MINNESOTA STATUTES 2023

97B.701 PROTECTED BIRDS.

Subdivision 1. Authorized taking. Protected birds, their nests, and their eggs may be taken only as authorized under the game and fish laws.

Subd. 2. Prohibited methods of taking. A person may not take protected birds:

- (1) with a trap, net, or snare;
- (2) using bird lime;
- (3) with a swivel or set gun;
- (4) by dragging a rope, wire, or other device across a field; or
- (5) by using fire.

Subd. 3. **Recapturing released bobwhite quail.** Released bobwhite quail may be recaptured without a license. In Houston, Fillmore, and Winona Counties, this subdivision applies only to birds that are banded or otherwise marked.

Subd. 4. **Great horned owl.** A person who is authorized to take a great horned owl under a federal permit does not need a state permit to take a great horned owl.

History: 1986 c 386 art 2 s 57; 1987 c 149 art 1 s 51; 1994 c 623 art 1 s 34; 2005 c 104 s 2