

MEMORANDUM

TO: Wildlife Rehabilitation Permit Applicant

FROM: Mike Mitchener, Wildlife Section Chief

SUBJECT: Wildlife Rehabilitation Permit Application Procedure

The Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism has the responsibility of issuing permits for possessing and rehabilitation of protected wildlife. Persons interested in rehabilitating sick or injured wildlife must meet minimum qualifications prior to being issued a permit.

The Kansas Dept. of Wildlife Parks and Tourism has recently completed an internal policy review of the wildlife rehabilitator program. As a result of the review the Department has determined that it will no longer issue wildlife rehabilitator permits for facilities located in designated residential districts within city limits. The Department has concluded to no longer issue permits in these situations due to potential conflicts with city ordinances and potential for complaints regarding visual, odor, or noise issues and the general fact that rehabilitation of wildlife is not conducive in an urban environment.

Each year you must submit an application with the following information attached.

- (1) You must submit proof that you are 18 years of age or older;**
- (2) You must submit documentation of 100 hours of hands-on experience involving the handling and care of wildlife acquired over the course of one calendar year.** Documentation of hands-on experience on the form provided will include date of activity, species handled, and description of care involved. Up to 20 hours of the 100-hour time requirement may be fulfilled by successful completion of a training course provided by either the International Wildlife Rehabilitation Council (IWRC) or the National Wildlife Rehabilitators' Association (NWRA). Please submit a copy of your certificate(s) as verification of the course(s) completed.
- (3) You must submit letters of recommendation from three persons who have known the applicant for at least two years.** The letters of recommendation shall be from any of the following:
 - (a) Wildlife professional, such as a biologist employed by a state or federal wildlife agency, the curator or manager of a zoo or wildlife sanctuary, or other person professionally engaged in wildlife management or care
 - (b) Department natural resource officer
 - (c) Kansas-licensed veterinarian
 - (d) Permitted wildlife rehabilitator.
- (4) Each applicant shall submit proof that they have obtained one of the following:**
 - (a) A certificate of completion of a training course offered by the International Wildlife Rehabilitation Council (IWRC) within the preceding three years;
 - (b) A certificate of completion of a training course offered by the National Wildlife Rehabilitators' Association (NWRA) within the preceding three years.
 - (c) Pass a test with a score of 80 percent or above on a department administered wildlife rehabilitation examination. Each applicant who fails the examination shall wait a minimum of 30 days before retaking the

examination. The test may be taken only twice during a calendar year starting from the initial test date. A test shall not be returned to applicants at any time. This test may be taken at any of the five KDWP Regional Offices or at the Pratt Operations Office. **You must contact one of these offices at least one week in advance to arrange an appointment to be administered the test.**

- (5) **You must attach a copy of your Federal Rehabilitation permit** if you wish to rehabilitate any federally protected species (owls, hawks, migratory birds including waterfowl, and any of the passerine [perching or song] birds).
- (6) **You must attach the original signed copy of the Wildlife Rehabilitation Facility Inspection Form.** You must contact your local Natural Resource Officer for an inspection of your facilities prior to the issuance of a wildlife rehabilitation permit.
- (7) **You must attach proof of completion a total of eight hours of continuing education or training every three years from a department-approved program for renewal of your permit.**
- (8) **You must attach proof that subpermittees requested on your application are at least 18 years of age and have experience in the care and handling of animals for the previous two years.** A rehabilitation permit may be issued based on meeting these qualifications. However, the permit will not authorize you to possess the following:
 - European starlings
 - English or House sparrows
 - Feral pigeons
 - Any wildlife species listed in KAR-115-18-10 Federally protected species (owls, hawks, migratory birds including waterfowl, and any of the passerine [perching or song] birds) unless you obtain the required federal permit from the US Fish and Wildlife Service's Denver office. Please contact the US Fish & Wildlife Service, Migratory Bird Permit Office, PO Box 25486, DFC, Denver CO 80225, Phone 303-236-8171, if you are interested in obtaining a federal permit.

All Rehabilitation permits expire December 31. A report must be filed with the Fisheries and Wildlife Division, at the Pratt Operations Office, listing your rehabilitation activity for the previous calendar year no later than January 31 of each year.

As long as you keep the rehabilitation permit active each year by submitting an application, inspection form and report, you will not need to take the rehabilitation exam. If the permit lapses for any length of time, the rehabilitation exam along with all other requirements listed in the regulations will be required.

The Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism may cancel any permit if the facilities or care of wildlife is determined to be inadequate, or if permittee activities are not in compliance with permit conditions. All costs incurred in rehabilitation of sick or injured wildlife will be the responsibility of the permittee.

Your interest in caring for Kansas wildlife is appreciated.

PLEASE READ!

The report form information *MUST* be completed as required on the form provided.

Please follow the example provided. Only numbers will be accepted for the following: species code, initial status, final status, duration of care and age status. A code sheet is provided for the numbers required. Writing in baby, died, etc will not be accepted.

You may keep the information electronically as long as it is in the format requested if you prefer.

The information is compiled in a database and must be entered in this specific format. In the past we have looked up the information if the form was not completed correctly. We can no longer do this.

If you have any questions or need clarification on filling out the form, please feel free to contact me at 620-672-0778 or alicia.ross@ksoutdoors.com

Alicia Ross

APPLICATION FOR REHABILITATION PERMIT

Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism
Fisheries and Wildlife Division
512 SE 25th Ave
Pratt KS 67124

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PLEASE COMPLETE FULLY AND IN DETAIL.

Prior Permit Number _____

Name of Applicant _____

Business FEIN or Social Security Number: _____ This is for internal State of Kansas use only. It is REQUIRED by Statutes 74-148 & 74-149. A permit will not be issued if this information is not provided.

