

## Agency 115

# Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism

### **Editor's Note:**

The Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks was renamed the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism (KDWP) by Executive Reorganization Order (ERO) No. 36. ERO No. 36 also transferred the powers, duties, and functions of the Division of Travel and Tourism Development within the Department of Commerce to the KDWP. See L. 2012, Ch. 47.

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The Department of Wildlife and Parks formerly used agency numbers 23 and 33, and currently uses agency number 115. See K.S.A. 32-801 through 32-806.

Article 25 in Agency 115 fixes the seasons and establishes creel, size and possession limits for fish, and bag limits and possession limits for game birds, game and fur-bearing animals as authorized by K.S.A. 77-415. Copies of the regulations may be obtained from the Department's website, [www.kdwp.state.ks.us](http://www.kdwp.state.ks.us) or by contacting the Department: Secretary of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism, 1020 S. Kansas Ave, Suite 200, Topeka, KS 66612.

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### **Article 1.—DEFINITIONS**

**115-1-1. Definitions.** (a) Except as specified in subsection (b), the following definitions shall apply to all of the department's regulations.

(1) "Arrow" means a missile shot from a bow or a crossbow.

(2) "Artificial lure" means a man-made fish-catching device used to mimic a single prey item. Artificial lures may be constructed of natural, non-edible, or synthetic materials. Multiple hooks, if present, shall be counted as a single hook on an artificial lure.

(3) "Bag limit" means the maximum number of

any species, except fish and frogs, that may be taken by a person in a calendar day.

(4) "Bait fish" means a member of the minnow or carp family (*Cyprinidae*), sucker family (*Catostomidae*), top minnows or killifish family (*Cyprinodontidae*), shad family (*Clupeidae*), and sunfish family (*Centrarchidae*), but excluding black basses and crappie. The fish listed in K.A.R. 115-15-1 and in K.A.R. 115-15-2 shall not be considered as bait fish.

(5) "Bird dog" means a dog used to point, flush, or retrieve game birds, migratory birds, or both.

(6) "Bow" means a handheld device with a cord

that connects both of its two ends and that is designed to propel an arrow. This term shall include long, recurve, and compound bows.

(7) "Bridle path" means an established, maintained, and marked pathway for the riding of animals.

(8) "Camping" means erecting a shelter or arranging bedding, or both, or parking a recreation vehicle or other vehicle for the purpose of remaining overnight.

(9) "Camping unit" means any vehicle or shelter specifically used for sleeping upon a portion of department lands or waters.

(10) "Cast net" means a circular or conical weighted net designed to be cast mouth-downward by hand and withdrawn by lines attached to its margin.

(11) "Creel limit" means the maximum total number of any species of fish or frogs that may be taken by a person in a calendar day.

(12) "Crossbow" means a transverse-mounted bow with a cord that connects the two ends and that is designed to propel an arrow, including compound crossbows. The arrow is released by a mechanical trigger.

(13) "Culling" means replacing one live fish held by an angler for another live fish of the same species if the daily creel limit for that species of fish has not been met.

(14) "Department lands and waters" means state parks, state lakes, recreational grounds, wildlife areas, sanctuaries, fish hatcheries, natural areas, historic sites, and other lands, waters, and facilities that are under the jurisdiction and control of the secretary through ownership, lease, license, cooperative agreement, memorandum of understanding, or other arrangement.

(15) "Depth finder" means an electronic device used to locate fish or determine underwater structures.

(16) "Dip net" means a handheld net that has rigid support about the mouth and is used to land fish.

(17) "Draft livestock" means horses, mules, donkeys, and oxen used singly or in tandem with other horses, mules, donkeys, and oxen for pulling purposes.

(18) "Drag event" means a competitive event in which hounds pursue a scent trail. The event may involve a caged, pen-raised furbearer that is not released from the cage during the event.

(19) "Dryland set" means any trapping device

that is placed or set on land or is not in contact with water.

(20) "Eyass" means a young of the year raptor not yet capable of flight.

(21) "Falconer" means the holder of a falconry permit.

(22) "Falconry" means the taking of wildlife with a trained raptor.

(23) "Field trial event for dogs" means a competitive event involving at least six dogs that are judged on hunting or running ability.

(24) "Firearm" means a rimfire or centerfire rifle, handgun, or shotgun; a muzzleloading shotgun, rifle, or handgun; or a cap-and-ball pistol.

(25) "Fire ring" means an open-topped, man-made, fire-retaining device.

(26) "Fireplace" means an enclosed, man-made, fire-retaining device.

(27) "Fishing line" means any hand-operated string or cord, utilizing hooks that may be used in conjunction with rods, poles, reels, bows, or spearguns.

(28) "Fish trap" means a device for catching fish consisting of a net or other structure that diverts the fish into an enclosure arranged to make escape more difficult than entry.

(29) "Fully automatic firearm" means a firearm capable of firing more than one round with a single trigger pull.

(30) "Gaff" means a hook attached to a rigid pole.

(31) "Gig" means a hand-operated spear with one or more prongs with or without barbs.

(32) "Group camping area" means any area within a state park designated by posted notice for camping by organized groups.

(33) "Haggard" means an adult raptor in mature plumage.

(34) "Hook" means a device with a single shaft and one or more points with or without barbs, used for catching fish and frogs.

(35) "Imping" means the repair of damaged feathers.

(36) "Kill site" means the location of the wildlife carcass as positioned in the field immediately after being harvested.

(37) "Length limit" means the minimum length of a fish allowed in order to take it and not release it to the waters immediately. For the purpose of this paragraph, the length of the fish shall be measured from the tip of the snout to the end of the tail, with the mouth closed and the tail lobes pressed together.

(38) "Moorage site" means a location designated for the fastening or securing of a vessel.

(39) "Nonsport fish" means carp, drum, white amur, threadfin and gizzard shad, goldfish, gar, suckers including carsuckers and buffalo, eel, sturgeon, goldeye, white perch, and bowfin.

(40) "Orthopedic device" means a device that attaches to the body and is required to enable a handicapped person to walk.

(41) "Overflow camping area" means an area in a state park that is separate from the designated overnight camping area and that may be used for a maximum of 24 continuous hours of camping if no alternative camping facilities are available within reasonable driving distances.

(42) "Passage" means an immature raptor on first fall migration still in immature plumage.

(43) "Pen-raised wildlife" means any wildlife raised in captivity.

(44) "Pets" means domesticated wildlife, including dogs and cats.

(45) "Possession limit" means the maximum total number of a species that can be retained per person at any one time.

(46) "Prime camping site" means any site within a state park so designated by posted notice of the secretary and subject to an additional charge.

(47) "Raptors" means members of the order Falconiformes or Strigiformes and specifically falcons, hawks, and owls.

(48) "Raw pelt" means the undressed skin of an animal with its hair, wool, or fur in its natural state, without having undergone any chemical preservation converting the skin to a leather condition.

(49) "Recreational vehicle" means a vehicle or trailer unit that contains sleeping or housekeeping accommodations, or both.

(50) "Running" means the pursuing or chasing of furbearers or rabbits with hounds. This term shall not include the capturing, killing, injuring, or possessing of furbearers or rabbits, or having a firearm or other weapon in possession while running, except during established furbearer or rabbit hunting seasons.

(51) "Sanctioned or licensed coyote field trial" means a competitive event that involves only sight or trail hounds and that has been advertised in one of the national foxhound journals at least 30 days before the event.

(52) "Sanctioned or licensed furbearer field trial" means a competitive event in which dogs pursue unrestrained furbearers and that is sanc-

tioned or licensed by any of the national kennel or field dog organizations for the express purpose of improving the quality of the breed through the awarding of points or credits toward specific class championships or other national recognition.

(53) "Seine" means a net with a float line and lead line designed to be pulled through the water for the purpose of catching fish.

(54) "Set line" means a string or cord that is anchored at one point, does not have more than two hooks, and is not associated with a hand-operated mechanical reel.

(55) "Sight hound" means a dog used to pursue furbearers, rabbits, hares, or coyotes by sight.

(56) "Skin and scuba diving" means swimming or diving while equipped with a face mask or goggles, allowing underwater vision and possibly involving an underwater breathing apparatus.

(57) "Snagging" means the hooking of a fish in any part of its anatomy other than the inside of the mouth.

(58) "Speargun" means a device used to propel a spear through the water by mechanical means or compressed gas.

(59) "Sport fish" means northern pike, walleye, saugeye, sauger, yellow perch, striped bass, white bass, black bass including largemouth, spotted, and smallmouth bass, striped bass hybrid, trout, muskellunge, tiger muskie, channel catfish, blue catfish, flathead catfish, paddlefish, and panfish including bullhead, black and white crappie, bluegill, redear sunfish, green sunfish, warmouth, and rock bass.

(60) "State fishing lake" means a department facility that contains the words "state fishing lake" in the name of the area.

(61) "Tip-up" means an ice fishing device designed to signal the strike of a fish.

(62) "Trail hound" means a dog used to trail furbearers, rabbits, hares, or coyotes by scent.

(63) "Transfer" means any of the following:

(A) To reassign one's license, permit, or other issue of the department to another individual;

(B) to exchange any license, permit, or other issue of the department between individuals; or

(C) to carry another individual's license, permit, or other issue of the department when that individual is not present.

(64) "Trot line" means a string or cord anchored at one or more points that does not have more than 25 hooks and is not associated with a hand-operated mechanical reel.

(65) "Turkey" means wild turkey.

(66) "Unattended fishing line" means any fishing line set to catch fish that is not marked or tagged as required by K.A.R. 115-7-2 or K.A.R. 115-17-11 and not immediately attended by the operator of the fishing line.

(67) "Wake" means the waves thrown by a vessel moving on water.

(68) "Water race" means a competitive event in which hounds pursue a scent device or a caged, pen-raised furbearer through water. The furbearer is not released during the event.

(69) "Water set" means any trapping device that has the gripping portion at least half-submerged when placed or set in flowing or pooled water and remains at least half-submerged in contact with the flowing or pooled water.

(b) Exceptions to the definitions in this regulation shall include the following:

(1) The context requires a different definition.

(2) The defined term is specifically defined differently within the department's other regulations. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807, as amended by L. 2012, Ch. 47, Sec. 25; effective Dec. 26, 1989; amended June 8, 1992; amended Sept. 19, 1997; amended Nov. 21, 2003; amended July 22, 2011; amended Nov. 26, 2012.)

**Article 2.—FEES, REGISTRATIONS AND OTHER CHARGES**

**115-2-1. Amount of fees.** The following fees shall be in effect for the following licenses, permits, and other issues of the department: (a) Hunting licenses and permits.

Resident hunting license .....	\$18.00
Resident senior hunting license (annual purchase, 65 years of age through 74 years of age) .....	9.00
Resident hunting license (one-time purchase, valid from 16 years of age through 20 years of age) ....	40.00
Nonresident hunting license .....	70.00
Nonresident junior hunting license (under 16 years of age) .....	35.00
Resident big game hunting permit:	
General resident: either-sex elk permit .....	250.00
General resident: antlerless-only elk permit .....	100.00
General resident youth (under 16 years of age): either-sex elk permit .....	125.00
General resident youth (under 16 years of age): antlerless-only elk permit .....	50.00
Landowner/tenant: either-sex elk permit .....	125.00
Landowner/tenant: antlerless-only elk permit ....	50.00
Hunt-on-your-own-land: either-sex elk permit ....	125.00
Hunt-on-your-own-land: antlerless-only elk permit	50.00
General resident: deer permit .....	30.00
General resident youth (under 16 years of age): deer permit .....	10.00
General resident: antlerless-only deer permit ....	15.00

General resident youth (under 16 years of age): antlerless-only deer permit .....	7.50
Landowner/tenant: deer permit .....	15.00
Hunt-on-your-own-land: deer permit .....	15.00
Special hunt-on-your-own-land: deer permit .....	30.00
General resident: antelope permit .....	40.00
General resident youth (under 16 years of age): antelope permit .....	10.00
Landowner/tenant: antelope permit .....	20.00
Hunt-on-your-own-land: antelope permit .....	20.00
Antelope preference point service charge .....	5.00
Any-deer preference point service charge .....	5.00
Application fee for elk permit .....	5.00
Wild turkey permit:	
General resident: turkey permit (1-bird limit) ....	20.00
General resident youth (under 16 years of age): turkey permit (1-bird limit) .....	5.00
Landowner/tenant: turkey permit (1-bird limit) ..	10.00
Nonresident: turkey permit (1-bird limit) .....	30.00
Nonresident youth (under 16 years of age): turkey permit (1-bird limit) .....	10.00
Resident: turkey preference point service charge	5.00
Wild turkey game tag:	
Resident: turkey game tag (1-bird limit)	10.00
Resident youth (under 16 years of age): turkey game tag (1-bird limit) .....	5.00
Nonresident: turkey game tag (1-bird limit) .....	20.00
Nonresident youth (under 16 years of age): turkey game tag (1-bird limit) .....	10.00
Spring wild turkey permit and game tag combination (2-bird limit, must be purchased before April 1 of year of use):	
General resident: turkey permit and game tag combination (2-bird limit) .....	25.00
General resident youth (under 16 years of age): turkey permit and game tag combination (2-bird limit) .....	10.00
Landowner/tenant: turkey permit and game tag combination (2-bird limit) .....	15.00
Nonresident: turkey permit and game tag combination (2-bird limit) .....	45.00
Nonresident youth (under 16 years of age): turkey permit and game tag combination (2-bird limit)	20.00
Nonresident big game hunting permit:	
Nonresident hunt-on-your-own-land: deer permit	75.00
Nonresident: deer permit (antlered deer) .....	300.00
Nonresident youth (under 16 years of age): deer permit (antlered deer) .....	75.00
Nonresident: deer permit (antlerless only) .....	50.00
Nonresident: combination 2-deer permit (antlered deer and antlerless white-tailed deer) .....	315.00
Nonresident youth (under 16 years of age): combination 2-deer permit (antlered deer and antlerless white-tailed deer) .....	90.00
Nonresident: antelope permit (archery only) .....	200.00
Nonresident youth (under 16 years of age): antelope (archery only) .....	100.00
Nonresident: deer permit application fee .....	20.00
Nonresident: mule deer stamp .....	100.00
48-hour waterfowl hunting permit .....	25.00
Field trial permit: game birds .....	20.00
Lifetime hunting license .....	440.00
or eight quarterly installment payments of .....	60.00
Migratory waterfowl habitat stamp .....	5.00

Special dark goose hunting permit .....	5.00	Commercial prairie rattlesnake harvest permit (with-	
Sandhill crane hunting permit: validation fee .....	5.00	out a valid Kansas hunting license) .....	20.00
Disabled person hunt-from-a-vehicle permit .....	0	Commercial prairie rattlesnake harvest permit (with	
		a valid Kansas hunting license or exempt from this	
(b) Fishing licenses and permits.		license requirement) .....	5.00
Resident fishing license .....	18.00	Commercial prairie rattlesnake dealer permit .....	50.00
Resident senior fishing license (annual purchase, 65		Prairie rattlesnake round-up event permit .....	25.00
years of age through 74 years of age) .....	9.00	(f) Collection, scientific, importation, rehabili-	
Resident fishing license (one-time purchase, valid		tation, and damage-control permits.	
from 16 years of age through 20 years of age) ....	40.00	Scientific, educational, or exhibition permit .....	10.00
Nonresident fishing license .....	40.00	Raptor propagation permit .....	0
24-hour fishing license .....	3.00	Rehabilitation permit .....	0
Three-pole permit .....	4.00	Wildlife damage-control permit .....	0
Tournament bass pass .....	10.00	Wildlife importation permit .....	10.00
Paddlefish permit (six carcass tags) .....	10.00	Threatened or endangered species: special permits	0
Paddlefish permit youth (under 16 years of age) (six		(g) Falconry.	
carcass tags) .....	5.00	Apprentice permit .....	75.00
Hand fishing permit .....	25.00	General permit .....	75.00
Lifetime fishing license .....	440.00	Master permit .....	75.00
or eight quarterly installment payments of .....	60.00	Testing fee .....	50.00
Five-day nonresident fishing license .....	20.00	(h) Miscellaneous fees.	
Institutional group fishing license .....	100.00	Duplicate license, permit, stamp, and other issues of	
Special nonprofit group fishing license .....	50.00	the department .....	10.00
Trout permit .....	10.00	Special departmental services, materials, or supplies	At cost
(c) Combination hunting and fishing licenses		Vendor bond	
and permits.		For bond amounts of \$5,000.00 and less .....	50.00
Resident combination hunting and fishing license ..	36.00	For bond amounts of more than \$5,000.00 .....	50.00
Resident senior combination hunting and fishing li-		plus \$6.00 per additional \$1,000.00 coverage or any	
cence (annual purchase, 65 years of age through 74		fraction thereof.	
years of age) .....	18.00	This regulation shall be effective on and after	
Resident combination hunting and fishing license		January 1, 2015. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2013	
(one-time purchase, valid from 16 years of age		Supp. 32-807 and K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 32-988; im-	
through 20 years of age) .....	70.00	plementing K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 32-807, K.S.A.	
Resident lifetime combination hunting and fishing li-		2013 Supp. 32-988, and K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 32-	
cence .....	880.00	9,100; effective Dec. 4, 1989; amended Sept. 10,	
or eight quarterly installment payments of .....	120.00	1990; amended Jan. 1, 1991; amended June 8,	
Resident senior lifetime combination hunting and		1992; amended Oct. 12, 1992; amended April 11,	
fishing license (one-time purchase, valid 65 years		1994; amended Aug. 29, 1994; amended June 5,	
of age and older) .....	40.00	1995; amended Aug. 21, 1995; amended Feb. 28,	
Nonresident combination hunting and fishing license	110.00	1997; amended July 30, 1999; amended Jan. 2,	
(d) Furharvester licenses.		2002; amended Jan. 1, 2003; amended Jan. 1,	
Resident furharvester license .....	18.00	2004; amended Feb. 18, 2005; amended Jan. 1,	
Resident junior furharvester license .....	10.00	2006; amended May 1, 2006; amended Jan. 1,	
Lifetime furharvester license .....	440.00	2007; amended Jan. 1, 2008; amended Jan. 1,	
or eight quarterly installment payments of .....	60.00	2009; amended Jan. 1, 2010; amended Aug. 1,	
Nonresident furharvester license .....	250.00	2010; amended Jan. 1, 2011; amended Jan. 1,	
Nonresident bobcat permit (1-bobcat limit per per-		2013; amended April 19, 2013; amended Nov. 15,	
mit) .....	100.00	2013; amended Jan. 1, 2015.)	
Resident fur dealer license .....	100.00	<b>115-2-2. Motor vehicle permit fees.</b> (a)	
Nonresident fur dealer license .....	400.00	The following motor vehicle permit fees shall be	
Field trial permit: furbearing animals .....	20.00	in effect for state parks and for other areas re-	
(e) Commercial licenses and permits.		quiring a motor vehicle permit:	
Controlled shooting area hunting license .....	15.00	Daily motor vehicle permit .....	\$3.50
Resident mussel fishing license .....	75.00	Senior or disabled daily motor vehicle permit .....	1.75
Nonresident mussel fishing license .....	1,000.00		
Mussel dealer permit .....	200.00		
Missouri river fishing permit .....	25.00		
Game breeder permit .....	10.00		
Controlled shooting area operator license .....	200.00		
Commercial dog training permit .....	20.00		
Commercial fish bait permit .....	20.00		

Annual motor vehicle permit .....	22.50
Senior or disabled annual motor vehicle permit .....	11.25
Easy pass annual motor vehicle permit .....	15.00

(b) Each daily motor vehicle permit shall expire at 2:00 p.m. on the day following its effective date.

(c) Annual motor vehicle permits shall not be valid during designated special events.

This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2013. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 8-134, as amended by L. 2012, Ch. 164, Sec. 1, K.S.A. 32-807, as amended by L. 2012, Ch. 47, Sec. 25, and K.S.A. 32-901, as amended by L. 2012, Ch. 164, Sec. 2; effective Jan. 22, 1990; amended Oct. 12, 1992; amended Aug. 21, 1995; amended Jan. 1, 2001; amended Jan. 1, 2003; amended Jan. 1, 2005; amended Jan. 1, 2007; amended April 8, 2011; amended Jan. 1, 2012; amended Jan. 1, 2013.)

**115-2-3. Camping, utility, and other fees.** (a) Each overnight camping permit shall be valid only for the state park for which it is purchased and shall expire at 2:00 p.m. on the day following its effective date.

(b) Any annual camping permit may be used in any state park for unlimited overnight camping, subject to other laws and regulations of the secretary. This permit shall expire on December 31 of the year for which it is issued.

(c) Any 14-night camping permit may be used in any state park. This permit shall expire when the permit has been used a total of 14 nights, or on December 31 of the year for which it is issued, whichever is first.

(d) Camping permits shall not be transferable.

(e) The fee for a designated prime camping area permit shall be in addition to the overnight, annual, 14-night, or other camping permit fee and shall apply on a nightly basis.

(f) Fees shall be due at the time of campsite occupancy and by noon of any subsequent days of campsite occupancy.

(g) Fees set by this regulation shall be in addition to any required motor vehicle permit fee specified in K.A.R. 115-2-2.

(h) The following fees shall be in effect for state parks and for other designated areas for which camping and utility fees are required:

Camping—per camping unit (April 1 through September 30):	
Annual camping permit .....	\$200.00
Overnight camping permit .....	7.00
14-night camping permit .....	99.00

Prime camping area permit .....	2.00
Camping—per camping unit (October 1 through March 31):	

Annual camping permit .....	150.00
Overnight camping permit .....	6.00
14-night camping permit .....	85.00
Overflow primitive camping permit, per night	5.00

Recreational vehicle seasonal camping permit, except for El Dorado, Milford, Sand Hills, and Tuttle Creek State Parks (includes utilities)—per month, per unit (annual camping permit and annual vehicle permit required):

One utility .....	270.50
Two utilities .....	330.50
Three utilities .....	390.50

Recreational vehicle seasonal camping permit for El Dorado, Milford, Sand Hills, and Tuttle Creek State Parks (includes utilities)—per month, per unit (annual camping permit and annual vehicle permit required):

One utility .....	310.50
Two utilities .....	370.50
Three utilities .....	430.50

Recreational vehicle short-term parking—per month .....

Utilities—electricity, water, and sewer hookup per night, per unit:

One utility .....	9.00
Two utilities .....	11.00
Three utilities .....	12.00

Youth group camping permit in designated areas, per camping unit—per night .....

Group camping permit in designated areas, per person—per night .....

Reservation fee, per reservation (camping, special use, or day use) .....

Rent-a-camp: equipment rental per camping unit—per night .....

Duplicate permit .....

Special event permit negotiated based on event type, required services, and lost revenue—maximum .....

This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2015. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 32-807 and 32-988; effective Jan. 22, 1990; amended Jan. 28, 1991; amended June 8, 1992; amended Oct. 12, 1992; amended Aug. 21, 1995; amended Sept. 19, 1997; amended Jan. 1, 1999; amended Jan. 1, 2001; amended Jan. 1, 2003; amended Jan. 1, 2005; amended Jan. 1, 2009; amended Jan. 1, 2011; amended April 8, 2011; amended Jan. 1, 2012;

amended May 24, 2013; amended Feb. 7, 2014; amended Jan. 1, 2015.)

**115-2-3a.** This regulation shall be revoked on and after September 15, 2011. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 32-988; effective Jan. 1, 2005; amended Jan. 1, 2007; amended July 25, 2007; amended Jan. 1, 2008; amended May 16, 2008; amended Dec. 1, 2008; amended Nov. 20, 2009; amended Jan. 1, 2011; revoked Sept. 15, 2011.)

#### Article 4.—BIG GAME

##### **115-4-2. Big game and wild turkey; general provisions.** (a) Possession.

(1) Each permittee shall sign, record the county, the date, and the time of kill, and attach the carcass tag to the carcass in a visible manner immediately following the kill and before moving the carcass from the site of the kill. The carcass tag shall remain attached to the carcass or in the possession of the permittee if transporting a quartered or deboned animal until the animal reaches the permittee's residence or a commercial place of processing or preservation and is processed for consumption. The permittee shall retain the carcass tag until the animal is consumed, given to another, or otherwise disposed of.

(2) Except for a wild turkey or big game animal taken with an "either sex" permit, the beard of the wild turkey shall remain naturally attached to the breast or the head of the big game animal shall remain naturally attached to the carcass while in transit from the site of the kill to the permittee's residence or to a commercial place of processing or preservation, unless the carcass has been tagged with a department check station tag, the permittee has obtained a transportation confirmation number after electronically registering the permittee's deer or wild turkey on the department's electronic registration site, or the permittee retains photographs necessary for electronic registration until registration occurs. "Electronically registering" shall mean submitting any necessary and relevant information and digital photographs of the deer head or turkey breast and of the completed carcass tag of sufficient clarity to display the species and the antlered or antlerless condition of the deer, the beard of the wild turkey, and the transaction number and signature on a completed carcass tag.

(3) Any legally acquired big game or wild turkey meat may be given to and possessed by another,

if a dated written notice that includes the donor's printed name, signature, address, and permit number accompanies the meat. The person receiving the meat shall retain the notice until the meat is consumed, given to another, or otherwise disposed of.

(4) Any person may possess a salvaged big game or wild turkey carcass if a department salvage tag issued to the person obtaining the carcass is affixed to the carcass. The salvage tag shall be retained as provided in paragraph (a)(1). Big game or wild turkey meat may be donated as specified in paragraph (a)(3) using the salvage tag number. Each salvage tag report prepared by the department agent issuing the tag shall be signed by the individual receiving the salvaged big game or wild turkey carcass. Each salvage tag shall include the following information:

(A) The name and address of the person to whom the tag is issued;

(B) the salvage tag number;

(C) the species and sex of each animal for which the tag is issued;

(D) the location and the date, time, and cause of death of each animal; and

(E) the date of issuance and the signature of the department agent issuing the salvage tag.

(b) Big game and wild turkey permits and game tags.

(1) Big game and wild turkey permits and game tags shall not be transferred to another person, unless otherwise authorized by law or regulation.

(2) In addition to other penalties prescribed by law, each big game and wild turkey permit or game tag shall be invalid from the date of issuance if obtained by an individual under any of these conditions:

(A) Through false representation;

(B) through misrepresentation; or

(C) in excess of the number of permits or game tags authorized by regulations for that big game species or wild turkey.

(3) No individual shall copy, reproduce, or possess any copy or reproduction of a big game or wild turkey permit or carcass tag.

(c) Hunting assistance. Subject to the hunting license requirements of K.S.A. 32-919 and amendments thereto, the license requirements of the implementing regulations, and the provisions of paragraphs (c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(3), any individual may assist any holder of a big game or wild turkey permit or game tag during the permittee's

big game or wild turkey hunting activity. This assistance may include herding, driving, or calling.

