
TITLE 312 NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION**Notice of Intent to Adopt a Rule**

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Under [IC 4-22-2-23](#), the Natural Resources Commission intends to adopt a rule concerning the following:

OVERVIEW: Amends [312 IAC 9-1-5.3](#) governing the definition of crossbow. Amends [312 IAC 9-1-12](#) to correct the definition of "possession" of wild animals. Amends [312 IAC 9-2-4](#) governing the setting of traps or nets to take a wild animal. Amends [312 IAC 9-3-2](#) governing general requirements and licenses for deer hunting. Amends [312 IAC 9-3-3](#) governing equipment authorized for deer hunting. Amends [312 IAC 9-3-4](#) governing season dates and bag limits for deer hunting. Amends [312 IAC 9-3-9](#) governing the disposition of wild animals found dead. Amends [312 IAC 9-3-12](#) governing the taking of coyotes. Amends [312 IAC 9-3-15](#) governing the taking of nuisance wild animals on private property by or with the written permission of the resident landowner or tenant. Amends [312 IAC 9-3-16](#) governing the hunting of cottontail rabbits on a department property. Amends [312 IAC 9-3-18.6](#) governing wild pigs. Amends [312 IAC 9-4-8](#) governing the hunting of ring-necked pheasants. Amends [312 IAC 9-4-9](#) governing the hunting of bobwhite quail. Amends [312 IAC 9-4-10](#) to close the season for ruffed grouse. Amends [312 IAC 9-4-11](#) governing hunting wild turkeys. Amends [312 IAC 9-5-6](#) governing the collection and possession of reptiles and amphibians. Amends [312 IAC 9-5-7](#) governing the sale and transport for sale of reptiles and amphibians native to Indiana. Amends [312 IAC 9-6-1](#) governing definitions pertaining to fish and fishing activities. Amends [312 IAC 9-6-7](#) governing exotic fish. Amends [312 IAC 9-6-9](#) governing endangered species of fish. Amends [312 IAC 9-7-1](#) governing license requirements for sport fishing. Amends [312 IAC 9-7-2](#) governing sport fishing methods, except on the Ohio River. Amends [312 IAC 9-7-4](#) governing the taking of muskellunge and tiger muskellunge. Amends [312 IAC 9-7-6](#) governing the taking of black bass. Amends [312 IAC 9-7-9](#) governing the taking of crappie. Amends [312 IAC 9-7-10](#) governing the taking of sunfish. Amends [312 IAC 9-7-12](#) governing the taking of walleye, sauger, and saugeye. Amends [312 IAC 9-7-14](#) governing fish with no bag limit, possession limit, or size limit. Amends [312 IAC 9-8-4](#) governing commercial fishing on the Wabash River boundary waters. Amends [312 IAC 9-8-5](#) governing commercial fishing on inland water. Amends [312 IAC 9-12-4](#) governing notations on hunting license. Repeals [312 IAC 9-1-9](#) defining "hunter orange". Repeals [312 IAC 9-2-1](#) governing taking, chasing, and possessing wild animals. Repeals [312 IAC 9-2-5](#) prohibiting the netting and trapping of wild birds. Repeals [312 IAC 9-5-10](#) governing the possession and captive breeding of reptiles acquired before January 1, 1999. Questions may be sent to the Division of Hearings, Natural Resources Commission, Indiana Government Center North, 100 North Senate Avenue, Room N501, Indianapolis, IN 46204-2200, at nrcrules@nrc.in.gov, or by telephone at (317) 232-4699. Comments may be sent by regular mail to the address above or through <http://www.in.gov/nrc/2377.htm>. Statutory authority: [IC 14-10-2-4](#); [IC 14-11-2-1](#); [IC 14-22-2-6](#); [IC 14-22-34-17](#).

For purposes of [IC 4-22-2-28.1](#), the Small Business Regulatory Coordinator for this rule is:

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Resources available to regulated entities through the small business ombudsman include the ombudsman's duties stated in [IC 4-4-35-8](#), specifically [IC 4-4-35-8\(9\)](#), investigating and attempting to resolve any matter regarding compliance by a small business with a law, rule, or policy administered by a state agency, either as a party to a proceeding or as a mediator.

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