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Fauna is the property of the peoples of the Russian Federation, an integral element of the natural environment and biological diversity of the Earth, a renewable natural

resource, an important regulating and stabilizing component of the biosphere, fully protected and rationally used to meet the spiritual and material needs of the citizens of the Russian Federation.

## CHAPTER I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

### Article 1. Concepts

For the purposes of this Federal Law, the following basic concepts shall be applied:

fauna - a set of living organisms of all species of wild animals permanently or temporarily inhabiting the territory of the Russian Federation and being in a state of natural freedom, as well as related to the natural resources of the continental shelf and the exclusive economic zone of the Russian Federation;

object of the animal world - an organism of animal origin (wild animal); (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

biological diversity of the animal world - the diversity of wildlife objects within one species, between species and in ecological systems;

genetic resources of the animal world - a part of biological resources, including genetic material of animal origin, containing functional units of heredity;

stable existence of the animal world - the existence of objects of the animal world for an indefinitely long time;

use of wildlife objects - study, extraction of wildlife objects or obtaining in other ways benefit from these objects to satisfy material or spiritual needs of a person with or without their removal from the habitat; (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

sustainable use of wildlife - the use of wildlife that does not lead to the depletion of the biological diversity of the animal world in the long term and which preserves the ability of the animal world to reproduce and sustainably exist;

habitat of the animal world - the natural environment in which objects of the animal world live in a state of natural freedom;

protection of wildlife - activities aimed at preserving biological diversity and ensuring the sustainable existence of wildlife, as well as creating conditions for the sustainable use and reproduction of wildlife;

protection of the habitat of the animal world - activities aimed at preserving or restoring the conditions for the sustainable existence and reproduction of wildlife objects;

use of wildlife - legally stipulated activity of citizens, individual entrepreneurs and legal entities on the use of wildlife objects; (As amended by Federal Law of 11.11.2003 No 148-FZ)

wildlife users - citizens, individual entrepreneurs and legal entities who are granted the opportunity to use wildlife by laws and other regulatory legal acts of the Russian Federation and laws and other regulatory legal acts of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation; (As amended by Federal Law of 11.11.2003 No 148-FZ) paragraph; (No longer in force - Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ) paragraph; (No longer in force - Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ) paragraph; (No longer in force - Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ) paragraph. (Supplemented by a paragraph - Federal Law of 31.12.2005 No 199-FZ) (No longer in force - Federal Law of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ)

## Article 2. Objectives of this Federal Law

This Federal Law regulates relations in the field of protection and use of the animal world and its habitat in order to ensure biological diversity, sustainable use of all its components, create conditions for the sustainable existence of the animal world, preserve the genetic fund of wild animals and other protection of the animal world as an integral element of the natural environment. (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

## Article 3. Legal regulation of the protection and use of wildlife and its habitat

The legislation of the Russian Federation in the field of protection and use of wildlife and its habitat is based on the provisions of the Constitution of the Russian Federation, federal laws on environmental protection and consists of this Federal Law, laws and other regulatory legal acts of the Russian Federation adopted in accordance with it, as well as laws and other regulatory legal acts of the subjects of the Russian Federation on the protection and use of wildlife. (As amended by Federal Law of 30.12.2008 No 309-FZ)

The legislation of the Russian Federation on the protection and use of wildlife regulates relations in the field of protection and use of wildlife objects living in conditions of natural freedom. Relations in the field of protection and use of wildlife kept in semi-free conditions or artificially created habitat shall be regulated by this Federal Law, Federal Law No. 209-FZ of July 24, 2009 "On Hunting and Conservation of Hunting Resources and on Amendments to Certain Legislative Acts of the Russian Federation", other federal laws and other regulatory legal acts of the Russian Federation. as well as laws and regulations of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation. (As amended by Federal Law of 18.02.2020 No 26-FZ)

Relations in the field of protection and use of agricultural and other domesticated animals, as well as wild animals kept in captivity, are regulated by other federal laws and other regulatory legal acts of the Russian Federation.

Relations in the field of protection and use of the habitat of wildlife objects shall be regulated by this Federal Law, other laws and regulatory legal acts of the Russian Federation, laws and other regulatory legal acts of the subjects of the Russian Federation.

Relations in the field of protection and use of wildlife objects of the continental shelf and the exclusive economic zone of the Russian Federation shall be regulated by this Federal Law to the extent permitted by federal laws and norms of international law.

Property relations in the field of protection and use of wildlife shall be regulated by civil legislation, unless otherwise provided by this Federal Law, other federal laws and other regulatory legal acts of the Russian Federation.

#### Article 4. The right of state ownership of wildlife

Fauna within the territory of the Russian Federation is state property.

The Russian Federation shall have sovereign rights and exercise jurisdiction on the continental shelf and in the exclusive economic zone of the Russian Federation with respect to wildlife in accordance with the procedure established by this Federal Law, other federal laws and other regulatory legal acts of the Russian Federation, as well as the norms of international law.

Part. (No longer in force - Federal Law of 28.12.2010 No 420-FZ)

Issues of ownership, use, and disposal of wildlife on the territory of the Russian Federation are under the joint jurisdiction of the Russian Federation and the constituent entities of the Russian Federation.

Part. (No longer in force - Federal Law of 28.12.2010 No 420-FZ)

The rules of civil law relating to property, including sale, pledge and other transactions, shall be applied to objects of the animal world to the extent permitted by this Federal Law and other federal laws.

Part. (No longer in force - Federal Law of 28.12.2010 No 420-FZ)

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Relations on possession, use and disposal of wildlife objects shall be regulated by civil legislation to the extent that they are not regulated by this Federal Law.

Wildlife objects removed from their habitat in accordance with the established procedure may be in private, state, municipal or other forms of ownership. Relations on the possession, use and disposal of such animals shall be regulated by the civil legislation of the Russian Federation, this Federal Law, laws and other regulatory legal

acts of the Russian Federation, as well as laws and other regulatory legal acts of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation.

## Article 5. Powers of the State Authorities of the Russian Federation in the Field of Protection and Use of Wildlife

The powers of the state authorities of the Russian Federation in the field of protection and use of wildlife include:

determination of state policy in the field of protection and use of wildlife;

determination of a unified investment policy in the field of protection and use of wildlife;

development and improvement of federal legislation in the field of protection and use of wildlife and their habitat;

coordination of the activities of the state authorities of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation in the field of protection and use of wildlife within the territory of the Russian Federation;

regulation of the use of wildlife, including the establishment of standards in the field of protection, reproduction and use of wildlife; (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

regulation of the number of wildlife objects located in specially protected natural areas of federal significance;

organization and implementation of protection and reproduction of wildlife objects located in specially protected natural areas of federal significance;

implementation of federal state control (supervision) in the field of protection, reproduction and use of wildlife and their habitat in specially protected natural areas; (As amended by Federal Law of 11.06.2021 No 170-FZ)

establishment of the procedure for granting permits for the use of wildlife; (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

paragraph; (No longer in force - Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

granting permits for keeping and breeding wildlife listed in the Red Book of the Russian Federation in semi-free conditions and artificially created habitat, as well as granting permits for keeping and breeding other wildlife objects in semi-free conditions and artificially created habitat in specially protected natural areas of federal significance;

establishment of the procedure for the import into the Russian Federation and export from its borders of wild animals, their parts and products obtained from them, as well as the issuance of permits for the import into the Russian Federation and export from the Russian Federation of such animals, their parts and products obtained from them;

implementation of a unified scientific and technical policy, development and approval of standard regulatory and methodological documentation, organization and financing of fundamental and applied scientific research in the field of protection, reproduction and use of wildlife;

implementation of measures for the reproduction of wildlife objects located in specially protected natural areas of federal significance, and restoration of their habitat disturbed as a result of natural disasters and for other reasons;

maintenance of the Red Book of the Russian Federation;

creation or participation in the creation of specially protected natural territories and water areas in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation;

establishment of the procedure for conducting state monitoring and the state cadastre of wildlife objects; (As amended by Federal Law of 22.12.2020 No 455-FZ)

maintenance of state monitoring and state cadastre of wildlife objects located in specially protected natural areas of federal significance, as well as on other lands in cases provided for by federal laws; (As amended by Federal Law of 22.12.2020 No 455-FZ)

establishment of restrictions on the use of wildlife in specially protected natural areas of federal significance, as well as in cases provided for by Federal Law No. 209-FZ of July 24, 2009 "On Hunting and Conservation of Hunting Resources and on Amendments to Certain Legislative Acts of the Russian Federation", Federal Law No. 166-FZ of December 20, 2004 "On Fishing and Conservation of Aquatic Biological Resources" and other federal laws; (Supplemented by a paragraph - Federal Law of 22.12.2020 No 455-FZ)

establishment of the procedure for state statistical reporting in the field of protection, reproduction and use of wildlife;

protection of the rights, protection of the original habitat and traditional way of life of the indigenous peoples of the Russian Federation and representatives of other ethnic communities in the places of their traditional residence and traditional economic activities in terms of the preservation and sustainable use of wildlife; (As amended by Federal Law of 27.06.2018 No 164-FZ)

resolution of disputes on the protection and use of wildlife between the constituent entities of the Russian Federation;

conclusion and implementation of international treaties of the Russian Federation in the field of protection and use of wildlife;

exercise of other powers in accordance with federal laws.

