NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT (EXCERPT) Act 451 of 1994

324,40102 Definitions: A to F.

Sec. 40102. (1) "Animals" means wild birds and wild mammals.

- (2) "Bag limit" means the number of animals that may be taken and possessed as determined by the department.
- (3) "Bow" means a device for propelling an arrow from a string drawn, held, and released by hand where the force used to hold the string in the drawn position is provided by the archer's muscles.
- (4) "Buy" or "sell" means an exchange or attempt or offer to exchange for money, barter, or anything of value.
 - (5) "Chase" means to follow animals with dogs or other wild or domestic animals trained for that purpose.
- (6) "Cormorant damage" means adverse impacts of double-crested cormorants on fish, fish hatchery stock, wildlife, plants, and their habitats and on man-made structures.
- (7) "Cormorant depredation order" means the depredation order for double-crested cormorants to protect public resources, 50 CFR 21.48, issued by the United States Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service.
- (8) "Crossbow" means a weapon consisting of a bow mounted transversely on a stock or frame and designed to fire an arrow, bolt, or quarrel by the release of a bow string that is controlled by a mechanical or electric trigger and has a working safety and a draw weight of 100 pounds or greater.
- (9) "Deer or elk feeding" means the depositing, distributing, or tending of feed in an area frequented by wild, free-ranging white-tailed deer or elk. Deer or elk feeding does not include any of the following:
- (a) Feeding wild birds or other wildlife if done in such a manner as to exclude wild, free-ranging white-tailed deer and elk from gaining access to the feed.
 - (b) The scattering of feed solely as the result of normal logging practices or normal agricultural practices.
 - (c) The storage or use of feed for agricultural purposes if 1 or more of the following apply:
 - (i) The area is occupied by livestock actively consuming the feed on a daily basis.
 - (ii) The feed is covered to deter wild, free-ranging white-tailed deer or elk from gaining access to the feed.
 - (iii) The feed is in a storage facility that is consistent with normal agricultural practices.
 - (d) Baiting to take game as provided by an order of the commission under section 40113a.
- (10) "Disability" means a determinable physical characteristic of an individual that may result from disease, injury, congenital condition of birth, or functional disorder.
- (11) "Feed" means a substance composed of grain, mineral, salt, fruit, vegetable, hay, or any other food material or combination of these materials, whether natural or manufactured, that may attract white-tailed deer or elk. Feed does not include any of the following:
 - (a) Plantings for wildlife.
 - (b) Standing farm crops under normal agricultural practices.
 - (c) Agricultural commodities scattered solely as the result of normal agricultural practices.
- (12) "Firearm" means any weapon which will, is designed to, or may readily be converted to expel a projectile by action of an explosive. A pneumatic gun, as defined in section 1 of 1990 PA 319, MCL 123.1101, other than a paintball gun that expels by pneumatic pressure plastic balls filled with paint for the purpose of marking the point of impact, is also considered a firearm for the purpose of this act.

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