



## 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		
Amended Program Name (if applicable):		
* <input type="checkbox"/> 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 non-emergency 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 non-emergency regular rules new as per the above description and the definition of "new" in Chapter 1 of the Rules on Rules?

<input type="checkbox"/> No. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. If the rules are new, please provide the Legislative Chapter Number and Year Enacted:	Chapter:	Year:
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**3. Rule Type and Information** For purposes of this Section 3, "New" means an emergency or regular rule that has never been previously created.

a. Provide the Chapter Number, Title and Proposed Action for Each Chapter. Please use the "Additional Rule Information" form to identify additional rule chapters.

Chapter Number:	Chapter Name:	<input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Amended <input type="checkbox"/> Repealed
Amended Chapter Name (if applicable):		
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Amended Chapter Name (if applicable):		

#### **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:

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:	
Indicate one (1):	<input type="checkbox"/> The proposed rules meet, but do not exceed, minimum federal requirements.  <input type="checkbox"/> 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:	<input type="checkbox"/> To the Agency at the physical and/or email address listed in Section 1 above.  <input type="checkbox"/> 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. ☐ The Agency has completed a takings assessment as required by 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: \_\_\_\_\_

## **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):

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(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).

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(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.

*Printed Name of Authorized Individual*

*Title of Authorized Individual*

*Date of Authorization*

# Public Meeting Information

<b>Casper Region</b>				
<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Chapters Covered</b>
May 12, 2025	6:00 PM	Casper	Casper Game & Fish Regional Office (3030 Energy Lane)	22, 46
June 3, 2025	5:00 PM	Casper	Casper Game & Fish Regional Office (3030 Energy Lane)	42, 44, 47
<b>Sheridan Region</b>				
<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Chapters Covered</b>
May 19, 2025	5:00 PM	Sheridan	Sheridan Game & Fish Regional Office (700 Valley View Drive)	42, 44, 47
<b>Green River Region</b>				
<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Chapters Covered</b>
June 4, 2025	6:00 PM	Green River	Green River Game & Fish Regional Office (351 Astle Ave.)	42, 44, 47
<b>Pinedale Region</b>				
<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Chapters Covered</b>
May 28, 2025	6:00 PM	Pinedale	Pinedale Game & Fish Regional Office (432 E. Mill St.)	22, 42, 44, 46, 47
<b>Lander Region</b>				
<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Chapters Covered</b>
May 14, 2025	6:00 PM	Rawlins	Jeffrey Center (315 W. Pine St.)	22, 46
June 3, 2025	6:00 PM	Lander	Lander Game & Fish Regional Office (260 Buena Vista Dr.)	42, 44, 47
<b>Laramie Region</b>				
<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Chapters Covered</b>
May 20, 2025	6:00 PM	Laramie	Laramie Game & Fish Regional Office (1212 S. Adams St.)	22, 46
May 27, 2025	6:00 PM	Laramie	Laramie Game & Fish Regional Office (1212 S. Adams St.)	42, 44, 47
May 28, 2025	6:00 PM	Wheatland	First State Bank (1405 16 <sup>th</sup> St.)	42
<b>Jackson Region</b>				
<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Chapters Covered</b>
April 29, 2025	6:00 PM	Jackson	Jackson Game & Fish Regional Office (420 N. Cache)	22, 46
May 22, 2025	5:00 PM	Jackson	Jackson Game & Fish Regional Office (420 N. Cache)	42, 44, 47
<b>Cody Region</b>				
<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Chapters Covered</b>
May 8, 2025	6:00 PM	Cody	Cody Game & Fish Regional Office (2 Tilden Trail)	22, 46
June 2, 2025	6:00 PM	Cody	Cody Game & Fish Regional Office (2 Tilden Trail)	42, 44, 47
<b>Virtual Meeting</b>				
<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Chapters Covered</b>
May 19, 2025	3:00 PM	N/A	<a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84206728741">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84206728741</a>	22, 46

## STATEMENT OF REASONS

### CHAPTER 44

#### REGULATION FOR ISSUANCE OF LICENSES, PERMITS, STAMPS, TAGS,

#### PREFERENCE POINTS AND COMPETITIVE RAFFLE CHANCES

W.S. § 23-1-302 empowers the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission (Commission) to prescribe the requirements and form, including electronic licensing format, for hunting licenses, stamps and tags. The Commission is also granted the authority to promulgate such orders as the Commission considers necessary to carry out the intent of this act.

Section 2. The definitions of “Immediate Family Member” and “Landowner Applicant” have been modified and a new definition for “Significant Interest” has been added for additional clarity as used in Section 8, Landowner Licenses. The definition of “Leftover Licenses” is being amended to also include reference to nonresident general elk licenses which were recently incorporated into this regulation. A section reference within the definition of “Transfer” has been updated to due to section number changes within this regulation.

Section 4 (e)(i)(B). Language has been added to this subsection to clarify that antelope licenses issued under W.S. § 23-1-705(h) shall not be sold, traded, auctioned or offered for any monetary value to the recipient.

Section 8, Landowner Licenses. The Wyoming Wildlife Task Force (WWTF) of 2021-2022 was established by Governor Gordon to address some of the most complex topics concerning Wyoming’s wildlife. One of these topics was that of landowner licenses, the qualification criteria for such licenses and limiting landowner licenses in certain hunt areas with relatively low numbers of limited quota licenses. In November 2022 the WWTF provided a recommendation to the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission (Commission) with five recommendations related to landowner licenses. These five recommendations included:

- Define “Landowner Applicant” to include those who have a “significant interest” of at least 20% ownership in real property.
- Bolster language which prohibits subdivision of land for the purpose of obtaining landowner licenses.
- Incorporate a cap on the number of landowner licenses to not exceed 20% of available licenses, except in areas over their wildlife management objectives.
- Require landowners to provide their own documentation of animal use days to qualify for licenses.
- Require the Department to investigate landowner license eligibility at least once every five years for applicants.

The Commission addressed these topics in a series of public meetings (March 2023, July 2023, September 2023, November 2023, January 2024, April 2024 and November 2024) during which they received informational presentations on the issuance of landowner licenses and took public

comments at each of their meetings. During the April 2024 Commission meeting, the Department was directed to consider recommendations to implement a 10% significant interest requirement to qualify as a landowner applicant, institute a 30% cap on landowner license issuance by hunt area to include providing preference to unsuccessful landowner applicants the following year and to change the minimum qualifying acreage to 160 contiguous acres of cultivated land or 320 contiguous acres of rangeland. After further Commission discussion at their November 2024 meeting, the Department was directed to develop a draft regulation to include a 20% significant interest for a qualifying landowner applicant, change the 320 contiguous acres of rangeland to 640 contiguous acres, modify the required animal days use for a parcel of land from 2000 days of use to 3000 days of use. The Commission also requested that the entire Section 8 of Chapter 44 governing landowner licenses be open and available for public comment during the time period required by the Administrative Procedures Act. The edits to Section 8 of this Chapter are the result of this entire public process. However, the entire Section 8, Landowner Licenses, is open for public comment and may be modified through this rule making process.

Section 10. An edit has been made in this section to clarify that a Governor's Complimentary bighorn sheep license shall not be valid in any bighorn sheep hunt area that has a total quota of ten (10) or fewer Type 1, any ram bighorn sheep licenses. This language will clarify that bighorn sheep Type 2, Type 6 or Type 7 licenses are not to be included in the limitation of ten (10) or fewer licenses for a hunt area.

Section 12. Edits have been made in this section regarding wild turkey Commissioner Complimentary Licenses for Persons with Life Threatening Illnesses. Wildlife managers recently modified the number of wild turkey hunt areas in the state from five (5) to just one (1), so there is no longer a need to include regulatory language limiting a single hunt area to ten (10) or fewer complimentary wild turkey licenses. There has been no reduction to the total number of Commissioner Complimentary licenses in this section.

Section 14. Edits have been incorporated into this Section for clarification and consistency within this rule. New regulatory language has been added in subsection (b)(v) and (vi) to clarify that a donated license which is reissued under this section shall be eligible for a license reservation in accordance with Section 21. An application for a donated license to be reissued to a qualified person, along with all required documentation, must be received by the Department at least three (3) business days prior to any license issuance. This time period will allow Department personnel time to process necessary paperwork and continue to issue these licenses in a timely manner.

Section 19. Regulatory language has been clarified in subsection (b)(i) so that no person shall apply for or receive a preference point during any "time period" in which the person's privilege to obtain a full price bighorn sheep or moose license or nonresident antelope, deer or elk license has been revoked or suspended by a court or the Wildlife Violator Compact. The previous regulatory language was tied to the "calendar year" rather than the "time period" in which a person was under revocation or suspension.

Section 21. Edits have been made in subsections (a)(iii), (iv) and (v) for consistency and do not change the original intent of this regulation. Subsection (i) has been amended to require applicants requesting a reservation to submit an administrative fee no later than March 15 in the

succeeding year prior to reissuance of the license. Subsection (l) has been removed since it was duplicated in Section 24. The provisions in Section 21 (l) have been incorporated into Section 24 (c)(i). Additionally, any Governor's Complimentary licenses that have been reserved for the next season shall not be made available for resale or use during the current year.

Section 24. Several formatting edits have been incorporated to allow for simplification of locating information pertaining to Withdrawal or Modification of an Application, Refund of License Fees and Reissuance of Certain Licenses. In subsection (b), edits have been made to clarify that all license refund requests shall be reviewed and addressed by the Fiscal Division Chief and, if required, brought before the License Review Board for consideration. In subsection (b)(ii)(F), edits have been made for consistency within this regulation. In subsection (b)(ii)(F)(I), language has been added to indicate that the closing of hunt areas due to mortality limits being met does not qualify a licensee for a license fee refund. In subsection (b)(iii), new language indicates that a licensee who received a donated license is not eligible for a license fee refund. Old subsection (h) regarding the reissuance of a wild bison or mountain goat license to an immediate family member of a deceased licensee has been removed. This regulatory provision has not been exercised since its existence and the issuance of these licenses is governed under W.S. § 23-1-703. In subsections (c)(i) and (ii), edits have been incorporated to indicate that antelope, deer or elk licenses that have been reserved for the immediately succeeding season due to the licensee being unable to use the license for good cause or returned to the Department may be made available for purchase by residents and nonresidents on a first-come first-served basis if the Department determines that a reasonable hunting opportunity still exists. The Department may consider factors such as, but not limited to, the length of hunting season remaining and the availability for hunters to access a hunt area for the remainder of the hunting season. The Department does not want to be required to reissue returned hunting licenses unless a reasonable hunting opportunity still exists for the licensee. Also, language has been added to subsection (c)(iii), (iv) and (v) that lays out a process to reissue bighorn sheep, moose, mountain goat or wild bison licenses that have been reserved for the next succeeding season or returned to the Department through other processes.

Section 26. In subsection (b), edits have been incorporated to allow for fall wild turkey licenses that are issued in one calendar year to be valid through the closing date established in January of the next succeeding year when the hunting season opens during one calendar year and closes in January of the next succeeding year.

The name of the current Commission President and the date the Commission is expected to take action on this regulation have been updated.

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

## CHAPTER 44

### REGULATION FOR ISSUANCE OF LICENSES, PERMITS, STAMPS, TAGS, PREFERENCE POINTS AND COMPETITIVE RAFFLE CHANCES

**Section 1. Authority.** This regulation is promulgated by authority of Wyoming Statutes § 6-7-101, § 9-4-217(h), § 20-6-112, § 23-1-102, § 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, § 23-3-403 and § 23-6-301 through § 23-6-303.

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

(a) “Charitable Purpose” means motivated by sympathy and understanding and generosity and done without any remuneration.

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

(c) “Completed Application” means all required portions of the application have been properly completed with correct applicant information, submitted within the proper time period and accompanied by the proper fee.

(d) “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 issued through the Electronic Licensing Service (ELS), a duplicate license shall only be required if the original license contained a carcass coupon.

(e) “Electronic Application” means the license or permit application form submitted through the Electronic Licensing Service (ELS).

(f) “Electronic Licensing 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 and preference points.

(g) “Electronic Signature” means an electronic process attached to or logically associated with any electronic transaction including the license, preference point 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).

(h) "Full Price License" means a deer, antelope, elk, mountain lion or ram bighorn sheep license issued that is not a reduced price doe/fawn, cow/calf, ewe/lamb or mountain lion license.

(i) "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.

(j) "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.

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

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

(m) "Headquarters" means the Cheyenne Office of the Wyoming Game and Fish Department located at 5400 Bishop Blvd., Cheyenne, WY 82006.

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

(o) "Immediate Family Member" means spouse, parent, step-parent, grandparent, step-grandparent, sibling, step-sibling, step-child, or lineal descendants and their spouses.

(p) "Initial Drawing" means a computer processed drawing held for initial offering of resident and nonresident licenses and permits.

(q) "Issue-After License" means licenses that are limited in number and that were not issued in the initial or leftover drawings; these licenses shall be issued on an as processed basis through the ELS.

(r) "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.

(s) "Landowner Applicant" means an individual who either owns real property solely or jointly with other individuals, is an immediate family member of the individual or who holds a

significant interest in a corporation, partnership, trust or limited liability company, which owns real property.

(t) “Leftover Drawing” means a computer processed random drawing to issue licenses remaining after the initial drawings.

(u) “Leftover Licenses” means limited quota licenses, nonresident region general deer licenses and nonresident region general elk licenses issued in the leftover drawing.

(v) “Leftover Permits” means permits that are limited in number and were not issued in the initial drawing and shall be issued on an as processed basis through the ELS.

(w) “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.

(x) “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.

(y) “License Review Board” means a three (3) member board of Department employees consisting of the Deputy Director of Internal Operations, the Fiscal Division Chief and the Chief Game Warden, or their designees, that review and determine license reservation requests, license refund requests, preference point issues and other license or permit issuance matters.

(z) “Limited Quota Drawing” means the processing of an application for limited quota or general big game licenses, trophy game licenses, wild turkey licenses, permits, wild bison licenses or Super Tag and Super Tag Trifecta competitive raffles through a drawing.

(aa) “Limited Quota Licenses” means licenses that are limited in number and valid only in a hunt area(s) or portion(s) of a hunt area. Limited quota licenses shall be valid only under species, sex, age class, harvest, and weapon type limitations that are in effect for each hunt area.

(bb) “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.

(cc) “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 a ewe or lamb bighorn sheep independent of what may be taken on a full priced limited quota license.

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

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

(gg) “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.

(hh) “Nonprofit Organization Dedicated to Providing Hunting Opportunities to Individuals with Disabilities” means an organization certifying they are nonprofit and that their primary purpose or mission as stated in their charter is to provide hunting opportunities to individuals with disabilities as outlined in this regulation.

(ii) “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), § 23-1-107 and § 23-2-101 (a).

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

(kk) “Party” means a group of individuals with the same residency status who apply together in the initial drawing 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.

(ll) “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 in the initial drawing.

(mm) “Permit” means a document that authorizes a license holder to carry out activities not authorized by the license itself, or a permission slip issued by the Department.

(nn) “Pioneer Heritage Licenses” means antelope, deer, elk or wild turkey licenses issued to Wyoming residents who 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.

(oo) “Pioneer Licenses” means antelope, archery, deer, elk or wild turkey licenses issued to Wyoming residents who are at least seventy-five (75) years of age prior to the issuance of the license, and who have continuously resided in Wyoming for at least fifty (50) years immediately preceding the application for a license; or game bird, small game and fishing licenses issued to Wyoming residents who are over sixty-five (65) years of age and who have resided in Wyoming for at least thirty (30) total years; no year of residence prior to a resident’s tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) birthday shall count toward the thirty (30) year requirement.

(pp) “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.

(qq) “Proper Application Form” means the document prescribed by the Department, a photocopy of the document, or facsimile of the document. These documents shall be the only documents accepted by the Department.

(rr) “Properly Completed Duplicate License Affidavit” means a Department affidavit document signed by the person applying for a duplicate license.

(ss) “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.

(tt) “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.

(uu) “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.

(vv) “Reduced Price Mountain Lion License” means a license which may be authorized in specific hunt areas allowing a person to take a mountain lion in addition to what may be taken on a full price mountain lion license.

(ww) “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.

(xx) “Region General Elk Licenses” means general nonresident elk 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.

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

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

(aaa) “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 W.S. § 23-1-102, § 23-1-107 and § 23-2-101 (a).

