

TENNESSEE LEGAL PET GUIDE



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ARACHNID, CENTIPEDE, MILLIPEDE

All	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Exempt from TWRA laws; Import - See Ag
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BATS

Big-eared, Rafinesque's	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Brown, Big	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Brown, Little	No		No			No	Threatened Class II - Prohibited
Evening	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Free-tailed, Brazilian	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Gray	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Hoary	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Indiana	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Long-eared, Northern	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Red, Eastern	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Seminole	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Silver-haired	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Small-footed, Eastern	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Southeastern	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Tri-colored	No		No			No	Threatened Class II - Prohibited
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)

BEARS

Black	No		No			No	Native - Class IV wildlife - No pets
Unlisted	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets

BIRDS

Anhinga	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit; See Ag
Avocet, American	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit

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Bittern, American	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	<p>This is only a guide of animals that <u>MAY</u> be legal in a state. Due to the extensive amount of laws involved that are constantly changing, UAPPEAL cannot guarantee the accuracy of the information. Users are responsible for checking all laws BEFORE getting an animal.</p>
Bittern, Least	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Blackbird, Brewer's	No		No			No	
Blackbird, Red-winged	No		No			No	
Blackbird, Rusty	No		No			No	
Bluebird, Eastern	No		No			No	
Bobolink	No		No			No	
Bufflehead	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Bunting, Indigo	No		No			No	
Bunting, Painted	No		No			No	
Canvasback	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Cardinal, Northern	No		No			No	
Cassowary	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	
Catbird, Gray	No		No			No	
Chat, Yellow-breasted	No		No			No	
Chickadee, Black-capped	No		No			No	
Chickadee, Carolina	No		No			No	
Chuck-will's-widow	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Coot, American	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Cormorant, Double-crested	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Cowbird, Brown-headed	No		No			No	
Crane, Sandhill	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Crane, Whooping	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Creeper, Brown	No		No			No	
Crossbill, Red	No		No			No	
Crow, American	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	

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Crow, Fish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Cuckoo, Black-billed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Cuckoo, Yellow-billed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Dickcissel	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Dove, Eurasian Collared							Introduced
Dove, Mourning	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Dowitcher, Long-billed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Dowitcher, Short-billed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Duck, American Black	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Duck, Black-bellied Whistling-	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Duck, Fulvous Whistling-	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Duck, Long-tailed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Duck, Muscovy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Duck, Ring-necked	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Duck, Ruddy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Duck, Wood	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Dunlin	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Eagle, Bald	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Eagle, Golden	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Egret, Cattle	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Falcon, Peregrine	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Finch, House	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Finch, Purple	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Flicker, Northern	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Flycatcher, Acadian	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Flycatcher, Alder	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Flycatcher, Greater Crested	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Flycatcher, Least	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited

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Flycatcher, Olive-sided	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Flycatcher, Scissor-tailed	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Flycatcher, Willow	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Flycatcher, Yellow-bellied	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Gadwall	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Gallinule, Common	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Godwit, Marbled	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Gnatcatcher, Blue-gray	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Goldeneye, Common	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Goldfinch, American	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Goose, Cackling	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Goose, Canada	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Goose, Greater White-fronted	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Goose, Ross's	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Goose, Snow	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Grackle, Common	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Grebe, Eared	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Grebe, Horned	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Grebe, Pied-billed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Grebe, Red-necked	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Grosbeak, Blue	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Grosbeak, Rose-breasted	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Grouse, Ruffed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Gull, Bonaparte's	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Gull, Franklin's	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit

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Gull, Laughing	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Gull, Lesser Black-backed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Gull, Ring-billed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Hawk, Broad-winged	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Hawk, Cooper's	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Hawk, Red-shouldered	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Hawk, Sharp-shinned	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Heron, Black Crowned Night-	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Heron, Great Blue	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Heron, Green	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Heron, Tricolored	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Heron, Yellow Crowned Night-	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Hummingbird, Ruby-throated	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Ibis, Glossy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Ibis, White	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Ibis, White-faced	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Jay, Blue	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Junco, Dark-eyed	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Kestrel, American	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited

