Arkansas Game and Fish Commission

Code Book

The regulations in this Code Book are hereby adopted by the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission under authority of Amendment 35 to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas. All laws, rules, regulations, or orders in conflict with the regulations in this Code Book are hereby repealed by the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission.

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05.01 Hunting Wildlife In Closed Season Prohibited

It is unlawful to hunt any species of wildlife other than during a season opened by the Commission and by using legal methods for that season (Addenda A1.00, B1.00, C1.00). It also is unlawful to possess any species of wildlife, or portions thereof, illegally taken during a closed season.

EXCEPTION: In compliance with Codes 05.10, 05.28, 09.15 and Addendum F1.07.

PENALTIES:

Small Game: Class 2 Big Game: Class 4

05.02 Night Hunting Prohibited

It is unlawful to hunt any wildlife at night.

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. The taking of bobcat, raccoon and opossum when treed by dogs at night during an open season for that species (Addenda A1.05, C1.09).
- B. The taking of aquatic wildlife other than mussels by legal methods during an open season.
- C. The taking of bullfrogs by legal methods during an open season.
- D. The taking of alligators by legal methods during an open season in compliance with Addendum <u>A1.10</u> and Code <u>12.03</u>.
- E. The checking of legally set traps or snares, but must not possess a firearm larger than a .22 caliber rimfire.
- F. In compliance with Codes <u>05.10</u> and <u>05.28</u>.

PENALTY: Class 4

05.03 Use Of Artificial Lights To View Or Locate Wildlife Prohibited

It is unlawful to shine artificial lights from any public road, or on any wildlife management area, for viewing or locating wildlife.

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. The taking of bullfrogs and furbearers by legal methods during an open season.
- B. The taking of alligators by legal methods during an open season in compliance with Addendum <u>A1.10</u> and Code <u>12.03</u>.

05.04 Selling Wildlife Restrictions

It is unlawful to purchase, sell, offer for sale, barter or trade any species of wildlife or portions thereof.

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. Furbearer pelts and carcasses taken during a furbearer season may be sold by persons with valid hunting or fur dealer licenses. Purchase of furbearer pelts and carcasses must be in compliance with Code 17.07.
- B. In compliance with Chapter $\underline{09.00}$ or Codes $\underline{26.18}$, $\underline{29.03}$, $\underline{30.01}$, $\underline{31.01}$, $\underline{32.02}$, $\underline{34.01}$, $\underline{35.01}$, and Addendum F1.07.
- C. Legally taken squirrel tails and pelts, rabbit pelts, turkey bones, deer antlers or clean skulls, elk antlers or clean skulls, deer hides, elk hides, and feathers not protected by federal regulation 50 CFR 20.li>
- D. Red fox, gray fox and coyote legally trapped in Arkansas may be sold by a person possessing a hunting license and trapping permit and Live Fox and Coyote Permit (Code 09.16).
- E. Commission-approved nonprofit organizations with a valid tax identification number may pay for the processing of game and donate the meat to needy individuals.
- F. Alligator hide, meat and parts from legally harvested alligators (Codes 05.01,12.02, 12.03, and Addenda A1.10, C1.03) may be sold or donated in state when accompanied by documentation verifying origin and description of transferred parts. An individual alligator hide legally harvested and with an attached U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species tag may be sold outside the state. Alligator meat or parts may also be sold or transferred out of state with documentation accompanying each part of the legal CITES assignment from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.
- G. Certain game birds (i.e. migratory birds) are subject to federal regulation 50 CFR. Otherwise mounted or tanned wildlife may be bought or sold when accompanied by a bill of sale. The bill

As of June 8, 2022 of sale will state the purchase date, number and description of item and full name and address of the previous owner. This bill of sale will be made available to a Wildlife Officer upon request for a period of 1 year from the date of sale/purchase.

PENALTIES:

Class 4

Class 5: Where violation involves wildlife taken out of season or over the bag limit, or capturing native wildlife; or where aggregate value of wildlife equals \$200 or more.

05.05 Hunting From A Public Road Or Levee Prohibited

It is unlawful to shoot from or across any public road, or to hunt within 100 feet from the center of any such road. It also is unlawful to hunt or shoot from or across the main west levee of the Mississippi or Arkansas rivers from the Louisiana-Arkansas state line to the intersection of Arkansas Highway 11 north of Grady, Lincoln County, Arkansas. There shall be a rebuttable presumption that a person is hunting from a public road or levee if he points, aims, shoots, or attempts to shoot a firearm or other killing device in a direction in which wildlife is present or likely to be present, including shooting at a wildlife decoy.

