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CHAPTER Fis 800 THE IMPORTATION, POSSESSION, AND USE OF ALL WILDLIFE

Readopt with amendment and renumber Fis 801.01 through Fis 801.26, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), as Fis 801.01 to read as follows:

PART Fis 801 CHAPTER DEFINITIONS

Fis 801.01 Chapter Definitions.

(a) "Aquaculturist" means any person who is engaged in aquaculture as defined in RSA 211:62-e.

(b) "Aquatic species" means "aquatic species" as defined in RSA 211:62-e, II (a).

(c) "Closed system" means a type of water system where the water is re-circulated, and no water is discharged into the environment and the wildlife, or marine species held in the system cannot escape.

(d) "Controlled" means that the wildlife species or activity, such as the collection, importation, transportation, possession, sale, transfer, or release of that wildlife, is restricted.

(e) "Department" means the fish and game department.

(f) "Endangered species" means "endangered species" as defined in RSA 212-A:2, IV.

(g) "Exhibitor" means any person engaged in the showing, displaying, or training of wildlife for the purpose of public viewing of the wildlife, whether or not a fee is collected, and who possesses, if applicable, a current United States Department of Agriculture exhibitor's permit or US Fish and Wildlife Service permit to exhibit.

(h) "Exotic species" means wildlife that are non-indigenous species.

(i) "Extirpated indigenous species" means wildlife species that were known to be indigenous to the state but are presently not found within the state.

(j) "Fishing preserve" means a privately owned or leased body of water which provides an opportunity, upon the payment of a fee, for taking fish in a fee fishing operation where fish have been placed on the property for such purposes, whether operated commercially or non-profit.

(k) "Import" means bringing or causing wildlife to be transported into the state by any means.

(l) "Indigenous" means wildlife species that are naturally occurring or naturalized in New Hampshire.

(m) "Individual" means one natural person.

(n) "Marine species" means "marine species" as defined in RSA 207:1, XV.

(o) "Naturalized species" means an exotic or an introduced species of wildlife that has become established in New Hampshire.

(p) "Non-controlled" means that the wildlife species or activity such as the collection, importation, transportation, possession, exhibition or the sale, transfer, or release of that wildlife is not subject to regulation by the department.

(q) "Person" means "person" as defined in RSA 207:1, XX.

(r) "Possession" means "possession" as defined in RSA 207:1, XXI, and includes the keeping, holding, or restricting of wildlife. The term also includes "possess."

(s) "Prohibited" means that the wildlife species or activity such as the collection, importation, transportation, possession, sale, transfer, or release of that wildlife is not allowed.

(t) "Propagate" means the raising, possessing, or reproduction of wildlife for the purposes of sale or other pecuniary gain.

(u) "Propagator" means a person engaged in the activity of propagating wildlife.

(v) "Regulated shooting area" means a hunting preserve as described in RSA 212:25, and an operation on privately owned or leased property which provides an opportunity for taking wildlife that have been placed on the property for such purposes, whether operated commercially or non-profit.

(w) "Take or taking" means "take or taking" as defined in RSA 207:1, XXVII.

(x) "Threatened species" means "threatened species" as defined in RSA 212-A:2, V.

(y) "Venomous reptile" means a reptile normally found in the wild that has venom and is capable of inflicting serious or fatal injuries to humans. "Venomous reptile" includes those reptiles in which the venom glands have been surgically removed.

(z) "Wildlife" means "wildlife" as defined in RSA 207:1, XXXV.

PART Fis 802 GENERAL CHAPTER REQUIREMENTS

Readopt with amendment Fis 802.01 and Fis 802.02, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), to read as follows:

Fis 802.01 Permittee Categories.

(a) For the purposes of this chapter, the permittee categories shall be as follows:

(1) An individual shall be permittee category 1;

(2) A propagator shall be permittee category 2;

(3) An individual training and shooting permittee shall be category 3;

(4) The person operating a regulated shooting area shall be permittee category 4;

(5) An exhibitor shall be permittee category 5;

(6) An aquaculturist shall be permittee category 6; and

(7) A field trial permittee shall be permittee category 7.

Fis 802.02 Applicants. Applicants for permits under Fis 800 shall make application subject to the penalties for making unsworn falsification under RSA 641:3.

Readopt with amendment Fis 802.03, effective 5-3-19 (Document #12768), to read as follows:

Fis 802.03 Exemptions.

(a) The executive director and department employees shall be excluded from the requirements of this chapter while acting in the performance of their official duties.

(b) The aquaculture and sale of live fish or aquatic invertebrates for fishing bait shall be in accordance with Fis 807.

(c) The capture, possession, and propagation of birds for falconry, in accordance with RSA 209-A and Fis 813, shall be exempt from Fis 803, Fis 804, and Fis 806 dealing with importation, possession, and propagation of wildlife.

(d) Rehabilitators may possess indigenous species of wildlife for the purpose of rehabilitating pursuant to Fis 812.

(e) Persons possessing wildlife legally taken and possessed under other licenses pursuant to RSA 207, RSA 208, RSA 209, RSA 209-A, RSA 210, RSA 211, and RSA 214 shall not be required to obtain a permit to possess wildlife under this chapter.

(f) The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to an owner or person possessing a wolf hybrid, as defined in RSA 466-A:1, VII, or a domesticated show or pet cat registered with a nationally or internationally recognized breeding association or registry which certifies the pedigree and registration of such cat to be without any wild felid parentage for a minimum of 3 generations.

(g) Persons taking or possessing wildlife pursuant to a scientific permit issued under RSA 214:29 shall be exempt from the provisions of this chapter.

Readopt with amendment Fis 802.04 and Fis 802.05, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), to read as follows:

Fis 802.04 Expiration. All annual permits shall expire on December 31 of the year of issuance, and the permittee shall be responsible for requesting renewal.

Fis 802.05 Waiver.

(a) Any person seeking to import or possess species not specifically listed as non-controlled, controlled, or prohibited for the purposes of importation or possession, as detailed below, shall submit a waiver application, in addition to the applicable permit application, to the executive director no less than 90 days prior to the importation date or the date the individual plans to take possession of the animal.

(b) No waiver or permit shall be issued if there is any significant disease, genetic, ecological, environmental, health, safety, or welfare risks to the public or other wildlife species.

(c) No waivers shall be issued to individuals in permittee categories 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, or 7.

(d) The applicant for a waiver to import or possess species specified in (a) above shall complete and submit the "Application for Waiver to Import or Possess Unlisted Species" form, Rev 04/2026, available on the department's website at https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/licenses-and-permits/license-forms.

PART Fis 803 IMPORTATION OF WILDLIFE

Readopt with amendment Fis 803.01 and Fis 803.02, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), to read as follows:

Fis 803.01 Part Definitions.

(a) "Salmonids" means all species and hybrids of the family *Salmonidae*, a list of which is available from the American Fisheries Society, Special Publication 37, "Common and Scientific Names of Fishes from the United States, Canada and Mexico", Eighth Edition (2023), available as indicated in Appendix II.

(b) "Warmwater species of fish" means those species of fish of the following families:

(1) *Centrarchidae*;

(2) *Esocidae*;

(3) *Percidae*;

(4) *Ictaluridae*; and

(5) *Moronidae*.

(c) "Zone 1" means the area that includes the continental United States and Canada excluding the states or provinces listed in zone 2.

(d) "Zone 2" means the area that includes the states of Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho, Alaska, British Columbia, or any European country.

Fis 803.02 Compliance Requirements. All wildlife imported into the state shall be in compliance with the requirements of the New Hampshire department of agriculture, US Department of Agriculture, and the US Fish and Wildlife Service.

Readopt with amendment Fis 803.03 and Fis 803.04, effective 1-1-23 (Document #13513), to read as follows:

Fis 803.03 Non-controlled Species - Importation.

(a) A permit to import wildlife shall not be required for any person to import wildlife designated as non-controlled as specified in (b) below.

(b) For the purposes of this part, the following species or groups of wildlife shall be designated as non-controlled:

(1) Ornamental aquarium fish, both fresh and marine, that shall be kept in a closed system;

(2) Non-indigenous amphibians;

(3) Western Hognose Snake;

(4) Non-venomous reptiles, except the following:

a. Indigenous reptile species listed in Table 800.1;

b. Alligator (*Alligatoridae, spp*.); and

c. Crocodile (*Crocodylidae, spp*.);

(5) Non-living indigenous amphibians and reptiles, listed in Table 800.1 for category 1;

(6) The following birds:

a. Cockatiel (*Nymphieus hollandicus*);

b. Canaries (*Serinus spp*);

c. Parrots (*Psittaciformes*);

d. Parakeets (*Budgerigar*);

e. Mynah birds (*Acridotheres spp*);

f. Finches (*Estrildidae*);

g. Pekin robins *(Leiothrix lutea*);

h. Weavers (*Placeida*e);

i. Toucans (*Ramphastiske*);

j. Button quail (*Turnicidae*);

k. Pigeons and doves (*Columbiformes*), exotic;

l. Feral pigeons (*Columba domestica and C. livia*);

m. Emu (*Dromaius novaehollandire*);

n. Ostrich (*Struthio camelus*);

o. Rhea (*Rheidae*);

p. Exotic migratory, except mute swans;

q. Mallard (*Anas platyrhynchos*); and

r. Gallinaceous birds, except:

1. Grouse, Ruffed (*Bonasa umbellus*); and

2. Grouse, Spruce (*Dendragapus canadensis*);

(7) The following mammals:

a. Bison (*Bison bison; B.bonasus*);

b. Wild boar (*Sus scrofa*);

c. Camel (*Camelus spp*);

d. Chinchillas, domesticated (*Chinchilla spp*);

e. Degus (*Octodon degus*);

f. Deer, fallow (*Dama dama*);

g. Gerbils, domesticated (*Cavia spp*);

h. Guanco (*Lama quanicoe*);

i. Guinea pigs, domesticated (*Cavia spp*);

j. Hamsters, domesticated (*Cricetus cricetus*);

k. Mice, domesticated (*Mus musculus*);

l. Rats, domesticated (*Rattus norvegicus* and *Rattus rattus*);

m. Ferrets, domesticated (*Mustela putoricus furo*);

n. Llamas (*Lama glama*);

o. Alpacas (*Lama pacos*);

p. Pot belly pigs, domesticated;

q. Rabbits, domesticated;

r. African pigmy hedgehog;

s. Sugar glider (*Petaurus breviceps*);

t. Tenrec (*Tenrec ecaudatus*);

u. Yak (*Bos grunniens*);

v. Zebra (*Equus burchelli, E. grevyi, E. zebra*); and

w. Asian water buffalo (*Babalus bubalis*); and

(8) All marine species originating in the western portion of the North Atlantic Ocean and connected saltwater bays and estuaries, except anadromous and catadromous species.

Fis 803.04 Prohibited Species - Importation.

(a) No person shall import wildlife that has been designated as prohibited pursuant to (b) below or Fis 803.05(b).

(b) For the purposes of this part, the following species or groups of wildlife shall be designated as prohibited:

(1) The following invertebrates:

a. Zebra mussels (*Dreissena polymorpha, D. bugensis*);

b. Spiny waterflea (*Bythotrephes cederstroemi*);

c. Fishhook waterflea (*Cercopagis pengoi*);

d. All non-indigenous crayfish; and

e. Asiatic clam (*Corbicula fluminea*);

(2) The following fish:

a. Walking catfish (Clarias batrachus);

b. White amur or grass carp (*Ctenopharyngodon idella*);

c. Black carp (*Mylopharyngodaon piceus*);

d. European rudd (*Scardinius erythophthalmus*);

e. Round goby (*Neogobius melanostomus*);

f. Tubenose goby (*Proterhinus marmoratus*);

g. Ruffe (*Gymnocephalus cernuus*);

h. Snakeheads (*Channidae*);

i. Bighead carp (*Hypophthalmichthys nobilis*); and

j. Silver carp (*Hypophthalmichthys molitrix*); and

(3) The following mammals and their hybrids:

a. Caribou or Reindeer (*Rangifer tarandus*);

b. Deer, white-tailed (*Odocoileus virginianus*);

c. Deer, red (*Cervus elaphus*);

d. Deer, sika (*Cervus nippon*);

e. Elk (*Cervus elaphus canadensis*);

f. Moose (*Alces alces*); and

g. Raccoon dog (*Nyctercutes procyonides*).

Readopt with amendment Fis 803.05 through Fis 803.07, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), to read as follows:

Fis 803.05 Permits to Import Wildlife.

(a) No live wildlife or their hybrids, designated as controlled, or the eggs or progeny thereof, shall be imported into the state for any purposes without a permit to import wildlife or except as otherwise permitted pursuant to RSA 207:1-a, RSA 214:34-d, RSA 209-A:3, IV, and Fis 810.07(d).

(b) All species not specifically designated and listed under the categories of non-controlled, prohibited, or controlled shall be designated as prohibited.

(c) The executive director shall review each application to import wildlife and shall make a determination as to whether such importation shall be permitted. No permit shall be issued if there is any significant disease, genetic, ecological, environmental, health, safety, or welfare risks to the public or other wildlife species.

(d) An application, pursuant to Fis 803.11, for a permit to import wildlife for any species designated as controlled shall be submitted to the department no less than 30 days in advance of the requested importation date.

(e) Applicants for a permit to import wildlife who already hold a permit to possess, propagate, exhibit, or other special permit shall provide such permit number on the application to import as evidence that the applicant holds the necessary permits to possess or release wildlife.

(f) A permit to import wildlife shall expire December 31 of the year issued.

(g) Wildlife determined by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to be endangered or threatened and those treated as endangered or threatened because they are sufficiently similar in appearance to endangered or threatened species shall be prohibited from importation into New Hampshire without first obtaining the appropriate federal permit pursuant to 50 CFR 17.

Fis 803.06 Controlled Species - Importation.

(a) A permit to import wildlife shall be required for all species, including hybrids, designated as controlled as cited in Table 800.01.

(b) A permit shall be issued only to a person in the permittee category(ies), as described in Fis 802.01, and in Table 800.1 as follows:

Table 800.1 Controlled Species Table

	PERMITTEE CATEGORY	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME
Amphibians	1,5	American toad	*Anaxyrus americanus*
	5	Fowler's toad	*Anaxyrus fowleri*
	1,5	Gray treefrog	*Hyla versicolor*
	1,5	Spring peeper	*Pseudacris crucifer*
	1,5	American bullfrog	*Lithobates catesbeiana*
	1,5	Green frog	*Lithobates clamitans*
	1,5	Pickerel frog	*Lithobates palustris*
	5	Northern leopard frog	*Lithobates pipiens*
	1,5	Mink frog	*Lithobates septentrionalis*
	1,5	Wood frog	*Lithobates sylvatica*
	5	Jefferson salamander	*Ambystoma jeffersonianum*
	5	Blue-spotted salamander	*Ambystoma laterale*
	5	Jefferson X blue-spotted salamander hybrids	*Ambystoma jeffersonianum X laterale*
	1,5	Spotted salamander	*Ambystoma maculatum*
	5	Marbled salamander	*Ambystoma opacum*
	1,5	Northern two-lined salamander	*Eurycea bislineata*
	1,5	Northern dusky salamander	*Desmognathus fuscus*
	5	Spring salamander	*Gyrinophilus porphyriticus*
	5	Four-toed salamander	*Hemidactylium scutatum*
	1,5	Eastern red-backed salamander	*Plethodon cinereus*
	5	Northern slimy salamander	*Plethodon glutinosus*
	5	Common Mudpuppy	*Necturus maculosus*
	1,5	Red-spotted newt	*Notophthalmus viridescens*
Reptiles			
	5	Alligator	*Alligatoridae, spp*
	5	Crocodile	*Crocodylidae, spp*
	5	All venomous reptiles	
	5	Blanding's turtle	*Emydoidea blandingii*
	5	Eastern box turtle	*Terrapene carolina carolina*
	5	Spotted turtle	*Clemmys guttata*
	5	Wood turtle	*Glyptemys insculpta*
	1,5	Musk turtle	*Sternotherus odoratus*
	1,5	Painted turtle	*Chrysemys picta*
	1,5	Snapping turtle	*Chelydra serpentina*
	5	Black racer	*Coluber constrictor*
	1,5	Ring-necked snake	*Diadophis punctatus*
	5	Eastern hognose snake	*Heterodon platirhinos*
	1,5	Eastern milksnake	*Lampropeltis triangulum triangulum*
	1,5	Northern watersnake	*Nerodia sipedon*

	PERMITTEE CATEGORY	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME
	5	Smooth greensnake	*Opheodrys vernalis*
	1,5	Brown snake	*Storeria dekayi*
	1,5	Red-bellied snake	*Storeria occipitomaculata*
	5	Ribbon snake	*Thamnophis sauritus*
	1,5	Garter snake	*Thamnophis sirtalis*
Fish			
	1, 6	Tilapia	
	1, 6	Hybrid striped bass	
	1, 6	Alewife	*Alosa pseudoharengus*
	1, 6	American brook lamprey	*Lethenteron appendix*
	1, 6	American Eel	*Anguilla rostrata*
	1, 6	American Shad	*Alosa sapidissima*
	1, 6	Atlantic Salmon	*Salmo salar*
	1, 6	Banded Killifish	*Fundulus diaphanus*
	1, 6	Banded Sunfish	*Enneacanthus obesus*
	1, 6	Black Crappie	*Pomoxis nigromaculatus*
	1, 6	Blacknose Dace	*Rhinichthys atratulus*
	1, 6	Blacknose Shiner	*Notropis heterolepis*
	1, 6	Blueback Herring	*Alosa aestivalis*
	1, 6	Bluegill	*Lepomis macrochirus*
	1, 6	Bridle Shiner	*Notropis bifrenatus*
	1, 6	Brook Trout	*Salvelinus fontinalis*
	1, 6	Brown Bullhead	*Ameiurus nebulosus*
	1, 6	Brown Trout	*Salmo trutta*
	1, 6	Burbot	*Lota lota*
	1, 6	Chain Pickerel	*Esox niger*
	1, 6	Channel Catfish	*Ictalurus punctatus*
	1, 6	Common Shiner	*Luxilus cornutus*
	1, 6	Common White Sucker	*Catostomus commersoni*
	1, 6	Creek Chub	*Semotilus atromaculatus*
	1, 6	Eastern Creek Chubsucker	*Erimyzon oblongus*
	1, 6	Eastern Silvery Minnow	*Hybognathus regius*
	1, 6	Emerald Shiner	*Notropis atherinoides*
	1, 6	Fallfish	*Semotilus corporalis*
	1, 6	Fathead Minnow	*Pimephales promelas*
	1, 6	Finescale Dace	*Chrosomus neogaeus*
	1, 6	Fourspine Stickleback	*Apeltes quadracus*
	1, 6	Golden Shiner	*Notemigonus crysoleucas*
	1, 6	Lake Chub	*Couesius plumbeus*
	1, 6	Lake Trout	*Salvelinus namaycush*
	1, 6	Lake Whitefish	*Coregonus clupeaformis*
	1, 6	Largemouth Bass	*Micropterus salmoides*
	1, 6	Longnose Dace	*Rhinichthys cataractae*
	1, 6	Longnose Sucker	*Catostomus catostomus*
	1, 6	Margined Madtom	*Noturus insignis*

