

**Commercial Quail Breeder – Resident & Non-Resident**

Code of Alabama

[www.legislature.state.al.us](http://www.legislature.state.al.us)**Section 9-11-340 "PEN-RAISED QUAIL" DEFINED.**

A pen-raised quail is a quail which has been hatched from an egg laid by a quail confined in a pen or coop and has itself been wholly raised in a pen or coop by a duly licensed quail breeder holding a permit as provided by this article from the state Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

**Section 9-11-341 PERSONS, ETC., AUTHORIZED TO ENGAGE IN PROPAGATION, ETC., OF PEN-RAISED QUAIL.**

Any person, firm or corporation may engage in the business of propagating pen-raised quail, commonly known as bobwhite quail, for restocking, propagation and other commercial purposes by complying with the provisions of this article and may thereafter sell either live quail or the carcasses of such pen-raised quail for any purpose, including sale for food, either within or without this state.

**Section 9-11-342 COMMERCIAL QUAIL BREEDER'S LICENSE.**

A commercial quail breeder's license must first be obtained from the state Department of Conservation and Natural Resources or its agents upon payment of \$25.00 for each such license. Said license shall be valid from October 1 to September 30 next following. Such license must bear a number as designated by the state Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and shall be conspicuously exhibited at all times at the place where said quail are bred.

**Section 9-11-344 CARCASSES TO BE MARKED BEFORE SALE; QUAIL TO BE KILLED OTHERWISE THAN BY SHOOTING.**

(a) Before the carcass of a dead pen-raised quail shall be sold, the holder of the commercial quail breeder's license shall plainly mark each such carcass sold with an authorized mark or marker. Any person selling or purchasing the carcass of a pen-raised quail not so marked shall be guilty of a violation of this law.

(b) All pen-raised quail offered for sale or sold for commercial purposes must be killed otherwise than by shooting with firearms.

**Section 9-11-345 INVOICES TO BE ATTACHED TO PACKAGES OF CARCASSES.**

Such pen-raised quail, when dressed and marked as provided in this article, when delivered into the hands and possession of the purchaser, his agent or common carrier or into the hands of a donee and prior to leaving the place of the licensed breeder by whatever method employed, shall have firmly and substantially attached to the package an invoice signed by such licensed breeder or his agent stating the number of the license, the number of quail contained in said package and the name and address of the purchaser, consignee or donee. Such invoice shall authorize transportation within this state, possession and use for 30 days after its date and shall be substantially in the following form:

Name of licensed breeder.

Number of breeder's license,

Date \_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ 2\_\_

Kind and number of quail \_\_\_\_\_

Name of consignee \_\_\_\_\_

Address of consignee \_\_\_\_\_

This authorizes transportation within this state, possession and sale for 30 days after date if attached to package.

By: \_\_\_\_\_ (Breeder) \_\_\_\_\_ (Agent)

**Section 9-11-346      PACKAGES OF CARCASSES TO BE SHIPPED WITH INVOICES ATTACHED.**

When any such package containing a shipment of quail carcasses for which an invoice is required is to be shipped by rail, express or other carrier, public or private, the invoice shall be securely attached thereto or to the package containing the same in plain sight, and the same may then be lawfully carried and delivered within this state to the consignee named in such invoice.

**Section 9-11-347      INVOICES TO BE KEPT ATTACHED TO PACKAGES OF CARCASSES DURING STORAGE.**

If such package or shipment of quail carcasses is kept in storage in any hotel, restaurant, cafe or boardinghouse or elsewhere, such invoice shall be kept attached thereto as aforesaid until the same shall have been prepared for consumption.

**Section 9-11-348      RESALE OR DISPOSITION OF QUAIL BY PERSONS OTHER THAN RETAIL VENDORS.**

In case of the resale or disposition of such quail or any part thereof by any person other than a retail vendor, he shall at such time make an exact copy of such original invoice and endorse thereon the date of his sale, the number of quail carcasses so disposed of and the name of the purchaser and sign and deliver the same to the purchaser or donee, who shall keep it attached as aforesaid until the quail are prepared for consumption, and the same shall have the same force and effect as the original invoice.

**Section 9-11-349      RECORDS OF LICENSEES; INSPECTION OF RECORDS AND PREMISES OF LICENSEES.**

Each person, firm or corporation holding a commercial quail breeder's license shall keep permanent records in a suitable, permanently bound book of all bird carcasses sold, to whom sold, the date of the sale, the address of the vendee or consignee and the number of carcasses sold, which records, as well as the premises of such licensed breeder, shall be subject to examination and inspection by any agent of the state Department of Conservation and Natural Resources or by any peace officer, without the issuance of any warrant, upon displaying his credentials of authority to such breeder.

**Section 9-11-350      ARTICLE APPLICABLE TO PERSONS, ETC., SHIPPING QUAIL INTO STATE.**

Any person, firm or corporation shipping quail into this state shall be subject to the provisions of this article.

**Section 9-11-351      PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS OF PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE.**

Any person, firm or corporation violating any provision of this article shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished as provided by law.