Subpermittee(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Birth Date (Required) _____ Phone Number (_____) _____ Work # (optional) (_____) _____
Area Code Area Code

E-mail Address (optional) _____

Species to be rehabilitated (common names) _____

Number of animals involved _____

Counties to be covered by activity _____

Methods of referrals _____

Address where animals are to be housed _____

Name of each assisting veterinarian _____

Federal Permit No. _____

Please provide a copy of your Federal Permit each year with the application.

There is **NO FEE** for this permit. Make sure that all information requested has been provided on this application form. The rehabilitation permit, which expires **December 31**, must be in possession while conducting rehabilitation activities. Application for renewal must be completed each year. Your signature on this application grants permission for your contact information to be provided to the public. Contact your Natural Resource Officer to make arrangements for required signature on all applications.

I certify that the facilities have been inspected and meet KDWPT requirements.

(Natural Resource Officer Signature)

I certify that all information on this application is true and I will uphold the regulations for this permit.

(Signature of Applicant)

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THE PERMIT WILL RESULT IN THE IMMEDIATE REVOCATION OF THE PERMIT.

#	Species	#	Species	#	Species
0	Unknown	329	Mississippi kite	490	downy woodpecker
1	western grebe	331	northern harrier	493	starling
4	red-necked grebe	332	sharp-shinned hawk	495	cowbird
6	pied-billed grebe	333	coopers hawk	498	red winged blackbird
7	common loon	334	goshawk	501	meadowlark
42	glaucous gull	335	Harris hawk	507	oriole
54	ring-billed gull	337	red-tailed hawk	511	common grackle
59	franklin's gull	339	red-shoulder hawk	518	cassins finch
74	least tern	342	swainsons hawk	519	house finch
120	double-crested cormorant	343	broad-winged hawk	529	American goldfinch
125	white pelican	347	rough-legged hawk	533	pine siskin
132	mallard	348	ferruginous hawk	560	chipping sparrow
139	green-winged teal	349	golden eagle	563	field sparrow
140	blue-winged teal	352	bald eagle	567	junco
144	woodchuck	355	prairie falcon	587	rufous sided towhee
146	redhead	356	peregrine falcon	593	cardinal
150	ring-necked duck	357	merlin	595	rose-breasted grosbeak
155	common goldeneye	360	American kestrel	598	indigo bunting
169	snow goose	364	osprey	611	purple martin
171	white-fronted goose	365	barn owl	612	cliff swallow
181	trumpeter swan	366	long-eared owl	613	barn swallow
190	American bittern	367	short-eared owl	619	cedar waxwing
191	least bittern	368	barred owl	622	logger head shrike
194	great blue heron	373	screech owl	679	mourning warbler
196	common egret	375	great horned owl	688	house sparrow
197	snowy egret	376	snowy owl	704	gray catbird
200	cattle egret	378	burrowing owl	705	brown thrasher
201	green-backed heron	387	yellow-billed cuckoo	721	house wren
202	black-crowned night heron	388	black-billed cuckoo	735	black-capped chickadee
208	king rail	390	kingfisher	749	ruby-crowned kinglet
212	Virginia rail	403	yellow-bellied sapsucker	758	swainsons thrush
218	purple gallinule	406	red headed woodpecker	759	hermit thrush
221	American coot	409	red bellied woodpecker	761	American robin
228	woodcock	412	northern flicker	766	eastern bluebird
230	common snipe	417	whip-poor-will		
261	upland sandpiper	420	nighthawk	900	raccoon
273	killdeer	423	chimney swift	901	striped skunk
289	bobwhite quail	428	ruby-throated hummingbird	902	opossum
302	lesser prairie chicken	433	rufous hummingbird	903	cottontail rabbit
305	greater prairie chicken	443	scissor-tailed flycatcher	906	squirrel
309	ring-necked pheasant	444	eastern kingbird	907	bobcat
310	wild turkey	447	western kingbird	908	gray squirrel
313	pigeon	456	eastern phoebe	909	woodchuck
316	mourning dove	461	eastern wood pewee	910	badger
319	white winged dove	475	magpie	911	white-tailed deer
320	ground dove	477	blue jay	912	red fox
325	turkey vulture	486	common raven	913	fox squirrel
326	black vulture	488	common crow	914	beaver
				915	blacktailed prairie dog
				916	mule deer

917	jackrabbit	952	turtle
918	mole	953	snake
919	coyote	954	lizard
920	bat	955	skink
921	ground squirrel	999	other
922	chipmunk		
923	mink		
924	muskrat		
925	armadillo		
926	flying squirrel		
927	least weasel		
928	moose		
930	pocket gopher		
931	otter		
933	woodrat		
934	wolf		
936	shrew		
951	frogs		

Use only one (1) number to *most accurately* described the status of the animal.

#	Initial Status	#	Initial Status	#	Final Status
0	Unknown	30	fish line	1	released
1	wing	31	distemper	2	died
2	eye	32	pelvis	3	euthanized
3	emaciated	33	dehydrated	4	transported
4	orphan	34	nest destroyed	5	release pending
5	bill	35	trapped	6	unknown
6	poisoned	36	disoriented	7	zoo or exhibit
7	cat	37	electrocuted		
8	car	38	seizures		
9	internal	39	healthy	#	Duration of Care
10	leg	40	parasites	1	1-3 days
11	shock	41	airplane	2	4-7 days
12	concussion	42	fledgling	3	> 1 week
13	fell from nest	43	hatchling		
14	neck	44	train		
15	dog	45	nuisance		
16	head	46	predator	#	Age Status
17	coma	47	hypothermia	1	adult
18	taken from nest	48	foot	2	juvenile
19	multiple	49	spinal	3	unknown
20	tail	50	stress		
21	oil	51	machinery		
22	disease				
23	paralyzed				
24	gunshot				
25	convulsions				
26	frost bite				
27	fence				
28	power line				
29	hit window				

REHABILITATION Websites

www.nwrawildlife.org

<http://www.iwrc-online.org/>

http://kdwp.state.ks.us/news/other_services/rehabilitation

115-15-1. Threatened and endangered species; general provisions. (a) The following species shall be designated endangered within the boundaries of the state of Kansas.