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. Persons may usefirearms to dispatch wildlife caught in legally set traps within 100 feet from the center of any public road.
- B. In compliance with Code <u>09.15</u> and Addendum F1.07.

05.06 Transporting Firearms In A Boat At Night Restricted

It is unlawful to transport any firearm in a boat at night unless the firearm is unloaded and cased.

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. Taking frogs, fish or turtles by legal methods during open seasons.
- B. In compliance with Codes <u>05.01,05.10</u>, <u>05.19,12.03</u> and Addendum <u>A1.10</u>.

PENALTY: Class 2

05.07 Hunting Wildlife From Aircraft Prohibited

It is unlawful to hunt, drive, herd, or harass wildlife from or with an aircraft.

PENALTY: Class 2

05.08 Prohibited Methods For Hunting Wildlife

It is unlawful to hunt wildlife by use of computer-assisted hunting, radio tracking electronic equipment, deadfalls, drugs, poisons, chemicals, explosives, or any device designed to take wildlife by the activation of a trip wire, electronic actions of a switch or other means that do not require the attendance of an individual to activate the device.

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. Rodenticides or traps may be used to control mice and rats.
- B. In compliance with Codes <u>09.15,17.01</u>, <u>26.21</u> and Addendum F1.07.
- C. Use of radio tracking electronic equipment permitted for the purpose of retrieving hunting dogs.

05.09 Hunting Wildlife Fleeing From Fire Or Flood Prohibited

It is unlawful to hunt wildlife fleeing from fire or flood.

05.10 Depredation Permit Requirement

It is unlawful to take or attempt to take any game or furbearing animal damaging crops or personal property without obtaining a Depredation Permit, along with a valid hunting license, and complying with the terms and provisions of the permit. Non-game wildlife, excluding bats, migratory birds and endangered species, which pose a reasonable threat to persons or property, may be taken during daylight hours with firearms, or trapped (Code 17.01), without a Depredation Permit (Addendum G1.01).

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. Nuisance wildlife may be taken by legal methods during any open season on the species committing damage and in accordance with applicable bag limits.
- B. Property owners or their designees may use live traps for removal of nuisance wildlife, other than bear or alligator. Live trapping conducted in incorporated towns or cities must be in accordance with their local ordinances or statutes. Live captured nuisance wildlife must be released unharmed outside the municipalities' boundaries within 24 hours.
- C. Nuisance beaver, muskrat, nutria, coyote, raccoon, opossum, squirrel, and striped skunk may be taken yearround, using firearms during daylight hours (Code 06.07) only by landowners or their designees, in any number, on private property where damage is being committed, or may be trapped and destroyed (Code 17.01).
- D. House Sparrows, Red-Winged Blackbird, Common Grackle, Brewers Blackbird, Great-tail Grackle, Brown Headed Cow Bird, European Starlings, Rock Dove, American Crow and Fish Crows damaging agricultural crops or personal property may be taken in accordance with both 50 CFR 21.43 and Code 14.01.
- E. Nuisance migratory birds taken in compliance with a permit issued by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service or in compliance with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service regulations.
- F. Bats that have bitten or otherwise potentially exposed a human, pet or

As of June 8, 2022 livestock to rabies may be killed provided that they are submitted to the Arkansas Department of Health for rabies testing.

PENALTY: Class 1

05.11 Hunting Prohibited In State AndNational Parks

It is unlawful to hunt wildlife or possess any killing device in any state or national park in Arkansas.

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. Buffalo National River WMA during an open season.
- B. During specified hunting seasons and in designated hunting areas on Hobbs State Park-Conservation Area.
- C. Shooting ranges on Hobbs State Park-Conservation Area and Ozark Folk Center, in compliance with rules posted at each location.
- D. In compliance with Code <u>05.19</u>.

PENALTY: Class 1

05.12 Loaded Firearms In Corps Recreation Areas Prohibited

It is unlawful to possess loaded firearms on U.S. Army Corps of Engineers recreation or publicuse areas where posted.

