

FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION
ENCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR GAME MAMMALS

Rule 68A-6.004, Florida Administrative Code, Standard Caging Requirements for Game Mammals.

1. Equids (e.g., zebras, asses) and large non-cusorial bovids (e.g., wild cattle, African buffalo, bison). For one or two animals, a paddock enclosing 1,250 square feet, 6 feet high. For each additional animal, increase paddock by 25 percent of the original footage.
2. Cervids (deer family) and cursorial bovids (antelope)
 - a) Large (e.g., elk, sambar, red deer, sable antelope, eland, wildebeest, and deer and antelope of similar size). For one or two animals, a paddock enclosing 1,250 square feet, 8 feet high. For each additional animal, increase paddock by 25 percent of the original footage.
 - b) Medium (e.g., white-tailed, fallow, axis, sika, pronghorn, deer and antelope of similar size). For one or two animals, a paddock enclosing 800 square feet, 8 feet high. For each additional animal, increase paddock by 25 percent of the original footage.
 - c) Small (e.g., roe, dikdik, muntjac, brocket, pudu, Chinese water deer, musk deer, deer and antelope of similar size). For one or two animals, a paddock enclosing 450 square feet, 5 feet high. For each additional animal, increase paddock, by 25 percent of the original footage.
3. Camelids (e.g., vicuna and guanaco)
 - a) For one or two animals, a paddock enclosing 800 square feet, 6 feet high. For each additional animal, increase paddock by 25 percent of the original footage.
 - b) Giraffes, okapi. For one or two animals, a paddock enclosing 1,500 square feet, 8 feet high. For each additional animal, increase paddock by 25 percent of the original footage.
4. Tapirs
 - a) For one or two animals, a paddock enclosing 500 square feet, 6 feet high. For each additional animal, increase paddock by 25 percent of the original footage.
 - b) Each enclosure shall have a pool of water, 60 square feet, 3 feet deep, equipped with a ramp or steps. For each additional animal, increase pool surface area by 25 percent of original area.
5. Wild swine (Suidae) and peccaries. For one or two animals, a paddock enclosing 200 square feet, 4 feet high. For each additional animal, increase paddock by 25 percent of the original footage.
6. Wild goats/sheep (Caprinae) (e.g., musk ox, goral, serow, takin). For one or two animals, a paddock enclosing 500 square feet, 8 feet high. For each additional animal, increase paddock by 25 percent of the original footage.

Game mammals kept on hunting preserves shall be taken only in accordance with the following conditions and methods:

- (a) Game mammals shall not be taken on hunting preserves while boxed or caged and shall be taken only in accordance with the following conditions and methods:

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1. Cervidae (deer family) shall be free-roaming on not less than 200 acres with a minimum of 100 acres covered with woody vegetation. The hunting of Cervidae with dogs is prohibited, provided that a leashed dog shall be allowed for trailing. The preserve shall be completely enclosed with an eight (8) foot deer-proof fence.
2. Bovidae (such as buffalo and antelopes) shall be free-roaming on not less than 300 acres with a minimum of 200 acres covered with grassy vegetation. The hunting of Bovidae with dogs is prohibited, provided that a leashed dog shall be allowed for trailing. The preserve shall be completely enclosed with an eight-foot (8') deer-proof fence.
3. Suidae (hog) shall be free-roaming on not less than 100 acres with a minimum of fifty (50) acres covered with woody vegetation. For hunting hogs with dogs the area shall be a minimum of 300 acres with 200 acres covered with woody vegetation.

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