(bbb) “Significant Interest” means individual ownership of twenty percent (20%) or more of a corporation, partnership, trust or limited liability company.

(ccc) “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.

(ddd) “Sportsperson Identification Number” means the unique number assigned by the Department to each individual license applicant on the ELS.

(eee) “Super Tag License” means a species specific big game, trophy game or wild bison license issued to the winner of the competitive raffle and upon submission of the proper fee for the appropriate species license set forth by statute.

(fff) “Super Tag Trifecta Licenses” means a combination of big game, trophy game and wild bison licenses, not to exceed three (3) different species of big game, trophy game and wild bison licenses, issued to the winner of the competitive raffle and upon submission of the proper fee for the appropriate species license set forth by statute.

(ggg) “Transfer” means to convey a license authorization, (from one (1) person to another) as set forth in Section 25 of this regulation.

(hhh) “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.

(iii) “Under the Care and Supervision of the Residing Facility” means the person is an employee of the appropriate institution or facility that issued the special limited fishing permit.

(jjj) “Unlimited 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 price limited quota license.

(kkk) “Unlimited Reduced Price Doe or Fawn (doe/fawn) License” means a license which may be authorized in specific areas allowing a person to take doe or fawn animals independent of what may be taken on a general license or full price limited quota license.

(III) “Wyoming Women’s Antelope Hunt” means a women’s antelope hunt sponsored by the Wyoming Women’s Foundation.

(mmm) “Youth License” means a big game license that may be issued to a resident or nonresident person who is at least eleven (11) years of age and who has not attained eighteen (18) years of age at the time of application. For all other species, excluding furbearing animals, requiring a license to take, youth license means a license that may be issued to a resident or nonresident person who has not attained eighteen (18) years of age. For a resident youth trapping license, youth license means a license that may be issued only to a resident person under the age of seventeen (17).

**Section 3. 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 a completed application. Applications may be in the form of a separate document or may be incorporated into and considered as part of the license document. 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), telephone number or email address, years of residency and proof of residency for resident fee types, Social Security Number (SSN), Individual Tax Identification Number (ITIN) or Passport Number from non-U.S. citizens, desired valid hunting license specifications, and an original signature for residents submitting paper applications. Completed application specifications refer to licenses sold through the Electronic Licensing Service (ELS) and manually issued licenses and permits.

(a) Licenses issued over-the-counter. All licenses that are not limited in number shall be issued by the Department through the ELS and 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 application.

(c) Commercial license issuance. All commercial licenses shall be issued through the ELS by the Department's License Section at Headquarters, by designated Department personnel or at facilities in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations.

(d) Licenses issued after initial or leftover drawings. Licenses remaining after the initial or leftover drawings shall be sold through the ELS and on a first-come, first-served basis.

(e) Auxiliary Management Hunting Season license issuance. Auxiliary Management Hunting Season licenses may be issued through the ELS at designated Department locations when additional harvest is needed as determined by the Department. Auxiliary Management Hunting License regulations are provided in Game and Fish Commission Regulations, Chapter 34, Auxiliary Management Hunting Seasons.

(f) The Department shall charge an applicant a two point five percent (2.5%) credit card processing fee of the cost of any license, permit, stamp, tag, preference point or competitive raffle chance applied for or purchased by the use of a credit card.

#### **Section 4. License Issuance.**

(a) In circumstances where the demand for a particular type of license exceeds the supply, a competitive drawing shall be held 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 License Review Board to resolve a Department license issuance error; or

(iv) As provided by Commission regulation.

(c) To establish the number of licenses available for the leftover drawing, 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 comply with the following procedures for the sale of limited quota full and reduced price issue-after licenses.

(i) License selling agents shall not sell or allocate licenses prior to the date and time established annually by the Fiscal Division Chief.

(ii) All applications for resident licenses, preference points and permits shall contain the resident applicant's original or electronic signature and when applicable, the parent or legal guardian's signature in accordance with Wyoming statute. Applications for youth licenses and permits may contain a signature from the youth's parent or legal guardian in lieu of the youth applicant's signature. 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;

(A) In the event the license is issued through the ELS, the resident applicant shall be present at the license selling agent location to purchase the license. The parent or legal guardian of a resident youth applicant shall be present at the license selling agent location to purchase a license for the resident youth applicant.

(iii) License selling agents and the ELS shall only issue licenses to one customer at a time, first-come, first-served in the order the individuals are present in line. The agent may issue up to the maximum number of licenses specified by Chapter 2, General Hunting Regulation to a single individual who provides the required information for license issuance.

(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 initial drawing. The order of the resident antelope initial drawings depicted in this section shall be Resident Landowner Licenses, then Resident Regular Licenses.

(A) Statutes provide for up to one hundred sixty (160) licenses to be available for up to two (2) antelope hunt events each year. These licenses shall be issued above quotas established for the hunt area(s) and shall be allocated to residents and nonresidents, taking into consideration resource management requirements 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 may obtain in one (1) calendar year. Applications shall be reviewed by the Department and brought before the Commission for final approval and selection. The



Commission may designate an organization to receive antelope hunt event licenses for up to three (3) consecutive hunting seasons before requiring the organization to reapply. Applications for any future antelope hunt event licenses shall be accepted as advertised by the Department.

(I) An application for an antelope hunt event shall be submitted on a form provided by the Department and shall specify:

- (1.) The name of the organization;
- (2.) The organization's history, background and mission;
- (3.) The number of antelope licenses requested by individual hunt area and type;
- (4.) The number of consecutive years antelope hunt event licenses are being requested; and
- (5.) The organization's financial plan to benefit wildlife, conservation and the community with funds raised from the antelope hunt event.

(II) The Commission may revoke an organization's opportunity to receive antelope hunt event licenses if any information provided on their application is incorrect or is no longer valid.

(B) The Commission may, upon receipt of payment of antelope license fees as specified in W. S. § 23-1-705(h), issue up to a total of fifty (50) antelope licenses each year for the exclusive distribution to individuals with disabilities by nonprofit organizations dedicated to providing hunting opportunities to individuals with disabilities. Any license issued under this subsection shall not be sold, traded, auctioned or offered for any monetary value to the recipient.

(I) Qualifying organizations shall make application to the License Section of the Department on or before January 31 for these 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 initial drawing set forth in this section shall be Nonresident Landowner Licenses, Nonresident Special Licenses, then Nonresident Regular Licenses. The allocation of remaining licenses after the Nonresident 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 in the initial drawing. The order of the nonresident antelope preference point 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 the initial drawing in which all unsuccessful applicants from the preference point drawing 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 respective random drawing for all remaining choices, giving no advantage to applicants with preference points.

(I) In addition to the restrictions set forth in Section 17 of this Chapter, party applications with a differing number of preference points among party members shall have preference points averaged and rounded out to four (4) decimal places.

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

(F) Eighty percent (80%) of the total available limited quota reduced price doe/fawn antelope licenses shall be offered to residents in the initial drawing. Reduced price pioneer doe/fawn antelope licenses shall be made available through the ELS. In addition to the statutorily prescribed application fees, the price of reduced price doe/fawn antelope licenses shall be twenty-two dollars (\$22) for residents, fourteen dollars (\$14) for resident youth, two dollars (\$2) for resident pioneers, eighteen dollars (\$18) for pioneer heritage, thirty-four dollars (\$34) for nonresidents and nineteen dollars (\$19) for nonresident youth.

(ii) **Bighorn Sheep.** Ninety percent (90%) of the total available limited quota full price bighorn sheep licenses shall initially be offered to residents in the initial drawings.

(A) Ninety percent (90%) of the 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. In addition to the statutorily prescribed application fees, the price of reduced price ewe/lamb licenses shall be thirty-six dollars (\$36) for residents, twenty dollars (\$20) for resident youth, two hundred forty dollars (\$240) for nonresidents and one hundred dollars (\$100) 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 initial 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.

(B) W.S. § 23-2-101(f) provides 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 Bowhunt, 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) W.S. § 23-1-705(c) provides for up to twenty-five (25) licenses, which may be issued for a gunpowder and 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 initial 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 in the initial drawing. The order of the nonresident deer preference point 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 the initial drawing in which unsuccessful applicants from the preference point drawing 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 respective random drawing for all remaining choices, giving no advantage to applicants with preference points.

(I) In addition to the restrictions set forth in Section 17 of this Chapter, party applications with differing number of preference points among party members shall have preference points averaged and rounded out to four (4) decimal places.

(F) Nonresident region general deer licenses that have not been applied for and issued through the initial drawing and leftover drawing shall be offered to nonresidents as issue-after licenses.

(G) Limited quota deer licenses that have not been applied for and issued through the initial and leftover drawings shall be offered to residents and nonresidents as 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 the initial drawing. Reduced price pioneer doe/fawn deer licenses shall be made available for sale through the ELS. In addition to the statutorily prescribed application fees, the price of reduced price doe/fawn deer licenses shall be twenty-two dollars (\$22) for residents, fourteen dollars (\$14) for resident youth, two dollars (\$2) for resident pioneers, eighteen dollars (\$18) for pioneer heritage, thirty-four dollars (\$34) for nonresidents and nineteen dollars (\$19) for nonresident youth.

(I) Resident general deer licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS. Resident general deer licenses may also be applied for and issued through the initial drawings by submission of a completed application.

(iv) **Elk.** Sixteen percent (16%) of the total available full price limited quota elk licenses shall be made available to nonresidents in an initial nonresident drawing each year.

(A) The order of the nonresident elk initial drawing shall be Nonresident Landowner Licenses, Nonresident Special Licenses and then Nonresident Regular Licenses. Following the Nonresident Landowner License Drawing, remaining licenses shall be allocated as follows: Forty percent (40%) to the Nonresident Special License Drawing and sixty percent (60%) to the Nonresident Regular License Drawing.

(B) Sixteen percent (16%) of the total available reduced price cow/calf elk licenses shall be offered to nonresidents in a separate nonresident initial drawing each year.

(C) 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 in the initial drawing. The order of the nonresident elk preference point 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 the initial drawing in which all unsuccessful applicants from the preference point drawing 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 respective random drawing for all remaining choices, giving no advantage to applicants with preference points.

(I) In addition to the restrictions set forth in Section 17 of this Chapter, party applications with differing number of preference points among party members shall have preference points averaged and rounded out to four (4) decimal places.

(D) Following the nonresident elk initial drawings, quotas for resident limited quota full priced and reduced price cow/calf elk licenses shall be the greater of the elk quotas established by Commission regulation less any elk licenses currently issued to nonresidents or eighty-four (84%) percent of the quota established by Commission regulation in the initial drawing. The order of the resident elk initial drawings depicted in this section shall be Resident Landowner Licenses, then Resident Regular Licenses.

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

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

(G) Nonresident general elk licenses that have not been applied for and issued through the initial drawing and leftover drawing shall be offered to nonresidents as issue-after licenses.

(H) Reduced price pioneer cow/calf elk licenses shall be made available for sale through the ELS. In addition to the statutorily prescribed application fees, the price of reduced price cow/calf elk licenses shall be forty-three dollars (\$43) for residents, twenty dollars (\$20) for resident youth, five dollars (\$5) for resident pioneers, twenty-seven dollars (\$27) for pioneer heritage, two hundred eighty-eight dollars (\$288) for nonresidents and one hundred dollars (\$100) for nonresident youth.

(I) Resident general elk licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS. Resident general elk licenses may also be applied for and issued through the initial drawings by submitting a completed application.

(v) **Moose.** Ninety percent (90%) of the total available limited quota moose licenses shall be offered to residents in the initial drawing.

(vi) **Mountain Goat.** Ninety percent (90%) of the total available limited quota mountain goat licenses shall be offered to residents in the initial drawing.

(A) Any person who has been issued a mountain goat Type one (1) or a Type two (2) license shall not be eligible to apply for or receive a mountain goat Type one (1) or a Type two (2) license in any subsequent year.

(B) Any person who has been issued a mountain goat Type one (1) or Type two (2) license in a previous year may apply for and receive a mountain goat Type A license in any subsequent year.

(C) Any person who applies for and receives a mountain goat Type A license shall be eligible to apply for or receive a mountain goat Type A license in any future year.

(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 and shall be issued through the ELS.

(ii) **Gray Wolf.** Gray wolf licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS.

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

(iv) **Mountain Lion.** Full price mountain lion licenses and reduced price mountain lion licenses shall not be limited in number. They shall be issued through the ELS. A person may apply for and receive a maximum of one (1) full price mountain lion license and one (1) reduced price mountain lion license during any one (1) calendar year. Reduced price mountain lion licenses are only valid in specified hunt areas. A person shall possess and exhibit a full price mountain lion license for the current calendar year in order to receive a reduced price mountain lion license for the same calendar year. The price of a reduced price mountain lion license shall be twenty dollars (\$20) for residents and ninety-two dollars (\$92) for nonresidents.

(g) **Wild Bison.** Ninety (90%) percent of the wild bison recreational hunting season licenses shall be initially offered to residents in the initial drawing. 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 does not meet or exceed the nonresident wild bison allocation, the remaining license allocation may be issued to residents.

(i) Completed applications for resident and nonresident wild bison recreational hunting season licenses shall only be accepted through the ELS. Applicants shall have the choice of applying for any wild bison or any female or calf wild bison. A computer random drawing shall be utilized to determine successful applicants.

(ii) Wild bison licenses that have not been applied for and issued through initial and leftover drawings shall be offered to residents and nonresidents as issue-after licenses.

(h) Bird.

(i) Falconry.

(A) Hunt with Falcon licenses shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses through the ELS.

(B) General Raptor Capture licenses shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses through the ELS at Headquarters. Limited Quota Raptor Capture licenses shall be issued in accordance with Commission Regulation Chapter 25 Falconry Regulation.

(ii) **Game Bird.** Game Bird licenses shall not be limited in number. They shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses through the ELS.

(iii) **Wild Turkey.** Eighty percent (80%) of the total available spring and fall limited quota wild turkey licenses shall be offered to residents in the initial drawing. The order of the initial 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 issue-after licenses.

(B) 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. These licenses may also be applied for and issued through the initial 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.

(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. Nonresident furbearing animal trapping licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued in accordance with W.S. § 23-2-303 at Headquarters.

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

(k) Archery. Archery licenses shall not be limited in number. They shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses through the ELS.

(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 through the ELS at Headquarters.

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

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

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

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

(vi) Taxidermist. Taxidermist licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS at Headquarters.

(m) Fishing. Fishing licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses through the ELS.

(i) Seine or Trap Fish. Seine or Trap Fish licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS 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.

(n) Duplicate Licenses.



(i) In order for a duplicate license to be issued, a duplicate license affidavit shall be properly completed by the licensee.

(A) For a license, permit, stamp or tag that was originally issued through a manual process, the customer shall be required to purchase another license, permit, stamp or tag, rather than a duplicate license, as authorized by Commission regulation.

(B) For a license that was originally issued through the ELS, the license selling agent or sub-agent shall not be required to complete a duplicate license affidavit form prior to issuing a duplicate license as the affidavit is incorporated into the duplicate license document being issued through the ELS.

(ii) Duplicate licenses shall be issued through the ELS.

(iii) The Department and license selling agents shall charge a fee of seven dollars (\$7) for issuance of a duplicate license.

(iv) Once a duplicate license is issued, any previous license issued for the same species, hunt area and license type is no longer valid.

(o) Replacement Licenses.

(i) Once a replacement license is issued, any previous license issued for the same license type is no longer valid.

(ii) The Department and license selling agents shall charge a fee of seven dollars (\$7) for the issuance of a replacement license issued through the ELS.

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

## **Section 5. Permits.**

(a) Sandhill Crane.

(i) Limited Quota Sandhill Crane. Applicants shall be selected by random computer selection. Twenty percent (20%) of the total available limited quota sandhill crane permits shall initially be offered to nonresidents in the initial drawing. Limited quota sandhill crane permits that have not been applied for and issued through the initial drawing shall be issued through the ELS on an as processed basis until quotas have been reached or the permit is no longer valid.

(ii) General Sandhill Crane. Permits shall not be limited in number and shall only be available through the Department's website beginning August 1.

(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 Department Regional Offices.

(c) Central Visual Acuity Disability Permit. Any person qualified to obtain a Central Visual Acuity Disability Permit shall apply on the proper application form to the Department's License Section at Headquarters or Department Regional Offices.

