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**WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION**

**CHAPTER 22**

**WATERCRAFT REGULATION**

Section 1. Authority. This regulation is promulgated by authority of W.S. §31-2-101, W.S. §41-13-102, §41-13-104, W.S. §41-13-105, W.S. §41-13-208, W.S. §41-13-211, W.S. §41-13-213, W.S. §41-13-217, W.S. §41-13-218 and W.S. §41-13-219.

Section 2. Regulation. The Wyoming Game and Fish Commission hereby adopts the following regulation governing watercraft. This regulation shall become effective January 1, 2010, ~~2008~~; and shall remain in effect until modified or repealed by the Commission.

Section 3. Definitions. For the purpose of this regulation, definitions shall be as set forth in Chapter 13, Title 41 and the Commission also adopts the following definitions:

(a) "Accompanied by an adult" means no person under the age of sixteen (16) years shall operate or be in physical control of a motorized watercraft on the waters of the State unless an adult is also physically aboard the motorized watercraft **and is responsible for the operation of the watercraft.**

(b) "Adult" means a person eighteen (18) years of age or older.

(c) "Aft" means a direction toward the back of a watercraft.

(d) "Beam" means the width of a watercraft at its widest part.

(e) "Bow" means the front of a watercraft.

(f) "Certificate of number" means watercraft registration.

(g) "Degrees of a compass" means the gradations in a compass; there are three hundred sixty (360°) degrees within a compass.

(h) "Diver's down flag" means a rectangular shaped flag either blue and white in color (alpha flag) or red in color with a white diagonal stripe (diving flag), not less than twelve (12) inches x twelve (12) inches and displayed no less than three (3) feet above the surface of the water.

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**WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION**

**CHAPTER 44**

**REGULATION FOR ISSUANCE OF LICENSES, PERMITS, STAMPS, TAGS,  
PREFERENCE POINTS, AND COUPONS**

Section 1. Authority. This regulation is promulgated by authority of W.S. §20-6-112, W.S. §23-1-107, §23-1-302, §23-1-702, §23-1-703, §23-1-704, §23-1-705, §23-2-101, §23-2-102, §23-2-107, §23-2-109, §23-2-201, §23-2-207, §23-2-301, §23-2-306, §23-2-307, §23-2-401 and §23-3-403.

Section 2. Regulation. The Commission authorizes the Department through the authority of the Chief Fiscal Officer to issue licenses, permits, stamps, tags, preference points, and coupons, and to develop and maintain policies, processes and procedures necessary to carry out the provisions of this Chapter. The Commission hereby adopts the following regulation governing the issuance of licenses. This regulation shall remain in effect until modified or repealed by the Commission.

Section 3. Definitions. For the purpose of this regulation, definitions shall be as set forth in Title 23, Wyoming Statutes, and the Commission also adopts the following definitions:

(a) "Application Fee" means a fee authorized by the Legislature enabling the Department to recover a portion of its costs associated with compensating owners or lessees of property damaged by game animals and game birds. In addition, the application fee is used by the Department to recover costs associated with license issuance. This fee is nonrefundable.

(b) "Charitable Purpose" means motivated by sympathy and understanding and generosity and done without any remuneration.

(c) "Commissioner Complimentary License" means an antelope, deer or elk license issued at the existing statutory price at the request of a Commissioner.

(d) "Completed Application" means all required portions of the application, except Social Security number, have been properly completed with correct applicant information. For big or trophy game licenses, a completed application includes the applicant's name, physical address, mailing address if different than the physical address, date of birth, physical description (height, weight, eyes, hair and sex), years of residency and proof of residency for resident fee types, and desired valid hunting license specifications.

(e) "Disabilities" as used in this Chapter means permanent anatomical, physiological or mental deficiencies that prevent or restrict normal achievement.

(f) "Document" means an instrument on which information has been recorded by means of letters, figures, or marks and which may be used as evidence.

(g) "Documentary Evidence" means evidence furnished by written instruments, inscriptions, or documents of all kinds.

(h) "Duplicate license" means a license issued by the Department to replace an original license that is valid and has not expired and has been lost or destroyed. If the original license was hand issued, a duplicate license shall be issued. If the original license was issued through the **Electronic License Service (ELS)**, ~~Department's Internet point of sale system~~, a duplicate license shall only be required if the original license contained a carcass coupon; otherwise, a replacement license may be issued.

(i) "Electronic Application" means the license or permit ~~draw~~ application form submitted through the **Electronic License Service (ELS)**. ~~Department's website.~~

**(j) "Electronic License Service (ELS)" means the Department's Electronic Draw Application System, Internet Point of Sale System and Online Internet Sales System used by the Department, license selling agents and the public to apply for or purchase licenses, permits, stamps, tags, preference points and coupons.**

(~~k~~) "Electronic Signature" means an electronic process attached to or logically associated with any electronic transaction including the license or permit application submitted to the Wyoming Game and Fish Department that requires substantiation of the identity of the person initiating the electronic transaction. This process includes, but may not be limited to, use of personal credentials to gain access to the system, entering a keystroke at a specified prompt that indicates the submitter's acceptance of an assertive statement, or the use of any other technology that is in compliance with the State of Wyoming's Electronic Signature Rules as promulgated by the Office of the Chief Information Officer. This process can be used to indicate the applicant's acceptance of an assertion such as a residency requirement or veracity of the application at a specified prompt. Ref: W.S. §40-21-102 (a) (viii)

(~~l~~) "Full price license" means a deer, antelope, ~~or elk~~ **or ram bighorn sheep** license issued that is not a reduced price doe/fawn, ~~or cow/calf~~ **or ewe/lamb** license.

(~~m~~) "Full time" means performing duties and responsibilities at the request or direction of an established charitable, humanitarian, or religious organization for more than thirty (30) hours per calendar week every week the person is absent from the state.

(~~n~~) "General Licenses" means big or trophy game ~~;~~ or wild turkey licenses valid in any hunt area in which licenses have not been totally limited in number. General licenses shall be valid only under species, sex, age class, and harvest limitations that are in effect for each hunt area.

(~~o~~) "Governor Complimentary License" means a hunting or fishing license issued for no fee at the request of the Governor.

(~~p~~) "Gunpowder or Buckskin Hunt" means the annual Gunpowder and Buckskin Hunt conducted by the Sheridan, Wyoming Rotary Club.

(~~q~~) "Headquarters" means the Cheyenne Office of the Wyoming Game and Fish Department located at 5400 Bishop Boulevard, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82006.

(~~r~~) "Humanitarian Purpose" means for the promotion of human welfare and the advancement of social reforms and done without remuneration.

(~~sf~~) “Initial Drawings” means computer processed random drawings held for initial offering of resident and nonresident licenses and permits.

(~~s~~) “~~Issue After Licenses~~” means licenses that are limited in number and were not issued in the initial drawing; these licenses shall be issued on an as processed basis.

(t) “Landowner” means an individual, partnership, corporation, trust, limited liability company or combination of these, which either owns real property in fee simple title or is acquiring equitable interest by written contract.

(u) “Landowner Applicant” means an individual who either owns real property solely or jointly with other individuals or who holds an interest in a corporation, partnership, trust or limited liability company, which owns real property or is a member of the “immediate family” of the individual.

(v) “Landowner Applicant’s Immediate Family” means the landowner applicant’s spouse, parents, grandparents, or lineal descendants and their spouses.

**(w) “Leftover Licenses” means licenses that are limited in number and were not issued in the initial drawing; these licenses shall be issued on an as processed basis through the ELS.**

(~~xw~~) “License” means a document issued by the Department, through the authority of the Commission, to a qualified individual that grants certain privileges to take fish or wildlife in accordance with statutory or regulatory provisions.

(~~yx~~) “License Authorization” means a document approved by the Governor or by a member of the Commission that empowers the Department to issue a Governor complimentary or Commissioner complimentary license in the name of the applicant designated on the document.

(zy) “Limited Quota Drawing” means the processing of an application for limited quota or general big game licenses, trophy game licenses, wild turkey licenses, permits, or the wild bison priority list through a random drawing.

(~~aa~~z) “Limited Quota Licenses” means licenses limited in number and valid only in a specified hunt area(s) or portion(s) of a hunt area, for a specified type of weapon, for a specified sex, age class or species of big game, trophy game, wild turkey, or sandhill crane during specified season dates.

(~~ba~~aa) “Limited Quota Reduced Price Cow or Calf (cow/calf) License” means a license, which may be authorized in specific hunt areas allowing a person to take cow or calf elk independent of what may be taken on a general license or full priced limited quota license.

(~~cb~~bb) “Limited Quota Reduced Price Doe or Fawn (doe/fawn) License” means a license, which may be authorized in specific hunt areas allowing a person to take doe or fawn animals independent of what may be taken on a general license or full priced limited quota license.

**(dd) “Limited Quota Reduced Price Ewe or Lamb (ewe/lamb) License” means a license which may be authorized in specific hunt areas allowing a person to take**

**ewe or lamb bighorn sheep independent of what may be taken on a full priced limited quota license.**

(~~eeee~~) “Minor Dependent” means an individual less than eighteen (18) years of age who is domiciled with parent(s) or legal guardian.

(~~ffdd~~) “National Bow Hunt” means an archery-only hunt that is sponsored and administered by the Wyoming National Bowhunt Inc.

(~~ggee~~) “Nonprofit Charitable Organization” means an organization which engages in activities providing the general public with benefits designed to aid in educational, moral, physical, conservation, or social improvement and which is not established for profit.

(~~hhff~~) “Nonprofit Organization Dedicated to Providing Hunting Opportunities to Individuals with Disabilities” means any organization that is registered with the Wyoming Secretary of State and certifies that they are nonprofit and that the primary purpose or mission as stated in their charter is to provide hunting opportunities to individuals with disabilities defined in this regulation.

(~~iigg~~) “Nonresident” means any person who is not domiciled in Wyoming for at least one (1) year immediately preceding making application for a license and who is not a resident as defined by W.S. §23-1-102 (a)(ix) and W.S. §23-1-107.

(~~jjhh~~) “One-Shot Antelope Hunt” means the One-Shot Antelope Hunt sponsored by the One-Shot Antelope Club in Lander, Wyoming.

(~~kkii~~) “Party” means a group of individuals with the same residency status who apply together for hunting licenses for the same species, area and type, and who have expectations of receiving the same treatment in processing of their applications and receiving the same drawing results. For purposes of this regulation, a Party does not include anyone else regardless of whether or not they may accompany the party of hunters during the hunt. **For limited quota sandhill crane applications, residents and non-residents may apply together in the same party.**

(~~lljj~~) “Party Application” means a group of applications in which all applicants with the same residency status specify the same species, hunt area and type in the same order of preference, and all applicants expect the same processing and draw results.

(~~mmkk~~) “Permit” means a document, which grants additional privileges to an individual who possesses the proper license(s) to carry out activities not authorized by the license itself.

(~~nnH~~) “Person’s privilege to obtain a license has been revoked or suspended by a court or the Wildlife Violator Compact” means revocation or suspension of the person’s license or preference point.

(~~oomm~~) “Pioneer licenses” means antelope, deer or elk licenses issued to Wyoming residents who were born on or before January 1, 1930, and who have resided continuously for at least forty (40) years in Wyoming immediately preceding the application for a license.

(~~ppm~~) “Pioneer heritage licenses” means antelope, deer or elk licenses issued to Wyoming residents who were born after January 1, 1930, are at least seventy (70) years of age prior to the issuance of the license and have continuously resided in Wyoming for at least fifty (50) years immediately preceding application for the license. The fee for the Heritage License shall be established by the Department by multiplying the fee for resident licenses for the same species and license type by sixty five percent (65%) and rounding down to the next whole dollar amount.

(~~qqe~~) “Potential to use license” means the license shall be considered to be in possession of the person in whose name it was issued on or after the earliest opening date for which the license is valid if the license is not in the possession of an authorized Department employee.

(~~rpp~~) “Processing Fee” means a fee established by the Department to cover extra costs associated with withdrawing an application from a drawing.

(~~ssq~~) “Proper Application Form” means the current year’s form prescribed by the Department, a photocopy of the form, or facsimile of the form. These forms shall be the only forms accepted by the Department.

(~~ttf~~) “Properly Completed Duplicate License Affidavit” means a Department affidavit form signed by the person applying for a duplicate license and the license selling agent who sold the original license, on which all information has been accurately provided by the licensee and agent. Affidavits for original licenses issued through the ELS Department’s ~~Internet point of sale system~~ do not require the signature of the agent who originally sold the license.

(~~uus~~) “Proper Fee” means cash or a negotiable instrument as set forth by W.S. §34.1-3-104 which results in full payment to the Department, in U.S. dollars for the amount specified by law or regulation for the respective licenses, permits, stamps, tags, preference points, or certificates.

(~~vvf~~) “Qualified Person” means an individual who meets the statutory and regulatory requirements to apply for or receive a license or a preference point. A person shall not be qualified if their privilege to apply for or receive a license or a preference point has been revoked, suspended, or restricted by a court in Wyoming or has been revoked or suspended in Wyoming through the Wildlife Violator Compact.

(~~www~~) “Quota” means the maximum specified number of licenses to be issued for a given hunt area and species as provided by Commission regulation; in the case of nonresident elk hunt area quotas, the maximum number of specified licenses to be issued by hunt area as provided in writing by the Wildlife Division to the Fiscal Division.

(~~xxv~~) “Region General Deer Licenses” means general nonresident deer licenses that shall be limited in number and valid for a specified group of hunt areas in accordance with Commission regulations. A license issued for a region shall only be valid in hunt areas within the region where limitations in Commission regulations specify general licenses. A license issued for a region shall not be valid in any hunt area within that region in which licenses are totally limited in quota, unless specified by Commission regulations.

(~~yyw~~) “Religious Purpose” means actions taken to advance sacred matters, religion or a church and done without remuneration.

~~(zzxx)~~ “Replacement License” means the reprint of a license, permit, or stamp that does not contain a carcass coupon. The license was originally issued by the Department or license selling agent through the ELS Internet point of sale system and is valid and has not expired.

~~(aaayy)~~ “Resident” means a United States citizen or legal alien who is domiciled in Wyoming for at least one (1) full year immediately preceding making application for any resident game and fish license, preference point, permit or tag, shall not have claimed residency in any other state, territory, or country for any other purpose during that one (1) year period, and meets the requirements specified in Wyoming Statutes §23-1-102 and §23-1-107.

~~(bbbzz)~~ “Special Nonresident Antelope, Deer or Elk Licenses” means those licenses having a fee greater than that of a regular nonresident antelope, deer or elk license as defined in Wyoming Statute and which the statutes provide for a separate nonresident drawing with specific percentages of nonresident quotas designated for only those applicants paying the higher license fees.

~~(cccaaa)~~ “Sportsperson Identification Number” means the unique number assigned by the Department to each individual license applicant on the ELS, Game and Fish Fiscal Division Customer database.

~~(dddbbb)~~ “Transfer” means to convey a license authorization as set forth in Section 12 of this regulation from one (1) person to another.

~~(eeeeee)~~ “Type” means a limitation on a license in a particular hunt area for the sex of animal, the species of animal, the length of the season, the type of weapon, or a portion of the hunt area in which the license shall be valid.

~~(fffdde)~~ “Unable to use the license for good cause” means an individual is unable to use a bighorn sheep, grizzly bear, moose or mountain goat license due to disabling injury or illness, military personnel who receive permanent change of station (PCS) orders or are assigned away from their home duty station on temporary orders (TDY) for the majority of the regular season, or when the Department has determined a majority of, or the entire hunting opportunity has been lost in a specific limited quota hunt area for antelope, bighorn sheep, deer, elk, moose or mountain goat due to the administrative actions of the state or federal government in closing the majority of or all public access to a hunt area due to a natural disaster, including, but not necessarily limited to, wildland fires.

~~(gggeee)~~ “Under the care and supervision of the residing facility” means the person is in accompaniment of an employee of the appropriate institution or facility that issued the special limited fishing permit.

~~(hhhfff)~~ “Youth License” means a big game license that may be issued to a resident or nonresident individual who is at least eleven (11) years of age and who has not attained eighteen (18) years of age at the time of application. The license shall not be valid until the licensee reaches his twelfth (12th) birthday. For all other species, excluding furbearing animals, requiring a license to take means a license that may be issued to a resident or nonresident individual who has not attained eighteen (18) years of age. For a resident youth trapping license this means residents under the age of seventeen (17).

Section 4. Method of License Issuance and Accounting. The Fiscal Division shall maintain inventory control and account for the issuance and sale of all licenses, permits, stamps and tags issued under the authority of the Commission. All licenses, permits and tags shall be issued on the basis of completed proper application forms. Applications may be in the form of a separate document or may be incorporated into and considered as part of the license document.

(a) Licenses issued over-the-counter. All licenses that are not limited in number shall be issued by the Department through designated Department personnel and facilities or designated license selling agents.

(b) Licenses issued through competitive drawings. Except as provided in this Chapter, all licenses and permits that are limited in number shall be issued through competitive drawings conducted by the Department's License Section. Entry into the drawing for a limited quota license or permit shall be upon submission of a completed proper application form.

(c) Commercial license issuance. All commercial licenses shall be issued by the Department's License Section at Headquarters, by designated Department personnel or at facilities in accordance with statutory and regulatory provisions and requirements.

(d) Licenses issued after competitive drawings. ~~Leftover Issue after licenses shall~~ shall may be sold through the ~~ELIS Department's Internet point of sale system or through the Internet electronic application service~~ on a first-come, first-served basis.

