

Background Report
Draft Rule
68A-6.0022, F.A.C.
Consent Agenda Item 3
July 10, 2017

RULE NO: 68A-6.0022

RULE TITLE: Possession of Class I, II, or III Wildlife in Captivity: Permit Requirements.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to clarify the experience requirements for a License to Possess Class I and/or Class II Wildlife for Exhibition or Public Sale (ESA) for alligators. The effect will be to achieve experience requirement consistency among all Class I and/or II ESA applicants and ensure public safety and the welfare of captive alligators.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment would remove an exemption to the experience requirements for applicants seeking an ESA for alligators.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS AS FOLLOWS:

68A-6.0022 Possession of Class I, II, or III Wildlife in Captivity: Permit Requirements.

(1) through (5)(c) No change.

(d) Experience and examination requirements for Class II permits:

1. and 2. No change

~~3. The above requirements shall not apply to applicants for permits to possess American alligators in accordance with Section 379.3751, F.S.~~

4. 3. The above requirements shall not apply to applicants for permits to possess species of the family *Bovidae* in accordance with Sections 379.3711 and 379.3712, F.S.

(e) and (f) No change.

(6) through (7) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: As soon as possible.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const., 379.3761, 379.3762 FS. History—New 7-1-90, Amended 7-1-90, 7-1-91, 2-1-98, Formerly 39-6.0022, Amended 4-30-00, 1-1-08, 8-27-09, 7-8-10,_____.

BE ADVISED THAT THESE PROPOSED RULES MAY BE FILED FOR ADOPTION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FOLLOWING THE COMMISSION MEETING AT WHICH THEY ARE CONSIDERED IF THE RULES ARE NOT CHANGED. IF CHANGED, THE RULES MAY BE FILED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER PUBLICATION OF A NOTICE OF CHANGE IN THE F.A.R.

IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND LOCATION OF THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED COMMISSION MEETING.