(d) Hunting Season Extension Permit. Any person qualified to obtain a Hunting Season Extension Permit shall apply on the proper application form to the Department's License Section at Headquarters or Department Regional Offices.

(e) Migratory Game Bird.

(i) Harvest Information Permit. Harvest Information Permits shall not be limited in number and shall only be available through the Department's website.

(f) 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 as authorized by the Fiscal Division Chief.

(g) Springer Pheasant Permit. Eighty percent (80%) of the 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 initial drawing shall be issued at the Springer Check Station or as authorized by the Fiscal Division Chief until the quotas have been reached or the permit is no longer valid. No person shall apply for or receive more than one (1) Springer Permit in the initial drawing.

(h) Sage Grouse Hunting Permit. Any person hunting sage grouse shall apply for and receive a Sage Grouse Hunting Permit prior to taking any sage grouse. Sage Grouse Hunting Permits shall not be limited in number and shall expire at the end of the calendar year.

(i) 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. Special Management Permits shall expire at the end of the calendar year.

(j) Special Limited Fishing Permit.

(i) Any institution, facility or school designated by the Department to issue Special Limited Fishing Permits to any person under the care and supervision of the institution, residing facility or school 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) Calendar year for which the permit is valid;

(B) Name of institution, facility, or school issuing the permit; and,

(C) Name of the person employed by institution, facility, or school who issued the permit.

(iii) 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.

(iv) Employees of institutions, facilities or schools as authorized in W.S. § 23-2-207 are not eligible to receive special limited fishing permits.

(v) Any institution, facility or school designated by the Department to issue special limited fishing permits shall submit an annual report to the Department's License Section. The report shall include the number of special limited fishing permits issued, the name of the institution, facility or school and any other required information as provided by the Department. Reports shall be due on or before January 31 following the reporting period year.

**Section 6. Tags.** 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 7. Stamps.**

(a) Conservation Stamp. Conservation Stamps shall not be limited in number and shall be sold through the ELS as a Conservation Stamp Authorization.

(i) Hunters or anglers who acquire a lifetime conservation stamp or a Conservation Stamp Authorization through the ELS shall not be required to meet the signature provisions of this subsection.

(ii) The document exhibiting the conservation stamp privilege, shall be in possession of any person required by W.S. § 23-2-306 to obtain a conservation 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) Reciprocal Fishing Stamp. 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 stamps shall not be limited in number and shall be sold through the ELS.

**Section 8. Landowner Licenses.** Landowner licenses shall only be issued to those landowners who 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 a landowner applicant's immediate family member to hunt antelope, deer, elk or wild turkey on the landowner's property in the case where licenses for a hunt area have been limited in number and are only available through a competitive drawing.

(a) In order to qualify for a license issued under this section, the deeded land qualifying the landowner applicant shall;

(i) be located in the hunt area for which applied and shall;

(A) consist of a minimum of one hundred sixty (160) contiguous acres of cultivated land or;

(B) consist of a minimum of six hundred forty (640) contiguous acres of land.

(ii) 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 for a minimum of three thousand (3,000) days of use during the twelve (12) month period immediately preceding the date of application.

(iii) The landowner applicant shall be solely responsible to provide adequate documentation verifying that they meet all Commission regulation requirements governing landowner licenses.

(iv) In no case shall more than two (2) big game licenses per species or more than two (2) spring wild turkey or no more than two (2) fall wild turkey licenses be issued for a parcel of deeded land meeting the above qualifications in a calendar year.

(b) Resident or nonresident landowner applicants that own land in Wyoming or a landowner applicant's immediate family member may be issued licenses upon application and payment of the specified fee. Licenses shall be issued to landowners without participating in a competitive public license drawing. Landowner license applications shall be drawn first in each respective resident and nonresident initial drawing and shall be drawn against the total quota available in each respective hunt area. If the number of landowner license applications exceeds

the number of licenses authorized for the hunt area by the Commission a competitive drawing shall be utilized to determine successful landowner license applicants.

(c) 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 include 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.

(d) In the case of resident license availability, no full price 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.

(e) In the case where a nonresident landowner qualifies for a landowner license in a hunt area where the current hunting season provides for both limited quota and general license hunting during the established hunting season for the species applied for, the nonresident landowner may apply as a nonresident applicant for either the limited quota license for the area in which the applicant is qualified, or a general license in the initial drawing. If the nonresident landowner is unsuccessful in obtaining a limited quota license in the nonresident drawing, the nonresident landowner may subsequently apply to the Department for the issuance of a general license.

(f) Landowner licenses shall be designated by the landowner and applied for by a landowner applicant, or a member of the landowner applicant's immediate family.

(i) An individual landowner applicant may apply for or receive:

(A) No more than one (1) full price elk and one (1) limited quota reduced price elk landowner license in a calendar year.

(B) No more than one (1) full price antelope or up to two (2) limited quota reduced price antelope landowner licenses in a calendar year.

(C) No more than one (1) full price deer or up to two (2) limited quota reduced price deer landowner licenses in a calendar year.

(D) No more than one (1) spring wild turkey landowner license and one (1) fall wild turkey landowner license in a calendar year.

(ii) A maximum of two (2) licenses for antelope, deer and elk may be allowed to a landowner applicant regardless of the number of landholdings in which the landowner applicant holds an interest.

(iii) Regardless of a change in ownership of a particular parcel of land, no more than two (2) landowner licenses for each big game species (antelope, deer, and elk) shall be issued in any calendar year on the basis of the qualification of the particular parcel.

(iv) Regardless of a change in ownership of a particular parcel of land, no more than two (2) spring wild turkey and two (2) fall wild turkey landowner licenses shall be issued in any calendar year on the basis of the qualification of the particular parcel.

(g) Landowners shall submit applications for landowner licenses as listed in Section 18 of this regulation.

**Section 9. Lifetime Licenses and Conservation Stamp.** Any resident qualified to purchase a lifetime fishing, lifetime archery or lifetime combination license pursuant to Wyoming statute may obtain a lifetime license from the Department's License Section at Headquarters or license selling locations as designated by the Fiscal Division Chief.

(a) Any person may purchase a lifetime conservation stamp from the Department's License Section at Headquarters or license selling locations as designated by the Fiscal Division Chief.

(b) Receiving a lifetime license grants the recipient the privilege of utilizing the license for their 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.

(c) A resident lifetime fishing license and conservation stamp may be issued to any resident who is permanently and totally disabled and is unable to engage in any substantial gainful activity. For purposes of this subsection, substantial gainful activity shall be as determined by the U.S. Social Security Administration for the purpose of determining eligibility for Supplemental Security Income or Social Security Disability Insurance benefits.

(i) Any person applying for a resident lifetime fishing license and conservation stamp under this subsection shall apply on a form provided by the Department and shall provide a copy of their Social Security Disability Benefit letter issued from the U.S. Social Security Administration indicating the applicant's inability to engage in any substantial gainful activity.

(ii) A resident lifetime fishing license and conservation stamp issued under this subsection shall remain valid as long as the recipient remains a resident as defined by W.S. §23-1-102, § 23-1-107 and § 23-2-101.

**Section 10. 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.

(a) These licenses shall be valid in any hunt area in accordance with Commission regulations, except for the following:

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

(ii) Complimentary full price bighorn sheep licenses shall not be valid in any bighorn sheep hunt area that has a total quota of ten (10) or fewer Type one (1), any ram or any bighorn sheep licenses.

(iii) Complimentary wild bison licenses shall not be valid in any wild bison hunt area which has a total quota of ten (10) or fewer any wild bison licenses.

(iv) Governor's Complimentary licenses shall not be valid within Grand Teton National Park.

(b) Holders of Governor Complimentary licenses shall be exempt from the provisions in this Chapter limiting the number of big game or wild bison licenses an individual can possess in any one (1) calendar year or during an individual's lifetime. An individual is eligible to receive a Governor Complimentary moose license, Governor Complimentary full price bighorn sheep license and a Governor Complimentary wild bison license annually. Recipients shall be exempt from the once in a lifetime license restriction and preference points shall not be lost if an individual receives a Governor Complimentary moose or full price bighorn sheep license. Nonresident preference points shall not be lost if an individual receives a Governor Complimentary antelope, deer or elk license.

#### **Section 11. 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.

(i) 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 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.

(ii) The recipient of the license authorization may donate the license authorization back to the nonprofit charitable organization that originally bid the license authorization to be rebid to a new highest bidder.

(iii) The Department shall issue the license in the name of the person who submits the authorization for license issuance.

(iv) 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. Commissioner Complimentary licenses shall not be valid within Grand Teton National Park.

(v) The specific region, hunt area or type shall not be changed following the issuance of the license by the Department.

(vi) 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) Holders of Commissioner Complimentary licenses shall be exempt from the provisions in Commission regulations limiting the number of licenses an individual can possess in any one (1) calendar year. Nonresident recipients shall not lose preference points for receiving a Commissioner Complimentary antelope, deer or elk license.

## **Section 12. Commissioner Complimentary Licenses for Persons with Life Threatening Illnesses.**

(a) The Commission may, upon receipt of payment of the proper fee issue up to fifty (50) antelope licenses, fifty (50) deer licenses, fifty (50) elk licenses and fifty (50) wild turkey licenses to persons twenty (20) years of age or younger with a life-threatening illness and who are sponsored by a nonprofit charitable organization whose mission it is to provide opportunities and experiences to persons with life-threatening or serious illnesses. 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) limited quota antelope, ten (10) limited quota deer or ten (10) limited quota elk licenses shall be issued for any one hunt area during the same calendar year.

(i) The sponsoring organization shall submit a request for the number of licenses and species requested on or before January 31 for antelope, deer, elk, spring and fall turkey.

(ii) After notification that a sponsoring organization's request has been granted, the sponsoring organization 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 for license issuance.

(iii) As a condition to issuance of a license in this subsection, the Department shall require an authorized officer of the sponsoring organization to certify under penalty of law that the respective organization is a nonprofit, charitable organization as defined in this regulation.



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

(v) 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. In the event the number of applications exceeds the number of licenses available under this subsection, the Department shall allocate the licenses through a random drawing on or before February 10. 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, One Hundred Percent (100%) Disabled Honorably Discharged Resident Veterans Licenses, Resident Disabled Veterans Lifetime Fishing Licenses and Purple Heart Medal Recipients.**

(a) A pioneer lifetime combination game bird/small game/fishing license and a pioneer archery license may be issued to qualified individuals. The Pioneer game bird/small game/fishing licenses and pioneer archery licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS at Department Regional Offices and Headquarters.

(b) Pioneer heritage antelope, deer, elk or wild turkey licenses shall be issued through the ELS to any qualified resident. The fee for such licenses shall be: pioneer heritage antelope license, twenty-two dollars (\$22); pioneer heritage deer license, twenty-six dollars (\$26); pioneer heritage elk license, thirty-five dollars (\$35); and, pioneer heritage wild turkey license, ten dollars (\$10). Reduced price pioneer heritage doe/fawn antelope, doe/fawn deer and cow/calf elk licenses shall be issued through the ELS system.

(c) A one hundred percent (100%) disabled honorably discharged resident veteran combination game bird/small game/fishing license may be issued to qualified individuals. The one hundred percent (100%) disabled honorably discharged resident veteran game bird/small game/fishing license shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS at Department Regional Offices and Headquarters upon submission by the applicant of documentary evidence provided by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs that the resident veteran qualifies as one hundred percent (100%) disabled. For the purpose of this subsection, one hundred percent (100%) disabled does not refer to disability compensation.

(d) Wyoming statutes provide for the issuance of antelope, deer, elk or wild turkey pioneer licenses to individuals qualified at the time of license issuance. For purposes of drawings for which the submission of a completed application shall be required, license applicants shall qualify by June 20 of the current calendar year. Any resident person qualified to receive a limited quota pioneer big game or wild turkey license shall make application through the ELS. Limited quota pioneer licenses for antelope, deer, elk and wild turkey shall be applied for in accordance with Section 18 of this Chapter. Pioneer general deer, general elk and general wild turkey licenses shall be issued through the ELS. Limited quota reduced price pioneer

doe/fawn antelope, doe/fawn deer and cow/calf elk licenses shall be issued through the ELS system.

(e) 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 Veterans Affairs may apply on the proper application form for a resident disabled veteran's lifetime fishing license. A resident disabled veteran's lifetime fishing license shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS at Department Regional Offices and Headquarters upon submission by the applicant of documentary evidence provided by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs that the applicant 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.

(f) Combination game bird/small game/fishing licenses may be issued to honorably discharged residents of the state who qualify as a United States Military Purple Heart Medal recipient. These combination licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS at Department Regional Offices and Headquarters upon submission by the applicant of documentary evidence provided by the United States Military Department that the resident qualifies as a purple heart medal recipient.

(g) A pioneer resident trapping license may be issued to any qualified resident. Pioneer resident trapping licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS at Department Regional Offices and Headquarters.

#### **Section 14. Donation of Big Game Licenses to a Veteran with Disabilities or to a Permanently Disabled Person Who Uses a Wheelchair.**

(a) The holder of a valid big game license, trophy game license or wild bison license may surrender the license to the Department for reissuance to a disabled veteran or to a permanently disabled person who uses a wheelchair. The person surrendering the license may designate that their license be donated to a disabled veteran or to a permanently disabled person who uses a wheelchair, and may designate a qualified nonprofit charitable organization dedicated to providing hunting opportunities to disabled veterans or persons with permanent disabilities who use wheelchairs. Donated licenses not designated to a qualified nonprofit charitable organization, or donated licenses not assigned to a sponsored individual within fifteen (15) days after a nonprofit charitable organization dedicated to providing hunting opportunities to disabled veterans or persons with permanent disability who use wheelchairs has been notified of license availability, shall be made available for reissuance on a first-come, first-served basis to a qualified nonprofit charitable organization dedicated to providing hunting opportunities to disabled veterans or persons with permanent disabilities who use wheelchairs.

(i) The unused, unaltered license with all coupons intact shall be submitted along with a form provided by the Department which indicates the license holders' desire to surrender the license issued in their name and donate the surrendered license under this Section.

The person surrendering the license shall sign an affidavit verifying that the license was not used during any hunting season.

(ii) Any person surrendering a valid big game license, trophy game license or wild bison license to be reissued under this Section, shall not be eligible to receive a duplicate license for the same species, hunt area and type as the surrendered license.

(iii) A surrendered license shall count against the maximum number of licenses a person may otherwise apply for and receive as a condition of Commission regulation or state statute.

(iv) Any person surrendering a valid big game license for reissuance under this Section, for which preference points have been accumulated, shall not have preference points restored.

(b) The surrendered license shall be reissued by the Department's License Section to a qualified person who has been selected and sponsored by a nonprofit charitable organization dedicated to providing hunting opportunities for disabled veterans or persons with permanent disabilities who use wheelchairs.

(i) As a condition to reissue a license in this subsection, the Department shall require an authorized officer of the sponsoring organization to certify under penalty of law that the respective organization is a nonprofit charitable organization providing hunting opportunities for disabled veterans or persons with permanent disabilities who use wheelchairs.

(ii) The sponsoring organization shall submit a completed application form for the issuance of a license on forms provided by the Department. Donated license applications, and any documentary evidence, shall be completed each year regardless of whether an applicant has received a donated license in a previous year.

(A) For a license being reissued to a disabled veteran, documentary evidence provided by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs that the applicant currently receives at least fifty percent (50%) or more service connected disability compensation shall be submitted with the application form.

(B) For a license being reissued to a permanently disabled person who uses a wheelchair, a statement by a licensed physician, on forms provided by the Department, that the applicant has a permanent disability that requires the applicant to, at all times, be confined to a wheelchair for mobility purposes.

(iii) The license shall be reissued to a qualified applicant at no fee.

(iv) The license shall be reissued for the same species, area and license type as the license donated.

(v) Any license reissued under this section shall be eligible for a reservation of a full price license in accordance with Section 21 of this chapter.

(vi) An application for a donated license to be issued to a qualified person and all required documentation must be received by the Department's License Section at least three (3) business days prior to the license issuance.

**Section 15. Active Duty Wyoming Resident in Combat Zone Licenses.**

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 currently 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 indicating the resident is currently deployed to a combat zone and is returning to a combat zone at the end of the current leave period, 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 through the ELS at no fee to the applicant and shall only be issued at Headquarters or Department Regional Offices.