	PERMITTEE CATEGORY	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME
	1, 6	Mummichog	*Fundulus heteroclitus*
	1, 6	Ninespine Stickleback	*Pungitius pungitius*
	1, 6	Northern Pike	*Esox lucius*
	1, 6	Northern Redbelly Dace	*Chrosomus eos*
	1, 6	Pumpkinseed	*Lepomis gibbosus*
	1, 6	Rainbow Smelt	*Osmerus mordax*
	1, 6	Rainbow Trout	*Oncorhynchus mykiss*
	1, 6	Redbreast Sunfish	*Lepomis auritus*
	1, 6	Redfin Pickerel	*Esox americanus americanus*
	1, 6	Rock Bass	*Ambloplites rupestris*
	1, 6	Round Whitefish	*Prosopium cylindraceum*
	1, 6	Sea Lamprey	*Petromyzon marinus*
	1, 6	Slimy Sculpin	*Cottus cognatus*
	1, 6	Smallmouth Bass	*Micropterus dolomieui*
	1, 6	Splake	hybrid (brook x lake trout)
	1, 6	Spottail Shiner	*Notropis hudsonius*
	1, 6	Sunapee Trout	*Salvelinus aureolus*
	1, 6	Swamp Darter	*Etheostoma fusiforme*
	1, 6	Tadpole Madtom	*Noturus gyrinus*
	1, 6	Tessellated Darter	*Etheostoma olmstedi*
	1, 6	Threespine Stickleback	*Gasterosteus aculeatus*
	1, 6	Tiger Trout	hybrid (brown x brook trout)
	1, 6	Walleye	*Sander vitreus*
	1, 6	White Perch	*Morone americana*
	1, 6	Yellow Bullhead	*Ameiurus natalis*
	1, 6	Yellow Perch	*Perca flavescens*
Birds			
	5	All indigenous species	
	1, 2, 5	All waterfowl, indigenous or naturalized, except:	
	5	Mute swans	*Cygnus olor*
		Mallard, listed as noncontrolled in Fis 803.03(b)(6)q.	
	5	Grouse, Ruffed	*Bonasa umbellus*
	5	Grouse, Spruce	*Dendragapus canadensis*
	5	Crow, Pied	
	5	Buzzard, European	
Mammals			
	5	Agouti, Red rumped	
	5	Anteater, Lesser	
	5	Armadillo	

	PERMITTEE CATEGORY	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME
	5	Badger, American	*Taxida taxus*
	5	Barbary Sheep	
	5	Bear, Black	*Ursus americanus*
	5	Bear, Grizzly	*Ursus horrilibus*
	5	Beaver	*Castor canadensis*
	5	Binturong	*A. binturong*
	5	Bobcat	*Lynx rufus*
	5	Caracal	*Felis caracal*
	5	Chipmunk, Eastern	*Tamias striatus*
	5	Coatimundi	*Nasua nasua*
	5	Cottontail, Eastern	*Sylvilagus floridanus*
	5	Cottontail, New England	*Sylvilagus transitionalis*
	5	Cougar	*Felis concolor*
	5	Coyote	*Canis latrans*
	5	Dama Wallaby	
	5	Elephant	*Elaphus maximus*, *Loxodonta africans*
	5	Fisher	*Martes pennanti*
	5	Fox, Fenec, Arctic	
	5	Fox, gray	*Urocyon cinereoargenteus*
	5	Fox, red	*Vulpes vulpes*
	5	Genet	*Genetta* spp
	5	Giraffe	
	2, 4, 5	Hare, snowshoe	*Lepus americanus*
	5	Hyena	
	5	Kangaroo	
	5	Kinkajou	*Potos flavus*
	5	Jaguar, Black, Spotted	*Panthera onca*
	5	Lemming, Northern Bog	*Synaptomys borealis*
	5	Lemming, Southern Bog	*Synaptomys cooperi*
	5	Leopard, Snow, Black, Spotted, Clouded	*Panthera uncia, P. pardus, P.neofelis, P. nebulosa*
	5	Lion	*Panthera leo*
	5	Lynx, Canada	*Lynx canadensis*
	5	Lynx, Eurasian/Siberian	*Lynx lynx*
	5	Marten	*Martes americana*
	5	Mink	*Mustela vison*
	5	Mole, Hairy-tailed	*Parascalops breweri*
	5	Mole, Star-nosed	*Condylura cristata*
	5	Mongoose	*H. pulverulentus*
	5	Mouse, Deer	*Peromyscus maniculatus*
	5	Mouse, Meadow Jumping	*Zapus hudsonius*

	PERMITTEE CATEGORY	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME
	5	Mouse, White-footed	*Peromyscus leucopus*
	5	Mouse, Woodland Jumping	*Napaeozapus insignis*
	5	Muskrat	*Odontra zibethicus*
	5	Opossum, Virginia	*Didelphis virginiana*
	5	Otter, River	*Lutra canadensis*
	5	Patagonian Cavy	*Doli salincola*
	5	Peccarries, Collared	
	5	Pipistrelle, Eastern	*Pipistrellus subflavus*
	5	Porcupine	*Erethizon dorsatum*
	5	Porcupine, African Crested	*Hystrix cristata*
	5	Porpoise	*Phocaena* spp.
	5	Prairie Dog	*Cynomys* spp.
	5	Primates, to include:	
		Chimpanzee	*Pan troglodytes*
		Gorilla	*Gorilla gorilla*
		Orangutan	*Pongo sygmaeus*
		Baboons	*Papio* spp
		Spider Monkey	*Ateles* spp
		Squirrel Monkey	*Saimiri*, spp
		Capuchin	*Cebus*, spp
		Rhesus	*Macaca mulatta*
	5	Marmoset, Guenon(s), Celebes macaque	*Cercopihecus* spp.
	5	Raccoon	*Procyon lotor*
	5	Seal, Harbor	*Phoca vitulina*
	5	Serval, African	*Felis serval*
	5	Shrew, Long-tailed	*Sorex dispar*
	5	Shrew, Masked	*Sorex cinereus*
	5	Shrew, Pygmy	*Sorex hoyi*
	5	Shrew, Short-tailed	*Blarina brevicauda*
	5	Shrew, Smoky	*Sorex fumeus*
	5	Shrew, Water	*Sorex palustris*
	5	Skunk, striped	*Mephitis mephitis*
	5	Springhare	
	5	Squirrel, Gray	*Sciurus carolinensis*
	5	Squirrel, Northern Flying	*Glaucomys sabrinus*
	5	Squirrel, Red	*Tamiasciurus hudsonicus*
	5	Squirrel, Southern Flying	*Glaucomys volans*
	5	Tenrec, Giant Lowland streaked	
	5	Tigers	*Panthera tigeris*
	5	Two-Toed Sloth	*Choloepus didactylus*
	5	Vole, Meadow	*Microtus pennsylvanicus*
	5	Vole, Northern Red-backed	*Clethrionomys gapperi*
	5	Vole, Rock	*Microtus chrotorrhinus*

	PERMITTEE CATEGORY	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME
	5	Vole, Woodland	*Microtus pinetorum*
	5	Wallaby Tammar, Bennett, Dama	
	5	Weasel, Least	*Erminea rixosa*
	5	Weasel, Long-tailed	*Mustela frenata*
	5	Weasel, Short-tailed	*Mustela erminea*
	5	Wolf	*Canis lupus*
	5	Wolverine	*Gulo gulo*
	5	Woodchuck	*Marmota monax*

Fis 803.07 Importation of Wildlife, Other Than Fish.

(a) Persons holding a current permit to import for a specific wildlife species, other than fish, shall only import such wildlife which has a health certificate that meets:

(1) USDA requirements pursuant to 9 CFR 2.78; or

(2) Any other health inspection requirements pursuant to the laws and rules of the NH department of agriculture.

(b) A copy of the health certificate shall be sent to the fish and game department.

Readopt with amendment Fis 803.08, effective 5-3-19 (Document #12768), to read as follows:

Fis 803.08 Importation of Fish.

(a) Fish, other than non-controlled fish species, shall not be imported from any source that has not filed a report of pathological inspection meeting the criteria set forth in Fis 803.09 and Fis 803.10 so as to ensure that the fish being imported are free of disease-causing pathogens.

(b) No warmwater species of fish shall be imported from zone 2.

Readopt with amendment Fis 803.09, effective 5-3-19 (Document #12768), to read as follows:

Fis 803.09 Pathological Inspections for Fish.

(a) Pathological inspections of fish shall be conducted annually, the most recent within one year prior to the date of import, and at least 3 consecutive annual inspections shall be conducted, prior to the date of import.

(b) The inspection shall be conducted only by a licensed veterinarian, persons certified as a fish health inspector or a fish pathologist by the American Fisheries Society or under the Canadian fish health regulations, or an employee of the fish and game department in the state from which the fish or gametes originate with responsibility and training for fish health inspections. A copy of the certification shall be sent to the executive director before approval. No owner or employee with direct supervisory authority over a facility shall serve as an inspector for their fish culture facility.

(c) The methods of disease diagnosis and the fish culture facility inspections shall follow the procedures and the methods as described in the “Suggested Procedures for the Detection and Identification of Certain Finfish and Shellfish Pathogens”, also known as “The Blue Book”, developed by the Fish Health Section (FHS) of the American Fisheries Society, 2020 Edition, as specified in Appendix II. If more sensitive or more

definitive published procedures are available, they may be used, but any departures from the basic procedures set forth by the FHS shall be noted on all associated inspection reports.

(d) No fish shall be imported from states known to have waters infested with zebra mussels or from states which allow the importation of fish from states infested with zebra mussels unless the source of fish is approved free of zebra mussels.

(e) Pathological inspections of fish shall include results of the examinations for family specific pathogens, listed as specified in Table 800.1.1, below:

Table 800.1.1 Family-Specific Pathogens Table

Family Group	Viral pathogens	Bacterial pathogens	Parasitic pathogens
Salmonidae (trout, salmon, char)	Infectious salmon anemia virus Viral hemorrhagic septicemia virus Infectious pancreatic necrosis virus Infectious hematopoietic necrosis virus	*Aeromonas salmonicida* *Yersinia ruckeri* *Renibacterium salmoninarum*	*Myxobolus cerebralis*
Cyprinidae (minnows) Castomidae (suckers) and Osmeridae (smelt) fishes.	Spring viremia of carp virus Viral hemorrhagic septicemia virus Infectious pancreatic necrosis virus Infectious hematopoietic necrosis virus	*Aeromonas salmonicida* *Yersinia ruckeri* *Renibacterium salmoninarum*	
Centrarchidae (black bass) Moronidae (striped basses) Percidae (walleye, yellow perch) Esocidae (pikes)	Spring viremia of carp virus Viral hemorrhagic septicemia virus Infectious pancreatic necrosis virus Infectious hematopoietic necrosis virus Largemouth bass virus	*Aeromonas salmonicida* *Yersinia ruckeri* *Renibacterium salmoninarum*	
Ictaluridae (catfishes)	Channel catfish virus Viral hemorrhagic septicemia virus Infectious pancreatic necrosis virus Infectious hematopoietic necrosis virus	*Aeromonas salmonicida* *Yersinia ruckeri* *Edwardsiella tarda* *Edwardsiella ictaluri*	
Cichlidae	Tilapia Iridovirus Infectious pancreatic necrosis virus Viral hemorrhagic septicemia virus Infectious hematopoietic necrosis virus Spring viremia of carp virus	*Aeromonas salmonicida* *Yersinia ruckeri* *Streptococcus iniae* *Streptococcus agalactia*	

(f) Sample collection and sample lots for specific family testing shall comply with the following:

(1) Facility inspections shall include a minimum of 150 fish from the facility with no less than 60 of each species;

(2) Facility inspections shall include 3 years of consecutive fish health inspections using the reporting process described in Fis 803:10;

(3) Wild fish inspections shall include 60 fish per species and require 3 years of inspection on source population;

(4) *Cichlidae* fishes that are kept in a closed system shall include one year of inspection; and

(5) *Salmonidae* live fishes or eggs shall include 3 consecutive years of pathological inspection.

(g) Disinfected Salmonidae eggs from broodfish which are positive for the following list of pathogens that are disinfected prior to import and transported in pathogen-free water may be imported into the state:

(1) *Myxobolus cerebralis*, whirling disease agent;

(2) *Yersinia ruckeri*, enteric redmouth disease agent; and

(3) *Aeromonas salmonicida*, furunculosis agent.

(h) All *Salmonidae* eggs shall be disinfected upon receipt, provided that any such eggs which are positive for *Aeromonas salmonicida* shall be disinfected twice upon receipt.

(i) No fish from a facility or water body known to be infected with infectious hematopoietic necrosis virus, viral hemorrhagic septicemia virus, *Heterosporis*, infectious salmon anemia virus, spring viremia of carp, *Myxobolus cerebralis*, *Ceratomyxa shasta*, *Tetracapsula bryosalmonae,* or epizootic epitheliotrophic disease virus (EEDV) shall be imported.

Readopt with amendment Fis 803.10, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), to read as follows:

Fis 803.10 Pathological Inspection Report for Fish.

(a) All fish, except non-controlled fish species, imported into the state shall have a pathological inspection report.

(b) The inspection report shall include the following:

(1) Name of the hatchery source;

(2) Address of the hatchery source;

(3) Name of the hatchery manager or owner;

(4) Telephone number of the hatchery manager or owner;

(5) Inspection date;

(6) Name of inspection agent;

(7) Address of inspection agent;

(8) Whether the certification of the inspection agent is by the American Fisheries Society, Canadian department of fisheries and oceans, or the department;

(9) Type of fish;

(10) Type of water supply for the hatchery;

(11) The following information for each specific lot:

a. Lot number;

b. Species;

c. Age in months;

d. Number of fish in the lot;

e. Pathogens inspected for;

f. The number of fish used for examination;

g. Method of examination or detection method; and

h. The results; and

(12) The signature of the inspection agent.

Adopt new Fis 803.11 to read as follows:

Fis 803.11 Permit to Import Wildlife Forms. The applicant for a permit to import wildlife shall complete and submit the "Application to Import Wildlife/Fish" form, Rev 04/2026, available on the department's website at https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/licenses-and-permits/license-forms.

Readopt with amendment and renumber Fis 803.11, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), as Fis 803.12 to read as follows:

Fis 803.12 Notification of Import of Wildlife. Any person importing wildlife, including fish, after obtaining a permit pursuant to Fis 803.05 shall make notification to the fish and game department, within 5 days of importation, that wildlife has been brought into the state by completing the "Notification of Import of Wildlife" form, Rev 04/2026, available on the department's website at https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/licenses-and-permits/license-forms.

Repeal Fis 803.12, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), as follows:

Readopt Fis 803.13, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), to read as follows:

Fis 803.13 Fees. The fee for a permit to import wildlife shall be $30.00 and shall be submitted with the "Application to Import Wildlife/Fish" form, Rev 04/2026.

PART Fis 804 POSSESSION OF WILDLIFE

Readopt with amendment Fis 804.01 through Fis 804.04, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), to read as follows:

Fis 804.01 Definitions.

(a) "Cage" means an area enclosed on all sides and has a top and a bottom.

(b) "Enclosure" means an area enclosed on all sides.

Fis 804.02 Non-controlled Species - Possession.

(a) A permit to possess wildlife shall not be required for any person to possess wildlife designated as non-controlled as specified in (b), below.

(b) For the purposes of this part, the following species or groups of wildlife shall be designated as non-controlled:

(1) Ornamental aquarium fish, both fresh and marine, that shall be kept in a closed system;

(2) Amphibians, exotic;

(3) Amphibians, indigenous, listed in Table 800.2 for category 1, for up to 5 specimens per species;

(4) Reptiles, exotic, except:

a. Alligator (*Alligatoridae, spp*);

b. Crocodile (*Crocodylidae, spp*); and

c. Venomous reptiles, other than the Western Hognose Snake;

(5) Indigenous reptiles listed in Table 800.2 for category 1, for up to 2 specimens of each species;

(6) The following exotic birds:

a. Cockatiel (*Nymphicus hollandieus*)

b. Canaries (*Serinus* spp.);

c. Parrots *(Psittaciformes*);

d. Parakeets (*Budgerigar*);

e. Mynah Birds (*Acridotheres spp*);

f. Finches (*Estrildidae spp*);

g. Pekin robin (*Leiothrip lutea*);

h. Weavers (*Ploceidae*);

i. Toucans (*Ramphastidae*);

j. Button quail (*Turnicidae*);

k. Pigeons and doves (*Columbiformes*), exotic;

l. Feral pigeons (*Columba domestica* and *C. livia*);

m. Emu (*Dromaius novaehollandire*);

n. Ostrich (*Struthis camelus*);

o. Rhea (*Rheidae*);

p. Waterfowl, exotic migratory except mute swans;

q. Waterfowl, mallard by individuals in category 1; and

r. Gallinaceous birds, except:

1. Bobwhite quail, Northern (*Colinus virginianus*);

2. Grouse, Ruffed (*Bonasa umbellus*);

3. Grouse, Spruce (*Dendragapus canadensis*);

4. Pheasant, Ring-necked (*Phasianus colchicus*);

5. Partridge, Chuckar and Redleg (*Alectoris chuka*); and

6. Partridge, Grey/Hungarian (*Perdix perdix*);

(7) The following mammals:

a. Chinchillas, domesticated, (*Chinchilla* spp);

b. Gerbils, domesticated;

c. Guinea pigs, domesticated;

d. Hamsters, domesticated (*Cricetus cricetus*);

e. Mice, domesticated (*Mus musculus*);

f. Rats, domesticated (*Rattus norvegicus* and *Rattus rattus*);

g. Ferrets, domesticated (*Mustela putorius furo*);

h. Llamas (*Lama glama*);

i. Alpaca (*Lama pacos*);

j. Pot belly pigs, domesticated;

k. Rabbits, domesticated;

l. African pigmy hedgehog;

m. Sugar glider (*Petaurus breviceps*);

n. Tenrec (*Tenrec ecaudatus*);

o. Yak (*Bos grunniens*);

p. Camel (*Camelus spp*.);

q. Asian water buffalo (*Bubalus bubalis*);

r. Degaus (*Octodon degus*);

s. Guanaco (*Lama quanicoe);* and

t. Bison (*Bison bison, B. bonasus*); and

(8) All marine species originating in the western portion of the North Atlantic Ocean and connected saltwater bays and estuaries, except anadromous and catadromous species.

Fis 804.03 Prohibited Species - Possession.

(a) No person shall be issued a permit to possess wildlife that has been designated as prohibited as specified in (b) below or Fis 804.04(b).

(b) For the purposes of this part, the following species or groups of wildlife shall be designated as prohibited:

(1) The following invertebrates:

a. Zebra mussel (*Dreissena polymorpha, D. bugensis)*;

b. Spiny waterflea (*Bythotrephes cederstroemi*);

c. Fishhook waterflea (*Cercopagis pengoi*);

d. All non-indigenous crayfish; and

e. Asiatic clam (*Corbicula fluminea*); and

(2) The following fish:

a. Walking catfish (*Clarias batrachus*);

b. White amur or grass carp (*Ctenopharyngodon idella*);

c. Black carp (*Mylopharyngodaon piceus*);

d. European rudd (*Scardinius erythophthalmus*);

e. Round goby (*Neogobius melanostomus*);

f. Tubenose goby (*Proterhinus marmoratus*);

g. Ruffe (*Gymnocephalus cernuus*);

h. Snakeheads (*Channidae*);

i. Bighead carp (*Hypophthalmichthys nobilis*); and

j. Silver carp (*Hypophthalmichthys molitrix*).

