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An Act to consolidate the law relating to the preservation and control of game, and to provide for matters incidental to and connected with such preservation and control.

[Commissioners' note: The Game (Preservation and Control) Act, except for its Schedules, was repealed by the Uganda Wildlife Statute, <u>Statute 14/1996</u>]

First Schedule (Section 5, Cap. 226, 1964 Revision)

Animals not to be hunted or captured without a special permit

Part A – Animals not to be hunted or captured throughout Uganda except under special permit

- 1. Aardvark
- 2. Aardwolf—Proteles cristatus
- 3. Bat-eared fox
- 4. Bee-eaters—*Meropidæ* (all species)
- 5. Black rhinoceros—Diceros bicornis
- 6. Caracal or lynx
- 7. Cheetah—Acinonyx jubatus
- 8. Chimpanzee—Pan schweinfurthi
- 9. Colobus monkey—*Colobus* (all species)
- 10. Cranes—Balearicidæ (all species)
- 11. Crowned hawk eagle
- 12. Egrets—

Cosmerodius albus melanorhynchus

Mesophoyx intermedius brachyrhynchus

Egretta garzetta garzetta Bubulcus ibis

- 13. Elephant
- 14. Fish eagle

- 15. Giant eland—Taurotragus derbianus gigas
- 16. Giraffe—*Giraffa cameloparadalis* (all subspecies)
- 17. Gorilla—Gorilla beringei
- 18. Greater kudu (Female)—Strepsiceros strepsiceros bea
- 19. Greater flamingo—Phænicopterus ruber roseus
- 20. Ground hornbill—Bucorvus abyssinicus
- 21. Heron (all species)
- 22. Hornbills—Bucerotidæ (all species)
- 23. Hyrax (all species)
- 24. Lammergeyer
- 25. Leopard
- 26. Lesser flamingo—Phæniconaias minor
- 27. Marabou stork—Leptoptilos crumeniferus
- 28. Martial eagle
- 29. Ostrich—Struthio camelus
- 30. Owl (all species)—Tytonidæ and Strigidæ
- 31. Pangolin—Manis (all species)
- 32. Parrots—*Psittacidæ* (all species)
- 33. Python
- 34. Roan antelope (female) Hippotragus equinus
- 35. Saddle-bill stork—Ephippiorhynchus senegalensis
- 36. Secretary bird—Sagittarius serpentarius
- 37. Serval cat
- 38. Sun birds—Nectarinidæ (all species)
- 39. Turacos, plantain-eaters, louries—Musophagidæ (all species)
- 40. Vulture (all species)—Aegypiidæ
- 41. Whale-headed stork—Balaeniceps rex
- 42. White rhinoceros—Ceratotherium cottoni
- 43. Yellow-backed duiker—Cephalophus sylvicultrix

Part B – Animals not to be hunted or captured in the areas stated except under special permit

- 1. Greater bustard (All members of the genera *Ardeotis* and *Neotis* including all subspecies) (Karamoja district and Kingdom of Ankole)
- 2. Greater kudu—Strepsiceros strepsiceros bea (Acholi district)
- 3. Hippopotamus—Hippopotamus amphibius (Karamoja district)

- 4. Impala—Aepyceros melampus (Karamoja district)
- 5. Roan antelope—*Hippotragus equinus* (Area prior to 1st March, 1962, known as Masaka district)
- 6. Roan antelope—*Hippotragus equinus* (Madi district)
- 7. Sitatunga—*Limnotragus spekie* (Nkosi Island)
- 8. Uganda Kob—*Adenota kob* (Karamoja and Teso districts)

Part C – Animals not to be hunted or captured throughout Uganda except under special permit

If immature or female accompanied by young—

- (a) all antelopes, which includes gazelles and dik-diks;
- (b) black rhinoceros—Diceros bicornis;
- (c) elephant—Loxodonta africanus;
- (d) hippopotamus—Hippopotamus amphibius;
- (e) lion.

