



Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules

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1. General Information

a. Agency/Board Name*		
b. Agency/Board Address	c. City	d. Zip Code
e. Name of Agency Liaison		f. Agency Liaison Telephone Number
g. Agency Liaison Email Address		
h. Date of Public Notice		i. Comment Period End Date
j. Public Comment URL or Email Address:		
k. Program		

* By checking this box, the agency is indicating it is exempt from certain sections of the Administrative Procedure Act including public comment period requirements. Please contact the agency for details regarding these rules.

2. Legislative Enactment

For purposes of this Section 2, "new" only applies to regular rules promulgated in response to a Wyoming legislative enactment not previously addressed in whole or in part by prior rulemaking and does not include rules adopted in response to a federal mandate.

a. Are these rules new as per the above description and the definition of "new" in Chapter 1 of the Rules on Rules?

No. Yes. Please provide the Enrolled Act Numbers and Years Enacted:

3. Rule Type and Information

a. Provide the Chapter Number, Title, and Proposed Action for Each Chapter.
Please use the Additional Rule Information form for more than 10 chapters, and attach it to this certification.

Chapter Number:	Chapter Name:	<input type="checkbox"/> New	<input type="checkbox"/> Amended	<input type="checkbox"/> Repealed
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4. Public Comments and Hearing Information

a. A public hearing on the proposed rules has been scheduled. No. Yes. Please complete the boxes below.

Date:	Time:	City:	Location:
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b. What is the manner in which interested persons may present their views on the rulemaking action?

By submitting written comments to the Agency at the physical and/or email address listed in Section 1 above.

At the following URL: _____

A public hearing will be held if requested by 25 persons, a government subdivision, or by an association having not less than 25 members. Requests for a public hearing may be submitted:

To the Agency at the physical and/or email address listed in Section 1 above.

At the following URL: _____

c. Any person may urge the Agency not to adopt the rules and request the Agency to state its reasons for overruling the consideration urged against adoption. Requests for an agency response must be made prior to, or within thirty (30) days after adoption, of the rule, addressed to the Agency and Agency Liaison listed in Section 1 above.

5. Federal Law Requirements

a. These rules are created/amended/repealed to comply with federal law or regulatory requirements. No. Yes. Please complete the boxes below.

Applicable Federal Law or Regulation Citation:
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Indicate one (1):

The proposed rules meet, but do not exceed, minimum federal requirements.

The proposed rules exceed minimum federal requirements.

Any person wishing to object to the accuracy of any information provided by the Agency under this item should submit their objections prior to final adoption to:

To the Agency at the physical and/or email address listed in Section 1 above.

At the following URL: _____

6. State Statutory Requirements

a. Indicate one (1):

The proposed rule change *MEETS* minimum substantive statutory requirements.

The proposed rule change *EXCEEDS* minimum substantive statutory requirements. Please attach a statement explaining the reason that the rules exceed the requirements.

b. Indicate one (1):

The Agency has complied with the requirements of W.S. 9-5-304. A copy of the assessment used to evaluate the proposed rules may be obtained:

By contacting the Agency at the physical and/or email address listed in Section 1 above.

At the following URL: _____

Not Applicable.

7. Additional APA Provisions

a. Complete all that apply in regards to uniform rules:

These rules are not impacted by the uniform rules identified in the Administrative Procedure Act, W.S. 16-3-103(j).

The following chapters do not differ from the uniform rules identified in the Administrative Procedure Act, W.S. 16-3-103(j):

_____ (Provide chapter numbers)

These chapters differ from the uniform rules identified in the Administrative Procedure Act, W.S. 16-3-103(j) (see Statement of Principal Reasons).

_____ (Provide chapter numbers)

b. Checklist

The Statement of Principal Reasons is attached to this Notice and, in compliance with *Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc. v. Environmental Quality Council*, 590 P.2d 1324 (Wyo. 1979), includes a brief statement of the substance or terms of the rule and the basis and purpose of the rule.

If applicable: In consultation with the Attorney General's Office, the Agency's Attorney General representative concurs that strike and underscore is not required as the proposed amendments are pervasive (Chapter 3, *Types of Rules Filings*, Section 1, Proposed Rules, of the Rules on Rules).

