

21—77.13 (717F) Seizure, custody and disposal.

77.13(1) Except as provided in subrule 77.13(2), the department shall seize a dangerous wild animal which is in the possession of a person if the person is not in compliance with the requirements of this chapter. An animal warden as defined in Iowa Code section 162.2, or an animal care provider or law enforcement officer as defined in Iowa Code section 717B.1, shall enforce this chapter as directed by the department.

77.13(2) Upon request, the department may provide that the person retain possession of the dangerous wild animal for not more than 14 days, upon conditions required by the department. During that period, the person shall take all necessary actions to comply with this chapter. The premises, housing facilities and records required by 2007 Iowa Acts, Senate Files 564 and 601, shall be open for inspection by authorized personnel of the department during normal business hours.

77.13(3) If the person fails to comply with the conditions of the department at any time or is not in compliance with this chapter following the 14-day period, the department shall seize the dangerous wild animal.

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