#### **CHAPTER 152**

### THE WILD ANIMALS LAW

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Penalty: a fine of one thousand naira or imprisonment for six months or both.

9. (1) Where a person who holds a licence under section 8 is convicted of Cancellation and an offence under this Law, then-

suspension of

- (a) the court convicting that person may, in addition to any other penalty imposed by this Law-
  - (i) cancel the licence; or
  - (ii) suspend it for a specified period; and
- (b) the person convicted shall produce the licence within such time as the Court may direct for the purpose of endorsement.
- (2) A licence which is suspended under subsection (1) is, during the period of suspension, of no effect and shall for that term be retained in the custody of the Court.
- (3) A person whose licence is suspended shall during the period of suspension be disqualified from holding a licence under this Law.
- 10. (1) Notwithstanding sections 6 and 8, a person shall not hunt the female animals with female of-

Hunting of young prohibited.

- (a) a prohibited animal;
- (b) a specially protected animal; or
- (c) a protected animal,

when that animal is accompanied by its young or the young of the same species unless he is otherwise specially authorized so to do under this Law.

(2) A person who without special authority hunts the female of an animal of the kind mentioned in subsection (1) in the circumstances mentioned in that subsection, is guilty of an offence. Penalty: a fine of two hundred naira or imprisonment for six months or

both.

Permission or licence covers assistants.

- 11. (1) A permission in writing, or a licence issued under this Law covers-
- (a) the holder; and
- (b) any other person employed by the holder to assist him.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) a person employed to assist the holder of a permission or licence shall not discharge any fire-arm in hunting the animal in respect of which the permission or licence is issued.

Killing animals in self-defence.

- 12. (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Law, a person commits no offence under this law by reason only that in defence of himself or his property of other person he kills—
  - (a) a prohibited animal;
  - (b) a specially protected animal; or
  - (c) a protected animal.
- (2) A person who kills an animal of the kind mentioned in subsection (1) and in the circumstances specified in that subsection shall, not more than two weeks after the killing, report the killing to a game warden.
- (3) Where the holder of a written permission or a licence under this Law kills, in defence of life or property, an animal covered by the permission or licence, the killing shall be deemed to have been by virtue of such a permission or licence, as the case may be, and the holder of the permission or licence shall enter the animal killed against the number of the species of animals which he is authorized to kill by the permission or licence.

Exemption for permission or licence.

13. A person residing in any area of Anambra State of Nigeria who is entitled to traditional hunting rights may hunt a protected animal in that area without a licence provided his method of hunting does not involve a breach of a provision of this Law or the regulations made thereunder.

# PART 3.—GAME RESERVES, GAME SANCTUARIES AND CLOSE SEASONS

Game reserves.

- 14. Subject to this Law, the Ministry may by order-
- (a) declare an area to be a game reserve; or
- (b) define or alter the limits of a game reserve; or
- (c) declare that an area shall cease to be a game reserve.

Notice of intention of create game reserve.

15.(1) Before constituting an area a game reserve, the Commissioner shall publish a notice in the Anambra State *Gazette*—

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(a) specifying, as nearly as may be, the situation and limits of the area which it is proposed to declare a game reserve;

(b) declaring that it is intended to constitute that area a game reserve; and

(c) appointing, by name, an officer to be a Game Reserve Settlement Officer (hereinafter referred to as the Settlement Officer) for the proposed game reserve.

(2) Upon the publication of a notice under subsection (1) the Settlement Officer shall--

(a) immediately cause the particulars of the notice to be published-

(i) in a prominent position on the land it is intended to declare a game

(ii) in the offices of the local government council having jurisdiction in the area, and to be read and interpreted to the inhabitants of the area in every Customary Court situated or having jurisdiction in the area, in the language or languages commonly spoken in that area;

(b) invite person having claims to any right or interest in, or respecting the land to be declared a game reserve to make these claims;

(c) fix, and in the manner prescribed in paragraph (a) make known a period (not earlier than three months from the publication of the notice) within which, and a place to or at which, persons or communities claiming those rights or interests shall either send to the Settlement Officer written statements of their claims or appear before him and state orally the nature and extent of their rights.

Inquiry.

16. As soon as may be after the expiration of the period fixed under paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section 15 the Settlement Officer shall conduct an inquiry into-

(a) the limits and boundaries of the area specified in the notice under subsection (1) of section 15; and

(b) the substance of all claims to rights in, over, or affecting the land in the area specified in that notice, and upon the completion of the inquiry shall compile a report hereof in which he shall-

(i) determine the limits of the land specified in the notice, and

(ii) determine, with all such particulars as may be necessary to define their nature, duration, incidence and extent, all claims submitted to him or otherwise brought to his knowledge in respect of the area specified in that notice, and state whether he admits or rejects them wholly or in part.

