

AMENDED TRANSMITTAL OF RULES ADOPTED

FROM: DEPARTMENT OF GAME  
(Name of Agency)

TO: CODE REVISER  
LEGISLATIVE BLDG (Southwest Corner, Ground Floor)  
Olympia 98501

WAC 232-12-040  
WAC 232-12-550

The enclosed Permanent rules  , being order No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Emergency rules   
relating to (Name of rules or description of subject matter)

1. Classification of wild animals.
2. Collection of Rock-hound materials from Department lands.

(ALTERNATIVE A. Use only for adoption of permanent rules)

pursuant to Notice No. 2007 <sup>①</sup> filed with the code reviser  
 on Mar. 10, 1968 <sup>②</sup> were regularly adopted as permanent rules of this  
 (date)  
 agency at Olympia, Washington on April 1, 1968 and are herewith  
 (place) (date)  
 filed in the office of the code reviser pursuant to chapter 34.04  
 RCW. The effective date of such rules shall be June 20, 1968 <sup>③</sup>

(ALTERNATIVE B. Use only for adoption of emergency rules)

pursuant to its finding that the immediate adoption of  
 these rules is necessary for the preservation of the public  
 health, safety, or general welfare and that observance of the  
 requirements of notice and opportunity to present views on  
 the proposed action would be contrary to the public interest,  
 were regularly adopted as emergency rules of this agency at  
 \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ and are herewith filed in  
 (place) (date)  
 the office of the code reviser pursuant to chapter 34.04 RCW.

Dated this 7th day of June 1968.

STATE OF WASHINGTON  
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DEPARTMENT OF GAME  
 (AGENCY)  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 By \_\_\_\_\_  
 Assistant Attorney General  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title

- ① NOTICE NUMBER AS APPEARS ON THE COPY OF NOTICE RETURNED TO YOU BY REVISER'S OFFICE (IF PROCEEDINGS WERE CONTINUED, USE NO. OF LAST NOTICE)
- ② STAMPED DATE AS APPEARS ON THE COPY OF NOTICE RETURNED TO YOU BY REVISER'S OFFICE (IF PROCEEDINGS WERE CONTINUED, USE DATE OF LAST NOTICE)
- ③ UNLESS A LATER DATE IS SPECIFIED IN THIS ORDER OR IS PRESCRIBED IN ANOTHER STATUTE, RULES ARE EFFECTIVE 30 DAYS AFTER FILING: RCW 34.04.040. LEAVE THIS SPACE BLANK EXCEPT IN SUCH SPECIAL CASES.

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WAC 232-12-040 - CLASSIFICATION OF WILD ANIMALS

Certain wild animals are hereby classified as game animals and fur-bearing animals.

(1) Game animals shall include deer of the genus ODOCOILEUS, commonly known as whitetail, blacktail and mule deer; elk; antelope; mountain sheep; mountain goat; moose; caribou; gray squirrel; hoary or whistling marmot; cottontail rabbit; snowshoe rabbit; bull frog; bear, except bear taken in Clallam, Grays Harbor, Jefferson, Kitsap and Mason Counties shall not be deemed game animals. Cougar are game animals PROVIDED; that any person taking a cougar shall not be subject to the provisions of RCW 77.16.090 (Wastage Law). Domestically raised reindeer shall not be construed as game animals.

(2) Fur-bearing animals shall include beaver, fisher, marten, mink, muskrat, otter, Canada lynx, wolverine and sea otter (ENHYDRA LUTRIS).

WAC 232-12-550 - COLLECTION OF ROCK HOUND MATERIALS FROM DEPARTMENT LANDS -  
RESTRICTIONS

(1) For the preservation of areas having scientific and historic values, it shall be unlawful for any person to engage in rock hounding, digging, excavating, collection or removal of petrified wood, rock hound materials and artifacts in the following described land in Kittitas County: All of Sections 1, 11, 14 and 15 and that part of Section 22 lying north of the Vantage-Ellensburg Highway in Township 17 North, Range 22 E.W.M.

(2) The Director is authorized to close additional areas for the preservation of scientific and historical values.

(3) Individual collection and removal of rock hound materials, artifacts, and petrified wood on Department of Game controlled land shall be open without charge to non-commercial collection by individuals subject to the following provisions:

(a) Only hand tools may be used for excavation. Use of explosives and power equipment is prohibited.

(b) The maximum amount of any material that may be taken per person is limited to twenty-five (25) pounds per day plus one piece and two hundred fifty (250) pounds per year.

(c) Any person wishing to remove a specimen weighing over two-hundred fifty (250) pounds for display in a museum must obtain a permit from the Director of Game.

*Note: See letter from  
Mike Johnston  
March 2000*