

## Fish Habitat and Stocking Structures and Wildlife Habitat Structures General Permit Instructions

### Determine eligibility for this general permit:

- Choose an activity decision module on web, <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/waterways>, **or**
- Review the eligibility criteria below.
  - If the project does not meet all of the eligibility standards, apply for an Individual Permit.

### To apply:

- Apply online using our online ePermitting System at <http://dnr.wi.gov/permits/water>.
- Include all required attachments. Each document must be less than 15 megabytes and our online system offers a help guide to reduce file sizes.
- Permit processing review times begin when all of the required application materials are received by the DNR. The department may require additional information to evaluate the project.
- If you have questions regarding your application, contact the local Water Management Specialist for your county <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Waterways/contacts.html#county>.
- Your signed submittal of this project application checklist constitutes a request that certifying authority (State of Wisconsin) review and take action on this CWA 401 certification request, as required, within the applicable reasonable period of time.

### Please note, prior to starting any work at the project site, you are responsible for:

- Obtain all necessary local (e.g. city, town, village or county) permits.
- Obtain U.S. Army Corps of Engineer permits or approvals, <http://www.mvp.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory.aspx>.
- Any other applicable state permits

### Required attachments - Forms or documents you upload in our online ePermitting System:

- 1. Application form** - A complete, signed application form "Water Resources Application for Project Permits (WRAPP)" (Form 3500-053).
  - 2. Application fee** - Payment must be submitted through the ePermitting System as part of the application process. A list of fees can be found at <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/waterways/documents/PermitDocs/feesheet.pdf>.
  - 3. Application Checklist** – a signed copy of the permit application checklist certifying that the applicant agrees to meet the eligibility criteria and permit conditions established in WDNR GP18-2023.
- 1. Ownership documentation** - (i.e. copy of deed, land contract, current property tax statement/receipt)
  - 2. Photographs** that clearly show the on-the-ground conditions of the existing project areas. Remember that too much snow cover or vegetation may obscure important details. If possible, have another person stand near the project area for size reference. Color images are preferred.
  - 3. Site maps** that clearly illustrate the location and perimeter of the project site, and its relationship to nearby water resources (e.g. lakes, rivers, streams, wetlands), major landmarks and roads. Provide copies of relevant maps (e.g. wetland, aerial, topographical, soil, floodplain, or zoning maps), with the project location clearly identified. The Department offers a web mapping tool to assist in creating these maps at <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/surfacewater/swdv/>.
  - 4. Plans and specifications** that show what you intend to do. Plan drawings should be clear and to scale. Be sure to draw all plans as accurately and detailed as possible. The department reserves the right to require additional information to evaluate the project. Please refer to this sample drawing for assistance developing your plans and specifications, [http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Waterways/sample\\_drawings/DryHydrant.pdf](http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Waterways/sample_drawings/DryHydrant.pdf).
  - 5. Narrative description** of your proposal on a separate page. Please include:
    - What the project is, purpose of project, and need for the project
    - How you intend to carry out the project, including methods, materials, and equipment
    - Your proposed construction schedule and sequence of work
    - What temporary and permanent erosion control measures will be used
    - The location of any disposal area for dredged or excavated materials
    - For disturbances or fill, provide a description of type, composition, and quality of materials
    - How you plan to avoid, minimize and mitigate impacts to waterways
    - Area (e.g. linear feet) impacted

**6. Endangered and threatened Resources** - The applicant is not required but is encouraged to request an endangered resources (ER) review letter before applying for the permit. Information on how to obtain a review can be found by visiting the website at <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/ERReview/Review.html>. The applicant can also visit the NHI Public Portal, <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/ERReview/PublicPortal.html>, to determine if a full ER Review is required. Read the 'What is an ER Preliminary Assessment and what do the results mean?' section to determine follow-up steps.

**7. Historical and cultural resources** - If you are aware there is a historical or cultural resource present, you are **required** to contact the Wisconsin State Historical Society to verify and receive documentation that the activity will not result in an adverse impact to these resources.

**Eligibility Criteria:**  
 Projects that do not meet all criteria are not eligible for this general permit. If your project does not qualify for this general permit, you may apply for an individual permit.

