

Commercial Fowl Hunting Preserve – Resident & Non-Resident

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Section 9-11-410 LICENSE REQUIRED; RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Any person, firm, or corporation desiring to operate a bird hunting preserve commercially on which artificially propagated birds may be hunted, taken, captured, killed, harvested or otherwise recovered, shall obtain a bird hunting preserve license and comply with the provisions of this article and all rules promulgated by the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources governing the operation of hunting preserves.

Section 9-11-412 FOWL TO BE HUNTED

Game which may be hunted on a preserve licensed under this article shall be artificially propagated or "pen-raised" bob-white quail, pheasants, chukar partridge, and such other species of birds, except for artificially propagated or "pen-raised" turkeys, as the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources shall designate.

Section 9-11-413 LICENSE FEE; APPLICATION PROCEDURES; DISPOSITION OF FEES.

- (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the privilege license fee for operating a hunting preserve shall be twenty-five dollars (\$25) per year for the first 100 acres of hunting preserve area plus five dollars (\$5) per year for each additional 100 acres or part thereof. Upon application to the judge of probate of the county in which the preserve is located and payment of the license fee required in this subsection, and an issuance fee of two dollars (\$2), the judge of probate shall issue a privilege license to operate a hunting preserve to the applicant. Privilege licenses to operate hunting preserves shall be issued on forms prescribed by the Commissioner of Conservation and furnished to the judge of probate. All fees collected by the judge of probate for issuing hunting preserve licenses shall be remitted at the same time and in the same manner that hunting and fishing license fees are remitted and shall be paid into the Game and Fish fund of the state Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- (b) In lieu of the license fee provided for in subsection (a), the operator of a commercial bird hunting preserve may purchase a license which entitles the licensee to operate a commercial bird hunting preserve and exempts the patrons of the preserve from the license requirement of Section 9-11-417. The fee for the license shall be five hundred dollars (\$500), plus a two dollar (\$2) issuance fee. The license shall be issued in the same manner as the license provided for in subsection (a). The license or a copy thereof shall be in the possession of at least one person in each hunting party.

Section 9-11-414 LIMITS ON HARVEST; EXCEPTION OF "PEN-RAISED QUAIL"; HUNTING PERIOD FOR "PEN-RAISED BIRDS."

There shall be no daily commercial limit as to the number of released "pen-raised birds" commercially taken or recovered by patrons under this article. The period during which "pen-raised birds" may be hunted, taken, captured, killed, or otherwise recovered on preserves shall begin on October 1 each year and extend through March 31 of the following calendar year.

Section 9-11-417 HUNTING LICENSES REQUIRED OF PRESERVE PATRONS; SEVEN-DAY LICENSE; OPERATORS AS AGENT VENDORS OF LICENSES.

- (a) Except for patrons hunting artificially propagated or "pen-raised" birds on preserves licensed pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 9-11-413, Alabama hunting licenses shall be required of all persons hunting on licensed hunting preserves. Alabama residents shall be licensed under the regularly established game laws. Each non-resident hunting on a licensed preserve shall be required to possess a regular non-resident annual hunting license or a non-resident trip hunting license.
- (b) In lieu of a regular hunting license as provided in subsection (a), either a resident or a non-resident may purchase a seven-day commercial bird hunting preserve license that allows that person the privilege of hunting only artificially propagated or pen-raised birds as designated by the Commissioner of

Conservation and Natural Resources as legal to hunt on a licensed commercial bird hunting preserve. The cost of a seven-day commercial bird hunting preserve license shall be eight dollars (\$8), plus a two dollar (\$2) issuance fee. The license shall be valid for seven consecutive days from the date of issuance.

- (c) To better serve the public and in order that the state will not lose revenue from the loss of sale of licenses to out-of-state visitors arriving on weekends, each hunting preserve operator licensed pursuant to this article shall be an agent vendor of all non-resident and resident hunting licenses with any issuance fees collected therefor to be remitted to the judge of probate of the county in which the preserve is located.

Section 9-11-418 ENFORCEMENT OF GAME AND FISH LAWS; INSPECTION OF PRESERVES.

Duly authorized agents of the state department of conservation and natural resources, game wardens and other law enforcement officers duly authorized to enforce game and fish laws shall have authority to enforce all game and fish laws and regulations on such preserves; and for such purposes are authorized to enter and inspect licensed hunting preserves.

Section 9-11-419 VIOLATIONS; LICENSE REVOCATION.

Any person, firm or corporation who is found guilty of operating a licensed hunting preserve in violation of any provision of this article, upon conviction, shall have his hunting preserve license revoked forthwith.

Regulation 220-2-.25 IMPORTED GAME BIRDS, GAME ANIMALS AND RAW FURS SUBJECT TO STATE LAWS

- (1) All wildlife, game or fur-bearing animals, game birds, or the dead bodies or parts thereof transported into the State of Alabama from any other state, territory or foreign country for use, consumption, sale or storage in the State of Alabama shall, upon arrival, be subject to the operation and effect of the laws and regulations of the State of Alabama enacted in the exercise of its police powers to the same extent and in the same manner as though such animals or birds had been produced or taken in the State of Alabama.
- (2) The importation of body parts of any member of the family Cervidae, including but not limited to deer, elk, moose and caribou, is prohibited from those states, territories, and foreign countries where the occurrence of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) has been confirmed by either the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Animal Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) or the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA).
- (3) This regulation shall not apply to importation of: meat from the species listed in (2) above that has been completely deboned; cleaned skull plates with attached antlers, if no visible brain or spinal cord tissue is present; raw capes or hides, if no visible brain or spinal cord tissue is present; upper canine teeth, if no root structure or other soft tissue is present; and finished taxidermy products or tanned hides.

Regulation 220-2-.101 HUNTING OF CAPTIVE BRED MALLARD DUCKS ON COMMERCIAL FOWL HUNTING PRESERVES

Captive bred mallard ducks, properly marked in accordance with federal regulations, shall be legal fowl to be hunted on a licensed commercial fowl hunting preserve. Such hunting shall be conducted in accordance with all applicable laws, rules and regulations.