(Article in the wording of the Federal Law of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ)

## Article 6. Powers of the Russian Federation in the Field of Protection and Use of Wildlife Transferred for Implementation to the State Authorities of the Subject of the Russian Federation

The Russian Federation shall delegate to the state authorities of the Constituent Entity of the Russian Federation the exercise of the following powers in the field of protection and use of wildlife, as well as aquatic biological resources:

organization and implementation of protection and reproduction of wildlife objects, with the exception of wildlife objects located in specially protected natural areas of federal significance, as well as protection of the habitat of these wildlife objects; establishment of the volumes (limits) of withdrawal of wildlife objects, with the exception of wildlife objects located in specially protected natural areas of federal significance, agreed with the federal executive body responsible for the development of state policy and legal regulation in the field of protection and use of wildlife objects and their habitat; (As amended by Federal Laws of 03.12.2008 No 250-FZ; of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

regulation of the number of wildlife objects, with the exception of wildlife objects located in specially protected natural territories of federal significance, in the manner established by the federal executive bodies responsible for the development of state policy and legal regulation in the field of protection and use of wildlife objects and their habitat;

establishment of restrictions on the use of wildlife on the territory of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation, with the exception of restrictions on hunting and fishing, restrictions on the use of wildlife in specially protected natural areas of federal significance, as well as on other lands in cases provided for by federal laws; (As amended by Federal Law of 22.12.2020 No 455-FZ)

maintenance of state monitoring and state cadastre of wildlife objects within the constituent entity of the Russian Federation, with the exception of wildlife objects located in specially protected natural areas of federal significance, as well as on other lands in cases provided for by federal laws, and the state cadastre of wildlife objects listed in the Red Book of the Russian Federation; (As amended by Federal Law of 22.12.2020 No 455-FZ)

issuance of permits for the use of wildlife objects, with the exception of objects located in specially protected natural areas of federal significance, as well as wildlife objects listed in the Red Book of the Russian Federation; (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

issuance of permits for the maintenance and breeding of wildlife, including those classified as hunting resources, in semi-free conditions and artificially created habitat

(with the exception of wildlife objects listed in the Red Book of the Russian Federation), with the exception of permits for the maintenance and breeding of wildlife in semi-free conditions and artificially created habitats located in specially protected natural areas of federal significance; (As amended by Federal Law of 18.02.2020 No 26-FZ)

paragraph; (No longer in force - Federal Law of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ)

paragraph; (No longer in force - Federal Law of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ)

organization and regulation of industrial, amateur fishing, fishing in order to ensure the traditional way of life and traditional economic activities of the indigenous peoples of the North, Siberia and the Far East of the Russian Federation, with the exception of the resources of internal sea waters, the territorial sea, the continental shelf and the exclusive economic zone of the Russian Federation, specially protected natural areas of federal significance, and also aquatic biological resources of inland waters listed in the Red Book of the Russian Federation, anadromous and catadromous fish species, transboundary fish species; provision of fishing sites; (As amended by Federal Laws of 06.12.2007 No 333-FZ, of 03.12.2008 No 250-FZ, of 03.07.2016 No 349-FZ, of 25.12.2018 No 475-FZ)

protection of aquatic biological resources in inland water bodies, with the exception of specially protected natural areas of federal significance and border zones, as well as aquatic biological resources of inland waters listed in the Red Book of the Russian Federation, anadromous and catadromous fish species, transboundary fish species and other aquatic animals, the lists of which are approved by the federal executive body responsible for the development of state policy and legal regulation in the field of protection and use of wildlife and their habitat; (As amended by Federal Law of 03.12.2008 No 250-FZ)

implementation of measures for the reproduction of wildlife objects and restoration of their habitat disturbed as a result of natural disasters and for other reasons, with the exception of wildlife objects and their habitats that are on special protection natural areas of federal significance;

federal state supervision in the field of protection and use of wildlife and their habitat in the territory of the Constituent Entity of the Russian Federation, with the exception of wildlife objects and their habitat located in specially protected natural areas of federal significance located in the territory of the Constituent Entity of the Russian Federation. (As amended by Federal Law of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ)

Funds for the exercise of the powers delegated in accordance with Part 1 of this Article shall be provided in the form of subventions from the federal budget.

The total amount of funds provided in the federal budget in the form of subventions to the budgets of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation for the exercise of the powers delegated in accordance with Part 1 of this Article shall be determined on the



basis of the methodology approved by the Government of the Russian Federation,  
based on: (As amended by Federal Law No. 104-FZ of 07.05.2013)

the area of the habitat of wildlife objects in the territory of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation, with the exception of specially protected natural areas of federal significance;

species composition of wildlife objects, the average number of wildlife objects per unit area or volume of the habitat space of wildlife objects in the territory of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation, with the exception of specially protected natural areas of federal significance;

population in the subject of the Russian Federation.

Federal executive bodies responsible for the development of state policy and legal regulation in the field of protection and use of wildlife and their habitats:

has the right to issue regulatory legal acts on the implementation of the delegated powers, including mandatory methodological instructions and instructional materials; establish requirements for the content, forms of reporting, as well as for the procedure for reporting on the exercise of the delegated powers;

has the right to set target forecast indicators;

paragraph; (No longer in force - Federal Law of 13.07.2015 No 233-FZ)

paragraph; (No longer in force - Federal Law of 13.07.2015 No 233-FZ)

determine the procedure for regulating the number of wildlife objects by the state authorities of the Constituent Entity of the Russian Federation, with the exception of wildlife objects located in specially protected natural areas of federal significance;

submit to the Government of the Russian Federation proposals prepared in accordance with paragraph four of Part Six of this Article on the withdrawal of the delegated powers from the bodies of state power of the subject of the Russian Federation; (As amended by Federal Law of 24.04.2020 No 147-FZ)

exercise control over the legal regulation carried out by the state authorities of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation on the issues of delegated powers, with the right to send binding instructions to repeal the said regulatory legal acts or to amend them; (As amended by Federal Law of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ)

approve, in accordance with the rules established by the Government of the Russian Federation, the procedure for exercising control over the efficiency and quality of the exercise of the relevant delegated powers by the state authorities of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation. (Supplemented by a paragraph - Federal Law of 24.04.2020 No 147-FZ)

Part. (No longer in force - Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

Federal executive bodies exercising federal state supervision in the field of protection, use and reproduction of wildlife and their habitat: (As amended by Federal Law of

18.07.2011 No 242-FZ)

exercise control over the effectiveness and quality of the exercise by the state authorities of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation of the delegated powers with the right to send instructions to eliminate the identified violations, as well as to remove from office and (or) to bring to disciplinary responsibility, including dismissal from office, officials responsible for non-performance or improper performance of the delegated powers; (As amended by Federal Law of 24.04.2020 No 147-FZ)

coordinate the establishment by the state authorities of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation of restrictions on the use of wildlife, with the exception of restrictions on hunting and fishing, restrictions on the use of wildlife in specially protected natural areas of federal significance, as well as on other lands in cases provided for by federal laws; (As amended by Federal Law of 22.12.2020 No 455-FZ) in the event of non-performance or improper performance by the bodies of state power of the subject of the Russian Federation of the delegated powers, as well as in other cases established by federal laws, prepare and submit to the relevant federal executive bodies referred to in Part Four of this Article proposals on the withdrawal of the delegated powers from the bodies of state power of the subject of the Russian Federation. (Supplemented by a paragraph - Federal Law of 24.04.2020 No 147-FZ)

The highest official of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation: (As amended by Federal Law of 08.08.2024 No 232-FZ)

appoint the heads of the executive bodies of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation exercising the delegated powers; (As amended by Federal Laws of 13.07.2015 No 233-FZ, of 08.08.2024 No 232-FZ)

approve the structure of the executive bodies of the Constituent Entity of the Russian Federation exercising the delegated powers; (As amended by Federal Laws of 13.07.2015 No 233-FZ, of 08.08.2024 No 232-FZ)

independently organize activities for the exercise of the delegated powers in accordance with federal laws and other regulatory legal acts of the Russian Federation, as well as regulatory legal acts provided for by Part Four of this Article;

ensures the timely submission to the relevant federal executive bodies of a quarterly report on the expenditure of the subventions provided, on the achievement of target forecast indicators, if any, copies of regulatory legal acts adopted by the state authorities of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation on the exercise of the delegated powers, as well as other documents and information necessary to monitor the efficiency and quality the exercise by the state authorities of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation of the delegated powers. (As amended by Federal Law of 24.04.2020 No 147-FZ)

The funds for the exercise of the powers specified in part one of this article shall be of a targeted nature and may not be used for other purposes.

In the event that the funds are used for purposes other than those intended, the federal executive body exercising the functions of control and supervision in the financial and budgetary sphere shall be entitled to recover the said funds in accordance with the procedure established by the legislation of the Russian Federation.

Control over the expenditure of funds for the exercise of the delegated powers shall be exercised by the federal executive body exercising the functions of control and supervision in the financial and budgetary sphere, by the federal executive bodies exercising the functions of control and supervision in the field of protection, use and reproduction of wildlife and their habitats, and by the Accounts Chamber of the Russian Federation.

