

Scientific Collecting Permits – Resident & Non-Resident

Code of Alabama

www.legislature.state.al.us**Section 9-11-231****PERMITS FOR COLLECTION OF WILD ANIMALS, BIRDS, ETC., FOR SCIENTIFIC PURPOSES, ETC.**

- (a) No person shall at any time collect any protected wild invertebrate or vertebrate species, or their eggs, in this state for propagation or scientific purposes except under the direction, supervision and regulation of the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources, who, on the payment of the applicable fee, may issue propagation or scientific permits annually to properly accredited persons or institutions, as follows:
- (1) An Individual SCP for individuals\$50.00
 - (2) An Educational SCP for professors or teachers, which shall also allow their current students to operate thereunder.....\$10.00
 - (3) An Agency SCP involving more than one individual acting in the name of a firm, corporation, or agency\$100.00
- (b) Any person, firm, association or corporation being or having in possession at any time a protected wild invertebrate or vertebrate species, or their eggs, without a permit as required in this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction therefor, shall be punished by a fine of three times the amount of the applicable permit.
- (c) The permit requirements under this section shall not apply to the Opp Rattlesnake Rodeo.

Regulation 220-2-92 PROTECTED NONGAME SPECIES

This regulation can be viewed and downloaded in the Scientific Collecting Permit section: <http://www.outdooralabama.com/wff-other-commercial-licenses-permits>.

Regulation 220-2-98 INVERTEBRATE SPECIES REGULATION

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Regulation 220-2-232 POSSESSION, SALE, PURCHASE, ETC., OF PROTECTED WILD BIRDS, ETC.

Any person, firm, association, or corporation who takes, catches, kills, or has in possession at any time, living or dead, any protected wild bird not a game bird, or who sells or offers for sale, buys, purchases, or offers to buy or purchase any such bird or exchange same for anything of value, or who shall sell or expose for sale or buy any part of the plumage, skin, or body of any bird protected by the laws of this state, or who shall take or willfully destroy the nests of any wild bird, or who shall have the nests or eggs of the birds in his or her possession, except as otherwise provided by law, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500) for each offense.

Regulation 220-2-233 ENUMERATION OF BIRDS NOT PROTECTED.

English sparrows, crows and starlings are not protected by the game laws of this state and may be killed at any time.

Regulation 220-2-234 HUNTING, ETC., OF PROTECTED BIRDS OR ANIMALS ON STATE OR FEDERAL GAME SANCTUARIES OR REFUGES.

It shall be unlawful for any person to hunt, take, catch or kill or to attempt to hunt, take, catch or kill any bird or animal protected by the game laws or regulations of this state on any land in the

State of Alabama which is designated as a state or federal game sanctuary or refuge. Any violation of this section shall constitute a misdemeanor, and any one convicted for the violation of any of the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$250.00 nor more than \$500.00, the amount of which fine shall be fixed, determined and imposed by the judge of the court presiding at the trial of any case brought under the provisions of this section.

Regulation 220-2-.235 TAKING, ETC., OF PROTECTED BIRDS OR ANIMALS, RACCOONS OR OPOSSUMS AT NIGHT; NIGHTTIME HUNTING OF FOXES WITH DOGS.

It shall be unlawful, except as to trapping as otherwise provided by law, for a person to take, capture, or kill, or attempt to take, capture, or kill any bird or animal protected by the laws of this state between sunset and daylight of the following day, except that the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources may by a duly promulgated regulation, allow the taking, catching, or killing of raccoons and opossums between sunset and daylight in any county or counties within the state. In any county where the taking, catching, or killing of raccoons and opossums is permitted during nighttime hours by regulations of the commissioner, the animals may only be legally taken with the use of a light and/or a shotgun using shot no larger than number eight, and the person or persons so hunting shall be accompanied by a dog or dogs and, if hunting on the lands of another, shall have the written permission of the landowner.

Any person violating this section shall be guilty of a Class B misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished for the first offense by a fine of not less than two thousand dollars (\$2,000) nor more than three thousand dollars (\$3,000) and may be imprisoned in the county jail for a period not to exceed six months. In addition, the court shall revoke all hunting license privileges for a period of three years from the date of conviction.

No provision of this section shall be construed to prohibit the nighttime hunting of foxes with dogs.