**Section 16. Party Applications – Initial Drawing.** In the initial drawing, the maximum allowable number of completed applications in a party shall be six (6). Residents and nonresidents shall not apply together in the same party. Completed 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, mountain goat, or wild bison recreational hunting season licenses. Party applicants are required to submit their applications for the same species, hunt area, and type in the same order of preference.

**Section 17. Proof of Residency for Resident Licenses, Permits or Preference Points.**

(a) Any qualified individual may apply for or receive a resident game and fish license, permit or preference point 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, permit or preference point or signs a resident license or permit the individual swears that they are a Wyoming resident as defined in W.S. § 23-1-102 (a) (ix) (xv), § 23-1-107 and § 23-2-101 (a).

(b) Any person applying for or purchasing a resident 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. 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 (a) (ix) and § 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) Completed applications for initial limited quota drawings, leftover drawings, purchase of preference points only and applications for the Department's Super Tag Trifecta and Super Tag license competitive raffle shall only be submitted through the ELS during the application periods stated in this section. 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 completed applications. The Department shall begin accepting completed applications at 8:00 a.m. on the first business day of the month or the specified date listed in subsections (d) and (e) of this Section.

(b) Completed applications submitted through the ELS shall not be accepted after 12:00 midnight Mountain Standard Time zone on the respective application deadline dates listed in subsection (e). If the deadline date occurs on a day when Headquarters has been closed for license sales (weekends, holiday, etc.), the ELS shall be available until 12:00 midnight Mountain Standard Time zone on the next business day.

(c) If the ELS is closed or otherwise unavailable to the public during the deadline date listed in subsection (e), the Department shall accept completed applications through the ELS until 12:00 midnight Mountain Standard Time zone on the next calendar day.

(d) Landowner license application dates shall be the same as listed in Section (e).

## (e) Non-Landowner and Landowner Application Dates:

LICENSE	BEGINNING APPLICATION MONTH	LAST DATE TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS	LAST DATE TO MODIFY/ WITHDRAW
<b>ANTELOPE</b>			
Limited Quota Nonresident	Jan.	May 31	May 31
Limited Quota Reduced Price Nonresident Doe/Fawn	Jan.	May 31	May 31
Limited Quota Reduced Price Resident Doe/Fawn	Jan.	May 31	May 31
Limited Quota Resident	Jan.	May 31	May 31
<b>BIGHORN SHEEP</b>			
Limited Quota Nonresident	Jan.	Apr. 30	Apr. 30
<b>BIGHORN SHEEP</b>			
Limited Quota Resident	Jan.	Apr. 30	Apr. 30
Nonresident Preference Point Only	Jul.	Oct. 31	n/a
Resident Preference Point Only	Jul.	Oct. 31	n/a
<b>COMPETITIVE RAFFLE CHANCES</b>			
Super Tag License	Feb. 15	Jan. 31	
Super Tag Trifecta License	Feb. 15	Jan. 31	
<b>DEER</b>			
General and Limited Quota Resident	Jan.	May 31	May 31
Limited Quota Reduced Price Nonresident Doe/Fawn	Jan.	May 31	May 31
Limited Quota Reduced Price Resident Doe/Fawn	Jan.	May 31	May 31
Nonresident Preference Point Only	Jul.	Oct. 31	n/a
Region and Limited Quota Nonresident	Jan.	May 31	May 31
<b>ELK</b>			
General and Limited Quota Nonresident	Jan.	Jan. 31	May 8
General and Limited Quota Resident	Jan.	May 31	May 31

LICENSE	BEGINNING APPLICATION MONTH	LAST DATE TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS	LAST DATE TO MODIFY/ WITHDRAW
<b>ELK</b>			
Limited Quota Reduced Price Nonresident Cow/Calf	Jan.	Jan. 31	May 8
Limited Quota Reduced Price Resident Cow/Calf	Jan.	May 31	May 31
Nonresident Preference Point Only	Jul.	Oct. 31	n/a
<b>FURBEARING ANIMAL</b>			
Limited Quota Furbearing Animal Trapping Permit	Apr.	May 31	n/a
<b>MOOSE</b>			
Limited Quota Nonresident	Jan.	Apr. 30	Apr. 30
Limited Quota Resident	Jan.	Apr. 30	Apr. 30
Nonresident Preference Point Only	Jul.	Oct. 31	n/a
Resident Preference Point Only	Jul.	Oct. 31	n/a
<b>MOUNTAIN GOAT</b>			
Limited Quota Nonresident	Jan.	Apr. 30	Apr. 30
Limited Quota Resident	Jan.	Apr. 30	Apr. 30
<b>PHEASANT</b>			
Glendo Permit	Apr.	May 31	n/a
Springer Permit	Apr.	May 31	n/a
<b>PREFERENCE POINT ONLY</b>			
Nonresident	Jul.	Oct. 31	n/a
Resident	Jul.	Oct. 31	n/a
<b>SANDHILL CRANE</b>			
Limited Quota	Apr.	May 31	n/a
<b>WILD BISON</b>			
	Mar.	Apr. 30	Apr. 30
<b>WILD TURKEY</b>			
Limited Quota Nonresident Spring Fall	Jan. Apr.	Jan. 31 May 31	Jan. 31 May 31

LICENSE	BEGINNING APPLICATION MONTH	LAST DATE TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS	LAST DATE TO MODIFY/ WITHDRAW
<b>WILD TURKEY</b>			
Nonresident General Spring Fall	Jan. Apr.	Jan. 31 May 31	Jan. 31 May 31
Limited Quota Resident Spring Fall	Jan. Apr.	Jan. 31 May 31	Jan. 31 May 31
Resident General Spring Fall	Jan. Apr.	Jan. 31 May 31	Jan. 31 May 31

**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 preference point drawing for a full price bighorn sheep or moose license, or purchased a preference point for nonresident antelope, deer or elk, a drawing advantage in future years as prescribed in Wyoming statutes. All applicants participate in the preference point drawing regardless of their preference point balance.

(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 time period in which the person's privilege to obtain a full price bighorn sheep or moose license or nonresident antelope, deer or elk 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 for moose or bighorn sheep during the initial license drawing period and is either awarded a preference point or receives their first choice license in the initial drawing, 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 purpose of assigning preference points in this Section, any unsuccessful full price bighorn sheep or moose 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 nonresident antelope, deer or elk preference points in this Section, any sportsperson failing to purchase a preference point within two (2) consecutive calendar years shall lose all accumulated preference points for that species and shall be considered as a first year applicant for any subsequent calendar year in which the applicant submits an application for a license.

(viii) For the purpose of retaining bighorn sheep and moose preference points in this Section, any sportsperson whose residency status changes and who has accumulated preference points shall retain those preference 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.

(ix) A person may only request to contest their preference point values to the License Review Board for the five (5) year period immediately preceding their request.

(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 then those preference points shall not be restored. The Fiscal Division Chief may make an exception in the case of name changes because of marriage, divorce, adoption or legal name change, or if an erroneous license record was created by a license selling agent or by system error.

(e) The preference points associated with a sportsperson identification number provided on an application shall be the only preference points considered for an individual applicant participating in a preference point drawing.

(f) Upon drawing a full price bighorn sheep or full price bull 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 after having received a full price bighorn sheep license through the drawing. No person shall apply for or receive a full price bull moose license or preference point for bull moose after having received a bull moose license through the drawing.

(i) Preference points are assigned to residents and nonresidents who elect this option on their application and are unsuccessful in either the full price bighorn sheep or moose drawings. The nonresident applicable 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 fifty dollars (\$150) for full price bighorn sheep and one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) 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 applicant is not required to pay the statutorily prescribed application fee. The preference point fee for residents shall be seven dollars (\$7) per species and the fee for nonresidents shall be one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) for full price bighorn sheep, and one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) for moose.

(g) A nonresident applicant may elect to purchase a preference point for antelope, deer or elk. The preference point fee for nonresidents shall be thirty-one dollars (\$31) for antelope, forty-one dollars (\$41) for deer, fifty-two dollars (\$52) for elk and ten dollars (\$10) per species for nonresident youth. The applicant, when only applying for preference points, is not required to pay the statutorily prescribed application fee. Individuals who have drawn their first choice license in the initial draw are prohibited from purchasing or receiving a preference point in the same calendar year.

(h) Upon drawing a license for the applicant's first choice in the initial drawing 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. Leftover Drawing.** Limited quota licenses that were not issued through the initial drawings shall be offered in a competitive leftover drawing.

(a) A leftover drawing shall be conducted for antelope, bighorn sheep, deer, elk, moose, wild bison and mountain goat licenses remaining after the initial drawings.

(b) The application period shall be determined on an annual basis by the Fiscal Division Chief. Completed applications and license fees must be submitted during the application period.

(c) Both residents and nonresidents shall draw against the same quota.

(d) The maximum allowable number of applications in a party shall be six (6). Residents and nonresidents may apply together in the same party. Party applicants are required to submit their applications for the same species, hunt area and type in the same order of preference. All members of a party may either receive licenses or refunds on their license fees.

(e) All applicants shall participate in the respective random leftover drawing, giving no advantage to applicants with preference points.

**Section 21. Reservation of Full Price Licenses.** Individuals who have been issued a Governor's Complimentary License for a full price big game animal, a limited quota full price big game license, trophy game license or wild bison license, and who have been unable to use the license for good cause may reserve a license for the same species, hunt area and license type for the immediately succeeding hunting season only. Resident general licenses shall not be eligible for reservation of a license for the immediately succeeding hunting season.

(a) To qualify for consideration of reservation of a Governor's Complimentary License for a full price big game animal, limited quota full price big game license, trophy game license or wild bison license, the licensee shall provide information in accordance with (b), (c) or (d) of this section if one or more of the following circumstances occurred:

(i) A majority of the hunting opportunity was lost due to administrative actions of a governmental agency;

(ii) A natural disaster;

(iii) The death of the licensee's spouse, parent, step-parent, grandparent, sibling, step-sibling, lineal descendants and their spouses, step-children, father-in-law, mother-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, step-son-in-law or step-daughter-in-law or the death of a member of a party application;

(iv) Incapacitating illness or injury of the licensee, the licensee's spouse, parent, step-parent, grandparent, sibling, step-sibling, lineal descendants and their spouses, step-children, father-in-law, mother-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, step-son-in-law or step-daughter-in-law, or incapacitating illness or injury of a member of a party application;

(v) Military personnel who receive permanent change of station (PCS) orders and military personnel who are assigned away from their home duty station on temporary orders (TDY) for the majority of the regular season;

(b) To qualify for consideration of reservation of a Governor's Complimentary License, limited quota full price big game license, trophy game license or wild bison license due to a majority of the hunting opportunity being lost due to administrative actions of a government agency or a natural disaster, the licensee shall:

(i) Request the reservation on an application provide by the Department;

(ii) Submit the unused and unaltered license with all coupons intact to the Department;

(iii) Sign an affidavit verifying that the licensee did not exercise any hunting privilege for the specified license, in any manner, during any portion of the hunting season authorized by the license.

(c) To qualify for consideration of reservation of a Governor's Complimentary License, limited quota full price big game license, trophy game license or wild bison license due to disabling injury or illness, the licensee shall:

(i) Request the reservation on an application provide by the Department;

(ii) Submit the unused and unaltered license with all coupons intact to the Department;

(iii) Submit a "Restriction from Hunting Activity" statement, written on the physician's official prescription slip or physician's letterhead within thirty (30) days from the date an applicant's completed License Reservation Request Form is received by the Department; and,

(iv) Sign an affidavit verifying that the licensee did not exercise any hunting privilege for the specified license, in any manner, during any portion of the hunting season authorized by the license.

(d) To qualify for consideration of reservation of a limited quota full price big game license, trophy game license or wild bison license for reasons related to being unable to use the license for good cause concerning military personnel who receive permanent change of station (PCS) orders or are assigned away from their home duty station on temporary order (TDY) for the majority of the regular season, the licensee shall:

(i) Request the reservation on an application provided by the Department.

(ii) Provide the Department a copy of official military orders from the Armed Forces of the United States;

(iii) Submit the unused and unaltered license with all coupons intact to the Department; and,

(iv) Sign an affidavit verifying that the licensee did not exercise any hunting privilege for the specified license, in any manner, during any portion of the hunting season authorized by the license.

(e) Deadline to apply for reservation of a license.

(i) For any license, permit or stamp in which the hunting season to use the license, permit or stamp expires on December 31 in the year issued, the deadline to submit a written request and all required documents for the reservation of a license shall be December 31 of that year.

(ii) For any license in which the hunting season to use that license has been extended into January of the succeeding calendar year, the deadline to submit a written request and all required documents for the reservation of that license shall be January 31 of the year in which the hunting season expires. For all other licenses, the deadline to submit a written request and all required documents for the reservation of a license shall be on the last date the individual license is valid.

(f) Any resident who has been granted a limited quota elk or limited quota deer license reservation from the License Review Board related to being unable to use the license for good cause may subsequently purchase a general license, if eligible, for the same species during the current hunting season.

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

(h) In circumstances where related season, quota or sex limitation of the hunt area for the unused license changes in the subsequent hunting season, 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 or male animal, or an antlerless or female animal in the subsequent hunting season.

(ii) If the unused license was limited to taking an antlerless or female animal, but that license 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 hunting season.

(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 animal, or an antlerless or female animal license at the Department's discretion in the subsequent hunting season.

(iv) If in the subsequent hunting season, 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 hunting season, 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.

(i) All applicants requesting the reservation of a limited quota full price big game license, trophy game license or wild bison license shall submit the administrative fee of ten dollars (\$10) no later than March 15 in the succeeding calendar year, along with a completed Department application prior to the reissuance of the license.

(j) Any limited quota full price big game license, trophy game license or wild bison license that is reissued to a qualified applicant shall count toward the total number of licenses a person may apply for and receive during any one calendar year.

(k) Any person who has been granted a license reservation under this section, for which preference points have been accumulated, shall not have preference points restored and may not be eligible to purchase a preference point for that species during the same year the original license was issued.

(l) Any person who has been granted a license reservation under this section shall not be eligible to participate in the initial drawing the following year for a full priced license of the same species and license type.

(m) Any nonresident region deer licenses and any nonresident region general elk licenses that have been reserved for the immediately succeeding season due to the licensee being unable to use the license for good cause shall only be made available to nonresidents on a first-come, first-served basis through the ELS.

**Section 22. Applicant Disqualification.** The applicant(s) is solely responsible for the veracity of information on the completed application submitted through the ELS. Applications shall be disqualified for the following reasons:

(a) The applicant's privilege to purchase or receive any hunting license or preference points has been suspended by a court order or the Wildlife Violator Compact;

(b) The applicant causes more than one (1) sportsperson identification number to have been assigned;

(c) Submission by an individual of more than one (1) completed application for a license for the same big or trophy game species, wild turkey or wild bison unless authorized by Commission regulation;

(d) Applying for a license the applicant is not eligible to receive by Rule and Regulation or Statute;

(e) 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.

(f) The applicant attempts to manipulate or circumvent Department licensing security procedures in the ELS system in order to submit or modify an application.

(g) Any person who has an application disqualified under this section shall be in violation of this regulation and such violation shall be punishable as provided by Title 23, Wyoming Statutes, for violation of Commission regulations.

### **Section 23. 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 Game and Fish 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 Game and Fish 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 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 July 10, 2015, and which does not include any later amendments or editions of the incorporated matter.

**Section 24. Withdrawal or Modification of Application, Refund of License Fees and Reissuance of Certain Licenses.** Licenses, permits, stamps, tags, preference points or competitive raffle chances 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, preference point or competitive raffle chance(s) has been issued, except as specified in this section or otherwise as set forth in Commission regulation.

(a) Withdrawal or Modification of an Application.

(i) A request for a voluntary withdrawal of an application before a drawing shall be accepted through the ELS by the date indicated in Section 18(e) for the initial drawing, and by the application closing date for the leftover drawing.

(A) Applicants may not submit a voluntary withdrawal form for the purchase of a preference point only, Super Tag or Super Tag Trifecta competitive raffle chance.

(ii) A modification of an application must be completed through the ELS by the date indicated in Section 18(e) for the initial drawing, and by the application closing date for the leftover drawing.

(A) An applicant may only request changes to hunt area and type or change their withdrawal flag indicator on their reduced price application for the initial drawing through the ELS.

(b) Refund of License Fees.

