

**6234.0900 SCOPE AND DEFINITIONS.**

Subpart 1. **Scope.** The provisions of parts 6234.0900 to 6234.2400 apply to the use of traps or snares capable of taking a wild animal protected under provisions of Minnesota Statutes, sections 97B.601 to 97B.671 or 97B.901 to 97B.945.

Subp. 2. **Terms.** The terms used in parts 6234.0900 to 6234.3500 have the meanings given them in this part.

Subp. 3. **Authorized agent.** "Authorized agent" means a person authorized by a trapper, in writing, who possesses all necessary licenses to check, pick up, or reset traps set by the trapper.

Subp. 4. **Bait.** "Bait" means any animal or animal parts, including live or dead fish, except that small aggregates of fur and feathers used for flagging purposes are not bait.

Subp. 5. **Waterset.** "Waterset" means any body-gripping trap or snare set in which the body-gripping portion of the jaws or the snare loop, when set, is at least half-submerged in water. A completely submerged waterset is any set in which the body-gripping portions of the jaws or the snare loop, when set, is completely submerged in water.

Subp. 6. **Wolf snare.** "Wolf snare" means any snare set that:

A. has a maximum loop diameter greater than ten inches, but less than or equal to 18 inches;

B. has a cable diameter of at least 7/64 inches;

C. includes stops affixed to the cable to ensure that the portion of the snare that makes up the noose loop may not be less than three inches in diameter when fully closed;

D. includes a breakaway device that would cause the snare loop to break when pulled by a moose; and

E. includes a diverter wire that extends 27 inches in both directions, measured perpendicular to and from the top of the snare loop. The diverter wires must be positioned at an angle no more than 20 degrees from the horizontal plane of the top of the snare, and the snare must be set within 20 yards of bait.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 97B.605; 97B.911; 97B.915; 97B.921; 97B.925; L 2012 c 277 art 1 s 85*

**History:** *18 SR 83; L 2012 c 277 art 1 s 90; 37 SR 374*

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