The powers of federal executive bodies in the field of wildlife protection and use provided for by this Federal Law may be transferred for implementation to the executive bodies of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation by resolutions of the Government of the Russian Federation in the manner prescribed by Federal Law No. 414-FZ of December 21, 2021 "On the General Principles of the Organization of Public Power in the Constituent Entities of the Russian Federation". (Supplemented in part by Federal Law of 13.07.2015 No 233-FZ) (As amended by Federal Law of 08.08.2024 No 232-FZ)

Heads of federal executive bodies responsible for the development of state policy and legal regulation in the field of protection and use of wildlife and their habitats shall enjoy the rights established by paragraph 7 of part 2 of Article 45 of Federal Law No. 414-FZ of December 21, 2021 "On the General Principles of the Organization of Public Power in the Constituent Entities of the Russian Federation". (Supplemented in part by Federal Law of 24.04.2020 No 147-FZ) (As amended by Federal Law of 08.08.2024 No 232-FZ)

(Article in the wording of the Federal Law of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ)

## Article 61. Powers of the State Authorities of the Constituent Entity of the Russian Federation in the Field of Protection and Use of Wildlife

The powers of the state authorities of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation in the field of protection and use of wildlife include:

adoption of laws and other regulatory legal acts of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation regulating relations in the field of protection and use of wildlife and their habitat, as well as control over their implementation;

paragraph; (No longer in force - Federal Law of 22.12.2020 No 455-FZ)  
development and implementation of regional programs for the protection and reproduction of wildlife and their habitats;  
participation in the implementation of international treaties of the Russian Federation in the field of protection and use of wildlife in the manner agreed with the federal executive bodies fulfilling the obligations of the Russian Federation under these treaties.

(Supplemented by the article - Federal Law of 31.12.2005 No 199-FZ) (As amended by Federal Law of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ)

Article 7.

(The article is no longer in force - Federal Law of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ)

Article 8. Powers of Local Self-Government Bodies in the Field of Protection and Use of Wildlife Objects

Local self-government bodies may be delegated certain state powers in the field of protection and use of wildlife in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation and the legislation of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation with the transfer of material and financial resources necessary for the exercise of these powers. The implementation of the delegated powers is controlled by the state.

Article 9. Participation of Indigenous Peoples of the Russian Federation and Representatives of Other Ethnic Communities in the Protection and Use of Wildlife, Conservation and Restoration of Their Habitat

(Name as amended by Federal Law of 27.06.2018 No 164-FZ)

Persons belonging to the indigenous peoples of the Russian Federation and representatives of other ethnic communities, if their original habitat and traditional way of life are associated with the animal world, along with the general rights of citizens in the field of protection and use of the animal world, preservation and restoration of its habitat, shall be vested with special rights provided for in Articles 48 and 49 of this Federal Law. (As amended by Federal Law of 27.06.2018 No 164-FZ)

Article 10. Participation of citizens and legal entities in the protection and use of wildlife, preservation and restoration of its habitat

Citizens and legal entities, including public associations and religious organizations, participate in the protection and use of wildlife, preservation and restoration of its habitat in the manner prescribed by the legislation of the Russian Federation.

In this regard, citizens and legal entities have the right:

to receive relevant information from the state authorities, unless otherwise provided for by the legislation of the Russian Federation;

conduct public environmental expertise;

to exercise public control;

to carry out measures to protect the fauna and its habitat;

to promote the implementation of relevant state programs.

In the exercise of their powers in the field of protection and use of wildlife and their habitat, state authorities take into account the proposals and recommendations of citizens and legal entities. (As amended by Federal Law of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ)

The participation of international public organizations in the protection and sustainable use of wildlife in the territory of the Russian Federation is regulated by international treaties of the Russian Federation.

## CHAPTER II. STATE MANAGEMENT IN THE FIELD OF PROTECTION AND USE OF WILDLIFE

### Article 11. State Administration in the Field of Protection and Use of Wildlife, Conservation and Restoration of Its Habitat

State management in the field of wildlife protection and use is carried out by the President of the Russian Federation, the Government of the Russian Federation, executive bodies of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation and specially authorized state bodies for the protection, federal state supervision and regulation of the use of wildlife and their habitat. (As amended by Federal Laws of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ, of 08.08.2024 No 232-FZ)

Specially authorized state bodies for the protection, federal state supervision and regulation of the use of wildlife objects and their habitat consist of federal executive bodies exercising powers for the protection, federal state supervision and regulation of the use of wildlife objects and their habitat, as well as from the executive bodies of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation exercising powers for the protection of the federal state supervision and regulation of the use of wildlife objects and their habitat, their territorial bodies and state institutions subordinate to these bodies and performing the tasks of protection, federal state supervision and regulation of the use

of wildlife objects and their habitat. (As amended by Federal Laws of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ, of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ, of 08.08.2024 No 232-FZ)

Specially authorized state bodies for the protection, federal state supervision and regulation of the use of wildlife and their habitat form a system of state management bodies that ensure the implementation of comprehensive measures for the protection, reproduction and sustainable use of wildlife and their habitat. (As amended by Federal Law of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ)

Part. (No longer in force - Federal Law of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ)

Article 12. Basic principles of public administration in the field of protection and sustainable use of wildlife

The main principles in the field of protection and use of wildlife, conservation and restoration of its habitat are:

ensuring the sustainable existence and sustainable use of the animal world;

support for activities aimed at protecting the animal world and its habitat;

the use of wildlife in ways that do not allow cruelty to animals, in accordance with the general principles of humanity;

inadmissibility of combining activities for the implementation of federal state supervision in the field of protection, reproduction and use of wildlife and its habitat with activities for the use of wildlife objects; (As amended by Federal Law of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ)

involvement of citizens and public associations in solving problems in the field of protection, reproduction and sustainable use of wildlife;

separation of the right to use wildlife from the right to use land and other natural resources;

payment for the use of wildlife;

the priority of international law in the field of the use and protection of wildlife, the protection and restoration of its habitat.

Article 13.

(The article is no longer in force - Federal Law of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ)

Article 14.

(The article is no longer in force - Federal Law of 22.12.2020 No 455-FZ)

Article 15. State monitoring of wildlife

State monitoring of wildlife is a part of state environmental monitoring (state environmental monitoring) and is a system of regular observations of the distribution, number, physical condition of wildlife objects, their use, as well as the structure, quality and area of their habitat.

State monitoring of wildlife objects is carried out in relation to wildlife objects that are not classified as hunting resources or aquatic biological resources.

State monitoring of wildlife objects located in specially protected natural areas of federal significance is carried out by federal state budgetary institutions defined by Federal Law No. 33-FZ of March 14, 1995 "On Specially Protected Natural Territories".

State monitoring of wildlife objects, with the exception of wildlife objects located in specially protected natural territories of federal significance, shall be carried out by the executive bodies of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation exercising the powers delegated by the Russian Federation in the field of wildlife protection and use, in accordance with the procedure established by the federal executive body authorized by the Government of the Russian Federation. (As amended by Federal Law of 08.08.2024 No 232-FZ)

(Article as amended by Federal Law of 22.12.2020 No 455-FZ)

#### Article 151. State Wildlife Cadastre

The State Cadastre of Wildlife contains a set of information on the geographical distribution of wildlife objects, on their number, as well as characteristics of the habitat of wildlife objects, information on the use of wildlife objects and other necessary data.

The state cadastre of wildlife is maintained in relation to wildlife objects that are not classified as hunting resources or aquatic biological resources.

The state cadastre of wildlife objects located in specially protected natural areas of federal significance is maintained by federal state budgetary institutions defined by Federal Law No. 33-FZ of March 14, 1995 "On Specially Protected Natural Territories".

The state cadastre of wildlife objects, with the exception of wildlife objects located in specially protected natural territories of federal significance, shall be maintained by the executive bodies of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation exercising the powers delegated by the Russian Federation in the field of wildlife protection and use, in accordance with the procedure established by the federal executive body authorized by the Government of the Russian Federation. (As amended by Federal Law of 08.08.2024 No 232-FZ)

(Supplemented by an article - Federal Law of 22.12.2020 No 455-FZ)

#### Article 152. Accounting for the objects of the fauna used by users

Users of wildlife are obliged to keep records of the wildlife objects used by them and the volume of their seizure and submit the data obtained to the relevant specially authorized state body for the protection, federal state supervision and regulation of the use of wildlife objects and their habitat.

Registration of wildlife objects related to hunting resources is carried out in accordance with the

procedure provided for by Federal Law No. 209-FZ of July 24, 2009 "On Hunting and Conservation of Hunting Resources and on Amendments to Certain Legislative Acts of the Russian Federation".

Registration of wildlife objects classified as aquatic biological resources is carried out in accordance with the procedure provided for by Federal Law No. 166-FZ of December 20, 2004 "On Fishing and Conservation of Aquatic Biological Resources".

(Supplemented by an article - Federal Law of 22.12.2020 No 455-FZ)

#### Article 16. Federal State Control (Supervision) in the Field of Protection, Reproduction and Use of Wildlife Objects and Their Habitat

Federal state control (supervision) in the field of protection, reproduction and use of wildlife and their habitat (hereinafter referred to as state supervision) shall be carried out by the federal executive body authorized by the Government of the Russian Federation and the executive bodies of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation within the framework of the delegated powers of the Russian Federation to exercise state supervision in accordance with their competence in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation. (As amended by Federal Law of 08.08.2024 No 232-FZ)

State supervision in specially protected natural territories of federal significance, which are managed by federal state budgetary institutions, is carried out by these institutions. The subject of state supervision shall be compliance by legal entities, individual entrepreneurs and citizens with the mandatory requirements established by this Federal Law, other federal laws, other regulatory legal acts of the Russian Federation adopted in accordance with them, regulatory legal acts of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation in the field of protection, reproduction and use of wildlife and their habitat.

The organization and implementation of state supervision are regulated by Federal Law No. 248-FZ of July 31, 2020 "On State Control (Supervision) and Municipal Control in the Russian Federation".



