

## **Game Commission State Documents**

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### **Summary Information**

**Repository:** Pennsylvania Department of Education, Bureau of the State Library

**Creator:** Pennsylvania Game Commission

**Title:** Game Commission State Documents

**Identifier:** GAME

**Date:** 1895 - Present

**Date:** Majority of material found within 1929 - Present

**Physical Description:** 30165 Megabytes (1514 PDF files (387 files from Game Commission

generally, 1126 files from Game News magazine collection))

Language of English

**Materials:** 

#### **Scope and Contents**

The Game Commission is responsible for the scientific management of all wild birds and mammals in the Commonwealth. As an independent agency, its authority stems from the Game and Wildlife Code. Not supported by tax money, its primary source of income is the sale of hunting licenses. The Game Commission is responsible for enforcing the Commonwealth's game laws relating to the management, protection and preservation of game, birds, and fur-bearing animals. The Commission regulates the hunting and trapping of game, sets bag limits, operates game farms and employs game protectors.

The publications of the Game Commission contain annual reports, educational guides, maps, strategic plans, survey reports, and other reports. Selected topics from these publications include annual wildlife concerns, wildlife protections, wildlife diversity, wildlife action plans, state game lands, and the Pennsylvania Game News. The bulk of the current material is dated from 1929 to present.

## **Biographical / Historical**

The Game Comission was created by legislative action June 25, 1895 as the Board of Game Commissioners. It was renamed the Pennsylvania Game Commission in 1937.

## **Legacy Agency Names and Related Agencies**

Board of Game Commissioners (former agency name)

#### **Game News Titles**

The Pennsylvania Game News magazine was formerly titled "Monthly Service Bulletin" from July 1929 to July 1931.

## **Conditions Governing Access**

The issues of Game News magazine presented here from the Game Commission are older than one year; to

view issues less than a year old, a subscription through the Game Commission is required. If any material is reproduced for any use from the publication, in print or digitally, acknowledgement must be credited to the Pennsylvania Game Commission, and must include a source citation to the specific issue (month and year).

More information on the Game News magazine can be found at: https://www.pgc.pa.gov/InformationResources/Pages/PA-Game-News-Magazine.aspx.

### **Conditions Governing Use**

The State Game Lands maps are copyrighted publications, for which the Game Commission has permitted educational use.

#### **Other Finding Aids**

For more information concerning the records of the Game Commission at the Pennsylvania State Archives, please visit: https://gencat.eloquent-systems.com/pennsylvania-state-archives/permalink.html?key=class139.

#### **Administrative Information**

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