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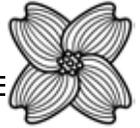
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3 CSR 10-10.705 Commercialization

PURPOSE: This rule requires persons commercializing in wildlife to possess the prescribed permit and to keep records of their transactions available for inspection.

(1) Wildlife or ginseng may be bought, sold, offered for sale, exchanged, transported, or delivered only under the conditions of the prescribed permit, or as otherwise provided in this chapter. No affidavit, receipt, or other document may be issued or used in lieu of the required permit. Any permit issued or obtained by false statement or through fraud, or while permits are revoked or denied by the commission, shall be invalid. The commission may suspend, revoke, or deny a permit or privilege for cause, but not until an opportunity has been afforded for a hearing before the commission or its authorized representative. Hearings under this section shall be contested cases pursuant to Chapter 536, RSMo, and any person aggrieved by a final decision shall be entitled to judicial review as provided in Chapter 536, RSMo.

(2) Permits for commercial wildlife or ginseng may be obtained only upon satisfaction of all requirements imposed by this Code, including payment of fees at the time of application. Fees and costs for permits and other privileges found in this chapter are established in 3 CSR 10-10.950.

(3) No commercial wildlife or ginseng permit, or commercial wildlife or ginseng permit application, may be loaned, falsified, altered, or misrepresented in any manner.

(4) The acceptance of a permit for commercial wildlife or ginseng shall constitute an acknowledgment of the duty to comply with the provisions of this code.

(5) Permits for commercial wildlife or ginseng are nontransferable and are valid from July 1 through June 30 of the prescribed permit year.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const., and section 252.040, RSMo 2016. Original rule filed Aug. 18, 1970, effective Dec. 31, 1970. Amended: Filed July 30, 1979, effective Jan. 1, 1980. Amended: Filed Aug. 8, 1989, effective Jan. 1, 1990. Amended: Filed April 21, 1993, effective Jan. 1, 1994. Amended: Filed May 30, 1995, effective Jan. 1, 1996. Amended: Filed April 25, 1996, effective March 1, 1997. Amended: Filed Sept. 29, 2004, effective Feb. 28, 2005. Amended: Filed March 12, 2013, effective Aug. 30, 2013. Amended: Filed Sept. 27, 2013, effective March 1, 2014. Amended: Filed Feb. 9, 2018, effective July 30, 2018. Amended: Filed Feb. 23, 2024, effective July 1, 2025. Amended: Filed May 16, 2025, effective Jan. 1, 2026.*

**Original authority: 252.040, RSMo 1945, amended 1989.*

3 CSR 10-10.707 Resident Fur Dealer's Permit

PURPOSE: This rule establishes a permit for buying and selling furs throughout the year.

(1) Resident Fur Dealer's Permit. To buy, sell, possess, process, transport, and ship the pelts and carcasses of furbearers and the pelts of bears legally harvested outside of Missouri from July 1 through June 30, except as provided in subsection (1)(B) of this rule. Permits issued to a firm, organization, or partnership for individual or itinerant use shall include the names of no more than four (4) resident users.

(A) Annual Permit.

(B) Three- (3-) Day Permit. To buy the pelts and carcasses of furbearers and the pelts of bears legally harvested outside of Missouri for three (3) consecutive days, and to sell, possess, process, transport, and ship the pelts and carcasses acquired during the three (3) days indicated on the permit from July 1 through June 30.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const., and section 252.040, RSMo 2016. Original rule filed Aug. 16, 1973, effective Dec. 31, 1973. Amended: Filed July 30, 1979, effective Jan. 1, 1980. Amended: Filed Aug. 1, 1983, effective Jan. 1, 1984. Amended: Filed April 21, 1993, effective Jan. 1, 1994. Amended: Filed April 24, 2000, effective March 1, 2001. Amended: Filed March 6, 2006, effective Aug. 30, 2006. Amended: Filed Sept. 4, 2020, effective Feb. 28, 2021. Amended: Filed Feb. 23, 2024, effective Aug. 30, 2024. Amended: Filed May 16, 2025, effective Jan. 1, 2026.*

**Original authority: 252.040, RSMo 1945, amended 1989.*

3 CSR 10-10.708 Nonresident Fur Dealer's Permit

PURPOSE: This rule establishes a new permit for nonresident fur dealers. Privileges were previously provided under a Fur Dealer's Permit, which is being modified to identify resident and nonresident status.

(1) Nonresident Fur Dealer's Permit. To buy, sell, possess, process, transport, and ship the pelts and carcasses of furbearers and the pelts of bears legally harvested outside of Missouri from July 1 through June 30, except as provided in subsection (1)(B) of this rule. Nonresident fur dealers shall conduct business only at the locations in Missouri specified on the permit, with resident fur dealers at their business location and at established fur auction sites.

(A) Annual Permit.

(B) Three- (3-) Day Permit. To buy the pelts and carcasses of furbearers and the pelts of bears legally harvested outside of Missouri for three (3) consecutive days, and to sell, possess, process, transport, and ship the pelts and carcasses acquired during the three (3) days indicated on the permit from July 1 through June 30.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const., and section 252.040, RSMo 2016. Original rule filed March 6, 2006, effective Aug. 30, 2006. Amended: Filed Sept. 4, 2020, effective Feb. 28, 2021. Amended: Filed Feb. 23, 2024, effective Aug. 30, 2024. Amended: Filed May 16, 2025, effective Jan. 1, 2026.*

**Original authority: 252.040, RSMo 1945, amended 1989.*

3 CSR 10-10.710 Resident Fur Buyer's Permit

(Rescinded August 30, 2006)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed Aug. 17, 1972, effective Dec. 31, 1972. Amended: Filed July 20,



1977, effective Jan. 1, 1978. Amended: Filed Aug. 4, 1978, effective Nov. 11, 1978. Amended: Filed July 30, 1979, effective Jan. 1, 1980. Amended: Filed July 27, 1982, effective Jan. 1, 1983. Amended: Filed Aug. 1, 1983, effective Jan. 1, 1984. Amended: Filed July 5, 1984, effective Jan. 1, 1985. Amended: Filed Aug. 9, 1988, effective Jan. 1, 1989. Amended: Filed June 2, 1992, effective Jan. 15, 1993. Amended: Filed April 21, 1993, effective Jan. 1, 1994. Amended: Filed April 25, 1996, effective March 1, 1997. Rescinded: Filed March 6, 2006, effective Aug. 30, 2006.

3 CSR 10-10.711 Resident Fur Handlers Permit (Rescinded July 1, 2011)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. and section 252.240, RSMo 2000. Original rule filed Oct. 13, 2005, effective March 30, 2006. Amended: Filed Sept. 27, 2007, effective Feb. 29, 2008. Rescinded: Filed Jan. 4, 2011, effective July 1, 2011.

3 CSR 10-10.715 Resident and Nonresident Fur Dealers: Reports, Requirements

PURPOSE: This rule establishes reporting and other requirements to be met by fur dealers and fur buyers.

(1) Each fur dealer shall keep an up-to-date, accurate record of all furbearer pelts and pelts of black bears legally harvested outside of Missouri purchased, sold, consigned, or stored. For each transaction, the seller's name, address, and permit number shall be recorded immediately in either a fur record book furnished or a form approved by the department. All such records and furs shall be made available for inspection by an authorized agent of the department at any reasonable time.

(2) Each fur dealer shall submit annually a report on either forms furnished or those approved by the department. Printed copies of these forms can be obtained from the Missouri Department of Conservation, PO Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0180 and online at www.missouriconservation.org. All fur dealers' reports shall include all transactions in furbearer pelts and pelts of black bears legally harvested outside of Missouri for the twelve (12) months preceding April 10 of the current year and an inventory of fur held in storage. Such reports shall be submitted by April 20.

(3) Nonresident fur dealers shall conduct business only at the location in Missouri specified on the permit, with resident fur dealers at their business locations, and at established fur auction sites.