(1) Invertebrates

Flat floater mussel, *Anodonta suborbiculata* (Say, 1831)

Rabbitsfoot mussel, *Quadrula cylindrica* (Say, 1817)

Western fanshell mussel, *Cyprogenia aberti* (Conrad, 1850)

Neosho mucket mussel, *Lampsilis rafinesqueana* (Frierson, 1927)

Elktoe mussel, *Alasmidonta marginata* (Say, 1818)

Ellipse mussel, *Venustaconcha ellipsiformis* (Conrad, 1836)

Slender walker snail, *Pomatiopsis lapidaria* (Say, 1817)

Scott optioservus riffle beetle, *Optioservus phaeus* (White, 1978)

American burying beetle, *Nicrophorus americanus* (Olivier, 1890)

Mucket, *Actinonaias ligamentina* (Lamarck, 1819)

(2) Fish

Arkansas River shiner, *Notropis girardi* (Hubbs and Ortenburger, 1929)

Pallid sturgeon, *Scaphirhynchus albus* (Forbes and Richardson, 1905)

Sicklefin chub, *Macrhybopsis meeki* (Jordan and Evermann, 1896)

Arkansas River speckled chub, *Macrhybopsis tetranema* (Gilbert, 1886)

Silver chub, *Macrhybopsis storeriana* (Kirtland, 1845)

(3) Amphibians

Cave salamander, *Eurycea lucifuga* (Rafinesque, 1822)

Many-ribbed salamander, *Eurycea multiplicata* (Cope, 1869)

Grotto salamander, *Typhlotriton spelaeus* (Stejneger, 1893)

(4) Birds

Black-capped vireo, *Vireo atricapilla* (Woodhouse, 1852)

Eskimo curlew, *Numenius borealis* (Forster, 1772)

Least tern, *Sterna antillarum* (Lesson, 1847)

Peregrine falcon, *Falco peregrinus* (Tunstall, 1771)

Whooping crane, *Grus americana* (Linnaeus, 1758)

(5) Mammals

Black-footed ferret, *Mustela nigripes* (Audubon and Bachman, 1851)

Gray myotis, *Myotis grisescens* (A.H. Howell, 1909)

(b) The following species shall be designated threatened within the boundaries of the state of Kansas.

(1) Invertebrates

Rock pocketbook mussel, *Arcidens confragosus* (Say, 1829)

Flutedshell mussel, *Lasmigona costata* (Rafinesque, 1820)

Butterfly mussel, *Ellipsaria lineolata* (Rafinesque, 1820)

Ouachita kidneyshell mussel, *Ptychobranchus occidentalis* (Conrad, 1836)

Sharp hornsnail, *Pleurocera acuta* (Rafinesque, 1831)

(2) Fish

Arkansas darter, *Etheostoma cragini* (Gilbert, 1885)

Chestnut lamprey, *Ichthyomyzon castaneus* (Girard, 1858)

Flathead chub, *Platybio gracilis* (Richardson, 1836)

Hornyhead chub, *Nocomis biguttatus* (Kirtland, 1840)

Neosho madtom, *Noturus placidus* (Taylor, 1969)

Redspot chub, *Nocomis asper* (Lachner and Jenkins, 1971)

Silverband shiner, *Notropis shumardi* (Girard, 1856)

Blackside darter, *Percina maculata* (Girard, 1859)

Sturgeon chub, *Macrhybopsis gelida* (Girard, 1856)

Western silvery minnow, *Hybognathus argyritis* (Girard, 1856)

Topeka shiner, *Notropis topeka* (Gilbert, 1884)

(3) Amphibians

Eastern newt, *Notophthalmus viridescens* (Rafinesque, 1820)

Longtail salamander, *Eurycea longicauda* (Green, 1818)

Eastern narrowmouth toad, *Gastrophryne carolinensis* (Holbrook, 1836)

Green frog, *Rana clamitans* (Latreille, 1801)

Spring peeper, *Pseudacris crucifer* (Wied-Neuwied, 1838)

Strecker's chorus frog, *Pseudacris streckeri* (Wright and Wright, 1933)

Green toad, *Bufo debilis* (Girard, 1854)

(4) Reptiles

Broadhead skink, *Eumeces laticeps* (Schneider, 1801)

Checkered garter snake, *Thamnophis marcianus* (Baird and Girard, 1853)

Common map turtle, *Graptemys geographica* (Le Sueur, 1817)

Texas blind snake, *Leptotyphlops dulcis* (Baird and Girard, 1853)

Redbelly snake, *Storeria occipitomaculata* (Storer, 1839)

Longnose snake, *Rhinocheilus lecontei* (Baird and Girard, 1853)

Smooth earth snake, *Virginia valeriae* (Baird and Girard, 1853)

(5) Birds

Piping plover, *Charadrius melodus* (Ord, 1824)

Snowy plover, *Charadrius alexandrinus* (Linnaeus, 1758)

Bald eagle, *Haliaeetus leucocephalus* (Linnaeus, 1766)

(6) Mammals

Spotted skunk, *Spilogale putorius* (Linnaeus, 1758)

(c) A threatened or endangered species taken during established trapping seasons, authorized commercial wildlife operations, fishing by hook and line, bait fish seining, or other lawful activity shall not be unlawfully taken if immediately released.

(d) Any threatened or endangered species in possession before the effective date of this regulation and not prohibited by any previous regulation of the department or national listings may be retained in possession if either of the following conditions is met:

(1) An application of affidavit to that effect has been filed with and approved by the secretary before January 1, 1990 that states the circumstances of how the species came into possession.

(2) Possession of the animal has been previously approved by the department.

(Authorized by K.S.A. 32-960 and K.S.A. 32-963; implementing K.S.A. 32-960, K.S.A. 32-961, K.S.A. 32-963, K.S.A. 32-1010, and K.S.A. 32-1011; effective Oct. 30, 1989; amended Aug. 31, 1992; Nov. 29, 1999; amended Feb. 18, 2005.)

