



VANCOUVER ISLAND UNIVERSITY

ANIMAL CARE COMMITTEE Policy ACC-014 - Fish and Wildlife Permits

PURPOSE

1. The purpose of this Policy is to provide direction on the licensing requirements and process for research, teaching or testing involving the use of wild fish and wildlife.

SCOPE

2. This Policy applies to all Vancouver Island University (VIU) Persons, which means those participating in scholarly activity, including full-time and part-time faculty, staff and students (including, without limitation, clinical faculty, visiting professors, and any persons enrolled in any degree, non-degree, diploma, certificate, or residency program at VIU) or any person who teaches, conducts research, or works at, or under the auspices of VIU.

POLICY STATEMENTS

3. The Animal Care Committee (ACC) is responsible for reviewing and approving all research, teaching or testing involving the use of animals carried out by VIU Persons, regardless of whether that project will be conducted within VIU jurisdiction or in the jurisdiction of another animal care committee.
4. Anyone proposing to conduct research on, study, capture, hold or release wild fish or wildlife should be familiar with, and comply with, the relevant legislation for conducting these activities within their jurisdiction of operation.
5. Principal Investigators (PIs) should consult with the appropriate federal, provincial, territorial, municipal or regional agency when planning a project involving wild fish or wildlife.
6. It is the PI's responsibility to ensure that all licenses, permits, authorizations and approvals are in place before proceeding with any wild fish or wildlife project.
7. The ACC requires that PIs submitting an AUP involving any wild fish or wildlife project reference the relevant licenses, permits, authorizations and/or approvals within the AUP and provide copies to the ACC. If these are not available at the time of AUP application or

renewal (e.g. pending review or issuance by an agency), approval of the AUP will be conditional to providing copies to the ACC.

8. In some cases, approval of licenses, permits, authorizations and/or approvals depends on the approval of the AUP. In these circumstances, approval of the AUP will be conditional to amending the AUP with the information as it becomes available.