

Game Animal Salvage—Questions & Answers

What mammals and locations are highest priority?

1. Beaver (*Castor canadensis*)
 - Throughout region, but particularly Admiralty Island
2. Marten (*Martes caurina/americana*)
 - Southern islands, particularly Dall, Suemez, Heceta, Zarembo, Etolin
3. Ermine (*Mustela erminea*)
 - Throughout, but particularly southern outer island such as Dall, Baker, Lulu, Noyes, Duke, Warren
4. Northern Flying Squirrel (*Glaucomys sabrinus*)
 - Throughout, as trapper by-catch
5. Muskrat (*Ondatra zibethicus*)
 - Throughout, but particularly Kuiu, Kupreanof, Mitkof, Revillagigedo, Admiralty, Sergief
6. River otter (*Lontra canadensis*)
 - Throughout, but particularly southern outer islands, Duke
7. Wolf (*Canis lupus*)
8. Red fox (*Vulpes vulpes*)
9. Black bear (*Ursus americanus*)
 - Throughout, but particularly southern outer islands, specifically Dall, Suemez, Heceta; Duke (if present)
10. Wolverine (*Gulo gulo*)
 - Throughout but especially from islands
11. Sitka black-tailed deer (*Odocoileus hemionus sitkensis*)
12. Mountain goat (*Oreamnos americanus*)
13. Snowshoe hare (*Lepus americanus*)
14. Porcupine (*Erethizon dorsatum*)

FOR THE INDIVIDUAL TRAPPER:

What types of specimens are requested?

1. Whole carcass (with or without skin)
2. If whole carcass not possible, then skull with flesh attached
3. If whole carcass or skull not possible, then leg bone with muscle attached

How many specimens are needed?

- Up to 30 individuals of each species from each general locality (e.g., Thomas Bay, Bradfield Canal, Admiralty Island, Heceta Island, etc.).

How should each individual specimen be preserved?

- Each individual specimen and its accompanying data tag is sealed in its own Ziploc bag and frozen as soon as possible. The specimen data tag, written in pencil or pen with permanent ink, must include 1) date of collection, 2) locality where collected (general down to as specific as possible, plus latitude and longitude coordinates if available), and 3) collector's name and contact information.

What additional data are required?

- Cumulative log of all specimens should be filled out in addition to individual specimen tags.

Where do I deposit my specimens?

- Your frozen specimens should be taken to your agency contact person or to the participating ADFG or USFS office closest to you (see listing above).

How do I get reimbursed for my specimens?

- A receipt will be issued by your agency contact person, and a copy sent to the University of New Mexico for direct payment to the individual at the address provided.

How much will I be reimbursed for my specimen?

- Fur-bearer carcass with skull (beaver, marten, ermine muskrat river otter, red fox, wolf, wolverine)—\$6 each with accompanying data
- Other whole (flying squirrel, porcupine, snowshoe hare)—\$5.00 each with data
- Big game (black bear, mountain goat, Sitka black-tailed deer)—
 - ◊ Skull \$8 each with data
 - ◊ Long-bone (femur) \$5 with muscle and data

What does my collecting kit contain?

- 10 cumulative specimen datasheets and 50 heavy paper tags
- 10 2-gal. Ziploc bags and 40 1-qt. Ziploc bags
- 2 Uni-ball permanent ink pens
- Extra copy of these instructions

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