Second Schedule (Sections 5, 58, 59, Cap. 226, 1964 Revision)

Animals which may be hunted under basic and supplementary licences, and fees for supplementary licences

| First column | | | | Second column | Third column | Fourth col | umn | Fifth column |
|------------------------|-------------------|-----------|----------------|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| | Spe | ecies | | | | | | |
| English | Swahili | Luganda | Luganda Acholi | Maximum number which which may be hunted under under basic supplementar licence | supple | e for mentary er animal | Limitations on supplementar | |
| | | | | | Resident y ^{shs} . | Visitor shs. | licences | |
| Buffalo | Nyati | Embogo | Jobi | 2 | 4 | 100 | 300 | Maximum one only in Karamoja. |
| Bushbuck | Pongo | Engabi | Ruda | 2 | 3 | 20 | 150 | |
| Dik-Dik | Suguya | Ensa | _ | 2 | 2 | 10 | 50 | Maximum one only in Acholi and Toro. |
| Duiker (all sps) | Nsya | Empeewo | Lacek | 3 | 2 | 20 | 50 | |
| Eland | Pofu | Entamu | Abwori | _ | 2 | 100 | 500 | |
| Grant's Gazelle | Swala Granti | _ | Lagwete | 1 | 2 | 50 | 150 | None in Karamoja |
| Giant Forest Hog | Nguruwe Mkubwa | Ensenge | _ | _ | 2 | 50 | 200 | |
| Hartebeest | Kongoni | Ennangaaz | i Pura | 2 | 2 | 50 | 150 | |
| Hippopotai | n Kš boko | Envubu | Raa | _ | 2 | 100 | 300 | None in Karamoja |
| Impala | Swala Pala | Empala | _ | _ | 1 | 100 | 200 | |

| Klipspringe | rMbuzi Mawe | _ | Okwedo | _ | 1 | 50 | 50 | |
|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-----|---|-----|-------|-------------------------------------|
| Kudu, Greater | Tandala Mkubwa | _ | Wul | _ | 1 | 300 | 750 | None in Acholi |
| Kudu, Lesser | Tandala Mdogo | _ | Nyamugata | ı — | 1 | 200 | 750 | |
| Lion | Simba | Empologor | naLabwor | _ | 1 | 200 | 1,500 | |
| Oribi | Taya | Ensirabo | Lajwa | 1 | 2 | 25 | 50 | |
| Oryx | Choroa | _ | _ | _ | 1 | 750 | 750 | |
| Reedbuck, Bohor | Tohe | Enjaza | Aburgot | 1 | 2 | 50 | 100 | |
| Reedbuck, Chandler's | | | | | | | 100 | |
| Reedbuck, Mountain | Tohe ya Maliman | – i | Etopire | _ | 1 | 100 | 100 | |
| Roan | Korongo | _ | Bure | _ | 1 | 300 | 750 | None in Karamoja or Ankole |
| Sitatunga | Nzohe | Enjobi | Jobe | _ | 2 | 200 | 300 | |
| Торі | Nyemera | Enyemera | Tengo | 1 | 2 | 50 | 150 | None in Buganda. |
| Uganda Kob | _ | Ensunu | Til | 1 | 2 | 50 | 150 | |
| Warthog | Ngiri | Engiri | Kul | 2 | 2 | 20 | 50 | |
| Waterbuck | Kuru | Ensama | Apoli | 2 | 2 | 50 | 250 | |
| Zebra | Pundamilia | Entulege | Lagwar | _ | 1 | 100 | 350 | |

| Any of the birds mentioned in the Third Schedule | _ | _ | _ | Unlimited | Unlimited | Nil | Nil | Greater Bustard protected in Karamoja and Ankole |
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Third Schedule (Sections 5, 61, <u>Cap. 226</u>, 1964 Revision) Birds which may be hunted by the holder of a bird licence

