

Fish & Wildlife Natural Resources Police Blotter March 2-8

*Weekly reminder: Shad harvest prohibited in Nanticoke River
and its tributaries*

DOVER, Del. – DNREC's Fish & Wildlife Natural Resources  Police conserve Delaware's fish and wildlife resources, promote boating safety, and protect the public through outreach, education and law enforcement. To help achieve public compliance with laws and regulations, officers from March 2-8 made 1,351 public contacts and responded to 49 complaints regarding possible violations of laws and regulations or requests to assist the public.

Fish & Wildlife Natural Resources Police Actions

Officers issued a total of 60 citations for the following listed violations related to:

Wildlife Conservation: Hunt on state refuge, possess/transport unlawfully taken antlerless deer, wanton waste of game animal, trespassing after hours on state wildlife area*, and operate motor vehicle off the established roadway on state wildlife area*.

Fisheries Conservation: No Fisherman Information Network (FIN) number, unlicensed fishing, and fishing in trout pond before opening day.

Boating and Boating Safety: No boating safety card and no boat ramp certificate.

Public Safety: Possession of a firearm by person prohibited,

possession of firearm ammunition by person prohibited, possession of a deadly weapon by person prohibited, possession of drug paraphernalia non-marijuana related, possession of heroin, possession of synthetic marijuana (spice), possession of marijuana tier 1 quantity, and possession of drug paraphernalia marijuana related – civil.

Other: Fugitive from another state, operating an unregistered motor vehicle, fail to have motor vehicle insurance in possession, and driving with a suspended or revoked license.

**Includes citation(s) issued at the C&D Canal Conservation Area.*

DNREC's Division of Fish & Wildlife recognizes and thanks the majority of anglers, hunters, and boaters who comply with Delaware's fishing, hunting, and boating laws and regulations. The public can report fish, wildlife, and boating violations to the Delaware Fish & Wildlife Natural Resources Police by calling 302-739-4580 or using the free smartphone DENRP Tip app downloaded from the Google Play Store or iTunes App Store. Wildlife violations can be reported anonymously to Operation Game Theft by calling 800-292-3030, going online to <http://de.gov/ogt>, or using the DENRP Tip app; Verizon customers can connect to Operation Game Theft directly by dialing #OGT.

Are you AWARE?

Fish & Wildlife Natural Resources Police remind both recreational and commercial anglers that American shad and hickory shad harvest is prohibited on the Nanticoke River and its tributaries. In other waterways, American shad and hickory shad can be harvested all year, with no size limit, and a daily limit of 10 in any combination. For more information on shad visit this link.

About DNREC

The Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control

protects and manages the state's natural resources, protects public health, provides outdoor recreational opportunities, and educates Delawareans about the environment. The Division of Fish & Wildlife conserves and manages Delaware's fish and wildlife and their habitats, and provides fishing, hunting, wildlife viewing and boating access on nearly 65,000 acres of public land. For more information, visit the [website](#) and connect with @DNREC on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) or [LinkedIn](#).

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