INSTRUCTIONS
COMMERCIAL OR PRIVATE SHOOTING PRESERVE LICENSE

Fees: $125

LEGAL AUTHORITY: **NRS 504.300 through 504.380 inclusive. NAC 504, 750, 755, 760**

LICENSE REQUIREMENT: Any person who owns or controls the shooting rights or privileges on an enclosed tract of land may establish a commercial or private shooting preserve for the propagation, culture, and maintenance of upland game birds.

Private Shooting Preserve: A private shooting preserve shall not be closed to the general public during the regular open season, but a charge may be made for hunting on such preserve during the regular open season.

Commercial Shooting Preserve: The applicant for a commercial shooting preserve is required to provide a statement of fees that are to be collected for the privilege of shooting on the preserve.

WHERE TO OBTAIN APPLICATION: Application for a Commercial or Private Shooting Preserve License may be obtained from any office of the Nevada Department of Wildlife or on the website at www.ndow.org under the License Office section.

DENIAL OF APPLICATION: Whenever an application is denied, the Department shall notify the applicant in writing of the reason for the denial.

PERTINENT STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

NRS 504.300 Establishment of commercial or private shooting preserve.
Any person who owns or controls the shooting rights or privileges on an enclosed tract of land may establish a commercial or private shooting preserve for the propagation, culture and maintenance of upland game birds pursuant to the provisions of this chapter and commission regulations.

NRS 504.310 License: Application; issuance; fee.

1. Before being entitled to the benefits of any commercial or private shooting preserve, the owner or proprietor thereof must make application to the Department. The application must set forth:

(a) The name and location of the shooting preserve.

(b) A legal description of the area included in the preserve.

(c) A statement whether the preserve is to be a commercial or private preserve.

(d) If the application is for a commercial shooting preserve, a statement of fees that are to be collected for the privilege of shooting on the preserve.

2. If, after investigation, the Department is satisfied that the tract is suitable for the purpose, and that the establishment of such a preserve will not conflict with the public interest, the Department may issue a commercial or private shooting preserve license upon the payment of a license fee as provided in NRS 502.240.

NRS 504.320 Rules and regulations governing species that may be taken.
The Commission may establish rules and regulations governing the species of upland game birds that may be taken on a commercial or private shooting preserve.

NRS 504.330 Shooting hours on preserves. Shooting hours for the areas licensed under NRS 504.300 to 504.380, inclusive, shall be the same as those fixed by the Commission for upland game throughout the State.

NRS 504.340 Private preserves open to public during regular open season; charge may be made. Any private shooting preserve licensed under NRS 504.300 to 504.380, inclusive, shall not be closed to the general public during the regular open season, but a charge may be made for hunting on such preserve during the regular open season.

NRS 504.350 Invoices for birds taken.

1. No game bird taken in accordance with the provisions of NRS 504.300 to 504.380, inclusive, may be removed from the licensed premises until the licensee or his agent has attached thereto an invoice, signed by the licensee or his agent, stating:

(a) The number of his license.

(b) The name of the shooting preserve.

(c) The date that the birds were killed.

(d) The kind and number of such birds.

(e) The name and address of the hunter killing such birds.

2. The invoice must authorize transportation and use of the birds.

3. Within 1 week thereafter, the licensee or his agent shall mail, postpaid, a duplicate of the invoice to the Department.

NRS 504.360 Records and reports of licensees; inspections. Every licensee of a commercial or private shooting preserve under this chapter shall keep records and make an annual report to the Department of the number of birds released and the number of birds killed on the preserve. The report must be verified by the affidavit of the licensee or the licensee's agent. The record must be continuous and kept on the premises described in the application for license, and the licensee shall allow any person authorized to enforce the provisions of this Title to enter such premises and inspect the licensee's operations and records at all reasonable hours.

NRS 504.370 Rules and regulations for operation and maintenance of preserves.

1. The Commission is authorized to prescribe rules and regulations for the operation and maintenance of commercial and private shooting preserves so as to provide for the manner of taking, possession and disposal of game birds therefrom, the kind and type of records to be kept by the licensee and the manner of enclosing and posting the licensed premises, not inconsistent with the provisions of NRS 504.300 to 504.380, inclusive.

2. No rules and regulations shall be prescribed by the Commission fixing the daily bag limit on such birds.

NRS 504.380 Penalties. The violation of any of the provisions of NRS 504.300 to 504.370, inclusive, or the rules and regulations prescribed by the Commission is punishable in accordance with the provisions of NRS 501.385, and in addition thereto any license issued under the provisions of NRS 504.300 to 504.370, inclusive, may be revoked by the Commission or by a court of competent jurisdiction for the balance of the license term, and no new license may be issued during the same license year.

NAC 504.750 "Licensee" defined.

As used in this section and NAC 504.755 and 504.760, unless the context otherwise requires, "licensee" means a person who is the holder of a commercial or private shooting preserve license issued by the Department pursuant to NRS 504.310.

NAC 504.755 General requirements.

1. Before any hunting may be done on a commercial or private shooting preserve, the licensee must advise the Department, in writing, of the number of each species of upland game bird reared, purchased or acquired for liberation, and request, and receive in writing, a hunting authorization that states the number of each species which may be hunted.

2. Birds must be at least 8 weeks of age, full-winged and in a condition to go wild before liberation.

3. From August 1 to April 30, inclusive, the licensee, or with his written permit, the holder thereof, may take an upland game bird from a licensed preserve only by means of a shotgun, a longbow and arrow, or falconry.

4. Permits to hunt on a licensed preserve may be used only during the period specified on such permits, and the hunter must carry a valid permit on his person at all times while on the area and while in possession of birds taken on the area.

NAC 504.760 Sale or transfer of surplus birds.

1. From April 1 to June 30, inclusive, a licensee may sell or transfer any surplus upland game birds possessed under the authority of his license to a person who possesses a:

(a) License pursuant to NRS 504.310 that authorizes him to possess the species of upland game birds to be sold or transferred; or

(b) Permit pursuant to NRS 503.200 that authorizes him to train dogs or falcons and to possess the species of upland game birds to be sold or transferred.

2. A licensee who sells or transfers any upland game birds pursuant to subsection 1 shall:

(a) Provide a receipt to each person to whom a sale or transfer is made. The receipt must include:

(1) The name of the licensee;

(2) The number of the license;

(3) The date of the sale or transfer; and

(4) The number of upland game birds, by species, being sold or transferred.

(b) Immediately record the sale or transfer of upland game birds on a form provided by the Department. The licensee shall retain the form for 2 years after the date of sale or transfer and make it available to an agent of the Department for inspection at any reasonable hour.

WHERE TO SEND APPLICATION AND FEES

The completed application and required fee shall be submitted to the Regional Office of the administrative region where the shooting preserve is located. A copy of the lease agreement for shooting rights or privileges must accompany the application where applicable.

Western Region
Nevada Department of Wildlife
Special Licenses and Permits
1100 Valley Rd, Reno, NV 89512
Telephone: (775) 688-1500
Counties: Carson City, Churchill, Douglas, Humboldt, Lyon, Mineral, Pershing, Storey, Washoe

Eastern Region
Nevada Department of Wildlife
60 Youth Center Road; Elko, NV 89801
Telephone: (775) 777-2300
Counties: Elko, Eureka, Lander, White Pine

Southern Region
Nevada Department of Wildlife
3373 Pepper Ln.; Las Vegas, NV 89120
Telephone: (702) 486-5127
Counties: Clark, Esmeralda, Lincoln, Nye