8. Authorization

a. I certify that the foregoing information is correct.

<i>Printed Name of Authorized Individual</i>	
<i>Title of Authorized Individual</i>	
<i>Date of Authorization</i>	

STATEMENT OF REASONS

CHAPTER 1

REGULATION GOVERNING ACCESS TO RECORDS

W.S. § 23-1-302(a) (xxii) directs and empowers the Commission to promulgate such orders as the Commission deems necessary to carry out the intent of this regulation.

W.S. § 16-3-103 (j) directs each state agency to adopt as much of the uniform rules promulgated pursuant to W. S. § 16-4-202 through § 16-4-204 as possible.

W.S. § 16-4-202 through § 16-4-204 empowers the official custodian of any public records to make reasonable rules and regulations governing the inspection of records for the protection of such records and the prevention of unnecessary interference with the regular discharge of the duties of the official custodian or his office. The statute allows for reasonable costs of producing a copy of the public record be borne by the party making the request.

W.S. § 16-4-204 (e) requires that state agencies adopt the Department of Administration and Information uniform rules establishing procedures, fees, costs and charges for inspection, copies and production of public records.

Section 1; added W. S. § 16-3-103 (j) to the list of Wyoming Statutes providing authority for this regulation.

Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 have all been deleted.

New Section 2 incorporates an adoption of State Uniform Rules, Chapter 2-Uniform Procedures, Fees, Costs, and Charges for Inspecting, Copying, and Producing Public Records adopted by the Department of Administration and Information.

CHAPTER 1

REGULATION GOVERNING ACCESS TO RECORDS

Section 1. Authority. This regulation is promulgated by authority of Wyoming Statute § 16-3-103 (j) (ii), § 23-1-302, § 16-4-202 through § 16-4-204.

Section 2. Adoption of Uniform Rules. The Wyoming Game and Fish Commission hereby incorporates by reference the following uniform rules:

(a) Chapter 2 - Uniform Procedures, Fees, Costs, and Charges for Inspecting, Copying, and Producing Public Records adopted by the Department of Administration and Information and effective on September 6, 2016, found at: <http://rules.wyo.gov>.

(b) For these rules incorporated by reference:

(i) The Wyoming Game and Fish Commission has determined that incorporation of the full text of these rules would be cumbersome or inefficient given the length or nature of the rules;

(ii) The incorporation by reference does not include any later amendments or editions of the incorporated matter beyond the applicable date identified in subsection (a) of this section; and,

(iii) The incorporated rules are maintained at the Wyoming Game and Fish Department headquarters office in Cheyenne and are available for public inspection and copying at the same location.

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

Keith Culver, President

Dated: November 14, 2017

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

CHAPTER 1

REGULATION GOVERNING ACCESS TO RECORDS

Section 1. Authority. This regulation is promulgated by authority of W.S. Wyoming Statute §16-3-103 (j) (ii), § 23-1-302, W.S. § 23-1-303 and W.S. § 16-4-202 through § 16-4-204.

~~**Section 2. Definitions.** Definitions shall be as set forth in Title 16 (Public Records Act) and Title 23, Wyoming Statutes, Commission regulations, and the Commission also adopts the following definitions:~~

~~(a) “Access” means the ability for the public to obtain public records during established Department business hours.~~

~~(b) “Custodian” means the official custodian or any authorized person having personal custody and control of the public records in question.~~

~~(c) “Examination of Records” means inspection by the public, during established Department business hours, of those public records in the physical custody of the Department or Commission.~~

~~(d) “Official Custodian” means an employee of the Department who is responsible for the maintenance, care and keeping of public records, regardless of whether the records are in their actual personal custody and control.~~

~~(e) “Privileged and Confidential Records” means those records recognized in Wyoming law as privileged and confidential.~~

~~(f) “Public Records” when not otherwise specified, means any information in a physical form created, accepted or obtained by the state or any agency, institution or political subdivision of the state in furtherance of its official function and transaction of public business which is not privileged or confidential by law. Without limiting the foregoing, the term “public records” includes any written communication or other information, whether in paper, electronic or other physical form, received by the state or any agency, institution or political subdivision of the state in furtherance of the transaction of public business of the state or agency, institution or political subdivision of the state, whether at a meeting or outside a meeting.~~

