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To manage and conserve the natural and cultural resources of Texas and to provide hunting, fishing and outdoor recreation opportunities for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations.

Otter CITES Tag FAQ:

- Who can apply for an Otter Pelt Dealer Permit?
 - o Only licensed wholesale fur dealers may apply for an Otter Pelt Dealer Permit.
- When is an otter pelt required to be tagged?
 - All legally taken otters in this state shall be permanently tagged with a CITES tag within 90 days of take.
- How do I apply for or renew an Otter Pelt Dealer Permit?
 - The application to apply for or renew the Bobcat Pelt Dealer Permit can be found at: https://tpwd.texas.gov/business/permits/land/wildlife/cites/.
 (Allow 2-4 weeks for tags to be mailed)
- How do I request otter CITES tags?
 - o To request CITES tags, please email your request wpoffice@tpwd.texas.gov. (Allow 2-4 weeks for tags to be mailed)
 - o No otter CITES tags will be issued between May 31st and October 1st.
- What are the reporting requirements for an Otter Pelt Dealer?
 - The reporting period for dealers begins **October 2** and ends **May 30** of the following year.
 - o All information <u>shall</u> be filled out on the report form. The hunting license number is the Doc # found on the front of the license.
 - The electronic Annual Otter Pelt Tag Report shall be submitted no later than May 31st to wpoffice@tpwd.texas.gov.
- Where can I find the electronic Annual Otter Pelt Tag Report?
 - o https://tpwd.texas.gov/business/permits/land/wildlife/cites/
- What do I do with unused and damaged otter CITES tags?
 - All unused CITES tags (including damaged tags) with a signed list of unused tag numbers must be returned no later than **May 31**st to:

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