(1) An individual assisting the holder of a big game or wild turkey permit or game tag shall not perform the actual shooting of big game or wild turkey for the permittee, unless authorized by K.A.R. 115-18-15. However, a permittee who is, because of disability, unable to pursue a wounded big game animal or wild turkey may designate any individual to assist in pursuing and dispatching a big game animal or wild turkey wounded by the disabled permittee.

(2) The designated individual shall carry the disabled permittee's big game or wild turkey permit or game tag and shall attach the carcass tag to the carcass immediately after the kill and before leaving the site of the kill.

(3) The designated individual shall use only the type of equipment authorized for use by the disabled permittee. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 32-807, K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 32-937, and K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 32-969; effective June 1, 2001; amended April 22, 2005; amended April 16, 2010; amended April 20, 2012; amended July 18, 2014.)

**115-4-4. Big game; legal equipment and taking methods.** (a) Hunting equipment for the taking of big game during a big game archery season shall consist of the following:

(1) Archery equipment.

(A) No bow shall have a mechanical device that locks the bow at full or partial draw.

(B) No bow or arrow shall have any electronic device attached to the bow or arrow that controls the flight of the arrow. Devices that may be attached to a bow or arrow shall include lighted pin, dot, or holographic sights; illuminated nocks; rangefinders; film or video cameras; and radio-frequency location devices.

(C) Each arrow used for hunting shall be equipped with a broadhead point incapable of passing through a ring with a diameter of three-quarters of an inch when fully expanded. A big game hunter using archery equipment may possess non-broadhead-tipped arrows while hunting if the arrows are not used to take or attempt to take big game animals.

(2) Crossbows and locking draws as authorized under K.A.R. 115-18-7.

(3) Crossbows using arrows that are equipped with broadhead points incapable of passing through a ring with a diameter of three-quarters

of an inch when fully expanded. A big game hunter using crossbow equipment may possess non-broadhead-tipped arrows while hunting if the arrows are not used to take or attempt to take big game animals.

No crossbow or arrow shall have any electronic device attached to the crossbow or arrow that controls the flight of the arrow. Devices that may be attached to a crossbow or arrow shall include lighted pin, dot, or holographic sights; illuminated nocks; rangefinders; film or video cameras; and radio-frequency location devices.

(b) Hunting equipment for the taking of big game during a big game muzzleloader-only season shall consist of the following:

(1) Archery and crossbow equipment as authorized in subsection (a); and

(2) muzzleloading rifles, pistols, and muskets that can be loaded only through the front of the firing chamber with separate components and are .40 inches in diameter bore or larger. Only hard-cast solid lead, conical lead, or sabot bullets shall be used with muzzleloading rifles, pistols, and muskets.

(c) Hunting equipment for the taking of big game during a big game firearm season shall consist of the following:

(1) Archery and crossbow equipment as authorized in subsection (a);

(2) muzzleloader-only season equipment as authorized in subsection (b);

(3) centerfire rifles and handguns that are not fully automatic, while using only hard-cast solid lead, soft point, hollow point, or other expanding bullets; and

(4) shotguns using only slugs.

(d) (1) Each individual hunting deer or elk during a firearms deer or elk season and each individual assisting an individual hunting deer or elk as authorized by K.A.R. 115-4-2 or K.A.R. 115-18-15 during a firearms deer or elk season shall wear outer clothing of a bright orange color commonly referred to as daylight fluorescent orange, hunter orange, blaze orange, or safety orange. This bright orange color shall be worn as follows:

(A) A hat with the exterior of not less than 50 percent of the bright orange color, an equal portion of which is visible from all directions; and

(B) at least 100 square inches of the bright orange color that is on the front of the torso and is visible from the front and at least 100 square inches that is on the rear of the torso and is visible from the rear.

(2) Lures, decoys except live decoys, and non-electric calls shall be legal while hunting big game.

(3) Any individual may use blinds and stands while hunting big game.

(4) Optical scopes or sights that project no visible light toward the target and do not electronically amplify visible light or detect infrared light or thermal energy may be used.

(5) Any range-finding device, if the device does not project visible light toward the target, may be used.

(6) Devices capable of dispensing lethal, debilitating, or immobilizing chemicals to take big game animals shall not be used.

(e) Shooting hours for deer, antelope, and elk during each day of any deer, antelope, or elk hunting season shall be from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

(f) Horses and mules may be used while hunting big game, except that horses and mules shall not be used for herding or driving big game.

(g) Firearm report-suppressing devices may be used.

(h) Handguns may be possessed during all big game seasons. However, no handgun shall be used to take deer except as legal equipment specified in subsection (c) during a big game firearms season.

(i) Dogs may be used to retrieve dead or wounded big game animals if the following requirements are met:

(1) Each dog shall be maintained on a handheld leash at all times while tracking the big game animal.

(2) An individual tracking big game animals outside of legal shooting hours shall not carry any equipment capable of harvesting the big game animal.

(3) Each individual harvesting a big game animal shall be limited to the equipment type for the permit and the season that is authorized.

(4) Each individual participating in the tracking of the big game animal shall have a hunting license, unless the individual is exempt by law or regulation. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 32-807 and K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 32-937; effective June 1, 2001; amended April 19, 2002; amended April 22, 2005; amended June 2, 2006; amended April 13, 2007; amended April 11, 2008; amended May 21, 2010; amended April 20, 2012; amended April 19, 2013; amended Sept. 19, 2014.)

**115-4-4a. Wild turkey; legal equipment and taking methods.** (a) Hunting equipment for the taking of wild turkey during a wild turkey archery season shall consist of the following:

(1) Archery equipment.

(A) No bow shall have a mechanical device that locks the bow at full or partial draw.

(B) No bow or arrow shall have any electronic device attached to the bow or arrow that controls the flight of the arrow. Devices that may be attached to a bow or arrow shall include lighted pin, dot, or holographic sights; illuminated nocks; rangefinders; film or video cameras; and radio-frequency location devices.

(C) Each arrow used for hunting shall be equipped with a broadhead point incapable of passing through a ring with a diameter of three-quarters of an inch when fully expanded. A wild turkey hunter using archery equipment may possess non-broadhead-tipped arrows while hunting if the arrows are not used to take or attempt to take wild turkeys.

(2) Crossbows and locking draws as authorized under K.A.R. 115-18-7.

(3) Crossbows using arrows that are equipped with broadhead points incapable of passing through a ring with a diameter of three-quarters of an inch when fully expanded. A wild turkey hunter using crossbow equipment may possess non-broadhead-tipped arrows while hunting if the arrows are not used to take or attempt to take wild turkeys.

No crossbow or arrow shall have any electronic device attached to the crossbow or arrow that controls the flight of the arrow. Devices that may be attached to a crossbow or arrow shall include lighted pin, dot, or holographic sights; illuminated nocks; rangefinders; film or video cameras; and radio-frequency location devices.

(b) Hunting equipment for the taking of wild turkey during a wild turkey firearm season shall consist of the following:

(1) Archery and crossbow equipment as authorized in subsection (a); and

(2) shotguns and muzzleloading shotguns using only size two shot through size nine shot.

(c) Legal accessory equipment for the taking of wild turkey during any wild turkey season shall consist of the following:

(1) Lures; decoys, except live decoys; and non-electric calls;

(2) blinds and stands;

(3) range-finding devices, if the devices do not project visible light toward the target; and

(4) optical scopes or sights that project no visible light toward the target and do not electronically amplify visible light or detect infrared light or thermal energy.

(d) Shooting hours for wild turkey during each day of any turkey hunting season shall be from one-half hour before sunrise to sunset.

(e) Each individual hunting turkey shall shoot or attempt to shoot a turkey only while the turkey is on the ground or in flight.

(f) Dogs may be used while hunting turkey, but only during the fall turkey season.

(g) Firearm report-suppressing devices may be used.

(h) Handguns may be possessed during all wild turkey seasons. However, no handgun shall be used to take wild turkeys. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807, as amended by L. 2012, Ch. 47, Sec. 25, and K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 32-969; effective April 22, 2005; amended April 13, 2007; amended April 11, 2008; amended May 21, 2010; amended April 20, 2012; amended April 19, 2013.)

**115-4-6. Deer; management units.** Each of the following subsections shall designate a deer management unit: (a) High Plains; unit 1: that part of Kansas bounded by a line from the Nebraska-Kansas state line south on federal highway US-283 to its junction with interstate highway I-70, then west on interstate highway I-70 to the Colorado-Kansas state line, then north along the Colorado-Kansas state line to its junction with the Nebraska-Kansas state line, then east along the Nebraska-Kansas state line to its junction with federal highway US-283, except federal and state sanctuaries.

(b) Smoky Hill; unit 2: that part of Kansas bounded by a line from the Colorado-Kansas state line east on interstate highway I-70 to its junction with state highway K-147, then south on state highway K-147 to its junction with state highway K-4, then west on state highway K-4 to its junction with federal highway US-83, then south on federal highway US-83 to its junction with state highway K-96, then west on state highway K-96 to its junction with the Colorado-Kansas state line, then north along the Colorado-Kansas state line to its junction with interstate highway I-70, except federal and state sanctuaries.

(c) Kirwin-Webster; unit 3: that part of Kansas

bounded by a line from the Nebraska-Kansas state line south on state highway K-8 to its junction with federal highway US-36, then east on federal highway US-36 to its junction with federal highway US-281, then south on federal highway US-281 to its junction with interstate highway I-70, then west on interstate highway I-70 to its junction with federal highway US-283, then north on federal highway US-283 to its junction with the Nebraska-Kansas state line, then east along the Nebraska-Kansas state line to its junction with state highway K-8, except federal and state sanctuaries.

(d) Kanopolis; unit 4: that part of Kansas bounded by a line from the interstate highway I-70 and state highway K-147 junction, then east on interstate highway I-70 to its junction with federal highway US-81, then south on federal highway US-81 to its junction with state highway K-4, then west on state highway K-4 to its junction with state highway K-147, then north on state highway K-147 to its junction with interstate highway I-70, except federal and state sanctuaries.

Smoky Hill Air National Guard Range; subunit 4a. The following described area shall be designated a subunit of unit 4, and, with approval of air national guard command, the area shall be open for the taking of deer during the firearm season: United States government land lying entirely within the boundaries of the Smoky Hill Air National Guard Range. Each person hunting in this subunit during the firearm deer season shall be in possession of any permits and licenses required by the air national guard.

(e) Pawnee; unit 5: that part of Kansas bounded by a line from the state highway K-4 and state highway K-14 junction, then south on state highway K-14 to its junction with federal highway US-50, then west on federal highway US-50 to its junction with federal highway US-183, then northeast and north on federal highway US-183 to its junction with federal highway US-156, then west on federal highway US-156 to its junction with federal highway US-283, then north on federal highway US-283 to its junction with state highway K-4, then east on state highway K-4 to its junction with state highway K-14, except federal and state sanctuaries.

(f) Middle Arkansas; unit 6: that part of Kansas bounded by a line from the state highway K-4 and federal highway US-77 junction, then south on federal highway US-77 to its junction with federal highway US-50, then west on federal highway US-50 to its junction with state highway K-14, then

north on state highway K-14 to its junction with state highway K-4, then east on state highway K-4 to its junction with federal highway US-77, except federal and state sanctuaries.

(g) Solomon; unit 7: that part of Kansas bounded by a line from the Nebraska-Kansas state line south on federal highway US-81 to its junction with interstate highway I-70, then west on interstate highway I-70 to its junction with federal highway US-281, then north on federal highway US-281 to its junction with federal highway US-36, then west on federal highway US-36 to its junction with state highway K-8, then north on state highway K-8 to its junction with the Nebraska-Kansas state line, then east along the Nebraska-Kansas state line to its junction with federal highway US-81, except federal and state sanctuaries.

(h) Republican; unit 8: that part of Kansas bounded by a line from the Nebraska-Kansas state line south on federal highway US-77 to its junction with federal highway US-24, then south on federal highway US-24 to its junction with state highway K-177, then south on state highway K-177 to its junction with interstate highway I-70, then west on interstate highway I-70 to its junction with federal highway US-77, then south on federal highway US-77 to its junction with state highway K-4, then west on state highway K-4 to its junction with federal highway US-81, then north on federal highway US-81 to its junction with the Nebraska-Kansas state line, then east along the Nebraska-Kansas state line to its junction with federal highway US-77, except federal and state sanctuaries.

Fort Riley; subunit 8a. The following described area shall be designated a subunit of unit 8, and, with approval of Fort Riley command, the area shall be open for the taking of deer during the firearm deer season: United States government land lying entirely within the boundaries of the Fort Riley military reservation. Each person hunting in this subunit during the firearm deer season shall be in possession of any permits and licenses required by Fort Riley.

(i) Tuttle Creek; unit 9: that part of Kansas bounded by a line from the Nebraska-Kansas state line, south on federal highway US-75 to its junction with interstate highway I-70, then west on interstate highway I-70 to its junction with state highway K-177, then north on state highway K-177 to its junction with federal highway US-24, then north on federal highway US-24 to its junction

with federal highway US-77, then north on federal highway US-77 to its junction with the Nebraska-Kansas state line, then east along the Nebraska-Kansas state line to its junction with federal highway US-75, except federal and state sanctuaries.

(j) Kaw; unit 10: that part of Kansas bounded by a line from the Nebraska-Kansas state line south on federal highway US-75 to its junction with interstate highway I-35, then northeast on interstate highway I-35 to its junction with state highway K-150, then east on state highway K-150 to the Missouri-Kansas state line, then north along the Missouri-Kansas state line to its junction with the Nebraska-Kansas state line, then west along the Nebraska-Kansas state line to its junction with federal highway US-75, except federal and state sanctuaries.

Fort Leavenworth urban; subunit 10a. The following described area shall be designated a subunit of unit 10, and, with approval of Fort Leavenworth command, the area shall be open for the taking of deer during the firearm deer season: United States government land lying entirely within the boundaries of the Fort Leavenworth military reservation. Each person hunting in this subunit during the firearm deer season shall be in possession of any permits and licenses required by Fort Leavenworth.

(k) Osage Prairie; unit 11: that part of Kansas bounded by a line from the Oklahoma-Kansas state line north on federal highway US-169 to its junction with state highway K-47, then west on state highway K-47 to its junction with federal highway US-75, then north on federal highway US-75 to its junction with interstate highway I-35, then northeast on interstate highway I-35 to its junction with state highway K-150, then east on state highway K-150 to its junction with the Missouri-Kansas state line, then south along the Missouri-Kansas state line to its junction with the Oklahoma-Kansas state line, then west along the Oklahoma-Kansas state line to its junction with federal highway US-169, except federal and state sanctuaries.

(l) Chautauqua Hills; unit 12: that part of Kansas bounded by a line from the Oklahoma-Kansas state line north on federal highway US-169 to its junction with state highway K-47, then west on state highway K-47 to its junction with federal highway US-75, then north on federal highway US-75 to its junction with federal highway US-54, then west on federal highway US-54 to its junction

with state highway K-99, then south on state highway K-99 to its junction with federal highway US-160, then west on federal highway US-160 to its junction with state highway K-15, then east and south on state highway K-15 to its junction with the Oklahoma-Kansas state line, then east along the Oklahoma-Kansas state line to its junction with federal highway US-169, except federal and state sanctuaries.

(m) Lower Arkansas; unit 13: that part of Kansas bounded by a line from the Oklahoma-Kansas state line north on federal highway US-81 to its junction with state highway K-53, then east on state highway K-53 to its junction with state highway K-15, then southeasterly on state highway K-15 to its junction with the Oklahoma-Kansas state line, then west along the Oklahoma-Kansas state line to its junction with federal highway US-81, except federal and state sanctuaries.

(n) Flint Hills; unit 14: that part of Kansas bounded by a line from the junction of interstate highway I-70 and federal highway US-75, then south on federal highway US-75 to its junction with federal highway US-54, then west on federal highway US-54 to its junction with state highway K-99, then south on state highway K-99 to its junction with federal highway US-160, then west on federal highway US-160 to its junction with federal highway US-77, then north on federal highway US-77 to its junction with interstate highway I-70, then east on interstate highway I-70 to its junction with federal highway US-75, except federal and state sanctuaries.

(o) Ninnescah; unit 15: that part of Kansas bounded by a line from the Oklahoma-Kansas state line north on state highway K-179 to its junction with state highway K-14, then continuing north on state highway K-14 to its junction with state highway K-42, then west on state highway K-42 to its junction with federal highway US-281, then north on federal highway US-281 to its junction with federal highway US-50, then east on federal highway US-50 to its junction with federal highway US-77, then south on federal highway US-77 to its junction with state highway K-15, then west and northwest on state highway K-15 to its junction with state highway K-53, then west on state highway K-53 to its junction with federal highway US-81, then south on federal highway US-81 to the Oklahoma-Kansas state line, then west along the Oklahoma-Kansas state line to its junction with state highway K-179, except federal and state sanctuaries.

(p) Red Hills; unit 16: that part of Kansas bounded by a line from the Oklahoma-Kansas state line north on federal highway US-283 to its junction with federal highway US-54, then east on federal highway US-54 to its junction with federal highway US-183, then north on federal highway US-183 to its junction with federal highway US-50, then east on federal highway US-50 to its junction with federal highway US-281, then south on federal highway US-281 to its junction with state highway K-42, then east on state highway K-42 to its junction with state highway K-14, then south on state highway K-14 to its junction with state highway K-179, then south on state highway K-179 to the Oklahoma-Kansas state line, then west along the Oklahoma-Kansas state line to its junction with federal highway US-283, except federal and state sanctuaries.

(q) West Arkansas; unit 17: that part of Kansas bounded by a line from the Colorado-Kansas state line east on state highway K-96 to its junction with federal highway US-83, then north on federal highway US-83 to its junction with state highway K-4, then east on state highway K-4 to its junction with federal highway US-283, then south on federal highway US-283 to its junction with federal highway US-156, then east on federal highway US-156 to its junction with federal highway US-183, then south on federal highway US-183 to its junction with federal highway US-54, then southwest on federal highway US-54 to its junction with federal highway US-283, then north on federal highway US-283 to its junction with federal highway US-56, then southwest on federal highway US-56 to its junction with state highway K-144, then west on state highway K-144 to its junction with federal highway US-160, then continuing west on federal highway US-160 to the Colorado-Kansas state line, then north along the Colorado-Kansas state line to its junction with state highway K-96, except federal and state sanctuaries.

(r) Cimarron; unit 18: that part of Kansas bounded by a line from the Colorado-Kansas state line east on federal highway US-160 to its junction with state highway K-144, then east on state highway K-144 to its junction with federal highway US-56, then east on federal highway US-56 to its junction with federal highway US-283, then south on federal highway US-283 to its junction with the Oklahoma-Kansas state line, then west along the Oklahoma-Kansas state line to its junction with the Colorado-Kansas state line, then north along the Colorado-Kansas state line to its junction with

federal highway US-160, except federal and state sanctuaries.

(s) Kansas City urban; unit 19: that part of Kansas bounded by a line from the Missouri-Kansas state line west on Johnson County 199 Street to its junction with federal highway US-56, then west on federal highway US-56 to its junction with South Topeka Boulevard, then north on South Topeka Boulevard to its junction with Shawnee County SW 93 Road, then west on Shawnee County SW 93 Road to its junction with Shawnee County SW Auburn Road, then north on Shawnee County SW Auburn Road to its junction with interstate highway I-70, then west on interstate highway I-70 to its junction with Carlson-Rossville Road, then north on Carlson-Rossville Road to its junction with federal highway US-24, then southeast on federal highway US-24 to its junction with Shawnee County NW Humphrey Road, then north on Shawnee County NW Humphrey Road to its junction with Shawnee County NW 46 Street, then east on Shawnee County NW 46 Street to its junction with Shawnee County NW Landon Road, then north on Shawnee County NW Landon Road to its junction with Shawnee County NW 62 Street, then east on Shawnee County NW 62 Street to its junction with Jefferson County Clark Road, then south on Jefferson County Clark Road to its junction with Jefferson County 50 Road, then east on Jefferson County 50 Road to state highway K-237, then south on state highway K-237 to its junction with federal highway US-24, then east on federal highway US-24 to its junction with Tonganoxie Drive, then northeast on Tonganoxie Drive to its junction with Leavenworth County 187 Street, then north on Leavenworth County 187 Street to its junction with state highway K-92, then west on state highway K-92 to its junction with Leavenworth County 207 Street, then north on Leavenworth County 207 Street to its junction with state highway K-192, then northeast on state highway K-192 to its junction with federal highway US-73, then east on federal highway US-73 to the Missouri-Kansas state line, then south on the Missouri-Kansas state line to Johnson County 199 Street, except federal and state sanctuaries and department-owned or -managed properties. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 2008 Supp. 32-937; effective April 30, 1990; amended June 8, 1992; amended June 1, 1993; amended June 13, 1994; amended May 30, 1995; amended June 6, 1997; amended July 21, 2000; amended

April 18, 2003; amended July 25, 2003; amended Feb. 18, 2005; amended April 14, 2006; amended Feb. 8, 2008; amended April 16, 2010.)

**115-4-6b. Elk; management units.** Each of the following subsections shall designate an elk management unit: (a) Cimarron; unit 1: that part of Kansas bounded by a line from the Oklahoma-Kansas state line north on county road CR-24 to its junction with state highway K-51, then north on state highway K-51 to its junction with road U, then west on state highway K-51 to its junction with road 9, then north on road 9 to its junction with road V, then west on road V to its junction with the Colorado-Kansas state line, then south along the Colorado-Kansas border to its junction with the Oklahoma-Kansas border, and then east along the Oklahoma-Kansas border to its junction with county road CR-24, except federal and state sanctuaries.

(b) Republican-Tuttle; unit 2: That part of Kansas bounded by a line from the federal highway US-77 and interstate highway I-70 junction, then northeast along interstate highway I-70 to its junction with state highway K-177, then north on state highway K-177 to its junction with state highway K-13, then northeast on state highway K-13 to its junction with the Pottawatomie-Riley county line, then north along the Pottawatomie-Riley county line to its junction with state highway K-16, then west on state highway K-16 to its junction with 22nd road, then west along 22nd road to its junction with state highway 15, then south along state highway K-15 to its junction with state highway K-18, then east on state highway K-18 to its junction with state highway K-77, and then south along state highway K-77 to its junction with interstate highway I-70, except federal and state sanctuaries.

Fort Riley; subunit 2a: The following described area shall be designated a subunit of unit 2, and, with approval of Fort Riley command, the area shall be open for the taking of elk during the elk season: United States government land lying entirely within the boundaries of the Fort Riley military reservation. Each person hunting in this subunit shall be in possession of any permits and licenses required by Fort Riley.

(c) Kansas; unit 3: statewide except for the areas described in units 1 and 2. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 32-937; effective April 8, 2011.)

**115-4-11. Big game and wild turkey**

**permit applications.** (a) General application provisions.

(1) Unless otherwise authorized by law or regulation, an individual shall not apply for or obtain more than one antlered or horned big game or wild turkey permit for each big game species or wild turkey, except when the individual is unsuccessful in a limited quota drawing and alternative permits for the species are available at the time of subsequent application or when the individual is the final recipient of a commission permit.

(2) Unless otherwise authorized by law or regulation, each big game or wild turkey permit application shall be signed by the individual applying for the permit.

(3) Subject to any priority draw system established by this regulation, if the number of permit applications of a specific species and type received by the designated application deadline exceeds the number of available permits of that species and type, a random drawing to issue permits of that species and type shall be conducted by the secretary.

(4) A hunt-on-your-own-land permit shall not be tabulated in a priority draw system if the permit would otherwise reduce the applicant's odds of receiving a big game permit through that draw system.

(b) Deer permit applications.

(1) Subject to any priority draw system established by this subsection, in awarding deer permits in units having a limited number of permits, the first priority shall be given to those applicants who did not receive, in the previous year, a deer permit that allowed the taking of an antlered deer. All other deer permit applicants shall be given equal priority.

(2) In awarding a limited number of deer permits by a priority draw system, the first priority shall be given to those individuals who have earned the highest number of preference points. Preference points shall be awarded as follows:

(A) One point shall be awarded to an individual for each year the individual is unsuccessful in obtaining, by a priority draw system, a deer permit that allows the taking of an antlered deer.

(B) If the individual fails to make at least one application or purchase one preference point within a period of five consecutive years, all earned points shall be lost.

(C) If an applicant obtains, by a priority draw system, a deer permit that allows the taking of an antlered deer, all earned points shall be lost.

(D) If the number of applicants with the most preference points exceeds the number of permits for specified units or permit types, then a drawing shall be held to determine the successful applicants.

(E) If an individual desires to apply for a preference point for a deer permit that allows the taking of antlered deer and not receive a permit, the person may apply for and receive a preference point by paying the proper application or preference point fee and submitting an application during the application period specified in K.A.R. 115-25-9. No individual may apply for more than one preference point in the same calendar year, and no individual shall apply for a preference point in the same calendar year as the calendar year in which the individual is applying for a permit.

(3) If an individual is a final recipient of a commission deer permit, the individual shall not possess more than one regular antlered deer permit and one commission deer permit.

(4) Applications for nonresident limited-quota antlered deer permits shall be accepted in the Pratt office from the earliest date that applications are available through the last Friday of April each year. Any nonresident applicant may select, at the time of application, one deer management unit and up to one adjacent management unit where that permit shall be valid.

(5) Applications for resident firearms either-species, either-sex permits shall be accepted at designated locations from the earliest date that applications are available through the second Friday of July.

(6) Applications for resident any-season white-tailed either-sex deer permits, resident archery deer permits, resident muzzleloader either-species either-sex permits, and hunt-on-your-own-land deer permits shall be accepted at designated locations from the earliest date that applications are available through December 30.

(7) Each resident applicant for either-species, either-sex muzzleloader or firearm deer permits shall select, at the time of application, the unit where the permit shall be valid. The west unit permit shall be valid in units 1, 2, 17, and 18. The east unit permit shall be valid in units 3, 4, 5, 7, and 16.

(8) Applications for antlerless white-tailed deer permits shall be accepted at designated locations from the earliest date that applications are available through January 30 of the following year.

(c) Firearm antelope permit applications. In

awarding firearm antelope permits, the first priority shall be given to those individuals who have earned the highest number of preference points. Preference points shall be awarded as follows:

(1) One point shall be awarded to an individual for each year the individual is unsuccessful in obtaining a firearm antelope permit.

(2) If the individual fails to make at least one application or purchase one preference point within a period of five consecutive years, all earned points shall be lost.

(3) If an applicant obtains a firearm permit by a priority draw system, all earned points shall be lost.

(4) If the number of applicants with the most preference points exceeds the number of permits for specified units or permit types, then a drawing shall be held to determine the successful applicants.

(5) If an individual desires to apply for a preference point for an antelope firearms permit that allows the taking of an antelope and not receive a permit, the person may apply for and receive a preference point by paying the preference point fee and submitting an application during the application period specified in K.A.R. 115-25-7. No individual may apply for more than one preference point in the same calendar year, and no individual shall apply for a preference point in the same calendar year as the calendar year in which the individual is applying for a permit.