115-15-2. Nongame species; general provisions. (a) The following species shall be designated nongame species in need of conservation within the boundaries of the state of Kansas.

(1) Invertebrates

Cylindrical papershell mussel, *Anodontooides ferussacianus* (I. Lea, 1834)

Snuffbox mussel, *Epioblasma triquetra* (Rafinesque, 1820)

Wartyback mussel, *Quadrula nodulata* (Rafinesque, 1820)

Spike mussel, *Elliptio dilatata* (Rafinesque, 1820)

Wabash pigtoe mussel, *Fusconaia flava* (Rafinesque, 1820)

Fatmucket mussel, *Lampsilis siliquoidea* (Barnes, 1823)

Yellow sandshell mussel, *Lampsilis teres* (Rafinesque, 1820)

Washboard mussel, *Megaloniais nervosa* (Rafinesque, 1820)

Round pigtoe mussel, *Pleurobema sintoxia* (Conrad, 1834)

Creeper mussel, *Strophitus undulatus* (Say, 1817)

Fawnsfoot mussel, *Truncilla donaciformis* (I. Lea, 1828)

Deertoe mussel, *Truncilla truncata* (Rafinesque, 1820)

Ozark emerald dragonfly, *Somatochlora ozarkensis* (Bird, 1833)

Gray petaltail dragonfly, *Tachopteryx thoreyi* (Hagen in Selys, 1857)

Prairie mole cricket, *Gryllotalpa major* (Saussure, 1874)

Neosho midget crayfish, *Orconectes macrus* (Williams, 1952)

Delta hydrobe, ~~*Probythinella emarginata* (Kuster, 1852)~~

(2) Fish

- Banded darter, *Etheostoma zonale* (Cope, 1868)
- Banded sculpin, *Cottus carolinae* (Gill, 1861)
- Black redhorse, *Moxostoma duquesnei* (Lesueur, 1817)
- Blue sucker, *Cycleptus elongatus* (Lesueur, 1817)
- Blacknose dace, *Rhinichthys atratulus* (Hermann, 1804)
- Bluntnose darter, *Etheostoma chlorosoma* (Hay, 1881)
- Brassy minnow, *Hybognathus hankinsoni* (Hubbs, 1929)
- Gravel chub, *Erimystax x-punctatus* (Hubbs and Crowe, 1956)
- Greenside darter, *Etheostoma blennioides* (Rafinesque, 1819)
- Highfin carpsucker, *Carpionodes velifer* (Rafinesque, 1820)
- Northern hog sucker, *Hypentelium nigricans* (Lesueur, 1817)
- Ozark minnow, *Notropis nubilis* (Forbes, 1878)
- Plains minnow, *Hybognathus placitus* (Girard, 1856)
- River darter, *Percina shumardi* (Girard, 1859)
- River redhorse, *Moxostoma carinatum* (Cope, 1870)
- River shiner, *Notropis blennioides* (Girard, 1856)
- Slough darter, *Etheostoma gracile* (Girard, 1859)
- Speckled darter, *Etheostoma stigmaeum* (Jordan, 1877)
- Spotfin shiner, *Cyprinella spiloptera* (Cope, 1868)
- Spotted sucker, *Minytrema melanops* (Rafinesque, 1820)
- Stippled darter, *Etheostoma punctulatum* (Agassiz, 1854)

Tadpole madtom, *Noturus gyrinus* (Mitchill, 1817)

Brindled madtom, *Noturus miurus* (Jordan, 1877)

Bigeye shiner, *Notropis boops* (Gilbert, 1884)

Redfin darter, *Etheostoma whipplei* (Girard, 1859)

Lake Sturgeon, *Acipenser fulvescens* (Rafinesque, 1817)

Striped shiner, *Luxilus chrysocephalus* (Rafinesque, 1820)

Common shiner, *Luxilus cornutus* (Mitchill, 1817)

Southern Redbelly Dace, *Phoxinus erythrogaster* (Rafinesque, 1820)

Cardinal Shiner, *Luxilus cardinalis* (Mayden, 1988)

Johnny Darter, *Etheostoma nigrum* (Rafinesque, 1820)

(3) Amphibians

Red-spotted toad, *Bufo punctatus* (Baird and Girard, 1852)

Crawfish frog, *Rana areolata* (Baird and Girard, 1852)

(4) Reptiles

Alligator-snapping turtle, *Macrochelys temminckii* (Troost, in Harlan, 1835)

Rough earth snake, *Virginia striatula* (Linnaeus, 1766)

Western hognose snake, *Heterodon nasicus* (Baird and Girard, 1852)

Timber rattlesnake, *Crotalus horridus* (Linnaeus, 1758)

Eastern hognose snake, *Heterodon platirhinos* (Latreille, 1801)

Glossy snake, *Arizona elegans* (Kennicott, 1859)

Chihuahuan night snake, *Hypsiglena torquata* (Günther, 1860) Duges, 1865)

- (5) Birds
- Bobolink, *Dolichonyx oryzivorus* (Linnaeus, 1758)
 - Cerulean warbler, *Dendroica cerulea* (Wilson, 1810)
 - Curve-billed thrasher, *Toxostoma curvirostre* (Swainson, 1827)
 - Ferruginous hawk, *Buteo regalis* (Gray, 1844)
 - Golden eagle, *Aquila chrysaetos* (Linnaeus, 1758)
 - Short-eared owl, *Asio flammeus* (Pontoppidan, 1763)
 - Henslow's sparrow, *Ammodramus henslowii* (Audubon, 1829)
 - Ladder-backed woodpecker, *Picoides scalaris* (Wagler, 1829)
 - Long-billed curlew, *Numenius americanus* (Bechstein, 1812)
 - Mountain plover, *Charadrius montanus* (Townsend, 1837)
 - Chihuahuan raven, *Corvus cryptoleucus* (Couch, 1854)
 - Black tern, *Chlidonias niger* (Linnaeus, 1758)
 - Black rail, *Laterallus jamaicensis* (Gmelin, 1789)
 - Whip-poor-will, *Caprimulgus vociferus* (Wilson, 1812)
 - Yellow-throated warbler, *Dendroica dominica* (Linnaeus, 1776)
- (6) Mammals
- Franklin's ground squirrel, *Spermophilus franklinii* (Sabine, 1822)
 - Pallid bat, *Antrozous pallidus* (LeConte, 1856)
 - Southern bog lemming, *Synaptomys cooperi* (Baird, 1858)
 - Southern flying squirrel, *Glaucomys volans* (Linnaeus, 1758)

