

Wildlife Control Operators

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Presentation Outline

- Background
- Overview of Rules
- Summary Reports



OAR 635-435-0015



■ Permit Required:

- If you charge a fee
- Control of bats, furbearers, unprotected mammals, Western gray squirrel
- Causing: damage, public nuisance, public health or safety
- Transport of live animals

■ Permit not Required

- Onsite capture and euthanasia “predatory animal species”

OAR 635-435-0000

“Purpose”

- Clarify the requirements and restrictions for wildlife control activities, especially in incorporated city limits and associated urban development while promoting sound wildlife management; and
- Provide a means for agent to act on the behalf of a landowner or occupant to remove wildlife causing damage, posing a public health threat or creating a public nuisance

OAR 635-435-0005

“Definitions”

- Agent
- Damage
- Department
- Furbearers
- Notification
- Public Nuisance
- Unprotected mammals



OAR 635-435-0010

“Permit Required to Capture, Possess or Transport Wildlife”

■ Permit allows WCO to:

- Capture
- Possess
- Transport
- Relocate



OAR 635-435-0010 (continued)

- **Humanely euthanize**
- **Allowed to relocate:**
 - **Western Gray Squirrel**
 - **Marten**
 - **Fisher**
 - **Snakes**
 - **Badger, with prior approval**
 - **Beaver, with prior approval**



OAR 635-435-0010 (continued)

- “Bats” a Permit is required to conduct all WCO activities!



OAR 635-435-0015

“Requirements for WCO Permit”

■ WCO

- Application fee \$62.50
- Pass the WCO test (fee \$25)
- Permit valid for 2 calendar years
- Monthly Activate Report

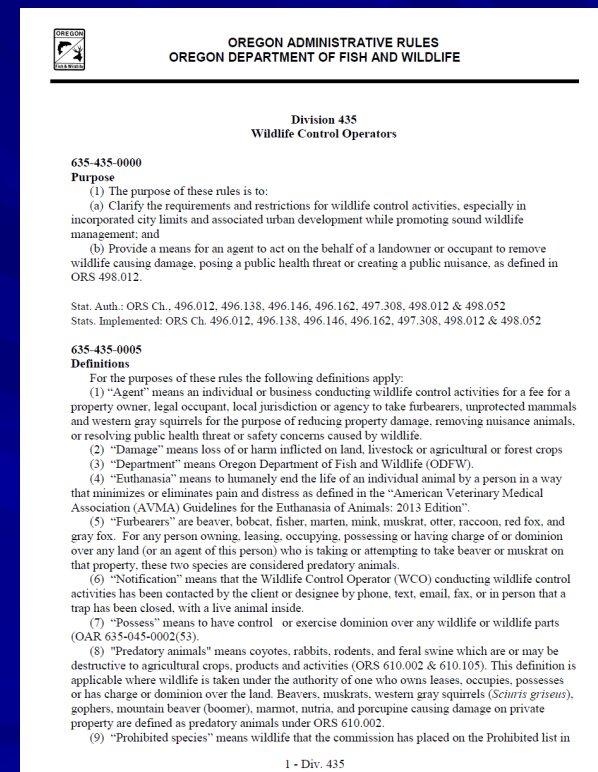
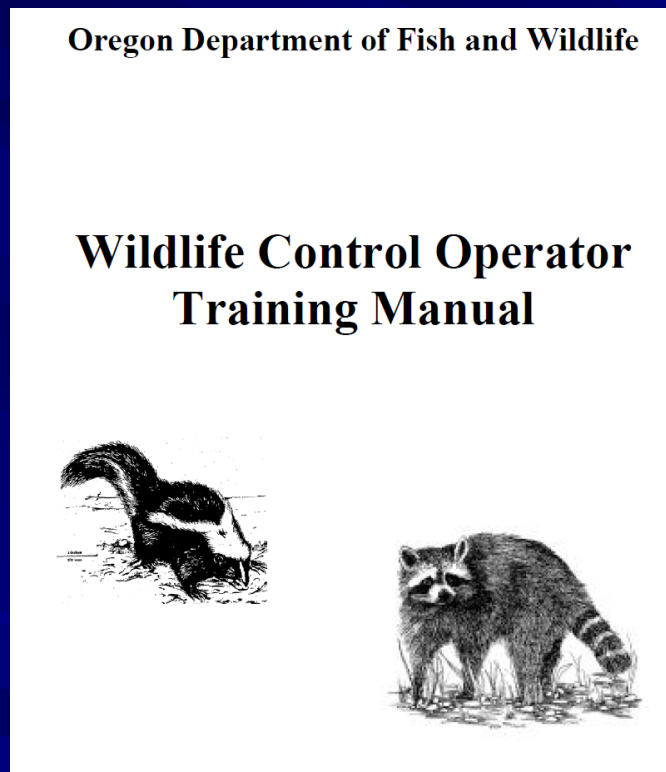
■ Renew

