

Draft Rule 68A-12.002
Agenda Item 5D(2)a
September 10, 2014

DRAFT RULE

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule is to remove certain restrictions on methods for taking game birds, crows or game animals. The effect of the proposed rule will be to allow noise-suppressed (i.e., silencer-equipped) rifles and pistols for taking deer, gray squirrels, rabbits, wild turkeys, quail, and crows.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule would remove the prohibition on the use of noise-suppressed (i.e., silencer-equipped) rifles and pistols for taking deer, gray squirrels, rabbits, wild turkeys, quail, and crows.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS AS FOLLOWS:

68A-12.002 General Methods of Taking Game; Prohibitions.

- (1) through (2) No change
- (3) Game birds, crows or game mammals may be taken with any of the following:
 - (a) Shotgun – Shotguns used for taking migratory birds shall be not larger than 10 gauge and incapable of holding more than three shells in magazine and chamber combined.
 - (b) Rifle or pistol.
 - 1. No ~~silencer-equipped~~ or fully automatic firearm may be used.
 - 2. through 6. No change
 - (c) through (f) No change
- (4) through (9) No change

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: As soon as possible after adoption by the Commission.

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 8-1-79, Amended 6-4-81, 11-17-81, 6-21-82, 7-1-83, 7-1-84, 7-1-85, Formerly 39-12.02, Amended 6-1-86, 4-11-90, 4-14-92, 4-20-93, 3-1-94, 3-30-95, 4-1-96, 12-28-98, Formerly 39-12.002, Amended 7-1-05, 7-1-06, 7-1-08, 10-23-08, 1-1-11, 7-1-13, _____.