PENALTY: Class 1

05.13 Waterfowl Hunting Restrictions On Lake Catherine And Lake Hamilton

It is unlawful to hunt migratory waterfowl from a watercraft or other floating device on Lake Catherine in Garland and Hot Spring counties, or Lake Hamilton in Garland County. It also is unlawful to hunt migratory waterfowl within 1,000 feet of any residence, dwelling or occupied structure on Lake Catherine or Lake Hamilton

05.14 Transportation Or Control Of Illegally Taken Wildlife Prohibited

It is unlawful to import, export, transport, sell, receive, acquire or purchase in Arkansas commerce any wildlife, or parts thereof, taken, possessed, transported or sold in violation of any state or federal law or regulation.

PENALTY: Class 1

05.15 Hunting Near A Residence Prohibited

It is unlawful to hunt wildlife with a killing device within 150 yards (or 50 yards using archery tackle) of a residence or building devoted to human occupancy without written permission from the owner or occupant.

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. Persons lawfully protecting themselves, others or property (Code <u>05.10</u>).
- B. Hunting on WMAs, provided no buffer zone restricting hunting has been established and posted by signs.
- C. Hunters lawfully present through ownership or lease agreement.

PENALTY: Class 1

05.16 Hunting From A Moving, Motorized Land Vehicle Prohibited

It is unlawful to hunt, drive, herd, or harass wildlife from or with a moving, motorized land vehicle.

EXCEPTION: In compliance with Code 09.15and Addendum F1.07.

05.17 Alligator, Bear, Deer, And Turkey Tagging Requirements

- A. All licensed hunters, including youth, 65+ lifetime hunting license holders, disability hunting license holders, holders of any permanent license issued by the Commission and those hunting under the Reciprocal Hunting License Agreement must check their harvest or legibly fill out (in ink) a game tag provided in the current Commission guidebook, or use a piece of paper to make a tag and legibly print (in ink) the hunter's name, date, WMA or zone number, and time of harvest. The tag must be securely fastened to the antler or ear of a deer or to the leg of a turkey. A harvested alligator, deer, bear, or turkey does not need to be tagged when proof of checking is immediately available. SPECIAL NOTE: Harvest information reflecting the name, address, species, sex, date taken and check confirmation number must remain with all portions until reaching the point of final storage.
- B. Immediately after harvesting a bear and before moving it, each hunter must check the bear online or by phone; or each hunter must legibly fill out (in ink) a game tag provided in the current Arkansas Hunting Guidebook, or use a piece of paper to make a tag, and legibly print (in ink) the hunter's name, date, WMA or zone number, and time of harvest. The tag must be securely fastened to the leg or ear of the bear.
- C. Immediately after harvesting an alligator and before moving it, each hunter must call the AGFC Radio Dispatch to notify of harvest. Legibly fill out (in ink) a temporary game tag provided in the current Arkansas Hunting Guidebook, or use a piece of paper to make a tag, and legibly print (in ink) the hunter's name, date, alligator management zone number. and time of harvest and check harvest by one fo the approved checking methods. The USFWS CITES tag will be mailed to successful hunters upon verification of online checking. The CITES tag is to be affixed to the alligator approximately 6 inches from the tip of the tail by the hunter.

As of June 8, 2022 D. RESERVED. E. Immediately after harvesting a bonus deer allowed under the Deer Management Assistance Program Management tags, Private Land CWD Management Tags, or special Urban Deer Hunt tags, each hunter must physically tag the deer with the special AGFC-issued program tag before moving the deer. Immediate proof of checking does not exempt these deer from being tagged.

05.18 Big Game Checking Requirements

- A. All alligator, deer, turkey, bear, or elk shall be checked before leaving the state or being gifted to another and within 12 hours in which it was harvested (reduced to possession) by 1 of the approved checking methods listed below. A harvested animal may be field dressed and or guartered to aid in removal from the field but the head must remain in close proximity (arms's length) of all 4 quarters until checked. Otherwise, evidence the harvest is legal (antlers, turkey beard, etc.) must remain attached until checked and the check confirmation number acquired. Documentation of the confirmation number must accompany each harvest while afield at a processing facility, taxidermist or until the harvest reaches the point of final storage.
- B. All alligator shall be checked and CITES tag attached before leaving the state or being gifted to another. All alligator must be checked within 12 hours in which it was harvested.
- C. Hunters are required to submit a premolar from the harvested bear to the Wildlife Management Division within 7 days of receiving the premolar packet from AGFC.
- D. Youth are required to obtain a CID number prior to checking big game.