~~(g) “Public Records Request” means a request for public records that are in the custody of the Department or Commission in the normal course of business.~~

~~(h) “Routine Request” means any request for public records in final form created for the express purpose of public distribution routinely provided at no cost and intended for mass distribution, including, but not necessarily limited to, Commission Regulations, Commission~~

~~Policies, seasonal hunting, fishing and other informational brochures, and information that the Department has presented in a public forum.~~

~~(i) "Sportsmen's List Request" means any request for records from the Department's Electronic Licensing Service.~~

~~**Section 3. Disclosure.** Public records shall be available for inspection during established Department business hours at a time designated by the custodian. The public shall not be allowed access to Department computers, unless authorized by the Official Custodian.~~

~~**Section 4. Exception to Disclosure.** Those documents classified by law as Privileged and Confidential Records shall not be available to public inspection. Documents listed in W.S. § 16-4-203 may not be available for inspection.~~

~~**Section 5. Fees and Payments for Records Requests.**~~

~~(a) The following fee schedule shall be used by the Department in processing Public Records Requests:~~

Certified Copies.....	\$3.00 per page is to be added to the Photocopy Charges. (i.e. \$3.50 per page for the first 10 pages and \$3.25 for each additional page.)
Documents Created for Distribution in a Public Forum.....	No charge for the 1st copy of a document; below listed photocopy charges for any additional copies.
Electronic Mining	Costs of programming and data mining to construct an electronic record, assessed at \$40.00/hour; 1 hour minimum charge.
Employee Time.....	\$25.00/hour.
Excessive Routine Requests.....	Cost of providing pamphlets, brochures and other items in excess of five (5) of each type of item requested shall be the actual cost incurred by the Department in purchasing or producing the material.
Media Items (One-Time Reproduction Rights)	
Still Images in Digital Format.....	\$150.00/image.
Video.....	\$65.00/second.
National Wetland Inventory Maps.....	Mylar \$5.00/map, paper \$2.50/map.

~~Off-Sight Records Examination..... Non-Departmental office/viewing room fee, if any.~~

~~Photocopy Charges..... \$.50 per page for the first ten (10) pages; \$.25 per additional page thereafter. The Department may, at its discretion, utilize non-Departmental facilities for photocopying; any such costs shall be paid by the requester.~~

~~Postage Postage fees shall be assessed at the cost of the postage and mail cartons or packages.~~

~~Sportsmen's List..... \$25.00/hour.~~

~~(b) A retainer shall be required in advance of processing a Public Records Request whereby, in the estimation of the record custodian, the total cost of processing the record request will exceed ten dollars (\$10.00). The custodian shall determine the estimated cost of processing the records request and require the requesting person or entity submit that amount as a retainer. After the request has been processed, if the actual cost of processing the request was greater than the amount received as a retainer, the custodian shall contact the requester and require the difference be submitted before releasing the public records.~~

~~(c) If the actual cost of processing the request was less than the amount received as a retainer, the custodian shall refund the difference. No copies of records shall be released without receipt of payment in full.~~

~~(d) Postage may be added to any requests for copies mailed or delivered.~~

~~(e) All Public Records Requests which require payment shall be recorded using an invoice. All payments shall be transmitted to the Fiscal Division for deposit with the State Treasurer. Once the work has been completed, a copy of the invoice and the payment shall be sent to the Office of the Director in the Cheyenne office.~~

~~(f) Requests from the Federal Government, its agencies, other states and their agencies, other Wyoming State Agencies, Wyoming Counties, municipalities, power districts, conservation districts, the Wyoming Legislature, Legislative Service Office, libraries and requests from individual legislators, in their legislative capacity, for records shall be furnished free of charge; any fee waivers not included in this subsection shall be at the discretion of the Commission.~~

~~(g) Nothing herein shall be interpreted as requiring any fee be paid for mere examination of public records; excepting costs of electronic mining and costs of employee time to compile the records request. If examination requires non-Department owned facilities, the person making the request shall be charged the cost of providing the facilities. A Department employee shall~~

oversee the records examination if personnel from the non-Department facility are not present. A fee for the employee's time shall be charged.

