

**97B.903 USE OF BODY-GRIPPING TRAPS.**

A person may not set, place, or operate, except as a waterset, a body-gripping or conibear-type trap on public lands and waters that has a maximum jaw opening when set greater than 6-1/2 inches and less than 7-1/2 inches measured from the inside edges of the body-gripping portions of the jaws, unless:

- (1) the trap is in a baited or unbaited enclosure and the trap trigger is recessed seven inches or more from the top and frontmost portion of the open end of the enclosure;
- (2) no bait, lure, or other attractant is placed within 20 feet of the trap; or
- (3) the trap is elevated at least three feet above the surface of the ground or snowpack.

**History:** 2012 c 277 art 1 s 72