



MASSWILDLIFE MONTHLY

December 2018



Get your 2019 licenses now!

Sportsmen and women can now purchase 2019 fishing, hunting, sporting, and trapping licenses. Use care when purchasing during December, as both 2018 and 2019 licenses are available.

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Surveying for lake trout

This fall, MassWildlife sampled Quabbin and Wachusett Reservoirs in an ongoing effort to monitor lake trout populations. Biologists captured and released 230 lake trout, including this 26 pound male!

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Dog leash and waste regulations

Beginning January 11, new dog leash and waste removal regulations will take effect on all Wildlife Management Areas.

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Record year for bald eagles

In 2018, MassWildlife staff identified 76 territorial pairs of bald eagles in Massachusetts, up from 68 pairs last year. The future looks bright for these threatened birds!

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Hunters: If you completed a log during the archery deer or game bird seasons, remember to submit by 12/14 to win prizes! [Learn more.](#)

Give the gift of the outdoors

Now is the time of year to think about the outdoor enthusiast on your holiday list. Consider a 2019 fishing or hunting license, *Massachusetts Wildlife* magazine subscription, field guide, or donation.

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Decorating? Skip the bittersweet

Don't deck the halls with invasives! If you're decorating for the holidays, skip the Multiflora rose and Oriental bittersweet. Invasive plants can cause severe environmental damage.

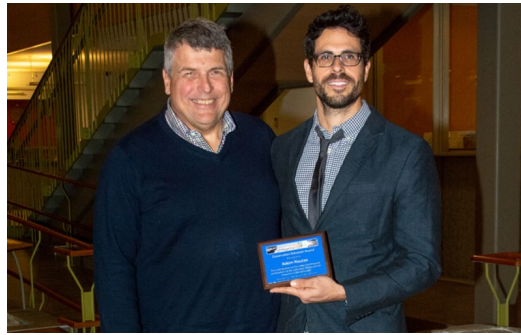
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Trout Unlimited award

At their Annual Meeting, the Greater Boston

Chapter of Trout Unlimited honored Adam Kautza, MassWildlife's Coldwater Fishery Project Leader, with their Conservation Advocate Award.



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Upcoming events

November 26–December 8: Shotgun Deer Season

December 10–31: Primitive Firearms Deer Season

December 13: Natural Heritage & Endangered Species Advisory Committee Meeting, Westborough

December 20: Fisheries and Wildlife Board Meeting, Westborough

[See Calendar of Events...](#)

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Who we are

The Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (MassWildlife) is the state agency responsible for the conservation of all freshwater fish and wildlife in the Commonwealth, including endangered species. MassWildlife restores, protects, and manages land for wildlife to thrive and for people to enjoy.

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