

NATIVE WILDLIFE PERMITS

FIELD TRIALS

REQUIREMENTS:

- BANS killing wildlife unless otherwise provided
- Allows where dog exhibition or contests while testing skill of dog to retrieve game birds propagated by game breeders or outside state
 - Must release day of trial
 - May be shot by only those designated as official guns
- Released birds need tag attached by department representative until consumption – up to 10c per tag

Law: XI Iowa Code 481A.22

GAME BREEDERS LICENSE

- BANS acquiring fur-bearing animals for breeding or propagating if not pen-raised at least 2 generations
- BANS endangered or threatened species unless on license
- BANS taking from the wild
- Sale for food requires following listed requirements
- Keep records
- Game breeders' sale receipt for every sale
- Annual report record book updated within 48 hours of events
- Annual report kept 3 years
- Allow inspections and exams for diseases
- Allows commission to ban importation of species
- Quarantine or destruction of those infected with contagious or infectious disease if required
- BANS selling animals with infectious or contagious disease or allowing them to run at large or come into contact with other such animals

Law: XI Iowa Code 481A.60-481A.62

SCIENTIFIC COLLECTORS, WILDLIFE SALVAGE, EDUCATIONAL PROJECT, REHABILITATION

GENERAL:

- FEES: \$5 1 year, \$10 2 years, \$15 for 3 years
- 18+ years old for scientific collecting, wildlife rehabilitation, and educational projects or written permission from parent or guardian
- Annual report of all specimens collected or possessed

- Allow inspections
- BANS capture for banding except under permit for scientific study
- Banded animals: Monthly report of number, kinds and band numbers
- Raptors: Meet design and size in 1994 "Educating With Raptors—A Resource Booklet."
- Allows evaluation committee to determine standards of care for educational and rehabilitation
- Allows inspections
- Nonreleaseable injured or orphaned animals must be transferred to educational project permit OR euthanized and sent to scientific collector's license or a wildlife salvage permit with permission or buried or burned
 - Those under wildlife salvage permit may be sent to scientific collector's license, a wildlife salvage permit, or burned or buried
 - Threatened and endangered must be sent to department who shall provide to a scientific collector's license, a wildlife salvage permit, or an educational project permit
- BANS private collections and commercial use of protected species
- Scientific collecting licenses, wildlife salvage permits, general educational project permits (except raptors) need principal collector or holder on permit
- Educational project permits for raptors and wildlife rehabilitation permits need persons with qualifications on permit
- All animals remain property of state
- Current records of collections and acquisitions and dispositions – rehabilitation must be updated within 24 hours of events and rest within 48 hours
- Need special permission for endangered or threatened species
- Notify department in 72 hours of taking or holding threatened or endangered species found dead and 24 hours for sick or injured
- rehabilitator or veterinarian must determine raptor is permanently crippled before allowing under educational project permit
- BANS rehabilitated animals in educational programs
- Migratory birds may need USFWS permit

EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

PERMITS:

Apprentice Educational Project Permit:

- LIMIT: 1 American kestrel and 1 screech owl permanently crippled or human imprinted
- 1-year internship with master wildlife rehabilitation permit with 2 years experience with raptor state or federal educational project permit OR master class state or federal falconry permit
- Required for each person providing day-to-day care or presenting educational programs
- Need approval for possession at facility with additional birds already

General Educational Project Permit For Protected Animal Species Other Than Raptors:

- LIMIT: based on ability to provide appropriate care

- university, college, school, county conservation board, public agency, other organization or person engaged in a natural resource education program

General Educational Project Permit For Raptors:

- Must complete apprenticeship and be recommended by sponsor OR previous permit from state or USFWS OR master class state and federal falconry permit in last 5 years

REQUIREMENTS:

- Species and number to be held

REHABILITATION

ALL:

- Adequate facilities
- Follow National Wildlife Rehabilitator's Association and the International Wildlife Rehabilitation Council housing guidelines or be approved
- Written documentation of veterinarian willing to provide council
- List species or groups to be rehabilitated

APPRENTICE:

- ISSUED TO: one-year internship with master wildlife rehabilitation permit OR two-year internship with general wildlife rehabilitation permit

GENERAL:

- ISSUED TO: person who completes apprenticeship OR veterinary medicine degree OR previously had Iowa or USFWS or another state rehabilitation permit
- May sponsor 4 apprentices

MASTER:

- ISSUED TO: person with 5 consecutive years extensive rehabilitation work and recommendation from local state conservation officer OR licensed veterinarian with training and experience in rehabilitation OR demonstrated special ability, knowledge, training and experience in wildlife rehabilitation
- Allows sponsoring 6 apprentices

Law: Iowa Code 481A.65 Licenses.; 571 Iowa Admin. Code 111

FALCONRY LICENSE

Issued for:

- take, transport, or possess raptors
- purchase, capture, possession and use of raptors in hunting

Wild-Caught Raptors Legal: BANS sale, barter, trade

- American kestrel
- Cooper's hawk
- Ferruginous hawk
- Northern goshawk
- Great horned owl
- Gyrfalcon
- Harris's hawk
- Merlin
- Peregrine falcon
- Prairie falcon
- Red-tailed hawk
- Rough-legged hawk
- Sharp-shinned hawk

APPRENTICE CLASS:

Possession Legal: 1 raptor and 1 replacement in 12 months (BANS take including nestling or fledgling)

- Red-tailed hawk

General:

- 14+ years old
- Signed sponsor letter from general or master with 2 years active experience
 - Sponsor may withdraw with signed letter to department
- 2-year apprenticeship
 - Must transfer hawk to sponsor if fail to complete 2 year apprenticeship
- Signed letter of endorsement from sponsor after completion

GENERAL CLASS:

Possession Legal: 3 raptors and 1 wild replacement in 12 months

General:

- 18+ years old
- 2 years apprentice field experience or equivalent
- May purchase marked captive-bred raptors from federally licensed raptor propagators

MASTER CLASS:

Possession Legal: 5 raptors and 2 wild replacement in 12 months

General:

- 18+ years old
- 5 years field experience at general level or equivalent
- May purchase marked captive-bred raptors from federally licensed raptor propagators

REQUIREMENTS (ALL CLASSES):

Applications:

- 80% or more on written exam
 - May reapply if failed
- Have the following equipment that is kept maintained: 1 pair of Alymeri jesses or similar, 1 leash and 1 swivel, bath container, outdoor perches, weighing device
- Pre-inspection of facilities and equipment

General:

- Taken raptors must be marked with Iowa marker band
- Annual report
- Need federal raptor propagation permit for propagation or sale
- Meet facility requirements
- Allows temporary facilities for 30 days
- Meet take and possession requirements
- Wild Peregrine Falcon Permit required for capture, possession and use of them in hunting along with listed requirements
- Raptors caught with research radio transmitter must be immediately released and reported to department in 5 days
- Submit federal Form 3-186A within 5 days of any take, purchase, receipt, acquisition, sale, barter, transfer, or disposal
- Notify department within 5 days of death, replacement, loss, release or temporary transfer of raptors
- Written authorization for replacement
- Dispose of dead raptors as required
- Raptor exportation and importation permits for falconry in other states more than 30 days
 - Need Form 3-186A for less than 30 days and photocopy of state or federal permit
- Written permission for release of nonindigenous
- BANS permanent release of captive-bred
- May be held by someone other than permittee if authorized to possess raptors and Form 3-186A and signed dated receipt authorizing possession
- Allows general or master to present raptor education program to public for fee
- 2 working radio telemetry transmitters for flying hybrid or exotic falconry bird
- Comply with falconry hunting requirements

Law: 571 Iowa Admin. Code 101-102