

(Classification = Temporary/Seasonal Position)

**Title:** Wildlife technician (Reptiles and Amphibians)

**Agency:** Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

**Location:** statewide but based out of central/southern ME

**Job Description:**

The Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (MDIFW) is looking for two full-time, seasonal conservation aides to assist with research and inventory of Maine's herpetofauna. The majority of work will be focused on turtles but work with snakes, amphibians, and possibly invertebrates will also occur. Primary duties will focus on surveys for turtles in spring and early autumn. During summer the focus will shift to other herpetofauna. The successful applicant will assist with project planning and coordinate and conduct visual surveys, trapping, data collection and entry. The position will run from late-April through mid-October.

**Qualifications:**

Preference will be given to applicants with prior experience working with herpetofauna, specifically turtles, and to those familiar with New England flora & fauna. Applicants should be familiar with survey and monitoring techniques for reptiles. A working knowledge of GPS, ArcMap, Natural Heritage methodologies, and map/compass navigation is especially useful. Applicants should possess the ability to work both collaboratively and independently, have good communication skills, and demonstrate both accuracy and attention to detail. Field conditions can be strenuous, including work in densely-vegetated, wet habitats with biting insects and ticks. A completed B.S. degree in wildlife science or a related field is strongly preferred. Working on weekends and overnight travel will be required at times with likely some camping and/or rustic accommodations. A valid driver's license and personal vehicle is required. The applicant will use their own vehicle for commuting and potentially some travel to field sites, but a state field vehicle will be available for most field work. Use of personal vehicle for travel to field sites will be reimbursed at a rate of \$0.46 per mile.

**HOW TO APPLY:** Please email a cover letter and resume to [derek.yorks@maine.gov](mailto:derek.yorks@maine.gov)

**Salary:** \$15.00-\$17.00/hour

**Last Date to apply:** March 24th, 2023 or until filled

**Start Date:** April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023

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