


UAPPEAL

EXOTIC ANIMAL LEGISLATION THAT BECAME LAW IN 2019

ALABAMA	SB 314 Act 2019-371	Conservation and Natural Resources, wildlife, possession for public exhibition purposes, importing of cervidae, prohibited, Sec. 9-11-328 am'd	1 st day of 3 rd month	Became law
<p>AFFECTED: Public zoo or wildlife exhibit AND privately-owned traveling zoo, circus, or pet shop</p> <p>SPECIES:  Cervid</p> <p>CLASSIFICATION: Ban – Import</p>				

Municipal, county, state or other publicly owned zoos or wildlife exhibits or privately-owned traveling zoos, circuses and pet shops are now prohibited from importing cervids

ARKANSAS	AGENCY RULE	Captive Wildlife Regulations	Same	Adopted 2/21/19
AFFECTED: All SPECIES: Captive wildlife CLASSIFICATION: New Permit; Positive – Limits species; Other – Revises Rule				

- Listed medically significant reptiles will now need a Venomous Reptile Possession Permit on 1/1/20 except for native pets and traveling through, and new caging and handling requirements must be followed
- Removes duplicate definition of aquatic wildlife in wildlife
- Unrestricted species are now moved to a separate addendum AND the following are now included: sugar glider, long-tailed chinchilla, four-toed hedgehog, African pygmy hedgehog, Bactrian and dromedary camels.
- Terrestrial invertebrates not otherwise prohibited are exempt from the laws
- Other aquatic wildlife is added to the exemption list
- Owners that fix females or males do not need a breeder permit
- Allows selling 6 wildlife per year that were acquired by a breeder/dealer or imported without a permit
- Wildlife importation permits are not needed for unrestricted species and are banned for prohibited species
- Allows prohibiting a species not unrestricted or prohibited under an importation permit if it poses significant risk to human health/safety, native species, agriculture or cannot be safely confined
- Residents may bring their wildlife back into Arkansas within 30 days without an importation permit if total is reported
- Prohibited wildlife are now in a separate Addendum with an exception for captive-bred waterfowl and the following now included: black-buck antelope and black-tailed prairie dog after 10/18/18
- Frogs, salamanders and aquatic turtles now fall under the 6 legal pet restriction
- Breeder/Dealer permits may now be denied due to human health and safety, agriculture or humane confinement
- Adds new breeder/dealer requirements
- Adds red-necked wallaby to the permitted wildlife list

FLORIDA	AGENCY RULE	Injurious Species	Same	Adopted 2/12/19
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AFFECTED: Importers, Owners

SPECIES: Brushtail possum, dhole, flying fox, mongoose, meerkat, raccoon dog, yellow anaconda, Beni anaconda, Deschauensee's anaconda, brown tree snake, dioch, Java sparrow, pink starling, red-whiskered bulbol

CLASSIFICATION: Ban - Ownership


Adds listed species to prohibited list AND allows grandfather permit for any species added to the prohibited list with disaster and incident plan and identification

LOUISIANA	HB 123 Act 7	PUBLIC RECORDS: Exempts from the Public Records Act information relative to certain activities associated with stocking and breeding of alligators	8/7/19	Signed into law 5/24/19
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AFFECTED: All SPECIES:  Alligator CLASSIFICATION: Positive – Protects from Public Records

Exempts activities associated with the egg collection, stocking, captive breeding, or farming inventory of alligators is exempt from the Public Records Act

MISSISSIPPI	Rule 40 Miss. Admin. Code Part 2, Rule 8.2	Regulations for White-Tailed Deer Enclosures	5/6/19	Adopted 4/5/19
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AFFECTED: Owners SPECIES:  White-tailed deer CLASSIFICATION: Revises Requirement

Replaces regulations for enclosures preventing the ingress and egress of wild animals and replaces with white-tailed deer AND makes changes

MISSOURI	RULE 3 CSR 10-9.220	Wildlife Confinement Standards	Same	Adopted 4/12/19
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AFFECTED: Holders SPECIES:  Deer CLASSIFICATION: Revises Caging

Amended the caging standards for deer


NEBRASKA	LB 61	Change and eliminate provisions relating to rabies	~ Sep 2019	Signed into law 3/7/19
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AFFECTED: Owners SPECIES:  Domestic Hybrids  Ferret CLASSIFICATION: Rabies law change


