



Ohio Administrative Code Rule 1501:31-9-05 Training dogs.

Effective: January 1, 2023

(A) On all properties owned, leased, or under control of the division of wildlife, it shall be unlawful:

(1) For any person to train, work, or exercise any dog on any property that is posted with signs reading "Public Hunting Area" or "Wildlife Area" between the first day of May and the thirty-first day of August, both dates inclusive, except:

(a) On such portions of these lands that are marked with state signs which read "Dog Training is Permitted All Year Only In This Posted Unit";

(b) At field trials approved by the chief of the division of wildlife or the chief's designee.

(2) For any person who is engaged in the business of training or boarding dogs for financial gain to train, work, or exercise any dog on the aforementioned areas except when participating in a field trial authorized by the division of wildlife. Professional dog trainers may exercise dogs on state lands not more than two days prior to an authorized field trial when such dogs will be participating in that trial.

(3) For any person to train, work, or exercise any dog on the Magee marsh public hunting area at any time, except in conjunction with authorized hunting.

(4) For any person to release game birds, except a person may release and shoot pheasants, chukar partridge, quail, and mallard ducks propagated under authority of 1533.71 of the Revised Code from sunrise to sunset while training dogs within areas on state public hunting areas posted with signs reading "Dog Training is Permitted All Year Only in This Posted Unit" provided:

(a) Each pheasant or mallard duck is banded with a lock-type band prior to its release;

(b) Each chukar partridge or quail is banded with a lock-type or butt-end type band prior to its release;



(c) This rule in no way alters or affects hunting license requirements.

(B) The training, working, or exercising of dogs may be limited to designated areas or parts thereof within a public hunting area at the discretion of the chief of the division of wildlife or the chief's designee.

(C) All definitions set forth in rule 1501:31-1-02 of the Administrative Code apply to this rule.