

DIRECTOR'S AMPHIBIAN & REPTILE LIST



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GENERAL INFORMATION:

The Director's Amphibian and Reptile List shall be used by the Department as the bag limits for all purposes of take of amphibians and reptiles.

It shall be unlawful to exceed the bag limit of any species of amphibian or reptile listed on the Director's Amphibian and Reptile List for the current license year.

Note: any species of native, free-ranging amphibian or reptile not currently on the species list will be designated to have a bag limit per license year of five (5).

It is unlawful to take native, free-ranging amphibian and reptile species that are Federal or State listed as threatened or endangered.

Nonresidents must purchase and also have in their possession a nonresident hunting license listed in Section §17-3-13 NMSA 1978 required by law for the year in which the taking is done.

If utilizing public lands, a Habitat Stamp and Habitat Management and Access Validation (HMAV) should be purchased along with a non-game or game hunting license. Purchase online at wildlife.dof.nm.gov.

Methods of Legal Take (*Only the following methods shall be used for the legal take of free-ranging, native amphibians and reptiles*):

- Collection from road surface
- Lizard lasso
- Snake grabbers and hooks
- Seines
- Cast nets
- Dip nets
- Field collection, including the use of hand-held flashlight or spotlight, provided the collector is not in possession of a firearm or other implement whereby any big game animal or domestic animal could be killed.

COMMERCIAL COLLECTING:

It is unlawful for any person to take free-ranging, native amphibians and reptiles in New Mexico for commercial purposes without purchasing and having in possession a valid Commercial Collecting Permit.

A Commercial Collecting Permit is required if you collect amphibians and reptiles for the purpose of sale, barter, or profit, OR are in possession of the bag limit of a species, or more than 50 of a species with unlimited take of wild-caught amphibians and reptiles (see Director's Amphibian and Reptile List).

The Commercial Collecting Permit is valid from April 1 through March 31 of the following calendar year and must be renewed prior to collecting. Each person who purchases a Commercial Collecting Permit is required to file an annual report on a standardized form approved by the Department.

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Type	Order	Family	Scientific Name	Common Name	Bag Limit Per License Year
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Bufo	<i>Anaxyrus boreas</i>	Boreal Toad	Zero – Endangered
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Bufo	<i>Anaxyrus cognatus</i>	Great Plains Toad	30
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Bufo	<i>Anaxyrus debilis</i>	Chihuahuan Green Toad (previously listed as Green Toad)	30
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Bufo	<i>Anaxyrus microscaphus</i>	Arizona Toad	Zero – SGCN
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Bufo	<i>Anaxyrus punctatus</i>	Red-spotted Toad	30
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Bufo	<i>Anaxyrus speciosus</i>	Texas Toad	30
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Bufo	<i>Anaxyrus woodhousii</i>	Woodhouse's Toad	30
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Bufo	<i>Gastrophryne olivacea</i>	Western Narrow-mouthed Toad (previously listed as Great Plains Narrow-mouthed Toad)	Zero – Endangered
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Bufo	<i>Incilius alvarius</i> (previously listed as <i>Ollotis alvaria</i>)	Sonoran Desert Toad	Zero – Threatened
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Scaphiopus	<i>Scaphiopus couchii</i>	Couch's Spadefoot	50
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Scaphiopus	<i>Spea bombifrons</i>	Plains Spadefoot	50
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Scaphiopus	<i>Spea multiplicata</i>	Mexican Spadefoot	50
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Hyla	<i>Acris blanchardi</i>	Blanchard's Cricket Frog	Zero – SGCN
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Hyla	<i>Hyla arenicolor</i>	Canyon Treefrog	10
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Hyla	<i>Dryophytes wrightorum</i> (previously listed as <i>Hyla wrightorum</i>)	Arizona Treefrog	Zero – SGCN
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Hyla	<i>Pseudacris clarkii</i>	Spotted Chorus Frog	5
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Hyla	<i>Pseudacris maculata</i>	Boreal Chorus Frog	Zero - SGCN
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Craugastor	<i>Craugastor augusti</i>	Barking Frog	Zero – SGCN
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Rana	<i>Lithobates (Rana) catesbeiana</i>	American Bullfrog	Unlimited
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Rana	<i>Lithobates (Rana) berlandieri</i>	Rio Grande Leopard Frog	Zero – SGCN
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Rana	<i>Lithobates (Rana) blairi</i>	Plains Leopard Frog	Zero – SGCN
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Rana	<i>Lithobates (Rana) chiricahuensis</i>	Chiricahua Leopard Frog	Zero – Threatened/SGCN