(6) Applications for resident firearm and muzzleloader permits shall be accepted in the Pratt office from the earliest date that applications are available through the second Friday of June.

(7) Applications for resident and nonresident archery permits shall be accepted at designated locations from the earliest date that applications are available through October 30.

(8) If there are any unfilled permits after all timely applications have been considered, the application period may be extended by the secretary.

(9) Any applicant unsuccessful in obtaining a permit through a drawing may apply for any permit made available during an extended application period, or any other permit that is available on an unlimited basis.

(d) Elk permit applications.

(1) An individual receiving a limited-quota elk permit shall not be eligible to apply for or receive an elk permit in subsequent seasons, with the following exceptions:

(A) An individual receiving an any-elk or a bull-

only elk permit may apply for and receive an antlerless-only elk permit in subsequent seasons.

(B) An individual receiving a limited-quota, antlerless-only elk hunting permit shall not be eligible to apply for or receive a limited-quota, antlerless-only elk permit for a five-year period thereafter. Subject to this subsection, however, this individual may apply for and receive an any-elk or bull-only elk permit without a waiting period.

(C) When a limited number of elk permits are awarded by a random draw system, each individual shall have an additional opportunity of drawing for each bonus point earned by the individual in addition to the current application. Bonus points shall be awarded as follows:

(i) One bonus point shall be awarded to an individual for each year the individual is unsuccessful in obtaining, by a random draw system, an elk permit that allows the taking of an elk.

(ii) If an individual fails to make at least one application or purchase one bonus point within a period of five consecutive years, all earned bonus points shall be lost.

(iii) If an applicant obtains, by a random draw system, an elk permit that allows the taking of an elk, all earned points shall be lost.

(iv) If an individual desires to apply for a bonus point for an elk permit that allows the taking of elk and not receive a permit, the person may apply for and receive a bonus point by paying the proper application or bonus point fee and submitting an application during the application period specified in K.A.R. 115-25-8. No individual may apply for more than one bonus point in the same calendar year, and no individual shall apply for a bonus point in the same calendar year as the calendar year in which the individual is applying for a permit.

(D) Each individual who is the final recipient of a commission elk permit shall be eligible for a limited-quota elk permit, subject to the provisions of this subsection.

(E) Limited-quota antlerless-only elk permits and limited-quota either-sex elk permits shall be awarded from a pool of applicants who are Fort Riley military personnel and applicants who are not Fort Riley military personnel.

(2) Applications for hunt-on-your-own-land and unlimited over-the-counter elk permits shall be accepted at designated locations from the earliest date that applications are available through March 14 of the following year.

(3) Applications for limited-quota antlerless-only elk permits and limited-quota either-sex elk permits shall be accepted at designated locations from the earliest date that applications are available through the second Friday in July.

(4) If there are leftover limited-quota antlerless-only elk permits or limited-quota either-sex permits after all timely applications have been considered, the application periods for those permits may be reopened by the secretary. Leftover permits shall be drawn and issued on a daily basis for those application periods reopened by the secretary. Any applicant unsuccessful in obtaining a permit through a drawing may apply for any leftover permit or any other permit that is available on an unlimited basis.

(5) Any individual may apply for or obtain no more than one permit that allows the taking of an elk, unless the individual is unsuccessful in a limited-quota drawing and alternative permits for elk are available at the time of subsequent application or the individual obtains a commission permit pursuant to this subsection.

(e) Wild turkey permit applications.

(1) When awarding wild turkey permits in units having a limited number of permits, the first priority shall be given to those individuals who did not receive a permit in a limited wild turkey unit during the previous year. All other applicants shall be given equal priority.

(2) In awarding a limited number of wild turkey permits by a priority draw system, the first priority shall be given to those individuals who have earned the highest number of preference points. Preference points shall be awarded as follows:

(A) One point shall be awarded to an individual for each year the individual is unsuccessful in obtaining, by a priority draw system, a wild turkey permit.

(B) If the individual fails to make at least one application or purchase one preference point within a period of five consecutive years, all earned points shall be lost.

(C) If an applicant obtains, by a priority draw system, a wild turkey permit, all earned points shall be lost.

(D) If the number of applicants with the most preference points exceeds the number of permits for specified units or permit types, then a drawing shall be held to determine the successful applicants.

(E) If an individual desires to apply for a preference point for a wild turkey permit and not re-

ceive a permit, the person may apply for and receive a preference point by paying the preference point fee and submitting an application during the application period specified in K.A.R. 115-25-6. No individual may apply for more than one preference point in the same calendar year, and no individual shall apply for a preference point in the same calendar year as the calendar year in which the individual is applying for a permit.

(3) Fall wild turkey permits for unit 1, unit 2, unit 3, unit 5, and unit 6, youth turkey permits, and game tags for unit 2, unit 3, unit 5, and unit 6 may be purchased over the counter at designated locations, from the earliest date in the year that applications are available through 5:00 p.m. on January 30 of the following year.

(4) Applications for spring wild turkey permits in unit 4 shall be accepted by the department from the earliest date that applications are available until midnight on the second Friday of February. If there are turkey permits left over after all timely applications have been considered, the application period may be reopened by the secretary. Leftover turkey permits shall be issued on a daily competitive basis until the day before the last day of the turkey season or until all turkey permits are issued.

(5) Spring wild turkey permits in unit 1, unit 2, unit 3, unit 5, and unit 6, youth turkey permits, and game tags in unit 1, unit 2, unit 3, unit 5, and unit 6 may be purchased over the counter at designated locations from the earliest date that applications are available until midnight on the day before the closing date for the season. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-807, K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-937, K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-969, and K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-970; implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-937, K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-969, and K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-970; effective Sept. 10, 1990; amended May 27, 1991; amended June 1, 2001; amended April 18, 2003; amended Feb. 18, 2005; amended May 15, 2009; amended Feb. 5, 2010; amended April 8, 2011; amended May 24, 2013.)

**115-4-15. Restitution scoring system; white-tailed deer; mule deer; elk; antelope.**

(a) For the purpose of establishing restitution values, each of the following terms shall have the meaning specified in this subsection:

(1) "Abnormal point" means a point that is non-typical in shape or location.

(2) "Antler burr" means the elevated bony rim

around the antler base of a deer or elk that is just above the skin of the pedicle.

(3) "First normal point" means the longest, first point immediately above, but not part of, the antler burr. If this point is branched, the longest and straightest portion of the point shall be used for measurement. All other points branching from this point shall be considered abnormal points.

(4) "Gross score" means the number derived by totaling certain measurements taken from the antlers or horns of a big game animal in accordance with this regulation.

(5) "Inside spread of the main antler beams" means the measurement at right angles to the center line of the skull at the widest point between main antler beams.

(6) "Length of the main antler beam" means the measurement from the lowest outside edge of the antler burr over the outer curve to the most distant point of what is or appears to be the main antler beam beginning at the place on the antler burr where the center line along the outer curve of the beam intersects the antler burr.

(7) "Normal point" means a point that projects from the main antler beam in a typical shape or location.

(8) "Point" means a projection on the antler of a deer or elk that is at least one inch long as measured from its tip to the nearest edge of the antler beam and the length of which exceeds the width at one inch or more of length. "Point" shall not include an antler beam tip.

(b) All measurements shall be made to the nearest  $\frac{1}{8}$  of an inch using a flexible steel tape that is  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch wide.

(c) The gross score of an antlered whitetail deer shall be determined by adding together all of the following measurements:

(1) The inside spread of the main antler beams, not to exceed the length of the longest main antler beam;

(2) the length of the main antler beam on the deer's right side;

(3) the length of the main antler beam on the deer's left side;

(4) the total length of all abnormal points on the right and left antlers;

(5) the total length of all normal points on the right and left antlers as measured from the nearest edge of the main antler beam over the outer curve to the tip. To determine the baseline for normal point measurement, the tape shall be laid along the outer curve of the antler beam so that the top

edge of the tape coincides with the top edge of the antler beam on both sides of the point; and

(6) the following circumference measurements from the right and left antlers:

(A) The circumference taken at the smallest place between the antler burr and the first normal point on the main antler beam. If the first normal point is missing, the circumference shall be taken at the smallest place between the antler burr and the second normal point;

(B) the circumference taken at the smallest place between the first normal point and the second normal point on the main antler beam. If the first normal point is missing, the circumference shall be taken at the smallest place between the antler burr and the second normal point;

(C) the circumference taken at the smallest place between the second normal point and the third normal point on the main antler beam; and

(D) the circumference taken at the smallest place between the third normal point and the fourth normal point on the main antler beam. If the fourth normal point is missing, the circumference shall be taken halfway between the third normal point and the tip of the main antler beam.

(d) The gross score of an antlered mule deer shall be determined by adding together all of the following measurements:

(1) The inside spread of the main antler beams, not to exceed the length of the longest main antler beam;

(2) the length of the main antler beam on the deer's right side;

(3) the length of the main antler beam on the deer's left side;

(4) the total length of all abnormal points on the right and left antlers;

(5) the total length of all normal points on the right and left antlers as measured from the nearest edge of the main antler beam over the outer curve to the tip. To determine the baseline for normal point measurement, the tape shall be laid along the outer curve of the antler beam so that the top edge of the tape coincides with the top edge of the antler beam on both sides of the point; and

(6) the following circumference measurements from the right and left antlers:

(A) The circumference taken at the smallest place between the antler burr and the first normal point on the main antler beam. If the first normal point is missing, the circumference shall be taken at the smallest place between the antler burr and the second normal point;

(B) the circumference taken at the smallest place between the first normal point and the second normal point on the main antler beam. If the first normal point is missing, the circumference shall be taken at the smallest place between the antler burr and the second normal point;

(C) the circumference taken at the smallest place between the main antler beam and the third normal point; and

(D) the circumference taken at the smallest place between the second normal point and the fourth normal point. If the fourth normal point is missing, the circumference shall be taken halfway between the second normal point and the tip of the main antler beam.

(e) The gross score of an antlered elk shall be determined by adding together all of the following measurements:

(1) The inside spread of the main antler beams, not to exceed the length of the longest main antler beam;

(2) the length of the main antler beam on the elk's right side;

(3) the length of the main antler beam on the elk's left side;

(4) the total length of all abnormal points on the right and left antlers;

(5) the total length of all normal points on the right and left antlers as measured from the nearest edge of the main antler beam over the outer curve to the tip. To determine the baseline for normal point measurement, the tape shall be laid along the outer curve of the antler beam so that the top edge of the tape coincides with the top edge of the antler beam on both sides of the point; and

(6) the following circumference measurements from the right and left antlers:

(A) The circumference taken at the smallest place between the first normal point and the second normal point on the main antler beam;

(B) the circumference taken at the smallest place between the second normal point and the third normal point on the main antler beam;

(C) the circumference taken at the smallest place between the third normal point and the fourth normal point on the main antler beam; and

(D) the circumference taken at the smallest place between the fourth normal point and the fifth normal point on the main antler beam. If the fifth normal point is missing, the circumference shall be taken halfway between the fourth normal point and the tip of the main antler beam.

(f) The gross score of an antelope shall be de-

termined by adding together all of the following measurements:

(1) The length of the right horn measured along the center of the outer curve from the tip of the horn to a point in line with the lowest edge of the base, using a straight edge to establish the line end;

(2) the length of the left horn measured along the center of the outer curve from the tip of the horn to a point in line with the lowest edge of the base, using a straight edge to establish the line end;

(3) the circumference of the base of each horn, measured at a right angle to the axis of the horn, not to follow the irregular edge of the horn. The line of the measurement shall be entirely on horn material;

(4) three circumference measurements on each horn based on the criteria specified in this paragraph. The length of the longest horn shall be divided by four. Starting at the base, each horn shall be marked at these quarters, even though the other horn may be shorter. The circumference shall be measured at these marks at a right angle to the axis of the horn. If the prong of the horn interferes with the first measurement from the base, this measurement shall be taken immediately below the swelling of the prong. If the second measurement from the base falls in the swelling of the prong, this measurement shall be taken immediately above the swelling of the prong; and

(5) the length of the prong measured from the tip of the prong along the upper edge of the outer side to the horn, then continuing around the horn, at a right angle to the long axis of the horn, to a point at the rear of the horn where a straight edge crossing the back of both horns touches the horn. If there is a crack where the prong extends from the horn, the length of the prong shall be taken passing over the entire crack. Once the initial prong length is taken, the width of the crack shall be measured and deducted from the initial prong length. The adjusted length shall be the recorded length of the prong. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 32-807 and 32-1032; effective Jan. 1, 2013; amended Feb. 7, 2014.)

#### Article 5.—FURBEARERS

**115-5-1. Furbearers and coyotes; legal equipment, taking methods, and general provisions.** (a) Hunting equipment permitted during

furbearer hunting seasons and during coyote hunting seasons shall consist of the following:

- (1) Firearms, except fully automatic firearms;
- (2) archery equipment;
- (3) crossbows; and

(4) optical scopes or sights that project no visible light toward the target and do not electronically amplify visible or infrared light.

(b) Trapping equipment permitted during furbearer and coyote trapping seasons shall consist of the following:

- (1) Smooth-jawed foothold traps, except that all types of foothold traps may be used in water sets;
- (2) body-gripping traps;
- (3) box traps;
- (4) cage traps;
- (5) colony traps;
- (6) snares; and
- (7) deadfalls.

(c) The following general provisions shall apply to the taking of furbearers and coyotes:

(1) Calls may be used in the taking of furbearers and coyotes.

(2) Handheld, battery-powered flashlights, hat lamps, and handheld lanterns may be used while trapping furbearers or coyotes or while running furbearers.

(3) Any .22 or .17 caliber rimfire rifle or handgun may be used to take trapped furbearers or trapped coyotes when using a light to check traps.

(4) Any .22 or .17 caliber rimfire rifle or handgun may be used while using a handheld, battery-powered flashlight, hat lamp, or handheld lantern to take furbearers treed with the aid of dogs.

(5) Lures, baits, and decoys may be used in the taking of furbearers and coyotes.

(6) The use of horses and mules shall be permitted while hunting, trapping, or running furbearers and coyotes.

(7) The use of motor vehicles for taking coyotes shall be permitted while hunting coyotes.

(8) The use of radios in land or water vehicles shall be permitted for the taking of coyotes.

(9) The use of dogs for hunting and during running seasons shall be permitted.

(10) Each body-gripping trap with a jawspreed of eight inches or greater shall be used only in a water set.

(11) Only landowners or tenants of land immediately adjacent to the right-of-way of a public road, or their immediate family members or authorized agents, may set slide-locking wire or snare-type cable traps as dryland sets within five

feet of a fence bordering a public road or within 50 feet of the outside edge of the surface of a public road. Only these landowners or tenants, or their immediate family members or authorized agents, may possess the fur, pelt, skin, or carcass of any furbearer or coyote removed from these devices located within these specified limits.

(12) A person shall not have in possession any equipment specified in subsection (a) while pursuing or chasing furbearers with hounds during the running season.

(13) All trapping devices included in subsection (b) shall be tagged with either the user's name and address or the user's department-issued identification number and shall be tended and inspected at least once every calendar day.

(14) Each foothold trap that has an outside jawspreed greater than seven inches shall be used only in a water set. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-807, K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-1002, and K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-1003; effective March 19, 1990; amended Nov. 15, 1993; amended July 19, 2002; amended Feb. 18, 2005; amended Sept. 4, 2009; amended July 22, 2011; amended July 26, 2013.)

**115-5-2. Furbearers and coyotes; possession, disposal, and general provisions.** (a) Legally taken raw furs, pelts, skins, carcasses, or meat of furbearers may be possessed without limit in time.

(b) Live furbearers legally taken during a furbearer season may be possessed only through the last day of the season in which taken.

(c) Legally acquired skinned carcasses and meat of furbearers may be sold or given to and possessed by another, and legally acquired raw furs, pelts, and skins of furbearers may be given to and possessed by another, if a written notice that includes the seller's or donor's name, address, and furharvester license number accompanies the carcass, pelt, or meat. A bobcat, otter, or swift fox tag as described in subsection (f) shall meet the requirements of written notice.

(d) Legally taken raw furs, pelts, skins, or carcasses of coyotes or legally taken live coyotes may be possessed without limit in time.

(e) Any person in lawful possession of raw furbearer or coyote furs, pelts, skins, or carcasses may sell or ship or offer for sale or shipment the same to licensed fur dealers or any person legally authorized to purchase raw furbearer or coyote furs, pelts, skins, or carcasses.

(f) Each bobcat, otter, or swift fox pelt legally taken in Kansas shall be submitted to the department so that an export tag provided by the department can be affixed to the pelt.

(1) The pelt of any bobcat, otter, or swift fox taken in Kansas shall be presented to the department for tagging within seven days following closure of the bobcat, otter, or swift fox hunting and trapping season.

(2) The lower canine teeth of any otter presented to the department for tagging shall be permanently surrendered to the department at the time of presentation.

(3) Each pelt presented for tagging shall be accompanied by the furharvester license number under which the pelt was taken.

(g) Properly licensed persons may legally salvage furbearers and coyotes found dead during the established open seasons for hunting or trapping of furbearers or coyotes. Salvaged furbearers and coyotes may be possessed or disposed of as authorized by this regulation. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-807 and K.S.A. 32-942; effective March 19, 1990; amended Oct. 17, 1994; amended Nov. 29, 1999; amended July 19, 2002; amended Sept. 4, 2009; amended July 22, 2011; amended July 26, 2013.)

#### Article 6.—FUR DEALERS

##### **115-6-1. Fur dealer license; application, authority, possession of furs, records, and revocation.**

(a) Each application shall be submitted on a form provided by the department. Each applicant shall provide the following information:

- (1) Name of applicant;
- (2) residential address;
- (3) the address of each business location;
- (4) an inventory of raw furs, pelts, skins, and carcasses of furbearing animals and coyotes on hand at time of application; and
- (5) any other relevant information as required by the secretary.

(b) Each fur dealer license shall expire on June 30 following the date of issuance.

(c) Each fur dealer shall deal only with properly licensed persons and only at authorized fur dealer business locations.

(d) Any fur dealer may buy, purchase, or trade in the furs, pelts, skins, or carcasses of coyotes.

(e) Any fur dealer may possess legally acquired furs, pelts, skins, or carcasses of furbearing animals for no more than 30 days after the expiration

date of the fur dealer's license. Coyote furs, pelts, skins, or carcasses may be possessed without limit in time.

(f) Each fur dealer shall purchase or acquire only those bobcat, otter, and swift fox pelts that have been tagged with a department export tag or with the official export tag provided by the wildlife agency of another state.

(g) Each fur dealer shall maintain a furharvester record book and a fur dealer book provided by the department. Entries shall be made in the appropriate record book whenever receiving, shipping, or otherwise disposing of furs, pelts, skins, or carcasses of furbearing animals or coyotes. Each record book, all receipts, and all furs, pelts, skins, and carcasses in the fur dealer's possession shall be subject to inspection upon demand by any conservation officer. Each record book and all receipts shall be subject to copying upon demand by any conservation officer. Each fur dealer shall forward all record books to the department annually on or before May 1.

(1) The furharvester record book shall include the following information:

- (A) The name of the fur dealer;
- (B) residential address;
- (C) fur dealer license number;
- (D) the date of each receipt of furs, pelts, skins, or carcasses;

(E) name, address, and license number of each person from whom furs, pelts, skins, or carcasses were acquired;

(F) name of the state where the furs, pelts, skins, or carcasses were harvested;

(G) number of each species of furs, pelts, skins, or carcasses acquired; and

(H) any other relevant information as required by the secretary.

(2) The fur dealer record book shall include the following information:

- (A) The name of the fur dealer;
- (B) residential address;
- (C) fur dealer license number;
- (D) date of each receipt or disposal of furs, pelts, skins, or carcasses;

(E) name, address, and fur dealer license number of each fur dealer from which furs, pelts, skins, or carcasses are acquired or to which they are sold;

(F) number and species of furs, pelts, skins, or carcasses acquired or sold; and

(G) any other relevant information as required by the secretary.

(h) In addition to other penalties prescribed by law, a fur dealer's license may be refused issuance or revoked by the secretary under any of the following circumstances:

(1) The application is incomplete or contains false information.

(2) The fur dealer fails to meet reporting requirements.

(3) The fur dealer violates license conditions.

(4) The fur dealer has violated department laws or regulations or has had any other department license or permit revoked or suspended. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-807 and K.S.A. 32-942; effective March 19, 1990; amended Sept. 4, 2009; amended July 26, 2013.)

#### Article 7.—FISH AND FROGS

**115-7-1. Fishing; legal equipment, methods of taking, and other provisions.** (a) Legal equipment and methods for taking sport fish shall be the following:

(1) Fishing lines with not more than two baited hooks or artificial lures per line;

(2) trotlines;

(3) setlines;

(4) tip-ups;

(5) using a person's hand or hands for flathead catfish in waters designated as open to hand fishing, subject to the following requirements:

(A) An individual hand fishing shall not use hooks, snorkeling or scuba gear, or other man-made devices while engaged in hand fishing;

(B) an individual hand fishing shall not possess fishing equipment, other than a stringer, while engaged in hand fishing and while on designated waters or adjacent banks;

(C) stringers shall not be used as an aid for hand fishing and shall not be used until the fish is in possession at or above the surface of the water;

(D) each individual hand fishing shall take fish only from natural objects or natural cavities;

(E) an individual hand fishing shall not take fish from any man-made object, unless the object is a bridge, dock, boat ramp, or riprap, or other similar structure or feature;

(F) no part of any object shall be disturbed or altered to facilitate the harvest of fish for hand fishing; and

(G) an individual hand fishing shall not take fish within 150 yards of any dam;

(6) snagging for paddlefish in waters posted or designated by the department as open to the snag-

ging of paddlefish, subject to the following requirements:

(A) Each individual with a filled creel limit shall cease all snagging activity in the paddlefish snagging area until the next calendar day; and

(B) each individual taking paddlefish to be included in the creel and possession limit during the snagging season shall sign the carcass tag, record the county, the date, and the time of harvest on the carcass tag, and attach the carcass tag to the lower jaw of the carcass immediately following the harvest and before moving the carcass from the site of the harvest;

(7) floatlines in waters posted or designated by the department as open to floatline fishing, which shall be subject to the following requirements:

(A) All floatlines shall be under the immediate supervision of the angler setting the floats. "Immediate supervision" shall mean that the angler has visual contact with the floatlines set while the angler is on the water body where the floatlines are located;

(B) all floatlines shall be removed when float fishing ceases;

(C) floatlines shall not contain more than one line per float, with not more than two baited hooks per line;

(D) all float material shall be constructed only from plastic, wood, or foam and shall be a closed-cell construction. A "closed-cell" construction shall mean a solid body incapable of containing water;

(8) bow and arrow with a barbed head and a line attached from bow to arrow; and

(9) crossbow and arrow with a barbed head and a line attached from arrow to crossbow.

(b) Legal equipment and methods for taking non-sport fish shall be the following:

(1) Fishing lines with not more than two baited hooks or artificial lures per line;

(2) trotlines;

(3) setlines;

(4) tip-ups;

(5) bow and arrow with a barbed head and a line attached from bow to arrow;

(6) crossbow and arrow with a barbed head and a line attached from arrow to crossbow;

(7) spear gun, without explosive charge, while skin or scuba diving. The spear, without explosive charge, shall be attached to the speargun or person by a line;

(8) gigging;

(9) snagging in waters posted by the department as open to snagging; and

(10) floatlines in waters posted or designated by the department as open to floatline fishing, which shall be subject to the requirements specified in paragraphs (a)(7)(A) through (D).

(c) Dip nets and gaffs may be used to land any legally caught or hooked fish.

(d) Fish may be taken by any method designated by the secretary when a fish salvage order has been issued by the secretary through public notice or posting the area open to fish salvage.

(e) Fish may be taken with the aid of boats, depth finders, artificial lights, sound attracters, and scents.

(f) Fish may be taken by legal means from vehicles.

(g) The following additional requirements shall apply in the flowing portions and backwaters of the Missouri river and in any oxbow lake through which the Kansas-Missouri boundary passes:

(1) Each individual shall place all legally caught fish on a stringer, cord, cable, or chain, or in a basket, sack, cage, or other holding device, separate from those fish caught by any other individual.

(2) The equipment and methods specified in paragraphs (b)(5) and (b)(6) shall be legal only from sunrise to midnight.

(3) The equipment and method specified in paragraphs (a)(7), (b)(9), and (b)(10) shall be legal only from sunrise to sunset.

(h) The equipment and method specified in paragraphs (a)(8) and (a)(9) shall be legal only for the following species of sport fish where no size limit exists for any of these species of fish:

- (1) Blue catfish;
- (2) channel catfish; and
- (3) flathead catfish.

(i) Optical scopes or sights that project no visible light toward the target and do not electronically amplify visible or infrared light shall be valid for use on bows and crossbows. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 32-1002; effective Dec. 26, 1989; amended Feb. 10, 1992; amended Oct. 1, 1999; amended Dec. 8, 2000; amended Sept. 27, 2002; amended Nov. 29, 2004; amended Nov. 27, 2006; amended Nov. 16, 2007; amended Dec. 1, 2008; amended Nov. 20, 2009; amended April 16, 2010; amended Nov. 19, 2010.)

### 115-7-3. Fish; taking and use of baitfish

**or minnows.** (a) Baitfish may be taken for non-commercial purposes by any of the following means:

(1) A seine not longer than 15 feet and four feet deep with mesh not larger than  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch;

(2) a fish trap with mesh not larger than  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch and a throat not larger than one inch in diameter;

(3) a dip or cast net with mesh not larger than  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch; or

(4) a fishing line.

(b) Each fish trap shall be tagged with the operator's name and address when the fish trap is in use.

(c) Baitfish taken, except gizzard shad, shall not exceed 12 inches in total length.

(d) The possession limit shall be 500 baitfish.

(e) Live baitfish, except for bluegill and green sunfish from non-designated aquatic nuisance waters and baitfish from designated aquatic nuisance waters, may be caught and used as live bait only within the common drainage where caught. However, live baitfish shall not be transported and used above any upstream dam or barrier that prohibits the normal passage of fish. Bluegill and green sunfish collected from non-designated aquatic nuisance waters may be possessed or used as live bait anywhere in the state. Live baitfish collected from designated aquatic nuisance waters shall be possessed or used as live bait only while on that water and shall not be transported from the water alive.

(f) No person shall import live baitfish that does not meet the requirements of K.A.R. 115-17-2 and K.A.R. 115-17-2a.

This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2015. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 32-807; effective Sept. 10, 1990; amended Nov. 20, 2009; amended Jan. 1, 2012; amended Jan. 1, 2013; amended Jan. 1, 2015.)