| | Number unlimited | | | | | |
|---------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Anatidae | Duck (all species) Teal (all species) Geese (all species) | Except during the close season, 1st April to 30th September in every year. | | | | |
| Turnicidae | Button quails (all species) | | | | | |
| Phasianidae | ^{‡‡} Bare-throated francolins—Pr (all species) Stone partridge— — <i>Numida</i> (all species), except during the close season—1st A | [‡] Francolins— <i>Francolinus</i> (all species) ^{‡‡} Bare-throated francolins—Pternistis (all species) Quails— <i>Coturnix</i> (all species) Stone partridge—Ptilopachus petrosus emini Guineafowls— <i>Numida</i> (all species), except in Teso, Bukedi, Bugisu and Busoga during the close season—1st April to 30th September in every year Forest guineafowl— <i>Guttera edouardi sethsmithi</i> Vulturine guineafowl— <i>Acryllium vulturinum</i> | | | | |
| Otididae | Bustards, except greater busta | Bustards, except greater bustards in Karamoja and Ankole | | | | |
| Scolopacidae | Snipe (all species) | Snipe (all species) | | | | |
| Pteroclididae | Sandgrouse— Pterocles and Er | Sandgrouse— Pterocles and Eremialector (all species) | | | | |

Fourth Schedule (Sections 38 and 39, Cap. 226, 1964 Revision)

Game reserves

1. Toro Game Reserve—The area comprised within the following boundaries—

Sometimes erroneously known as partridges or pheasants.

Usually erroneously known as spurfowl.

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Commencing at the mouth of the Musisi river; thence following the east bank of that river in a southerly direction to its intersection with that top of the Lake Albert escarpment; thence following the top of that escarpment in a southwesterly direction to the point where it is crossed by the old telegraph line from Fort Portal to the Semliki river; thence following that telegraph line in a northerly direction to the point where it crosses the Nyaburogo river; thence following the west bank of that river in a northerly direction to a cairn situated on the river at a point 0° 54' N; thence in a straight line in a northerly direction to a cairn situated one half of a mile due south of the survey point known as Makoga; thence in a northeasterly direction in a straight line to a point on the shore of Lake Albert one mile to the north of the mouth of the Wasa river; thence along the shoreline of Lake Albert eastwards to the point of commencement at the mouth of the Musisi river.

2. Kigezi Game Reserve—The area comprised within the following boundaries—

Commencing at the point where the foot of the Kichwamba escarpment meets the Rwempunu river; thence following the Queen Elizabeth National Park boundary in a northwesterly then southwesterly direction to the point where it meets the Uganda/Congo international boundary which at this point is the Ishasha river; thence following that river in a southerly direction for approximately one half of a mile to a point marked by a cairn; thence following a line marked by cairns in an easterly then northerly direction as follows—

| From | То | Bearing | Distance |
|---------------|--------------|---------|----------|
| Ishasha River | No. 2 Cairn | 96° 30' | 299' |
| No. 2 Cairn | No. 3 Cairn | 76° | 1,146' |
| No. 3 Cairn | No. 4 Cairn | 73° 30' | 2,230' |
| No. 4 Cairn | No. 5 Cairn | 74° | 2,473' |
| No. 5 Cairn | No. 6 Cairn | 75° | 540' |
| No. 6 Cairn | No. 7 Cairn | 76° 30' | 273' |
| No. 7 Cairn | No. 8 Cairn | 73° 30' | 1,974' |
| No. 8 Cairn | No. 9 Cairn | 74° | 1,982' |
| No. 9 Cairn | No. 10 Cairn | 74° 30' | 420' |
| No. 10 Cairn | No. 11 Cairn | 30° | 4,537' |
| No. 11 Cairn | No. 12 Cairn | 30° 30' | 308' |
| No. 12 Cairn | No. 13 Cairn | 22° | 2,764' |
| No. 13 Cairn | No. 14 Cairn | 36° 30' | 2,127' |
| No. 14 Cairn | No. 15 Cairn | 32° | 1,065' |
| No. 15 Cairn | No. 16 Cairn | 15° 30' | 901' |
| No. 16 Cairn | No. 17 Cairn | 14° | 1,154' |
| No. 17 Cairn | No. 18 Cairn | 14° 30' | 796' |
| No. 18 Cairn | No. 19 Cairn | 15° | 504' |
| No. 19 Cairn | No. 20 Cairn | 14° | 993' |

