



Ohio Revised Code

Section 935.18 Sale or auction of animals prohibited.

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(A) Except for a restricted snake specified in division (L)(1) of section 935.01 of the Revised Code, no person shall sell or offer for sale at auction a dangerous wild animal or restricted snake.

(B) Except for a microchip removed for purposes of a medical emergency by a veterinarian that is qualified to provide veterinary care to the dangerous wild animal, no person shall knowingly remove a microchip that is implanted in a dangerous wild animal as required in section 935.04 of the Revised Code.

(C) No person that possesses a dangerous wild animal or restricted snake shall fail to post and display any of the following:

(1) On each cage in which a dangerous wild animal is confined, signs warning the public that a dangerous wild animal is confined in the cage;

(2) At each entrance to the property where a dangerous wild animal is confined, a sign warning the public that a dangerous wild animal is on the property;

(3) On each container in which a restricted snake is confined, a sign warning the public that a restricted snake is in the container;

(4) At the main entrance to each structure where a restricted snake is confined, a sign warning the public that a restricted snake is in the structure;

(5) On a vehicle that is used to transport a dangerous wild animal or restricted snake, a sign warning that a dangerous wild animal or restricted snake, as applicable, is in the vehicle.

The signs shall comply with standards established in rules.



(D) No person shall knowingly release a dangerous wild animal or restricted snake into the wild.

(E) No person shall allow a dangerous wild animal or restricted snake to roam off the property where it is confined.

(F) No person shall remove any teeth or claws from a dangerous wild animal or restricted snake, as applicable, unless determined to be medically necessary by a veterinarian.

(G) No person shall violate any other provisions of this chapter or rules.
