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The chart below contains information on laws regulating or banning the use of leg-hold traps in 108 jurisdictions. Where it was available, information on when each ban was established is included. In a number of jurisdictions the law generally regulates or bans all traps, or prohibits trapping in particular areas, without separately addressing the question of leg-hold traps; those jurisdictions have been included in the chart. Countries with laws that merely provide in general terms that animals must be treated humanely have not been included. Some countries, such as India and Sri Lanka, have at times considered restrictions on traps but to date have not adopted them; such countries are not listed here. The European Union (EU) entry identifies the 1991 European Economic Community (EEC) Council Regulation banning the use of leg-hold traps that is binding on all EU Member States; the entries on individual EU countries additionally provide citations to any national or local laws on the subject.

Jurisdiction	Provisions	Citations	Date Ban Established (if available)
Albania	Use of traps prohibited.	Ligji Nr. 10253 për gjuetinë [Law No. 10253 on Hunting], FLETORJA ZYRTARE [OFFICIAL GAZETTE OF THE REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA], Mar. 11, 2010, No. 39/2010, art. 45.1(c), available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/alb132101.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/MXJ2-5LKS .	
Australia	Serrated steel-jaw leg-hold traps banned in most Australian jurisdictions, with limited exceptions. Other types of leg-hold traps may be subject to regulations or restrictions.	<i>'Round the Traps</i> , THE PEOPLE AND ENVIRONMENT BLOG (National Museum Australia, Nov. 20, 2015), https://pateblog.nma.gov.au/2015/11/20/round-the-traps/ ; archived at https://perma.cc/87PE-5GK7 ; see also <i>State Trapping Legislation</i> , WESTERN TRAPPING SUPPLIES, http://www.trapping.com.au/StateLeg.php (last visited June 13, 2016), archived at https://perma.cc/MEF3-MWWT .	Varies by state

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Australia (continued)		<p>State laws: Animal Welfare Act 1992 (ACT) s 60, http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/1992-45/current/pdf/1992-45.pdf, archived at https://perma.cc/H9FS-MWCT; Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979 (NSW) s 23, http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/inforce/af92116f-7d2d-60a9-f731-9dacdd705d05/1979-200.pdf, archived at https://perma.cc/FN5N-DRLR; Animal Welfare Act 2000 (NT) s 18, http://notes.nt.gov.au/dcm/legislat/legislat.nsf/d989974724db65b1482561cf0017cbd2/5c6b5cd4d35105e469257fb100258efc/\$FILE/Repa046.pdf, archived at https://perma.cc/33YC-C6CZ; Animal Welfare Act 1985 (SA) s 44, https://www.legislation.sa.gov.au/LZ/C/A/ANIMAL%20WELFARE%20ACT%201985/CURRENT/1985.106.UN.PDF, archived at https://perma.cc/F9QC-PPR4, and Animal Welfare Regulations 2012 (SA) reg 9, https://www.legislation.sa.gov.au/LZ/C/R/ANIMAL%20WELFARE%20REGULATIONS%202012/CURRENT/2012.187.UN.PDF, archived at https://perma.cc/MUM9-7LNS; Animal Welfare Act 1993 (Tas) s 12, http://www.thelaw.tas.gov.au/tocview/index.w3p;cond=phrase;doc_id=63++1993+AT@EN+20040310000000;histon=;pdfauthverid=;prompt=;rec=;rtfauthverid=;term=Animal Welfare Act 1993;webauthverid, archived at https://perma.cc/CBQ2-HLW7; Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1986 (Vic) ss 15 & 15AB (effective 2008), http://www.legislation.vic.gov.au/domino/Web_Notes/LDMS/LT_Object_Store/ltobjst9.nsf/DDE300B846EED9C7CA257616000A3571/E4A34C99A2920B66CA257FA800821D7B/\$FILE/86-46aa088%20authorised.pdf, archived at https://perma.cc/SZ9V-79CM, and Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Regulations 2008</p>	

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		<p>(Vic) pt 2 div 3, http://www.legislation.vic.gov.au/domino/Web_Notes/LDMS/LTObject_Store/ltobjst9.nsf/DDE300B846EE D9C7CA257616000A3571/13B846ADCD2A1CACCA257D850012C8E6/\$FILE/08-162sra006%20authorised.pdf, archived at http://perma.cc/ZFS9-R2ME; Animal Welfare Act 2002 (WA) s 29, https://www.slp.wa.gov.au/pco/prod/FileStore.nsf/Documents/MRDocument:24792P/\$FILE/Animal_Welfare_Act_2002_-_01-f0-03].pdf?OpenElement, archived at https://perma.cc/6N5X-G955, and Animal Welfare (General) Regulations 2003 (WA) regs 3 & 8, https://www.slp.wa.gov.au/pco/prod/FileStore.nsf/Documents/MRDocument:24755P/\$FILE/Animal%20Welfare%20%28General%29%20Regulations%202003%20-%20%5B01-e0-05%5D.pdf?OpenElement, archived at https://perma.cc/NHY9-KBDN.</p>	
Austria	<p>In addition to EEC Council Regulation prohibiting use of leg-hold traps, each state has some restrictions: <i>Burgenland</i> prohibits traps except live-catch traps that leave the animal unharmed & other traps that the state permits for furred game hunting if it is in the public interest; <i>Carinthia</i> gives its regulatory</p>	<p>EEC Council Regulation (see European Union entry for full citation). State laws: Gesetz vom 10. November 2004 über die Regelung des Jagdwesens im Burgenland (Bgl. Jagdgesetz 2004) [Hunting Act of Burgenland of 2004], LANDESGESETZBLATT [LGBL.] [STATE LAW GAZETTE] No. 11/2005, § 99, ¶¶ 1, 2, 3 & § 101, ¶ 1, no.7b, https://www.ris.bka.gv.at/GeltendeFassung/LrBgl/20000317/Bgl.d.%20Jagdgesetz%202004%2c%20Fassung%20vom%2028.07.2016.pdf, archived at http://perma.cc/DL85-X49T; Kärntner Jagdgesetz 2000 - K-JG [Hunting Act of Carinthia of 2000], LANDESGESETZBLATT [LGBL.] [STATE LAW GAZETTE] No. 21/2000, § 68, ¶ 1, no. 4, § 68 ¶¶ 1, no. 6, &3, https://www.ris.bka.gv.at/GeltendeFassung/LrK/20000013/K-</p>	Varies by state

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Austria (continued)	agency discretion to grant permits for the use of leg-hold traps for up to two years for epidemic control, prevention of severe damage to agriculture, or protection of animal species, if strict conditions are observed; <i>Lower Austria</i> allows an exception to the ban on traps for live-catch box traps for wild boar and furred game hunting, and, with agency approval, for scientific purposes; <i>Upper Austria</i> limits the use of live-catch traps to certain furred and feathered game but the state agency may allow the use of leg-hold traps for epidemic control or the protection of poultry from predators; <i>Salzburg</i> prohibits traps that harm the animal but may permit them as needed to	<p>JG%2c%20Fassung%20vom%2028.07.2016.pdf, archived at http://perma.cc/29FN-ADZ2; NÖ Jagdgesetz 1974 (NÖ JG) [Hunting Act of Lower Austria of 1974] LANDESGESETZBLATT [LGBL.] [STATE LAW GAZETTE] No. 6500-0, § 92, ¶ 1 & § 95, ¶ 1, no. 9, https://www.ris.bka.gv.at/Dokumente/LrNO/LN040004012/LNO40004012.pdf, archived at http://perma.cc/VUY2-XTB9; Gesetz über die Regelung des Jagdwesens (Oö. Jagdgesetz) [Act to Regulate Hunting (Upper Austria Hunting Act)], LANDESGESETZBLATT [LGBL.] [STATE LAW GAZETTE] No. 32/1964, § 59, ¶¶ 1 & 2, https://www.ris.bka.gv.at/GeltendeFassung/LrOO/10000063/O%2C3%B6.%20Jagdgesetz%2c%20Fassung%20vom%2028.07.2016.pdf, archived at http://perma.cc/Q75W-KPER; Gesetz über das Jagdwesen im Land Salzburg (Jagdgesetz 1993 – JG) [Hunting Law of the State of Salzburg (Hunting Act of 1993)], LANDESGESETZBLATT [LGBL.] [STATE LAW GAZETTE] No. 100/1993, § 70, ¶ 3h & § 72a, ¶¶ 1 & 2, https://www.ris.bka.gv.at/GeltendeFassung/LrSbg/10000930/JG%2c%20Fassung%20vom%2028.07.2016.pdf, archived at http://perma.cc/7T63-DNGS; Steiermärkisches Jagdgesetz 1986 [Hunting Act of Styria of 1986], LANDESGESETZBLATT [LGBL.] [STATE LAW GAZETTE] No. 23/1986 (WV), § 58, ¶¶ 1, 3, & 3a, https://www.ris.bka.gv.at/GeltendeFassung/LrStmk/20000850/Steierm%C3%A4rkisches%20Jagdgesetz%201986%2c%20Fassung%20vom%2028.07.2016.pdf, archived at http://perma.cc/7QJU-GHWD; Tiroler Jagdgesetz 2004 [TJG 2004] [Tyrol Hunting Act 2004], LANDESGESETZBLATT [LGBL.] [STATE LAW GAZETTE] No. 41/2004, § 40, ¶¶ 1g & h, https://www.ris.bka.gv.at/GeltendeFassung/LrT/10000088/TJG2004_Fassung_vom_28.07.2016.pdf, archived at</p>	