(e) Depredation license issuance. Depredation licenses may be issued at designated Department locations when additional harvest is needed as determined by the Wildlife Division.

#### Section 5. License Issuance.

(a) In circumstances where the demand for a particular type of license exceeds the supply, a competitive drawing shall be utilized when feasible to determine successful applicants.

(b) The Department shall only issue licenses in excess of established quotas in the following circumstances:

(i) to accommodate a successful party application in a limited quota drawing;

(ii) to process a Commissioner or Governor license authorization;

(iii) upon authorization by the Chief Fiscal Officer to resolve a Department license issuance error; or,

(iv) as provided by Commission regulation.

(c) To establish the number of leftover licenses or permits, the Department may continue alternately running the unsuccessful applicants of each resident and nonresident drawing until there are no unissued licenses or permits for which there are unsuccessful applications.



(d) License selling agents shall abide by the following procedures in the sale of limited quota full and reduced price leftover ~~issue-after~~ licenses.

(i) License Selling Agents shall not sell or allocate licenses prior to the date established annually by the Chief Fiscal Officer.

(ii) License Selling Agents shall not process applications received by phone, mail, facsimile, or other electronic means prior to 8:00 a.m. on the date established annually by the Chief Fiscal Officer.

(iii) ~~Any person may present a proper application form for a license for another person in order to obtain a license.~~ All applications for resident licenses and permits shall contain the resident applicant's signature and when applicable, the parent or legal guardian's signature in accordance with Wyoming statute. All applications for nonresident licenses and permits shall contain either the nonresident applicant's signature or the signature of the person submitting the application on behalf of the nonresident applicant; and,

(A) In the event the license is hand issued, a properly completed application bearing required signatures shall be presented for license issuance.

(B) In the event the license is issued through the ELS, Internet point-of-sale system, the resident licensee shall be present at the license selling agent location to purchase a license. The parent or guardian of that applicant shall also be present, if required.

(C) A resident license application for another person shall only be issued at a Wyoming Game and Fish Office upon presentation of a properly completed application form bearing the resident signature and the signature of the parent or guardian, if required.

(iv) License selling agents ~~Selling Agents~~ and the ELS shall only issue licenses to ~~individuals in line~~, one customer at a time, first come, first served in the order the individuals appear in line. The agent may issue licenses to a single individual who has applications for a maximum of six (6) persons. The applications may be for different hunt areas and different species. If the customer has applications for more than six (6) persons, the customer shall return to the back of the line and not be issued another license for another person until such time that all other applicants waiting in line ahead have been served.

(e) Big Game Licenses. No individual shall apply for or receive more than one (1) license for each big game species during any one (1) calendar year, except as otherwise provided in Commission regulation(s).

(i) Antelope. Eighty percent (80%) of the total available limited quota antelope licenses shall initially be offered to residents in the drawing. The order of the resident antelope drawings depicted in this section shall be Resident Landowner Licenses, then Resident Regular Licenses.

(A) Statutes provide for up to eighty (80) licenses to be available for a one-shot antelope hunt. These licenses shall be issued above quotas established for the hunt area(s) and shall be allocated to residents and nonresidents as designated by the

Wildlife Division. These licenses are exempt from the provisions in this Chapter limiting the number of big game licenses an individual can obtain in one (1) calendar year.

(B) The Commission may, upon receipt of payment of antelope license fees, issue up to a total of thirty (30) antelope licenses each year for the exclusive distribution by nonprofit organizations dedicated to providing hunting opportunities to individuals with disabilities.

(I) Qualifying organizations shall make application to the License Section of the Department on or before August 1 for the antelope licenses. The application shall specify:

(1.) The total number of licenses requested;

(2.) The Hunt Area and Type designation of the licenses requested; and,

(3.) Certification that shows the organization qualifies under the definition of a "Nonprofit Organization Dedicated to Providing Hunting Opportunities to Individuals with Disabilities."

(II) In the event that more than one (1) qualifying organization requests licenses under this subsection, the Department shall allocate the licenses through a random drawing to the specific qualifying organization(s).

(III) The antelope licenses issued shall be issued through the Department above quotas established for the hunt area(s) and shall be allocated to residents or nonresidents as designated by the nonprofit organization(s).

(C) The order of the nonresident antelope drawings set forth in this section, shall be Nonresident Landowner Licenses, Nonresident Special Licenses, then Nonresident Regular Licenses. The allocation of remaining licenses after the Landowner License Drawing shall be forty percent (40%) to the Nonresident Special License Drawing and sixty percent (60%) to the Nonresident Regular License Drawing.

(D) The Department shall allocate not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the available Special and Regular Nonresident antelope licenses to a preference point drawing. The order of the nonresident antelope drawing shall allow individual applicants with the highest number of preference points to be given a drawing advantage for the total number of available licenses to be issued in accordance with this section; then the applicants with the next highest number of preference points shall be selected, and so forth, until the quota has been filled for all first choice selections. The Department shall allocate up to twenty-five percent (25%) of the available nonresident antelope licenses to a random drawing in which all unsuccessful applicants from the preference point drawing and all other eligible applicants shall be placed. The preference point drawing advantage shall only apply to an applicant's first choice selection. All unsuccessful applicants in the preference point drawing shall participate in the random draw for all remaining choices giving no advantage to applicants with preference points.

(I) In addition to the restrictions set forth in Section 16 of this chapter, party applications with a differing number of preference points among party members shall have preference points averaged and rounded out to five (5) decimal places.

(E) Antelope licenses that have not been applied for and issued through drawings shall be offered to residents and nonresidents as **leftover** ~~issue-after~~ licenses.

(F) Eighty percent (80%) of the total available limited quota reduced price doe/fawn antelope licenses shall initially be offered to residents in a drawing. An applicant may only apply for and receive the maximum number of reduced price doe/fawn antelope licenses as specified in Chapter 2, General Hunting Regulation. Any reduced price doe/fawn antelope licenses remaining unsold following the drawing shall be made available on the date established annually by the Chief Fiscal Officer. Reduced price pioneer doe/fawn antelope licenses shall only be made available for sale at Headquarters, except as otherwise provided by the Chief Fiscal Officer. In addition to the statutorily prescribed application fees, the price of reduced price doe/fawn antelope licenses shall be twenty-two dollars (\$22.00) for residents, fourteen dollars (\$14.00) for resident youth, two dollars (\$2.00) for resident pioneers, eighteen dollars (\$18.00) for pioneer heritage, thirty-four dollars (\$34.00) for nonresidents and nineteen dollars (\$19.00) for nonresident youth.

(ii) Bighorn Sheep. Seventy-five percent (75%) of the total available limited quota **full price** bighorn sheep licenses shall initially be offered to residents in the drawings. The Department shall allocate not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the available resident **full price** bighorn sheep licenses and not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the available nonresident **full price** bighorn sheep licenses to a preference point drawing. The order of the resident and nonresident **full price** bighorn sheep drawing shall allow individual applicants with the highest number of preference points to be given a drawing advantage for the total number of available licenses to be issued in accordance with this section; then the applicants with the next highest number of preference points shall be selected, and so forth, until the quota has been filled. The Department shall allocate up to twenty-five percent (25%) of the available resident **full price** bighorn sheep licenses and shall allocate up to twenty-five percent (25%) of the available nonresident **full price** bighorn sheep licenses to a random drawing in which all unsuccessful applicants from the preference point drawing shall be placed.

**(A) Seventy-five percent (75%) of each year's total available limited quota reduced price ewe/lamb licenses shall be offered to residents in the initial drawing, except as otherwise provided by Commission regulations. An applicant may only apply for and receive the maximum number of reduced price ewe/lamb licenses as specified in Chapter 2, General Hunting Regulation. Reduced price ewe/lamb licenses remaining unsold following the drawing shall be made available on the date established annually by the Chief Fiscal Officer. In addition to the statutorily prescribed application fees, the price of reduced price ewe/lamb licenses shall be thirty-six dollars (\$36.00) for residents, twenty dollars (\$20.00) for resident youth, two hundred forty dollars (\$240.00) for nonresidents and one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for nonresident youth.**

(iii) Deer. Eighty percent (80%) of the total available limited quota deer licenses shall initially be offered to residents in the initial drawing. The order of the resident deer drawings depicted in this section shall be Resident Landowner Licenses, then Resident Regular Licenses.

(A) The Commission shall annually establish the nonresident region general deer license quotas in addition to license quotas for limited quota hunt areas.

Nonresident region general deer license quotas shall not include hunt areas with area limited quota licenses issued to nonresidents.

(B) Statutes provide for up to seventy-five (75) nonresident special deer licenses to be available for a national bow hunt. This quota shall be deducted from the nonresident special deer quota for the nonresident deer region in which the national bow hunt is held. National bow hunt deer licenses shall only be valid during the hunt dates established by Wyoming National Bow Hunt, Inc. and the Department. These dates shall be within the existing special archery season dates as set forth in the most current Commission Regulation Chapter 6 Deer Hunting Seasons of the Commission regulations for the specific deer hunt area(s) in which the hunt will occur.

(C) Statutes provide for up to twenty-five (25) licenses, which may be issued, for a gunpowder or buckskin hunt(s). These licenses shall be issued above quotas and allocated to residents and nonresidents as designated by the Wildlife Division. These licenses are exempt from the provisions in this Chapter limiting the number of big game licenses an individual can obtain in one (1) calendar year.

(D) The order of the nonresident deer drawings described in this section shall be Nonresident Landowner Licenses, Nonresident Special Licenses, and then Nonresident Regular Licenses. The allocation of remaining licenses after the nonresident landowner drawing shall be forty percent (40%) to the Nonresident Special License Drawing and sixty percent (60%) to the Nonresident Regular License Drawing.

(E) The Department shall allocate not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the available Special and Regular Nonresident deer licenses to a preference point drawing. The order of the nonresident deer drawing shall allow individual applicants with the highest number of preference points to be given a drawing advantage for the total number of available licenses to be issued in accordance with this section; then the applicants with the next highest number of preference points shall be selected, and so forth, until the quota has been filled for all first choice selections. The Department shall allocate up to twenty-five percent (25%) of the available nonresident deer licenses to a random drawing in which unsuccessful applicants from the preference point drawing and all other eligible applicants shall be placed. The preference point drawing advantage shall only apply to an applicant's first choice selection. Unsuccessful applicants in the preference point drawing shall participate in the random draw for all remaining choices giving no advantage to applicants with preference points.

(I) In addition to the restrictions set forth in Section 16 of this chapter, party applications with differing number of preference points among party members shall have preference points averaged and rounded out to five (5) decimal places.

(F) Nonresident Region General deer licenses that have not been applied for and issued through initial drawing shall be offered to nonresidents as leftover ~~issue after~~ licenses.

(G) Limited quota deer licenses that have not been applied for and issued through the initial drawings shall be offered to residents and nonresidents as leftover ~~issue after~~ licenses.

(H) Eighty percent (80%) of the total available limited quota reduced price doe/fawn deer licenses shall be offered to residents in a drawing. An applicant may

only apply for and receive the maximum number of reduced price doe/fawn deer licenses as specified in Chapter 2, General Hunting Regulation. Any reduced price doe/fawn deer licenses remaining unsold following the drawing shall be made available on the date established annually by the Chief Fiscal Officer. Reduced price pioneer doe/fawn deer licenses shall only be made available for sale at Headquarters, except as otherwise provided by the Chief Fiscal Officer. In addition to the statutorily prescribed application fees, the price of reduced price doe/fawn deer licenses shall be twenty-two dollars (\$22.00) for residents, fourteen dollars (\$14.00) for resident youth, two dollars (\$2.00) for resident pioneers, eighteen dollars (\$18.00) for pioneer heritage, thirty-four dollars (\$34.00) for nonresidents and nineteen dollars (\$19.00) for nonresident youth.

(I) Resident general deer licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued at all Department Regional Offices, Headquarters and designated license selling agents. Resident general deer licenses may also be applied for and issued through the drawing process by submission of prescribed license and application fees.

(iv) Elk. A total license limit of 7,250 nonresident elk licenses shall be made available to nonresident applicants in the initial drawing each year. Reduced price cow/calf elk licenses and ~~leftover issue after~~ limited quota elk licenses described in this Chapter may be made available to nonresidents in addition to the limit of 7,250. Sixteen percent (16%) of the total available limited quota elk licenses shall initially be offered to nonresidents in the nonresident elk drawing. The order of the nonresident elk drawings described in this section shall be Nonresident Landowner Licenses, Nonresident Special Licenses, and then Nonresident Regular Licenses. Following the Nonresident Landowner License Drawing, licenses available in the drawing from the initial 7,250 limit shall be allocated as follows: The allocation of remaining licenses after the nonresident landowner drawing shall be forty percent (40%) to the Nonresident Special License Drawing and sixty percent (60%) to the Nonresident Regular License Drawing. If the 7,250 license quota is not issued in the initial nonresident drawings, the Department may achieve the 7,250 license quota by issuing general elk licenses. Licenses remaining for limited quota areas resulting from this procedure may be made available in the resident elk drawing.

(A) The Department shall allocate not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the available Special and Regular Nonresident elk licenses to a preference point drawing. The order of the nonresident elk drawing shall allow individual applicants with the highest number of preference points to be given a drawing advantage for the total number of available licenses to be issued in accordance with this section; then the applicants with the next highest number of preference points shall be selected, and so forth, until the quota has been filled for all first choice selections. The Department shall allocate up to twenty-five percent (25%) of the available nonresident elk licenses to a random drawing in which all unsuccessful applicants from the preference point drawing and all other eligible applicants shall be placed. The preference point drawing advantage shall only apply to an applicant's first choice selection. All unsuccessful applicants in the preference point drawing shall participate in the random draw for all remaining choices giving no advantage to applicants with preference points.

(I) In addition to the restrictions set forth in Section 16 of this chapter, party applications with differing number of preference points among party members shall have preference points averaged and rounded out to five (5) decimal places.

(B) Following the nonresident elk drawing, quotas for resident limited quota elk licenses shall be adjusted according to the elk quotas established by

Commission regulation. In those cases for hunt areas or license types that did not exist for the nonresident elk drawing but which were later approved by Commission regulation, one hundred percent (100%) of the total available limited quota elk licenses shall initially be offered to residents in the drawing. For the license types that have increased from the initial total available quota established for the nonresident elk drawing, the original resident quota and one hundred percent (100%) of the increased quota shall initially be offered to residents. For the license types that have decreased from the initial total available quota established for the nonresident elk drawing, the quota available to residents in the resident drawing shall be the greater of eighty-four percent (84%) of the new reduced quota or the new reduced quota less licenses issued in the nonresident drawing, except in those hunt areas in Grand Teton National Park. For the hunt areas within Grand Teton National Park, the initial quota offered to residents shall be one hundred percent (100%) of the new reduced quota less licenses issued to nonresidents. The Department shall determine if any licenses remaining from the nonresident elk drawing shall be offered to residents in the drawing. The order of the resident elk drawings depicted in this section shall be Resident Landowner Licenses, then Resident Regular Licenses.

(C) Elk licenses that have not been applied for and issued through the initial drawings shall be offered to residents and nonresidents as leftover ~~issue after~~ licenses.

(D) Eighty-four percent (84%) of each year's total available limited quota reduced price cow/calf licenses shall be offered to residents in initial drawings, except as otherwise provided by Commission regulations. **An applicant may only apply for and receive the maximum number of reduced price cow/calf elk licenses as specified in Chapter 2, General Hunting Regulation.** ~~An applicant may only apply for and receive one (1) reduced price cow/calf elk license.~~ Reduced price cow/calf elk licenses remaining unsold following the drawings shall be made available on the date established annually by the Chief Fiscal Officer. Reduced price pioneer cow/calf elk licenses shall only be made available for sale at Headquarters, except as otherwise provided by the Chief Fiscal Officer. In addition to the statutorily prescribed application fees, the price of reduced price cow/calf elk licenses shall be forty-three dollars (\$43.00) for residents, twenty dollars (\$20.00) dollars for resident youth, five dollars (\$5.00) for resident pioneers, twenty-seven dollars (\$27.00) for pioneer heritage, two hundred eighty-eight dollars (\$288.00) for nonresidents and one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for nonresident youth.

(E) Resident general elk licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued at all Department Regional Offices, Headquarters and designated license selling agents. General elk licenses may also be applied for and issued through the drawing process by submitting prescribed license and application fees.

(v) Moose. Eighty percent (80%) of the total available limited quota moose licenses shall be offered to residents in the initial drawing. The Department shall allocate not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the available resident moose licenses and not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the available nonresident moose licenses to a preference point drawing. The order of the resident and nonresident moose drawing shall allow individual applicants with the highest number of preference points to be given a drawing advantage for the total number of available licenses to be issued in accordance with this section; then, the applicants with the next highest number of preference points shall be selected, and so forth, until the quota has been filled. The Department shall allocate up to twenty-five percent (25%) of the available resident moose licenses and shall allocate up to twenty-five percent (25%) of the available nonresident moose licenses to a

random drawing in which all unsuccessful applicants from the preference point drawing shall be placed.

(vi) Mountain Goat. Seventy-five percent (75%) of the total available limited quota mountain goat licenses shall be offered to residents in the initial drawing.

(f) Trophy Game. No individual shall apply for or receive more than one (1) license for a specific trophy game species during any one (1) calendar year, except as otherwise provided in Commission regulation.