<b>A. General Criteria</b>	
The project purpose is to place a wildlife nesting or fish habitat structure solely for the purpose of improving fish and wildlife habitat, or fish stocking.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The structure may be located in an area of special natural resource interest, or within a public rights feature as described in s. NR 1.06, Wis. Adm. Code, or at a site where the Department requires a permit under s. 30.12(2m), Wis. Stats.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The applicant or co-applicant is the riparian owner.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The structure must be placed entirely within the riparian zone as defined in s. 30.01(5r) Wis. Stats., and determined by one of the methods outlined in s. NR 326.07 Wis. Adm. Code. Certain habitat structures may be placed waterward of the line of navigation, where allowed by activity specific standards contained in this general permit.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>The project plans minimize adverse impacts on fish movement, fish spawning, egg incubation periods and high stream flows, the project may not occur during the following time periods:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. September 15th through May 15th for all trout streams; to determine if a waterway is a trout stream, you may use the Department website trout maps.</li> <li>b. September 15th through June 15th on all Great Lakes tributaries upstream to the first dam or barrier.</li> <li>c. November 1st through June 15th for Lake Michigan waters surrounding Door County including Green Bay and all harbors and bays.</li> <li>d. September 15th through July 1st for Lake Superior waters surrounding Douglas County including St. Louis River and all harbors and bays.</li> <li>e. March 1st through June 15th for all other waters.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> Per s. NR 1.02(7), Wis. Adm. Code, the Department identifies and classifies trout streams to ensure adequate protection and proper management of this unique resource. To determine if a waterway is a trout stream, you may use the Designated Waters Theme on Department's Surface Water Data Viewer includes <a href="https://dnr.wi.gov/">https://dnr.wi.gov/</a>, keyword "surface water data viewer".</p> <p><b>Note:</b> The local Department Fisheries Biologist may waive or modify timing restrictions in writing. To request waiver or modification of fish spawning timing restrictions for your project, please include a request in the narrative portion of your permit application.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Live, living or growing aquatic plants may not be removed unless the removal is exempt under s. 23.24 (4), Wis. Stats., or complies with the provisions for waiver of the permit requirement under s. NR 109.06, Wis. Adm. Code.	<input type="checkbox"/>

Dredging under s. 30.20(1g)(b)1, Wis. Stats., is not allowed for the placement of a fish habitat or stocking structure. This general permit does not authorize the removal of native bed and bottom material which includes sand, cobble, silt, detritus, and other organic material.	<input type="checkbox"/>
A deposit of sand, gravel, or stone under s. 30.12(1g)(a), Wis. Stats., may be associated with the placement of a fish habitat or stocking structure provided the deposit is limited to the area immediately underneath or within one foot of the structure and is less than 2 cubic yards.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Construction shall be accomplished in such a manner as to minimize erosion and siltation into surface waters and wetlands. All erosion control measures shall meet or exceed the Department approved technical standards listed under subchapter 3 of ch. NR 151, Wis., Adm. Code. The technical standards are found at <a href="https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/">https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/</a> , keyword "stormwater technical standard".	<input type="checkbox"/>
No activity is authorized which is likely to jeopardize the continued existence of a threatened or endangered species or a species proposed for such designation, as identified under the Federal Endangered Species Act and/or State law or which is likely to destroy or adversely modify the critical habitat of a species as identified under the Federal Endangered Species Act.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The activity shall not result in significant adverse impacts to fishery spawning habitat, including obstruction of fish passage, or adversely affect bird breeding areas or substantially disrupts the movement of species that normally migrate from open water to upland or vice versa (i.e., amphibians, reptiles, and mammals) as determined by the Department.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The activity will not result in adverse impacts to historical or cultural resources and will comply with s. 44.40, Wis. Stats., as determined by the Department.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Follow the most recent Department approved washing and disinfection protocols and Department approved best management practices to avoid the spread of invasive species as outlined in NR 40, Wis. Adm. Code. These protocols and practices can be found on the Department website at <a href="https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/">https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/</a> , keyword "invasive species BMPs".	<input type="checkbox"/>
The project will not occur in a mapped floodplain (official Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) or local zoning map), or if the project is located in a regulated floodplain, the applicant has certified that they are working to or have obtained applicable floodplain permits or approvals from the local zoning authority.	<input type="checkbox"/>
This permit does not authorize impacts to wetland.  <b>Note:</b> This does not preclude eligibility of waterway exemptions or eligibility of other general or individual permits. Wetland regulatory information is available <a href="https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/">dnr.wisconsin.gov</a> keyword "wetland permit".	<input type="checkbox"/>

