

**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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