

## **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)*

DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES DIVISION



**TURTLE DEALER PERMIT**  
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New Application  
Renewal – prior # \_\_\_\_\_

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

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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.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Eye \_\_\_\_\_  
Hair: \_\_\_\_\_  
Race: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARTNER #1:** all information required (using this same format, list additional PARTNERS and attach to application)

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

**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@dnr.alabama.gov](mailto:DCNR.Enforce@dnr.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.



Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
A^A excluded from list sold by DCNR. If blank, you will be included.



Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_   Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Approved / Denied

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

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

**DCNR IS NOW REQUIRED BY SECTION 30-3-194(A) CODE OF ALABAMA 1975 TO COLLECT SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS ON ALL RECREATIONAL LICENSES BEING ISSUED/RENEWED.**



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-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: \_\_\_\_\_

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Code of Alabama

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### **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, the following nongame wildlife species (or any parts or reproductive products 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 alabamae</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 alabamae</i>             |
| • Sturgeon, Alabama       | <i>Scaphirynchus suttkusi</i>        |
| • Sturgeon, Gulf          | <i>Acipenser oxyrhynchus desotoi</i> |
| • Sturgeon, Lake          | <i>Acipenser fulvescens</i>          |

**(b) AMPHIBIANS**



**Common Name**

- Amphiuma, One-toed
- Frog, Gopher
- Frog, Mississippi Gopher
- Frog, River
- Frog, Wood
- Hellbender, Eastern
- Salamander, Reticulated Flatwoods
- Salamander, Eastern Tiger
- Salamander, Green
- Salamander, Red Hills
- Salamander, Seal
- Salamander, Seepage
- Salamander, Small-mouthed
- Salamander, Southern Dusky
- Salamander, Southern Red-backed
- Salamander, Tennessee Cave
- Treefrog, Pine Barrens
- Waterdog, Black Warrior

**Scientific Name**

*Amphiuma pholeter*  
*Lithobates capito*  
*Lithobates sevosa*  
*Lithobates heckscheri*  
*Lithobates sylvaticus*  
*Cryptobranchus sp*  
*Ambystoma bishopi*  
*Amystoma tigrinum*  
*Aneides aeneus*  
*Phaeognathus hubrichti*  
*Desmognathus monticola*  
*Desmognathus aeneus*  
*Ambystoma texanum*  
*Desmognathus auriculatus*  
*Plethodon serratus*  
*Gyrinophilus palleucus*  
*Hyla andersonii*  
*Necturus alabamensis*

**(c) REPTILES****Common Name**

- Lizard, Eastern Slender Glass
- Lizard, Mimic Glass
- Skink, Coal
- Skink, Southeastern Five-Lined
- Snake, Pine
- Snake, Eastern Indigo
- Snake, Eastern King
- Snake, Eastern Coral
- Snake, Gulf Salt Marsh
- Snake, Prairie King
- Snake, Rainbow
- Snake, Black Speckled King
- Snake, Southern Hognose
- Terrapin, Diamondback
- Tortoise, Gopher
- Turtle, Alabama Red-bellied
- Turtle, All Map
- Turtle, Flattened Musk
- Turtle, Alligator Snapping
- Turtle, Razor-backed Musk

**Scientific Name**

*Ophisaurus attenuates longicaudus*  
*Ophisaurus mimicus*  
*Plestiodon anthracinus*  
*Plestiodon inexpectatus*  
*Pituophis melanoleucus spp.*  
*Drymarchon couperi*  
*Lampropeltis getula getula*  
*Micrurus fulvius*  
*Nerodia fasciata clarkii*  
*Lampropeltis calligaster*  
*calligaster*  
*Farancia erythrogramma*  
*Lampropeltis nigra*  
*Heterodon simus*  
*Malaclemys spp.*  
*Gopherus polyphemus*  
*Pseudemys alabamensis*  
*Graptemys spp.*  
*Sternotherus depressus*  
*Macrochelys temminikii*  
*Sternotherus carinatus*

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, starlings, English sparrows, Eurasian collared doves, pigeons, and other non-native species

**(e) MAMMALS****Common Name**

- Bat, Brazilian Free-tailed
- Bat, Eastern Small-footed Myotis
- Bat, Gray Myotis

**Scientific Name**

*Tadarida brasiliensis*  
*Myotis myotis leibii*  
*Myotis grisescens*

- Bat, Indiana *Myotis sodalis*
- Bat, Little Brown *Myotis lucifugus*
- Bat, Northern Long-eared *Myotis septentrionalis*
- Bat, Northern Yellow *Lasiurus intermedius*
- Bat, Rafinesque's Big-eared *Corynorhinus rafinesquii*
- Bat, Southeastern *Myotis austroriparius*
- Bat, Tricolored *Perimyotis subflavus*
- Gopher, Southeastern Pocket *Geomys pinetis*
- Manatee, West Indian *Trichechus manatus*
- Mouse, Alabama Beach *Peromyscus polionotus*  
*ammobates*
- Mouse, Meadow Jumping *Zapus hudsonius*
- Mouse, Perdido Key Beach *Peromyscus polionotus*  
*trissylepsis*
- Shrew, Pygmy *Sorex hoyi*
- Shrew, Smoky *Sorex fumeus*
- Cottontail, Appalachian *Sylvilagus obscurus*
- Rabbit, Marsh *Sylvilagus palustris*
- Skunk, Spotted *Spilogale putorius*
- Weasel, Long-tailed *Mustela frenata*
- Allegheny, Woodrat *Neotoma magister*

(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 or possess alive any Eastern Diamondback Rattlesnake (*Crotalus adamanteus*) without a permit from the Commissioner. Nothing herein is intended to prevent the relocation of live Eastern Diamondback Rattlesnakes to suitable habitat when conducted in the same day as capture and with landowner permission.