We recommend that you contact the Department of Conservation Office in Christchurch, on 03 371 3700 or email permissionschristchurch@doc.govt.nz, to discuss your application prior to completing the application forms.

Please provide all information requested in as much detail as possible.

This form is to be completed in conjunction with Applicant Information Form 1a (longer term concession).

Please complete this application form, attach Form 1a and any other applicable information and send to <u>permissions@doc.govt.nz</u>. The application will be processed by assessing it against all the requirements for granting a concession under the Conservation Act 1987 and the Wild Animal Control Act 1977.

For more information, see the Aerially-assisted trophy hunting (AATH) page on the DOC website <u>http://www.doc.govt.nz/aath.</u>

If you require extra space for answering please attach additional pages and label them according to the relevant section.

# A. Description of Activity

This application covers only the activities detailed below:

The use of a helicopter (whether or not for hire or reward) to carry out aerially assisted trophy hunting, where a helicopter is used for the following purposes and no other:

- i. to carry by helicopter recreational hunter(s), their guide, associated firearms/ammunition; and
- ii. the active searching by helicopter for wild animals with trophy potential; and
- iii. the on the ground guiding of client(s) and killing wild animal(s), and
- iv. the recovery by helicopter of wild animals.

The following activities are **excluded** from this application:

- i. Live capture and carriage of wild animals.
- ii. Killing any deer species during the period 23 March to 9 April plus, when it falls outside this period, the 4 days of Easter
- iii. The killing and recovery of wild animals or any part thereof for supply to a NZFSA approved processing facility.
- iv. The carriage or use of any shotgun

## B. Details of Aircraft

Please provide details of all aircraft to be used in this activity:					
Aircraft make/model	Aircraft registration Aircraft colour(s)				

# C. Actual or potential effects of proposal

Section 17S(1)(c) of the Conservation Act (1987) requires you to describe the potential effects of your proposed activity and the actions you propose to avoid, remedy and mitigate adverse effects.

The general effects of AATH are known. For 62 identified blocks, the effects have been assessed and addressed in the standard and special conditions listed below:

The potential effects of AATH activity on identified blocks	Methods to avoid, remedy or mitigate effects – standard and special conditions			
Impact on recreational hunters and other public conservation land users	Immediately leave any area where ground-based recreationists are seen. Avoid overflying tramping tracks and huts.			
Disturbance to plant and bird life	Do not encourage kea and avoid landing in areas where kea are present.			
	Inform clients it is illegal to collect/remove any vegetation, rock or soil. Advise clients and staff to clean footwear and equipment before entering conservation areas			
Disposal of carcasses	Do not skin or gut animals within 50m of water bodies			
Disturbance to natural quiet	Use noise reduction technology. Adhere to AIRCARE© requirements			
Pollution of water bodies	Remove all rubbish. Carry out all solid toilet waste or bury it more than 50m from any water body. Adhere to the 'Leave No Trace' principles. Do not refuel on conservation land.			

If you have identified adverse effects not listed above, please complete the table below. Effects can either be actual or potential. More information on identifying and addressing adverse effects is available online at <a href="http://www.doc.govt.nz/upload/documents/about-doc/concessions-and-permits/concessions/guide-to-environmental-impact-assessments.pdf">http://www.doc.govt.nz/upload/documents/about-doc/concessions-and-permits/concessions/guide-to-environmental-impact-assessments.pdf</a>

Record the proposal he	effects	of	your	State here	methods	to	avoid,	remedy	or	mitigate	effects

#### **New Locations**

If you identify any new locations in section F below, you must also state the potential effect(s) of the AATH activity on that location, and the method(s) to avoid, remedy or mitigate the effect. If the effect is unique to a particular location, please note that in the left hand column.

Record the potential effects of your proposal here	State methods to avoid, remedy or mitigate effects here		

## D. Insurance

If your application is approved you will be required to hold the following insurance for each aircraft:

- i. General Public Liability for an amount no less than NZ\$2,000,000.
- ii. Aviation Legal Liability for an amount of no less than NZ\$2,000,000.

# E. Payment

The cost of your concession application will depend on the number of AATH blocks or other areas you apply for. If you apply for pre-assessed AATH blocks there is a standard fee per block. The more blocks you choose, the more it will cost.

The standard application fee is \$400+GST for up to 10 blocks plus an additional \$115+GST for each additional 10 blocks ie:

11-20 blocks = \$515+GST 21-30 blocks = \$630+GST 31-40 blocks = \$745+GST etc.

You can apply for as many blocks as you like. The more you apply for, the more it will cost you.

If you are applying for a new location (i.e. an area that is not already within a pre-assessed block) the cost of processing your application is a fee that will be recovered by the Department, whether or not your application is granted. The processing fee is calculated on an hourly rate basis. An estimate will be provided to you once you have applied.

# **F. Activity Locations**

The 2014-2019 permits were issued for 62 blocks throughout the South Island that were identified as suitable for AATH (AATH blocks). For a schedule and location maps of AATH blocks, please see the Aerially-assisted trophy hunting (AATH) page on the DOC website <u>http://www.doc.govt.nz/aath.</u>

Please state the blocks you wish to apply for in the table below:

Conservancy	Blocks requested
Nelson/Marlborough	

Canterbury	
West Coast Tai Poutini	
Otago	
Southland	

#### **New Locations**

If you are applying for a permit for AATH on public conservation land that is *outside* of the 62 AATH blocks referred to above, you must complete the table below and provide a map identifying the proposed area. You must also provide sufficient information about the effects of the activity in the locations applied for to enable your application to be processed.

To identify the area, provide the name of the Conservation Area, then further refine the location applied for by providing the NZTM GPS coordinates of the area for which you are seeking a permit. You will also need to identify the effects of the activity that are specific to the location(s) applied for, and state how those effects will be managed.

For each of the new locations listed, you must complete section C above (outlining potential effects and methods to avoid, remedy or mitigate those effects).

Name of Conservation Area	NZTM GPS coordinates	Effects table in 'C' completed (tick)

### G. Term

Please state the term sought (i.e. number of years or months) and why.

Note: An application for a concession for a period over 10 years must be publicly notified, an application for a concession up to 10 years will not be publicly notified unless the adverse effects of the activity are such that it is required, or if an exclusive interest in the land is required.

### H. Safety Plan

All concessionaires holding concessions for recreation or tourism activities are required to have a safety plan which has been audited by an appropriately qualified independent expert.

If your activity is covered by the Health and Safety in Employment (Adventure Activity) Regulations 2011 proof of an audit under those regulations is sufficient. If your activity is **not** covered by the Adventure Activity Regulations, please read the *Guidelines on the Requirements for Concessionaire Safety Plans* on the Department of Conservation's website. If you are unsure please read the <u>guidance</u> on the WorkSafe website.

If your concession application is approved, you will be required to provide a copy of an independent auditor's approval of your safety plan before you begin the activity.

## I. Background of Applicant

Has the Applicant or any of the company directors, trustees, partners, or anyone involved with the Application been convicted of any offence? Does the Applicant or any of the company directors, trustees, partners, or anyone involved with the Application have any current criminal charges pending before the court? If yes, please supply details.

## J. Other

Is there any further information you wish to supply in support of your application? Please attach if necessary and label Attachment: 8a I.