

# VOLUNTEER INSTRUCTOR APPLICATION

**To become a volunteer instructor in the MassWildlife Hunter Education Program, you must…**

1. Be at least 18 years old with a record free of convictions
2. Successfully complete the Basic Hunter Education course as a student in the past 10 years. (If the course was taken out of state, please provide a copy of your certificate)
3. Provide a copy of a valid Firearms License (FID or LTC) to legally possess and transport firearms in Massachusetts.

Last six digits

**Name: Charles Raymond DuPont \_ SS #:** XXX -44 - 7639 \_ **Birth Date: 01/ 29\_/ 1967**

*First Middle Last*

**Maiden Name or Alias: Father’s Last Name: DuPont**

**Residential address: 32 Daniels Street Franklin MA 02038**

*Number & Street City/Town State Zip Code*

**Mailing Address:** \_

(***If different*)**

**Primary Email Address: Grundy129@gmail.com Secondary Email Address:** \_

**Sex:\* Male** / Female **Occupation**: High School Teacher

*Circle one*

**Name for ID badge**: Chuck DuPont \_

**Home Phone:** ( 508 \_) 520 - 3339 \_ **Cell Phone:** ( 508 ) 494 - 4392 \_ **Accept Text Messages? Yes** / No

*Circle one*

**Work Phone:** ( 508 ) 485 -9430 **Fax:** ( \_) \_-

**Which phone number is best to use (circle)? Home** **/ Cell** **/ Work** **Town you work in: Marlboro, MA** \_

**Hunting experience/interest:** Big Game / Black Bear / **Deer**  / **Turkey**  / **Upland Game** / **Small Game** / Furbearers / Waterfowl

*Please circle all that apply. (Big Game = Elk, Moose, Caribou, Grizzly, etc.)*

**List any MA Sportsmen’s Clubs you are affiliated with: Wrentham Sportmans’ Association**

I am interested in becoming a certified instructor to teach Basic Hunter Ed. I have successfully completed the Basic Hunter Education course in the past 10 years:

Location Bass Pro Foxborough and date of Basic course: 2017

I also have an interest in becoming a certified instructor in the following advanced subjects: (*Circle all that apply*)

(2) Bowhunter Ed. (3) Trapper Ed. (4) Waterfowl ID & Hunting (5) Black Powder Ed. (6) Map, Compass & Survival

List residences (in chronological order starting with most recent previous address)

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| **From Month** | **Year** | **To Month** | **Yea**r | **Street Address** | **City/Town State/Zip Code** |
| 9 | 90 | 8 | 98 | 2202 Franklin Crossing Rd | Franklin MA 02038 |
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| **Have you ever been a defendant in a civil or criminal court case?** | | | | **Yes** **(List below)** | **No** |
| **Have you ever been issued a citation for a Fish & Game Violation?** | | | | **Yes** **(List below)** | **No** |
| **Date** | **Age at time** | **Violation (actual charge)** | **Location** | **Court Disposition** | **Police Agency** |
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**List the name, street address, telephone number, and position of two character references:**

1. Name: Steven Cooper Address 885 Union St Franklin, MA 02038

Telephone #: ( 508 ) 528-7107 Position Retired Laborer

1. Name: David Thorp Address 49 Jackson St Attleboro Falls 02763

Telephone #: ( 386 ) 290-2213 Position Self Employed

# TEACHING & EDUCATION EXPERIENCE

**As a Hunter Education Instructor, you will be expected to participate in various aspects of the course including teaching youths and adults, handling firearms safely, assisting with program paperwork, setting up audio-visual equipment and working effectively with a team of instructors.**

**EDUCATION**: Circle total years of school completed. 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 **18** 19 20

If applicable, name the institution from which degree was granted: Boston College \_ Have you served as a volunteer in any club/organization or professional association? Yes  No 

If yes, please name the club or organization(s) and the nature of your experience: (Positions held or projects that you worked on)

NWTF – Chapter President of the Tri County Strutters, State Board Treasurer \_

Cub Scouts & Boy Scouts \_ Why are you interested in becoming a Hunter Education Volunteer Instructor? To help carry the outdoor sports to current and future generations. To give back to conservation for what I have been able to gain from it. \_

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Do you have experience training/teaching youth or adult audiences (i.e. Scouts, church or school groups, etc?) Yes  No 

Please list Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Mass Youth Turkey program instructor, High School Teacher

Describe any teaching, instructor training or related experience; include topics presented and type of audience you were presenting to:

I currently teach a class for the Massachusetts Youth Turkey Training. I have worked at various locations to teach turkey tactics and shotgun use. I am a NRA certified Shotgun instructor and a certified NRA RSO. I am also a registered shotgun instructor with the Boy Scouts.

Please list names, position and phone numbers of two people who can comment on your experience working with adult and/or youth audiences. They should be **different from the 2 references** you previously listed in the earlier part of this application.