~~Section 6. Request Procedures.~~

~~(a) Public Records Requests shall be submitted in writing to the Official Custodian, Office of the Director, Wyoming Game and Fish Department, 5400 Bishop Blvd., Cheyenne, WY 82006.~~

~~(b) Routine or Sportsmen's List requests need not be submitted in writing, nor directed to the Official Custodian.~~

~~(i) Sportsmen's List requests shall be referred to the Wyoming Game and Fish Department, 5400 Bishop Blvd., Cheyenne, Wyoming 82006, (307) 777-4516, or Department regional offices.~~

~~Section 7. Inspection Notification and Release of Records.~~

~~(a) A record may contain privileged and confidential information or information exempt from disclosure. Consequently, Public Records Requests may require review by the Department's Attorney General Representative, and therefore may not be readily available. The Official Custodian shall notify the requester within seven (7) business days if the records are not readily available.~~

~~(b) If a routine record or Sportsmen's List is readily available, the custodian shall release the record immediately to the requester, unless the release will impair or impede the Department's ability to discharge its other duties or a fee is required.~~

~~(c) If a routine record or Sportsmen's List is not readily available, the custodian shall notify the requester within seven (7) business days that the records are not readily available.~~

Section 2. Adoption of Uniform Rules. The Wyoming Game and Fish Commission hereby incorporates by reference the following uniform rules:

(a) Chapter 2 - Uniform Procedures, Fees, Costs, and Charges for Inspecting, Copying, and Producing Public Records adopted by the Department of Administration and Information and effective on September 6, 2016, found at: <http://rules.wyo.gov>.

(b) For these rules incorporated by reference:

(i) The Wyoming Game and Fish Commission has determined that incorporation of the full text of these rules would be cumbersome or inefficient given the length or nature of the rules;

(ii) The incorporation by reference does not include any later amendments or editions of the incorporated matter beyond the applicable date identified in subsection (a) of this section; and,

(iii) The incorporated rules are maintained at the Wyoming Game and Fish Department headquarters office in Cheyenne and are available for public inspection and copying at the same location.

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

By: _____
~~Richard Klouda~~ Keith Culver, President

Dated: ~~January 22, 2015~~ November 14, 2017

STATEMENT OF REASONS

CHAPTER 30

REGULATION GOVERNING FUR DEALERS

W.S. §§ 23-1-302, 23-2-304 and 23-6-111 govern fur dealers and record keeping required by the Commission for receipt, purchase, storage, handling, shipment, sale, transportation and delivery of raw furs and any hide from cloven hoof big game animals.

Old Section 2, 3, 8 and 9 have been deleted for regulation reduction purposes.

Old Sections 4, 5 and 6 have been edited for consistency with other Commission Regulations and to utilize terms already in other regulations.

Old Section 7 has been edited to allow for an appeal of a fur dealers license revocation before the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission.

Minor grammatical and formatting edits have been incorporated to provide additional clarity but do not change the intent of the rules and regulations.

CHAPTER 30

REGULATION GOVERNING FUR DEALERS

Section 1. Authority. This regulation is promulgated under authority of Wyoming Statutes § 23-1-102, § 23-1-302, § 23-2-304, § 23-3-401, § 23-6-111 and § 23-6-207.

Section 2. Application for License. Persons desiring to operate as a fur dealer shall make application on a form provided by the Department and submit the application and proper fee to a game warden in the area where the fur dealer's principal office is located. In the case of a nonresident fur dealer, the application and fee shall be submitted to the Department's Headquarters Office, License Section.

Section 3. General Operation. A licensed fur dealer may employ persons who buy and sell hides and raw furs for the licensed fur dealer. Persons employed by a licensed fur dealer shall, upon request of any Department law enforcement personnel, immediately provide proof that they are employees of a licensed fur dealer and exhibit a copy of the fur dealer's license.

Section 4. Records and Reports.

