

Louisiana Seismic Permit Digital Database  
RULES AND REGULATIONS

**APPLICABLE TO**  
**GEOPHYSICAL AND GEOLOGICAL SURVEYS CONDUCTED UPON**  
**OR RELATING TO**  
**STATE OF LOUISIANA**  
**STATE-OWNED LANDS AND WATERBOTTOMS**

A. Permits for geophysical and geological surveys pursuant to Title 30, Chapter 3, Sections 211-216 of the Revised Statutes of 1950 shall be obtained from the State of Louisiana State Mineral Board (SMB) through the Office of Mineral Resources (OMR).

B. Applications for permits will only be considered for processing when the official form, "State of Louisiana State Mineral Board Application for Permit to Conduct Geophysical and/or Geological Exploration on State-Owned Lands and Waterbottoms" is completed in full and submitted with a certified check, cashier's check, bond money order or company check for the correct fee amount and a detailed map of the survey area. Permit application forms are available from the OMR and must be filed in triplicate and addressed to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the OMR at least ten (10) days before the requested effective date of the permit. The following information must be provided:

1. a) If permittee is a shooting company, as hereinafter defined, the name of the client for whom the permit is being secured is required;
- b) If permittee is not a shooting company, then the name(s) of the shooting company(ies) that will do the geophysical and/or geological survey under the secured permit is/are required;
- c) If permittee is a shooting company planning to permit itself for speculative purposes, then this must be indicated on the application.

2. A statement of the type of work planned (e.g. 2-D or 3-D reflection, refraction, gravity meter (surface or air), magnetometer (surface or air) , geochemical and/or any other recognized methods of acquiring geophysical or geological data) is required.

3. An adequately and accurately defined map clearly outlining the proposed survey area including map scale, x,y provided above, the application for a permit for such exploration may be requested in any manner, and the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the OMR is authorized to grant, in any manner, temporary permission to conduct such geophysical or geological operations after notifying the Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries of the informal application for this temporary permit. Operations under this Paragraph shall be confined to the areas affected by the emergency conditions such as are deemed to exist in the discretion of said Deputy Assistant Secretary of the OMR. However, a written application requesting a permit must be filed within ten (10) days of the date the emergency permit was granted and in accordance with §101(B).

E. Permits are limited to a period of **one (1) year** from the date of issuance, unless revoked for cause.

F. In order to accommodate the proper administration of permits and the orderly operations thereunder, the applicant must submit to the OMR **written notice of the date of commencement** of any geophysical or geological work