**115-7-6. Fishing; bait.** (a) The following types of bait may be used for the taking of fish, frogs, or turtles by legal means and methods:

(1) Artificial lures;

(2) bait fish;

(3) prepared bait;

(4) vegetable material;

(5) material or artificial matter attached to a hook; and

(6) other wildlife, except those species specifically prohibited as bait and those species listed in K.A.R. 115-15-1 or K.A.R. 115-15-2.

(b) Animal, vegetable, and other nontoxic material may be used as fish attractants.

This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2012. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807; effective Sept. 10, 1990; amended Jan. 1, 2012.)

**15-7-8.** This regulation shall be revoked on and after January 1, 2011. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 32-1002; effective Nov. 27, 2006; amended Nov. 16, 2007; amended April 11, 2008; revoked Jan. 1, 2011.)

**115-7-9. Weigh-in black bass fishing tournaments.** (a) Each individual or organization conducting a weigh-in black bass fishing tournament shall ensure that all of the following minimum requirements are met when conducting weigh-in procedures:

(1) One individual shall provide work crew support for each 10 registered anglers.

(2) One weigh-in tank filled with an electrolyte chemical-water solution and fitted with recirculation and aeration accessories shall be maintained for each 25 registered anglers.

(3) If the water temperature at the tournament location is 75 degrees Fahrenheit or cooler, the water contained in the weigh-in tank shall be maintained at the same temperature as that of the tournament location water.

(4) If the water temperature at the tournament location is warmer than 75 degrees Fahrenheit, the water in the weigh-in tank shall be maintained at a temperature that is between five and 10 degrees Fahrenheit cooler than the tournament location water but shall not exceed 85 degrees Fahrenheit at any time.

(5) Not more than four anglers shall be in the weigh-in line at any one time.

(6) Each weigh-in bag containing water from the well of the vessel shall be reinforced, reusable, and capable of holding up to 15 pounds of live fish and two gallons of water.

(7) The weigh-in site shall meet the following requirements:

(A) Be located near the vessel mooring site and the release site, vehicle, or vessel; and

(B) be located at all times under a portable awning, in an event tent, or in the shade.

(8) Only fish that meet the special length limit for the specific body of water where the weigh-in tournament is being conducted shall be weighed

within the period beginning June 16 and ending August 31.

(b) Each individual or organization conducting the tournament shall ensure that all of the following minimum requirements are met when conducting the release procedures:

(1) The direct release of fish into the tournament location water after the weigh-in shall not be permitted.

(2) If the tournament is conducted with release tubes, vehicles, or vessels, the holding tanks shall contain a one-half percent noniodized salt solution.

(3) If the tournament is conducted without release tubes, vehicles, or vessels, the fish shall be dipped, for a period ranging from 10 seconds to 15 seconds before release, in a three percent noniodized salt solution having the same temperature as that of the water in the weigh-in tank.

(4) The release site shall meet the following conditions:

(A) Be located in water reaching at least three feet in depth with good circulation and a hard bottom; and

(B) be located away from vessel traffic and public-use vessel ramps.

(c) Each tournament participant shall meet the following requirements:

(1) Ensure that each well in the participant's vessel used in the tournament is properly working and contains an electrolyte chemical-water solution; and

(2) ensure that the participant's vessel used in the tournament is cleaned before and after the tournament in compliance with department guidelines regarding the prevention of aquatic nuisance species.

(d) The provisions of paragraph (a)(7)(A) may be waived by the secretary within the period beginning September 1 and extending through June 15 if the proximity proposed to the release site does not pose an inordinate risk to the wildlife resource and all other requirements of this regulation are met. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 32-1002; effective Jan. 1, 2008; amended April 11, 2008; amended Nov. 19, 2010; amended May 20, 2011.)

**115-7-10. Fishing; special provisions.** (a)

A person who takes any fish from a body of water shall not tag, mark, brand, clip any fin of, mutilate, or otherwise disfigure any fish in a manner that

would prevent species identification, examination of fins, recovery of tags, or determination of sex, age, or length of the fish before releasing the fish back into the body of water, unless a permit authorizing this activity has been issued to that person by the department.

(b) No person may possess any live fish upon departure from any designated aquatic nuisance body of water, except during a department-permitted fishing tournament. During a department-permitted fishing tournament, any individual may possess live fish upon departure from designated aquatic nuisance waters along the most direct route to the weigh-in site if the individual possesses a department authorization certificate as a participant in the tournament. Designated aquatic nuisance waters shall be those specified in the department's "Kansas designated aquatic nuisance waters tables," dated July 24, 2014, which is hereby adopted by reference.

(c) Each person who purchases live baitfish from a commercial bait dealer shall possess the receipt while fishing with the live baitfish.

(d) No person may fish or collect bait within a fish passage, fish ladder, fish steps, or fishway. "Fish passage, fish ladder, fish steps, or fishway" shall mean a structure that facilitates the natural migration of fish upstream on, through, or around an artificial barrier or dam. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 32-807; effective Nov. 20, 2009; amended Jan. 1, 2012; amended Jan. 1, 2013; amended Nov. 15, 2013; amended Nov. 14, 2014.)

#### **Article 8.—DEPARTMENT LANDS AND WATERS**

**115-8-1. Department lands and waters: hunting, furharvesting, and discharge of firearms.** (a) Subject to provisions and restrictions as established by posted notice or as specified in the document adopted by reference in subsection (e), the following activities shall be allowed on department lands and waters:

- (1) Hunting during open seasons for hunting on lands and waters designated for public hunting;
- (2) furharvesting during open seasons for furharvesting on lands and waters designated for public hunting and other lands and waters as designated by the department;
- (3) target practice in areas designated as open for target practice; and
- (4) noncommercial training of hunting dogs.

(b) Other than as part of an activity under subsection (a), the discharge of firearms and other sport hunting equipment capable of launching projectiles shall be allowed on department lands and waters only as specifically authorized in writing by the department.

(c) The discharge of fully automatic rifles or fully automatic handguns on department lands and waters shall be prohibited.

(d) Department lands and waters shall be open neither for commercial rabbit and hare furharvesting nor for commercial harvest of amphibians and reptiles.

(e) The department's "KDWPT fisheries and wildlife division public land special use restrictions," dated April 1, 2014, is hereby adopted by reference. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 32-807; effective Dec. 4, 1989; amended July 13, 2001; amended May 16, 2008; amended May 15, 2009; amended July 23, 2010; amended Nov. 14, 2011; amended Jan. 1, 2013; amended July 26, 2013; amended July 18, 2014.)

**115-8-2. Blinds, stands, and decoys.** Subject to provisions and restrictions as established by posted notice, blinds, stands, and decoys shall be allowed on department lands and waters as follows: (a) Floating blinds and portable stands used for hunting may be placed not more than 14 days before the hunting season for which the blind or stand will be used and shall be removed from department property within 14 days after the hunting season for which the blind or stand was placed has ended.

(b) Floating blinds and portable stands used for purposes other than hunting may be placed for a period not to exceed 14 days and shall be removed from department property at the conclusion of 14 days or after the intended use of the blind or stand has ended, whichever time period is less.

(c) Ladders, screw-in metal steps, and steps attached by ropes, cables, or chains may be used for access to portable stands and shall be removed when the portable stand is removed as required by subsection (a) or (b).

(d) Natural blinds may be used for any authorized activity and shall be constructed of natural herbaceous materials or woody debris, or both, that are present at the site of the natural blind.

(e) Any individual may use a placed portable blind, floating blind, portable stand, or natural blind when the blind or stand is not occupied.

(f) Any blind, stand, or climbing device not in

conformance with regulations or posted notice provisions or restrictions may be removed or destroyed by the department.

(g) Each portable blind, floating blind, and portable stand shall be marked with either the user's name and address or the user's department-issued identification number in a visible, legible, and weatherproof manner.

(h) No individual shall place more than two portable blinds or stands on any single department-owned or department-managed property.

(i) Portable blinds shall not be left unattended overnight.

(j) Decoys shall not be left unattended overnight. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-807; effective April 30, 1990; amended July 20, 2012; amended July 26, 2013.)

**115-8-6. Fishing, fish bait, and seining.** Fishing and the taking of fishing bait shall be allowed on department lands and waters, subject to the following general restrictions:

(a) Fishing shall be prohibited at boat ramps and boat docks closed to fishing by posted notice.

(b) Fishing shall be prohibited at swimming areas and swimming beaches that are posted as swimming areas or swimming beaches and delineated by buoys or other markers.

(c) Minnows, bait fish, and other fishing bait may be taken for use as fishing bait only on a non-commercial basis and may be used only in the department-managed water where taken.

(d) Seining in department-managed waters shall be prohibited.

(e) The cleaning of fish in state parks shall occur only at designated fish-cleaning stations or other locations as established by the department.

(f) The use of trot lines and set lines shall be prohibited in the waters of Crawford state park, Meade state park, Scott state park, and all department-managed impoundments under 1,201 surface acres in size.

(g) Additional restrictions may be established by posted notice.

This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2012. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807; effective Dec. 4, 1989; amended Dec. 28, 1992; amended Nov. 29, 1999; amended Nov. 20, 2009; amended Jan. 1, 2012.)

**115-8-9. Camping.** (a) Camping shall be allowed only in designated areas on department lands and waters and shall be subject to provisions or restrictions as established by posted notice.

(b) All campers and camping units shall be limited to a stay of not more than 14 consecutive days in a campground unless otherwise established by posted notice or as otherwise authorized by the department.

(c) Upon completing 14 consecutive days in a campground, each person and all property of each person shall be absent from that campground for at least five days.

(d) One extended camping stay of not more than 14 additional consecutive days at the same campground may be granted through a written permit issued by the department if vacant camping sites are available. Upon completing 28 consecutive days at the same campground, each person and all property of each person shall be absent from the department-managed area for at least five days, except as authorized in subsection (e).

(e) Long-term camping in state parks shall be allowed on designated camping sites for six consecutive months through a written permit issued by the department if vacant long-term camping sites are available. Upon completing six consecutive months at the same state park, each person and all property of each person shall be absent from the state park for at least five days.

(f) Unless authorized by the department or located on a prepaid state park campsite reserved through the department's electronic reservation system, camping units shall not be left unoccupied in a campground for more than 24 hours.

(g) Unless authorized by the department or located on a prepaid state park campsite reserved through the department's electronic reservation system, vehicles or other property shall not be left unattended upon department lands or waters for more than 24 hours.

(h) Except as authorized by the department, any property unoccupied or unattended for more than 48 hours, unless the property is on a prepaid state park campsite reserved through the department's electronic reservation system, and any property abandoned upon department lands or waters shall be subject to removal by the department and may be reclaimed by the owner upon contacting the department.

(i) A campsite shall not be left unoccupied in a campground for more than 24 hours, unless the department so authorizes or the campsite is a prepaid state park campsite reserved through the department's electronic reservation system. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807; effective March 19, 1990; amended Feb. 10, 1992;

amended Oct. 12, 1992; amended Sept. 12, 2008; amended Nov. 14, 2011.)

**115-8-10. Pets; provisions and restrictions.** (a) Pets shall be allowed but shall not be permitted to enter into any of the following:

(1) Areas that are posted as swimming beaches or swimming areas that are delineated by buoys or other markers;

(2) public buildings, except designated public-use department cabins; or

(3) public structures.

(b) Pets shall be controlled at all times by using any of the following:

(1) Hand-held lead not more than 10 feet in length;

(2) tethered chain or leash not more than 10 feet in length. The pet shall be under the direct observation of and control by the owner; or

(3) confined to a cage, pen, vehicle, trailer, privately owned cabin, or designated public-use department cabin.

(c) The requirements of subsection (b) shall not apply to dogs while being used during and as a part of any of the following acts or activities:

(1) Hunting during open hunting seasons on lands or waters open for hunting;

(2) authorized field trial events;

(3) noncommercial training of hunting dogs subject to any provisions or restrictions as established by posted notice;

(4) special events or activities as authorized by the department; or

(5) working as a "guide dog," "hearing assistance dog," or "service dog," as defined in K.S.A. 39-1113 and amendments thereto.

(d) Guide dogs, hearing assistance dogs, and service dogs shall not be restricted by the requirements of subsection (a). (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807; effective Dec. 4, 1989; amended Sept. 12, 2008; amended Nov. 14, 2011.)

**115-8-12. Stocking or releasing of wildlife.** Wildlife may be stocked or released on department lands or waters, navigable publicly owned rivers, and federal reservoirs only as authorized by any of the following:

(a) A written agreement issued by the department;

(b) a permit issued by the department;

(c) a department-approved management plan;

(d) regulations; or

(e) posted notice.

This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2012. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807; effective Dec. 4, 1989; amended July 13, 2001; amended Jan. 1, 2012.)

**115-8-13. Motorized vehicles and aircraft; authorized operation.** (a) Motorized vehicles shall be operated only on department roads and parking areas, except as otherwise established by this regulation or posted notice or as approved by the secretary.

(b) Motorized vehicles shall be operated at speeds not in excess of 25 miles per hour or as otherwise established by posted notice.

(c) Motorized vehicles shall be operated in accordance with load limits as established by posted notice for roads or bridges.

(d) Motorized aircraft landings and takeoffs shall be allowed in designated areas only or as authorized by the secretary.

(e) Except as otherwise specified in K.A.R. 115-8-1, posted notice, or this regulation, motorized electric or gasoline-powered two-wheeled vehicles, all-terrain vehicles, work-site utility vehicles, golf carts, and snowmobiles may be operated on ice-covered department waters only for the purpose of ice fishing from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. These vehicles shall enter onto the ice only from boat ramps and points of entry as established by posted notice.

(f) (1) Except as provided in this regulation, each motorized vehicle that meets either of the following conditions shall be prohibited from being operated on all department lands and roads:

(A) Is not registered with one of the following:

(i) The director of vehicles pursuant to K.S.A. 8-127 and amendments thereto; or

(ii) the corresponding authority in another state or country; or

(B) is unlawful to be operated on any interstate highway, federal highway, or state highway pursuant to K.S.A. 8-15,100 and K.S.A. 8-15,109, and amendments thereto.

(2) The term "motorized vehicle" shall include cars, trucks, all-terrain vehicles, work-site utility vehicles, golf carts, go-carts, and electric or gasoline-powered two-wheeled vehicles.

(g) Any person with a disability, as defined by K.S.A. 8-1,124 and amendments thereto, may annually request a permit from the secretary to utilize a motorized vehicle for accessing certain department lands and roads to provide access to recreational opportunities that would otherwise

be unavailable to disabled persons. Each written request shall include the following:

(1) The name, address, and telephone number of the applicant;

(2) the nature of the disability;

(3) the name and location of the property to be accessed;

(4) the date or duration of the entry requested; and

(5) documentation of that person's disability in the form of a disabled accessible parking placard, disabled motor vehicle license plate, or disabled identification card issued by the director of vehicles of the department of revenue pursuant to K.S.A. 8-1,125 and amendments thereto, or similar documentation issued by another state.

(h) No person who is in possession of a motorized vehicle and has a permit to operate the motorized vehicle on department lands and roads shall perform either of the following:

(1) Allow another person to operate the vehicle on department lands and roads unless that other person has a permit issued by the department; or

(2) operate the vehicle on department lands and roads unless that person is in possession of a permit issued by the department.

(i) Each permit issued by the department that authorizes the operation of a motorized vehicle on department lands and roads shall expire on the last day of the calendar year in which the permit was issued, unless otherwise specified on the permit.

(j) A permit that authorizes the operation of a motorized vehicle on department lands and roads shall not be issued or shall be revoked by the secretary for any of the following reasons:

(1) The disability does not meet the requirements for the permit.

(2) The application is incomplete or contains false information.

(3) The disability under which the permit was issued no longer exists.

(4) The documentation of disability in the form of a disabled accessible parking placard, disabled motor vehicle license plate, or disabled identification card issued by the director of vehicles of the department of revenue pursuant to K.S.A. 8-1,125 and amendments thereto, or similar documentation issued by another state, has expired.

(5) The permit holder fails to comply with the terms and limitations of the permit or with the requirements specified in this regulation.

(6) The issuance or continuation of the permit

would be contrary to the preservation of habitat or species located on or in department lands or waters.

(k) This regulation shall not apply to any motorized vehicle that is owned by the department or a designated agent and is used in the operation and maintenance of department lands and roads. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807; effective Dec. 4, 1989; amended Feb. 8, 2008; amended Sept. 9, 2011.)

**115-8-19. Personal conduct on department lands and waters; provisions, restrictions and penalties.** (a) The conduct, actions, or activities of persons on department lands and waters shall be subject to provisions and restrictions as established by posted notice. The following general provisions and restrictions shall apply:

(1) No person shall advertise, engage in, or solicit any business, or make a charge for any event or service except as authorized by the department.

(2) Quiet hours shall be observed between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. Except as authorized by the department, each action that will alarm, anger, or disturb others shall be prohibited during quiet hours. Any individual who has knowledge or probable cause to believe that the individual's actions will alarm, anger, or disturb others or who engages in noisy conduct during quiet hours may be subject to the provisions of subsection (b).

(3) Subject to the provisions of K.A.R. 115-8-21 and K.A.R. 115-8-1 and to other posted provisions or restrictions, any individual may possess, consume, or drink alcoholic liquor, as defined in K.S.A. 41-102 and amendments thereto.

(b) In addition to penalties prescribed by law or regulation, failure to comply with laws, regulations, permit conditions, or posted restrictions by an individual may result in the individual or equipment of the individual being removed from departmental lands or waters.

This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2013. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807, as amended by L. 2012, Ch. 47, Sec. 25, and L. 2012, Ch. 144, Sec. 29; effective Jan. 30, 1995; amended Jan. 1, 2013.)

**115-8-23. Bait; hunting.** (a) No person shall place, deposit, expose, or scatter bait while hunting or preparing to hunt on department lands or place, deposit, expose, or scatter bait in a manner that causes another person to be in violation of this regulation.

(b) Hunting shall be prohibited within 100 yards of any bait placed, deposited, exposed, or scattered on department lands. Bait shall be considered placed, deposited, exposed, or scattered on department lands for 10 days following complete removal of the bait.

(c) (1) Nothing in this regulation shall prohibit the hunting or taking of wildlife over any of the following:

(A) Standing crops or flooded standing crops, including aquatic crops;

(B) standing, flooded, or manipulated natural vegetation;

(C) flooded harvested croplands;

(D) lands or areas where seeds or grains have been scattered solely as the result of normal agricultural planting, harvesting, postharvest manipulation, or soil stabilization practice; or

(E) standing or flooded standing agricultural crops over which grain is inadvertently scattered solely as a result of a hunter entering or exiting a hunting area, placing decoys, or retrieving downed wildlife.

(2) The taking of wildlife, except migratory waterfowl, coots, and cranes, on or over any lands or areas meeting the following conditions shall not be prohibited:

(A) Are not otherwise baited; and

(B) have grain or other feed that has been distributed or scattered solely as the result of manipulation of an agricultural crop or other feed on the land where grown, scattered solely as the result of normal agricultural operations, or scattered solely as the result of normal weather conditions.

(d) For the purposes of this regulation, “bait” shall mean any grain, fruit, vegetable, nut, hay, salt, sorghum, feed, other food, or mineral that is capable of attracting wildlife. Liquid scents and sprays shall not be considered bait. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-807; effective July 20, 2012; amended July 26, 2013.)

**115-8-24. Commercial guiding on department lands.** (a) No person shall provide commercial guide services on department-owned or department-managed lands without a commercial guide permit issued by the department that is specific to the tract of land where the guide is operating.

(b) For the purposes of this regulation, “commercial guide services” shall mean providing, offering to provide, arranging for, or assisting with hunting activities for other individuals on a com-

mercial basis, including providing any one or more of the following when used in conjunction with or for hunting activities: pack or riding livestock, transportation other than by commercial carrier, equipment, or facilities.

(c) “Commercial basis” shall mean that the recipient of the commercial guide services agrees to provide valuable consideration as compensation for the services, which are provided as part of a business relationship. Evidence of a business relationship shall include advertisement of the commercial guide services, written agreement of the terms of payment, or services provided by an employee of a commercial guide service.

(d) Each commercial guide shall submit an annual report before July 1 on a form provided by the department. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807; effective July 20, 2012.)

#### **Article 9.—LICENSES, PERMITS, STAMPS, AND OTHER DEPARTMENT ISSUES**

##### **115-9-8. Migratory bird harvest information program; requirements, exemptions.**

(a) As used in this regulation, “migratory game bird” shall mean any wild duck, goose, merganser, crane, dove, rail, snipe, woodcock, or other migratory bird for which a hunting season is established in the state of Kansas.

(b) Each person hunting migratory game birds in the state of Kansas shall be required to complete a Kansas migratory bird harvest information survey, as provided by the secretary.

(c) Upon completion of a Kansas migratory bird harvest information survey, a harvest information program permit shall be issued by the secretary or the secretary’s designee to the person completing the survey.

(1) Each person required to comply with subsection (b) shall be in possession of a valid harvest information program permit issued to that person while hunting any migratory game bird within the state of Kansas.

(2) Each harvest information program permit shall be validated by the signature of the permit holder written in the signature block of the permit.

(3) Each harvest information program permit shall be valid from the date of issuance through June 30 following the date of issuance.

(4) A harvest information program permit shall not be transferable.

(d) The provisions of subsection (b) shall not apply to the hunting of any migratory game bird by either of the following:

(1) Tribal members on federal Indian reservations or tribal members hunting on ceded lands; or

(2) a resident of this state not required by K.S.A. 32-919, and amendments thereto, to hold a hunting license.

(e) This regulation shall be effective on and after April 1, 2013. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807, as amended by L. 2012, ch. 47, sec. 25; effective July 1, 1998; amended April 1, 2013.)

#### Article 14.—FALCONRY

**115-14-1.** This regulation shall be revoked on and after December 31, 2012. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 32-1002; effective Nov. 12, 1991; amended Aug. 15, 1994; revoked Dec. 31, 2012.)

**115-14-2.** This regulation shall be revoked on and after December 31, 2012. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 32-807, K.S.A. 32-1001 and K.S.A. 32-1002; effective Nov. 12, 1991; amended Aug. 15, 1994; amended Oct. 5, 2001; revoked Dec. 31, 2012.)

**115-14-3.** This regulation shall be revoked on and after December 31, 2012. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 32-1002; effective Nov. 12, 1991; amended Aug. 1, 1997; amended Oct. 5, 2001; revoked Dec. 31, 2012.)

**115-14-4.** This regulation shall be revoked on and after December 31, 2012. (Authorized by K.S.A. 1990 Supp. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 1990 Supp. 32-807, K.S.A. 1990 Supp. 32-1001; effective Nov. 12, 1991; revoked Dec. 31, 2012.)

**115-14-5.** This regulation shall be revoked on and after December 31, 2012. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 32-807, K.S.A. 32-1002; effective Nov. 12, 1991; amended Oct. 5, 2001; revoked Dec. 31, 2012.)

**115-14-6.** This regulation shall be revoked on and after December 31, 2012. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 32-807, K.S.A. 32-1002; effective Nov. 12, 1991; amended Oct. 5, 2001; revoked Dec. 31, 2012.)

**115-14-8.** This regulation shall be revoked

on and after December 31, 2012. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 32-807, K.S.A. 32-1001, and K.S.A. 32-1002; effective Nov. 12, 1991; amended Aug. 15, 1994; revoked Dec. 31, 2012.)

**115-14-9.** This regulation shall be revoked on and after December 31, 2012. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 32-807, K.S.A. 32-919, and K.S.A. 32-1002; effective Nov. 12, 1991; amended Aug. 15, 1994; amended Aug. 1, 1997; amended Oct. 5, 2001; revoked Dec. 31, 2012.)

**115-14-10.** This regulation shall be revoked on and after December 31, 2012. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 32-807, K.S.A. 32-1001, K.S.A. 32-1002 and K.S.A. 32-1047; effective Nov. 12, 1991; amended Aug. 15, 1994; amended Oct. 5, 2001; revoked Dec. 31, 2012.)

**115-14-11. Falconry; general provisions.** (a) Each falconer hunting or trapping raptors in Kansas shall possess any current hunting license, unless exempt pursuant to K.S.A. 32-919 and amendments thereto, and any other state or federal stamp, permit, certificate, or other issuance that may be required for hunting the species that the falconer is hunting. In addition, each non-resident falconer shall possess a current nonresident hunting license while participating in a falconry field trial or a department-approved special event.

(b) Any falconry raptor may kill wildlife, including animals killed outside the established hunting season, if it was not the intent of the falconry permittee to kill the wildlife. The falconry raptor may be allowed to feed on the wildlife, but the permittee shall not take the wildlife, or any part of the wildlife, into possession.

(1) The falconry permittee shall report the take of any federally listed threatened or endangered species to the ecological services field office of the United States fish and wildlife service and provide the location where the take took place.

(2) The falconry permittee shall report the take of any wildlife designated as endangered or threatened in K.A.R. 115-15-1 or as a species in need of conservation as listed in K.A.R. 115-15-2 to the environmental services section of the department and provide the location where the take took place.

(c) Any falconry permittee may take nuisance

and depredating birds with a falconry raptor in accordance with K.A.R. 115-16-3 if the permittee is not paid for that individual's services.

(d) Any falconry permittee may conduct commercial abatement activities in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) Any master falconer may conduct commercial abatement activities with permitted falconry raptors if the master falconer possesses a special purpose abatement permit issued by the United States fish and wildlife service.

Any master falconer, general falconer, or apprentice falconer may conduct commercial abatement activities as a subpermittee of a properly permitted master falconer.

(2) Any falconry permittee holding a special abatement permit may receive payment for that individual's commercial services.

(e) Feathers molted by a falconry raptor shall be possessed or disposed of in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) Any falconry permittee may possess flight feathers for each species of raptor legally possessed or previously held for the duration of time the permittee holds a valid falconry permit.

(A) The permittee may receive feathers for imping from other permitted falconers, wildlife rehabilitators, or propagators in the United States. The permittee may give feathers for imping to other permitted falconers, wildlife rehabilitators, or propagators in the United States.

(B) It shall be unlawful to buy, sell, or barter the feathers.

(2) Any permittee may donate feathers from a falconry raptor, except golden eagle feathers, to any person or institution with a valid permit to possess the feathers issued by the United States fish and wildlife service or to any persons exempted by federal regulation from having the permit.

(3) Except for the primary or the secondary flight feathers and the retrices from a golden eagle, a falconry permittee shall not be required to gather feathers that are molted or otherwise lost by a falconry bird. These feathers may be left where they fall, stored for imping, or destroyed. All molted flight feathers and retrices from a golden eagle shall be collected by the permittee and, if not kept for imping, shall be sent to the national eagle repository.

(4) Each falconry permittee whose permit expires or is revoked shall donate the feathers of any species of falconry raptor, except a golden eagle,

to any person or institution exempted from federal possession permit requirements or to any person or institution authorized by federal permit to acquire and possess the feathers. If the feathers cannot be donated, they shall be burned, buried, or otherwise destroyed.

(f) The carcass of each falconry raptor shall be disposed of in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) The entire body of each golden eagle, including all feathers, talons, and other parts, shall be sent to the national eagle repository.