Wildlife Checking Methods:

- Internet: Deer, bear, elk, alligator or turkey checking online website or mobile application.
 - Elk Only: Hunters must check each elk online before the end of the calendar day in which it was harvested and present the elk's head to an AGFC employee. During this process, hunters are required to allow the collection of viable samples from the head for Chronic Wasting Disease testing.
 - Bear Only: Hunters must check each bear online within 12 hours of harvest. Hunters are required to submit a

As of June 8, 2022 premolar from the harvested bear to the Wildlife Management Division within 7 days of receiving the premolar packet from AGFC.

- Alligator Only: Hunters must check each alligator online within 12 hours of harvest. The USFWS CITES tag will be mailed to successful hunters upon verification of online checking. The CITES tag is to be affixed to the alligator approximately 6 inches from the tip of the tail by the hunter.
- Phone: The designated deer, turkey toll-free checking number.

PENALTY: Class 2

05.19 Possession Of Handguns Restricted On Commission Property Or While Hunting, Fishing, Or Trapping On Private Property

It is unlawful to possess a handgun (as defined in Ark. Code Ann. § 5-73-120) on Commission-owned or controlled property or while hunting, fishing or trapping on such property unless:

- A. The handgun is:
 - 1. For personal protection and is not employed for hunting; or
 - 2. A legal killing device under Commission regulations (Codes 06.02, 06.03, 06.06, 06.07, 06.10, 06.11, 08.06, 20.02); and
- B. The handgun is otherwise lawfully possessed.

05.20 Hunter Orange/Safety Green Clothing Requirements

It is unlawful to hunt wildlife, or to accompany or assist anyone in hunting wildlife, in zones open to firearm deer, bear or elk seasons without:

- A. Wearing an outer garment, above the waistline, of daylight fluorescent blaze orange within the color range of 595-605 nanometers (hunter orange) or fluorescent chartreuse within the color range of 555-565 nanometers (hunter safety green) totaling at least 400 square inches, and a hunter orange or hunter safety green hat must be worn on the head and visible.
- B. Displaying fluorescent blaze orange (hunter orange) or fluorescent chartreuse (hunter safety green) totaling at least 144 square inches on each visible side and a minimum of 3 feet above the ground on each side of a portable, pop-up type ground blinds used on public land.

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. While migratory bird hunting.
- B. While hunting raccoon, opossum or bobcat at night.

05.21 Wasting Edible Or Marketable Portions Of Wildlife Prohibited

It is unlawful to allow the edible portions (Code 01.00-C) of any big game, small game (except furbearers), game fish, game bird, or frog normally consumed as food to go to waste. It also is unlawful to discard any portion of furbearers or other wildlife that has a legal marketable or commercial value.

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. Bobcats, coyotes, crows, opossum, raccoons and skunks.
- B. Legally taken squirrel pelts, rabbit pelts, turkey bones, deer antlers, elk antlers, deer hides, elk hides and feathers not protected by federal regulation (50 CFR 20.1).
- C. Nuisance wildlife (Codes <u>05.10</u>, <u>05.28</u> and Addendum <u>G1.01</u>).
- D. All rough fish (Code 01.00-C).

PENALTY: Class 2

05.22 Requirements To Possess Another's Wildlife

It is unlawful to possess wildlife, or parts of wildlife, harvested by another person unless accompanied by written and signed information stating the name, address, number, species, date harvested, and hunting or fishing license number of person transferring the wildlife.

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. A driver's license number with state of origin may be substituted for the hunting license number.
- B. A youth hunter may substitute his hunter safety card number or date of birth for a hunting license number.
- C. An AGFC customer identification number may be substituted for the hunting license number.
- D. Legally taken squirrel pelts, rabbit pelts, turkey bones, deer antlers, elk antlers, deer hides, elk hides, and feathers not protected by 50CFR20.

05.23 Shipping Wildlife Requirements

It is unlawful to ship or mail any wildlife from Arkansas without displaying on the package the name and address of shipper and the number of each species.

