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REGULATION OF THE MINISTER OF
WATER, LAND AND RESOURCE STEWARDSHIP

Wildlife Act

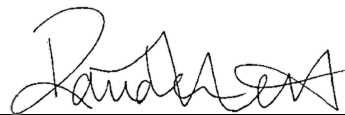
Ministerial Order No. M187

I, Randene Neill, Minister of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship, order that

- (a) the Controlled Alien Species Regulation, B.C. Reg. 94/2009, is amended as set out in the attached Appendix 1, and
- (b) the Wildlife Act Commercial Activities Regulation, B.C. Reg. 338/82, is amended as set out in the attached Appendix 2.

April 28, 2026

Date



Minister of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship

(This part is for administrative purposes only and is not part of the Order.)

Authority under which Order is made:

Act and section: *Wildlife Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 488, ss. 6.4, 6.5, 108 and 109

Other: OIC 1489/82; M81/2009

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APPENDIX 1

1 *The Controlled Alien Species Regulation, B.C. Reg. 94/2009, is amended by adding the following section to Part 2:*

Transition – family *Felidae* [cats]

- 6.1** (1) Despite sections 3 and 5.1 and section 1 (i) of Schedule 1, a person is not required to hold a permit to possess, ship or transport a prohibited species individual described in section 1 (i) of Schedule 1, except the following:
- (a) a species of the subfamily *Pantherinae* [big cats such as lions, tigers and panthers];
 - (b) *Acinonyx jubatus* [cheetah];
 - (c) *Lynx lynx* [Eurasian lynx];
 - (d) *Lynx pardinus* [Iberian lynx].
- (2) This section is repealed effective May 1, 2027.

2 *Schedule 1 is amended by repealing section 1 (i), (j), (l) and (m) and substituting the following paragraph:*

- (i) all species of the family *Felidae* [cats], except the following:
- (i) *Puma concolor* [cougar] that are native species;
 - (ii) *Lynx canadensis* [lynx] that are native species;
 - (iii) *Lynx rufus* [bobcat] that are native species;
 - (iv) *Felis catus* [domestic cat]; .

APPENDIX 2

1 *Section 3.04 of the Wildlife Act Commercial Activities Regulation, B.C. Reg. 338/82, is amended*

(a) *in subsection (1) (q) by striking out “, live box trap or egg trap,” and substituting “or live box trap,” and*

(b) *by adding the following subsection:*

- (5.1) Despite subsection (1) (q), a person may use an egg trap to trap a raccoon if
- (a) the person holds a trapping licence or is exempt under section 11 (9) of the Act from holding a trapping licence, and
 - (b) the trap is securely fastened or anchored in a manner designed to prevent an animal caught in the trap from dragging the trap away.