

William Beebe Research Station
Simla,
Arima, Trinidad W.I.



WBRS RESEARCH APPLICATION

Please complete, sign, and return this form to the Conservation Manager, Asa Wright Nature Center, P.O. Box 4710, Arima, Trinidad West Indies; fax (868) 667- 4540; e-mail: simla.wbtrs@gmail.com

A signed copy of the "Statement and Affidavit" must also be returned with this application. Applications for summer residence should be submitted by January 31. Later applications may be considered however space may not be available.

Name (Dr., Mr., Mrs., Ms.): _____

Title or position:

Institution and address:

Telephone: _____ e-mail: _____

Home address:

Home Telephone:

Citizenship:

Title of proposed research:

Source of support for this project (include grant #):

Location of Research site (*if not Simla*):

Duration of proposed stay is from the night of _____ through the night of _____

Research space for _____ individual(s) is needed.

Please list the name, address, age, sex and citizenship of each person included in your party.
(use the reverse of this form if extra space is required)

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Research requirements: (use separate sheet if necessary)

Laboratory/desk space:

Aquaria or small cages (size, number):

Optical equipment:

Special laboratory apparatus:

Outdoor animal enclosures:

Does this research involve vertebrates (Yes/No):

If yes, indicate those taxa that apply:

**STATEMENT AND AFFIDAVIT CONCERNING RESEARCH AT THE WILLIAM
BEEBE RESEARCH STATION**

Persons conducting studies at the William Beebe Research Station (WBRS) are advised that such research may be subject to regulation under the Conservation of Wildlife Act, Forest Act, Fisheries Act and the Environmental Management Act and its relevant Rules.

Researchers at the WBRS are required to carefully read the following statement. Signature of this application will be taken as an indication that the applicant understands accepts the responsibilities outlined below.

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STATEMENT

The collection or capture of vertebrates (e.g., birds and mammals) and other wildlife requires licenses/permits from relevant Government department/Agencies; **the researcher is personally responsible** for obtaining all required licenses or permits, photocopies of which must be submitted to the Conservation Manager of the Asa Wright Nature Center prior to the initiation of the study.

Access to Forest Reserves, Wildlife Sanctuaries, Prohibited Areas, Environmentally Sensitive Areas and other State properties for the purpose of research, may require licenses/permits from relevant Government department/Agencies; **the researcher is personally responsible** for obtaining all required licenses or permits, photocopies of which must be submitted to the Conservation Manager of the Asa Wright Nature Center prior to the initiation of the study.

The export of biological materials from Trinidad may require licenses/permits from relevant Government department/Agencies; **the researcher is personally responsible** for obtaining all required licenses or permits, photocopies of which must be submitted to the Conservation Manager of the Asa Wright Nature Center.

All persons conducting research on mammals involving killing, capture, restraint, or surgery must obtain approval from the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) or equivalent body of the principal investigator's home institution. Documentation of such approval, and a copy of the research protocol, must be submitted to the Conservation Manager of the Asa Wright Nature Center prior to the initiation of the study.

All persons conducting research on live vertebrates should do so in a manner consistent with the following published guidelines: a) "Guidelines for the Capture, Handling, and Care of Mammals as Approved by the American Society of Mammalogists," Journal of Mammalogy 79 (4): 1416-1431. b) "Report of Committee on Use of Wild Birds in Research," Supplement to The Auk," Vol. 105, No. 1 (1988). c) "Guidelines for Use of Live Amphibians and Reptiles in Field Research," published by the American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists, the Herpetologists' League, and the Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles (1987).

It is possible that this document does not mention all of the legal issues that may pertain to research projects conducted at WBRS. **It shall be the responsibility of the individual researcher to determine his/her compliance with all relevant laws, whether or not such laws are mentioned above.**

AFFIDAVIT

I have read the preceding STATEMENT and I understand my responsibilities described therein.

Signed: _____

Date:

Please attach a one-page summary of your proposed research, including the: general plan of investigation; experience and relevant publications of applicant; why you selected WBRS for your work. Students, please attach letters of recommendation. Please specify any specific requirements for equipment or space.