Judicial powers of the enquiring officer. 17.(1) For the purpose of an inquiry under section 16, the Settlement Officer may procure all such evidence, written or oral, and examine all such persons and witnesses as he may consider necessary and, without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, may-

(a) require the evidence of a witness to be made on such oath as could be required of the witness if he were giving evidence in a

Magistrate's Court;

- (b) summon a person in Anambra State to attend an inquiry in order to give evidence, and examine him as a witness or require him to produce a document or other thing in his possession;
- (c) issue a warrant to compel the attendance of a person who has-
- (i) been summoned to attend under paragraph (b), and

(ii) failled to do so, and

- (iii) not excused the failure to the satisfaction of the Settlement Officer,
- (d) order the person mentioned in paragraph (c) to pay the cost of compelling his attendance incurred by reason of his refusal to obey the summons and in addition impose on him a fine not exceeding one hundred naira which shall be recoverable in like manner as a fine imposed by a Magistrate's Court;
- (e) enter any land for the purpose of obtaining information or evidence.
- (2) A person summoned under this section who, without lawful excuse or justification—
  - (a) refuses to attend as a witness; or
  - (b) neglects to make an answer or to produce a book, paper or other document in his possession which he is requested to make or produce, as the case may be,

is guilty of an offence.

Penalty: a fine of twenty naira.

Submission of report of inquiry.

18. Upon the completion of the inquiry the Settlement Officer shall submit a report to the Commissioner through the chief game warden.

Powers of the Commissioner with respect to rights admitted. 19. Where the chief game warden is of the opinion that the exercise of any rights or claims admitted would—

- (a) stultify the objects of the proposed game reserve; or
- (b) seriously hinder the efficient management of the game reserve,
- he shall advise the Commissioner accordingly and thereupon the
  - (i) extinguish those rights or claims upon the payment of adequate monetary compensation or the granting, in exchange, of similar rights on other similarly situated land within or without the final boundaries of the proposed game reserve; or
  - (ii) confine or restrict those rights or claims to a specified area either within or without the final boundaries of the proposed game reserve, or restrict the exercise of those rights to specified times of
  - (iii) amend the boundaries of the game reserve so as to exclude therefrom the area over which those rights or claims have been
  - (iv) add such rights as the considers just and equitable notwithstanding that the Settlement Officer has not admitted them; or
  - (v) adopt wholly or in part a combination of any two or more of the foregoing methods of dealing with admitted rights or claims.
  - 20. (1) The Commissioner shall, after considering the report and settling rights and claims in the manner prescribed under section 19 publish a notice in the Anambra State Gazette specifying-

(a) the lands which it is finally intended to constitute a game reserve;

- (b) the rights which may be exercised within the game reserve and the area to which the exercise is confined or restricted; and
- (c) other special conditions affecting the game reserve.
- (2) The notice shall be made known to the people of the area in the manner described in section 15 and be communicated to every person who, or to the representative of every community which, made a claim to the Settlement Officer.
  - 21. (1) Where a person who has made claim on his own behalf, or the Appeal. representative of a community which has made a claim, is aggrieved by the settlement of his claim or right as decided by the Commissioner, he may, within three months of the publication of the notice under section 20, appeal

Notice as to final boundaries and settlement of rights and

to the High Court having jurisdiction in the area of the proposed game reserve against the decision of the Commissioner.

- (2) The decisions, on appeal, of the High Court shall be final.
- (3) Subject to this section, the Chief Judge may make rules of Court providing for the conduct of appeals before the High Court and for the procedure to be followed and the method of tending evidence in those appeals.

Order establishing game reserve.

- 22. (1) If there is no appeal at the expiration of the period specified in section 21 or, if there has been an appeal, after the determination of the appeal, the Commissioner may make an order constituting as a game reserve and land in respect of which and enquiry has been held.
  - (2) The order shall-
  - (a) define the limits of the land which constitutes the game reserve; and
  - (b) set forth the rights which may be exercised within the game reserve and the area to which the exercise is confined or restricted including such rights, if any, as may have been established by the High Court upon an appeal; and
  - (c) contain such other conditions affecting the lands as the Commissioner may impose.
- (3) The order shall be published in the Anambra State Gazette and shall be made known to the people of the area by the Settlement Officer in the manner prescribed by paragraph (2) of section 14.
- (4) Unless the Commissioner otherwise indicates, the date of publication of the order in the Anambra State Gazette is the date on which the land becomes a game reserve.

Modification of order.