(4) Fur dealers and employees specified on their permit, who are buying, selling, possessing, or transporting pelts or carcasses of furbearers or pelts of black bears legally harvested outside of Missouri shall have a copy of the prescribed permit in his/her possession.

(5) Furbearer pelts and pelts of black bears legally harvested outside of Missouri may be shipped or transported into Missouri without a Missouri fur dealer permit for consignment or sale at an established fur auction site or to the location specified on a Missouri fur dealer permit if the pelts are accompanied by the appropriate permit or other proof of legality in the state of origin.

(6) Issuance of a permit after the first year shall be conditioned

on compliance with this rule and receipt by the department of satisfactory reports for the preceding permit period.

(7) Fur dealers may consign pelts or carcasses of furbearers and pelts of black bears legally harvested outside of Missouri for storage or processing at locations other than that specified on the permit provided the consignee is identified in the fur record book.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed July 30, 1979, effective Jan. 1, 1980. Amended: Filed July 31, 1981, effective Jan. 1, 1982. Amended: Filed June 24, 1983, effective Oct. 14, 1983. Amended: Filed Aug. 3, 1984, effective Jan. 1, 1985. Amended: Filed Aug. 6, 1985, effective Jan. 1, 1986. Amended: Filed Aug. 7, 1986, effective Jan. 1, 1987. Amended: Filed Aug. 8, 1989, effective Jan. 1, 1990. Emergency amendment filed Nov. 2, 1992, effective Jan. 1, 1993, expired Jan. 15, 1993. Amended: Filed June 2, 1992, effective Jan. 15, 1993. Amended: Filed April 21, 1993, effective Jan. 1, 1994. Amended: Filed May 30, 1995, effective Jan. 1, 1996. Amended: Filed March 6, 2006, effective Aug. 30, 2006. Amended: Filed Oct. 10, 2008, effective April 30, 2009. Amended: Filed March 1, 2017, effective Aug. 30, 2017. Amended: Filed Aug. 28, 2018, effective March 1, 2019. Amended: Filed Sept. 4, 2020, effective Feb. 28, 2021.

3 CSR 10-10.716 Resident Fur Handlers: Reports, Requirements (Rescinded July 1, 2011)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed Oct. 13, 2005, effective March 30, 2006. Amended: Filed Oct. 10, 2008, effective April 30, 2009. Rescinded: Filed Jan. 4, 2011, effective July 1, 2011.

3 CSR 10-10.717 Transactions in Furs; Reports Required (Rescinded January 1, 1980)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45, Mo. Const. Art. IV. This version of rule filed Aug. 17, 1972, effective Dec. 31, 1972. Amended: Filed July 20, 1977, effective Jan. 1, 1978. Amended: Filed Aug. 4, 1978, effective Nov. 11, 1978. Rescinded: Filed July 30, 1979, effective Jan. 1, 1980.

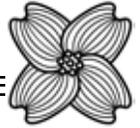
3 CSR 10-10.720 Commercial Fishing Permit

PURPOSE: This rule establishes a commercial fishing permit for residents of the state and sets fees for commercial fishing gear.

(1) Commercial Fishing Permit. To take and possess commercial fish from commercial waters and to sell such fish in accordance with 3 CSR 10-10.725.

(2) In addition to this permit, each commercial fishing permittee shall tag each net, seine, or group of fifty (50) hooks for juglines, trotlines, bank lines, limb lines, or throwlines with tags purchased from the department.

(3) Equipment tags are not transferable and tagged equipment must be personally attended by the permittee to whom the tags were issued, or by another licensed commercial fisherman authorized in writing by the permittee as his/her assistant. The assistant must have on his/her person this written authorization while tending the equipment of another



and may attend equipment of only one (1) other permittee on any one (1) day.

(4) Any person who holds the prescribed sport fishing permit or who is exempted from sport fishing permit requirements in 3 CSR 10-5.205 may accompany and assist a licensed commercial fisherman, provided that a licensed commercial fisherman must be present in each boat.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed Aug. 16, 1973, effective Dec. 31, 1973. Amended: Filed Aug. 29, 1983, effective Jan. 1, 1984. Amended: Filed Aug. 7, 1986, effective Jan. 1, 1987. Amended: Filed July 30, 1987, effective Jan. 1, 1988. Amended: Filed Aug. 8, 1989, effective Jan. 1, 1990. Amended: Filed May 10, 1990, effective Jan. 1, 1991. Amended: Filed April 28, 1992, effective Feb. 26, 1993. Amended: Filed Oct. 9, 2003, effective March 30, 2004. Amended: Filed Sept. 27, 2007, effective Feb. 29, 2008. Amended: Filed May 25, 2023, effective Feb. 29, 2024. Amended: Filed May 16, 2025, effective Jan. 1, 2026.

3 CSR 10-10.722 Resident Roe Fish Commercial Harvest Permit

PURPOSE: This rule establishes a special permit required in addition to the Commercial Fishing Permit for residents of the state to harvest shovelnose sturgeon from the Mississippi River.

Resident Roe Fish Commercial Harvest Permit. Required in addition to the Commercial Fishing Permit to take, possess, and sell bowfin, paddlefish, and shovelnose sturgeon and their eggs from the Mississippi River in accordance with 3 CSR 10-10.725.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const., and section 252.040, RSMo 2016. Original rule filed Dec. 30, 2003, effective July 1, 2004. Amended: Filed Sept. 14, 2005, effective Feb. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed May 23, 2006, effective Oct. 30, 2006. Amended: Filed Sept. 27, 2007, effective Feb. 29, 2008. Amended: Filed Oct. 10, 2008, effective July 1, 2009. Amended: Filed March 12, 2010, effective Aug. 30, 2010. Amended: Filed March 12, 2013, effective Aug. 30, 2013. Amended: Filed Aug. 28, 2015, effective March 1, 2016. Amended: Filed May 25, 2023, effective Feb. 29, 2024. Amended: Filed May 16, 2025, effective Jan. 1, 2026.*

**Original authority: 252.040, RSMo 1945, amended 1989.*

3 CSR 10-10.723 Nonresident Commercial Fishing Permit (Rescinded January 1, 1991)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed Aug. 16, 1973, effective Dec. 31, 1973. Amended: Filed Aug. 29, 1983, effective Jan. 1, 1984. Amended: Filed Aug. 7, 1986, effective Jan. 1, 1987. Amended: Filed July 30, 1987, effective Jan. 1, 1988. Amended: Filed Aug. 8, 1989, effective Jan. 1, 1990. Rescinded: Filed May 10, 1990, effective Jan. 1, 1991.

3 CSR 10-10.724 Nonresident Mississippi River Roe Fish Commercial Harvest Permit

PURPOSE: This rule establishes a special permit required in addition to the Commercial Fishing Permit for nonresidents of the state to harvest shovelnose sturgeon from the Mississippi River.

Nonresident Mississippi River Roe Fish Commercial Harvest Permit. Required for nonresidents of Missouri in addition to the Commercial Fishing Permit to take, possess, and sell bowfin, paddlefish, and shovelnose sturgeon and their eggs from the Mississippi River in accordance with 3 CSR 10-10.725; except that any person properly licensed to harvest shovelnose sturgeon by the state of Illinois may fish within, and harvest shovelnose sturgeon from, the Missouri portion of the Mississippi River adjacent to Illinois as permitted by this Code.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const., and section 252.040, RSMo 2016. Original rule filed Sept. 14, 2005, effective Feb. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed May 23, 2006, effective June 15, 2006. Amended: Filed Sept. 27, 2007, effective Feb. 29, 2008. Amended: Filed Oct. 10, 2008, effective July 1, 2009. Amended: Filed March 12, 2010, effective Aug. 30, 2010. Amended: Filed May 25, 2023, effective Feb. 29, 2024. Amended: Filed May 16, 2025, effective Jan. 1, 2026.*

**Original authority: 252.040, RSMo 1945, amended 1989.*

3 CSR 10-10.725 Commercial Fishing: Seasons, Methods

PURPOSE: This rule provides for commercial fishing in certain streams and establishes restrictions on the use of commercial fishing gear.

