

L. The Commission shall respond to permit requests within thirty days of receipt of the request.

I. Sport or Recreational Divers Permit

The Alabama Historical Commission issues this permit to \_\_\_\_\_ for the enjoyment of Alabama's submerged cultural heritage. This permit is for pleasure only and no systematic search is allowed. If a systematic search is desired, the Permittee should apply for Permit II, the Search and Identification Permit.

1. This permit shall be valid for all waters and bottoms belonging to the State of Alabama with the exception of the Mobile Bay Battlefield Corridor, the Spanish Fort/Blakely Corridor, the Battery Gladden/Battery McIntosh Corridor (a copy of these coordinates may be obtained from the Commission), or other sites determined significant by the Commission, or sites within areas under active investigation (permit). SPECIAL NOTE: submerged lands belonging to the Tennessee Valley Authority, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and Alabama Power may require specific and separate approval from these agencies prior to diving on their submerged bottoms.
2. The permit shall be valid for six (6) months effective the date this permit is signed.
3. The Permittee may visit all shipwreck sites and inundated archaeological sites within State of Alabama waters excluding the above noted exception.
4. No excavation, boring, or alteration of a shipwreck site or inundated archaeological site shall be conducted under this permit.
5. No artifacts either attached or loose shall be retrieved at a shipwreck site or inundated archaeological site.
6. The Permittee shall provide the Commission with a report including a description of the find(s), a photograph of the find(s), and a map indicating the location of the find(s) prior to the end of the permit.
7. The Permittee shall not disclose exact location or coordinates of any cultural resources located.
9. In no way shall the Commission, the State of Alabama, their agents or employees, be held liable for any accident, incident, or cost incurred by this permit activity.
10. The rights and approvals granted to the Permittee by the Commission for this permit activity shall in no way be transferred or subcontracted to any other individuals or companies.