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	<p>protect human life or health or for similar important public interests; <i>Styria</i> bans the use of leg-hold traps but allows the regulatory agency to permit them for cases of imminent danger, or research or teaching purposes; <i>Tyrol</i> bans all traps that are cruel, including leg-hold traps; <i>Vorarlberg</i> bans traps but the state agency may permit them as a last resort on a case-by-case basis, for public health, safety, etc.; and <i>Vienna</i> bans traps that do not capture the animal unharmed or that are non-selective traps.</p>	<p>http://perma.cc/2U7X-4YW9; Verordnung der Landesregierung über das Jagdwesen [State Regulation on Hunting], [LGBL.] LANDESGESETZBLATT 24/1995, § 20, ¶ b, § 20a, ¶¶ 1 & 2, https://www.ris.bka.gv.at/GeltendeFassung/LrVbg/20000568/Jagdverordnung_Fassung_vom_28.07.2016.pdf, archived at http://perma.cc/ZY7H-MB48; Gesetz über die Regelung des Jagdwesens (Wiener Jagdgesetz) [Act to Regulate Hunting (Vienna Hunting Act)], LANDESGESETZBLATT [LGBL.] [STATE LAW GAZETTE] No. 1948/06, § 90, ¶ 1, no. 10, & ¶ 2, https://www.ris.bka.gv.at/GeltendeFassung/LrW/20000437/WienerJagdgesetz_Fassung_vom_28.07.2016.pdf, archived at http://perma.cc/B74F-XM9H; Gesetz mit dem das Wiener Jagdgesetz geändert wird [Act to Amend the Vienna Hunting Act], LANDESGESETZBLATT [LGBL.] [STATE LAW GAZETTE] No. 34/2001, https://www.wien.gv.at/recht/landesrecht-wien/landesgesetzblatt/jahrgang/2001/pdf/lg2001034.pdf, archived at http://perma.cc/C34D-A2WN.</p>	
Azerbaijan	Use of traps prohibited.	Regulation of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan No. 10 of Jan. 27, 2005 on Hunting Rules in the Republic of Azerbaijan, Part V, http://eco.gov.az/en/362-azerbaycan-respublikasinin-erazisinde-ovculugun-aparilmasi-gaydalari-nin-ve-ovculuq-teserruflari-haqqinda-esasname-nin-tesdiq-edilmesi-haqqinda-azerbaycan-respublikasi-nazirler-	

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		<p>kabinetinin-qerari, archived at https://perma.cc/LSQ3-MD8N (in Azerbaijani).</p>	
Bangladesh	Hunting of wild animals with the use of traps prohibited unless capture license granted.	Bangladesh Wild Life (Preservation) Order, No. 23 of 1973, § 6(1), LAWS OF BANGLADESH, http://bdlaws.minlaw.gov.bd/print_sections_all.php?id=452 , archived at https://perma.cc/6CJB-H795 .	1973
Belgium	Use of leg-hold traps prohibited, both by EEC Council Regulation and by regional regulations for Flanders and the Brussels-Capital Region. Hunting in Wallonia mainly governed by 1882 law that formerly also applied to the other two regions.	EEC Council Regulation; Décret du 24 juillet 1991 sur la chasse [Decree of 24 July 1991 on Hunting] (Flanders) (as amended to Dec. 29, 2015), art. 22, http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi_loi/change_lg.pl?language=fr&la=F&cn=1991072430&table_name=loi , archived at https://perma.cc/V44D-QHX5 ; Loi du 28 février 1882 sur la chasse [Law of 28 February 1882 on Hunting] (Wallonia) (as amended to July 6, 2016), art. 8, http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi_loi/loi_a1.pl?sql=&language=fr&rech=1&tri=dd%20AS%20RANK&value=&table_name=loi&F=&cn=1882022830&caller=image_a1&fromtab=loi&la=F , archived at https://perma.cc/87LE-KZUU ; Ordonnance du 1 mars 2012 relative à la conservation de la nature [Ordinance of 1 March 2012 Regarding the Conservation of Nature] (Brussels – Capital Region) (as amended up to June 18, 2014), http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi_loi/change_lg.pl?language=fr&la=F&cn=2012030115&table_name=loi , archived at https://perma.cc/E9PM-P59Y .	
Benin	Use of traps prohibited.	Loi 87-014 du 21 Septembre 1987 portant réglementation de la protection de la nature et de l'exercice de la chasse en République Populaire du Bénin [Law 87-014 of September 21, 1987	Sept. 21, 1987

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		Establishing the Regulations for the Protection of Nature and for Hunting in the Popular Republic of Benin], art. 13(d), <i>available at</i> http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/ben4577.pdf , <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/QR3H-9DYV .	
Bolivia	Use of traps prohibited.	Ley de Caza, Decreto-Ley 12301 1975 (Mar. 14, 1975), art. 81, https://www.elaw.org/es/content/bolivia-ley-de-vida-silvestre-parques-nacionales-caza-y-pesca-en-espa%C3%B1ol , <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/V76N-UBGJ .	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Use of traps prohibited.	Zakon o Lovstvu [Law on Hunting], SLUŽBENI GLASNIK BOSNE I HERCEGOVINE [OFFICIAL GAZETTE OF THE FEDERATION OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA], Feb. 1, 2006, No. 4/2006, art. 57(2), http://fmpvs.gov.ba/upload_files/1440589517-205_17_b.pdf , <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/H6UB-E4HJ .	
Brazil	All hunting, including by use of traps that mistreat game, prohibited.	Lei No. 5.197, de 3 de Janeiro de 1967, art. 10(a), http://www.planalto.gov.br/ccivil_03/leis/L5197.htm , <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/ACR5-FQPK .	1967
Bulgaria	Use of traps prohibited.	Zakon za Lova i Opazvane na Divecha [Law for Hunting and Protection of the Game], No. 78 of Sept. 26, 2000, as last amended Feb. 16, 2016, art. 65(2), http://www.lex.bg/laws/ldoc/2134941184 , <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/PRR8-N7DM , English translation <i>available at</i> http://lawyersforanimalprotection.eu/wp-content/uploads/2012/10/LAW-FOR-HUNTING-AND-PROTECTION-OF-THE-GAME.pdf , <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/L5J2-QYRX .	

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Burkina Faso	Use of traps prohibited.	Loi 003-2011/AN portant Code Forestier au Burkina Faso [Law 003-2011/AN Establishing the Forest Code of Burkina Faso] art. 138, available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/bkfl06703.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/2DAU-ZLER , replacing Loi No. 006/97/ADP du 31 janvier 1997 portant Code forestier au Burkina Faso [Law No. 006.97/ADP of 31 January 1997 Establishing a Forest Code in Burkina Faso] art. 131, http://www.droit-afrique.com/upload/doc/burkina/Burkina-Code-forestier-1997.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/5RGS-EKYJ (prohibiting the use of traps for hunting).	At least by Jan. 31, 1997
Burundi	All traps prohibited for hunting wild animals, unless Minister of Agriculture and Breeding gives special authorization.	Réglementation de la chasse et la protection des espèces animales [Regulation of Hunting and the Protection of Animal Species] ¶ 7, available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/bur39353.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/XYN3-QSSE .	
Cameroon	Use of “unconventional devices” for hunting prohibited absent special authorization. Unclear whether leg-hold traps considered “unconventional devices.”	Law No. 94-1 of 20 January 1994 to Lay Down Forestry, Wildlife and Fisheries Regulations arts. 80–81, available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/cmr4845.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/72VX-CFNU .	Jan. 20, 1994

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Canada	<p>Trapping regulated at provincial/territorial level. No absolute prohibition on leg-hold and body-gripping traps, but certain types of such traps are certified for use for specific species, in accordance with the International Humane Trapping Standards; other types of leg-hold traps permitted on certain types of animals, depending on the province. Ontario, Quebec, and Alberta have highest trapping activity in Canada.</p>	<p>Trapping Regulations, FUR INSTITUTE OF CANADA, http://fur.ca/fur-trapping/trapping-regulations/, archived at https://perma.cc/GTZ6-TPW6 (last visited July 26, 2016); <i>Certified Traps – AIHTS Implementation in Canada</i>, FUR INSTITUTE OF CANADA, http://fur.ca/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/Certified-Traps-List-FIC-May-1-2016-Eng-8%C2%BD-X-14.pdf, archived at https://perma.cc/76TU-KYTY (last visited July 26, 2016); <i>Canada’s Fur Trade: Facts and Figures</i>, FUR INSTITUTE OF CANADA, http://fur.ca/fur-trade/canadas-fur-trade-fact-figures/ (last visited July 26, 2016) archived at https://perma.cc/LNM6-5DRT.</p> <p>Sample provincial provisions:</p> <p>Alberta: <i>2015-16 Alberta Guide to Trapping Regulations</i>, FISH AND WILDLIFE OFFICES OF ALBERTA, http://albertaregulations.ca/trappingregs/gen-reg.html (last visited July 26, 2016), archived at https://perma.cc/FW8X-VH3N.</p> <p>Ontario: Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997, S.O. 1997, c. 41, https://www.ontario.ca/laws/statute/97f41#BK25, archived at https://perma.cc/2WJ7-JZ9H; Trapping, O. Reg. 667/98 (Can.), https://www.ontario.ca/laws/docs/980667_e.doc, archived at https://perma.cc/E2GQ-PAPR.</p> <p>Québec: <i>Trapping Devices</i>, MINISTÈRE DES FORÊTS, DE LA FAUNE ET DES PARCS DU QUÉBEC, https://www.mffp.gouv.qc.ca/english/publications/online/wildlife/trapping-regulations/devices/table_devices.asp (last visited July 26, 2016), archived at https://perma.cc/HJ4Z-M78M.</p>	Varies by province

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Central African Rep.	Traps prohibited for hunting, except when made and used in such a way that they cannot reach animals listed as protected under Lists A and B of Annex II of Ordinance (art. 62). Minister in charge of wildlife may ban or limit use of traps that may compromise wildlife conservation (art. 63).	Ordonnance n° 84-045 portant protection de la faune sauvage et réglementant l'exercice de la chasse en République centrafricaine [Ordinance 84-045 Establishing the Protection of Wildlife and Regulating Hunting in the Central Africa Republic] (July 27, 1984), arts. 61–63, available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/texts/caf4158.doc , archived at https://perma.cc/874H-M5BE .	July 27, 1984
Chad	Use of traps prohibited.	Loi 08-014 2008-06-10 PR portant régime des forêts, de la faune et des ressources halieutiques [Law 08-014 2008-06-10 PR Establishing the Regime of Forests, Wildlife, and Fisheries Resources] arts. 163 & 165, available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/html/cha117920.htm , archived at https://perma.cc/32TK-7KQ8 .	June 10, 2008
Chile	Use of traps prohibited.	Reglamento de la Ley de Caza 19473, Decreto 5, art. 25.c, DIARIO OFICIAL, Dec. 7, 1998, http://bcn.cl/1vsea , archived at https://perma.cc/E3CJ-FKAN .	
China	Use of traps when hunting wild animals prohibited.	Wildlife Protection Law [野生动物保护法] (adopted by the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress (NPC) on Nov. 8, 1988, rev. July 2, 2016, effective Jan. 1, 2017) art. 24, http://www.npc.gov.cn/npc/xinwen/2016-07/04/content_	1992 law banned “hunting devices not directly operated by man

