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DIVISION OF FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
801 CMR § 4.00

Pursuant to the notice and public comment requirements of M.G.L. c.30A, § 2 and under the authority of M.G.L. c. 7 § 3B, NOTICE is hereby given that the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (MassWildlife), on behalf of the Executive Office of Administration and Finance (ANF), has scheduled three (3) public hearings, June 22, 23, and 24, 2021, at 6:30 p.m., to accept oral comments on ANF's draft regulations at 801 CMR § 4.00 to increase the fees for some fishing, hunting, and trapping licenses, stamps, and permits and to establish a new pheasant and quail permit. The hearings will be held via Zoom video webinars by the Hearing Officer and MassWildlife staff, with the public joining via computer or phone line.

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The Zoom link and the full text of the proposed regulations are available at mass.gov/masswildlife-public-hearings. Printed copies of the draft regulations can be obtained from Susan Sacco, susan.sacco@mass.gov, or 508-389-6342. Oral comments are only accepted at the hearings; please do not call MassWildlife to submit comments.

A written comment period will open upon the issuance of this notice and will extend 2 weeks after the close of the last of the 3 hearings, ending at the close of business on Thursday, July 8, 2021. Interested persons are invited to visit mass.gov/masswildlife-funding for background information, a table of the proposed fees, and to comment online using a convenient webform. Written comments may also be submitted by mail, Attn: License Fee Changes, 1 Rabbit Hill Road, Westborough, MA 01581.

On March 10, 2020, the Baker-Polito Administration announced new guidance for Executive Branch employees in order to prevent and mitigate the spread of COVID-19, including virtually holding required meetings hosted by Executive Branch agencies involving external parties.

Thank you for your cooperation and support as the Commonwealth works to address this public health issue.

Mark S. Tisa, Ph.D., M.B.A.
Director

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	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026 and thereafter</u>	
(1) Resident Citizen/Alien Fishing License	\$26	\$29.50	\$33	\$36.50	\$40	annual
Resident Citizen Fishing License - 65-69						
(2) years of age	13	14.75	16.50	18.25	20	annual
(3) Non-resident Citizen/Alien Fishing License	36	39.50	43	46.50	50	annual
Resident Citizen/Alien Three-day Fishing						
(4) License	10	12.50	15	17.50	20	3-day
Non-resident Citizen/Alien Three-day Fishing						
(5) License	20.90	23.30	25.70	28.10	30.50	3-day
Non-resident Citizen/Alien Minor Fishing						
(6) License	6.80	7.10	7.40	7.70	8	annual
(7) Resident Citizen Trapping License	32	34	36	38	40	annual
Resident Citizen Trapping License - 65-69						
(8) years of age	16	17	18	19	20	annual
(9) Resident Citizen Hunting License	26	29.50	33	36.50	40	annual
Resident Citizen Hunting License - 65-69						
(10) years of age	13	14.75	16.50	18.25	20	annual
(11) Resident Alien Hunting License	26	29.50	33	36.50	40	annual
Non-resident Citizen/Alien Big Game						
(12) Hunting License	98	101.50	105	108.50	112	annual
Non-resident Citizen/Alien Small Game						
(13) Hunting License	64	67.50	71	74.50	78	annual
Resident Citizen Commercial Shooting						
(14) Preserve License	6	7	8	9	10	1-day
Non-resident Citizen/Alien Commercial						
(15) Shooting Preserve License	8	11	14	17	20	1-day
(16) Resident Citizen Sporting License	47	54	61	68	75	annual
Resident Citizen Sporting License - 65-69						
(17) years of age	23.50	27	30.50	34	37.50	annual

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(18) Archery Stamp - Two Categories:						
Resident	\$10	\$10	\$10	\$10	\$10	annual
Non-resident	10	15	20	25	30	annual
(19) Waterfowl Stamp - Two Categories:						
Resident	10	10	10	10	10	annual
Non-resident	10	15	20	25	30	annual
(20) Primitive Firearm Stamp - Two Categories:						
Resident	10	10	10	10	10	annual
Non-resident	10	15	20	25	30	annual
(21) Pheasant & Quail Permit - Two Categories:						
Resident	4	8	12	16	20	annual
Non-resident	6	12	18	24	30	annual
(22) Antlerless Deer Permit - Two Categories:						
Resident	10	10	10	10	10	annual
Non-resident	10	15	20	25	30	annual
(23) Bear Permit - Two Categories:						
Resident	10	10	10	10	10	annual
Non-resident	10	15	20	25	30	annual
(24) Turkey Permit - Two Categories:						
Resident	10	10	10	10	10	annual
Non-resident	10	15	20	25	30	annual
(25) Non-resident Trapping Permit	203	206	209	212	215	annual
(26) Resident Fur Buyer	33	36	39	42	45	annual
(27) Non-resident Citizen/Alien Fur Buyer	93	96	99	102	105	annual
(28) Trap Registration	8	11	14	17	20	biennial

