TITLE 17: CONSERVATION CHAPTER I: DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES SUBCHAPTER b: FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES

PART 630

DISEASE FREE CERTIFICATION AND QUARANTINE PROVISIONS FOR PROPAGATION, RELEASE, IMPORTATION, EXPORTATION AND TRANSPORTATION OF GAME MAMMALS, GAME BIRDS OR EXOTIC WILDLIFE

Section:

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AUTHORITY: Implementing and authorized by Sections 1.10, 3.23, 3.25, 3.27, 3.34, and 3.36 of The Wildlife Code [520 ILCS 5/1.10, 3.23, 3.25, 3.27, 3.34 and 3.36].

SOURCE: Emergency rule at 5 Ill. Reg. 261, effective December 19, 1980 for a maximum of 150 days; adopted and codified at 5 Ill. Reg. 13218; effective November 16, 1981; recodified by changing the agency name from Department of Conservation to Department of Natural Resources at 20 Ill. Reg. 9389.

Section 630.10 Disease free certification

Before any person may propagate, release, import, export or transport any game mammals, game birds, migratory birds or exotic wildlife species protected by or covered by the Wildlife Code of Illinois, they shall provide the Department upon request with evidence that such animals have been inspected and certified disease free by a qualified person approved by the Director of the Department. A qualified person may be a licensed veterinarian or a person determined by the Department to have expertise in the diagnosis of the suspected disease.

Section 630.20 Quarantine

a) Upon reasonable suspicion of any animal disease infecting a certain geographical area or a certain herd or group of animals or birds that could endanger the resident or migratory wildlife of Illinois being contained in animals covered by this Order, the Department will require an inspection of the operation to collect evidence for analysis by a licensed veterinarian or any other qualified person trained in disease

identification approved by the Director of the Department.

- b) Based on a tentative finding of disease infestation, the Department shall provide notice to the affected parties outlining the finding of the inspection, including, if necessary, the mandatory suspension of all shipments or release of animals, and the quarantine of the infected animals until further notice.
- c) Quarantine shall consist of an area, pen, cage, or veterinarian facility approved by the Department and alllowing for the observation and inspection of the animals as required by the Department and isolating the animals from contact with other animal species.

Section 630.30 Hearing

- a) Within 10 days of the original notice the affected parties may, in writing, petition the Department to conduct a hearing on the merits of the case and provide an opportunity for presentation of additional relative information.
- b) The Department shall evaluate the testimony provided at the hearing and shall issue a notice of its findings to the affected parties.
- c) Hearing procedures will be in accord with Part 2530.

Section 630.40 Remedial Actions

- a) Upon positive identification of the disease and completion of any requested hearing, the Department will:
 - 1) Request any records necessary to locate previously shipped diseased animals.
 - 2) Develop in cooperation with the affected parties reasonable remedial measures to alleviate the diseased problem.
- b) The affected parties shall implement the measures prescribed by the Department for treatment of the diseased animals.
- c) The imposed quarantine may be lifted upon filing a disease free certification by a licensed veterinarian or any other qualified person trained in disease identification approved by the Director of the Department.

Section 630.50 Penalty

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Any person violating the provisions of this Rule shall, upon conviction, be subject to statutory penalties as prescribed by Section 3.5 of Wildlife Code.