

## **TURTLE DEALER and/or FARMER**

**Valid: Sept 1 – Aug 31**

**Resident – Non-Resident**

*Alabama Game, Fish and Wildlife Regulation 220-2-.142*

### **PRIVILEGE:**

- Authorizes DEALER to sell, purchase, trade, import or export live turtles or turtle eggs for resale or stocking purposes or who sells, offers for sale, or trades for anything of value legally acquired live turtles.
- Authorizes FARMER to engage in business of propagating legally acquired captive indigenous turtles or eggs for commercial purpose.

### **RESTRICTIONS:**

- Regulation 220-2-92 protects certain species.
- Regulation 220-2-.142 requires annual reports, record keeping, and specific requirements to import/export turtles.

### **COST:**

- No Charge

### **HOW TO PURCHASE YOUR LICENSE:**

- Visit the **Montgomery Office** (See address below)
- Mail a completed application (download at [www.outdooralabama.com/license-information](http://www.outdooralabama.com/license-information)) to:  
Dept. of Conservation, Wildlife & Freshwater Fisheries, Attn: Enforcement:
  - PO Box 301459, Montgomery, AL 36130-1456
  - 64 N Union St., Ste. 559, Montgomery, AL 36104 (overnight/express)

**TURTLE DEALER PERMIT**  
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**Sex:**                  Male  
                             Female

**Wt.**                  \_\_\_\_\_

**Ht.:**                  \_\_\_\_\_

**Eye**                  \_\_\_\_\_

**Hair:**                \_\_\_\_\_

**Race:**              \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: Male  
Female  
 Wt. \_\_\_\_\_  
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If no:

- business name, you will enter a description like: John Smith or Smith Farm, etc.
- Fed ID, you will use SSN.
- Date of Inc., leave blank

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**Section B** (form must be completed and attached to both **Turtle Dealer** and **Turtle Farmer** application)

<i>Exact location of each pond or facility utilized for raising or holding turtles:</i>				
<i>County</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>GPS Coord. (if available)</i>	<i>Scientific Name</i>	<i>Common Name</i>

**(Attach additional sheets if necessary using above format)**

**Electronic form is available – email [dcnr.enforce@dcnr.alabama.gov](mailto:dcnr.enforce@dcnr.alabama.gov)**

## DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES

## WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES DIVISION



## TURTLE FARMER PERMIT

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New Application

Renewal – prior # \_\_\_\_\_

**PRIMARY PERMIT HOLDER:** all information is required.

PRINT OR TYPE ONLY INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETURNED

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Social Security #: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's License # \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Hm \_\_\_\_\_ Wk \_\_\_\_\_ Cl \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and agree to comply as stated below: Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: Male  
Female

Wt. \_\_\_\_\_

Ht.: \_\_\_\_\_

Eyes \_\_\_\_\_

Hair: \_\_\_\_\_

Race: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARTNER (S):** all information required (using this same format, list additional PARTNERS and attach to application)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Ht.: \_\_\_\_\_

Eye \_\_\_\_\_

Hair \_\_\_\_\_

Race: \_\_\_\_\_

**BUSINESS INFORMATION:** (If applicable, all information is required)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fed ID #: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Incorporation: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

If no:  
 -business name, you will enter a description like: John Smith or Smith Farm, etc.  
 -Fed ID, you will use SSN.  
 -Date of Inc., leave blank

Farm Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Ponds: \_\_\_\_\_ Are ponds located at same location as farm? Yes No

If not, give location of each pond: \_\_\_\_\_**APPLICANT MUST COMPLETE SECTION B ON BACK OF APPLICATION**

Submit: (1) completed application, and (2) driver's license copy to: Dept. of Conservation and Natural Resources, Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Div., Attn: Enforcement, PO Box 301459, Montgomery, AL 36130-1459. Questions: (334) 242-3467 or [DCNR.Enforce@dcnr.alabama.gov](mailto:DCNR.Enforce@dcnr.alabama.gov).

I agree to fully comply with Alabama laws and regulations concerning turtles and turtle permit requirements. I understand my facilities and all required records are subject to inspection by Division personnel. Failure to comply with all laws and regulations will result in cancellation of this permit and possible prosecution.

Sign Here

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Check [ ] to be excluded from list sold by DCNR. If blank, you will be included.

Sign Here

Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved / Denied

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

License Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Issued: \_\_\_\_\_

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**WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES DIVISION**  
**LAW ENFORCEMENT SECTION**  
 64 NORTH UNION STREET, SUITE 559  
**MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA 36130-1456**  
 (334) 242-3467  
 FAX (334) 353-1603  
 E-mail dcnr.enforce@dcnr.alabama.gov

Type of Report: ☐ Turtle Dealer ☐ Turtle Farmer ☐ Bill of lading  
 Complete a separate report for each buyer, seller or shipment.