Fis 804.04 Permits To Possess Wildlife.

(a) No live wildlife, or their hybrids, designated as controlled, or the eggs or progeny thereof, shall be possessed without a permit to possess wildlife or except as otherwise permitted under RSA 207:1-a, RSA 214:34-d and RSA 209-A:3, IV.

(b) All species not specifically listed under the categories of non-controlled, prohibited, or controlled shall be designated as prohibited.

(c) The executive director shall review each application to possess and shall make a determination as to whether such possession shall be permitted. No permit to possess shall be issued if there is any significant disease, genetic, ecological, environmental, health, safety, or welfare risks to the public or other wildlife species.

(d) No possession of wildlife shall take place until a permit is issued by the executive director.

(e) Permits to possess wildlife as specified in Fis 804.05(a) shall expire on December 31 of the calendar year of issuance, unless sooner revoked.

(f) The permit shall be valid only for the facilities or locations described in the application and the permit shall not be transferable or assignable.

(g) An "Application to Possess Live Wildlife" form, Rev 04/2026, shall be submitted no less than 30 days in advance of the requested date of possession.

(h) Health certificates shall meet standards set forth by the United States Department of Agriculture pursuant to 9 CFR 2.78 or the New Hampshire department of agriculture.

Readopt with amendment Fis 804.05, effective 1-1-23 (Document #13513), to read as follows:

Fis 804.05 Controlled Species - Possession.

(a) A permit to possess wildlife shall be required for all species, including hybrids, designated as controlled as cited in the controlled table pursuant to (b), below.

(b) A permit shall be issued only to a person in the permittee category(ies), as defined in Fis 802.01, and cited in Table 800.2 as follows:

Table 800.2 Controlled Species Table - Possession

	PERMITTEE CATEGORY	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME
Amphibians	1,5	American toad	*Bufo americanus*
	5	Fowler's toad	*Bufo fowleri*
	1,5	Gray treefrog	*Hyla versicolor*
	1,5	Spring peeper	*Pseudacris crucifer*
	1,5	American bullfrog	*Rana catesbeiana*
	1,5	Green frog	*Rana clamitans*
	1,5	Pickerel frog	*Rana palustris*
	5	Northern leopard frog	*Rana pipiens*
	1,5	Mink frog	*Rana septentrionalis*
	1,5	Wood frog	*Rana sylvatica*
	5	Jefferson salamander	*Ambystoma jeffersonianum*

	PERMITTEE CATEGORY	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME
	5	Blue-spotted salamander	*Ambystoma laterale*
	5	Jefferson X blue-spotted salamander hybrids	*Ambystoma jeffersonianum X laterale*
	1,5	Spotted salamander	*Ambystoma maculatum*
	5	Marbled salamander	*Ambystoma opacum*
	1,5	Northern two-lined salamander	*Eurycea bislineata*
	1,5	Northern dusky salamander	*Desmognathus fuscus*
	5	Spring salamander	*Gyrinophilus porphyriticus*
	5	Four-toed salamander	*Hemidactylium scutatum*
	1,5	Eastern red-backed salamander	*Plethodon cinereus*
	5	Northern slimy salamander	*Plethodon glutinosus*
	5	Common Mudpuppy	*Necturus maculosus*
	1,5	Red-spotted newt	*Notophthalmus viridescens*
Reptiles			
	5	Alligator	*Alligatoridae, spp*
	5	Crocodile	*Crocodylidae, spp*
	5	All venomous reptiles	
	5	Blanding's turtles	*Emydoidea blandingii*
	5	Eastern box turtles	*Terrapene carolina carolina*
	5	Spotted turtles	*Clemmys guttata*
	5	Wood turtles	*Glyptemys insculpta*
	1,5	Musk turtle	*Sternotherus odoratus*
	1,5	Painted turtle	*Chrysemys picta*
	1,5	Snapping turtle	*Chelydra serpentina*
	5	Black racer	*Coluber constrictor*
	1,5	Ring-necked snake	*Diadophis punctatus*
	5	Eastern hognose snake	*Heterodon platirhinos*

	PERMITTEE CATEGORY	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME
	1,5	Eastern milksnake	*Lampropeltis triangulum triangulum*
	1,5	Northern watersnake	*Nerodia sipedon*
	5	Smooth greensnake	*Opheodrys vernalis*
	1,5	Brown snake	*Storeria dekayi*
	1,5	Red-bellied snake	*Storeria occipitomaculata*
	5	Ribbon snake	*Thamnophis sauritus*
	1,5	Garter snake	*Thamnophis sirtalis*
Fish			
	1, 6	Tilapia	
	1, 6	Alewife	*Alosa pseudoharengus*
	1, 6	American brook lamprey	*Lethenteron appendix*
	1, 6	American Eel	*Anguilla rostrata*
	1, 6	American Shad	*Alosa sapidissima*
	1, 6	Atlantic Salmon	*Salmo salar*
	1, 6	Banded Killifish	*Fundulus diaphanus*
	1, 6	Banded Sunfish	*Enneacanthus obesus*
	1, 6	Black Crappie	*Pomoxis nigromaculatus*
	1, 6	Blacknose Dace	*Rhinichthys atratulus*
	1, 6	Blacknose Shiner	*Notropis heterolepis*
	1, 6	Blueback Herring	*Alosa aestivalis*
	1, 6	Bluegill	*Lepomis macrochirus*
	1, 6	Bridle Shiner	*Notropis bifrenatus*
	1, 6	Brook Trout	*Salvelinus fontinalis*
	1, 6	Brown Bullhead	*Ameiurus nebulosus*
	1, 6	Brown Trout	*Salmo trutta*
	1, 6	Burbot	*Lota lota*
	1, 6	Chain Pickerel	*Esox niger*
	1, 6	Channel Catfish	*Ictalurus punctatus*

	PERMITTEE CATEGORY	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME
	1, 6	Common Carp	*Cyprinus carpio*
	1, 6	Common Shiner	*Luxilus cornutus*
	1, 6	Common White Sucker	*Catostomus commersoni*
	1, 6	Creek Chub	*Semotilus atromaculatus*
	1, 6	Eastern Creek Chubsucker	*Erimyzon oblongus*
	1, 6	Eastern Silvery Minnow	*Hybognathus regius*
	1, 6	Emerald Shiner	*Notropis atherinoides*
	1, 6	Fallfish	*Semotilus corporalis*
	1, 6	Fathead Minnow	*Pimephales promelas*
	1, 6	Finescale Dace	*Chrosomus neogaeus*
	1, 6	Fourspine Stickleback	*Apeltes quadracus*
	1, 6	Golden Shiner	*Notemigonus crysoleucas*
	1, 6	Lake Chub	*Couesius plumbeus*
	1, 6	Lake Trout	*Salvelinus namaycush*
	1, 6	Lake Whitefish	*Coregonus clupeaformis*
	1, 6	Largemouth Bass	*Micropterus salmoides*
	1, 6	Longnose Dace	*Rhinichthys cataractae*
	1, 6	Longnose Sucker	*Catostomus catostomus*
	1, 6	Margined Madtom	*Noturus insignis*
	1, 6	Mummichog	*Fundulus heteroclitus*
	1, 6	Ninespine Stickleback	*Pungitius pungitius*
	1, 6	Northern Pike	*Esox lucius*
	1, 6	Northern Redbelly Dace	*Chrosomus eos*
	1, 6	Pumpkinseed	*Lepomis gibbosus*
	1, 6	Rainbow Smelt	*Osmerus mordax*
	1, 6	Rainbow Trout	*Oncorhynchus mykiss*
	1, 6	Redbreast Sunfish	*Lepomis auritus*
	1, 6	Redfin Pickerel	*Esox americanus americanus*

	PERMITTEE CATEGORY	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME
	1, 6	Rock Bass	*Ambloplites rupestris*
	1, 6	Round Whitefish	*Prosopium cylindraceum*
	1, 6	Sea Lamprey	*Petromyzon marinus*
	1, 6	Slimy Sculpin	*Cottus cognatus*
	1, 6	Smallmouth Bass	*Micropterus dolomieui*
	1, 6	Splake	hybrid (brook x lake trout)
	1, 6	Spottail Shiner	*Notropis hudsonius*
	1, 6	Sunapee Trout	*Salvelinus aureolus*
	1, 6	Swamp Darter	*Etheostoma fusiforme*
	1, 6	Tadpole Madtom	*Noturus gyrinus*
	1, 6	Tessellated Darter	*Etheostoma olmstedi*
	1, 6	Threespine Stickleback	*Gasterosteus aculeatus*
	1, 6	Tiger Trout	hybrid (brown x brook trout)
	1, 6	Walleye	*Sander vitreus*
	1, 6	White Perch	*Morone americana*
	1, 6	Yellow Bullhead	*Ameiurus natalis*
	1, 6	Yellow Perch	*Perca flavescens*
	1, 6	Hybrid striped bass	
Birds			
	5	All indigenous species	
	1,2, 5	All waterfowl, indigenous and naturalized, except:	
	2, 3, 4, 5, 7	Mallard	*Anas platyrhynchos*
	1, 5	Mute Swans	*Cygnus olor*
	5	Crow, Pied	
	5	Buzzard, European	
		Gallinaceous Birds:	
	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7	Bobwhite Quail, Northern	*Colinus virginianus*

	PERMITTEE CATEGORY	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME
	5	Grouse, Ruffed	*Bonasa umbellus*
	5	Grouse, Spruce	*Dendragapus canadensis*
	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7	Pheasant, Ring-necked	*Phasianus colchicus*
	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7	Partridge, Chukar/Redleg	*Alectoris chuka*
	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7	Partridge, Grey/Hungarian	*Perdix perdix*
Mammals			
	5	Armadillo	
	5	Anteater, Lesser	
	5	Agouti, red rumped	
	5	Badger	*Taxida taxus*
	5	Barbary Sheep	
	5	Bear, Black	*Ursus americanus*
	5	Bear, Grizzly	*Ursus horrilibus*
	5	Beaver	*Castor canadensis*
	5	Binturong	
	5	Boar, wild	*Sus scrofa*
	5	Bobcat	*Lynx rufus*
	5	Caracal Lynx	
	2, 5	Caribou/Reindeer	*Rangifer tarandus*
	5	Cavy, Patagonian	*Doli salinicola*
	5	Chipmunk, Eastern	*Tamias striatus*
	5	Coatimundi	*Nasua nasua*
	5	Cottontail, Eastern	*Sylvilagus floridanus*
	5	Cottontail, New England	*Sylvilagus transitionalis*
	5	Cougar	*Felis concolor*
	5	Coyote	*Canis latrans*
	5	Dama Wallaby	
	2, 5	Deer, Red	*Cervus elaphus*

	PERMITTEE CATEGORY	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME
	2, 5	Deer, Sika	*Cervus Nippon*
	5	Deer, White-tailed	*Odocoileus virginianus*
	5	Elephant	*Elaphus maximus, Loredomta africans*
	2, 5	Elk	*Cervus elephus Canadensis*
	5	Fisher	*Martes pennanti*
	5	Fox, Gray; Fenec	*Urocyon cinereoargenteus*
	5	Fox, Red	*Vulpes vulpes*
	5	Genet	*Genetta spp.*
	5	Giraffe	
	5	Hyena	
	2, 4 & 5	Hare, Snowshoe	*Lepus americanus*
	5	Jaguar, Black, Spotted	
	5	Kangaroo, Red	
	5	Kinkajou	*Potos flavus*
	5	Lemming, Northern Bog	*Synaptomys borealis*
	5	Lemming, Southern Bog	*Synaptomys cooperi*
	5	Lemur, Ringtailed	
	5	Leopard	*Panthern umeia , P. pardus, Neofelis nebulasa*
	5	Lion	*Panthera leo*
	5	Lynx, Canadian, Siberian	*Lynx canadensis*
	5	Marten	*Martes americana*
	5	Mink	*Mustela vison*
	5	Mole, Hairy-tailed	*Parascalops breweri*
	5	Mole, Star-nosed	*Condylura cristata*
	5	Mongoose	
	5	Moose	*Alces alces*
	5	Mouse, Deer	*Peromyscus maniculatus*

	PERMITTEE CATEGORY	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME
	5	Mouse, Meadow Jumping	*Zapus hudsonius*
	5	Mouse, White-footed	*Peromyscus leucopus*
	5	Mouse, Woodland Jumping	*Napaeozapus insignis*
	5	Muskrat	*Odontra zibethicus*
	5	Opossum, Virginia	*Didelphis virginiana*
	5	Otter, River	*Lutra canadensis*
	5	Peccary, Collared	
	5	Pipistrelle, Eastern	*Pipistrellus subflavus*
	5	Porcupine, North American African crested	*Erethizon dorsatum* *Hystrix cristata*
	5	Prairie Dog	*Cynamys, spp.*
	5	Primates to include:	
		Chimpanzee	*Pan troglodytes*
		Gorilla	*gorilla gorilla*
		Orangutan	*Pongo pygmaeus*
		Baboons	*Papio spp*
		Spider Monkey	*Ateles spp*
		Squirrel Monkey	*Saimici spp*
		Capuchin	*Cebus spp*
		Marmoset (Tamarin)	*Cercopihecus spp.*
		Guenon(s)	
		Celebes macaque	
		Rhesus	*Macaca mulatta*
	5	Raccoon	*Procyon lotor*
	5	Rat, African pouched	
	5	Serval, African	
	5	Shrew, Long-tailed	*Sorex dispar*
	5	Shrew, Masked	*Sorex cinereus*

	PERMITTEE CATEGORY	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME
	5	Shrew, Pygmy	*Sorex hoyi*
	5	Shrew, Short-tailed	*Blarina brevicauda*
	5	Shrew, Smoky	*Sorex fumeus*
	5	Shrew, Water	*Sorex palustris*
	5	Skunk, Striped	*Mephitis mephitis*
	5	Springhare	
	5	Squirrel, Gray	*Sciurus carolinensis*
	5	Squirrel, Northern Flying	*Glaucomys sabrinus*
	5	Squirrel, Red	*Tamiasciurus hudsonicus*
	5	Squirrel, Southern Flying	*Glaucomys volans*
	5	Tenrec, Giant, Lowland streaked	
	5	Tiger; Golden Tabby, Siberian, White Siberian, Bengal	*Panthera tigeris*
	5	Two-Toed Sloth	*Choloepus didaclybus*
	5	Vole, Meadow	*Microtus pennsylvanicus*
	5	Vole, Northern Red-backed	*Clethrionomys gapperi*
	5	Vole, Rock	*Microtus chrotorrhinus*
	5	Vole, Woodland	*Microtus pinetorum*
	5	Wallaby, Dama, Tammar, Bennett	
	5	Water Buffalo, Eurasian	
	5	Weasel, Least	*Erminea rixosa*
	5	Weasel, Long-tailed	*Mustela frenata*
	5	Weasel, Short-tailed	*Mustela ermine*
	5	Wolverine	
	5	Woodchuck	*Marmota monax*
	5	Wolf	*Canis lupus*

	PERMITTEE CATEGORY	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME
	5	Zebra	

Readopt with amendment Fis 804.06 through Fis 804.18, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), to read as follows:

Fis 804.06 Power to Inspect.

(a) The executive director or the director's agents shall inspect wildlife, facilities, permits, or records under the control of the permittee for the purpose of ascertaining compliance with this part. Such inspection shall be undertaken at a time agreed upon by the director or the director's agent and the permittee.

(b) An inspection of facilities, cages, or enclosures shall occur prior to the issuance of any permit, if the applicant has not held a permit for the regulated activities in the previous year.

(c) An inspection shall not be required for wildlife on the controlled possession list, as specified in Table 800.02, and jointly on the release list, as specified in Table 800.3.

Fis 804.07 Prior Possession of Wildlife.

(a) Any person who has legally acquired and possesses wildlife under a valid permit in 1992, and continuously since, and such wildlife is now designated as prohibited or controlled, shall be issued a permit to possess such wildlife.

(b) Any person who has legally possessed spotted turtles (*Clemmys guttata*), Blanding's turtles (*Emydoidea blandingii*), wood turtles (*Glyptemys insculpta*), or Eastern box turtles (*Terrapene carolina carolina*) prior to January 1, 1996, and continuously since, shall be issued a permit to possess wildlife. The possession permit shall be for those turtles in possession and no replacements shall be allowed.

(c) Any person who legally possessed species listed as non-controlled prior to June 1, 2007, and now listed as controlled, shall be issued a permit to possess wildlife. The possession permit shall be for wildlife in possession prior to June 1, 2007, and no replacements shall be allowed.

(d) Any person who legally possessed species listed as controlled prior to October 1, 2015, and now is classified as prohibited, shall be issued a permit to possess said species. The possession permit shall be for wildlife in possession prior to October 1, 2015, and no replacements shall be allowed, unless a waiver is issued.

(e) Wildlife possessed under permits issued pursuant to Fis 804.04 shall meet the following criteria:

(1) Wildlife shall have a permanent means of identification; and

(2) All requirements of this part shall be met.

Fis 804.08 Fish. Channel catfish, Tilapia, and hybrid striped bass shall be kept in a closed system.

Fis 804.09 Housing and Cage or Enclosure Requirements.

(a) Captive wildlife shall be confined at all times in cages or enclosures.

(b) For all wildlife possessed, the permittee shall provide enclosures or cages that:

(1) Are of sufficient strength and construction to minimize risk of escape;

(2) Protect the wildlife from all other animals, domestic or wild;

(3) Protect the wildlife from the adverse elements of nature;

(4) Protect the public from contact with the wildlife; and

(5) Provide unrestricted movement required of the wildlife for proper exercise.

(c) Inadequate enclosure or cage size may be indicated by evidence of malnutrition, poor condition, debility, stress, or abnormal behavior.

(d) The permittee shall prevent the public from injuriously feeding or otherwise harming the wildlife and shall post the necessary warning signs requiring the public to refrain from such practices.

(e) The permittee shall take precautions to protect the public from injury from permitted wildlife and to prevent any release of wildlife possessed.

(f) All cages or enclosures for the possession of wildlife shall meet or exceed minimum specifications required by this part for various kinds of wildlife.

(g) All enclosures or cages for bats shall follow the guidelines set forth in the "Protocol for Wildlife Rehabilitator Response to Hibernating Bats Affected with White-Nose Syndrome (2011)", as specified in Appendix II.

Fis 804.10 Birds.

(a) Bird cages and enclosures shall be as follows:

(1) Bird cages shall be of adequate size to allow for normal postural and social adjustments;

(2) Permittees in categories 1, 2, and 3 shall comply with the following restrictions:

a. Northern bobwhite quail, 6 weeks or older, and other birds of like size shall be caged at a maximum of 2 birds per square foot;

b. Partridge, 6 weeks or older, and other birds of like size, shall be caged with at least a minimum of 10 square feet per bird; and

c. Ringneck pheasants, 6 weeks or older, and other birds of like size, shall be caged with at least a minimum of 20 square feet per bird; and

(3) The use of holding pens shall be permitted for northern bobwhite quail, partridge, and pheasants for up to 7 days after importation or acquisition of the birds.

(b) All mute swans shall be marked by the owner. Adults shall be wing clipped, with the primary feathers cut annually. Progeny shall be pinioned. Adults, eggs, and progeny shall not be released.