(i) Black Bear. Black bear licenses shall not be limited in number. They shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses **through the ELS** at all ~~Department Regional Offices, Headquarters~~ and at designated **book** license selling agents throughout the state.

(ii) Grizzly Bear. No licenses shall be issued for this species until such time as the Commission may establish an open season.

(iii) Mountain Lion. Mountain lion licenses shall not be limited in number. They shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses **through the ELS** at all ~~Department Regional Offices, Headquarters~~ and at designated **book** license selling agents throughout the state.

(g) Wild Bison. Priority lists for wild bison licenses shall be generated through a drawing by the Department's License Section at Headquarters. Notification of selected applicants for license issuance shall be in accordance with Commission Regulation Chapter 15, Wild Bison Recreational Hunting Season. Wild Bison licenses shall be issued at the respective Department Regional Office in the region where the wild bison recreational hunting opportunity exists, or through Headquarters, on the basis of the wild bison priority lists.

(i) Wild bison priority list(s) shall be maintained for bull wild bison and cow/calf wild bison. An individual shall only apply for one (1) license type. Individuals who participate in the wild bison recreational hunting season and who are unsuccessful shall remain on the wild bison priority list for the remainder of the harvest year, but they may not participate in the wild bison recreational hunting season again until all other persons on the wild bison priority list have had an opportunity to participate in the wild bison recreational hunting season.

(ii) Applications for resident and nonresident wild bison priority lists shall only be accepted at Headquarters on proper application forms. Residents shall pay a five-dollar (\$5.00) application fee and nonresidents shall pay a fourteen-dollar (\$14.00) application fee. Applicants shall have the choice of applying for a bull wild bison or a cow/calf wild bison. In addition to the application fees, applications shall be accompanied by a six-dollar (\$6.00) nonrefundable entry fee for the drawing. A computer random number selection shall be utilized to determine name placement on the wild bison priority lists. Applicants shall be notified of their placement on the wild bison priority lists.

(iii) Eighty percent (80%) of the wild bison licenses shall be initially offered to residents. If the number of resident applicants for wild bison licenses does not meet or exceed the resident wild bison license allocation, the remaining resident allocation may be issued to nonresidents. If the number of nonresident applicants for wild bison licenses does not meet or exceed the nonresident wild bison license allocation, the remaining

license allocation may be issued to residents. In order to meet the Department's harvest objectives, if a resident on the wild bison priority list declines to participate in the wild bison hunt, the Department shall initially contact the next resident and then alternately the next nonresident and then resident until a participant is secured. If a nonresident on the wild bison priority list declines to participate, the Department shall initially contact the next nonresident and then alternately the next resident and then nonresident until a participant is secured.

(iv) The wild bison priority list(s) shall be established annually. The application period for the wild bison priority list(s) shall be as established in Section 18 of this regulation. The effective period of each annual wild bison priority list shall be July 1, the year the drawing takes place through January 31 of the following calendar year.

(h) Bird.

(i) Falconry.

(A) Hunt with Falcon licenses shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses **through the ELS** at ~~Headquarters, Department Regional Offices~~ and designated **book** license selling agents throughout the state.

(B) Falcon Capture licenses shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses at Headquarters.

(ii) Game Bird. Game Bird licenses shall not be limited in number. They shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses **through the ELS** at ~~all Department Regional Offices, Headquarters~~ and at designated **book** license selling agents.

(iii) Wild Turkey. Eighty percent (80%) of each year's total available spring and fall limited quota wild turkey licenses shall be offered to residents in the initial drawing. The order of the drawings shall be resident landowner licenses, resident regular licenses, nonresident landowner licenses, and then nonresident regular licenses.

**(A) Limited quota wild turkey licenses that have not been applied for and issued through the initial drawing shall be offered to residents and nonresidents as leftover licenses.**

~~(BA)~~ The Commission may authorize general wild turkey licenses, which shall not be limited in number. Those licenses shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses **through the ELS** at ~~designated Department Regional Offices, Headquarters~~ and designated **book** license selling agents. These licenses may also be applied for and issued through the drawing process.

(i) Small Game. Small Game licenses shall not be limited in number. They shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses **through the ELS** at ~~Department Regional Offices, Headquarters~~ and at designated **book** license selling agents.

(j) Furbearing Animals.

(i) Trapping. Resident furbearing animal trapping licenses shall not be limited in number. They shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses **through the ELS** at ~~Department Regional Offices, Headquarters~~ and at designated **book** license selling agents.



Nonresident furbearing animal trapping licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued at Headquarters.

(ii) Capture Furbearing Animal for Domestication. Capture Furbearing Animal for Domestication licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued at Headquarters.

(k) Archery. Archery licenses shall not be limited in number. They shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses **through the ELS** at ~~Department Regional Offices, Headquarters~~ and at designated **book** license selling agents.

(l) Commercial Licenses. Commercial licenses require written approval by Department personnel prior to issuance.

(i) Commercial Fish Hatchery. Commercial Fish Hatchery licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued at Headquarters.

(ii) Deal in Live Bait. Deal in Live Bait licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued at Department Regional Offices and Headquarters.

(iii) Fishing Preserve. Fishing Preserve licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued at Headquarters.

(iv) Fur Dealer. Fur Dealer licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued at Headquarters.

(v) Game Bird Farm. Game Bird Farm licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued at Headquarters.

(vi) Seine or Trap Fish. Seine or Trap Fish licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued at Department Regional Offices and Headquarters. No person shall apply for or receive more than one (1) seine or trap fish license during a calendar year.

(vii) Taxidermist. Taxidermist licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued to qualified persons at Headquarters.

(m) Fishing. Fishing licenses shall not be limited in number. They shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses **through the ELS** at ~~Department Regional Offices, Headquarters~~ and at designated **book** license selling agents.

(n) Duplicate Licenses.

(i) In order for a duplicate license to be issued, a duplicate license affidavit shall be properly completed by the licensee and by the license selling agent or sub-agent.

(A) For a license that was originally hand issued, the license selling agent or sub-agent from the business entity that issued the license shall be required to complete the duplicate license affidavit.

(B) For a license that was originally issued through the **ELS**, ~~Internet point of sale system~~, the license selling agent or sub-agent shall be required to complete a duplicate license affidavit prior to issuing a duplicate license.

(ii) Duplicate licenses shall be issued **through the ELS** at ~~Department Regional Offices, Headquarters, through designated Department personnel,~~ and through designated **book** license selling agents.

(iii) The Department and license selling agents shall charge a fee of five dollars (\$5.00) for issuance of a duplicate license.

(iv) The Department shall not charge a fee for issuance of a duplicate license when the loss or destruction of the license is the fault of the Department.

(o) Replacement Licenses.

(i) The completion of a duplicate license affidavit shall not be required for the issuance of a replacement license.

(ii) The Department and license selling agents shall charge a fee of five dollars (\$5.00) for the issuance of a replacement license **issued through the ELS**.

(p) Resident Guide Licenses shall be issued for no charge at Department Regional Offices, Headquarters, and through designated Department personnel.

Section 6. Permits.

(a) Sandhill Crane.

(i) Limited Quota Sandhill Crane. Applicants shall be selected by random computer selection. Both residents and nonresidents shall draw against the same quota. Limited quota sandhill crane permits that have not been applied for and issued through drawings shall be issued **through the ELS** at ~~Headquarters or at designated Department Regional Offices~~ on an as processed basis until quotas have been reached or the permit is no longer valid.

(ii) General Sandhill Crane. The permits shall not be limited in number and shall be issued as over-the-counter permits at Headquarters.

(b) Disabled Hunter and Disabled Hunter Companion Permits. Any person qualified to obtain a disabled hunter permit or purchase a disabled hunter companion permit shall apply on the proper application form to the Department's License Section at Headquarters or to Department Regional Offices.

(c) Hunters with a Qualifying Disability Permit. Any person qualified to obtain a Hunter with a Qualifying Disability Permit to Shoot from a Vehicle shall apply on the proper application form to the Department's License Section at Headquarters, Department Regional Offices, or designated Department personnel.

(d) Migratory Bird.

(i) Harvest Information Permit. Harvest Information Permits shall not be limited in number and shall be issued at Department Regional Offices, Headquarters and at designated **book** license selling agents throughout the state. Harvest Information Permits may also be available through the Department's website.

(e) Furbearing Animal, Limited Quota Beaver and Marten.

(i) Applicants shall be selected by random computer drawing. Both residents and nonresidents shall draw against the same quota. Leftover permits may be issued to the first eligible applicant applying to Headquarters for the remaining permits.

(f) Pheasant.

(i) Glendo Permit. Eighty percent (80%) of each year's total available limited quota Glendo pheasant permits shall be offered to residents in the initial drawing. Glendo pheasant permits that have not been applied for and issued through the drawing shall be issued at Headquarters on an as processed basis until quotas have been reached or the permit is no longer valid. No person shall apply for or receive more than one (1) Glendo Permit in a single calendar year.

(ii) Springer Permit. Eighty percent (80%) of each year's total available limited quota Springer pheasant permits shall be offered to residents in the initial drawing. Springer pheasant permits that are not applied for and issued through the drawing shall be issued at the Springer Check Station.

(g) Reciprocity Permit. Reciprocal agreements provide for licensing for fishing of residents of Wyoming and adjoining states upon artificial impoundment of water forming the boundary between Wyoming and adjoining states. Reciprocity permits shall not be limited in number and shall be sold at designated Department Regional Offices, Headquarters and designated **book** license selling agents.

(h) Special Management Permit. Any individual participating in a special management program shall be required to purchase a special management permit. Special Management Permits shall not be limited in number and shall be issued **through the ELS at Headquarters, at designated Department Regional Offices, and at designated book** license selling agents. Hunters purchasing a special management permit shall validate the permit by signing in ink across the face of the permit. Hunters who acquire a special management permit in conjunction with a license **through the ELS** ~~from the Department's computerized point of sale license issuance system~~ shall not be required to meet the signature provisions of this subsection.

(i) Special Limited Fishing Permit.

(i) Any institution or facility designated by the Department to issue special limited fishing permits to any person under the care and supervision of the residing facility as authorized in W.S. §23-2-207 may issue such permits to fish in accordance with Commission Regulation Chapter 46, Fishing Regulations.

(ii) Special limited fishing permits shall specify the following information:

(A) Name and date of birth of individual to whom the permit is issued.

(B) Calendar year for which the permit is valid.

(C) Name of institution or facility issuing the permit.

(D) Name of the person employed by institution or facility who issued the permit.

(j) No person shall apply for or receive any permit under this section by false swearing, fraud or false statement of any kind or in any form.

**(k) Employees of institutions as authorized in W.S. §23-2-207 are not eligible to receive special limited fishing permits.**

Section 7. Tags.

(a) Wyoming Interstate Game Tag. Wyoming Interstate Game Tags shall not be limited in number and shall be sold through Department Regional Offices, Headquarters, designated Department personnel, game tag distributors or their designees.

Section 8. Stamps.

(a) Conservation Stamp. Conservation Stamps shall not be limited in number and shall be sold through ~~the ELS Department Regional Offices, Headquarters, designated Department personnel,~~ **and at** designated **book** license selling agents, ~~and the Internet electronic application service.~~

(i) Hunters or anglers acquiring a conservation stamp for the purpose set forth in W.S. §23-2-306 shall validate the stamp by signing their name in ink in the space provided on the face of the stamp. Hunters or anglers who acquire a lifetime conservation stamp, a conservation stamp authorization **through the ELS** ~~from the Department's computerized point of sale license issuance system or Internet issued conservation stamp~~ shall not be required to meet the signature provisions of this subsection.

(ii) The validated stamp, or the document exhibiting the stamp privilege, shall be in possession of any person required by W.S. §23-2-306 to obtain a stamp if the person is engaged in the act of hunting or fishing and shall be immediately produced for inspection upon request from any Department personnel.

(b) Wildlife Damage Management Stamp. Wildlife Damage Management Stamps shall not be limited in number and shall be sold through ~~the ELS Department Regional Offices, Headquarters~~ and at designated **book** license selling agents. The price for the stamp shall be established by the Wyoming Animal Damage Management Board.

Section 9. Landowner Licenses. Landowner licenses shall only be issued to those landowners that own land which provides habitat for antelope, deer, elk or wild turkeys and meets the requirements as set forth in this section. Any lands purchased or subdivided for the primary purpose of obtaining landowner licenses shall not be eligible for landowner licenses. The Wyoming Game and Fish Commission authorizes the issuance of landowner licenses in order to provide the opportunity for a landowner applicant or member of the landowner applicant's immediate family to hunt antelope, deer, elk or wild turkey on the landowner's property in the case where all available licenses for a hunt area have been totally limited in number and only available through a competitive drawing. In the case of resident license availability, no landowner licenses shall be authorized if hunting with a general license is allowed at any time during the hunting season, unless the general license is valid for antlerless deer or antlerless elk hunting only. In the case where the nonresident

landowner applicant qualifies for a landowner license in a hunt area where the current hunting season authorized by Commission regulation provides for both limited quota and general licenses during the established hunting season for the species applied, the nonresident landowner applicant may apply for either the limited quota license or a general license. If a limited quota license is desired, the nonresident landowner applicant may apply for the limited quota license for the area in which the applicant qualifies in the nonresident regular drawing. The nonresident landowner applicant that is unsuccessful in obtaining a limited quota license in the nonresident ~~initial regular~~ drawing may subsequently apply to the Department for the issuance of a general license. No landowner licenses shall be issued for reduced price doe/fawn antelope, reduced price doe/fawn deer, or reduced price cow/calf elk. Regardless of change in ownership of a particular parcel of land, no more than two (2) landowner licenses for each species (antelope, deer, elk, or wild turkey) shall be issued in any calendar year on the basis of the qualification of the particular parcel.

(a) Resident or nonresident landowner applicants that own land in Wyoming or members of the landowner applicant's immediate family may be issued licenses upon application and payment of the specified fee. Licenses shall be issued to landowners without participating in a competitive drawing unless the number of landowner license applications exceeds the number of licenses authorized for the hunt area by the Commission. In such cases, a competitive drawing shall be utilized to determine successful landowner license applicants. Landowner license applications shall be drawn first in each respective resident and nonresident drawing and shall be drawn against the total quota available in each respective hunt area.

(b) In order to qualify for a license issued under this section, the deeded land qualifying the landowner applicant shall be located in the hunt area for which applied, shall consist of a minimum of one hundred sixty (160) contiguous acres and shall be utilized by the type of big game or wild turkeys for which the applicant applied to the extent the land provides food, cover and water. The landowner applicant shall demonstrate that the species of wildlife for which the license application has been made utilized the described land for a minimum of two thousand (2,000) days of use during the twelve (12) month period immediately preceding the date of application. Applications for landowner licenses shall be submitted to the game warden or regional wildlife supervisor in whose geographic area of responsibility the land listed on the application occurs.

(c) Landowner license applications shall be limited to the following species: antelope, deer, elk and wild turkey. A maximum of two (2) licenses per species may be authorized for a qualified landowner to be applied for by a landowner applicant. The two (2) licenses shall be designated by the landowner to be applied for by the landowner applicant, or a member of the landowner applicant's immediate family. In no case may an individual landowner applicant apply for or receive more than one (1) landowner license per species in a calendar year; except, an individual landowner applicant may apply for and receive one (1) landowner license for a spring wild turkey license and one (1) landowner license for a fall wild turkey license in the same calendar year. A maximum of one (1) license per species may be allowed to a landowner applicant regardless of the number of landholdings in which the landowner applicant holds an interest.

(d) As a condition of eligibility for licenses issued to landowners, landowner applicants shall provide on and with the application for a license issued to landowners documentation that substantiates in which capacity the individual qualifies as a landowner applicant under the definition of a landowner applicant or landowner's immediate family in

this Chapter. Documentation shall be the completion of the landowner license application form provided by the Department and any attachments required by the Department to determine eligibility of the applicant. The Department shall consider the eligibility of the applicant based on the requirements in this regulation and documentation provided by the landowner.

Section 10. Lifetime Licenses and Conservation Stamp. Any resident qualified to purchase a lifetime fishing or lifetime combination ~~game bird/small game/fishing~~ license pursuant to Wyoming statute may apply on the proper application form to the Department's License Section at Headquarters.

(a) Wyoming statute provides for a lifetime conservation stamp. Any person may apply on the proper application form to the Department's License Section at Headquarters.

(b) Receiving a lifetime license grants the recipient the privilege of utilizing the license for his lifetime; however, the license shall not be construed as exercising resident hunting or fishing privileges in Wyoming when and if the person leaves the State of Wyoming. ~~nor shall such a license serve as proof of residency to obtain other resident licenses.~~

Section 11. Governor Complimentary Licenses. Wyoming statutes provide for the issuance of complimentary licenses to be issued at the request of the Governor. Big game licenses authorized under this section shall be valid for the species for which the license has been issued. These licenses shall be valid in any hunt area in accordance with Commission regulations, except for the following:

(a) Complimentary moose licenses shall not be valid in any moose hunt area, which has a total quota of ten (10) or less **antlered or any moose** licenses.

(b) Complimentary **full price** bighorn sheep licenses shall not be valid in any bighorn sheep hunt area, which has a total quota of eight (8) or less **full price bighorn sheep** licenses.