Date of Report/Shipment: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (circle one)

PERMIT HOLDER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PERMIT NUMBER: Turtle Farm: \_\_\_\_\_ Turtle Dealer: \_\_\_\_\_

BUYER/SELLER'S NAME : \_\_\_\_\_ PERMIT/LICENSE NUMBER (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET

STATE

ZIP

Circle One	Date	Origin: State, County, body of water Public/private waters	Qty	Species (Common and Scientific Name)	Value
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(ATTACH ADDITIONAL PAGES IF NECESSARY) White copy: Montgomery Yellow Copy: Buyer/Bill of lading Pink Copy: Farmer/Dealer

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

## *Turtle Dealer / Farmer – Resident & Non-Resident*

Code of Alabama

[www.legislature.state.al.us](http://www.legislature.state.al.us)**Regulation 220-2-.142****TURTLE DEALER/FARMER REGULATION****(1) Definitions:**

- (a) “Division” - Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
  - (b) “Director” - The Director of the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
  - (c) “Turtle Farmer” - Any person, firm, or corporation engaged in the business of propagating legally acquired captive indigenous turtles or turtle eggs for commercial purposes.
  - (d) “Turtle Dealer” - Any person, firm, or corporation who purchases, imports or exports turtles or turtle eggs for resale or stocking purposes or who sells, offers for sale, or trades for anything of value legally acquired live turtles.
- (2)(a) No person shall take, attempt to take, sell or possess any turtle egg or turtle or parts thereof from the wild in this state, to include public and private waters, for commercial purposes, except those turtle farmers who may take nuisance turtles from privately constructed farm ponds for use as breeder turtles only under specially issued permits from the Director or his designee. Turtles taken under the specially issued nuisance permits shall not be sold or bartered. This is not to prohibit the operations of properly permitted “Turtle Farmers” or “Turtle Dealers” as defined in paragraph (1) as long as those turtles are not taken from the wild.
- (b) This is not to prohibit the removal of turtles from a privately constructed farm pond by the landowner or his agent while controlling nuisance animals as long as the turtles are not sold or traded for anything of value.
- (c) Nothing in this regulation prohibits the taking for personal use of up to two legal turtles per day by hand, dip net or hook and line however, no person shall take more than two turtles per day from the wild in this state, to include public and private waters.
- (3)(a) Any person, firm, or corporation engaged in the business of propagating captive turtles or incubating and hatching turtle eggs for restocking, sale, or other commercial purposes must first obtain a turtle farmer’s permit from the Director. Each turtle farmer permittee must agree to meet designated standards for enclosure construction and animal care prior to being permitted. Each permittee will file an annual report on forms provided by the Division prior to renewal of their farmer permit. This report will provide the information required by subsection (c) of this regulation. Any person, firm or corporation engaged in the import, export, sale or trade of live turtles or turtle eggs must first obtain a “Turtle Dealers” permit from the Director or his designee.
- (b) No person, firm or corporation shall import or cause to be imported, any nonindigenous turtle species for the purpose of propagation. Nonindigenous turtle species may not be propagated within the state.
- (c) All turtles imported into or exported out of the state of Alabama for commercial purposes shall be accompanied by a bill of lading which provides the following information: (1) name of person importing/exporting the turtles; (2) permit number of person importing/exporting the turtles; (3) date of shipment; (4) quantity and species of turtles; (5) origin (state and body of water) of shipment; (6) destination of shipment; (7) total value of shipment; and (8) signature of owner/transporter. A copy of the bill of lading shall remain with the shipment and a copy sent to the Division.
- (d) Each turtle farmer report required in this regulation must be filed with the Division prior to renewing their annual permit and must include the following and any other information specified by the Director: (1) permit holder’s name and permit number;
- (2) buyer/seller’s name and address; (3) date of transaction; (4) origin (state) of turtles purchased/sold; (5) quantity and species of turtles purchased/sold; (6) amount received/paid for turtles and; (7) signature of permit holder. The Director or other persons as designated for such purposes shall have the power and authority to inspect and examine the books, records, turtles or facilities of each permit holder.