Texas mouse, *Peromyscus attwateri* (J.A. Allen, 1895)

Townsend's big-eared bat, *Corynorhinus townsendii* (Cooper, 1837)

(7) Turtles

Alligator snapping turtle, *Macrochelys temminckii* (Troost, in Harlan, 1835)

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- (1) The name of applicant;
- (2) the applicant's address;
- (3) the location or address of the applicant's facilities if different from the applicant's address;
- (4) the name of each assisting subpermittee;
- (5) the type of wildlife rehabilitation service to be provided;
- (6) a description of the applicant's available facilities;
- (7) the applicant's qualifications to provide the services specified;
- (8) the name of each assisting veterinarian; and
- (9) other relevant information as required by the secretary.

(b) (1) A wildlife rehabilitation permit shall be issued only to each individual who meets the following qualifications:

(A) Is 18 years of age or older;

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(iii) a Kansas-licensed veterinarian; or

(iv) a permitted wildlife rehabilitator; and

(D) has obtained one of the following:

(i) A certificate of completion of a training course offered by the international wildlife rehabilitation council (IWRC) within the preceding three years;

(ii) a certificate of completion of a training course offered by the national wildlife rehabilitators' association (NWRA) within the preceding three years; or

(iii) a test score of at least 80 percent on a department-administered wildlife rehabilitation examination at a department office location. Each applicant who fails the examination shall wait a minimum of 30 days before retaking the examination. The test may be taken only twice during each calendar year. The test shall not be returned to applicants at any time.

(2) A total of eight hours of continuing education or training every three years from a department-approved program shall be required for the renewal of a permit.

(c) Each applicant or permittee shall allow an inspection of the rehabilitation facilities to be made by a department official. A permit shall not be issued until the rehabilitation facilities have been approved by the inspecting official. All facilities shall be subject, during reasonable hours of operation, to inspection by the department to determine compliance with the provisions of the permit and the provisions contained in this regulation. Each facility shall be inspected by a department official once during the permit period and upon each change in facility location. Each subpermittee authorized to care for wildlife at a site other than the primary permittee's facility shall have those facilities annually inspected and approved by a department official.

(d) Permits issued shall be valid through December 31.

(e) A permittee may provide for subpermittees to operate under the authority of the permit during the effective period of the permit upon approval of the secretary or designee, based on the following requirements:

(1) Each permittee shall submit the name of each individual for whom the designation of

subpermittee is requested. The permittee shall be notified by the department in writing of the approval or denial of each request. The permittee shall notify the department in writing of any approved subpermittee whose services with the permit holder are terminated.

(2) Each subpermittee shall be 18 years of age or older and have experience in handling and caring for animals during the previous two years.

(3) Each wildlife rehabilitation permittee shall be responsible for insuring that each subpermittee meets all requirements of the rehabilitation permit.

(4) Each subpermittee needing to care for wildlife in need of rehabilitation at a site other than the primary permittee's facility shall have that site inspected and approved according to the standards set forth in subsection (g) before holding any wildlife at that site.

(5) Each subpermittee holding wildlife at a site different from the primary permittee's facility shall comply with the conditions set forth in the primary permittee's permit.

(f) The rehabilitation activities authorized by each permit issued under this regulation shall be performed only by the permittee or subpermittee specified on the permit. Volunteers may assist in rehabilitation activities only in the presence and under the direction of a permittee or subpermittee. Each permittee utilizing volunteers shall keep on file at the permitted facility a current record of all volunteers working at the facility. At no time shall volunteers be allowed to remove wildlife from the permitted facility, except as provided in subsection (l).

(g) Wildlife rehabilitation care and treatment shall be provided in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) All rehabilitation of wildlife shall be performed in consultation, as necessary, with a licensed veterinarian named on the rehabilitator's permit or with veterinarians on staff at the Kansas State University veterinary hospital.

(2) Individual caging requirements may be specified by the secretary or designee based on the size, species, condition, age, or health of the wildlife under care.

(3) Clean water shall be available at all times except when medical treatment requires the temporary denial of water.

(4) Cages shall be cleaned on a daily basis and disinfected using nonirritating methods.

(5) A person authorized by permit shall observe and provide care for wildlife at least once daily unless otherwise specified by the permit.

(6) Wildlife shall be kept in an environment that minimizes human contact and prevents imprinting and bonding to humans.

(7) Wildlife possessed under a rehabilitation permit shall not be allowed to come into contact with any person other than a permit holder, subpermittee, volunteer, licensed veterinarian, animal control specialist, law enforcement officer, or wildlife professional from the department.

(8) Wildlife shall be housed separately from domestic animals, unless domestic animals are being used for bonding or surrogate parenting.

(9) Public viewing, exhibition, or display of any kind to the public, including electronic viewing, shall be prohibited, unless specifically authorized in writing by the secretary or designee.

(h) Wildlife held under the authority of a rehabilitation permit shall not be sold, bartered, or exchanged for any consideration. A permit issued under this regulation shall not authorize a person, firm, or corporation to engage in the propagation or commercial sale of wildlife.

(i) Wildlife held under the authority of a rehabilitation permit may be transferred from one permittee to another permittee if all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The permittee receiving the wildlife holds all the proper permits and authorizations necessary for that species of wildlife.