(2) The body or feathers of any species of falconry raptor, excluding a golden eagle, may be donated to any person or institution exempted from federal possession permit requirements or to any person or institution authorized by federal permit to acquire and possess the body or feathers.

(3) The body of any falconry raptor, other than a golden eagle, that was banded or was implanted with a microchip before its death may be kept by the falconry permittee in accordance with the following provisions:

(A) The feathers from the body may be used for imping.

(B) The body may be prepared and mounted by a taxidermist. The mounted body may be used by the permittee as part of a conservation education program.

(C) If the raptor was banded, the band shall remain on the body. If the raptor was implanted with a microchip, the microchip shall remain implanted in place.

(4) The body or feathers of any raptor that is not donated or retained by the permittee shall be burned, buried, or otherwise destroyed within 10 days of the death of the bird or after final examination by a veterinarian to determine the cause of death.

(5) The carcass of each euthanized raptor shall be disposed of in a manner that prevents the secondary poisoning of eagles or other scavengers.

(6) For any falconry raptor other than a golden eagle, if the body or feathers are not donated or mounted by a taxidermist as authorized by this subsection, the falconry permittee may possess the raptor for as long as the permittee maintains a valid falconry permit. The falconry permittee shall keep all the paperwork documenting the acquisition and possession of the raptor.

(g) A falconry raptor may be used in conserva-

tion education programs presented in public venues in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) Any general falconer or master falconer may conduct or participate in such a program without the need for any other type of permit. Any apprentice falconer may conduct or participate in such a program while under the direct supervision of a general falconer or master falconer during the program.

The falconer presenting the program shall be responsible for all liability associated with falconry and conservation education activities for which the falconer is the instructor.

(2) The raptor shall be used primarily for falconry.

(3) A fee may be charged for the presentation of a conservation education program. However, the fee shall not exceed the amount required to recoup the falconer's costs for presenting the program.

(4) The presentation shall address falconry and conservation education. The conservation education portion of the program shall provide information about the biology, ecological roles, and conservation needs of raptors and other migratory birds. However, not all of these topics shall be required to be covered in every presentation.

(h) Falconry raptors may be photographed, filmed, or recorded by similar means for the production of movies or other sources of information on the practice of falconry or on the biology, ecological roles, and conservation needs of raptors and other migratory birds in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) Any general falconer or master falconer may conduct or participate in such an activity without the need for any other type of permit. Any apprentice falconer may conduct or participate in such an activity while under the direct supervision of a general falconer or master falconer during the activity.

(2) The falconer shall not receive payment for the falconer's participation.

(3) Falconry raptors shall not be used to make movies or commercials or be used in other commercial ventures that are not related to falconry. Falconry raptors shall not be used for any of the following:

(A) Entertainment;

(B) advertisements, promotion, or endorsement of any products, merchandise, goods, services, meetings, or fairs; or

(C) the representation of any business, company, corporation, or other organization.

(i) Any general falconer or master falconer may assist a permitted migratory bird rehabilitator ("rehabilitator") to condition raptors in preparation for their release to the wild in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) The rehabilitator shall provide the falconer with a letter or form that identifies the bird and explains that the falconer is assisting in the bird's rehabilitation. The raptor undergoing rehabilitation shall not be transferred to the falconer but shall remain under the permit of the rehabilitator.

(2) The falconer shall not be required to meet the rehabilitator facility standards. The falconer shall maintain that individual's facilities in accordance with K.A.R. 115-14-13.

(3) The falconer, in coordination with the rehabilitator, shall release all raptors that are able to be released to the wild or shall return any such bird that cannot be permanently released to the wild to the rehabilitator for placement within the 180-day time frame in which the rehabilitator is authorized to possess the bird, unless the rehabilitator receives authorization to retain the bird for longer than the 180-day period. Any rehabilitated bird may be transferred to the falconer in accordance with K.A.R. 115-14-15.

(j) When flown free, a hybrid raptor shall have at least two attached radio transmitters to aid the falconry permittee in tracking and locating the bird. The term "hybrid raptor" shall mean the offspring of two different species of raptor.

(k) The statewide season for taking game birds by falconry shall be September 1 through March 31. Any falconer may possess hen pheasants that are incidentally taken by falconry means during the established falconry game bird season. Each falconer shall possess no more than two hen pheasants per day.

This regulation shall be effective on and after December 31, 2012. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807; effective Dec. 31, 2012.)

**115-14-12. Falconry; permits, applications, and examinations.** (a) Except as provided in this regulation, any individual engaged in falconry who possesses a current Kansas falconry permit or a current falconry permit from another state may engage in falconry activities as authorized by law or regulation. The permittee shall be in the immediate possession of the permit while trapping, transporting, working with, or flying a

falconry raptor. Each falconer wanting to capture a raptor from the wild shall comply with K.A.R. 115-14-14. The permittee shall not be required to have immediate possession of the falconry permit while the raptor is located on the permitted premises of the falconry facility but shall produce the permit upon request for inspection by any law enforcement officer authorized to enforce the provisions of this regulation.

(b) Each individual wanting to engage in falconry shall submit an application to the secretary for the appropriate permit, on forms provided by the department. The application shall require at least the following information to be provided:

- (1) The applicant's name;
- (2) the applicant's address;
- (3) the address of the facilities where the raptors are to be kept;
- (4) the species and number of raptors to be permitted in accordance with the limitations specified in this regulation;
- (5) the applicant's date of birth;
- (6) the applicant's social security number;
- (7) the level of falconry permit being applied for; and
- (8) any additional relevant information that may be required for the type of permit as described within this regulation.

(c) Each falconry permit shall be valid from the date of issuance through December 31 in the third calendar year after issuance. A falconry permit may be renewed without the examination otherwise required by this regulation if the permit is renewed before the current permit expires.

(d) Each individual holding a current valid falconry permit from another state, moving to Kansas with the intent to establish residency, and wanting to bring that individual's legally permitted raptors into the state shall meet the following requirements:

(1) The individual shall apply for the appropriate level of Kansas falconry permit within 30 days after moving into the state. The determination of which level of falconry permit is appropriate for the applicant shall be based on the requirements of subsections (j), (k), and (l).

(2) The individual shall not be required to take the department's falconry examination specified in paragraph (j)(3).

(3) The individual shall notify the state where the individual formerly resided of the individual's move, within 30 days of moving to Kansas.

(4) Any falconry birds held by the individual

under the former permit may be retained during the permit application and issuance process in Kansas if the birds are kept in an appropriate facility as specified in K.A.R. 115-14-13.

Each permanent facility to house falconry birds possessed under this subsection shall be constructed, inspected, and approved in accordance with K.A.R. 115-14-13 before the issuance of the Kansas falconry permit.

(e) Each individual whose permit has lapsed shall be allowed to reinstate that individual's permit in accordance with this subsection.

(1) Any individual whose Kansas falconry permit has lapsed for fewer than five years may be reinstated at the level previously held if the individual submits a complete application and provides proof of the previous level of certification. Each of the individual's facilities shall pass the inspection requirements in K.A.R. 115-14-13 before the individual may be allowed to possess a falconry raptor.

(2) Each individual whose Kansas falconry permit has lapsed for five years or more shall be required to correctly answer at least 80 percent of the questions on the department's falconry examination specified in paragraph (j)(3). Upon passing the examination, the individual's falconry permit shall be reinstated at the level previously held. Each of the individual's facilities shall pass the inspection requirements in K.A.R. 115-14-13 before the individual may be allowed to possess a falconry raptor.

(f) Any individual whose falconry permit has been revoked or suspended may apply for that individual's permit to be reinstated after the suspension period or revocation. In addition to submitting a completed application to the department, the individual shall be required to correctly answer at least 80 percent of the questions on the department's falconry examination specified in paragraph (j)(3). Upon passing the examination, the individual's falconry permit shall be reinstated at the level previously held. Each of the individual's facilities shall pass the inspection requirements in K.A.R. 115-14-13 before the individual may be allowed to possess a falconry raptor.

(g) Any individual residing in Kansas who is not a citizen of the United States, has practiced falconry in the individual's home country, and has not been previously permitted for falconry in another state may apply for a temporary falconry permit. Each temporary falconry permit shall be

valid from the date of issuance through December 31 in the third calendar year after issuance. The level of permit issued shall be consistent with the level of permit types specified in subsections (j), (k), and (l). In addition, the applicant shall meet the following provisions:

(1) Any individual covered under this subsection may apply for and receive a temporary falconry permit in accordance with the following provisions:

(A) The individual applying for the temporary permit shall correctly answer at least 80 percent of the questions on the department's falconry examination specified in paragraph (j)(3).

(B) Upon passing the examination, a temporary permit for the appropriate level shall be issued by the department, based on the individual's documentation of experience and training.

(C) The individual holding the temporary permit may possess raptors for falconry purposes if the individual has falconry facilities approved in accordance with K.A.R. 115-14-13. The individual holding a temporary permit may fly raptors held for falconry by another permitted falconer. The individual holding a temporary permit shall not take raptors from the wild for falconry purposes.

(2) Any individual holding a temporary permit in accordance with this subsection may use any bird for falconry that the individual legally possessed in the individual's country of origin for falconry purposes if the importation of that species of bird into the United States is not prohibited and the individual has met all permitting requirements of the individual's country of origin.

(A) The individual shall comply with all requirements for practicing falconry in the state. The individual shall acquire all permits and comply with all federal laws concerning the importation, exportation, and transportation of falconry birds; the wild bird conservation act; the endangered species act; migratory bird import and export permits; and the endangered species convention.

(B) Each falconry bird imported into the state under this subsection shall be exported from the state by the temporary permittee when the permittee leaves the state, unless a permit is issued allowing the bird to remain in Kansas. If the bird dies while in the state, the permittee shall report the loss to the department before leaving the state.

(C) When flown free, each bird brought into the state under the provisions of this subsection

shall have attached to the bird two radio transmitters that allow the permittee to locate the bird.

(h) Each individual who holds a current, valid Kansas falconry permit and resides in another state, territory, or tribal land different from the individual's primary Kansas residence for more than 120 consecutive days shall provide the location of the individual's falconry facilities in the other jurisdiction to the department. This information shall be listed on the individual's Kansas falconry permit.

(i) Falconry permits shall be issued for the following levels of permittees: apprentice falconer, general falconer, and master falconer. Each applicant for a specific level shall meet the requirements of subsection (j), (k), or (l).

(j) An "apprentice falconer" shall mean an individual who is beginning falconry at an entry level, has no prior permitted falconry experience, and meets the following requirements:

(1) The applicant shall be at least 12 years of age. The application of any applicant under 18 years of age shall be signed by a parent or legal guardian, who shall be legally responsible for the applicant's activities.

(2) The applicant shall have secured a written sponsor agreement either from a general falconer with at least two years of falconry experience as a general falconer or from a master falconer, stating that the falconer has agreed to mentor the applicant for the duration of the apprentice permit.

(A) The sponsor agreement shall include a statement from the general falconer or master falconer specifying that the sponsor shall mentor the applicant in learning the husbandry and training of raptors for falconry, learning relevant wildlife laws and regulations concerning the practice of falconry, and deciding what species of raptor is appropriate for the applicant to possess while practicing falconry at the apprentice level.

(B) If the general falconer or master falconer is not able to fulfill the sponsor agreement to mentor the apprentice falconer, the apprentice shall secure a sponsor agreement from another falconer with the necessary qualifications and notify the department within 30 days of the change. The falconer sponsoring the apprentice falconer shall notify the department in writing within 30 days of withdrawing the falconer's mentorship.

(3) Each applicant for an apprentice falconry permit shall be required to correctly answer at least 80 percent of the questions on the depart-

ment's falconry examination. The examination shall cover the following topics:

- (A) The care and handling of falconry raptors;
- (B) federal and state laws and regulations relating to falconry; and
- (C) other relevant subject matter relating to falconry, including diseases and general health.

(4) Any applicant failing the examination may reapply after 90 days.

(5) An apprentice falconer shall not possess more than one raptor. Each apprentice falconer shall be restricted to taking not more than one wild-caught raptor from one of the following species:

- (A) American kestrel (*Falco sparverius*);
- (B) red-tailed hawk (*Buteo jamaicensis*); or
- (C) red-shouldered hawk (*Buteo lineatus*).

(6) A raptor acquired by an apprentice falconer shall not have been taken from the wild as an eyas or have become imprinted on humans. Any wild-caught raptor may be transferred to the apprentice falconer by another properly permitted falconry permittee.

An apprentice falconer shall not acquire more than one replacement raptor during any 12-month period.

(7) The facilities used to house and keep the raptor shall meet the requirements in K.A.R. 115-14-13.

(k) A "general falconer" shall mean an individual who has been previously permitted as an apprentice falconer and meets the following requirements:

(1) The applicant shall be at least 16 years of age. The application of any applicant under 18 years of age shall be signed by a parent or legal guardian, who shall be legally responsible for the applicant's activities.

(2) Each application shall be accompanied by a letter from general falconer or a master falconer stating that the applicant has practiced falconry with wild raptors at the level of apprentice falconer, or its equivalent, for at least two years, including maintaining, training, flying, and hunting the raptor for at least four months in each year. This time may include the capture and release of falconry raptors. A school or education program in falconry shall not be substituted to shorten the required two years of experience at the level of apprentice falconer.

(3) A general falconer may take and use any species of *Accipitriform*, *Falconiform*, or *Strigiform*, including wild or captive-bred raptors and hybrid

raptors, as defined in K.A.R. 115-14-11, for falconry, with the following exceptions:

- (A) Golden eagle (*Aquila chrysaetos*);
- (B) bald eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*);
- (C) white-tailed eagle (*Haliaeetus albicilla*); and
- (D) Steller's sea eagle (*Haliaeetus pelagicus*).

(4) A general falconer shall possess no more than three raptors at any one time, regardless of the number of state, tribal, or territorial falconry permits the general falconer possesses.

(l) A "master falconer" shall mean an individual who has been previously permitted at the level of general falconer and meets the following requirements:

(1) The applicant shall have practiced falconry with that individual's own raptor as a general falconer for at least five years.

(2) A master falconer may take and use any species of *Accipitriform*, *Falconiform*, or *Strigiform*, including wild or captive-bred raptors and hybrid raptors for falconry, with the following exceptions:

(A) A bald eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) shall not be possessed.

(B) Golden eagles (*Aquila chrysaetos*), white-tailed eagles (*Haliaeetus albicilla*), or Steller's sea eagles (*Haliaeetus pelagicus*) may be possessed if the permittee meets the following requirements:

(i) The permittee shall not possess more than three raptors of the species listed in paragraph (l)(2)(B).

(ii) The permittee shall provide documentation to the department of the permittee's experience in handling large raptors, including information about the species handled and the type and duration of the activity in which the experience was gained.

(iii) The permittee shall provide the department with at least two letters of reference from people with experience in handling or flying large raptors including eagles, ferruginous hawks (*Buteo regalis*), goshawks (*Accipiter gentilis*), or great horned owls (*Bubo virginianus*). Each letter shall contain a concise history of the author's experience with large raptors, which may include the handling of raptors held by zoos, rehabilitating large raptors, or scientific studies involving large raptors. Each letter shall also assess the permittee's ability to care for eagles and fly them for falconry purposes.

(C) The possession of a golden eagle, white-tailed eagle, or Steller's sea eagle shall count as one of the wild raptors that the permittee is allowed to possess.

(D) A master falconer may possess wild or captive-bred raptors or hybrid raptors of the species allowed by this subsection.

(E) A master falconer shall possess no more than five wild-caught raptors, including golden eagles, regardless of the number of state, tribal, or territorial falconry permits the falconer possesses.

(F) A master falconer may possess any number of captive-bred raptors. However, the raptors shall be trained to pursue wild game and shall be used for hunting.

(m) A falconry permit may be denied, suspended, or revoked by the secretary for any of the following reasons:

(1) The application is incomplete or contains false information.

(2) The applicant does not meet the qualifications specified in this regulation.

(3) The applicant has failed to maintain or to submit required reports.

(4) The applicant has been convicted of violating department laws or regulations relating to hunting or the practice of falconry or has had any other department license or permit denied, suspended, or revoked.

(5) Issuance of the permit would not be in the best interests of the public, for reasons including complaints or inappropriate conduct while holding a previous falconry permit.

This regulation shall be effective on and after December 31, 2012. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807; effective Dec. 31, 2012.)

**115-14-13. Falconry; facilities, equipment, care requirements, and inspections.** (a) Each individual keeping raptors shall maintain the facilities in accordance with this regulation.

(1) "Primary facility" shall mean the principal place and structures where the raptor is normally provided care and housing. This term shall include indoor facilities and outdoor facilities.

(2) "Temporary facility" shall mean a place and structure where a raptor is kept during the raptor's time away from the primary facility, including during transportation and while hunting or attending an event. This term shall include a place and structure where a raptor is kept for a limited time period while the primary facility is not available.

(b) All primary facilities used to house and keep raptors shall be inspected and approved by the department before the issuance of a Kansas falconry permit. Thereafter, all primary facilities

used to house and keep raptors shall be inspected and approved before the issuance or renewal of a Kansas falconry permit. All primary facilities shall meet the following standards:

(1) All indoor areas of the primary facility, which are also known as "mews," and all outdoor areas of the primary facility, which are also known as "weathering areas," shall protect raptors from the environment, predators, and domestic animals.

(2) The indoor area of the primary facility shall have a perch for each raptor and at least one opening for sunlight.

(3) Two or more raptors may be housed together and untethered if the birds are compatible with each other. Each raptor shall have an area large enough to allow the raptor to fly if it is untethered or, if tethered, to fully extend its wings to bate or attempt to fly while tethered without damaging its feathers or contacting other raptors.

(4) Each raptor shall have a pan of clean water available.

(5) Each indoor area of the primary facility shall be large enough to allow easy access for the care and feeding of the raptors kept there.

(6) Each indoor area of the primary facility housing untethered raptors shall have either solid walls or walls made with vertical bars spaced narrower than the width of the body of the smallest raptor being housed, heavy-duty netting, or other similar materials covering the walls and roof of the facility. All windows shall be protected on the inside by vertical bars, spaced at intervals narrower than the width of the raptor's body.

(7) The floor of the indoor area of the primary facility shall consist of material that is easily cleaned and well drained.

(8) Each indoor area of the primary facility shall include shelf-perch enclosures where raptors are tethered side by side. Other housing systems shall be acceptable if they afford the enclosed raptors with protection and maintain healthy feathers.

(9) A falconry raptor, or raptors, may be kept inside the permittee's residence if a suitable perch, or perches, are provided. Windows and other openings in the residence structure shall not be required to be modified. All raptors kept in the residence shall be tethered when the raptors are not being moved into or out of the location where they are kept.

(10) Each outdoor area of the primary facility shall be totally enclosed and shall be made of

heavy-gauge wire, heavy-duty plastic mesh, slats, pipe, wood, or other suitable material.

(11) Each outdoor area of the primary facility shall be covered and have at least a covered perch to protect a raptor held in the facility from predators and weather. Each outdoor area of the primary facility shall be large enough to ensure that all the raptors held inside cannot strike the enclosure when flying from the perch.

(12) Any new design of primary facility may be used if the primary facility meets the requirements of this subsection and is approved in writing by the department.

(c) Falconry raptors may be kept outside, including in a weathering yard at a falconry meet, if the raptors are under watch by the permittee or a designated individual.

(d) The permittee may transport any permitted raptor if the bird is provided with a suitable perch and is protected from extreme temperatures, wind, and excessive disturbance. A giant hood or similar container may be used for transporting the bird or for housing it while away from the primary facility.

(e) The permittee shall inform the department of any change of location of the primary facility within five business days of the move to the new location.

(f) The property where the primary facility is located may be owned by the permittee or another person and may be at the residence of the permittee or at a different location.

The permittee shall submit to the department a signed and dated statement showing that the permittee agrees that the primary facility, equipment, all falconry-related facilities, equipment, records, and raptors may be inspected without advance notice by department authorities at any reasonable time on any day of the week if the inspections are in the presence of the permittee. If the property is not owned by the permittee, the actual property owner shall also sign the statement acknowledging the inspection allowance.

(g) The permittee shall provide and maintain the following equipment during the term of the permit:

(1) At least one pair of Aylmeri jesses, or jesses of a similar type, constructed of pliable, high-quality leather or a suitable synthetic material. The jesses shall be used when any raptor is flown free. Traditional one-piece jesses may be used on raptors when not being flown;

(2) at least one flexible, weather-resistant leash

and one strong swivel of acceptable falconry design;

(3) at least one suitable bath container for each raptor. Each container shall be at least two to six inches deep and wider than the length of the raptor; and

(4) a reliable scale or balance that is suitable for weighing the raptors and is graduated to increments of not more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  ounce (15 grams).

(h) A permittee may house a raptor in temporary facilities for no more than 120 consecutive days if the bird is provided with a suitable perch and protection from predators, domestic animals, extreme temperatures, wind, and excessive disturbance.

(i) A permittee may allow a raptor to be temporarily cared for and possessed by another falconry permittee in accordance with the following requirements:

(1) The raptor shall be kept at the permittee's primary facility or at the permitted primary facility of the other permittee.

(2) The raptor shall be cared for by the other permittee for no more than 120 consecutive days, unless the department provides a written extension of time for extenuating circumstances that may include illness, military service, or a family emergency. Extenuating circumstances may be considered by the secretary on a case-by-case basis.

(3) The permittee shall provide the other permittee with a signed, dated statement authorizing the temporary possession. The statement shall include information specifying the time period during which the temporary care and possession are allowed and what activity is allowed. The permittee providing the temporary care may fly the raptor as authorized in the statement, including hunting, if the permittee providing the temporary care holds the appropriate level of falconry permit. The raptors being provided temporary care shall not count against the possession limit of the permittee providing the care.

(4) The permittee shall provide a copy of the United States fish and wildlife service form 3-186A showing that permittee as the possessor of the raptor to the other permittee providing the temporary care.

(j) Any permittee may allow a raptor to be temporarily cared for by an individual who does not possess a falconry permit in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) The raptor shall not be removed from the

permittee's facility during the time of temporary care. The person caring for the raptor shall not fly the raptor for any reason.

(2) The raptor may be cared for by another person for no more than 45 consecutive days, unless the department provides a written extension of time for extenuating circumstances that may include illness, military service, or a family emergency. Extenuating circumstances may be considered by the secretary on a case-by-case basis.

(3) The raptor shall remain on the permittee's falconry permit.

(k) Falconry raptors may be trained or conditioned in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) Equipment or techniques acceptable for falconry practices including or similar to any of the following may be used:

(A) Tethered flying, which is also known as flying with a creance;

(B) lures made from animal parts;

(C) balloons;

(D) kites; or

(E) remote-control airplanes.

(2) The following species of live wildlife may be used:

(A) Rock dove or domestic pigeon;

(B) European starling;

(C) house sparrow;

(D) Hungarian partridge;

(E) Chukar partridge; and

(F) any small game, as defined by K.S.A. 32-701 and amendments thereto, during the established hunting seasons for the small game.

(l) All facilities and equipment shall be properly maintained and cleaned during the term of the permit.

(m) Mistreatment of any raptor shall be grounds for revocation of the falconer's permit and for confiscation of any raptors in possession of the falconer. "Mistreatment" shall be defined as any of the following:

(1) Having physical custody of a raptor and failing to provide food, potable water, protection from the elements, opportunity for exercise, and other care as is needed for the health and well-being of the raptor;

(2) abandoning or leaving any raptor in any place without making provisions for its proper care; or

(3) failing to meet the requirements of this regulation.

This regulation shall be effective on and after

December 31, 2012. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807; effective Dec. 31, 2012.)

**115-14-14. Falconry; taking, banding, transporting, and possessing raptors.** (a) Each person taking a raptor from the wild for falconry purposes shall possess a current, valid hunting license pursuant to K.S.A. 32-919, and amendments thereto, and meet the requirements for hunter education certification pursuant to K.S.A. 32-920, and amendments thereto.

(b) Each falconer shall apply for and receive a permit from the department before attempting to take a raptor from the wild in Kansas.

(c) Each capture device used to capture raptors shall have a tag attached showing the permittee's name, address, and current falconry permit number.

(d) The permittee shall acquire permission from the landowner or the person controlling any private land before taking or attempting to take any wild raptor for falconry purposes.

(e) Wild raptors may be taken for falconry purposes if the species is approved by the department to be taken by the permittee and is allowed under the level of falconry permit possessed by the permittee in accordance with K.A.R. 115-14-12.

(1) A permittee shall not intentionally take a raptor species that the permittee is prohibited from possessing by the permittee's classification level.

(2) If a permittee captures a prohibited bird, the permittee shall immediately release it.

(f) A permittee shall take no more than two raptors from the wild each year to use in falconry in accordance with the permit level limitations specified in K.A.R. 115-14-12. The take shall be further restricted by the following provisions:

(1) Passage and haggard raptors may be taken by apprentice falconers, general falconers, and master falconers year-round.

(2) Raptors less than one year of age may be taken only by a general falconer or master falconer and may be taken year-round.

(3) No more than two eyases may be taken by a general falconer or a master falconer per calendar year. At least one eyas shall be left in the nest when an eyas is taken.

An apprentice falconer shall not take an eyas raptor from the wild.

(4) The following raptors may be taken from the wild, but only during the specified stages of development:

(A) Red-tailed hawk (*Buteo jamaicensis*) in the eyas and passage stages;

(B) American kestrel (*Falco sparverius*) in all stages; and

(C) great horned owl (*Bubo virginianus*) in all stages.

(5) Any other species of raptor in the eyas or passage stage of development may be taken by general falconers and master falconers.

(6) The recapture of a falconry bird that has been lost by a falconry permittee shall not be considered to be the capture of a wild raptor to be counted against the annual limit.

(g) Except as provided by this subsection, no species designated by the United States or in K.A.R. 115-15-1 as endangered or threatened shall be taken from the wild.

(1) A general falconer or master falconer may obtain a permit to take one wild raptor listed by federal law as threatened for falconry purposes.

(2) (A) The permittee shall submit an application and receive a federal endangered species permit before taking the bird.

(B) The permittee shall submit an application and receive approval and a permit from the department before taking the bird.

(h) Each raptor taken from the wild shall always be considered a wild bird.

(i) Each raptor taken from the wild in a calendar year by a permittee and then transferred to a second permittee shall count as one of the raptors allowed to be taken by the first permittee who took the raptor from the wild. The raptor transferred to the receiving permittee shall not count against the limit of wild raptors that may be taken in the calendar year by the receiving permittee.

(j) Each raptor taken from the wild shall be reported as follows:

(1) The permittee who is present and takes possession of a wild raptor at the capture site shall file the required report information within 10 calendar days of the capture by submitting the information to the electronic database of the United States fish and wildlife service.

(2) Any permittee may enlist the assistance of another person to take a wild raptor if the permittee is at the exact location of the capture and takes immediate possession of the bird.