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		<p>1993249.htm, archived at https://perma.cc/EAF7-QYZP, unofficial English translation available at https://eia-international.org/wp-content/uploads/WPL-Final-Law_translation_July-5-2016.pdf, archived at https://perma.cc/NW4J-3QKQ; Implementation Provisions of the Law on the Protection of Terrestrial Wildlife [陆生野生动物保护法实施条例] (Ministry of Forestry, Mar. 1, 1992), http://www.forestry.gov.cn/main/3950/content-459885.html, archived at https://perma.cc/G4RM-FF4T.</p>	<p>and threatening the safety of livestock or human beings”; local ordinances also banned traps.</p>
Comoros	Use of traps prohibited.	<p>Décret n° 47-2254 du 18 novembre 1947 réglementant la chasse dans les territoires africains relevant du ministère de la France d’Outre-Mer, modifié par le décret n° 54-1920 du 24 décembre 1954 [Decree 47-2254 of 18 November 1947 regulating hunting in African territories under the Administration of the Ministry of Overseas France, As Modified by Decree No. 54-1920 of December 1954], art. 25, available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/com4176.pdf, archived at https://perma.cc/S2Z8-ETGW (decree dates from before Comorian independence, but appears to still be applicable).</p>	Nov. 18, 1947
Congo, Democratic Rep. of the	Use of snares and net traps prohibited for sport hunting, unless special government authorization is given, and metal traps are generally prohibited. Government authorities	<p>Loi n° 82-002 portant réglementation de la chasse [Law No. 82-002 Establishing the Regulation of Hunting] art. 21, available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/cng4275.pdf, archived at https://perma.cc/NL7M-MCBV; Arrêté n° 014/CAB/MIN/ENV/2004 du 29 avril 2004 relatif aux mesures d’exécution de la loi n° 82-002 du 28 mai 1982 portant réglementation de la chasse [Order No. 014/CAB/MIN/ENV/2004 of 29 April 2004 Regarding the Application Measures for Law No. 82-002 of 28 May 1982</p>	June 1, 1982

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	<p>may also prohibit or regulate other hunting methods. Leg-hold traps not specifically mentioned; collective hunting permits, which appear to be a type of permit meant only for Congolese citizens, only allow the use of traditional hunting tools, including traps made from local materials.</p>	<p>Establishing the Regulation of Hunting] art. 18, <i>available at</i> http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/cng61848.pdf, <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/BCK5-RGQT.</p>	
Congo, Rep. of the	<p>Use of nontraditional traps or traps made from imported materials prohibited.</p>	<p>Loi n° 48/83 définissant les conditions de la conservation et de l'exploitation de la faune sauvage [Law No. 48/83 Defining the Conditions of Conservation and Exploitation of Wildlife] (Apr. 21, 1983), art. 36, http://www.mefdd.cg/no_cache/menu-haut/legislations/?tx_abdownloads_pi1[action]=getviewclickeddo wnload&tx_abdownloads_pi1[uid]=4, <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/KL4A-GUYU.</p>	Apr. 21, 1983
Côte d'Ivoire	<p>Use of traps prohibited.</p>	<p>Loi n° 65-225 du 4 août 1965 relative à la protection de la faune et à l'exercice de la chasse [Law No. No. 65-225 of 4 August 1965 on the Protection of Wildlife and on Hunting] (Aug. 26, 1965, as amended in 1994), art. 4, <i>available at</i> http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/ivc89113.pdf, <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/6YFG-22P2.</p>	Aug. 26, 1965

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Croatia	Use of traps prohibited.	Zakon o lovstvu [Law on Hunting], NARODNE NOVINE [OFFICIAL GAZETTE OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA], Nov. 17, 2005, No. 140/05, art. 64 (4), http://www.zakon.hr/z/422/Zakon-o-lovstvu , archived at https://perma.cc/8M3A-GQQT .	
Cyprus	Some traps, such as those with jaws, prohibited.	EEC Council Regulation; Law on the Protection and Treatment of Wild Birds and Animals, Law No. 152(I)/2003, art. 44, OFFICIAL GAZETTE OF CYPRUS REPUBLIC § (I), issue 3758, (Oct. 3, 2003), http://www.cylaw.org/nomoi/arith/2003_1_152.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/9J2N-7EXF (in Greek).	Jan. 1, 1995
Czech Rep.	Use of leg-hold traps prohibited.	Zákon o Myslivosti [Hunting Law], Zákon č. 449/2001 Sb., § 45.1 (a), http://www.zakonyprolidi.cz/cs/2001-449 , archived at https://perma.cc/97YR-4M22 .	
Denmark	Use of traps that harm or kill mammals or birds prohibited.	EEC Council Regulation; § 32 item 1 Bekendtgørelse om vildtskader [BEK] nr 970 af 28/06/2016 [Regulation on Wildlife Injuries No. 970 of June 28, 2016], https://www.retsinformation.dk/Forms/R0710.aspx?id=182106 , archived at https://perma.cc/R4VG-K257 ; §14 LOV OM ÆNDRING AF LOV OM JAGTEN NR. 294 AF 9 JUNI 1982 [LAW NO. 294 OF JUNE 9, 1982, AMENDING THE ACT ON HUNTING].	1982
Djibouti	All hunting prohibited.	Décret n° 2004-0065/PR/MHUEAT Portant protection de la biodiversité [Decree No. 2004-0065/PR/MHUEA Establishing the Protection of Biodiversity] (Apr. 22, 2004), art. 2, available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/texts/dji46297.doc , archived at https://perma.cc/T7LB-DDS4 .	Apr. 22, 2004

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Dominican Republic	Use of traps prohibited.	Ley 248-12 de Protección Animal y Tenencia Responsable [Law on Animal Protection], art. 60(4), GACETA OFICIAL [OFFICIAL GAZETTE] No. 10692, Aug. 5, 2012, http://www.consultoria.gov.do/consulta/ (search for law by entering 248-12 in “número” box), archived at https://perma.cc/K34R-KQGW .	
Ecuador	Use of traps prohibited.	Ley de Protección de la Fauna Silvestre y de los Recursos Ictológicos, Decreto 818, art. 16.g, REGISTRO OFICIAL [RO], Nov. 20, 1970, available at http://www.unesco.org/culture/natlaws/media/pdf/ecuador/ecuador_decreto_818_17_11_1970_spa_orof.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/AHZ7-WWSD ; Ley de Control de Cacería Y Vedas de Especies de Fauna Silvestre, Decreto Ejecutivo 3516 Texto Unificado de Legislacion Secundaria del Ministerio del Ambiente, art. 108, RO, Mar. 21, 2003, http://www.agua.gob.ec/wp-content/uploads/downloads/2012/07/TEXTO_UNIFICADO_LEGISLACION_SECUNDARIA_i.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/7Q2P-ZA5B .	1970?
England and Wales	Prohibited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • use a spring trap that has not been approved by regulations, • use an approved spring trap in a location designed to capture other animals that are protected by legislation, or 	Pests Act 1954, 2 & 3 Eliz. 2, c. 68, http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/Eliz2/2-3/68 , archived at https://perma.cc/NYT3-U2SQ ; Small Ground Vermin Traps Order 1958, SI 1958/24, http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/1958/24/made , archived at https://perma.cc/BNL2-WBZ5 ; Spring Traps Approval (England) Order 2012, SI 2012/13, http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2012/13/made , archived at https://perma.cc/NHW3-C5K3 ; Spring Traps Approval (Wales) Order 2012, SI 2012/2941 (W. 300), http://www.legislation.gov.uk/wsi/2012/2941/made , archived at https://perma.cc/9XQF-Y3WZ .	1954

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> offer for sale or sell any spring trap for any unlawful purpose. Exemption for rodents and small ground vermin.		
European Union	Use of leg-hold traps prohibited.	Council Regulation (EEC) No. 3254/91 of 4 November 1991 Prohibiting the Use of Leg-hold Traps in the Community and the Introduction into the Community of Pelts and Manufactured Goods of Certain Wild Animal Species Originating in Countries Which Catch Them by Means of Leghold Traps or Trapping Methods Which Do Not Meet International Humane Trapping Standards (elsewhere cited as EEC Council Regulation) art. 2, 1991 O.J. (L 308) 1 (effective Jan. 1, 1995), http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:31991R3254&from=EN , archived at https://perma.cc/TGT2-M2CS .	Jan. 1, 1995
Equatorial Guinea	Use of traps on endangered species prohibited.	Ley 7/2003 Reguladora del Medio Ambiente en Guinea Ecuatorial [Law 7/2003 Regulating the Environment in Equatorial Guinea], art. 41(a), Nov. 27, 2003, available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/eqg102892.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/QJ7A-EHGE .	
Finland	Leg-hold traps prohibited; use of all traps prohibited for hunting lynx, European beaver, Canadian beaver,	EEC Council Regulation; § 11 Jaktförordning 12.7.1993/666 [Hunting Regulation, Reg. No. 666 of July 7, 1993], http://finlex.fi/sv/laki/ajantasa/1993/19930666?search%5Btype%5D=pika&search%5Bpika%5D=f%C3%A4llor , archived at https://perma.cc/M79H-BJFU ; § 39 Jaktlagen 13.04.1962/290,	Limited to traps that immediately kill from 1983

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	<p>muskrat, farm-bred fox, red fox, raccoon dog, ermine, mink, polecat, pine martens, badgers, otters, wild rabbit, squirrel, Baltic ringed seal, aay seal, and other mammals that do not enjoy protective status. Traps must be designed so that animal does not hurt itself upon capture.</p>	<p>sådant det lyder i lag av den 18 mars 1983 (263/83) [Hunting Act No. 290 of April 13, 1962 as amended through amendment 18.3.1983/263].</p>	
France	<p>Use of leg-hold traps prohibited by EEC Council Regulation. Prior to that, leg-hold traps attached to a pole or with sharp teeth or notches were banned by a 1984 regulation, but other leg-hold traps were permitted.</p>	<p>EEC Council Regulation; Arrêté du 23 mai 1984 relatif au piégeage des populations animales [Order of 23 May 1984 Regarding the Trapping of Animals] (repealed July 1, 2007), art. 21, https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichTexte.do;jsessionid=9EC41DB77CC70B6AE71E8DF4047FDE70.tpdjo08v_1?cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006074744&dateTexte=19991210, archived at https://perma.cc/WD6X-WBHD.</p>	<p>1984 for partial ban; Jan. 1, 1995, for total ban</p>
Gabon	<p>Use of metallic traps and steel snares prohibited.</p>	<p>Loi n° 016-01 du 31 décembre 2001 portant code forestier en République gabonaise [Law No. 016-01 of 31 December 2001 Establishing the Forest Code of the Gabonese Republic] art. 215, available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/gab29255.pdf, archived at https://perma.cc/PGT7-CS46.</p>	<p>Dec. 31, 2001</p>

