

# TITLE 312 NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

## CURRENT TEMPORARY RULES

### DISCLAIMER:

As an aid to legal research, this document provides a list of currently effective temporary rules adopted by state agencies in the manner set forth in [IC 4-22-2-37.1](#) and [IC 4-22-2-37.2](#).

While every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the list, this list may not provide an exhaustive enumeration of currently effective temporary rules. This list is not intended to be a substitute for traditional legal research.

Exclusion of an temporary rule from this list does not affect the validity of the temporary rule. This list does not, itself, establish authority for the adoption of rules.

Digest	DIN	LSA Document #
Temporarily modifies 312 IAC 9-8-2 governing the regulation of commercial fishing on the White and Wabash Rivers for commercial fishers harvesting invasive carp through the Indiana Invasive Carp Removal Program (IICRP), and modifies 312 IAC 9-8-6 governing the regulation of commercial fishing on the Ohio River for commercial fishers harvesting invasive carp through the Ohio River Asian Carp Removal Program operated in conjunction with the Commonwealth of Kentucky under 301 KAR 1:152. Asian Carp and Scaled Rough Fish Harvest Program. Effective January 18, 2023. This document expires on January 18, 2024.	<a href="#">20230104-IR-312220391ERA</a>	22-391
Temporarily amends 312 IAC 10-2-28 to add to the lowest floor definition to define the lowest floor for coastal high hazard areas. NOTE: The original emergency document, LSA Document #22-6(E), posted at <a href="#">20220119-IR-312220006ERA</a> , effective January 13, 2022, expires January 12, 2023. Effective January 13, 2023. This document expires on January 12, 2024.	<a href="#">20230111-IR-312230004ERA</a>	23-4

Temporarily amends 312 IAC 4-4-6 to remove the provision permitting, at the will of the director of the division of law enforcement (division director) and subject to the approval of the director, a conservation officer who receives a spot appointment to be returned to the conservation officer's permanent grade before the spot appointment.

[20230621-IR-312230503ERA](#)

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Temporarily removes the definition of "spot appointment". Temporarily amends 312 IAC 4-5-2 to remove the requirement that a person who applies to become a conservation officer achieve an associate's degree, at least two years toward a bachelor's degree, or at least four years of full-time active duty military service with honorable discharge. Temporarily adds the requirement that a person who applies to become a conservation officer achieve a high school diploma or a general education diploma (GED).

Temporarily amends 312 IAC 4-5-3 to require the division director to select a person to become a conservation officer based on indicators that the person will excel in a career in conservation law enforcement, including the person's life experiences and interest in and commitment to natural resources.

Statutory authority: [IC 4-22-2-37.1](#); [IC 14-9-8-3](#); [IC 14-10-2-4](#). Effective June 15, 2023. This document expires June 15, 2024.

Temporarily amends 312 IAC 9 regarding noncommercial hunting in designated areas. Under [IC 14-22-6-13](#), the director of the department of natural resources finds that deer cause measurable damage to the ecological balance in designated areas, and the ecological balance in the designated areas will not be maintained unless action is taken to control the population of deer. Effective June 30, 2023. This document expires January 1, 2024.

[20230628-IR-312230521ERA](#)

23-521

Temporarily amends 312 IAC 9-3-2, governing wearing hunter orange in deer reduction zones, and 312 IAC 9-3-4, governing the hunting of white-tailed deer by establishing deer reduction zones. Effective June 30, 2023. This document expires February 1, 2024.

[20230628-IR-312230522ERA](#) 23-522

Temporarily amends 312 IAC 9-3-4 regarding: (1) statewide quotas for hunting deer by county; and (2) designated properties managed by the department of natural resources where antlerless deer may not be taken by the holder of an extra deer license. Effective June 30, 2023. SECTIONS 1 through 3 of this document expire on February 1, 2024.

[20230628-IR-312230523ERA](#) 23-523

Temporarily establishes counties and the statewide quota for the trapping of river otters during the 2023-2024 river otter season. Effective June 30, 2023. This expires on March 16, 2024.

[20230628-IR-312230524ERA](#) 23-524

Temporarily amends 312 IAC 8-2-3 to remove the licensure requirement for a person to possess a handgun on a department of natural resources property other than a reservoir owned by the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers and Falls of the Ohio State Park to reflect changes in Indiana law. Effective June 30, 2023. This document shall expire July 1, 2024.

[20230628-IR-312230525ERA](#) 23-525

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