**New Zealand National Bird Banding Scheme (NZNBBS)**

**Certification Application Form**:submit to[bandingoffice@doc.govt.nz](mailto:bandingoffice@doc.govt.nz)

**Applicant**: **Background**:

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| Name: |  |  | *Outline of involvement in bird marking projects and need for certification*: | |
| Affiliation: |  |  |
| Postal Address: |  |  |
| Region: | Select a region |  |
| Phone: |  |  |
| Email: |  |  | Date of birth if <16 years old: | Birds NZ Member: |

**Summary of *all* previous experience and certification requested** (numbers to match detail in [Bander Training Log](http://www.doc.govt.nz/Documents/conservation/native-animals/birds/bird-banding/nznbbs-training-log.doc) or other supporting evidence):

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| **NZNBBS Bander ID:** |  | Summary of ALL Experience to date (actual count or ~estimate) | | | | | Experience with: | | | Certification Requested | |
| **Species group** | | **How many species** | **Banded adults** (metal band) | **Banded** [**pulli**](http://www.doc.govt.nz/Documents/conservation/native-animals/birds/bird-banding/nznbbs-pullus-nestling-endorsement-application-form.doc)(metal band) | **Handled** (*not banded*) | [**Mist-net**](http://www.doc.govt.nz/Documents/conservation/native-animals/birds/bird-banding/nznbbs-mist-netting-endorsement-application-form.doc) **extraction** | **Moult score** | **Band removal** | **Training** | **Level 1/2/3** | **\* Species Restrictions**  (if applicable) |
| Captive/Rehab | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kiwi (require [KAH registration](https://www.kiwisforkiwi.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/Copy-of-TO-DISTRIBUTE-Application-form-for-accredited-handler-database-DOC-5430664.xlsx)) | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gamebirds excl. Waterfowl | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Waterfowl | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Penguins (flipper bands) | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Seabirds small/medium (<10mm band) | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Seabirds large (10mm+ band) | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Herons & allies incl. Egrets, Bitterns | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Raptors & Owls | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rails | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Waders | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pigeons & Doves | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Parrots | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Passerines incl. Cuckoos, Kingfishers | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bats | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **Number of birds marked with band size/type:** | 2.0- 5.5 mm (AA-Y) | 6.0- 9.0 mm (E-K) | 10-14 mm (S-M) | 16-22 mm (O-RA) | X, H, Z (flattened) |  | [**Transponders/PIT tags**](http://www.doc.govt.nz/Documents/conservation/native-animals/birds/bird-banding/nznbbs-transponder-insertion-endorsement-application-apr2018.doc) List Species | Number of Insertions carried out | Number of Insertions observed |
| Stainless steel bands |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Incoloy / aluminium bands |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Colour bands |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**Other capture / marking experience: cannon net, net gun, noose mat, clap-trap, bal-chatri, GPS, transmitters, other devices, etc.**

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| Species | Capture / marking description | Extent of experience |
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| Are you familiar with the NZNBBS Bird Bander’s Manual that outlines bird banding Best Practice? |  |
| Are you familiar with the [NEW NZNBBS data template](http://www.doc.govt.nz/our-work/bird-banding/how-to-submit-banding-data/) for banding schedule and recovery data? |  |
| When last did you submit a **band stocktake** and **banding schedule** to the Banding Office? |  |

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| **Supporting documents** as applicable  (*if applying for L2 or L3*) | Signed & submitted | Certification Level Requested |  | **Letters of endorsement (at least 2, email to** [**Banding Office**](mailto:bandingoffice@doc.govt.nz)**):** | |
|  | **Name of endorser** | **Certification / expertise** |
| [Bander Training Log](http://www.doc.govt.nz/Documents/conservation/native-animals/birds/bird-banding/nznbbs-training-log.doc)/ record of banding | Yes / No |  |  |  |  |
| [Mist-netting](http://www.doc.govt.nz/Documents/conservation/native-animals/birds/bird-banding/nznbbs-mist-netting-endorsement-application-form.doc) endorsement | Yes / No / N/A |  |  |  |  |
| [Pullus](http://www.doc.govt.nz/Documents/conservation/native-animals/birds/bird-banding/nznbbs-pullus-nestling-endorsement-application-form.doc) endorsement (passerines & parrots) | Yes / No / N/A |  |  |  |  |
| [Transponder](http://www.doc.govt.nz/Documents/conservation/native-animals/birds/bird-banding/nznbbs-transponder-insertion-endorsement-application-apr2018.doc) endorsement | Yes / No / N/A |  |  |  |  |

**If applying for Level 2 or Level 3 for any category:**

* Detail of banding experience:
* Submit completed [Bander Training Log](http://www.doc.govt.nz/Documents/conservation/native-animals/birds/bird-banding/nznbbs-training-log.doc) (or equivalent) outlining *all* of your bird banding and handling experience, even if gained overseas.
* Endorsements: (as applicable, signed by trainer)
* [Mist-netting endorsement](http://www.doc.govt.nz/Documents/conservation/native-animals/birds/bird-banding/nznbbs-mist-netting-endorsement-application-form.doc)
* [Pullus endorsement](http://www.doc.govt.nz/Documents/conservation/native-animals/birds/bird-banding/nznbbs-pullus-nestling-endorsement-application-form.doc)
* [Transponder insertion endorsement](http://www.doc.govt.nz/Documents/conservation/native-animals/birds/bird-banding/nznbbs-transponder-insertion-endorsement-application-apr2018.doc)
* Letters of support from Level 3 banders:

Letters of endorsement from *at least two* Level 3/experts that have personally supervised your banding/mist-netting/transponder insertion, and can vouch for your competency in capturing, handling and marking birds (including banding, band removal, measuring, aging, sexing, scoring moult), as applicable. These endorsements should outline your skills as per Part 2a of the [Bander Training Log](http://www.doc.govt.nz/Documents/conservation/native-animals/birds/bird-banding/nznbbs-training-log.doc); also refer to [NZNBBS competencies for certification](http://www.doc.govt.nz/our-work/bird-banding/how-to-become-a-certified-bander/bird-banding-competencies/), as well as the competencies listed in the endorsement forms. These letters can be emailed directly to the [Banding Office](mailto:bandingoffice@doc.govt.nz).

* Copies of existing permits/certification: (as applicable)

Please provide copies of banding permits/certification/authorities (especially if issued outside of New Zealand).

Please note that the NZNBBS Banding Certification System only assesses your **competency**. It does *not* give you **permission** to capture, handle or mark birds. It is your responsibility to ensure that you are working under a valid [Wildlife Act Authorisation (permit)](http://www.doc.govt.nz/get-involved/apply-for-permits/interacting-with-wildlife/).

Please ensure that you familiarise yourself with the **Bird Bander’s Manual** produced by the New Zealand National Bird Banding Scheme, as it describes the legal framework as well as the standards and details of “best practice” that are to be followed by every bander in NZ. For transponder insertion, please ensure that you work according to the relevant Best Practice manual for the species.

You can order the Banding Manual, banding pliers, note-books, wing rules, calipers, Pesola scales, etc. from the Banding Office. Please download the **Price List** and **Order Form** from <http://www.doc.govt.nz/our-work/bird-banding/>. Please note that you need Level 3 certification to order bands and mist-nets.

For more information on the Banding Certification System, see: [Flowchart](http://www.doc.govt.nz/Documents/conservation/native-animals/birds/bird-banding/banding-certification-flowchart.pdf); [Details](http://www.doc.govt.nz/our-work/bird-banding/how-to-become-a-certified-bander/)