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PERMIT

PERMIT SU05-13565

Wildlife Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 488

Section 3 of Freshwater Fish Regulation BC Reg. 261/83


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PERMIT HOLDER	Target Marine Hatcheries Ltd. PO Box 459 Sechelt, BC V0N 3A0 ATTENTION: Barb Watt PHONE: (604) 741-9800
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HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED UNDER: s. 19 of the *Wildlife Act*, RSBC 1996, c. 488 AND
s. 3 (b) of the FFR, BC Reg. 261/83

TO	Is authorized to transport live farmed white sturgeon subject to the terms and conditions attached in Appendix "A".
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SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:

CONDITIONS OF PERMIT:	The permit holder must comply with the requirements listed in Appendix "A."		
OFFENCE PROVISION	Failure to comply with any term of this permit is an offence under the <i>Wildlife Act</i> , and may result in prosecution and/or denial of future permit requests.		
TERM OF PERMIT	This permit is only valid from July 12, 2005 to July 12, 2006.		
DATE OF ISSUE	July 12, 2005		
 SIGNATURE OF ISSUER	Al Martin, Director, Fish and Wildlife Recreation and Allocation Branch	PERMIT FEE \$30	RECEIPT NUMBER (IF ISSUED)

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APPENDIX "A"

Conditions of Permit SU05-13565 Issued to Target Marine Hatcheries Ltd. for the transport of farmed white sturgeon

This permit is specific to ^{possession and} transport of farmed white sturgeon

General Conditions:

- This permit is not transferable
- The permit holder must take all reasonably necessary steps to ensure that public safety and fish / wildlife habitat are not jeopardized by any action taken under authority of the permit.
- The permit holder must ensure that fish are treated in a humane manner, and are not subjected to any unnecessary harm or suffering.
- The permit holder is liable for all actions or omissions relating to this permit, including actions or omissions by an employee, contractor or agent of the permit holder. The Province of British Columbia is not liable for any damage or loss arising from this permit.
- The Province is not liable for any illness contracted through wildlife handling. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to inform him/herself of possible health hazards, and to ensure that all reasonably necessary safety measures are undertaken.
- The permit holder must carry a copy of this permit at all times when performing the activities authorized by the permit.
- Failure to comply with the terms and conditions of this permit may result in its revocation.
- This permit does not exempt the holder from **all** applicable federal, provincial, municipal and regional district legislation and by-laws. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to inform him/herself of all relevant laws.
- If applicable, the permit holder is required to renew his or her own permit. There will be no reminder notice sent.

Producers

- The permit holder must not transfer possession of live farmed sturgeon to any person except to a person permitted to possess, transport or sell such fish under the Freshwater Fish Regulation.
- All live farmed sturgeon transferred to another party must be tagged with tags that identify the producer of the fish and which assign an individual number or code to each fish produced. <NAME OF PERMITTEE> must evaluate the effectiveness of the tags utilized with respect to retention and must evaluate options for the use of non-reusable tags. <NAME OF PERMITTEE> must start utilizing non-reusable tags as soon as practical and no later than six months from the date of issue or show just cause as to why such tags cannot be used.
- Tags within each shipment must be numbered or coded individually so that each fish can be unambiguously identified. No identifying number or code may be used more than one time. The tag numbers or codes that are used for different shipments shall not be sequential with the previous shipment.

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- This permit does not exempt the holder from **all** applicable federal, provincial, municipal and regional district legislation and by-laws. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to inform him/herself of all relevant laws.
- The permit holder must make and retain records for one year for each shipment of live farmed fish transferred. These records must include:
 - the tag identification number or code for each fish transported;
 - the date of transfer;
 - the name and permit number of the person to whom the fish were transferred;
 - total and estimated average weight of fish transported with each shipment and
 - the medication history for each fish.
- The permit holder must not ship or sell live farmed sturgeon to markets for human consumption after administering a drug unless:
 - (a) the Food and Drugs Act (Canada) or regulations made under that Act provide standards governing the use of the drug and the holder has complied with those standards, or
 - (b) the drug is prescribed by a veterinarian, the veterinarian has prescribed a mandatory period of time that must pass between the administration of the drug and the harvest of finfish and the holder has complied with all the veterinarian's instructions.

Transporters

- The permit holder must not obtain possession of live farmed sturgeon from, or transfer possession to, any person except a person permitted to possess, transfer and/or sell such fish under the Freshwater Fish Regulation.
- The permit holder must not obtain possession of live farmed sturgeon from, or transfer possession to, any person unless the fish are marked with tags that identify the producer of the fish and which assign an individual number or code to each fish produced.
- No person other than a producer shall place a tag on any fish.
- No person shall alter, destroy or damage any tags.
- Any tags that are damaged, lost or otherwise changed from their original condition must be recorded as such. Sturgeon from which tags have been lost cannot be transferred to a retailer and must be returned to the producer.
- The permit holder must not take possession of live farmed sturgeon for human consumption purposes unless the transporter acquires a statement signed by the producer stating either that the fish have not had a drug administered or that:
 - (a) the Food and Drugs Act (Canada) or regulations made under that Act provide standards governing the use of the drug and the holder has complied with those standards, or
 - (b) the drug is prescribed by a veterinarian, the veterinarian has prescribed a mandatory period of time that must pass between the administration of the drug and the harvest of finfish and the holder has complied with all the veterinarian's instructions
- The permit holder must make and retain records for one year for each shipment of live farmed sturgeon. The records for each shipment must include:
 - the tag identification number or code for each fish transported;
 - the date of transfer;
 - the name, location and permit or permit number of the person from whom the fish were received;
 - the name, location and permit number of the person to whom the fish were transferred and
 - total and estimated average weight of fish transported with each shipment.
- Copies of records associated with a specific shipment of live sturgeon must be carried with that shipment during transport.

- Live farmed sturgeon may be transported only by road or air and may not be transported by boat except for scheduled ferry transportation.
- Live farmed sturgeon may only be transported in closed containers designed specifically for the transport of fish. Such containers must be properly secured to the transporting vehicle and must possess sufficient security features to prevent unauthorized access to the contents of the container.
- The permit holder must not transport live farmed sturgeon in any vehicle that is not appropriately designed and sufficiently maintained to transport the size, weight and shape of fish containers.
- The permit holder must take reasonable precautions to prevent the escape of live farmed sturgeon or water from containers within which live farmed sturgeon are transported.
- The permit holder must carry adequate escape response equipment to deal with an accidental spill or discharge of live farmed sturgeon.
- In the event of an accidental spill or discharge of live farmed sturgeon or water from a container carrying live farmed sturgeon, the permit holder must take all reasonable steps to recover any fish or water spilled, and to the minimize any potential possibility for such live farmed sturgeon or water to enter into any watercourse.
- In the event of such an escape or accidental discharge, the permit holder must notify the Manager, Aquaculture Licensing and Compliance (MAFF) within 24 hours and submit a report to the Regional Manager, Conservation Officer Service, within 7 days.
- The permit holder must not discharge water from containers carrying live farmed sturgeon, except to a sanitary sewer system, or to a private water treatment facility approved to handle fish or other domestic animal waste to prevent disease transfer. Discharge to ground, ditch, watercourse or storm sewer is not permitted.
- The permit holder must ensure that any employee or agent transporting fish for the permit holder is fully advised of the terms and conditions of the permit and has received training sufficient to enable the employee or agent to carry out all of the permit holder's obligations under the permit.

Attachment: Escaped Incident Report