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Frogs & Toads	Anura	Ranidae	<i>Lithobates (Rana) pipiens</i>	Northern Leopard Frog	Zero – SGCN
Frogs & Toads	Anura	Ranidae	<i>Lithobates (Rana) yavapaiensis</i>	Lowland Leopard Frog	Zero – Endangered
Salamanders	Caudata	Ambystomatidae	<i>Ambystoma mavortium</i>	Tiger Salamander	20 terrestrial form Unlimited aquatic form
Salamanders	Caudata	Ambystomatidae	<i>Aneides hardii</i>	Sacramento Mountain Salamander	Zero – Threatened/SGCN
Salamanders	Caudata	Ambystomatidae	<i>Plethodon neomexicanus</i>	Jemez Mountain Salamander	Zero – Endangered/SGCN
Turtles	Testudines	Chelydridae	<i>Chelydra serpentina</i>	Snapping Turtle	20
Turtles	Testudines	Testudinidae	<i>Gopherus flavomarginatus</i>	Bolson Tortoise	Zero – Endangered/SGCN
Turtles	Testudines	Emydidae	<i>Chrysemys picta</i>	Painted Turtle	Zero – SGCN
Turtles	Testudines	Emydidae	<i>Terrapene ornata</i>	Ornate Box Turtle	Zero – SGCN
Turtles	Testudines	Emydidae	<i>Trachemys scripta</i>	Pond Slider	20 (Pecos River & its tributaries) Unlimited elsewhere
Turtles	Testudines	Emydidae	<i>Trachemys gaigeae</i>	Big Bend Slider	Zero – SGCN
Turtles	Testudines	Emydidae	<i>Pseudemys gorzugi</i>	Western River (Rio Grande) Cooter	Zero – Threatened/SGCN
Turtles	Testudines	Kinosternidae	<i>Kinosternon flavescens</i>	Yellow Mud Turtle	5
Turtles	Testudines	Kinosternidae	<i>Kinosternon sonoriense</i>	Sonoran Mud Turtle	Zero – SGCN
Turtles	Testudines	Trionychidae	<i>Apalone mutica</i>	Smooth Softshell	Zero – SGCN
Turtles	Testudines	Trionychidae	<i>Apalone spinifera</i>	Spiny Softshell	5
Skinks	Squamata	Anguidae	<i>Elgaria kingii</i>	Madrean Alligator Lizard (previously listed as Arizona Alligator Lizard)	10
Skinks	Squamata	Scincidae	<i>Plestiodon callicephalus</i>	Mountain Skink	Zero - Threatened
Skinks	Squamata	Scincidae	<i>Plestiodon multivirgatus</i>	Many-lined Skink	30
Skinks	Squamata	Scincidae	<i>Plestiodon obsoletus</i>	Great Plains Skink	30
Geckos	Squamata	Gekkonidae	<i>Coleonyx brevis</i>	Texas Banded Gecko	30

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Geckos	Squamata	Gekkonidae	<i>Coleonyx variegatus</i>	Western Banded Gecko	30
Lizards	Squamata	Crotaphytidae	<i>Crotaphytus collaris</i>	Eastern Collared Lizard	15
Lizards	Squamata	Crotaphytidae	<i>Gambelia wislizenii</i>	Long-nosed Leopard Lizard	20
Lizards	Squamata	Phrynosomatidae	<i>Cophosaurus texanus</i>	Greater Earless Lizard	30
Lizards	Squamata	Phrynosomatidae	<i>Holbrookia maculata ruthveni</i>	Bleached Earless Lizard	Zero – SGCN
Lizards	Squamata	Phrynosomatidae	<i>Phrynosoma spp.</i>	Horned Lizard	Zero – §17-2-15 NMSA
Lizards	Squamata	Phrynosomatidae	<i>Sceloporus arenicolus</i>	Dunes Sagebrush Lizard	Zero – Endangered
Lizards	Squamata	Phrynosomatidae	<i>Sceloporus bimaculosus</i>	Twin-spotted Lizard	30
Lizards	Squamata	Phrynosomatidae	<i>Sceloporus clarkii</i>	Clark's Spiny Lizard	20
Lizards	Squamata	Phrynosomatidae	<i>Sceloporus consobrinus</i>	Prairie Lizard	30
Lizards	Squamata	Phrynosomatidae	<i>Sceloporus cowlesi</i>	Southwestern Fence Lizard	30
Lizards	Squamata	Phrynosomatidae	<i>Sceloporus graciosus</i>	Common Sagebrush Lizard	30
Lizards	Squamata	Phrynosomatidae	<i>Sceloporus jarrovii</i>	Madrean Mountain Spiny Lizard (previously listed as Mountain Spiny Lizard)	Zero – SGCN
Lizards	Squamata	Phrynosomatidae	<i>Sceloporus magister</i>	Desert Spiny Lizard	20
Lizards	Squamata	Phrynosomatidae	<i>Sceloporus poinsetti</i>	Crevice Spiny Lizard	20
Lizards	Squamata	Phrynosomatidae	<i>Sceloporus tristichus</i>	Plateau Lizard	30
Lizards	Squamata	Phrynosomatidae	<i>Sceloporus slevini</i>	Slevin's Bunch Grass Lizard	Zero – Threatened
Lizards	Squamata	Phrynosomatidae	<i>Sceloporus virgatus</i>	Striped Plateau Lizard	10
Lizards	Squamata	Phrynosomatidae	<i>Urosaurus ornatus</i>	Ornate Tree Lizard	30
Lizards	Squamata	Phrynosomatidae	<i>Uta stansburiana</i>	Common Side-blotched Lizard	50
Lizards	Squamata	Heloderatidae	<i>Heloderma suspectum</i>	Gila Monster	Zero – Endangered
Whiptails	Squamata	Teiidae	<i>Aspidoscelis burti</i>	Canyon Spotted Whiptail	Zero – Threatened

