

NEBRASKA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

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Title 163 - Nebraska Game and Parks Commission

Chapter 4 - Wildlife Regulations

010 Nongame Species In Need Of Conservation

The following regulations are prescribed by the Game and Parks Commission, State of Nebraska in accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 37-301, 37-314, 37-4,105, 37-4,106, 37-546 through 37-549, 37-701, and 37-801 through 37-810. ~~37-301, 37-701, 37-801 through 37-805, 37-807 through 37-810, R.R.S. 1998, 37-314, 37-546 through 37-549, R.R.S. 1999, 37-806, R.R.S. 2002, 37-4,105, 37-4,106, R.R.S. 2003.~~ For purposes of these regulations, unless context otherwise requires, the definitions found in Chapter 37, sections 202 through 247 of the Game Law, are used. These regulations are effective following enactment by the Commission, approval by the Attorney General and Governor, and when five days have elapsed since filing with the Secretary of State.

010.01 Mammals

<u>White-tailed jackrabbit</u>	<u>Lepus townsendii</u>
<u>Black-tailed jackrabbit</u>	<u>Lepus californicus</u>

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010.01A Jackrabbit Hunting Seasons

010.01A1 Open Season: September 1 through the last day in February.

010.01A2 Area Open: That area of Nebraska lying west of line extending from the South Dakota-Nebraska border south along U.S. Highway 81 to the Nebraska-Kansas border, except Federal or State Sanctuaries, unless otherwise authorized.

010.01A3 Hours Open Each Day: 30 minutes before sunrise to sunset.

010.01A4 Daily Bag Limit: Four (4).

010.01A5 Possession limit at any time during or after the fourth day: Sixteen (16).

010.02 Reptile and Amphibian Species in Need of Conservation - The following reptile and amphibian species shall be considered nongame species in need of conservation. It shall be unlawful for any person to take, possess, transport, export, process, sell or offer for sale, or ship nongame wildlife in need of conservation unless authorized to do so by the Commission under the authority of a scientific collection permit.

Species with no take:

<u>Smallmouth Salamander</u>	<u>Ambystoma texanum</u>
<u>American Toad</u>	<u>Anaxyrus americanus</u>
<u>Great Plains Narrowmouth Toad</u>	<u>Gastrophryne olivacea</u>
<u>Five-lined Skink</u>	<u>Plestiodon fasciatus</u>
<u>Great Plains Skink</u>	<u>Plestiodon obsoletus</u>
<u>Sagebrush Lizard</u>	<u>Sceloporus graciosus</u>
<u>Western Slender Glass Lizard</u>	<u>Ophisaurus attenuatus</u>
<u>Mountain Short-horned Lizard</u>	<u>Phrynosoma hernandesi</u>
<u>Western Worm Snake</u>	<u>Carphophis vermis</u>
<u>Timber Rattlesnake</u>	<u>Crotalus horridus</u>
<u>Prairie Kingsnake</u>	<u>Lampropeltis calligaster</u>
<u>Speckled Kingsnake</u>	<u>Lampropeltis holbrooki</u>
<u>Eastern Glossy Snake</u>	<u>Arizona elegans</u>
<u>Smooth Green Snake</u>	<u>Liochlorophis vernalis</u>
<u>Graham's Crayfish Snake</u>	<u>Regina grahamii</u>
<u>Plains Blackhead Snake</u>	<u>Tantilla nigriceps</u>
<u>Western Ribbon Snake</u>	<u>Thamnophis proximus</u>

<u>Redbelly Snake</u>	<u>Storeria occipitomaculata</u>
<u>Copperhead</u>	<u>Agkistrodon contortrix</u>
<u>Terrestrial Garter Snake</u>	<u>Thamnophis elegans</u>
<u>Blanding's Turtle</u>	<u>Emydoidea blandingii</u>
<u>Diamondback Water Snake</u>	<u>Nerodia rhombifer</u>