The Regulations on State Supervision shall be approved by the Government of the Russian Federation.

(Article as amended by Federal Law of 11.06.2021 No 170-FZ)

## Article 161. Control over the Exercise of Powers Delegated to the State Authorities of the Constituent Entities of the Russian Federation

Part. (No longer in force - Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

Part. (No longer in force - Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

Control over the efficiency and quality of the exercise by the bodies of state power of the subject of the Russian Federation of the powers delegated by this Federal Law in the manner approved respectively by the federal executive body responsible for the development of state policy and legal regulation in the field of protection and use of wildlife objects not classified as aquatic biological resources and their habitat, the federal body executive power exercising the functions of developing state policy and legal regulation in the field of fisheries and conservation of aquatic biological resources, in accordance with the rules established by the Government of the Russian Federation, shall:

the federal executive body exercising federal state control (supervision) in the field of protection, reproduction and use of wildlife objects and their habitat and their habitat;

(As amended by Federal Law of 11.06.2021 No 170-FZ)

the federal executive body exercising federal state control (supervision) in the field of fisheries and conservation of aquatic biological resources.

(Part as amended by Federal Law of 24.04.2020 No 147-FZ)

The state authorities of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation shall submit on a quarterly basis to the federal executive body responsible for the development of the unified state financial, credit and monetary policy a report on the expenditure of the subventions provided, and to the federal executive body exercising control and supervision in the field of protection, reproduction, and use of aquatic biological resources and their habitat, a report on the fisheries management activities carried out Events. If necessary, additional reporting data shall be submitted in accordance with the procedure established by the Government of the Russian Federation. (As amended by Federal Law of 03.12.2008 No 250-FZ)

(Supplemented by the article - Federal Law of 29.12.2004 No 199-FZ)

## Article 162. Procedure for Withdrawal of Powers Delegated to State Authorities of a Subject of the Russian Federation

The powers delegated for exercise to the bodies of state power of a subject of the Russian Federation by this Federal Law may be withdrawn by the Government of the Russian Federation in the event of their non-performance or improper performance by the bodies of state power of a subject of the Russian Federation, as well as in other cases established by federal laws, upon the request, respectively:

the federal executive body responsible for the development of state policy and legal regulation in the field of protection and use of wildlife objects not classified as aquatic biological resources, and their habitat;

the federal executive body responsible for the development of state policy and legal regulation in the field of fisheries and the conservation of aquatic biological resources.

(Supplemented by the article - Federal Law of 29.12.2004 No 199-FZ) (As amended by Federal Law of 24.04.2020 No 147-FZ)

## Article 17. Regulation in the Field of Use and Protection of Wildlife and Its Habitat

Regulation in the field of use and protection of wildlife and its habitat shall be carried out in accordance with this Federal Law and other federal laws, as well as other laws and other regulatory legal acts of the subjects of the Russian Federation and shall consist of the following:

establishment of standards for the removal of wildlife; (As amended by Federal Laws of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ; of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

in the establishment of other standards and norms in the field of use and protection of wildlife and its habitat. (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

## CHAPTER III. PROTECTION OF WILDLIFE AND THEIR HABITAT

### Article 18. State programs for the protection of wildlife and their habitats

In order to implement the requirements of this Federal Law, special state programs shall be developed and implemented, providing for specific measures aimed at protecting wildlife and their habitat.

Federal programs for the protection of wildlife and their habitats shall be approved by the Government of the Russian Federation.

Regional and local programs are developed and implemented in accordance with the procedure provided for by the regulatory legal acts of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation. (As amended by Federal Law of 31.12.2005 No 199-FZ)

Measures for the protection of individual wildlife objects should not cause damage to other wildlife objects and the environment. (As amended by Federal Law of 30.12.2008

No 309-FZ)

## Article 19. Organization of Protection of Wildlife and Its Habitat

Wildlife protection is organized by the state authorities of the Russian Federation, the constituent entities of the Russian Federation and local self-government bodies within the framework of their competence established by the acts determining the status of these bodies.

Part. (No longer in force - Federal Law of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ)

## Article 20. State Environmental Expertise

A mandatory measure for the protection of wildlife is a state environmental expertise carried out in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation and preceding the adoption by the executive authorities of the Russian Federation and the executive bodies of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation of an economic decision capable of affecting wildlife and their habitat. (As amended by Federal Law of 08.08.2024 No 232-FZ)

Fertilizers, pesticides and biostimulants of plant growth, as well as materials justifying the volumes (limits, quotas) of the withdrawal of wildlife objects and the implementation of work on acclimatization and hybridization of these objects, are subject to mandatory state environmental expertise.

The procedure for conducting state and public environmental expert reviews shall be established by the Government of the Russian Federation.

State environmental expertise with regard to the protection and use of wildlife objects shall be carried out by a specially authorized state body for environmental protection with the participation of other specially authorized state bodies for the protection and regulation of the use of wildlife objects and their habitat in accordance with the laws and other regulatory legal acts of the Russian Federation, laws and other regulatory legal acts of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation. Federation. (As amended by Federal Laws of 30.12.2008 No 309-FZ, of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ, of 11.06.2021 No 170-FZ)

## Article 21. Restrictions on the use of wildlife

In order to preserve wildlife and their habitat, the following restrictions on the use of wildlife may be established:

a ban on the implementation of certain types of use of wildlife in certain territories (water areas);  
restriction of the use of certain wildlife objects in certain territories (water areas);  
establishment of periods (terms) for the use of wildlife objects;  
establishment of permissible types of tools and methods of hunting wildlife;  
other restrictions on the use of wildlife established in accordance with federal laws.  
Restrictions on the use of wildlife in relation to wildlife objects related to hunting resources, including a ban on the use of wildlife objects provided for by Paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Article 34 of this Federal Law, shall be established in the manner prescribed by Federal Law No. 209-FZ of July 24, 2009 "On Hunting and Conservation of Hunting Resources and on Amendments to Certain Legislative Acts of the Russian Federation".  
Restrictions on the use of wildlife in relation to wildlife objects classified as aquatic biological resources, including a ban on the use of wildlife objects provided for by Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Article 34 of this Federal Law, shall be established in the manner prescribed by Federal Law No. 166-FZ of December 20, 2004 "On Fishing and Conservation of Aquatic Biological Resources".  
Restrictions on the use of wildlife, with the exception of restrictions on hunting and fishing, shall be established by the authorized federal executive body or the supreme executive body of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation in coordination with the federal executive body exercising state supervision. (As amended by Federal Law of 08.08.2024 No 232-FZ)  
(Article as amended by Federal Law of 22.12.2020 No 455-FZ)

## Article 22. Preservation of the habitat of wildlife

Any activity that entails a change in the habitat of wildlife objects and deterioration of the conditions for their reproduction, feeding, recreation and migration routes must be carried out in compliance with the requirements ensuring the protection of the animal world. Economic activities related to the use of wildlife objects should be carried out in such a way that the wildlife objects allowed for use do not worsen their own habitat and do not cause harm to agriculture, water and forestry.

In the placement, design and construction of settlements, enterprises, structures and other facilities, the improvement of existing and the introduction of new technological processes, the introduction of virgin lands of swampy, coastal and shrub-occupied areas into economic circulation, land reclamation, the use of forests, geological exploration, mining, the determination of grazing and driving places for farm animals, the development of tourist routes and organization of places of mass recreation of the population and the implementation of other types of economic activity, measures

should be provided and carried out to preserve the habitat of wildlife objects and the conditions of their reproduction, feeding, recreation and migration routes, as well as to ensure the inviolability of protective areas of territories and water areas. (As amended by Federal Law of 14.03.2009 No 32-FZ)

When locating, designing and constructing aerodromes, railway, highway, pipeline and other transport routes, power transmission and communication lines, as well as canals, dams and other hydraulic structures, measures must be developed and implemented to ensure the preservation of migration routes of wildlife objects and places of their constant concentration, including during the period of reproduction and wintering.

Regardless of the types of specially protected natural areas, in order to protect the habitats of rare, endangered and economically and scientifically valuable wildlife objects, protective areas of territories and water areas are allocated that are of local importance, but are necessary for the implementation of their life cycles (reproduction, rearing of young animals, fattening, recreation, migration, etc.). In the protected areas of territories and water areas, certain types of economic activities are prohibited or the terms and technologies of their implementation are regulated, if they disrupt the life cycles of wildlife objects.

Specially authorized state bodies for the protection, state supervision and regulation of the use of wildlife objects and their habitat have the right to make proposals on the organization of species sanctuaries in the specified protective areas of territories and water areas. (As amended by Federal Laws of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ, of 11.06.2021 No 170-FZ)

In case of allocation of protective plots of the territory with restriction of economic activity on them, the owner, owner or lessee of these plots shall be paid compensation in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation and the legislation of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation.

## Article 23. Protection of Fauna and Its Habitat in Specially Protected Natural Areas

In the territories of state nature reserves, national parks and other specially protected natural territories, the protection of wildlife and its habitat is carried out in accordance with the regime of special protection of these territories, which is established by the Federal Law "On Specially Protected Natural Territories".

## Article 24. Protection of rare and endangered wildlife

Rare and endangered wildlife objects are included in the Red Book of the Russian Federation or the Red Books of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation, which are maintained in accordance with the legislation in the field of environmental protection and this Federal Law.

Inclusion (exclusion) in the Red Book of the Russian Federation, Red Books of the subjects of the Russian Federation of rare and endangered wildlife objects is carried out on the basis of state monitoring data and published scientific data (scientific estimates of numbers).