| No. 20 Cairn | Kazinga River | 42° | 1,126' |
|--------------|---------------|-----|--------|
| | | | |

thence following the east bank of the Kazinga river in a northerly direction to its confluence with the Ntungu river; thence following the west bank of that river in a southerly direction to its junction with the Rushaya river; thence following the south bank of that river in an easterly direction to the point where it meets the foot of the Kichwamba escarpment; thence following the foot of that escarpment in a northerly direction to the point of commencement.

3. Katonga Game Reserve—The area comprised within the following boundaries—

Commencing at a point where the Kaisunga river (Dwamanyanja) joins the Katonga river; thence in a northeasterly direction following the eastern bank of Kaisunga river to its confluence with the Nyandagura river; thence in a northeasterly direction to the highest point of Kabuya Hill; thence in an easterly direction to Kitemba Hill; thence to the peak of Zina Hill; thence following the western side of Mparo/Kabogole road (track) to the Katonga river; thence following the northern bank of Katonga river to the point of commencement.

- 4. Gorilla Game Reserve
- 5. Karuma Game Reserve
- 6. Matheniko Game Reserve
- 7. Pian-upe Game Reserve
- 8. Queen Elizabeth National Park—Kibale Forest Corridor Game Reserve
- 9. Bokora Corridor Game Reserve
- 10. Lake Mburo Game Reserve

[Commissioners' note: The boundaries of the game reserves listed in numbers 4 to 10 are defined in statutory instruments for this Chapter.]

Fifth Schedule (Section 47, Cap. 226, 1964 Revision)

Fees for licences

| | shs. |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| 1. A visitors basic licence | 2,000 |
| 2. A residents basic licence | 1,000 |
| 3. A bird licence | 500 |
| 4. A professional hunters licence | 2,000 |
| 5. A professional trappers licence | 2,000 |

Sixth Schedule (Sections 2, 16; Cap. 226, 1964 Revision)

African animals not occurring in Uganda, or of which only local species and subspecies are protected, which animals and the trophies thereof are protected by international convention

- 1. Gorilla Gorilla gorilla (all subspecies)
- 2. All Madagascar lemurs—Chiromyidæ, Lemuridæ and Indrisidæ
- 3. Fossa—*Fossa* (all subspecies)
- 4. Giant sable antelope—Hippotragus niger variani
- 5. Nyala—Tragelaphus angasi
- 6. Mountain nyala or Buxton's bushbuck—Tragelaphus buxtoni
- 7. Okapi—Okapia johnstoni
- 8. Barbary stag—Servus elaphus barbarus
- 9. Pygmy hippopotamus—Chæropsis liberiensis
- 10. Mountain zebra—hippotigris zebra (all subspecies)
- 11. Wild ass—Asinus asinus (all subspecies)
- 12. White rhinoceros—Rhinoceros (or Ceratotherium) simus (all subspecies)
- 13. Northern hartebeest or bubal—Bubalis buselaphus
- 14. Abyssinian ibex or wali—Capra walie
- 15. Water chevrotain—Hyemoschus aquaticus
- 16. Baldheaded ibis or waldrapp—Comatibis eremita
- 17. White-breasted guineafowl—Agelastes meleasgrides
- 18. Chimpanzee—Anthropopithecus (all subspecies)
- 19. Giant eland or Lord Derby's eland—*Taurotragus derbianus* (all subspecies)
- 20. Giraffe—Giraffa (all subspecies)
- 21. White-tailed gnu—Connochætes gnou
- 22. Jentink's duiker—Cephalophus jentinki
- 23. Beira—Dorcotragus megalotis
- 24. Dibatag or Clarke's gazelle—Ammodorcas clarkei
- 25. Bontebok—Damaliscus pygargus
- 26. Black rhinoceros—Rhinoceros (or Diceros) bicornis
- 27. Wild ostrich—Struthio (all African subspecies)