Name John Allard Position/Organization/Company Teacher / Assabet Valley High School Telephone #: ( 401 ) 651-2757

Name Bryant Laflamme Position/Organization/Company Coop Coordinator / Assabet Valley HS Telephone #: ( 774 ) 262-5949

How did you learn about the volunteer opportunities with the Hunter Education Program? Circle any that apply:

**X Hunter Education Instructor**  Club/Organization

* Friend/Co-Worker  Other \_ Do you have access to or know of places to hold Hunter Education courses in your area? Yes  No 

If yes, please list these potential locations: Wrentham Sportsman’s Club, Fin Fur and Feather in Millis

## Optional Information

I plan to work with the following instructor team / fellow volunteer \_ I am fluent in speaking or writing the following foreign languages: \_

**FIREARMS LICENSES REQUIREMENTS: Massachusetts’ residents must have a valid Firearms Identification Card (FID) or License To Carry Firearms (LTC) to legally purchase, possess and transport firearms. It is consequently also required for a MA Hunter Education Volunteer Instructor participating in this program. Please provide a copy of your current and valid Firearms Identification Card or License To Carry Firearms along with this completed application to verify this prerequisite.**

As a potential Volunteer Instructor in the MA Hunter Education Program, you are committing to working with a team of instructors, to conduct at least one course (12-16 hours for Basic Hunter Education) which also involves travel and preparation time and to participate in a one-day workshop per year in order to remain active. Do you have the time to participate in all aspects of the program? Yes  No 

*I fully understand that prior to my appointment as a MA Hunter Education Instructor, a background check will be made by the MA Division of Fisheries and Wildlife to verify any and all of the information I have supplied in this application.*

## Signature of Applicant: Date: \_

\*\*Once your application is processed and a background check is complete, you must participate in an Introductory Workshop. This workshop will introduce you to the program’s policies and procedures and explain the requirements of being a MA Division of Fisheries and Wildlife Hunter Education volunteer instructor.

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Comments: Approved by:

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# Pass on the Tradition; Become a Volunteer Instructor!

### How Can I Become a Volunteer Instructor?

The MA Division of Fisheries and Wildlife is always interested in recruiting new instructors. If you are enthusiastic, want to share your knowledge, enjoy teaching, and are committed to safe and ethical hunting, read the information and complete the Application to start the process of becoming an Instructor. One requirement of a**ll prospective instructors is that they must successfully complete a Basic Hunter Education Course in the past ten (10) years.** Applicants who would like to teach Specialty Courses must also successfully complete the specialty course (s) in which they have an interest. Successful completion of an advanced course can and usually occurs after being accepted into the program.

Applicants must fill out an application providing information for the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife to conduct background checks. Upon successful completion of these steps, applicants will be notified about Introductory Workshops held in different locations in the state, usually in the early spring. Attendance at these workshops is a mandatory part of the certification process. All volunteers are trained, certified and provided with required course materials.

### Who are the Hunter Education Volunteer Instructors?

Committed and enthusiastic outdoorsmen and women across the state who want to pass on the traditions, ethics and excitement of outdoor activities to beginners of all ages. The ideal prospective volunteers are hunters and trappers with at least a few years of practical experience.

### What Courses Do Volunteer Instructors Teach?

The primary course offered by the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife Hunter Education Program is the **Basic Hunter Education Course**. All new volunteers start by teaching Basic Hunter Education courses. It is a standardized course which is offered by instructors certified by state or provincial fish and wildlife agencies across North America.

Successful graduates of this course are issued a certificate that allows them to buy a hunting or sporting license in Massachusetts and is recognized in all U.S. states, Canada, and Mexico. Additional courses taught by instructors include **Trapper Education (also mandated in MA and recognized across the U.S.**) and **Bowhunter Education**. Although not required in MA, Bowhunter Education certificates are accepted in those states that mandate the course.

### What Are the Expectations of a Volunteer Instructor?

Your obligation as Volunteer Instructor in the program is to participate in at least one (1) course per year and attend an annual Instructor workshop if offered. Instructors must work in teams, under the guidance of a Team Leader. It is the Team Leader’s responsibility to find the venues, to schedule the courses, to enlist the teaching team and to work with program staff to obtain course materials and equipment. Depending on your skills, comfort level, and knowledge, you will be asked to assist in several ways at a course, from organizing paperwork, teaching or assisting small groups with hands-on exercises to providing instruction to the entire class. The Team Leader will work with you to determine what meets your needs as well as the needs of the course.

### What Other Ways Can I Contribute to the Hunter Education Program?

Volunteer Instructors have reviewed materials and equipment for possible use by the Program. Others have submitted articles for newsletters. At times, instructors have had the opportunity to teach introductory sessions relating to hunter education for special events and workshops. The ways in which an instructor can contribute to this program are numerous, limited only by your skills, willingness and availability!