**220-2-.92 Protected Nongame Species**

- (1) It shall be unlawful to take, capture, kill, or attempt to take, capture or kill; possess, sell, trade for anything of monetary value, or offer to sell or trade for anything of monetary value; or propagate the following nongame wildlife species, any parts or reproductive products of such species, or any hybrids of such species without a scientific collection permit or written permit from the Commissioner, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, which shall specifically state what the permittee may do with regard to said species:

**(a) FISHES**

<b><u>Common Name</u></b>	<b><u>Scientific Name</u></b>
• Cavefish, Alabama	<i>Speoplatyrhinus poulsoni</i>
• Cavefish, Southern	<i>Typhlichthys subterraneus</i>
• Chub, Shoal	<i>Macrhybopsis hyostoma</i>
• Chub, Spotfin	<i>Erimonax monachus</i>
• Darter, Bankhead	<i>Percina sipsi</i>
• Darter, Blotchside	<i>Persina burtoni</i>
• Darter, Bluebreast	<i>Etheostoma camurum</i>
• Darter, Boulder	<i>Etheostoma wapiti</i>
• Darter, Brighteye	<i>Etheostoma lynceum</i>
• Darter, Coldwater	<i>Etheostoma ditrema</i>
• Darter, Crystal	<i>Crystallaria asprella</i>
• Darter, Goldline	<i>Percina aurolineata</i>
• Darter, Halloween	<i>Percina crypta</i>
• Darter, Holiday	<i>Etheostoma brevirostrum</i>
• Darter, Lipstick	<i>Etheostoma chuckwachatte</i>
• Darter, Lollipop	<i>Etheostoma neopteron</i>
• Darter, Rush	<i>Etheostoma phytophilum</i>
• Darter, Scaly Sand	<i>Ammocrypta vivax</i>
• Darter, Slackwater	<i>Etheostoma boschungii</i>
• Darter, Slenderhead	<i>Percina phoxocephala</i>
• Darter, Snail	<i>Percina tanasi</i>
• Darter, Trispot	<i>Etheostoma trisella</i>
• Darter, Tuscumbia	<i>Etheostoma tuscumbia</i>
• Darter, Vermilion	<i>Etheostoma chermocki</i>
• Darter, Watercress	<i>Etheostoma nuchale</i>
• Logperch, Blotchside	<i>Percina burtoni</i>
• Madtom, Frecklebelly	<i>Noturus munitus</i>
• Madtom, Mountain	<i>Noturus eleutherus</i>
• Minnow, Suckermouth	<i>Phenacobius mirabilis</i>
• Sculpin, Pygmy	<i>Cottus paulus</i>
• Shad, Alabama	<i>Alosa alabamiae</i>
• Shiner, Blackmouth	<i>Notropis melanostomus</i>
• Shiner, Blue	<i>Cyprinella caerulea</i>
• Shiner, Bluestripe	<i>Cyprinella callitaenia</i>
• Shiner, Broadstripe	<i>Pteronotropis euryzonus</i>
• Shiner, Cahaba	<i>Notropis cahabae</i>
• Shiner, Dusky	<i>Notropis cummingsae</i>
• Shiner, Ironcolor	<i>Notropis chalybaeus</i>
• Shiner, Palezone	<i>Notropis albizonatus</i>
• Sunfish, Spring Pygmy	<i>Elassoma alabamiae</i>
• Sturgeon, Alabama	<i>Scaphirynchus suttkusi</i>
• Sturgeon, Gulf	<i>Acipenser oxyrinchus desotoi</i>



- Sturgeon, Lake

*Acipenser fulvescens*

(b) **AMPHIBIANS**

<b><u>Common Name</u></b>	<b><u>Scientific Name</u></b>
• Amphiuma, One-toed	<i>Amphiuma pholeter</i>
• Frog, Crawfish	<i>Lithobates areolatus</i>
• Frog, Gopher	<i>Lithobates capito</i>
• Frog, Little Grass	<i>Pseudacris ocularis</i>
• Frog, Mississippi Gopher	<i>Lithobates sevosia</i>
• Frog, River	<i>Lithobates heckscheri</i>
• Frog, Wood	<i>Lithobates sylvaticus</i>
• Hellbender, Eastern	<i>Cryptobranchus sp</i>
• Mudpuppy	<i>Necturus maculosus maculosus</i>
• Salamander, Reticulated Flatwoods	<i>Ambystoma bishopi</i>
• Salamander, Eastern Tiger	<i>Amystoma tigrinum</i>
• Salamander, Green	<i>Aneides aeneus</i>
• Salamander, Red Hills	<i>Phaeognathus hubrichti</i>
• Salamander, Seal	<i>Desmognathus monticola</i>
• Salamander, Seepage	<i>Desmognathus aeneus</i>
• Salamander, Small-mouthed	<i>Ambystoma texanum</i>
• Salamander, Southern Dusky	<i>Desmognathus auriculatus</i>
• Salamander, Southern Red-backed	<i>Plethodon serratus</i>
• Salamander, Tennessee Cave	<i>Gyrinophilus pallescens</i>
• Siren, Reticulated	<i>Siren Reticulata</i>
• Treefrog, Pine Barrens	<i>Hyla andersonii</i>
• Waterdog, Black Warrior	<i>Necturus alabamensis</i>