In the event that rare and endangered wildlife objects are included in the Red Book of the Russian Federation, the Red Books of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation, in respect of which the type of wildlife use provided for by Paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Article 34 of this Federal Law is carried out, natural fluctuations in the number of populations shall be taken into account and the boundaries of their habitat (range) shall be indicated.

Proposals for inclusion (exclusion) of wildlife objects in the Red Book of the Russian Federation, Red Books of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation, as well as substantiating and explanatory materials (state monitoring data, scientific data) shall be posted on the Internet information and telecommunication network on the official website of the authorized federal executive body at least 180 days before the date of adoption of the relevant decision by the state authority. maintaining the Red Book of the Russian Federation, the Red Book of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation.

Actions that may lead to the death, reduction in the number or violation of the habitat of wildlife listed in the Red Book of the Russian Federation, the Red Book of the subject of the Russian Federation are not allowed. Legal entities and citizens carrying out economic activities in the territories (water areas) of wildlife objects listed in the Red Book of the Russian Federation, the Red Books of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation are responsible for the conservation and reproduction of these wildlife objects in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation and the legislation of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation.

The circulation of wildlife objects listed in the Red Book of the Russian Federation is allowed in exceptional cases with a permit issued by a specially authorized state body for environmental protection in the manner prescribed by the Government of the Russian Federation. Keeping these animals in captivity and releasing them into the natural environment is also allowed in exceptional cases determined by the Government of the Russian Federation.

(Article as amended by Federal Law of 22.12.2020 No 455-FZ)

## Article 25. Resettlement and hybridization of wildlife

Acclimatization of new wildlife objects for the fauna of the Russian Federation, resettlement of wildlife objects to new habitats, as well as measures for hybridization of wildlife objects are allowed only with the permission of specially authorized state bodies of the Russian Federation for the protection, control and regulation of the use of wildlife objects and habitats in the presence of the conclusion of competent scientific organizations taking into account the requirements of environmental safety. (As amended by Federal Law of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ)

## Article 26. Keeping and breeding wildlife in semi-free conditions and artificially created habitat

Keeping and breeding of wildlife objects in semi-free conditions and artificially created habitat shall be allowed only with permits of specially authorized state bodies for the protection, control and regulation of the use of wildlife objects and their habitat, issued in accordance with the delimitation of powers provided for by Articles 5 and 6 of this Federal Law. (As amended by Federal Law of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ)

Features of keeping and breeding wildlife objects related to hunting resources in semi-free conditions and artificially created habitat are established by the legislation in the field of hunting and conservation of hunting resources. (Supplemented in part by Federal Law of 18.02.2020 No 26-FZ)

Legal entities and citizens engaged in the maintenance and breeding of wildlife are obliged to treat them humanely.

to comply with the proper sanitary-veterinary and zoo-hygienic requirements for their maintenance. Failure to comply with these requirements entails administrative and criminal liability in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation, and wildlife objects are subject to confiscation in court.

## Article 27. Regulation of the number of wildlife objects

In order to protect the health of the population, eliminate threats to human life, protect farm and other domestic animals from diseases, prevent damage to the national economy, wildlife and its habitat, measures are taken to regulate the number of individual wildlife objects.

Regulation of the number of individual wildlife objects should be carried out in ways that exclude harm to other wildlife objects and ensure the preservation of their habitat, taking into account the conclusions of scientific organizations solving problems in this

area, and in coordination with specially authorized state bodies that protect land, water and forest resources.

Wildlife objects, the number of which is subject to regulation, shall be determined by specially authorized state bodies for the protection, control and regulation of the use of wildlife objects and their habitat in accordance with the delimitation of powers provided for by Articles 5 and 6 of this Federal Law. (As amended by Federal Law of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ)

The procedure for regulating the number of wildlife objects is determined by the federal executive bodies that carry out the functions of developing state policy and legal regulation in the field of protection and use of wildlife objects and their habitat. (Supplemented by part of Federal Law No. 258-FZ of 29.12.2006)

Article 28. Prevention of diseases and death of wildlife objects in the implementation of production processes, operation of vehicles and communication and power lines

Legal entities and citizens are obliged to take measures to prevent diseases and death of wildlife during agricultural and other works, as well as during the operation of irrigation and reclamation systems, vehicles, communication and power transmission lines.

The state body of veterinary supervision and the state body of sanitary and epidemiological surveillance shall exercise control over the occurrence and spread of diseases of wildlife objects, register all detected cases of diseases of wildlife objects and take necessary measures to prevent the occurrence and spread of diseases and their elimination. In case of occurrence of diseases of wildlife objects dangerous to human health and domestic animals, the state bodies of veterinary and sanitary-epidemiological surveillance, as well as specially authorized state bodies for the protection, control and regulation of the use of wildlife objects and their habitat are obliged to notify the state authorities of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation, local self-government bodies, as well as the population through the means of mass media.

It is prohibited to burn vegetation, store and use pesticides, fertilizers, other materials, raw materials and production wastes that are dangerous for wildlife and their habitat without taking measures to prevent diseases and death of wildlife, as well as deterioration of their habitat.

In order to reduce the harmful impact on the animal world, the use of plant protection chemicals and other preparations should be combined with the implementation of agrotechnical, biological and other measures.



The rules for the development, testing and standards for the use of chemical and biological preparations, as well as the list of these preparations shall be approved by the specially authorized state body for environmental protection, sanitary and epidemiological surveillance and agrochemical service of the Russian Federation taking into account international standards. (As amended by Federal Law of 30.12.2008 No 309-FZ)

Requirements for the prevention of the death of wildlife objects in the course of production processes, as well as in the operation of highways, pipelines and communication and power transmission lines shall be developed by specially authorized state bodies for the protection, control and regulation of the use of wildlife objects and their habitat in accordance with the delimitation of powers provided for by Articles 5 and 6 of this Federal Law, and shall be approved the Government of the Russian Federation and the supreme executive body of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation, respectively. (As amended by Federal Laws of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ, of 08.08.2024 No 232-FZ)

## Article 29. Zoological Collections

Zoological collections are one of the types of biological collections.

The procedure for the creation, storage, and use of zoological collections shall be determined by the federal executive body authorized by the Government of the Russian Federation.

Zoological collections include systematized collections of animals, stuffed animals, carcasses, skeletons, animal skins, and other objects of animal origin that have scientific, cultural, and other especially valuable significance.

The determination of the scientific, cultural, and other especially valuable significance of the zoological collection and the possibility of classifying it as zoological collections subject to state registration, as well as the possibility of including living zoological collections of zoos, zoos, circuses, zootheaters, dolphinariums, oceanariums in the register of zoological collections is carried out by the expert group on zoological collections.

The composition and procedure for the activities of the expert group on zoological collections shall be approved by the federal executive body authorized by the Government of the Russian Federation to carry out federal state environmental control (supervision).

Consideration by the expert group on zoological collections of the issues of determining the scientific, cultural, and other especially valuable value of living zoological collections of zoos, zoos, circuses, zootheaters, dolphinariums, oceanariums and the

possibility of including such zoological collections in the register of zoological collections shall be carried out if zoos, zoos, circuses, zootheaters, dolphinariums, oceanariums have a license for keeping and using animals in accordance with the requirements of the legislation of the Russian Federation in the field of animal treatment.

Zoological collections, regardless of the form of ownership, are subject to state registration.

Zoological collections included in the Museum Fund of the Russian Federation, regardless of the form of ownership and departmental affiliation, are subject to state registration in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation on the Museum Fund of the Russian Federation and museums in the Russian Federation. The state registration of zoological collections is maintained by entering information about zoological collections into the register of zoological collections, with the exception of zoological collections included in the Museum Fund of the Russian Federation.

The register of zoological collections shall be maintained and amended by the federal executive body authorized by the Government of the Russian Federation to carry out federal state environmental control (supervision).

The grounds for the inclusion of a zoological collection in the register of zoological collections are the application of the owner of the said collection, documents confirming the legality of possession of this collection, the list of objects of the zoological collection compiled by the owner of the said collection by groups of objects with an indication of their number and the corresponding decision of the expert group on zoological collections.

The grounds for making changes to the register of zoological collections are the application of the owner of the zoological collection and the updated list of objects of the zoological collection by groups of objects with an indication of their number.

The owner of a zoological collection shall, within a period not exceeding three months from the date of its creation, apply to the federal executive body authorized by the Government of the Russian Federation to exercise federal state environmental control (supervision) with an application for the inclusion of the zoological collection in the register of zoological collections. If it is necessary to make changes in the register of zoological collections, the owner of the zoological collection shall apply to the said federal executive body with an application for making changes in the register of zoological collections within a period not exceeding twelve months from the date of birth or death of the object of the zoological collection, from the date of acquisition of such object, its creation or loss.

The federal executive body authorized by the Government of the Russian Federation to exercise federal state environmental control (supervision) shall consider the documents provided for the inclusion of the zoological collection in the register of zoological collections or for making changes to the said register within a period not exceeding fifteen working days from the date of receipt of the relevant documents, and shall take a decision on the inclusion of the zoological collection in the register zoological collections or on making changes to the said register.

Zoological collections are recognized as registered by the state starting from the date of their inclusion in the register of zoological collections.

