

6254.0100 PERMITTED ACTIVITIES FOR TAKING MINNOWS.

Subpart 1. **Minnow retailer's license required for retail purposes.** A person possessing a valid minnow retailer's license, as provided by Minnesota Statutes, section 97C.501, may buy and possess any amount of minnows, for the purpose of reselling them at retail, and may transport minnows from the place of wholesale purchase to an established, stationary place of business located in the state and owned or operated by the licensee, where the minnows are sold at retail, or to a licensed private fish hatchery or aquatic farm.

Subp. 2. **Required vehicle licenses.** The provisions in items A and B apply to license requirements on vehicles used to transport minnows.

A. A vehicle may not be used to contain or transport more than 12 dozen minnows in this state unless it is licensed for that purpose by the commissioner, except as provided by Minnesota Statutes, section 97C.501, subdivision 3. Vehicle licenses must be kept in the vehicle and must be available for inspection by the commissioner at all reasonable times. Minnow dealers and retailers may obtain vehicle licenses only for vehicles registered in this state. A motor vehicle licensed as a common carrier is not required to be licensed under the game and fish laws to transport minnows for another person.

B. Each vehicle licensed for the transport of minnows must be identified with the licensee's name and town of residence as it appears on the retailer's, dealer's, exporter's, or hauler's license. Required vehicle identification must be displayed so that it is readily visible from either side of the vehicle in letters and numbers not less than 2-1/2 inches high and with a three-eighths inch wide stroke. Required vehicle identification may be permanently affixed to vehicles or displayed on removable plates or placards placed on opposite doors of the vehicle or on tanks carried on the vehicle. In addition, vehicle identification for vehicles used to transport minnows out of the state must bear the exporting dealer's or hauler's license number.

Subp. 3. **Angling license requirement exemption.** A properly endorsed aquatic farm or private fish hatchery license allows the licensee to conduct activities provided by subparts 1 and 2 and exempts the licensee from angling license requirements when conducting activities specified under this part.

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