



Connecticut Department of
**ENERGY &
ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION**

**PERMIT TO COLLECT
Fish, Crustaceans & Aquatic Organisms
FOR SCIENTIFIC & EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES**

Under the authority of Connecticut General Statutes, Sections 26-60 and 26-57, this permit is hereby granted by the Department of Energy & Environmental Protection to:

Organization/ Institution: CT DEEP WPLR Monitoring Program (Riffle Bioassessment by Volunteers Program)	Vessel Name 860-424-3061
Permittee: Meghan Lally	Work Phone
Title and/or Department: WPLR RBV Program Coordinator	Home Port Home Telephone
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AUTHORIZED TO:

Species: Riffle-dwelling benthic macroinvertebrates

Location of Collection: Statewide throughout Connecticut

Activities authorized & gear: Permittee is authorized to use benthic macroinvertebrate collection equipment (such as rectangular-frame kick-nets) to capture above species. Permittee may collect up to 3 specimens per family at each sampling site per year.

Subpermittees: Trained RBV program volunteers

Disposition of Specimens: Specimens may be deposited at CT DEEP Monitoring Group Laboratory, located at 9 Windsor Ave, Windsor, CT.

Special Conditions:

1. Organisms collected under this permit **may not be sold**, exchanged or removed from the state.
2. All collecting devices (net, trap, etc.) should be labeled as feasible with the following: DEEP WPLR-SC-18026.
3. Rotenone, piscicides and electrofishing devices **shall not be used**.
4. This permit **does not** authorize the taking of specimens or eggs of state or federally listed species horseshoe crabs, or striped bass. Non-target species shall be released on site.
5. No egg-bearing female lobsters may be collected. Lobsters may not be collected from Sept 8 – Nov 28.
6. The permittee is NOT authorized to conduct collecting activities in areas where there are nesting Piping Plovers, Least Terns, or other state-listed shorebirds. Nesting season is recognized as May 15th - September 1st.
7. The permittee shall notify the land manager with primary responsibility for each facility at least 48 hours in advance of conducting any research activities outside of normal visiting hours.
8. This collection permit does not exempt the permittee from other DEEP regulations: Vehicles are prohibited in areas closed to vehicles; state lands are closed at sunset and reopen at sunrise.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

1. **THIS PERMIT DOES NOT AUTHORIZE THE TAKING OF COMMERCIAL SHELLFISH. Please contact the Dept. of Agriculture, Division of Aquaculture for more information at (203) 874-0696.**
2. All persons assisting in the collection of organisms authorized by this permit shall work under the direction of the permittee and carry a copy of this permit at all times.
3. A report of all organisms taken or captured shall be provided annually by January 15th or the expiration of the permit. This report shall include: numbers and species of all individuals handled, captured or taken. State and federally listed species shall be reported on a Special Animal Survey Form and submitted to DEEP with a map of the site and photographs of the organism(s).
4. Such permit is subject to permission of the landowner on whose land or waters collecting or relocation takes place.
5. Collection of any federally protected species requires the permittee to hold and carry the proper federal permit along with this permit.
6. **All equipment or materials (e.g., traps, nets, markers, etc.) used to conduct the activities authorized by this permit shall be removed from study sites by the expiration date of this permit.**

Permit Number: SC-18026

Permit Duration: October 10, 2018 - December 31, 2021

Expiration : 12/31/2021

cc: Law Enforcement
 Mike Beauchene, Inland Fisheries
 Steve Gephard, Inland Fisheries
 Colleen Giannini, Marine Fisheries
 Justin Davis, Marine Fisheries

Approved by:

Richard A. Jacobson, Acting Chief, Bureau of Natural Resources

Date: 10/10/18