



Department of Natural Resources  
Wildlife Division

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To Whom It May Concern:

**Re: Reciprocal Recognition of Hunter/Trapper Certification/Training**

In Nova Scotia, the Wildlife Resources Card (WRC) is the only proof of identification, certification and training currently issued to eligible persons who wish to engage in activities licensed or authorized under the *Wildlife Act* and Regulations.

The Nova Scotia Department of Natural Resources made changes to the renewal requirements for Wildlife Resources Cards which became effective as of June 1, 2018. The result is that there are certified hunters and furharvesters who may possess a Wildlife Resources Card with an outdated expiry date or nothing printed in the “expiry date” section. Please be assured, however, that should such a Wildlife Resources Card be presented to you, it remains valid. Certifications remain valid regardless of expiry date.

Nova Scotia clients have been advised to provide this notice to you as proof that the Department of Natural Resources has extended the validity of all Wildlife Resources Cards. Existing WRCs will remain valid at least until Nova Scotia’s proposed electronic licensing solution is operational. Therefore, if a client presents a WRC which shows either a blank expiry date or one that has a past due date, it is indeed still a valid representation of the individual’s approved training/certifications in Nova Scotia.

This message will be provided to all Canadian provincial/territorial wildlife management agencies. If you have any questions, please contact the Coordinator of Licensing and Client Services via email: [DNR-WRCADMIN@novascotia.ca](mailto:DNR-WRCADMIN@novascotia.ca) or phone: 902-893-5716.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Bob Petrie  
Director of Wildlife