- 23. (1) The Commissioner may from time to time revise or modify, by order, an order made under section 22 after such inquiry as he may think fit.
- (2) In revising or modifying an order, the Commissioner may do all or any of the following acts—
  - (a) exercise the powers conferred by section 19;
  - (b) admit such rights as he may consider just and equitable;

- (c) declare that the whole or any part of the game reserve shall cease to be a game reserve.
- Closure of 24. Subject to this Law or other written law the Commissioner may ways and close
  - watercourses.

- (a) a way; or
- (b) a watercourse;

situated in a game reserve if another way or watercourse which is, in his opinion, equally convenient exists or is provided.

25. (1) Subject to this section a right in, over, or affecting any land Extinguishment of constituted a game reserve which is unclaimed or which or is not in any way brought to the knowledge of the Sattlement Officer at the time of many way rights. brought to the knowledge of the Settlement Officer at the time of an inquiry under section 19 shall, for the purposes of this Law, be deemed extinguished as from and including the date of commencement of an order made under section 22.

- (2) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Law a person may, within one year from the date of the publication of a notice under section 20, claim any right of which he was possessed at the time of an inquiry under section 16 but which, for sufficient reason shown to the Commissioner, he failed to claim, and the Commissioner may admit and deal with the right in such manner as he is empowered to do under section 19.
- 26. A right in a game reserve which is not exercised for a period of ten Extinguishme years shall deemed to have been extinguished.

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27. (1) A person shall not alienate, whether by sale, mortgage, or transfer, Rights not to a right affecting land included in a game reserve without the prior consent of without the Commissioner and a sale, mortgage, or transfer effected without such a consent of Commisconsent shall be a sale, mortgage. consent shell be null and void

(2) A person who contravenes subsection (i) is guilty of an offence.

Penalty: a fine of sixty paira or imprisonment for two months or both.

(3) The Commissioner may extinguish a right which a person attempts to alienate contrary to subsection (1).

prohibited in proposed game reserve.

- 28. (1) During the period between the publication of the notice referred to in subsection (1) of section 15 and the order constituting the game reserve in right within the section 22, a person shall not acquire any right within the lands specified in the notice otherwise than by succession or under a grant or contract in writing entered into with the approval of the Commissioner.
- (2) Save as hereinafter provided, during the period specified in subsection (1) a person shall not, within the lands affected by the notice referred to in that subsection-
  - (a) erect a new dwelling house; or
  - (b) clear any land for forming or cultivation; or
  - (c) cut a tree; or
  - (d) hunt, capture, or kill a wild animal.
  - (3) Nothing in subsection (2) shall be deemed to prohibit an act done with the permission in writing of a game warden.
    - (4) A person who contravenes subsection (1) or (2) is guilty of an offence.

Penalty: a fine of two hundred naira or imprisonment for six months; or both.

Restriction of entry to game reserve.

- 29. (1) A person, other than a game warden or other employee of Government on duty, shall not enter a game reserve except under the authority of this Law or the regulations made thereunder.
  - (2) A person who contravenes this section is guilty of an offence.

Penalty: a fine of sixty naira or imprisonment for two months or both.

Offences in game reserve.

- 30. (1) A person who, in a game reserve, and without an authority under this Law or the regulations made thereunder-
  - (a) hunts or takes possession of a wild animal; or
  - (b) takes any forest produce; or
  - (e) uproots, burns, or strips the bark or leaves from, or otherwise damages
  - (d) sets fire to grass or herbage, or kindles a fire without taking due precaution to prevent its spreading; or

- (e) pastures cattle or permits cattle to trespass; or
- (f) digs, cuts, turns or cultivates the soil or makes a farm or plantation; or
- (g) constructs a dam or weir across a river or stream or otherwise obstructs the channel of a river or stream or otherwise obstructs the channel of a rive or stream; or
- (h) resides in or erects a new building or makes a camp; or
- (i) fishes or attempts to kill a fish; or
- (j) sets a snare, net, trap, or other instrument for the purpose of catching or killing an animal or which is likely to catch, kill or injure an animal;
- (k) drives or stampedes or in any way disturbs unnecessarily an animal, is guilty of an offence.

Penalty: a fine of two hundred naira or imprisonment for six months or both.

- (2) Nothing in this section shall be deemed to prevent the chief warden or a game warden acting on the instructions of the chief game warden from doing an act prohibited by subsection (1).
- (3) In this section "forest produce" has the meaning assigned to it in the (Cap. 47) Forest Law.
- 31. (1) A local government council may, with the approval of the Game sanctuary. Commissioner-
  - (a) declare an area to be a game sanctuary, or
  - (b) declare that a game sanctuary shall cease to be a game sanctuary.
- (2) Save as otherwise provided in this Law or in the regulations made thereunder, a person who hunts a wild animal within the limits of a game sanctuary, is guilty of an offence.

