

HOG HUNTING ENCLOSURE PERMIT APPLICATION

A permit is now required before hogs taken from the wild and tagged pursuant to permit can be released into an enclosure (50-11-65). The enclosure must meet certain standards established by SCDNR to reasonably assure that the hogs will not escape to contribute to, or establish, wild hog populations in the area or to damage adjacent property. SCDNR will conduct an inspection of the enclosure within a reasonable amount of time after receiving the completed application. SCDNR will conduct additional inspections at its discretion to assure that the enclosure meets and is maintained to the standards printed on back of this application. If it is determined that the enclosure does not meet the standards, the deficiencies will be noted and corrections must be made to bring the enclosure up to acceptable standards before a permit will be issued. If it is determined that the standards are not being maintained, the permit will be revoked.

It is important to understand that an enclosure permit is not required to have a hog hunting enclosure or to hunt hogs within an enclosure. The permit is only required to allow the release of permitted and tagged hogs taken from the wild into the enclosure. Releasing unpermitted and untagged hogs taken from the wild into an enclosure is unlawful (50-16-70) and is punishable by a fine of no more than one thousand dollars or imprisoned not more than six months, or both.

Please see the back of this document for enclosure standards.

Date: _____

Name of Applicant: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: (Home) _____ (Work, Cell) _____

Applicant Customer ID # or SSN _____

Name of Enclosure: _____

Acres of Enclosure: _____

County of Enclosure: _____

Exact Location of Enclosure: _____

Signature of Applicant

Date

Return Completed Application to:

**SCDNR / Hog Hunting Enclosure
PO Box 167
Columbia, SC 29202**



ENCLOSURE PERMIT FACTS AND CONDITIONS

1. Hogs taken from the wild alive may only be released into hog hunting enclosures that have been permitted.
2. Enclosures must be constructed and maintained to prevent escapes. An inspection will determine if the enclosure is substantial in design and construction and will reasonably prevent escape of hogs from the enclosure.
3. Transport of hogs taken under required permits is not allowed into or through another county. Hogs to be released must be taken under permit, tagged and come from the county where the enclosure is located.
4. Fencing criteria
 - a. Fencing must completely surround the enclosure.
 - b. Fencing must consist of wire or more substantial material. Fencing must rise at least 5 feet above ground, and consist of at least 40 inches of woven wire or more substantial material above ground and may have up to 6 strands of barbed wire or live electric fencing no more than 4 inches apart to comprise the 5 feet. Woven material and barbed wire must be no less than 12 gauge in size.
 - c. Fencing must be buried at least one foot underground, have a two foot horizontal apron of the same material attached to the inside of the fence, or have contact with the ground and have an electrified wire no more than 6 inches above ground around the complete interior of the enclosure.
 - d. Posts may be wood or metal but must be substantial. Wooden posts must be no less than 3 inches across and metal posts must be no less than 1 inch across. Wooden line posts can be no more than 20 feet apart around the entire perimeter. Metal line posts can be no more than 15 feet apart. Corners must have 3-5 post corner assemblies and line fencing must have brace line post assembly of at least three posts for every 330 linear feet of fencing.
5. Evidence of hogs (pigs) escaping an enclosure will result in revocation of an existing permit. Enclosures will be inspected by the Department when a permit is requested. Additional inspections during the year in which the permit is valid will be conducted at the discretion of the Department.
6. If an enclosure is found to be defective or in disrepair, the existing permit will be revoked.
7. Permittee shall keep and retain complete records on forms provided by the Department and provide such forms to the Department, upon request and at the expiration of the permit.
8. The cost of the permit is 50 dollars and is valid from July 1 through June 30 of each year. The fee will be collected following the inspection of the enclosure.