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Title 3—DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION

Division 10—Conservation Commission Chapter 10—Wildlife Code: Commercial Permits: Seasons, Methods, Limits

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.

Wildlife 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. Renewal of permits is conditioned on compliance with provisions of this Code.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. 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 Nov. 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.

3 CSR 10-10.707 Resident Fur Dealer's Permit

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

To buy, sell, possess, process, transport and ship the pelts and carcasses of furbearers from July 1 through June 30. 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. Fee: one hundred dollars (\$100).

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. 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.

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.

To buy, sell, possess, process, transport and ship the pelts and carcasses of furbearers from July 1 through June 30. 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. Fee: three hundred dollars (\$300).

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed March 6, 2006, effective Aug. 30, 2006.

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

PURPOSE: This rule establishes a new permit that provides for an extended possession period for hunters and trappers to hold and process raw furs intended for shipment to established fur auction sites or to licensed fur dealers through June 1.

To possess, process, transport and ship legally taken pelts and carcasses of furbearers from March 2 through June 1. Possession of the appropriate resident hunting or trapping permit to take furbearers, or evidence of exemption, is required as a prerequisite to this permit. Pelts and carcasses of furbearers taken by others may not be possessed under

this permit. Pelts sold by the permittee within Missouri to a fur dealer must be fleshed, stretched and dried. Fee: ten dollars (\$10).

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed Oct. 13, 2005, effective March 30, 2006.

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 purchased, sold, consigned or stored. For each transaction, the seller's name, address and permit number shall be recorded immediately in a fur record book furnished 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 notarized report on forms furnished by the department, which are included herein. All fur dealers' reports shall include all transactions in furbearer pelts 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 shall have a copy of the prescribed permit in his/her possession.

(5) Furbearer pelts 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 for storage or processing at locations other than that specified on the permit provided the consignee is identified in the fur record book.



FUR REPORT

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION



INSTRUCTIONS

Fur-buying regulations require dealers and buyers to keep current accurate records and to submit a notarized report annually. This record book and affidavit forms are furnished to all dealers and buyers to enable them to comply with the regulations.

Read your Wildlife Code; be sure you are thoroughly familiar with all regulations governing the fur season and trade.

Dealers and buyers are responsible for recording accurately and immediately all purchases made by their employees (See 3CSR10-10.715).

Follow these instructions:

A. Make all records in triplicate using the carbon sheets supplied. Dealers and buyers will tear out and submit the entire white (original) sheet as their report. An agent of the Department may pick up the pink copy during routine inspections. Dealers and buyers will keep the yellow copy as their record.

B. Keep records up-to-date and in order of transactions. Do not skip lines.

C. RECORD OF FURS RECEIVED: Record all the information called for in the various columns as follows:

Column 1. (NAME OF PERSON FROM WHOM FURS WERE RECEIVED) Print plainly.

Column 2. (HUNTER) Put a check mark (X) in this column for all purchases direct from hunters.

Column 3. (TRAPPER) Put a check mark (X) in this column for all purchases direct from trappers.

Column 4. (DEALER-BUYER) Put a check mark (X) in this column for all purchases from other dealers and buyers. The purpose of columns 2, 3 and 4 to prevent confusing furs sold by persons who actually caught them with those that are being resold and have already been recorded by the first purchaser.

Column 5. (CONSIGNMENT) Put a check mark (X) in this column for all furs received on consignment.

Column 6. (ADDRESS) Give the complete address of the person from whom furs were received.

Column 7. (SELLER'S OR CONSIGNOR'S CONSERVATION NUMBER) Give the correct conservation number of the person from whom furs were received.

Column 8. (DATE RECEIVED) Write the date (month, day, year) you received each lot of fur opposite the name, address and conservation number.

Column 9. (ORIGIN OF FURS RECEIVED) List the name of the Missouri county or other state in which the fur was caught opposite the other information.

D. In the remainder of the columns, under the proper headings, list the number of each kind of fur received. Following these instructions will mean that all the information on each lot of furs will be on one line across the page. List any other species not included in the book in the space provided and record the amount.

E. FUR SALE RECORD: This sheet, completed in triplicate, will be used to record all fur sales.

F. INVENTORY OF FUR HELD BY ANOTHER: Record all the information called for in the various columns as follows:

Column 1. (CONSIGNMENT) Put a check mark (X) in this column for all furs consigned to another.