Penalty: a fine of two hundred naira or imprisonment for six months or both.

32. (1) The Commissioner may from time to time by order declare a period close season... of time to be a close season for any animal, whether a prohibited animal, a

specially protected animal or a protected animal or other wild animal, and the declaration may be—

- (a) general; or
- (b) restricted to the limits of the area defined in the order.
- (2) Where a period of time has been declared a close season for an animal, a person who hunts that animal within the area in respect of which the close season applies, is guilty of an offence.

Penalty: a fine of two hundred naira or imprisonment for six months or both.

# PART 4.—RESTRICTION ON METHODS OF HUNTING AND DESTROYING WILD ANIMALS

Restriction on killing fish.

33. A person who kills or captures any fish with poison or, without the permission in writing of the Commissioner, with an dynamite or other explosive or any electrical method or device, is guilty of an offence. Penalty: a fine of two hundred naira or imprisonment for six months, or both.

Prohibiting use of motor vehicle or aircraft to hunt or stampede animals.

#### 34. (1) A person who—

- (a) shoots a wild animal from an aircraft or from a vehicle or craft propelled by mechanical means; or
- (b) uses an aircraft or mechanically propelled vehicle in such a manner as to drive away, stampede or disturb a wild animal,

is guilty of an offence.

Penalty: a fine of sixty naira or imprisonment for two months or both.

- (2) Nothing in this section shall be deemed-
- (a) to prevent a person from shooting, in accordance with this Law or the regulations thereunder, a wild fowl or crocodile from a launch or other river craft; or
- (b) to affect the right of an occupier of land used for public purpose to use a motor vehicle or aircraft for the purpose of driving away, capturing or destroying an animal found on such a land where the driving away, capture, or destruction is not contrary to a written law.

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PART 5.—TRAFFIC IN TROPHIES Possession of 35. (1) A person shall not possess a trophy or manufacture anything from trophies

- (a) the trophy has been obtained in accordance with this Law and is a trophy unless-registered as a trophy in accordance with section 37; or
  - (b) the person is specifically authorized in writing by the Commissioner of other person appointed by the Commissioner for the purpose, to possess the trophy.
  - (2) A person who contravenes the provisions of subsection (1) is guilty of an offence.

Penalty: a fine of one hundred naira or imprisonment for three years, or both.

36. In this Law the burden of proving that a trophy is lawfully obtained is Onus of proof of lawful on the person who alleges that it is so obtained.

- 37. (1) A person possessing a trophy shall declare the trophy to a game Declaration of trophy. warden who shall, upon satisfactory proof by the possessor that the trophy has been lawfully obtained, register the trophy and deliver to the possessor a free disposal permit in respect thereof in which the trophy shall be identified.
- (2) Where a trophy has been declared and registered, the game warden shall make identification marks on the trophy in accordance with regulations made under section 50 and shall enter a description of the identification marks on the free disposal permit.
  - (3) A person who-
  - (a) possesses a trophy otherwise than in accordance with this Law; or
  - (b) fails to declare a trophy to a game warden, is guilty of an offence.

Penalty: a fine of sixty naira or imprisonment for two months or both.

38. (1) A person shall not sell, transfer, or otherwise dispose of a trophy Disposal of which is not registered or in respect of which a free disposal permit has not trophy. been issued.

- (2) A person transferring, or otherwise disposing of a trophy shall, upon such a transfer, sale, or disposition, transfer with the trophy the relevant free disposal permit which shall be proof that the possession of the trophy is lawful.
- (3) A person shall not purchase, receive, or otherwise obtain from another person a trophy which is not lawfully obtained.

Government ownership of animals.

39. A wild animal killed or captured in accordance with section 12 or section 43 or a carcass or remains reported to a game warden in accordance with section 41 shall be property of the Government.

Disposal of animal which has become Government property.

40. The Commissioner may authorize the disposal, by sale or otherwise, of a wild animal or a part of a wild animal which has become property of the Government by virtue of section 39.

Finding remains of elephants or rhinoceros.

- 41. (1) A person who finds a carcass or remains of an elephant or rhinoceros with the tusk or horn intact shall report the find or a game warden within two weeks of the finding.
- (2) The Commissioner may direct the payment of a reward to a person reporting a find under subsection (1).
- (3) Where the person reporting the find in accordance with subsection (1) is the holder of a licence to hunt elephant or rhinoceros, he may take possession of the tusk or horn, as the case may be, as if he had killed the animal from which the tusk or horn is taken by virtue of the licence.

Finding remains of other specially protected animals.

