April 2, 2012

To All Elver Dealer License Holders:

Public Law Chapter 549 - An Act To Sustain the Elver Fishery was signed by the Governor on March 29, 2012, as Emergency Legislation. As a result of this legislation, Dealers are now required to identify authorized representatives to act on the license holder’s behalf to purchase elvers at locations other than the permanent facility.

**Title 12 MRS, Section 6864(9)** “Elver dealer’s license, Authorized representatives. A person who holds an elver dealer’s license may identify authorized representatives to act on the license holder’s behalf to purchase elvers at locations other than the permanent facility. The elver dealer’s license holder must identify authorized representatives on forms provided by the Department.”

**6864(10) Purchase of elvers.** A person who holds an elver dealer’s license or the authorized representative of that person listed above, may purchase elvers from licensed harvesters at locations other than the permanent facility identified on the license holder’s license. The license holder or the license holder’s authorized representative shall keep a record that identified each harvester from which elvers were purchased and the amount of elvers purchased from each harvester. The license holder or the license holder’s authorized representative shall make the record available for inspection by a marine patrol officer.

Attached is the Elver Dealer-Authorized Representative Form that must be completed and signed for EACH Elver Dealer Supplemental License, as outlined above. This Form will need to be returned to the Department of Marine Resources, 21 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333 by Monday, April 9, 2012. If additional forms are needed, they may be found at the DMR website – [www.maine.gov/dmr/license](http://www.maine.gov/dmr/license). If you have any questions, please contact your local Marine Patrol Office in Boothbay Harbor (Div. 1) at 207-633-9595 or Lamoine at 207-667-3373 (Div. 2).

Sincerely,

Patrick C. Keliher
Commissioner