(1) Commercial fish and live bait may be taken and possessed in any numbers by the holder of a commercial fishing permit from commercial waters with seines, gill nets, trammel nets, hoop nets with or without wings, trotlines, throwlines, limb lines, bank lines, or jug or block lines, and any number of hooks, except –

(A) On the Missouri River upstream from U.S. Highway 169 where hooks may not be used;

(B) Endangered species as listed in 3 CSR 10-4.111(3), including lake sturgeon and pallid sturgeon, may not be taken or possessed, and must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being caught; and

(C) Alligator gar may not be taken or possessed, and must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being caught.

(2) Trammel nets and gill nets must be attended at all times by the permittee's immediate presence where nets are set. For purposes of this section, immediate presence is defined as within sight of the location of set equipment in order to personally claim or identify such equipment during inspection by an agent of the department. Hoop nets may be left set and unattended for not more than forty-eight (48) hours. All other commercial fishing equipment may be left set and unattended for not more than twenty-four (24) hours.

(3) On the Missouri River or banks thereof, game fish (including channel, blue, and flathead catfish; paddlefish; and shovelnose sturgeon) may not be possessed or transported while fishing by commercial methods or while possessing commercial fishing gear and shall be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being caught.

(4) On that part of the St. Francis River which forms the boundary between the states of Arkansas and Missouri, the following may not be possessed or transported while fishing by commercial methods or while possessing commercial



fishing gear and shall be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being caught:

- (A) Channel, blue, and flathead catfish less than fifteen inches (15") in total length; and
- (B) Other game fish (including paddlefish and shovelnose sturgeon).

(5) On the portions of the Mississippi River defined as commercial waters, the following may not be possessed or transported while fishing by commercial methods or while possessing commercial fishing gear and shall be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being caught:

- (A) Channel, blue, and flathead catfish less than fifteen inches (15") in total length;
- (B) Paddlefish, except paddlefish equal to or greater than thirty-two inches (32") in length (measured from eye to fork of tail), may be transported and possessed from November 1 through April 15;
- (C) Shovelnose sturgeon, except shovelnose sturgeon twenty-four inches (24") to thirty-two inches (32") in length (measured from tip of snout to fork of tail), may be transported and possessed from October 15 through May 15 upstream from the Melvin Price Locks and Dam; and
- (D) Other game fish.

(6) While on waters of the state and adjacent banks, the head and tail must remain attached to all fish, bowfin, and shovelnose sturgeon must remain whole and intact, and the ovaries of paddlefish must remain intact and accompany the fish from which they were removed.

(7) Commercial fishing gear may not be used or set within three hundred (300) yards of any spillway, lock, dam, or the mouth of any tributary stream or ditch, or in waters existing temporarily through overflow outside the banks of the specified rivers except as specified in 3 CSR 10-20.805 (14), and may not be used to take fish underneath or through the ice.

(8) Commercial gear must meet the following requirements:

- (A) Seines, gill nets, and trammel nets having a mesh smaller than two inches (2") bar measure, measured when wet, may not be used;
- (B) Hoop nets having a mesh smaller than one and one-half inches (1 1/2") bar measure, measured when wet, may not be used. Hoop net wings and leads must be a single panel, not more than six feet (6') in depth, mesh size one and one half inches (1 1/2") bar measure, measured when wet, and made of twine not less than three sixty-fourths of an inch (3/64") in diameter;
- (C) Hooks attached to trotlines or throwlines shall be staged not less than two feet (2') apart;
- (D) While in use, all commercial fishing gear shall be labeled with tags furnished by the department and placed as indicated on the tags. Portions of trotlines and jug or block lines, throwlines, bank lines, and limb lines must have the commercial tag number under which they are being fished attached to each line; and
- (E) Commercial fishing gear may not be possessed on waters of the state or adjacent banks that are not open to commercial fishing, except during transportation by boat from the nearest access location to commercial fishing waters as determined by the department.

(9) The possession of game fish except as defined as commercial fish in 3 CSR 10-20.805 while in the act of using commercial

fishing gear or aboard a boat transporting fish taken by commercial fishing gear is prohibited.

(10) The possession of extracted eggs of any fish species, except as provided in section (6) of this rule, is prohibited while on waters of the state and adjacent banks.

(11) Invasive fish, common carp, and grass carp that jump from the water on or into a watercraft, or onto land, may be taken and possessed in any number. Invasive fish may not be transported from waters of the state where taken unconfined or in water.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. and section 252.040, RSMo 2016. Original rule filed Aug. 16, 1973, effective Dec. 31, 1973. Amended: Filed July 20, 1977, effective Jan. 1, 1978. Amended: Filed July 31, 1981, effective Jan. 1, 1982. Amended: Filed Aug. 1, 1983, effective Jan. 1, 1984. Amended: Filed Aug. 3, 1984, effective Jan. 1, 1985. Amended: Filed June 7, 1985, effective Sept. 14, 1985. Amended: Filed Aug. 6, 1985, effective Jan. 1, 1986. Amended: Filed Aug. 9, 1988, effective Jan. 1, 1989. Amended: Filed Aug. 8, 1989, effective Jan. 1, 1990. Amended: Filed May 10, 1990, effective Jan. 1, 1991. Amended: Filed Oct. 11, 1990, effective July 1, 1992. Amended: Filed May 10, 1991, effective Jan. 1, 1992. Amended: Filed April 28, 1992, effective Feb. 26, 1993. Amended: Filed April 21, 1993, effective Jan. 1, 1994. Amended: Filed April 25, 1996, effective March 1, 1997. Amended: Filed May 10, 1999, effective March 1, 2000. Amended: Filed May 9, 2002, effective July 1, 2002. Amended: Filed June 4, 2004, effective June 15, 2004. Amended: Filed Dec. 30, 2003, effective July 1, 2004. Amended: Filed Sept. 29, 2004, effective Feb. 28, 2005. Amended: Filed Sept. 14, 2005, effective Feb. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed March 6, 2006, effective Aug. 30, 2006. Amended: Filed Oct. 2, 2006, effective Feb. 28, 2007. Amended: Filed Sept. 27, 2007, effective Feb. 29, 2008. Amended: Filed Oct. 10, 2008, effective July 1, 2009. Amended: Filed Sept. 25, 2009, effective March 1, 2010. Amended: Filed March 12, 2013, effective Aug. 30, 2013. Amended: Filed March 2, 2020, effective Aug. 30, 2020. Amended: Filed Jan. 22, 2021, effective Aug. 30, 2021. Amended: Filed Aug. 27, 2021, effective Feb. 28, 2022.*

**Original authority: 252.040, RSMo 1945, amended 1989.*

3 CSR 10-10.726 Reciprocal Privileges: Commercial Fishing; Commercial Waters

PURPOSE: This rule establishes license reciprocity for commercial fishermen in certain boundary streams.

- (1) Any person possessing a valid commercial fishing license issued by the state of Illinois, Tennessee, Arkansas, Kansas, or Nebraska, or who is legally exempted from the license requirement without further permit or license, may fish as permitted by this Code in commercial waters within the boundary of Missouri and adjacent to the state where the fisherman is licensed. Bowfin, paddlefish, and shovelnose sturgeon may not be harvested except as permitted in 3 CSR 10-10.722, 3 CSR 10-10.724, and 3 CSR 10-10.725.
- (2) All other Missouri regulations shall apply to commercial fishing in the Missouri portion of the Mississippi and Missouri rivers.
- (3) Commercial fishermen not licensed in Missouri may not fish in the tributaries, bayous, or backwaters of commercial waters;



nor may they fish from or attach any device or equipment to land under the jurisdiction of Missouri. Fishermen who hold Arkansas or Illinois licenses, when fishing in waters in which they are not licensed to fish by Missouri, shall comply with the most restrictive laws and regulations of the two (2) states.

