## ADOPTED REGULATION OF THE

## **BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS**

## LCB File No. R038-18

EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 501.105, 501.181 and 503.452.

A REGULATION relating to trapping; requiring certain persons to register a trap, snare or similar device; requiring the submission of an application to the Department of Wildlife for the assignment of a registration number to the applicant; setting forth the information which must be included in the application; providing for the transferability of a registration number; requiring each registered trap, snare or similar device to display only the registration number of the person who owns the trap, snare or similar device; requiring the Department, upon payment of the fee to register a trap, snare or similar device; requiring the person to attach the metallic seal to the trap, snare or similar device; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

## **Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Existing law requires the Board of Wildlife Commissioners to adopt regulations which are necessary: (1) to preserve, protect, manage and restore wildlife and its habitat; and (2) to carry out the provisions of title 45 of NRS governing wildlife, including the manner and means of taking wildlife. (NRS 501.105, 501.181) Existing law also requires: (1) the registration of each trap, snare or similar device that is used in the taking of wild mammals unless the name and address of the owner of the trap, snare or similar device is clearly stamped on it or on a metal tag attached to it; and (2) each registered trap to bear a number assigned by the Department of Wildlife. The registration of a trap, snare or similar device remains valid until the trap, snare or similar device is sold or ownership of the trap, snare or similar device is otherwise transferred. For each trap, snare or similar device registered with the Department of Wildlife, the person registering the trap, snare or similar device must pay a registration fee of \$5. (NRS 503.452)

Existing regulations: (1) authorize a person to obtain an application form for registering a trap from any office of the Department of Wildlife; (2) require the Department to issue certain registration numbers which must be clearly stamped on the trap or on a metal tag that is attached to the trap; and (3) require the person registering a trap to enter the appropriate registration number on his or her trapping license. (NAC 503.150)

This regulation: (1) requires a person who does not affix his or her name and address to a trap, snare or similar device being used on public land to register the trap, snare or similar device; (2) requires the submission of an application to the Department for the assignment of a registration number to the applicant; (3) requires the application to include the applicant's legal name, date of birth, social security number, if any, and mailing address, unless that information already exists in the records maintained by the Department; (4) requires the Department to assign a registration number to the applicant upon approval of the application; (5) provides that each registration number may be transferred by the Department; and (6) requires each registration number to be clearly and legibly stamped on the trap, snare or similar device. This regulation also requires each registered trap, snare or similar device to display only the registration number of the person who owns the trap, snare or similar device and requires the removal of any other registration number from the trap, snare or similar device. Finally, this regulation: (1) requires the Department, upon payment of the fee to register a trap, to issue a metallic seal indicating the payment of the fee to the person registering the trap, snare or similar device; and (2) requires the person to attach the metallic seal to the trap, snare or similar device or to the anchoring chain, cable or wire for the trap, snare or similar device while the trap, snare or similar device is in use by the person.

**Section 1.** NAC 503.150 is hereby amended to read as follows:

503.150 1. [A] Pursuant to NRS 503.452, a person [may obtain an] who does not affix his or her name and address to a trap, snare or similar device being used on public land shall register the trap, snare or similar device. An application [form for registering a trap from any office of] must be submitted to the Department [. The forms must be completed in accordance with the instructions thereon.] for the assignment of a registration number to the applicant.

Unless the information already exists in the records maintained by the Department, each application submitted pursuant to this subsection must include the applicant's:

- (a) Legal name;
- (b) Date of birth;
- (c) Social security number, if any; and
- (d) Mailing address.

- 2. [The] Upon approval of the application, the Department shall [issue] assign a registration [numbers beginning with NV 0001. The] number [must] to the applicant for use on each trap, snare or similar device registered pursuant to this section. Each registration number:
  - (a) May be transferred by the Department; and
  - (b) Must be clearly and legibly stamped [on]:
    - (1) On the trap, snare or similar device; or [on]
- (2) On a metal tag that is attached to the trap [...], snare or similar device or secured to the anchoring chain, cable or wire for the trap, snare or similar device.
- 3. [The person shall enter the appropriate] Each registered trap, snare or similar device must display only the registration number [on his or her trapping license.] of the person who owns the trap, snare or similar device. Any other registration number must be stricken, obliterated or otherwise removed from the trap, snare or similar device.
- 4. Upon payment of the fee required by NRS 503.452 for registering a trap, snare or similar device, the Department shall issue to the person registering the trap, snare or similar device a metallic seal indicating the payment of the fee for the trap, snare or similar device. The person shall attach the metallic seal to the trap, snare or similar device or to the anchoring chain, cable or wire for the trap, snare or similar device while the trap, snare or similar device is in use by the person.