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Gambia	<p>Manufacture, possession, or use of nets, fences, or enclosures, or similar devices that can kill or capture a wild animal, banned.</p>	<p>Biodiversity and Wildlife Act, No. 11 of 2003, § 62, 9 LAWS OF THE GAMBIA, Cap. 62:01 (rev. ed. 2009), http://www.moecw.gov.gm/sites/default/files/Biodiversity Act, 2003.pdf, archived at https://perma.cc/Z2W8-42Q7; Wildlife Conservation Act, No. 1 of 1977 (Feb. 14, 1977), available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/gam6280.pdf, archived at https://perma.cc/Z6UJ-BFTS.</p>	At least as of 1977
Germany	<p>Use of catching devices that do not hold animals uninjured or do not kill them immediately prohibited by federal law. Six German states apply federal law without change; the other ten have enacted additional legislation, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baden-Württemberg, Bavaria, & Berlin prohibit all traps. • Hamburg prohibits all traps for furred game except for wild rabbits and small predators. • Lower Saxony prohibits traps that 	<p>EEC Council Regulation; Bundesjagdgesetz [BJagdG] [Federal Hunting Act], Sept. 29, 1976, BUNDESGESETZBLATT [BGBl.] [FEDERAL LAW GAZETTE] I at 2849, as amended, § 19, ¶ 1, nos. 8 & 9, http://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/bundesrecht/bjagdgesamt.pdf, archived at http://perma.cc/DZ84-E355, unofficial English translation available at http://www.cgerli.org/fileadmin/user_upload/interne Dokumente/Legislation/BJagdG2008.pdf, archived at http://perma.cc/VS9Y-5JGX.</p> <p>State laws:</p> <p>Jagd- und Wildtiermanagementgesetz [JWMG] [Hunting and Wild Animal Management Act] Nov. 25, 2014, GESETZBLATT [GBL.] [STATE LAW GAZETTE] 2014 at 550, as amended, § 32, ¶ 3, http://www.landesrecht-bw.de/jportal/portal/t/aw2/page/bsbawueprod.psml/screen/JWPDFScreen/filename/WildTManagG_BW.pdf;jsessionid=58E8EC92C50651847D7E4FE58E90D995.jp81, archived at http://perma.cc/3ARD-TY4W; Bayerisches Jagdgesetz [BayJG] [Bavarian Hunting Act], Oct. 13, 1978, BAYERISCHE RECHTSSAMMLUNG [BAYRS] [STATE LAW GAZETTE] V at 595, as amended, § 29, ¶ 2, no. 2, § 29, ¶ 3, no. 1, http://www.gesetze-bayern.de/Content/Document/BayJG/true, archived at http://perma.cc/4PPY-89TZ; Landesjagdgesetz Berlin</p>	1976

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Germany (continued)	<p>kill immediately unless they have been approved by an institution recognized by the state hunting agency or under the rules of another German state.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rhineland-Palatinate allows traps that kill immediately only in enclosed areas with approval by the authorities. • Saarland permits the use of all killing traps & all live-catching traps only for wild boar, furred game, or wild rabbits with a special trapping permit. • Saxony bans all traps except those used with special permission. • Schleswig-Holstein 	<p>[LJagdG Bln] [Berlin State Hunting Act], Sept. 25, 2006, GESETZ-UND VERORDNUNGSBLATT BERLIN [BLN. GVBL.] [STATE LAW GAZETTE AND ORDINANCES] 2006 at 1006, § 22, ¶ 2, http://gesetze.berlin.de/jportal/?quelle=jlink&query=JagdG+BE&psml=bsbeprod.psml&max=true&aiz=true, archived at http://perma.cc/3DE8-TYQY; Hamburgisches Jagdgesetz [HmbJagdG] [Hamburg Hunting Act], May 22, 1978, HAMBURGISCHES GESETZ-UND VERORDNUNGSBLATT [HMB GVBL.] [STATE GAZETTE OF LAWS AND ORDINANCES] 1978 at 162, § 16, ¶ 1, no. 3, http://www.landesrecht-hamburg.de/jportal/portal/page/bshaprod.psml;jsessionid=C5DC9213123F78D23A2C4A08177C838C.jp23?showdoccase=1&st=lr&doc.id=jlr-JagdGHArahmen&doc.part=X&doc.origin=bs, archived at http://perma.cc/F76L-XXDF; Niedersächsisches Jagdgesetz [NJagdG] [State Hunting Law of Lower Saxony], Mar. 16, 2001, NIEDERSÄCHSISCHES GESETZ-UND VERORDNUNGSBLATT [NDS. GVBL.] [STATE GAZETTE OF LAWS AND ORDINANCES] No. 7/2001 at 100, as amended, § 24, ¶ 2, sentence 2, http://www.nds-voris.de/jportal/portal/t/1azo/page/bsvorisprod.psml;jsessionid=526F00909D776C63B738D6F48E8A8EB5.jp15?action=controls.jw.PrintOrSaveDocumentContent&case=save, archived at http://perma.cc/9X4S-3DQV; Landesjagdgesetz Rheinland-Pfalz [LJG] [State Hunting Law of Rhineland-Palatinate], July 9, 2010, GESETZ-UND VERORDNUNGSBLATT RHEINLAND-PFALZ [RP GVBL.] [STATE GAZETTE OF LAWS AND ORDINANCES FOR RHINELAND-PALATINATE] 2010 at 149, as amended, § 23, ¶ 1 no. 14, http://landesrecht.rlp.de/jportal/portal/t/1dz7/page/bsrlpprod.psml?pid=Dokumentanzeige&showdoccase=1&js_peid=Trefferliste&documentnumber=1&numberofresults=69&fromdo</p>	

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Germany (continued)	<p>adds a ban on the use of conibear traps.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thuringia permits traps only for wild rabbit and furred game hunting. 	<p>ctodoc=yes&doc.id=jlr-JagdGRP2010rahmen&doc.part=X&doc.price=0.0&doc.hl=1#focuspoint, archived at http://perma.cc/5LZD-ME8X; Saarländisches Jagdgesetz [SJG] [State Hunting Law of Saarland], May 27, 1998, AMTSBLATT [OFFICIAL GAZETTE] 1998 at 638, as amended, § 32, ¶1, nos. 2 & 3, http://sl.juris.de/cgi-bin/landesrecht.py?d=http://sl.juris.de/sl/gesamt/JagdG_SL_1998.htm#JagdG_SL_1998_rahmen, archived at http://perma.cc/9XX2-M77N; Sächsisches Jagdgesetz [SächsJagdG] [Hunting Act of Saxony], June 8, 2012, SÄCHSISCHES GESETZ- UND VERORDNUNGSBLATT [SächsGVBl.] [STATE GAZETTE OF LAWS AND ORDINANCES] 2012 No. 10 at 308, as amended, § 18, ¶ 1, nos. 2& 3 and § 18, ¶ 2, http://www.revosax.sachsen.de/vorschrift_gesamt/12495/14570.html, archived at http://perma.cc/GE6Y-Y7MP; Landesverordnung über die Fangjagd [Fangjagdverordnung] [State Trapping Regulation], Aug. 5, 2013, GESETZ- UND VERORDNUNGSBLATT SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN [GVOBL.] [STATE GAZETTE OF LAWS AND ORDINANCES] 2013 at 350, as amended, § 1, no. 5, http://www.gesetze-rechtsprechung.sh.juris.de/jportal/portal/t/17de/page/bsshoprod.psml;jsessionid=BCFE3C7A1D0E4F26CEAB2EE0D626EAC0.jp20?action=controls.jw.PrintOrSaveDocumentContent&case=save, archived at http://perma.cc/PHR5-ZTCQ; Thüringer Jagdgesetz [ThJG] [Hunting Act of Thuringia], June 28, 2016, GESETZ- UND VERORDNUNGSBLATT [GVBL.] [STATE GAZETTE OF LAWS AND ORDINANCES] 2006 at 313, as amended, § 29, ¶ 2, no. 1, http://landesrecht.thueringen.de/jportal/portal/t/1efb/page/bsthueprod.psml;jsessionid=567E5615B08A1DA61B9A75A3C26036D0.jp16?action=controls.jw.PrintOrSaveDocumentContent&case=save, archived at http://perma.cc/9D5A-S3QQ.</p>	

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Ghana	Manufacture, possession, or use of any “gin trap which may be used for the purpose of hunting or destroying any animal,” prohibited.	Wildlife Conservation Regulations, 1971, § 4 (LI 685) (Mar. 4, 1971), <i>available at</i> http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/gha40817.pdf , <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/FZ75-2VMV .	At least as of 1971
Greece	Use of leg-hold traps prohibited.	EEC Council Regulation.	Jan. 1, 1995
Guatemala	Use of traps prohibited.	Ley General de Caza, Decreto 36-04 [General Hunting Law], art. 24, DIARIO DE CENTRO AMÉRICA, Dec. 22, 2004, http://old.congreso.gob.gt/archivos/decretos/2004/gtdcx36-04.pdf , <i>archived at</i> , https://perma.cc/Y4EC-YPMS .	2004
Guinea	Use of traps prohibited except where government authorizes their use for certain capture operations.	Loi n° L/97-038/AN du 9 décembre 1997 adoptant et promulguant le Code de protection de la faune sauvage et réglementation de la chasse [Law No. L/97-038/AN of 9 December 1997 Adopting and Promulgating the Code of Protection of Wildlife and Regulation of Hunting] arts. 95, 102 & 149, <i>available at</i> http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/gui12733.pdf , <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/HL4G-UQZD .	Dec. 25, 1997
Haiti	Use of traps, cages, and snares prohibited; all hunting must be done with authorized rifle.	Décret du 31 mars 1971 organisant la surveillance et la police de la chasse, conformément à la convention ratifiée par la République d’Haiti, pour la protection de la nature et la préservation de la faune sauvage dans l’hémisphère occidental [Decree of March 31, 1971, Organizing the Monitoring and Policing of Hunting in	Apr. 1, 1971