The following information is included in the register of zoological collections:

for legal entities - the name of the legal entity with an indication of the organizational and legal form, the address of the owner of the zoological collection;

for citizens - surname, first name, patronymic (if any), place of residence, date of state registration of an individual as an individual entrepreneur, if the citizen is an individual entrepreneur;

name of the zoological collection;

purpose of the zoological collection (scientific, cultural, educational, and (or) other);

the year of foundation of the zoological collection;

the number of storage units, a list of objects of the zoological collection by groups of objects with an indication of their number;

description of the zoological collection (living organisms, stuffed animals, eggs, shells, dry and wet preparations, etc.);

changes (turnover) in the composition of the zoological collection;

Conditions of storage of the zoological collection.

The register of zoological collections shall be maintained in accordance with uniform organizational, methodological, software and technical principles that ensure the compatibility and interaction of the register with other state information systems and information and telecommunication networks within the framework of maintaining registers of other types of biological collections.

The information contained in the register of zoological collections is publicly available, with the exception of information classified by the legislation of the Russian Federation as restricted access.

The procedure for maintaining the register of zoological collections and the form of the said register shall be approved by the federal executive body authorized by the Government of the Russian Federation.

(Article as amended by Federal Law of 13.06.2023 No 247-FZ)

## CHAPTER IV. RIGHTS AND SOCIAL PROTECTION OF OFFICIALS AUTHORIZED TO PROTECT WILDLIFE AND ITS HABITAT

### Article 30. Rights of Officials Protecting Wildlife and Its Habitat

The rights of officials who protect wildlife are determined by the relevant federal laws.

### Article 31. Rights of Officials of Specially Authorized State Bodies for the Protection, State Supervision and Regulation of the Use of Wildlife Objects and Their Habitats (Name as amended by Federal Laws of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ, of 11.06.2021 No 170-FZ)

Officials of specially authorized state bodies for the protection, state supervision and regulation of the use of wildlife and their habitats have the right to: (As amended by Federal Laws of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ, of 11.06.2021 No 170-FZ)

to check the documents of legal entities and citizens permitting the use of wildlife, to be in a specially protected natural area (water area), as well as permits for the storage and carrying of firearms issued in accordance with Federal Law No. 150-FZ of December 13, 1996 "On Weapons"; (As amended by Federal Law of 03.07.2016 No 227-FZ)

bring to administrative responsibility in accordance with the Code of Administrative Offenses of the Russian Federation;

to inspect belongings and personal searches of detained persons, to stop and inspect vehicles, to check weapons and other tools for hunting wildlife, hunted wildlife and products obtained from them, including during their transportation, in places of storage and processing; (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

to seize from violators illegally obtained wildlife objects and products obtained from them, weapons and other tools for hunting wildlife objects, including vehicles, as well as relevant documents with the registration of seizure in accordance with the established procedure; (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

to keep and carry special means and service weapons, as well as civilian self-defense weapons and hunting firearms permitted as these weapons;

to use physical force, special means, service weapons, as well as civilian self-defense weapons and hunting firearms permitted as these weapons.

In accordance with Article 12 of Federal Law No. 150-FZ of December 13, 1996 "On Weapons", specially authorized state bodies for the protection, state supervision and regulation of the use of wildlife objects and their habitat have the right to acquire and use service weapons, as well as civilian self-defense weapons and hunting firearms as

service weapons. The acquisition, storage and use of these weapons are regulated by the legislation of the Russian Federation on weapons. (As amended by Federal Laws of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ, of 11.06.2021 No 170-FZ)

The list of officials of specially authorized state bodies for the protection, state supervision and regulation of the use of wildlife objects and their habitat, including employees of federal state institutions, who are allowed to keep, carry and use special means, service weapons, as well as self-defense weapons and hunting firearms permitted as civil service weapons, shall be determined by the Government of the Russian Federation. The maximum number of officials of specially authorized state bodies of the subject of the Russian Federation for the protection, state supervision and regulation of the use of wildlife objects and their habitat, who are allowed to keep, carry and use special means, service weapons, as well as self-defense weapons and hunting firearms permitted as civil service weapons, shall be determined by the Government of the Russian Federation. (As amended by Federal Laws of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ, of 11.06.2021 No 170-FZ)

The list of types, models and quantities of service weapons, as well as self-defense and hunting firearms permitted as service civilian weapons, special means, as well as the rules for their use by officials specified in part three of this Article, shall be established by the Government of the Russian Federation.

Officials performing the tasks of protection, state supervision and regulation of the use of wildlife and their habitat wear uniforms when performing their official duties.

Samples of uniforms, insignia and distinctions, the procedure for wearing uniforms shall be approved by the federal executive bodies exercising the functions of state supervision and supervision in the field of protection, use and reproduction of wildlife and their habitat, in coordination with the federal executive body responsible for the development and implementation of state policy and legal regulation in the field of defense. (As amended by Federal Laws of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ, of 11.06.2021 No 170-FZ)

Any impact on officials performing the tasks of protection, state supervision and regulation of the use of wildlife and their habitat, which prevents them from performing their official duties, or interference in their activities, entails liability in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation. (As amended by Federal Laws of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ, of 11.06.2021 No 170-FZ)

(Article in the wording of the Federal Law of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ)

Article 32. Social Protection of Officials of Specially Authorized State Bodies for the Protection, State Supervision and Regulation of the Use of Wildlife Objects and Their Habitat

(Name as amended by Federal Laws of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ, of 11.06.2021 No 170-FZ)

Social protection of officials of specially authorized state bodies for the protection, state supervision and use of wildlife objects and their habitat is carried out in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation and the legislation of the subjects of the Russian Federation. (As amended by Federal Laws of 18.07.2011 No 242-FZ, of 11.06.2021 No 170-FZ)

## CHAPTER V. USE OF THE ANIMAL WORLD

### Article 33. Rights to wildlife objects of persons who are not their owners

Wildlife objects shall be provided for use to individuals and legal entities on the grounds established by this Federal Law and the federal law on hunting and conservation of hunting resources.

(Article in the wording of the Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

### Article 34. Types and methods of using the animal world

Legal entities and citizens can carry out the following types of use of wildlife:  
hunt;

fisheries, including harvesting of aquatic invertebrates and marine mammals;  
hunting of wildlife objects that are not classified as hunting resources and aquatic biological resources; (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

use of useful properties of the vital activity of wildlife objects - soil formers, natural environmental sanitation, plant pollinators, biofiltrators and others;  
study, research and other use of the animal world for scientific, cultural, educational, educational, recreational, aesthetic purposes without removing them from the environment;

extraction of useful properties of the vital activity of wildlife objects - soil formers, natural environmental sanitation, plant pollinators, biofiltrators and others;  
obtaining waste products of wildlife objects.

Laws and other regulatory legal acts of the Russian Federation, laws and other regulatory legal acts of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation may also provide for other types of wildlife use.

The use of wildlife is carried out by means of seizure of objects of the animal world from their habitat or without it.

The list of wildlife objects, the removal of which from their habitat without permission is prohibited, shall be determined by specially authorized state bodies of the Russian Federation for the protection, control and regulation of the use of wildlife objects and their habitat. (As amended by Federal Laws of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ; of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

#### Article 35. Conditions for the use of wildlife

Users of wildlife objects who remove wildlife objects from their habitat in accordance with Part 4 of Article 34 of this Federal Law shall pay a fee for the use of wildlife objects in the amount and in the manner established by the legislation of the Russian Federation on taxes and fees and legislation in the field of hunting and conservation of hunting resources. (As amended by Federal Laws of 11.11.2003 No 148-FZ; of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

The use of wildlife objects not included in the list specified in Part 4 of Article 34 of this Federal Law may be free of charge, if it is not related to obtaining a permit for the use of wildlife. (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

Wildlife shall be used in compliance with federal and regional limits and standards developed in accordance with this Federal Law, other laws and other regulatory legal acts of the Russian Federation, as well as laws and other regulatory legal acts of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation. (As amended by Federal Laws of 31.12.2005 No 199-FZ; of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

The use of wildlife is carried out in conjunction with a system of measures for the protection and reproduction of wildlife, the preservation of their habitat.

Part. (No longer in force - Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

Part. (No longer in force - Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

Several types of wildlife use can be carried out on one territory or water area, if the implementation of one of them does not interfere with the implementation of the other.

#### Article 36. Provision of wildlife for use

Provision of wildlife on the territory of the Russian Federation for use by Russian and foreign legal entities, citizens of the Russian Federation, foreign citizens and stateless persons shall be carried out in accordance with the procedure established by this Federal Law, the federal law on hunting and conservation of hunting resources, as well as civil, land, water and forest legislation of the Russian Federation. (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

Part. (No longer in force - Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

Priority in the provision of wildlife for use in a specific territory or water area is given to Russian legal entities and citizens of the Russian Federation:  
who previously carried out certain types of use of wildlife in a given territory or water area in accordance with the established procedure;  
land owners, landowners who have the appropriate means and specialists. (As amended by Federal Law of 14.03.2009 No 32-FZ)  
The provision of wildlife for use on the continental shelf of the Russian Federation and the exclusive economic zone of the Russian Federation shall be regulated by federal laws and other regulatory legal acts of the Russian Federation.  
(Article in the wording of the Federal Law of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ)

Article 37.

(The article is no longer in force - Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

Article 38.

