

Provincial Investigation and Enforcement Office
Conservation Officer Monthly Activity Report
Charges and Warnings - December 2016



Activity Report Issued – January 31, 2017

Note – this report is not comprehensive and does not include ongoing investigations

A number of charges and warnings were laid in December for violations under the provincial *Wildlife Conservation Act* and the federal *Migratory Birds Convention Act*.

A conviction under either act results in a fine plus a one-year hunting suspension.

Conservation Officers remind the public to keep safety and the environment in mind when enjoying the outdoors. Never operate an off-highway vehicle or use a firearm while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

Summary Offence Tickets were issued for the following offences:

Wildlife Conservation Act

- Two 18 year olds from Mount Stewart were charged for being under the influence of an intoxicant while hunting migratory birds near Scotchfort on December 20, 2016. There is an automatic firearm forfeiture for convictions related to alcohol or drugs while hunting.

Migratory Birds Convention Act

- An 18-year-old China Point man and an 18-year-old Mount Mellick man were charged for exceeding their limit of black ducks near Mount Herbert on December 24, 2016.
- A 22-year-old Orwell Cove man was charged for transporting migratory birds without at least one fully feathered wing attached near Belle River on December 30, 2016.

Conservation officers also issued warnings for:

- hunting too close to an occupied dwelling;
- failing to have hunting licenses on them while hunting game;
- failing to immediately retrieve a migratory bird that had been shot; and
- discharging a shotgun in wildlife habitat after the legal time.

Conservation officers patrol Island highways, seashores, farmlands, and wild places to preserve and protect the province's wildlife and natural environment.

Call 911 to report a fire, report a crime or save a life.

To report an environmental emergency after normal office hours call 1-800-565-1633

To report a wildlife related enforcement matter after normal office hours call (902) 368-4884