Fis 804.11 Small Animal Enclosures. All enclosures for possessing wildlife described in this part shall, as a minimum, meet USDA caging requirements, pursuant to 9 CFR 3, subparts D, E and F.

Fis 804.12 Deer Enclosures.

(a) Deer and related animals shall be provided with an enclosure that will ensure unrestricted movement for each animal.

(b) Propagators of sika, fallow, red deer, or elk or permit holders of pre-existing regulated shooting areas for whitetail deer or elk shall provide an enclosure at least 8 feet high and a minimum of 2,000 square feet per animal.

Fis 804.13 Additional Enclosure Requirements for Wildlife Held by Exhibitors.

(a) Indigenous species that are prohibited for importation and that the department provides to an exhibitor shall be provided seclusion and shade where the wildlife can escape viewing by the public at any time.

(b) Exhibitors of deer, elk, or moose shall provide an enclosure at least 8 feet high and a minimum of 2,000 square feet per animal and present these wildlife in a natural environmental setting.

Fis 804.14 Identification Requirements.

(a) Deer and elk held under a propagation permit shall have 2 forms of permanent identification in the form of ear tags or tattoos.

(b) At least one form of identification shall be a dangle-type ear tag that shall be legible from at least 10 feet away with the naked eye.

Fis 804.15 Sanitation and Nutritional Requirements for Permitted Wildlife.

(a) All cages, enclosures, and their surroundings shall be kept in a sanitary condition which impedes the transmission of parasites and diseases.

(b) Drinking water shall be provided daily in clean containers and as often and necessary for the health and comfort of the animal. Swimming and wading pools shall be cleaned as needed. Enclosures shall provide adequate drainage of surface water and runoff to prevent accumulation of standing water.

(c) Food shall be of a type and quantity sufficient to meet the nutritional requirements of the subject wildlife and shall be provided in clean containers, in an unspoiled and uncontaminated condition. If self-feeders are used, adequate measures shall be taken to prevent molding, contamination, and deterioration or the caking of food.

(d) Excreta shall be removed from primary enclosures as often as necessary to prevent contamination of the animals contained therein and to minimize disease hazards and to reduce odors.

(e) Subsequent to the presence of an animal with an infectious or transmissible disease, cages, rooms, and hard-surfaced pens or runs shall be sanitized by:

(1) Washing them with hot water, at a temperature of at least 180°F at source, and soap or detergent, as in a mechanical washer;

(2) Washing all soiled surfaces with a detergent solution followed by a safe and effective disinfectant; or

(3) Cleaning all soiled surfaces with pressurized steam.

(f) Pens or runs using gravel, sand, or dirt shall be sanitized when necessary, as directed by the attending veterinarian.

Fis 804.16 Handling and Health of Wildlife Possessed.

(a) Permittees shall handle the wildlife in a manner to prevent any injury or stress to the wildlife and protect the well-being of the wildlife at all times.

(b) All wildlife shall be kept as free as possible from parasites or disease.

(c) When wildlife becomes afflicted with, or unsightly as a result of, disease or parasites, it shall be removed from public display or view by the permittee or the permittee's agent and provided proper medical attention, or destroyed, in a humane manner, if necessary.

(d) A permittee shall notify the department in writing within 5 business days of any unexplained diseases or deaths occurring in wildlife possessed under the permittee's permit.

(e) A permittee shall notify the department within 72 hours of any escaped animals, to include species, sex, identification numbers, and date and time of escape.

Fis 804.17 Removal of Wildlife from Premises. Wildlife, for which a permit to possess has been issued, shall not be removed from the premises described on the permit, except to a licensed veterinarian in New Hampshire for medical reasons or under a permit to release.

Fis 804.18 Permit to Possess Wildlife Forms.

(a) The applicant for a permit to possess wildlife shall complete and submit the "Application to Possess Live Wildlife" form, Rev 04/2026, available on the department's website at https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/licenses-and-permits/license-forms.

(b) Pemittees requesting renewal of a possession permit shall submit:

(1) A census listing of the number and species of wildlife in possession by the permittee at the time of renewal; and

(2) A statement, signed subject to the penalties for making unsworn false statements under RSA 641:3, that the permittee is in compliance with the requirements of Fis 800.

(c) A permit fee in the amount of $25.00 shall be submitted with each application or renewal application.

PART Fis 805 RELEASE OF WILDLIFE

Readopt with amendment Fis 805, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), to read as follows:

Fis 805.01 Prohibited Species - Release.

(a) No person shall be issued a permit to release wildlife designated as prohibited in paragraph (b) below.

(b) For the purposes of this part, the following species or groups of wildlife shall be designated as prohibited:

(1) The following invertebrates:

a. All indigenous imported into the state; and

b. All exotics;

(2) The following amphibians:

a. All indigenous imported into the state; and

b. All exotics;

(3) The following reptiles:

a. All indigenous imported into the state; and

b. All exotics;

(4) The following fish:

a. All species listed as prohibited for importation or possession pursuant to Fis 803.04 and Fis 803.05;

b. All non-indigenous species; and

c. Any species not naturalized in New Hampshire;

(5) All birds except:

a. Bobwhite quail, northern (*Colinus virginianus*);

b. Mallard (*Anas platyrhynchos*) by category 3 or 4;

c. Pheasant, ring-necked (*Phasianus colchicus*);

d. Partridge, Chukar or redleg (*Alectoris chuka)*; and

e. Partridge, grey or Hungarian (*Perdix perdix*); and

(6) The following mammals:

a. Exotics; and

b. Extirpated indigenous.

Fis 805.02 Non-Controlled Species – Release.

(a) A permit to release wildlife shall not be required for any person to release wildlife designated as non-controlled as specified in (b) below.

(b) For the purposes of this part, the following species or groups of wildlife shall be designated as non-controlled:

(1) Pigeons and doves (*Columbiformes*), exotic; and

(2) Feral pigeons (*Columba domestica* and *C. livia*).

Fis 805.03 Permits To Release Wildlife.

(a) No live wildlife designated as controlled, the eggs or progeny thereof, shall be released without a permit to release wildlife or except as otherwise permitted under (e) below, RSA 207:1-a, RSA 214:34-d, or RSA 209-A:3, IV, or unless the release of wildlife is specifically permitted under another permit, such as birds for regulated shooting areas, individual training and shooting permits, or fish for kids' tournaments under this chapter.

(b) No person shall release or allow to be released any wildlife that is diseased or suspected of being diseased.

(c) No wildlife shall be released on the property of another without written landowner permission.

(d) A permit to release shall be valid from date of issuance to the end of the calendar year in which the permit was issued or the expiration of the health certificate, whichever is sooner.

(e) No permit to release wildlife shall be required to release indigenous wildlife captured or trapped by a landowner, as long as the release is on the landowner's own land or on another landowners' land and only with written permission of the other landowner.

Fis 805.04 Fish Health Certification. Any fish, imported into the state to be released, shall have a health certification as required in Fis 803.08 throughFis 803.10.

Fis 805.05 Controlled Species- Release.

(a) No person shall release wildlife designated as controlled pursuant to Table 800.3 below, without a permit to release wildlife.

(b) A permit shall be issued only to a person in the permittee category(ies), as defined in Fis 803.01, and cited in Table 800.3 as follows:

Table 800.3 Controlled Species Table - Release

	PERMITTEE CATEGORY	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME
Fish	1,6	All indigenous or naturalized	
Birds			
	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7	Bobwhite, Northern	*Colinus virginianus*
	3, 4, 7	Mallard	*Anas platyrhynchos*
	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7	Pheasant, Ring-necked	*Phasianus colchicus*
	1, 2, 3,4, 5, 7	Partridge, Chukar/Redleg	*Alectoris chuka*
	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7	Partridge, Grey/Hungarian	*Perdix perdix*

Fis 805.06 Permit to Release Wildlife.

(a) Applicants for a permit to release wildlife shall complete and submit, at least 30 days prior to the proposed release, the "Application for Permit to Release Wildlife" form, Rev 04/2026, available on the department's website at https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/licenses-and-permits/license-forms.

(b) A permit fee in the amount of $25.00 dollars shall be submitted with each application.

PART Fis 806 PROPAGATION OF WILDLIFE

Readopt with amendment Fis 806.01 and Fis 806.04, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), to read as follows:

Fis 806.01 Permit to Propagate Wildlife.

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(a) No person shall engage in the propagation of wildlife without a permit from the executive director in accordance with RSA 212:25, I.

(b) No wildlife shall be propagated unless it has been designated as controlled for these purposes pursuant to Fis 804.05 and a permit has been issued. For the purposes of this provision, a propagator shall not be required to obtain a separate permit to possess.

(c) The permit shall be valid only for the premises described in the application. The permit shall not be transferable and shall not be assignable.

(d) A person permitted to possess wildlife as a propagator shall have the wildlife inspected by a veterinarian for disease, general health, and condition at least once each calendar year. This shall not apply to propagators that raise and sell quail, pheasant, or chucker partridge in state and who sell all of their birds by the end of the calendar year.

Fis 806.02 Compliance Requirements. Permittees shall comply with all of the requirements of Fis 803 on importing wildlife and Fis 804 on possessing wildlife.

Fis 806.03 Reporting.

(a) The permittee shall file an annual report with the executive director within 30 days of the expiration date of the permit or at the time of renewal.

(b) The permittee shall complete and submit the "Propagation of Wildlife Report" form, Rev 04/2026, available on the department website at https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/licenses-and-permits/license-forms.

(c) The permittee shall notify the department in writing within 5 business days of any unexplained diseases or deaths occurring in wildlife possessed under a permit to propagate wildlife.

(d) Records of reporting required under (b) above shall be maintained and kept for the previous 3 years.

Fis 806.04 Permit to Propagate.

(a) The applicant for a permit to propagate wildlife shall complete and submit the "Application to Propagate Wildlife" form, Rev 04/2026, available on the department's website at https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/licenses-and-permits/license-forms.

(b) Permittees requesting renewal of a propagation permit shall submit:

(1) A census listing of the number and species of wildlife in possession at the time of renewal; and

(2) Documentation that the wildlife have been inspected pursuant to Fis 806.01(d).

(c) A permit fee in the amount of $30.00 shall be submitted with each application or renewal application.

Readopt with amendment Fis 806.05, effective 4-24-21 (Document #13194), to read as follows:

Fis 806.05 Snowshoe Hare Live-Capture Requirements.

(a) As part of the fish and game department's responsibility to recognize, preserve, and promote the state's hunting heritage, the purpose of this section is to allow the continuance of a long-held tradition of hunting hares and rabbits with trained beagles by fostering responsible dog training and breeding and promoting interest in the hunting of snowshoe hares. The purpose of this section is to allow the limited take of snowshoe hares in a manner that will not have an adverse effect on the population of snowshoe hares. This section regulates the taking of live snowshoe hares from the wild within New Hampshire and allows a limited number of hares to be held in captivity for propagation and training purposes.

(b) The applicant for a permit to live-capture snowshoe hare shall complete and submit the "Permit to Live-Capture Snowshoe Hare" form, Rev 04/2026, available on the department's website at https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/licenses-and-permits/license-forms.

(c) The live-capture of snowshoe hares shall only be conducted by licensed trappers who have been designated by the club to live-capture hares on the club's behalf, and be subject to the following conditions:

(1) The live-capture of snowshoe hares shall only be done during the open season for taking hares as specified in Fis 301.10(a)(1);

(2) Live-capture shall be conducted only on private land with written landowner permission;

(3) Live-capture shall be done only by box-trap;

(4) Traps shall be securely labeled with the name and contact information of the permittee;

(5) Traps shall be equipped with a weatherproof top;

(6) Each active trap shall be baited with enough apple, rabbit feed, or alfalfa to provide for the nourishment of a captured snowshoe hare for at least 24 hours;

(7) Traps shall be checked at least once in every calendar day;

(8) No more than 20 snowshoe hares per season may be live-captured by each qualifying beagle club with no more than 10 snowshoe hares live-captured per season from the combined area of wildlife management units H1, H2, I1, I2, J2, K, L, and M;

(9) No live capture of snowshoe hare shall be conducted in those areas closed to the taking of cottontail rabbits as specified in Fis 301.10(c);

(10) Snowshoe hares that die during live-capture efforts shall count as part of the 20 snowshoe hares allowed per year per club;

(11) Snowshoe hares not kept for training or propagation purposes shall be immediately released at the site of capture; and

(12) No more than 10 licensed trappers shall be designated per beagle club to live-capture snowshoe hare on that club's behalf during the term of the permit.

(d) No fees shall be charged to any beagle club by persons engaged in snowshoe live-capture. This shall not preclude reimbursement of expenses associated with the live-capture and care of snowshoe hares by club members on behalf of their respective clubs.

(e) Live-captured snowshoe hares shall remain on the capturing club's property and not be transferred elsewhere.

(f) Progeny of live-captured snowshoe hares may be transferred or exchanged with another permitted beagle club provided that no money shall be charged by either club to the other for the value of the animal.

(g) A permittee holding a snowshoe hare in captivity for propagation purposes shall:

(1) Hold the animal in accordance with the possession requirements of Fis 804;

(2) At least once each calendar year contact the law enforcement division to request a visit from a conservation officer in order to select and remove one or more animals for inspection by a veterinarian; and

(3) Provide an annual written report of a veterinarian to the department summarizing the inspections specified in (2) above.

(h) The conservation officer shall transport the selected animal(s) to the veterinarian to be examined for disease, general health, and condition, with the cost of the inspection to be borne by the permittee.

(i) Snowshoe hares that escape from established pens on club property may be recaptured during the open season for taking snowshoe hare within 50 yards of their established pens and shall not count towards the season limit.

(j) Any snowshoe hares live-captured and held for release shall be released on club property within 2 days of capture.

(k) Each club shall report annual snowshoe hare capture activities by completing and submitting the "Snowshoe Hare Live-capture Summary Report" form, Rev 04/2026, available on the department's website at https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/licenses-and-permits/license-forms.

(l) Annual summary reports shall be submitted to the department by April 15th. No permits to live-capture in subsequent years shall be issued to a club until the annual report from the last year a permit was held is received.

PART Fis 807 AQUACULTURE - INLAND AND MARINE

Readopt with amendment Fis 807.01 through Fis 807.09, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), to read as follows:

Fis 807.01 Definitions.

(a) "Abutter" means any person whose property adjoins or is directly across a right of way from the site under consideration.

(b) "Littoral owner" means a shorefront property owner who owns to the highwater mark or other public or private boundary and whose property boundaries abut the site under consideration.

Fis 807.02 License Required.

(a) An aquaculture license shall be required for any person engaging in aquaculture, as defined in RSA 211:62-e, of aquatic or marine species. The license shall include fishing preserves or fee-fishing operations, but no fee under this part shall be required for a fee-fishing operation wholly contained in a permitted, regulated shooting area operation pursuant to Fis 808.

(b) An aquaculture licensee may raise and sell bait under Fis 807 without the requirement for a bait dealer license pursuant to RSA 214:34. Any person taking bait from the wild and then raising and selling bait shall have both licenses.

(c) An aquaculture license shall not be issued unless the applicant possesses ownership title or possesses a lease hold to all land bordering the body of water, provided the waterbody is not public waters. This provision shall not apply to marine aquaculture operations.

(d) No aquaculture licenses shall be issued for any operation in a public body of freshwater supporting natural populations of fish. This provision shall not apply to marine aquaculture operations.

(e) Only areas classified as “restricted” or “conditionally restricted” by the commissioner of the department of health and human services, as defined in He-P 2151.01, due to the presence of a wastewater treatment outfall, shall be considered for marine aquaculture operations which include harvesting of the wild natural shellfish.

(f) No aquaculture license shall be granted if the executive director determines that any portion of the aquaculture operation would adversely impact the state's aquatic or marine resources or would impose unacceptable disease, ecological, environmental, health, safety, or welfare risks to persons, the environment, aquatic or marine species pursuant to RSA 211:62-e.

(g) Unacceptable risk shall be determined by considering any negative impact the aquaculture operation would have on persons, the environment, indigenous aquatic or marine species using the following criteria:

(1) The proposed species:

a. Life cycle;

b. Life history;

c. Reproductive habits; and

d. Habitat requirements;

(2) Genetics of the specific wildlife;

(3) Interaction with competing species;

(4) Food or habitat competition with indigenous species; and

(5) Other factors relating to the proposed operation such as:

a. Type of system, whether closed or controlled; and

b. Screened outlets or other enclosures.

(h) Aquaculture licenses shall be granted for the specific species listed on the application and permit.

(i) All importation and release of aquatic and marine species shall be in compliance with the requirements for the importation and release of wildlife in Fis 803 and Fis 805.

Fis 807.03 Application Procedure for an Inland Aquaculture License. Each applicant for an inland aquaculture license for aquatic species under RSA 211:62-e shall complete and submit the “Aquaculture Application (Inland)” form, Rev 04/2026, available on the department’s website at https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/licenses-and-permits/license-forms.

Fis 807.04 Conditions of the Inland Aquaculture License.

(a) An aquaculture license shall have additional specific conditions imposed, such as listed in (b) below, if necessary to control any disease, genetic, ecological, environmental, health, safety, or welfare risks to persons, the environment, aquatic, or marine species.

(b) Conditions which address the type of operations shall include:

(1) The type of system whether a closed system or controlled system;

(2) Screened outlets;

(3) Enclosures;

(4) Species restrictions; or

(5) Genetic restrictions.

(c) Screening devices or other methods of containment shall be maintained at all times to prevent the release of aquatic species into the wild.

(d) An aquaculture licensee may buy and resell or exchange species from another in-state aquaculture business without being required to bring the species into the licensee's own hatchery facility.

(e) Aquaculture licensees shall be subject to the requirements for importing and releasing fish under Fis 803 and Fis 805, except that aquaculture licensees may stock brook trout, rainbow trout, or brown trout from their facility into non-public bodies of water that are closed systems without a permit to release fish.

(f) A copy of the aquaculture license shall be carried on all vehicles used for transporting species.

Fis 807.05 Sale - Inland Aquaculture.

(a) Species propagated or raised under a commercial inland aquaculture license may be sold.

(b) The inland aquaculture licensee shall provide a dated bill of sale or record of the transaction to the purchaser.

(c) The dated bill of sale or record of transaction shall include:

(1) The species;

(2) Number or quantity;

(3) The aquaculture license number; and

(4) Hatchery source.

Fis 807.06 Reporting on an Inland Aquaculture License.

(a) For inland aquaculture licensees, no annual report for aquatic species shall be submitted to the department.

(b) Each inland aquaculture operation shall maintain records as follows:

(1) Of all aquatic species bought, sold, or shipped;

(2) The name and address of the buyer and seller;

(3) The appropriate license or permit number of the buyer or seller;

(4) The transaction date;

(5) The species, number or pounds of each species in the transaction; and

(6) The origin of aquatic species involved.

(c) Such records shall be kept for a minimum of 2 years and shall be made immediately available to the executive director or designated agent upon request.

Fis 807.07 Application Procedures for a Marine Aquaculture License.

(a) Each applicant for a marine aquaculture license under RSA 211:62-e shall contact the marine division for information on obtaining an aquaculture license.