(4) All reciprocal privileges shall be contingent upon a grant of like privileges by the appropriate neighboring state to the duly licensed commercial fishermen of Missouri.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. and section 252.040, RSMo 2016. Original rule filed March 14, 1973, effective March 24, 1973. Amended: Filed Aug. 16, 1976, effective Nov. 11, 1976. Amended: Filed April 20, 1978, effective Aug. 15, 1978. Amended: Filed Aug. 31, 1982, effective Jan. 1, 1983. Amended: Filed Aug. 3, 1984, effective Jan. 1, 1985. Amended: Filed April 28, 1992, effective Feb. 26, 1993. Amended: Filed April 21, 1993, effective Jan. 1, 1994. Amended: Filed March 24, 2003, effective Aug. 30, 2003. Amended: Filed Sept. 14, 2005, effective Feb. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed May 23, 2006, effective June 15, 2006. Amended: Filed Oct. 10, 2008, effective July 1, 2009. Amended: Filed Sept. 25, 2009, effective March 1, 2010. Amended: Filed March 12, 2010, effective Aug. 30, 2010. Amended: Filed March 2, 2020, effective Aug. 30, 2020.*

**Original authority: 252.040, RSMo 1945, amended 1989.*

3 CSR 10-10.727 Record Keeping and Reporting Required: Commercial Fishermen

PURPOSE: This rule requires monthly catch reports by commercial fishermen.

(1) Commercial fishermen and roe fish dealers shall keep a dated receipt that includes the weight and species of fish and the weight of extracted fish eggs (raw or processed) of each species that were sold or given away and the name, address, and signature of the recipient. These receipts shall be retained for three (3) years and shall be made available for inspection by an authorized agent of the department at any reasonable time.

(2) Commercial fishermen and roe fish dealers shall submit a complete and accurate monthly report on a form furnished by the department showing the origin (water area), live weight, and species of fish and fish eggs taken or purchased by him/her during the preceding month, or a negative report if none were taken. Printed copies of these forms can be obtained from the Missouri Department of Conservation, PO Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0180 and online at www.missouriconservation.org. Monthly reports must be received by the department within thirty (30) days of the end of each month. Failure to submit a monthly report shall be sufficient cause for the department to revoke the current year's commercial fishing permit and deny renewal of the permit for the following year.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. and section 252.040, RSMo 2016. Original rule filed Aug. 27, 1975, effective Dec. 31, 1975. Amended: Filed Aug. 29, 1983, effective Jan. 1, 1984. Amended: Filed Aug. 7, 1986, effective Jan. 1, 1987. Amended: Filed April 28, 1992, effective Feb. 26, 1993. Amended: Filed May 9, 2002, effective July 1, 2002. Amended: Filed Oct. 10, 2008, effective July 1, 2009. Amended: Filed Sept. 25, 2009, effective March 1, 2010. Amended: Filed Aug. 29, 2016, effective March 1, 2017. Amended: Filed Aug. 29, 2017, effective March 1, 2018.*

**Original authority: 252.040, RSMo 1945, amended 1989.*

3 CSR 10-10.728 Roe Fish Dealer Permit

PURPOSE: This rule establishes a permit needed to buy and subsequently sell shovelnose sturgeon, paddlefish, bowfin, or any parts of these species legally taken by commercial methods.

Roe Fish Dealer Permit. To buy or possess for the purpose of selling, processing, transporting, or shipping legally acquired bowfin, paddlefish, and shovelnose sturgeon or any parts of these species. While on waters of the state and adjacent banks, the head and tail must remain attached to all fish; bowfin and shovelnose sturgeon must remain whole and intact; and the ovaries of paddlefish must remain intact and accompany the fish from which they were removed. Commercial establishments that buy directly from a holder of a roe fish dealer permit and that sell directly to the general public are excluded from this permit requirement.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed Oct. 10, 2008, effective July 1, 2009. Amended: Filed May 25, 2023, effective Feb. 29, 2024. Amended: Filed May 16, 2025, effective Jan. 1, 2026.

3 CSR 10-10.730 Resident Wholesale Fish Dealer Permit

(Rescinded August 15, 1978)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45, Mo. Const. Art IV. This version of rule filed Aug. 18, 1970, effective Dec. 31, 1970. Rescinded: Filed April 20, 1978, effective Aug. 15, 1978.

3 CSR 10-10.732 Tag and Release Fishing Promotion Permit

PURPOSE: This rule establishes a tag and release fishing promotion permit for individuals tagging fish for promotions, contests, or other events on selected impoundments.

(1) Tag and Release Fishing Promotion Permit. To engage in tagging and releasing fish in association with a fishing promotion, contest, or other event.

(2) A tag and release fishing promotion permit authorizes the holder to tag and release one (1) fish into an impoundment of the state, in accordance with the following:

(A) Only one (1) valid permit per impoundment may be possessed by the holder at any one time. No more than two (2) permits shall be valid for the same impoundment at any one time;

(B) Only crappie, black bass, catfish, and other fish as defined in 3 CSR 10-20.805 may be tagged;

(C) Events shall be restricted to impoundments. Tag and release fishing promotion permits may be further restricted for areas within five (5) miles of any portion of an impoundment with an active department fishery research project;

(D) Fish to be tagged shall be obtained from the impoundment specified in the permit in compliance with established seasons, methods, and limits;

(E) Fish shall be tagged in the presence of an agent of the department using a technique approved by the department;

(F) Contest rules shall comply with established fishing seasons, methods, and limits; and



(G) Maximum duration of any event shall be thirty (30) days.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed March 24, 2003, effective Aug. 30, 2003. Amended: Filed Sept. 29, 2004, effective Feb. 28, 2005. Amended: Filed Sept. 4, 2020, effective Feb. 28, 2021. Amended: Filed May 25, 2023, effective Feb. 29, 2024. Amended: Filed May 16, 2025, effective Jan. 1, 2026.

3 CSR 10-10.733 Nonresident Fish Dealer Permit
(Rescinded August 15, 1978)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45, Mo. Const. Art. IV. This version of rule filed Aug. 18, 1970, effective Dec. 31, 1970. Rescinded: Filed April 20, 1978, effective Aug. 15, 1978.

3 CSR 10-10.734 Privileges of Fish Dealers
(Rescinded August 15, 1978)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45, Mo. Const. Art. IV. This version of rule filed Aug. 18, 1970, effective Dec. 31, 1970. Amended: Filed July 13, 1976, effective Dec. 31, 1976. Rescinded: Filed April 20, 1978, effective Aug. 15, 1978.

3 CSR 10-10.735 Sale of Live Bait

PURPOSE: This rule establishes a registration requirement for sellers of live bait and consolidates other regulations regarding bait sales.

(1) Any person, group, or business that sells live bait, as defined in 3 CSR 10-6.605, must register annually with the department as a live bait dealer. Initial registration may occur at any time. Annual registration in successive years shall occur on or after January 1, but prior to March 1. Registration forms can be obtained from the Missouri Department of Conservation, PO Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0180 and online at www.missouriconservation.org.

(2) Live bait may not be sold if obtained from the waters of the state except when taken by a licensed commercial fisherman from commercial waters. Live bait purchased or obtained from a licensed commercial fisherman or other legal sources must be species listed in the Approved Aquatic Species List (3 CSR 10-9.110(3)(H)).

(3) Live bait obtained as described in this rule may be possessed in any number.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. and section 252.240, RSMo 2000. Original rule filed Oct. 2, 2006, effective Feb. 28, 2007. Amended: Filed Oct. 10, 2008, effective April 30, 2009. Amended: Filed March 17, 2014, effective Aug. 30, 2014.*

**Original authority: 252.240, RSMo 1972, amended 1984.*

3 CSR 10-10.736 Fish Hatchery Permit
(Rescinded August 15, 1978)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45, Mo. Const. Art. IV. This version of rule filed April 26, 1972, effective May 6, 1972. Rescinded: Filed April 20, 1978, effective Aug. 15, 1978.

