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SPECIAL LICENSE NUMBER ME 2012-60-03

Acting under the authority vested in the Commissioner of Marine Resources (DMR) by virtue of 12 M.R.S. §6074(8)(D), I hereby issue, subject to renewal, a Special License to **RON HUBER** representing Penobscot Bay Watch, 148 Broadway, Rockland, Maine 04841. This Special License (SL) exempts **RON HUBER** from those portions of DMR Regulations Chapter 34.10 relating to mesh size, method of take, season and possession of illegal size fish for the purpose of surveying near shore waters for the abundance and distribution of juvenile (age 0) cod and similar finfish species. This Special License is issued subject to the following:

1. **Who:** Ron Huber, Steve Tanguay and up to six Penobscot Bay Watch volunteer assistants under their direct supervision.
2. **Vessel:** None
3. **What / How / Quantity:** Juvenile cod survey using a hand deployed 60 foot beach seine (1/32nd inch mesh). All cod and by-catch species of finfish and invertebrates will be counted, photographed, video taped for identification and promptly released on location. No specimens are to be kept and shall be released at the capture site. Precautions will be taken to minimize injury to all species handled.
4. **Where:** Searsport Harbor will be sampled weekly on the west side and monthly on the east side, (on Sears Island). In addition, Long Cove and Stockton Harbor will be sampled at various times during the duration of this Special License.
5. **When:** Sites may be seined between April 15 and December 15, 2012.
5. **Conditions:**
 - **Marine Patrol:** Lt. Dale Sprowl, Division II office (**east** of Port Clyde), Tel: 667-3373, **shall** be contacted prior to the start up of collecting activities to make arrangements as to the necessary frequency when to contact Marine Patrol to provide the Special License (SL) number, dates, location(s) of activities, name of special license holder, other persons in the field, and if transporting of specimens will occur, etc. A log of your contact with Marine Patrol is advised. ***Failure to contact Marine Patrol shall be grounds for the immediate revocation.***
 - **Reporting:** A report (electronic format) providing the numbers per species and location(s), dates, accomplishments and results to date shall be provided to the Department of Marine Resources at the end of each year and prior to future renewals. Reports shall be sent to kevin.rousseau@maine.gov.

- **Volunteers** shall be informed by Ron Huber of the protected fish species that may be found in the area and must be released immediately after they have collected the data (counted, photographed, identified)
- **USCG CFVS:** SL's are contingent upon vessels holding current USCG commercial fishing safety inspections. This SL does not use a vessel therefore one is not listed.
- **Penalty:** Any infraction of these conditions or any violation of any Marine Resources laws shall be grounds for the immediate revocation of this Special License. Pursuant to 12 M.R.S.A. §6074(9) an individual who fails to comply with the conditions or limitations on the licensed activity under this section commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 may be adjudged.
- **Additional** conditions may be added at the discretion of the Commissioner.

This Special License expires December 31, 2012 and has two renewals.



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cc Marine Patrol Division II