(b) The applicant shall provide the following information to the marine division:

(1) A list of the species to be managed or cultivated;

(2) A description of the proposed project, including:

a. Methodology;

b. The type of aquaculture operation such as bottom culture, suspended culture, pen culture, or a land-based system;

c. The location and description of the geographic area where the proposed project is to be undertaken described by latitude and longitude coordinates and identified on the most detailed NOAA chart of the particular area or USGS map for a land-based operation;

d. Site specific information which is available, including:

1. Tidal information;

2. Location of natural resources such as shellfish and eelgrass beds and finfish stocks;

3. Benthic characterization of sediment types;

4. Recreational or commercial activities in and around the site; and

5. Navigational aspects such as channels, navigational aids, vessel traffic, or moorings; and

e. Type, size, and configuration of any gear used during any phase of the aquaculture operations and how it will be used;

(3) Source of organisms to be utilized throughout the project;

(4) Disposition of organisms during the various phases of the project;

(5) A list of any biocides, algaecides, antibiotics, or other methods of control or treatment to be used during the project;

(6) A description of any restricted use proposed by the aquaculture project which shall include identifying any existing activity which would be restricted or prohibited;

(7) A written statement that the applicant either owns or has written permission from the owner(s) to exercise any littoral right necessary to carry out the proposed project;

(8) A list of agencies to whom copies of the information required in (b) above will be sent as required in (g)(2) below; and

(9) A copy of the current municipal tax map and complete list of names and addresses of all the abutters and littoral owners to the proposed project.

(c) Upon receipt of the information required in (b) above, the executive director shall determine the completeness of the information and notify the applicant in writing within 30 days as to its completeness or describe fully any deficiency found.

(d) The department shall conduct a site assessment or evaluation for any area that has not had a site assessment completed within the previous 2 years. The department staff shall conduct the site assessment for the purposes of verifying or updating data and information provided in accordance (b) above. Site assessments shall be conducted between May and October.

(e) The site assessment shall include at least the following:

(1) Site visit;

(2) Benthic substrate evaluation to characterize the sediment types;

(3) Review of the fisheries uses in the area;

(4) Typical wildlife and aquatic plants;

(5) Location of channel, navigational aids, or moorings;

(6) Recreational, commercial, or other activities being conducted in the area;

(7) Tidal information such as flow rate, height, or direction; and

(8) Location of other aquaculture activities within one mile of the proposed site(s).

(f) After the information required in (b) above has been received and the department's site evaluation is complete, the executive director shall set a hearing date and notify the applicant of the date, time, and location of the hearing.

(g) Upon being notified that the hearing date has been scheduled, the applicant shall:

(1) Send written notice at least 21 days prior to the public hearing by certified mail to all abutters and littoral owners of the proposed project, if different from the licensee, and submit copies of the certified receipts to the executive director; and

(2) Send copies of the information required in (b) above and notification of the public hearing to any other state or federal agencies that might require permitting, licensing, or have jurisdiction over activities associated with the proposed project, such as:

a. The NH department of health and human services;

b. The NH department of environmental services;

c. The NH port authority, the Army Corps of Engineers;

d. The Environmental Protection Agency;

e. The United States Coast Guard; or

f. The National Marine Fisheries Services.

(h) The notice to land owners required in (g)(1) above shall include:

(1) The details of the project;

(2) The exact location(s) of the project;

(3) The date, time, and place of the public hearing;

(4) The address to comment in writing; and

(5) The deadline for written comment, which shall be 14 days after the scheduled public hearing.

(i) The executive director shall provide public notice, on the department's website and through published means as available, of the scheduled hearing at least 21 days prior to the hearing. Any interested person may submit written comments on the proposed project to the executive director up to 14 days after the public hearing on the proposed aquaculture project.

(j) The executive director shall review all of the information to determine that the proposed aquaculture operation would not pose any unacceptable risk as specified in Fis 807.02(g), does not conflict with or negatively impact any recreational, commercial, or other use currently being conducted in the area in and around the proposed project area, or does not adversely impact the value or use of private property in and around the projected area before issuing a license.

Fis 807.08 Conditions of the License - Marine.

(a) All marine aquaculture operations and associated activities, including transporting, labeling, and marking shellfish, shall be conducted in compliance with all state and federal law and regulations.

(b) Persons licensed for aquaculture operations shall conduct environmental monitoring if the department determines that the aquaculture activities have resulted in, or may result in, environmental degradation, nutrient loading, or chemical contamination of the marine environment or marine species.

(c) The licensee shall report any unusual event that occurs to the executive director within 48 hours, followed by a letter, outlining the circumstances of the event, within 5 days. An "unusual event" means any event related to the aquaculture operation that might have a negative impact on the environment.

(d) The issuance of license under this part shall not confer a waiver of liability for any degradation, directly related to the aquaculture operation, to the environment or marine species.

(e) When harvesting indigenous stocks, the licensee and the executive director shall agree on the number or quantity to be harvested and the timetable for harvest, prior to the issuance of the license.

(f) The executive director shall revoke an aquaculture license, after notice and hearing, in accordance with RSA 541-A and Fis 200, for violating one or more conditions described in the license.

(g) Any person whose aquaculture license has been revoked shall be required to reapply using the procedures outlined in Fis 807.07.

(h) There shall be at least 150 feet between locations of licensed marine bottom aquaculture operations inland of the General Sullivan Bridge.

(i) The maximum size of any licensed bottom aquaculture site inland of the General Sullivan Bridge shall be no greater than 4.5 acres.

Fis 807.09 Sale and Marking - Marine.

(a) For marine aquaculture licensees, each package of product sold for use as food shall be marked with the species, number or quantity, the aquaculture license number, hatchery source, and destination.

(b) The marine aquaculture licensee shall provide a dated bill of sale or record of the transaction to the purchaser.

(c) The dated bill of sale or record of transaction shall include:

(1) The species;

(2) Number or quantity and size;

(3) The aquaculture license number;

(4) Hatchery source; and

(5) Destination.

Readopt Fis 807.10, effective 3-9-16 (Document #11052), to read as follows:

Fis 807.10 Reporting - Marine.

(a) Marine aquaculture licensees shall submit a report to the executive director by the 10th of each month, for the previous month. Monthly aquaculture reports shall be submitted on paper or via electronic means and shall contain the following:

(1) Harvest date;

(2) Species sold;

(3) Number or pounds of species sold;

(4) Disposition of species sold;

(5) Ex-vessel value or price of species sold;

(6) Port, county, and state where species were landed;

(7) The aquaculture license number;

(8) Date species were sold;

(9) Grade and market size of species sold;

(10) Catch source; and

(11) For shellfish harvests, the following:

a. Time of harvest;

b. Time of icing; and

c. Temperature at receiving.

(b) Marine aquaculture licensees shall submit a report by January 31st of each year, on paper or via electronic means, to the executive director. Annual aquaculture reports shall contain the following for the previous calendar year:

(1) Results and findings of the environmental monitoring in Fis 807.08(b);

(2) Any unusual events occurring during the year; and

(3) Summary of activities over the license year including imports and release information.

(c) The submission of complete annual aquaculture reports and all monthly aquaculture reports required during the duration of the current license shall be required for the renewal of any marine aquaculture license under Fis 807.11(1).

Readopt with amendment Fis 807.11, effective 10-28-22 (Document #13476), to read as follows:

Fis 807.11 Fees, Amendments, Renewals, or Transfers.

(a) The annual fee for an aquaculture license for a commercial inland operation shall be $100. For the purposes of this section, “commercial inland operation” includes fishing preserves or fee fishing operations.

(b) The annual fee for an aquaculture license for an inland operation which is not commercial shall be $20.

(c) The annual fee for an aquaculture license for a land-based marine operation shall be $100.

(d) Fees for any aquaculture operation to be situated in marine or estuarine waters such as a bottom culture, suspended culture, or pen culture operation shall be as follows:

(1) A non-refundable $200 fee when submitting the information required in Fis 807.07(b);

(2) An annual license fee based on acreage covered by the license as follows;

a. For bottom culture, $200 per acre;

b. For suspended culture, $500 per acre; or

c. For pen culture, $750 per acre; and

(3) Any person harvesting the state's wild natural resources or cultured resources shall be charged $.015 per organism for American oysters and a $.01 per pound processing fee for fish taken from a pen culture.

(e) Annual commercial aquaculture licenses shall expire on December 31 but may be renewed annually as long as the operation is conducted under the conditions of the current license.

(f) Oyster aquaculture operations in Great Bay Estuary may obtain a license for 5 consecutive calendar years pursuant to RSA 211:62-e, II-b.

(g) Fees for the 5-year license in (f) above shall be as follows:

(1) A non-refundable $200 fee when submitting the information required in Fis 807.07(b);

(2) A license fee based on acreage covered by the license as follows:

a. For bottom culture, $1000 per acre ; or

b. For suspended culture, $2500 per acre;

(3) Any person harvesting the state's wild natural resources or cultured resources shall be charged $.015 per organism for American oysters; and

(4) A surcharge in the amount of $15 to be placed into the derelict fishing gear and coastal cleanup fund, established by RSA 211:77, unless exempted in accordance with RSA 211:62-e, II-b.

(h) The 5 year license for commercial oyster aquaculture operations in Great Bay Estuary shall expire on December 31 but may be renewed as long as the operation is conducted under the conditions of the current license.

(i) The fees in (d)(3), (g)(3), and (g)(4) above shall be paid annually.

(j) To amend the species on a current aquaculture license or add or change species covered by the license to a similar species within the same family, the licensee shall submit a new application or the information required in Fis 807.07(b), at no cost.

(k) The licensee shall submit an application or provide the information required in Fis 807.07(b) for a new license for requesting a change in the type of operation or species.

(l) Renewal of an existing aquaculture license for an aquaculture operation in marine or estuarine waters shall be $100. This renewal fee shall be in addition to any fee required by (d)(2), (d)(3), (g)(2), (g)(3), and (g)(4) above.

(m) A commercial aquaculture license may be transferred along with a sale of a business to a new owner for the duration of that license provided all requirements and conditions of the license shall be met.

Readopt Fis 807.12, effective 10-27-18 (Document #12652), to read as follows:

Fis 807.12 Competing Aquaculture Applications.

(a) In the event the department receives competing aquaculture applications for the same areas, the department shall give preference on a first-come first-served basis.

(b) If 2 or more applications for the same area are received by the department on the same business day, a lottery shall be held by the department to determine which application will be given preference.

(c) The lottery drawing shall be conducted in the following manner:

(1) Each competing application shall be assigned a unique number;

(2) Selection of winning number shall be done by computer selection of random numbers; and

(3) Applicants on each competing application shall be invited via email to attend the lottery.

Readopt with amendment Fis 807.13, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), to read as follows:

Fis 807.13 Waiver.

(a) The executive director shall waive rules relative to the possession or sale of undersize marine species, except lobster, for aquaculture operations, if the executive director determines that the operation and handling of the species:

(1) Does not impact the management of that marine species;

(2) Does not jeopardize the enforcement efforts directed towards wild stocks; and

(3) Properly tracks source, quantity, and destination of the species.

(b) The executive director shall waive rules relative to the method of taking marine species for aquaculture operations if the executive director determines that the manner and method of taking:

(1) Does not adversely impact the state's wildlife or marine resources in the area of the aquaculture operation;

(2) Does not adversely interfere with other users of the area;

(3) Is restricted to the area licensed for aquaculture; and

(4) Does not result in the possession of other marine species.

Readopt with amendment Fis 807.14, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), to read as follows:

Fis 807.14 Aquaculture Raised Hybrid Striped Bass.

(a) The purpose of this section is to provide consistency in the regulation of the sale of aquaculture raised hybrid striped bass because aquaculture raised hybrid striped bass (*Morone saxatilis X M. chrysops)* produced for market create a potential outlet for undersized striped bass that could undermine the management and enforcement goals. Aquaculture raised striped bass for market can be easily and quickly shipped to all parts of the country. Regulations governing transport, handling, and sale are most effective if standardized among the states. This section is drafted to be consistent with provisions of Resolution IV adopted by the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission in 1989.

(b) No person shall market, promote, advertise, or sell "hybrid striped bass" as "striped bass". Only the term "hybrid striped bass" shall be used.

(c) The licensee shall affix a tag or label to each fish container holding whole aquaculture raised hybrid striped bass.

(d) The tag shall be clearly marked as "hybrid striped bass" and contain the following:

(1) State of origin;

(2) Name and address of shipping and receiving dealers;

(3) State permit number, if applicable;

(4) Date shipped; and

(5) Weight of container.

(e) Whole hybrid striped bass or fillets of aquaculture raised hybrid striped bass shall have the skin attached.

Readopt with amendment Fis 807.15, effective 8-22-17 (Document #12368), to read as follows:

Fis 807.15 Protection of Aquaculture Gear and Product.

(a) No person, except the owner, the executive director, or a designated agent, shall molest, pull, tend, possess, or disturb any gear used in a licensed marine aquaculture operation or any marine species raised therein without the written permission of the owner.

(b) No person, except the licensee or an individual with written permission from the licensee, shall take or possess oysters, clams, or mussels from a licensed aquaculture site that is properly marked with yellow buoys at each corner.

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PART Fis 808 REGULATED SHOOTING AREAS

Readopt with amendment Fis 808, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), to read as follows:

Fis 808.01 Statement of Applicability. Fis 808.03 shall not apply to any person licensed as a propagator for the purpose of taking wildlife in a hunting preserve setting prior to, including, and continuously since 1968, except such non-conforming tracts shall not increase in size. No new non-conforming tracts shall be permitted.

Fis 808.02 Permit Requirements.

(a) Regulated shooting area permits pursuant to Fis 808.10 shall expire on December 31 of the calendar year of issuance unless sooner revoked.

(b) A regulated shooting area permit shall be valid only for the premises described in the application.

(c) Upon notification to the department, a regulated shooting area permit may be transferred along with a sale of a business to a new owner for the duration of that license provided all requirements and conditions of the license shall be met.

Fis 808.03 Property Requirements.

(a) A regulated shooting area shall include no more than 500 contiguous acres.

(b) No regulated shooting area operation shall be conducted on land less than 50 acres.

(c) Land utilized for regulated shooting area activities may be privately owned or leased provided:

(1) The property shall be contiguous and not crossed or bisected by any public right-of-ways; and

(2) Any lease of land shall be for a term of not less than one year from the date of application.

Fis 808.04 Posting of Land. All regulated shooting areas shall be posted in a manner as prescribed by RSA 635:4 and shall clearly delineate any areas within 300 feet of occupied dwellings or public ways which might pose a threat to non-participants in the event of a shooting activity.

Fis 808.05 Required Elements of Regulated Shooting Area Rules. Each regulated shooting area shall establish rules for the regulated shooting area including:

(a) Shooting hours;

(b) Qualifications for engaging in a shooting activity; and

(c) General rules for the safe operation of the area such as:

(1) Operational hours;

(2) Range rules;

(3) Field safety considerations; and

(4) Other safety requirements, as needed.

Fis 808.06 Municipal Notification.

(a) The department shall notify the municipality in writing of new applications and afford the town or municipality 30 days from the date on the letter to contact the department with any comments or concerns.

(b) No response from the town or municipality within 30 days shall indicate that it has no comments to make during the application process, at which time the department shall resume the review of the application.

(c) The department shall deny any new application not in compliance with local zoning provisions and other local ordinances and codes.

(d) This section shall not apply to licensees applying for renewal of their current license for a regulated shooting area.

Fis 808.07 Requirements for the Taking of Certain Species.

(a) The taking of any species of wildlife from the licensed premises which is not listed on the regulated shooting area permit shall conform to all rules for such species as prescribed in Fis 300, RSA 208, RSA 209, and RSA 210.

(b) The licensee shall provide a tag or receipt for all other wildlife taken under the regulated shooting area as identification that they were legally taken and possessed.

Fis 808.08 Required Report.

(a) Regulated shooting area permittees shall annually file the "Regulated Shooting Area Report" form, Rev 04/2026, with the executive director within 30 days of the expiration date of the permit or at the time of renewal.

(b) The annual report required in (a) above shall be available on the department's website at https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/licenses-and-permits/license-forms.

Fis 808.09 Compliance Requirements. Regulated shooting area permittees shall comply with the requirements of parts Fis 803, Fis 804, and Fis 805 for the importation, possession, and release of wildlife.

Fis 808.10 Regulated Shooting Area Permit Application.

(a) Applicants for a regulated shooting area permit shall complete and submit the "Application for Regulated Shooting Area" form, Rev 04/2026, available on the department's website at https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/licenses-and-permits/license-forms.

(b) For renewal of an existing regulated shooting area, the permittee shall request a renewal of the permit in writing by including on or with the application form:

(1) The permittee's name and address;

(2) A statement that there have been no changes to the original application and that the operation is in compliance with all of the fish and game regulations; and

(3) The annual report specified in Fis 808.08.

(c) A permit fee in the amount of $150.00 shall be submitted with each application and renewal application.

PART Fis 809 INDIVIDUAL TRAINING AND SHOOTING PERMIT

Readopt with amendment Fis 809, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), to read as follows:

Fis 809.01 "Individual training and shooting permit" means a permit issued for the purpose of releasing or taking of the released game birds to train dogs.

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Fis 809.02 Individual Training and Shooting Permit Requirements.

(a) An individual training and shooting permit shall be issued only to an individual for the person's property or for use on another person's property, provided written permission has been provided.

(b) The individual training and shooting permit shall allow an individual to possess, release, and shoot permitted wildlife solely for the purpose of teaching a dog to track, point, flush, or retrieve game birds. No other activities shall be allowed under this permit.

(c) An individual training and shooting permit shall expire on December 31 of the calendar year of issuance unless sooner revoked.

(d) An individual training and shooting permit shall be valid only for the premises described in the application, and the permit shall not be transferable or assignable. Applicants may list up to 5 sites.

(e) The individual training and shooting permit shall not be used as a regulated shooting area permit.

(f) No more than 3 licensed hunters with firearms shall use the same parcel of land at any one time during a training session under this permit.

(g) No fees shall be charged by the permittee to another individual participating in this regulated activity.

(h) Each person training and shooting under an individual training and shooting permit shall have a license under RSA 214:9 unless the person is a resident landowner engaged in the regulated activity on their own property pursuant to RSA 214:2.

(i) The permittee shall comply with the requirements for possession, except that a separate permit to possess shall not be required.

(j) During the open season the daily bag limits shall apply.

(k) On state owned or managed lands no shooting shall occur during the closed seasons.

(l) Dog training activities shall not take place in newly planted agricultural fields.

(m) A dog training permit shall be required any time dogs are to be trained on native wildlife pursuant to Fis 1106.05.

Fis 809.03 Individual Training and Shooting Permit Application.

(a) The applicant for an individual training and shooting permit shall complete and submit the application form "Application for Individual Training and Shooting Permit", Rev 04/2026, available on the department's website at https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/licenses-and-permits/license-forms.

(b) A permit fee in the amount of $20.00 shall be submitted with each application and renewal application.

(c) A hunting license shall not be required if the permittee is a resident landowner engaged in the regulated activity on their own property, pursuant to RSA 214:2.

PART Fis 810 EXHIBITION

Readopt with amendment Fis 810.01 through Fis 810.05, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), to read as follows:

Fis 810.01 Exhibition of Wildlife.

(a) A permit to exhibit wildlife shall be required for any person offering wildlife for exhibition to the public pursuant to RSA 207:14. This permit shall allow wildlife to be viewed by the public while the wildlife are restricted to an enclosure.

(b) There shall be no human contact with the wildlife except by the permittee or as specified in (c) below.

(c) Exhibitors permitted to exhibit fallow deer (*Dama dama)* or reindeer (*Rangifer tarandus)* may allow human contact with the deer.