3 CSR 10-10.737 Fish Farming Permit
(Rescinded August 15, 1978)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45, Mo. Const. Art. IV. This version of rule filed Aug. 18, 1970, effective Dec. 31, 1970. Rescinded: Filed April 20, 1978, effective Aug. 15, 1978.

3 CSR 10-10.738 Privileges and Responsibilities of Fish Hatchery and Fish Farming Permittees
(Rescinded August 15, 1978)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45, Mo. Const. Art. IV. This version of rule filed Aug. 18, 1970, effective Dec. 31, 1970. Amended: Filed July 13, 1976, effective Dec. 31, 1976. Rescinded: Filed April 20, 1978, effective Aug. 15, 1978.

3 CSR 10-10.739 Fish Utilization Permit

PURPOSE: This rule establishes a utilization permit for the possession, transportation, and donation of fish legally taken, with lethal methods of take, during bona fide fishing tournaments to commercial establishments. It also authorizes the selling of fish to commercial establishments by contractors in a department-contracted invasive fish removal project.

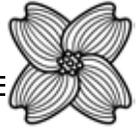
(1) Fish Utilization Permit. To utilize other fish and invasive fish taken during bona fide fishing tournaments, to possess, transport, and donate such fish to commercial establishments. Application for a permit must be made to the department and postmarked not less than ten (10) days prior to the event. Failure to comply with reporting requirements may result in permit denial. Issuance of future permits shall be conditioned on compliance with these rules. Permit shall be valid for one (1) event that shall occur within fifteen (15) days of the issue date on the permit.

(A) Fish defined as other fish and invasive fish in 3 CSR 10-20.805 legally taken by fishing methods prescribed in 3 CSR 10-6.410(7) during a bona fide fishing tournament must be donated to commercial establishments by the permit holder and may be possessed, transported, and donated in accordance with the following:

1. The permit holder shall record and submit a complete and accurate report showing by participant or team the origin (waterbody), weight of each species of all fish taken by each participant or team. Reports must be received by the department within fifteen (15) days of the end of the tournament. Reports shall be mailed to Missouri Department of Conservation, PO Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0180.

2. Fish may be possessed, transported, and donated to a commercial establishment by any person when possession is accompanied by a dated written statement showing the utilization permit number, name and address of permit holder, and the weight of each species.

(2) Individuals under contract with the department and their authorized assistants may take, possess, and transport invasive fish, common carp, and grass carp in accordance with the terms of the contract during a department sponsored invasive fish removal project, and may donate or sell such fish to a commercial establishment when possession is accompanied by a valid invoice or bill of sale showing the date, name, and address of the contractor, and the weight of each species.



AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const., and section 252.040, RSMo 2016. Original rule filed March 2, 2020, effective Aug. 30, 2020. Amended: Filed Jan. 22, 2021, effective Aug. 30, 2021. Amended: Filed May 16, 2025, effective Jan. 1, 2026.*

**Original authority: 252.040, RSMo 1945, amended 1989.*

3 CSR 10-10.740 Reports Required (Rescinded August 15, 1978)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45, Mo. Const. Art. IV. This version of rule filed Aug. 16, 1973, effective Dec. 31, 1973. Rescinded: Filed April 20, 1978, effective Aug. 15, 1978.

3 CSR 10-10.743 Commercial Establishments

PURPOSE: This rule authorizes retail establishments to buy and sell certain forms of wildlife and wildlife products.

Resident commercial establishments, when possession is accompanied by a valid invoice, or bill of sale, may buy, possess, transport, and sell legally purchased and plainly marked dressed or processed pheasants, exotic partridges, quail, game bird eggs, deer except white-tailed and mule deer, elk that are exempt from the permit requirements prescribed by this Code, moose, caribou, wild boar, live bait and frogs, and fish. Skinned furbearer carcasses and fish eggs may be sold at retail only. Resident commercial establishments may also obtain, possess, transport, and sell fish acquired from the holder of a Fish Utilization Permit when possession is accompanied by a dated written statement from the permit holder as specified in 3 CSR 10-10.739.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. and section 252.040, RSMo 2016. Original rule filed Aug. 16, 1973, effective Dec. 31, 1973. Amended: Filed July 20, 1977, effective Jan. 1, 1978. Amended: Filed Aug. 4, 1978, effective Jan. 1, 1979. Amended: Filed July 31, 1981, effective Jan. 1, 1982. Amended: Filed Aug. 7, 1986, effective Jan. 1, 1987. Amended: Filed May 10, 1990, effective Jan. 1, 1991. Amended: Filed May 6, 1998, effective March 1, 1999. Amended: Filed May 9, 2002, effective March 1, 2003. Amended: Filed March 12, 2010, effective Aug. 30, 2010. Amended: Filed March 1, 2019, effective July 30, 2019. Amended: Filed Aug. 26, 2019, effective Feb. 29, 2020. Amended: Filed March 2, 2020, effective Aug. 30, 2020.*

**Original authority: 252.040, RSMo 1945, amended 1989.*

Op. Atty. Gen. No. 32, Geekie, 5-23-54. The state of Missouri extends its ownership or control of wildlife not only to that found or reduced to possession within this state, but also to that which may be imported hereto, and the Conservation Commission may lawfully require persons engaged in retail merchandising of fish to obtain a permit even though such fish may have been lawfully acquired from sources outside the state of Missouri.

3 CSR 10-10.744 Commercial Game Processing: Permit, Privileges, Requirements

PURPOSE: This rule establishes a permit for commercial processors of deer meat and sets requirements for those establishments.

(1) Commercial Game Processing Permit. To commercially process and store legally acquired cervids and black bears taken from the wild stock of the state at the specific location indicated on the permit.

(2) The commercial processor shall post a notice and inform patrons of the provisions of this rule and shall keep accurate records of all cervids and black bears processed and stored. The commercial processor shall dispose of all cervid and black bear carcasses (or parts thereof, except for cervid hides from which all excess tissue has been removed) not returned to patrons in a permitted sanitary landfill or transfer station and retain proof of disposal. The records of all cervids and black bears processed and stored, and proof of disposal, shall be retained for twelve (12) months. All records and stored cervids and black bears shall be made available for inspection by an authorized agent of the department at any reasonable time.

(3) For the purposes of processing specialty cervid and black bear meats, commercial processors are exempt from provisions of 3 CSR 10-4.137. For purposes of storing specialty cervid and black bear meats, commercial processors are exempt from provisions of 3 CSR 10-4.137 and 3 CSR 10-4.140(2), but only from September 15 through March 31. These exemptions do not apply to raw, packaged venison or black bear meat.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const., and section 252.040, RSMo 2016. Original rule filed April 28, 1992, effective Dec. 3, 1992. Emergency rule filed July 31, 1992, effective Sept. 1, 1992, expired Dec. 3, 1992. Amended: Filed April 30, 2001, effective Sept. 30, 2001. Amended: Filed April 20, 2005, effective Sept. 30, 2005. Amended: Filed Sept. 12, 2011, effective March 1, 2012. Amended: Filed Sept. 27, 2013, effective March 1, 2014. Amended: Filed Aug. 29, 2017, effective March 1, 2018. Amended: Filed May 29, 2019, effective Feb. 29, 2020. Amended: Filed Sept. 4, 2020, effective Feb. 28, 2021. Amended: Filed Jan. 22, 2021, effective Aug. 30, 2021. Amended: Filed May 25, 2023, effective Feb. 29, 2024. Amended: Filed May 16, 2025, effective Jan. 1, 2026.*

**Original authority: 252.040, RSMo 1945, amended 1989.*

3 CSR 10-10.745 Swan Lake Migratory Bird Preservation Permit: Privileges, Requirements (Rescinded June 2, 2003)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed Aug. 7, 1986, effective Jan. 1, 1987. Rescinded: Filed May 9, 2003, effective June 2, 2003.

