

Fish and Wildlife Policy Division

Non-licence Animals

Wildlife Regulation, Schedule 4, Part 6: Non-licence Animals

Subject to local bylaws, in areas where no special protections exist, non-licence animals can be hunted without a licence throughout the year.

Live trapping is also allowed without a licence, as is trapping mice and some ground squirrels. For further information on trapping, please contact a Fish and Wildlife District office or refer to the Alberta Guide to Trapping Regulations.

Scientific Name Common Name

Ambystoma tigrinum Tiger Salamander

Pseudacris maculata Boreal Chorus Frog

Lithobates sylvaticus Wood Frog

Sorex cinereus Cinereus Shrew

Sorex haydeni Prairie Shrew

Sorex monticolus Montane Shrew

Sorex palustris American Water Shrew

Sorex arcticus Arctic Shrew

Myotis lucifugus Little Brown Myotis

Eptesicus fuscus Big Brown Bat

Ochotona princeps American Pika

Sylvilagus nuttallii Mountain (Nuttall's) Cottontail

Lepus americanus Showshoe (Varying) Hare

Lepus townsendii White-tailed Jackrabbit

Tamias minimus Least Chipmunk

Marmota monax Woodchuck

Urocitellus richardsonii Richardson's Ground Squirrel

Urocitellus columbianus Columbian Ground Squirrel

Ictidomys tridecemlineatus Thirteen-lined Ground Squirrel

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Poliocitellus franklinii Franklini's Ground Squirrel

Callospermophilus lateralis Golden-mantled Ground Squirrel

Sciurus carolinensis Eastern Gray Squirrel

Thomomys talpoides Northern Pocket Gopher

Peromyscus maniculatus North American Deer Mouse

Onychomys leucogaster Northern Grasshopper Mouse

Neotoma cinerea Bushy-tailed Woodrat

Myodes gapperi Southern Red-backed Vole

Phenacomys intermedius Western Heather Vole

Microtus pennsylvanicus Meadow Vole

Microtus longicaudus Long-tailed Vole

Mus musculus House Mouse

Zapus hudsonius Meadow Jumping Mouse

Zapus princeps Western Jumping Mouse

Erethizon dorsatum Porcupine (North American Porcupine)

Procyon lotor Northern Raccoon

Mephitis mephitis Striped Skunk

Columba livia Rock Dove (Pigeon)

Pica hudsonia Black-billed Magpie

Corvus brachyrhynchos American Crow

Sturnus vulgaris European Starling

Agelaius phoeniceus Red-winged Blackbird

Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus Yellow-headed Blackbird

Euphagus cyanocephalus Brewer's Blackbird

Quiscalus quiscula Common Grackle

Molothrus ater Brown-headed Cowbird

Passer domesticus House Sparrow

Any hybrid offspring resulting from the crossing of 2 non-licence animals