<b>B. Eligibility Standards for Wildlife Nesting Structures</b>	
In addition to the general standards in A, the following standards apply to all wildlife nesting structures	
The surface area of a nesting structure may not exceed 25 square feet.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nesting structures shall be designed and constructed of unpainted wood or of materials that are non-gloss earthtone colors that blend into a natural shoreline setting during leaf-on condition.	<input type="checkbox"/>

<p><b>C. Eligibility Standards for Fish Sticks and Tree Drops</b></p> <p>In addition to the general standards in A, the following standards apply to all fish sticks and tree drops.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Fish Sticks, as defined in Section 7, means: "a large woody habitat structure that utilizes whole trees that may be grouped or attached together or are not attached together. Fish Stick structures are attached to the shore or anchored to the bed or bank and are partially or fully submerged near the shoreline of a lake".</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Fish sticks or tree drops may only be placed on lakes, flowages, rivers listed in s. NR 102.06(3)(a), Wis. Adm. Code, and rivers over 250 feet in width.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> The demarcation separating a river and a flowage is spatially defined using the identify tool on the Department's Surface Water Data Viewer which can be found at <a href="http://dnr.wi.gov">http://dnr.wi.gov</a>, keyword "surface water data viewer".</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>If possible, the structure should not be located within an area narrower than 250 feet in width where boating activity is confined. If the structures are placed in an area narrower than 250 feet in width where boating activity is confined, the structure must allow for 150 feet open water navigation from the end of the structure to the line of navigation associated with the opposing shoreline (3 ft. water depth) as defined in s. NR 326.03(4), Wis. Adm. Code.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>The structure must be placed within the riparian zone of interest specified in but may extend waterward beyond the line of navigation (3 ft. water depth).</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>The structure must be placed at least 100 feet away from all of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. A bridge.</li> <li>b. A municipal or commercial marina.</li> <li>c. A designated swimming area that is open to the public that is marked by buoys, ropes, or postings along the shore. This includes publicly accessible swimming areas on private land.</li> <li>d. A publicly accessible boat ramp and piers associated with boat ramps that are solely for the purpose of loading and unloading watercraft.</li> <li>e. A designated carry-in only watercraft access point.</li> </ol>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>A portion of the structure must be placed and anchored within 20 feet from the bank toe, or in water depths less than or equal to 3 feet based on normal summertime lows.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Bank toe as defined in Section 7 means, "the break in slope at the foot of a bank where it meets the bed."</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>There are no restrictions on the placement distance landward of the bank toe.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Any placement of structure above the Ordinary High Water Mark (OHWM) may be regulated under local shoreland zoning ordinances. The applicant is responsible for ensuring that the project complies with any local zoning requirements.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Installation of fish sticks or tree drops must use live or recently live trees, harvested within a-year of placement. Recently live is defined by the presence of some buds or leaves on the tree when cut. Rotten, long-dead, or hollow trees are not suitable due to their floating nature.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>If whole trees are grouped, attached or anchored together, the resulting structure must include a minimum of 1 tree with a basal diameter of at least 8 inches. If a single tree is used its basal diameter must be at least 8 inches.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>The removal of living trees above the ordinary high water mark that are harvested within 35 feet of a navigable waterway may be subject to local zoning ordinances which place restrictions on cutting trees in the shoreland zone. The applicant is responsible for ensuring that their project is in compliance with any local zoning requirements.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<b>D. Eligibility Standards for Fish Cribs</b>	
In addition to the general standards in A, the following standards apply to all fish cribs	
Fish cribs must have a minimum of 5 feet of water over the top of the structure. The depth and clearance of the fish cribs must be based on the normal lowest water level condition during a calendar year.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fish cribs must be constructed of biological materials except for any fastening and anchoring devices.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The maximum dimensions of a fish crib must be 8 feet tall by 8 feet long by 8 feet wide.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fish cribs may not be placed within 100 feet of swimming beaches or swim rafts.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fish cribs may not be located in soft sediment or muck if the sediment or muck is more than 12 inches deep.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fish cribs may not be placed in locations where the contour of the waterway bed exceeds a slope of 4-foot horizontal to one-foot vertical.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fish cribs must be adequately anchored to prevent movement.	<input type="checkbox"/>