(c) Holders of Governor Complimentary licenses shall be exempt from the provisions in this Chapter limiting the number of big game licenses an individual can possess in any one calendar year. However, State statute dictates that a hunter shall be restricted to take a maximum of two (2) elk in a season under all licenses held. An individual is eligible to receive a Governor Complimentary moose license and a Governor Complimentary **full price** bighorn sheep license annually. Recipients shall be exempt from the five (5) year waiting period and preference points shall not be lost if an individual receives a Governor Complimentary moose license or **full price** bighorn sheep license.

Section 12. Commissioner Complimentary Licenses.

(a) Wyoming statutes provide that each appointed Commissioner may cause, through the issuance of license authorizations to nonprofit charitable organizations, to be issued at full price, complimentary antelope, deer, or elk licenses. Once the commissioner complimentary license authorization has been auctioned or otherwise bid to the highest bidder or raffled to members of the public by the nonprofit or charitable organization, the recipient of the license authorization may only transfer the license authorization to another person if no additional consideration above the bid or raffle price is paid by the transferee. The recipient of the license authorization may donate the license authorization back to the

nonprofit or charitable organization that originally bid the license authorization to be rebid to a new highest bidder. The Department shall issue the license in the name of the person who submits the authorization for license issuance. All big game licenses authorized under this section are valid for a specific region or hunt area as designated by the applicant at the time of application. The specific region, or hunt area, or type shall not be changed following the issuance of the license by the Department. Holders of Commissioner Complimentary licenses shall be exempt from the provisions in this Chapter limiting the number of licenses an individual can possess in any one (1) calendar year. However, State statute dictates that a hunter shall be restricted to take a maximum of two (2) elk in a season under all licenses held. As a condition to issuance of a Commissioner Complimentary license, the Department shall require an authorized officer of the recipient organization to certify under penalty of law that the respective organization is a nonprofit, charitable organization as defined in this regulation and eligible to receive the Commissioner Complimentary license authorization.

(b) The Commission may, upon receipt of payment of the proper fee issue up to ~~twenty five (25) ten (10)~~ antelope licenses, ~~twenty five (25) ten (10)~~ deer licenses, ~~twenty five (25) five (5)~~ elk licenses and ~~twenty five (25) ten (10)~~ turkey licenses ~~for exclusive-distribution by nonprofit charitable organizations for use by~~ to persons **twenty (20)** eighteen (18) years of age or younger with a life-threatening illness **and who is sponsored by a nonprofit charitable organization whose mission it is to provide opportunities and experiences to persons with life-threatening or serious illnesses.** ~~The nonprofit-charitable organization shall provide these licenses to the licensee at no cost. Licenses issued under this subsection shall be issued above quotas established for the hunt area(s) by Commission regulation. However, no more than ten (10) antelope, ten (10) limited quota deer, ten (10) limited quota elk or ten (10) limited quota turkey licenses shall be issued for any one hunt area during the same calendar year.~~

(i) **The sponsoring** Qualifying **organization** organizations shall submit a completed application **and appropriate license fee for the person with a life-threatening or serious illness** to the Department's License Section on or before August 1 for antelope, deer, and elk **and fall turkey** licenses. For **spring** turkey licenses, a completed **application** applications **and appropriate license fee** shall be received on or before March 1 of the hunt year.

(ii) As a condition to issuance of a license in this subsection, the Department shall require an authorized officer of the **sponsoring** recipient organization to certify under penalty of law that the respective organization is a nonprofit, charitable organization as defined in this regulation. ~~and eligible to receive license(s) listed in this subsection.~~

(iii) **The sponsoring organization shall provide** Provide a notarized statement from a licensed physician stating the license recipient is clinically diagnosed with a life-threatening **or serious** illness.

(iv) The Department shall issue licenses to individuals sponsored by qualifying organizations meeting the provisions under this subsection to residents and nonresidents in accordance with Section 5(e)(i), 5(e)(iii), 5(e)(iv), and Section 5(h)(iii) of this chapter. General wild turkey licenses shall be issued to resident and nonresident applicants on a first come, first served basis. In the event the number of applications exceed the number of licenses available under this subsection, the Department shall allocate the licenses to ~~qualifying organizations~~ through a random drawing. Licenses

remaining after the initial issuance shall be available on a first come, first served basis until the quotas for licenses in this subsection have been allocated.

Section 13. Pioneer Licenses, Pioneer Heritage Licenses, Honorably Discharged Pioneer Veterans Licenses, One Hundred Percent (100%) Disabled Resident Veterans Licenses, and Resident Disabled Veteran's Lifetime Fishing Licenses.

(a) Pioneer lifetime combination game bird/small game/fishing licenses may be issued to qualified individuals. The Pioneer Game Bird/Small Game/Fishing licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued at Department Regional Offices and Headquarters.

(b) Pioneer Heritage antelope, deer or elk licenses. Pioneer heritage antelope, deer, or elk licenses may be issued to any resident who was born after January 1, 1930, is at least seventy (70) years of age prior to the issuance of the license and has continuously resided in Wyoming for at least fifty (50) years immediately preceding application for the license. The fee for such licenses shall be: pioneer heritage antelope license, twenty dollars (\$20.00); pioneer heritage deer license, twenty-three dollars (\$23.00); and, pioneer heritage elk license, thirty-two dollars (\$32.00).

(c) Honorably discharged pioneer veteran combination game bird/small game/fishing licenses may be issued to qualified individuals. Combination game bird/small game/fishing licenses may be issued to residents of the state who qualify as honorably discharged pioneer veterans. The honorably discharged pioneer veteran game bird/small game/fishing license shall not be limited in number and shall be issued at Department Regional Offices and Headquarters upon submission by the applicant of documentary proof that he qualifies as an honorably discharged pioneer veteran.

(d) One hundred percent (100%) disabled resident veteran combination game bird/small game/fishing license may be issued to qualified individuals. Combination game bird/small game/fishing licenses may be issued to residents of the state who qualify as one hundred percent (100%) disabled resident veterans. The one hundred percent (100%) disabled resident veteran game bird/small game/fishing license shall not be limited in number and shall be issued at Department Regional Offices and Headquarters upon submission by the applicant of documentary proof provided by the United States Department of Veteran's Affairs that he qualifies as a one hundred percent (100%) disabled resident veteran.

(e) Wyoming statutes provide for the issuance of antelope, deer, or elk pioneer licenses to individuals qualified at the time of license issuance. For purposes of drawings for which the submission of a proper application form shall be required, license issuance shall be considered to be the published tentative draw date. Any resident person qualified to receive a limited quota pioneer big game license shall make application on proper application forms to Headquarters or any location designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer. Limited quota pioneer licenses for antelope, deer, and elk shall be applied for in accordance with Section 17 of this Chapter. Pioneer general and pioneer heritage general deer and elk licenses shall be issued at Department Regional Offices and Headquarters. Limited quota reduced price pioneer and reduced price pioneer heritage doe/fawn antelope, doe/fawn deer, and cow/calf elk licenses shall only be issued at Headquarters, except as otherwise provided by the Chief Fiscal Officer.



(f) Resident disabled veteran's lifetime fishing license. Any resident disabled veteran who receives fifty percent (50%) or more service connected disability compensation from the United States Department of Veteran's Affairs may apply on the proper application form for a resident disabled veteran's lifetime fishing license. The disabled veteran's resident lifetime fishing license shall not be limited in number and shall be issued at Department Regional Offices and Headquarters upon submission by the applicant of documentary proof provided by the United States Department of Veteran's Affairs that he receives fifty percent (50%) or more service connected disability compensation. The license shall remain valid for the lifetime of the person in whose name it is issued as long as the person is a resident in accordance with W.S. §23-1-107 and Commission rules and regulations.

Section 14. Active Duty Wyoming Resident in Combat Zone Licenses.

(a) Complimentary resident general elk, resident general deer, resident game bird, resident small game and resident daily fishing licenses shall be issued to any Wyoming resident serving on active duty in the United States military deployed to a combat zone while home on military leave during the applicable hunting or fishing season. Applicants for licenses in this subsection shall meet the statutory requirements established in W. S. §23-2-101(a), and shall provide to the Department a valid, current military identification card, military leave orders, a current Leave and Earnings Statement indicating the applicant is receiving hostile fire compensation and proof of residency at the time of application. Licenses shall be issued at no fee to the applicant and shall only be issued at the Headquarters or Department Regional Offices.

Section 15. Depredation Licenses. Application shall be made to Department Regional Offices in the region where participation is desired on proper application forms. Applicants shall apply annually to be included on priority lists. Applicants shall make separate application for each species. Name placement on each list shall be established in accordance with Commission regulations.

Section 16. Party Applications. The maximum allowable number of applications in a party shall be six (6). Residents and nonresidents shall not apply together in the same party, except for sandhill crane permits. Applications from landowner applicants shall not be accepted as a party with non-landowner applicants. Nonresidents applying in the drawing for special licenses shall not apply as a party with nonresidents applying in the drawing for regular licenses. No party applications shall be accepted for moose, bighorn sheep, or mountain goat licenses. All party applications may be disqualified if one or more applications within the party are improper or incomplete; or, if the party block has not been properly completed; or, all applications do not specify the same species, hunt area, and type in the same order of preference. All applications in the same party shall be submitted together in the same envelope. All members of a party may either receive licenses or refunds of their license fees minus application fees and applicable preference point fees.

Section 17. Proof of Residency for Resident Licenses.

(a) Any qualified individual may apply for or receive a resident game and fish license, permit, or tag if the person meets the residency requirements pursuant to W.S. §23-1-102(a)(ix)(xv) and §23-1-107. When an individual signs an application to obtain a resident license or signs a resident license, the individual swears that he is a Wyoming resident as defined in W.S. §23-1-102(a)(ix)(xv) and §23-1-107.

(b) Any person applying for or purchasing a resident ~~game and fish~~ license, permit, preference point, or tag shall provide proof of their residency. License selling agents and the Department shall consider as documentary evidence of residency the applicant's Wyoming driver's license or Wyoming identification card, a copy of their school records, a completed military form DD214, a completed and signed proof of residency statement on a form provided by the Department or a completed proof of residency affidavit issued through the ELS. Department's Internet point of sale system. Documentary evidence furnished by an applicant for a resident license shall not be considered conclusive proof in a court of law that the applicant is a resident in accordance with Wyoming statutes.

(c) A person qualifying as a Wyoming resident in accordance with W.S. §23-1-107(c) shall not gain or lose residency for the purpose of serving full time for a period not to exceed four (4) years in an established volunteer service program for charitable purposes, humanitarian purposes, or religious purposes. A letter, signed and notarized by the volunteer service program's director, which describes the services provided (including that they were provided without remuneration), the duration of service, and the hours served may be used to establish compliance with W.S. §23-1-107(c).

(d) A person qualified as a Wyoming resident as defined in W.S. §23-1-102 (ix) and W.S. §23-1-107, is not considered a nonresident for the purposes of applying for or purchasing licenses, permits, tags or preference points.

#### Section 18. Application Dates.

(a) Proper application forms for drawings shall be separate documents submitted to Headquarters during the application periods stated in this section. The Department may also implement the ability to submit electronic applications for drawings through the ELS. a Department approved website. Electronic applications shall provide for an electronic signature process for residency oaths, certification to the correctness of information provided, or any other assertions as may be required by this regulation on the applications. Evidence of electronic signatures on drawing applications and licenses purchased may not be excluded in legal proceedings. Ref: W.S. § 40-21-113

(b) All applications for resident licenses and permits shall contain the resident applicant's signature and when applicable, the parent or legal guardian's signature in accordance with Wyoming statute. All applications for nonresident licenses and permits shall contain either the nonresident applicant's signature or the signature of the person submitting the application on behalf of the applicant. Where Commission regulation does not provide for a distinction between resident and nonresident applicants, the application shall contain the applicant's signature or the signature of the person submitting the application on behalf of the applicant.

(c) Photo copies of properly completed applications shall be accepted through mail or hand delivery. Except as specifically authorized by the Fiscal Division License Draw Coordinator, applications submitted to the Department through facsimile devices shall not be accepted.

(d) Applications made on the proper application form and accompanied by the proper fee shall be accepted at Headquarters or any location designated by the Chief Fiscal Officer per the schedule presented in subsection (h) of this section. Personal checks from nonresident applicants drawn on banks not in Wyoming shall only be accepted by the Department for licenses issued in the initial drawings. Applicants whose checks are

returned to the Department unpaid by their banks shall be required to replace the returned check and to pay for any licenses issued or applications submitted during the remaining calendar year and the next calendar year with ~~cashier's~~ cashier checks or money orders. Cash shall be accepted as proper fee. However, the sending of cash and endorsed checks through the mail or left at the Headquarters drop box shall be done at the applicant's own risk. The Department shall not provide receipts and shall not accept any responsibility for theft or loss for any reason.

(e) Applications shall not be accepted after 5:00 p.m. mountain **standard** time zone on the respective application deadline dates listed in subsection (h) regardless of postmark date or mail deliverance method utilized by the applicant, except for licenses remaining unsold after the drawings. If the deadline date occurs on a day when Headquarters has been closed to mail delivery or for license sales (weekends, holidays, etc.), applications received on the next business day by 5:00 p.m. mountain **standard** time zone on that day shall be accepted as meeting the application deadline. No application for a current calendar year license shall be accepted after 5:00 p.m. mountain **standard** time zone December 31 of the same current year.

(f) Applications submitted through the ~~ELS Department's electronic online application service~~ shall not be accepted after 5:00 p.m. mountain **standard** time zone on the respective application deadline dates listed in subsection (h). If the deadline date occurs on a day when Headquarters has been closed to mail delivery or for license sales (weekends, holiday, etc.), the ~~ELS electronic online application service~~ shall be available until 5:00 p.m. mountain **standard** time zone on the next business day.

(g) If the ~~ELS Department's electronic online application service~~ is closed during the deadline date listed in subsection (h), as determined by Commission policy, the Department shall accept applications through the ~~ELS online application service~~ until 5:00 p.m. mountain **standard** time zone on the next calendar day.

(h) Application Dates

<u>LICENSE</u>	<u>BEGINNING APPLICATION DATE</u>	<u>LAST DATE TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS</u>
<u>ANTELOPE</u>		
Limited Quota Nonresident License	Jan. 1	March 15
Limited Quota Nonresident License With Preference Point Option	Jan. 1	March 15
<b><u>Limited Quota Nonresident Landowner License</u></b>	<b><u>Jan. 1</u></b>	<b><u>March 15</u></b>
<b><u>Limited Quota Nonresident Landowner License With Preference Point</u></b>	<b><u>Jan. 1</u></b>	<b><u>March 15</u></b>
Limited Quota Reduced Price Nonres. Doe/Fawn	Jan. 1	March 15
Limited Quota Reduced Price Resident Doe/Fawn	May 1	May 31

<u>LICENSE</u>	<u>BEGINNING APPLICATION DATE</u>	<u>LAST DATE TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS</u>
Limited Quota Resident	May 1	May 31
Limited Quota Resident Landowner	April 15	May 15
<u>BIGHORN SHEEP</u>		
Limited Quota Nonresident <b>License</b>	Jan. 1	Feb. 28*
Limited Quota Resident <b>License</b>	Jan. 1	Feb. 28*
Nonresident Preference Point Only	July 1	Sept. 30
Resident Preference Point Only	July 1	Sept. 30
<u>DEER</u>		
General and Limited Quota Resident	May 1	May 31
<b>Limited Quota Nonresident Landowner License</b>	<b>Jan. 1</b>	<b>March 15</b>
<b>Limited Quota Nonresident Landowner License With Preference Point</b>	<b>Jan. 1</b>	<b>March 15</b>
Limited Quota Resident Landowner	April 15	May 15
Limited Quota Reduced Price Nonres. Doe/Fawn	Jan. 1	March 15
Limited Quota Reduced Price Resident Doe/Fawn	May 1	May 31
Nonresident Preference Point Only	July 1	Sept. 30
Region and Limited Quota Nonresident License	Jan. 1	March 15
Region and Limited Quota Nonresident License With Preference Point Option	Jan. 1	March 15
<u>ELK</u>		
General and Limited Quota Nonresident License	Jan. 1	Jan. 31
General and Limited Quota Nonresident License With Preference Point Option	Jan. 1	Jan. 31
General and Limited Quota Resident	May 1	May 31
<b>Limited Quota Nonresident Landowner License</b>	<b>Jan. 1</b>	<b>Jan. 20</b>
<b>Limited Quota Nonresident Landowner License With Preference Point</b>	<b>Jan. 1</b>	<b>Jan. 20</b>
Limited Quota Reduced Price Nonres. Cow/Calf	Jan. 1	Jan. 31
Limited Quota Reduced Price Resident Cow/Calf	May 1	May 31
Limited Quota Resident Landowner	April 15	May 15
Nonresident Preference Point Only	July 1	Sept. 30
<u>FURBEARING ANIMAL</u>		
Limited Quota Furbearing Animal Trapping Permit	July 1	Sept. 1
<u>MOOSE</u>		
Limited Quota Nonresident	Jan. 1	Feb. 28*
Limited Quota Resident	Jan. 1	Feb. 28*
Nonresident Preference Point Only	July 1	Sept. 30
Resident Preference Point Only	July 1	Sept. 30

<u>LICENSE</u>	<u>BEGINNING APPLICATION DATE</u>	<u>LAST DATE TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS</u>
<u>MOUNTAIN GOAT</u>		
Limited Quota Nonresident	Jan. 1	Feb. 28*
Limited Quota Resident	Jan. 1	Feb. 28*
<u>PHEASANT</u>		
Glendo Permit	Aug. 15	Sept. 15
Springer Permit	Aug. 15	Sept. 15
<u>PREFERENCE POINT ONLY</u>		
Nonresident	July 1	Sept. 30
Resident	July 1	Sept. 30
<u>SANDHILL CRANE</u>		
General	Aug. 1	Through end of season
Limited Quota	July 1	July 31
<u>WILD BISON PRIORITY LIST</u>		
	Jan. 1	Feb. 28*
<u>WILD TURKEY</u>		
Limited Quota Nonresident		
Spring	Jan. 1	Jan. 31
Fall	July 1	Aug. 15
Limited Quota Nonresident Landowner		
Spring	Jan. 1	Jan. <del>20</del> 31
Fall	July 1	Aug. 15
Nonresident General		
Spring	Jan. 1	Through end of season
Fall	July 1	Through end of season
Limited Quota Resident		
Spring	Jan. 1	Jan. 31
Fall	July 1	Aug. 15
Limited Quota Resident Landowner		
Spring	Jan. 1	Jan. <del>20</del> 31
Fall	July 1	Aug. 15
Resident General		
Spring	Jan. 1	Through end of season
Fall	July 1	Through end of season

\*February 29 on leap year.