(3) Any permittee who does not take immediate possession of a wild raptor at the exact location of the capture may acquire a wild raptor from a general falconer or master falconer, as defined in

K.A.R. 115-14-12, in accordance with the following reporting requirements:

(A) The general falconer or master falconer who takes the raptor from the wild shall report the capture in accordance with paragraph (j)(1).

(B) The permittee receiving the wild raptor from the general falconer or master falconer shall report the transfer of the bird within 10 calendar days of the transfer by submitting the information to the electronic database of the United States fish and wildlife service.

(4) Any permittee who has a long-term or permanent physical impairment that prevents the individual from being present at the exact location of the capture and taking immediate possession of a wild raptor that may be used by the permittee for falconry purposes may acquire a bird by the following means:

(A) Any general falconer or master falconer, as defined by K.A.R. 115-14-12, may capture the wild raptor.

This capture shall not count against the general falconer's or master falconer's calendar-year limit for the take of wild raptors. However, this capture shall count against the calendar-year limit for wild raptors of the permittee with the long-term or permanent physical impairment.

(B) The permittee with the long-term or permanent physical impairment shall file the capture report in accordance with paragraph (j)(1).

(C) The permittee with the long-term or permanent physical impairment shall confirm the presence of the impairment and the need to report in accordance with this subsection at the time of application for the capture permit.

(k) A master falconer may be authorized by permit to possess not more than three eagles, including golden eagles, white-tailed eagles, or Steller's sea eagles, for falconry in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) Each eagle possessed shall count against the possession limit for the permittee.

(2) A golden eagle may be taken in a location declared by the wildlife services of the United States department of agriculture or in an area within a state that has been established as a livestock depredation area in accordance with the following provisions:

(A) An immature or a subadult golden eagle may be taken in a livestock depredation area while the depredation area is in effect.

(B) A nesting adult golden eagle, or an eyas from its nest, may be taken in a livestock depredation area.

dation area if a biologist that represents the agency responsible for establishing the depredation area has determined that the adult eagle is preying on livestock.

(C) The permittee shall notify the regional law enforcement office of the United States fish and wildlife service of the capture plan before any trapping activity begins. Notification shall be submitted in person, in writing, or by facsimile or electronic mail at least three business days before the start of trapping.

(1) Any raptor wearing falconry equipment or any captive-bred raptor may be recaptured at any time by any permittee in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) The permittee may recapture the raptor whether or not the permittee is allowed to possess that species.

(2) The recaptured bird shall not count against the permittee's possession limit. This take from the wild shall not count against the capture limit for the calendar year.

(3) The permittee shall report the recapture to the department within five working days of the recapture.

(4) The disposition of any recaptured bird shall be as follows:

(A) The bird shall be returned to the person who lost it, if that person may legally possess the bird and chooses to do so. If the person who lost the bird either is prohibited from taking or chooses not to take the bird, the permittee who captured the bird may take possession of the bird if the permittee holds the necessary qualifications for the species and does not exceed the permittee's possession limit.

(B) The disposition of a recaptured bird whose legal ownership cannot be ascertained shall be determined by the department.

(m) Each goshawk, Harris's hawk (*Parabuteo unicinctus*), peregrine falcon (*Falco peregrinus*), or gyrfalcon (*Falco rusticolus*) taken from the wild or acquired from a rehabilitator by a falconry permittee shall be identified by one or more of the following means:

(1) The bird shall be banded with a black nylon, permanent, nonreusable, numbered falconry registration leg band from the United States fish and wildlife service. The bands shall be made available through the department. Any permittee may request an appropriate band before any effort to capture a raptor.

(2) In addition to the band specified in para-

graph (m)(1), the permittee may purchase and have implanted in the bird a 134.2 kHz microchip that is compliant with the requirements of an international organization for standardization. All costs associated with the implantation of a microchip shall be the responsibility of the permittee.

(3) The permittee shall report the take of any bird within 10 days of the take by submitting the required information, including the band number or the microchip information, or both, to the electronic database of the United States fish and wildlife service.

(4) The permittee shall report to the department the loss or removal of any black nylon, nonreusable leg band within five days of the removal or notice of loss.

(A)(i) When submitting the report, the permittee shall submit a request for a black, nylon, nonreusable leg band to the United States fish and wildlife service.

(ii) The permittee may purchase and implant a 134.2 kHz microchip that is compliant with the requirements of an international organization for standardization, in addition to using the black, nylon, nonreusable leg band for rebanding.

(B) The permittee shall immediately submit the required information relating to the re-banding or the implanting of a microchip by submitting the information to the electronic database of the United States fish and wildlife service.

(n) Each raptor bred in captivity shall be banded with a seamless metal falconry registration band provided by the United States fish and wildlife service. In addition, any such raptor may have implanted a 134.2 kHz microchip that is compliant with the requirements of an international organization for standardization.

The permittee shall report to the department the loss or removal of any seamless band within 10 days of the removal or notice of loss.

(1)(A) When submitting the report, the permittee shall submit a request for a yellow, nylon, nonreusable leg band to the United States fish and wildlife service.

(B) The permittee may purchase and implant a 134.2 kHz microchip that is compliant with the requirements of an international organization for standardization, in addition to using the seamless leg band for rebanding.

(2) The permittee shall immediately submit the required information relating to the re-banding or the implanting of a microchip by submitting the

information to the electronic database of the United States fish and wildlife service.

(o) A falconry registration band shall not be altered, defaced, or counterfeited. However, the rear tab on a falconry registration band used to identify a raptor taken from the wild may be removed and any imperfect surface may be smoothed if the integrity of the band and the numbering on the band are not affected.

(p) The falconry registration band requirement may be waived by the secretary and the removal of a registration band may be allowed in order to address a documented health or injury problem caused to a raptor by the registration band in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) The permittee shall be required to carry a copy of the exemption paperwork at all times while transporting or flying the raptor.

(2) A microchip compliant with the requirements of an international organization for standardization and provided by the United States fish and wildlife service shall be used to replace the registration band causing the health or injury problem on a wild-caught goshawk, Harris's hawk, peregrine falcon, or gyrfalcon.

(q) A wild-caught falcon shall not be banded with a seamless numbered band.

(r) Any permittee, with prior authorization, may take a wild raptor, including a wild raptor that has been banded with an aluminum band from the federal bird-banding laboratory of the United States fish and wildlife service, during the legal season using legal methods and equipment, in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) Each captured raptor that has any band, research marker, or transmitter attached to it shall be immediately reported to the federal bird-banding laboratory of the United States fish and wildlife service. The reported information shall include any identifying numbers, the date and location of capture, and any other relevant information.

(2) A peregrine falcon that is banded with a research band or has a research marking attached to the bird shall not be taken from the wild and shall be immediately released.

(3) A captured peregrine falcon that has a research transmitter attached to the bird may be kept by the permittee not more than 30 days if the federal bird-banding laboratory of the United States fish and wildlife service is immediately contacted after the capture. The disposition of the captured peregrine falcon shall be in accordance

with the directions provided by the federal bird-banding laboratory or its designee.

(4) Any raptor, other than a peregrine falcon, that has a transmitter attached to it may be possessed by the permittee who captured the bird for not more than 30 days in order to contact the researcher, or the researcher's designee, to determine if the transmitter should be replaced.

(A) The temporary, 30-day possession of the bird shall not count against the permittee's possession limit for falconry raptors.

(B) If the permittee who captured the raptor wishes to possess the bird for falconry purposes, the disposition of the bird shall be at the discretion of the researcher and the secretary if the species of the bird is allowable under the classification level of the permittee and the permittee's possession of the captured bird does not exceed the established possession limit.

(s) Each raptor, including a peregrine falcon, that is captured and found with a seamless metal band, a transmitter, or any other item identifying it as a falconry bird attached to it shall be reported to the department within five days of capture.

(1) Each such falconry raptor shall be returned to the person who lost the raptor.

(2) If the person who lost the bird is prohibited from possessing the bird or does not wish to possess the bird, the permittee who captured the bird may keep the bird if the permittee holds the necessary qualifications for the species and does not exceed the permittee's possession limit.

(3) If the permittee who captured the bird is prohibited from possessing the bird, the disposition of the bird shall be at the discretion of the secretary.

(4) The recaptured falconry bird shall not count against the possession limit or the calendar-year limit of wild birds that may be taken by the permittee during the time the recaptured bird is being held pending final disposition.

(t) Each raptor that is injured during trapping activities shall be handled in accordance with the provisions of this subsection. It shall be the permittee's responsibility to address any injury occurring to a raptor during trapping activities in one of the following ways:

(1) The permittee may take the raptor into possession and apply it to the permittee's possession limit if the raptor is of a species allowed to be possessed and the permittee's possession limit is not exceeded.

(A) The take shall be reported in accordance with subsection (j).

(B) The raptor shall be treated by a veterinarian or a permitted wildlife rehabilitator. The cost for the care and treatment of the raptor shall be the responsibility of the permittee.

(2) The raptor may be turned over directly to a veterinarian, a permitted wildlife rehabilitator, or a department employee, and the raptor shall not be counted against the permittee's allowable take or possession limit. The permittee shall be responsible for the costs relating to the care and rehabilitation of the bird.

(u)(1) The permittee shall report each raptor that dies or is acquired, transferred, rebanded, implanted with a microchip, lost to the wild and not recovered within 30 calendar days, or stolen by submitting the information to the electronic database of the United States fish and wildlife service.

(2) In addition to submitting the report required in paragraph (u)(1), the permittee shall file a report of the theft of a raptor with the department and the appropriate regional law enforcement office of the United States fish and wildlife service within 10 calendar days of the theft.

(3) The permittee shall keep copies of all electronic database submissions documenting the take, transfer, loss, theft, rebanding, or implanting of microchips of each falconry raptor for at least five years after the bird has been transferred, released to the wild, or lost, or has died.

(v) The intentional release to the wild of any falconry raptor shall be in accordance with the following requirements:

(1) A species of raptor that is not native to Kansas shall not be released to the wild. Any such bird may be transferred to another falconry permittee if the permittee receiving the bird is authorized to possess the age and species of raptor and the transfer does not exceed the possession limit of the permittee receiving the bird.

(2) Any species of raptor that is native to Kansas and is captive-bred may be released to the wild according to the following requirements:

(A) The permittee shall obtain the department's permission to release the bird to the wild before the actual release. The time of year and the location where the release shall take place shall be specified by the department.

(i) The release of a raptor on department lands or waters shall meet the requirements of K.A.R. 115-8-12.

(ii) The permittee shall acquire verbal permission from the landowner or person in control of the private land before the release of the raptor.

(B) The permittee shall remove any tag, transmitter, or nonreusable falconry band, if present, before release. All falconry identification bands, tags, or markers shall then be surrendered to the department within 10 calendar days of the release.

(C) The permittee shall report the release of the bird within 10 calendar days of the release by submitting the required information to the electronic database of the United States fish and wildlife service.

(3) Any species of raptor that is native to Kansas and was taken from the wild may be released to the wild according to the following requirements:

(A) The permittee may release the bird to the wild year-round.

(i) Each release of a raptor on department lands or waters shall meet the requirements of K.A.R. 115-8-12.

(ii) The permittee shall acquire verbal permission from the landowner or person in control of the private land before the release of the raptor.

(B) The permittee shall remove any tag, transmitter, or nonreusable falconry band, if present, before the release. All falconry identification bands, tags, or markers shall then be surrendered to the department within 10 calendar days of the release.

(C) The permittee shall report the release of the bird within 10 calendar days of the release by submitting the required information to the electronic database of the United States fish and wildlife service.

(4) No hybrid raptor, as defined in K.A.R. 115-14-11, shall be intentionally released to the wild permanently.

(5) Hacking, which means temporarily releasing a falconry raptor to the wild for conditioning, shall be permissible. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807, as amended by L. 2012, ch. 47, sec. 25; effective Dec. 31, 2012; amended Feb. 8, 2013.)

**115-14-15. Falconry; transfers, trading, and sale of raptors.** (a) The number of transactions transferring a falconry raptor between permittees shall not be restricted if the permittee taking possession of the raptor does not exceed the possession limit in K.A.R. 115-14-12.

(b) Upon the death of a falconry permittee, the surviving spouse, executor, administrator, or other

legal representative of the deceased falconry permittee may transfer any raptor held by the permittee to another authorized permittee within 90 days. After 90 days, the disposition of any raptor held under the permit shall be at the discretion of the secretary.

(c) No wild-caught raptor shall be sold or purchased, bartered, or traded, whether or not the raptor has been transferred or held in captivity for any period.

(d) A wild-caught raptor may be transferred to another falconry permit holder in accordance with the following requirements:

(1) The transferor shall report the transfer within 10 calendar days by submitting the information to the electronic database of the United States fish and wildlife service.

(2) Upon transfer to another properly permitted falconer, the raptor shall not count toward the number of wild raptors that may be taken from the wild by the receiving falconer.

(e) A wild-caught raptor may be transferred to the holder of a raptor propagation permit in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) A falconry raptor shall be transferred to a properly permitted captive propagation permittee if the raptor is used for propagation purposes for more than eight months.

(A) The individual holding the raptor propagation permit may be the same individual holding the falconry permit or a different person.

(B) Each raptor that is transferred shall have been used for falconry for at least two calendar years, except that the following raptor species shall have been used for falconry for at least one calendar year:

- (i) Sharp-shinned hawk (*Accipiter striatus*);
- (ii) Cooper's hawk (*Accipiter cooperii*);
- (iii) merlin (*Falco columbarius*); and
- (iv) American kestrel (*Falco sparverius*).

(C) The falconry permittee shall report the transfer within 10 calendar days by submitting the information to the electronic database of the United States fish and wildlife service.

(D) The transferred bird shall be banded with a black nylon, nonreusable, numbered band issued by the United States fish and wildlife service.

(2) A falconry raptor may be temporarily transferred to a permitted captive propagation permittee for propagation purposes in accordance with the following provisions:

(A) The individual holding the raptor propaga-

tion permit may be the same individual holding the falconry permit or a different person.

(B) A falconry raptor shall not be used for captive propagation for more than eight months in a calendar year.

(C) The permittee shall notify the department in writing of the dates on which the bird begins and ends captive propagation activity.

(3) A falconry raptor may be permanently transferred to the holder of a permit type other than a falconry permit or captive propagation permit in accordance with the following provisions:

(A) The transfer may occur regardless of the time during which the wild-caught bird has been used for falconry purposes.

(B) The bird shall have been injured and a veterinarian or wildlife rehabilitator shall have determined that the bird shall no longer be flown for falconry.

(C) The falconry permittee shall report the transfer within 10 calendar days by submitting the information to the electronic database of the United States fish and wildlife service. The falconry permittee shall also provide a copy of the certification from the veterinarian or wildlife rehabilitator stating that the bird cannot be used for falconry to the regional migratory bird permit office of the United States fish and wildlife service within 10 calendar days of the transfer.

(f) Any captive-bred falconry raptor may be transferred to another falconry permit holder. The transferor shall report the transfer within 10 calendar days by submitting the transfer report to the electronic database of the United States fish and wildlife service.

(g) A captive-bred falconry raptor may be transferred to the holder of a permit type other than falconry. The transferor shall report the transfer within 10 calendar days to the electronic database of the United States fish and wildlife service.

(h) Any permittee may acquire a raptor for falconry purposes from a permitted rehabilitator if all of the following requirements are met:

(1) The raptor shall be of an age and species allowed under the permittee's classification level.

(2) The acquisition shall not place the permittee in excess of the possession limit.

(3) The transfer from the rehabilitator to the permittee shall be at the discretion of the rehabilitator.

(4) Each raptor acquired by transfer from a rehabilitator shall count as one of the raptors that

the permittee is allowed to take from the wild for that calendar year.

(5) The permittee shall report each raptor acquired by transfer from a rehabilitator within 10 days of the transfer by submitting the required information to the electronic database of the United States fish and wildlife service.

This regulation shall be effective on and after December 31, 2012. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807; effective Dec. 31, 2012.)

**Article 15.—NONGAME, THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES**

**115-15-1. Threatened and endangered species; general provisions.** (a) The following species shall be designated endangered within the boundaries of the state of Kansas.

- (1) Invertebrates
  - Flat floater mussel, *Anodonta suborbiculata* (Say, 1831)
  - Rabbitsfoot mussel, *Quadrula cylindrica* (Say, 1817)
  - Western fanshell mussel, *Cyprogenia aberti* (Conrad, 1850)
  - Neosho mucket mussel, *Lampsilis rafinesqueana* (Frierson, 1927)
  - Elktoe mussel, *Alasmidonta marginata* (Say, 1818)
  - Ellipse mussel, *Venustaconcha ellipsiformis* (Conrad, 1836)
  - Slender walker snail, *Pomatiopsis lapidaria* (Say, 1817)
  - Scott optioservus riffle beetle, *Optioservus phaeus* (White, 1978)
  - American burying beetle, *Nicrophorus americanus* (Olivier, 1890)
  - Mucket, *Actinonaias ligamentina* (Lamarck, 1819)
- (2) Fish
  - Arkansas River shiner, *Notropis girardi* (Hubbs and Ortenburger, 1929)
  - Pallid sturgeon, *Scaphirhynchus albus* (Forbes and Richardson, 1905)
  - Sicklefin chub, *Macrhybopsis meeki* (Jordan and Evermann, 1896)
  - Peppered chub, *Macrhybopsis tetranema* (Gilbert, 1886)
  - Silver chub, *Macrhybopsis storeriana* (Kirtland, 1845)

- (3) Amphibians
    - Cave salamander, *Eurycea lucifuga* (Rafinesque, 1822)
    - Grotto salamander, *Eurycea spelaea* (Stejneger, 1892)
  - (4) Birds
    - Least tern, *Sterna antillarum* (Lesson, 1847)
    - Whooping crane, *Grus americana* (Linnaeus, 1758)
  - (5) Mammals
    - Black-footed ferret, *Mustela nigripes* (Audubon and Bachman, 1851)
    - Gray myotis, *Myotis grisescens* (A.H. Howell, 1909)
- (b) The following species shall be designated threatened within the boundaries of the state of Kansas.
- (1) Invertebrates
    - Rock pocketbook mussel, *Arcidens confragosus* (Say, 1829)
    - Flutedshell mussel, *Lasmigona costata* (Rafinesque, 1820)
    - Butterfly mussel, *Ellipsaria lineolata* (Rafinesque, 1820)
    - Ouachita kidneyshell mussel, *Ptychobranchus occidentalis* (Conrad, 1836)
    - Sharp hornsnail, *Pleurocera acuta* (Rafinesque, 1831)
    - Delta hydrobe, *Probythinella emarginata* (Kuster, 1852)
  - (2) Fish
    - Arkansas darter, *Etheostoma cragini* (Gilbert, 1885)
    - Flathead chub, *Platygobio gracilis* (Richardson, 1836)
    - Hornyhead chub, *Nocomis biguttatus* (Kirtland, 1840)
    - Neosho madtom, *Noturus placidus* (Taylor, 1969)
    - Redspot chub, *Nocomis asper* (Lachner and Jenkins, 1971)
    - Blackside darter, *Percina maculata* (Girard, 1859)
    - Sturgeon chub, *Macrhybopsis gelida* (Girard, 1856)
    - Western silvery minnow, *Hybognathus argyritis* (Girard, 1856)
    - Topeka shiner, *Notropis topeka* (Gilbert, 1884)

- Shoal chub, *Macrhybopsis hyostoma* (Gilbert, 1884)
- Plains minnow, *Hybognathus placitus* (Girard, 1856)
- (3) Amphibians
- Eastern newt, *Notophthalmus viridescens* (Rafinesque, 1820)
- Longtail salamander, *Eurycea longicauda* (Green, 1818)
- Eastern narrowmouth toad, *Gastrophryne carolinensis* (Holbrook, 1836)
- Green frog, *Lithobates clamitans* (Latreille, 1801)
- Strecker's chorus frog, *Pseudacris streckeri* (Wright and Wright, 1933)
- Green toad, *Anaxyrus debilis* (Girard, 1854)
- (4) Reptiles
- Broadhead skink, *Eumeces laticeps* (Schneider, 1801)
- Checkered garter snake, *Thamnophis marcianus* (Baird and Girard, 1853)
- New Mexico Threadsnake, *Rena dissectus* (Cope, 1896)
- (5) Birds
- Piping plover, *Charadrius melodus* (Ord, 1824)
- Snowy plover, *Charadrius alexandrinus* (Linnaeus, 1758)
- (6) Mammals
- Eastern spotted skunk, *Spilogale putorius* (Linnaeus, 1758)
- (7) Turtles
- Northern map turtle, *Graptemys geographica* (Le Sueur, 1817)
- (c) A threatened or endangered species taken during established trapping seasons, authorized commercial wildlife operations, fishing by hook and line, bait fish seining, or other lawful activity shall not be unlawfully taken if immediately released.
- (d) Any threatened or endangered species in possession before the effective date of this regulation and not prohibited by any previous regulation of the department or national listings may be retained in possession if either of the following conditions is met:
- (1) An application of affidavit to that effect has been filed with and approved by the secretary be-

fore January 1, 1990 that states the circumstances of how the species came into possession.

(2) Possession of the animal has been previously approved by the department. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-960 and 32-963; implementing K.S.A. 32-960, 32-961, 32-963, 32-1010, and 32-1011; effective Oct. 30, 1989; amended Aug. 31, 1992; amended Nov. 29, 1999; amended Feb. 18, 2005; amended July 24, 2009; amended Nov. 14, 2014.)

**115-15-2. Nongame species; general provisions.** (a) The following species shall be designated nongame species in need of conservation within the boundaries of the state of Kansas.

(1) Invertebrates

- Cylindrical papershell mussel, *Anodontooides ferussacianus* (I. Lea, 1834)
- Snuffbox mussel, *Epioblasma triquetra* (Rafinesque, 1820)
- Wartyback mussel, *Quadrula nodulata* (Rafinesque, 1820)
- Spike mussel, *Elliptio dilatata* (Rafinesque, 1820)
- Wabash pigtoe mussel, *Fusconaia flava* (Rafinesque, 1820)
- Fatmucket mussel, *Lampsilis siliquoidea* (Barnes, 1823)
- Yellow sandshell mussel, *Lampsilis teres* (Rafinesque, 1820)
- Washboard mussel, *Megaloniais nervosa* (Rafinesque, 1820)
- Round pigtoe mussel, *Pleurobema sintoxia* (Conrad, 1834)
- Creeper mussel, *Strophitus undulatus* (Say, 1817)
- Fawnsfoot mussel, *Truncilla donaciformis* (I. Lea, 1828)
- Deertoe mussel, *Truncilla truncata* (Rafinesque, 1820)
- Ozark emerald dragonfly, *Somatochlora ozarkensis* (Bird, 1833)
- Gray petaltail dragonfly, *Tachopteryx thoreyi* (Hagen in Selys, 1857)
- Prairie mole cricket, *Gryllotalpa major* (Saussure, 1874)
- Neosho midget crayfish, *Orconectes macrus* (Williams, 1952)

(2) Fish

- Banded darter, *Etheostoma zonale* (Cope, 1868)

- Banded sculpin, *Cottus carolinae*  
(Gill, 1861)
- Black redhorse, *Moxostoma duquesnei* (Le Sueur, 1817)
- Blue sucker, *Cycleptus elongatus* (Le Sueur, 1817)
- Western blacknose dace, *Rhinichthys obtusus* (Agassiz, 1854)
- Bluntnose darter, *Etheostoma chlorosoma* (Hay, 1881)
- Brassy minnow, *Hybognathus hankinsoni* (Hubbs, 1929)
- Gravel chub, *Erimystax x-punctatus* (Hubbs and Crowe, 1956)
- Greenside darter, *Etheostoma blennioides* (Rafinesque, 1819)
- Highfin carpsucker, *Carpiodes velifer* (Rafinesque, 1820)
- Northern hog sucker, *Hypentelium nigricans* (Le Sueur, 1817)
- Ozark minnow, *Notropis nubilis* (Forbes, 1878)
- River darter, *Percina shumardi* (Girard, 1859)
- River redhorse, *Moxostoma carinatum* (Cope, 1870)
- River shiner, *Notropis blenniuis* (Girard, 1856)
- Slough darter, *Etheostoma gracile* (Girard, 1859)
- Highland darter, *Etheostoma teddyroosevelt* (Jordan, 1877)
- Spotfin shiner, *Cyprinella spiloptera* (Cope, 1868)
- Spotted sucker, *Minytrema melanops* (Rafinesque, 1820)
- Sunburst darter, *Etheostoma mihileze* (Agassiz, 1854)
- Tadpole madtom, *Noturus gyrinus* (Mitchill, 1817)
- Brindled madtom, *Noturus miurus* (Jordan, 1877)
- Bigeye shiner, *Notropis boops* (Gilbert, 1884)
- Redfin darter, *Etheostoma whipplei* (Girard, 1859)
- Lake Sturgeon, *Acipenser fulvescens* (Rafinesque, 1817)
- Striped shiner, *Luxilus chrysocephalus* (Rafinesque, 1820)
- Common shiner, *Luxilus cornutus* (Mitchill, 1817)
- Southern Redbelly Dace, *Chrosomus erythrogaster* (Rafinesque, 1820)
- Cardinal Shiner, *Luxilus cardinalis* (Mayden, 1988)
- Johnny Darter, *Etheostoma nigrum* (Rafinesque, 1820)
- Chestnut lamprey, *Ichthyomyzon castaneus* (Girard, 1858)
- Silverband shiner, *Notropis shumardi* (Girard, 1856)
- (3) Amphibians
- Red-spotted toad, *Anaxyrus punctatus* (Baird and Girard, 1852)
- Crawfish frog, *Lithobates areolata* (Baird and Girard, 1852)
- Spring peeper, *Pseudacris crucifer* (Wied-Neuwied, 1838)
- (4) Reptiles
- Rough earth snake, *Virginia striatula* (Linnaeus, 1766)
- Western hognose snake, *Heterodon nasicus* (Baird and Girard, 1852)
- Timber rattlesnake, *Crotalus horridus* (Linnaeus, 1758)
- Eastern hognose snake, *Heterodon platirhinos* (Latreille, 1801)
- Glossy snake, *Arizona elegans* (Kennicott, 1859)
- Chihuahuan night snake, *Hypsiglena jani* (Duges, 1865)
- Redbelly snake, *Storeria occipitomaculata* (Storer, 1839)
- Longnose snake, *Rhinocheilus lecontei* (Baird and Girard, 1853)
- Smooth earth snake, *Virginia valeriae* (Baird and Girard, 1853)
- (5) Birds
- Bobolink, *Dolichonyx oryzivorus* (Linnaeus, 1758)
- Cerulean warbler, *Setophaga cerulea* (Wilson, 1810)
- Curve-billed thrasher, *Toxostoma curvirostre* (Swainson, 1827)
- Ferruginous hawk, *Buteo regalis* (Gray, 1844)
- Golden eagle, *Aquila chrysaetos* (Linnaeus, 1758)
- Short-eared owl, *Asio flammeus* (Pontoppidan, 1763)
- Henslow's sparrow, *Ammodramus henslowii* (Audubon, 1829)

Ladder-backed woodpecker, *Picoides scalaris* (Wagler, 1829)

Long-billed curlew, *Numenius americanus* (Bechstein, 1812)

Mountain plover, *Charadrius montanus* (Townsend, 1837)

Chihuahuan raven, *Corvus cryptoleucus* (Couch, 1854)

Black tern, *Chlidonias niger* (Linnaeus, 1758)

Black rail, *Laterallus jamaicensis* (Gmelin, 1789)

Eastern whip-poor-will, *Antrostomas vociferus* (Wilson, 1812)

Yellow-throated warbler, *Setophaga dominica* (Linnaeus, 1776)

(6) Mammals

Franklin's ground squirrel, *Poliocitellus franklinii* (Sabine, 1822)

Pallid bat, *Antrozous pallidus* (LeConte, 1856)

Southern bog lemming, *Synaptomys cooperi* (Baird, 1858)

Southern flying squirrel, *Glaucomys volans* (Linnaeus, 1758)

Texas mouse, *Peromyscus attwateri* (J.A. Allen, 1895)

Townsend's big-eared bat, *Corynorhinus townsendii* (Cooper, 1837)

Northern long-eared bat, *Myotis septentrionalis* (Trouessart, 1897)

(7) Turtles

Alligator snapping turtle, *Macrochelys temminckii* (Troost, in Harlan, 1835)

(b) Any nongame species in need of conservation taken during established trapping seasons, authorized commercial wildlife operations, fishing by hook and line, bait fish seining, or other lawful activity shall not be unlawfully taken if immediately released.

