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**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR  
REGULATION 96/03**

*Furbearing Animals Trapping Order, 2003-2004*  
under the  
*Wild Life Regulations*  
and the  
*Wild Life Act*

*(Filed August 14, 2003)*

Under the authority of sections 16, 25, 27 and 114 of the *Wild Life Regulations* and the *Wild Life Act*, I make the following Order.

Dated at St. John's, August 14, 2003.

Julie Bettney  
Minister of Tourism, Culture and Recreation

**ORDER**

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**Short title**

1. This Order may be cited as the *Furbearing Animals Trapping Order, 2003-2004*.

**Open season trapping**

2. The open season for trapping on the Island of Newfoundland except as provided for in Schedule A shall be

Beaver	Oct. 20, 2003 - Mar. 15, 2004
Coyote	Oct. 20, 2003 - Feb. 1, 2004
Ermine, weasel	Oct. 20, 2003 - Feb. 28, 2004
Fox, coloured	Oct. 20, 2003 - Feb. 1, 2004
Fox, white	Oct. 20, 2003 - Feb. 1, 2004
Lynx	Oct. 20, 2003 - Feb. 1, 2004
Mink	Nov. 1, 2003 - Feb. 28, 2004

Muskrat	Oct. 20, 2003 - Mar. 15, 2004
Otter	Oct. 20, 2003 - Mar. 15, 2004
Squirrel	Oct. 20, 2003 - Feb. 28, 2004

Prohibited areas

3. (1) Notwithstanding section 2,

(a) the trapping of furbearing animals, other than beaver, is prohibited in that part of the Island of Newfoundland known as the Pine Marten Study Area which is described in Schedule A; and

(b) the trapping of all furbearing animals is prohibited in the following areas:

(i) Brunette Island, Fortune Bay, and

(ii) Great Southern Harbour.

(2) Notwithstanding section 2, all dry land trapping and snaring of furbearing animals is prohibited in that part of the Island of Newfoundland known as the Main River/Upper Humber Study Area and on Glover Island as described in Schedule A.

(3) Notwithstanding subsection (3), the use of submerged and semi-submerged sets is permitted in the areas referred to in that subsection, but for the purposes of mink, muskrat, beaver and otter, trapping is restricted to underwater sets including

(i) a submerged leghold trap set as a drowner,

(ii) floating mink boxes,

(iii) underwater conibear sets, and

(iv) submarine or multiple catch type sets.

(4) Notwithstanding subsection 2, select dry land trapping only is permitted in the North West Grand Lake Area, the Charlottetown Enclave Area, the Terra Nova Area and the Red Indian Lake Area as described in Schedule A.

(5) For the purpose of subsection (5), "select dry land trapping" includes the use of neck snares for fox, coyote and lynx, but for the purpose of mink, muskrat, beaver and otter trapping is restricted to underwater sets including

(a) a submerged leghold trap set as a drowner,

(b) floating mink boxes,

(c) underwater conibear sets,

(d) submarine or multiple catch type sets, and

(e) 330 conibear and similar traps set at waters edge in beaver runs.

**Beaver management area**

4. For the purpose of managing the harvests of beaver, the Island of Newfoundland is designated as a beaver management area.

#### **Rate of beaver harvest**

5. On the Island of Newfoundland, the holder of a beaver trapline licence shall harvest beaver at a rate of one beaver per active lodge on the trapline area identified in the licence.

#### **Underwater sets required**

6. The trapping of beaver in the Pine Marten Study Area is permitted only by the use of underwater sets.

#### **Labrador furbearer management zones**

7. The Labrador Furbearer Management Zones are as described in Schedule B.

#### **Open season trapping**

8. The open seasons for trapping within Labrador shall be

(a) **Northern Labrador Zone**

Beaver	Oct. 15, 2003 - May 31, 2004
Coyote	Oct. 15, 2003 - Mar. 31, 2004
Ermine, weasel	Oct. 15, 2003 - Mar. 31, 2004
Fox, coloured	Oct. 15, 2003 - Mar. 31, 2004
Fox, white	Oct. 15, 2003 - May 15, 2004
Lynx	Oct. 15, 2003 - Mar. 31, 2004
Marten	Oct. 15, 2003 - Mar. 31, 2004
Mink	Nov. 1, 2003 - Mar. 31, 2004
Muskrat	Oct. 5, 2003 - May 31, 2004
Otter	Oct. 15, 2003 - Mar. 31, 2004
Squirrel	Oct. 15, 2003 - Mar. 31, 2004
Wolf	Oct. 15, 2003 - Apr. 30, 2004
Wolverine	No open season
Fisher	No open season