Smallmouth Salamander	Ambystoma texanum
Eastern American Toad	Bufo americanus
Great Plains Narrowmouth Toad	Gastrophryne olivacea
Five lined Skink	Eumeces fasciatus
Great Plains Skink	Eumeces obsoletus
Northern Sagebrush Lizard	Sceloporus graciosus
Western Slender Glass Lizard	Ophisaurus attenuatus
Eastern Short horned Lizard	Phrynosoma hernandesi
Western Worm Snake	Carphophis vermis
Timber Rattlesnake	Crotalus horridus
Prairie Kingsnake	Lampropeltis calligaster
Speckled Kingsnake	Lampropeltis getula
Kansas Glossy Snake	Arizona elegans elegans
Smooth Green Snake	Liochlorophis vernalis
Graham's Crayfish Snake	Regina grahamii
Plains Blackhead Snake	Tantilla nigriceps
Western Ribbon Snake	Thamnophis proximus
Redbelly Snake	Storeria occipitomaculata
Osage Copperhead	Agkistrodon contortrix
Western Terrestrial Garter Snake	Thamnophis elegans
False Map Turtle	Cryptemys pseudogeographica
Blanding's Turtle	Emydoidea blandingii

010.03 Regulated Taking of Reptiles and Amphibians - The provisions of 010.03 apply to all species and subspecies of reptiles and amphibians native to Nebraska except those legally designated as Game species, Nongame Species in Need of Conservation, and Threatened or Endangered species. It shall be unlawful for any person to take, possess, transport, export, process, sell or offer for sale, or ship any reptile or amphibian species defined in this section except as provided in 010.03A. No exception to these prohibitions will be provided for export unless granted by the Commission for scientific research or education, or as may be specifically allowed in Commission regulations

governing bait dealers or fish dealers as authorized in 37-4,105 and 37-4,106.

010.03A Exceptions - The following exceptions are provided to the prohibitions outlined in 010.03.

010.03A1 In-state transport, possession, processing, sale or offer of sale of the following species will be permitted in accordance with 37-4,105 and 37-4,106, and the regulations defined for bait and baitfish species in Chapter 2, Fisheries Regulations.

Bait Species:

Plains Leopard Frog	<i>Lithobates blairi</i>
Northern Leopard Frog	<i>Lithobates pipiens</i>

~~Plains Leopard Frog~~ *Rana blairi*
~~Northern Leopard Frog~~ *Rana pipiens*

010.03A2 For those individual specimens or parts thereof legally obtained by purchase or consignment from outside of Nebraska, sale, offer of sale and associated transport, possession or processing will be permitted without regard to limits or numbers for the species listed below in 010.03A3 and 010.03A4, provided that such authority shall be contingent upon a person's ability to provide proof of legal acquisition including bill of sale or consignment.

010.03A3 Take of individuals from the wild within Nebraska and associated in-state transport, possession, or processing will be permitted with a bag and possession limit of ten (10) individuals per species, or products derived from ten (10) individuals per species.

Species with Take Up to 10 Individuals:

Blanchard's Cricket Frog	<i>Acris blanchardi</i>
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<u>Boreal Chorus Frog</u>	<u>Pseudacris maculata</u>
<u>Great Plains Toad</u>	<u>Anaxyrus cognatus</u>
<u>Woodhouse's Toad</u>	<u>Anaxyrus woodhousii</u>
<u>Plains Spadefoot</u>	<u>Spea bombifrons</u>
<u>Six-lined Racerunner</u>	<u>Aspidoscelis sexlineata</u>
<u>Prairie Lizard</u>	<u>Sceloporus consobrinus</u>
<u>Eastern Racer</u>	<u>Coluber constrictor</u>
<u>Prairie Rattlesnake</u>	<u>Crotalus viridis</u>
<u>Ringneck Snake</u>	<u>Diadophis punctatus</u>
<u>Northern Water Snake</u>	<u>Nerodia sipedon</u>
<u>Bullsnake</u>	<u>Pituophis catenifer</u>
<u>Plains Garter Snake</u>	<u>Thamnophis radix</u>
<u>Common Garter Snake</u>	<u>Thamnophis sirtalis</u>
<u>Northern Painted Turtle</u>	<u>Chrysemys picta</u>
<u>False Map Turtle</u>	<u>Graptemys pseudogeographica</u>