(2) The transfer is necessary for the proper treatment or care of the wildlife.

(3) The transfer is properly recorded in both permittees' operational records.

(4) The transfer is approved in writing by the secretary or designee.

(j) The secretary or designee shall be notified within 48 hours if the permittee receives for transport or care an endangered species, threatened species, or species in need of conservation, as identified in K.A.R. 115-15-1 and K.A.R. 115-15-2. Permission for treatment and care by the requesting permittee may be granted by the secretary or designee, or an alternate course of action may be specified by the secretary or designee.

(k) No permittee shall perform any of the following acts, unless the permittee possesses, in advance, an amended permit authorizing this activity from the secretary or designee:

- (1) Change the facility location, consulting veterinarian, or subpermittees;
- (2) receive previously unauthorized species; or
- (3) conduct previously unauthorized activities.

(l) Sick, orphaned, displaced, or injured wildlife may be possessed, transported, or treated in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) Any person may temporarily possess and transport sick, orphaned, displaced, or injured wildlife within the state to a person authorized to perform wildlife rehabilitation services or initial treatment. Possession of an individual animal for transportation to initial treatment shall not exceed one day.

(2) Wildlife in need of rehabilitation treatment or care may be provided emergency medical care and stabilization by any of the following individuals or institutions not holding a rehabilitation permit for 48 hours, after which time the wildlife shall be transferred to a permitted rehabilitator:

- (A) Accredited zoological parks;
- (B) nature centers;
- (C) department wildlife professionals; or
- (D) licensed veterinarians.

Any wildlife requiring extensive medical care and recovery may remain under the care of a licensed veterinarian beyond the 48-hour restriction, subject to subsection (g).

(3) Any person authorized by permit to perform wildlife rehabilitation services or exempt by law from the requirement to possess a wildlife rehabilitation permit may possess individual animals for treatment purposes on a temporary basis. Possession of an individual animal for treatment purposes shall not exceed 120 days, unless an extension has been approved by the secretary or designee.

(4) Rehabilitation treatment or care shall not be provided to the following species of wildlife:

- (A) European starlings;
- (B) English or house sparrows;
- (C) feral pigeons; and
- (D) any wildlife species listed in K.A.R. 115-18-10, except as authorized in writing by the secretary.

(m) Each permittee shall maintain current records of wildlife rehabilitation services provided under the permit on report forms provided by the department. The records shall be maintained at the designated facility, be made available to department officials for inspection purposes, and include the following information:

- (1) The name of the permittee;
- (2) the permittee contact information;
- (3) the name and address of the facility;
- (4) the wildlife rehabilitation permit number;
- (5) the date on which any wildlife is received for treatment;
- (6) the species of wildlife received for treatment;
- (7) the suspected or known cause for treatment;
- (8) the date and disposition of the wildlife at the conclusion of treatment; and
- (9) other relevant information as required by the secretary.

(n) Each permittee shall submit the true and accurate, original report required in subsection (m) to the department on or before January 31 of the year following the permitted activity. The permittee

may retain a copy of the report for the permittee's records.

(o) Any person authorized by permit to perform wildlife rehabilitation services or exempt by law from the requirement to possess a wildlife rehabilitation permit may temporarily possess and transport wildlife to another location within the state for the purposes of providing treatment, releasing wildlife in its natural habitat, or transporting wildlife to an approved temporary or permanent holding facility.

Possession of wildlife for transportation to another location shall not exceed 48 hours.

(p) Wildlife no longer in need of rehabilitation treatment or care shall be handled in accordance with the following requirements:

(1) All wildlife determined to be capable of survival in the wild shall be released to the wild. Each individual releasing wildlife in accordance with this subsection shall ensure that the following conditions are met:

(A) The animal is released in an area consistent with the animal's normal habitat.

(B) The animal is released only on land, including both public and private properties, if written permission has been granted by the person in legal possession of the land where the release is to be made.

(C) The animal is not released in a location so close to human dwellings that the release is likely to result in nuisance, health, or safety problems.

(D) The animal is not released within the limits of any municipality without prior written approval from the appropriate municipal authority.

(2) Wildlife that cannot be rehabilitated and released to the wild shall be euthanized unless a written request, specifying an alternate course of action, is approved by the secretary or designee. Each course of action requiring the wildlife to remain in captivity shall be approved only if the wildlife is transferred from the permittee providing the rehabilitation services to an accredited zoological facility, or a scientific or educational permit holder in accordance with subsection (i). Each transfer shall be allowed only for educational programs or fostering or socialization purposes, and no transfer shall take place unless the secretary or designee has approved the request in writing.

(3) All euthanized wildlife and wildlife that have died shall be buried, incinerated, or transferred to a person or facility possessing a valid department scientific, educational, or exhibition permit. All federally permitted wildlife shall be disposed of in accordance with the terms of any federal permit. Any deceased wildlife may be disposed of on private property with the prior written permission of the person in legal possession of the private property. Deceased wildlife shall not be disposed of within the limits of any municipality without the prior written permission of the municipality.

(q) Any permittee may continue to possess a permit if all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The permit application is complete.

(2) The permit application contains no false information.

(3) The permittee meets the permit requirements and does not violate the permit conditions.

(4) The permittee has not been convicted of violating local, state, or federal laws relating to the care, treatment, possession, take, or disposal of wildlife or domestic animals within the previous five years.

(5) The permit has not expired.

The permittee shall be notified, in writing, of the cancellation of the permit by the secretary or designee.

The permittee shall be provided by the secretary or designee with the opportunity to respond, in writing, within 10 days of receipt of the cancellation.

(r) Any provision of this regulation may be temporarily waived by the secretary or designee during a wildlife health crisis for the protection of public or wildlife health.

(s) This regulation shall be effective on and after January 1, 2006. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807, K.S.A. 32-953, and K.S.A. 32-961; implementing K.S.A. 32-807, K.S.A. 32-953, K.S.A. 32-961, K.S.A. 2003 Supp. 32-1001, and K.S.A. 32-1002; effective Jan. 1, 1990; amended Jan. 1, 2006.)

