

Checklist for Planning Entry into Wildlife Enforcement

- ◇ Volunteer in local wildlife rescue centers, provincial parks, your local park and recreation department or city hall;
- ◇ Take at least biology and chemistry in high school;
- ◇ Take physics and math as well if possible;
- ◇ By early grade 11 investigate both diploma and degree programs in Wildlife Enforcement, ecology, law enforcement or related field;
- ◇ Visit your school guidance department to check on requirements for entering your programs of choice;
- ◇ Take swimming lessons to as high a level as you can;
- ◇ Take first aid and CPR training and recertify when necessary;
- ◇ Take jobs in retail and/or tour guiding to brush up on your interpersonal skills;
- ◇ Take part in public speaking when possible in school;
- ◇ Take a public speaking course;
- ◇ Get your driver's license when you can;
- ◇ When of age learn proper firearm use and maintenance by taking appropriate training and certification;
- ◇ Learn to hunt and fish or at least familiarize yourself with the regulations;
- ◇ Read all you can about wildlife enforcement.