

115-15-1. Threatened and endangered species; general provisions. (a) The following species shall be designated endangered within the boundaries of the state of Kansas.

(1) Invertebrates

- Flat floater mussel, *Utterbackia suborbiculata* (Say, 1831)
- Rabbitsfoot mussel, *Thaliderma cylindrica* (Say, 1817)
- Western fanshell mussel, *Cyprogenia aberti* (Conrad, 1850)
- Neosho mucket mussel, *Lampsilis rafinesqueana* (Frierson, 1927)
- Elktoe mussel, *Alasmidonta marginata* (Say, 1818)
- Ellipse mussel, *Venustaconcha ellipsiformis* (Conrad, 1836)
- Slender walker snail, *Pomatiopsis lapidaria* (Say, 1817)
- Scott optioservus riffle beetle, *Optioservus phaeus* (White, 1978)
- American burying beetle, *Nicrophorus americanus* (Olivier, 1890)
- Mucket, *Actinonaias ligamentina* (Lamarck, 1819)
- Cylindrical papershell mussel, *Anodontooides ferussacianus* (I. Lea, 1834)

(2) Fish

- Arkansas River shiner, *Notropis girardi* (Hubbs and Ortenburger, 1929)
- Pallid sturgeon, *Scaphirhynchus albus* (Forbes and Richardson, 1905)
- Sicklefin chub, *Macrhybopsis meeki* (Jordan and Evermann, 1896)
- Peppered chub, *Macrhybopsis tetranema* (Gilbert, 1886)
- Silver chub, *Macrhybopsis storeriana* (Kirtland, 1845)

(3) Amphibians

- Cave salamander, *Eurycea lucifuga* (Rafinesque, 1822)
- Grotto salamander, *Eurycea spelaea* (Stejneger, 1892)

(4) Birds

- Least tern, *Sternula antillarum* (Lesson, 1847)
- Whooping crane, *Grus americana* (Linnaeus, 1758)

(5) Mammals

- Black-footed ferret, *Mustela nigripes* (Audubon and Bachman, 1851)
- Gray myotis, *Myotis grisescens* (A.H. Howell, 1909)

(b) The following species shall be designated threatened within the boundaries of the state of Kansas.

(1) Invertebrates

- Rock pocketbook mussel, *Arcidens confragosus* (Say, 1829)
- Flutedshell mussel, *Lasmigona costata* (Rafinesque, 1820)
- Butterfly mussel, *Ellipsaria lineolata* (Rafinesque, 1820)
- Ouachita kidneyshell mussel, *Ptychobranthus occidentalis* (Conrad, 1836)
- Sharp hornsnail, *Pleurocera acuta* (Rafinesque, 1831)
- Delta hydrobe, *Probythinella emarginata* (Kuster, 1852)

(2) Fish

- Flathead chub, *Platygobio gracilis* (Richardson, 1836)
- Hornyhead chub, *Nocomis biguttatus* (Kirtland, 1840)
- Neosho madtom, *Noturus placidus* (Taylor, 1969)
- Redspot chub, *Nocomis asper* (Lachner and Jenkins, 1971)
- Blackside darter, *Percina maculata* (Girard, 1859)
- Sturgeon chub, *Macrhybopsis gelida* (Girard, 1856)
- Western silvery minnow, *Hybognathus argyritis* (Girard, 1856)
- Topeka shiner, *Notropis topeka* (Gilbert, 1884)
- Shoal chub, *Macrhybopsis hyostoma* (Gilbert, 1884)
- Plains minnow, *Hybognathus placitus* (Girard, 1856)

(3) Amphibians

- Eastern newt, *Notophthalmus viridescens* (Rafinesque, 1820)
- Longtail salamander, *Eurycea longicauda* (Green, 1818)
- Eastern narrow-mouthed toad, *Gastrophryne carolinensis* (Holbrook, 1836)

Green frog, *Lithobates clamitans* (Latreille, 1801)

Strecker's chorus frog, *Pseudacris streckeri* (Wright and Wright, 1933)

Green toad, *Anaxyrus debilis* (Girard, 1854)

(4) Reptiles

Broad-headed skink, *Plestidon laticeps* (Schneider, 1801)

Checkered gartersnake, *Thamnophis marcianus* (Baird and Girard, 1853)

New Mexico Threadsnake, *Rena dissectus* (Cope, 1896)

(5) Birds

Piping plover, *Charadrius melodus* (Ord, 1824)

Snowy plover, *Charadrius nivosus* (Linnaeus, 1758)

(6) Mammals

Eastern spotted skunk, *Spilogale putorius* (Linnaeus, 1758)

(7) Turtles

Northern map turtle, *Graptemys geographica* (Le Sueur, 1817)

(c) A threatened or endangered species taken during established trapping seasons, authorized commercial wildlife operations, fishing by hook and line, bait fish seining, or other lawful activity shall not be unlawfully taken if immediately released.

(d) Any threatened or endangered species in possession before the effective date of this regulation and not prohibited by any previous regulation of the department or national listings may be retained in possession if either of the following conditions is met:

(1) An application of affidavit to that effect has been filed with and approved by the secretary before January 1, 1990 that states the circumstances of how the species came into possession.

(2) Possession of the animal has been previously approved by the department. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-960 and 32-963; implementing K.S.A. 32-960, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 32-961, K.S.A. 32-963, K.S.A. 32-1010, and K.S.A. 32-1011; effective Oct. 30, 1989; amended Aug. 31, 1992; amended Nov. 29, 1999; amended Feb. 18, 2005; amended July 24, 2009; amended Nov. 14, 2014; amended Dec. 20, 2019.)