115-18-10. Importation and possession of certain wildlife; prohibition, permit requirement, and restrictions. (a) The importation, possession, or release in the state of Kansas of the following live wildlife species shall be prohibited, except as authorized by terms of a wildlife importation permit issued by the secretary:

- (1) Walking catfish (*Clarias batrachus*);
- (2) silver carp (*Hypophthalmichthys molitrix*);
- (3) bighead carp (*Hypophthalmichthys nobilis*);
- (4) black carp (*Mylopharyngodon piceus*);
- (5) snakehead fish (all members of the family Channidae);
- (6) round goby (*Neogobius melanostomus*);
- (7) white perch (*Morone americana*);
- (8) zebra mussel (*Dreissena polymorpha*);
- (9) quagga mussel (*Dreissena bugensis*);
- (10) New Zealand mudsnail (*Potamopyrgus antipodarum*);
- (11) diploid grass carp (*Ctenopharyngodon idella*);
- (12) monk parakeet (*Myiopsitta monachus*); and
- (13) Asian raccoon dog (*Nyctereutes procyonoides*).

(b) Any live member of a wildlife species listed in subsection (a) and possessed before the following dates may be retained in possession, in closed confinement, by making application to the secretary that provides information detailing the circumstances, including the location, by which the animal came into the applicant's possession:

- (1) February 1, 1978 for fish and bird species other than black carp, snakehead fish, round goby, white perch, zebra mussel, quagga mussel, New Zealand mudsnail, and diploid grass carp;
- (2) February 1, 1986 for mammal species;
- (3) October 1, 2000 for black carp;
- (4) May 1, 2003 for snakehead fish;
- (5) August 1, 2004 for round goby, quagga mussel, and zebra mussel;
- (6) May 15, 2005 for New Zealand mudsnail;
- (7) February 15, 2007 for white perch; and
- (8) January 1, 2008 for diploid grass carp.

The manner in which the animal is to be used shall be identified in the application.

(c) Wildlife importation permits for the importation or possession of live members of the wildlife species listed in subsection (a) may be issued by the secretary for experimental, scientific, display, or other purposes subject to any conditions and restrictions contained or referenced in a wildlife importation permit.

(d) Each individual desiring to import or possess live members of the wildlife species listed in subsection (a) shall apply to the secretary for a wildlife importation permit. The application shall be submitted on forms provided by the department and shall contain the following information:

- (1) The name, address, and telephone number of applicant;
- (2) the wildlife species to be imported or possessed and the number of wildlife involved;
- (3) the purpose or purposes for importation or possession;
- (4) a description of the facilities for holding and using the wildlife species;
- (5) a description of plans to prevent the release of the wildlife species; and
- (6) other relevant information as requested by the secretary.

(e) Each wildlife importation permit, once issued, shall be valid during the time period specified on the permit.

(f) In addition to other penalties prescribed by law, any wildlife importation permit may be refused issuance or revoked by the secretary if any of the following conditions is met:

- (1) The application is incomplete or contains false information.
- (2) Issuance of a permit would not be in the best interest of the public or of the natural resources of Kansas.
- (3) The permittee fails to meet permit requirements or violates permit conditions. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 32-956; implementing K.S.A. 32-956; effective Dec. 27, 1993; amended



Sept. 22, 2000; amended April 18, 2003; amended July 23, 2004; amended May 20, 2005; amended Feb. 9, 2007; amended Nov. 16, 2007.)

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KANSAS

THREATENED & ENDANGERED SPECIES (T&E)

THREATENED:

INVERTEBRATES

Butterfly Mussel, *Ellipsaria lineolata*
Delta Hydrobe, *Probythinella emarginata*
Flutedshell Mussel, *Lasmigona costata*
Ouachita Kidneyshell Mussel, *Ptychobranthus occidentalis*
Rock Pocketbook Mussel, *Arcidens confragosus*
Sharp Hornsnail, *Pleurocera acuta*

FISH

Arkansas Darter, *Etheostoma cragini*
Blackside Darter, *Percina maculata*
Chestnut Lamprey, *Ichthyomyzon castaneus*
Flathead Chub, *Platygobio gracilis*
Hornyhead Chub, *Nocomis biguttatus*
Neosho Madtom, *Noturus placidus*
Plains Minnow, *Hybognathus placitus*
Redspot Chub, *Nocomis asper*
Shoal Chub, *Macrhybopsis hyostoma*
Silverband Shiner, *Notropis shumardi*
Sturgeon Chub, *Macrhybopsis gelida*
Topeka Shiner, *Notropis topeka*
Western Silvery Minnow, *Hybognathus argyritis*

AMPHIBIANS

Eastern Newt, *Notophthalmus viridescens*
Eastern Narrowmouth Toad, *Gastrophryne carolinensis*
Green Frog, *Rana clamitans*
Green Toad, *Bufo debilis*
Longtail Salamander, *Eurycea longicauda*
Spring Peeper, *Pseudacris crucifer*
Strecker's Chorus Frog, *Pseudacris streckeri*

REPTILES

Broadhead Skink, *Eumeces laticeps*
Checkered Garter Snake, *Thamnophis marcianus*
Common Map Turtle, *Graptemys geographica*
Longnose Snake, *Rhinocheilus lecontei*
Redbelly Snake, *Storeria occipitomaculata*
Smooth Earth Snake, *Virginia valeriae elegans*
Texas Blind Snake, *Leptotyphlops dulcis*

BIRDS

Piping Plover, *Charadrius melodus*
Snowy Plover, *Charadrius alexandrinus*

MAMMALS

Eastern Spotted Skunk, *Spilogale putorius*

ENDANGERED:

