

ARTICLE VI. HUNTING AND TRAPPING

8-71. PROHIBITIONS.

In the interest of public health and safety and the general welfare of the citizens of the city, it shall be unlawful for any person, unless exempted by § 8-72:

- (A) To hunt or pursue any animal or wildlife at any time within the limits of the city by means of a firearm, either handgun or rifle, or by any weapon or explosive device, including air rifles, spring guns, bow and arrow, slingshot, or by any other instrument potentially dangerous to human safety.
- (B) To trap or snare any animal or wildlife at any time within the limits of the city by means of a steel leg trap, wire snare, pit, net, baited hook, weighted log, wire cage, or any other kind of trapping device.
- (C) To use poison or a chemical by itself or in bait or feed to attract and kill wildlife.

(1978 Code, § 6-64; Ord. No. 215-A, § 5, 12-19-89; Ord. No. 368, § 1, 3-18-03) Penalty, see § 8-55

8-72. EXCEPTIONS.

Any prohibitions against hunting or trapping made under this article shall not apply to:

- (A) State or local law enforcement officers in the discharge of their official duties.
- (B) Any governmental official or local law enforcement official, when such hunting or trapping is necessary or incident to a scientific or biological survey or when related to any aspect of wildlife management and control.
- (C) Any property owner or his or her designated agent who hunts or traps on his or her own private property to destroy or control animals causing damage to the property; the use of a lawful exterminator is also permitted as required. For purposes of this section, only live traps may be utilized. **LIVE TRAPS** shall mean such traps which capture, but do not harm or kill, the trapped animal.

(1978 Code, § 6-65; Ord. No. 368, § 1, 3-18-03)