(i) To request a refund of a license fee in this subsection, the licensee shall submit the request for a refund in writing along with the license unaltered and with all coupons intact to the Department 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 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 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 hunting license, the individual may apply for and receive any remaining issue-after license for the same species in accordance with state statutes and Commission regulations. Application fees and any applicable preference point fees shall not be refunded. All license refund requests shall be reviewed and addressed by the Fiscal Division Chief and, if required brought before the License Review Board for consideration.

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

(A) In the case of the death of the licensee, a written request for a license refund supported by a copy of the respective death certificate shall be submitted to the Department. The date of death on such certificate shall have resulted in the licensee not being able to participate in the majority of the regular or special archery season. All refunds issued under this subsection shall be made payable to the estate of the decedent unless the license fee was paid by a nonprofit charitable organization. The nonprofit charitable organization shall provide supporting documentation of payment of the license fee.

(B) In the case of the death of the licensee's spouse, parents, grandparents, siblings, 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 or the death of a member of a party application, the licensee shall submit a written request on a form provided by the Department for a license refund supported by the respective death certificate. The date of death shall have resulted in the licensee not being able to participate in the majority of the regular or special archery season.



(C) In the case of incapacitating illness or injury of the licensee, the licensee's spouse, parents, grandparents, siblings, 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, or incapacitating illness or injury of a member of a party application, 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;

(D) Military personnel who receive permanent change of station (PCS) orders and 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;

(E) 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;

(F) When the Department determines a majority of the hunting opportunity and access to the public land within an individual hunt area outside of designated wilderness has been closed due to administrative actions of the state or federal government in closing of the public access to public lands, or due to a natural disaster, including but not necessarily limited to, wildland fires, the licensee of a limited quota antelope, full price bighorn sheep, limited quota deer, limited quota elk, moose, mountain goat, or wild bison license may request a license fee refund;

(I) When the Department determines one hundred percent (100%) of all the hunt areas are closed or the hunting season is prevented from occurring due to administrative actions of the state or federal government, a black bear, gray wolf, mountain lion or wild bison licensee may request a license fee refund. The closing of hunt areas due to harvest quotas or mortality limits being met does not qualify a licensee for a license fee refund.

(G) 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 License Review Board 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.

(H) 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), (vii), or (viii) of this subsection;

(I) A sponsoring organization of a person with a life-threatening illness that has received a license under Section 13 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.

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

(A) The licensee illegally purchased more licenses than what was authorized for purchase by Commission regulation or Wyoming statute;

(B) For any license, permit or stamp in which the hunting season to use the license, permit or stamp expires on December 31 in the year issued, the deadline to submit a written request and all required documents for a refund shall be December 31 of that year.

(C) The licensee was issued a donated big game license in accordance with Section 14 of this chapter;

(D) For any license in which the hunting season to use that license has been extended into January of the succeeding calendar year, the deadline to submit a written request and all required documents for a refund of that license shall be January 31 of the year in which the hunting season expires. For all other licenses, the deadline to submit a written request and all required documents for refund shall be on the last date the individual license is valid.

(E) 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.

(iv) There shall be no right of appeal to the Commission for any decision rendered by the License Review Board or the Department for any provision of this section.

(v) 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.

(c) Reissuance of Certain Licenses.

(i) Any antelope, deer or elk limited quota licenses that have been reserved for the immediately succeeding season due to the licensee being unable to use the license for good cause or returned to the Department and for which a license refund has been granted may be made available for purchase by residents and nonresidents on a first-come, first-served basis through the ELS if the Department determines that a reasonable hunting opportunity exists. Any Governor's Complimentary licenses that have been reserved for the immediately succeeding

season due to the licensee being unable to use the license for good cause shall not be made available for resale or use during the current year.

(ii) Any nonresident regional deer licenses and any nonresident regional general elk licenses that have been returned to the Department and for which a license refund has been granted may be made available for purchase by nonresidents on a first-come, first-served basis through the ELS.

(iii) Any bighorn sheep or moose limited quota licenses that have been returned to the Department and for which a license refund has been granted may be made available for purchase by residents or nonresidents.

(A) If the bighorn sheep or moose license was originally issued through the resident or nonresident preference point drawing, the license may be made available for purchase to the next person on the respective preference point drawing list.

(B) If the bighorn sheep or moose license was originally issued through the resident or nonresident random drawing, the license may be made available for purchase to the next person on the respective resident or nonresident random drawing list.

(C) For any bighorn sheep license to be reissued under this section, the returned license shall have been received by the Department on or before August 1. For any moose license to be reissued under this section, the returned license shall have been received by the Department on or before September 1.

(iv) Any mountain goat or wild bison limited quota licenses that have been returned to the department and for which a license refund has been granted may be made available for purchase through the following process.

(A) If the mountain goat or wild bison license was originally issued through the resident random drawing, the license may be made available for purchase to the next resident applicant on the resident random drawing list.

(B) If the mountain goat or wild bison license was originally issued through the nonresident random drawing the license may be made available for purchase to the next nonresident applicant on the nonresident random drawing list.

(C) For any mountain goat or wild bison license to be reissued under this section, the returned license shall have been received by the Department on or before September 1.

(v) When a limited quota bighorn sheep, moose, mountain goat or wild bison license is available for reissuance under this section, the following notification process shall be used to contact the next applicant from each respective resident or nonresident random drawing or preference point drawing list.

(A) Applicants shall be notified by email and telephone in the order of the respective resident or nonresident, random or preference point drawing.

(B) The Department shall attempt to contact an applicant during a forty-eight (48) hour period by email and telephone. A minimum of three (3) attempts shall be made during different hours of the day and evening. Notification attempts shall be spaced at least one-half (1/2) hour apart. Department personnel must speak directly to the applicant during the notification call. If an individual cannot be contacted within the forty-eight (48) hour timeframe, the next applicant on the respective list shall be notified. Those who could not be contacted shall retain their position on the respective drawing list and may be contacted if another opportunity exists.

**Section 25. Alteration or Transfer of Licenses, Permits, Stamps, Tags, Preference Points or Competitive Raffle Chances to Another Person Prohibited; Use by Another Person Prohibited; Invalidation by Improper Fees.**

(a) Department licenses, permits, stamps or tags shall not be altered by anyone other than authorized Department personnel.

(b) A license, permit, stamp or tag shall only be used for the purpose of taking wildlife 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 or tag. No license, permit, stamp, tag, preference point or competitive raffle chance shall be transferred to another person. Any license, permit, stamp, tag, preference point or competitive raffle chances shall not be valid unless the proper fees have been received by the Department.

(c) 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.

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

**Section 26. Licenses, Conservation Stamp and Reciprocal Fishing Stamp Expiration.**

(a) Fishing licenses, small game licenses, game bird, combination small game/game bird licenses, furbearer hunting or trapping licenses and game bird farm licenses shall be valid until the expiration date as indicated on the individual license. All other licenses expire on the last day of the calendar year in which issued.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in Commission Regulation, big game animal, wild bison and fall wild turkey licenses issued in one (1) calendar year are valid through the closing

date established in January of the next succeeding calendar year when a hunting season for big game animals, wild bison or fall wild turkey opens during one (1) calendar year and closes in January of the next succeeding calendar year.

(c) All daily hunting or fishing licenses shall only be valid for the calendar day(s) delineated on the license. A nonresident five (5) day fishing license is only valid for five (5) consecutive calendar days.

(d) Conservation Stamp and Reciprocal Fishing Stamp. Conservation Stamp and Reciprocal Fishing Stamp Authorizations issued through the ELS shall be valid until the expiration date as indicated on the document exhibiting the stamp privilege.

**Section 27. Super Tag Licenses and Super Tag Trifecta Licenses.** Wyoming statutes provide for the issuance of big game, trophy game and wild bison licenses to be issued through a competitive raffle process. Big game, trophy game and wild bison licenses authorized under this section shall be valid for the species for which the license has been issued.

(a) These licenses shall be valid in any hunt area in accordance with Commission regulations, except for the following:

(i) A Super Tag License or a Super Tag Trifecta License for moose shall not be valid in any moose hunt area which has a total quota of ten (10) or fewer antlered or any moose licenses.

(ii) A Super Tag License or a Super Tag Trifecta License for full price bighorn sheep shall not be valid in any bighorn sheep hunt area which has a total quota of ten (10) or fewer full price bighorn sheep licenses.

(iii) A Super Tag License or a Super Tag Trifecta License shall not be valid within Grand Teton National Park.

(iv) A Super Tag License or a Super Tag Trifecta License for wild bison shall not be valid in any wild bison hunt area which has a total quota of ten (10) or fewer any wild bison licenses.

(b) Recipients of a Super Tag License and Super Tag Trifecta License shall be exempt from the provisions in this Chapter limiting the number of big game, trophy game or wild bison licenses an individual may possess in any one (1) calendar year. An individual is eligible to receive a Super Tag License or Super Tag Trifecta License for big game, trophy game or wild bison annually. Recipients shall be exempt from the once in a lifetime license restriction for bull moose, full price bighorn sheep, mountain goat and wild bison licenses. Preference points shall not be lost if an individual receives a Super Tag License or Super Tag Trifecta License for antelope, bighorn sheep, deer, elk, moose or wild bison.

(c) There shall be up to eleven (11) successful recipients of licenses from all the individuals that purchased a Super Tag License or Super Tag Trifecta License competitive raffle

chance. Up to ten (10) individual recipients shall be issued one Super Tag License as follows: one (1) antelope license, or one (1) bighorn sheep license, or one (1) black bear license, or one (1) deer license, or one (1) elk license, or one (1) gray wolf license, or one (1) moose license, or one (1) mountain goat license, or one (1) mountain lion license or one (1) wild bison license. The successful recipient of a Super Tag License shall be based on what species of big game, trophy game or wild bison license was randomly drawn for the participating recipient. One (1) successful applicant shall be issued Super Tag Trifecta Licenses, allowing that individual to choose, at their discretion, no more than three (3) different species of big game, trophy game and wild bison licenses.

(d) Super Tag License and Super Tag Trifecta License competitive raffle chances shall be sold annually.

(i) The price for a single Super Tag License competitive raffle chance shall be ten dollars (\$10) for both residents and nonresidents. The price for a single Super Tag Trifecta License competitive raffle chance shall be thirty dollars (\$30) for both residents and nonresidents. The number of competitive raffle chances that any one person may purchase is not limited in number.

(ii) An applicant may apply for Super Tag License competitive raffle chances by an individual species of big game or trophy game or for wild bison. An applicant may choose to purchase a competitive raffle chance(s) for multiple species.

(iii) For a Super Tag Trifecta License competitive raffle chance, a person does not need to select the individual species of big game or trophy game or wild bison at the time they purchase a raffle chance.

(iv) A person purchasing a Super Tag License or Super Tag Trifecta License competitive raffle chance shall not be eligible to submit a voluntary withdrawal form or be eligible for a refund for competitive raffle chances purchased.

(e) A competitive drawing shall be conducted to determine the winners of the individual species Super Tag Licenses and Super Tag Trifecta License.

(i) There shall be no preference given to residents or nonresidents in the drawing or issuance of a Super Tag License or Super Tag Trifecta License.

(ii) If a nonresident applicant wins a Super Tag License raffle for a bighorn sheep, moose, mountain goat or wild bison, the applicant shall be required to purchase their Super Tag License by March 15 of that year so the license may be counted against the nonresident quota.

(iii) If a nonresident applicant wins the Super Tag Trifecta License raffle and chooses to select either a bighorn sheep, moose, mountain goat or wild bison license, the applicant shall be required to select the individual species and purchase their license(s) by March 15 of that year so the license(s) may be counted against the nonresident quota.

(f) License fees for successful Super Tag License and Super Tag Trifecta License holders shall be as set forth in Wyoming Statute or Commission regulation.

(g) No person shall purchase a competitive raffle chance for a Super Tag License or Super Tag Trifecta License during any calendar year in which the person's privilege to obtain a license or preference point has been revoked or suspended by a court or the Wildlife Violator Compact.

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

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## CHAPTER 44

### REGULATION FOR ISSUANCE OF LICENSES, PERMITS, STAMPS, TAGS, PREFERENCE POINTS AND COMPETITIVE RAFFLE CHANCES

**Section 1. Authority.** This regulation is promulgated by authority of Wyoming Statutes § 6-7-101, § 9-4-217(h), § 20-6-112, § 23-1-102, § 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, § 23-3-403 and § 23-6-301 through § 23-6-303.

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

(a) “Charitable Purpose” means motivated by sympathy and understanding and generosity and done without any remuneration.

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

(c) “Completed Application” means all required portions of the application have been properly completed with correct applicant information, submitted within the proper time period and accompanied by the proper fee.

(d) “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 issued through the Electronic Licensing Service (ELS), a duplicate license shall only be required if the original license contained a carcass coupon.

(e) “Electronic Application” means the license or permit application form submitted through the Electronic Licensing Service (ELS).

(f) “Electronic Licensing 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 and preference points.

(g) “Electronic Signature” means an electronic process attached to or logically associated with any electronic transaction including the license, preference point 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).

(h) "Full Price License" means a deer, antelope, elk, mountain lion or ram bighorn sheep license issued that is not a reduced price doe/fawn, cow/calf, ewe/lamb or mountain lion license.

(i) "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.

(j) "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.

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

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

(m) "Headquarters" means the Cheyenne Office of the Wyoming Game and Fish Department located at 5400 Bishop Blvd., Cheyenne, WY 82006.

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

(o) "Immediate Family Member" means spouse, parent, step-parent, grandparent, step-grandparent, sibling, step-sibling, step-child, or lineal descendants and their spouses.

(p) "Initial Drawing" means a computer processed drawing held for initial offering of resident and nonresident licenses and permits.

(q) "Issue-After License" means licenses that are limited in number and that were not issued in the initial or leftover drawings; these licenses shall be issued on an as processed basis through the ELS.

(r) "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.

(s) "Landowner Applicant" means an individual who either owns real property solely or jointly with other individuals, ~~or~~ is an immediate family member of the individual or who

holds an significant 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.~~

(t) “Leftover Drawing” means a computer processed random drawing to issue licenses remaining after the initial drawings.

(u) “Leftover Licenses” means limited quota licenses, ~~and~~ nonresident region general deer licenses and nonresident region general elk licenses issued in the leftover drawing.

(v) “Leftover Permits” means permits that are limited in number and were not issued in the initial drawing and shall be issued on an as processed basis through the ELS.

(w) “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.

(x) “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.

(y) “License Review Board” means a three (3) member board of Department employees consisting of the Deputy Director of Internal Operations, the Fiscal Division Chief and the Chief Game Warden, or their designees, that review and determine ~~all~~ license reservation requests, license refund requests, preference point issues and other license or permit issuance matters.

(z) “Limited Quota Drawing” means the processing of an application for limited quota or general big game licenses, trophy game licenses, wild turkey licenses, permits, wild bison licenses or Super Tag and Super Tag Trifecta competitive raffles through a drawing.

(aa) “Limited Quota Licenses” means licenses that are limited in number and valid only in a hunt area(s) or portion(s) of a hunt area. Limited quota licenses shall be valid only under species, sex, age class, harvest, and weapon type limitations that are in effect for each hunt area.

(bb) “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.

(cc) “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 a ewe or lamb bighorn sheep independent of what may be taken on a full priced limited quota license.

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

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

(gg) “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.

(hh) “Nonprofit Organization Dedicated to Providing Hunting Opportunities to Individuals with Disabilities” means an organization certifying they are nonprofit and that their primary purpose or mission as stated in their charter is to provide hunting opportunities to individuals with disabilities as outlined in this regulation.

(ii) “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), § 23-1-107 and § 23-2-101 (a).

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

(kk) “Party” means a group of individuals with the same residency status who apply together in the initial drawing 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.

(ll) “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 in the initial drawing.

(mm) “Permit” means a document that authorizes a license holder to carry out activities not authorized by the license itself, or a permission slip issued by the Department.

(nn) “Pioneer Heritage Licenses” means antelope, deer, elk or wild turkey licenses issued to Wyoming residents who 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.

(oo) “Pioneer Licenses” means antelope, archery, deer, elk or wild turkey licenses issued to Wyoming residents who are at least seventy-five (75) years of age prior to the issuance of the license, and who have continuously resided in Wyoming for at least fifty (50) years immediately preceding the application for a license; or game bird, small game and fishing licenses issued to Wyoming residents who are over sixty-five (65) years of age and who have resided in Wyoming for at least thirty (30) total years; no year of residence prior to a resident’s tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) birthday shall count toward the thirty (30) year requirement.