**(b) Eastern Labrador Zone**

Beaver	Oct. 15, 2003 - May 31, 2004
Coyote	Oct. 15, 2003 - Mar. 20, 2004
Ermine, weasel	Oct. 15, 2003 - Mar. 20, 2004
Fox, coloured	Oct. 15, 2003 - Mar. 20, 2004
Fox, white	Oct. 15, 2003 - Mar. 20, 2004
Lynx	Oct. 15, 2003 - Mar. 20, 2004
Marten	Oct. 15, 2003 - Mar. 20, 2004
Mink	Nov. 1, 2003 - Mar. 20, 2004
Muskrat	Oct. 15, 2003 - May 31, 2004
Otter	Oct. 15, 2003 - Mar. 20, 2004
Squirrel	Oct. 15, 2003 - Mar. 20, 2004
Wolf	Oct. 25, 2003 - Apr. 30, 2004
Wolverine	No open season
Fisher	No open season

**(c) Western Labrador Zone**

Beaver	Oct. 15, 2003 - May 31, 2004
Coyote	Nov. 1, 2003 - Mar. 20, 2004
Ermine, weasel	Nov. 1, 2003 - Mar. 20, 2004
Fox, coloured	Nov. 1, 2003 - Mar. 20, 2004
Fox, white	Nov. 1, 2003 - Mar. 20, 2004
Lynx	Nov. 1, 2003 - Mar. 20, 2004
Marten	Nov. 1, 2003 - Mar. 20, 2004
Mink	Nov. 1, 2003 - Mar. 20, 2004
Muskrat	Oct. 15, 2003 - May 31, 2004
Otter	Oct. 15, 2003 - Mar. 20, 2004
Squirrel	Nov. 1, 2003 - Mar. 20, 2004
Wolf	Nov. 1, 2003 - Apr. 30, 2004
Wolverine	No open season
Fisher	No open season

### **Limit**

9. In Labrador there is no limit on the number of beaver which may be taken by the holder of a trappers beaver licence.

### **Prohibited devices**

10. A person shall not trap, take or kill any furbearing animal by means of a trap or other device that is equipped with metal teeth, metal serrated edges, hooks or sharp devices.

### **Neck snares**

11. All neck snares which are set on land, for the purpose of taking furbearing animals, except squirrel, shall be equipped with a noose locking device, set in a manner that the noose once closed is prevented from expanding.

### **Foot traps**

12. All foot hold traps set for beaver, muskrat, otter and mink shall be set in a manner that allows the animal to submerge and prevent it from resurfacing.

### **Quick kill traps**

13. (1) All furbearing animals, except fox, coyote, wolf, and lynx shall be taken only by means of quick kill traps, box traps, cage traps or other traps set in manner as to kill the animal quickly.

(2) Coyote, wolf and lynx may be taken with a foot holding device providing the device has a minimum space of 5 millimetres between the jaws when closed, or the device has pads of a rubber like substance fastened to the trap jaws or the device is equipped with trap jaws of 9 millimetres or greater in thickness.

### **Live holding devices**

14. All live holding devices set on land for furbearing animals shall be checked daily.

### **Prohibited devices**

15. A person shall not use spring poles or foot hold traps in trees or poles, unless the trap is set as a quick killing device.

### **Lynx to be registered**

**16.** (1) All lynx caught on the Island of Newfoundland during the open season for lynx shall be registered for tagging prior to the close of business hours on Friday, February 6, 2004.

(2) All lynx carcasses shall be surrendered to the Inland Fish and Wild Life Division at the time of registration.

#### **Licence and registration required**

**17.** A person on the Island of Newfoundland shall not have in his or her possession any lynx pelt or any lynx parts, unless that person is the holder of a valid trappers licence and the pelt or parts are registered in accordance with section 16 or previously as registered.

#### **Accidental taking of lynx**

**18.** A licensed trapper who, on the Island of Newfoundland, takes lynx accidentally during the trapping seasons for other species other than those trapping periods specified for lynx shall within 7 days of taking the lynx surrender it to the Inland Fish and Wild Life Division.