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Whiptails	Squamata	Teiidae	<i>Aspidoscelis dixonii</i>	Gray-checked Whiptail	Zero – Endangered
Whiptails	Squamata	Teiidae	<i>Aspidoscelis exsanguis</i>	Chihuahuan Spotted Whiptail	30
Whiptails	Squamata	Teiidae	<i>Aspidoscelis gularis</i>	Common Spotted Whiptail (previously listed as Eastern Spotted Whiptail)	30
Whiptails	Squamata	Teiidae	<i>Aspidoscelis gularis gularis</i>	Texas Spotted Whiptail	Zero – SGCN
Whiptails	Squamata	Teiidae	<i>Aspidoscelis arizonae</i> (previously listed as <i>Aspidoscelis inornata</i>)	Little Striped Whiptail	30
Whiptails	Squamata	Teiidae	<i>Aspidoscelis arizonae gypsi</i>	Little White Whiptail	Zero – SGCN
Whiptails	Squamata	Teiidae	<i>Aspidoscelis marmoratus</i> (previously listed as <i>Aspidoscelis marmorata</i>)	Marbled Whiptail	30
Whiptails	Squamata	Teiidae	<i>Aspidoscelis neomexicanus</i> (previously listed as <i>Aspidoscelis neomexicana</i>)	New Mexico Whiptail	30
Whiptails	Squamata	Teiidae	<i>Aspidoscelis sexlineatus</i> (previously listed as <i>Aspidoscelis sexlineata</i>)	Six-lined Racerunner	30
Whiptails	Squamata	Teiidae	<i>Aspidoscelis sonorae</i>	Sonoran Spotted Whiptail	30
Whiptails	Squamata	Teiidae	<i>Aspidoscelis tessellatus</i> (previously listed as <i>Aspidoscelis tessellata</i>)	Common Checkered Whiptail	30
Whiptails	Squamata	Teiidae	<i>Aspidoscelis tigris</i>	Tiger Whiptail	30
Whiptails	Squamata	Teiidae	<i>Aspidoscelis uniparens</i>	Desert Grassland Whiptail	30
Whiptails	Squamata	Teiidae	<i>Aspidoscelis velox</i>	Plateau Striped Whiptail	30
Snakes	Squamata	Leptotyphlopidae	<i>Rena dulcis</i> (previously listed as <i>Rena dissectus</i>)	Texas Threadsnake (previously listed as New Mexico Threadsnake)	10
Snakes	Squamata	Leptotyphlopidae	<i>Rena humilis</i>	Western Threadsnake	10
Snakes	Squamata	Leptotyphlopidae	<i>Rena segregata</i>	Trans-Pecos Threadsnake	Zero – SGCN

