

**609B.721 CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS; VALIDITY AND ISSUANCE OF LICENSES UPON CONVICTION.**

Subdivision 1. **Scope.** The collateral sanctions discussed in this section are codified in section 97A.421. That section governs the validity and issuance of game and fish licenses after a conviction.

Subd. 2. **Annual license void.** (a) The annual license of a person convicted of a violation of the game and fish laws relating to the license or wild animals covered by the license is void under conditions set forth in section 97A.421, subdivision 1.

(b) Except for big game licenses and as otherwise provided for in section 97A.421, for one year after a conviction, the person may not obtain the kind of license or take wild animals under a lifetime license issued under section 97A.473 or 97A.474, relating to the game and fish law violation.

Subd. 3. **Issuance of license after buying and selling wild animals.** After being convicted of buying or selling game fish, big game, or small game and the total amount of the sale is \$300 or more, a person may not obtain a license to take any wild animal or take wild animals under a lifetime license issued under section 97A.473 or 97A.474, for a period of three years.

Subd. 4. **License revocation after conviction.** (a) A person may not obtain a license to take a wild animal and is prohibited from taking wild animals for a period of five years after the date of conviction of a violation when:

(1) the restitution value of the wild animals is \$5,000 or more; or

(2) the restitution value of the wild animals exceeds \$500 and the violation occurs within ten years of one or more previous license revocations under section 97A.421, subdivision 2a. Multiple revocations shall be consecutive and no wild animals of any kind may be taken during the entire period.

(b) A person may not obtain a license to take the type of wild animals involved in a violation where the restitution value of the wild animals exceeds \$500 and is prohibited from taking the type of wild animals involved in the violation for a period of three years after the date of conviction of a violation.

Subd. 5. **Issuance of big game license after conviction.** A person may not obtain any big game license or take big game under a lifetime license for three years after the person is convicted of:

(1) a gross misdemeanor violation under the game and fish laws relating to big game;

(2) doing an act without a required big game license; or

(3) the second violation within three years under the game and fish laws relating to big game.

Subd. 6. **Issuance after intoxication or narcotics conviction.** A person convicted of a violation under section 97B.065, relating to hunting while intoxicated or using narcotics, may not obtain a license to hunt with a firearm or by archery, or hunt with a firearm or by archery under a lifetime license, for five years after a conviction.

Subd. 7. **Suspension for failure to appear in court or pay fine or surcharge.** If a person:

(1) fails to appear for court under a summons issued for a violation of the game and fish laws; or

(2) has been convicted of violating a provision of the game and fish laws, has been sentenced to the payment of a fine or had a surcharge levied against them, and refused or failed to comply with that sentence the person's game and fish license and permit privileges shall be suspended until the person complies.

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