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Killdeer	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Kingbird, Eastern	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Kingbird, Western	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Kingfisher, Belted	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Kinglet, Golden-crested	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Kinglet, Ruby-crested	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Kite, Mississippi	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Lark, Horned	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Longspur, Lapland	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Loon, Common	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Loon, Pacific	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Loon, Red-throated	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Mallard	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Martin, Purple	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Meadowlark, Eastern	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Meadowlark, Western	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Merganser, Common	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Merganser, Hooded	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Merganser, Red-breasted	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Merlin	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Mockingbird, Northern	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Nighthawk, Common	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Nuthatch, Brown-headed	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Nuthatch, Red-breasted	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Nuthatch, White-breasted	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Oriole, Baltimore	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited

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Oriole, Orchard	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Osprey	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Ostrich	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Ovenbird	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Owl, Barred	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Owl, Eastern Screech	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Owl, Great Horned	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Owl, Northern Saw-whet	No		No			No	Native Class II - Prohibited
Parakeet, Black-hooded	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Parakeet, Monk	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Parula, Northern	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Pelican, American White	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Phalarope, Wilson's	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Pheasant	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Phoebe, Eastern	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Pigeon, Rock							Introduced
Pintail, Northern	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Pipit, American	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Plover, American Golden	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Plover, Black-bellied	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Plover, Piping	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Plover, Semipalmated	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Quail, Northern Bobwhite	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Rail, King	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Rail, Virginia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit

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Raven, Common	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Redhead	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Redstart, American	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Robin, American	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Sanderling	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Sandpiper, Baird's	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Sandpiper, Buff-breasted	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Sandpiper, Least	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Sandpiper, Pectoral	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Sandpiper, Semipalmated	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Sandpiper, Solitary	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Sandpiper, Spotted	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Sandpiper, Stilt	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Sandpiper, Western	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Sandpiper, White-rumped	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Sapsucker, Yellow-bellied	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Scaup, Greater	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Scaup, Lesser	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Scoter, Black	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Scoter, Surf	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Scoter, White Winged	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit

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Shoveler, Northern	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Shrike, Loggerhead	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Siskin, Pine	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Snipe, Wilson's	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Sora	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Sparrow, American Tree	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Sparrow, Bachman's	No		No			No	State Endangered/Native Songbird - Prohibited
Sparrow, Chipping	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Sparrow, Field	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Sparrow, Fox	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Sparrow, Grasshopper	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Sparrow, Henslow's	No		No			No	State Threatened/Native Songbird - Prohibited
Sparrow, House	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Sparrow, Lark	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Sparrow, Le Conte's	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Sparrow, Lincoln's	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Sparrow, Nelson's	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Sparrow, Savannah	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Sparrow, Song	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Sparrow, Swamp	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Sparrow, Vesper	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Sparrow, White-crowned	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Sparrow, White-throated	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Starling, European							Introduced
Stilt, Black-necked	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Stork, Wood	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Swallow, Bank	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Swallow, Barn	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Swallow, Cliff	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Swallow, Northern Rough-winged	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited

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Swallow, Tree	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Swan, Mute	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Swan, Trumpeter	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Swan, Tundra	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Swift, Chimney	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Tanager, Scarlet	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Tanager, Summer	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Teal, Blue-winged	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Teal, Green-winged	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Tern, Black	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Tern, Caspian	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Tern, Common	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Tern, Forster's	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Tern, Least	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Shore Bird Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Thrasher, Brown	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Thrush, Gray-cheeked	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Thrush, Hermit	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Thrush, Swainson's	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Thrush, Wood	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Titmouse, Tufted	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Towhee, Eastern	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Turkey, Wild	No		No			No	Native - Class IV wildlife - No pets
Turnstone, Ruddy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Veery	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Vireo, Bell's	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Vireo, Blue-headed	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited

