

Reduce the Reader's Workload

Coordinate & Subordinate the Right Ideas

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Coordination: Linking ideas at the same level of importance

Subordination: Linking ideas to establish a hierarchical relationship

Under the Lacey Act, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to regulate the importation and interstate transport of species determined to be injurious to humans, the interests of agriculture, horticulture or forestry, and the welfare and survival of wildlife resources of the United States. Species listed as injurious may not be imported or transported across State lines by any means without a permit issued by the Service. The Service considers a variety of factors when evaluating a species for listing as injurious, such as the species' survival capabilities, its ability to spread geographically, its impact on habitat and ecosystems, its impact on threatened and endangered species, its impact on human beings and resource-based industries, and resource managers' ability to control and eradicate the species.

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Why Subordinate?

Long strings of independent clauses demand a high level of attention impossible to sustain.

Subordinate some ideas to relieve fatigue while emphasizing key ideas.

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Phrases or Clauses

A Word

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Independent Clauses

- a) The only direct effect of the policy is to accept or reject population segments for these purposes.
- b) In carrying out this examination, the Services will consider available scientific evidence of the discrete population segment's importance to its taxon.

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c) Our proposal was evaluated favorably by the committee and subsequently adopted by the board.

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Subordinate ideas are expressed in dependent clauses.

Dependent Clauses

- a) Relative Pronouns
- b) Subordinating Conjunctions

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- a) The revision of the regulation is making this information requirement more obvious to an applicant **who uses the regulations as a guide in applying for this type of permit.**

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- b) *While we acknowledge circumstances that are beyond the control of the landowner,* we will not make renegotiation of the baseline a requirement.

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