3 CSR 10-10.747 Resident Bait Vendor's Permit (Rescinded August 15, 1978)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45, Mo. Const. Art. IV. This version of rule filed Aug. 18, 1970, effective Dec. 31, 1970. Rescinded: Filed April 20, 1978, effective Aug. 15, 1978.

3 CSR 10-10.750 Wildlife Breeder Permit (Moved to 3 CSR 10-9.350)

3 CSR 10-10.753 Wildlife Breeder: Records Required (Moved to 3 CSR 10-9.359)

**3 CSR 10-10.755 Privileges of Wildlife Breeder**
(Moved to 3 CSR 10-9.353)**3 CSR 10-10.760 Licensed Shooting Area Permit**
(Moved to 3 CSR 10-9.560)**3 CSR 10-10.765 Licensed Shooting Area: Privileges**
(Moved to 3 CSR 10-9.565)**3 CSR 10-10.767 Taxidermy; Tanning; Permit, Privileges, Requirements**

PURPOSE: This rule establishes a taxidermy and tanning permit with specified privileges and requirements.

(1) Taxidermy and Tanning Permit. To engage in the business of wildlife taxidermy or tanning at the specific location indicated on the permit.

(2) Legally acquired wildlife may be possessed and stored by a licensed taxidermist or tanner at the specific location indicated on the permit, but only for the purposes of tanning, mounting, or preserving. A licensed taxidermist or tanner may also transport and ship legally acquired wildlife to and from the location specified on the permit and, after tanning, mounting, or preserving, may exhibit or display such wildlife at locations other than the specific location indicated on the permit.

(3) Wildlife legally possessed may be shipped or delivered to a licensed taxidermist or tanner and may be mounted or preserved by him/her, except as provided under 3 CSR 10-4.135.

(4) Legally taken and possessed furbearers and black bears legally harvested outside of Missouri may be purchased by licensed taxidermists or tanners, but only from the taker or a licensed fur dealer, and only for mounting or tanning. Only mounted or tanned specimens, and not raw furbearer or black bear pelts, may be sold by taxidermists and tanners.

(5) All licensed taxidermists and tanners shall keep accurate, up-to-date records of the number and species of all wildlife received, the full name and address of the consignor (or seller of furbearers), the dates of all transactions and disposition of all wildlife, and the specific locations where all tanned or mounted wildlife is being exhibited or displayed on a form approved or provided by the department. Printed copies of this form can be obtained from the Missouri Department of Conservation, PO Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0180 and online at www.missouriconservation.org. Licensed taxidermists and tanners shall dispose of all cervid carcasses (or parts thereof, except for cervid hides from which all excess tissue has been removed, antlers, antlers attached to skull plates, or skulls cleaned of all muscle and brain tissue, upper canine teeth, and finished taxidermy products) not returned to patrons and carrion beetles and their waste in a permitted sanitary landfill or transfer station and retain proof of disposal. These records and wildlife shall be available for inspection by an authorized agent of the department at any reasonable time. All completed records required by this rule, including proof of disposal of cervid carcass parts, shall be retained for three (3) years. Renewal of a permit shall be conditioned upon compliance with this rule.

(6) All wildlife held by a licensed taxidermist or tanner shall be identifiable to the consignor. Unused parts of wildlife may be disposed of or sold, except unused parts of a black bear, by licensed taxidermists or tanners, but not for human consumption. Federal regulations apply to the mounting of migratory birds and endangered species.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const., and section 252.040, RSMo 2016. Original rule filed Aug. 27, 1975, effective Dec. 31, 1975. Amended: Filed July 27, 1982, effective Jan. 1, 1983. Amended: Filed Aug. 7, 1986, effective Jan. 1, 1987. Amended: Filed Aug. 9, 1988, effective Jan. 1, 1989. Amended: Filed Sept. 11, 1989, effective Jan. 1, 1990. Amended: Filed May 10, 1991, effective Jan. 1, 1992. Amended: Filed April 21, 1993, effective July 1, 1994. Amended: Filed June 11, 1997, effective March 1, 1998. Amended: Filed Oct. 9, 2003, effective March 30, 2004. Amended: Filed Sept. 27, 2007, effective Feb. 29, 2008. Amended: Filed Oct. 10, 2008, effective April 30, 2009. Amended: Filed Sept. 25, 2009, effective March 1, 2010. Amended: Filed Aug. 29, 2017, effective March 1, 2018. Amended: Filed May 29, 2019, effective Feb. 29, 2020. Amended: Filed Sept. 4, 2020, effective Feb. 28, 2021. Amended: Filed Jan. 22, 2021, effective Aug. 30, 2021. Amended: Filed May 25, 2023, effective Feb. 29, 2024. Amended: Filed May 16, 2025, effective Jan. 1, 2026.*

**Original authority: 252.040, RSMo 1945, amended 1989.*

3 CSR 10-10.768 Sales and Possession of Wildlife Parts and Mounted Specimens

PURPOSE: This rule authorizes the sale of certain wildlife parts and mounted specimens.

(1) Subject to federal regulations, legally obtained feathers, squirrel pelts, rabbit pelts, and groundhog pelts may be bought, sold, or bartered when accompanied by a bill of sale. In addition, legally obtained deer and elk heads, antlers, hides, or feet, and turkey feathers, beards, heads, bones, feet, spurs, wings, tails, or tail fans, and skins, including skins with the feathers, wings, and legs attached, may also be bought, sold, or bartered when accompanied by a bill of sale. Bills of sale required by this rule shall contain the seller's full name, address, and the number and species of these parts, and the full name and address of the purchaser. The bill of sale shall be retained by the purchaser while these parts are in his/her possession. Legally taken wildlife and wildlife parts, after mounting or tanning, may be bought and sold.

(2) The recipient or purchaser of deer and elk heads and/or antlers attached to the skull plate must retain a dated bill of sale identifying the seller while the heads or antlers are in his/her possession.

(3) Any person who finds a dead deer or elk with antlers still attached to the skull plate while afield and takes those antlers into possession must report the taking to a conservation agent within twenty-four (24) hours to receive possession authorization. Shed antlers not attached to the skull plate found while afield may be possessed, bought, and sold by any person without possession authorization.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed Aug. 27, 1975, effective Dec. 31, 1975. Amended: Filed Aug. 1, 1980, effective Jan. 1, 1981. Amended: Filed Aug. 3, 1984, effective



Jan. 1, 1985. Amended: Filed Aug. 6, 1985, effective Jan. 1, 1986. Amended: Filed May 10, 1990, effective Jan. 1, 1991. Amended: Filed April 21, 1993, effective Jan. 1, 1994. Amended: Filed June 20, 1995, effective Jan. 1, 1996. Amended: Filed May 10, 1999, effective March 1, 2000. Amended: Filed Oct. 9, 2003, effective March 30, 2004. Amended: Filed Aug. 28, 2018, effective March 1, 2019. Amended: Filed June 28, 2019, effective Dec. 30, 2019.

3 CSR 10-10.770 Guide's Permit: Privileges and Requirements
(Rescinded December 31, 1976)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45, Mo. Const. Art. IV. This version of rule filed Aug. 16, 1973, effective Dec. 31, 1973. Rescinded: Filed July 13, 1976, effective Dec. 31, 1976.

3 CSR 10-10.771 Commercial Permits: How Obtained, Replacements

PURPOSE: This rule establishes procedures for obtaining commercial permits and replacement permits.

Commercial permits and replacements for them may be issued only through the department office in Jefferson City upon receipt of proper application and the required permit fee.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed July 30, 1979, effective Jan. 1, 1980. Amended: Filed June 9, 1993, effective July 1, 1994. Amended: Filed May 16, 2025, effective Jan. 1, 2026.