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Vireo, Philadelphia	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Vireo, Red-eyed	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Vireo, Warbling	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Vireo, White-eyed	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Vireo, Yellow-throated	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Bay-breasted	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Black-&-white	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Black-throated Blue	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Black-throated Green	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Blackburnian	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Blue-winged	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Blackpoll	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Canada	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Cape May	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Cerulean	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Chestnut-sided	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Connecticut	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Golden-winged	No		No			No	State Threatened/Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Hooded	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Kentucky	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Magnolia	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Mourning	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Nashville	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Orange-crested	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Palm	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Pine	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Prairie	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Prothonotary	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Swainson's	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Tennessee	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Wilson's	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Worm-eating	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited

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Warbler, Yellow	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Yellow-rumped	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Warbler, Yellow-throated	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Waterthrush, Louisiana	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Waterthrush, Northern	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Waxwing, Cedar	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Whip-poor-will, Eastern	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Wigeon, American	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Willet	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Wood-Pewee, Eastern	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Woodcock, American	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Class II Game Bird - Possession permit; Importation permit
Woodpecker, Downy	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Woodpecker, Hairy	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Woodpecker, Pileated	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Woodpecker, Red-bellied	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Woodpecker, Red-headed	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Wren, Bewick's	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Wren, Carolina	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Wren, House	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Wren, Marsh	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Wren, Sedge	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Wren, Winter	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Yellowlegs, Greater	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Yellowlegs, Lesser	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Waterfowl Class II - Need Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Yellowthroat, Common	No		No			No	Native Songbird - Prohibited
Waterfowl (not MBTA)	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Waterfowl & Game (rest)	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)

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CANINES							
Coyote	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Fox, Gray	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Fox, Red	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Wolf	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Wolf Hybrid	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Exempt from TWRA possession permit; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
ELEPHANTS							
All	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
FELINES							
Bobcat	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Cheetah	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Cougar	No		No			No	Native - Class I wildlife - No pets
Jaguar	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Leopard	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Lion	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Tiger	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Class I Hybrid	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Bobcat/Domestic Hybrid	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Class II/Class III Hybrid	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
FISH							
Bass, Alabama	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Bass, Largemouth	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Bass, Rock	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Bass, Shadow	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Bass, Smallmouth	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Bass, Spotted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing

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Bass, Striped	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Bass, Striped Hybrid	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Bass, White	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Bass, Yellow	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Bluegill	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Carp, Bighead	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Carp, Black	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Carp, Common	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Carp, Grass - Triploid	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Carp, Silver	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Catfish, Blue	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Catfish, Channel	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Catfish, Flathead	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Chub, Coosa	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Chub, Creek	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Class B Bait - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Crappie, Black	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Crappie, White	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Darter, Ashy	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Darter, Barrens	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Darter, Coldwater	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Darter, Coopercheek	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Darter, Crown	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Darter, Egg-mimic	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Darter, Holiday	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Darter, Longhead	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Darter, Redlips	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Darter, Sickle	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Darter, Striated	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Darter, Trispot	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Darter, Tuckasegee	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Darter, Western Sand	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Drum, Freshwater	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing

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Eel, Swamp	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Goby, Round	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Goldfish	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Herring, Blueback	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Herring, Skipjack	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Class A Bait - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Madtom, Frecklebelly	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Madtom, Saddled	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Minnow, Bluntnose	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Class B Bait - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Minnow, Bullhead	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Class B Bait - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Minnow, Fathead	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Class A Bait - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Minnow, Silverjaw	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Muskellunge	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Orfe, Golden	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	~	Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Import - permit exempt
Paddlefish	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Perch, Yellow	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Rudd	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Ruffe	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Salmon	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Sauger	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Shad, Gizzard	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Class A Bait - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Shad, Threadfin	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Class A Bait - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Shiner, Golden	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Class A Bait - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Snakehead	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Stoneroller	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Class B Bait - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Sturgeon, Lake	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Sucker, Blue	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Sunfish, Redear	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Topminnow, Barrens	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria
Trout, Brook	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Trout, Brown	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Trout, Lake	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Trout, Rainbow	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing

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Walleye	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Game - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Native Held in Aquaria (rest)	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Class II wildlife - TWRA permit exempt
Native (rest)	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	~	Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Import - permit exempt
Nonnative Held in Aquaria (rest)	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Unlisted	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets

HERPTILES

Caecilians

All	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
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Crocodilians

Alligator, American	No		No			No	Native - Class I wildlife - No pets
Alligator (rest)	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Caiman	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Crocodile	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Gavial	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)

Frogs

Bullfrog, American	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Chorus, Mountain	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Chorus, Upland	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Clawed, African	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Crawfish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Cricket, Northern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Cricket, Southern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit

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Gopher	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Green	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Leopard, Southern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Pickrel	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Spring Peeper	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Treefrog, Barking	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Treefrog, Bird-voiced	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Treefrog, Cope's Gray	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Treefrog, Gray	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Treefrog, Green	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Wood	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Poisonous	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Lizards							
Anole, Green	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Fence, Eastern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit

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Glass, Slender	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Racerunner, Six-lined	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Skink, Broad-headed	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Skink, Coal	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Skink, Common Five-lined	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Skink, Little Brown	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Skink, Southeastern Five-lined	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Salamanders							
Amphiuma, Three-toed	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Black-bellied	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Cave	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Cave, Berry	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Cave, Big Mouth	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Cave, Tennessee	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Cumberland Plateau	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit

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Dusky, Allegheny Mountain	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Dusky, Black Mountain	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Dusky, Blue Ridge	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Dusky, Carolina Mountain	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Dusky, Cumberland	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Dusky, Northern	Yes	No	Yes			No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Dusky, Santeetlah	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Dusky, Spotted	Yes	No	Yes			No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Four-toed	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Gray-cheeked, Northern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Green	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Hellbender	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Imitator	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Jordan's	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Junaluska	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Long-tailed	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit

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Marbled	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	This is only a guide of animals that <u>MAY</u> be legal in a state. Due to the extensive amount of laws involved that are constantly changing, UAPPEAL cannot guarantee the accuracy of the information. Users are responsible for checking all laws BEFORE getting an animal.
Mole	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Mud	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Mudpuppy	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Newt, Eastern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Ocoee	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Pale	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	
Pygmy	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Ravine, Southern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Red	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Red-backed, Eastern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Red-backed, Southern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Red-legged	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Seal	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Seepage	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	
Shovel-nosed	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	

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Siren, Lesser	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Small-mouthed	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Southern Appalachian	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Spotted	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Spring	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Streamside	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Tellico	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Three-lined	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Tiger	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Two-lined, Blue Ridge	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Two-lined, Southern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Wehrle's	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Woodland	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Yonahlossee	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Zigzag, Northern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Poisonous	No		No			No	Class I wildlife - No pets
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)

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Snakes

Brown, Dekay's	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Coachwhip, Eastern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Copperhead	No		No			No	Native - Class I wildlife - No pets
Cornsnake, Red	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Cottonmouth, Western	No		No			No	Native - Class I wildlife - No pets
Crowned, Southeastern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Earth, Rough	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Earth, Smooth	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Garter, Eastern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Green, Rough	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Hognose, Eastern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Kingsnake, Eastern Black	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Kingsnake, Scarlet	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Kingsnake, Yellow-bellied	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Kirtland's	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit

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Milk, Eastern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Mud, Western	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Pine, Northern	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Queen	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Racer, North American	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Rat, Gray	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Rattlesnake, Pygmy	No		No			No	State Threatened - Class I wildlife - No pets
Rattlesnake, Timber	No		No			No	Native - Class I wildlife - No pets
Red-bellied, Northern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Ribbon, Eastern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Ribbon, Western	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Ring-necked	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Scarlet	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Water, Broad-banded	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Water, Common	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Water, Diamond-backed	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Water, Mississippi Green	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit

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Water, Plain-bellied	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Worm, Eastern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Poisonous (rest)	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Toads							
American	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Fowler's	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Narrow-mouthed, Eastern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Spadefoot, Eastern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Poisonous	No		No			No	Class I wildlife - No pets
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Tortoises							
All	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Tuataras							
All	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Turtles							
Bog	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Box, Eastern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit

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Cooter, River	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Map, False	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Map, Northern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Map, Ouachita	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Mud, Eastern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Musk, Eastern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Musk, Stripe-necked	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Painted, Eastern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Painted, Southern	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Slider, Pond	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Snapping, Alligator	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Snapping, Common	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Take 5/day 12"+; Importation Permit
Softshell, Smooth	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Softshell, Spiny	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native - Class II wildlife - Possession permit exempt; Bans take; Importation Permit
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)

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All	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Exempt from TWRA laws; Import - See Ag
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INSECTIVORA/EULIPOTYPHLA (Gymnore, Hedgehog, Mole, Moonrat, Shrew)

Mole, Eastern	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Mole, Hairy-tailed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Mole, Star-nosed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Shrew, American Pygmy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Shrew, American Water	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Shrew, Cinereus	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Shrew, North American Least	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Shrew, Northern Short-tailed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Shrew, Smoky	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Shrew, Southeastern	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Shrew, Southern Short-tailed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)

INVERTEBRATES (Rest)

Clam

Native Aquaria	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Class II - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Nonnative Aquaria	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	NA	Class III - Possession permit exempt; Importation Permit
Nonnative (rest)	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets

Crabs

Native Aquaria	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Class II - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Nonnative Aquaria	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	NA	Class III - Possession permit exempt; Importation Permit
Nonnative (rest)	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets

Crayfish

Blood River	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Must be legally obtained
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Blue, Conasauga	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Must be legally obtained
Bottlebrush, Tennessee	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Must be legally obtained
Burrowing, Hatchie	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Must be legally obtained
Cave, Tennessee	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Must be legally obtained
Chickamauga	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Must be legally obtained
Cocoa	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Must be legally obtained
Crescent	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Must be legally obtained
Flame, Valley	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Must be legally obtained
Flint River	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Must be legally obtained
Fork, Big South	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Must be legally obtained
Fork, Brawleys	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Must be legally obtained
Greensaddle	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Must be legally obtained
Hardin	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Must be legally obtained
Hiwassee	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Threatened - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Must be legally obtained
Marbled	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Mountain	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Must be legally obtained

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Obey	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Must be legally obtained
Pristine	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Must be legally obtained
Speckled	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Class II State Endangered - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Must be legally obtained
Native Aquaria (rest)	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Class II - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Nonnative Aquaria	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	NA	Class III - Possession permit exempt; Importation Permit
Nonnative (rest)	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Lobster							
Native Aquaria	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Class II - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Nonnative Aquaria	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	NA	Class III - Possession permit exempt; Importation Permit
Nonnative (rest)	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Mussels							
Zebra	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Saltwater Aquaria (rest)	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Class II - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Nonnative Aquaria	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	NA	Class III - Possession permit exempt; Importation Permit
Nonnative (rest)	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Shrimp							
Native Aquaria	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Class II - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Nonnative Aquaria	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	NA	Class III - Possession permit exempt; Importation Permit
Nonnative (rest)	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Snails							
Mud, New Zealand	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Native Aquaria	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Class II - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Nonnative Aquaria	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	NA	Class III - Possession permit exempt; Importation Permit
Nonnative (rest)	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets

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Other

Native Mollusks/Crustaceans Aquaria	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	~	Class II - No TWRA permit needed for aquaria; Take - see fishing
Nonnative Mollusks/Crustaceans Aquaria	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	NA	Class III - Possession permit exempt; Importation Permit
Nonnative Mollusk/Crustaceans (rest)	No		No			NA	Class V - No pets
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Exempt from TWRA laws; Import - See Ag

MARINE MAMMALS (Dolphin, Dugong, Manatee, Porpoise, Sea Lion, Seal, Walrus, Whale)

All	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
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MARSUPIALS

Opossum, Virginia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)

MUSTELIDS

Fisher	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Mink	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Otter, North American River	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Weasel, Least	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Weasel, Long-tailed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)

PRIMATES

Baboon	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Baboon, Gelada	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Chimpanzee	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Drill	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Gibbon	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Gorilla	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Mandrill	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets

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Orangutan	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Siamang	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)

PROCYONIDS

Raccoon	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)