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		<p>Accordance with the Convention Ratified by the Republic of Haiti for the Protection of Nature and the Preservation of Wildlife in the Western Hemisphere] art. 20, available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/hai4279.pdf, archived at https://perma.cc/AG94-UWKV.</p>	
<p>Hong Kong Special Administrative Region</p>	<p>Use of traps prohibited when hunting wild animals, except in accordance with special permit; possessing such appliances prohibited. Use of spring-back traps of a size and type commonly used to kill rats and mice allowed.</p>	<p>Wild Animals Protection Ordinance (1997), Cap. 170, §§ 2, 7, http://www.legislation.gov.hk/eng/home.htm (enter Cap. number to locate text), archived at https://perma.cc/J954-DDTR; Wild Animals Protection (Approval of Hunting Appliances) Notice (1997), Cap. 170A, ¶ 2, http://www.legislation.gov.hk/eng/home.htm (enter Cap. number to locate text), archived at https://perma.cc/K5UC-KFHA.</p>	<p>On or by Jan. 1, 2000</p>
<p>Hungary</p>	<p>Use of trapping methods such as leg-hold traps to capture animals prohibited.</p>	<p>1996. évi LV. törvény a vad védelméről, a vadgazdálkodásról, valamint a vadászatról [Law No. LV of 1996 on the Protection, Management and Hunting of Wildlife], July 3, 1999, as last consolidated Apr. 27, 2015, arts. 30 (1), 67 (3), & 102, available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/hun10591.pdf, archived at https://perma.cc/6L63-AEDU.</p>	
<p>Iceland</p>	<p>Leg-hold traps banned except for rats, mice, mink, and foxes; traps used must receive prior approval from Icelandic Environment Agency.</p>	<p>LÖG UM VERND, FRÍÐUN OG VEIÐAR Á VILLTUM FUGLUM OG VILLTUM SPENDÝRUM ACT 1994 NR. 64 19. MAÍ [PROTECTION AND HUNTING OF WILD SPECIES ACT, 64/1994], art. 9 item 7, http://www.althingi.is/lagas/nuna/1994064.html, archived at https://perma.cc/ADY4-D58V.</p>	<p>1994</p>

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Iraq	Use of iron leg-hold traps for hunting wild animals prohibited.	Law No. 17, 2010, art. 4 (a), 4148 <i>al-Jariddah al-Rassmyiah</i> (Mar. 15, 2010) available at http://www.iraq-lg-law.org/ar/webfm_send/323 , archived at https://perma.cc/CY2V-FLYD (in Arabic).	2010
Ireland	Hunting wild birds or wild mammals with traps prohibited. Importing, offering for sale, or selling traps prohibited unless permitted by other legislation. Spring traps generally outlawed by regulation, but gin traps designed to cause immediate death, or immediate unconsciousness and then death, allowed.	Ground Game Act 1880, 43 & 44 Vict. c. 47, http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1880/47/pdfs/ukpga_18800047_en.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/6N25-WWEX ; Wildlife Act 1976, No. 39 of 1976 (as amended), http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/eli/1976/act/39/enacted/en/print , archived at https://perma.cc/JR9A-C9NH ; Wildlife Act 1976 (Approved Traps, Snares and Nets) Regulations 2003, SI 620/2003, http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/eli/2003/si/620/made/en/print , archived at https://perma.cc/WY6F-2M37 .	1880
Israel	Use of traps, nets, or glue prohibited for hunting wild animals. Some local authorities have issued similar prohibition on use of animal traps of any kind in their public parks, including Herzliya, Hadera, Hulon,	Wild Animals Protection Law, 5715-1955, §§ 1 & 5, SEFER HAHUKIM [BOOK OF LAWS, official gazette] 5715 No. 170 p. 10, <i>as amended</i> , available in the Nevo Legal Database (NEVO), http://www.nevo.co.il (subscription database, in Hebrew); Local Law for Herzlia (Prevention of Hazards and Preservation of Order and Cleanliness) 5750-1988, § 44, KOVETZ HATAKANOT [KT] [SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION] 5750 No. 412 p. 34, available at NEVO; Local Law for Hadera (Prevention of Hazards and Preservation of Order and Cleanliness) 5744-1984, § 44, KT 5744	

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	Haifa, and Kfar Saba.	No. 212 p. 256, <i>available at</i> NEVO; Local Law for Hulon (Prevention of Hazards and Preservation of Order and Cleanliness) 5742-1982, § 44, KT 5742 No. 142 p. 902, <i>available at</i> NEVO; Local Law for Haifa (Preservation of Order and Cleanliness) 5742-1981, § 29B, KT 5742 No. 142 p. 106, <i>available at</i> NEVO; Local Law for Kfar Saba (Environment Protection and Prevention of Hazards) 5768-2008, § 52, KT 5742 No. 218 p. 243, <i>available at</i> NEVO.	
Italy	Use of leg-hold traps (<i>tagliole</i>) for hunting prohibited.	EEC Council Regulation; Legge 11 febbraio 1992, n. 157 Norme per la protezione della fauna selvatica omeoterma e per il prelievo venatorio [Law No. 157 of Feb. 11, 1992, on Protection of Warm-blooded Wildlife and the Hunting of Specimens], art. 21(1)(u), GAZETTA UFFICIALE No. 46, Feb. 25, 1992, http://www.normattiva.it/uri-res/N2Ls?urn:nir:stato:legge:1992;157 , archived at https://perma.cc/WMJ3-JZWU .	1992
Japan	Use of leg-hold traps prohibited.	Wildlife Protection and Hunting Management Law, Act No. 88 of 2002, <i>amended by</i> Act No. 46 of 2014, art. 12, ¶ 1, item 3, http://law.e-gov.go.jp/cgi-bin/idxselect.cgi?IDX_OPT=1&H_NAME=%92%b9%8f%62%82%cc%95%db%8c%ec&H_NAME_YOMI=%82%a0&H_NO_GENGO=H&H_NO_YEAR=&H_NO_TYPE=2&H_NO_NO=&H_FILE_NAME=H14HO088&H_RYAKU=1&H_CTG=1&H_YOMI_GUN=1&H_CTG_GUN=1 (in Japanese), archived at https://perma.cc/R4W5-24N4 ; Enforcement Ordinance of Wildlife Protection and Hunting Management Law, Ministry of Environment (MOE) Ordinance No. 28 of 2002, amended by MOE Ordinance No. 41 of 2015, art. 10, ¶ 3, items 9 & 10, http://law.e-gov.go.jp/cgi-	Enacted 2006; effective Apr. 16, 2007

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Jordan	All types of traps prohibited for hunting.	Law No. 13, 2015, 5337, art. 56 (c) (10), <i>al-Jariddah al-Rassmyiah</i> (Mar. 8, 2015) p. 1868, http://www.moa.gov.jo/Portals/0/law/2015 لسنة 13 قانون الزراعة رقم 13.pdf , <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/QMA9-7BPX (in Arabic).	2015
Kazakhstan	Use of traps for hunting brown bears, hooved animals, or birds prohibited. Large traps must have clear warning signs visible to humans. Other types of traps allowed subject to noted use restriction.	Prikaz ispolniaiushego obiazonnosti Ministra Selskogo Khoziaistva Respubliki Kazakhstan Ob utverzhdenii Pravil okhoty [Order of the Acting Minister of Agriculture of the Republic of Kazakhstan on Hunting Rules], No. 18-03/157 of Feb. 27, 2015, §§ 13(5), 18(21), http://adilet.zan.kz/rus/docs/V1500011091 , <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/U4UX-XGJG (in Russian).	
Kenya	Use of snares, traps, or any other device designed to cause “unnecessary suffering to	Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, No. 42 of 1962, § 6, 16 LAWS OF KENYA, Cap. 260 (rev. ed. 2015), http://www.kenyalaw.org/lex/actview.xql?actid=CAP.%20360&term=leghold%20trap , <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/2YQV-GLW6 ;	1962

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	an animal” banned in 1962; any use of snares, traps, or similar devices without authorization banned in 2013.	Wildlife Conservation and Management Act, No. 47 of 2013 (Jan. 10, 2013), http://www.kenyalaw.org/lex//actview.xql?actid=No.47of2013 , archived at https://perma.cc/MED6-9UTK .	
Kosovo	Use of traps for hunting prohibited.	Ligji Nr. 02/L-53 për gjuetinë [Law No. 02/L-53 on Hunting], GAZETA ZYRTARE [OFFICIAL GAZETTE OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOSOVO], Jan. 1, 2007, No. 8, art. 9.3(c), http://gzk.rks-gov.net/ActDocumentDetail.aspx?ActID=2433 , archived at https://perma.cc/WW2W-45BR (in Albanian).	
Latvia	Hunting while using “[l]eg-hold traps and traps or snares which work nonselectively according to the terms for use or conditions for use” is illegal.	Hunting Law of July 8, 2003, as last amended Nov. 26, 2015, § 24(9)(h), http://likumi.lv/doc.php?id=77455 , archived at https://perma.cc/A5DX-QWEH (in Latvian).	
Liechtenstein	Use of all snares and use of traps that capture/kill animals in large quantities or nonselectively prohibited.	Jagdgesetz [Hunting Act], Jan. 30, 1962, LIECHTENSTEINISCHES LANDESGESETZBLATT NUMMER [LIECHTENSTEIN LGBL.-NR.] [LIECHTENSTEIN OFFICIAL LAW GAZETTE No.] 1962.004, art. 34a, para. 1(a), as amended, https://www.gesetze.li/lilexprod/lgsystpage2.jsp?search_text=JAGDGESETZ&search_loc=text&rechts_gebiet=0&menu=0&tablesel=0&observe_date=21.07.2016&formname=showlaw&lgblid=1962004000&version=4 , archived at http://perma.cc/846K-C6QW .	1995