Section 19. Drawing Advantage. The Department shall develop and maintain a license issue system that allows qualified persons, as prescribed below, who have either purchased a preference point or were unsuccessful in the drawing for a **full price** bighorn sheep, moose, or nonresident antelope, deer or elk license, a drawing advantage in future years as prescribed in Wyoming statutes.

(a) All preference points accumulated through methods not authorized by this regulation or statute shall be subject to deletion.

(b) Preference points shall be assigned to persons who apply to receive preference points during authorized application periods. The following provisions apply to the issuance of preference points.

(i) No person shall apply for or receive a preference point during any calendar year in which the person's privilege to obtain a license has been revoked or suspended by a court or the Wildlife Violator Compact.

(ii) Preference points are not transferable from one person to another or from one species to another.

(iii) No person may apply for more than one (1) preference point per species in the same calendar year. If the applicant applies for a preference point during the initial license drawing period, they shall not apply for a preference point for the same species during the preference point only application period in the same calendar year. Any preference point awarded in a calendar year shall not be considered for advantage in any license drawings during the same calendar year in which it was awarded.

(iv) A person shall not apply for or receive a separate preference point in the same calendar year in which the person receives a **full price** bighorn sheep or moose license or a first choice license in the initial drawing for nonresident antelope, deer or elk.

(v) A person eleven (11) years of age may apply for a preference point if the person shall become twelve (12) years of age in the same calendar year as the application for a preference point is made.

(vi) For the purposes of assigning preference points in this section, any unsuccessful license applicant failing to apply for a license or preference point during a second consecutive calendar year shall lose all accumulated preference points and shall be considered as a first year applicant for any subsequent calendar year in which the applicant submits an application for a license or a preference point for that particular species.

(vii) For the purpose of retaining preference points in this section, any nonresident who becomes a resident and has accumulated preference points will retain those points as long as the sportsperson applies for a license for that particular species within two (2) consecutive calendar years. Failing to apply for a license or preference point within two (2) consecutive calendar years, the sportsperson shall lose all accumulated preference points for that particular species.

(c) If a person desires to apply for a preference point only and not receive a license, the person shall apply for and receive a preference point by paying the proper fee and making application during the preference point only application period specified in Section 18 of this regulation.

(d) If an applicant's preference points have been deleted because the applicant caused more than one (1) customer record to be generated by using a different sportsperson identification number or a different last or first name, then those preference points shall not be restored. The Chief Fiscal Officer may make an exception in the case of name changes because of marriage, divorce, adoption, or legal name change.

(e) Upon drawing a **full price** bighorn sheep or moose license, all accumulated preference points by the applicant for that species shall be deleted. No person shall apply for or receive a **full price** bighorn sheep license or preference point for **full price** bighorn sheep within any consecutive five (5) year period of having received a **full price** bighorn sheep license through the drawing. No person shall apply for or receive a moose license or preference point for moose within any consecutive five (5) year period of having received a moose license through the drawing.

(i) Preference points are assigned to residents and nonresidents who are unsuccessful in either the **full price** bighorn sheep or moose drawings. The nonresident preference point fee, in addition to the statutorily prescribed application fee, shall be retained from the license fee remitted. The preference point fee for nonresidents shall be one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for **full price** bighorn sheep and seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) for moose.

(ii) In lieu of applying for a **full price** bighorn sheep or moose license, a person may elect to purchase a preference point for each species. The preference point fee for residents shall be seven dollars (\$7.00) per species and the fee for nonresidents shall be one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for **full price** bighorn sheep, and seventy-five (\$75.00) for moose. The applicant is not required to pay the statutorily prescribed application fee.

(f) A preference point shall only be assigned to nonresident antelope, deer or elk applicants, who participate in the initial drawing for full price licenses and who have remitted the proper preference point fee and who are unsuccessful in drawing their first choice license. The preference point fee, in addition to the statutorily prescribed application fee, shall be retained from the total amount remitted. The preference point fee for nonresidents shall be thirty dollars (\$30.00) for antelope, forty dollars (\$40.00) for deer, fifty dollars (\$50.00) for elk and ten dollars (\$10.00) per species for nonresident youth.

(i) In lieu of applying for a nonresident antelope, deer or elk license, a nonresident applicant may elect to purchase a preference point for each species. The preference point fee for nonresidents shall be thirty dollars (\$30.00) for antelope, forty dollars (\$40.00) for deer, fifty dollars (\$50.00) for elk and ten dollars (\$10.00) per species for nonresident youth. The applicant, when only applying for preference points, is not required to pay the statutorily prescribed application fee. Individuals that have drawn their first choice license in the initial draw are prohibited from purchasing or receiving a preference point in the same calendar year.

(ii) Upon drawing a license for the applicant's first choice in the initial draw for nonresident antelope, deer or elk, all accumulated preference points by the applicant for that species shall be deleted and the applicant shall be prohibited from purchasing a preference point for that species in the same calendar year.

Section 20. Reservation of Licenses. Individuals who have been issued a Governor's Complimentary license for **full price** bighorn sheep or moose and who have been unable to use the license for good cause may reserve a license for the same species for the immediately succeeding calendar year only. Individuals who have been issued **full price** bighorn sheep, moose, mountain goat or grizzly bear licenses through the Department's drawing process and who have been unable to use the license for good cause may reserve a license for the same species, hunt area, and season type for the immediately succeeding calendar year only. Conditions of this reservation are set forth in subsection (a) (b) (c) and (d) of this section.

(a) To qualify for consideration of reservation of a **full price** bighorn sheep, moose, mountain goat, or grizzly bear license due to a natural disaster, the licensee shall request the reservation in writing. The request, along with the unused intact license, must be received by the Headquarters, Fiscal Administration before the opening date of the season for the designated species as specified in Commission rules and regulations during the year for which the initial license is issued.

(b) For reasons related to being unable to use the license for good cause, other than natural disaster and military deployment, the individual and the individual's physician shall fully complete a Disabled Hunter Certification Form. This form, along with a "restriction from hunting activity" statement on the physician's official prescription slip, and the license unaltered and with all coupons intact shall be submitted to Headquarters, Fiscal Administration. For reasons related to being unable to use the license for good cause, other than natural disaster and disabling injury or illness, military personnel who receive permanent change of station (PCS) orders or are assigned away from their home duty station on temporary orders (TDY) for the majority of the regular season, shall provide to Headquarters a copy of official military orders from the Armed Forces of the United States along with the license unaltered and with all coupons intact. In no case shall a person be allowed to reserve any license if the person fails to submit the license unaltered and with all coupons intact to Headquarters, Fiscal Administration before the opening date of the season for the designated species as specified in Commission rules and regulations during the year for which the license is issued.

(c) Prior to the respective drawing, license quotas in the subsequent year for areas where licenses have been reserved may be adjusted to reflect reservations as provided by Wyoming statute and this Chapter.

(d) In circumstances where related season, quota or sex limitation of the hunt area for the unused license changes in the subsequent year, the following options shall be offered:

(i) If the unused license allowed taking either sex of animal, but that type no longer exists, the licensee shall be given a choice of a license for an antlered (male) or antlerless (female) animal in the subsequent year.

(ii) If the unused license was limited to taking an antlerless or female animal, but that type no longer exists, the licensee shall be given either an any or an antlered or male only license at the Department's discretion in the subsequent year.

(iii) If the license was limited to taking an antlered or male animal, but that type no longer exists, the licensee shall be given either an any or an antlerless or female only license at the Department's discretion in the subsequent year.

(iv) If in the subsequent year, the entire hunt area is closed to hunting of the species listed on the unused license, the licensee shall be offered a license for the same species and sex limitations in another area of the licensee's choice.

(v) If in the next year, the entire state has been closed to hunting of the species listed on the unused license, the licensee shall not be issued another license to hunt that species. Under this circumstance, the licensee shall be issued a refund of the fee paid for the unused license.



Section 21. Applicant Disqualification. The applicant(s) is solely responsible for the veracity of information on the application(s). Applications shall be disqualified from participating in drawings for the following reasons:

- (a) Improper application form;
- (b) Improper completed application;
- (c) Receipt of application after the deadline application date, regardless of postmark or type of mail delivery utilized by the applicant;
- (d) Improper fee as described in the definitions of this Chapter or as specified in administrative procedure of the Department;
- (e) Applications for more licenses or permits than authorized by regulation or statute;
- (f) The applicant's privilege to purchase or receive any hunting license or preference points have been suspended by a court order or the Wildlife Violator Compact;
- (g) The applicant causes more than one (1) sportsperson identification number to have been assigned;
- (h) Submission by an individual of more than one (1) application for a license for the same big or trophy game species or wild turkey unless authorized by Commission regulation;
- (i) Submission of an application in which all hunt area choices for **full price** bighorn sheep or moose are invalid or closed;
- (j) Applying for a license the applicant is not eligible to receive by Rule and Regulation or Statute;
- (k) Check returned unpaid by the bank;
- (l) The application for big or trophy game licenses is made by an individual under the age of fourteen (14) years and the application has not been cosigned by the applicant's parent or legal guardian; or,
- (m) The applicant will not reach twelve (12) years of age by December 31 of the year the application is made for the purchase of a preference point. An applicant less than twelve (12) years of age may apply for and receive a big or trophy game hunting license provided the applicant will reach twelve (12) years of age during the season for the designated species as specified in Commission Rules and Regulations during the year for which the license is valid.

Section 22. Suspension or Revocation of License.

- (a) Non-Payment of Child Support.

(i) Upon receipt from the Department of Family Services of a certified copy of an order from a Court to withhold, suspend, or otherwise restrict a license or preference point issued by the Commission, the Department shall notify the party named in the court order by first-class mail of the withholding, suspension, or restriction in accordance with the court order. The Department shall mail this notice by first-class mail to the party named and to the address provided by the Department of Family Services.

(ii) Upon receipt of a notice from the Department of Family Services that the obligor is in compliance with the court order, the Game and Fish Department shall immediately reinstate the license unless the license has been suspended or revoked for other reasons. The Department shall by first-class mail notify the party named and to the address provided by the Department of Family Services that the individual's license privileges have been reinstated. The Department shall also mail by first-class mail to the obligor any licenses in the Game and Fish Department's possession at the time of reinstatement.

(iii) The Department shall maintain a written record indicating to whom the notice was mailed and the address to which the notice was mailed.

(b) Wildlife Violator Compact. The Department may suspend license privileges in accordance with Commission Regulation, Chapter 54, Home State Suspension Procedures For The Wildlife Violator Compact dated September 9, 2003, and which does not include any later amendments or editions of the incorporated matter.

Section 23. Withdrawal or Modification of Application and Refund of License Fees. Licenses, permits, stamps, tags, or preference points issued under Title 23, Wyoming Statutes or this regulation become the permanent property of the licensee and shall not be canceled or any fee refunded after the license, permit, stamp, tag, or preference point has been issued, except as specified in this section or otherwise as set forth in Commission regulation.

(a) A request for a voluntary withdrawal of an application before a drawing shall be accepted subject to a five-dollar (\$5.00) processing fee to cover the Department's administrative cost of the transaction. The request to withdraw an application shall be received in writing, by facsimile or initiated through the ELS Department's Internet application service at least fifteen (15) business days before the published tentative draw date. The five-dollar (\$5.00) processing fee shall be waived in the case of pioneer license applicants, but not in the case of pioneer heritage license applicants and in the case of the death of an applicant as evidenced by a copy of the death certificate. The processing fee for withdrawal of an application shall be deducted from the license fee refund.

(i) Applicants may not submit a voluntary withdrawal form for the Wild Bison Priority Listing or for the purchase of a preference point only.

(b) A request for modification of an application must be received at least fifteen (15) business days prior to the published tentative draw date.

(i) If the applicant submitted an application form to Headquarters, the applicant may only request changes to hunt area and type. The changes must be requested in writing, by facsimile bearing the applicant's signature and sportsperson identification number or initiated through the ELS Department's Internet application service.

(ii) If the applicant submitted an application form through the ELS, ~~Department's electronic online application service~~, the applicant may initiate authorized changes to their application record via the ELS. ~~online application service~~.

(c) To request a refund of a license fee in this subsection, the licensee shall submit the request for refund in writing along with the unused, unaltered license with all coupons intact to Headquarters, Fiscal Administration during the calendar year for which the license is valid. The licensee shall also execute and submit at the time of a refund request a Department affidavit describing the reason(s) the licensee was not able to exercise the license privileges which includes a sworn statement that the licensee did not exercise any hunting privileges granted by the license including any or all seasons for the designated species as specified in Commission regulation during the calendar year for which the license was valid. If the license is destroyed, lost or illegible, the licensee shall state on the Department affidavit to that effect and timely submit with the written request for refund in the calendar year for which the license is valid. If the licensee is granted a refund for a license the individual may apply for and receive any remaining leftover issue ~~after~~ license for the same species in accordance with State statutes and Commission regulations. Application fees and any applicable preference point fees will not be refunded.

(d) To qualify for a refund of a license fee in accordance with this section, the licensee shall meet one (1) of the following provisions:

(i) In the case of the death of the licensee, any person who has authority to represent the decedent as provided by a court order shall submit a written request for a license refund supported by a copy of the respective death certificate. The date of death on such certificate shall have occurred prior to the opening of the regular season, or during the regular season, resulting in the licensee not being able to participate in the majority of the regular season.

(ii) In the case of the death of the licensee's spouse, parents, grandparents, lineal descendants and their spouses, step-parent, step-sibling, step-children, father-in-law, mother-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, step-son-in-law or step-daughter-in-law, the licensee shall submit a written request for a license refund supported by the respective death certificate. The date of death on such certificate shall have occurred during the regular season, resulting in the licensee not being able to participate in the majority of the regular season.

(iii) In the case of incapacitating illness or injury of the licensee supported by a physician's sworn statement on a Department form that the licensee is incapable of performing tasks necessary to exercise the privileges of the license;

(iv) Military personnel who receive permanent change of station (PCS) orders. Military personnel who are assigned away from their home duty station on temporary orders (TDY), for the majority of the regular season, all of this being supported by a copy of official military orders from the Armed Forces of the United States, and such orders require the affected personnel to move away from their home duty station shall accompany the written request for the license refund;

(v) Individuals who are not able to participate in the majority of the regular season for the species specified in Commission rules and regulations during the year for which the license is issued as a result of a court subpoena, jury duty, Grand Jury

investigation or attorneys required to attend criminal cases. A certified copy of the court document shall accompany the written request for the license refund;

(vi) When the Department determines one-hundred percent (100%) of the hunting opportunity and access to the hunt area has been closed due to administrative actions of the state or federal government in closing of the public access to public lands due to a natural disaster, including but not necessarily limited to, wildland fires, the licensee of a limited quota antelope, **full price** bighorn sheep, deer, elk, moose, or mountain goat license may request a license fee refund;

(vii) An error on the part of the Department or its authorized agent where the applicant has been issued a license not requested. An applicant may request in writing to the Chief Fiscal Officer to review a decision made by a Department employee or an agent of the Department in the handling of the application for, or the issuance of a license, permit, or preference point if the decision is contrary to statute or rule and regulation promulgated by the Commission. All decisions of the Chief Fiscal Officer shall abide by provisions of state and federal statutes and commission regulations. In the case of Department error on an unsuccessful application, or an applicant who is issued a license other than that for which he applied, the Chief Fiscal Officer shall determine whether the applicant would have drawn the license if the error had not happened. If the applicant would have drawn and no licenses remain available, the Chief Fiscal Officer may increase the license quota to resolve the claim. For the unsuccessful applicant who would not have drawn and who would have received a refund had the error not occurred, the Chief Fiscal Officer shall make no other finding in his decision. For the successful applicant who would not have drawn the first choice had the error not occurred, the Chief Fiscal Officer shall offer two choices. The Chief Fiscal Officer may offer the licensee a refund or allow the licensee to keep the license so issued;

(viii) Any youth licensee may be granted a license refund if the youth licensee's opportunity to hunt is jeopardized as a result of any license refund granted by the Department as specified in sections (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v), (vi), or (vii) of this subsection.

