Legal regulation of wild animals in human care

Abstract

This diploma thesis deals with the legal regulation of wild animals in human care. It outlines the related terminology, legal resources and individual legal provisions that are relevant to the topic of this diploma thesis. It also defines specific ways of the treatment of wild animals, the possibilities of their acquisition into human care and breeding. The diploma thesis in detail analyzes selected entities that breed wild animals. That means rescue stations (specifically their care for handicapped animals), zoos, circuses (namely their training of animals), as well as entities that experiment on animals. For chosen entities, it deals primarily with their obligations under the wild animals legislation. The last part then deals with the issue of liability in relation to wild animals. In the context of civil liability, it means both damage caused by the animal and damage caused to the animal itself. The diploma thesis also deals with administrative offenses based on the Act on the Protection of Animals Against Cruelty and the Act on the Conservation of Nature and Landscape, as well as penalties that can be imposed under these acts. Regarding the criminal law, it then defines the individual related crimes and felonies.

Klíčová slova: wild animals, human care, protection of wild animals