(a) Fur dealers shall maintain current, complete, legible and accurate written records of all hides and raw furs purchased, sold or transferred from within or outside the State. The records shall be entered on forms provided by the Department and shall include names and addresses of persons from whom hides and raw furs were purchased, sold or transferred, including the date of transaction, tag numbers attached to the raw furs, the furbearing animal trapping license number of the person who trapped the furbearing animals and the fur dealer's license number for raw furs or hides which are purchased from another fur dealer. The records shall include all transactions conducted under the authority of the licensed fur dealer made by their employees. The records shall be kept at the fur dealer's place of business. One copy of the records shall be submitted to the game warden in the area where the principal office of the fur dealer is located by January 15 following the calendar year for which the license had been issued. Nonresident fur dealers shall submit a copy of their records to the Department's Headquarters Office, License Section by January 15 following the calendar year for which the license had been issued.

(b) Any person issued a license under this regulation shall, during the term of the license and for a period of sixty (60) days after expiration of the fur dealer's license, allow inspection of records, raw furs and hides by Department enforcement personnel during reasonable hours.

Section 5. Revocation of a Fur Dealer's License.

(a) A fur dealer license may be revoked by the Commission for failure to abide by this regulation.

(b) Any revocation of a fur dealer license may be appealed in accordance with Wyoming Game and Fish Commission Regulation, Chapter 27, Rules of Practice Governing Contested Cases Before the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission.

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

Keith Culver, President

Dated: November 14, 2017

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

CHAPTER 30

REGULATION GOVERNING FUR DEALERS

Section 1. Authority. This regulation is promulgated under authority of ~~W.S. Wyoming~~ Statutes § 23-1-102, ~~W.S.~~ § 23-1-302, ~~W.S.~~ § 23-2-304, § 23-3-401, § 23-6-111 and ~~W.S.~~ § 23-6-207.

~~Section 2. Regulation and Effective Date.~~ The Wyoming Game and Fish Commission hereby adopts the following regulation governing fur dealers. 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.

Section 42. Application for License. Persons desiring to operate as a fur dealer shall make application on a form provided by the Department and submit the application and proper fee to a game warden in the area where the fur dealer's principal office ~~shall be~~ located. In the case of a nonresident fur dealer, the application and fee shall be submitted to the Department's Headquarters Office, License Sales and Accounting Section.

Section 53. General Operation. A licensed fur dealer may employ persons who buy and sell hides and raw furs for the licensed fur dealer. Persons employed by a licensed fur dealer shall, upon request of any Department law enforcement personnel, immediately provide provided ~~said persons can immediately exhibit proof when requested by a Department law enforcement officer that they are employees of a licensed fur dealer and they also can exhibit a copy of the fur dealer's license.~~

Section 64. Records and Reports.

(a) Fur dealers shall maintain current, complete, legible and accurate written records ~~on forms provided by the Department~~ of all hides and raw furs purchased, sold or transferred from within or ~~without~~ outside the State. The records shall be entered on forms provided by the Department and shall include names and addresses of persons from whom hides and raw furs were purchased, sold or transferred, including the date of transaction, tag numbers attached to the raw furs, the furbearing animal trapping license number of the person who trapped the ~~furs of~~ furbearing animals and the fur dealer's license number for raw furs and/or or hides which are purchased from another fur dealer. The records shall include all transactions conducted under the authority of the licensed fur dealer made by their employees. The records shall be kept at the fur dealer's place of business. One copy of the records shall be submitted to the game warden in the area where the principal office of the fur dealer is located by January 15 following the calendar year for which the license had been issued. Nonresident fur dealers shall submit a copy

of their records to the Department's Headquarters Office, License Sales and Accounting Section by January 15 following the calendar year for which the license had been issued.

(b) Any person issued a license under this regulation shall, during the term of the license and for a period of sixty (60) days after expiration of the fur dealer's license, allow inspection of records, raw furs and hides by Department enforcement personnel during reasonable hours.

Section 75. Revocation of a Fur Dealer's License.

(a) A fur dealer license may be revoked by the Commission for failure to abide by this regulation.

