



Looking for 2018 season dates and regulations? [View the new Guide to Hunting, Freshwater Fishing, and Trapping.](#)

Public hearing on dog regulations

MassWildlife is proposing leash and waste disposal regulations for dogs on Wildlife Management Areas. A public hearing has been scheduled for February 6 at the MassWildlife FHQ in Westborough at 7PM.

[Learn more...](#)



How to tell if ice is safe

Anglers should be aware that many lakes and ponds contain spring holes or currents that can create thin spots in areas that are otherwise safe. Always consider ice potentially dangerous.

[Review ice thickness guidelines...](#)



It's time to renew your hunting, fishing, and trapping licenses for 2018! [Get yours now.](#)

\$506K in wildlife habitat grants

MassWildlife awarded grants to 18 municipalities, organizations, and private landowners for wildlife habitat improvement projects totaling 950 acres.

[View grant recipients and projects...](#)



Fire prescribed for wildlife habitat

It may be strange to think fire can help wildlife. But, MassWildlife and partners are seeing improvements to wildlife habitat in areas where prescribed fire has been used.

[Learn more...](#)



Join turkey hunting experts for a free calling workshop on January 11 in Westborough. [Register now.](#)

2017 Black Bear Harvest Report

A total of 268 bears were harvested in Massachusetts over the three 2017 season combined; 151 bears were taken in the first season, 26 bears in the second season, and 91 during the shotgun season.

[Learn more...](#)



Winter waterfowl survey

Do you know of a location where ducks or geese are being fed? Report it to us! MassWildlife is surveying these areas to learn more about waterfowl.

[Learn more...](#)



Submit your 2017 Sportfishing Award affidavits by January 10.

[Learn more.](#)

Junior Duck Stamp deadline

The entry deadline for the Massachusetts Junior Duck Stamp Contest is February 15, 2018. Any student K-12 can submit original artwork in this fun and educational competition.

[Learn more...](#)



Enter the New England Outdoor Writers Association's 2018 Youth Writing Contest. [Learn more.](#)

Upcoming Events

- Jan. 10:** Fisheries & Wildlife January Board Meeting, Westborough
- Jan. 11:** Turkey Calling Workshop, Westborough (registration required)
- Jan. 16 & 18:** Fly Tying Class, Sudbury
- Jan. 26-28:** New England Fishing and Outdoor Expo, Boxborough
- Feb. 1 & 8:** Fly Tying Class, Belchertown
- Feb. 6:** Fisheries & Wildlife February Board Meeting, Westborough
- Feb. 6:** Public Hearing on Dog Regulations, Westborough
- Feb. 10:** Family Ice Fishing Festival, Ashfield

[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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