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IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Wallace State Office Building
502 East 9th Street
Des Moines IA 50319-0034

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APPLICATION FOR
GAME BREEDER'S LICENSE

- Resident Fee - \$15.50
Non-Resident Fee - \$26.00
New
Renewal from last year

Last year's number

Name of Applicant:

Business Name:

Business Address:

Home Address:
Street or PO Box
City/State/Zip

County: Telephone #:

Applicant's Social Security #: Date of Birth:

How many sales receipts are needed? How many report forms?

Identify the specific species of game animals or game birds you plan to possess, raise, and sell:

I know the rules and regulations regarding having this permit, and realize that a State Conservation Officer may inspect me at any time during business hours, and that I must maintain my animals in a disease free environment. I realize that I cannot accept animals from the wild under this permit, and that I must maintain accurate and up-to-date records and submit annual reports to the Iowa DNR.

Applicant's Signature

Date

The applicant must follow these steps in order to process the application in a timely manner:

- Step 1: Forward the completed application to the DNR Law Enforcement Officer in the county that the license will be assigned.
- Step 2: The officer will inspect the applicant's property, approve/disapprove the application and return it to the applicant (new and non current applicants only).
- Step 3: Send the officer-approved application along with the annual report (if a renewal) and the appropriate license fee to:

**IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
CUSTOMER SERVICE BUREAU - LICENSING SECTION  
WALLACE STATE OFFICE BUILDING  
502 EAST 9<sup>TH</sup> STREET  
DES MOINES IA 50319-0034**

**All NEW applications and RENEWAL applications for licenses not current must have the signature of the local DNR Law Enforcement Officer before the license can be issued.**

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**Officer's signature**

**APPROVED**

**DISAPPROVED**

## GAME BREEDERS

### **481A.60 Raising Game -- rulemaking authority.**

A person shall not raise or sell game or fur-bearing animals of the kinds protected by this chapter, except rock doves and pigeons, without first procuring a game breeder's license as provided by law. The commission may adopt rules that ensure that all game birds, game animals, and fur-bearing animals handled and confined by licensed game breeders are provided with humane care and treatment. A violation of a rule adopted by the commission is a cause for license revocation. This section does not apply to governmental zoos and exhibits.

### **481A.61 Licensed game breeders -- marketing game -- penalty.**

1. Except as otherwise provided by law, a licensed game breeder whose original stock is obtained from a lawful source may possess any game bird, game animal, or fur bearing animal, or any of their parts. Possession and use of the game birds, game animals, or fur-bearing animals obtained from a licensed game breeder are lawful.

2. Fur-bearing animals shall not be acquired for breeding or propagating purposes from any source unless they have been pen-raised for at least two successive generations.

3. A game breeder's license is not a license to possess, breed, propagate, sell, or dispose of any species which is defined as endangered or threatened under state law unless the species is listed on the license. Its possession, breeding, propagation, sale, and disposal are subject to all applicable state and federal statutes.

4. A licensed game breeder shall not acquire protected live game animals, game birds, their eggs, or fur-bearing animals taken from the wild within this state.

5. Game birds or game animals may be sold for food only under the following conditions:

a. The licensed game breeder shall file with the commission a facsimile of a stamp or similar type to that used by the United States department of agriculture in grading meat.

b. Licensed game breeders may sell dressed game birds or game animals to market for resale providing each game bird or game animal has affixed upon it in a conspicuous and legible manner the imprint of the game breeder's stamp.

c. The stamp shall bear the name and number of the game breeder in letters of at least twelve-point type size.

6. Markets selling stamped game shall:

a. Maintain the stamp on each game bird or game animal until the bird or animal is disposed of or sold.

b. Keep a record showing the total number of game birds or game animals sold together with the name and address of the game breeder from whom purchased and the number of game birds and animals in each purchase.

7. Markets selling stamped game, together with their records, are subject to inspection by an authorized representative of the commission at any reasonable time.

8. Violation of a provision of this section may be cause for license revocation.

### **481A.62 Records -- reports -- inspection.**

1. A holder of a game breeder's license shall keep the records and make the reports required by this section on forms provided by the department. The records shall be open for inspection at any reasonable time by the department or its authorized agents.

2. At the time of every sale or conveyance of an animal, animal parts, or products, the licensee shall complete a game breeder's sales receipt on forms provided by the department. The forms shall require the following information.

a. The name, address, county, and license number assigned to the breeder.

b. The name and address of the purchaser.

c. The number, species, sex, and age of the animals or birds conveyed.

3. Licenses shall maintain business records for all species in an annual report record book. The records shall include the following information.

a. For each animal acquired other than by birth on the licensee's game farm, the sex and species, the date of acquisition, the number acquired, and the name and address of the source from which acquired.

b. For each animal born on the licensee's game farm, the sex, species, date of birth, and number of any band, tag, or tattoo subsequently attached to the animal.

c. For each animal sold or disposed of other than by death the same information required by the game breeder's sales receipt.

d. For each animal which dies, disappears, or is destroyed on the licensee's game farm, the sex, species, date of death, and the number of any band, tag, or tattoo attached to the animal.

The licensee's copies of the required sales receipts shall be kept with the record book and are considered a part of it.

Records required by this section shall be entered in the annual report record book within forty-eight hours of the event.

4. Each licensee shall file an annual report with the commission on or before **January 31**. The report shall detail the game breeder's operations during the preceding license year. The original report shall be forwarded to the department and a copy shall be retained in the breeder's file for a period of three years from the date of expiration of the breeder's last license issued. Failure to keep or submit the required records and report are grounds for a refusal to renew a license for the succeeding year.

5. An on-site inspection of facilities shall be conducted by an officer of the commission prior to the initial issuance of game breeder's license. The facilities may be reinspected by an officer of the commission at any reasonable time.

6. Any officer of the commission may enter any place where any game bird, game animal, or fur-bearing animal is at the time located, or where it has been kept, or where the carcass of such animal may be, for the purpose of examining it in any way that may be necessary to determine whether it was or is infected with any contagious or infectious disease.

7. For the purpose of this section, infectious and contagious disease includes rabies, hoof-and-mouth disease, leptospirosis, blackhead, or any other communicable disease so designated by the commission.

8. The commission may regulate or prohibit the importation into the state and exportation from the state of any species of game bird, game animal, or fur-bearing animal, domesticated or not, which in its opinion, for any reason, is determined to be detrimental to the health of animals within or without the state.

9. The commission may quarantine or destroy any game bird, game animal, or fur-bearing animal which is found to be infected with any contagious or infectious disease.

10. A licensed game breeder or other person having control of any game bird, game animal, or fur-bearing animal shall not knowingly offer for sale, sell, or barter such birds or animals which have an infectious or contagious disease, or allow those birds or animals to run at large or come in contact with any other game birds, game animals, or fur-bearing animals.

***NOTE: As of July 1, 2007, Iowa Code chapter 717F took effect. This new chapter regulates and defines wild, dangerous animals. The Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship administers this program. For further information contact 515/281-7583.***