<b>E. Eligibility Standards for Walleye and Sauger Reefs.</b>	
In addition to the general standards in A, the following standards apply to all grading activities:	
The waterbody has a history of naturally reproducing walleye or sauger as evidenced by at least 2 years of young-of-year catch rates $\geq 1$ fish per shoreline mile during non-stocked years.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reefs must be constructed of an aggregate of clean, uncrushed gravel and rock 2 to 8 inches in diameter, with approximately 30% of the gravel and rock 2 to 4 inches in diameter and approximately 70% of the gravel and rock 4.1 to 8 inches in diameter.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reefs must be placed in a linear form parallel to the shore.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reefs must be no longer than 100 feet along the shoreline and no wider than 30 feet perpendicular to shore and may not be placed more than 100 feet from shore.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reefs must be placed where water depths range from 0 to 5 feet.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reefs may not be placed in locations where the contour of the waterway bed exceeds a slope of 4-foot horizontal to one-foot vertical.	<input type="checkbox"/>
To minimize navigation hazards, reefs must be placed within 100 feet of shore if it is located in water less than 5 feet deep and on a waterway bed with a contour slope less steep than 10:1 (10V:1H).	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reefs may not be placed in locations with a bottom substrate of less than 90% clean sand.  <b>Note:</b> This condition prevents spawning reefs placement in locations that already provide natural walleye spawning habitat. Walleye or sauger spawning reefs require moderate wave action to keep substrate clean of algae and adequately circulate water for incubating eggs. Natural walleye or sauger spawning reefs generally consist of substrate materials 2-8 inches in diameter with rounded edges located in shallow water adjacent to gently sloping shorelines. A predominately sand substrate does not provide natural walleye spawning habitat because sand grains are too small and wave action that allows a 90% sand substrate to accumulate is too gentle to adequately circulate water for incubating walleye eggs.	<input type="checkbox"/>

<p>Any person placing a spawning reef must, within 30 days after placement, provide written notice to the president or chair of any lake association, property owners association or Lake District. The notice must include a description of the spawning reef and a lake map identifying the exact location of the reef. The person placing the reef is also responsible for posting a laminated copy of the same map, within 30 days after placement, at all public boat landings on the waterbody where the reef is located and ensuring that the map remains posted for at least one year.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**F. Eligibility Standards for Wing Deflectors**  
 In addition to the general standards in A, the following standards apply to all wing deflectors.

<p>Design and placement of wing deflectors must follow the recommendations in Guidelines for Management of Trout Stream Habitat in Wisconsin by Ray J. White and Oscar M. Brynildson.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Copies of these publications may be downloaded at <a href="http://digital.library.wisc.edu/1711.dl/EcoNatRes.DNRBull39">http://digital.library.wisc.edu/1711.dl/EcoNatRes.DNRBull39</a>. Hard copies can be requested by contacting your public library or local department fisheries biologist at <a href="https://dnr.wi.gov">https://dnr.wi.gov</a>, keyword “fisheries biologists.”</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Wing deflectors may only be placed in navigable streams that are less than 5 feet wide measured from ordinary high water mark to ordinary high water mark.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Wing deflectors may not extend more than 25% across the stream width measured from ordinary high water mark to ordinary high water mark.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**G. Eligibility Standards for Half Logs**  
 In addition to the general standards in A, the following standards apply to all half logs.

<p>Half-logs must be constructed from green logs with a minimum diameter of 10 inches. Spacers may not exceed 12 inches in height.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Half-logs must be placed where the bottom substrate composition consists of sand or gravel, or both.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Half-logs may not be placed in water deeper than 5 feet.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Half-logs placed in lakes and flowages may not be located more than 100 feet from shore or within 100 feet of a swim raft.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**H. Eligibility Standards for Net Pens**  
 In addition to the general standards in A, the following standards apply to all net pens.