(b) Any revocation of a fur dealer license ~~shall~~may be ~~subject to a contested case proceedings~~ appealed in accordance with Wyoming Game and Fish Commission Regulation, Chapter 27, Rules of Practice Governing Contested Cases Before the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission, ~~revised as of January 19, 1982, and which does not include any later amendments or editions of the incorporated matter.~~

~~Section 8. 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 9. 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: ~~Tracy Hunt~~Keith Culver, President

Dated: ~~October 25, 1999~~November 14, 2017

STATEMENT OF REASONS
CHAPTER 59
REGULATION GOVERNING TANNERIES

W.S. § 23-3-404 governs tanneries receiving game specimens and record keeping required by the Commission for receipt, purchase, storage, handling, shipment, sale, transportation and delivery of any hide from cloven hoof big game animals.

Old Section 2, 8 and 9 have been deleted for regulation reduction purposes.

Old Section 3, Definitions; the terms “Game tag and Game specimen” are being deleted for regulation reduction. These definitions are already provided in Wyoming Game and Fish Commission Chapter 29, Issuance and Sale of Wyoming Interstate Game tags. The definitions of “Wyoming bobcat tag and Tannery” are being modified for clarity. A new definition for “Tanner” is being provided.

Old Section 4, Game Tags, has been modified for clarity and conformity to other Commission Regulations, and to clarify that the “tanner” is responsible for properly game tagging all game specimens they receive.

Old Section 5, Records. Edits have been made throughout this Section to clarify that the “tanner” is responsible for proper record keeping of all game specimens and hides or capes from all cloven hoofed big game animals.

Edits have been made to old Sections 6 and 7 for consistency with other Commission Regulations.

Minor grammatical and formatting edits have been incorporated to provide additional clarity but do not change the intent of the rules and regulations.

CHAPTER 59

REGULATION GOVERNING TANNERIES

Section 1. Authority. This regulation is promulgated by authority of Wyoming Statutes § 23-1-102 (a) (xiv), § 23-1-302, § 23-1-701, § 23-3-106, § 23-3-115, § 23-3-401, § 23-3-404 and §23-6-111.

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

(a) “Wyoming bobcat tag” means a tag issued and affixed by the Department to a bobcat raw fur.

(b) “Tanner” means any person who conducts a tannery operation or business.

(c) “Tannery” means a commercial operation or business that engages in the processing of raw hides or raw fur into leather, hair on hides or dressed furs.

Section 3. Game Tags. A tanner shall immediately affix a game tag and complete a Wyoming interstate game tag affidavit for each game specimen received by the tannery regardless of the place of origin, except as otherwise provided by this Section.

(a) A tanner is not required to affix a game tag game to specimens harvested outside the State of Wyoming if the specimens are tagged with a self-locking type tag in the state or country of origin.

(b) A tanner is not required to affix a game tag to specimens from within Wyoming that already have a game tag affixed.

(c) A tanner is not required to affix a game tag to any hides or capes from any big game animals that the tanner receives, purchases, stores, handles, ships, sells, transports and delivers if records are maintained in accordance with Section 4 of this regulation.

(d) All game specimens, except as otherwise provided in subsections (a), (b) or (c) of this section shall be accompanied by the game tag, or self-locking tag from another state or country of origin. A tanner may temporarily remove any tag from a game specimen to accommodate the processing of the game specimen, provided the hide is marked in such a manner that it can be readily identified. If a tag is temporarily removed to accommodate the processing of the specimen, it shall be kept with the work order or invoice for the game specimen. If the tanner is not able to reattach the original tag(s) to the game specimen, the tanner shall lock the game tag or other tag and shall insure the game tag or other tag accompanies the work order or invoice and the game specimen. When the game specimen is returned to the customer, it shall be accompanied by the game tag and affidavit.

(e) A tanner shall not accept a bobcat raw fur that does not have a Wyoming bobcat tag and game tag affixed to the pelt or an export tag issued by another state.

Section 4. Records.

(a) Immediately upon receipt of any game specimen, a tanner shall accurately record the following information on forms approved by the Department: the name and address of the person from whom the game specimen was received, date of receipt, description of the game specimen, and any identifying number, including, but not limited to licenses, tags, shipping permits or export permits which document the origin of the game specimen.

(b) Immediately upon receipt of hides or capes of any cloven hoof big game animals a tanner shall accurately record the following information on forms provided by the Department: the name and address of the person from whom the hide or cape was received, date of receipt, description of the hide or cape, and any identifying number, including, but not limited to licenses, tags, shipping permits or export permits which document the origin of the hide or cape.