(c) **REPTILES**

<b><u>Common Name</u></b>	<b><u>Scientific Name</u></b>
• Lizard, Eastern Slender Glass	<i>Ophisaurus attenuates longicaudus</i>
• Lizard, Mimic Glass	<i>Ophisaurus mimicus</i>
• Skink, Coal	<i>Plestiodon anthracinus</i>
• Skink, Southeastern Five-Lined	<i>Plestiodon inexpectatus</i>
• Snake, Pine	<i>Pituophis melanoleucus spp.</i>
• Snake, Eastern Indigo	<i>Drymarchon couperi</i>
• Snake, Eastern Coral	<i>Micrurus fulvius</i>
• Snake, Gulf Salt Marsh	<i>Nerodia fasciata clarkii</i>
• Snake, All Native King	<i>Lampropeltis spp.</i>
• Snake, Rainbow	<i>Farancia erythrogramma</i>
• Snake, Southern Hognose	<i>Heterodon simus</i>
• Terrapin, Diamondback	<i>Malaclemys spp.</i>
• Tortoise, Gopher	<i>Gopherus polyphemus</i>
• Turtle, Alabama Red-bellied	<i>Pseudemys alabamensis</i>
• Turtle, All Map	<i>Graptemys spp.</i>
• Turtle, Flattened Musk	<i>Sternotherus depressus</i>
• Turtle, Alligator Snapping	<i>Macrochelys temminikii</i>
• Turtle, Razor-backed Musk	<i>Sternotherus carinatus</i>

Informational Note: See Section 9-11-269, Code of Alabama 1975, relating to protection of the flattened musk turtle (*Sternotherus depressus*).

(d) **BIRDS**

All nongame birds are protected under the provisions of this regulation except crows, and non-native species including starlings, house sparrows, Eurasian collared doves, rock pigeon; Turtle Dealer/Farmer – Page 10

(e) **MAMMALS**

<b><u>Common Name</u></b>	<b><u>Scientific Name</u></b>
• Bat, Brazilian Free-tailed	<i>Tadarida brasiliensis</i>
• Bat, Eastern Small-footed Myotis	<i>Myotis myotis leibii</i>
• Bat, Gray Myotis	<i>Myotis grisescens</i>
• Bat, Indiana	<i>Myotis sodalis</i>
• Bat, Little Brown	<i>Myotis lucifugus</i>
• Bat, Northern Long-eared	<i>Myotis septentrionalis</i>
• Bat, Northern Yellow	<i>Lasiurus intermedius</i>
• Bat, Rafinesque's Big-eared	<i>Corynorhinus rafinesquii</i>
• Bat, Southeastern	<i>Myotis austroriparius</i>
• Bat, Tricolored	<i>Perimyotis subflavus</i>
• Gopher, Southeastern Pocket	<i>Geomys pinetis</i>
• Manatee, West Indian	<i>Trichechus manatus</i>
• Mouse, Alabama Beach	<i>Peromyscus polionotus</i> <i>ammobates</i>
• Mouse, Meadow Jumping	<i>Zapus hudsonius</i>
• Mouse, Perdido Key Beach	<i>Peromyscus polionotus</i> <i>trissylepsis</i>
• Shrew, Pygmy	<i>Sorex hoyi</i>
• Shrew, Smoky	<i>Sorex fumeus</i>
• Cottontail, Appalachian	<i>Sylvilagus obscurus</i>
• Rabbit, Marsh	<i>Sylvilagus palustris</i>
• Skunk, Spotted	<i>Spilogale putorius</i>
• Weasel, Long-tailed	<i>Neogale frenata</i>
• Woodrat, Allegheny	<i>Neotoma magister</i>

(f) Other State or Federally protected nongame species.

- (2) It shall be unlawful for any person to take, capture, kill or possess any bullfrog (*Lithobates catesbeianus*) or pig frog (*Lithobates grylio*) from the public waters of this state for commercial purposes. Furthermore it shall be unlawful for any person to take, capture, kill or possess more than twenty (20) bullfrogs and pig frogs in aggregate from the public waters of this state during any twenty four (24) hour period from 12 noon to the following 12 noon.
- (3) It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, offer for sale or trade anything of value for any Eastern Diamondback Rattlesnake (*Crotalus adamanteus*), hybrid, or any parts, or possess alive any Eastern Diamondback Rattlesnake or hybrid without a permit from the Commissioner. Nothing herein is intended to prevent the relocation of live Eastern Diamondback Rattlesnakes (*Crotalus adamanteus*) to suitable native habitat within the county of capture when conducted in the same day as capture and with landowner permission.
- (4) It shall be unlawful to possess more than one (1) box turtle or to offer for sale, sell, or trade for anything of value any box turtle (*Terrapene* spp.), box turtle part, or reproductive product except by permit as outlined in paragraph (1).