(pp) “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.

(qq) “Proper Application Form” means the document prescribed by the Department, a photocopy of the document, or facsimile of the document. These documents shall be the only documents accepted by the Department.

(rr) “Properly Completed Duplicate License Affidavit” means a Department affidavit document signed by the person applying for a duplicate license.

(ss) “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.

(tt) “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.

(uu) “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.

(vv) “Reduced Price Mountain Lion License” means a license which may be authorized in specific hunt areas allowing a person to take a mountain lion in addition to what may be taken on a full price mountain lion license.

(ww) “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.

(xx) “Region General Elk Licenses” means general nonresident elk 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.

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

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

(aaa) “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 W.S. § 23-1-102, § 23-1-107 and § 23-2-101 (a).

(bbb) “Significant Interest” means individual ownership of twenty percent (20%) or more of a corporation, partnership, trust or limited liability company.

~~(bbb)~~(ccc) “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.

~~(eee)~~(ddd) “Sportsperson Identification Number” means the unique number assigned by the Department to each individual license applicant on the ELS.

~~(ddd)~~(eee) “Super Tag License” means a species specific big game, trophy game or wild bison license issued to the winner of the competitive raffle and upon submission of the proper fee for the appropriate species license set forth by statute.

~~(eee)~~(fff) “Super Tag Trifecta Licenses” means a combination of big game, trophy game and wild bison licenses, not to exceed three (3) different species of big game, trophy game and wild bison licenses, issued to the winner of the competitive raffle and upon submission of the proper fee for the appropriate species license set forth by statute.

(~~fff~~ggg) “Transfer” means to convey a license authorization, (from one (1) person to another) as set forth in Section ~~27~~ 25 of this regulation.

(~~ggg~~hhh) “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.

(~~hhh~~iii) “Under the Care and Supervision of the Residing Facility” means the person is an employee of the appropriate institution or facility that issued the special limited fishing permit.

(~~iii~~jjj) “Unlimited 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 price limited quota license.

(~~jjj~~kkk) “Unlimited Reduced Price Doe or Fawn (doe/fawn) License” means a license which may be authorized in specific areas allowing a person to take doe or fawn animals independent of what may be taken on a general license or full price limited quota license.

(~~kkk~~lll) “Wyoming Women’s Antelope Hunt” means a women’s antelope hunt sponsored by the Wyoming Women’s Foundation.

(~~lll~~mmm) “Youth License” means a big game license that may be issued to a resident or nonresident person who is at least eleven (11) years of age and who has not attained eighteen (18) years of age at the time of application. For all other species, excluding furbearing animals, requiring a license to take, youth license means a license that may be issued to a resident or nonresident person who has not attained eighteen (18) years of age. For a resident youth trapping license, youth license means a license that may be issued only to a resident person under the age of seventeen (17).

**Section 3. 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 a completed application. Applications may be in the form of a separate document or may be incorporated into and considered as part of the license document. 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), telephone number or email address, years of residency and proof of residency for resident fee types, Social Security Number (SSN), Individual Tax Identification Number (ITIN) or Passport Number from non-U.S. citizens, desired valid hunting license specifications, and an original signature for residents submitting paper applications. Completed application specifications refer to licenses sold through the Electronic Licensing Service (ELS) and manually issued licenses and permits.

(a) Licenses issued over-the-counter. All licenses that are not limited in number shall be issued by the Department through the ELS and 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 application.

(c) Commercial license issuance. All commercial licenses shall be issued through the ELS by the Department's License Section at Headquarters, by designated Department personnel or at facilities in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations.

(d) Licenses issued after initial or leftover drawings. Licenses remaining after the initial or leftover drawings shall be sold through the ELS and on a first-come, first-served basis.

(e) Auxiliary Management Hunting Season license issuance. Auxiliary Management Hunting Season licenses may be issued through the ELS at designated Department locations when additional harvest is needed as determined by the Department. Auxiliary Management Hunting License regulations are provided in Game and Fish Commission Regulations, Chapter 34, Auxiliary Management Hunting Seasons.

(f) The Department shall charge an applicant a two point five percent (2.5%) credit card processing fee of the cost of any license, permit, stamp, tag, preference point or competitive raffle chance applied for or purchased by the use of a credit card.

#### **Section 4. License Issuance.**

(a) In circumstances where the demand for a particular type of license exceeds the supply, a competitive drawing shall be held 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 License Review Board to resolve a Department license issuance error; or

(iv) As provided by Commission regulation.

(c) To establish the number of licenses available for the leftover drawing, 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 comply with the following procedures for the sale of limited quota full and reduced price issue-after licenses.

(i) License selling agents shall not sell or allocate licenses prior to the date and time established annually by the Fiscal Division Chief.

(ii) All applications for resident licenses, preference points and permits shall contain the resident applicant's original or electronic signature and when applicable, the parent or legal guardian's signature in accordance with Wyoming statute. Applications for youth licenses and permits may contain a signature from the youth's parent or legal guardian in lieu of the youth applicant's signature. 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;

(A) In the event the license is issued through the ELS, the resident applicant shall be present at the license selling agent location to purchase the license. The parent or legal guardian of a resident youth applicant shall be present at the license selling agent location to purchase a license for the resident youth applicant.

(iii) License selling agents and the ELS shall only issue licenses to one customer at a time, first-come, first-served in the order the individuals are present in line. The agent may issue up to the maximum number of licenses specified by Chapter 2, General Hunting Regulation to a single individual who provides the required information for license issuance.

(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 initial drawing. The order of the resident antelope initial drawings depicted in this section shall be Resident Landowner Licenses, then Resident Regular Licenses.

(A) Statutes provide for up to one hundred sixty (160) licenses to be available for up to two (2) antelope hunt events each year. These licenses shall be issued above quotas established for the hunt area(s) and shall be allocated to residents and nonresidents, taking into consideration resource management requirements 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 may obtain in one (1) calendar year. Applications shall be reviewed by the Department and brought before the Commission for final approval and selection. The



Commission may designate an organization to receive antelope hunt event licenses for up to three (3) consecutive hunting seasons before requiring the organization to reapply. Applications for any future antelope hunt event licenses shall be accepted as advertised by the Department.

(I) An application for an antelope hunt event shall be submitted on a form provided by the Department and shall specify:

- (1.) The name of the organization;
- (2.) The organization's history, background and mission;
- (3.) The number of antelope licenses requested by individual hunt area and type;
- (4.) The number of consecutive years antelope hunt event licenses are being requested; and
- (5.) The organization's financial plan to benefit wildlife, conservation and the community with funds raised from the antelope hunt event.

(II) The Commission may revoke an organization's opportunity to receive antelope hunt event licenses if any information provided on their application is incorrect or is no longer valid.

(B) The Commission may, upon receipt of payment of antelope license fees as specified in W. S. § 23-1-705(h), issue up to a total of fifty (50) antelope licenses each year for the exclusive distribution to individuals with disabilities by nonprofit organizations dedicated to providing hunting opportunities to individuals with disabilities. Any license issued under this subsection shall not be sold, traded, auctioned or offered for any monetary value to the recipient.

(I) Qualifying organizations shall make application to the License Section of the Department on or before January 31 for these 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 initial drawing set forth in this section shall be Nonresident Landowner Licenses, Nonresident Special Licenses, then Nonresident Regular Licenses. The allocation of remaining licenses after the Nonresident 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 in the initial drawing. The order of the nonresident antelope preference point 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 the initial drawing in which all unsuccessful applicants from the preference point drawing 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 respective random drawing for all remaining choices, giving no advantage to applicants with preference points.

(I) In addition to the restrictions set forth in Section 17 of this Chapter, party applications with a differing number of preference points among party members shall have preference points averaged and rounded out to four (4) decimal places.

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

(F) Eighty percent (80%) of the total available limited quota reduced price doe/fawn antelope licenses shall be offered to residents in the initial drawing. Reduced price pioneer doe/fawn antelope licenses shall be made available through the ELS. In addition to the statutorily prescribed application fees, the price of reduced price doe/fawn antelope licenses shall be twenty-two dollars (\$22) for residents, fourteen dollars (\$14) for resident youth, two dollars (\$2) for resident pioneers, eighteen dollars (\$18) for pioneer heritage, thirty-four dollars (\$34) for nonresidents and nineteen dollars (\$19) for nonresident youth.

(ii) **Bighorn Sheep.** Ninety percent (90%) of the total available limited quota full price bighorn sheep licenses shall initially be offered to residents in the initial drawings.

(A) Ninety percent (90%) of the 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. In addition to the statutorily prescribed application fees, the price of reduced price ewe/lamb licenses shall be thirty-six dollars (\$36) for residents, twenty dollars (\$20) for resident youth, two hundred forty dollars (\$240) for nonresidents and one hundred dollars (\$100) 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 initial 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.

(B) W.S. § 23-2-101(f) provides 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 Bowhunt, 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) W.S. § 23-1-705(c) provides for up to twenty-five (25) licenses, which may be issued for a gunpowder and 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 initial 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 in the initial drawing. The order of the nonresident deer preference point 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 the initial drawing in which unsuccessful applicants from the preference point drawing 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 respective random drawing for all remaining choices, giving no advantage to applicants with preference points.

(I) In addition to the restrictions set forth in Section 17 of this Chapter, party applications with differing number of preference points among party members shall have preference points averaged and rounded out to four (4) decimal places.

(F) Nonresident region general deer licenses that have not been applied for and issued through the initial drawing and leftover drawing shall be offered to nonresidents as issue-after licenses.

(G) Limited quota deer licenses that have not been applied for and issued through the initial and leftover drawings shall be offered to residents and nonresidents as 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 the initial drawing. Reduced price pioneer doe/fawn deer licenses shall be made available for sale through the ELS. In addition to the statutorily prescribed application fees, the price of reduced price doe/fawn deer licenses shall be twenty-two dollars (\$22) for residents, fourteen dollars (\$14) for resident youth, two dollars (\$2) for resident pioneers, eighteen dollars (\$18) for pioneer heritage, thirty-four dollars (\$34) for nonresidents and nineteen dollars (\$19) for nonresident youth.

(I) Resident general deer licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS. Resident general deer licenses may also be applied for and issued through the initial drawings by submission of a completed application.

(iv) **Elk.** Sixteen percent (16%) of the total available full price limited quota elk licenses shall be made available to nonresidents in an initial nonresident drawing each year.

(A) The order of the nonresident elk initial drawing shall be Nonresident Landowner Licenses, Nonresident Special Licenses and then Nonresident Regular Licenses. Following the Nonresident Landowner License Drawing, remaining licenses shall be allocated as follows: Forty percent (40%) to the Nonresident Special License Drawing and sixty percent (60%) to the Nonresident Regular License Drawing.

(B) Sixteen percent (16%) of the total available reduced price cow/calf elk licenses shall be offered to nonresidents in a separate nonresident initial drawing each year.

(C) 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 in the initial drawing. The order of the nonresident elk preference point 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 the initial drawing in which all unsuccessful applicants from the preference point drawing 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 respective random drawing for all remaining choices, giving no advantage to applicants with preference points.

(I) In addition to the restrictions set forth in Section 17 of this Chapter, party applications with differing number of preference points among party members shall have preference points averaged and rounded out to four (4) decimal places.

(D) Following the nonresident elk initial drawings, quotas for resident limited quota full priced and reduced price cow/calf elk licenses shall be the greater of the elk quotas established by Commission regulation less any elk licenses currently issued to nonresidents or eighty-four (84%) percent of the quota established by Commission regulation in the initial drawing. The order of the resident elk initial drawings depicted in this section shall be Resident Landowner Licenses, then Resident Regular Licenses.

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

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

(G) Nonresident general elk licenses that have not been applied for and issued through the initial drawing and leftover drawing shall be offered to nonresidents as issue-after licenses.

(H) Reduced price pioneer cow/calf elk licenses shall be made available for sale through the ELS. In addition to the statutorily prescribed application fees, the price of reduced price cow/calf elk licenses shall be forty-three dollars (\$43) for residents, twenty dollars (\$20) for resident youth, five dollars (\$5) for resident pioneers, twenty-seven dollars (\$27) for pioneer heritage, two hundred eighty-eight dollars (\$288) for nonresidents and one hundred dollars (\$100) for nonresident youth.

(I) Resident general elk licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS. Resident general elk licenses may also be applied for and issued through the initial drawings by submitting a completed application.

(v) **Moose.** Ninety percent (90%) of the total available limited quota moose licenses shall be offered to residents in the initial drawing.

(vi) **Mountain Goat.** Ninety percent (90%) of the total available limited quota mountain goat licenses shall be offered to residents in the initial drawing.

(A) Any person who has been issued a mountain goat ~~type~~ one (1) or a ~~type~~ two (2) license shall not be eligible to apply for or receive a mountain goat ~~type~~ one (1) or a ~~type~~ two (2) license in any subsequent year.

(B) Any person who has been issued a mountain goat ~~type~~ one (1) or ~~type~~ two (2) license in a previous year may apply for and receive a mountain goat Type A license in any subsequent year.

(C) Any person who applies for and receives a mountain goat Type A license shall be eligible to apply for or receive a mountain goat Type A license in any future year.

(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 and shall be issued through the ELS.

(ii) **Gray Wolf.** Gray wolf licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS.

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

(iv) **Mountain Lion.** Full price mountain lion licenses and reduced price mountain lion licenses shall not be limited in number. They shall be issued through the ELS. A person may apply for and receive a maximum of one (1) full price mountain lion license and one (1) reduced price mountain lion license during any one (1) calendar year. Reduced price mountain lion licenses are only valid in specified hunt areas. A person shall possess and exhibit a full price mountain lion license for the current calendar year in order to receive a reduced price mountain lion license for the same calendar year. The price of a reduced price mountain lion license shall be twenty dollars (\$20) for residents and ninety-two dollars (\$92) for nonresidents.

(g) **Wild Bison.** Ninety (90%) percent of the wild bison recreational hunting season licenses shall be initially offered to residents in the initial drawing. 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 does not meet or exceed the nonresident wild bison allocation, the remaining license allocation may be issued to residents.

(i) Completed applications for resident and nonresident wild bison recreational hunting season licenses shall only be accepted through the ELS. Applicants shall have the choice of applying for any wild bison or any female or calf wild bison. A computer random drawing shall be utilized to determine successful applicants.

(ii) Wild bison licenses that have not been applied for and issued through initial and leftover drawings shall be offered to residents and nonresidents as issue-after licenses.

(h) Bird.

(i) Falconry.

(A) Hunt with Falcon licenses shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses through the ELS.

(B) General Raptor Capture licenses shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses through the ELS at Headquarters. Limited Quota Raptor Capture licenses shall be issued in accordance with Commission Regulation Chapter 25 Falconry Regulation.

(ii) **Game Bird.** Game Bird licenses shall not be limited in number. They shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses through the ELS.

(iii) **Wild Turkey.** Eighty percent (80%) of the total available spring and fall limited quota wild turkey licenses shall be offered to residents in the initial drawing. The order of the initial 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 issue-after licenses.

(B) 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. These licenses may also be applied for and issued through the initial 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.

(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. Nonresident furbearing animal trapping licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued in accordance with W.S. § 23-2-303 at Headquarters.

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

(k) Archery. Archery licenses shall not be limited in number. They shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses through the ELS.

(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 through the ELS at Headquarters.

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

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

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

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

(vi) Taxidermist. Taxidermist licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS at Headquarters.

(m) Fishing. Fishing licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued as over-the-counter licenses through the ELS.

(i) Seine or Trap Fish. Seine or Trap Fish licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS 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.

(n) Duplicate Licenses.



(i) In order for a duplicate license to be issued, a duplicate license affidavit shall be properly completed by the licensee.

(A) For a license, permit, stamp or tag that was originally issued through a manual process, the customer shall be required to purchase another license, permit, stamp or tag, rather than a duplicate license, as authorized by Commission regulation.

(B) For a license that was originally issued through the ELS, the license selling agent or sub-agent shall not be required to complete a duplicate license affidavit form prior to issuing a duplicate license as the affidavit is incorporated into the duplicate license document being issued through the ELS.

(ii) Duplicate licenses shall be issued through the ELS.

(iii) The Department and license selling agents shall charge a fee of seven dollars (\$7) for issuance of a duplicate license.

(iv) Once a duplicate license is issued, any previous license issued for the same species, hunt area and license type is no longer valid.