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Lithuania	Use of traps that could injure captured animals, or may not kill animal instantly, prohibited.	Hunting Rules of the Republic of Lithuania No. 258 of June 27, 2000, as last amended June 23, 2016, art. 58 (26), https://www.e-tar.lt/portal/en/legalAct/TAR.308F43BA7D00/tWFoyLTwUp , archived at https://perma.cc/2TQV-SR8Z (in Lithuanian).	
Luxembourg	Use of leg-hold traps prohibited by EEC Council Regulation and by domestic regulation and legislation, from 1994 onward. Use of any type of trap for hunting abolished in 2011.	EEC Council Regulation; Règlement grand-ducal du 1er décembre 1993 fixant certaines modalités d'application du règlement (CEE) No. 3254/91 du 4 novembre 1991 interdisant l'utilisation du piège à mâchoires dans la Communauté et l'introduction dans la Communauté de fourrures et de produits manufacturés de certaines espèces animales sauvages provenant de pays qui utilisent pour leur capture le piège à mâchoires ou des méthodes non conformes aux normes internationales de piégeage sans cruauté [Grand-Ducal Regulation of 1 December 1993 Establishing Certain Application Measures for Regulation (EEC) No. 3254/91 of 4 November 1991 Prohibiting the Use of Leg-hold Traps in the Community and the Introduction into the Community of Pelts and Manufactured Goods of Certain Wild Animal Species Originating in Countries Which Catch Them by Means of Leghold Traps or Trapping Methods Which Do Not Meet International Humane Trapping Standards] art. 1, http://www.environnement.public.lu/dechets/dossiers/centres_de_recyclage/regl_parc_conteneurs.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/KFM8-VNL5 ; Loi du 25 mai 2011 relative à la chasse [Law of M25 May 2011 Regarding Hunting] art. 10, http://www.legilux.public.lu/leg/a/archives/2011/0111/a111.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/KX9A-TERR .	Jan. 1, 1994

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Macedonia	Hunting with traps prohibited.	Zakon za Lovstvo [Law on Hunting], SLUŽBEN VESNIK [OFFICIAL GAZETTE OF THE REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA], Feb. 24, 2009, No. 26, art. 54, http://www.mzsv.gov.mk/files/Zakon_za_lovstvoto.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/Y2QY-4LYD .	
Malawi	Possession or use of traps within national park or wildlife service area prohibited absent authorization. Sale, manufacture, or use of any trap, net, snare, or similar substance/device for hunting protected animals banned.	National Parks and Wildlife Act, No. 11 of 1992, §§ 33 & 66 (May. 15, 1992), available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/html/mlw4733.htm , archived at https://perma.cc/F3RU-AQXA ; Game Rules of 1927, § 3, III LAWS OF NYASALAND, Cap. 70 (rev. ed. 1933).	At least as of 1933
Malaysia	Possession and use of any snare for hunting wildlife prohibited; legal definition of “snare” appears to include leg-hold traps.	Wildlife Conservation Act 2010, s 29 & sch. 7, available at https://www.unodc.org/res/cld/document/wildlife-conservation-act-2010.html/Wildlife_Conservation_Act_2010.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/U3YK-MAYY .	2010
Mali	Use of traps and snares prohibited, unless authorized for ritual hunting, protection of persons/property, or capture operations.	Décret n° 97-052/P-RM déterminant les modalités et conditions d’exercice des droits conférés par les titres de chasse [Decree No. 97-052/P-RM Determining the Terms and Conditions of the Exercise of Rights Conferred by Hunting Titles] arts. 11–12, available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/mli10249.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/8HBQ-YKV5 .	Jan. 31, 1997

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Mauritania	Use of traps and snares prohibited, unless authorized for protection of persons and property.	Loi n° 97-006 du 20 janvier 1997 abrogeant et remplaçant la loi n° 75-003 du 15 janvier 1975 portant Code de la chasse et de la protection de la nature [Law No. 97-006 of 20 January 1997 Repealing and Replacing Law 75-003 of 15 January 1975 Establishing the Hunting and Nature Protection Code] arts. 15–16, available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/mau10273.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/ZFF6-MPRV .	Jan. 20, 1997
Mauritius	Use of snares or gin traps for hunting wildlife prohibited.	Native Terrestrial Biodiversity and National Parks Act, No. 14 of 2015, § 26 (Oct. 23, 2015), http://mauritiusassembly.govmu.org/English/acts/Documents/2015/act1415.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/8MKV-4J4T ; Wildlife Act, No. 33 of 1983, § 6, 4 MAURITIUS LAWS (rev. ed. 1990).	At least as of 1990
Mexico	Use of traps prohibited.	Ley General de Vida Silvestre [General Law on Wildlife], as amended through May 2016, art. 95(a), DIARIO OFICIAL DE LA FEDERACIÓN, July 3, 2000, http://www.diputados.gob.mx/LeyesBiblio/pdf/146_130516.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/2LH7-CSCF .	
Moldova	Use of traps for hunting prohibited and considered poaching.	Zakon o Zhivotnom Mire [Law on Wildlife] No. 439 of Apr. 27, 1995, last amended Dec. 3, 2015, art. 35(d), http://lex.justice.md/viewdoc.php?action=view&view=doc&id=311667&lang=2 , archived at https://perma.cc/G745-U77J (in Russian).	1995
Montenegro	Use of traps prohibited.	Zakon o Divljači i Lovstvu [Law on Wild Animals and Hunting] arts. 41, 66(8), SLUŽBENI LIST [OFFICIAL GAZETTE], July 29, 2008, No. 52/2008, available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/mne139648.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/YN2W-2TRV .	

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Mozambique	Use of methods, including mechanical traps, that result in indiscriminate killing of species or individual animals prohibited.	Lei de Florestas e Fauna Bravia [Law of the Forest and Wildlife], Lei No. 10/99, de 7 de Julho (July 7, 1999), art. 24, http://www.minag.gov.mz/images/stories/pdf_files/legislacao/LEI%20DE%20FLORESTAS%20E%20FAUNA%20BRAVIA.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/NZ8U-YQ6S ; Lei No. 16/2014, de 20 de Junho (June 20, 2014), art. 32, available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/moz134834.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/PE3A-RK77 .	1999
Namibia	Use of traps or other devices for capturing or destroying any animal prohibited unless necessary to protect property or prevent disease. Sale of traps or other devices, except those meant for targeting rodents, prohibited absent permit. Permission needed to bring traps into game parks or nature preserves, as well as to use traps to capture wild animals.	Animals Protection Act, No. 71 of 1962, § 2 (Jan. 1, 1973), available at http://www.lac.org.na/laws/annoSA/ANIMALS(1962) - Animals Protection Act 71 of 1962 (annotated).pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/69EA-PDV5 ; Nature Conservation Ordinance, No. 4 of 1975, §§ 18, 40 & 42 (June 20, 1975), available at http://www.lac.org.na/laws/annoSWA/ENVIRONMENT(1975) - Nature Conservation Ordinance 4 of 1975 (annotated).pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/98SH-NY8H .	At least as of 1973
Netherlands	Leg-hold traps prohibited except in some circumstances, including	Amending Regulation Designating Endangered Exotic Animal and Plant Species and Amending the Exemption Scheme for Endangered Exotic Animal and Plant Species (Dec. 24, 1995, in	Jan. 1, 1996

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	<p>damage control or to protect public health.</p>	<p>force Jan. 1, 1996), STCRT 1995, 251, https://zoek.officielebekendmakingen.nl/stcrt-1995-251-p16-SC4864.html?zoekcriteria=?zkt=Uitgebreid&pst=Staatscourant&vrt=3254&zkd=InDeGeheleText&dpr=AnderePeriode&spd=19951212&epd=19960312&sdt=DatumPublicatie&planId=&pnr=1&rpp=10&resultIndex=2&sorttype=1&sortorder=4, archived at https://perma.cc/7LYA-YRM5 (in Dutch); Act of May 25, 1998, Containing Rules Relative to the Protection of Wild Plant and Animal Species (Flora and Fauna Act) (as last amended Apr. 14, 2016), arts. 15a & 15b, http://wetten.overheid.nl/BWBR0009640/2016-04-14, archived at https://perma.cc/9H5C-RAXQ (in Dutch); Decree Containing Rules Relative to Management and Prevention of Damage Caused by Animals (Decree on Animal Management and Damage Control) (Nov. 28, 2000, as last amended effective Feb. 1, 2012), arts. 5 & 9, http://wetten.overheid.nl/BWBR0011849/2012-02-01, archived at https://perma.cc/USP8-4UPB (in Dutch) (permitting leg-hold traps for capture of some animals, including mice, voles, and rats).</p>	
<p>New Zealand</p>	<p>Sale and use of leg-hold traps highly restricted, and certain types prohibited; ministerial approval may be granted in limited situations if in the public interest and no viable alternative exists.</p>	<p>Animal Welfare Act 1999, ss 32–37, http://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/1999/0142/latest/whole.html, archived at https://perma.cc/8HU2-74F6; Animal Welfare (Leg-Hold Traps) Order 2007, http://www.legislation.govt.nz/regulation/public/2007/0353/latest/whole.html, archived at https://perma.cc/2SZC-DWUP. See also <i>Traps and Devices</i>, MINISTRY FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES, https://www.mpi.govt.nz/protection-and-response/animal-welfare/traps-and-devices/ (last visited Dec. 4, 2015; Ministry for Primary Industries, Leg-Hold Traps and the</p>	<p>Different restrictions in the Order came into effect between Jan. 2008 and Jan. 2011</p>

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		Animal Welfare Act 1999 (Dec. 2011), https://www.mpi.govt.nz/document-vault/1466 , archived at https://perma.cc/YU2Y-B7FZ .	
Northern Ireland	Use of spring traps limited to those that have been approved for specified purposes. Traps must not be set in a position that would trap or injure animals specified in Schedule 5 of Order.	Wildlife (Northern Ireland) Order 1985, SI 1985/171 http://www.legislation.gov.uk/nisi/1985/171 , archived at https://perma.cc/CF38-6DWB ; Protection of Animals Act 1911 1& 2 Geo. 5, c. 27, § 10, http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/Geo5/1-2/27 , archived at https://perma.cc/B9S6-AZRA ; Wildlife and Natural Environment Act (Northern Ireland) 2011, c. 15 § 11, http://www.legislation.gov.uk/nia/2011/15 , archived at https://perma.cc/WX9F-MVMX .	1985
Norway	Use of traps prohibited except to catch small animals such as rats and mice.	LOV OM JAKT OG FANGST AV VILT (VILTLOVEN) [ACT ON HUNTING AND CAPTURE OF WILD ANIMALS (WILD ANIMALS ACT)], LOV-1981-05-29-38 [ACT NO. 38 OF MAY 29, 1981], § 24, https://lovdata.no/dokument/NL/lov/1981-05-29-38/KAPITTEL_6?q=jakt#KAPITTEL_6 , archived at https://perma.cc/5K9Z-QFKP ; §§ 47–48 JAKTLOVEN (LOV NR. 7 AF 14 DES 1951) [HUNTING ACT (No. 7 of Dec. 14 1951)].	Use of traps limited to only certain smaller animals as of 1951
Pakistan	Most wildlife protection legislation provincially based, with similar provisions modeled on 1970 committee recommendations. Use of snares or other traps	PAKISTAN MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL FORESTS ISLAMABAD, FINAL REPORT: POLICY & LEGAL REFORM STUDY (GEF – PROTECTED AREAS MANAGEMENT PROJECT) 29 & 33 (1970), http://sustainableinitiatives.org.pk/da/Government Documents/Policy and Strategy/Protected Areas Management Ministry of Environment.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/M3XK-D2TX .	Varies by province