(c) Records required by this regulation shall be kept up to date and shall be maintained on the premises until delivered to the Department. A tanner shall, upon request of any Department enforcement personnel, allow inspection of the tannery premises and required records during reasonable business hours.

(d) A tanner shall mail or deliver their records to the game warden in the area where the tannery business is located on or before January 10 of the following calendar year.

Section 5. Approved Forms for Records. The Department shall furnish or approve forms required for record keeping. If a tanner is a designated game tag distributor, the Department shall furnish the tanner with Wyoming interstate game tag affidavits and game tags. If the tanner requests and the Department approves, the Wyoming interstate game tag affidavit may be incorporated into the tannery's invoice forms so long as the required Wyoming interstate game tag affidavit information and format are not altered. The original copy of the affidavit(s) shall accompany the shipment of the game specimen(s).

Section 6. Return of Game Tags. Persons who no longer operate or perform the services of a tannery shall immediately return all fees collected from the sale of game tags, all unsold game tags and all Wyoming interstate game tag affidavits and records to the Department. Tanners that are game tag distributors shall deliver a complete accounting of all game tags sold, unsold game tags, all fees collected and all completed Wyoming interstate game tag affidavits to the Department on or before January 10 of the year following the year in which the game tags were issued in accordance with Chapter 29, Issuance and Sale of Wyoming Interstate Game Tags.

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

Keith Culver, President

Dated: November 14, 2017

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

CHAPTER 59

REGULATION GOVERNING TANNERIES

Section 1. Authority. This regulation is promulgated by authority of ~~W.S. Wyoming~~ Statutes § 23-1-102 (a) (xiv), § 23-1-302, § 23-1-701, § 23-3-106, § 23-3-115, § 23-3-401, § 23-3-404 and §23-6-111.

~~Section 2. Regulation. The Wyoming Game and Fish Commission hereby adopts the following regulation governing tanneries. This regulation shall remain in effect until modified or rescinded by the Commission.~~

Section 32. Definitions. For the purpose of this regulation, definitions shall be set forth in Title 23, Wyoming Statutes, Commission regulations and the Commission also adopts the following definitions:

~~(a) “Game tag” means Wyoming Interstate Game Tag.~~

~~(b) “Game specimen” means big game animals, trophy game animals, small game animals, game birds, game fish and parts thereof.~~

~~(ea) “Wyoming bobcat tag” means a tag issued and affixed by the Department to a bobcat raw fur.~~

(b) “Tanner” means any person who conducts a tannery operation or business.

~~(dc) “Tannery” means a any person who conducts commercial operation or business that engages in the processing of raw hides or skins of animalshides or raw fur into leather, hair on hides or dressed furs.~~

Section 43. Game Tags. ~~The~~ A tannery shall immediately affix a game tag and complete a Wyoming ~~Interstate~~interstate game tag affidavit for each game specimen received by the tannery regardless of the place of origin ~~with a game tag~~, except as otherwise provided by this Section.

(a) ~~The~~A tannery is not required to affix a game tag ~~game~~ to specimens harvested outside the State of Wyoming if the specimens are tagged with a self-locking type tag in the state or country of origin.

(b) ~~The~~A tannery is not required to affix a game tag to specimens from within Wyoming that already have a game tag affixed.

(c) ~~The~~A tannery is not required to affix a game tag to any hides ~~and/or~~or capes from

any cloven hoof big game animals that the tannery receives, purchases, stores, handles, ships, sells, transports; and delivers if records are maintained in accordance with Section 54 of this regulation.

(d) All game specimens, except as otherwise provided in subsections (a), (b) or (c) of this section shall be accompanied by the game tag, or self-locking tag from another state or country of origin. ~~The~~A tannery may temporarily remove ~~the game tag or~~ any tag from a game specimen to accommodate the processing of the game specimen, provided the hide is marked in such a manner that it can be readily identified. If ~~the game tag or other~~ a tag is temporarily removed to accommodate the processing of the specimen, it shall be kept with the work order or invoice for the game specimen. If the tannery is not able to ~~attach~~reattach the ~~game tag or tag~~ original tag(s) to the game specimen, the tannery shall lock the game tag or other tag and shall insure the game tag or other tag accompanies the work order or invoice and the game specimen. When the game specimen is returned to the customer, it shall be accompanied by the game tag and affidavit.

