150.460 Use of certain substances and devices in public waters prohibited -- Use of explosives and firearms prohibited.

- (1) No person, firm or corporation, whether acting in a private or public capacity, shall place or cause to be placed in any public waters any substance that might injure, interfere with, or cause the waters to be unfit for the support of wildlife. When any employee of a person, firm or corporation, in the course of his employment, places or causes to be placed any such substance in any public waters, his act shall be prima facie evidence of the guilt of both the employee and the employer, and either one (1) or both may be punished as provided in subsection (7) of KRS 150.990. Each day that this section is violated shall constitute a separate offense. This section does not apply to employees or agents of the department acting in an official capacity.
- (2) No person shall use, or attempt to use any electrical device, fish-finding devices excepted, of any type, such as telephone, or electrical leads from a magneto, or battery, or motor, or any other type of electrical equipment, in any stream or body of water. This does not prevent the authorized employees or agents of the department from using this or any devices in research or investigational work.
- (3) No person, except employees or agents of the department, shall willfully place or attempt to place in any of the public waters of the state any substance which has a poisonous or intoxicating effect upon wildlife.
- (4) No person shall kill, injure, shock, or stun or attempt to kill, injure, shock, or stun any fishes by any explosive agent, firearm, or other device. This provision shall not apply to employees or agents of the department acting in an official capacity.

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