Column 2. (STORAGE) Put a check mark (X) in this column for all furs held in storage.

Column 3. (PROCESSING) Put a check mark (X) in this column for all furs being processed at another location.

Column 4. (DATE OF TRANSFER) Write the date (month, day, year) fur was transferred to another location.

Column 5. (TRANSFERRED TO: NAME) Write the name of the person to whom the fur was transferred.

Column 6. (TRANSFERRED TO: ADDRESS) Write the address or specific location where the fur is being held.

Column 7. (CONSERVATION NUMBER) Write the proper conservation number of the person to whom the fur was transferred.

Column 8. (SPECIES) Record only one species on each line. Use individual lines to record each different species.

Column 9. (NUMBER) Record the number of pelts transferred.

Column 10. (DISPOSITION: NUMBER SOLD) Record the number of pelts sold as a result of this transfer.

Column 11. (DISPOSITION: NUMBER RETURNED) Record the number of pelts returned as a result of this transfer.

Column 12. (DISPOSITION: DATE) Write the date (month, day, year) when the pelts were sold or returned.

G. Affidavit: Dealers and buyers are required to fill out the affidavit form provided in the back of this book, listing all the furs being held in inventory at the time of notarization and submit with the annual fur record report.

Early Caught Furs Lose Money!

Complete, accurate reports are essential to the welfare of the fur industry.

3/2003



RECORD OF FURS RECEIVED

Missouri Department of Conservation

NAME _____ SHEET NO. _____
 ADDRESS _____
 COUNTY _____
 DEALER PERMIT NO. _____

DO NOT USE THIS SPACE
 No sheets in report _____
 Affidavits attached _____
 Date received _____
 By agent _____

- ⇒ Complete all information requested.
- ⇒ Do not skip lines.
- ⇒ Illegible reports will not be accepted.

NAME OF PERSON FROM WHOM FURS WERE RECEIVED 1	CHECK ONE ONLY				INVENTORY OF FUR HELD OVER FROM PREVIOUS YEAR (DEALERS ONLY)																	
	HUNTER 2	TRAPPER 3	DEALER 4	CONSIGNMENT 5	ADDRESS 6	SELLER'S OR CONSIGNOR'S CONSERVATION NUMBER 7	DATE RECEIVED 8	ORIGIN OF FURS RECEIVED (MISSOURI COUNTY OR OTHER STATE) 9	RACCOON	OPOSSUM	MUSKRAT	COTOTE	BEAVER	MINK	RED FOX	GRAY FOX	BOBCAT	STRIPED SKUNK	BADGER	RIVER OTTER	NUTRIA	
TOTAL—THIS SHEET																						



FUR SALE RECORD

Missouri Department of Conservation

NAME _____
 ADDRESS _____
 COUNTY _____
 DEALER PERMIT NO. _____

SHEET NO. _____

- Complete all information requested.
- Do not skip lines.
- Illegible reports will not be accepted.

NAME OF PERSON/FIRM TO WHOM ALL FURS WERE SOLD	ADDRESS	BUYER LICENSED BY: STATE OR PROVINCE	BUYERS CONSERVATION NUMBER(S)	DATE OF SALE	RACCOON	OPOSSUM	MUSKRAT	COYOTE	BENNETT	MINK	RED FOX	GRAY FOX	BOBCAT	STRIPED SKUNK	BADGER	RIVER OTTER	NUTRIA
TOTAL—THIS SHEET																	



INVENTORY OF FUR HELD BY ANOTHER

Missouri Department of Conservation

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
COUNTY _____
DEALER PERMIT NO. _____

- ⇒ Complete all information requested.
- ⇒ Do not skip lines.
- ⇒ Illegible reports will not be accepted.

CHECK ONE ONLY			DATE OF TRANSFER 4	TRANSFERRED TO		CONSERVATION NUMBER 7	SPECIES 8	NUMBER OF PELTS 9	DISPOSITION			REMARKS
CONSIGNMENT 1	STORAGE 2	PROCESSING 3		NAME 5	ADDRESS 6				NUMBER SOLD 10	NUMBER RETURNED 11	DATE 12	



State of _____

County of _____

Before me, a notary public in and for the County aforesaid, personally appeared _____ of legal age, who being duly sworn, deposes and says that the attached Fur Reports were prepared under his personal supervision and that they are true and correct reports of all transactions of furs under permit No. _____ between _____ and _____ to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Date

Date

Affiant further states that the furs listed below are held in inventory as of this date.