(d) The permittee shall safeguard the public from exhibited wildlife.

(e) Applicants for permits to exhibit venomous reptiles shall demonstrate that they have 1,000 hours of practical experience in the handling and possession of venomous species.

Fis 810.02 Requirements for Permit to Exhibit Wildlife.

(a) No permanent exhibition of live wildlife shall be located within 100 feet of the center line of any highway, road, or street.

(b) Permits to exhibit shall expire on December 31 of the calendar year of issuance unless sooner revoked.

(c) A permit to exhibit shall be valid only for the fixed or mobile facility described in the application and the permit shall not be transferable or assignable.

(d) If applicable, the permittee shall possess all the required federal permits and comply with all the laws and rules set forth by such permit for wildlife regulated by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS). Possession of a federal permit shall not allow the possession of species that are prohibited by the state of New Hampshire.

(e) At all times, the permittee shall provide the necessary protection to ensure the wellbeing of the wildlife while in the public view and shall also conform with all requirements of this part.

(f) The permittee or the permittee's designee shall be present at the location where the wildlife is being exhibited.

(g) If the exhibition of wildlife is mobile or transitory in nature, the permittee shall provide, at least 48 hours in advance, a list of exhibition dates and locations in the state. A copy or fax of the itinerary required by the USDA, which includes all exhibition dates and locations in and out of state, may be faxed or mailed to the department in lieu of creating a new list for in-state locations only.

(h) Exhibitions, enclosures, or cages not regulated by the USDA shall conform to the pertinent enclosure or caging requirements for wildlife under Fis 804.

(i) A person with a permit to exhibit wildlife shall allow the executive director or the executive director's agents to inspect the enclosures, cages, exhibition facilities, wildlife, and all pertinent reports to ensure compliance with the requirements of this chapter. Such inspection shall be undertaken at a time agreed upon by the director or the director’s agent and the permittee.

(j) No exhibitor shall import, acquire, or add any new wildlife if the exhibitor is in direct non-compliance pursuant to USDA regulations or is not in compliance with Fis 810.

(k) “Direct non-compliance” means that the wildlife is being handled in such a way as to be a risk to the animal or the public and includes, but is not limited to:

(1) Unsafe shelter or enclosure;

(2) Potential for escape exists;

(3) Wildlife in immediate need of veterinary care;

(4) Spoiled food or other nutritional issues; and

(5) Improper ventilation for indoor housing.

(l) Exhibitors of venomous reptiles shall provide the department and their local EMS provider with an emergency procedures protocol to be followed in the event of a bite inflicted by a venomous reptile to include contact information for the source of anti-venom for each species in possession.

(m) Exhibitors of venomous reptiles shall provide written documentation of membership in an approved venom bank.

(n) Exhibitors of venomous reptiles shall microchip, for identification purposes, any specimens listed on the state's endangered species list pursuant to Fis 1001.01(a) or the state's threatened species list pursuant to Fis 1001.02(a).

(o) Exhibitors of venomous reptiles shall notify the department within 48 hours of any changes in inventory of venomous reptiles as a result of acquisition, reproduction, and mortality.

(p) Specimens of reptiles listed in the threatened or endangered species list and in the possession of a permitted exhibitor shall not be sold or given away and shall be kept in compliance with RSA 212-A:7.

Fis 810.03 Restraints.

(a) Live wildlife may be chained or tethered to buildings or other suitable anchorage when exhibiting wildlife as part of a presentation at a fixed facility by direct supervision of a qualified exhibitor.

(b) Elephants may be chained or tethered when exhibited as part of a mobile or fixed facility.

(c) Tethering or leashed wildlife shall only be allowed on the property of the permittee or with prior written consent of the facility where the wildlife is being exhibited.

(d) Written consent from the person accepting responsibility for the facility shall include:

(1) Exhibitor's name and permit number;

(2) Name of facility;

(3) Name of the person accepting responsibility for facility; and

(4) Date of the presentation.

(e) A copy of the written consent shall be kept on the person exhibiting wildlife and available for inspection by any person.

Fis 810.04 Breeding and Sale of Wildlife.

(a) Exhibitors may sell wildlife to other licensed exhibitors.

(b) Moose and white-tailed deer provided pursuant to Fis 804.13(a), to an exhibitor licensed under this part shall not be propagated, sold, donated, or disposed of.

(c) Violations of (b) above shall result in the immediate loss of all moose or white-tailed deer and the loss of the exhibitor's permit after notice and hearing in accordance with Fis 200.

Fis 810.05 Application for Permit to Exhibit.

(a) Applicants for a permit to exhibit shall make application subject to the penalties for making unsworn falsification under RSA 641:3.

(b) Applicants for a permit to exhibit shall provide documentation with the application that possessed wildlife has been inspected by a veterinarian for disease, general health, and condition within the last year pursuant Fis 806.01(d).

(c) The applicant for a permit to exhibit shall complete and submit the "Application for Permit to Exhibit Wildlife" form, Rev 04/2026, available on the department's website at https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/licenses-and-permits/license-forms.

Readopt with amendment Fis 810.06 and Fis 810.07, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), to read as follows:

Fis 810.06 Municipal Notification.

(a) The department shall notify the municipality in writing of new applications for fixed facilities and afford the town or municipality 30 days from the date on the letter to contact the department with any comments or concerns.

(b) No response from the town or municipality shall indicate that it has no comments to make during the application process and at which time the department shall resume the review of the application.

(c) The applicant shall be in compliance with local zoning provisions and other local ordinances and codes.

(d) This section shall not apply to renewal of a current exhibitor's permit by the original applicant.

Fis 810.07 Permit Fee.

(a) The annual permit fee of a fixed facility open to the public shall be $100.00. The fixed facility may also include a mobile facility.

(b) The annual permit fee for a mobile facility, which has no fixed facility open to the public, shall be $50.00.

(c) The annual permit fee for a mobile facility that is only open to the public 5 days or less per calendar year shall be $25.00.

(d) Out of state exhibitors who hold a USDA exhibitor's license shall not be required to obtain an additional permit to import wildlife for these animals.

Readopt with amendment Fis 811, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), to read as follows:

PART Fis 811 SALE OF WILDLIFE

Fis 811.01 Amphibians and Reptiles.

(a) No person shall sell spotted turtles (*Clemmys guttata*), Blanding's turtles (*Emydoidea blandingii*), wood turtles (*Glyptemys insculpta*), or Eastern box turtles (*Terrapene carolina carolina*).

(b) No person shall sell indigenous species of reptiles or amphibians listed in Table 800.2, including parts or eggs thereof, except:

(1) Non-living snapping turtles (*Chelydra serpentina*) and bull frogs (*Rana catesbeiana*) raised outside the state which may be possessed, bought, and sold for use as food provided that with each package there shall be a bill of sale bearing the species, the weight of the package, and the place of origin; and

(2) Non-living amphibians and reptiles listed in Table 800.2 for category one obtained outside the state to be used for educational purposes.

Readopt with amendment Fis 812 through Fis 814, effective 1-26-16 (Document #11029), to read as follows:

PART Fis 812 WILDLIFE REHABILITATION

Fis 812.01 Wildlife Rehabilitation Permits.

(a) Pursuant to RSA 207:14, any person possessing wildlife to care for and rehabilitate the wildlife shall obtain a wildlife rehabilitation permit.

(b) There shall be 2 classes of wildlife rehabilitation permits:

(1) A class I apprentice wildlife rehabilitation permittee shall:

a. Be at least 18 years old;

b. Be sponsored by a holder of a class II rehabilitation permit; and

c. Only care for wildlife while directly supervised by the class I permittee's sponsor; and

(2) A class II wildlife rehabilitation permittee shall:

a. Be at least 18 years old; and

b. Either:

1. Work under the consultation and support of a licensed veterinarian and shall have satisfactorily completed 200 hours over a 2-year period as a class I apprentice wildlife rehabilitation permittee;

2. Be a licensed veterinarian; or

3. Hold a valid wildlife rehabilitator license from another state.

(c) An applicant for a class I apprentice rehabilitation permit shall complete the "Class I Apprentice Rehabilitation Permit Application" form, Rev 04/2026, available on the department's website at https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/licenses-and-permits/license-forms.

(d) An applicant for a class II rehabilitation permit shall complete and submit the "Class II Wildlife Rehabilitation Permit Application" form, Rev 04/2026, available on the department's website at https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/licenses-and-permits/license-forms.

(e) To be eligible for a class II permit, an applicant shall either be a licensed veterinarian, hold a valid wildlife rehabilitator license from another state, or shall submit a letter of support signed by the applicant's Class II sponsor certifying that the applicant has met the 200 hour requirement in Fis 812.01(b)(2)b.1.

(f) Upon receipt of a complete class II application, fish and game department personnel shall inspect the applicant's premises to determine if they are adequate for the care and rehabilitation of injured or orphaned wildlife.

(g) To be considered adequate, facilities shall:

(1) Include isolation cages for acute care that shall be of sufficient size to permit the animal to rest in its normal posture;

(2) Include larger holding cages of sufficient size to permit full freedom of movement and exercise for the recovery period;

(3) Be clean and well ventilated;

(4) Maintain wildlife in quiet surroundings accessible only to the permittee and assistants; and

(5) Comply with the housing requirements of wild animals as specified in the First Edition, 2021, "Standards for Wildlife Rehabilitation" published by the International Wildlife Rehabilitation Council and available as specified in Appendix II.

(h) Permits shall be issued for not more than 2 years and shall expire on the second December 31 after issuance.

(i) The executive director shall authorize the rehabilitation of certain rabies vector species (RVS) to rehabilitators who provide a signed statement that the permittee assumes full liability and responsibility for themselves and their assistants in the care of and contact with RVS. "Rabies vector species" means raccoons, woodchucks, fox, skunks, or bats.

(j) Applicants for a renewal of a class I apprentice or class II Wwldlife rehabilitation permit shall complete and submit the "Class I Apprentice Rehabilitation Permit Renewal Application" or "Class II Wildlife Rehabilitation Permit Renewal Application", Rev 04/2026, available on the department's website at https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/licenses-and-permits/license-forms.

(k) Class II rehabilitators may assign assistants to work with wildlife under their permit at the facility.

(l) Any person who, as of October 1, 2015, was licensed by the department as a wildlife rehabilitator shall be deemed a class II wildlife rehabilitator.

Fis 812.02 General Conditions.

(a) A federal permit issued by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service shall be secured by the permittee before receiving or rehabilitating any species protected by federal law.

(b) Permittees who acquire a federal or state listed endangered or threatened wildlife species, black bear, white-tailed deer, moose, or bobcat shall, within 24 hours, notify the fish and game department's executive director or designee. The care and disposition of any of these species shall be handled under the direction of the executive director or designee.

(c) Wildlife shall be released back into the wild as soon as the animal is physically capable of survival in the opinion of a consulting veterinarian or the rehabilitator.

(d) Wildlife shall be released into its natural habitat within the state of New Hampshire at a location agreed upon by the executive director or designee assigned to the patrol area where the release is planned.

(e) Wildlife may be transferred to other rehabilitation permittees if better care or facilities are required and are available.

(f) Except as provided in Fis 812.04, relative to unreleasable wildlife, no wildlife shall be kept alive when, in the opinion of a consulting veterinarian, it becomes evident that rehabilitation and release into the wild is impossible.

(g) No injured wildlife shall be kept longer than 6 months, and no orphaned wildlife shall be kept longer than 10 months, except as provided in Fis 812.04. If the appropriate season for release is outside the timeframe, the permittee shall notify the executive director which wildlife will be kept until the appropriate time for release and the expected date of release.

(h) The permittee shall keep human contact with wildlife being rehabilitated at a minimum.

(i) The fish and game department and its employees shall not be responsible for any costs or liability involved in the treatment of any wildlife.

Fis 812.03 Record Keeping and Reporting Requirements.

(a) Permittees shall maintain a current record of all wildlife received or released which shall include the name and address of the permittee.

(b) For each animal received, the record shall include the following:

(1) Species;

(2) Date wildlife was found;

(3) Location where wildlife was found;

(4) Date of admission;

(5) Name, address, and telephone number of the individual from whom acquired;

(6) Reason for admission;

(7) Date(s) of veterinary evaluation or treatment;

(8) Disposition;

(9) Date of disposition; and

(10) Release site.

(c) Permittees shall maintain records for 5 years.

(d) Permittees shall submit to the department a copy of all records, kept pursuant to (b) above, each year by January 31 of the following calendar year.

(d) Wildlife rehabilitation facilities and records shall be available for inspection by fish and game department personnel at any time during ordinary business hours for the purpose of ascertaining compliance with this part.

(e) Department personnel shall remove wildlife from the custody of the permittee if it is discovered that the permittee is not in compliance with Fis 812.02(a), (b), (e), (f), (g), or (h) or that is determined to pose significant risk for RVS pursuant to Fis 812.01(i).

Fis 812.04 Unreleasable Wildlife.

(a) When it is determined by a consulting veterinarian that, after a period of rehabilitation, the wildlife is unreleasable or incapable of survival in the wild, the executive director shall issue, if requested by the permittee:

(1) A permit to possess specific wildlife, under Fis 804 for the following purposes:

a. For use in cross-fostering or surrogate parenting of orphaned or injured juveniles; or

b. Captive propagation or research as in the restoration and maintenance of threatened or endangered species; or

(2) A permit to exhibit unreleasable wildlife for use in educational displays or programs, which shall be obtained in accordance with Fis 810, provided that the animal in question is capable of feeding itself and adapting to captivity and handling and that the facility can provide long term care and maintenance of the animal.

(b) There shall be no fee for the permit to possess or permit to exhibit wildlife when wildlife remains in the possession of a licensed rehabilitator.

(c) The permit to possess or permit to exhibit shall only be for those specific animals determined to be unreleasable under this section.

(d) In addition, the permittee shall secure all appropriate USFWS or USDA federal permits to possess or exhibit federally regulated species.

PART Fis 813 FALCONRY PERMITS

Fis 813.01 Minimum Requirements and Application Procedures.

(a) Any person engaging in falconry or training raptors pursuant to RSA 209-A in New Hampshire shall possess a valid falconry permit, pursuant to Fis 813.02 below, issued by the executive director.

(b) Falconry permits shall expire on December 31 and shall not be valid for more than 3 years from the date of issuance or renewal.

(c) Any person engaging in falconry shall comply with 50 CFR §21.82.

(d) Applicants and permittees shall possess a current New Hampshire hunting license and all applicable stamps and permits.

(e) Nonresident falconers shall also:

(1) Present a copy of a current falconry permit from the state where they reside; and

(2) Demonstrate that they legally possess the raptors by presenting a Migratory Bird Acquisition and Disposition Report, form 3-186A, as required by the United States Department of Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service.

(f) Any person applying for a falconry permit shall pass the falconry examination pursuant to 50 CFR § 21.82(c)(3) with a correct score of at least 80 percent.

(g) Pursuant to 50 CFR § 21.82(c)(3), the exam shall consist of 100 questions covering basic subjects of falconry such as:

(1) Natural history;

(2) Basic biology;

(3) Disease and treatment;

(4) Housing facilities;

(5) Handling, training and use of raptors; and

(6) State and federal laws and regulations.

(h) The applicant shall complete and submit the "Application for Falconry Permit" form, Rev 04/2026, available on the department's website at https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/licenses-and-permits/license-forms.

(i) The permit fee of $50.00 shall be included with the application form when submitted to the department.

(j) No person shall be issued a New Hampshire nonresident falconry permit of a higher class than the one held in another state. Any person who becomes a resident of the state and holds a valid falconry permit in another state may obtain the same class resident permit in New Hampshire.

Fis 813.02 Permit Classes.

(a) There shall be 3 classes of falconry permits each subject to additional standards and conditions pursuant to 50 CFR § 21.82(c)(2) as specified below:

(1) A permittee in the apprentice falconry permit class shall:

a. Be at least 16 years old;

b. Be sponsored by a holder of a general or master falconry permit for the first 2 years;

c. Be accompanied for a minimum of 20 hours of direct supervision by the apprentice's sponsor annually when practicing falconry;

d. Not possess more than one raptor;

e. Possess only an American kestrel (*Falco sparverius*) or red-tailed hawk (*Buteo jamaicensis*); and

f. Not obtain more than one raptor for replacement during any 12-month period;

(2) A permittee in the general falconry permit class shall:

a. Be at least 18 years old;

b. Be recommended for the general falconry permit by apprentice's sponsor who shall attest, in writing to the department, of the apprentice's competence, general falconry knowledge and the 20 hours of direct supervision as specified in (1)c. above;

c. Have at least 2 years' experience in the practice of falconry at the apprentice level or a similar level of licensure in another state;

d. Sponsor no more than 2 apprentice permittees at one time after obtaining the general falconry permit;

e. Not possess more than 3 raptors for falconry; and

f. Not obtain more than 3 raptors for replacement birds during any 12-month period; and

(3) A permittee in the master falconry permit class shall:

a. Have at least 5 years' experience at the general class level or a similar level of licensure in another state;

b. Not possess more than 3 raptors for falconry;

c. Not obtain more than 3 raptors for replacement birds during any 12-month period; and

d. Not sponsor more than 3 apprentice permittees at one time after obtaining the master falconry permit.

Fis 813.03 Amendments and Renewals.

(a) Permittees requesting amendment or renewal shall make such request on the application specified in Fis 813.01(h) for a falconry permit.

(b) A $50.00 renewal fee shall be submitted with the request for renewal.

(c) No fee shall be required to amend a current permit to a higher class when the permittee meets all of the requirements of that higher class.

Fis 813.04 Revocation of Permit and Seizure of Raptor.

(a) The executive director shall revoke a falconer's permit and seize the permittee's raptors as follows:

(1) The executive director shall revoke a falconer's permit pursuant to RSA 214:19 if the permittee is convicted of any violation of state or federal game laws or regulations;

(2) The executive director shall revoke a falconry permit, after notice and hearing in accordance with RSA 541-A and Fis 200, for any failure by the permittee to comply with any of the terms of their falconry permit;

(3) During a period of revocation, the person whose permit was revoked shall be issued a permit to possess wildlife under Fis 804.05, except the executive director shall seize the raptors if the permittee's permit was revoked for failure to comply with Fis 813.05; and

(4) Raptors seized shall be disposed of pursuant to RSA 207:17, I.

Fis 813.05 Housing and Care of Raptors.

(a) The falconry permittee's facilities and equipment shall be inspected and certified that the facilities meet or exceed the facilities and equipment requirements specified in 50 CFR §21.82(c)(3), available as specified in Appendix II, by a department representative prior to receiving a permit.

(b) The executive director or designated agents shall inspect the permittee's facilities, equipment, records, and raptors for the purpose of ascertaining compliance with this part. Such inspection shall be undertaken at a time agreed upon by the director or the director's agent and the permittee.

Fis 813.06 Marking.

(a) Any peregrine falcon, gyrfalcon, or harris hawk possessed for falconry, except a captive bred raptor lawfully marked by a numbered, seamless band, shall be banded with a permanent, non-reusable, numbered band in accordance with the federal regulations specified in 50 CFR §21.82 (c)(6)(i).

(b) Bands shall be obtained by written request to the department. The band shall not be transferrable and shall be attached to the raptor immediately upon receipt.

