
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY AUMENT, CUTLER, EVANKOVICH, KORTZ, LUCAS, MOUL,
MULLERY AND DENLINGER, JANUARY 23, 2013

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, JANUARY 23, 2013

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, further providing for regulated hunting grounds
3 permits.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 2928(a), (f), (g) and (h) of Title 34 of
7 the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:

8 § 2928. Regulated hunting grounds permits.

9 (a) Eligibility.--Regulated hunting grounds require a
10 minimum of 100 acres of land, or land and water combined, on
11 which the permittee must release one of the following species of
12 domestically produced game birds: namely, ringneck pheasants,
13 bobwhite quail or mallard ducks. Any of the listed species and
14 chukar partridges may be released only if they are listed on the
15 permit application and propagated by the permittee or received
16 from a legal source.[At least 100 of each species listed on the
17 permit shall be released.]

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1 (f) Tagging killed birds.--[Before] Except for chukar
2 partridges, before any released bird killed under the provisions
3 of a regulated hunting grounds permit is consumed on the
4 premises or removed from the premises, the permittee shall
5 attach a tag to one leg of each bird killed. The tags shall be
6 numbered consecutively and supplied by the commission at
7 reasonable cost and shall contain such information as the
8 commission may require. [No game bird killed on a regulated
9 hunting ground shall have the right foot removed until a
10 regulated hunting ground tag for the current season is attached
11 to the bird.] The tags shall remain attached to the individual
12 birds until prepared for consumption and shall not be used more
13 than once.

14 (g) Dog training and trials.--Dogs may be trained or field
15 trials may be held at any time of the year upon the premises
16 covered by a regulated hunting grounds permit, and retriever
17 trials may be conducted thereon. All game birds killed shall be
18 included in the reported kill. Except during the open season for
19 shooting, no game birds or chukar partridges shall be killed
20 while training dogs or conducting field trials on commercial
21 regulated hunting grounds. The special permit required in this
22 title shall first be obtained to conduct a retriever trial
23 thereon at any other period.

24 (h) Unlawful acts.--It is unlawful to:

25 (1) Remove from or consume on the premises covered by a
26 regulated hunting grounds permit pheasants, bobwhite quail or
27 mallard ducks killed in accordance with the provisions of
28 this section which have not been tagged as required by this
29 section.

30 (2) Violate any of the provisions of this chapter

1 regarding marking and tagging of birds.

2 (3) Use any methods to hunt for, chase or kill birds on
3 a regulated hunting ground which are not specifically
4 permitted by this title.

5 (4) Trap any game bird or have any trap set that is
6 capable of taking a game bird alive on any regulated hunting
7 grounds unless authorized by this title.

8 [(5) Hunt for or take any game on a three-day hunting
9 license other than permitted by subsection (d).]

10 (6) Violate any of the other provisions of this section.

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12 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.