

**Rulemaking Hearing Rules  
of the  
Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency**

**Chapter 1660-1-18  
Rules and Regulations Live Wildlife**

Amendments

Rule 1660-1-18-.05 Special Provisions is amended by deleting paragraph (1) in its entirety and replacing it with the following language:

- (1) All Nature Centers, Rehabilitation Centers, Educational Exhibits, and Zoos meeting provisions which exempt them from the fees for necessary permits must complete an application and provide requested information. No Class III Wildlife may be possessed by a Nature Center, Rehabilitation Center or Educational Exhibits, nor may these permittees hold any other Captive Wildlife Permits issued by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency, unless authorized by the Executive Director of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency. This prohibition does not apply to facilities deemed as a bona fide zoo.

Rule 1660-1-18-.05 Special Provisions is amended by deleting paragraph (4), subparagraph (b), part 2 in its entirety and replacing it with the following language:

2. Documentation showing one of the following qualifications has been met in order to be eligible for a Rehabilitation and/or Education exhibit permit:
  - (i) Two hundred hours of experience in rehabilitation or handling of the species in which the person wishes to be permitted; or
  - (ii) One year of full time employment as a Veterinary Technician; or
  - (iii) Be licensed to practice veterinary medicine in the State of Tennessee: or
  - (iv) Possess a valid permit for Wildlife Rehabilitation or Education from another state for the species in which the person wishes to be permitted. Also, individuals in this category must have been in good standing in the state which the permit was held.

Rule 1660-1-18-.05 Special Provisions is amended by deleting paragraph (4), subparagraph (p), parts 2 and 3 in their entirety and replacing them with the following language:

2. Animals authorized by the Executive Director of Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency for use under the authority of a valid Educational Exhibit Permit issued by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency.

Statutory Authority: T.C.A. §§70-1-206, 70-4-401, 70-4-404 and 70-4-405

The rulemaking hearing rule amendment set out herein was properly filed in the Department of State July 27, 2006, and will become effective on the 10th day of October, 2006.