42. Where a person finds the remains of a specially protected animal other than an elephant or a rhinoceros and wishes to obtain possession thereof, he shall report the find to a game warden who may, on being satisfied that the circumstances of the finding do not constitute an offence, dispose of the remains to such a person on payment of such fees as may be provided for regulations under section 50.

Destruction of animals for necessity.

- 43. (1) Where---
- (a) in order to protect human life or any property or to prevent the destruction of crops, domestic stock, or necessity in time of famine; or

(b) for any requirement relating to public health or public order.

it is shown to the Commissioner or such other officer as he may appoint for the purpose that it is necessary or expedient to capture or destroy a wild animal, the Commissioner or that other officer may authorize a person to capture or destroy that wild animal.

- (2) An authority given in accordance with this section shall—
- (a) specify the number and species of wild animals that may be captured or destroyed;
- (b) specify the area within which the wild animal may be captured or destroyed;
- (c) specify the period, not being more than tree months at any time from the date of the authority, for which the authority shall be valid; and
- (d) prescribe the method by which the wild animal may be killed or captured, whether or not such a method is allowed by this Law or the regulations made thereunder having regard to the prevention of unnecessary suffering or destruction.
- 44. Where the animal killed in pursuance of and under an authority give Where animal killed for under section 43 is an elephant the person authorized to kill the animal shall, necessity is an within a period of not more than twenty-one days from the date of killing the animal, surrender the tusks of that animal to the chief game warden who shall then dispose of the tusks in accordance with the directions of the Commissioner.

45. Where a game warden suspects that an offence has been committed Power to against the provisions of this law or of the regulations made thereunder, he seize animals. may himself search or authorize another person to search in his presence a baggage, package, vehicle, dwelling-house, tent, caravan or article belonging to or under the control of the suspected offender or of the suspected offender's agent or servant and if the game warden or that other person finds an animal or part of an animal appearing to him to have been killed or captured in contravention of this Law or the regulations made thereunder, he shall seize and take that animal or that part of the animal and immediately cause the offender to be prosecuted.

Power of arrest.

- 46. A game warden may arrest without warrant a person who he reasonably suspects of having committed an offence against this law or the regulations made thereunder if that person-
  - (a) on the demand of the game warden refuses to give his name and address; or
  - (b) gives a name or address which is false or which the game warden has reason to believe to be false; or
  - (c) is likely to abscond,

and the game warden shall immediately cause that person to be prosecuted.

Payment for information leading to conviction of offender. 47. Where a fine is imposed in a proceeding under this Law or a regulation made thereunder, the Court imposing the fine may at its discretion direct that when the fine is paid a sum not exceeding half the amount of the fine shall be paid to the person, if any, who gave the information leading to the conviction.

Eggs of specially protected birds

- 48. (1) A person shall not take the eggs or egg-shell of a bird which is declared by this Law to be a specially protected animal unless—
  - (a) the person is authorized so to do under this Law; or
  - (b) the bird is lawfully kept in a domesticated state.
  - (2) A person who contravenes this section is guilty of an offence;

Penalty: a fine of sixty naira or imprisonment for two months or both.

Prosecution.

49. In any proceeding for an offence against this Law or the regulations made thereunder the chief game warden shall be the prosecutor.

Regulations .

- 50. The Commissioner may make regulations for doing all or any of the following—
  - (a) regulating the application for, issue, form, conditions,m and fees payable in respect of a licence or permit to be issued under this Law;
  - (b) prescribing or altering the number of animals of a species or variety that may be hunted by virtue of a licence issued in accordance with this Law;

- (c) prescribing or altering the limits of the areas in which an animal declared to be a specially protected animal or protected animal or other wild animal not so declared may not be hunted, captured, or killed unless otherwise authorized under this Law;
- (d) regulating the possession, purchase, sale, transfer or disposal of a wild animal;
- (e) regulating the manufacture of any article from a trophy;
- (f) requiring the holder of a licence, permit, or authority issued in accordance with this Law to submit the licence, permit or authority to a prescribed officer for endorsement or for other purpose;
- (g) providing for the issue of a duplicate where a licence or permit is lost or destroyed;
- (h) prohibiting or regulating the capture or killing of fish, whether a specific fish or not, either generally or in specified water;
- (i) providing for the protection of spawning beds;
- (j) prohibiting the making or use of game pits, nets, traps or other instruments for the purpose of hunting wild animals either generally or in specified areas;
- (k) prohibiting the use of fire for the purpose of hunting a wild animal;
- (I) providing for the declaration, registration, marking, and identification of trophies;
- (m) prohibiting the possession or carrying of a specified kind of fire-arms, lamps, or other instruments when used or likely to be used or capable of being used for hunting;
- (n) requiring the holder of a licence issued in accordance with this Law to keep a true register of wild animals hunted, captured, or killed under the licence;
- (o) regulating the keeping of wild animals in captivity;
- (p) regulating the keeping of wild animals and wild animal ranching generally;
- (q) regulating the conditions of entry to game reserves and game sanctuaries;
- (r) regulating the management of game reserves and game sanctuaries;
- (s) declaring an animal to be vermin and declaring an animal not to be vermin and providing for the eradication or control of vermin;

- (t) providing for the fees to be charged under this Law;
- (u) generally for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Law.

