

**WAC 220-420-240 Hacking of falconry raptors.** (1) Hacking is an approved method for falconers and propagators to condition raptors for falconry, rehabilitation, for return to the wild, or in preparation for sale of a captive-bred raptor. A general falconer or a master falconer may hack falconry raptors.

(2) Any raptor a falconer intends to hack with intent to continue to possess for recreational falconry counts against his/her permitted possession limit.

(3) Any hybrid a falconer hacks must have two attached functioning radio transmitters during hacking.

(4) A falconer may not hack a falconry raptor near a nesting area of a state or federally threatened or endangered animal species or in any other location where the raptor is likely to harm a state or federally listed threatened or endangered animal species that might be disturbed or taken by a falconry raptor being hacked.

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