<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
Raccoon	_____	Gray Fox	_____
Opossum	_____	Bobcat	_____
Muskrat	_____	Skunk	_____
Coyote	_____	Badger	_____
Beaver	_____	River Otter	_____
Mink	_____	Nutria	_____
Red Fox	_____		

(Signature)

Subscribed and sworn before me this _____ day of _____ at _____

(Notary Public)

(Seal)

My commission expires _____



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3 CSR 10-10.716 Resident Fur Handlers: Reports, Requirements

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the requirements and reporting procedures required by the holder of the Resident Fur Handlers Permit.

All resident fur handlers shall keep accurate, up-to-date records of the number and species of all furbearers kept in possession beyond the normal possession periods established in 3 CSR 10-7.450 and 3 CSR 10-8.515, and the dates and destinations of all shipments of fur on a form provided by the department. These records and wildlife and/or pelts shall be available for inspection by an authorized agent of the department at any reasonable time. All such records shall be submitted annually by June 10. 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.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed Oct. 13, 2005, effective March 30, 2006.

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) To take and sell commercial fish in accordance with 3 CSR 10-10.725.

Resident fee: \$ 25
Nonresident fee: \$200

(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 at the following fees:

- (A) Each trammel net one hundred (100) yards or less—thirty dollars \$30
(B) Each gill net one hundred (100) yards or less—thirty dollars \$30
(C) Each seine one hundred (100) yards or less—thirty dollars \$30
(D) Each hoop net—five dollars \$ 5
(E) Each fifty (50) hooks or fraction thereof—five dollars \$ 5

(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.

3 CSR 10-10.722 Resident Shovelnose Sturgeon 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 Missouri River.

Required in addition to the Commercial Fishing Permit to take shovelnose sturgeon from the Missouri and Mississippi rivers in accordance with 3 CSR 10-10.725. Fee: Five hundred dollars (\$500).

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. 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.

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 Shovelnose Sturgeon 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.

Required for nonresidents of Missouri in addition to the Commercial Fishing Permit to take shovelnose sturgeon 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 Tennessee may fish within, and harvest shovelnose sturgeon from, the Missouri portion of the Mississippi River adjacent to Tennessee, as permitted by this Code. Fee: Five hundred dollars (\$500).

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed Sept. 14, 2005, effective Feb. 28, 2006. Amended: Filed May 23, 2006, effective June 15, 2006.



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 for personal use, may be taken 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) On the Missouri River downstream from U.S. Highway 169 to Carl R. Noren Access and downstream from Chamois Access to its confluence with the Mississippi River, where shovelnose sturgeon twenty-four inches (24") to thirty inches (30") in length (measured from tip of snout to fork of tail) may be taken only from November 1 through May 15 and only by the holder of a Resident Shovelnose Sturgeon Commercial Harvest Permit. (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.)

(C) On portions of the Mississippi River defined as commercial waters where shovelnose sturgeon twenty-four inches (24") to thirty-two inches (32") in length (measured from tip of snout to fork of tail) may be taken only from October 15 through May 15 and only by holders of a Resident Shovelnose Sturgeon Commercial Harvest Permit or Nonresident Mississippi River Shovelnose Sturgeon Commercial Harvest Permit.

(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 upstream from U.S. Highway 169 and downstream from Carl R. Noren Access to Chamois Access 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) From May 16 through October 31 on the Missouri River downstream from U.S. Highway 169 to Carl R. Noren Access and downstream from Chamois Access to its confluence with the Mississippi 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.

(5) From November 1 through May 15 on the Missouri River downstream from U.S. Highway 169 to Carl R. Noren Access and downstream from Chamois Access to its confluence with the Mississippi River or banks thereof, 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) Game fish (including channel, blue and flathead catfish and paddlefish).

(B) Shovelose sturgeon less than twenty-four inches (24") or more than thirty inches (30") in length (measured from tip of snout to fork of tail).

(6) 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.

(B) Other game fish (including paddlefish and shovelnose sturgeon).