(o) Replacement Licenses.

(i) Once a replacement license is issued, any previous license issued for the same license type is no longer valid.

(ii) The Department and license selling agents shall charge a fee of seven dollars (\$7) for the issuance of a replacement license issued through the ELS.

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

## **Section 5. Permits.**

(a) Sandhill Crane.

(i) Limited Quota Sandhill Crane. Applicants shall be selected by random computer selection. Twenty percent (20%) of the total available limited quota sandhill crane permits shall initially be offered to nonresidents in the initial drawing. Limited quota sandhill crane permits that have not been applied for and issued through the initial drawing shall be issued through the ELS on an as processed basis until quotas have been reached or the permit is no longer valid.

(ii) General Sandhill Crane. Permits shall not be limited in number and shall only be available through the Department's website beginning August 1.

(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 Department Regional Offices.

(c) Central Visual Acuity Disability Permit. Any person qualified to obtain a Central Visual Acuity Disability Permit shall apply on the proper application form to the Department's License Section at Headquarters or Department Regional Offices.

(d) Hunting Season Extension Permit. Any person qualified to obtain a Hunting Season Extension Permit shall apply on the proper application form to the Department's License Section at Headquarters or Department Regional Offices.

(e) Migratory Game Bird.

(i) Harvest Information Permit. Harvest Information Permits shall not be limited in number and shall only be available through the Department's website.

(f) 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 as authorized by the Fiscal Division Chief.

(g) Springer Pheasant Permit. Eighty percent (80%) of the 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 initial drawing shall be issued at the Springer Check Station or as authorized by the Fiscal Division Chief until the quotas have been reached or the permit is no longer valid. No person shall apply for or receive more than one (1) Springer Permit in the initial drawing.

(h) Sage Grouse Hunting Permit. Any person hunting sage grouse shall apply for and receive a Sage Grouse Hunting Permit prior to taking any sage grouse. Sage Grouse Hunting Permits shall not be limited in number and shall expire at the end of the calendar year.

(i) 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. Special Management Permits shall expire at the end of the calendar year.

(j) Special Limited Fishing Permit.

(i) Any institution, facility or school designated by the Department to issue Special Limited Fishing Permits to any person under the care and supervision of the institution, residing facility or school 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) Calendar year for which the permit is valid;

(B) Name of institution, facility, or school issuing the permit; and,

(C) Name of the person employed by institution, facility, or school who issued the permit.

(iii) 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.

(iv) Employees of institutions, facilities or schools as authorized in W.S. § 23-2-207 are not eligible to receive special limited fishing permits.

(v) Any institution, facility or school designated by the Department to issue special limited fishing permits shall submit an annual report to the Department's License Section. The report shall include the number of special limited fishing permits issued, the name of the institution, facility or school and any other required information as provided by the Department. Reports shall be due on or before January 31 following the reporting period year.

**Section 6. Tags.** 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 7. Stamps.**

(a) Conservation Stamp. Conservation Stamps shall not be limited in number and shall be sold through the ELS as a Conservation Stamp Authorization.

(i) Hunters or anglers who acquire a lifetime conservation stamp or a Conservation Stamp Authorization through the ELS shall not be required to meet the signature provisions of this subsection.

(ii) The document exhibiting the conservation stamp privilege, shall be in possession of any person required by W.S. § 23-2-306 to obtain a conservation 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) Reciprocal Fishing Stamp. 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 stamps shall not be limited in number and shall be sold through the ELS.

**Section 8. Landowner Licenses.** Landowner licenses shall only be issued to those landowners who 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~~ a landowner applicant's immediate family member to hunt antelope, deer, elk or wild turkey on the landowner's property in the case where licenses for a hunt area have been limited in number and are only available through a competitive drawing.

(a) In order to qualify for a license issued under this section, the deeded land qualifying the landowner applicant shall;

(i) be located in the hunt area for which applied and shall; ~~shall consist of a minimum of one hundred sixty (160) contiguous acres and shall~~

(A) consist of a minimum of one hundred sixty (160) contiguous acres of cultivated land or;

(B) consist of a minimum of six hundred forty (640) contiguous acres of land.

(ii) 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 for a minimum of three thousand (3,000) days of use during the twelve (12) month period immediately preceding the date of application.

~~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.~~

(iii) The landowner applicant shall be solely responsible to provide adequate documentation verifying that they meet all Commission regulation requirements governing landowner licenses.

(iv) In no case shall more than two (2) big game licenses per species or more than two (2) spring wild turkey or no more than two (2) fall wild turkey licenses be issued for a parcel of deeded land meeting the above qualifications in a calendar year.

(b) Resident or nonresident landowner applicants that own land in Wyoming or ~~a member of the~~ landowner applicant's immediate family member may be issued licenses upon application and payment of the specified fee. Licenses shall be issued to landowners without participating in a competitive public license drawing. Landowner license applications shall be drawn first in each respective resident and nonresident initial drawing and shall be drawn against the total quota available in each respective hunt area. ~~unless~~ If 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.

(c) 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 include 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.

(d) In the case of resident license availability, no full price 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.

(e) In the case where a nonresident landowner qualifies for a landowner license in a hunt area where the current hunting season provides for both limited quota and general license hunting during the established hunting season for the species applied for, the nonresident landowner may apply as a nonresident applicant for either the limited quota license for the area in which the applicant is qualified, or a general license in the initial drawing. If the nonresident landowner is unsuccessful in obtaining a limited quota license in the nonresident drawing, the nonresident landowner may subsequently apply to the Department for the issuance of a general license.

(f) Landowner licenses shall be designated by the landowner and applied for by a landowner applicant, or a member of the landowner applicant's immediate family.

(i) An individual landowner applicant may apply for or receive:

(A) No more than one (1) full price elk and one (1) limited quota reduced price elk landowner license in a calendar year.

(B) No more than one (1) full price antelope or up to two (2) limited quota reduced price antelope landowner licenses in a calendar year.

(C) No more than one (1) full price deer or up to two (2) limited quota reduced price deer landowner licenses in a calendar year.

(D) No more than one (1) spring wild turkey landowner license and one (1) fall wild turkey landowner license in a calendar year.

(ii) A maximum of two (2) licenses for antelope, deer and elk may be allowed to a landowner applicant regardless of the number of landholdings in which the landowner applicant holds an interest.

(iii) Regardless of a change in ownership of a particular parcel of land, no more than two (2) landowner licenses for each big game species (antelope, deer, and elk) shall be issued in any calendar year on the basis of the qualification of the particular parcel.

(iv) Regardless of a change in ownership of a particular parcel of land, no more than two (2) spring wild turkey and two (2) fall wild turkey landowner licenses shall be issued in any calendar year on the basis of the qualification of the particular parcel.

(g) Landowners shall submit applications for landowner licenses as listed in Section 18 of this regulation.

**Section 9. Lifetime Licenses and Conservation Stamp.** Any resident qualified to purchase a lifetime fishing, lifetime archery or lifetime combination license pursuant to Wyoming statute may obtain a lifetime license from the Department's License Section at Headquarters or license selling locations as designated by the Fiscal Division Chief.

(a) Any person may purchase a lifetime conservation stamp from the Department's License Section at Headquarters or license selling locations as designated by the Fiscal Division Chief.

(b) Receiving a lifetime license grants the recipient the privilege of utilizing the license for their 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.

(c) A resident lifetime fishing license and conservation stamp may be issued to any resident who is permanently and totally disabled and is unable to engage in any substantial gainful activity. For purposes of this subsection, substantial gainful activity shall be as determined by the U.S. Social Security Administration for the purpose of determining eligibility for Supplemental Security Income or Social Security Disability Insurance benefits.

(i) Any person applying for a resident lifetime fishing license and conservation stamp under this subsection shall apply on a form provided by the Department and shall provide a copy of their Social Security Disability Benefit letter issued from the U.S. Social Security Administration indicating the applicant's inability to engage in any substantial gainful activity.

(ii) A resident lifetime fishing license and conservation stamp issued under this subsection shall remain valid as long as the recipient remains a resident as defined by W.S. §23-1-102, § 23-1-107 and § 23-2-101.

**Section 10. 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.

(a) These licenses shall be valid in any hunt area in accordance with Commission regulations, except for the following:

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

(ii) Complimentary full price bighorn sheep licenses shall not be valid in any bighorn sheep hunt area that has a total quota of ten (10) or fewer ~~full price~~ Type one (1), any ram or any bighorn sheep licenses.

(iii) Complimentary wild bison licenses shall not be valid in any wild bison hunt area which has a total quota of ten (10) or fewer any wild bison licenses.

(iv) Governor's Complimentary licenses shall not be valid within Grand Teton National Park.

(b) Holders of Governor Complimentary licenses shall be exempt from the provisions in this Chapter limiting the number of big game or wild bison licenses an individual can possess in any one (1) calendar year or during an individual's lifetime. An individual is eligible to receive a Governor Complimentary moose license, Governor Complimentary full price bighorn sheep license and a Governor Complimentary wild bison license annually. Recipients shall be exempt from the once in a lifetime license restriction and preference points shall not be lost if an individual receives a Governor Complimentary moose or full price bighorn sheep license. Nonresident preference points shall not be lost if an individual receives a Governor Complimentary antelope, deer or elk license.

**Section 11. 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.

(i) 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 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.

(ii) The recipient of the license authorization may donate the license authorization back to the nonprofit charitable organization that originally bid the license authorization to be rebid to a new highest bidder.

(iii) The Department shall issue the license in the name of the person who submits the authorization for license issuance.

(iv) 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. Commissioner Complimentary licenses shall not be valid within Grand Teton National Park.

(v) The specific region, hunt area or type shall not be changed following the issuance of the license by the Department.

(vi) 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) Holders of Commissioner Complimentary licenses shall be exempt from the provisions in Commission regulations limiting the number of licenses an individual can possess in any one (1) calendar year. Nonresident recipients shall not lose preference points for receiving a Commissioner Complimentary antelope, deer or elk license.

## **Section 12. Commissioner Complimentary Licenses for Persons with Life Threatening Illnesses.**

(a) The Commission may, upon receipt of payment of the proper fee issue up to fifty (50) antelope licenses, fifty (50) deer licenses, fifty (50) elk licenses and fifty (50) wild turkey licenses to persons twenty (20) years of age or younger with a life-threatening illness and who are sponsored by a nonprofit charitable organization whose mission it is to provide opportunities and experiences to persons with life-threatening or serious illnesses. 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) limited quota antelope, ten (10) limited quota deer, or 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 organization shall submit a request for the number of licenses and species requested on or before January 31 for antelope, deer, elk, spring and fall turkey.



(ii) After notification that a sponsoring organization's request has been granted, the sponsoring organization 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 for license issuance.

(iii) As a condition to issuance of a license in this subsection, the Department shall require an authorized officer of the sponsoring organization to certify under penalty of law that the respective organization is a nonprofit, charitable organization as defined in this regulation.

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

(v) 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. In the event the number of applications exceeds the number of licenses available under this subsection, the Department shall allocate the licenses through a random drawing on or before February 10. 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, One Hundred Percent (100%) Disabled Honorably Discharged Resident Veterans Licenses, Resident Disabled Veterans Lifetime Fishing Licenses and Purple Heart Medal Recipients.**

(a) A pioneer lifetime combination game bird/small game/fishing license and a pioneer archery license may be issued to qualified individuals. The Pioneer game bird/small game/fishing licenses and pioneer archery licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS at Department Regional Offices and Headquarters.

(b) Pioneer heritage antelope, deer, elk or wild turkey licenses shall be issued through the ELS to any qualified resident. The fee for such licenses shall be: pioneer heritage antelope license, twenty-two dollars (\$22); pioneer heritage deer license, twenty-six dollars (\$26); pioneer heritage elk license, thirty-five dollars (\$35); and, pioneer heritage wild turkey license, ten dollars (\$10). Reduced price pioneer heritage doe/fawn antelope, doe/fawn deer and cow/calf elk licenses shall be issued through the ELS system.

(c) A one hundred percent (100%) disabled honorably discharged resident veteran combination game bird/small game/fishing license may be issued to qualified individuals. The one hundred percent (100%) disabled honorably discharged resident veteran game bird/small game/fishing license shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS at Department Regional Offices and Headquarters upon submission by the applicant of documentary evidence provided by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs that the

resident veteran qualifies as one hundred percent (100%) disabled. For the purpose of this subsection, one hundred percent (100%) disabled does not refer to disability compensation.

(d) Wyoming statutes provide for the issuance of antelope, deer, elk or wild turkey pioneer licenses to individuals qualified at the time of license issuance. For purposes of drawings for which the submission of a completed application shall be required, license applicants shall qualify by June 20 of the current calendar year. Any resident person qualified to receive a limited quota pioneer big game or wild turkey license shall make application through the ELS. Limited quota pioneer licenses for antelope, deer, elk and wild turkey shall be applied for in accordance with Section 18 of this Chapter. Pioneer general deer, general elk and general wild turkey licenses shall be issued through the ELS. Limited quota reduced price pioneer doe/fawn antelope, doe/fawn deer and cow/calf elk licenses shall be issued through the ELS system.

(e) 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 Veterans Affairs may apply on the proper application form for a resident disabled veteran's lifetime fishing license. A resident disabled veteran's lifetime fishing license shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS at Department Regional Offices and Headquarters upon submission by the applicant of documentary evidence provided by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs that the applicant 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.

(f) Combination game bird/small game/fishing licenses may be issued to honorably discharged residents of the state who qualify as a United States Military Purple Heart Medal recipient. These combination licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS at Department Regional Offices and Headquarters upon submission by the applicant of documentary evidence provided by the United States Military Department that the resident qualifies as a purple heart medal recipient.

(g) A pioneer resident trapping license may be issued to any qualified resident. Pioneer resident trapping licenses shall not be limited in number and shall be issued through the ELS at Department Regional Offices and Headquarters.

#### **Section 14. Donation of Big Game Licenses to a Veteran with Disabilities or to a Permanently Disabled Person Who Uses a Wheelchair.**

(a) The holder of a valid big game license, trophy game license or wild bison license may surrender the license to the Department for reissuance to a disabled veteran or to a permanently disabled person who uses a wheelchair. The person surrendering the license may designate that their license be donated to a disabled veteran or to a permanently disabled person who uses a wheelchair, and may designate a qualified nonprofit charitable organization dedicated to providing hunting opportunities to disabled veterans or persons with permanent disabilities who use wheelchairs. Donated licenses not designated to a qualified nonprofit charitable

organization, or donated licenses not assigned to a sponsored individual within fifteen (15) days after a nonprofit charitable organization dedicated to providing hunting opportunities to disabled veterans or persons with permanent disability who use wheelchairs has been notified of license availability, shall be made available for reissuance on a first-come, first-served basis to a qualified nonprofit charitable organization dedicated to providing hunting opportunities to disabled veterans or persons with permanent disabilities who use wheelchairs.

(i) The unused, unaltered license with all coupons intact shall be submitted along with a form provided by the Department which indicates the license holders' desire to surrender the license issued in their name and donate the surrendered license under this Section. The person surrendering the license shall sign an affidavit verifying that the license was not used during any hunting season.

(ii) Any person surrendering a valid big game license, trophy game license or wild bison license to be reissued under this Section, shall not be eligible to receive a duplicate license for the same species, hunt area and type as the surrendered license.

(iii) A surrendered license shall count against the maximum number of licenses a person may otherwise apply for and receive as a condition of Commission regulation or state statute.

(iv) Any person surrendering a valid big game license for reissuance under this Section, for which preference points have been accumulated, shall not have preference points restored.

(b) The surrendered license shall be reissued by the Department's License Section to a qualified person who has been selected and sponsored by a nonprofit charitable organization dedicated to providing hunting opportunities ~~to~~ for disabled veterans or persons with permanent disabilities who use wheelchairs.

(i) As a condition to reissue a license in this subsection, the Department shall require an authorized officer of the sponsoring organization to certify under penalty of law that the respective organization is a nonprofit charitable organization ~~and that the organization provides~~ providing hunting opportunities ~~to~~ for disabled veterans or persons with permanent disabilities who use wheelchairs.

(ii) The sponsoring organization shall submit a completed application form for the issuance of a license on forms provided by the Department. Donated license applications, and any documentary evidence, shall be completed each year regardless of whether an applicant has received a donated license in a previous year.