<u>Blanchard's Cricket Frog</u>	<u>Acris crepita</u>
<u>Boreal Chorus Frog</u>	<u>Pseudacris maculata</u>
<u>Western Chorus Frog</u>	<u>Pseudacris triseriata</u>
<u>Great Plains Toad</u>	<u>Bufo cognatus</u>
<u>Woodhouse's Toad</u>	<u>Bufo woodhousii</u>
<u>Plains Spadefoot</u>	<u>Spea bombifrons</u>
<u>Prairie Racerunner</u>	<u>Cnemidophorus sexlineatus</u>
<u>Northern Prairie Lizard</u>	<u>Sceloporus undulatus</u>
<u>Eastern Yellow bellied Racer</u>	<u>Coluber constrictor</u>
<u>Prairie Rattlesnake</u>	<u>Crotalus viridis</u>
<u>Prairie Ringneck Snake</u>	<u>Diadophis punctatus</u>
<u>Northern Water Snake</u>	<u>Nerodia sipedon</u>
<u>Bullsnake</u>	<u>Pituophis catenifer</u>
<u>Plains Garter Snake</u>	<u>Thamnophis radix</u>
<u>Red sided Carter Snake</u>	<u>Thamnophis sirtalis</u>
<u>Western Painted Turtle</u>	<u>Chrysemys picta</u>

010.03A4 Take of individuals from the wild in Nebraska, and associated in-state transport, possession, or processing will be permitted for

the following species with a bag and possession limit of three (3) individuals per species, or products derived from three (3) individuals per species.

Species with Take Up to 3 Individuals:

<u>Cope's Gray Treefrog</u>	<u>Hyla chrysoscelis</u>
<u>Gray Treefrog</u>	<u>Hyla versicolor</u>
<u>Northern Prairie Skink</u>	<u>Plestiodon septentrionalis</u>
<u>Many-lined Skink</u>	<u>Plestiodon multivirgatus</u>
<u>Lesser Earless Lizard</u>	<u>Holbrookia maculata</u>
<u>Great Plains Rat Snake</u>	<u>Pantherophis emoryi</u>
<u>Western Rat Snake</u>	<u>Scotophis obsoletus</u>
<u>Western Fox Snake</u>	<u>Mintonius vulpinus</u>
<u>Western Hognose Snake</u>	<u>Heterodon nasicus</u>
<u>Eastern Hognose Snake</u>	<u>Heterodon platirhinos</u>
<u>Milk Snake</u>	<u>Lampropeltis triangulum</u>
<u>Coachwhip</u>	<u>Masticophis flagellum</u>
<u>Brown Snake</u>	<u>Storeria dekayi</u>
<u>Lined Snake</u>	<u>Tropidoclonion lineatum</u>
<u>Yellow Mud Turtle</u>	<u>Kinosternon flavescens</u>
<u>Ornate Box Turtle</u>	<u>Terrapene ornata</u>
<u>Smooth Softshell</u>	<u>Apalone mutica</u>
<u>Spiny Softshell</u>	<u>Apalone spinifera</u>
<u>Slider</u>	<u>Trachemys scripta</u>

Cope's Gray Treefrog	Hyla chrysoscelis
Northern Prairie Skink	Eumeces septentrionalis
Northern Many lined Skink	Eumeces multivirgatus
Northern Earless Lizard	Holbrookia maculata
Northern Plains Rat Snake	Elaphe emoryi
Black Rat Snake	Elaphe obsoleta
Western Fox Snake	Elaphe vulpina
Plains Hognose Snake	Heterodon nasicus

Eastern Hognose Snake	<i>Heterodon platyrhinos</i>
Milk Snake	<i>Lampropeltis triangulum</i>
Western Coachwhip	<i>Masticophis flagellum</i>
Texas Brown Snake	<i>Storeria dekayi</i>
Lined Snake	<i>Tropidoclonion lineatum</i>
Yellow Mud Turtle	<i>Kinosternon flavescens</i>
Ornate Box Turtle	<i>Terrapene ornata</i>
Midland Smooth Softshell	<i>Apalone mutica</i>
Western Spiny Softshell	<i>Apalone spinifera</i>
Red eared Slider	<i>Trachemys scripta</i>

010.03A5 Pertaining to the species identified in 010.03, the Commission may permit any act otherwise prohibited by these regulations by issuing a scientific collectors permit for scientific purposes or to enhance the propagation and survival of the affected species.

010.04 Release of Reptiles and Amphibians - It shall be unlawful to release into the wild any live reptile or amphibian after such animal has been transported from one location to another over a distance exceeding 100 yards without the authorization of the Commission.