**(ix) A sponsoring organization of a person with a life-threatening illness that has received a license under Section 12(b) may be granted a license refund if the licensee's opportunity to hunt is jeopardized as a result of incapacitating illness or injury supported by a physician's sworn statement on forms provided by the Department that the licensee is incapable of performing tasks necessary to exercise the privileges of the license.**

(e) Refunds shall not be allowed under the following circumstances:

(i) The licensee illegally purchased more licenses than what he was entitled to purchase by Commission regulation or Wyoming statute;

(ii) Under no circumstances shall the Department approve a refund of any license, permit, stamp, or tag if the written request for refund is received after December 31<sup>st</sup> of the calendar year in which the license, permit, stamp, or tag was issued;

(iii) Refunds shall be denied in any circumstance where the licensee hunted on the license for the designated species as specified in Commission rules and regulations, including special archery seasons, during the year for which the license is issued.

(f) There shall be no right of appeal to the Commission for any decision rendered by the Chief Fiscal Officer or the Department for any provision of this section.

(g) Restoration of preference points. In any case where a license may be obtained by the accumulation of preference points, or preference points may be obtained in lieu of application for a license and a license refund is granted by the Department, all accumulated preference points, including any preference point that may have been earned for the year the license is issued, shall be restored to the applicant.

Section 24. Alteration or Transfer of Licenses, Permits, Stamps, Tags, Coupons or Preference Points to Another Person Prohibited; Use by Another Person Prohibited; Invalidation by Improper Fees. Department licenses, permits, stamps, tags or coupons shall not be altered by anyone other than authorized Department personnel.

(a) No license, permit, stamp, tag, coupon or preference point shall be transferred, or used for the purpose of taking wildlife except by the individual to whom it was issued and therein named and while in that individual's possession. No individual shall take or attempt to take any wildlife using another individual's license, permit, stamp, tag, or coupon. Any license, permit, stamp, preference point, or tag shall not be valid unless the proper fees have been received by the Department.

(b) Licenses, excluding lifetime licenses, shall only become valid when signed by the person in whose name the license is issued in the space provided on the license for the owner's signature, and where applicable, co-signed by a parent or legal guardian.

(c) Any Department enforcement officer may seize as evidence any license, permit, stamp, tag, or coupon that was obtained in violation of Commission regulations or Wyoming statute.

Section 25. License Expiration. All licenses, excluding licenses to operate game bird farms, shall expire on the last day of the calendar year in which issued; except, the Commission by regulation provides that big game licenses and wild bison licenses issued in one (1) calendar year are valid through the closing date established in January of the next succeeding calendar year when the Commission establishes a hunting season for big game animals or wild bison for which the licenses are valid that opens in one (1) calendar year and closes in January of the next succeeding calendar year. All daily hunting and fishing licenses shall only be valid for the calendar day(s) delineated on the license.

Section 26. Violation of Commission Regulations. Failure to abide by the provisions of this regulation shall be punishable as provided by Wyoming statutes for violation of Commission regulations.

Section 27. Savings Clause. If any provision of this regulation is held to be illegal or unconstitutional, such a ruling shall not affect other provisions of this regulation which can be given effect without the illegal or unconstitutional provision; and, to this end, the provisions of this regulation are severable.

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

By:

Clifford Kirk, President

Dated: August 6, 2009 ~~March 12, 2009~~



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**WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION**

**CHAPTER 4**

**FURBEARING ANIMAL HUNTING OR TRAPPING SEASONS**

Section 1. Authority. This regulation is promulgated by authority of W.S. §23-1-302, W.S. §23-2-303, W.S. §23-2-305 and W.S. §23-3-109.

Section 2. Definitions. For the purpose of this regulation, definitions shall be as set forth in Title 23, Wyoming Statutes, and the Commission also adopts the following definitions:

(a) "Drainage" means all lands within the watershed of a named river or stream, including all tributaries and standing waters which drain into that river or stream.

(b) "Green pelt" means the untanned hide or skin of a furbearing animal.

(c) "Owner" means the person who physically sets any trap or snare in any fashion that may result in the take of any furbearing ~~furbearer~~ or predatory animal.

(d) "Quick-kill ~~B~~body-grip ~~T~~traps" means a device traps that closes around the body or head of the animal in such a manner as to almost immediately kill the animal caught. Such traps include, but are not necessarily limited to, Conibear type traps. ~~For the purposes of this regulation, snares are not considered quick-kill body grip trap(s).~~

(e) "Snare" means a device consisting of a loop with no mechanical trigger for capturing furbearing or predatory animals.

(f) "Leg-hold Trap" means any device using a mechanical trigger that springs the jaws or loop shut for capturing furbearing or predatory animals.

(g) "Trapping" or "trap" means the taking of a furbearing **or** predatory animal by trap, snare or with a firearm or archery equipment.

(h) "Trap ~~I~~identification ~~N~~umber" means an identification number assigned to the owner of traps or snares by the Department.

(i) "Week" means the seven-day period starting on Monday through the following Sunday.



Section 3. Hunting or Trapping Seasons Established. There shall be open seasons for the hunting or trapping of furbearing animals and the use of dogs to take bobcats as set forth in this Chapter. Furbearing animals may also be taken by hunting with the use of firearms. This regulation shall remain in effect until modified or repealed by the Commission.

Section 4. Hunting or Trapping Seasons.

(a) Species, Hunting or Trapping Areas, Season Dates and Limitations.

<u>Species</u>	<u>Trapping Area</u>	<u>Date of Seasons</u>		<u>Limitations</u>
		<u>Opens</u>	<u>Closes</u>	
Mink	1	Oct. 1	March 31	Any mink
Bobcat	1	Nov. 15	March 1	Any bobcat
Muskrat	1	Oct. 1	April 30	Any muskrat
Weasel	1	Oct. 1	March 31	Any weasel
Badger	1	Jan.1	Dec. 31	Any badger
Marten	1	Oct. 1	March 1	Any marten
	2	Dec. 1	March 1	Any marten
	602	Oct. 1	March 1	5 trappers; 100 marten
Beaver	1	Oct. 1	April 30	Any beaver
	101	Oct. 1	April 30	1 trapper; 5 beaver
	102	Oct. 1	April 30	1 trapper; 20 beaver
	103	Oct. 1	April 30	1 trapper; 10 beaver
	104	Oct. 1	April 30	1 trapper; 25 beaver
	301-305	CLOSED		
	401	CLOSED		
	404	<del>Oct. 1</del>	<del>April 30</del>	<del>1 trapper; 25 beaver</del> <b><u>CLOSED</u></b>
	405	<del>Oct. 1</del>	<del>April 30</del>	<del>1 trapper; 20 beaver</del> <b><u>CLOSED</u></b>
	406	<del>Oct. 1</del>	<del>April 30</del>	<del>1 trapper; 10 beaver</del> <b><u>CLOSED</u></b>
407	<del>Oct. 1</del>	<del>April 30</del>	<del>1 trapper; 10 beaver</del> <b><u>CLOSED</u></b>	
408	Oct. 1	April 30	1 trapper; 15 beaver	
409	Oct. 1	April 30	1 trapper; 15 beaver	
410	Oct. 1	April 30	1 trapper; 15 beaver	
411	Oct. 1	April 30	1 trapper; 35 beaver	
412	Oct. 1	April 30	1 trapper; 15 beaver	
413	Oct. 1	April 30	1 trapper; 30 beaver	
414	Oct. 1	April 30	1 trapper; 30 beaver	

<u>Species</u>	<u>Trapping Area</u>	<u>Date of Seasons</u>		<u>Limitations</u>
		<u>Opens</u>	<u>Closes</u>	
Beaver	501	Oct. 1	April 30	1 trapper; 10 beaver
	502	Oct. 1	April 30	1 trapper; 10 beaver
	601	Oct. 1	April 30	1 trapper; 30 beaver
	602	Oct. 1	April 30	1 trapper; 30 beaver
	603	Oct. 1	April 30	2 trappers; 60 beaver
	604	Oct. 1	April 30	1 trapper; 30 beaver
	605	Oct. 1	April 30	1 trapper; 5 beaver

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Section 5. Furbearing Animal Hunting or Trapping Area Descriptions.

(a) Area and Number.

(i) All furbearing animals, excluding marten and beaver.

Area 1. The entire State of Wyoming, excluding those areas closed in Section 5(b).

(ii) Marten.

Area 1. The entire State of Wyoming, excluding Area 2 and Limited Quota Area 602 as listed in this subsection and those areas closed in Section 5(b).

Area 2. Snowy Range. Beginning at the junction of Interstate Highway 80 and U.S. Highway 287 in the city of Laramie; southerly along U.S. Highway 287 to the Wyoming-Colorado state line; westerly along said line to Wyoming Highway 230 in Carbon County; northerly along said highway to Wyoming Highway 130; northerly along said highway to Interstate Highway 80; easterly along said highway to its junction with U.S. Highway 287.

Area 602. Little Popo Agie. All U.S. Forest Service lands within the Little Popo Agie River drainage (including Cherry Creek and Snow Creek) and the Sawmill Creek drainage in Fremont County.

(iii) Beaver.

Area 1. The entire State of Wyoming, excluding those limited quota trapping areas listed in this subsection and those areas closed in Section 5(b).

Area 101. Ditch Creek. Ditch Creek drainage in Teton County.

Area 102. Willow Creek. Willow Creek drainage in Teton and Lincoln Counties.

Area 103. Game Creek and Little Horse Creek. Game Creek and Little Horse Creek drainages in Teton County.

Area 104. Fall Creek. All of the Fall Creek, Mosquito Creek and Dog Creek drainages on U.S. Forest Service lands in Teton and Lincoln Counties.

Area 301. North Tongue River. North Tongue River drainage in Sheridan County.

Area 302. South Tongue River. South Tongue River drainage in Sheridan County.

Area 303. East Fork of Big Goose Creek. East Fork of Big Goose Creek drainage upstream of Park Reservoir in Johnson County.

Area 304. Clear Creek. Clear Creek drainage on U.S. Forest Service lands in Johnson County.

Area 305. Crazy Woman Creek. Crazy Woman Creek drainage on U.S. Forest Service lands in Johnson County.

Area 401. South Rock Springs. That portion of Sweetwater County south of I-80 between the Green River, Flaming Gorge Reservoir and Wyoming Highway 430.

Area 404. Henrys Fork. Henrys Fork River, Louse Creek and Sage Creek drainages on the Wasatch-Cache National Forest in Uinta County.

Area 405. Cottonwood Creek. Cottonwood Creek drainage on the Wasatch-Cache National Forest in Uinta County.

Area 406. East Fork of Smiths Fork. Drainages of Gilbert Creek and East Fork of Smiths Fork River upstream from Wasatch-Cache National Forest boundary in Uinta County.

Area 407. West Fork of Smiths Fork. West Fork of the Smiths Fork River and Willow Creek drainages upstream from Wasatch-Cache National Forest boundary in Uinta County.

Area 408. Salt Creek. Salt Creek drainage on U.S. Forest Service lands, Salt Creek Proper and Raymond Creek drainage on public lands in Lincoln County.

Area 409. Upper Smiths Fork. Smiths Fork drainage on U.S. Forest Service lands in Lincoln County.

Area 410. Hobble Creek. Hobble Creek drainage on U.S. Forest Service lands, Coal Creek, and Saw Mill Creek drainages in Lincoln County.

Area 411. Hams Fork River (Hams Fork). Beginning where the Hams Fork River crosses the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary to where the river crosses U.S. Forest Service Road 062 and all tributaries lying east of the Hams Fork River in Lincoln County.

Area 412. South Fork Fontenelle Creek. Beginning where the South Fork of Fontenelle Creek crosses the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary to its headwaters and all tributaries in Lincoln County, including all of the drainages of the South Fork of Fontenelle Creek upstream from the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary within Lincoln County.

Area 413. Fontenelle Creek. Beginning where Fontenelle Creek crosses the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary to the confluence of Camp Fire Creek and all tributaries in Lincoln County, including all of the drainages of Fontenelle Creek between the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary and Camp Fire Creek within Lincoln County.

Area 414. LaBarge Creek and South LaBarge Creek (main streams). Beginning where LaBarge Creek crosses the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary to its headwaters and the main channel of South LaBarge Creek in Lincoln County. LaBarge Creek Proper will be closed one (1) mile each direction from the confluence of Nameless Creek and LaBarge Creek in Lincoln County.

Area 501. North Pole Mountain. All of the drainages of Brush Creek, Crow Creek, Lodgepole (Pole) Creek, McKechnie Creek and Horse Creek within the boundaries of the Pole Mountain Division of the Medicine Bow National Forest and north of the Happy Jack Road (Wyoming Secondary Highway 210-U.S.F.S. 722) in Albany County.

Area 502. South Pole Mountain. All of the drainages of Brush Creek, Lodgepole (Pole) Creek, Crow Creek and Dale Creek within the boundaries of the Pole Mountain Division of the Medicine Bow National Forest and south of the Happy Jack Road (Wyoming Secondary Highway 210-U.S.F.S. 722) in Albany County.

Area 601. Beaver Creek. All public lands within the Twin Creek and Beaver Creek drainages south of U.S. Highway 287 in Fremont County.

Area 602. Little Popo Agie. All U.S. Forest Service lands within the Little Popo Agie River drainage (including Cherry Creek and Snow Creek) and all U.S. Forest Service lands within the Sawmill Creek drainage in Fremont County.

Area 603. Upper Sweetwater. All public lands within the Sweetwater River drainage above Phelps-Dodge Bridge in Fremont and Sublette Counties.

Area 604. Sweetwater. All public lands within the Rock Creek, Strawberry Creek and Deep Creek drainages and along the Sweetwater River proper between Phelps-Dodge Bridge and Sweetwater Station in Fremont County.

Area 605. Green Mountain. All public lands within the Crooks Creek, Cottonwood Creek, Cooper Creek and Willow Creek drainages on Green Mountain in Fremont County.

(b) Closed Areas.

(i) The following areas shall be closed to the taking of all furbearing animals.

(A) Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area in Bighorn County.

(B) Grand Teton National Park in Teton County;

(C) John D. Rockefeller Jr. Memorial Parkway in Teton County;

(D) National Elk Refuge in Teton County; and,

(E) Rawhide Wildlife Management Area, Springer Wildlife Habitat Management Area and the Table Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Area in Goshen County shall be closed October 1 through February 15.

(ii) The following areas shall be closed to the taking of beaver.

(A) Beaver Creek drainage from Wyoming Highway 70 downstream to its confluence with the North Fork of the Encampment River in Carbon County;

(B) Cache Creek drainage in Teton County;

(C) Cliff Creek drainage in Sublette County;

(D) Granite Creek drainage from the Granite Hot Springs swimming pool downstream to the confluence with the Hoback River in Teton and Sublette Counties;

(E) Nameless Creek proper in Lincoln County;

(F) Nash Fork drainage south of Wyoming Highway 130 from the Snowy Range Ski Area Road downstream to its confluence with the North Fork of the Little Laramie River in Albany County;

(G) South Fork Hog Park Creek drainage from the Colorado/Wyoming state line downstream to its confluence with Hog Park Creek in Carbon County;

(H) South Fork Lake Creek and Goetze Creek drainages on the Pennock Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Area in Carbon County; and,

(I) The head of the Rock Creek drainage north and east of the Sand Lake Road (USFS Road 101) downstream to its confluence with the South Fork of Rock Creek in Carbon County.

(iii) The following areas shall be closed to the taking of Marten.

(A) All lands within the Pole Mountain Unit of the Medicine Bow National Forest in Albany County.

Section 6. Common Season Boundary. Wherever a stream or river forms a boundary between two (2) trapping areas with differing seasons for the same furbearing animal, the stream or river channel proper shall open for trapping on the earliest opening date and close on the latest closing date of the two (2) seasons involved.

Section 7. Limited Quota Furbearing Animal Trapping Area Permits. Limited quota trapping areas shall be open only to the person(s) who possesses a furbearing animal trapping permit for the limited quota trapping area and a furbearing animal trapping license. Only the holder of a permit for a limited quota trapping area(s) shall be allowed to trap the limited quota area for the designated species during the trapping season for which the permit is valid. Permit holders shall be determined by a random computer selection.

(a) Application for Limited Quota Furbearing Animal Trapping Permits. Applications shall be available from Wyoming Game and Fish Department Regional Offices, the Cheyenne Headquarters Office and game wardens. Any qualified person may

submit one (1) application for a limited quota trapping area drawing and may list as many as three (3) choices.

(b) When trapping, each permit holder shall present his permit and a valid Wyoming furbearing animal trapping license for inspection upon request to any law enforcement officer empowered to enforce these regulations.

(c) Application Date. Applications shall be submitted on a form provided by the Department to the Headquarters Office from July 1 through September 1.

(d) Drawing. Only correct and complete applications received in the Headquarters Office during the application dates shall be entered in the random computer selection. Successful applicants shall be notified by mail.

(e) ~~Leftover Issue After~~ Limited Quota Trapping Area Permits. After the regular drawing, applicants may apply for limited quota trapping area permits not issued in the drawing for limited quota furbearing animal trapping areas. Applicants shall apply to the Headquarters Office. Permits shall be issued in the order the applications are processed or until quotas are reached. Submission of an application either through the mail or hand delivered shall not guarantee a permit

#### Section 8. Authorization to Trap.

(a) Any person holding a valid Wyoming furbearing animal trapping license shall be authorized to trap furbearing animals in any trapping area specified in the current trapping regulations, excluding those species within limited quota furbearing animal trapping areas requiring a limited quota furbearing animal trapping permit as specified in this regulation and excluding closed areas in Section 5(b) of this regulation.