(c) Any nongame species in need of conservation in possession before the effective date of this regulation and not prohibited by any previous regulation of the department or national listings may be retained in possession if either of the following conditions is met:

(1) An application of affidavit to that effect has been filed with and approved by the secretary before January 1, 1990, that states the circumstances of how the species came into possession.

(2) Possession of the animal has been previously approved by the department. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-959 and 32-963; implementing K.S.A. 32-959 and K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 32-1009; effective Oct. 30, 1989; amended Aug. 31, 1992; amended Nov. 29, 1999; amended Feb. 18, 2005; amended July 24, 2009; amended Nov. 14, 2014.)

#### Article 16.—WILDLIFE DAMAGE CONTROL

**115-16-3. Nuisance bird control permit; application, provisions, and requirements.** (a) The term “nuisance birds” shall include those species specified in the department’s “Kansas nuisance bird species table,” dated May 9, 2011, which is hereby adopted by reference.

(b) Nuisance birds may be controlled when found depredating or about to depredate upon ornamental or shade trees, agricultural crops, livestock, or wildlife, or when concentrated in such numbers and manner as to constitute a health hazard or other nuisance.

(c) A nuisance bird control permit shall be required to use any lethal method of control that involves poisons or chemicals for controlling nuisance birds other than the feral pigeon, English sparrow, or European starling.

(d) Any person may apply to the secretary for a nuisance bird control permit. The application shall be submitted on forms provided by the department. Each applicant shall provide the following information:

- (1) The applicant’s name;
- (2) the applicant’s address;
- (3) the applicant’s telephone number;
- (4) the location of the nuisance bird problem;
- (5) a description of the problem;
- (6) the species of birds involved;
- (7) the proposed method of control;
- (8) the length of time for which the permit is requested; and
- (9) any other relevant information as required by the secretary.

(e) Issuance of a permit may be denied by the secretary if any of the following conditions is met:

- (1) The permit application is unclear or incomplete.
- (2) The need for nuisance bird control has not been established.
- (3) Use of the poison or chemical would pose inordinate risk to the public, non-target wildlife, or the environment.

(f) Each permit shall be valid only for the period specified on the permit, which shall not exceed one year.

(g) A permit may be extended by the secretary upon request and justification by the permittee. However, the combined total of the original and the extended time periods shall not exceed one year.

(h) Each permit shall be valid only for the locations specified in the permit.

(i) In addition to other penalties as prescribed by law, a nuisance bird control permit may be revoked by the secretary if either of the following conditions is met:

(1) The permit was secured through false representation.

(2) The permittee fails to meet permit requirements or violates permit conditions.

(j) A nuisance bird control permit shall not be required to control nuisance bird problems as described in subsection (b) if the control method is nonlethal or if the control method involves use of firearms, air rifles, air pistols, archery equipment, or falconry.

(k) Nuisance birds killed and the plumage of nuisance birds killed during nuisance bird control may be possessed, transported, and otherwise disposed of or utilized, except that nuisance birds killed and the plumage of nuisance birds killed during nuisance bird control shall not be sold or offered for sale.

(l) Nontoxic shot and bullets shall be required for the taking of nuisance birds pursuant to this regulation, except when using an air rifle, air pistol, or .22 caliber rimfire firearm. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 32-955; implementing K.S.A. 32-955, K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 32-1002, and K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 32-1003; effective Sept. 10, 1990; amended Aug. 31, 1992; amended Sept. 9, 2011.)

**115-16-5. Wildlife control permit; operational requirements.** (a) Each person holding a valid wildlife control permit issued according to K.A.R. 115-16-6, and each person assisting the permittee while under the constant and direct supervision and in the constant presence of the permittee, shall be authorized to take, transport, release, and euthanize wildlife subject to the restrictions described in this regulation and on the permit.

(b) Wildlife may be taken under the authori-

zation of a wildlife control permit only when one or more of the following circumstances exist:

(1) The wildlife is found in or near buildings.

(2) The wildlife is destroying or about to destroy property.

(3) The wildlife is creating a public health or safety hazard or other nuisance.

(c) Subject to the restrictions described in this regulation and on the permit, a wildlife control permit shall allow the taking of the following species, despite any other season, open unit, or limit restrictions that may be established by the department:

(1) Furbearers;

(2) small game;

(3) reptiles;

(4) amphibians;

(5) coyotes;

(6) nongame mammals, except house mice and Norway rats;

(7) pigeons, English sparrows, and starlings; and

(8) migratory birds and waterfowl, subject to K.S.A. 32-1008 and amendments thereto.

(d) Subject to applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations, the wildlife listed in subsection (c) may be taken with the following equipment or methods:

(1) Trapping equipment, if each trapping device is equipped with a metal tag with the permittee's name and address or the permittee's department-issued identification number and is checked at least once each calendar day, and if snares are not attached to a drag. Trapping equipment shall consist of the following:

(A) Foothold traps;

(B) body-gripping traps;

(C) box traps;

(D) live traps; and

(E) snares;

(2) firearms and accessory equipment, as follows:

(A) Optical scopes or sights; and

(B) sound-suppression devices;

(3) BB guns and pellet guns;

(4) archery equipment;

(5) dogs;

(6) falconry;

(7) toxicants registered by the Kansas department of agriculture, except that such use may be subject to K.A.R. 115-16-1, K.A.R. 115-16-2, or K.A.R. 115-16-3;

(8) habitat modification;

- (9) net or seine;
- (10) glue board;
- (11) hand;
- (12) any other methods to exclude or frighten wildlife, including repellents; and
- (13) any other method as specified on the permit.

(e) No person shall possess a live species of wildlife taken under the authority of a wildlife control permit beyond the close of the calendar day following capture, unless specifically authorized by the department. Live wildlife shall not be used for display purposes, programs, training dogs, or otherwise kept in captivity, except that pigeons may be used for training dogs.

(f) Subject to applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations, wildlife taken pursuant to a wildlife control permit shall be disposed of using one or more of the following methods:

(1) Wildlife taken alive may be controlled using lethal methods or equipment including the methods or equipment listed in paragraphs (d)(2), (d)(3), (d)(4), and (d)(7).

(2) Wildlife taken alive may be relocated and released, subject to the following requirements:

(A) Wildlife may be released only in suitable habitat located at least 10 miles from the original capture site and only with the prior written permission of the person in legal possession of the release site.

(B) Wildlife shall not be released in a location so close to human dwellings that the release is likely to result in recurrence of the reason the wildlife was taken.

(C) Wildlife shall not be released within the limits of any municipality without prior written permission from the appropriate municipal authority.

(D) Wildlife may be released on department lands or waters only with the prior written approval of the department.

(E) Wildlife shall not be released if injured or if displaying common symptoms of disease, including any of the following:

- (i) Lack of coordination;
- (ii) unusual lack of aggressiveness;
- (iii) unusual secretions from the eyes, nose, or mouth;
- (iv) rapid or uneven respiration;
- (v) malnourishment;
- (vi) loss of muscle control; or
- (vii) loss of large patches of hair.

(F) Wildlife shall not be transported from the state except as authorized by the department.

(3) Wildlife species listed in K.A.R. 115-15-1 or K.A.R. 115-15-2, or other wildlife species designated by the department, shall be released according to paragraph (f)(2) if unharmed. If harmed or injured, these species shall be submitted to either the department or a person holding a valid wildlife rehabilitation permit issued according to K.A.R. 115-18-1.

(4) Wildlife controlled by poison shall be removed immediately, and all dead wildlife shall be disposed of using one of the following methods:

(A) The wildlife may be submitted to a licensed landfill, renderer, or incinerator.

(B) The wildlife may be disposed of on private property with the prior written permission of the person in legal possession of the property, except that the wildlife shall not be disposed of within the limits of any municipality without prior written permission from the appropriate municipal authority.

(C) Any part of the wildlife, excluding the flesh, may be sold, given, purchased, possessed, and used for any purpose, with the following restrictions and exceptions:

(i) The raw fur, pelt, or skin of furbearers may be sold only to a licensed fur dealer.

(ii) The carcass and meat of a furbearer may be sold, given, purchased, possessed, and used for any purpose.

(iii) No part of any migratory bird or waterfowl shall be sold, given, purchased, possessed, or used for any purpose.

(iv) Each person purchasing unprocessed parts of the wildlife shall maintain a bill of sale for at least one calendar year.

(D) Dead wildlife controlled by poison or showing symptoms of disease shall be either buried below ground or disposed of as authorized by paragraph (f)(4)(A).

(g) Each bobcat, otter, or swift fox taken under authority of a wildlife control permit shall be subject to the tagging requirements established by K.A.R. 115-5-2. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-807; effective July 19, 2002; amended Nov. 27, 2006; amended April 8, 2011; amended July 26, 2013.)

#### **Article 17.—WILDLIFE, COMMERCIAL USES AUTHORIZED**

**115-17-1. Commercial harvest of fish bait; legal species, harvest seasons, size re-**

**restrictions, daily limits, and possession limits.**

(a) The following wildlife may be commercially harvested in Kansas for sale as fishing bait:

- (1) Crayfish, all species;
- (2) annelids; and
- (3) insects.

(b) The season for commercial harvest of wildlife listed in subsection (a) shall be year-round.

(c) There shall be no minimum or maximum size restrictions for wildlife listed in subsection (a).

(d) There shall be no maximum daily or possession limits for wildlife listed in subsection (a).

(e) Wildlife listed in K.A.R. 115-15-1 or in K.A.R. 115-15-2 shall not be harvested. This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2012. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807; effective Sept. 10, 1990; amended Nov. 30, 1998; amended Jan. 1, 2012.)

**115-17-2. Commercial sale of fish bait.**

(a) The following wildlife may be commercially sold in Kansas for fishing bait:

(1) The following species of fish:

- (A) Black bullhead (*Ameiurus melas*);
- (B) bluegill (*Lepomis macrochirus*), including hybrids;
- (C) common carp (*Cyprinus carpio*), including koi;
- (D) fathead minnow (*Pimephales promelas*), including "rosy reds";
- (E) golden shiner (*Notemigonus crysoleucas*);
- (F) goldfish (*Carassius auratus*), including "black saltys";
- (G) green sunfish (*Lepomis cyanellus*), including hybrids; and
- (H) yellow bullhead (*Ameiurus natalis*);

(2) only species of annelids native to or naturalized in the continental United States;

(3) the following species of crayfish:

- (A) Virile crayfish (*Orconectes virilis*);
  - (B) calico crayfish (*Orconectes immunes*); and
  - (C) white river crayfish (*Procambarus acutus*);
- and

(4) only species of insects native to or naturalized in Kansas.

(b) Wildlife listed in K.A.R. 115-15-1 or in K.A.R. 115-15-2 or prohibited from importation pursuant to K.S.A. 32-956, and amendments thereto, shall not be sold.

(c) Live aquatic bait shall be certified free of the following pathogens before import, according to K.A.R. 115-17-2a:

(1) Spring viremia of carp virus;

(2) infectious pancreatic necrosis virus;

(3) viral hemorrhagic septicemia virus; and

(4) infectious hematopoietic virus.

(d) Each distribution tank and each retail tank shall utilize a source of potable water or well water.

(e) Each sale of fish bait shall be accompanied by a receipt that indicates the date of sale, the number and type of fish sold, and the name, address, phone number, and bait permit number of the vendor. This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2012. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807; effective Sept. 10, 1990; amended Nov. 30, 1998; amended Jan. 1, 2012.)

**115-17-2a. Commercial sale of bait fish; testing procedures.** (a) Live aquatic bait shall be certified free of the following pathogens before import, according to the requirements in this regulation:

(1) Spring viremia of carp virus;

(2) infectious pancreatic necrosis virus;

(3) viral hemorrhagic septicemia virus; and

(4) infectious hematopoietic virus.

(b) On and after January 1, 2014, upon application or renewal, each applicant and each commercial fish bait permittee shall provide documentation of two consecutive years of pathogen-free status from an independent laboratory approved by United States department of agriculture, animal and plant health inspection service, for the pathogens listed in subsection (a) for the source of bait fish being sold. If the facility is new, the applicant shall certify by affidavit that the facility does not meet the requirements in this regulation and shall provide documentation of pathogen-free status for the current year of operation.

(c) The sample size shall be 150 fish and shall include moribund fish observed in the sampling process. The samples shall be collected twice each year. The samples shall be collected once during the month of October, November, or December and once during the month of March, April, or May.

(d) Collection of each sample shall be overseen by a doctor of veterinary medicine accredited by the United States department of agriculture, animal and plant health inspection service. The collection shall be made under the direct observation of the overseer to the extent that the official can

attest to the origin of the fish and that the sampling scheme meets the requirements in this regulation.

(e) Each sample shall include all of the ponds and grow-out tanks. The final species and age composition of each sample shall reflect the overall composition of the certified fish on location. For locations with more than 50 ponds, all species and sizes of fish shall be included in each sample, but the ponds may be sampled in rotation so that all ponds are sampled at least once every two years. This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2012. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807; effective Jan. 1, 2012.)

**115-17-3. Commercial fish bait permit; requirement, application, and general provisions.** (a) A commercial fish bait permit shall be required for the harvest, sale, or purchase for resale of fish bait, except that a commercial fish bait permit shall not be required for the harvest or sale of annelids or insects or for the purchase of annelids or insects for resale.

(b) Any person may apply to the secretary for a commercial fish bait permit. The application shall be submitted on forms provided by the department and completed in full by the applicant. Each incomplete application shall be returned to the applicant.

(c) Each commercial fish bait permit shall be valid for only those wildlife species specified in the permit.

(d) Each commercial fish bait permit shall authorize the permittee to perform any of the following:

(1) Sell fish bait to any person for use as fish bait;

(2) purchase fish bait for resale as fish bait, if the purchase is made from a person who meets at least one of the following requirements:

(A) Possesses a valid commercial fish bait permit;

(B) is a commercial fish grower, as defined by K.S.A. 32-974 and amendments thereto; or

(C) is authorized by another state to export and sell fish bait; or

(3) import fish bait for sale as fish bait.

(e) Each permittee harvesting or purchasing fish bait shall maintain records of the following information and, if requested by the secretary, shall provide a report to the department containing the following information:

(1) The permittee's name;

(2) the permit number;

(3) the number, location, and species of wildlife harvested;

(4) the number and species of wildlife sold;

(5) for each permittee purchasing fish bait, the name, address, and phone number of each individual distributor or producer from whom the permittee purchased; and

(6) for each permittee purchasing fish bait, the delivery date of each purchase.

(f) Each permittee shall make records required under the permit available for inspection by any law enforcement officer or department employee upon demand.

(g) Each permittee shall make the fish and the distribution or retail holding tanks that are subject to sample testing pursuant to K.A.R. 115-17-2a available for inspection by any law enforcement officer or department employee upon demand.

(h) Each permittee shall respond to any survey regarding activities conducted under the permit if requested by the secretary.

(i) In addition to other penalties prescribed by law, a commercial fish bait permit or application may be denied or revoked by the secretary if either of the following conditions is met:

(1) The application is incomplete or contains false information.

(2) The permittee fails to meet permit requirements or violates permit conditions.

(j) Each commercial fish bait permit shall expire on December 31 of the year for which the permit is issued.

(k) A permittee may possess and sell legally acquired wildlife for fish bait for not more than 30 days following expiration of the permit. This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2012. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 32-941; implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 32-941; effective Jan. 1, 1991; amended Jan. 1, 2012.)

**115-17-4. Commercial harvest of fish bait; legal equipment, taking methods, and general provisions.** (a) Legal equipment and taking methods permitted for commercial harvest of wildlife for use as fish bait shall be as follows:

(1) Crayfish may be taken by the following methods and means:

(A) By hand;

(B) by trap with ½-inch or smaller mesh size, using the bar measurement, and with two-inch or smaller entrance openings;

(C) by seine with ½-inch or smaller mesh size, using the bar measurement. The seine may be of any length, height, or twine size;

(D) by lift net with ½-inch or smaller mesh size, using the bar measurement;

(E) by dip net with ½-inch or smaller mesh size, using the bar measurement. The dip net may be of any dimension and have any handle configuration; and

(F) by other methods as approved by the secretary.

(2) Annelids and insects may be taken by any method.

(b) (1) Boats with or without mechanical propulsion may be used.

(2) Depth-recording or fish-locating devices may be used.

(3) Holding baskets, holding cages, and holding bags may be used, if the permittee's name and permit number are attached.

(4) The permittee's name and permit number shall be attached to each trap and seine while the trap or seine is in use. This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2012. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 32-941; effective Sept. 10, 1990; amended Nov. 30, 1998; amended Jan. 1, 2012.)

**115-17-5. Commercial harvest of fish bait; open areas.** The following areas shall be open for the commercial harvest of crayfish, annelids, and insects:

(a) For crayfish, all lands and waters of the state except department lands and waters and federal and state sanctuaries; and

(b) for annelids and insects, all lands and waters of the state except department lands and waters and federal and state sanctuaries. This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2012. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 32-941; effective Sept. 10, 1990; amended Nov. 30, 1998; amended Jan. 1, 2012.)

**115-17-6. Commercial mussel fishing license; mussel salvage permits; license or permit application and requirements, authority, reports, general provisions, and license or permit revocation.** (a) A commercial mussel fishing license shall be required for commercial mussel fishing purposes. If a mussel salvage order has been issued by the secretary through public notice or posting the area open to mussel salvage, a mussel salvage permit shall be required for mussel salvage purposes.

(b) Any person may apply to the secretary for a commercial mussel fishing license or a mussel salvage permit. The application shall be submitted on forms provided by the department, and each applicant shall provide the following information, except that no commercial license shall be issued on and after January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2022:

(1) The name of the applicant;

(2) the address and telephone number of the applicant;

(3) the business locations and telephone numbers of the applicant;

(4) the location for mussel storage and processing; and

(5) other relevant information as required by the secretary.

(c) Each mussel fishing licensee shall maintain a current record of activity and shall submit quarterly reports to the department on forms provided by the department. The reports shall be submitted not later than 15 days following the end of the quarter for which the reports are prepared. A license shall not be renewed until all reports due have been received by the department. Each mussel salvage permittee shall maintain a current record of activity for the duration of the permit and shall submit a report to the department on forms provided by the department. The report shall be submitted not later than 15 days following the expiration of the permit.

(d) The records and reports shall include the following information:

(1) The name of the licensee or permittee;

(2) the address and telephone number of the licensee or permittee;

(3) the license or permit number of the licensee or permittee;

(4) the total weight or total shell weight of each mussel species harvested;

(5) the total weight or total shell weight of each mussel species sold, including the following information:

(A) A separate entry for each sale stating the total weight or total shell weight of each mussel species sold;

(B) the date of each sale;

(C) the name, address, and license number of the person to whom the mussels were sold; and

(D) the name of the state where harvested; and

(6) other relevant information as required by the secretary.

(e) Each commercial mussel fishing licensee or

mussel salvage permittee shall sell mussels only to a person legally authorized to purchase mussels under subsection (f) of this regulation, or pursuant to K.A.R. 115-17-14.

(f) Any person may purchase mussels from a commercial mussel fishing licensee or mussel salvage permittee if the mussels are not purchased for use as fish bait, are not purchased for resale, are not purchased for other commercial use, and are not sold.

(g) In addition to other penalties prescribed by law, a commercial mussel fishing or mussel salvage application, license, or permit may be revoked or denied issuance by the secretary if any of the following conditions is met:

(1) The application is incomplete or contains false information.

(2) The licensee or permittee fails to meet license or permit requirements or violates license or permit conditions.

(3) The licensee or permittee violates any provision of law or regulations related to the commercial use of mussels.

(h) Each commercial mussel fishing license shall expire on December 31 of the year for which the license was issued. Each mussel salvage permit shall expire on the date written on the salvage permit.

(i) Each commercial mussel fishing license shall permit the possession of mussels harvested for commercial purposes by that licensee for no more than 48 hours after the close of the mussel season. A mussel salvage permit shall permit the possession of mussels harvested for commercial purposes by that permittee for no more than 48 hours after the expiration date written on the salvage permit.

(j) A licensee or permittee may submit a written request to the secretary to possess mussels for commercial purposes beyond the possession period specified in subsection (i). Each request shall specify the number of each species of mussels possessed and the applicant's name, address, and commercial mussel fishing license or mussel salvage permit number. Authorization of possession beyond the possession period shall be issued in writing and shall include a date on which the authorization expires. Receipt of this authorization by the licensee or permittee shall allow the licensee's or permittee's sale of shells pursuant to subsection (e). Each mussel sale during the authorized time period shall be reported to the department within 48 hours of the sale by both the

licensee or permittee and the purchaser. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 32-941; effective Jan. 1, 1991; amended June 8, 1992; amended Nov. 30, 1998; amended Nov. 22, 2002; amended April 18, 2003; amended July 20, 2012.)

**115-17-7. Commercial harvest of mussels; legal species, seasons, size restrictions, daily limits, and possession limits.** (a) The following listed mussel species may be taken for commercial purposes, except that no mussels may be commercially harvested on and after January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2022, unless a mussel salvage order has been issued by the secretary through public notice or posting the area open to mussel salvage:

(1) Threeridge, *Amblema plicata*;

(2) monkeyface, *Quadrula metanevra*;

(3) mapleleaf, *Quadrula quadrula*;

(4) bleufer (purple shell), *Potamilus purpuratus*; and

(5) Asian clam, *Corbicula fluminea*.

(b) The season for the commercial harvest of mussels shall be on and after April 1 through September 30. However, mussels shall not be commercially harvested on and after January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2022, unless a mussel salvage order has been issued by the secretary through public notice or posting the area open to mussel salvage.

(c) Harvesting requirements shall include the following:

(1) The minimum size of mussels shall be measured by passing the mussel shell through a circular measuring device with the appropriate inside diameter.

(2) Measurement shall occur immediately upon removal of the mussel from the water.

(3) If the mussel passes through the appropriate circular measuring device from any angle or direction, the mussel shall not be deemed to meet the minimum size requirement and shall be immediately returned to the water.

(4) The minimum shell size for mussel species shall be the following:

(A) Threeridge: 3-inch diameter;

(B) monkeyface: 2 3/4-inch diameter;

(C) mapleleaf and bleufer: 3-inch diameter; and

(D) Asian clam: no minimum size.

(d) There shall be no maximum daily or possession limits for mussels. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 32-941; ef-

fective Jan. 1, 1991; amended June 8, 1992; amended Nov. 22, 2002; amended April 18, 2003; amended July 20, 2012.)

**115-17-8. Commercial harvest of mussels; legal equipment, taking methods, and general provisions.** (a) Legal equipment and taking methods permitted for commercial harvest of mussels shall be the following:

(1) By hand; and  
 (2) by other methods as approved by the secretary.

(b)(1) Boats with or without mechanical propulsion methods may be used.

(2) Depth-recording or fish-locating devices may be used.

(3) Underwater breathing equipment may be used while taking mussels, if a diver's flag is prominently displayed while using the underwater breathing equipment.

(4) Holding bags, holding baskets, and holding cages may be used if the name and permit number of the permittee are attached to each such bag, basket, and cage.

(c) No mussels may be commercially harvested on and after January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2022, unless a mussel salvage order has been issued by the secretary through public notice or posting the area open to mussel salvage. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 32-941; effective Jan. 1, 1991; amended Nov. 22, 2002; amended April 18, 2003; amended July 20, 2012.)

**115-17-9. Commercial mussel fishing; open areas.** Waters of the state open for commercial mussel fishing shall be the following, except that all waters of the state shall be closed on and after January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2022, unless a mussel salvage order has been issued by the secretary through public notice or posting the area open to mussel salvage:

(a) Federal reservoirs;

(b) impoundments operated by other governmental entities, if authorized by the governmental entity;

(c) Fall River from below Fall River Dam to its junction with the Verdigris River, except for the stretch of the Fall River from the county road ford located 1.2 miles east of state highway K-96, 3.2 miles south of Fredonia, Kansas, downstream to the Dun Dam located 2.5 miles west and 2.25 miles north of Neodesha, Kansas, which is a total

of 9.89 stream miles including 3.27 impounded miles;

(d) Verdigris River from below Toronto Dam to the state line, except for the stretch of the Verdigris River from the Whitehair bridge located 2.5 miles east of federal highway US-75 on the Wilson-Montgomery county line road, downstream to the Montgomery county road bridge located 1.47 miles east of Sycamore, Kansas, which is a total of 6.66 stream miles; and

(e) Neosho River from below John Redmond Dam to the state line, except for the stretch of the Neosho River from the Neosho Falls dam, at Neosho Falls, Kansas, downstream to the mouth of Rock Creek in the NW 1/4, NW 1/4, Section 11, T24S, R17E, Allen County, Kansas, which is a total of 3.35 stream miles; and

(f) Elk River. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 32-941; effective Jan. 1, 1991; amended June 8, 1992; amended Nov. 22, 2002; amended April 18, 2003; amended July 20, 2012.)

**115-17-10. Commercial harvest of fish; permit requirement and application, reports, permit revocation.** (a) Except as authorized in K.A.R. 115-17-13, a commercial fishing permit shall be required for the taking of fish for commercial purposes from that portion of the Missouri River bordering on this state.

