

GAMBUSIA (MOSQUITO FISH) ACCEPTANCE FORM

Dear Recipient,

We are glad to provide you with Gambusia. We feel that in certain situations, these mosquito eating fish can be a valuable resource in reducing the population of mosquitoes in specific water sites.

Gambusia affinis is not an indigenous (native) species to Washington. Benton County Mosquito Control District #1 has been given permission by the Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) to use Gambusia as a biological control method for mosquito larvae. We, therefore inspect potential sites before we transport any Gambusia to that area. **It is illegal for any person not authorized by the WDFW to transport, distribute or introduce Gambusia into any water site.**

We appreciate your help in this matter. Please read and sign this form, acknowledging you understand that approval from the WDFW is required for transport. Upon receiving this signed form, we will process your request and evaluate your water site to see if it is suitable for Gambusia transport. Gambusia can survive through the winter in certain conditions. But, if you have to drain your water site or don't feel the fish will survive, we will come and retrieve them if so desired.

Please drop off, mail, fax or email the completed (note: signature & date required) to the District.

Sincerely,

Benton County Mosquito Control District #1

I have read and understand the Gambusia acceptance form and agree not to perform any transport or distribution of this fish.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Is it OK to deliver fish if you are not home? _____ YES, _____ NO

Pond Size / Special Instructions: _____

To Mail or Drop Off: BCMC, 4951 W. Van Giesen Street, West Richland, WA 99353

To Fax: (509) 967-2490

To Email: bcmc@mosquitocontrol.org