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**68A-6.002 Categories of Captive Wildlife.**

(1) The Commission hereby establishes the following categories of wildlife including their taxonomic successors and subspecies thereof:

(a) Class I:

1. Chimpanzees (*genus Pan*)
2. Gorillas (*genus Gorilla*)
3. Gibbons (*genus Hylobates*)
4. Drills and mandrills (*genus Mandrillus*)
5. Orangutans (*genus Pongo*)
6. Baboons (*genus Papio*)
7. Siamangs (*genus Symphalangus*)
8. Gelada baboons (*genus Theropithecus*)
9. Snow leopards (*Panthera uncia*)
10. Leopards (*Panthera pardus*)
11. Jaguars (*Panthera onca*)
12. Tigers (*Panthera tigris*)
13. Lions (*Panthera leo*)
14. Bears (family *Ursidae*)
15. Rhinoceros (family *Rhinocerotidae*)
16. Elephants (family *Elephantidae*)
17. Hippopotamuses (family *Hippopotamidae*)
18. Cape buffalos (~~*Syncerus caffer caffer*~~) and Gaur (family *Bovidae*)
19. Crocodiles (except dwarf and Congo) (family *Crocodylidae*)
20. Gavials (family *Gavialidae*)
21. Black caimans (*Melanosuchus niger*)
22. Komodo dragons (*Varanus komodoensis*)
23. Hyenas and Aardwolf (family *Hyaenidae*)
24. Cougars, panthers (*Puma concolor*)
25. Cheetahs (*Acinonyx jubatus*)

(b) Class II:

1. Howler monkeys (*genus Alouatta*)
2. Uakaris (*genus Cacajao*)
3. Mangabeys (*genus Cercocebus*)
4. Guenons (*genus Ceropithecus*)
5. Patas monkeys (*genus Erythrocebus*)
6. Vervet, Grivet or Green monkeys (*genus Chlorocebus*)
7. Bearded Sakis (*genus Chiropotes and Pithecia*)
8. Guereza monkeys (*genus Colobus*)
9. Celebes black apes (*genus Cynopithecus*)
10. Idris (*genus Indri*)
11. Macaques (*genus Macaca*)
12. Langurs (*genus Presbytis*)
13. Douc langurs (*genus Pygathrix*)
14. Snub-nosed langurs (*genus Phinopithecus*)
15. Proboscis monkeys (*genus Nasalis*)
16. Servals (*Leptailurus serval*)

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- ~~15.~~ 17. European and Canadian lynx (*Lynx lynx*)
- ~~16.~~ Cougars, panthers (*Puma concolor*)
- ~~17.~~ 18. Bobcats (*Lynx rufus*)
- ~~18.~~ Cheetahs (*Acinonyx jubatus*)
19. Caracals (*Caracal caracal*)
20. African golden cats (*Profelis aurata*)
21. Temminck's golden cats (*Profelis temmincki*)
22. Fishing cats (*Prionailurus viverrina*)
23. Ocelots (*Leopardus pardalis*)
24. Clouded leopards (*Neofelis nebulosa*)
25. Coyotes, jackals (family *Canidae*) (~~*Canis latrans*~~)
- ~~26.~~ Gray wolves (*Canis lupus*) (including wolf x domestic hybrids which are 25 percent or less domestic dog) Wolves (family *Canidae*)
- ~~27.~~ Red wolves (*Canis niger*) (including wolf x domestic hybrids which are 25 percent or less domestic dog)
- ~~28.~~ Asiatic jackals (*Canis aureus*)
- ~~29.~~ Black backed jackals (*Canis mesomelas*)
- ~~30.~~ Side striped jackals (*Canis adustus*)
- ~~31.~~ 27. Indian dholes (*Cuon alpinus*)
- ~~32.~~ 28. African hunting dogs (*Lycaon pictus*)
- ~~33.~~ 29. Wolverines (*Gulo gulo*)
- ~~34.~~ 30. Honey badgers (*Mellivora capensis*)
- ~~35.~~ 31. American badgers (*Taxides taxus*)
- ~~36.~~ 32. Old World badgers (*Meles meles*)
- ~~37.~~ 33. Binturongs (*Arctictis binturong*)
- ~~38.~~ Hyenas (all species) (family *Hyaenidae*)
- ~~39.~~ 34. Dwarf crocodiles (*Osteolaemus tetraspis*)
- ~~40.~~ 35. Alligators, caimans (except American alligator) (family *Alligatoridae*)
- ~~41.~~ 36. Ostrich (*Struthio camelus*)
- ~~42.~~ 37. Cassowary (*Casuarius spp.*)
- ~~38.~~ Giraffe and Okapi (family *Giraffidae*)
- ~~39.~~ Tapir (family *Tapiridae*)
- ~~40.~~ Wild cattle; forest, woodland and aridland antelope; and similar species of non-native hoofstock (family *Bovidae*)

Such non-native hoofstock to include: Forest buffalo, Banteng, Anoa, Waterbuck, Wildebeest, Hartebeest, Eland, Kudu, Nilgai, Bongo, lechwe, Roan and Sable antelope, Sitatunga, Bontebok, Blesbok, Topi, Kob, Addax, Oryx, Gemsbok, and other species of the family Bovidae which are of similar size, habits and nature.

(c) Class III: All other wildlife not listed herein, except those for which a permit is not required pursuant to Rule 68A-6.0022, F.A.C.

(d) Hybrids resulting from the cross between wildlife and domestic animal, which are substantially similar in size, characteristics and behavior so as to be essentially indistinguishable from the wild animal shall be regulated as wildlife at the higher and more restricted class of the wild parent.

(2) Except as provided in Rule 68A-6.0021, F.A.C., Class I wildlife shall not be possessed for personal use.

(3) Persons possessing any captive wildlife for purposes of public display or sale shall obtain a permit as specified in Section ~~372.924~~ 379.3761, F.S.

(4) Persons possessing Class II wildlife as personal use wildlife shall purchase a permit as provided in Section ~~372.922~~ 379.303, F.S.

(5) Persons possessing Class III wildlife as personal use wildlife shall obtain a no-cost permit from the Executive Director.

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(6) American alligators shall not be possessed as personal use wildlife and shall be possessed only in accordance with permits issued under Rule 68A-9.002, F.A.C., Section ~~372.6673~~ 379.3751 or ~~372.921~~ 379.3761, Florida Statutes.

(7) Fox, skunks, bats, raccoons, or white tail deer taken from the wild shall not be possessed as personal use wildlife and shall be possessed only in accordance with permits issued under Rules 68A-9.002, 68A-9.006, F.A.C., or Section 379.3761, Florida Statute.

*Specific Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const., ~~372.921~~ 379.3761, ~~372.922~~ 379.303 FS. History—New 8-1-79, Amended 12-3-79, 6-4-81, 6-21-82, Formerly 39-6.02, Amended 6-1-86, 7-1-90, 7-1-92, 9-15-96, Formerly 39-6.002.*

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