

Citizen Resolution # 681422

(For Hearing Officer completion)



Hound Training using Live Captive Animals

Penning is the legalized practice of hound training in Wisconsin which confines coyote, fox, rabbits and hare in fenced enclosures with little protection, to allow packs of up to three dogs to chase them. The animals are trapped, bred, traded and sold to penning operations. Around thirty-seven licensed penning facilities exist in Wisconsin per Silent Sports magazine 11/10/21. Penning can result in both the hounds and captive wildlife spreading disease. The penned wildlife experience fear and trauma as hounds threaten them. Coyote and fox may be subject to hound training for 16 hours in a 24-hour period, while rabbits are not allowed a rest. Hounds are also allowed and encouraged to attack and push over the ground "roll cages" containing the target animal. A variation of penning includes dog field trials. The dog club training license 169.21 allows the hunt club of two or more people to purchase and possess live captive racoon, black bear, bobcat, coyote, fox, and rabbits for release into the wild. The bewildered and disoriented captive animals will then be set upon and pursued by sporting dogs. The purpose of competitive field events is entertainment and dog/hound training.

Do you agree the WCC should work with the WI DNR to put a stop to the use of live captive animals for penning and dog field trial training to resolve animalwelfare, ethical and fair chase issues?

Additional Information provided by author:

https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/admin_code/nr/001/17/045 <https://p.widencdn.net/dnbziz/WM0564>

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