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	for hunting wild animals generally prohibited, but exceptions granted for scientific or public purposes.	Sample provincial laws: Punjab: Punjab Wildlife (Protection, Preservation, Conservation and Management) Act, No. 2 of 1974, § 9(i), http://punjablaws.gov.pk/laws/290.html , archived at https://perma.cc/GC4D-P9PJ ; Sindh: Sindh Wildlife Protection Ordinance, No. 5 of 1972, § 7(iii), http://www.wsip.com.pk/documents/sinddh_%20wildlife.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/V5VE-2722 .	
Panama	Use of traps prohibited.	Ley No. 39 que modifica y adiciona artículos a la Ley 24 de 1995, sobre vida silvestre [Law No. 39 Amending . . . the Law on Wildlife] art. 59, Nov. 24, 2005, available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/pan108640.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/DTA4-Z59V .	
Paraguay	Use of traps prohibited.	Ley de Vida Silvestre, Ley 96, art. 54.e, BOLETÍN OFICIAL (Dec. 24, 1992), http://www.bacn.gov.py/MjM5MQ==&ley-n-96 , archived at https://perma.cc/9X23-82DE .	
Peru	Use of traps prohibited.	Reglamento de Fauna Silvestre [Wildlife Regulation], Decreto Supremo No. 019-2015, Ministerio de Agricultura (Sept. 29, 2015), art. 191.3, §§ q, y, & x, http://minagri.gob.pe/portal/download/pdf/marcolegal/normaslegales/decretosupremos/2015/ds19-2015-minagri.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/KXS5-28HT .	
Poland	Use of live traps for hunting predators permitted. No information found	Ustawa z dnia 13 października 1995 r. Prawo Łowieckie [Law of Oct. 13, 1995, Hunting Law] with the latest amendments of Nov. 27, 2015, art. 44(a), DZIENNIK USTAW RZECZYPOSPOLITEJ POLSKIEJ [OFFICIAL GAZETTE OF THE POLISH REPUBLIC], Dec. 22,	

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	regarding types of traps that may be prohibited.	2015, item 2168, http://dziennikustaw.gov.pl/du/2015/2168/1 (last visited July 17, 2016), archived at https://perma.cc/S3ER-4EEK (in Polish).	
Portugal	Use of nonselective traps that may cause local extinction of species prohibited.	EEC Council Regulation; Decreto-Lei [Decree-Law] No. 140/99, de 24 de Abril (Apr. 24, 1999), http://www.spea.pt/fotos/editor2/dl_140_1999transposicaodirectivaaves.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/BK2G-A3CH , as amended by Decreto-Lei No. 49/2005, de 24 de Fevereiro (Feb. 24, 2005), art. 13, http://www.spea.pt/fotos/editor2/dl_49_2005transposicaodirectivaaves.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/W9VZ-MMF9 .	Jan. 1, 1995
Russia	Leg-hold restraining traps with steel arches to catch wolf, raccoon, lynx, badger, pine marten, sable, ermine, otter, beaver, and muskrat prohibited.	Prikaz Ministerstva Prirodnnykh Resursov i Ekologii Rossiiskoi Federatsii O vnesenii izmeneniia v Pravila okhoty [Order of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment of the Russian Federation on Amendments to Hunting Rules] No. 373 of Nov. 8, 2012, approved by Order of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment of the Russian Federation No. 512 of Nov. 16, 2010, ROSSISKAIA GAZETA (Feb. 8, 2013), https://rg.ru/2013/02/08/ohota-dok.html , archived at https://perma.cc/HS53-QTGG .	2012
Rwanda	Use of traps prohibited.	Décret-loi du 26 avril 1974 portant confirmation et modification de l'ordonnance-loi du 18 juin 1973 portant création de l'Office rwandais du tourisme et des parcs nationaux [Law-Decree of April 26, 1974, Establishing Confirmation and Modification of the Ordinance-Law of June 18, 1973, Establishing the Creation of the Rwandan Office of Tourism and National Parks] art. 50, http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/rwa4261.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/F73X-VF8N .	Apr. 26, 1974

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São Tomé e Príncipe	Use of mechanical traps, among other hunting methods, prohibited.	Decreto Lei N° 01/2016 Aprova o Regulamento sobre a Caça [Approving the Regulation of Hunting] art. 22(4)(a), DIÁRIO DA REPÚBLICA, No. 18, Mar. 11, 2016, <i>available at</i> http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/sao154193.pdf , <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/8C8U-JYG7 .	2016
Scotland	Use of unapproved spring traps, use of approved spring trap in a location designed to capture legally protected animals, or offering for sale/selling any spring trap for unlawful purposes prohibited. Exception exists for use of spring traps designed to break the backs of rats, mice, and voles, and to catch moles in runs.	Agriculture (Scotland) Act 1948, 11 & 12 Geo. 6, c. 45, http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/Geo6/11-12/45 , <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/T2DA-RFCF ; Small Ground Vermin Traps Order 1958, SI 1958/24, http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/1958/24/made , <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/4WYF-7A74 .	1948
Senegal	Use of traps prohibited in national parks.	Décret n° 86-844 portant Code de la chasse et de la protection de la faune – Partie règlementaire [Decree No. 86-844 Establishing the Hunting and Wildlife Protection Code – Regulatory Part] art. D39, <i>available at</i> http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/sen4473.pdf , <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/AEE5-WQ75 .	July 14, 1986

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Serbia	Use of traps prohibited.	Zakon o Divljači i Lovstvu [Law on Wild Animals and Hunting] No. 18/2010, art. 76(7), SLUŽBENI GLASNIK [OFFICIAL GAZETTE OF THE REPUBLIC OF SERBIA], Mar. 26, 2010, http://www.srbijasume.rs/pdf/zakon_divljac_lovstvo.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/Q97R-EGBW .	
Sierra Leone	Possession without permission of gin, trap, or snare while in a national park, game reserve, or nonhunting forest prohibited.	Wildlife Conservation Act, No. 27 of 1972 (Jan. 8, 1973), available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/sie41659.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/GZ8Z-FFLL .	1973
Singapore	Person who “nets, snares or takes by means of any contrivance” a wild animal or bird as prohibited by the Act is punishable by a fine and subject to forfeiture of the wild animal or bird.	Wild Animals and Birds Act (Chapter 351) (revised Dec. 30, 2000) § 8(d), SINGAPORE STATUTES ONLINE, <a d%22;whole='no"' href="http://statutes.agc.gov.sg/aol/search/display/view.w3p;query=Statu s:curinforce Type:act,sl Content:" tatus%3acurinforce%20type%3aact,sl%20content%3a%22wil="" wild";rec="1;resUrl=http://statutes.agc.gov.sg/aol/search/summary/results.w3p;query=S">http://statutes.agc.gov.sg/aol/search/display/view.w3p;query=Statu s:curinforce Type:act,sl Content:"Wild";rec=1;resUrl=http://statutes.agc.gov.sg/aol/search/summary/results.w3p;query=S tatus%3Acurinforce%20Type%3Aact,sl%20Content%3A%22Wil d%22;whole=no , archived at https://perma.cc/756Z-BMUT .	On or before Dec. 30, 2000
Slovakia	Use of leg-hold traps prohibited.	Zákon o Poľovníctve a o Zmene a Doplnení Niektorých Zákonov [Hunting Law and Amendments to Certain Laws], Zákon č. 274/2009 Zb., § 65.2(a), http://www.zakonypreludi.sk/zz/2009-274 , archived at https://perma.cc/ZJQ2-YDJK .	

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Slovenia	Use of leg-hold traps prohibited.	Zakon o Divjadi in Lovstvu (ZDLov-1) [Law on Wild Animals and Hunting] art. 43 (3), URADNI LIST [OFFICIAL GAZETTE OF THE REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA], Feb. 20, 2004, No. 16/2004, https://www.uradni-list.si/1/content?id=47257#!/Zakon-o-divjadi-in-lovstvu-(ZDLov-1) , archived at https://perma.cc/L6KN-EEPU (in Slovenian).	
Spain	Use of traps prohibited.	CÓDIGO PENAL [CRIMINAL CODE], Ley Orgánica 10/1995, arts. 334.1.c, 336, 337.1, & 337.2.a, BOLETIN OFICIAL DEL ESTADO [BOE] (Nov. 24, 1995), http://www.boe.es/buscar/pdf/1995/BOE-A-1995-25444-consolidado.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/DP4T-L3AP ; Ley de Caza [Law on Hunting], Ley 1/1979, art. 43.k, BOE (Apr. 6, 1970), http://boe.es/buscar/pdf/1970/BOE-A-1970-369-consolidado.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/3RRB-NBB6 .	
Somalia	Use of gin-traps or snares for hunting prohibited, except with written permission.	Law on Fauna (Hunting) Forest Conservation Law, No. 15 of 1969 (Jan. 15, 1969), available at http://www.somalilandlaw.com/Law_on_Fauna_Hunting_and_Forest_Conservation_1969.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/H963-PVPG .	At least as of 1969
South Africa	Use of “any trap or other device” for capturing or destroying any wild or domestic animal or wild bird prohibited, unless necessary for protection of property or disease prevention. Use of traps	Animal Protection Act, No. 71 of 1962, § 2, 3 BUTTERWORTHS STATUTES OF SOUTH AFRICA (rev. ed. 2015), version amended through 1972 available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/nam126907.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/X3V5-RU8B ; Threatened or Protected Species Regulations, 2007, §§ 14, 24 & 26 (Feb. 23, 2007), version updated through 2016 available at http://www.lawsofsouthafrica.up.ac.za/index.php/browse/environment-and-conservation/national-environmental-management-	At least as of 1962