Power of Court to confiscate arms or other instruments. 51. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Law, where a person is convicted for an offence under this Law or the Regulations made thereunder committed with fire-arms or other instruments, the Court may in addition to the prescribed punishment, order the confiscation or destruction of the fire-arms or other instruments.

#### FIRST SCHEDULE

TIKST SCIEDOES	-
Chimpanzee	Pan troglodyte Gazella dama Taurotragus derbianus Loxodonta africana
Immature elephant	Loxodonta cyclotis Loxodonta cyclotis
Giraffe	Giraffa camelopardalis Gorilla gorilla Trichecus senegalensis Choeropsis liberiensis Diceros bicornis
SECOND SCHEDU	TLE
(Section 7) Caracal or Desert Lynx Cheetah Colobus monkey	Felis caracal Acinonyx jubatus  Colobus polykomos Colobus badius
Mature Elephant	Loxodonta africana Loxodonta cyclotis
Hippopotamus, other than the Pigmy	

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Hippopotamus	Hippopotamus amphibius
Klipspringer	Oreotragus oreotragus
Situtunga	Limnotragus speckii
Crowned Crane	Balearica Pavonina Pavonina
European Stock	Ciconia species
Greater Bustard	Ardcotis arab sticberi
Greater White Heron	Casmerodius albus
	melanorhyneos
Ostrich	Struthio camelus
Secretary Bird	Saggitarius serpentarius
	gambiensis
Vultures	All species
THIRD SCHEDU	ULE
(Section 7)	
Bushbucks or Harnessed Antelopes:	
West African Bushbuck	Tragelaphus scriptus
Shari Bushbuck	Tragelaphus pietus
Ubangi Bushbuck	Tragelaphus signatus
Bushcow or Buffalo	Syncerus nanua
THIRD SCHED	ULE
Duikers:	
Bay Duiker	Cephalopus dosalis
Black Duiker	Cephalopus niger
Ogilbys Duiker	Cephalopus ogilbyi
Red Flanked Duiker	Cephalopus rufilatus
Yellow Backed Fuiker	Cephalopus silvicutor
Blue Duiker	Philantomba caerulus
Maxwells Duiker	Philantomba maxwelii
Grimus Duiker	Silvicarap grimmia
Hartebeests:	
Western Hartebeest	Alcelaphus buselaphus
Senegal Hartebeest	Damalisous Keoyrigum
Kobs:	
Buffons Kob	Adenota kob
Lake Chad Kob	Adenota adolfi friderici
Benue Kob	Adenota loderi
Waterbuck	Kobus defasa
Reedbuck	Redunca nigeriencis
Oribi	Ourebia ouebi
Red Fronted Gazelle	Gazella rufifrons
Red River Hog	Patamochoerus porcus

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Hippopotamus equinus Bucorvus abyssinious

Pelican....

Pelecanus onoerotalus Pelecanus refesens. Pelecanus roceus.

## SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION\*

# Wild Animals Preservation (Prohibition of Dazzle) Regulations

Regulation 6 of 1934.

- 1. These regulations may be called the Wild Animals Preservation (Prohibition of Dazzle) Regulations.
- 2. The killing or capturing of animals or birds by using a bright lamp or other portable light for the purpose of dazzling them or otherwise rendering them more easy prey, is hereby prohibited.

Penalty: a fine of one hundred naira.

Regulations

# Wild Animals Preservation (Licenses) Regulations

1. These regulations may be cited as the Wild Animals Preservation Citation. (Licences) Regulations.

#### Licences

- 2. Licences under section 23 of the Law may be issued by any Local licences.First Government Secretary, officer, Magistrate or officer of the Forestry Division of the Ministry of Agriculture and shall be in the forms set out in the First Schedule.
- 3.(1) A resident non-Nigerian's licence or a visitor's licence maybe Schedule. renewed on the payment of the fees following-
  - (a) resident non-Nigerian's licence-monthly renewal, fifty kobo.

Form A.

(b) visitor's licence-monthly renewal, two hundred and twenty-five naira.

Form B.

