

Permit

FISHERIES ACT 1995

Issue Date: 5 February 2026

Expiry Date: 31 December 2026

MELBOURNE COARSE ANGLERS INC 602/162 WHITEHORSE ROAD BLACKBURN VIC 3130	Personal File Number (PFN): 14617
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Permit

Noxious Aquatic Species

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Issued under and subject to the provisions of the Fisheries Act 1995 and subject to the conditions that are specified above and any conditions that may be prescribed by Regulation or added to this licence in accordance with section 52 and 54 of the Fisheries Act.

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PERMIT DESCRIPTION

This is a Noxious Aquatic Species Permit issued under section 81 of the Fisheries Act 1995 and authorises the Stuart Thomas Winton of Melbourne Coarse Anglers Inc and registered competitors participating in the club's competition to undertake the following activities, subject to the conditions listed:

ACTIVITIES

The permit holder and participants may possess and release (into waters they were caught from) European carp during fishing competitions events held by Melbourne Coarse Anglers Inc.

AUTHORISED SPECIES

European Carp (*Cyprinus Carpio*)

Individuals of any non-target species, whether exotic or native must immediately be returned to the water with the least possible injury or damage at the site of capture.

Unless otherwise provided for in this permit, no aquatic specimens collected under this permit and conveyed to a land-based holding facility may at any later time be returned to Victorian waters.

AUTHORISED AREAS OF OPERATIONS

Melbourne Coarse Anglers –Events 2026

22 February 2026 – Leisureland (Langwarrin)
25 February 2026 – Russells Reservoir (Wattle Flat)
13 March – Hume Dam (Albury)
14 March – Hume Dam (Albury)
15 March – Hume Dam (Albury)
25 March – Dean Reservoir (Dean)
19 April – Leisureland (Langwarrin)
29 April – Wallan (Hidden Valley)
17 May – Leisureland (Langwarrin)
26 July – Leisureland (Langwarrin)
26 August – Leisureland (Langwarrin)
20 September – Leisureland (Langwarrin)
30 September – Leisureland (Langwarrin)
28 October – Leisureland (Langwarrin)
25 October – Wallan (Hidden Valley)
15 November – Lauries Field (Doreen)
25 November – Leisureland (Langwarrin)
20 December – Leisureland (Langwarrin)
30 December – Leisureland (Langwarrin)

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AUTHORISED EQUIPMENT

Recreational fishing equipment as per Fisheries Regulations 2019. In addition, those authorised under this permit may use:

1. Only two lines with hooks in the water at one time, however up to two further lines may be in the water providing they have no hooks attached,
2. Up to three keeper nets,
3. A maximum of two landing nets.

ADDITIONAL PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

1. All dead protected wildlife must be retained and a report made via the duty officer as soon as practicable after discovery.
2. All keeper nets must be clearly and legibly marked with the user's full name, address and this permit number and visible from above the surface of the water at all times.
3. A person acting under this permit may only put European carp or keep or possess European carp in the keeper nets referred to in clause 7.
4. The permit holder must ensure minimal disturbance to the aquatic environment whilst operating under this permit.
5. This permit, or a true and accurate copy, must be carried by a Committee member at all times when conducting any activities under this permit and made available for inspection on request by any authorised officer of the Victorian Fisheries Authority.
6. The permit holder and persons acting under the permit may only keep, possess or release European carp taken by the person from a waterway listed under "AUTHORISED AREAS OF OPERATIONS".
7. The permit holder and persons acting under the permit may only release European carp into a waterway listed under "AUTHORISED AREAS OF OPERATIONS" in which they were caught from.
8. At no time, including weigh-in, may live European carp be held or transported, more than ten metres from the water's edge.
9. All European carp taken during any competition must be either returned to the water from which they were caught or destroyed.
10. Activities conducted under the authority of this permit must cease at the direction of an authorised fisheries officer.
11. The permit holder must ensure that the persons authorised to operate under this permit comply with the conditions of this permit and the Fisheries Act 1995 and Fisheries Regulations 2019.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PERMIT HOLDERS

1. The permit may be cancelled at any time in writing by the Chief Executive Officer of the Victorian Fisheries Authority.
2. Issue of the permit does not imply any right of reissue or on-going entitlement.
3. In accordance with the Fisheries Act 1995, General Permits are not renewable. Upon expiry of this permit, it is the permit holder's responsibility to apply for a new permit if required. No renewal notice will be forwarded by the Victorian Fisheries Authority.
4. The permit confers no exclusive right to operate in any water body.
5. The permit does not preclude the need to obtain appropriate approvals from other agencies as required.
6. The permit provides no authority to operate in a Marine National Park, Marine Sanctuary, National Park, Wilderness Park or State Park (within the meaning of the National Parks Act 1975) or any reference area (within the meaning of the Reference Areas Act 1978). Where work is proposed in these areas, approval must be obtained from the appropriate authority.
7. The permit holder is responsible for obtaining approvals as required for accessing any land.
8. Failure to comply with any condition of the permit may render the permit liable to cancellation.
9. Failure to comply with any condition of the permit may render the permit holder or any person acting under the authority of the permit liable to prosecution.
10. Unless otherwise provided for in the permit the holder is not exempted from the requirement to comply with the provisions of the Fisheries Act 1995 and Fisheries Regulations 2019.

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