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	<p>and snares for hunting listed threatened or protected species totally banned. Traps permitted for some threatened or protected species scientific or management purposes, including to hunt “damage causing animals.” Listed large predators (white rhinoceros or black rhinoceros) may not be hunted “by making a gin trap.”</p>	<p>biodiversity-act-10-of-2004/regulations-and-notice/10-of-2004-national-environmental-management-biodiversity-act-regs-gnr-152-29-apr-2014-to-date-pdf/download, archived at https://perma.cc/26CQ-TBYL.</p>	
South Sudan	<p>Use and possession of traps, snares, or gins without authorization for hunting or capturing animals, and conveyance of traps or snares into a national park, prohibited.</p>	<p>Wildlife Conservation and National Parks Act, 2003, available at http://www.gurtong.net/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=9EN5HHfOAFw=&tabid=342, archived at https://perma.cc/XV7F-QV8B.</p>	At least as of 2003
Sudan	<p>All leg-hold traps prohibited in hunting wild animals.</p>	<p>Law of 1986, art. 23(g)(3), http://moj.gov.sd/content/laws/4/4/4.htm, archived at https://perma.cc/A3H7-2DW4 (in Arabic).</p>	1986

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Swaziland	Possession or use of gins, traps, and snares prohibited.	Game Act of 1953, § 14 (Sept. 1, 1953), <i>available at</i> http://www.sntc.org.sz/legislation/gameact.asp , <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/4GQE-B92L .	At least as of 1953
Sweden	Leg-hold traps, and all traps not selective in nature, that cause suffering to the animal, or are a threat to humans, prohibited. Other traps require prior approval.	EEC Council Regulation; 11 § Jaktförordning [Hunting Regulation] (Svensk författningssamling [SFS] 1987:905), <i>as amended</i> , Bilaga [Appendix] 5, http://www.riksdagen.se/sv/dokument-lagar/dokument/svensk-forfattningssamling/jaktforordning-1987905_sfs-1987-905 , <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/7XAD-794D ; ch. 6 § 1 and ch. 8 §§ 1–2 Naturvårdsverkets föreskrifter om typgodkännande av fångstredskap [Swedish Environmental Protection Agency Regulation on Approval of Hunting Devices] (Naturvårdsverkets föreskrifter [NFS] 2013:13), http://www.naturvardsverket.se/Documents/foreskrifter/nfs2013/nfs-2013-13.pdf , <i>archived at</i> https://perma.cc/Z6V7-C822 ; 6 § Jaktstadga (SFS 1938:279) med beaktande av förordning (SFS 1981:678) om ändring i jaktstadgan [Hunting Charter (SFS 1938:279) as amended by Regulation Amending the Hunting Charter (SFS 1981:678)].	As of 1986, use of traps required permission
Switzerland	Use of snares and all traps, with exception of live-catch box traps that are checked daily, prohibited.	Verordnung über die Jagd und den Schutz wildlebender Säugetiere und Vögel (Jagdverordnung, JSV) [Hunting Regulation], Feb. 29, 1988, SYSTEMATISCHE RECHTSSAMMLUNG [SR] [SYSTEMATIC COLLECTION OF LAWS] 922.01, art. 2, ¶ 1, nos. a, b, https://www.admin.ch/opc/de/classified-compilation/19880042/201507150000/922.01.pdf , <i>archived at</i> http://perma.cc/7926-XXX9 .	2012

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Taiwan	<p>Use of traps, snares, or other special hunting equipment to hunt wildlife prohibited.</p> <p>Capturing animals with animal traps (<i>shou jia</i>) without prior approval prohibited.</p> <p>Manufacturing, selling, displaying, importing, or exporting animal traps without prior approval prohibited.</p>	<p>野生動物保育法, 八十三年十月二十七日 [Wildlife Conservation Act, Oct. 27, 1994], http://lis.ly.gov.tw/lglawc/lawsingle?0013465A12DF0000000000000000003C000000008FFF000000031180831027^0000F001001, archived at https://perma.cc/A8W7-JKD5; Animal Protection Act [動物保護法] (as last amended May 18, 2016) arts. 14-1 & 14-2, http://law.moj.gov.tw/LawClass/LawAll.aspx?PCode=M0060027, archived at https://perma.cc/4VSP-GDWJ, English translation available at http://law.moj.gov.tw/Eng/LawClass/LawAll.aspx?PCode=M0060027, archived at https://perma.cc/M97K-N5LZ; 動物保護法, 九十六年十二月十四日 [Animal Protection Act, December 14, 2007 (effective 2008)], http://lis.ly.gov.tw/lglawc/lawsingle?0^C4600C99CC1886C0600C81971926DC604D814C1A07E0620C, archived at https://perma.cc/6XJX-W9LB; 動物保護法, 一百年六月十三日 [Animal Protection Act, June 13, 2011], http://lis.ly.gov.tw/lglawc/lawsingle?00223F8F5E0A00000000000000001400000004FFFFD^031341000613^0000A001001, archived at https://perma.cc/6JDA-P9XZ.</p>	<p>1994 for wildlife protection provision; 2008 for animal capture approval requirements; 2011 for ban on manufacturing, selling, etc.</p>
Tajikistan	<p>Use of traps that capture the leg or neck of animal prohibited for hunting bears, wolves, lynxes, badgers, and foxes.</p>	<p>Zakon ob Okhote i Okhothichem Khoziaistve [Law on Hunting and Game Management] No. 1118 of July 26, 2014, § 26(2), http://www.mmk.tj/ru/legislation/legislation-base/259/, archived at https://perma.cc/X6M3-6XNB.</p>	
Tanzania	<p>Mainland Tanzania: Use of traps, snares, or any device capable of killing,</p>	<p>Wildlife Conservation Act, No. 5 of 2009, §§ 20 & 65 (Mar. 12, 2009), http://parliament.go.tz/polis/uploads/bills/acts/1452145936-ActNo-5-2009.pdf, archived at https://perma.cc/J5GN-5P2C;</p>	<p>Mainland Tanzania: 1959</p>

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	<p>capturing or wounding any animal in any, national park, game reserve, wetlands reserve, or game controlled area prohibited; written authorization required for other hunting use of gins, traps, or snares.</p> <p>Zanzibar: Use or possession of any trap or snare in a forest reserve requires permit.</p>	<p>National Parks Act, No. 12 of 1959, §§ 17 & 24 (July 1, 1959), available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/pdf/tan155102.pdf, archived at https://perma.cc/674L-E4MV; Fauna Conservation Ordinance, §34, No. 17 of 1951, 32(33) SUPPLEMENT TO THE TANGANYIKA GAZETTE (July 6, 1951).</p> <p>Zanzibar Forest Resources Management and Conservation Act No. 10 of 1996 (Oct. 27, 1997), http://www.zanzibarassembly.go.tz/act_1996/act_10.pdf, archived at https://perma.cc/76CE-PPKQ; Wild Animals Protection Decree, No. 7 of 1919, § 4, III LAWS OF THE ZANZIBAR PROTECTORATE (1935).</p>	Zanzibar: 1935
Togo	Use of traps prohibited.	<p>Arrêté n° 21/MAR du 13 juillet 1983 définissant les modalités de l'exercice de la chasse [Bylaw No. 21/MAR of 13 July 1983 Defining the Methods of Hunting] art. 5, available at http://faolex.fao.org/docs/texts/tog18439.doc, archived at https://perma.cc/PQ7V-YPFB.</p>	July 13, 1983
Turkey	Use of leg-hold traps prohibited without exception.	<p>Terrestrial Hunting Law [Kara Avcılığı Kanunu], Law No. 4915 (July 1, 2003, as last amended effective Mar. 1, 2014), art. 6, http://www.mevzuat.gov.tr/MevzuatMetin/1.5.4915.doc, archived at https://perma.cc/QU8H-SYAR.</p>	

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Uganda	Possession, sale, or use of traps, snares, or “similar substance[s] or device[s] capable of killing, capturing or wounding any protected species” prohibited, with some exceptions.	Wildlife Act of 1996, § 49 (Aug. 1, 1996), http://www.ulii.org/ug/legislation/consolidated-act/200 , archived at https://perma.cc/74ZV-LSV4 .	At least as of 1996
Ukraine	Production, sale, import, use, and storage of trap-like means of hunting prohibited.	Zakon pro Tvarynnyi Svit [Law on Wildlife] No. 2894-III of Dec. 13, 2001 (last amended Apr. 9, 2015) arts. 52-1 & 53, http://zakon5.rada.gov.ua/laws/show/2894-14 , archived at https://perma.cc/6H95-Y7AL ; Zakon pro Myslyvske Gospodarstvo ta Poliuvannia [Law on Hunting Economy and Shooting] No. 1478-III of Feb. 22, 2000, art. 20(4), http://zakon3.rada.gov.ua/laws/show/1478-14/page , archived at https://perma.cc/E62M-TJMT .	1993
Uruguay	Use of traps prohibited.	Decreto 164/996, Se Mantiene la Prohibición de la Caza, Tenencia, Transporte, Comercialización e Industrialización de Especies Zoológicas Silvestres y sus Productos [Decree 164/996, Banning Hunting, Possession, Transportation, Commercialization, and Industrialization of Wild Animal Species and Their Products] (May 2, 1996), art. 13, http://www.cebra.com.uy/renare/wp-content/files_mf/1341601097Decreto164996CAZA.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/D8ST-ET2P .	

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Uzbekistan	Use of traps prohibited for hooved animals.	Pravila Okhoty i Rybolovstva na Territorii Respubliki Uzbekistan [Regulations of the State Committee for Nature Protection on Hunting and Fishing in the Republic of Uzbekistan] No. 27 of Mar. 22, 2006, § 13, http://www.lex.uz/pages/GetAct.aspx?lact_id=1004486 , archived at https://perma.cc/PT2G-4YWC .	
Zambia	Prior permit required for conveying net trap or snare into a national park, community partnership park, or bird or wildlife sanctuary, and for manufacture, possession, sale, or use of “any gin or similar trap or any mist net, snare or similar contrivance capable of killing or capturing a game animal or protected animal” (Wildlife Act § 70).	Wildlife Act, No. 14 of 2015, §§ 20 & 70 (Aug. 14 of 2015), http://www.parliament.gov.zm/sites/default/files/documents/acts/TheZambiaWildlifeAct,2015.pdf , archived at https://perma.cc/GY2Z-4X7V ; National Parks and Wildlife Act, No. 57 of 1968, § 84, REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA GOVERNMENT GAZETTE, ACTS (1969).	1968