97A.545 TRANSPORTING GAME BIRDS.

Subdivision 1. **Residents shipping by common carrier.** A resident that ships game birds to the resident by common carrier without being in the vehicle may not make more than three shipments during a license year. A shipment may not contain more than the resident's daily limit.

Subd. 2. **Nonresidents shipping by common carrier.** A nonresident that ships game birds to the nonresident by common carrier without being in the vehicle must obtain a shipping permit from the commissioner. The commissioner shall issue the permit upon request, without a fee. The carrier receiving the shipment must cancel the permit as prescribed by the commissioner.

Subd. 3. **Shipping to other persons.** A person must obtain a permit from the commissioner to ship game birds to another person within or out of the state. The person must have the licenses required to take the game birds.

Subd. 4. **Game birds taken outside state.** (a) A person may transport into the state game birds that are lawfully taken and possessed outside of this state.

(b) A resident may ship the game birds by common carrier within the state. A nonresident may ship the game birds out of the state by common carrier. Each shipment must be tagged or sealed by a conservation officer as prescribed by the commissioner.

Subd. 5. **Undressed birds; exceptions.** (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), a person may ship or otherwise transport game birds in an undressed condition only.

(b) Paragraph (a) does not apply if the birds being shipped or otherwise transported:

(1) were taken on a shooting preserve and are marked or identified in accordance with section 97A.121, subdivision 5;

(2) were taken, dressed, and lawfully shipped or otherwise transported in another state;

(3) are migratory game birds that were lawfully tagged and packed by a federally permitted migratory bird preservation facility; or

(4) are doves shipped or transported in accordance with federal law.

History: *1986 c 386 art 1 s 80; 1987 c 149 art 1 s 38; 1987 c 384 art 1 s 11; 1993 c 231 s 33-36; 2004 c 215 s 17; 1Sp2011 c 2 art 5 s 36*