(b) Each application for a commercial fishing permit shall be submitted on forms provided by the department and completed in full by the applicant. Each incomplete application shall be returned to the applicant.

(c) Any permittee may possess, sell, transport, or trade those species of fish as authorized under K.A.R. 115-17-12.

(d) Each permittee shall maintain a current record of activity and shall submit monthly reports to the department on forms provided by the department. The reports shall be submitted not later than 15 days following the end of the month for which the report is prepared. A permit shall not be renewed until all reports due have been received by the department.

(e) Any permittee may sell fish taken under a commercial fishing permit to any person.

(f) Any person may purchase fish from a commercial fish permittee for commercial purposes or for personal use.

(g) Each person purchasing fish from a commercial fish permittee for resale purposes shall

retain a bill of sale in possession while in possession of the fish.

(h) In addition to other penalties prescribed by law, a commercial fishing application or permit may be denied or revoked by the secretary if any of the following conditions is met:

(1) The application is incomplete or contains false information.

(2) The permittee fails to meet permit requirements or violates permit conditions.

(3) The permittee violates any provision of law or regulations related to commercial fishing on the Missouri River.

(i) Each commercial fishing permit shall expire on December 31 of the year for which the permit was issued. This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2012. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 32-941; effective May 27, 1991; amended Jan. 1, 2012.)

**115-17-11. Commercial harvest of fish; legal equipment and taking methods; identification tags and identification tag fee.** (a) The legal equipment and taking methods for the commercial harvest of fish shall be the following:

(1) Hoop net with a mesh size of 2.5 or more inches using the bar measurement and with individual wings and leads not to exceed 12 feet in length. There shall be no limitation on the number, net diameter, net length, twine size, or throat size of hoop nets;

(2) gill net and trammel net with a mesh size of two or more inches, using the bar measurement. There shall be no limitation on the number, net length, height, or twine size of gill or trammel nets; and

(3) seine with a mesh size of two or more inches, using the bar measurement. There shall be no limitation on the height, length, or twine size of seines.

(b) (1) Boats with or without mechanical propulsion may be used.

(2) Depth-recording or fish-locating devices may be used.

(3) Non-toxic baits may be used.

(4) Each gill net or trammel net shall be attended at all times while the gill net or trammel net is in use.

(5) Each hoop net shall be attended at least one time every 24 hours while the hoop net is in use.

(6) Commercial fishing equipment authorized in subsection (a) shall not be used in the following locations, except as authorized by the department:

(A) In any cutoff, chute, bayou, or other backwater of the Missouri river;

(B) within 300 yards of any spillway, lock, dam, or the mouth of any tributary stream or ditch; and

(C) under or through ice or in overflow waters.

(7) Holding baskets and holding cages may be used.

(c) Each net or seine shall have an identification tag supplied by the department and attached as specified by the department during commercial fishing use. Identification tags supplied by the state of Missouri and approved by the department also shall be deemed to meet this requirement.

(d) The fee for identification tags shall be five dollars for each tag. The payment shall be submitted to the department with the initial or renewal application for a commercial fishing permit.

(e) The holding basket and holding cage used to hold fish shall not require an identification tag, but shall be identified by the permittee with the permittee's name and permit number attached. This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2012. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807, K.S.A. 32-941, and K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 32-988; effective May 27, 1991; amended Sept. 27, 2002; amended Jan. 1, 2012.)

**115-17-12. Commercial harvest of fish; legal species, seasons, size restrictions, daily limits, and possession limits.** (a) The legal species of fish that may be taken under a commercial fishing permit shall be the following:

(1) Bowfin;

(2) suckers, including buffalo;

(3) common carp and exotic carp;

(4) freshwater drum;

(5) gar;

(6) shad;

(7) goldeye;

(8) goldfish; and

(9) skipjack herring.

(b) None of the following shall be possessed by a permittee while in possession of commercial fishing gear or while transporting fish taken using commercial fishing gear:

(1) All species of fish excluded from subsection (a); and

(2) any species of fish listed in K.A.R. 115-15-1 or K.A.R. 115-15-2.

The species of fish specified in this subsection shall be immediately returned unharmed to the water from which removed.

(c) There shall be no size restriction on fish taken by a permittee.

(d) There shall be no maximum daily or possession limit on the number of fish taken by a permittee.

(e) No live specimen of bighead carp, silver carp, or black carp may be transported after commercial harvest. This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2012. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 32-941; effective May 27, 1991; amended Sept. 27, 2002; amended Jan. 1, 2012.)

#### Article 18.—SPECIAL PERMITS

**115-18-1. Wildlife rehabilitation permit; application, reporting and general provisions.** (a) Each application for a wildlife rehabilitation permit shall be submitted on a form provided by the department. Each applicant shall provide the following information:

- (1) The name of applicant;
- (2) the applicant's address;
- (3) the location or address of the applicant's facilities if different from the applicant's address;
- (4) the name of each assisting subpermittee;
- (5) the type of wildlife rehabilitation service to be provided;
- (6) a description of the applicant's available facilities;
- (7) the applicant's qualifications to provide the services specified;
- (8) the name of each assisting veterinarian; and
- (9) other relevant information as required by the secretary.

(b) (1) A wildlife rehabilitation permit shall be issued only to each individual who meets the following qualifications:

- (A) Is 18 years of age or older;
- (B) has 100 hours of experience in the handling and care of wildlife acquired over the course of one calendar year. Up to 20 hours of this 100-hour requirement may be fulfilled by successful completion of a training course provided by either the international wildlife rehabilitation council (IWRC) or the national wildlife rehabilitators' association (NWRA);

(C) submits letters of recommendation regarding the applicant's knowledge of wildlife rehabilitation from three persons who have known the applicant for at least two years. The letters of recommendation shall be from any of the following:

- (i) A wildlife professional, which may include a

biologist employed by a state or federal wildlife agency, the curator or manager of a zoo or wildlife sanctuary, or other person professionally engaged in wildlife management or care;

- (ii) a department conservation officer;
  - (iii) a Kansas-licensed veterinarian; or
  - (iv) a permitted wildlife rehabilitator; and
- (D) has obtained one of the following:

(i) A certificate of completion of a training course offered by the international wildlife rehabilitation council (IWRC) within the preceding three years;

(ii) a certificate of completion of a training course offered by the national wildlife rehabilitators' association (NWRA) within the preceding three years; or

(iii) a test score of at least 80 percent on a department-administered wildlife rehabilitation examination at a department office location. Each applicant who fails the examination shall wait a minimum of 30 days before retaking the examination. The test may be taken only twice during each calendar year. The test shall not be returned to applicants at any time.

(2) A total of eight hours of continuing education or training every three years from a department-approved program shall be required for the renewal of a permit.

(c) Each applicant or permittee shall allow an inspection of the rehabilitation facilities to be made by a department official. A permit shall not be issued until the rehabilitation facilities have been approved by the inspecting official. All facilities shall be subject, during reasonable hours of operation, to inspection by the department to determine compliance with the provisions of the permit and the provisions contained in this regulation. Each facility shall be inspected by a department official once during the permit period and upon each change in facility location. Each subpermittee authorized to care for wildlife at a site other than the primary permittee's facility shall have those facilities annually inspected and approved by a department official.

(d) Permits issued shall be valid through December 31.

(e) A permittee may provide for subpermittees to operate under the authority of the permit during the effective period of the permit upon approval of the secretary or designee, based on the following requirements:

- (1) Each permittee shall submit the name of each individual for whom the designation of sub-

permittee is requested. The permittee shall be notified by the department in writing of the approval or denial of each request. The permittee shall notify the department in writing of any approved subpermittee whose services with the permit holder are terminated.

(2) Each subpermittee shall be 18 years of age or older and have experience in handling and caring for animals during the previous two years.

(3) Each wildlife rehabilitation permittee shall be responsible for ensuring that each subpermittee meets all requirements of the rehabilitation permit.

(4) Each subpermittee needing to care for wildlife in need of rehabilitation at a site other than the primary permittee's facility shall have that site inspected and approved according to the standards specified in subsection (g) before holding any wildlife at that site.

(5) Each subpermittee holding wildlife at a site different from the primary permittee's facility shall comply with the conditions specified in the primary permittee's permit.

(f) The rehabilitation activities authorized by each permit issued under this regulation shall be performed only by the permittee or subpermittee specified on the permit. Volunteers may assist in rehabilitation activities only in the presence and under the direction of a permittee or subpermittee. Each permittee utilizing volunteers shall keep on file at the permitted facility a current record of all volunteers working at the facility. At no time shall volunteers be allowed to remove wildlife from the permitted facility, except as provided in subsection (l).

(g) Wildlife rehabilitation care and treatment shall be provided in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) All rehabilitation of wildlife shall be performed in consultation, as necessary, with a licensed veterinarian named on the rehabilitator's permit or with veterinarians on staff at the Kansas State University veterinary hospital.

(2) Individual caging requirements may be specified by the secretary or designee based on the size, species, condition, age, or health of the wildlife under care.

(3) Clean water shall be available at all times except when medical treatment requires the temporary denial of water.

(4) Cages shall be cleaned on a daily basis and disinfected using nonirritating methods.

(5) A person authorized by permit shall observe

and provide care for wildlife at least once daily unless otherwise specified by the permit.

(6) Wildlife shall be kept in an environment that minimizes human contact and prevents imprinting and bonding to humans.

(7) Wildlife possessed under a rehabilitation permit shall not be allowed to come into contact with any person other than a permit holder, subpermittee, volunteer, licensed veterinarian, animal control specialist, law enforcement officer, or wildlife professional from the department.

(8) Wildlife shall be housed separately from domestic animals, unless domestic animals are being used for bonding or surrogate parenting.

(9) Public viewing, exhibition, or display of any kind to the public, including electronic viewing, shall be prohibited, unless specifically authorized in writing by the secretary or designee.

(h) Wildlife held under the authority of a rehabilitation permit shall not be sold, bartered, or exchanged for any consideration. A permit issued under this regulation shall not authorize a person, firm, or corporation to engage in the propagation or commercial sale of wildlife.

(i) Wildlife held under the authority of a rehabilitation permit may be transferred from one permittee to another permittee if all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The permittee receiving the wildlife holds all the proper permits and authorizations necessary for that species of wildlife.

(2) The transfer is necessary for the proper treatment or care of the wildlife.

(3) The transfer is properly recorded in both permittees' operational records.

(4) The transfer is approved in writing by the secretary or designee.

(j) The secretary or designee shall be notified within 48 hours if the permittee receives for transport or care an endangered species, threatened species, or species in need of conservation, as identified in K.A.R. 115-15-1 and K.A.R. 115-15-2. Permission for treatment and care by the requesting permittee may be granted by the secretary or designee, or an alternate course of action may be specified by the secretary or designee.

(k) No permittee shall perform any of the following acts, unless the permittee possesses, in advance, an amended permit authorizing this activity from the secretary or designee:

(1) Change the facility location, consulting veterinarian, or subpermittees;

(2) receive previously unauthorized species; or

(3) conduct previously unauthorized activities.

(l) Sick, orphaned, displaced, or injured wildlife may be possessed, transported, or treated in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) Any person may temporarily possess and transport sick, orphaned, displaced, or injured wildlife within the state to a person authorized to perform wildlife rehabilitation services or initial treatment. Possession of an individual animal for transportation to initial treatment shall not exceed one day.

(2) Wildlife in need of rehabilitation treatment or care may be provided emergency medical care and stabilization by any of the following individuals or institutions not holding a rehabilitation permit for 48 hours, after which time the wildlife shall be transferred to a permitted rehabilitator:

- (A) Accredited zoological parks;
- (B) nature centers;
- (C) department wildlife professionals; or
- (D) licensed veterinarians.

Any wildlife requiring extensive medical care and recovery may remain under the care of a licensed veterinarian beyond the 48-hour restriction, subject to subsection (g).

(3) Any person authorized by permit to perform wildlife rehabilitation services or exempt by law from the requirement to possess a wildlife rehabilitation permit may possess individual animals for treatment purposes on a temporary basis. Possession of an individual animal for treatment purposes shall not exceed 180 days, unless an extension has been approved by the secretary or designee.

(4) Rehabilitation treatment or care shall not be provided to the following species of wildlife:

- (A) European starlings;
- (B) English or house sparrows;
- (C) feral pigeons; and
- (D) any wildlife species listed in K.A.R. 115-18-10, except as authorized in writing by the secretary.

(m) Each permittee shall maintain current records of wildlife rehabilitation services provided under the permit on report forms provided by the department. The records shall be maintained at the designated facility, be made available to department officials for inspection purposes, and include the following information:

- (1) The name of the permittee;
- (2) the permittee contact information;
- (3) the name and address of the facility;
- (4) the wildlife rehabilitation permit number;

(5) the date on which any wildlife is received for treatment;

(6) the species of wildlife received for treatment;

(7) the suspected or known cause for treatment;

(8) the date and disposition of the wildlife at the conclusion of treatment; and

(9) other relevant information as required by the secretary.

(n) Each permittee shall submit the true and accurate, original report required in subsection (m) to the department on or before January 31 of the year following the permitted activity. The permittee may retain a copy of the report for the permittee's records.

(o) Any person authorized by permit to perform wildlife rehabilitation services or exempt by law from the requirement to possess a wildlife rehabilitation permit may temporarily possess and transport wildlife to another location within the state for the purposes of providing treatment, releasing wildlife in its natural habitat, or transporting wildlife to an approved temporary or permanent holding facility. Possession of wildlife for transportation to another location shall not exceed 48 hours.

(p) Wildlife no longer in need of rehabilitation treatment or care shall be handled in accordance with the following requirements:

(1) All wildlife determined to be capable of survival in the wild shall be released to the wild. Each individual releasing wildlife in accordance with this subsection shall ensure that the following conditions are met:

(A) The animal is released in an area consistent with the animal's normal habitat.

(B) The animal is released only on land, including both public and private properties, if written permission has been granted by the person in legal possession of the land where the release is to be made.

(C) The animal is not released in a location so close to human dwellings that the release is likely to result in nuisance, health, or safety problems.

(D) The animal is not released within the limits of any municipality without prior written approval from the appropriate municipal authority.

(2) Wildlife that cannot be rehabilitated and released to the wild shall be euthanized unless a written request, specifying an alternate course of action, is approved by the secretary or designee. Each course of action requiring the wildlife to remain in captivity shall be approved only if the

wildlife is transferred from the permittee providing the rehabilitation services to an accredited zoological facility, or a scientific or educational permit holder in accordance with subsection (i). Each transfer shall be allowed only for educational programs or fostering or socialization purposes, and no transfer shall take place unless the secretary or designee has approved the request in writing.

(3) All euthanized wildlife and wildlife that have died shall be buried, incinerated, or transferred to a person or facility possessing a valid department scientific, educational, or exhibition permit. All federally permitted wildlife shall be disposed of in accordance with the terms of any federal permit. Any deceased wildlife may be disposed of on private property with the prior written permission of the person in legal possession of the private property. Deceased wildlife shall not be disposed of within the limits of any municipality without the prior written permission of the municipality.

(q) Any permittee may continue to possess a permit if all of the following conditions are met:

- (1) The permit application is complete.
- (2) The permit application contains no false information.
- (3) The permittee meets the permit requirements and does not violate the permit conditions.
- (4) The permittee has not been convicted of violating local, state, or federal laws relating to the care, treatment, possession, take, or disposal of wildlife or domestic animals within the previous five years.
- (5) The permit has not expired.

The permittee shall be notified, in writing, of the cancellation of the permit by the secretary or designee. The permittee shall be provided by the secretary or designee with the opportunity to respond, in writing, within 10 days of receipt of the cancellation.

(r) Any provision of this regulation may be temporarily waived by the secretary or designee during a wildlife health crisis for the protection of public or wildlife health.

This regulation shall be effective on and after December 31, 2012. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807, K.S.A. 32-953, and K.S.A. 32-961; effective Jan. 1, 1990; amended Jan. 1, 2006; amended Dec. 31, 2012.)

**115-18-7. Use of crossbows and locking draws for big game and wild turkey hunting by persons with disabilities; application, per-**

**mit, and general provisions.** (a) Each permanently disabled person qualified to hunt deer, antelope, elk, or wild turkey with a crossbow and desiring to obtain a crossbow and locking draw permit shall apply to the secretary on forms provided by the department. Each applicant shall provide the following information:

- (1) Name of applicant;
- (2) address;
- (3) a physician's signed report, on forms provided by the department, describing the permanent disability and certifying the applicant physically incapable of using a bow; and
- (4) other relevant information as required by the secretary.

(b) Each person with a temporary disability who would be qualified to hunt deer, antelope, elk, or wild turkey with a crossbow if the disability were permanent and who desires to obtain a temporary crossbow and locking draw permit shall apply to the secretary on forms provided by the department. Each applicant shall provide the following information:

- (1) Name of applicant;
- (2) address;
- (3) a physician's signed report, on forms provided by the department, describing the disability, certifying the applicant physically incapable of using a bow, and estimating the time period that the person is likely to be subject to the disability; and
- (4) other relevant information as required by the secretary.

Each temporary permit shall expire no more than three years from the date of issuance and shall state the expiration date on the face of the permit.

(c) Any applicant may be required by the secretary to obtain, at the department's expense, a report from a second physician chosen by the secretary.

(d) A crossbow and locking draw permit or temporary permit may be refused issuance or may be revoked by the secretary for any of the following reasons:

- (1) The disability does not meet qualifications for the permit.
- (2) The application is incomplete or contains false information.
- (3) The disability under which the permit was issued no longer exists.

(e) A crossbow and locking draw permit or temporary permit shall be valid statewide.

(f) Any crossbow and locking draw permittee

may use a crossbow or bow equipped with a locking draw for hunting deer, antelope, elk, or wild turkey during any archery season established by the secretary for the big game species or wild turkey being hunted by the permittee. This provision shall be subject to the applicable regulations governing archery hunting of that big game species or wild turkey, including possession of a valid hunting permit issued by the department for that big game species or wild turkey, if required.

(g) Legal equipment for hunting any big game or wild turkey by crossbow shall consist of the following:

(1) Arrows equipped with broadhead points incapable of passing through a ring with a diameter smaller than three-quarters of an inch when fully expanded;

(2) if attached to the bow, any lighted pin, dot, or holographic sights; illuminated nocks; range-finders; film or video cameras; and radio-frequency location devices;

(3) optical scopes or sights that project no visible light toward the target and do not electronically amplify visible light or detect infrared light or thermal energy; and

(4) range-finding devices, if the system does not project visible light toward the target.

(h) Legal equipment for hunting any big game or wild turkey using a bow equipped with a locking draw shall consist of legal archery equipment as specified in K.A.R. 115-4-4, except that the bow may have a mechanical device that locks the bow at full or partial draw.

(i) Any person may assist the holder of a crossbow permit or a temporary crossbow permit during the permittee's hunting activity. A person assisting a holder of a permit shall not perform the actual shooting of the crossbow for the permittee.

(j) A big game or wild turkey hunter using crossbow equipment may possess non-broadhead-tipped arrows while hunting if the arrows are not used to take or attempt to take wild turkeys or big game animals.

(k) No bow, crossbow, or arrow shall have any electronic device attached to the bow, crossbow, or arrow that controls the flight of the arrow.

(l) No device capable of dispensing lethal, debilitating, or immobilizing chemicals to take wild turkeys or big game animals shall be used. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807, as amended by L. 2012, Ch. 47, Sec. 25, K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 32-919, as amended by L. 2012, Ch. 154, Sec. 5, and K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 32-932, as amended by L.

2012, Ch. 47, Sec. 48; implementing K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 32-932, as amended by L. 2012, Ch. 47, Sec. 48; effective Oct. 30, 1989; amended, T-115-9-9-97, Sept. 9, 1997; amended Dec. 29, 1997; amended Oct. 1, 1999; amended April 19, 2002; amended Feb. 18, 2005; amended April 11, 2008; amended May 21, 2010; amended April 19, 2013.)

**115-18-18. Hand fishing permit; requirements, restrictions, and permit duration.**

(a) Each individual who wants to hand fish for flathead catfish during those periods of time on those bodies of water established by K.A.R. 115-25-14 shall be required to have a hand fishing permit.

(b) Each hand fishing permit shall be valid statewide through December 31 of the year in which the permit is issued.

(c) Each hand fishing permit shall be validated by the signature of the permit holder written across the face of the permit. A hand fishing permit shall not be transferable. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807, as amended by L. 2012, Ch. 47, Sec. 25; effective Nov. 27, 2006; amended Nov. 26, 2012.)

**115-18-20. Tournament black bass pass; requirements, restrictions, and pass duration.**

(a) A tournament black bass pass shall be required for each individual who wants to keep up to two black bass in a daily creel limit that meet the minimum statewide length limit but that do not meet the special length limit for the specific body of water, or who wants to cull black bass after the daily creel limit has been met, during a weigh-in bass tournament as established in K.A.R. 115-7-9.

(b) Each tournament black bass pass shall be valid statewide through December 31 of the year in which the bass pass is issued.

(c) Each tournament black bass pass shall be validated by the signature of the pass holder written across the face of the pass. A tournament black bass pass shall not be transferable. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 32-807, K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 32-1001, and K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 32-1002; effective Nov. 27, 2006; amended Nov. 16, 2007; amended Nov. 19, 2010.)

**115-18-21.** This regulation shall be revoked on and after January 1, 2015. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 32-1002; effective Dec. 1, 2008; revoked Jan. 1, 2015.)

**115-18-22. Senior pass valid for hunting and fishing; requirements, restrictions, and permit duration.** (a) Any Kansas resident age 65 and older may apply to the secretary for a senior pass valid for hunting and fishing.

(b) For the purposes of this regulation, the term “resident” shall have the meaning specified in K.S.A. 32-701, and amendments thereto, except that a person shall have maintained that person’s place of permanent abode in this state for not less than one year immediately preceding that person’s application for a senior pass valid for hunting and fishing.

(c) A senior pass valid for hunting and fishing shall not be made invalid because the holder of that senior pass subsequently resides outside of the state.

(d) Each nonresident holder of a senior pass valid for hunting and fishing shall be eligible under the same conditions as those for a Kansas resident for a big game or wild turkey permit upon proper application to the secretary.

(e) A senior pass shall not be transferable.

(f) Each senior pass shall be valid during the life of the holder and shall expire upon the death of the holder.

This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2013. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807, as amended by L. 2012, Ch. 47, Sec. 25, and L. 2012, Ch. 154, Sec. 1; effective Jan. 1, 2013.)

#### **Article 20.—MISCELLANEOUS REGULATIONS**

**115-20-7. Doves; legal equipment, taking methods, and possession.** (a) Legal hunting equipment for doves shall consist of the following:

(1) Shotguns that are not larger than 10 gauge, use shot ammunition, and are incapable of holding more than three shells in total capacity;

(2) pellet and BB guns;

(3) archery equipment;

(4) crossbows;

(5) falconry equipment;

(6) optical scopes or sights that project no visible light toward the target and do not electronically amplify visible or infrared light; and

(7) blinds, stands, calls, and decoys, except live decoys.

(b) The use of dogs shall be permitted while hunting.

(c) Any type of apparel may be worn while hunting doves.

(d) Legally taken doves may be possessed without limit in time and may be given to another if accompanied by an attached, dated written notice that includes the donor’s printed name, signature, and address; the total number of birds; the dates the birds were killed; and the permit or license number. The person receiving the meat shall retain the notice until the meat is consumed, given to another, or otherwise disposed of.

(e) Doves shall be taken only while in flight. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807; effective Nov. 20, 2009; amended July 20, 2012.)

#### **Article 30.—BOATING**

**115-30-13. Removal of vessels from waters of the state.** The livewells and bilges shall be drained and the drain plugs removed from all vessels being removed from the waters of the state before transport on any public highway of the state.

This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2012. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807; effective Jan. 1, 2012.)

#### **Article 40.—AGRITOURISM**

**115-40-1. Definitions.** As used in this article and for purposes of administering the act, each of the following terms shall have the meaning specified in this regulation:

(a) “Act” means agritourism promotion act, K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-1430 through K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-1438 and amendments thereto.

(b) “Cost” means an expenditure directly related to insuring any agritourism activity.

(c) “Department” means department of wildlife, parks, and tourism.

(d) “Liability insurance” means a policy insuring against the following:

(1) Loss, expense, or liability by reason of bodily injury or death by accident, for which the insured could be liable or have assumed liability and loss; and

(2) damage to any goods on the premises of the insured, or the loss of or damage to the property of another for which the insured is liable. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-1438 and 32-1438a; effective July 26, 2013.)

**115-40-2. Registration.** (a) Each provider of an agritourism activity wanting to register the

activity with the secretary pursuant to the act shall provide the information requested by the department. Upon request, a registration form shall be mailed to the provider. Although no charge is made for registration, no registration shall be deemed complete until the operator provides all of the information requested by the department.

(b) If an incomplete registration form is returned to the department, a request for the missing information shall be sent to the applicant. The applicant shall have 10 business days to respond to the request. If there is no response within this period, the registration form shall be returned, and the applicant's operation shall be considered not to be registered.

(c) The social security number from any registration form shall not be disclosed by the department. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-1433; effective July 26, 2013.)

**115-40-3. Liability insurance; costs qualifying for tax credits.** The following costs associated with liability insurance shall be eligible for the tax credits authorized by the act:

(a) The cost of a rider with a separate premium for specific risk for an agritourism activity; and

(b) the amount that an insurance agent certified on a tax credit form provided to the registered agritourism operator by the department of revenue and filed for the operator that represents the cost of the liability insurance covering the registered agritourism activity. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-807, 32-1438, and 32-1438a; effective July 26, 2013.)

**115-40-4. Tax credits.** (a) No costs of liability insurance specified in K.A.R. 115-40-3 shall be allowed for consideration for tax credits, unless the registered agritourism operator or the operator's authorized attorney or insurance agent pro-

vides the department of revenue with the following information and documents:

(1) The name of the registered agritourism operator's liability insurance company;

(2) the liability insurance policy number;

(3) the name, complete address, and phone number of the liability insurance company's agent; and

(4) a copy of the completed tax credit form provided to the registered agritourism operator under K.A.R. 115-40-3(b).

(b) If, during the first five years that an agritourism operator is registered under the act, the secretary believes for any reason that the registered agritourism operator has not complied, or is not complying, with these regulations and through such noncompliance could have jeopardized the operator's eligibility for tax benefits under the act, all relevant information shall be forwarded by the secretary to the secretary of revenue. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-807, 32-1438, and 32-1438a; effective July 26, 2013.)

**115-40-5. New registration form.** If a registered agritourism operator changes the agritourism activities at the registered agritourism operator's facility, that individual shall file a new registration form for the agritourism activity with the department in accordance with K.A.R. 115-40-2. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-1433; effective July 26, 2013.)

**115-40-6. Contracts.** Each written contract or agreement with a participant shall contain the warning notice specified in K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-1434(b), and amendments thereto. This warning notice shall be printed in at least 10-point font. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-1434; effective July 26, 2013.)