**State of Maine: Notice of Agency Rulemaking – January 27, 2021**

**PROPOSALS**

AGENCY: **13-188 - Department of Marine Resources (DMR)**

CHAPTER NUMBER AND TITLE: **Ch. 60 Section 10**, Kennebec River Fish Restoration Management Plan *(Notice of Public Hearing)*

TYPE OF RULE: Routine Technical

PROPOSED RULE NUMBER: **2020-P242** *(2nd publication)*

BRIEF SUMMARY: On December 30, 2020, public notice of the proposed rulemaking related to the Kennebec River Management Plan Diadromous Resources Amendment was published and processed in accordance with applicable law. During the comment period, DMR received requests to hold a public hearing on the rule proposal. Therefore, DMR has scheduled a public hearing to take additional public comment on the proposed change. Any written feedback received by the agency during the initial comment period is part if the record and will also be considered by DMR in evaluating the proposed change. DMR will also accept written comments ten days after the hearing. The public hearing will be held remotely and interested persons need to register to participate in the proceeding no later than 12 p.m. on February 16, 2021. Instructions on how to register and a copy of the proposed rule is available at: <https://www.maine.gov/dmr> .

PUBLIC HEARING: February 16, 2021, 3:00 p.m. *Hearing will be held remotely.*

COMMENT DEADLINE: February 26, 2021

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FINANCIAL IMPACT ON MUNICIPALITIES OR COUNTIES: None

STATUTORY AUTHORITY FOR THIS RULE: 12 MRS §§ 6171 (2-A), 6191(2)(A)

SUBSTANTIVE STATE OR FEDERAL LAW BEING IMPLEMENTED: Same

AGENCY WEBSITE: <http://www.maine.gov/dmr/rulemaking/> .

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AGENCY: **16-633** - Department of Public Safety (DPS), **Gambling Control Board**

CHAPTER NUMBER AND TITLE: **Ch. 29**, Promotional Credits and Other Player Incentives

TYPE OF RULE: Routine Technical

PROPOSED RULE NUMBER: **2021-P010**

BRIEF SUMMARY: The rule package changes controls for match play to permit patron's gaming chips used for match play must be equivalent to or greater than the value to the promotional item.

PUBLIC HEARING: None applicable

COMMENT DEADLINE: February 26, 2021

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CONTACT PERSON FOR SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT: N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT ON MUNICIPALITIES OR COUNTIES: N/A

STATUTORY AUTHORITY FOR THIS RULE: 8 MRS §§ 1001(26), 1003(1)(B),3(E),3(J)

SUBSTANTIVE STATE OR FEDERAL LAW BEING IMPLEMENTED: N/A

AGENCY WEBSITE: <https://www.maine.gov/dps/gamb-control/>

**ADOPTIONS**

AGENCY: **16-163** - Department of Public Safety (DPS), **Maine Emergency Medical Services (Maine EMS)**

CHAPTER NUMBERS AND TITLES: **Ch. 1-19 of the Maine EMS System Rules**

ADOPTED RULE NUMBERS: **2021-004** *to* **025**

CONCISE SUMMARY: Over the past several years the Maine EMS Board conducted a systematic review of the Maine EMS System rules. The Board has removed or updated many outdated references and has proposed additions to the rules in an effort to assist with the management of the Maine EMS System and to ensure optimum patient care. These changes include updates to language in the following chapters:

**\*** Ch. 1, Mission and Goals of the Maine EMS System

**\*** Ch. 2, Definitions

**\*** Ch. 3, Ground Ambulance Service and Non-transporting Service Licenses

**\*** Ch. 3-A, Emergency Medical Dispatch Center Licenses

**\*** Ch. 4, Air Ambulance Service Licenses

**\*** Ch. 5, Personnel Licenses

**\*** Ch. 5-A, Emergency Medical Dispatcher Licenses

**\*** Ch. 6, Advanced Life Support Drugs and Medications

**\*** Ch. 7, State Licensure Examinations

**\*** Ch. 8, Training Courses and Continuing Education Programs Used for Licensure

**\*** Ch. 8-A, Training Centers

**\*** Ch. 9, Instructor Coordinator Licenses

**\*** Ch. 9-A, Emergency Medical Dispatch Training, Instructors, and Continuing Education Programs

**\*** Ch. 10, Reciprocity

**\*** Ch. 11, Standards and Procedures for Refusing to Issue or Renew a License, and for Modifying, Suspending, or Revoking a License

**\*** Ch. 12, Procedures for Licensing Actions And Board Actions

**\*** Ch. 13, Waiver of the Rules

**\*** Ch. 14, Sexual Misconduct

**\*** Ch. 15, Maine EMS Regions and Regional Councils

**\*** Ch. 16, Death Benefits for Emergency Medical Services Persons Who Die in the Line of Duty

**\*** Ch. 17, Equipment Lists for Maine EMS Services and Regional EMS Radio Frequencies

**\*** Ch. 18, Quality Assurance and Improvement

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 10, 2021

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AGENCY: **13-188 - Department of Marine Resources (DMR)**

CHAPTER NUMBER AND TITLE: **Ch. 11**, Scallops: **11.08**, Targeted Scallop Conservation Closures: (7) Roque Island Harbor and Kennebec River in Englishman’s Bay Rotational Area; (8) Harrington and Pleasant Rivers in Addison Rotational Area; (9) Fox Island Thorofare in Isle au Haut Rotational Area; and (10) Casco Passage and western Toothacher Bay in Swan’s Island Rotational Area

ADOPTED RULE NUMBER: **2021-026** *(Emergency)*

CONCISE SUMMARY: The Commissioner adopts this emergency rulemaking to establish scallop conservation closures in Roque Island Harbor and Kennebec River; Harrington and Pleasant Rivers; Fox Islands Thorofare; and, Casco Passage and western Toothacher Bay in Zone 2. The Department is concerned that continued harvesting for the remainder of the 2020-2021 fishing season in these areas will reduce scallop broodstock further, as well as jeopardize sublegal scallops that were observed in the 2020 Spring Scallop survey that is essential to the ongoing recruitment, regrowth and recovery of the scallop resource. An immediate conservation closure is necessary to reduce the risk of unusual damage and imminent depletion of the scallop resource in these four scallop resource areas. For these reasons, the Commissioner hereby adopts an emergency closure of Maine’s scallop fishery in these areas as authorized by 12 MRS §6171(3)(A).

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 17, 2021

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