions set forth in Part 13 of this Subchapter B, banding or marking permits shall be subject to the following conditions:

- (1) The banding of migratory birds shall only be by official numbered leg bands issued by the Bureau. The use of any other band, clip, dye, or other method of marking is prohibited unless specifically authorized in the permit. *
- (2) All traps or nets used to capture migratory birds for banding or marking purposes shall have attached thereto a tag or label clearly showing the name and address of the permittee and his permit number, or the area in which such traps or nets are located must be posted with notice of banding operations posters (form 3-1155, available upon request from the Bird Banding Laboratory, Office of Migratory Bird Management, Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, Laurel, MD 20810) which shall bear the name and address of the permittee and the number of his permit. *
- (3) The holder of a banding or marking permit may salvage, for the purpose of donating to a public scientific or educational institution, birds killed or found dead as a result of the permittee's normal banding operations, and casualties from

other causes. All dead birds salvaged under authority of a migratory bird banding or marking permit must be donated and transferred to a public scientific or educational institution at least every 6 months or within 60 days of the time such permit expires or is revoked, unless the permittee has been issued a special permit authorizing possession for a longer period of time.

- (4) Permittees must keep accurate records of their operations and file reports as set forth in the North American Bird Banding Manual, or supplements thereto, in accordance with instructions contained therein.

(d) Tenure of permits.--Banding or marking permits are valid for a period of 2 years from the date of issue, unless otherwise stated on the face of the permit.

- * The Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife is now known as the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the ZIP Code is now 20811.

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