(c) Any peregrine falcon, gyrfalcon, or harris hawk possessed for falconry purposes shall be banded at all times. Loss or removal of any band shall be reported to the New Hampshire fish and game department within 5 calendar days and the lost band shall be replaced with a permanent, non-reusable, numbered band.

(d) Marking for raptor propagation purposes shall comply with federal regulations as specified in 50 CFR §21.85(e).

Fis 813.07 Raptor Acquisition and Disposition.

(a) A falconry permit shall be required prior to obtaining a raptor.

(b) A migratory bird acquisition and disposition report, form 3-186A, shall be completed and submitted directly to the USFWS within 5 calendar days of the following:

(1) The acquisition of a raptor taken from the wild or received from or transferred to another person;

(2) The loss of a raptor due to escape, release, theft, or death; or

(3) The re-banding of a raptor which requires banding due to loss or illegibility of previously attached band.

(c) Young wild raptors, eyases, not yet capable of flight shall be taken only by a general or master falconer between May 15 and July 31, annually, subject to the following:

(1) A permittee shall obtain written permission from the landowner before taking an eyase on private land. On public lands, written permission shall be obtained from the controlling authority such as the town select board, state agency, public works, or parks and recreations department of a city;

(2) A permittee shall take not more than one eyase during a calendar year;

(3) No more than one eyase shall be taken from a nest;

(4) The nest shall initially contain 2 or more nestlings; and

(5) At the time of capture, the permittee shall install metal flashing at least 2 feet wide and wrapped completely around the tree trunk at least 4 feet from the ground and painted to match the color of the tree. Flashing shall be removed after the remaining eyase(s) has left the nest.

(d) First-year passage birds and adult American kestrels (*Falco sparverius*) shall be taken only by general or master permittees during the period of September 1 through December 31.

(e) Apprentice permittees, under the direct supervision of their sponsor, shall take only wild first-year red-tail hawks (*Buteo jamaicensis*) and wild adult or first-year American kestrels during September 1 through December 31.

(f) General permittees shall not take or possess any species listed as threatened or endangered under 50 CFR 17.

(g) Master permittees shall not take, in any 12-month period as part of a 3-bird limitation, more than one raptor listed as threatened in 50 CFR 17 and then only in accordance with 50 CFR 17.

(h) A bal-chatri type live trap, or other live traps and nets, may be used for taking raptors if they are used in a manner which minimizes the danger of injuring the raptor.

(i) At any time, an escaped marked raptor may be retaken by a permittee in accordance with the provisions of their permit.

(j) Eggs shall not be taken or possessed at any time.

(k) No peregrine falcons shall be taken from the wild.

Fis 813.08 Additional Restrictions and Requirements.

(a) A falconry permit holder shall not intentionally release to the wild any raptor without first obtaining a permit to release wildlife specified in Fis 805.03.

(b) Feathers that are molted or those feathers from birds held in captivity that die may be retained and exchanged by permittees only for imping purposes. For the purposes of this part, “imping” means damaged feather replacement.

(c) Permittees shall maintain complete records of information required in the migratory bird acquisition and deposition reports of all raptors acquired, transferred, lost, or released.

(d) Permittees shall report raptors that die on a properly completed form 3-186A submitted to the USFWS service as required. Carcasses of dead raptors shall be buried unless otherwise authorized by written permission from the USFWS.

(e) Permittees, while practicing falconry, shall comply with the provisions of RSA 207, RSA 208, RSA 209, and RSA 210 and all applicable department rules pertaining to hunting seasons and bag limits for wildlife.

(f) When any raptor used in falconry kills any species of wildlife for which there is no open season or a species of wildlife for which the season is closed, the permittees using the raptor shall not take the dead wildlife into the permittee’s possession but shall leave it where it lies. The raptor shall be allowed to feed on such dead wildlife before leaving the site of the kill.

(g) Raptors held under authority of a falconry permit shall only be used for falconry, except they may be used for falconry demonstrations, which may include the actual flying of the raptor.

(h) Raptors which have been captured from the wild shall not be bought, sold, bartered, or offered for sale or barter under a falconry permit.

(i) Captive bred progeny of lawfully acquired raptors may be bought, sold, bartered, and offered for sale or barter under a falconry permit.

PART Fis 814 FIELD TRIALS

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Fis 814.01 Definitions.

(a) "Field trial" means a competition or examination event to determine the ability of dogs to point, flush, or retrieve ruffed grouse, ring-necked pheasant, northern bobwhite quail, Hungarian partridge, chukar partridge, American woodcock, mallard ducks, pigeons, or to track and trail Eastern cottontail rabbit, snowshoe hare, red and gray fox, and raccoon.

(b) "Gunner" means an individual designated by a hunting dog club to shoot pigeons, pen-propagated mallard ducks, northern bobwhite quail, ring-necked pheasant, chukar partridge, and Hungarian partridge during a permitted shoot to retrieve field trial.

(c) "Shoot to retrieve field trial" means a field trial that examines the ability of dogs to point or flush and retrieve pigeons, pen-propagated mallard ducks, northern bobwhite quail, ring-necked pheasant, chukar partridge, and Hungarian partridge, or pigeons which are shot by a gunner.

Fis 814.02 Field Trial Requirements.

(a) Bird dog clubs, rabbit dog clubs, retriever dog clubs, fox hound clubs, or other hunting dog clubs wishing to conduct a field trial shall first obtain a field trial permit from the department which includes authorization for the possession and release of pigeons, pen-propagated mallard ducks, ring-necked pheasant, northern bobwhite quail, Hungarian partridge, and chukar partridge.

(b) All field trials shall be sanctioned or recognized by the American Kennel Club, United Kennel Club, North American Versatile Hunting Dog Association, American Field, or other nationally recognized dog registry or association.

(c) Applications for field trials shall be submitted to the department, either in person or through the mail, at least 30 days prior to the anticipated date of the field trial.

(d) Only pigeons, pen-propagated mallard ducks, northern bobwhite quail, ring-necked pheasant, chukar partridge, and Hungarian partridge may be possessed and released for field trials.

(e) During a permitted shoot to retrieve field trial, only pigeons, pen-propagated mallard ducks, northern bobwhite quail, ring-necked pheasant, chukar partridge, and Hungarian partridge may be shot.

(f) Permittees shall be in compliance with Agr 2103.01 relative to the permit and certificate of veterinary inspection required for poultry before importing any birds into the state.

(g) Pigeons, pen-propagated game birds, and mallard ducks used for a field trial may be released and taken only on the property defined in the permit where the field trial is to be conducted.

(h) The permittee shall comply with the requirements for possession as specified in Fis 804.09, Fis 804.10, Fis 804.15, and Fis 804.16, except that separate permits to possess or release shall not be required.

(i) After release, pigeons, pen-propagated game birds, and mallard ducks may only be pursued by a properly registered participant and their dogs during the field trial event and on said property as specified on the permit.

(j) Daily bag or possession limits shall not apply to the pen-propagated birds liberated and taken during a permitted shoot to retrieve field trial.

(k) All gunners under a shoot to retrieve field trial permit shall have a valid license under RSA 214:9, unless the person is a resident landowner engaged in the regulated activity on their own property pursuant to RSA 214:2 or if the field trial is being held on a regulated shooting area.

(l) Applicants shall obtain written landowner permission on the application form.

(m) A field trial shall be held only during the dates and within the area identified in the permit application.

(n) No field trials shall be held on department pheasant release sites after the last Wednesday in September through December 31, except at Sharp's Farm, Hopkinton, NH, where field trials may resume as of November 1.

(o) Each permittee shall keep a register of the names and addresses of all participants of each field trial event for a period of 30 days after the close of the field trial and upon demand shall make this register available to any member of the department.

Fis 814.03 Field Trials Application Form.

(a) Applicants for a field trial permit pursuant to RSA 207:13 shall complete and submit the "Application for Field Trial Permit" form, Rev 04/2026, available on the department's website at https://www.wildlife.nh.gov/licenses-and-permits/license-forms.

(b) The permit fee of $9.50 shall be included with the application form when submitted to the department.

Readopt with amendment Fis 815, effective 1-1-23 (Document #13513), to read as follows:

PART Fis 815 PERMIT DENIAL AND APPEAL

Fis 815.01 Denial of a Permit to Import, Possess, Sell, Exhibit, or Release Wildlife.

(a) Pursuant to RSA 207:14, I(a), a request for a permit to import, possess, sell, exhibit, or release wildlife shall be granted unless the chief of the fish and game department's wildlife division denies such request due to risks of disease, genetic, ecological, environmental, health, safety, or welfare to persons, marine species, or other wildlife.

(b) The chief of the wildlife division shall notify the applicant in writing of the reasons a permit has been denied. Such notice shall be given within 60 days of the request for a permit.

Fis 815.02 Appealing the Denial of a Permit to Import, Possess, Sell, Exhibit, or Release Wildlife.

(a) Any person denied a permit pursuant to Fis 815.01 may appeal the decision in writing to the executive director within 60 days of the denial, including the following information in the written appeal:

(1) Name of the person applying for a permit;

(2) Current contact information of the applicant:

a. Residential address;

b. Telephone number; and

c. Email address, if available;

(3) Species of wildlife requested to be imported, possessed, sold, exhibited, or released; and

(4) Purpose for the request.

(b) The executive director shall respond in writing within 60 days of receiving the written appeal to:

(1) Uphold the denial; or

(2) Overturn the denial and grant the permit.

Fis 815.03 Petitions to the Fish and Game Commission.

(a) Any person aggrieved by the decision of the executive director with regards to a permit denial pursuant to Fis 815.02 may appeal such decision by written petition to the fish and game commission (commission).

(b) Pursuant to RSA 206:4-a, VI, the commission shall hear the appeal within 45 days of receiving the written request.

(c) A majority vote of a quorum of commissioners shall be required to reverse the decision of the executive director.

(d) The commission's ruling shall be in writing and issued within 14 days of the hearing.

APPENDIX I

Rule	Specific State Statute the Rule Implements
Fis 801.01	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 207:14, II(i); RSA 212:25, II(i)
Fis 802	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 207:14; RSA 212:25
Fis 803.01	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 207:14, II(i); RSA 212:25, II(i)
Fis 803.02	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 207:14; RSA 212:25
Fis 803.03	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 207:14; RSA 212:25, II
Fis 803.04 – Fis 803.13	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 207:14; RSA 212:25
Fis 804.01	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 207:14, II(i); RSA 212:25, II(i)
Fis 804.02	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 207:14; RSA 212:25
Fis 804.03	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 207:14; RSA 212:25
Fis 804.04 – Fis 804.18	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 207:14; RSA 212:25
Fis 805	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 207:14; RSA 212:25
Fis 806	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 207:14; RSA 212:25
Fis 807	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 207:14; RSA 211:62-e, I, II, and II-a; RSA 214:8
Fis 808	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 212:25
Fis 809	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 212:25
Fis 810	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 207:14
Fis 811	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 207:14; RSA 212:25
Fis 812	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 207:14; RSA 212:25
Fis 813	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 209-A:3, I
Fis 814	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 207:13, I
Fis 815	RSA 206:10, I; RSA 207:14, I(c); RSA 212:25

APPENDIX II
Incorporation by Reference

Rule	Title	Available at
Fis 803.01(a)	Common and Scientific Names of Fishes from the United States, Canada, and Mexico, Special Publication 37, 8th edition (2023)	American Fisheries Society https://fisheries.org/bookstore/all-titles/special-publications/namesoffishes8/ $60 – hardcopy $60 – e-book
Fis 803.09(c)	Suggested Procedures for the Detection and Identification of Certain Finfish and Shellfish Pathogens (2020)	American Fisheries Society Fish Health Section https://units.fisheries.org/fhs/fish-health-section-blue-book-2020/ online only – no charge
Fis 804.09(g)	Protocol for Wildlife Rehabilitator Response to Hibernating Bats Affected with White-Nose Syndrome (2011)	US Fish and Wildlife Service https://www.dnr.sc.gov/wildlife/publications/pdf/batrehabguidelines092011.pdf
Fis 812.01(g)(5)	Standards for Wildlife Rehabilitation (2021)	International Wildlife Rehabilitation Council https://theiwrc.org/product/standards-for-wildlife-rehabilitation/ for $33 – e-book $60 - hardcopy
Fis 813.05(a)	Falconry Standards and Falconry Permitting - Facilities and Care Requirements (2010)	US Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Services https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CFR-2010-title50-vol6/pdf/CFR-2010-title50-vol6-sec21-29.pdf

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APPLICATION FOR WAIVER TO IMPORT OR POSSESS UNLISTED SPECIES

This waiver is for any Exhibitor (permittee category 5) seeking to import or possess species not specifically listed as non-controlled, controlled, or prohibited. This waiver shall be submitted to the department no less than 90 days prior to date of importation or possession.

Name of Applicant (Last, First, M.I.)

Phone

Email

Address Street City State Zip

Mailing Address *(if different from mailing)*: Street City State Zip

List of Permits:

- If you currently hold an exhibitors permit issued by NH Fish and Game, provide the permit number.
- Provide a Federal Exhibitor number if applicable by USDA or USFWS regulations.

Exhibitor's Permit No.: _____ Federal Exhibitor No.: _____

To perform a risk assessment for the species for which this waiver is being requested, the applicant shall provide the following information for those species on a separate sheet(s) of paper and submitted with this application.

1. Life cycle;
2. Life history;
3. Reproduction habits;
4. Habitat requirements;
5. Interaction with indigenous species for food or habitat;
6. The ability of the species to survive in New Hampshire's environment;
7. Geographic distribution in the wild;
8. Source of wildlife;
9. Physical description, such as fur, color, and body length;
10. Shelter needs;
11. Diet;
12. Value;
13. Related species;
14. History of diseases; pathogens, and parasites in that or related species; and
15. Any other information requested by the department pertaining to the species this waiver is in reference to.

Applicant's Signature Date

Subject to the penalties for making unsworn false statements in accordance with RSA 641:3.

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OFFICE USE ONLY

APPLICATION TO IMPORT WILDLIFE/FISH

Fee: $30.00

MUST BE SUBMITTED NO LESS THAN 30 DAYS PRIOR TO IMPORTATION DATE.
As required by RSA 207:14, application is hereby made for a permit to import into the State of New Hampshire the following birds, animals or fish

Name of Applicant (Last, First, M.I.) _____ Telephone #: _____

Street Address _____ Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Mailing Address *(if different)* _____ Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Species of Wildlife	Number	Number (M)	Number (F)

Name of Person & Business address from whom wildlife or fish obtained _____ Telephone #: _____

Name & Location of where wildlife will be possessed *(Street, PO Box, City, State, and Zip)* _____

Possession Permit Number: _____ Propagation Permit Number: _____

Exhibition Permit Number: _____ Regulated Shooting Area Number: _____

Aquaculture Permit Number: _____ Federal Permit Number: _____

Release Permit Number: _____ Individual Train & Shoot Permit Number: _____

For individuals requesting to import American oysters or quahogs (hard clams)

1. Please provide the size range of the product you want to import: _____
2. Have the shellfish to be imported been raised in waters other than the location listed in the address of the person or business listed above where you will obtain the shellfish?
3. If answer to #2 is yes, provide the source location and rearing location history of the shellfish seed stock?

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

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NOTIFICATION OF IMPORT OF WILDLIFE

MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 5 DAYS AFTER IMPORTATION

As required by RSA 207:14 and Fis 803.12, notification is hereby made of the import into the State of New Hampshire of the following wildlife species meeting USDA Health Certificate requirements.

Importation Permit #: _____ ❑ Exhibitor

Name of Permittee: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____
(Street, PO Box, City, State, Zip)

Species of Wildlife	Number	Number (M)	Number (F)

Date of Import: _____

_____ _____
Name of Person & Business address from whom wildlife or fish obtained Telephone #:

_____
Name & Location of where wildlife will be possessed *(Street, PO Box, City, State, and Zip)*

COPY OF USDA HEALTH CERTIFICATE MUST ACCOMPANY THIS FORM

_____ _____
Permittee's Signature Date

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APPLICATION TO POSSESS LIVE WILDLIFE

Fee: $25.00

❑ Initial Application
❑ Renewal Application

As required by RSA 207:14, application is hereby made for a permit to possess in captivity the wildlife listed below, in accordance with the provisions of said statues and rules and regulations thereunder adopted by the Executive Director of the Fish and Game Department.

Name of Applicant (Last, First, M.I.)

Email Address

Telephone #

Mailing Address Street City State Zip

Exact location/address where wildlife will be held: _____

Purpose for keeping species: _____

List species and numbers of wildlife to be retained in captivity or, for purposes of renewal, in possession at the time of renewal.

Species (Kind)	Scientific Name	Number (M)	Number (F)

(Use additional pages, if necessary, to list all species)

List of Applicable Permits:

Importation Permit Number: _____ Federal Permit Number: _____

Applicant's Signature Date

For Renewal Application:
I herby certify that I am in compliance with the requirements of Chapter 800.

Applicant's Signature Date

Subject to the penalties for making unsworn false statements in accordance with RSA 641:3.

Conservation Officer's Report: Initial Application

I certify that I have personally investigated and examined the premises and encloses. I find that:

Housing Facilities are: ❑ Adequate ❑ Not Adequate

Applicant ❑ **has** ❑ **has not** made provisions to comply fully with the requirements of Chapter 800

I therefore recommend that said application be: ❑ Granted ❑ Rejected

Conservation Officer's Signature Date

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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO RELEASE WILDLIFE

Fee: $25.00

Under the requirements of RSA 207:14, application is hereby made to release

Species: _____ Number: _____

OBTAINED FROM:

Name of firm/business from which species were obtained: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Mailing Address of firm/business:

_____
Street City State Zip

City/Town of Release (Include name of waterbody for fish):

_____

Release Date: _____ Purpose of Release: _____

Health Certificate Expiration Date: _____

Per Fis 805.02 (d) Permit is valid from date of issue to end of calendar year, or the expiration of the health certificate.

Health certificate or NH Dept. of Agriculture Health Certificate issued MUST be attached.

Include following Permit or License Number's if applicable:

Importation Permit Number: _____ Propagation Permit Number: _____

Possession Permit Number: _____ Federal Permit Number: _____

Regulated Shooting Area License Number: _____

_____
Name of Applicant (Last, First, M.I.)

_____ _____
Phone Fax *(optional)*

_____
Mailing Address Street City State Zip

_____
Street Address *(if different from mailing)*: Street City State Zip

_____ _____
Applicant's Signature Date

Must be submitted 30 days in advance of release date.
Per Fis 805.02 (c) No wildlife shall be released on the property of another without written landowner permission.

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PROPAGATION OF WILDLIFE REPORT

_____ *(YEAR)*

PART 1 - PERMITTEE INFORMATION Permit #: _____

Permittee Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Location of Wildlife *(if different from above):* _____

PART 2 - WILDLIFE INFORMATION

SPECIES	NUMBER POSSESSED AT END OF YEAR	NUMBER THAT DIED IN YEAR	NUMBER GIVEN AWAY OR SOLD IN YEAR

(USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS, IF NECESSARY)

PART 3 - RECIPIENT INFORMATION *(This section will only need to be completed in wildlife was transferred/sold to another individual.)*

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER	SPECIES	NUMBER

(USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS, IF NECESSARY)

_____ _____
Licensee's Signature Date

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APPLICATION TO PROPAGATE WILDLIFE

Fee: $30.00

As required by RSA 212:25, application is hereby made for a permit to propagate in captivity the wildlife listed below, in accordance with the provisions of said statues and the rules and regulations thereunder adopted by the Executive Director of the Fish and Game Department.

