

# New law restricts drone use when hunting and fishing

Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources

FRANKFORT — New measures are now in place to help protect Kentucky's fish and wildlife resources from the increasing use of aircraft technologies by hunters and anglers in the field.

Following adjournment of the Kentucky Interim Joint Committee on Natural Resources and Energy on Oct. 16, a new administrative regulation (301 KAR 3:140) went into effect making it unlawful to use aircraft or unmanned aircraft in the take of fish or wildlife.

"This regulation will provide guidance regarding the use of aircraft, including drones, while hunting, fishing or participating in other outdoor activities," said Maj.

David Marques with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources Law Enforcement Division. "It will also provide a framework for our wardens to work within when investigating and enforcing potential violations. This regulation has been needed for some time, and we are happy to finally have it in place."

Under the authority granted to Kentucky Fish and Wildlife by KRS 150.010(46), "take" includes pursue, shoot, hunt, wound, catch, kill, trap, snare or capture wildlife in any way and any lesser act designed to lure, attract or entice for these purposes; and to place, set, aim, or use any device, animal, substance or agency which may reasonably be expected to accomplish these acts; or to attempt to do these

acts or to assist any other person in the doing of or the attempt to do these acts.

## Regulations Now in Effect

A person shall not use an aircraft or unmanned aircraft system:

— To fish, hunt or take

wildlife or to drive or herd any wildlife for the purpose of fishing, hunting or taking; or

— To harass any wildlife.

Aircraft or unmanned aircraft systems may be used by:

— Kentucky Fish and Wildlife employees and contractors or agents acting on behalf of the agency when addressing human safety, law enforce-

ment, research, management or other needs approved by the department;

— Authorized landowners or their agents to engage in lawful wildlife damage control activities; and

— Commercial fishers for use in locating or removing invasive carp.

For questions, the public may contact their local Kentucky Game Warden or the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Information Center at 800-858-1549 or [atinfo.center@ky.gov](mailto:atinfo.center@ky.gov), weekdays 8 a.m. — 4:30 p.m. (Eastern), except holidays.

## SHERIFF'S OFFICE ANNOUNCES TRAFFIC CHECKPOINTS

Laurel County Sheriff's Office

LONDON — Sheriff

John Root is reporting that the Laurel County Sheriff's Office will be conducting traffic safety checkpoints in Laurel County at various locations experiencing a high rate of traffic crashes resulting in injuries or a high traffic volume in an attempt to make Laurel County roads safer for families to travel.

These traffic safety checkpoints will be held through January 31, midnight. The Sheriff's office will conduct these traffic safety checkpoints coordinated by Captain Chris Edwards. The locations LCSO will concentrate on include: Ky 30; Ky 770; Ky 192; Ky 80; U.S. 25; Hal Rogers

Parkway and Ky 80; I-75 at the entry/exit ramps at exit 49, exit 41 and exit 29; Ky 909; Ky 490; US 25 E; Ky 229; Ky 1956; Ky 363; Ky 1223 at Ky 830; Ky 1376, east and west; Old Way Road; Ky 552; Laurel River Church Road; Philpot Road; Ky 1223; Byrley Road; Line Creek Road; McWhorter Road; Echo Valley Road; Twin Branch Road; Sinking Creek Road; High Moore Road; US 25 W at S Ky 1223; Maple Grove Road; White Oak Road; Ky 1189.

Many other locations have been identified and will be utilized in future traffic safety checkpoints in an attempt to make Laurel County roads safer for our families to travel.

## FEMA

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determinations, get clarification on correspondence from FEMA after a missed call or text, or get additional support for more complex issues.

If you applied for FEMA assistance and you're receiving phone calls and text messages from a number you don't recognize, it could be a FEMA representative trying to get in touch with you. The representative may need to schedule an inspection or get more information to process your application. FEMA says to please return the calls, otherwise, your application may be stalled.

Continued Temporary Housing Assistance is available for survivors who cannot live in their homes because of the flooding, storms, and tornadoes that occurred

in Kentucky. Survivors who received two months of rent money from FEMA may also be eligible for Continued Temporary Housing Assistance.

