

Scientific Collector's Permit or Research License: What do I need?

	Chipmunks, pocket gophers, mice, moles, rats, shrews, ground squirrels, voles, house sparrows, starlings	Opossum, porcupine, red squirrel, weasels	Species of Fish or Game with a specific open and closed season.	Protected species of birds, mammals and herps	Endangered or threatened species	Clams	Arthropods
Collect live using typically legal means and release on site	No permit or license required	Appropriate hunting or trapping license or SCP	Appropriate hunting or trapping license during open season or SCP during open or closed season or if they will be tagged or marked before release.	SCP	ER permit	SCP	No permit or license required, except a fishing license need to collect crayfish.
Collect and immediately kill using typically legal means	No permit or license required	Appropriate hunting or trapping license or SCP	Appropriate hunting or trapping license for taking during the open season, or SCP for collection during open or closed season.	SCP	ER permit	Not allowed without a SRL if kept live, or SCR if collected dead. Except on Mississippi River in Wis where not allowed to collect more than 50 lbs/day.	No permit or license required, except a fishing license need to collect crayfish.
Collect and immediately kill using methods that are typically not legal for that species/group	SCP Depending on method	SCP	SCP	SCP	ER permit	SCP	SCP
Collect and release using methods that are typically not legal for that species/group	SCP Depending on method	SCP	SCP	SCP	ER permit	SCP	SCP

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Live trap and keep alive in captivity	SRL	SRL	SRL	SRL	ER permit	Collection of live clams is not allowed except on Wis. Portion of Mississippi River. All other water would require a SCP.	No license or permit required, except a fishing license or a SCP is required to collect crayfish.
Live trap, band or mark, and release	SCP	SCP	SCP	SCP	ER permit	SCP	No license or permit required, except a fishing license or a SCP is required to collect crayfish.
Possess live in captivity if obtained from legal source	No permit or license required	No permit or license needed		Captive Wild Animal Farm License or Nonprofit Educational Exhibit license	ER permit	No license or permit required	No license or permit required
Propagate in captivity if obtained from legal source	No permit or license required	No permit or license needed	Captive Wild Animal Farm License or Nonprofit Educational Exhibit license	Captive Wild Animal Farm License or Nonprofit Educational Exhibit license	ER permit <u>and</u> appropriate Captive Wild Animal Farm License or Nonprofit Educational Exhibit license.	No license or permit required	No license or permit required
Salvage dead from the wild.	No permit or license required.	SCP	SCP	SCP	ER permit	No license or permit required if less than 50 lbs. of dead shell.	Fishing license or a SCP is required to collect crayfish.