Name of Applicant (Last, First, M.I.) _____ Phone _____

Mailing Address _____ Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Business Name *(DBA)* _____

Business/Firm Address _____ Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Business Phone _____ Email Address _____

Give species and numbers of wildlife to be propagated in captivity.

Number of Male	Number of Female	Species (Kind	Scientific Name

(Use additional pages, if necessary, to list all species.)

Exact location/address where wildlife will be held:

_____

_____

Federal permit # (if applicable) _____

I wish to have my name, town in which I live and telephone number on the list for the public: ❑ Yes ❑ No

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Renewal Notice: Pursuant to Fis 806.01(d), please include documentation that wildlife has been inspected by a veterinarian for disease, general health and condition within the past year. *For renewals include required report form.*

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PERMIT #:

PERMIT TO LIVE-CAPTURE SNOWSHOE HARE

Name: _____ Current Trapping License No.: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Beagle Club Affiliation: _____

Beagle Club Address: _____

Beagle Club's Permit to propagate wildlife # (must be for current year): _____

CONDITIONS OF PERMIT:

1. **This permit is valid from October 1, 20___ – March 31, 20___. The Permit to Propagate Wildlife as specified in Fis 806.01 and Fis 806.04 for 20 referenced above must be renewed by January 1, 20___ to legally live-capture snowshoe hare under this permit in 20___.**
2. The person permitted to live-capture snowshoe hares shall first obtain written landowner permission.
3. The live-capture of snowshoe hares shall only be done during the open season for taking hares as specified in Fis 301.10(a)(1).
4. Live-capture shall only be allowed on private land.
5. Live-capture shall be done only by box-trap.
6. Traps shall be securely labeled with the name and contact information of the permittee.
7. Traps shall be equipped with weather-proof top.
8. Each active trap shall be baited with enough apple, rabbit feed or alfalfa to provide for the nourishment of a captured snowshoe hare for at least 24 hours.
9. Traps shall be checked at least once in every calendar day.
10. No more than 20 snowshoe hares per season may be live-captured by each qualifying beagle club with no more than 10 snowshoe hares live-captured per season from the combined area of wildlife management units H1, H2, I1, I2, J2, K, L and M, except that no live-capture of snowshoe hare shall be allowed in those areas closed to the taking of cottontail rabbits as specified in Fis 301.10(c).
11. Each club shall provide to the department a live-capture summary report by April 15th.
12. Permittee agrees to follow all rules as outlined in Fis 806.05.

CLUB PRESIDENT AUTHORIZATION

I (Print President's name) _____, president of (print name of Beagle club) _____, authorize (print name of club member) _____, to livetrap snowshoe hare on my club's behalf per the rules outlined in Fis 806.05. I understand that my club can authorize issuance of a maximum of 10 (ten) live-trap permits to qualified club members per year.

_____ _____
Club President's Signature Date

_____ _____
Stephanie L. Simek, Executive Director Date Issued

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SNOWSHOE HARE LIVE-CAPTURE SUMMARY REPORT

COMPLETED REPORTS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO NEW HAMPSHIRE FISH AND GAME BY APRIL 15TH OF EACH TRAPPING YEAR.

Beagle Club Name: _____ Report Date: _____

Beagle Club Address: _____

Individual(s) who live captured or attempted to live-capture snowshoe hare:

_____

Total Days Trapped: _____ *(sum days listed in column 1 of diary reports)*

Total Traps Set: _____ *(sum traps set in column 2 of diary reports)*

Snowshoe Hare Capture Data - Totals by Town				
TOWN	WMU	MALES	FEMALES	TOTAL

(USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS, IF NECESSARY)

Snowshoe Hare Mortality In Traps	
CAUSE OF DEATH	NUMBER OF DEAD HARES
Trap Predation	
Physical injury	
Possible Shock	
Other *(Describe)*	

(USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS, IF NECESSARY)

Total Number or Non-Target Animals (Non-Hares) Captured					
TOWN	WMU	SPECIES	NO. CAPTURED	NO. RELEASED	NO. DECEASED

(USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS, IF NECESSARY)

Number of hares retained by your club for training: _____

Number of hares retained by your club for propagation: _____

Number of hares propagated on club grounds in preceding calendar year: _____

Submitted by: _____ _____
Signature Date

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AQUACULTURE APPLICATION (INLAND)

Name of Applicant: _____ Telephone No.: _____
(Last, First, M.I.)

Mailing Address: _____
(PO Box, City/Town, State and Zip)

Street Address, if different from mailing address: _____

Species to be cultured or possessed under this license: _____

Town where operation is to be located: _____

Location and description of the geographic area where operation is to be located:

_____

_____

_____

Type of Aquaculture Operation:
- ❑ Fee fishing
- ❑ Fishing preserve
- ❑ Hatchery facility
- ❑ Fish for sale
- ❑ Pond stocking
- ❑ Other _____

Type of Facility:
- ❑ Artificial pond or reservoir
- ❑ Natural pond
- ❑ Rearing tanks
- ❑ Other _____
- ❑ If Commercial, do you want your information on our website? ❑ Y or ❑ N

Surface area of lake or pond: _____ Average depth of water body: _____

Length and height of any dam: _____ Location inlets/outlets: _____

Length of brook or stream on applicant's property: _____ **What river system does it empty into:** _____

Who controls the waters and lands bordering waterbody and does applicant hold title or lease the land?

_____

Describe proposed project, including methology:

_____

_____

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____
Subject to the penalties for making unsworn false statements. RSA 641:3

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Fisheries: _____

❑ **Commercial Aquaculture Fee $100.00**

❑ **Non Commercial Aquaculture Fee.....$20.00**

Species Listed on Aquaculture Permit: _____

Special Conditions or Restrictions for Permit: _____

_____

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REGULATED SHOOTING AREA REPORT

_____ *(YEAR)*

Permittee Name: _____ Permit #: _____

Regulated Shooting Area Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Physical Address of Permittee *(if different from mailing):* _____

Phone #:_____ Fax # (Optional): _____

1. LIST THE NUMBER AND SPECIES OF WILDLIFE **IMPORTED** TO THE REGULATED SHOOTING AREA DURING THE PERMIT YEAR			
NUMBER	SPECIES	NUMBER	SPECIES

2. LIST THE NUMBER AND SPECIES OF WILDLIFE **RELEASED** ON TO THE REGULATED SHOOTING AREA DURING THE PERMIT YEAR			
NUMBER	SPECIES	NUMBER	SPECIES

3. LIST THE NUMBER AND SPECIES OF WILDLIFE **TAKEN** FROM TO THE REGULATED SHOOTING AREA DURING THE PERMIT YEAR			
NUMBER	SPECIES	NUMBER	SPECIES

REPORT DUE **JANUARY 30** FOLLOWING THE EXPIRATION DATE OF PERMIT.
SEND TO: ATTN. LAW ENFORCEMENT
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11 HAZEN DRIVE, CONCORD NH 03301

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APPLICATION FOR REGULATED SHOOTING AREA

Fee: $150.00

❑ Initial Application
❑ Renewal Application

Name of Applicant (Last, First, M.I.)

Phone

Fax *(optional)*

Mailing Address Street City State Zip

Street Address *(if different from mailing)*: Street City State Zip

Name/Address of Regulated Shooting Area

Species of Wildlife to be taken on Regulated Shooting Area

Import Permit # *(If Applicable)*

Federal Permit # *(If Applicable)*

I wish to have my name, town in which I live and telephone number on the list for the public: ❑ Yes ❑ No

Applicant's Signature

Date

For Renewal Application:

There have been no changes made to my original application and the Regulated Shooting Area operation is in compliance with all Fish and Game Regulations.

Applicant's Signature

Date

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Required report form due no later than January 30th.

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APPLICATION FOR INDIVIDUAL TRAINING AND SHOOTING PERMIT

Fis 809

- The Individual Training and Shooting permit shall allow an individual person to possess, release and shoot permitted wildlife solely for the purpose of teaching a dog to track, point, flush and/or retrieve game birds. No other activities shall be allowed under this permit.
- An individual training and shooting permit shall be issued only to an individual person for the person's property or for use on another person's property provided written permission has been provided.
- An individual training and shooting permit shall be valid only for the premises described in the application and the permit shall not be transferable or assignable. Applicants may list up to 5 sites.
- The individual training and shooting permit shall not be used as a regulated shooting area permit.
- No more than 3 licensed hunters with firearms shall be utilized on the same parcel of land at any one time.
- No fees shall be charged by the permittee to another individual participating in this regulated activity.
- Each person shooting under an individual training and shooting permit shall have a license under RSA 214:9 unless the person is a resident landowner engaged in the regulated activity on their own property pursuant to RSA 214:2.
- The permittee shall comply with the requirements of possession, except that a separate permit to possess shall not be required.
- During the open season the daily bag limits shall apply. On state owned or managed lands no shooting shall occur during the closed seasons.
- Dog training activities shall not take place in newly planted agricultural fields. A Dog Training Permit shall be required any time dogs are to be trained on native wildlife.

BIRDCAGES AND ENCLOSURES

Importation from an out of state source requires a health certificate and import permit from the NH Department of Agriculture (603-271-3551).

Birdcages shall be of adequate size to allow for normal postural and social adjustments.

- Northern bobwhite quail, 6 weeks or older and other birds of like size shall be provided a cage a maximum of 2 birds per square foot.
- Partridge, 6 weeks or older and other birds of like size, shall be provided a cage with at least a minimum of 10 square feet per bird.
- Ringneck pheasants, 6 weeks or older, and other birds of like size, shall be provided a cage at least a minimum of 20 square feet per bird.

The use of holding pens shall be permitted for northern bobwhite quail, partridge and pheasants for up to 7 days after importation or acquisition of the birds.

Complete attached application and submit to: **N.H. Fish & Game Department, 11 Hazen Drive, Concord NH 03301**. Include $20.00 fee and written landowner permission for each site.

Permits expire on December 31 of the calendar year of issuance unless sooner revoked.

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Fee: $20.00

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_____ _____/_____/_____
Applicant's First Name MI Last Name Date of Birth

_____
Street Address City State Zip

_____
Mailing Address (if different)

Current NH Hunting License No.: _____ Telephone No.: _____

List sites (up to five) where activity will occur. IMPORTANT: Copy of landowner permission must be attached.

#1

_____
Property Owner Address Telephone No.

_____
Site Location Road Town

#2

_____
Property Owner Address Telephone No.

_____
Site Location Road Town

#3

_____
Property Owner Address Telephone No.

_____
Site Location Road Town

#4

_____
Property Owner Address Telephone No.

_____
Site Location Road Town

#5

_____
Property Owner Address Telephone No.

_____
Site Location Road Town

Check species of game birds which will be your possession for this activity:

❑ Ringneck Pheasant ❑ Quail ❑ Chukar Partridge ❑ Mallard

*Importation of game birds from an out-of-state source requires a health certificate and import permit from the N.H. Department of Agriculture (603-271-3551)

Licensee subject to the penalties for making unsworn false statements under RSA 641:3

_____
Applicant's Original Signature Date

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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO EXHIBIT WILDLIFE

Fee: ❑ **$100.00** Fixed-open to public (may also be mobile)
❑ **$50** Mobile Only
❑ **$25** Mobile-open to public 5 or less times a year

❑ **New** ❑ **Renewal**

Name of Applicant (Last, First, M.I.) _____ Phone _____ Fax (optional) _____

Mailing Address _____ Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Street Address *(Physical location if different from mailing address)* _____ Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____ Business Name of Facility _____

WILDLIFE TO BE EXHIBITED

Number of Male	Number of Female	Species

(Use additional pages, if necessary, to list all species.)

Print full name of individuals to be present at all times when wildlife is being exhibited:

_____

Location of permanent facility, if applicable: (Street, City/Town, State, and Zip):

_____

Location(s) of planned exhibits and dates, if applicable:

_____ Date: _____

_____ Date: _____

_____ Date: _____

List of applicable permits:

Federal Exhibitor #: _____ Importation #: _____ Propagation #_____

SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES FOR MAKING UNSWORN FALSE STATEMENTS RSA 641:3.

_____ _____
Applicant's Signature Date

Note: Please include documentation that possessed wildlife has been inspected by a veterinarian for disease, general health and overall condition within the last year pursuant to Fis 810.05 (b).

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CLASS I APPRENTICE REHABILITATION PERMIT APPLICATION

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Wildlife Species you are prepared to rehabilitate *(i.e. small mammals, songbird, raptors, etc.):*

_____

Summary of experience in handling and caring for wildlife:

_____

_____

_____

_____ _____
Applicant's Signature Date

SPONSORING LICENSED CLASS II REHABILITATOR

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

_____ _____
Sponsoring Class II Rehabilitator Signature Date

Pursuant to Fis 812.01(i), the following affidavit must be signed to authorize the rehabilitation of Rabies Vector Species. ("Rabies Vector Species" means raccoons, woodchucks, fox, skunks, or bats.)

INDEMNIFICATION STATEMENT
I hereby agree to indemnify the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department from all losses, injury and damage to persons or property resulting from acts or omissions on my part, and assume full liability and responsibility for myself and my assistants in the care of and contact with Rabies Vector Species (raccoons, woodchucks, fox, skunks and bats).

_____ _____
Signature Date

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CLASS II WILDLIFE REHABILITATION PERMIT APPLICATION

To be eligible for a Class II permit, an applicant must either be a licensed veterinarian, hold a valid wildlife rehabilitator license from another state, or shall submit a letter of support signed by the applicant's Class II sponsor certifying that the applicant has met the 200 hour requirement Fis 812.01(b)(2).

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Location of Proposed Facility: _____

Wildlife species you are prepared to rehabilitate *(i.e. small mammals, songbird, raptors, etc.)*

_____

Summary of experience in handling and caring for wildlife:

_____

_____

_____

_____ _____
Applicant's Signature Date

CONSULTING LICENSED VETERINARIAN

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

_____ _____
Consulting Veterinarian's Signature Date

Proposed location of release site(s) and species to be released:
(Pursuant to Fis 812.02(d) wildlife shall be released into its natural habitat within the State of New Hampshire at a location agreed upon by the executive director or designee assigned to the patrol area where the release is planned.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Pursuant to Fis 812.01(i), the following affidavit must be signed to authorize the rehabilitation of Rabies Vector Species. ("Rabies Vector Species" means raccoons, woodchucks, fox, skunks, or bats.)

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_____ _____
Signature Date

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CLASS I APPRENTICE REHABILITATION PERMIT RENEWAL APPLICATION

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

_____ _____
Applicant's Signature Date

SPONSORING LICENSED CLASS II REHABILITATOR

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

_____ _____
Sponsoring Class II Rehabilitator Signature Date

Pursuant to Fis 812.01(i), the following affidavit must be signed to authorize the rehabilitation of Rabies Vector Species. ("Rabies Vector Species" means raccoons, woodchucks, fox, skunks, or bats.)

INDEMNIFICATION STATEMENT
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_____ _____
Signature Date

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CLASS II WILDLIFE REHABILITATION PERMIT RENEWAL APPLICATION

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Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

_____ _____
Applicant's Signature Date

LICENSED CONSULTING VETERINARIAN

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

_____ _____
Veterinarian's Signature Date

Pursuant to Fis 812.01(i), the following affidavit must be signed to authorize the rehabilitation of Rabies Vector Species. ("Rabies Vector Species" means raccoons, woodchucks, fox, skunks, or bats.)

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_____ _____
Signature Date

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APPLICATION FOR FALCONRY PERMIT

Fee: $50.00

❏ Initial Application
❏ Renewal Application
❏ Amended Application (No Change)

As required by RSA 209-A, application is hereby made for a falconry permit, in accordance with the provisions of said statutes and rules and regulations thereunder adopted by the Executive Director of the Fish and Game Department.

Name of Applicant (Last, First, M.I.)

Date of Birth | Email Address | Telephone #

Mailing Address | Street | City | State | Zip

Class of Permit Requested: ❏ Apprentice ❏ General ❏ Master NH Hunting License #: _____

Species of raptors to be obtained: _____

Method of obtaining raptors: _____

Applicant's Signature | Date

PERMIT SUBJECT TO PENALTIES FOR MAKING UNSWORN FALSE STATEMENT UNDER RSA 641:3

For Apprentice Application

Signature of Parent or Guardian (Applicant under 18 years of age) | Date

Signature of Sponsor | Date

Mailing Address | Street | City | State | Zip

For Nonresident Applicants

Applicants for a nonresident falconry permit must supply the following:

1. Copy of a current falconry permit from state of residence.
2. Copy of a USFWS Migratory Bird Acquisition and Disposition Report, form 3-186A to demonstrate proof the applicant legally possesses raptors.

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For Renewals/Amendments

Total Number of Raptors Possessed: _____

Species	# / Sex / Age (If Known	Source and Date of Acquisition

_____ _____

Applicant's Signature Date

PERMIT SUBJECT TO PENALTIES FOR MAKING UNSWORN FALSE STATEMENT UNDER RSA 641:3

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Falconry Exam: ❑ Pass ❑ Fail Date: _____

Housing: ❑ Approved ❑ Disapproved Date: _____

Equipment: ❑ Approved ❑ Disapproved Date: _____

Signed _____ Date: _____
Falconry Biologist

Falconry License #: _____ Date Issued: _____

Signed _____ Date: _____
Law Enforcement

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Permit #_____
Date Issued_____

APPLICATION FOR FIELD TRIAL PERMIT

RSA 207:13 Fis 814.03

Fee: $9.50

Application must be submitted 30 days prior to event.

All applications must be filled out in a complete, accurate and legible manner or they will be returned.

Bird dog clubs, rabbit dog clubs, retriever dog clubs, fox hound clubs or other hunting dog clubs wishing to conduct a field trial shall first obtain a Field Trial Permit from the Department which includes authorization for the possession and release of pigeons, pen-propagated mallard ducks, ring-necked pheasant, northern bobwhite quail, Hungarian partridge, and chukar partridge.

_____ (_____)_____
Name of applicant representing club — Applicant's telephone number

_____
Applicant's address — City — State — Zip

_____
Mailing address (if different) — City — State — Zip

_____
Name of club or association

_____
Address — City — State — Zip

Type of dogs to be used: ❑ Bird Dogs ❑ Rabbit Dogs ❑ AKC Special Beagle ❑ UKC Coon Dog Night ❑ Other

This field trial is sanctioned by: _____
Name and address of nationally recognized dog registry or association.

Type of activity (such as flushing and retrieving, pointing or trailing) to be performed at the trial:

_____

This trial will be held on the following date(s): _____

Shoot to retrieve field trial? ❑ Yes ❑ No Field trial site on state managed lands? ❑ Yes ❑ No

Location, street address of proposed field trial: _____

Acreage: _____

Landowner for above location:

_____ _____
Landowner's name — Town

_____ _____
Landowner's signature — Date

Check the species of game* to be used in the trial: ❑ Other _____

❑ Ring-necked Pheasant ❑ Quail ❑ Chukar Partridge ❑ Mallard ❑ Hungarian Partridge ❑ Pigeons ❑ Raccoon
❑ American Woodcock ❑ Ruffed Grouse ❑ Eastern Cottontail ❑ Snowshoe Hare ❑ Red Fox ❑ Gray Fox

*Importation of game birds from an out-of-state source requires a health certificate and import permit from the N.H. Department of Agriculture (603-271-3551).

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Applicant's signature — Date

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