- 12 Continuing Educ credits or re-take WCO test
- Failure to renew – Re-take WCO test (\$25)



OAR 635-435-0015 (continued)

- \$25 fee to take WCO test
- All field personnel must pass WCO test



http://www.dfw.state.or.us/wildlife/license_permits_apps/docs/WCO_Training_Manual.pdf

<http://dfw.state.or.us/OARs/435.pdf>

OAR 635-435-0025

“Disposition of Wildlife”

- Live animal trap check - 48 hrs
- OARs define who can inspect traps and remove wildlife



OAR 635-435-0025 (continued)

- 24 hrs. after notification:
 - Humanely euthanize
 - Release animal on site
 - Relocate with prior approval
 - Use to lure neonate (72 hrs)



ORS 635-435-0040

“Transportation of Wildlife”

- **WCO Permit required to transport all live animals**
- **Humane care and safety**



ORS 635-435-0050

“Trap Tampering Prohibited”

- Legibly marked or branded
- Person needs your authority to remove wildlife



OAR 635-435-0055

“Record Keeping and Reporting Requirements”

- Requires a signed affidavit of damage prior to any WCO activity**



OAR 635-435-0060

“Cancellation or Non-Renewal of Permit”

- Failure to comply: Reports, record keeping or other requirements
- Convicted of a wildlife violation



Annual Reports

(Number of animals trapped)

Species	2018	2019	2020
Striped Skunk	1,190	1,035	1332
Eastern Gray Squirrel	1,003	1,172	950
Raccoon	657	740	711
Nutria	545	719	700
Ground Squirrel	521	404	699
Opossum	451	525	510
Fox Squirrel	266	281	316
Beaver	169	127	95
Badger	1	0	3
Bats	7	69	30
Bobcat	2	0	0
Chipmunk	32	10	22
Coyote	9	13	5
Gray Fox	8	6	12
Red Fox	0	5	0
Marten	3	0	24
Mink	4	5	3
Mountain Beaver	15	1	0
Muskrat	33	30	39
Porcupine	0	1	0
River Otter	13	2	10
Snake	3	0	0
Spotted Skunk	0	1	0
Tree Squirrel	83	50	75
Western Gray Squirrel	66	13	16
Yellow-bellied Marmot	58	25	96
Totals	5,139	5,234	5,648

Annual Reports

(Number of animals trapped)

WCO Reported Beaver Trapping				
County	2018	2019	2020	Avg
Tillamook	56	8	10	24.7
Clackamas	13	29	29	23.7
Marion	22	14	9	15.0
Clatsop	11	21	0	10.7
Douglas	13	2	12	9.0
Multnomah	14	12	1	9.0
Coos	2	15	3	6.7
Lane	8	9	2	6.3
Linn	2	5	10	5.7
Washington	7	1	9	5.7
Yamhill	6	4	3	4.3
Benton	0	7	3	3.3
Columbia	6	0	1	2.3
Klamath	6	0	0	2.0
Josephine	3	0	1	1.3
Jackson	0	0	2	0.7
Total	169	127	95	111.7

Questions?

