

Department of Natural Resources

Chapters:

Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules:

6234

LYNX MANAGEMENT ZONE

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Please see the attachment for language of this expedited emergency game and fish rules package relating to taking lynx and the lynx management zone.

1.1 **Department of Natural Resources**

1.2 **Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules: Lynx Management Zone**

1.3 **6234.1000 DESCRIPTION OF FURBEARER ZONES.**

1.4 [For text of subps 1 to 4, see M.R.]

1.5 Subp. 5. **Lynx Management Zone.** That portion of the state lying north and east of
1.6 a line beginning at U.S. Highway 53 at the east boundary of the state, thence along U.S.
1.7 Highway 53 to the north boundary of the state, is known as the Lynx Management Zone.

1.8 **6234.2200 USE OF TRAPS.**

1.9 [For text of subps 1 to 5, see M.R.]

1.10 Subp. 5a. **Body-gripping traps; Lynx Management Zone.** In the Lynx
1.11 Management Zone, a person may not set, place, or operate, except as a water set, any
1.12 body-gripping trap that has a maximum jaw opening, when set, of greater than five inches
1.13 and less than 7-1/2 inches measured from the inside edges of the body-gripping portions
1.14 of the jaws, unless the trap is set:

1.15 A. at least three feet above the ground or snow level in a tree;

1.16 B. at least three feet above the ground or snow level on a leaning pole six
1.17 inches or less in diameter; or

1.18 C. in a cubby box recessed at least seven inches from the box opening, which
1.19 must be less than 50 square inches in opening size. A cubby box may be constructed of
1.20 any material, but must be constructed and set in a manner that allows an animal to enter
1.21 only through the cubby box opening.

1.22 [For text of subps 6 to 12, see M.R.]

1.23 Subp. 13. **Trap staking and tethering; Lynx Management Zone.** In the Lynx
1.24 Management Zone, except for water sets, all traps must be staked or otherwise secured

2.1 by tethering chains or cables not more than 18 inches long, in a manner that prevents
2.2 captured animals from removing the trap from the trap site.

2.3 Subp. 14. **Trap tether swivels; Lynx Management Zone.** In the Lynx Management
2.4 Zone, except for water sets, all leghold traps must have two or more swivels in the
2.5 tethering chain or cable.

2.6 Subp. 15. **Bait restrictions; Lynx Management Zone.** In the Lynx Management
2.7 Zone, the use of fresh meat, rabbits or hares, or parts of rabbits or hares is prohibited.
2.8 Other meat may be used as bait if it has been unfrozen and exposed to air for at least 24
2.9 hours before being placed in a trap.

2.10 Subp. 16. **Sight attractant restrictions; Lynx Management Zone.** In the Lynx
2.11 Management Zone, the use of suspended flags or other sight attractants within 20 feet of a
2.12 trap is prohibited.

2.13 **6234.2400 SPECIAL RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF SNARES.**

2.14 [For text of subps 1 to 7, see M.R.]

2.15 Subp. 8. **Snare loop diameter.** The diameter of a snare loop may not exceed ten
2.16 inches. In the Lynx Management Zone, the diameter of a snare loop must be at least eight
2.17 inches when set on land.

2.18 Subp. 9. **Snare cable diameter.** Snare cable or wire may not exceed one-eighth
2.19 inch in diameter. In the Lynx Management Zone, snare cable or wire must be at least
2.20 5/64 inch in diameter when set on land.

2.21 [For text of subps 10 and 11, see M.R.]

2.22 **EFFECTIVE PERIOD.** The expedited emergency amendments to Minnesota Rules,
2.23 parts 6234.1000; 6234.2200; and 6234.2400, are effective November 25, 2016.