

### **Tagging of Otter and Bobcat**

Federal regulations which require tagging to account for harvest of bobcat and river otter are in effect. The Commission requires the tagging of otter and bobcat, to account for harvest of these species, which are subject to federal export regulations (CITES Tags). Bobcat and river otter harvested in Mississippi must be CITES tagged prior to shipping or transporting out of Mississippi.

It is no longer required to present the carcass or pelt to the MDWFP in order to purchase CITES tags.

Effective August 2014:

CITES tags (via over-the-counter purchases) are available for purchase from November 1 - March 15 and for 30 days thereafter at the following MDWFP locations: Jackson Office, North Region Office, Central Region Office, South Region Office, Buccaneer State Park, Clarkco State Park, Hugh White State Park, J. P. Coleman State Park, John Kyle State Park, Legion State Park, Leroy Percy State Park, Natchez State Park, and Paul B. Johnson State Park. Tags are \$0.25 each. Quantities at each location may be limited, therefore, it is recommended to call in advance.

All un-used issued CITES tags must be returned to the MDWFP within forty-five (45) days after close of the trapping season for which they were issued.

Possession of un-used CITES tags between forty-five (45) days after close of trapping season and the day prior to opening trapping season is prohibited.

CITES tags are not transferable.

CITES tags (via mail purchases). Please send a request for the desired number of bobcat and/or otter tags along with a check made payable to MDWFP. Tags are \$0.25 each. Each mail-in request is limited to no more than 40 total tags. Please allow 5-7 working days for processing. Available from November 1 - March 15 and for 30 days thereafter. Any un-used tags in possession 30 days after close of trapping season must be returned to the MDWFP.

Send request and check to:

MDWFP

Attn: WL Bureau - CITES Tags

1505 Eastover Dr.

Jackson, MS 39211