PENALTY: Class 1

05.24 Wildlife Records Requirements For Deer Camps, Commercial Facilities And Taxidermists Receiving, Processing Or Storing Wildlife

It is unlawful for any deer camp, commercial butcher, commercial slaughterhouse, commercial meat processor, commercial cold storage facility, or taxidermist to receive, process, store, or possess any wildlife or parts of wildlife without maintaining legible records with name, address, number, species, date harvested, game check number (as applies to big game), and hunting license or AGFC customer identification number of person transferring game (Code 05.22). Each record shall be maintained for one year from the date wildlife is harvested and made available for inspection upon request by a Commission employee.

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. Migratory bird preservation facilities meeting those standards as defined in 50 CFR 20, Subparts B and I.
- B. Aquatic wildlife.

05.25 Littering Prohibited

- A. It is unlawful to drop, discard or otherwise dispose of litter on any property owned, leased or managed by the Commission, or into any body of waters of the state including any waters owned, leased, or managed by the Commission.
- B. It is unlawful to discard any game animal carcass within 50 yards of any public recreation area, centerline of any public road.
- C. It is unlawful to discard any game animal carcass onto the property of another without permission.

PENALTIES:

Class 1

Class 3: Littering involving hazardous material, household appliances, electronics, tires, large amounts of any garbage, or bags of trash in an amount exceeding 10 pounds or 15 cubic feet.

05.26 Importation Of Cervid Carcasses, Parts, And Products Prohibited

- A. It is unlawful to import, transport, or possess in Arkansas any portion of a cervid carcass originating from any area outside the boundaries of Arkansas.
- B. It also is unlawful to transport or possess outside the CWD Management Zone (Addendum<u>E1.12</u>) any portion of a cervid carcass originating from within the CWD Management Zone.
- C. It also is unlawful to transport or possess outside of a Tier 1 County within the CWD Management Zone (Addendum <u>E1.12</u>) any portion of a cervid carcass originating from within a Tier 1 County. Movement of carcasses within the CWD Management Zone is limited to a tierbased system.

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. Antlers, antlers attached to cleaned skull plates, or cleaned skulls where no tissue is attached to the skull.
- B. Cleaned teeth.
- C. Finished taxidermy and antler products.
- D. Hides and tanned products.
- E. Land located between the Mississippi River levees in neighboring states of Tennessee and Mississippi (Addenda <u>H1.01,H1.03</u>).
- F. Boneless Meat

05.27 Endangered Species Protected

It is unlawful to import, transport, sell, purchase, hunt, harass, or possess any threatened or endangered species of wildlife or parts (including without limitation those species listed under the Federal Endangered Species Act, 50 CFR 17.11, 50 CFR 17.12 and Addendum Chapter P1.00).

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. Legally acquired wildlife held under permit or held by a public zoo or museum, wildlife taken legally outside the state, or articles manufactured before Jan. 1, 1973.
- B. In compliance with Codes <u>05.01</u>, <u>09.09</u>, 12.03, and Addendum A1.10.
- C. In compliance with applicable Federal regulations.

05.28 Predator Control Permit Requirement

It is unlawful to take bobcat, coyote, gray fox, red fox, opossum, raccoon, or striped skunk for the purpose of wildlife management on private lands outside of an established hunting or trapping season without obtaining a Predator Control Permit and complying with the terms and provisions of the permit.

- A. Applicant must be the owner, immediate family of owner, lessee or have written permission from landowner or lessee of the land upon which the permit will be used. Property must be outside the limits of any incorporated town. Persons having hunting/trapping privileges revoked are not eligible for a Predator Control Permit.
- B. Permit holders must possess a valid hunting license.
- C. Permits are valid from July 1 through June 30.
- D. Permit holders may use firearms day or night to shoot bobcat, coyote, gray fox, opossum, raccoon, red fox, or striped skunk.
- E. Permit holders may use traps in accordance with Codes 17.01, 17.02, and 17.03 to take bobcat, coyote, gray fox, red fox, opossum, raccoon, or striped skunk.

PENALTY: Class 1

05.29 Immediate Disclosure Of Possession Of Concealed Handgun Required

It is unlawful for persons possessing a concealed handgun to fail to immediately disclose such possession to a wildlife officer during the performance of their duties (Code 05.19).

