

Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Rulemaking Activities Completed in Fiscal Year 2025

Rulemaking types: P = Permanent; ExpP = Expedited Permanent (14.389); GCE = Good Cause Exempt (14.388); Ex = Exempt (14.386); ExFSH = Exempt Fisheries; ExpEm = Expedited Emergency; Em = Emergency
Comm Order = Commissioner's Order (exempt from rulemaking procedure through its specific statutory authority)

Subject Matter of Rules	Type	Agency Unit Lead Staff	File No.	Publication Date State Register Citation	Effective Date(s)
Electronic License System	ExpP	Fish & Wildlife Div Jason Abraham	R-04886	6/30/2025 49 SR 1416	Upon full implementation of the replacement system
2025 Update to Prohibition o Placing Deer Feed and Using Deer Attractants	ExpEm	Fish & Wildlife Div Sarah Middleton	R-04938	6/23/2025 49 SR 1387	6/23/2025
Canada Lynx Management Zone	ExpEm	Fish & Wildlife Div Sarah Middleton	R-04939	6/23/2025 49 SR 1384	6/23/2025
2025 Elk Season	ExpEm	Fish & Wildlife Div Sarah Middleton	R-04941	6/16/2025 49 SR 1365	6/16/2025
2025 and 2026 Bear Seasons	ExpEm	Fish & Wildlife Div Sarah Middleton	R-04931	5/12/2025 49 SR 1239	5/12/2025
Mille Lacs Lake Fishing Regulations	ExpEm	Fish & Wildlife Div Bethany Bethke Brian Nerbonne	R-04933	4/28/2025 49 SR 1193	5/10/2025
Upper Red Lake Fishing	ExpEm	Fish & Wildlife Div Bethany Bethke	R-04932	4/28/2025 49 SR 1197	5/10/2025
Commissioner's Order #1 ML 2025: Amend Lake Mille Lacs Yellow Perch Fishing Regulations	Comm Order	Fish & Wildlife Div Bethany Bethke	N/A	3/10/2025 49 SR 1038	3/10/2025
Designated Experimental Waters and Special Management Waters	ExFSH	Fish & Wildlife Div Bethany Bethke	R-04923	2/24/2025 49 SR 995	2/24/2025
Turkey Hunt, Wildlife Management Areas and State Game Refuges	ExpEm	Fish & Wildlife Div Sarah Middleton	R-04919	1/26/2025 49 SR 899	1/27/2025

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Taking Fish on Minnesota-Wisconsin Boundary Waters	ExpP	Fish & Wildlife Div Bethany Bethke	R-4795	12/23/2024 49 SR 683	3/1/2025
Taking Fish in Inland Waters	ExpP	Fish & Wildlife Div Bethany Bethke	R-4826	12/23/2024 49 SR 683	3/1/2025
Commissioner's Order #2 ML 2024: Amend Mille Lacs Lake Walleye Fishing Regulations	Comm Order	Fish & Wildlife Div Bethany Bethke Brian Nerbonne	N/A	11/18/2024 49 SR 548	11/18/2024
Special Provisions for Keystone Woods Wildlife Management Area	ExpEm	Fish & Wildlife Div Sarah Middleton	R-04910	10/7/2024 49 SR 392	10/7/2024
2024 Youth and Adult Special Deer Hunts and Seasons	ExpEm	Fish & Wildlife Div Jason Abraham	R-04881	9/9/2024 49 SR 285	9/9/2024
Taking Sharp-Tailed Grouse and Prairie Chickens	ExpEm	Fish & Wildlife Div Jason Abraham	R-04890	9/9/2024 49 SR 284	9/9/2024
2024 Deer Seasons and Special Hunts	ExpEm	Fish & Wildlife Div Jason Abraham	R-04889	8/26/2024 49 SR 197	8/31/2024
Commissioner's Order #1 ML 2024- Amend Walleye Regulations for Open Water Angling on Lake Mille Lacs	Comm Order	Fish & Wildlife Div Jon Hansen, Brian Nerbonne	N/A	8/12/2024 49 SR 157	8/16/2024
Wildlife Management Areas, State Game Refuges, Small Game and Fall Wild Turkey	ExpEm	Fish & Wildlife Div Jason Abraham	R-04893	8/12/2024 49 SR 150	8/12/2024
2024 Waterfowl and Sandhill Crane Hunting, Game Refuges, Controlled Hunting Zones and Feeding and Resting Areas	ExpEm	Fish & Wildlife Div Jason Abraham	R-04880	8/12/2024 49 SR 141	8/12/2024
Border Waters, Fishing Contests, Designated Waters, and Aquatic Management Areas	ExpP	Fish & Wildlife Div, Shannon Fisher	R-4598	7/15/2024 49 SR 45	7/15/2024
Daily and Possession Limits for Gar	ExpEm	Fish & Wildlife Div Jon Hansen	R-4873	7/1/2024 49 SR 5	7/1/2024
2024 Update to Prohibition on Placing Deer Feed and Using Deer Attractants	ExpEm	Fish & Wildlife Div Jason Abraham	R-4874	7/1/2024 49 SR 8	7/1/2024
Netting Whitefish and Ciscoes	ExpP	Fish & Wildlife Div, Shannon Fisher	R-4747	7/1/2024 49 SR 10	7/1/2024