

LOOK OUT FOR LOONS!



Please help the success of Common Loons at this DCR property. Loons can be sensitive to disturbance. Enjoy from a distance!

Loons are a protected species under the Massachusetts Endangered Species Act (M.G.L. 131A)

As of January 1, 2012, it is illegal to use lead sinkers and lead jigs weighing less than 1 ounce in Massachusetts' freshwater lakes, ponds, rivers and streams.

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- Lead poisoning is the leading cause of death for adult Common Loons and can harm other wildlife in Massachusetts**
- Loons and other wildlife can become entangled in fishing line**
- Protect our treasured wildlife. Recycle fishing line and switch to lead-free fishing gear**
- If loons approach your line, please reel in until they have moved to another area to avoid injury**
- Harassment of loons is strictly prohibited. Stay at least 100 yards away from loons in the water or on shore**
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Report harassment or injured wildlife to DCR Rangers or staff:
617-828-2452 (DCR-DWSP Quabbin Rangers)
978-365-3800 (DCR-DWSP Wachusett Rangers)
617-626-4973 (DCRS-Community Relations)