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Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Arizona elegans</i>	Common Glossy Snake	30
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Bogertophis subocularis</i>	Trans-Pecos Ratsnake	Zero – SGCN
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Masticophis bilineatus</i> (previously listed as <i>Coluber bilineatus</i>)	Sonoran Whipsnake	5
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Coluber constrictor</i>	North American Racer	Zero – SGCN
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Masticophis flagellum</i> (previously listed as <i>Coluber flagellum</i>)	Common Coachwhip (previously listed as Coachwhip)	30
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Masticophis taeniatus</i> (previously listed as <i>Coluber taeniatus</i>)	Striped Whipsnake	10
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Diadophis punctatus</i>	Ring-necked Snake	30
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Gyalopion canum</i>	Chihuahuan Hook-nosed Snake	10
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Heterodon kennerlyi</i>	Mexican Hog-nosed Snake	10
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Heterodon nasicus</i>	Western Hog-nosed Snake	10
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Heterodon platyrhinos</i>	Plains Hog-nosed Snake	10
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Hypsiglena chlorophaea</i>	Desert Nightsnake	30
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Hypsiglena jani</i>	Chihuahuan Nightsnake	30
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Lampropeltis alterna</i>	Gray-banded Kingsnake	Zero – Endangered
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Lampropeltis californiae</i>	California Kingsnake	2
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Lampropeltis gentilis</i>	Western Milksnake	5
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Lampropeltis knoblochi</i>	Madrean Mountain Kingsnake (previously listed as Knobloch's Mountain Kingsnake)	Zero – SGCN
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Lampropeltis pyromelana</i>	Arizona Mountain Kingsnake (previously listed as Sonoran Mountain Kingsnake)	Zero – SGCN
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Lampropeltis splendida</i>	Desert Kingsnake	10
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Nerodia erythrogaster</i>	Plain-bellied Water Snake	Zero – Endangered
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Opheodrys vernalis</i>	Smooth Greensnake	Zero – SGCN

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Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Pantherophis emoryi</i>	Great Plains Ratsnake	5
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Pituophis catenifer</i>	Gophersnake	30
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Rhinocheilus lecontei</i>	Long-nosed Snake	20
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Salvadora grahamiae</i>	Mountain Patch-nosed Snake (previously listed as Eastern Patch-nosed Snake)	20
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Salvadora hexalepis</i>	Western Patch-nosed Snake	20
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Senticolis triaspis</i>	Green Ratsnake	Zero – Threatened
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Sonora semiannulata</i>	Western Groundsnake (previously listed as Groundsnake)	20
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Tantilla hobartsmithi</i>	Southwestern Black-headed Snake (previously listed as Smith's Black-headed Snake)	20
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Tantilla nigriceps</i>	Plains Black-headed Snake	20
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Tantilla wilcoxi</i>	Chihuahuan Black-headed Snake	2
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Tantilla yaquia</i>	Yaqui Black-headed Snake	Zero – SGCN
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Thamnophis cyrtopsis</i>	Black-necked Garter Snake	20
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Thamnophis elegans</i>	Terrestrial Garter Snake	20
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Thamnophis eques</i>	Mexican Garter Snake	Zero – Endangered
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Thamnophis marcianus</i>	Checkered Garter Snake	20
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Thamnophis proximus</i>	Western Ribbonsnake	Zero – Threatened
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Thamnophis radix</i>	Plains Garter Snake	Zero – SGCN
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Thamnophis rufipunctatus</i>	Narrow-headed Garter Snake	Zero – Endangered
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Thamnophis sirtalis</i>	Common Garter Snake	5
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Trimorphodon lambda</i>	Sonoran Lyresnake	Zero – SGCN
Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Trimorphodon vilkinsonii</i>	Texas Lyresnake	Zero – SGCN

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Snakes	Squamata	Colubridae	<i>Tropidoclonion lineatum</i>	Lined Snake	20
Snakes	Squamata	Elapidae	<i>Micruroides euryxanthus</i>	Sonoran Coral Snake	5
Snakes	Squamata	Viperidae	<i>Crotalus atrox</i>	Western Diamond-backed Rattlesnake	20
Snakes	Squamata	Viperidae	<i>Crotalus cerberus</i>	Arizona Black Rattlesnake	Zero – SGCN
Snakes	Squamata	Viperidae	<i>Crotalus lepidus klauberi</i>	Banded Rock Rattlesnake	Zero – SGCN
Snakes	Squamata	Viperidae	<i>Crotalus lepidus lepidus</i>	Mottled Rock Rattlesnake	Zero – Threatened
Snakes	Squamata	Viperidae	<i>Crotalus molossus</i>	Black-tailed Rattlesnake	5
Snakes	Squamata	Viperidae	<i>Crotalus ornatus</i>	Eastern Black-tailed Rattlesnake (previously listed as Ornate Black-tailed Rattlesnake)	5
Snakes	Squamata	Viperidae	<i>Crotalus scutulatus</i>	Mojave Rattlesnake	Zero – SGCN
Snakes	Squamata	Viperidae	<i>Crotalus tigris</i>	Tiger Rattlesnake	2
Snakes	Squamata	Viperidae	<i>Crotalus viridis viridis</i>	Western Rattlesnake	20
Snakes	Squamata	Viperidae	<i>Crotalus willardi obscurus</i>	NM Ridge-nosed Rattlesnake	Zero – Endangered
Snakes	Squamata	Viperidae	<i>Sistrurus tergeminus</i>	Western Massasauga	Zero – SGCN

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