

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

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT**

**Title of Rule:** Hunting and Trapping Regulations for the 2021 - 2022 and 2022 - 2023 Seasons (250-RICR-60-00-9)

**Rule Identifier:** 250-RICR-60-00-9

**Rulemaking Action:** Direct Final Amendment

**Important Dates:**

Date of Public Notice: 10/18/2021

End of Public Comment: 11/17/2021

**Authority for this Rulemaking:**

R.I. Gen. Laws Chapters 42-17.1; 20-15 and 20-18, §§ 20-1-2; 20-1-4; 20-1-8; 20-1-12; 20-1-13; 20-2-35, 20-2-37 and 1-8-1, and in accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws Chapter 42-35

R.I. Gen. Laws § R.I. Gen. Laws Chapters 4217.1;

**Summary of Rulemaking Action:**

The purpose of these Rules and Regulations is to establish recreational hunting seasons; to set the possession and bag limits; and to regulate the manner of hunting in order to efficiently manage the wildlife resources of Rhode Island.

**Additional Information and Comments:**

If no formal objection is received on or before November 17, 2021, Department of Environmental Management will file the Amendment without opportunity for public comment..

Objections should be addressed to:

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**Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:**

The purpose of these Rules and Regulations is to establish recreational hunting seasons; to set the possession and bag limits; and to regulate the manner of hunting in order to efficiently manage the wildlife resources of Rhode Island. There are new season dates for hunting as well as grammatical changes, removal of redundant

language, sections reworded, additional species and bag limits added for those species. Specific changes to sections below.

Page 6 - 9.7(E)(1)(b)(2) There was an error when the Town of New Shoreham submitted their dates for the hunting season on Block Island. This change is to correct the missed dates.

These Regulations do not impose any new requirements on regulated entities including any small businesses or any city or town; therefore, there is no adverse economic impact. 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.