3 CSR 10-10.775 Fee Fishing Area Permit
(Rescinded August 15, 1978)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45, Mo. Const. Art. IV. This version of rule filed Aug. 26, 1960, effective Dec. 31, 1960. Rescinded: Filed April 20, 1978, effective Aug. 15, 1978.

3 CSR 10-10.777 Fee Fishing Area: Privileges and Qualifications
(Rescinded August 15, 1978)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45, Mo. Const. Art. IV. This version of rule filed Aug. 18, 1970, effective Dec. 31, 1970. Rescinded: Filed April 20, 1978, effective Aug. 15, 1978.

3 CSR 10-10.780 Commercial Musseling Permit
(Rescinded March 1, 2010)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed April 28, 1992, effective Feb. 26, 1993. Rescinded: Filed Sept. 25, 2009, effective March 1, 2010.

3 CSR 10-10.781 Commercial Musseling Helper Permit
(Rescinded March 1, 2010)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed April 28, 1992, effective Feb. 26, 1993. Rescinded: Filed Sept. 25, 2009, effective March 1, 2010.

3 CSR 10-10.782 Commercial Musseling: Seasons, Methods
(Rescinded March 1, 2010)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed April 28, 1992, effective Feb. 26, 1993. Amended: Filed April 21, 1993, effective Jan. 1, 1994. Amended: Filed June 11, 1997, effective March 1, 1998. Amended: Filed Dec. 29, 1997, effective March 1, 1998. Amended: Filed April 24, 2000, effective March 1, 2001. Amended: Filed Sept. 14, 2005, effective Feb. 28, 2006. Rescinded: Filed Sept. 25, 2009, effective March 1, 2010.

3 CSR 10-10.783 Mussel Dealer's Permit
(Rescinded March 1, 2010)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed April 28, 1992, effective Feb. 26, 1993. Amended: Filed June 11, 1997, effective March 1, 1998. Rescinded: Filed Sept. 25, 2009, effective March 1, 2010.

3 CSR 10-10.784 Mussel Dealers: Reports, Requirements
(Rescinded March 1, 2010)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed April 28, 1992, effective Feb. 26, 1993. Amended: Filed May 30, 1995, effective Jan. 1, 1996. Amended: Filed Oct. 10, 2008, effective April 30, 2009. Rescinded: Filed Sept. 25, 2009, effective March 1, 2010.

3 CSR 10-10.787 Reports Required: Commercial Musselers
(Rescinded March 1, 2010)

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed April 21, 1993, effective Jan. 1, 1994. Amended: Filed Oct. 10, 2008, effective April 30, 2009. Rescinded: Filed Sept. 25, 2009, effective March 1, 2010.

3 CSR 10-10.788 Resident Commercial Live Coyote and Fox Trapping Permit

PURPOSE: This rule establishes a permit for residents of the state to take, possess, transport, and hold coyotes, red fox, and gray fox alive and to sell these animals to the holder of a valid Hound Running Area Operator and Dealer Permit.

Resident Commercial Live Coyote and Fox Trapping Permit. Required in addition to a valid Resident Trapping Permit to take, possess, transport, and hold coyote, red fox, and gray fox alive in accordance with the provisions of 3 CSR 10-10.789, and to sell or give these furbearers to the holder of a valid Hound Running Area Operator and Dealer Permit in accordance with 3 CSR 10-9.575 and 3 CSR 10-10.789.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const., and section 252.040, RSMo 2016.* Original rule filed March 2, 2020, effective Aug. 30, 2020. Amended: Filed May 25, 2023, effective Feb. 29, 2024. Amended: Filed May 16, 2025, effective Jan. 1, 2026.

*Original authority: 252.040, RSMo 1945, amended 1989.



3 CSR 10-10.789 Resident Commercial Live Coyote and Fox Trapping: Privileges, Seasons, Methods, Requirements

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the seasons, methods, and requirements for taking, holding, possessing, and selling live coyotes, red fox, and gray fox by the holder of a Resident Commercial Live Coyote and Fox Trapping Permit.

(1) Coyotes, red fox, and gray fox may be taken, possessed, and held alive in confinement by the holder of a valid Resident Commercial Live Coyote and Fox Trapping Permit. Coyotes, red fox, and gray fox may be taken in any number during the season dates and methods prescribed for these species by Chapter 8 of this Code and by cable restraint from November 15 through the last day of February. All coyotes and foxes taken or possessed in accordance with this rule shall be individually marked with an ear tag purchased from the department. Ear tags shall be affixed immediately to each animal taken at the time and location where each coyote, red fox, or gray fox is captured.

(2) Coyotes, red fox, and gray fox taken in accordance with this rule may not be exported and may only be sold or given away to the holder of a valid Hound Running Area Operator and Dealer Permit. Live coyotes, red fox, and gray fox may not be transported or possessed after March 7 of each year. These animals shall be sold or given to the holder of a valid Hound Running Area Operator and Dealer Permit on the day of capture or confined in facilities and cared for as specified in 3 CSR 10-9.220. These confinement facilities must have an onsite inspection prior to holding live coyotes and foxes and shall be approved annually by an agent of the department. Approved confinement facilities and wildlife held under this permit are subject to inspection by an authorized agent of the department at any reasonable time.

(3) The resident commercial live coyote and fox trapper shall keep an up-to-date and accurate permanent record on forms provided by the department of all coyotes, red fox, and gray fox taken alive that includes the county of origin, species, ear tag number, date captured, date of transfer, and the name, address, and permit number of the hound running area operator/dealer receiving each individual animal. All records shall be made available for inspection by an authorized agent of the department at any reasonable time.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const., and section 252.040, RSMo 2016. Original rule filed March 2, 2020, effective Aug. 30, 2020. Amended: Filed May 16, 2025, effective Jan. 1, 2026.*

**Original authority: 252.040, RSMo 1945, amended 1989.*

3 CSR 10-10.800 Resident Ginseng Dealer Permit

PURPOSE: This rule establishes a resident ginseng dealer permit to buy, obtain, possess, and transport uncertified ginseng roots from the holder of a Missouri resident or nonresident ginseng harvester permit and to buy, obtain, possess, or transport certified ginseng plants or roots for the purpose of resale. This rule also identifies persons who are exempt from ginseng permit dealer requirements.

Resident Ginseng Dealer Permit. To buy, obtain, possess, or transport uncertified ginseng plants or roots harvested by the holder of a Missouri ginseng harvester permit or landowner

harvest authorization number in accordance with 3 CSR 10-10.810, and to buy, obtain, possess, or transport certified ginseng plants or roots for the purpose of resale, or attempt any of these acts, and to export certified ginseng plants or roots. Permits issued to a firm, organization, or partnership for individual or itinerate use shall include the names of no more than four (4) resident users. Commercial establishments buying or obtaining certified ginseng for use as an ingredient in manufactured food products or dietary supplements that will be sold to the general public are excluded from the permit requirement of this rule and 3 CSR 10-10.805.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const., and section 252.040, RSMo 2016. Original rule filed Feb. 23, 2024, effective July 1, 2025. Amended: Filed May 16, 2025, effective Jan. 1, 2026.*

**Original authority: 252.040, RSMo 1945, amended 1989.*

3 CSR 10-10.805 Nonresident Ginseng Dealer Permit

PURPOSE: This rule establishes a nonresident ginseng dealer permit to buy, obtain, possess, and transport uncertified ginseng roots from the holder of a Missouri resident or nonresident ginseng harvester permit and to buy, obtain, possess, or transport certified ginseng plants or roots for the purpose of resale.

Nonresident Ginseng Dealer Permit. To buy, obtain, possess, or transport uncertified ginseng plants or roots harvested by the holder of a Missouri ginseng harvester permit or landowner harvest authorization number in accordance with 3 CSR 10-10.810, and to buy, obtain, possess, or transport certified ginseng plants or roots for the purpose of resale, or attempt any of these acts, and to export certified ginseng plants or roots.

