

# Authorization Guidance for Coral Restoration Activities on Florida's Coral Reef

**Practitioners are responsible for ensuring all permitting requirements have been met before commencing work.  
Additional regulations or changes to these requirements may apply.**

**Any restoration work with animals (e.g., coral, gametes) such as collections, outplanting, relocations**

County/ Location	Agency and Authorization Type or Program	Action Required	Website	Contact
All State Waters	Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) - Special Activity License (SAL)	Authorization required	<a href="https://myfwc.com/license/saltwater/special-activity-licenses/">https://myfwc.com/license/saltwater/ special-activity-licenses/</a>	850-487-0554 sal@myfwc.com
	Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) - Joint Coastal Permit (JCP)	Consultation requested in case site is offshore or near a BIPP-permitted project	<a href="https://floridadep.gov/rcp/beaches-inlets-ports">https://floridadep.gov/rcp/ beaches-inlets-ports</a>	BMES@floridadep.gov
Martin, Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade	Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) - Coral Reef Conservation Program (CRCP)	Notification requested	<a href="https://floridadep.gov/rcp/coral">https://floridadep.gov/rcp/coral</a>	coral@floridadep.gov
Broward	Broward County	Notification requested	<a href="https://www.broward.org/EnvironmentAndGrowth/EnvironmentalProgramsResources/Applications/Pages/Applications.aspx">https://www.broward.org/EnvironmentAndGrowth/ EnvironmentalProgramsResources/ Applications/Pages/Applications.aspx</a>	Linda Sunderland 954-519-1454 lsunderland@broward.org
Monroe	Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary (FKNMS) - FKNMS Permit	Authorization required	<a href="https://floridakeys.noaa.gov/media/docs/20190605-guidance-on-coral-restoration-outplanting.pdf">https://floridakeys.noaa.gov/media/docs/ 20190605-guidance-on-coral-restoration- outplanting.pdf</a>	Joanne Delaney Resource Protection and Permit Coordinator 305-809-4714 joanne.delaney@noaa.gov
			<a href="https://floridakeys.noaa.gov/permits/welcome.html?s=management">https://floridakeys.noaa.gov/permits/ welcome.html?s=management</a>	
Any Land or Waters Managed by a State Park	Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) - Division of Recreational and Parks Permit	Authorization required	<a href="https://www.floridastateparks.org/experiences-amenities/research-collecting">https://www.floridastateparks.org/ experiences-amenities/research-collecting</a>	Scott Tedford District 5 Permit Coordinator 772-402-9467 scott.tedford@floridadep.gov
Biscayne National Park	National Park Service (NPS) - Research Permit	Authorization required	<a href="https://irma.nps.gov/RPRS/">https://irma.nps.gov/RPRS/</a>	Astrid Santini 786-335-3639 astrid_santini@nps.gov
Dry Tortugas National Park			<a href="https://www.nps.gov/ever/learn/nature/sfnrc_permits.htm">https://www.nps.gov/ever/learn/nature/ sfnrc_permits.htm</a>	Tonya Howington 305-224-4241 tonya_howington@nps.gov

**Material placement of any kind related to coral restoration work, including nursery infrastructure**

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All State Waters	Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) - Environmental Resource Permit (ERP)  <i>A Joint Coastal Permit (JCP) may be required instead of an ERP, please also consult BIPP@floridadep.gov</i>	Authorization required	For projects in Martin, Palm Beach, Broward, and Miami-Dade Counties: <a href="https://floridadep.gov/southeast">https://floridadep.gov/southeast</a>	DEP Southeast District Office 561-681-6600 dep_sed@floridadep.gov
			For projects in Monroe County: <a href="https://floridadep.gov/south">https://floridadep.gov/south</a>	DEP South District Office 239-344-5600 southdistrict@floridadep.gov
Martin, Palm Beach, Broward  Miami-Dade, Monroe  For General Information	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) - Regional General Permit (RGP) SAJ-112 or other permitting mechanism as prescribed by the Corps	Authorization required	<a href="https://www.saj.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/Source-Book/">https://www.saj.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/Source-Book/</a>	Palm Beach Gardens Office application-sp@usace.army.mil  Miami Office seappls@usace.army.mil  Megan Clouser Project Manager 305-526-7182 megan.l.clouser@usace.army.mil
Broward	Broward County - Environmental Resource License	Authorization required	<a href="https://www.broward.org/EnvironmentAndGrowth/EnvironmentalProgramsResources/Applications/Pages/Applications.aspx">https://www.broward.org/EnvironmentAndGrowth/EnvironmentalProgramsResources/Applications/Pages/Applications.aspx</a>	Linda Sunderland 954-519-1454 lsunderland@broward.org
Miami-Dade	Miami-Dade County - Expedited Administrative Authorization (EAA) or a Class I Permit	Authorization required	<a href="http://www.miamidade.gov/permits/class-1.asp">http://www.miamidade.gov/permits/class-1.asp</a>	Coastal Resources Section 305-372-6575 dermcr@miamidade.gov
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