

220-2-.162 Wild Baitfish Regulation

Within the jurisdiction of the Alabama Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, it shall be unlawful to transport any live baitfish, having been caught or harvested from streams, rivers, public lakes or reservoirs in Alabama, away from the waters in which they are caught. For the purposes of this regulation, baitfish are defined as any non-game species of fish or crayfish (Superfamily Astacoidea) that are legal to use as bait for recreational or commercial fishing in Alabama.

This regulation does not prohibit the possession or the use of live baitfish on or within the waters from which they have been caught or harvested. Nor does it prohibit the possession or the use of live baitfish originating from commercial baitfish producers and bait shops.

For purposes of this regulation, refer to 220-2-.42(1) for a description of the Alabama Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries jurisdictional line.

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Statutory Authority: §§ 9-2-7, 9-2-8, and 9-2-12

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Penalty: As provided by law.

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