

Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission
Proclamation

Statewide Nonprotected Wildlife

Pursuant to the authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-4-107 and 70-5-108, the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission hereby proclaims the statewide unprotected species and methods.

Section I. Species not protected by law

The following species are not protected by law because they are non-native invasive populations with potential to damage property, pose a human health risk, and have detrimental effects on native wildlife.

1. House (English) Sparrow
2. European Starling
3. Rock Pigeon
4. Nutria

Section II. Species deemed destructive

The following species are deemed destructive to property and may pose a safety or health risk to people, livestock, and other native wildlife.

1. Wild Hog

Section III. Manner and Means for capture and dispatch of nonprotected species

Landowners may use the following methods:

1. Any weapon and ammunition legal for taking big game and small game during daylight hours only.
2. Live traps with bait. Bait may not be used during big game hunting seasons without an exemption from the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency. All targeted animals must be dispatched before removal from trap.
3. Additional methods may be authorized by obtaining an exemption from the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency. These exemptions may include:
 - a. The use of dogs as part of the experimental eradication program in Overton, Fentress, Cumberland, and Pickett counties. Dogs may not be used during November or December.
 - b. Shooting at night with the aid of artificial light, shooting over bait during big game season, or any other methods as approved by TWRA.
4. Possession or transportation of live wild-appearing hogs without documentation from the Tennessee Department of Agriculture indicating such swine originated from a legal captive source is prohibited.

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William L Brown
Chairman

I certify that this is an accurate and complete copy of a proclamation lawfully promulgated and adopted by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission on the 15th day of April, 2011.

Ed Carter
Secretary

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 15 day of April, 2011.



Lisa Crawford
Notary Public

My commission expires: 8-23-11

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Tre Hargett, Secretary of State

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