

# CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS



Regulations are rules created by a governmental agency, often to implement a law. An agency holds a public hearing, then decides to adopt or reject a regulation. CDFW implements and enforces regulations set by the [California Fish and Game Commission](#). Listed below are some, but not all, related wildlife regulations:

## **TITLE 14. Natural Resources. Division 1. Fish and Game Commission-Department of Fish and Wildlife.**

- **Chapter 1. General Provisions and Definitions [CCR §250-265]**
  - [§250. General Prohibition Against Taking Resident Game Birds, Game Mammals and Furbearing Mammals.](#)
  - [§250.1. Prohibition on use of Lead Projectiles and Ammunition Using Lead Projectiles for the Take of Wildlife.](#)
    - Learn about [nonlead ammunition](#) requirements.
  - [§251.1. Harassment of Animals.](#) [No person shall harass, herd, or drive any wildlife, except as authorized]
  - [§251.2. Permits to Pursue, Drive, Herd, or Take Birds and Mammals.](#)
  - [§251.3. Prohibition Against Feeding Big Game Mammals.](#)
- **Chapter 2. Resident Small Game [CCR §300-313]**
- **Chapter 3. Big Game [CCR §350-375]**
- **Chapter 4. Depredation [CCR §400-402]**
  - [§401. Issuance of Permit to Take Animals Causing Damage.](#)
    - Depredation species: Black bear, bobcat, beaver, deer, elk, wild pig, wild turkey, gray squirrels.
  - [§402. Issuance of Permits to Take Mountain Lion Causing Damage.](#)
- **Chapter 5. Furbearing Mammals [CCR §460-467]**
  - [§465. Methods for Taking Furbearers and Nongame Mammals.](#)
  - [§465.5 Use of Traps.](#)
- **Chapter 6. Nongame Animals [CCR §470-485]**
  - [§472. General Provisions.](#)
    - Nongame animals may not be taken, except as authorized.
    - Nongame that may be taken any time of year and in any number, except as prohibited: English sparrow, starling, domestic pigeon, coyote, weasel, skunk, opossum, mole, rodent; American crows as authorized.
  - [§475. Methods of Take for Nongame Birds and Nongame Mammals.](#)
  - [§478. Bobcat.](#)
    - It is unlawful to pursue, trap, take or possess any bobcat or attempt to do so, except as authorized.
- **Chapter 7. Migratory Game Birds [CCR §500-510]**
  - [§503. Crop Damage and Nuisance Canada Geese.](#)
- **General Regulations (Miscellaneous)**
  - [§671.1 Permits for Restricted Species.](#)
  - [§671.6. Release of Animals into the Wild.](#)
  - [§679. Possession of Wildlife and Wildlife Rehabilitation.](#)

## **TITLE 14. NATURAL RESOURCES. Division 3. Department of Parks and Recreation.**

- [§4305. Animals.](#)
  - It is unlawful within a State Park to molest, hunt, disturb, harm, feed, touch, tease, or spotlight any kind of animal or fish or so attempt.

## **TITLE 17. PUBLIC HEALTH. Division 1. State Department of Health Services.**

- [§2606. Rabies, Animal.](#)
  - Any person having knowledge of the whereabouts of a rabid or suspected rabid animal, or of any person or animal bitten by a rabid or suspected rabid animal, shall report the facts immediately to a local health officer.
- [§2606.8. Skunk Rabies.](#)