<sup>\*</sup> No Regulations have been made under section 50 to replace these regulations which were made under section 18, 22 and 43 of the Repealed Cap. 133 Laws of Eastern Nigeria, 1963. These regulations remain valid by virtue of section 20 of the Interpretation Law (Cap. 71).

- (2) Such renewal maybe made on application to any officer mentioned in the preceding regulation who, on the receipt of the fee prescribed, shall endorse the fact of such renewal on the original licence.
- (3) A renewal licence does not entitle the holder to kill or capture animals or birds in excess of the number authorized by the original licence.

Lost licence.

4. Any person whose licence has been lost or destroyed may, on application to any officer authorized to issue the licence, and on satisfying such officer that the licence has been lost or destroyed, be granted a duplicate licence for the remainder of the term of the original licence on payment of a fee of five naira.

Elephant licence. Form E.  A licence authorizing the holder thereof to hunt, kill or capture elephant shall be in Form E set out in the First Schedule.

Special licence to kill rhinoceros or eland. 6. (1) Any Local Government Secretary may, on the application of the holder of a resident non-Nigerian's licence r a visitor's licence, grant a special licence authorizing such person to kill or capture one rhinoceros and one eland. Such special licence shall not authorize the holder to hunt, kill or capture an immature rhinoceros or eland, or female rhinoceros and eland accompanied by her young.

Form F.

- (2) Every such licence shall be in Form F set out in the First Schedule, and there shall be paid therefore a fee of two hundred naira, or, if granted in respect of both rhinoceros and eland, four hundred naira.
- (3) The person who obtains a special licence under this regulation shall produce to the officer granting the same his resident non-Nigerian's or visitor's licence and such officer shall endorse thereon the fact to such special licence having been granted.
- (4) Every licence granted under this regulation shall expire on the same date as the resident non-Nigerian's or visitor's licence held at the time such special licence is granted, and only one licence to kill a rhinoceros and one licence to kill an eland shall be granted to such person during the period of such resident non-Nigerian's or visitor's licence.

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7. The holder of any special licence granted under sections 27 or 29 of the Endorsement Law shall before hunting under such licence in any Local Government Area submit the licence for endorsement by the Local Government Secretary.

of special licence by Local Government Secretary in which holder proposes to hunt.

#### Game Register

8. The register to be kept by licence holders as required by section 33 of the Law shall be in the form set out in the Section Schedule.

Form of kept. Second Schedule.

#### Marking of Ivory

9. (1) The Local Government Secretary officer when permitting any citizen Marking Government of Nigeria to retain a tusk deposited with him in pursuance of the provisions Government ivory. of section 38 (3) of the Law, and any officer or person selling any tusk on behalf of the Government shall cause the tusk to be marked with the letters N.G., and the date, and the name of the person retaining or purchasing the tusk, and of the station or place at which the tusk has been so marked.

(2) Any person who shall, without proper authority, mark or cause to be Penalty marked any tusk or part of a tusk with such mark as aforesaid shall be liable to a fine of one hundred naira and the tusk or part of tusk in respect of which the offence has been committed shall be forfeited to the Government.

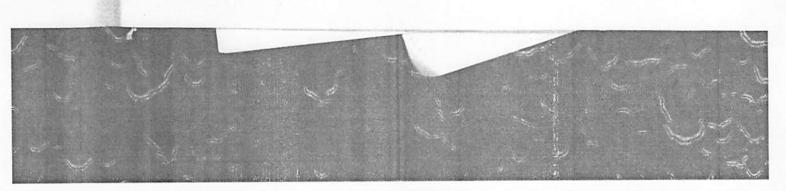
### Acts prohibited

- 10. Any person who shall-
- (a) use any poison for the purpose of killing any protected animal;
- (b) fire at any protected animal or protected bird or game bird from any steamer in motion;
- (c) make or use any game pit, net or trap for the purpose of killing or capturing any protected animal or protected bird; or
- (d) hunt any protected animal with dogs;

shall be liable to a fine of one hundred naira.

11. A free disposal permit under section 15 of the Law shall be in the form in the Third Schedule.

Free disposal permit. Third Schedule.



