**Section 710.60 Releasing or Stocking of Turkeys**

No person, except employees of the Department shall release any turkeys in this State at any time. Game Breeding and Shooting Preserve Areas licensed pursuant to Section 3.27 of the Wildlife Code [520 ILCS 5/3.27] may release turkeys for the purpose of put-and-take hunting only. This Section encompasses all of the various subspecies of the turkey (Meleagris gallopavo), which includes the native wild turkey (Meleagris gallopavo silvestris), the domestic barnyard turkey (Meleagris gallopavo gallopavo) and all crosses between any two subspecies.

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