(7) From May 16 through October 14 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 less than twenty-four inches (24") in length (measured from eye to fork of tail).

(C) Shovelnose sturgeon.

(D) Other game fish.

(8) From October 15 through May 15 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 less than twenty-four inches (24") in length (measured from eye to fork of tail).

(C) Shovelnose sturgeon less than twenty-four inches (24") or more than thirty-two inches (32") in length (measured from tip of snout to fork of tail).

(D) Other game fish.

(9) 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.

(10) 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 provided in section (7) of this rule, and may not be used to take fish underneath or through the ice. Seines, gill nets and trammel nets having a mesh smaller than two inches (2") bar measure, measured when wet, may not be used. Hoop nets, including wings and leads, 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 and not more than six feet (6') in depth. Hooks attached to trotlines or throwlines shall be staged not less than two feet (2') apart. 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. 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.

(11) The possession of game fish while in the act of using commercial fishing gear or aboard a boat transporting fish taken by commercial fishing gear is prohibited.

(12) The possession of extracted eggs of any fish species, except as provided in section (9) of this rule, is prohibited while on waters of the state and adjacent banks.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. 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.

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

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

(1) Any person possessing a valid commercial fishing license or commercial musseling permit 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 or mussel as permitted by this Code in commercial waters within the boundary of

Missouri and adjacent to the state where the fisherman or musseler is licensed. Shovel-nose sturgeon may not be harvested except as permitted in 3 CSR 10-10.722, 3 CSR 10-10.724, 3 CSR 10-10.725 and section (6) of this rule.

(2) All other Missouri regulations shall apply to commercial fishing and commercial musseling in the Missouri portion of the Mississippi and Missouri rivers.

(3) Regulations of the state where the fisherman or musseler is licensed shall apply in the St. Francis River.

(4) Commercial fishermen or commercial musselers not licensed in Missouri may not fish or mussel in the tributaries, bayous, or backwaters of commercial waters; nor may they fish or mussel from or attach any device or equipment to land under the jurisdiction of Missouri. Fishermen or musselers who hold Illinois licenses, when fishing or musseling in waters in which they are not licensed to fish or mussel by Missouri, shall comply with the most restrictive laws and regulations of the two (2) states.

(5) All reciprocal privileges shall be contingent upon a grant of like privileges by the appropriate neighboring state to the duly licensed commercial fishermen and commercial musselers of Missouri; provided, that reciprocal commercial fishing and commercial musseling privileges on the St. Francis River are limited to residents of Missouri.

(6) Any person possessing a valid commercial permit or license to harvest shovelnose sturgeon issued by the state of Tennessee may fish within, and harvest shovelnose sturgeon from the Missouri portion of the Mississippi River adjacent to Tennessee without further license, as permitted by this Code.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. 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.

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 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 shall submit a monthly report on a form furnished by the department, which is included herein, showing the origin (water area), weight and species of fish and fish eggs taken by him/her during the preceding month, or a negative report if none were taken. 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.



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MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION
PLEASE REPORT EVEN IF YOU DID NOT FISH

CHECK RIVER(S) FISHED

- MISSISSIPPI
- MISSOURI
- ST. FRANCIS

LOCALITY FISHED _____

Show total weight (in pounds) of fishes taken by species below

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
CFAR FISHED	BUFFALO	CARP	DRUM	FLAT HEAD CAT	BULL-HEAD CAT	CHANNEL CAT	BLUE CAT	GRINDLE DOGFISH	STUR GEON	SUCKERS	QUILL BACK SILVER CARP	GAR	EEL	PADDLE FISH	GRASS CARP
SEINE YDS USED															
TRAMMEL NET YDS USED															
GILL NET YDS USED															
HOOP NET NO USED															
HOOKS NO USED															

NUMBER DAYS SEINE USED _____

NUMBER DAYS TRAMMEL NET FISHED _____

NUMBER DAYS GILL NET FISHED _____

NUMBER DAYS HOOP NETS FISHED _____

NUMBER DAYS HOOKS FISHED _____

Comments _____



INSTRUCTIONS

1. Please return the report even if you did not fish or have not sold any fish. Failure to report could result in the loss of your fishing privileges next year.
2. Please record the number of nets, yards of gear, or number of hooks fished each month; not the gear licensed.
3. Please record the total weight (in pounds) of the fishes caught by the type of gear used.
4. Please record the number of days each type of gear was fished during the month.
5. Your comments or questions about fishing or river conditions will help us to manage this fishery. Please use the space provided on the report form or send a letter.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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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) To engage in tagging and releasing fish in association with a fishing promotion, contest or other event. Fee: Two hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

(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 and catfish species may be tagged.