(b) Individuals issued limited quota furbearing animal trapping permits shall contact the game warden listed on the notice for instructions prior to taking furbearing animals authorized by this permit in the limited quota furbearing animal trapping areas.

#### **Section 9. Snare Specifications and Check Period for Snares and Quick-kill Body-grip Traps.**

**(a) All snares used for furbearing or predatory animals shall be equipped with a break-away device located at the point of the snare lock;**

**(b) Break-away devices shall release at two hundred ninety-five (295) pounds of pressure or less;**

**(c) Snare capture loop size shall not exceed twelve (12) inches in diameter measured from side to side;**



**(d) Snares shall be solidly anchored to ensure the break-away device properly functions to release at two hundred ninety-five (295) pounds of pressure or less, and;**

**(i) Snares shall not be anchored to any wire of a fence.**

**(ii) Snares shall not be anchored to any moveable object such as a drag.**

**(e) All snares and quick-kill body-grip traps shall be checked a minimum of one time each week, except during the initial week the snares or quick-kill body-grip traps were set.**

Section **10.9. Mandatory Bobcat Registration.** All bobcats harvested in Wyoming shall be registered with the Department by the person taking the bobcat, regardless of the final disposition of the pelt or unskinned carcass. Bobcat pelts may be registered throughout the bobcat season, but registration of pelts shall end at 5:00 p.m. on March 11 of each year. The properly licensed trapper shall present the pelt or unskinned carcass in an unfrozen condition to a game warden or a Department Regional Office. It shall be unlawful to possess an untagged green bobcat pelt after the registration period expires. Before a Wyoming bobcat tag shall be issued, the person taking a bobcat shall provide to the Department at the time of registration, the age and sex of the bobcat, the number of the Department's bobcat management area in which the bobcat was taken, the date the bobcat was taken, the number of traps that were set, and the number of days traps were set or days hunted with a firearm (i.e. trapping or harvest effort). A Wyoming bobcat tag shall be attached to the pelt or unskinned carcass by an employee of the Department. Wyoming bobcat tags shall be issued free of charge.

Section **11. 40. Trapping of Non-target Wildlife; Disposition of Furbearing Animals at the Trap Site.** All non-target wildlife, including but not necessarily limited to game animals, game birds, furbearing animals, protected animals or protected birds that are trapped shall be released unharmed. If a big or trophy game animal, game bird, protected animal or raptor caught has been injured to the extent that the injury may result in death of the animal or if the animal has been killed, the trapper shall immediately notify a Department law enforcement officer. Furbearing animals legally taken shall be either killed at the trap site or immediately released to the wild. If the trapper holds both a furbearing animal trapping license and a license to capture furbearing animals for domestication, the furbearing animals do not have to be killed at the trap site.

Section **12. 44. Use of Dogs.** Persons possessing a valid furbearing animal trapping license may use dogs to take bobcats during the bobcat hunting or trapping season.

Section ~~13.12~~. Trap Identification Numbers. All traps and snares used for furbearing or predatory animals shall be permanently marked or tagged with the name and address of the owner or the trap identification number assigned to the owner by the Department.

(a) A person may apply for a trap identification number from the Department. Each individual shall be issued only one (1) trap identification number for the life of the trapper. Trap identification numbers shall be transferable from one (1) person to another only upon completion of an application and approval by the Department.

(b) Trap identification numbers shall consist of the prefix WY, followed by the last two (2) digits of the calendar year in which the number is issued, followed by a number generated by the Department. A hyphen shall separate the three (3) portions of the number. For example, the first trap identification number issued in calendar year 2001 shall be WY-01-001. Numbers shall be legible, at least one-eighth (1/8) inch in height and affixed to traps in such a manner as to read left to right. The trap identification number shall be stamped on the trap or on a metal tag that is affixed to the trap.

(c) Application for a trap identification number shall include the full name and complete home address of the applicant and shall be submitted on a form provided by the Department. Applications shall be submitted to the Wildlife Division, at the Headquarters Office of the Wyoming Game and Fish Department.

(d) Any person who has obtained a trap identification number shall notify the Department by telephoning (307) 777-4686 within thirty (30) days of any change in address.

Section ~~14.13~~. Violation of Commission Regulations. Failure to abide by the provisions of this regulation shall be punishable as provided by Wyoming statutes for violation of Commission regulations.

Section ~~15.14~~. Savings Clause. If any provision of this regulation is held to be illegal or unconstitutional, such a ruling shall not affect other provisions of this regulation which can be given effect without the illegal or unconstitutional provision; and, to this end, the provisions of the regulation are severable.

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Dated: August 6, 2009 ~~August 1, 2008~~



(i) “Duplicate number or duplicate certificate” means a certificate of number issued by the Department to replace an original certificate of number.

(j) “Enclosed cabin” means a permanent structure with hardened sides, which is intended for human occupation.

(k) “Gunwale” means the upper edge of the side of a watercraft.

**(l) “HIN” means a Hull Identification Number that meets the specifications listed in Title 33 of the Code of Federal Regulations.**

(~~m~~l) “Kill switch” means a device for shutting off the engine of a personal watercraft in the event the operator falls off the personal watercraft while it is underway.

(~~n~~m) “Length of a watercraft” means the length of the hull of a watercraft measured in a straight line from the stem to the stern excluding the deck, bowsprits, bumpkins, rudders, outboard motor brackets and similar fittings or attachments.

(~~o~~n) “Motorized watercraft” means any watercraft powered by an internal combustion or electric engine.

(~~p~~o) “Motorized watercraft dealer ” means a person who is engaged in the business of manufacture or sale of motorboats in Wyoming and who is required to be licensed with the Wyoming Department of Revenue to collect and remit sales tax or a person whose motorboat sales business is outside Wyoming, but who demonstrates motorboats in Wyoming.

(~~q~~p) “No wake” means the speed of a watercraft when underway that does not cause water action which disturbs another watercraft at rest, a dock, or swimmers; and, in no case shall the speed of the watercraft when underway be in excess of five (5) miles per hour.

(~~r~~q) “Operator” means the person who is in physical control or in charge of a watercraft while it is in use. **When the person in physical control of a watercraft is under the age of sixteen (16) years, the accompanying adult may be considered the operator.**

(~~s~~r) “Personal watercraft” means any inboard motorized watercraft less than sixteen (16) feet in length which has a water-jet pump as its primary source of motor propulsion and which is designed to be operated by a person sitting, standing or kneeling on the watercraft, rather than the conventional manner of sitting or standing inside the watercraft.

(ts) “Port” means the left side of a watercraft **as one faces forward** and is denoted by a red light.

**(u) “Proof of ownership for temporary operation” means a notarized bill of sale stating the name of the previous owner of the motorized watercraft, the name of the purchaser of the watercraft, description of the watercraft with correct HIN or a copy of a properly transferred title, a bill of sale with correct HIN from a motorized watercraft dealer, or a copy of a notarized affidavit by the builder of a homemade watercraft which indicates a description of the watercraft and the date construction was completed.**

(vt) “Rental boat owner” means a person who rents watercraft to the public for a fee.

(wv) “Safe carrying capacity” means the capacity shall not exceed the number of persons or the weight limit, whichever is reached first, as stated on the capacity plate affixed to the watercraft.

(xv) “Starboard” means the right side of a watercraft **as one faces forward** and is denoted by a green light.

(yw) “Stem” means the line where the port and starboard hulls join together at the bow.

(zx) “Stern” means the transom or rear end of a watercraft.

**(aa) “Temporary operation” means the operation of a motorized watercraft without a certificate of number during the thirty (30) consecutive days immediately following the date of purchase.**

(bby) “Throwable device” means a U.S. Coast Guard approved Type 4 personal flotation device.

(ccz) “Underway” means the watercraft is being propelled by mechanized power, by wind, or human effort.

(ddaa) “Vessel” means every description of watercraft, other than a seaplane on the water, used or capable of being used as a means of transportation on the water.

(eebb) “Wake” means the water action caused by a watercraft which is underway that disturbs another watercraft at rest, a dock, or swimmers; and, the speed of the watercraft exceeds five (5) miles per hour.

(**fee**) “Water sport toy” means a sailboard, float tube, kite board or any aid to swimming or fishing that is not defined as a watercraft.

(**gdd**) “Watercraft” means any contrivance used or designed primarily for navigation on the water that is designed to be propelled by paddles, oars, sails or motors; except devices defined as water sport toys. Amphibious vehicles designed for travel over land and water **with propeller or jet propulsion systems shall** ~~shall not~~ be considered watercraft for the purpose of this regulation.

(**hee**) “Wearable personal flotation device” means a U.S. Coast Guard approved Type 1, Type 2, or Type 3 personal flotation device.

#### Section 4. Motorized Watercraft Registration and Numbers.

(a) All numbers assigned to motorized watercraft in the State shall consist of three (3) parts. The first part, the prefix, shall consist of the letters "WY" signifying the State of registration; the second part shall consist of not more than four (4) Arabic numerals; the third part, the suffix, shall consist of not more than two (2) capital letters, but “I”, “O” and “Q” shall not be used because of their similarity to Arabic numerals. The first capital letter in the third part, the suffix, shall indicate the Class of motorboat as A, B, C, or D. Numbers assigned to motorized watercraft dealers shall have the letters "DL" as the suffix. **Numbers assigned to rental watercraft shall have the letters “AL,” “BL,” or “CL” as the suffix.**

(b) All numbers shall be displayed on each side of the bow of the motorized watercraft in such a manner that the numbers shall be clearly readable when the motorized watercraft is underway.

(i) Numbers shall be affixed on each side of the exterior bow of motorized watercraft to read from left to right. The number shall be:

(A) In plain, block vertical, not slanted, letters and numerals of the same proportion;

(B) A minimum of three (3) inches high excluding shading and bordering; and,

(C) A color which shall contrast with the color of the background, i.e., dark numbers on a light background or light numbers on a dark background.

(ii) A hyphen or a space, equal in width to the letter “W” in the prefix, shall separate the three (3) parts of the number. For example: “WY-1234-A” or “WY 1234 A”.

(iii) All numbers assigned to motorized watercraft, except those assigned to motorized watercraft dealers, shall be painted on or securely attached to the bow of the motorized watercraft. Motorized watercraft dealers may affix the number for motorized watercraft which are for sale to a removable board(s) to permit transfer of the assigned number upon sale. Display of such number shall be in accordance with this section.

(iv) A motorized watercraft dealer is eligible to receive more than one (1) registration certificate and one (1) motorized watercraft registration number. A motorized watercraft dealer registration number is not assigned to a specific motorized watercraft. Motorized watercraft dealer registration numbers shall not be transferred to another motorized watercraft dealer or motorized watercraft owner.

(c) Upon payment of the motorized watercraft registration fee, each applicant for a motorized watercraft **certificate of** number shall be issued a registration certificate and two (2) decals upon which shall appear a designation of the year(s) for which the registration fee was paid and the abbreviation WYO. One (1) decal shall be displayed on each side of the motorized watercraft to which the number is assigned aft and directly in line with the assigned number of the motorized watercraft. No other type decal shall be displayed on the front half of the hull. Only the decal which is currently valid shall be displayed.

(d) ~~Proof of the T~~transfer of ownership for registration or ~~proof of ownership for~~ first time registration of a motorized watercraft shall **require a copy or original certificate of title issued in the name of the applicant(s) with the correct HIN.** ~~be required. Proof of the transfer of ownership or proof of ownership shall consist of a copy of:~~

**(i) A watercraft registration shall only be issued in the name of the owner as it appears on the certificate of title.**

~~(i) A notarized bill of sale stating the name of the previous owner of the motorized watercraft, the name of the purchaser of the watercraft, description of the watercraft and the correct hull identification number (HIN); or,~~

~~(ii) A bill of sale from a motorized watercraft dealer, the bill of sale shall state the correct hull identification number (HIN), or any other documentation that meets approval of the Department.—~~

~~(iii) Sales tax receipt from the County Treasurer, or indication of Wyoming Sales/Use Tax payment on the invoice from a Wyoming motorized watercraft dealer.~~

~~(iv) Proof of ownership for homemade motorized watercraft shall consist of a copy of a notarized affidavit by the builder of the motorized watercraft which indicates the description of the motorized watercraft and the date construction was~~

~~completed, or any other documentation approved by the Department. It shall also consist of a sales tax receipt for all products and materials utilized in the construction of the homemade watercraft, including the motor attached to the watercraft; or, any other documentation approved by the Department.~~

(e) Persons making application for a watercraft dealer's registration shall provide the Department with a properly completed Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement – Certificate of Exemption form. The form, which can be obtained from the Department of Revenue, indicates the watercraft is being purchased for resale and the purchase is exempt from sales/use tax. The dealer's sales tax license number shall appear on the form.

(f) Duplicate Certificate of Number.

(i) The Department shall not charge a fee for issuance of a duplicate certificate of number when the loss or destruction of the certificate was the fault of the Department. The Department shall charge a fee of five dollars (\$5.00) for issuance of a duplicate certificate of number when the loss or destruction of the original certificate of number was not the fault of the Department.

Section 5. Watercraft Safety Equipment Requirements. Except as provided in this section, it shall be the responsibility of the operator of the watercraft to ensure that all required safety equipment is aboard the watercraft during operation. If the owner of the watercraft is aboard the watercraft during operation, it shall be the responsibility of the owner and not the operator to ensure that all required safety equipment is aboard the watercraft during operation. In the case of rental watercraft, it shall be the responsibility of the rental boat owner to ensure that all required safety equipment is aboard the watercraft at the time the watercraft is rented.

(a) Every watercraft when underway on the waters of the State from sunset to sunrise shall carry and exhibit lights in accordance with the provisions of this section. From sunset to sunrise, no other light which may be mistaken for those listed in this section shall be used.

(i) Every motorized watercraft of classes A and B shall carry the following lights:

(A) A bright white light aft to be visible three hundred sixty degrees ( $360^{\circ}$ ) all around the horizon; and,

(B) A combined lantern in the front of the motorized watercraft and lower than the white light aft, showing green to starboard and red to port, so fixed as to show the light from directly ahead to twenty-two and five tenths degrees ( $22.5^{\circ}$ ) aft the beam on their respective sides.



(ii) Every motorized watercraft of classes C and D shall carry the following lights:

(A) A bright white light in the front of the motorized watercraft as near the bow at the center axis as practicable, so constructed as to show an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of two hundred twenty-five degrees ( $225^{\circ}$ ), and fixed to show the light one hundred twelve and five tenths degrees ( $112.5^{\circ}$ ) on each side of the motorized watercraft; from directly ahead to twenty-two and five tenths degrees ( $22.5^{\circ}$ ) aft the beam on either side;

(B) A bright white light aft to show three hundred sixty degrees ( $360^{\circ}$ ) all around the horizon and higher than the white light forward; and,

(C) On the starboard side a green light constructed to show an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of one hundred twelve and five tenths ( $112.5^{\circ}$ ) degrees, and fixed to show the light from directly ahead to twenty-two and five tenths degrees ( $22.5^{\circ}$ ) aft the beam on the starboard side. On the port side a red light constructed to show an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of one hundred twelve and five tenths degrees ( $112.5^{\circ}$ ), and fixed as to show the light from directly ahead to twenty-two and five tenths degrees ( $22.5^{\circ}$ ) aft the beam on the port side. Each light shall be fitted with inboard screens of sufficient height set to prevent light from being seen across the bow.

(iii) Every white light referred to in this section shall be visible at a distance of at least two (2) miles and every colored light shall be visible at a distance of one (1) mile.

(iv) Sailboats, when propelled by sail alone, shall exhibit the following lights: On the starboard side a green light and on the port side a red light to show an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon from directly ahead to twenty-two and five tenths degrees ( $22.5^{\circ}$ ) aft the beam. Sailboats shall also carry at the stern a white light to show the light sixty-seven and five tenths degrees ( $67.5^{\circ}$ ) from aft on each side of the watercraft. In a small sailboat if it is not possible on account of bad weather or other sufficient causes for the light to be fixed, sailboats shall carry ready at hand a lantern or flashlight to show a white light which shall be exhibited in sufficient time to avoid collision. Sailboats less than forty (40) feet in length may carry a combined light in lieu of separate side lights.

(v) All hand propelled watercraft operated between sunset and sunrise shall have ready at hand a lantern or flashlight to show a white light which shall be exhibited in sufficient time to avoid collision.

(vi) All watercraft at anchor or adrift between sunset and sunrise, unless anchored at a designated site such as a marina, shoreline, etc., shall display in the front of the watercraft or where it can best be seen a white light to show all around the horizon and visible for two (2) miles.

(b) Every gasoline engine installed in a motorized watercraft after April 25, 1940, except outboard motors, shall be equipped with an efficient means of backfire flame control. Installations made before November 19, 1952, need not meet the detailed requirements of this subsection and may be continued in use as long as they are in good and serviceable condition. The following are acceptable means of backfire flame control for gasoline engines:

(i) A backfire flame arrester approved by the U.S. Coast Guard. The flame arrester shall be suitably secured to the air intake with flame tight connections;

(ii) An engine air and fuel intake system which provides adequate protection from propagation of backfire flame to the atmosphere equivalent to that provided by an approved flame arrester. A gasoline engine which has such an air and fuel intake system and which is to be operated without a U.S. Coast Guard approved flame arrester shall be labeled to meet requirements of the U.S. Coast Guard; and,

(iii) Any attachment to the carburetor or location of the engine air intake by means of which flames caused by engine backfire shall be dispersed to the atmosphere outside the motorized watercraft in such a way that the flames shall not endanger the motorized watercraft, persons on board, nearby watercraft or structures. All attachments shall be of metal with flame-tight connections and firmly secured to withstand vibration, shock and engine backfire. Such installations do not require formal U.S. Coast Guard approval but shall be accepted by law enforcement officers on the basis of this subsection.