(The article is no longer in force - Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

Article 39. Antitrust Requirements

Actions of state authorities, as well as legal entities and citizens aimed at:  
restriction of access to participation in competitions contrary to the terms of the competitions for all those wishing to acquire the right to use the wildlife;  
evasion of granting permits for the use of wildlife to the winners of competitions. (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

Article 40. Rights and obligations of wildlife users

Wildlife users have the right to:

to use wildlife objects provided for use;

to use wildlife objects acquired for resettlement without permission; (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

ownership of the hunted wildlife and products obtained from them, unless otherwise established by federal laws; (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)  
paragraph; (No longer in force - Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

to conclude contracts with legal entities and citizens for the use of wildlife objects by them; (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

to conduct subsidiary farming, including processing of products obtained in the process of carrying out permitted types of use of wildlife, and to produce products from



wildlife;

to sell manufactured products and products;

to receive land plots for production and other purposes in the manner established by the civil, land, water and forestry legislation of the Russian Federation; (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

to erect permanent or temporary structures, structures and roads necessary for the implementation of economic activities related to the use of wildlife on the land plots received in accordance with the established procedure;

to file claims in accordance with the procedure established by the legislation of the Russian Federation for damage caused to them by illegal actions of legal entities and citizens, which resulted in the death of wildlife, deterioration of the habitat of wildlife, for unjustified restriction of the right to use wildlife, the right of ownership of products received, as well as in cases of termination of the right to use wildlife, when changing the status of land, taking into account lost profits;

to have an impact on the habitat of wildlife objects, improving the condition of wildlife objects, in agreement with landowners (land users) and specially authorized state bodies for the protection, control and regulation of the use of wildlife objects and their habitat. (As amended by Federal Law of 14.03.2009 No 32-FZ)

Users of wildlife are obliged to:

to carry out only permitted types of use of wildlife; (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

comply with the established rules, standards and terms of use of wildlife; (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

to use methods when using the animal world that do not violate the integrity of natural communities;

to prevent the destruction or deterioration of the habitat of wildlife;

to keep records and assess the state of the wildlife objects used, as well as to assess the state of their habitat;

to carry out the necessary measures to ensure the reproduction of wildlife;

to assist state bodies in the protection of wildlife;

to ensure the protection and reproduction of wildlife, including rare and endangered ones;

to apply humane methods when using the animal world.

Part. (No longer in force - Federal Law of 21.11.2011 No 331-FZ)

Hunting rules are established in accordance with the federal law on hunting and conservation of hunting resources. The rules for the use of wildlife objects not related to hunting resources shall be approved for each subject of the Russian Federation by

the bodies of state power in accordance with their powers established by this Federal Law. (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

The use of wildlife is carried out with the use of tools and methods that meet international standards for the humane capture of wild animals. (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

#### Article 41. Hunt

Relations in the field of hunting and conservation of hunting resources shall be regulated by the Federal Law on Hunting and Conservation of Hunting Resources and this Federal Law.

(Article in the wording of the Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

#### Article 42. Fisheries and Conservation of Aquatic Biological Resources

Relations in the field of fisheries and conservation of aquatic biological resources are regulated by Federal Law No. 166-FZ of December 20, 2004 "On Fishing and Conservation of Aquatic Biological Resources", the Federal Law "On Amateur Fishing and on Amendments to Certain Legislative Acts of the Russian Federation" and this Federal Law.

(Article as amended by Federal Law of 25.12.2018 No 475-FZ)

#### Article 43. Harvesting of wildlife objects not classified as hunting resources and aquatic biological resources

(Name as amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

Hunting of wildlife objects not related to hunting resources and aquatic biological resources shall be allowed only with the permits of specially authorized state bodies for the protection, control and regulation of the use of wildlife objects and habitat in accordance with the delimitation of powers provided for by Articles 5 and 6 of this Federal Law. (As amended by Federal Laws of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ; of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

The procedure for harvesting wildlife objects that are not related to hunting resources and aquatic biological resources shall be determined by this Federal Law, other laws and other regulatory legal acts of the Russian Federation, as well as laws and other regulatory legal acts of the subjects of the Russian Federation. (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

#### Article 44. Use of wildlife for scientific, cultural, educational, recreational and aesthetic purposes

The use of wildlife for scientific, cultural, educational, recreational and aesthetic purposes through various forms of observation, photography and other methods of research without removing wildlife objects from their habitat is allowed without special permission and free of charge, if these methods do not harm the wildlife or its habitat and do not violate the rights of users of wildlife and other natural resources. as well as the rights of land owners, landowners, land users, except for cases when such use is prohibited. (As amended by Federal Laws of 14.03.2009 No 32-FZ, of 22.12.2020 No 455-FZ)

The use of wildlife for scientific, cultural, educational, recreational and aesthetic purposes with the removal of wildlife objects not related to hunting resources from the natural environment is allowed on the basis of permits issued in accordance with the delimitation of powers provided for by Articles 5 and 6 of this Federal Law by the relevant specially authorized state bodies of the Russian Federation in the field of protection and use of animal objects of the world and their habitat in the manner established by Article 34 of this Federal Law. (As amended by Federal Laws of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ; of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

#### Article 45. Use of useful properties of the vital activity of wildlife objects

The use of useful properties of the vital activity of wildlife objects (soil formers, natural environmental sanitarians, plant pollinators and others) is allowed without removing them from the habitat, except for cases determined by laws and other regulatory legal acts of the Russian Federation, as well as laws and other regulatory legal acts of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation.

#### Article 46. Obtaining waste products of wildlife

Production of waste products of wildlife objects (honey, wax of wild bees and others) is allowed without removing wildlife objects from their habitat and their destruction, as well as without disturbing their habitat.

The rules for the use of wildlife objects for the purpose of obtaining products of their vital activity shall be established by the federal executive bodies responsible for the development of state policy and legal regulation in the field of protection and use of wildlife and their habitat. (As amended by Federal Law of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ)

Article 47. Grounds and procedure for termination of the right to use wildlife  
(Name as amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

The right to use wildlife is terminated in full or in part, respectively, in the following cases: (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

refusal to use;

expiration of the established period of use;

violation of the legislation of the Russian Federation on environmental protection and the conditions specified in the documents on the basis of which the use of wildlife is carried out; (As amended by Federal Laws of 30.12.2008 No 309-FZ; of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

the need to withdraw wildlife from use for the purpose of their protection;

use of the territory, water area for state needs, excluding the use of wildlife;

liquidation of an enterprise, institution, organization - users of wildlife.

Part. (No longer in force - Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

Compulsory termination of the right to use wildlife is carried out in court. (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

Part. (No longer in force - Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

## CHAPTER VI. TRADITIONAL METHODS OF PROTECTION AND USE OF WILDLIFE

Article 48. The right to use traditional methods of harvesting wildlife and their waste products

(Name as amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

Citizens of the Russian Federation, whose existence and income are fully or partially based on the traditional life support systems of their ancestors, including hunting and gathering, have the right to use traditional methods of harvesting wildlife and their waste products, if such methods do not directly or indirectly lead to a decrease in biological diversity, do not reduce the number and sustainable reproduction of wildlife, do not disturb their habitat and do not pose a danger to humans. (As amended by Federal Laws of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ; of 28.12.2010 No 420-FZ)

These citizens can exercise this right both individually and collectively, creating associations on various bases (family, clan, territorial-economic communities, unions of hunters, gatherers, fishermen, etc.).

Preservation and promotion of traditional methods of use and protection of the animal world, its habitat should be compatible with the requirements of sustainable existence and sustainable use of the animal world.

## Article 49. The right to priority use of wildlife

Persons belonging to the indigenous minorities of the Russian Federation, representatives of other ethnic communities whose original culture and way of life include traditional methods of protection and use of wildlife, and their associations shall have the right to priority use of wildlife in the territories of traditional settlement in places of traditional residence and traditional economic activities of the indigenous minorities of the Russian Federation. (As amended by Federal Law of 27.06.2018 No 164-FZ)

The right to priority use of wildlife includes:

giving priority choice of fishing grounds to citizens belonging to the population groups specified in part one of this article, and their associations;

benefits in relation to the terms and areas of hunting of wildlife, sex, age composition and number of hunted wildlife, as well as products of their vital activity; (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

exclusive right to harvest certain wildlife objects and their waste products; (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

other types of wildlife use agreed with specially authorized state bodies of the Russian Federation for the protection, control and regulation of the use of wildlife objects and their habitat. (As amended by Federal Law of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ)

The right to priority use of wildlife shall extend to citizens belonging to the population groups specified in Part 1 of this Article, as well as to other citizens permanently residing in the given territory in places of traditional residence and traditional economic activity of the indigenous peoples of the Russian Federation and legally included in one of the population groups specified in Part 1 of this Article. (As amended by Federal Law of 27.06.2018 No 164-FZ)

В случаях, если на одной и той же территории традиционно расселены и осуществляют традиционную хозяйственную деятельность две или более групп населения, как указанные в части первой настоящей статьи, так и иные, эти группы обладают правом на приоритетное пользование животным миром. Сфера применения данного права определяется на основе взаимного соглашения между указанными группами населения. (В редакции Федерального закона от 27.06.2018 № 164-ФЗ)

Переуступка права на приоритетное пользование животным миром гражданам и юридическим лицам, не указанным в части первой статьи 48 настоящего Федерального закона, запрещена.

Статья 491. Финансирование полномочий Российской Федерации в области рыболовства и сохранения водных биологических ресурсов, переданных для осуществления органам государственной власти субъекта Российской Федерации (Наименование в редакции Федерального закона от 29.12.2006 № 258-ФЗ)

Part. (No longer in force - Federal Law of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ)

Part. (No longer in force - Federal Law of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ)

The main criteria of the standard (methodology) are:

the area of hunting grounds where biotechnical measures are carried out;

the number of huntsmen necessary for the maintenance of hunting grounds;

species composition of wildlife objects, average number of wildlife objects per unit area or volume of hunting grounds;

population in the subject of the Russian Federation.