INVERTEBRATES

American Burying Beetle, *Nicrophorus americanus*
Ellipse Mussel, *Venustaconcha ellipsiformis*
Elktoe Mussel, *Alasmidonta marginata*
Flat Floater Mussel, *Anodonta suborbiculata*
Mucket Mussel, *Actinonaias ligamentina*
Neosho Mucket Mussel, *Lampsilis rafinesqueana*
Optiosevus Riffle Beetle, *Optioservus phaeus*
Rabbitsfoot Mussel, *Quadrula cylindrica*
Slender Walker Snail, *Pomatopsis lapidaria*
Western Fanshell Mussel, *Cyprogenia aberti*

FISH

Arkansas River Shiner, *Notropis girardi*
Arkansas River Speckled Chub, *Macrhybopsis tetranema*
Pallid Sturgeon, *Scaphirhynchus albus*
Sicklefin Chub, *Macrhybopsis meeki*
Silver Chub, *Macrhybopsis storeriana*

AMPHIBIANS

Cave Salamander, *Eurycea lucifuga*
Many-ribbed Salamander, *Eurycea multiplicata*
Grotto Salamander, *Typhlotriton spelaeus*

BIRDS

Black-capped Vireo, *Vireo atricapilla*
Eskimo Curlew, *Numenius borealis*
Least Tern, *Sterna antillarum*
Whooping Crane, *Grus americana*

MAMMALS

Black-footed Ferret, *Mustela nigripes*
Gray Myotis, *Myotis grisescens*

KANSAS

SPECIES IN NEED OF CONSERVATION (SINC)

INVERTEBRATES

Creeper Mussel, *Strophitus undulatus*
Cylindrical Papershell Mussel, *Anodontooides ferusscianus*
Delta Hydrobe, *Probythinella emarginata*
Deertoe Mussel, *Truncilla truncata*
Fatmucket Mussel, *Lampsilis siliquoidea*
Fawnsfoot Mussel, *Truncilla donaciformis*
Gray Petaltail Dragonfly, *Tachopteryx thoreyi*
Neosho Midget Crayfish, *Orconectes macrus*
Ozark Emerald Dragonfly, *Somatochlora ozarkensis*
Prairie Mole Cricket, *Gryllotalpa major*
Round Pigtoe Mussel, *Pleurobema sintoxia*
Snuffbox Mussel, *Epioblasma triquetra*
Spike Mussel, *Elliptio dilatata*
Wabash Pigtoe Mussel, *Fusconaia flava*
Wartyback Mussel, *Quadrula nodulata*
Washboard Mussel, *Megalonaias nervosa*
Yellow Sandshell Mussel, *Lampsilis teres*

FISH

Banded Darter, *Etheostoma zonale*
Banded Sculpin, *Cottus caroliniae*
Bigeye Shiner, *Notropis boopsi*
Black Redhorse, *Moxostoma duquesnei*
Blacknose Dace, *Rhinichthys atratulus*
Blue Sucker, *Cyclepius elongatus*
Bluntnose Darter, *Etheostoma chlorosoma*
Brassy Minnow, *Hybognathus hankinsoni*
Brindled Madtom, *Noturus miurus*
Cardinal Shiner, *Luxilus cardinalis*
Common Shiner, *Luxilus cornutus*
Gravel Chub, *Erimystax x-punctatus*
Greenside Darter, *Etheostoma blennioides*
Highfin Carpsucker, *Carpionodes velifer*
Johnny Darter, *Etheostoma nigrum*
Lake Sturgeon, *Acipenser fulvescens*
Northern Hog Sucker, *Hypentelium nigricans*
Ozark Minnow, *Notropis nubilus*
Plains Minnow, *Hybognathus placitus*
Redfin Darter, *Etheostoma whipplei*
River Darter, *Percina shumardi*
River Redhorse, *Moxostoma carinatum*
River Shiner, *Notropis blennioides*
Southern Redbelly Dace, *Phoxinus erythrogaster*
Slough Darter, *Etheostoma gracile*
Speckled Darter, *Etheostoma stigmaeum*
Spotfin Shiner, *Cyprinella spiloptera*
Spotted Sucker, *Minytrema melanops*
Stippled Darter, *Etheostoma punctulatum*
Striped Shiner, *Luxilus chrysocephalus*
Tadpole Madtom, *Noturus gyrinus*

AMPHIBIANS

Crawfish Frog, *Rana areolata*
Red-spotted Toad, *Bufo punctatus*

REPTILES

Alligator Snapping Turtle, *Macrochelys temminckii*
Eastern Hognose Snake, *Heterodon platirhinos*
Glossy Snake, *Arizona elegans*
Night Snake, *Hypsiglena torquata*
Rough Earth Snake, *Virginia striatula*
Timber Rattlesnake, *Crotalus horridus*
Western Hognose Snake, *Heterodon nasicus*

BIRDS

Black Rail, *Laterallus jamaicensis*
Black Tern, *Chlidonias niger*
Bobolink, *Dolichonyx oryzivorus*
Cerulean Warbler, *Dendroica cerulea*
Chihuahuan Raven, *Corvus cryptoleucus*
Curve-billed Thrasher, *Toxostoma curvirostre*
Ferruginous Hawk, *Buteo regalis*
Golden Eagle, *Aquila chrysaetos*
Henslow's Sparrow, *Ammodramus henslowii*
Ladder-backed Woodpecker, *Picoides scalaris*
Long-billed Curlew, *Numenius americanus*
Mountain Plover, *Charadrius montianus*
Short-eared Owl, *Asio flammeus*
Whip-poor-will, *Camprimulgus vociferus*
Yellow-throated Warbler, *Dendroica dominica*

MAMMALS

Franklin's Ground Squirrel, *Spermophilus franklinii*
Pallid Bat, *Antrozous pallidus*
Southern Bog Lemming, *Synaptomys cooperi*
Southern Flying Squirrel, *Glaucomys volans*
Texas Mouse, *Peromyscus attwateri*
Townsend's Big-eared Bat, *Corynorhinus townsendii*