

6234.2600 PELT TAGGING AND REGISTRATION.

Subpart 1. [Repealed, 30 SR 613]

Subp. 2. [Repealed, 30 SR 613]

Subp. 3. **Registration of pelts.** The pelt of each bobcat, fisher, pine marten, and otter must be presented, along with completed site validation coupons for each fisher, pine marten, or otter, by the person taking it, to a state wildlife manager designee for registration before the pelt is sold and before the pelt is transported out of the state, but in no event more than 48 hours after the season closes for each species, respectively. The entire carcass of bobcat and the entire head of pine marten and fisher must be surrendered to the state wildlife manager designee. The pelt of bobcat, otter, fisher, and pine marten must have been removed from the carcass.

Subp. 4. **Prohibition on validation or tagging animals not personally taken.** A person may not validate a site validation coupon or affix any tag or seal to the pelt or carcass of any animal that the person did not take or is not authorized to take.

Subp. 5. **Requirement for tags and seals to remain affixed.** Registration tags or seals must remain affixed to the raw pelt until the pelt is tanned or mounted.

Subp. 6. **Site validation coupons.**

A. Fisher, otter, and pine marten site validation coupons may be obtained at no cost through the electronic licensing system.

B. The site validation coupon is part of the trapper's license to take fisher, otter, and pine marten and must be in the trapper's possession while taking and transporting these species.

C. Site validation coupons are not transferable.

Subp. 7. **Validating coupons.** Site validation coupons must be notched with a knife or other sharp instrument in the appropriate locations indicating the species for fisher or marten, month, date, and time (a.m./p.m.) the animal was taken. The coupon must be validated at and prior to removing the animal from the kill site.

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