#### **Wolves**

**19.** (1) All persons taking wolves must surrender to the Inland Fish and Wild Life Division the lower jawbone or complete skull from each wolf taken.

(2) These specimens shall be submitted by May 14, 2004.

#### **Repeal**

**20.** The *Furbearing Animals Trapping Order, 2002-2003, Newfoundland and Labrador Regulation 67/02*, is repealed.

#### **Schedule A**

##### **(a) Pine Marten Study Area**

That part of the Island of Newfoundland bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of the Trans Canada Highway, Route 1, and the Camp 33 Road;

Then following the Camp 33 Road to the southwestern extremity of Grand Lake;

Then following the shoreline of Grand Lake to the mouth of Red Indian Brook a distance of approximately 15 kilometres to a small lake on its headwaters;

Then following a straight line in a generally southeasterly direction to the southeastern extremity of the Lake of the Hills;

Then following the western bank of the brook flowing out of Lake of the Hills to Otter Pond;

Then following the western shore of Otter Pond and the western bank of the brook flowing out of Otter Pond into Lloyds River;

Then following the northern bank of Lloyds River and the northern shore of Lloyds Lake and the northern bank of Lloyds River, west of Lloyds Lake, to the mouth of the brook flowing out of Cormacks Lake;

Then following the eastern or northern bank of this brook to Cormacks Lake;

Then following a straight line in a generally northerly direction approximately 8 kilometres to a point on the headwaters of Little Barachois Brook;

Then following the northern bank of Little Barachois Brook to its intersection with the eastern boundary of the Barachois Pond Provincial Park;

Then following the eastern and northern boundaries of the park to the Trans Canada Highway;

Then following the Trans Canada Highway to the point of commencement.

**(b) Main River/Upper Humber Area**

All that area of the Island of Newfoundland, commencing at a tributary on Main River UTM 481,975 metres east 5,522,600 metres north;

Then following this tributary in a generally northerly direction to UTM 483,840 metres east 5,528,225 metres north;

Then following a straight line in a southeasterly direction to UTM 488,460 metres east 5,525,000 metres north;

Then following a straight line in an easterly direction to the eastern extremity of a small pond at UTM 498,485 metres east 5,525,000 metres north;

Then following the eastern shoreline of the pond to its outlet;

Then following a chain of brooks in a southerly direction to UTM 498,771 metres east 5,522,615 metres north;

Then following a straight line in a generally southeasterly direction to UTM 502,332 metres east 5,518,590 metres north;

Then following a straight line in a generally southwesterly direction to UTM 499,538 metres east 5,516,260 metres north;

Then following a straight line in a southerly direction to the outlet of a small pond at UTM 499,615 metres east 5,513,620 metres north;

Then following a stream that flows in a southerly direction to Main River;

Then following Main River in a westerly direction to a small tributary at UTM 495,570 metres east 5,510,540 metres north;

Then following that tributary and a chain of ponds in a generally westerly direction to where a small stream is intersected by the Upper Humber Forest Access Road at UTM 480,650 metres east 5,509,735 metres north;

Then following a straight line in a westerly direction to the east shore of a small pond at UTM 469,023 metres east 5,510,070 metres north;

Then following the north side of that pond and a connected tributary in a northwesterly direction to its intersection with the eastern boundary of Gros Morne National Park at UTM 466,335 metres east 5,510,602 metres north;

Then following the boundary of the park in a northerly direction to where it intersects a lake at UTM 461,750 metres east 5,529,000 metres north;

Then following the south shoreline of that lake in an easterly direction to its most eastern extremity;

Then following a straight line in an easterly direction to UTM 466,087 metres east 5,528,540 metres north;

Then following the southern shore of Parsons Pond River in an easterly direction to the point of commencement.

**(c) Northwest Grand Lake Area**

All that area of the Island of Newfoundland bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of the Trans Canada Highway, Route 1, and Camp 33 Road;

Then following Camp 33 Road to the southwest extremity of Grand Lake;

Then following the north shoreline of Grad Lake in a northeasterly direction to the Humber Canal;

Then following the south bank of the Humber Canal to its intersection with the TCH at Deer Lake;

Then following the TCH in a southwesterly direction to the point of commencement.