If you remain in need of temporary housing, contact the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362 for more information.

If you applied for FEMA assistance, then you should have received a letter from FEMA. The letter is sent via email or mail, and explains your application status and how to respond. It is important to read the letter carefully because it includes the amount of assistance you are eligible to receive and how it can be used. It also explains what you may still need to do (such as completing an inspection, providing certain documents etc.) to receive FEMA money.

## LAUREL CIRCUIT COURT MASTER COMMISSIONER SALE

[www.laurelcountymastercommissioner.com](http://www.laurelcountymastercommissioner.com)  
WHEN - FRIDAY, JANUARY 9, 2026 at 1:00 PM  
WHERE - LAUREL COUNTY JUDICIAL CENTER, 2ND FLOOR, ROOM 201

### TERMS OF SALE - 10% DOWN DAY OF SALE (CHECK'S ONLY) BALANCE WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS

Sale #1 Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc. v. Unknown Spouse of Tauni Wrae Owens, et al.,  
Division I, 25-CI-779  
Plaintiff's Attorney: G. Michael Cain (502)226-6100  
Property Location: 263 Owen Road, Lily  
Map ID: 110-00-00-108.07  
Map ID: 110-00-00-108.07M01 APPRAISEMENT: \$10,000.00

Sale #2 PennyMac Loan Services, LLC., v. Jonathan D. Parm, et al.,  
Division I, 23-CI-545  
Plaintiff's Attorney: Chris Wiley (614)220-5611  
Property Location: 4054 Keavy Road, London  
Map ID: 092-20-00-015.00 APPRAISEMENT: \$55,000.00

Sale #3 BG48, LLC., v. Toni K. Burkhart, et al.,  
Division I, 22-CI-755  
Plaintiff's Attorney: R. Eric Craig (502)589-2200  
Property Location: 1168 Echo Valley Road, Lily  
Map ID: 108-00-00-054.06 APPRAISEMENT: \$15,000.00

Sale #4 Equity Prime Mortgage, LLC., v. Samantha Henderson  
Division II, 24-CI-1154  
Plaintiff's Attorney: Michael R. Brinkman (513)322-7000  
Property Location: 74 Dogwood Lane, Lily  
Map ID: 107-50-00-045.01 APPRAISEMENT: \$130,000.00

Sale #5 BG48, LLC., v. Casey L. Reed, et al  
Division II, 24-CI-615  
Plaintiff's Attorney: R. Eric Craig (502)589-2200  
Property Location: 462 Bert Allen Road, London  
Map ID: 052-00-00-006.02 APPRAISEMENT: \$490,000.00

Sale #6 PennyMac Loan Services, LLC., v. Austin Reece, et al.,  
Division II, 25-CI-230  
Plaintiff's Attorney: Blake E. Embry (636)537-0110  
Property Location: 139 Meadowbrook Road, London  
Map ID: 062-60-00-021.03 APPRAISEMENT: \$220,000.00

Sale #7 PennyMac Loan Services, LLC., v. Tanya Jo White, et al.,  
Division II, 23-CI-446  
Plaintiff's Attorney: Amy E. Gardner (636)537-0110  
Property Location: 2190 Highway 490, East Bernstadt  
Map ID: 027-50-00-106.00 APPRAISEMENT: \$118,500.00

Sale #8 Margee Wood v. Wanda Thompson, et al.,  
Division II, 20-CI-457  
Plaintiff's Attorney: J. Shannon Bouchillon (502)895-3111  
Property Location: 3245 Barbourville Road, London  
Map ID: 078-00-00-035.07 APPRAISEMENT: \$250,000.00

A LAUREL COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF, BAILIFF, OR OTHER COURT SECURITY OFFICER(S) WILL BE PRESENT TO ENFORCE THE ORDERS OF THE KENTUCKY SUPREME COURT.

Douglas G. Benge, Esquire  
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Laurel Circuit Court



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