(C) Events shall be restricted to Lake of the Ozarks, Stockton Lake, Table Rock Lake and Truman Lake. 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.

(G) There shall be no fee, registration or other consideration beyond a valid Missouri

fishing permit as required by this Code to enter or participate in the event.

(H) 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.

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 may be obtained by contacting the Department of Conservation or by visiting www.mdc.mo.gov).

(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)(F)).

(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. Original rule filed Oct. 2, 2006, effective Feb. 28, 2007.

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 10-10.740 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, bear, deer except white-tailed and mule deer, elk, moose, caribou, wild boar, live bait and frogs and fish. Skinned furbearer carcasses may be sold at retail only.



AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. 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.

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 Deer Processing: Permit, Privileges, Requirements

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

(1) To commercially process and store deer. Fee: twenty-five dollars (\$25).

(2) The commercial processor shall post a notice and inform patrons of the provisions of this rule, and shall keep accurate records of all deer processed and stored. These records shall be retained for twelve (12) months. Future permits shall be conditioned on compliance with this rule. All records and stored deer shall be made available for inspection by an authorized agent of the department at any reasonable time.

(3) For the purposes of processing specialty deer meats, commercial processors are exempt from provisions of 3 CSR 10-4.137. For purposes of storing specialty deer 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.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. 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.

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) To engage in the business of wildlife taxidermy or tanning. Fee: thirty dollars (\$30).

(2) Wildlife legally possessed may be shipped or delivered to a licensed taxidermist or tanner and may be mounted or preserved by him/her.

(3) Legally taken and possessed furbearers may be purchased by licensed taxidermists or tanners only for mounting or tanning, and

only mounted or tanned specimens may be sold.

(4) 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) and the dates of all transactions and disposition of all wildlife on a form approved or provided by the department. 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 shall be retained for three (3) years. Renewal of a permit shall be conditioned upon compliance with this rule.

(5) Pelts held under this permit after possession season for pelts shall not enter the raw fur market. 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 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. 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.

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, groundhog pelts, turkey bones, turkey heads and deer heads, antlers, hides or feet may be bought, sold or bartered when accompanied by a bill of sale showing the seller's full name, address and the number and species of these parts, and the full name and address of the purchaser. Legally taken wildlife and wildlife parts, after mounting or tanning, may be bought and sold.



(2) The recipient or purchaser of deer 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 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.

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. A service fee of three dollars (\$3) is required for a replacement commercial permit.

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.

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

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

To take, possess and sell mussels, in accordance with 3 CSR 10-10.782.

Resident Fee:	\$ 150
Nonresident Fee:	\$1,000

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed April 28, 1992, effective Feb. 26, 1993.

3 CSR 10-10.781 Commercial Musseling Helper Permit

PURPOSE: This rule establishes a permit for persons assisting commercial musseling permittees.

To assist commercial musseling permittees in the take, possession and sale of mussels, in accordance with 3 CSR 10-10.782.

Resident Fee:	\$ 50
Nonresident Fee:	\$150

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed April 28, 1992, effective Feb. 26, 1993.

3 CSR 10-10.782 Commercial Musseling: Seasons, Methods

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

(1) Mussels may be taken for commercial purposes from sunrise to sunset from April 1 through August 31, only by hand or brail. Brails must be less than twenty feet (20') in length and only three (3) brails per boat may

be possessed. Mussels may not be possessed on waters open to commercial musseling during hours closed to harvest. Commercial musselers may possess mussels only from April 1 through September 15. All endangered species, all species of conservation concern (as defined in 3 CSR 10-9.110) and all washboard mussels (*Megaloniais nervosa*), regardless of size; all three (3) ridge mussels (*Amblema plicata*) that can pass through a ring with an inside diameter of three inches (3"), all mapleleaf mussels (*Quadrula quadrula*) that can pass through a ring with an inside diameter of two and three-fourths inches (2 3/4") and all other mussels that can pass through a ring with an inside diameter of two and one-half inches (2 1/2") must be returned unharmed immediately to the bed where taken. Mussels may be taken in any numbers by the holder of a commercial musseling permit from commercial waters. Mussels may not be taken or possessed in Pool 24 of the Mississippi River west of the navigation channel.

