

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 All laws, rules, regulations, or orders in conflict with the regulations in this Code Book are hereby repealed by the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission.

34.09 Taking Or Possession Of Alligator Snapping Turtles Prohibited

It is unlawful to kill, take, attempt to take, or possess alligator snapping turtles, their eggs, or other parts from the wild.

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. A legally-acquired alligator snapping turtle may be possessed for display and educational purposes by written authorization approved by the Commission. Such authorizations specifically do not allow for the propagation, sale, or exchange of these turtles in any form without written authorization from the Commission.
- B. In compliance with Code [34.11](#).
- C. Fish farmers for immediate relocation and release of alligator snapping turtles removed from their permitted facilities.

PENALTY: Class 3