
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY MASSER, MILLARD, TOOHIL, WHEELAND, CALTAGIRONE,
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, NOVEMBER 14, 2019

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in protection of property and persons, further
3 providing for protective material required.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 2524 of Title 34 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 2524. Protective material required.

9 (a) General rule.--[Unless further restricted by regulations
10 of the commission, every person hunting for or assisting to hunt
11 for deer, bear or woodchucks shall wear either a minimum of 250
12 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange-colored material on
13 the back and front combined or, in lieu thereof, a hat of the
14 same color material. The material shall be worn so it is visible
15 in a 360-degree arc. Unless otherwise specified by regulations
16 of the commission, the provision of this section shall not apply
17 to any season for using muzzle-loading firearms only or season
18 for using bows and arrows only.] Except as otherwise provided by

1 commission regulation, it is unlawful to hunt, take, injure or
2 kill game or wildlife or aid, abet, assist, attempt or conspire
3 to hunt, take, injure or kill game or wildlife without wearing a
4 minimum of 250 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange-
5 colored or fluorescent pink-colored material on the head, chest
6 and back combined so that it is visible in a 360° arc. This
7 requirement shall apply while moving to or from a hunting
8 location while outside of a motor vehicle from one hour before
9 legal hunting hours to one hour after legal hunting hours.
10 Except as provided by commission regulation, camouflage daylight
11 fluorescent orange-colored or fluorescent pink-colored clothing
12 is lawful provided it contains the minimum amount of fluorescent
13 orange-colored or fluorescent pink-colored material.

14 (a.1) Additional requirements.--It is unlawful to hunt
15 during any firearms season for deer, bear or elk from any blind
16 meeting the requirements in section 2308(b)(3) (relating to
17 unlawful devices and methods) without placing a minimum of 100
18 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange-colored or
19 fluorescent pink-colored material within 15 feet from the blind
20 so it is visible in a 360° arc.

21 (a.2) Regulations.--The commission shall promulgate
22 regulations establishing applicable times, seasons and manner
23 that the protective material requirements in subsections (a) and
24 (a.1) may be reduced or exempted.

25 (b) Penalty.--A violation of this section is a summary
26 offense of the fifth degree.

27 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.