

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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