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30.18<u>16</u> **RESIDENT ROE BUYER/EXPORTER AND NON-RESIDENT** ROE BUYER/EXPORTER **PERMIT** REQUIREMENTS

It is unlawful to buy or export across the state line paddlefish or sturgeon, or their parts, including eggs (roe), without a current Resident Roe Buyer/Exporter Permit or Nonresident Roe Buyer/Exporter Permit, as applicable. Licensed Permitted commercial fishermen fishers who hold current Resident Roe Buyer/Exporter Permit may also take paddlefish and sturgeon in compliance with applicable season, size, and tackle regulations.

EXCEPTIONS:

- 1. In compliance with Code 25.02
- 2. Permitted fish farmers in compliance with Code 35.10
- 3. Paddlefish and sturgeon meat may be purchased only from permitted roe taker/sellers and roe buyer/exporters in compliance with Code 30.0<u>2</u>4
- 4. Paddlefish and sturgeon meat and/or roe can be transported by an authorized representative of a legally permitted resident buyer/exporter if accompanied by a bill of lading or bill of sale, indicating the name and permit number of the authorizing resident buyer/exporter and including the species, number of pounds of roe or meat per species, and if being sold, the name of the purchaser. A true bill of lading or bill of sale must accompany the shipment to the final destination.
- 5. Paddlefish, sturgeon, or their meat (excluding eggs or roe), may be purchased for personal use without purchasing either a resident<u>Resident/nonresident roe-Roe</u> <u>buyerBuyer/exporter Exporter permit Permit or Non Resident Roe Buyer Permit in</u> compliance with this code.

PENALTY: Class 3