

(A) AGRICULTURE ACT NO. (20) 1973
Second Book - Animal Resources

- Chapter III - Protection of Wildlife and Birds and Organization of their Hunting.
- Article 144 - Hunting of Wildlife and Birds without permission from the Ministry of Agriculture is prohibited. The charges for Hunting Licences shall be determined by the Minister of Agriculture.
- Article 145 - (a) The hunting of useful birds for agriculture, Amended by Act No.14, 1974 or killing or catching them is prohibited, also it is forbidden to possess them, transfer them, or sell them alive or dead.
- (b) The hunting of predatory birds and animals, or catching them in any way, or poisoning them is prohibited without special permission from the Minister of Agriculture.
- (c) The Minister will issue decrees specifying the birds which are protected by this law. Also he will specify the conditions under which they may be hunted for scientific purposes.
- Article 146 - The destruction of birds' nests is forbidden as is the collection of their eggs, damaging their eggs, and/or injuring their young.
- Article 147 - The Minister will be responsible for determining hunting areas and periods and the type of wildlife and birds which may be hunted.
- Article 148 - (a) It is forbidden to use vehicles and flash lights or automatic guns in connection with the hunting of birds and wildlife.
- (b) It is forbidden to use military rifles in hunting wild animals with the exception of the animals specified by the Minister.

- Article 149 - It is prohibited for foreign hunters who are normally resident outside the Kingdom to hunt birds and wild animals inside the Kingdom without permission from the Ministry of Agriculture.
- Article 150 - Cruelty to animals is forbidden. The Minister issues decrees to specify the conditions under which these decrees are applicable.
- Article 151 - (a) It is not allowed to import guns (sebesten) and sticking materials (which is used to catch birds) or selling it or keeping it or using it.
- (b) It is not allowed to use any sort of traps to catch birds.
- (c) It is not allowed to hunt birds by using camouflage instruments - banner, animal skin, or calling instruments or a hide, e.g. hut and shanty.
- (d) ^{drugging} Anaesthetics are prohibited for hunting birds and wild animals.
- (e) ^{Water} Wildfowl are excluded from these by-laws.
- Article 152 - The Minister shall appoint a committee called the Hunting Committee to advise on the regions and times of hunting and the kind of birds and animals to be hunted and any other affairs which concern the wildlife.
- Article 153 - Anyone who violates the rules set out in this Chapter is liable to a fine which is not less than:
- 100
- a. 15 Jordan Dinar for every desert Gazelle.
- b. 20 Jordan Dinar for every Wild Boar or Mountain Gazelle or Bustard.
- c. 3 Jordan Dinar for every animal or bird.
- Article 154 - (a) In case of usage of vehicle contrary to Article 148 or any other decrees, the driver is fined an amount not less than 15 Jordan Dinar and the owner of the vehicle is fined the same amount if he is aware of the infringement, in addition to the penalties stated in Article 153.

Article 154 - (b) If the violation is repeated within a year
(cont.) the penalty is doubled and the weapons
are confiscated.

(c) In addition to penalties stated in
Articles 153, 154, the weapons used
are confiscated under the following
conditions:

1. Hunting without valid licence.
2. Hunting in prohibited regions.
3. Hunting at prohibited times.

Article 155 - Officials of the Ministry of Agriculture,
members of general security, members of
Armed Forces and the personnel appointed
by the Minister outside the staff of the
Ministry are requested to arrest all those
who violate the rules of this chapter and
hand them over to the nearest police
station after preparing a report.

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