

DOMESTICALLY RAISED, OFFICIALLY INSPECTED, AND PROCESSED VENISON THAT THE PERSON LAWFULLY OBTAINS, OTHER THAN WHITE-TAILED AND SIKA VENISON.

(2) A PERSON WHO IMPORTS, SELLS, OR OFFERS FOR SALE VENISON SHALL MAINTAIN RECORDS DOCUMENTING THE LAWFUL ORIGIN OF ANY VENISON IMPORTED OR SOLD, INCLUDING THE SPECIES OF DEER, COUNTRY OR STATE OF ORIGIN, THE PERSON FROM WHOM THE VENISON WAS OBTAINED, DATE OF DELIVERY, BY WHOM THE VENISON WAS OFFICIALLY INSPECTED, AND QUANTITY OF VENISON.

(3) THESE RECORDS SHALL BE KEPT BY THE IMPORTER OR SELLER AT THE IMPORTER'S OR SELLER'S PLACE OF BUSINESS FOR A PERIOD OF 1 YEAR FOLLOWING DELIVERY OF THE VENISON.

(4) THE IMPORTER OR SELLER SHALL ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT TO INSPECT THESE RECORDS AT THE IMPORTER'S OR SELLER'S PLACE OF BUSINESS AT ANY REASONABLE TIME.

(5) THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT EXEMPT A PERSON WHO IMPORTS, SELLS, OR OFFERS FOR SALE VENISON FROM APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 21, SUBTITLES 2 AND 3 OF THE HEALTH - GENERAL ARTICLE.

~~[(a)]~~ ~~(B)~~ (C) A person may not hunt or attempt to hunt any game bird or mammal except during open season, or possess any game bird or mammal during any closed season whether hunted in the State or in another state, territory, or country. However, a person may possess any dead game bird or dead game mammal for 5 days and dead deer for 30 days after the season closes for use as food. Also, a licensed hunter may obtain a permit from the Department during open season or within 5 days after open season closes to possess any frozen game bird or mammal for a period not exceeding 180 days.

~~[(b)]~~ ~~(E)~~ (D) A person may ship or bring into the State by express or as baggage any game bird or mammal the person legally killed in any other state, territory, or country, if the person accompanies the game bird or mammal and presents a hunter's license or permit of the other state, territory, or country where the game bird or mammal was killed if the document is required by the other state, territory, or country. However, game birds and mammals or any part of them brought into the State may not be sold or offered for sale.

~~[(c)]~~ ~~(D)~~ (E) Except as provided in § 10-512(a)(2)(ii) of this title, a person may not sell, offer for sale, purchase, offer to purchase, barter, or exchange, at any time within the State any game bird or game mammal taken from the wild, except the meat, pelt or carcass of any coyote, muskrat, raccoon, mink, otter, nutria, opossum, beaver, fox, long-tail weasel, fisher, or skunk, whether caught in the State or in another state, territory, or country.

(F) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION MAY BE CONSTRUED AS ALLOWING DEER FARMING FOR THE PURPOSE OF SELLING DEER MEAT.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1996.

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