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Communities with Previously-Registered Wetlands

To date, approximately 46,000 acres of coastal and 8,000 acres of inland wetlands have been registered in 42 coastal and 11 inland communities. The following cities and towns have registered wetlands with accompanying restriction orders under either the Coastal Wetlands Restriction Act (c.130, s.105) and regulations ([310 CMR 12.00](#)) or the Inland Wetlands Restriction Act (c.131, s.40A) and regulations ([310 CMR 13.00](#)). The restriction orders provide added protection for selected wetlands by prohibiting certain activities in advance of any work being proposed. Please note that some communities on the list may have only some of their wetlands registered.

The restriction orders have been recorded at the Registries of Deeds in the counties where the properties are located, to inform future landowners of the restriction. Affected municipalities should have copies of the community's restricted wetlands plans and restriction orders. For more information, see [Protecting Wetlands in Massachusetts](#).

Coastal Wetlands Restriction Act

Community and Date

Barnstable 9/8/81	Nantucket 8/10/82
Bourne 8/6/80	Newbury 3/15/71
Brewster 11/13/80	Newburyport 10/1/69
Chatham 8/4/82	Norwell 7/1/69
Chilmark 8/14/74	Oak Bluffs 7/24/74
Cohasset 12/3/74	Orleans 11/30/76
Dennis 12/10/81	Pembroke 12/27/66
Duxbury 4/11/72	Plymouth 12/10/81
Eastham 6/30/75	Provincetown 1/13/82
Edgartown 9/29/75	Quincy 6/20/66
Essex 5/15/70	Rowley 6/16/70
Falmouth 6/3/81	Salisbury 3/15/71
Gay Head 7/24/74	Sandwich 3/10/80
Gloucester 11/14/80	Tisbury 7/24/74
Hanover 7/1/69	Truro 3/18/76
Harwich 11/13/80	Wareham 1/12/71
Hingham 3/26/87	Wellfleet 5/20/82
Ipswich 4/4/68	Westport 1/29/70
Marion 4/11/72	West Tisbury 7/24/74
Marshfield 4/11/71	Weymouth 3/26/87
Mashpee 7/13/87	Yarmouth 2/17/81

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Inland Wetlands Restriction Act

Community and Date

Dedham 12/19/74
Dover 6/26/72
Marlborough 4/20/78
Millis 11/4/77
Needham 9/18/75
Newton 4/22/77
Norfolk 3/31/78
Walpole 1/5/76
Waltham 3/30/76
Wellesley 11/10/71
Westwood 4/24/74

Both Inland and Coastal Acts

Community and Date

Eastham 6/30/75
Hingham 3/26/87
Orleans 11/30/76
Sandwich 3/10/80
Truro 3/18/76