(2) Commercial musseling helpers must be accompanied by a commercial musseling permittee and may not take mussels by diving methods.

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.

3 CSR 10-10.783 Mussel Dealer's Permit

PURPOSE: This rule establishes a permit for conducting wholesale buying and selling of mussels.

To buy, sell, possess, transport and ship freshwater mussels.

Resident fee:	\$1,000
Nonresident fee:	\$2,500

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.

3 CSR 10-10.784 Mussel Dealers: Reports, Requirements

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



(1) Each mussel dealer shall keep an up-to-date, accurate record of all mussels purchased, sold, consigned or stored. Transactions shall be recorded immediately on forms provided by the department. All records shall be made available for inspection by an authorized agent of the department at any reasonable time, and shall be submitted to the department no later than fifteen (15) days following the last day of each month.

(2) Mussel dealers and their employees shall conduct business only at locations in Missouri specified on the permit, or with other licensed mussel dealers at their business locations in Missouri. Any person buying, selling, possessing or transporting mussels must have the prescribed permit in his/her possession.

(3) Mussels may be shipped or transported into Missouri without a Missouri mussel dealer permit for consignment to a Missouri mussel dealer when accompanied by the appropriate permit or other proof of legality in the state of origin.

(4) All mussels possessed under provisions of section (3) of this rule must be of legal size and species open to harvest in Missouri.

(5) 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.

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.



Receipt No. _____

**MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION
RECORD OF MUSSELS RECEIVED**

Dealer's Name:		Mussel Dealer's Permit No.	
Company:			
Address:			
Telephone			
Seller:		Date of Harvest:	
Address:			
City		Seller's Permit No.	
State	Zip	Resident State:	

MUSSELS HARVESTED FROM (Check One)

- Mississippi River Pool No. _____ (Separate form for each pool)
- Missouri River St. Francis River
- Other Waters Specify: _____ (Separate form for each water)

SPECIES	SHELL TYPE	SIZE	POUNDS	PRICE	AMOUNT
TOTALS					

SIGNATURE OF BUYER

SIGNATURE OF SELLER

DATE

DATE



MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION
RECORD OF MUSSELS SOLD, CONSIGNED OR STORED

Dealer's Name		Address		Zip			
Company		City	State	State	Zip		
Mussel Dealer's Permit No.		Telephone		Date Sold	Date Consigned	Date Stored	Location of Storage
Name and Address of Dealer	Species	Shell Type	Pounds				



3 CSR 10-10.787 Reports Required: Commercial Musselers

PURPOSE: This rule establishes reporting requirements for the holders of commercial musseling permits.

All commercial musselers shall submit a monthly report during the mussel season on a form furnished by the department, showing the place of origin and the quantity and species of mussels taken by him/her during the preceding month, or a negative report if none were taken. Renewal of a permit for the following year shall be conditioned on receipt by the department of satisfactory monthly reports by September 15.

AUTHORITY: sections 40 and 45 of Art. IV, Mo. Const. Original rule filed April 21, 1993, effective Jan. 1, 1994.



Missouri Department of Conservation

Mussel Report Form

Directions: Answer all questions (1-5) completely. Please report even if you did not fish or harvest any mussels while fishing. Failure to report could result in the loss of your fishing privileges next year. Return report no later than the fifteenth day of the following month.

Form with fields: 1. Name, 2. Permit Number, 3. Month, 4. Harvest Method (Diving, Crowfoot bar)

5. Report pounds of mussels harvested live, dead or both, in the appropriate space under the location heading for each mussel species.

*Mississippi River Pools and Other Rivers Open to Commercial Harvest.

Mississippi River upstream of Lock and Dam 26

Table with columns for Name of Mussel Harvest, Pool 20-26, and *Other River, and rows for Washboard, Threeridge, Other, Days worked.

*Check appropriate river:

- Mississippi River below Lock and Dam 26
Missouri River
St. Francis River

Please return to: Missouri Department of Conservation
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