

**RHODE ISLAND GOVERNMENT REGISTER
AMENDED PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Title of Rule: RI Falconry Regulations for the Season (250-RICR-60-00-7)

Rule Identifier: 250-RICR-60-00-7

Rulemaking Action: Proposed Amendment

Important Dates:

Date of Public Notice: 04/14/2020

Hearing Dates: 05/05/2020

05/06/2020

End of Public Comment: 05/14/2020

Authority for this Rulemaking:

RI Gen. Laws Chapters 42-17.1, 42-17.6, 20-1-4, 20-1-12, 20-1-13 and 42-35

R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-17.6, 20-1-4, 20-1-12, 20-1-13 and 42-35

Summary of Rulemaking Action:

The purpose of this filing is to establish regulations for the practice of falconry in the State of Rhode Island.

Additional Information and Comments:

All interested parties are invited to request additional information or submit written or oral comments concerning the proposed amendment until May 14, 2020 by contacting the appropriate party at the address listed below:

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Public Hearing:

A public hearing, in accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.8, to consider the proposed amendment shall be held on May 5, 2020 at 7:00 pm at 235 Promenade Street, Virtual Meeting - Details to follow, Providence, RI 02908 at which time and place all persons interested therein will be heard. The seating capacity of the room will be enforced and therefore the number of persons participating in the hearing may be limited at any given time by the hearing officer, in order to comply with safety and fire codes.

A public hearing, in accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.8, to consider the proposed amendment shall be held on May 6, 2020 at 7:00 pm at 235 Promenade Street, Providence, RI 02908 at which time and place all persons interested therein will be heard. The seating capacity of the room will be enforced and therefore the number of persons participating in the hearing may be limited at any given time by the hearing officer, in order to comply with safety and fire codes.

The place of the public hearing is accessible to individuals who are handicapped. If communication assistance (readers/interpreters/captioners) is needed, or any other accommodation to ensure equal participation, please call 401-222-5300 or RI Relay 711 at least three (3) business days prior to the meeting so arrangements can be made to provide such assistance at no cost to the person requesting.

Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:

The proposed revisions are grammatical for the regulations and to remove language that is not needed / enforced. These regulations as codified would not have a financial impact on persons who are licensed by the Division of Fish and Wildlife to be Falconers in the State of Rhode Island.

In the development of the proposed rule/amendment consideration was given to: (1) alternative approaches; (2) overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and (3) significant economic impact on small business. No alternative approach, duplication, or overlap was identified based upon available information.

For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation see agency contact person above.