Funds for the implementation of powers in the field of organization, regulation and protection of aquatic biological resources are provided in the federal budget in the form of subventions. (As amended by Federal Law of 07.05.2013 No 104-FZ)

The amount of subventions shall be determined in accordance with the standard (methodology) approved by the Government of the Russian Federation. (As amended by Federal Law of 29.12.2006 No 258-FZ)

The main criterion of the standard (methodology) is the number of inspectors required to carry out security measures on water bodies, which is established on the basis of: compliance with safety rules;

the area of the water area and the length of the coastline (the boundaries of the water body) of the protected lakes and reservoirs; (As amended by the Federal Law of 13.07.2015 No 244-FZ)

the length of the coastline (the boundaries of the water body) of the protected rivers; (As amended by Federal Law of 13.07.2015 No 244-FZ)

the number of fish users (legal entities) in the serviced territory. In the event that the number of fish users (legal entities) is more than 500, a coefficient of 1.2 shall be applied to the standard number of inspectors established in accordance with parts one to five, this part and part seven of this Article;

population density in the serviced area. In the event that the population density is less than one person per one square kilometer of the serviced territory, a coefficient of 0.8 shall be applied to the standard number of inspectors established in accordance with parts one to five, this part and part seven of this article, and if the population density is more than 50 people per one square kilometer, a coefficient of 1.2 shall be applied;

the number of inspections in the territory of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation. In the presence of 25 or more inspections, a coefficient of 1.2 shall be

applied to the standard number of inspectors established in accordance with parts one to five, this part and part seven of this article;  
characteristics of protected rivers: width, presence of rapids, waterfalls, swampiness, dams, locks and other characteristics;  
accessibility of the serviced area;  
environmental situation in the territory of the constituent entity of the Russian Federation.

Funds for the implementation of powers in the field of organization, regulation and protection of aquatic biological resources are of a targeted nature and cannot be used for other purposes.

In the event that funds received from the federal budget are used for purposes other than their intended purpose, the authorized federal executive body shall have the right to recover the said funds in the manner provided for by the legislation of the Russian Federation. (As amended by Federal Law of 07.05.2013 No 104-FZ)

Control over the expenditure of funds received from the federal budget shall be exercised by the federal executive body exercising control and supervision in the financial and budgetary sphere and by the Accounts Chamber of the Russian Federation. (As amended by Federal Law of 07.05.2013 No 104-FZ)

(Supplemented by the article - Federal Law of 29.12.2004 No 199-FZ)

## CHAPTER VII. ECONOMIC REGULATION OF THE PROTECTION AND USE OF WILDLIFE

Article 50. Goals and objectives of economic regulation of the protection and use of wildlife

Economic regulation of the protection and use of wildlife provides for:  
establishment and regulation of economic relations in the field of protection and use of wildlife, including between the state authorities of the Russian Federation and the state authorities of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation and natural resource users, as well as between users of wildlife and users of other types of natural resources;  
creation of a stable economic basis for the protection, reproduction and sustainable use of wildlife; (As amended by Federal Law of 11.11.2003 No 148-FZ)  
economic protection of state interests in the field of protection and use of wildlife;  
economic protection of users of the animal world.

Article 51. Structure of economic regulation of the protection and use of wildlife

Economic regulation of the protection and use of wildlife includes:  
accounting and economic assessment of wildlife;  
an economically justified system of payments for the use of wildlife;  
budget financing of measures for the protection and reproduction of wildlife;  
an economically justified system of fines and lawsuits for violation of the legislation of the Russian Federation on the protection and use of wildlife;  
purposeful use of funds received from the sale of confiscated tools for illegal hunting of wildlife, including vehicles and products, in the manner prescribed by the legislation of the Russian Federation, as well as voluntary contributions of citizens and legal entities.  
(As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

#### Article 52. Fees for the use of wildlife

Users of wildlife objects who receive permission to use wildlife objects on the territory of the Russian Federation in accordance with the established procedure shall pay fees for the use of wildlife objects in the amount and in the manner established by the legislation of the Russian Federation on taxes and fees and legislation in the field of hunting and conservation of hunting resources. (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

Payment of the fee for the use of wildlife objects does not exempt the natural resource user from taking measures to protect wildlife objects, their habitat and compensate for the damage caused to them.

Excessive and irrational use of wildlife entails a fine in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation.

(Article in the wording of the Federal Law of 11.11.2003 No 148-FZ)

#### Article 53.

(The article is no longer in force - Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

#### Article 54. Economic Incentives for the Protection, Reproduction and Sustainable Use of Wildlife

Economic incentives for the protection, reproduction and sustainable use of wildlife include:

establishment of tax and other benefits provided to legal entities and citizens who ensure the protection, reproduction and sustainable use of wildlife, as well as the protection and improvement of their habitat;



provision of preferential loans to legal entities for the performance of work on the protection and reproduction of wildlife;  
bonuses for officials and citizens engaged in the protection of wildlife for violations of the legislation of the Russian Federation on the protection and use of wildlife.  
The operation of the system of economic incentives is provided by special legislation of the Russian Federation.

## CHAPTER VIII. LIABILITY FOR VIOLATION OF THE LEGISLATION OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION ON THE PROTECTION AND USE OF WILDLIFE

Article 55. Administrative, criminal liability for violation of the legislation of the Russian Federation in the field of protection and use of wildlife and their habitat

Persons guilty of violating the legislation of the Russian Federation in the field of protection and use of wildlife and their habitat shall bear administrative and criminal liability in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation.  
(Article in the wording of the Federal Law of 03.12.2008 No 250-FZ)

Article 56. Liability of legal entities and citizens for damage caused to wildlife and their habitat

Legal entities and citizens who have caused damage to wildlife and their habitat shall compensate for the damage caused voluntarily or by decision of a court or arbitration court in accordance with the rates and methods for calculating damage to wildlife, and in their absence - at the actual costs of compensation for damage caused to wildlife and their habitat, taking into account the losses incurred. including lost profits.  
In case of impossibility to prevent damage caused as a result of the life of wildlife objects to agriculture, water and forestry, losses are compensated from environmental insurance funds, if the user of the animal world is a member of such a fund.  
Damage must be recovered from users of the animal world, if they have not taken real and necessary measures to prevent or reduce damage in the territories and water areas assigned to them. In cases where specially authorized state bodies for the protection, control and regulation of the use of wildlife objects and their habitat unreasonably restrict users of wildlife in the seizure of wildlife objects causing damage to agriculture, water and forestry, officials of the relevant specially authorized state body for the protection, control and regulation of the use of objects shall be responsible for the damage caused fauna and their habitat.  
Part. (No longer in force - Federal Law of 20.04.2007 No 57-FZ)

## Article 57. Resolution of disputes on the protection and use of wildlife

Disputes on the protection and use of wildlife and their habitat, provision of wildlife for use shall be resolved by a court or arbitration court in the manner established by the legislation of the Russian Federation.

## Article 58. Invalidity of Transactions Violating the Legislation of the Russian Federation and the Legislation of the Constituent Entities of the Russian Federation in the Field of Protection and Use of Wildlife

All transactions made in relation to wildlife in violation of the laws and other regulatory legal acts of the Russian Federation, as well as laws and other regulatory legal acts of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation in the field of protection and use of wildlife are invalid.

## Article 59. Seizure of illegally hunted wildlife and tools for illegal hunting of wildlife (Name as amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

Illegally hunted wildlife objects and products obtained from them, as well as tools for illegal hunting of wildlife, including vehicles, shall be subject to gratuitous seizure or confiscation in accordance with the procedure established by the legislation of the Russian Federation. (As amended by Federal Law of 24.07.2009 No 209-FZ)

Gratuitously seized or confiscated wildlife objects are subject to return to their habitat. These objects of the animal world, if their physical condition does not allow them to be returned to their habitat, as well as the products obtained from them, shall be subject to sale or destruction in the manner established by the Government of the Russian Federation.

Gratuitous seizure or confiscation of wildlife objects does not exempt citizens, legal entities that have illegally obtained wildlife objects from the obligation to compensate for damage caused to wildlife objects and their habitat.

Часть. (Утратила силу - Федеральный закон от 28.12.2010 № 420-ФЗ)

Part. (No longer in force - Federal Law of 28.12.2010 No 420-FZ)

(Article in the wording of the Federal Law of 20.04.2007 No 57-FZ)

## CHAPTER IX. INTERNATIONAL TREATIES

## Article 60. International treaties

If an international treaty of the Russian Federation establishes rules other than those provided for by this Federal Law, the rules of the international treaty shall apply. Decisions of interstate bodies adopted on the basis of the provisions of international treaties of the Russian Federation in their interpretation contrary to the Constitution of the Russian Federation are not subject to execution in the Russian Federation. Such a contradiction may be established in accordance with the procedure established by a federal constitutional law. (Supplemented in part by Federal Law of 08.12.2020 No 429-FZ)

## CHAPTER X. ENACTMENT OF THIS FEDERAL LAW

### Article 61. Enactment of this Federal Law

1. To put this Federal Law into effect from the date of its official publication.
2. The Law of the RSFSR of July 14, 1982 "On the Protection and Use of Wildlife" (Vedomosti of the Supreme Soviet of the RSFSR, 1982, No 29, art. 1029) shall be declared null and void.
3. To propose to the President of the Russian Federation and instruct the Government of the Russian Federation to bring their legal acts into conformity with this Federal Law.

President of the Russian Federation Boris Yeltsin

The Kremlin, Moscow

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