



§141. Training of dogs during closed season; taking of certain pen-raised birds for the purposes of field trials and hunting dog training

A. It shall be legal for hunters, dog trainers, or dog handlers to train their dogs, any breed or species, during the closed season. During such training sessions, said trainer or handler may carry handguns and may discharge only blank ammunition, but cannot take or kill game quadrupeds or game birds of any type or kind, except raccoons. This Section shall not apply in any manner to raccoon hunters who may pursue their sport at any time, nor to persons taking pen-raised quail or pen-raised mallards under the provisions of Subsections B and C hereof.

B. The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is hereby empowered to authorize by permit the taking of pen-raised quail or pen-raised mallards during other than the open season for hunting for the purpose of field trials, upon application of any recognized field trial association. In order to obtain a permit to take pen-raised quail or pen-raised mallards as authorized by the provisions of this Subsection, applicants therefor must be recognized field trial associations. Applicants shall apply to the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries for the permit and the department may then issue the permit subject to rules and regulations as it may deem necessary to protect the wildlife of the state.

C. The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is hereby empowered to authorize by permit the taking of pen-raised quail or pen-raised mallards during other than the open season for hunting for the purpose of training hunting dogs. Applicants shall apply to the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries for the permit and the department may then issue the permit subject to rules and regulations as it may deem necessary to protect the wildlife of the state.

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