

State of Hawaii
Department of Land and Natural Resources
Honolulu

DIVISION OF FISH AND GAME

The Board of Land and Natural Resources, in conformity with and pursuant to Chapters 187 and 190, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and every other law hereunto enabling does hereby adopt the following regulation relating to the protection of marine turtles.

REGULATION 36. RELATING TO THE PROTECTION OF MARINE TURTLES.

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful to mutilate, injure, take, kill, possess, disturb, sell or offer to sell leatherback turtles (Dermochelys sp.), hawksbill turtles (Eretmochelys sp.) and green sea turtles (Chelonia sp.) or any parts thereof or the eggs or nests thereof from or within the State of Hawaii and waters subject to its jurisdiction, except as provided in Sections 2 and 4 of this regulation.

SECTION 2. It shall be lawful with a permit issued by the Board of Land and Natural Resources to:

- a. take or possess marine turtles or their eggs for scientific, educational or propagational purposes.
- b. take or possess green sea turtles for home consumption from the waters surrounding the eight major islands (Hawaii, Maui, Kahoolawe, Lanai, Molokai, Oahu, Kauai and Niihau) provided that the upper shell length is 36 inches or more (straight line measurement) and provided further that the turtle may be gutted and/or cut up into not more than five parts with one of the parts being the whole upper shell with the entire head attached and all parts shall be kept together until the permittee leaves the shore area for his home.
- c. possess or sell the eggs or offspring of captive green sea turtles or products thereof.
- d. possess with intent to sell or to sell marine turtles or products thereof acquired prior to the effective date of this regulation.

SECTION 3. It shall be unlawful to use nets for the taking of green sea turtles.

SECTION 4. Nothing in Section 1 shall be construed as making it unlawful for any person to possess for purposes other than sale marine turtles or products thereof acquired prior to the effective date of this regulation.

SECTION 5. Any person violating the provisions of this regulation shall be fined not more than \$500 as provided in Section 187-20, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Adopted this 11th day of April, 1974 by the Board of Land and Natural Resources.

/s/ Sunao Kido
Chairman and Member
Board of Land and Natural Resources

/s/ Moses W. Kealoha
Member
Board of Land and Natural Resources

Approved this 17th day of
May, 1974

/s/ George R. Ariyoshi
Acting Governor of Hawaii

Approved as to Form:

/s/ Russell N. Fukumoto
Deputy Attorney General

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I hereby certify that the foregoing copy of Regulation 36, Division of Fish and Game, Department of Land and Natural Resources, is a full, true, and correct copy of the original which is on file in the office of the Division of Fish and Game of the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

/s/ Sunao Kido
Chairman and Member
BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES