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[Commissioners' note: The Game (Preservation and Control) Act, except for its Schedules, was repealed by the Uganda Wildlife Statute, [Statute 14/1996](#)]

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 camelopardalis* (all subspecies)
17. Gorilla—*Gorilla beringei*
18. Greater kudu (Female)—*Strepsiceros strepsiceros bea*
19. Greater flamingo—*Phaenicopterus 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—*Phaeniconaias 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)—*Aegyptidæ*
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 column		Fifth column
Species								
English	Swahili	Luganda	Acholi	Maximum number which may be hunted under basic licence	Maximum number which may be hunted under supplementary licence	Fee for licence per animal		Limitations on supplementary licences
						Resident shs.	Visitor shs.	
Buffalo	Nyati	Embogo	Jobi	2	4	100	300	Maximum one only in Karamoja.
Bushbuck	Pongo	Engabi	Ruda	2	3	20	150	

Repealed

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	Ennangaazi	Pura	2	2	50	150	
Hippopotamus	Kiboko	Envubu	Raa	—	2	100	300	None in Karamoja
Impala	Swala Pala	Empala	—	—	1	100	200	
Klipspringer	Mbuzi Mawe	—	Okwedo	—	1	50	50	
Kudu, Greater	Tandala Mkubwa	—	Wul	—	1	300	750	None in Acholi
Kudu, Lesser	Tandala Mdogo	—	Nyamugata	—	1	200	750	
Lion	Simba	Empologoma	Labwor	—	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 Malimani	—	Etopire	—	1	100	100	

Repealed

Roan	Korongo	—	Bure	—	1	300	750	None in Karamoja or Ankole
Sitatunga	Nzohe	Enjobi	Jobe	—	2	200	300	
Topi	Nyemer	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	Pundam	Intulege	Lagwar	—	1	100	350	
Any of the birds mentioned in the Third Schedule	—	—	—	Unlimited	Unlimited	Nil	Nil	Greater Bustard protected in Karamoja and Ankole

Third Schedule (Sections 5, 61, [Cap. 226](#), 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)	

Number unlimited	
Phasianidae	<p>‡Francolins—<i>Francolinus</i> (all species)</p> <p>‡‡Bare-throated francolins—<i>Pternistis</i> (all species) Quails—<i>Coturnix</i> (all species) Stone partridge—<i>Ptilopachus petrosus emini</i> 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></p>
Otididae	Bustards, except greater bustards in Karamoja and Ankole
Scolopacidae	Snipe (all species)
Pteroclididae	Sandgrouse— <i>Pterocles</i> and <i>Eremialector</i> (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—

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	To	Bearing	Distance
Ishasha River	No. 2 Cairn	96° 30'	299'

‡ Sometimes erroneously known as partridges or pheasants.

‡‡ Usually erroneously known as spurfowl.

Repealed

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 Dicerus) bicornis*
27. Wild ostrich—*Struthio* (all African subspecies)