

AQUARIUM OF NAIGARA ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE (AWC) FORM A
APPLICATION FOR ANIMAL WELFARE REVIEW

Provide details on each of the items requested below. Expand each section as needed to provide the appropriate detail.

1. Date:
2. Principal Investigator (PI):
3. Address:
4. Phone Number:
5. Which best describes PI? Outside professional researcher
 Aquarium staff member
 Student researcher
 Other (please provide additional clarification).
6. Institutional affiliation:
7. If PI is student, name of faculty sponsor?
8. What are the professional qualifications of the Principal Investigator (please attach CV, or letters of recommendation, if appropriate)?
9. Project title:
10. Anticipated Dates of project initiation and completion:
11. Permits required, if any:
12. Species to be investigated (Common and scientific names):
13. Numbers and sex of animals required:
14. Location of research:
15. Name(s) of outside collaborators (if any):
16. Name(s) of Aquarium of Niagara collaborators (if any):
17. Anticipated degree of Aquarium staff involvement (e.g. dependence upon keepers or Department Heads for sample collection, etc.):
18. Aquarium facilities and equipment needed for completion of research:
19. In what forum do you expect to report the results of your research?
20. Will the proposal research potentially impact the animal subjects of the investigation? _____
If so, complete the AWC Form B, Application for Animal Welfare Review, and append it to this application.

21. Briefly explain the goal of the project (the hypothesis to be tested, the question to be answered, etc.). Provide context by which the Animal Welfare Committee (AWC) membership can understand the significance and methodology of the topic to be investigated. Toward this end, if available, provide reference to at least one published paper relevant to the conduct of your project, and if possible append a copy of a relevant paper to your application.
22. How does the project relate to the conservation priorities of the Aquarium profession in general and the conservation activities of the Niagara Aquarium Foundation in particular?
23. Detail the design of the proposed project. Include a time-line, the exact nature of the data to be collected and how it will be obtained, how the data will be analyzed and all other relevant details. The provision of diagrammatic summary of your research design is advisable.
24. Give a consideration of the potential outcomes of your project and how you will interpret each possible outcome.
25. I have read and understand the Niagara Aquarium Foundation's Regulations and Expectations regarding the conduct of research. I understand that failure to adhere to these guidelines may result in termination of my project.

Signature _____ Date _____