

**Draft for
Trapping Regulation Committee
(Revision No. 1)**

A REGULATION relating to wildlife; establishes provisions pertaining to trapping in a residential area of Washoe or Clark County.

Section 1. Chapter 503 of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto section 2, inclusive of this regulation, to read as follows.

Section 2. ~~Except as otherwise provided in this section, it is unlawful for a person to set a trap, other than a box or cage trap, within 1,000 feet yards of a residence within the borders of Clark County or Washoe County.~~

1. The provisions of this section do not apply to:

- a. An employee of the Department acting in an official capacity
- b. A person trapping under the authority of a permit issued by ~~the Department, a government agency that specifically authorizes the take of unprotected wildlife or fur-bearing mammals for depredation or control purposes.~~
- c. A person trapping on private property.
- e-d. A person trapping in a waterway outside city limits.

~~Nothing in this section is intended to prevent a person from controlling unprotected mice using a mouse trap in or about their residence.~~

2. As used in this section:

- a. "Box or cage trap" means any device designed to contain or confine an animal within a box or cage. Any device designed, built or made to close upon any portion of an animal shall not be considered a box or cage trap.
- b. "Residence" means any house, room, apartment, tenement or other building designed and intended for occupancy as a residence.
- c. "Mouse trap" means a device whose structure and function indicates a device specifically designed for catching mice. "County with a population of 100,000 or more" means Washoe County and Clark County.
- d. "Unprotected mice" means all unprotected rodents in the family Muridae.
"Waterway" means any river, stream, canal or channel that contains water

~~** If section 1(e) is adopted then all the language dealing with "mice" can be removed ((2), 3(e), 3(d)).~~

Comment [RB1]: Pet safety vs public safety – we are trying to strike a balance. We may want to consider ½ mile since most people can relate to that distance (vehicle odometers/gps)

Comment [RB2]: This revision in response to comments received from Dept. of Ag and Pest Control companies. Allows private business to address public needs and health safety issues regarding nuisance wildlife.

Comment [RB3]: This addresses private property concerns. Must still obey trapping laws. Addresses mouse issue and trapping issues like raccoons and ground squirrels under house.

Comment [RB4]: This revision in response to trapper request. They want to be able to trap muskrats & beaver within 1000 yards of a residence to protect the integrity of levy structures. Committee added "outside city limits" for public safety reasons. 1b. also provides for inside city limit trapping if justified. It also addresses the riparian area request.

Comment [RB5]: No longer need this revision as private property addresses the majority of concerns.

Comment [RB6]: Used residence instead of occupied dwelling to be consistent with SB226 language of residential area.

Comment [RB7]: No longer need this revision as private property addresses the majority of concerns.

Comment [RB8]: Defines waterway.