

Department of Natural Resources and Environment

Biosecurity Tasmania



Beekeeper Registration Application

Compulsory questions are marked with an asterix (*)

If you have been registered previously with Biosecurity Tasmania, enter your beekeeper registration number.

Registration Number

Applicant details

Select all applicable categories*

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| ☐ Recreational | ☐ Packer |
| ☐ Recreational - concession | ☐ Venom producer |
| ☐ Honey producer | ☐ Research |
| ☐ Queen bee breeder | ☐ Junior beekeeper (<18 years old) |
| ☐ Equipment supplier | ☐ Biosecurity surveillance |
| ☐ Pollinator | ☐ Other (insert details below) |

Insert details for concession card type

If Junior beekeeper, Parent/Guardian Full Name

If Junior beekeeper, Parent/Guardian Phone Number

Applicant Type:* *The applicant is the person/s or entity who owns the hives*

- ☐ Private Individual
- ☐ Business
- ☐ Other organisation or entity

Business or organisation name (if applicable)

ACN or ABN (if applicable)

☐ ACN

Enter ABN/ACN number

☐ ABN

Primary Contact Name*

Phone Number*

Email*

Postal address for correspondence *

Suburb*

Postcode*

State

Country

Australia

Hive details

Number of hives (excluding nucleus colonies)* Maximum number of hives predicted in the 24-month registration period.

Number of nucleus colonies* Maximum number of nucleus colonies predicted in the 24-month registration period.

NOTE: A nucleus is considered a hive once a second box is added.

Location of known apiary sites in registration period: *

☐ Physical address (single site)

☐ PIC numbers

☐ Physical addresses (multiple sites)

☐ Site codes

☐ GPS locations

☐ Unable to provide site locations at this time

If a comprehensive list of all apiary site locations cannot be provided at the time of registration, please note the Australian Honey Bee Industry Code of Practice requirements 5.1 d, 5.2 and 5.3 (pertaining to record keeping).

Details of Hive Locations

Site locations can be provided as physical addresses, GPS coordinates, PIC's, or Site Codes,

Add each GPS coordination separated by a comma. Preference is for GPS coordinates to be supplied in decimal degree format (e.g. -42.877996 147.337837).

Site codes may apply to land managed by Parks and Wildlife Service, Sustainable Timber Tasmania and Hydro Tasmania. Add each site code separated by a comma.

Suitability Check

In the last ten (10) years have you, your business, any director of the business or anyone in a management role been convicted of any of the following (please tick appropriate box):

- Any offence against the *Animal (Brands and Movement) Act 1984*, *Forest Practices Act 1985*, *Animal Welfare Act 1993*, *Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act 1994*, *Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals (Tasmania) Act 1994*, *Living Marine Resources Management Act 1995*, *Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals (Control of Use) Act 1995*, *Animal Health Act 1995*, *Inland Fisheries Act 1995*, *Public Health Act 1997*, *Plant Quarantine Act 1997*, *Weed Management Act 1999*, *Nature Conservation Act 2002*, *National Parks and Reserves Management Act 2002*, *Food Act 2003*, *Primary Produce Safety Act 2011*, *Biosecurity Act 2019* or corresponding Commonwealth, Territory or State law (including any regulations made any of the said Acts).*

☐ Yes

☐ No

- Any offence of dishonesty? ***

☐ Yes

☐ No

If you answered Yes to either question, please provide further details in the box below or include a copy of any relevant documents with your application

Conditions of registration

☐ Please tick the boxes to indicate that you understand and agree to comply with the following conditions of registration:

☐ A requirement to re-register every 24 months. If your situation changes significantly in terms of hive locations or hive numbers within the registration period, beekeepers are strongly encouraged to update their registration details with Biosecurity Tasmania.*

☐ A requirement to adhere to the Australian Honey Bee Industry Biosecurity Code of Practice. If already compliant with the Code of Practice, please include a copy of your Certification of Compliance with your application.*

☐ A requirement to comply with current import requirements for bees, apiary products and used apiary equipment including the General Biosecurity Direction (Emergency)*

