

## Join the Cutting Edge!

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### OFWIM Membership Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### Annual Dues:

General Member  
(One voting membership) \$30

Student or Retired Member  
(One voting membership) \$10

Organization Member  
(6 general memberships) \$150

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### Mark your calendar:

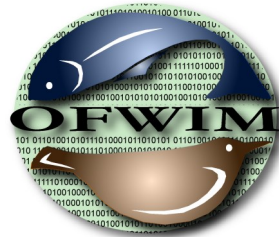
## 2019 Annual Conference of the Organization of Fish & Wildlife Information Managers

October 6-10, 2019

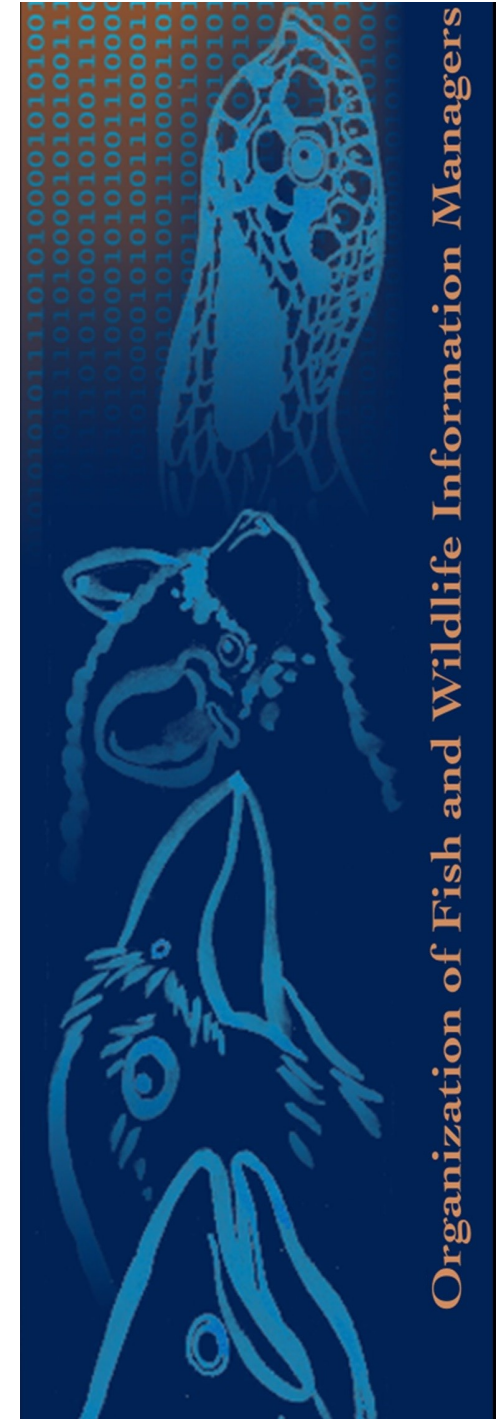
Shepherdstown, West Virginia

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Organization of Fish and Wildlife  
Information Managers



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## Organization of Fish and Wildlife Information Managers

Today, more than at any previous point in time, the demand for quality information for fish and wildlife management is high. To meet this demand, it is necessary for information managers to use the latest technologies, to share data and knowledge with each other, and to work together to solve the fiscal and technological challenges that face us.

The mission of the Organization of Fish and Wildlife Information Managers (OFWIM) is to promote the management and conservation of natural resources by facilitating technology and information exchange among fish and wildlife information managers.

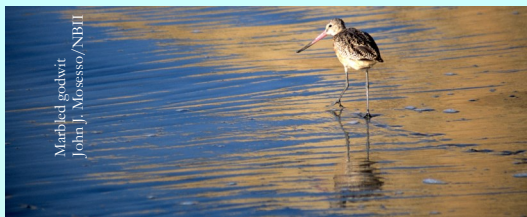
To achieve its mission, OFWIM emphasizes coordination, outreach, technical assistance, and continuing education. Objectives within each of these focus areas are met through the production of an informational newsletter, sponsorship of an annual national meeting, sponsorship and participation in training sessions, and the maintenance of online networking opportunities.

OFWIM is a nonprofit organization that was formally established in 1993 and granted non-profit status in 1995.

You can participate in OFWIM through membership in one of these committees:

- ◆ Communications, Membership, and Outreach
- ◆ Training and Education
- ◆ Data Standards and Technology Trends
- ◆ Conference Planning
- ◆ Elections, Nominations, and Awards

## What Can OFWIM Do For You?



### Coordination

OFWIM fosters close cooperation between information managers in state and federal agencies, ensuring a coordinated response to regional implementation and national reporting of fish and wildlife information.

### Collaboration

Many fish and wildlife agencies have a relatively small information management staff with limited resources. Keeping current with emerging technologies, standards, and best management practices is critical. OFWIM's annual meetings, newsletters, and social networking capabilities provide peer-to-peer support across agencies, enabling us to work together more efficiently to meet local, state, and national data management needs.

### Education

OFWIM facilitates a comprehensive approach to training, focusing on all aspects of the career of a fish and wildlife information manager. Training sessions range from new technologies, data standards, and methods for coordination and data sharing to professional development topics such as project management and interacting with the public.

### Annual Meetings

OFWIM's annual meetings are full of informative presentations and panel discussions. Participants particularly enjoy the "Hacker's Ball," an OFWIM tradition that combines the poster session with live demonstrations of applications. Annual meetings also feature hands-on training sessions, which offer in-depth experience with the latest information technologies and tools for data management and dissemination.

## Membership Information

You can be a part of OFWIM! All you need is an interest in advancing fish and wildlife information technology.

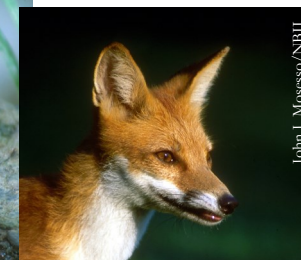
### Types of Membership:

#### Individual

- ◆ Open to any individual interested in fish and wildlife information technology
- ◆ Membership entitles you to one vote
- ◆ Annual Dues are \$30 (General) / \$10 (Student) / \$10 (Retired)

#### Organization

- ◆ Open to any public, private, or non-profit organization with an interest in fish and wildlife information management
- ◆ Membership entitles the organization to 6 general memberships with all the rights and privileges of general membership
- ◆ Annual Dues are \$150.00



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