

Exotic Animal Classifications

NOTE: All Class 1, 2 & 4 animals require a permit from TWRA

For any questions, please call TWRA Law Enforcement Division 615-781-6652

<u>Class 1</u>	<u>Class 2</u>	<u>Class 3</u>	<u>Class 4</u>
African buffalos alligators amphibians (poisonous) baboons bears cheetahs chimpanzees cougars crocodiles drills elephants gelada baboons gibbons gorillas hippopotamus jaguars leopards lions mandrills orangutans rhinoceroses siamangs snakes (poisonous) tigers	Species native to Tennessee and all native species not listed in Class 1 or Class 4 TWRA permit required to possess: bobcats (pure bred) chipmunks (native only) flying squirrels foxes (red & grey only) grouse mice (native only) moles opossum otters quail rabbits (native only) raccoons rats (<i>native only</i>) shore birds shrews (native only) snakes (non-poisonous native only) squirrels (native only) waterfowl Illegal to possess: bats <i>hawks</i> <i>skunks</i> <i>owls</i> <i>song birds</i> <i>turtles</i>	Species Not Native to Tennessee not listed in Class 1, 4 or 5 No TWRA permit required: alpacas amphibians (non-poisonous, non-native) arctic foxes bison bobcats (domestic cat hybrids) caimans camels capuchin monkeys cassowaries cervils chinchillas chipmunks (non-native) coati-mondi fenec foxes ferrets gavials gerbils giraffes goats guanocos guinea pigs hamsters hares hedgehogs mice (non-native) moles (non-native) ostriches rabbits (non-native) rats (non-native) reptiles (non-poisonous, non-native) sea otters sheep shrews (non-native) snakes (non-poisonous, non-native) squirrels (non-native) sugar gliders vicunas	black bear hybrids of class 4 white-tail deer wild turkey

These are examples of different classifications of wildlife and is not a complete list.