(e) ~~The~~A tannery shall not accept ~~the pelt of the~~ a bobcat raw fur that does not ~~possess~~have a Wyoming bobcat tag ~~or~~and game tag affixed to the pelt or an export tag issued by another state.

Section 54. Records.

(a) Immediately upon receipt, ~~the tannery shall record the~~ of any game specimen, ~~on forms provided by the Department or a tanner shall accurately record the following information~~ on forms approved by the Department: regardless of the place of origin. Records shall be true and correct and shall include the name and address of the person from whom the game specimen was received, date of receipt, description of the game specimen, and any identifying number, including, but not limited to licenses, tags, shipping permits ~~and/or~~ or export permits which document the origin of the game specimen.

(b) Immediately upon receipt, ~~the tannery shall record the hides or capes of hides or capes~~ of any cloven hoof big game animals a tanner shall accurately record the following information on forms provided by the Department: ~~or on forms approved by the Department regardless of the place of origin. Records shall be true and correct and shall include~~ the name and address of the person from whom the game specimen hide or cape was received, date of receipt, description of the game specimen hide or cape, and any identifying number, including, but not limited to licenses, tags, shipping permits ~~and/or~~ or export permits which document the origin of the game specimen hide or cape.

(c) Records ~~for the calendar year~~ required by this regulation shall be kept up to date and shall be maintained on the premises until delivered to the Department. ~~The owner or operator of any tannery~~ A tanner shall, upon request of any Department enforcement personnel, exhibit the records required to be maintained and permit allow inspection of the tannery premises and required records ~~pertaining to the business or operation~~ during reasonable business hours.

(d) ~~The~~A tannery shall mail or deliver ~~the~~their records to the ~~Regional Game and Fish~~

Office in accordance with the address listed in this section in the geographic region where the game warden in the area where the tannery business is located on or before January 10 of the following calendar year.

Casper Regional Office	3030 Energy Lane, Casper, WY 82604
Cody Regional Office	2820 State Hwy 120, Cody, WY 82414
Green River Regional Office	351 Astle, Green River, WY 82935
Lander Regional Office	260 Buena Vista, Lander, WY 82520
Laramie Regional Office	528 S Adams, Laramie, WY 82070
Pinedale Regional Office	Box 850, Pinedale, WY 82941
Sheridan Regional Office	700 Valley View Dr, Sheridan, WY 82801

Section 65. Approved Forms for Records. ~~The Department shall furnish or approve Forms/forms for required for record keeping shall be furnished or approved by the Department. If a tanner is a designated as a game tag distributor, the tannery/Department shall be furnished the tanner with Wyoming Interstate/interstate game tag affidavits and game tags by the Department. If the tannery requests and the Department approves, the Wyoming Interstate/interstate game tag affidavit may be incorporated into the tannery's invoice forms asso long as the required Wyoming Interstate/interstate game tag affidavit information and format are not altered. The original copy of the affidavit(s) shall accompany the shipment of the game specimen(s).~~

Section 76. Return of Game Tags. Persons who no longer operate or perform the services of a tannery shall immediately return all fees collected from the sale of game tags, all unsold game tags and all Wyoming Interstate/interstate game tag affidavits and records required by this regulation to the Department. ~~Tanneries/Tanners~~ that are game tag distributors shall deliver a complete accounting of all game tags sold, unsold game tags, all fees, collected and all completed Wyoming Interstate/interstate game tag affidavits from game tags which have been sold, to the Department on or before January 10 of the year following for the year in which the game tags were issued in accordance with Chapter 29, Issuance and Sale of Wyoming Interstate Game Tags.

~~Section 8. Violation of Commission Regulations. Failure to comply by the provisions of this regulation shall be punishable as provided by Wyoming statutes for violation of Commission regulations.~~

~~Section 9. Savings Clause. If any provision of this regulation is held to be illegal or unconstitutional, such a ruling shall not affect other provisions of the 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

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