- Requires USDA licensed rabies vaccine administered consistent with its labeling for domestic animals (dogs, cats, ferrets) and hybrid dogs to be considered vaccinated against rabies
- Specifies that rabies rules must comply with CDC
- Replaces animal bite procedure to state that domestic animal bites and that domestics, hybrids and livestock exposed to rabies will be handled according to rules
- Requires including dosage, years of effectiveness and date next vaccine is due for domestics and hybrids
- Adds that rabies rules are to protect the health, safety and welfare of public and ensure efficient and adequate practices

NEVADA	SB 85 Chapter 74	Revises provisions governing the importation into this State of certain live animals or parts of the carcass of certain animals	5/16/19	Signed into law 5/16/19
<p>AFFECTED: Importers</p> <p>SPECIES:  Elk, mule deer, white-tailed deer, moose, alternative livestock, CWD susceptible</p> <p>CLASSIFICATION: Ban - Import</p>				


An import ban for elk, mule deer, white-tailed deer, moose, alternative livestock and other species declared CWD susceptible is now in effect

TEXAS	SB 810	Relating to the identification of breeder deer.	9/1/19	Signed into law 6/10/19
<p>AFFECTED: Breeders</p> <p>SPECIES:  Deer</p> <p>CLASSIFICATION: Revises Requirements</p>				

Creates new very specific requirements regarding the identification of breeder deer


TEXAS	SB 948	Relating to release sites for breeder deer.	9/1/19	Signed into law 6/10/19
<p>AFFECTED: Breeders</p> <p>SPECIES:  Deer</p> <p>CLASSIFICATION: New Requirement</p>				

Release sites for breeder deer must now contain a 7' high fence capable of restraining them in reasonable conditions with the owner responsible for properly maintaining it

VIRGINIA	AGENCY RULE 4VAC15-360	Fish: Aquatic Invertebrates, Amphibians, Reptiles, and Nongame Fish	3/1/19	Adopted 1/24/19
AFFECTED: Commercial Collectors SPECIES:  Snapping turtles; Crayfish, Hellgrammites CLASSIFICATION: Revises Rules				

Revises Permit to Collect and Sell Snapping Turtles and Hellgrammites as follows:

- Snapping turtles may no longer be taken and sold under a Permit to Hold and Sell Certain Wildlife
- Snapping turtle harvest requires:
 - Being a resident,
 - Submitting an annual report (even if reporting no activity),
 - Being in compliance with all federal/state laws
 - A curved carapace length of 13+”
 - NO harvest between October 1 and May 31
 - NOT take any other species
 - Using only hoop nets or similar homemade traps up to 6’ long and up to 36” throat opening
 - NOT more than 20 traps marked with permit number which are check daily and all animals removed
- Snapping turtle permits are limited to 25 per year and only 1 permit per residence in the order in which applied
- Failing to comply can result in loss of license and harvest for one year

VIRGINIA	AGENCY RULE 2VAC5-141	Health Requirements Governing the Admission of Agricultural Animals, Companion Animals, and Other Animals or Birds into Virginia	2/7/19	Adopted
AFFECTED: Importers SPECIES: All and  CLASSIFICATION: Permit				

- Replaces companion animals with pet animals to match statutes and redefines from all vertebrates other than ornamental fish to “a dog, cat, nonpoultry bird species, or any other animal, ferae naturae, wild or tame under domestication or in custody that is not intended for commercial use or that by its nature is fit for use only as a pet”
- Amends which veterinarians may issue Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI)
- Permit now required to import animals
- Pets brought into the state by their owners and those being transported through the state are exempt from pet entry requirements
- Revises primate import requirements

WASHINGTON	AGENCY RULE WAC 220-450	Wildlife in Captivity and Wildlife Rehabilitation	~ 4/1/19	Adopted 2/8/19
AFFECTED: Wildlife rehabilitators; Captive wildlife holders SPECIES: All Wildlife – Uncertain CLASSIFICATION: Rule Study				
Revises rehabilitation rules				

WASHINGTON	Expedited Rule	Live wildlife – Taking from the wild, importation, possession, transfer, and holding in captivity	Immediately	Adopted
AFFECTED: All SPECIES: Live Wildlife CLASSIFICATION: Correction				
Makes technical corrections to the law				