(c) All motorized watercraft, except open boats, shall have at least two (2) ventilator ducts fitted with cowls or their equivalent for the efficient removal of explosive or flammable gases from the bilges of every engine and fuel tank compartment. There shall be at least one (1) exhaust duct installed so as to extend from the open atmosphere to the lower portion of the bilges and at least one (1) intake duct installed so as to extend to a point at least midway to the bilge or at least below the level of the carburetor air intake. The cowls shall be located and trimmed for maximum effectiveness to prevent displaced fumes from being recirculated. As used in this subsection, the term "open boat" means those motorized watercraft that have all engine and fuel tank compartments and other spaces to which explosive or flammable gases and vapors could form open to the atmosphere so as to prevent the entrapment of such gases and vapors within the motorized watercraft.

(d) Motorized watercraft shall be provided with an efficient sound producing device as set forth in this subsection:

Class of  
Motorized Watercraft

Type of Device

A & B	Mouth, hand or power operated device capable of producing a blast of two (2) seconds or more duration and audible for at least one-half (1/2) mile.
C	Hand or power operated device capable of producing a blast of two (2) seconds or more duration and audible for at least one (1) mile.
D	Power operated device capable of producing a blast of two (2) seconds or more duration and audible for a distance of at least one (1) mile.

(e) All watercraft shall carry a U.S. Coast Guard approved wearable personal flotation device of a suitable size for each person on board. All U.S. Coast Guard approved personal flotation devices shall be readily accessible, in good serviceable condition and shall not be waterlogged, torn, or have straps broken or missing.

(i) Watercraft sixteen (16) feet and over in length shall have a minimum of one (1) U.S. Coast Guard approved throwable device (unless otherwise provided by this regulation), ring buoy or buoyant cushion on board the watercraft, in addition to a U.S. Coast Guard approved wearable personal flotation device of a suitable size for each person on board. Watercraft sixteen (16) feet and over in length being utilized in Class II and above whitewater are exempt from having a minimum of one (1) U.S. Coast Guard approved throwable device if the watercraft has a safety throw rope. Class II whitewater means novice straightforward rapids with wide, clear channels which are evident without scouting; occasional maneuvering may be required, but rocks and medium sized waves are easily missed by trained paddlers; swimmers are seldom injured and group assistance, while helpful, is seldom needed; rapids that are at the upper end of this difficulty range are designated "class II".

(ii) Only U.S. Coast Guard approved personal flotation devices or U.S. Coast Guard approved ring buoys shall be carried on watercraft forty (40) feet and over in length.

(iii) All persons aboard personal watercraft and all persons being towed by a watercraft shall wear a U.S. Coast Guard approved wearable personal flotation device of a suitable size while engaged in such activity. All persons utilizing water sport toys are exempt from the requirement of carrying a U.S. Coast Guard approved wearable personal flotation device unless the water sport toy is being towed by a watercraft.

(iv) Requirement For Life Jacket Wear By Children.

(A) No person shall operate a watercraft underway with any child aboard **twelve (12)** years old or under unless each child is either wearing a U.S. Coast Guard approved personal flotation device (PFD) or is riding in an enclosed cabin.

(f) Operators of motorized watercraft shall display a fluorescent orange flag, at least twelve (12) inches x twelve (12) inches in size, above the motorized watercraft anytime persons towed on water-skis, water sport toys, or other contrivances are down in the water to warn other watercraft operators of the situation. The operator of the motorized watercraft shall ensure the flag is displayed in such a manner that it is visible three hundred sixty degrees (360°) around the motorized watercraft and the person in the water.

(g) Fire extinguishers

(i) Fire extinguishers shall be carried in all watercraft that have one or more of the following conditions that make the watercraft of closed construction:

- (A) Inboard engines;
- (B) Closed compartments under seats wherein portable fuel tanks may be stored;
- (C) Double bottoms not sealed to the hull or which are not completely filled with flotation materials;
- (D) Closed living spaces;
- (E) Closed stowage compartments in which combustible material are stored; or,
- (F) Permanently installed fuel tanks.

(ii) Fire extinguishers shall be U.S. Coast Guard or Underwriters Laboratory (U.L.) approved. Fire extinguishers are classified by letter and Roman numeral according to the type of fire they shall be expected to extinguish and the size of the extinguisher. The "letter" indicates the type of fire:

- (A) "A" shall be for fires of ordinary combustible materials;
- (B) "B" shall be for gasoline, oil and grease fires; and,
- (C) "C" shall be for electrical fires.

(iii) Fire extinguishers approved for watercraft shall be hand-portable of either B-I or B-II classification.

CLASSIFICATION (type-size)	FOAM (gallons)	CARBON DIOXIDE (pounds)	DRY CHEMICAL (pounds)	HALON (pounds)
B-I	1 1/4	4	2	2 1/2
B-II	2 1/2	15	10	--

(iv) Dry chemical fire extinguishers utilized on watercraft which do not exhibit gauges or devices indicating the amount of pressure in the extinguisher shall be weighed and display a tag which indicates the extinguisher has been weighed within the immediately preceding twelve (12) months. If the gross weight of a carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) fire extinguisher is reduced by more than ten percent (10%) of the net weight, the extinguisher does not meet the requirements of this section and shall be recharged.

(v) Fire extinguishers shall be readily accessible aboard the watercraft and in such condition as to be ready for immediate and effective use.

(vi) Requirements for fire extinguishers by length of watercraft are as follows:

(A) Watercraft less than twenty-six (26) feet in length. When no fixed fire extinguishing system is installed in machinery space(s), at least one (1) B-I type approved hand portable fire extinguisher is required. This requirement shall not apply to outboard watercraft less than twenty-six (26) feet in length if the construction of such watercraft shall not permit the entrapment of explosives or flammable gases or vapors. When an approved fixed fire extinguisher system is installed in machinery space(s), one (1) less B-I type extinguisher is required;

(B) Watercraft twenty-six (26) feet to less than forty (40) feet in length. At least two (2) B-I type approved portable fire extinguishers are required or at least one (1) B-II type approved portable fire extinguisher is required. When an approved fixed system is installed, one (1) B-I type is required; and,

(C) Watercraft forty (40) feet to less than sixty-five (65) feet in length. At least three (3) B-I type approved portable fire extinguishers are required; or at least one (1) B-I type plus one (1) B-II type approved portable fire extinguisher are required. When an approved fixed system is installed, two (2) B-I types are required.

Section 6. Boat Races, Regattas and Water Ski Tournaments. No regattas, watercraft races, marine parades, tournaments or exhibitions, or trials thereof, shall be held without prior written authorization from the Department.

(a) Department authorization shall not be granted for any regattas, watercraft races, marine parades, tournaments or exhibitions or trials thereof, without first assuring that:

(i) When the Department authorizes an event, water markers, buoys or regulatory signs shall be placed during the hours of the event by the person granted authority for the event to warn other watercraft operators of a controlled area prohibited from entering by anyone other than contestants of the event. The markers, buoys or regulatory signs shall conform with those adopted for use in the State; and,

(ii) The person granted authority for the regatta, watercraft races, marine parades, tournaments, exhibitions or trials shall satisfy the Department that adequate safeguards and controls exist to protect human life, limb and property.

#### Section 7. Waterway Marking System.

(a) The Department may restrict and guide watercraft use on waters by placement of such buoys, markers or regulatory signs as it deems necessary. All users of watercraft are required to obey the buoys, markers or regulatory signs. The buoys, markers or regulatory signs signify restricted areas, danger areas and information pertaining to watercraft operation in specific areas. Standard markers used are as follows:

(i) A diamond shape of international orange with white center shall indicate danger. The nature of the danger may be indicated by words or well known abbreviations in black letters inside the diamond shape, or above or below it on white background;

(ii) A diamond shape of international orange with a cross of international orange against a white center without qualifying explanation shall indicate a zone from which all watercraft are excluded;

(iii) A circle of international orange with white center shall indicate a control or restriction. The nature of the control or restriction shall be indicated by words, numerals or well known abbreviations in black letters inside the circle. Additional explanations may be given above or below in black letters;

(iv) A rectangular shape of international orange with white center shall indicate information, other than a danger, control or restriction which may contribute to health, safety or well being. The message shall be presented within the rectangle in black letters;

(v) Letters or numerals used with regulatory markers shall be black in block characters of good proportion and spaced in a manner which shall provide maximum legibility and visibility; and,

(vi) No buoys, markers or regulatory signs shall be placed upon the waters of the State without prior approval of the Department, except that divers or persons snorkeling shall place a diver's down flag(s) upon the water in the immediate area of their activity.

(A) Two (2) different flags are used to indicate the presence of a person engaged in diving in the immediate area. The official flag, Alpha, which is blue and white is internationally recognized for all diving operations. The second flag is the red flag with a white diagonal stripe. No person shall operate or permit the operation of any motorized watercraft ~~at a speed greater than a no-wake speed~~ on the waters of this State within one hundred (100) feet of a "diver down" flag(s) that has been displayed to indicate the presence of a person diving or snorkeling. The diver's down flag(s) shall be displayed only when diving or snorkeling is in progress, and shall be displayed so as not to impede normal watercraft traffic. **"Diver down" flag(s) shall not be placed in areas already occupied by other watercraft.**

(b) No person shall alter, damage, deface, destroy, move, remove, tie off to, or otherwise modify any Department approved buoy, marker or regulatory sign.

#### Section 8. Personal Watercraft.

(a) No person operating a personal watercraft shall cross or jump the wake of another watercraft within one hundred (100) feet of the watercraft creating the wake.

(b) No person shall operate a personal watercraft unless the watercraft is equipped with a "kill switch" installed by the manufacturer. When a personal watercraft is underway, the kill switch shall be attached via a lanyard to the operator of the personal watercraft in such a manner that in the event the operator is ejected from the personal watercraft the engine shall stop.

(c) Personal watercraft are prohibited on certain waters (refer to Section 9(b) of this regulation).

#### Section 9. Waters On Which The Operation of Watercraft Is Restricted or Prohibited.

(a) No person shall operate a motorized watercraft at a speed which causes a wake within one-hundred (100) feet of a drifting, trolling or anchored watercraft or person(s) in the water.

(b) The use of personal watercraft is prohibited on the following waters throughout the calendar year:

All waters in Grand Teton National Park in Teton County;  
Green River Lakes in Sublette County;  
New Fork Lakes in Sublette County; and,  
Soda Lake on Soda Lake Wildlife Habitat Management Area in Sublette County.

(c) The use of motorized watercraft is prohibited on the following waters throughout the calendar year except as otherwise provided. Emergency, search and rescue, enforcement and Game and Fish Department administrative watercraft are exempt.

Bearpaw Lake in Grand Teton National Park in Teton County;  
Bradley Lake in Grand Teton National Park in Teton County;  
Emma Matilda Lake in Grand Teton National Park in Teton County;  
Kemmerer City Reservoir in Lincoln County;  
Leigh Lake in Grand Teton National Park in Teton County;  
North Platte River upstream from the Saratoga Inn bridge in the town of Saratoga to the Colorado State line in Carbon County (The owners or agricultural lessees of property immediately adjacent to the North Platte River, or their agents, may utilize motorized watercraft to carry out agricultural practices.);  
South Worland Pond (also known as Golf Course Pond) in Washakie County;  
String Lake in Grand Teton National Park in Teton County;  
Taggart Lake in Grand Teton National Park in Teton County;  
Two Ocean Lake in Grand Teton National Park in Teton County; and,  
West Ten Sleep Lake in Big Horn County.

(d) The use of internal combustion engines in motorized watercraft is prohibited on the following waters throughout the calendar year except as otherwise provided. Emergency, search and rescue, enforcement and Game and Fish Department administrative watercraft are exempt.

A&M Reservoir in Sweetwater County;  
Absaraka Lake in Laramie County;  
Beck Lake Recreation Area including Beck Lake, New Cody Reservoir and Markham Reservoir in Park County;  
Black Hills Power and Light Osage Pond in Weston County;  
Bryan Stock Trail Pond in Natrona County;  
Burlington Reservoir in Natrona County;  
Cook Lake in Crook County;  
Dollar Lake in Sublette County;  
Edness Kimball Wilkins State Park including all ponds within the Park in Natrona County;



Festo Lake in Platte County;  
 Fiddlers Lake in Fremont County;  
 Fish Lake in Fremont County;  
 Gillette Fishing Lake in Campbell County;  
 Johnson Creek Reservoir in Albany County;  
 Kleenburn Ponds in Sheridan County;  
 Lake Alice in Lincoln County;  
 Leazenby Lake in Albany County;  
 Lake of the Woods in Fremont County;  
 Little Soda Lake in Sublette County;  
 Lower North Crow Reservoir (North Crow Diversion Reservoir) in Laramie  
 County;  
 Lucky Pond (Chittim Reservoir) in Fremont County;  
 Medicine Bow National Forest including all lakes within the boundaries of  
 Medicine Bow National Forest, except Sand Lake, Turpin Reservoir, Lake Owen, Rob  
 Roy Reservoir and Hog Park Reservoir, in Carbon and Albany Counties;  
 Middle Piney Lake in Sublette County;  
 Murphy Lake in Lincoln County;  
 Naughton Plant Pond in Lincoln County;  
 North Piney Lake in Sublette County;  
 Pelham Lake in Fremont County;  
 Rawlins City Reservoir in Carbon County;  
 Sand Mesa Reservoirs No. 1 and 2 in Fremont County;  
 Sibley Lake in Sheridan County;  
 Snake River from West Table boat ramp to Sheep Gulch boat ramp in Lincoln  
 County;  
 Soda Lake, on Soda Lake Wildlife Habitat Management Area, in Sublette County  
 shall be closed from May 10 through May 31 to the use of internal combustion motorized  
 watercraft;  
 South Springer Reservoir in Goshen County;  
 Swamp Lake in Park County;  
 Tie Hack Reservoir in Johnson County;  
 Upper and Lower Jade Lakes in Fremont County;  
 Upper North Crow Reservoir in Laramie and Albany Counties;  
 Western Nuclear Pond in Fremont County; and,  
 Wind River Lake in Fremont County.

(e) The use of any type watercraft is prohibited on the following waters throughout the calendar year, except as otherwise provided. Emergency, search and rescue, enforcement and Game and Fish Department administrative watercraft are exempt from this subsection.

Grayrocks Reservoir to include only that area between the regulatory buoys and the spillway in Platte County;

Hawk Springs Reservoir in Goshen County from December 1 – February 15;  
Jim Bridger Pond to include only that area inside the pumphouse booms in  
Sweetwater County;

North Platte River to include that area between the Dave Johnston Power Plant  
Public Access Area and the Dave Johnston Power Plant in Converse County;

North Platte River to include only that area between Glendo Dam and Glendo  
Powerplant in Platte County;

Ranchester City Reservoir in Sheridan County; and,  
Wheatland Reservoir No. 3 Canal from the headgate in Reservoir No. 2 to the  
mouth in Reservoir No. 3 in Albany County.

(f) The use of motorized watercraft powered by a motor in excess of fifteen (15)  
horsepower is prohibited on the following waters throughout the calendar year, except as  
otherwise provided. Emergency, search and rescue, enforcement and Game and Fish  
Department administrative watercraft are exempt from this subsection.

Crystal Reservoir in Laramie County;  
Deaver Reservoir in Park County;  
Harrington Reservoir in Big Horn County.  
Healy Reservoir in Johnson County;  
Jim Bridger Pond in Sweetwater County;  
Lily Lake in Park County;  
Muddy Guard Reservoirs in Johnson County;  
Newton Lakes Recreational Area including East and West Newton Lakes in Park  
County;  
Packers Lake in Goshen County;  
Park Reservoir in Johnson and Sheridan Counties;  
Renner Reservoir in Washakie County;  
Sloans Lake in Laramie County;  
Turpin Reservoir in Carbon County; and,

(g) The use of motorized watercraft powered by a motor in excess of ten (10)  
horsepower is prohibited on the following waters throughout the calendar year, except as  
otherwise provided. Emergency, search and rescue, enforcement, Game and Fish  
Department administrative watercraft and other watercraft authorized by Grand Teton  
National Park are exempt from this subsection.

Jenny Lake in Grand Teton National Park in Teton County.

#### Section 10. Enforcement.

(a) The Wyoming Game and Fish Commission hereby authorizes any peace  
officer of the State or any of its political subdivisions to enforce the provisions of Title 41  
and this regulation.

Section 11. Violation of Commission Regulations. Failure to abide by the provisions of this regulation shall be punishable as provided by Wyoming statutes for violation of Commission regulations.

Section 12. Savings Clause. If any provision of this regulation is held to be illegal or unconstitutional, such a ruling shall not affect other provisions of this regulation which can be given effect without the illegal or unconstitutional provision; and, to this end, the provisions of the regulation are severable.

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

By:

Clifford Kirk, ~~Bill Williams, DVM~~, President

Dated: August 6, 2009 ~~July 20, 2007~~