05.30 Interfering With Commission Employees, Operations Or Activities

Prohibited

- A. It is unlawful to knowingly obstruct, impairor hinder the performance of Commission operations, activities, inspections, investigations, or the official duties of any Commission employee.
- B. It is unlawful to falsely identify oneself to a Commission employee engaged in the performance of official duties.
- C. It is unlawful to knowingly employ or threaten to employ physical force against a Commission employee engaged in the performance of official duties.
- D. It is unlawful to interfere, tamper, hinder, or alter any Commission, or Commission designee's property, equipment, trap, structure or approved activity.

PENALTY: Class 1

05.31 Fleeing A Wildlife Officer Prohibited

It is unlawful to flee from a wildlife officer to avoid imminent inspection, detention or arrest. Fleeing a wildlife officer is a separate offense and shall not be considered a lesser included offense.

PENALTIES:

Class 2

Class 3: Fleeing resulting in property damage

Class 4: Fleeing resulting in personal injury or death

Class 5: Fleeing resulting in death

05.32 Aiding, Accompanying Or Abetting Prohibited

It is unlawful to aid, accompany or abet another in the violation of Arkansas Game and Fish Regulations.

PENALTIES:

Class 1

Class 2: While guiding

05.33 Hunting Or Fishing While Rights Are Suspended Or Revoked Prohibited

It is unlawful to hunt or trap while hunting rights are suspended or revoked, or to fish while fishing rights are suspended or revoked.

PENALTY: Class 4

05.34 Suspension Of Commercial Wildlife Permit Rights

It is unlawful to hunt, possess, buy, sell, acquire or dispose of, in any manner, wildlife for commercial purposes, or otherwise exercise the rights of the commercial wildlife permit while those rights are suspended.

05.35 Hunting, Fishing, Trapping, Releasing Hunting Dogs Or Pursuing Wildlife With Dogs Without Landowner/Lessee Permission Prohibited

- A. It is unlawful to hunt, fish, trap wildlife, release hunting dogs, or pursue wildlife with dogs, or retrieve harvested game upon the private property of another without having first obtained permission from an owner or lessee of the property.
- B. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (A), it is unlawful for any person to hunt, fish, trap wildlife, release hunting dogs or pursue wildlife with dogs, upon the private property of another without carrying written permission from an owner or lessee of the property if the property is lawfully posted or fenced in compliance with one of the methods provided in Ark. Code Ann. §§ 18-11-404-405. The written permission must include the name of the person permitted upon the property, the signature and telephone number of the landowner or lessee, and the beginning and ending dates of the permission period.

EXCEPTION: Written permission is not required under subsection (B) if the person hunting, fishing or trapping wildlife is the spouse, parent, child, sibling, uncle, aunt, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, niece, nephew, grandchild, or grandparent of the owner or lessee of the private property and has actual permission of the owner or lessee.

05.36 Hunting/Fishing Endangerment Prohibited

It is unlawful to hunt wildlife in such a manner as to endanger the life or property of another person.

PENALTIES:

Class 2

Class 3: Endangerment resulting in property

damage

Class 4: Endangerment resulting in personal

injury

Class 5: Endangerment resulting in death

05.37 Obstruction Of Hunting, Fishing Or Trapping Prohibited

It is unlawful to willfully obstruct or impede the participation of any individual in the lawful activity of hunting, fishing or trapping.

EXCEPTION: Nothing in this regulation shall prohibit a landowner or lessee from exercising his lawful right to prohibit hunting, fishing or trapping on his land or from exercising any other legal right.

PENALTY: Class 1

05.38 Failure To Report A Hunting Or Trapping Related Incident

It is unlawful for persons to fail to immediately report a hunting or trapping related incident involving personal injury above basic first aid treatment to the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission so an investigation may be conducted.

EXCEPTION: Where the incident involves only 1 individual and they are admitted to the hospital and incapacitated for any length of timethe incident shouldthen be reported as soon as possible.

05.39 Violation Of Commission Regulations While Accompanying A Youth Prohibited

It is unlawful for a person 21 years of age or older to violate Commission regulations while accompanying a person under 16 years of age.

PENALTY: Class 1

05.40 Use Of Natural Deer Urine Or Other Bio Fluids Prohibited

Effective January 1, 2017, it is unlawful, while hunting, taking or attempting to take, attractingor scouting any wildlife in Arkansas, to possess or use any substance or material that contains or purports to contain biofluid from a deer or other cervid, including feces, urine, blood, gland oil, or bodily fluid.