**(d) Terra Nova Area**

All that area of the Island of Newfoundland bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of North West River and the Terra Nova National Park, TNNP, boundary at UTM coordinates 706,250 metres east and 5,365,250 metres north;

Then following the north bank of the said river in a westerly direction to UTM coordinates 664,125 metres east and 5,346,625 metres north;

Then following a straight line in a northwesterly direction to UTM coordinates 663,750 metres east and 5,353,125 metres north;

Then following a straight line in a westerly direction to the northeastern extremity of Kepenkeck Lake;

Then following a straight line in a northwesterly direction to the eastern extremity of Newton's Lake;

Then following a straight line in a northerly direction to the eastern extremity of South West Pond;

Then following a straight line in a northeasterly direction to the western extremity of Dead Wolf Pond;

Then following the southern shoreline of Dead Wolf Pond to the mouth of a small stream entering the pond at its eastern extremity;

Then following this stream to its headwaters pond;

Then following a straight line for approximately 500 metres due east to an unnamed pond;

Then following a stream exiting this pond at its southeastern extremity;

Then following this stream in a southeasterly direction to its outflow in Riverhead Brook;

Then following this brook in an easterly direction to its mouth in Gambo Pond;

Then following the north shore of Gambo Pond to Gambo Brook;

Then following the west bank of Gambo Brook to its intersection with the Trans Canada Highway, TCH, Route 1;

Then following the TCH in an easterly direction to its intersection with the TNNP boundary;

Then following the western boundary of TNNP in a southerly direction to the point of commencement.

**(e) Charlottetown Enclave Area**

All that area of the Island of Newfoundland bounded by a line beginning at the intersection of the Terra Nova National Park, TNNP, boundary and the north shoreline of Clode Sound, Bonavista Bay at UTM coordinates 720,554 metres east and 5,367,279 metres north;

Then following the TNNP boundary in a northerly direction to UTM coordinates 720,507 metres east and 5,370,209 metres north;

Then following the TNNP boundary in a northeasterly direction to UTM coordinates 721,554 metres east and 5,371,792 metres north;

Then following the TNNP boundary in a southeasterly direction to its intersection with the north shoreline of Clode Sound, Bonavista Bay at UTM coordinates 722,550 metres east and 5,369,850 metres north;

Then following the shoreline of Clode Sound, Bonavista Bay in a southwesterly direction to the point of commencement.

**(f) Red Indian Lake Area**

All that area of the Island of Newfoundland bounded by a line beginning at the mouth of Victoria River and Red Indian Lake;

Then following the north bank of Victoria River in a southwesterly direction to Victoria Lake;

Then following a mid-way line between the north and south shorelines of Victoria Lake to the mouth of a small river entering Victoria Lake at its southwestern extremity;

Then following the north bank of the Victoria River to a point opposite the mouth of a brook flowing from Peter Strides Pond;

Then following a straight line in a northerly direction to the intersection of the Pine Marten Study Area and Lloyds River at the mouth of the brook flowing from Cormack Lake;

Then following the Pine Marten Study Area boundary along Lloyds River in a northeasterly direction to the mouth of Otter Pond Brook;

Then following the western bank of Otter Pond Brook, the western shore of Otter Pond and the west bank of Otter Pond Brook to Lake of the Hills;

Then following a straight line in a northwesterly direction to U.T.M. co-ordinates 471,250 metres east and 5,379,000 metres north;

Then following a straight line in a northeasterly direction to its intersection with Clench Brook at U.T.M. co-ordinates 500,875 metres east and 5,401,000 metres north;

Then following the south bank of Clench Brook to its mouth on Red Indian Lake;

Then following a straight line in an easterly direction to the point of commencement.

## **Schedule B**

### **(a) Labrador North Fur Zone**

All that area of Labrador, including offshore islands, lying north of a line commencing at a point on the coast at 54° north latitude, then west along 54° north latitude to its intersection with 62° west longitude, then north along 62° west longitude to 55° north latitude and then west along 55° north latitude to its intersection with the Labrador - Quebec border.

### **(b) Labrador East Fur Zone**

All that area of Labrador, including offshore islands, lying south of a line commencing at a point on the coast at 54° north latitude, then west along 54° north latitude to its intersection with 62° west longitude, then south along 62° west longitude to its intersection with the Goose River, then in a generally south-westerly direction to a pond at the headwaters of the Cache River, then following the Cache River to its intersection with 62° west longitude, then following 62° west longitude south to its intersection with the Quebec Labrador border.

### **(c) Labrador West Fur Zone**

All the remainder of Labrador not described in the Labrador North and Labrador East Fur Zones.