<p>The project purpose is the placement of a net pen(s) for holding or rearing fish for noncommercial purposes.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>A cooperative fish rearing agreement with the department is required before the placement of fish in any public waterway. This includes the placement of fish in a net pen(s) authorized under this general permit. For information on how to obtain a cooperative fish rearing agreement, contact your fisheries biologist at <a href="https://dnr.wi.gov">https://dnr.wi.gov</a>, keyword “fisheries biologists.”</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Net pens may only be placed in Great Lakes water bodies or tributaries of Great Lakes waterbodies.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Net pens may not be located within a public rights feature as described s. NR 1.06, Wis. Adm. Code.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>There is no limit to the number of times that a person may place a net pen(s) in a Great Lakes water body or a tributary of a Great Lakes water body under the authority of this general permit.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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<p>A WPDES permit is required if the holding or rearing of fish in net pens authorized under this general permit meets the criteria for a concentrated aquatic production facility under 40 C.F.R. 122.24.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>The applicant is the riparian owner or if the project location is waterward of the line of navigation (3 ft. water depth), the applicant has notified the riparian owner of the intention to place a net pen(s) for holding or rearing fish.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>The applicant is the riparian owner or if the project location is landward of the line of navigation (3 ft. water depth) in the riparian zone the applicant has obtained permission of the riparian owner to place a net pen(s) for holding or rearing fish.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>If the water is a tributary to a Great Lakes water body, the applicant has obtained permission of the bed owner (who may be the riparian owner) to place a net pen(s) for holding or rearing fish.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>A net pen(s) for the purpose of holding or rearing fish for noncommercial purposes may be placed for a period not to exceed 8 weeks.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>The Department must be present when fish are being placed into a net pen(s).</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>The fish held or reared in the net pen(s) must be stocked by the department or by a person who is in compliance with s. 29.736, Wis. Stats.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>The fish held or reared in the net pen must be released by the department or by a person who is in compliance with s. 29.736, Wis. Stats., into the same body of water in which the net pen(s) is placed.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>If possible, a net pen(s) should not be placed at a location where the area for boating traffic and open water navigation is narrower than 250 ft. A net pen(s) placed in such a location must allow an area for boating traffic and open water navigation at least 150 ft. wide between the waterward side of the net pen(s) and the opposite shore's line of navigation (3 ft. water depth as defined in s.NR 326.03(4), Wis. Adm. Code.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>The structure must be placed at least 100 feet away from all of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. A bridge.</li> <li>b. A designated swimming area open to the public and marked by buoys, ropes, or postings along the shore. This includes publicly accessible swimming areas on private land.</li> <li>c. A designated carry-in only watercraft access point.</li> <li>d. A swim raft.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Net pens must be adequately marked with buoys and reflectors or any other visual warning mechanism that is highly visible and that is reflectorized, fluorescent, or lighted.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Net pens must be adequately secured or anchored to prevent movement.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Any person placing a net pen must, prior to placement, provide written notice to the harbor master or equivalent representative within the local municipality. The notice must include a description of the net pen and a map identifying the exact location.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>A net pen(s) must be placed in a manner that prevents sediment from accreting updrift or eroding down-drift of the net pen(s) or being transported away from the net pen(s) to the maximum extent practicable.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>A net pen(s) must be placed in a manner that prevents the collection, removal or dispersal of sediment away from the project site to the maximum extent practicable.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Eligibility Criteria for Adding New Structure Locations for Fish Sticks, Tree Drops, Fish Cribs, or Half-Logs on a Single Riparian Property.**

An applicant may place structures authorized under this general permit on additional sites not originally specified in the project plan if all of the following conditions apply:

The additional site location complies with all of the applicable eligibility standards in 1A and any other applicable sections of the general permit.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The original applicant will place and maintain the additional structure(s) within their riparian zone.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The fisheries biologists or water management specialist approves the additional site location as a beneficial location to improve fish or wildlife habitat.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>An additional permit fee is not required to place fish sticks, tree drops, or half logs at additional locations under an existing general permit coverage. A person seeking to place additional structures under an existing permit coverage must provide to the Department an informal request containing all the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The docket or identification number of the initial general permit coverage to which you seek to add new locations.</li> <li>b. First and last name of applicant seeking coverage of new locations.</li> <li>c. Applicant's contact information, including but not limited to, street address, city, state, zip code, telephone, and e-mail.</li> <li>d. Project diagram that shows all the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. The location of the project relative to the OHWM and the bank toe.</li> <li>ii. The location of silt fences or any other sediment control devices.</li> <li>iii. A description of structure(s) to be placed.</li> <li>iv. A description of materials and equipment to be used for the placement of the fish habitat structure, including the location of the live trees to be used and the purpose and need for the placement.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Additional structures may not be placed after the expiration date of this general permit.	<input type="checkbox"/>

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<p>To facilitate lake-wide management efforts under the public trust that will cumulatively restore and enhance fish habitat in the near-shore littoral zone area and result in healthy fish populations, the standards contained in subsection allow for the option of adding new structure sites to fish sticks, tree drops, or half logs projects on the same waterbody already granted coverage under this general permit with no additional permit fees. Structures must meet all applicable eligibility criteria in Section 1. All permit conditions apply in Section 4.</p> <p>Contact your local Lake District or lake group or use the Permits &amp; Determinations layer at <a href="http://dnr.wi.gov">http://dnr.wi.gov</a>, keyword "surface water data viewer" to search for previous permits.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
An applicant who applies for coverage under this general permit for the placement of fish sticks, tree drops, or half logs must indicate in the initial application whether the applicant seeks permit coverage that allows new structure sites that meet the general permit standards to be added and afforded coverage under the same general permit at a later date.	<input type="checkbox"/>



<p>An additional permit fee is not required to place fish stick, tree drops or half logs at additional locations under an existing general permit coverage where the initial applicant was granted permit coverage for additional locations. A person seeking to place additional structures under an existing permit coverage must provide to the Department a request containing all the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The docket or identification number of the initial general permit coverage to which you seek to add new locations.</li> <li>b. First and last name of applicant seeking coverage of new locations.</li> <li>c. Applicant's contact information, including but not limited to, street address, city, state, zip code, telephone, and e-mail.</li> <li>d. A copy of the deed or similar proof of ownership of the site where the activity will occur. If you do not own the site, also include proof of any notice(s) and permission(s) required by Section 1.A Criteria 3 and 4 of this General Permit.</li> <li>e. Project diagram that shows all the following:             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. The location of the project relative to the OHWM and the bank toe.</li> <li>ii. The location of silt fences or any other sediment control devices.</li> <li>iii. A description of materials and equipment to be used for the placement of the fish habitat structure, including the location of the live trees to be used and the purpose and need for the placement.</li> </ol> </li> <li>f. Maps of the project site that include all the following:             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Property lines for the property where the project will occur including identification of the riparian zone area from the OHWM to the line of navigation.</li> <li>ii. The location of the proposed fish habitat structure.</li> </ol> </li> <li>g. Photographs that represent existing site conditions where the project will occur.</li> <li>h. Signature. The signature on any cover letter submitted for the purpose of applying to be covered under existing general permit coverage will certify that the applicant meets the requirements under Section 3 of this general permit.</li> </ol>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**Other Authorities**

By checking this box, I certify that the proposed project will not occur in a mapped floodplain (official Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) or local zoning map), or if the project is located in a regulated floodplain, I am obtaining or have obtained applicable floodplain permits or approvals from the local zoning authority.

**Certification**

I certify that I have read and understand all project eligibility criteria and agree to design and construct my project in accordance with all listed eligibility criteria found in this checklist. In addition, I agree to meet all conditions required for structure placement as identified in the above referenced eligibility criteria.

*This form may be signed electronically, pursuant to Wis. Stat. Chapter 137. By checking the electronic signature acknowledgement box and typing your name, you are expressing intent to sign this form and certifying that all information contained herein is true, accurate, and complete, to the best of your knowledge and belief. If you decline to sign this form electronically, you must physically sign this form and all other forms required for your project.*

Date signed \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_