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(1) (29) Resident Citizen Minor Hunting License	\$6.50	annual
(2) Resident Citizen/Alien Fishing License	22.50	annual
(3) Resident Citizen Hunting License	22.50	annual
(4) Resident Citizen Sporting License	40	annual
(5) Resident Citizen Trapping License	30.50	annual
(6) Resident Citizen/Alien three-day Fishing License	7.50	3-day
(7) Resident Alien Hunting License	22.50	annual
(8) Resident Citizen Minor Fishing License	6.50	annual
(9) Resident Citizen Hunting License - 65-69 years of age	11.25	annual
(10) (30) Resident Citizen Minor Trapping License	6.50	annual
(11) Resident Citizen Fishing License - 65-69 years of age	11.25	annual
(12) Resident Citizen Sporting License - 65-69 years of age	20	annual
(13) Resident Citizen Trapping License - 65-69 years of age	15.25	annual
(14) Non-resident Citizen/Alien three-day Fishing License	18.50	3-day
(15) Non-resident Citizen/Alien Small Game Hunting License	60.50	annual
(16) Non-resident Citizen/Alien Big Game Hunting License	94.50	annual
(17) Non-resident Citizen/Alien Fishing License	32.50	annual
(18) Nonresident Trapping Permit	\$200	annual
(19) Antlerless Deer Permit	5	annual
(20) Bear Permit	5	annual
(21) Turkey Permit	5	annual
(22) Archery Stamp	5.10	
(23) Primitive Firearm Stamp	5.10	annual
(24) Waterfowl Stamp	5	annual
(25) Trap Registration	5	biennial

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(26) (31)	Class III Aquaculture License	100	annual
(27) (32)	Class IV Propagators License - Three Categories:		
	Animal Aid to Handicap	0	annual
	Commercial	50	annual
	All Other	25	annual
(28) (33)	Class VI Dealers License	25	annual
(29)	Permit to Take Shiners for Bait	30	annual
(30) (34)	Game Tags	0.10	per tag
(31) (35)	Fish Tags	0.05	per tag
(32) (36)	Posters and Signs	0.50	per item
(33) (37)	Importation Permit - Two Categories:		
	One time	25	each
	Annual/Single Source	50	per source
(34) (38)	Taxidermist License	25	annual
(35)	License Duplicate	2.50	
(36)	Nonresident/Alien Fur Buyer License	90	annual
(37) (39)	Class I Private Waters License	15	annual
(38)	Nonresident Citizen/Alien Minor Fishing License	6.50	annual
(39) (40)	Ferret Breeding Permit	1,000	annual
(40) (41)	Endangered Species Propagation Permit	25	annual
(41)	*Resident Citizen Commercial Shooting Preserve License	5	per day
(42)	*Nonresident Citizen/Alien Commercial Shooting Preserve License	5	per day
(43) (42)	Class VIII Quail License	10	annual
(44) (43)	Class IX Falconry License	25	annual
(45) (44)	Class X Raptor Breeding License	25	annual
(46) (45)	Problem Animal Control Permit - Two Categories:		
	Municipal	0	annual
	Commercial	100	annual
(47) (46)	Bird Banding Permit	10	annual
(48) (47)	Field Trial Permit	25	each
(49) (48)	Mounting Permit	10	each
(50) (49)	Salvage Permit	10	annual

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(51) (50)	Scientific Collecting Permit - Two Categories:		
	Government/Nonprofit	\$0	annual
	Commercial	100	annual
(52)	Commercial Permit for Taking and Sale of Snapping Turtles	30	annual
(53) (51)	Wildlife Rehabilitation Permit	10	annual
(54) (52)	Permit to Use Poisons on Unprotected Species - Two Categories:		
	Individual	0	each
	Commercial	25	each
(55) (53)	Commercial Shooting Preserve Permit - Two Categories:		
	Class A: Commercial	100	annual
	Class B: Club	50	annual
(56)	Commercial Permit for Taking and Sale of Carp and Suckers	30	annual
(57)	Resident Fur Buyers License	30	annual
(58) (54)	Permit to Trap and Kill Unprotected Birds	5	annual
(59) (55)	Letter Permit	0	annual
(60) (56)	Fish Liberation Permit	0	each
(61) (57)	Game Liberation Permit	0	each
(62)	Commercial Permit for Taking and Sale of Eels	\$25	annual
(63) (58)	Road-killed Deer Salvage Permit	0	each
(64) (59)	Farmer/Landowner Antlerless Deer Permit	0	annual
(65) (60)	Farmer/Landowner Turkey Permit	0	annual
(66) (61)	Class XI Raptor Salvage License	1	annual
(67) (62)	Information requests	\$50	
(68) (63)	Environmental Review of projects		
	(a) less than 5 acres of disturbance	300	
	(b) 5 to 20 acres	1,800	
	(c) greater than 20 acres	4,000	
	(d) linear projects	4,000	
(69) (64)	Conservation and Management Permits		
	(a) less than 5 acres of disturbance	600	
	(b) 5 to 20 acres	4,000	
	(c) greater than 20 acres	6,000	
	(d) linear projects	7,500	
(70) (65)	Reconsideration	150	
(71) (66)	Adjudicatory Hearings	500	
(72) (67)	Utility Plan Review	3,000	
(73) (68)	Vegetation Management	3,000	
(74) (69)	Voluntary Assessment		
	(a) less than 15 acres	500	
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(75)	Resident Minor Sporting License	8	annual

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