

**APPLICATION FOR 10-DAY EMERGENCY BEAVER OR MUSKRAT PERMIT
TO BE FILLED OUT BY APPLICANT**

Fee (if applicable): \$ _____

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Town: _____ Zip Code: _____

Daytime Tel. # _____ Evening Tel. # _____

Agent Name: _____ Tel. # _____ (if applicable)

Complaint Location: _____

Is the problem entirely on your property? Yes: ____ No: ____ Don't Know: ____

Note: If the problem does not occur entirely on the applicant's property, consent forms from all other property owners must be obtained.

Type of Complaint: Provide a detailed description of the perceived threat to public health and safety:

Under M.G.L. c. 131, s. 80A, an emergency permit authorizes the applicant or his duly authorized agent to immediately remedy the threat to human health and safety by one or more of the following options: (a) the use of conibear or box or cage-type traps for the taking of beaver or muskrat, subject to regulations; (b) the breaching of dams, dikes, bogs or berms; and/or (c) employing any non-lethal management of water-flow devices. The emergency permit will be good for 10 days from the date of issue.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

NOTE: Options (b) and/or (c) above require applicant to get conservation commission approval prior to such work in accordance with the wetlands protection act

10-DAY EMERGENCY BEAVER OR MUSKRAT PERMIT

Name:

Permit No.

Address:

Authorized Agent Name (if applicable):

Complaint Location:

In accordance with and pursuant to provisions contained in chapter 131 of the Massachusetts General Laws section 40, 80A and 321 Code of Massachusetts Regulation 2.08 and 10.00 (Wetlands Protection Act), the permittee(s) above named may immediately remedy the threat to human health and safety by one or more of the following options:

- (a) the use of conibear or box or cage-type traps for the taking of beaver or muskrat,
subject to the regulations promulgated by the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (see back)
- (b) the breaching of dams, dikes, bogs or berms, so-called*
- (c) employing any non-lethal management or water-flow devices*

*If the permittee chooses option(s) b and/or c, he/she must appear before the local Conservation Commission to obtain an emergency certification regarding specifications for breach size and/or water flow device installation in accordance to M.G.L. c. 131, s. 40 (Wetlands Protection Act).

The Board of Health has determined that said beaver or muskrat problem poses a threat to public health and safety as stated in M.G.L. c.131, s.80A.
Specify:

Board of Health Official Name: _____

Board of Health Official Signature: _____ Date: _____

The above signature validates this permit for 10 consecutive days from the date shown for

option (a) only. If the permittee chooses options (b) and/or (c), he/she must return to the Board of Health for a final signature after obtaining an emergency certification from the Conservation Commission.

Please attach the emergency certification to this permit and return to the Board of Health for final approval.

(See Back)

This permit is valid for 10 consecutive days from the date of the final Board of Health signature.

Board of Health Official Name: _____

Board of Health Official Signature: _____ Date: _____

This permit does not allow permittee(s) or their authorized agent to trespass on private property.

This permit or a copy thereof shall be carried on the person of any individual exercising the authority thereof and shall be shown upon request if challenged by any local or state law enforcement officer empowered to enforce the provisions of M.G.L. c. 131.

Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife trapping regulations

Permittee(s) may destroy problem furbearing mammals (named above) by means of a body gripping trap or by means of a box or cage type trap including Hancock or Bailey traps for catching beaver. The pan of Hancock and Bailey traps must be submerged in water. Problem furbearing mammals that are captured alive shall be disposed of by destruction in a humane manner. Body gripping traps with a jaw spread not less than 4 inches and not greater than 7 inches or body gripping traps with a jaw spread not less than 6 inches and not exceeding 10 inches for the trapping of beaver only, may be used if such traps are completely submerged in water. The placement of traps in reference to the proximity of the beaver lodge or beaver dam is unrestricted, but the disturbance or destruction of the beaver lodge or beaver dam is strictly prohibited unless otherwise authorized.

Permittee(s) taking problem furbearing mammals, on the property of another, by means of a trap shall possess a valid Massachusetts trapping license and traps shall be registered according to M.G.L. c. 131, s. 80.

Said problem furbearing mammals (named above), their carcasses or parts thereof may be retained by the permittee, sold, bartered, or exchanged for consideration during the open regulated harvest season for that species. Sealing of beaver pelts is required. Disposition of all carcasses obtained from the incidental capture of furbearing mammals not authorized by this permit must be surrendered to the District Wildlife Manager of the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife having jurisdiction in the town where the furbearing mammal was taken.