RODENTS

Beaver, American	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Chinchilla	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Chipmunk, Eastern	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Chipmunk (rest)	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Deermouse, Cotton	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Deermouse, North American	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Deermouse, White-footed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Ferret	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Gerbil	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Guinea Pig	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Hamster	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Lemming, Southern Bog	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Mouse, Eastern Harvest	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Mouse, Golden	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Mouse, House	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Mouse, Meadow Jumping	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Mouse, Woodland Jumping	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Mouse (rest)	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Muskrat, Common	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Nutria	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Rat, Brown	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Rat, Hispid Cotton	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit

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Rat, Marsh Rice	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Rat, Roof	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Rat (rest)	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Squirrel, Eastern Fox	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Squirrel, Eastern Gray	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Squirrel, Northern Flying	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Squirrel, Red	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Squirrel, Southern Flying	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Squirrel (rest)	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Vole, Meadow	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Vole, Prairie	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Vole, Rock	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Vole, Southern Red-backed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Vole, Woodland	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Woodchuck	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Woodrat, Alleghany	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)

UNGULATES

Artiodactyla

Bovidae (Wild cattle, goats, sheep)

Bison	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Buffalo, African (& hybrids)	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Goat (semi-domestic)	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Sheep (semi-domestic)	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)

Cervid (Deer family)

Deer, White-tailed	No		No			No	Native - Class IV wildlife - No pets
Deer (rest)	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Ag Entry Permit (domestic)
Elk	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit

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Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Ag Entry Permit (domestic)
Suidae (Wild pigs)							
Hog (semi-domestic)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Hog, Wild	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Ag Entry Permit (domestic)
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Ag Entry Permit (domestic)
Others							
Alpaca	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Camel	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Giraffe	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Guanaco	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Llama	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Rhino	No		No			NA	Class I wildlife - No pets
Vicuna	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Perissodactyla							
Equidae	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
VIVERRIDS							
All	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
XENARTHRA/EDENTATA (Anteater, Armadillo, Sloth)							
Armadillo, Nine-banded	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
OTHER MAMMALS							
Hare	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Rabbit, Appalacian Cottontail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit

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Rabbit, Eastern Cottontail	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Rabbit, Swamp	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Native Class II - Personal Possession Permit; Importation Permit
Rabbit (rest)	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Skunk, Eastern Spotted	No		No			No	Furbearer - Skunk ban
Skunk, Striped	No		No			No	Furbearer - Skunk ban
Skunk (rest)	No		No			NA	Skunk Ban
Class II/Class III Hybrid	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Class II/Domestic Hybrid	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)
Unlisted	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	NA	Class III - No TWRA permit needed; Import - See Ag (domestic)

Sources:

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| 1 Exotic Animals (and native) | Tenn. Code Ann. 70-4 Part 4; Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 1660-1-18 |
| 2 Skunks | Tenn. Code Ann. 70-4-208 |
| 3 Endangered/Threatened | Tenn. Code Ann. 70-8 Part 1; Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. |
| 4 Import | Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 1660-01-15 & 0080-02-01 |
| 5 | |
| * Native Species Lists | TWRA website |

DISCLAIMERS:

* The laws listed above lists whether a species to legal to possess and import according to state laws and then any federally protected species with stricter regulations than the state. Be sure to review all federal laws as some ban certain species as pets or make it legal to possess a species but bans their interstate import in commerce or purchasing across state lines (you can still move with your animals across state lines).

*For states that do allow keeping wild-caught native species as pets, it is usually limited to game birds, game animals, furbearers, reptiles, amphibians and invertebrates. Such taking usually requires some type of hunting or fishing license in addition to any required captive wildlife permits. All laws must be followed, including daily bag and possession limits, seasons, size limits and location specific regulations.

* These guides are usually based on state fish & game laws, state agriculture and health import laws, and marine resource laws except when otherwise noted. Check laws for all requirements. Additional state laws may apply, including general animal control and care, livestock, and other health laws.

* Species lists vary on each state page depending on each state's law. While we try to include as many native vertebrate species as possible, we cannot guarantee that all species are covered above.