



Ohio Revised Code

Section 943.23 Compliance with rules and requirements; penalties for violations.

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(A) A captive whitetail deer licensee shall comply with the requirements established in sections 943.20 to 943.26 of the Revised Code and in rules. The director of agriculture may suspend or revoke a license issued under section 943.03 or 943.031 of the Revised Code regarding monitored captive deer, captive deer with status, or captive deer with certified chronic wasting disease status if the licensee fails to comply with those requirements.

(B)(1) The director, after providing an opportunity for an adjudication hearing under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, may assess a civil penalty against a person who has violated or is in violation of section 943.20 of the Revised Code. If the director assesses a civil penalty, the director shall do so as follows:

(a) If, within five years of the violation, the director has not previously assessed a civil penalty against the person under this section, in an amount not exceeding five hundred dollars;

(b) If, within five years of the violation, the director has previously assessed one civil penalty against the person under this section, in an amount not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars;

(c) If, within five years of the violation, the director has previously assessed two or more civil penalties against the person under this section, in an amount not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

(2) Money collected under division (B)(1) of this section shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the animal and consumer protection fund created in section 943.26 of the Revised Code.
