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## **FISHERIES (SEAHORSE) REGULATIONS, 2022**

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**MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, MARINE RESOURCES  
& FAMILY ISLAND AFFAIRS**

S.I. No. 35 of 2022

**FISHERIES ACT, 2020  
(NO. 40 OF 2020)**

**FISHERIES (SEAHORSE) REGULATIONS, 2022**

The Minister, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 126 of the Fisheries Act, 2020 makes the following regulations —

**1. Citation.**

These regulations may be cited as the Fisheries (Seahorse) Regulations, 2022.

**2. Prohibition on taking, possessing, fishing, landing, importing or exporting seahorses, seahorse parts or products.**

Subject to regulation 4, no person shall —

- (a) take, possess, fish or land any seahorse, seahorse part or product in The Bahamas or within Bahamian fisheries waters; or
- (b) import into, or export from, The Bahamas —
  - (i) any seahorse,
  - (ii) any seahorse part, or
  - (iii) any seahorse product.

**3. Prohibition on the sale of seahorses, seahorse parts or products.**

No person shall sell any seahorse, seahorse part or product in The Bahamas or within Bahamian fisheries waters.

**4. Permit to take, possess, fish, land, import or export seahorses, seahorse parts or products.**

- (1) A person who wishes to take, have in his possession, fish, land, import or export any seahorse, seahorse part or product for educational, scientific or research purposes, shall apply to the Director for a permit.

- (2) An application made under paragraph (1) shall be made in the manner set out in Form 1 of the Schedule.
- (3) Where the Director approves an application made under paragraph (1), the Director shall issue a permit as set out in Form 2 of the Schedule, specifying the conditions of the approval.
- (4) A fee of \$100.00 is payable for a permit issued under paragraph (3).

**SCHEDULE**

**(regulation 4)**

**FISHERIES ACT, 2020  
(No. 40 of 2020)**

**FISHERIES (SEAHORSE) REGULATIONS**

**FORM 1**

APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT TO TAKE, HAVE IN POSSESSION, FISH,  
LAND, IMPORT OR EXPORT SEAHORSES, SEAHORSE PARTS OR  
PRODUCTS FOR EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC OR RESEARCH PURPOSES

1. Name of Applicant: .....
2. Address: .....
3. Telephone No.:..... Fax No.:.....  
E-mail Address: .....
4. Name of institution/organisation on behalf of which educational, scientific or research project conducted .....
5. Purpose for taking, having in possession, fishing, landing, importing or exporting seahorse(s), seahorse part(s) or product(s):  
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6. Description of educational, scientific or research project .....
7. Proposed geographical areas to conduct educational, scientific or research project .....

- 8. Proposed starting date:..... Proposed ending date:.....
- 9. Target seahorse species .....
- 10. Quantity of seahorse species to be caught .....
- 11. Additional information: .....

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Signature of Applicant

.....  
Date

**FISHERIES ACT, 2020**  
**(No. 40 of 2020)**  
**FISHERIES (SEAHORSE) REGULATIONS**

**FORM 2**

PERMIT TO TAKE, HAVE IN POSSESSION, FISH, LAND, IMPORT OR  
EXPORT SEAHORSES, SEAHORSE PARTS OR PRODUCTS FOR  
EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC OR RESEARCH PURPOSES

No.: .....

This permit is granted to ..... to take, have in his possession, fish, land, import or export seahorse(s), seahorse part(s) or product(s) for educational, scientific or research purposes on behalf of.....during the period.....to.....in the geographical area of .....

This permit is issued subject to the following conditions:

1. This permit shall not be transferred or assigned.
2. This permit is granted on the understanding that the results of the educational, scientific or research project are communicated to the Government of The Bahamas.

3. Other conditions include: .....

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This permit expires on the .....day of....., 20.....

Dated the .....day of....., 20.....

DIRECTOR OF MARINE RESOURCES

**Made this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022.**

**Signed  
CLAY SWEETING  
Minister responsible for Marine Resources**