☐ A requirement to use best efforts to ensure that any apiary products fed to bees are free from pests, diseases, or chemical contaminants.*

☐ Tasmanian specific requirements in relation to the Code (i.e. variations from the Code) that must also be noted and followed:

- Code Requirement 2.0 (Reporting of Notifiable Disease) – prompt reporting on all suspect notifiable diseases however specific maximum reporting timeframes in Tasmania for American Foul Brood (AFB) and European Foul Brood (EFB), are 24 hours and 7 days, respectively.
- Code Requirement 4.0 (Disease Management) – The Tasmanian Foulbrood Best Management Practice Guideline takes precedence over this section for apiaries located in Tasmania
- Code Requirement 6.4 (Labelling of all hives):
 - In applying this Code requirement, the following transition period is proposed (applicable to all beekeepers):
 - Within 12 months from the commencement date of the compulsory registration - a requirement to have a minimum of 50% of hives clearly and legibly marked with at least the beekeeper's allocated hive identification code (registration number). If a keeper owns just one hive, then that hive must be clearly and legibly marked with at least the hive identification code (registration number).
 - Within 24 months from the commencement date of the compulsory registration - a requirement to have 100% of hives clearly and legibly marked with at least the beekeeper's allocated hive identification code (registration number).
- All new hives (purchased or constructed – including second-hand hives purchased by a new owner), must be clearly and legibly marked with at least the beekeeper's allocated hive identification code (registration number) as per Code Requirement 6.4.
- Appropriate labelling means – at least the hive identification code displayed on an external vertical face of the hive in lettering that is:
 - Indelible; and
 - at least 25 mm high; and
 - of a contrasting colour to that face of the hive
- Code Requirement 6.5 (Swarm catch boxes) – labelling with at least the allocated hive identification code (registration number) will also be required on catch boxes for all beekeepers – this requirement will attract a 12-month transition/grace period
 - Appropriate labelling requirements – see above

- Code Requirement 9.2 (BOLT “Honey Bee Biosecurity” Training) – applies to all Tasmanian beekeepers (see training details here). If already completed, please upload your certificate of completion below. If not yet completed, upload your certificate using the "Update my Details" option on this form once you have completed the course.
- AFB testing in line with Code Requirement 10.2, however testing by all beekeepers is encouraged.
- Code Requirement 12 (Apiary sites should be identified) – Please note that Code Requirement 12 applies to all beekeepers and should be considered alongside current site signage requirements on land managed by Parks and Wildlife Service, Sustainable Timber Tasmania and Hydro Tasmania.

☐ I consent to my personal details being shared with other government agencies (Tasmanian Fire Service (TFS), Tasmanian Parks and Wildlife Service (PWS), or Ambulance Tasmania) for emergency purposes*

**This would ONLY be used in a situation such as fire or an emergency that will directly impact an apiary site or human life.*

☐ Declaration

I declare that all supplied information is accurate. I am authorised to submit this information on behalf of the business/organisation/junior beekeeper (if relevant). *

Signature

Date: / /

Please return your completed form to:

Senior Biosecurity Officer (Apiary Biosecurity)
Biosecurity Operations Branch
Biosecurity Tasmania
13 St. Johns Avenue New Town TAS 7008

Privacy statement

Your personal information will be used for the primary purpose for which it is collected, such as communication with beekeepers and apiary emergency responses, and may be disclosed to courts and other agencies authorised to collect it. Personal information will be managed in accordance with the Personal Information Protection Act 2004 and may be accessed by the person to whom it relates on request to the Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania (NRE Tas).

The personal information provided in this form relating to the beekeeping business or activity being carried on by you will be recorded in a public register of registered beekeepers in accordance with the Biosecurity Act 2019 and associated regulations. Please note, under regulation 26 of the Biosecurity Regulations 2022, certain information, such as the name and registration number of a registered entity, and the activities the entity is authorised to undertake, is public information that is kept on a publicly accessible register maintained by the Secretary.