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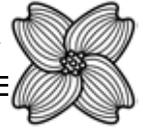
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3 CSR 10-10.810 Ginseng Dealers: Privileges, Recordkeeping, Reporting Requirements

PURPOSE: This rule specifies the privileges that may be exercised by Missouri ginseng dealers and the recordkeeping and reporting requirements they must follow for all ginseng transactions.

(1) For the purposes of this Code, the term ginseng dealer(s) shall mean ginseng dealers permitted in Missouri. Ginseng dealers may buy, sell, obtain, possess, transport, import, and export ginseng plants or roots and possess such plants and roots for resale, but only in accordance with this rule, 3 CSR 10-4.113, 3 CSR 10-10.800, and 3 CSR 10-10.805. Harvested ginseng roots in wet or dry form shall be classified as a product made from an endangered species of plant as defined in section 252.240, RSMo, and is listed in the "Appendices on the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora." The acceptance of a ginseng dealer permit shall constitute an acknowledgment that the possession of ginseng roots in any quantity is with the intent to sell a product made from an endangered species of plant.

(2) Ginseng dealers may buy, obtain, possess, and transport



uncertified ginseng roots from the holder of a valid Missouri ginseng harvester permit or from a landowner with a landowner harvest authorization number in dried form only from September 15 through March 15, provided wet or undried roots may be bought, obtained, possessed, and transported only from September 1 through March 15. Uncertified harvested ginseng plants or roots may be possessed only from September 1 through March 15.

(3) Certified ginseng plants or roots may be bought, obtained, transported, possessed for sale, exported, or sold by a ginseng dealer throughout the year. Ginseng plants or roots exported from the state by a ginseng dealer must be accompanied by a numbered certificate of origin on forms provided by the department. Roots may be imported from other states, territories, or countries and possessed and transported within Missouri for resale by a ginseng dealer, but only when possession is accompanied by the appropriate certification of origin issued by the state, territory, or country the ginseng originated from. Uncertified roots that have been received by a ginseng dealer from outside the state must be reported to a conservation agent immediately upon receipt and disposed of only in accordance with the agent's instructions. Except for uncertified ginseng plants or roots possessed, bought, sold, or obtained in accordance with section (2) of this rule, all ginseng plants or roots possessed, bought, sold, or obtained by a ginseng dealer must be accompanied by a numbered certificate of origin on forms provided by the department or the appropriate certification of origin issued by the state, territory, or country the ginseng originated from. Certificate of origin forms are issued for specific and indivisible weights of ginseng and may be obtained from a conservation agent for a fee as established in 3 CSR 10-10.950 for each certificate issued. Certification fees must be paid prior to the issuance of a certification of origin form.

(4) Each ginseng dealer shall keep an up-to-date, accurate record of all transactions made concerning ginseng plants or roots. For each transaction, the name, address, and permit number and type (if applicable) of the other party to the transaction, landowner harvest authorization number (if applicable), transaction type, weight, and certificate of origin number (if applicable) shall be recorded immediately on a form provided by the department. All such records and ginseng plants or roots shall be made available for inspection by an authorized agent of the department at any reasonable time. All records required by this rule shall be retained for three (3) years.

(5) Each ginseng dealer shall submit quarterly transaction reports and annual inventory reports on forms provided by the department. Printed copies of these forms can be obtained from the Missouri Department of Conservation, PO Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0180 and online at www.missouriconservation.org. Quarterly reports shall include all transactions in ginseng roots for the three (3) months preceding January, April, July, and October of the current year and an inventory of all ginseng roots held in storage after March 15. Quarterly reports shall be submitted by the 15th day of January, April, July, and October of the current year, and annual inventory reports shall be submitted by April 1 of the current year.

(6) Permits shall be contingent upon compliance with this rule. Failure to comply with this rule, or to submit quarterly transaction reports or an annual inventory report, shall be

sufficient cause for the department to revoke the current year's ginseng dealer permit and deny renewal of the permit for the following year.

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3 CSR 10-10.950 Commercial Permit Pricing: Permit Fees; Other Fees; Permit Replacement Cost

PURPOSE: This rule establishes commercial permit fees and other fees associated with exercising the privileges of this chapter.

(1) Fees and costs for permits and other privileges found in this chapter are below. If the fees or costs in this rule conflict with any fee or cost elsewhere in this chapter, the fees and costs in this rule shall control.

(A) Resident Fur Dealer's Permit (3 CSR 10-10.707).

1. Annual Permit. Fee: one hundred dollars (\$100).

2. Three- (3-) Day Permit. Fee: fifty dollars (\$50).

(B) Nonresident Fur Dealer's Permit (3 CSR 10-10.708).

1. Annual Permit. Fee: three hundred dollars (\$300).

2. Three- (3-) Day Permit. Fee: one hundred fifty dollars (\$150).

(C) Commercial fishing permits and other fees.

1. Resident Commercial Fishing Permit (3 CSR 10-10.720). Fee: forty-four dollars (\$44).

2. Nonresident Commercial Fishing Permit (3 CSR 10-10.720). Fee: three hundred forty-nine dollars (\$349).

3. Commercial fishing gear tags required by 3 CSR 10-10.720:

A. Each trammel net one hundred (100) yards or less: Fee: fifty-two dollars (\$52);

B. Each gill net one hundred (100) yards or less: Fee: fifty-two dollars (\$52);

C. Each seine one hundred (100) yards or less: Fee: fifty-two dollars (\$52);

D. Each hoop net: Fee: nine dollars (\$9); and

E. Each fifty (50) hooks or fraction thereof: Fee: nine dollars (\$9).

4. Resident Roe Fish Commercial Harvest Permit (3 CSR 10-10.722). Fee: six hundred forty-one dollars (\$641).

5. Nonresident Mississippi River Roe Fish Commercial Harvest Permit (3 CSR 10-10.724). Fee: four thousand four hundred twenty dollars (\$4,420).

6. Resident Roe Fish Dealer Permit (3 CSR 10-10.728). Fee: six hundred thirty-one dollars (\$631).

7. Nonresident Roe Fish Dealer Permit (3 CSR 10-10.728). Fee: three thousand twenty-two dollars (\$3,022).

(D) Tag and Release Fishing Promotion Permit (3 CSR 10-10.732). Fee: two hundred seventy-six dollars (\$276).

(E) Fish Utilization Permit (3 CSR 10-10.739). Fee: twenty-five dollars (\$25).

(F) Commercial Game Processing Permit (3 CSR 10-10.744). Fee: twenty-seven dollars (\$27).

(G) Taxidermy and Tanning Permit (3 CSR 10-10.767). Fee: thirty-eight dollars (\$38).

(H) Resident Commercial Live Coyote and Fox Trapping Permit and other fees.

1. Resident Commercial Live Coyote and Fox Trapping Permit (3 CSR 10-10.788). Fee: fifty-five dollars (\$55).



2. Coyote and fox ear tags required by 3 CSR 10-10.789. Fee: six dollars (\$6.00) per ten (10) tags.

(I) Resident Ginseng Dealer Permit and other fees.

1. Resident Ginseng Dealer Permit (3 CSR 10-10.800). Fee: one hundred dollars (\$100).

2. Ginseng Certification (3 CSR 10-10.810). Fee: twenty-five dollars (\$25) for each certificate issued.

(J) Nonresident Ginseng Dealer Permit and other fees.

1. Nonresident Ginseng Dealer Permit (3 CSR 10-10.805). Fee: three hundred dollars (\$300).

2. Ginseng Certification (3 CSR 10-10.805). Fee: twenty-five dollars (\$25) for each certificate issued.

(2) Replacements for lost, destroyed, or mutilated commercial wildlife permits may be obtained only through the department office in Jefferson City. Upon verification of the original permit, a replacement permit will be issued at no cost.

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