#### FIRST SCHEDULE.

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## Form A

Kesiaeni non-Nigerian s	Licence
Date	Licence No
Issued at	
Issued by	
Fee paid: N4.00.	
Licence is hereby granted to	pecies mentioned in the Second or Third
	(Signature of Officer issuing
	the Licence)
This licence is renewed for months for which been paid.	renewal a fee ofhas
***************************************	
	(Signature of Officer receiving the
	renewal fee)
Note.—The second and Third Schedules and sections 23 (back of the licence.	7) and 33 of the Law to be printed on the
Form B	
Visitor's Licenc	e
Date19	LicenceNo
Issued at	
Issued by	
Fee paid N20.00	
Licence is hereby granted to	of
to hunt, kill or capture animals and birds of any of the s Schedules to the Wild animals Preservation Law for two provisions of the above Law.	elve months from this date, subject to the
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	(Signature of Officer issuing the Licence)
	the Licence)
This licence is renewed formonths for which rene	
	(Signature of Officer receiving the renewal fee)
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#### Form B-continued

Note.—The Second and Third Schedules and sections 23 (7) and 33 of the Law to be printed on the back of the licence.

#### Form C

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#### Fortnightly Licence.

Date	19	. Licence No
Issued at		
Issued by		
Fee Paid: N1.		
provisions of the W animals or birds of provided that the to	any of the species mentioned in otal number of animals and bi	w for a period of fourteen days from this date, in the Second or Third Schedules to the said Law irds of the species mentioned in the said Second all not exceed ten and the number of any species I the number fixed by the second column of that
		(Signature of Officer issuing the
		Licence)
Note. —The Secon back of the licence	nd and Third Schedule and sect	tions 23 (7) and 33 of the Law to be printed on the
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		Licence
Issued at Issued by Fee paid: N50.		Licence No
or isions of the	wild Animals Preservation La s mentioned in the Third Sched	of to hunt, kill and capture, subject to the aw for a period of one year from this date, birds of dule to the said Law

Note. —The Third Schedule and sections 23 (7) of the Law to be printed on the back of the licence.

(Signature of Officer issuing the Licence)

Reg. 5.

Reg. 7.

#### Form E

## Special Licence to kill Elephant

Nam Desc Date Whe

Date	19	No
Issued by		
Fee Paid: N2000, N4000,	N6000	
the day of provisions of the Wild anin	on-Nigerian's or visito to hunt, kill or c nals preservation Law.	who is the holder of a (state whether the r's licence) licence issued at on capture one (or two) elephant subject to the
This licence will expir above mentioned.	e on the date of the exp	iration of the (state nature of licence) licence
		(Signature of Officer)
Note.—Sections 29 of the	Law to be printed on the	back of the licence.
	Form	F
Sį	pecial Licence to kill a	Rhinoceros or Eland
Date	, 19	
No		
Issued at	***************************************	
Fee paid: N400, N800		
who is the holder of a (s	nted to	ay of, 19, to hunt and kill one sions of the Wild Animals Preservation Law.
Timecores (mar)		(Signature of Officer issuing the Licence)
Note.—The Third Sched This licence will expire mentioned.	lule and sections 23 (7) of on the date of the expira	f the Law to be printed on the back of the licence. tion of the (state nature of licence) licence above
		(Signature of Officer)
Note.—This licence doe or eland or a female rhi	es not authorize the hunti- noceros or eland accompa	ng, killing or capturing of an immature rhinoceros mied by her young.

### SECOND SCHEDULE

Reg. 7.

### GAME REGISTER

List of Protected	Animals	and Birds	killed o	r Captured.

Date when obtained	Place where obtained	Species	Sex	Remarks
		0,74		
I hereby cert	ify that the above is	a complete and corre e during the currency	ect record of all p	protected animals a entioned licence.

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#### THIRD SCHEDULE

Free Disposal Permit

Permission is hereby granted to	of
to dispose freely of the following-	ivory
	rhinoceros horn,
viz.:	
(describe the	vivory/rhinoceros horn)
DATED this	day of19
	(Signature of person granting the permit)

Regulations 12 of 1916, 28 of 1922.

## **Declaration of Game Reserve Regulations**

made under section 22

The area described in the Schedule hereto is declared to be a game reserve.

#### SCHEDULE

All the tract of land which lies within the boundaries formed by the River Niger, the Anambra River and a demarcated boundary running east and west from the junction of the Anan Creek with the Niger River to the Anambra River.

Regulations 78 of 1944, 19 of 1946.

## Wild Animal Preservation (Traps) Regulations

made under section 43

Citation.

1. These regulations may be cited as the Wild Animals Preservation (Traps) Regulations

Definition.

2. In these regulations—

"trap" means any mechanical contrivance having jaws, such jaws having a

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space between them of more than 101.4 millimetres and such contrivance being designed, calculated or intended to be used or capable of being used to capture, injure or destroy any animal or bird.

- 3. Any person who shall make, or shall expose or offer for sale, or shall have in his control or possession or shall use any trap shall be guilty of an offence.

  Making or use of trap prohibited.
- 4. Any person guilty of an offence against these regulations shall on Penality. conviction thereof be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty naira or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding two months or to both such fine and imprisonment.