

*Town of East Brookfield,  
Massachusetts*

**BOARD OF HEALTH**

**122 Connie Mack Drive**

**East Brookfield, Massachusetts 01515**

**2024 10-DAY EMERGENCY BEAVER OR MUSKRAT REMOVAL  
PERMIT APPLICATION**

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Agent Name and address (if applicable):  
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Complaint Location: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Certification/Reasons that applicant states that the permit is required to remedy the threat to human health and safety:  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

10 Day Emergency Beaver or Muskrat Removal Permits for the Town of East Brookfield are valid from for 10 days. Please complete the following and send to the Board of Health:

- This signed and completed application
- **A check in the amount of \$105.00, made payable to the Town of East Brookfield.**

Upon satisfactory completion and delivery of the above, a permit will be issued and sent to you by mail or email.

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**FOR THE EAST BROOKFIELD BOARD OF HEALTH USE ONLY:**

In accordance with and pursuant to provisions contained in chapter 131 of 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

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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 (Wetland Protection Act).

The signature below 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) 1 This permit is valid for 10 consecutive days from the date of the final Board of Health signature. Board of Health Official

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 Provision 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 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 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 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.

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Approval: \_\_\_\_\_  
PERMIT #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Permit Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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