(A) For a license being reissued to a disabled veteran, documentary evidence provided by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs that the applicant currently receives at least fifty percent (50%) or more service connected disability compensation shall be submitted with the application form.

(B) For a license being reissued to a permanently disabled person who uses a wheelchair, a statement by a licensed physician, on forms provided by the Department, that the applicant has a permanent disability that requires the applicant to, at all times, be confined to a wheelchair for mobility purposes.

(iii) The license shall be reissued to a qualified applicant at no fee.

(iv) The license shall be reissued for the same species, area and license type as the license donated.

(v) Any license reissued under this section shall be eligible for a reservation of a full price license in accordance with Section 21 of this chapter.

(vi) An application for a donated license to be issued to a qualified person and all required documentation must be received by the Department's License Section at least three (3) business days prior to the license issuance.

#### **Section 15. Active Duty Wyoming Resident in Combat Zone Licenses.**

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 currently 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 indicating the resident is currently deployed to a combat zone and is returning to a combat zone at the end of the current leave period, 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 through the ELS at no fee to the applicant and shall only be issued at Headquarters or Department Regional Offices.

**Section 16. Party Applications – Initial Drawing.** In the initial drawing, the maximum allowable number of completed applications in a party shall be six (6). Residents and nonresidents shall not apply together in the same party. Completed 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, mountain goat, or wild bison recreational hunting season licenses. Party applicants are required to submit their applications for the same species, hunt area, and type in the same order of preference.

**Section 17. Proof of Residency for Resident Licenses, Permits or Preference Points.**

(a) Any qualified individual may apply for or receive a resident game and fish license, permit or preference point 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, permit or preference point or signs a resident license or permit the individual swears that they are a Wyoming resident as defined in W.S. § 23-1-102 (a) (ix) (xv), § 23-1-107 and § 23-2-101 (a).

(b) Any person applying for or purchasing a resident 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. 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 (a) (ix) and § 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) Completed applications for initial limited quota drawings, leftover drawings, purchase of preference points only and applications for the Department's Super Tag Trifecta and Super Tag license competitive raffle, shall only be submitted through the ELS during the application periods stated in this section. 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 completed applications. The Department shall begin accepting completed applications at 8:00 a.m. on the first business day of the month or the specified date listed in subsections (d) and (e) of this Section.

(b) Completed applications submitted through the ELS shall not be accepted after 12:00 midnight Mountain Standard Time zone on the respective application deadline dates listed in subsection (e). If the deadline date occurs on a day when Headquarters has been closed for license sales (weekends, holiday, etc.), the ELS shall be available until 12:00 midnight Mountain Standard Time zone on the next business day.

(c) If the ELS is closed or otherwise unavailable to the public during the deadline date listed in subsection (e), the Department shall accept completed applications through the ELS until 12:00 midnight Mountain Standard Time zone on the next calendar day.

(d) Landowner license application dates shall be the same as listed in Section (e).

(e) Non-Landowner and Landowner Application Dates:

LICENSE	BEGINNING APPLICATION MONTH	LAST DATE TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS	LAST DATE TO MODIFY/ WITHDRAW
<b>ANTELOPE</b>			
Limited Quota Nonresident	Jan.	May 31	May 31
Limited Quota Reduced Price Nonresident Doe/Fawn	Jan.	May 31	May 31
Limited Quota Reduced Price Resident Doe/Fawn	Jan.	May 31	May 31
Limited Quota Resident	Jan.	May 31	May 31
<b>BIGHORN SHEEP</b>			
Limited Quota Nonresident	Jan.	Apr. 30	Apr. 30
<b>BIGHORN SHEEP</b>			
Limited Quota Resident	Jan.	Apr. 30	Apr. 30
Nonresident Preference Point Only	Jul.	Oct. 31	n/a
Resident Preference Point Only	Jul.	Oct. 31	n/a
<b>COMPETITIVE RAFFLE CHANCES</b>			
Super Tag License	Feb. 15	Jan. 31	
Super Tag Trifecta License	Feb. 15	Jan. 31	
<b>DEER</b>			
General and Limited Quota Resident	Jan.	May 31	May 31
Limited Quota Reduced Price Nonresident Doe/Fawn	Jan.	May 31	May 31
Limited Quota Reduced Price Resident Doe/Fawn	Jan.	May 31	May 31
<b>DEER</b>			
Nonresident Preference Point Only	Jul.	Oct. 31	n/a
Region and Limited Quota Nonresident	Jan.	May 31	May 31

<b>LICENSE</b>	<b>BEGINNING APPLICATION MONTH</b>	<b>LAST DATE TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS</b>	<b>LAST DATE TO MODIFY/ WITHDRAW</b>
<b>ELK</b>			
General and Limited Quota Nonresident	Jan.	Jan. 31	May 8
General and Limited Quota Resident	Jan.	May 31	May 31
<b>ELK</b>			
Limited Quota Reduced Price Nonresident Cow/Calf	Jan.	Jan. 31	May 8
Limited Quota Reduced Price Resident Cow/Calf	Jan.	May 31	May 31
Nonresident Preference Point Only	Jul.	Oct. 31	n/a
<b>FURBEARING ANIMAL</b>			
Limited Quota Furbearing Animal Trapping Permit	Apr.	May 31	n/a
<b>MOOSE</b>			
Limited Quota Nonresident	Jan.	Apr. 30	Apr. 30
Limited Quota Resident	Jan.	Apr. 30	Apr. 30
Nonresident Preference Point Only	Jul.	Oct. 31	n/a
Resident Preference Point Only	Jul.	Oct. 31	n/a
<b>MOUNTAIN GOAT</b>			
Limited Quota Nonresident	Jan.	Apr. 30	Apr. 30
Limited Quota Resident	Jan.	Apr. 30	Apr. 30
<b>PHEASANT</b>			
Glendo Permit	Apr.	May 31	n/a
Springer Permit	Apr.	May 31	n/a
<b>PREFERENCE POINT ONLY</b>			
Nonresident	Jul.	Oct. 31	n/a
Resident	Jul.	Oct. 31	n/a
<b>SANDHILL CRANE</b>			
Limited Quota	Apr.	May 31	n/a
<b>WILD BISON</b>			
	Mar.	Apr. 30	Apr. 30

LICENSE	BEGINNING APPLICATION MONTH	LAST DATE TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS	LAST DATE TO MODIFY/ WITHDRAW
<b>WILD TURKEY</b>			
Limited Quota Nonresident Spring Fall	Jan. Apr.	Jan. 31 May 31	Jan. 31 May 31
<b>WILD TURKEY</b>			
Nonresident General Spring Fall	Jan. Apr.	Jan. 31 May 31	Jan. 31 May 31
Limited Quota Resident Spring Fall	Jan. Apr.	Jan. 31 May 31	Jan. 31 May 31
Resident General Spring Fall	Jan. Apr.	Jan. 31 May 31	Jan. 31 May 31

**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 preference point drawing for a full price bighorn sheep or moose license, or purchased a preference point for nonresident antelope, deer or elk, a drawing advantage in future years as prescribed in Wyoming statutes. All applicants participate in the preference point drawing regardless of their preference point balance.

(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~~ time period in which the person's privilege to obtain a full price bighorn sheep or moose license or nonresident antelope, deer or elk 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 for moose or bighorn sheep during the initial license drawing period and is either awarded a preference point or receives their



first choice license in the initial drawing, 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 purpose of assigning preference points in this Section, any unsuccessful full price bighorn sheep or moose 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 nonresident antelope, deer or elk preference points in this Section, any sportsperson failing to purchase a preference point within two (2) consecutive calendar years shall lose all accumulated preference points for that species and shall be considered as a first year applicant for any subsequent calendar year in which the applicant submits an application for a license.

(viii) For the purpose of retaining bighorn sheep and moose preference points in this Section, any sportsperson whose residency status changes and who has accumulated preference points shall retain those preference 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.

(ix) A person may only request to contest their preference point values to the License Review Board for the five (5) year period immediately preceding their request.

(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 ~~20~~ 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 then those preference points shall not be restored. The Fiscal Division Chief may make an exception in the case of name changes because of marriage, divorce, adoption or legal name change, or if an erroneous license record was created by a license selling agent or by system error.

(e) The preference points associated with a sportsperson identification number provided on an application shall be the only preference points considered for an individual applicant participating in a preference point drawing.

(f) Upon drawing a full price bighorn sheep or full price bull 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 after having received a full price bighorn sheep license through the drawing. No person shall apply for or receive a full price bull moose license or preference point for bull moose after having received a bull moose license through the drawing.

(i) Preference points are assigned to residents and nonresidents who elect this option on their application and are unsuccessful in either the full price bighorn sheep or moose drawings. The nonresident applicable 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 fifty dollars (\$150) for full price bighorn sheep and one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) 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 applicant is not required to pay the statutorily prescribed application fee. The preference point fee for residents shall be seven dollars (\$7) per species and the fee for nonresidents shall be one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) for full price bighorn sheep, and one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) for moose.

(g) A nonresident applicant may elect to purchase a preference point for antelope, deer or elk. The preference point fee for nonresidents shall be thirty-one dollars (\$31) for antelope, forty-one dollars (\$41) for deer, fifty-two dollars (\$52) for elk and ten dollars (\$10) per species for nonresident youth. The applicant, when only applying for preference points, is not required to pay the statutorily prescribed application fee. Individuals who have drawn their first choice license in the initial draw are prohibited from purchasing or receiving a preference point in the same calendar year.

(h) Upon drawing a license for the applicant's first choice in the initial drawing 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. Leftover Drawing.** Limited quota licenses that were not issued through the initial drawings shall be offered in a competitive leftover drawing.

(a) A leftover drawing shall be conducted for antelope, bighorn sheep, deer, elk, moose, wild bison and mountain goat licenses remaining after the initial drawings.

(b) The application period shall be determined on an annual basis by the Fiscal Division Chief. Completed applications and license fees must be submitted during the application period.

(c) Both residents and nonresidents shall draw against the same quota.

(d) The maximum allowable number of applications in a party shall be six (6). Residents and nonresidents may apply together in the same party. Party applicants are required to submit their applications for the same species, hunt area and type in the same order of preference. All members of a party may either receive licenses or refunds on their license fees.

(e) All applicants shall participate in the respective random leftover drawing, giving no advantage to applicants with preference points.

**Section 21. Reservation of Full Price Licenses.** Individuals who have been issued a Governor's Complimentary License for a full price big game animal, ~~and who have been unable to use the license for good cause, may reserve a license for the same species for the immediately succeeding hunting season only.~~ Individuals who have been issued a limited quota full price big game license, trophy game license or wild bison license, and who have been unable to use the license for good cause may reserve a license for the same species, hunt area and license type for the immediately succeeding hunting season only. Resident general licenses shall not be eligible for reservation of a license for the immediately succeeding hunting season.

(a) To qualify for consideration of reservation of a Governor's Complimentary License for a full price big game animal, limited quota full price big game license, trophy game license or wild bison license, due to the licensee shall provide information in accordance with (b), (c) or (d) of this section if one or more of the following circumstances occurred:

(i) A majority of the hunting opportunity ~~being~~ was lost due to administrative actions of a governmental agency;

(ii) A natural disaster;

(iii) The death of the licensee's spouse, parents, ~~step-parent~~, grandparents, siblings, ~~step-sibling~~, 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 or the death of a member of a party application;

(iv) ~~The case of~~ incapacitating illness or injury of the licensee, the licensee's spouse, parents, ~~step-parent~~, grandparents, siblings, ~~step-sibling~~, 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, or incapacitating illness or injury of a member of a party application, 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; or,

(v) Military personnel who receive permanent change of station (PCS) orders and 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, the licensee shall:~~

~~\_\_\_\_\_ (A) Request the reservation on an application provided by the Department;~~

~~\_\_\_\_\_ (B) Submit the unused and unaltered license with all coupons intact to the Department; and,~~

~~\_\_\_\_\_ (C) Sign an affidavit verifying that the licensee did not exercise any hunting privilege for the specified license, in any manner, during any portion of the hunting season authorized by the license.~~

(b) To qualify for consideration of reservation of a Governor's Complimentary License, limited quota full price big game license, trophy game license or wild bison license due to a majority of the hunting opportunity being lost due to administrative actions of a government agency or a natural disaster, the licensee shall:

(i) Request the reservation on an application provide by the Department;

(ii) Submit the unused and unaltered license with all coupons intact to the Department;

(iii) Sign an affidavit verifying that the licensee did not exercise any hunting privilege for the specified license, in any manner, during any portion of the hunting season authorized by the license.

(bc) To qualify for consideration of reservation of a Governor's Complimentary License, limited quota full price big game license, trophy game license or wild bison license due to disabling injury or illness, the licensee shall:

(i) Request the reservation on an application provide by the Department;

(ii) Submit the unused and unaltered license with all coupons intact to the Department;

(iii) Submit a "Restriction from Hunting Activity" statement, written on the physician's official prescription slip or physician's letterhead within thirty (30) days from the date an applicant's completed License Reservation Request Form is received by the Department; and,

(iv) Sign an affidavit verifying that the licensee did not exercise any hunting privilege for the specified license, in any manner, during any portion of the hunting season authorized by the license.

(~~ed~~) To qualify for consideration of reservation of a limited quota full price big game license, trophy game license or wild bison license for reasons related to being unable to use the license for good cause concerning military personnel who receive permanent change of station (PCS) orders or are assigned away from their home duty station on temporary order (TDY) for the majority of the regular season, the licensee shall:

(i) Request the reservation on an application provided by the Department.

(ii) Provide the Department a copy of official military orders from the Armed Forces of the United States;

(iii) Submit the unused and unaltered license with all coupons intact to the Department; and,

(iv) Sign an affidavit verifying that the licensee did not exercise any hunting privilege for the specified license, in any manner, during any portion of the hunting season authorized by the license.

(~~de~~) Deadline to apply for reservation of a license.

(i) For any license, permit or stamp in which the hunting season to use the license, permit or stamp expires on December 31 in the year issued, the deadline to submit a written request and all required documents for the reservation of a license shall be December 31 of that year.

(ii) For any license in which the hunting season to use that license has been extended into January of the succeeding calendar year, the deadline to submit a written request and all required documents for the reservation of that license shall be January 31 of the year in which the hunting season expires. For all other licenses, the deadline to submit a written request and all required documents for the reservation of a license shall be on the last date the individual license is valid.

(~~ef~~) Any resident who has been granted a limited quota elk or limited quota deer license reservation from the License Review Board related to being unable to use the license for good cause may subsequently purchase a general license, if eligible, for the same species during the current hunting season.

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

(gh) In circumstances where related season, quota or sex limitation of the hunt area for the unused license changes in the subsequent hunting season, 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 or male animal, or an antlerless or female animal in the subsequent hunting season.

(ii) If the unused license was limited to taking an antlerless or female animal, but that license 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 hunting season.

(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 animal, or an antlerless or female animal license at the Department's discretion in the subsequent hunting season.

(iv) If in the subsequent hunting season, 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 hunting season, 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.

(hi) All Applicants requesting the reservation of a limited quota full price big game license, trophy game license or wild bison license shall submit the administrative fee of ten dollars (\$10) no later than ~~May~~ March 15 in the succeeding calendar year, along with a completed Department application prior to the reissuance of the license.

(hj) Any limited quota full price big game license, trophy game license or wild bison license that is reissued to a qualified applicant shall count toward the total number of licenses a person may apply for and receive during any one calendar year.

(hk) Any person who has been granted a license reservation under this section, for which preference points have been accumulated, shall not have preference points restored and may not be eligible to purchase a preference point for that species during the same year the original license was issued.

(kl) Any person who has been granted a license reservation under this section shall not be eligible to participate in the initial drawing the following year for a full priced license of the same species and license type.

~~(l) Any antelope, deer or elk limited quota licenses that have been reserved for the immediately succeeding season due to the licensee being unable to use the license for good cause~~

~~shall be made available for purchase by residents and nonresidents on a first come, first served basis through the ELS.~~

(m) Any nonresident regional deer licenses and any nonresident region general elk licenses that have been reserved for the immediately succeeding season due to the licensee being unable to use the license for good cause shall only be made available to nonresidents on a first-come, first-served basis through the ELS.

**Section 22. Applicant Disqualification.** The applicant(s) is solely responsible for the veracity of information on the completed application submitted through the ELS. Applications shall be disqualified for the following reasons:

(a) The applicant's privilege to purchase or receive any hunting license or preference points has been suspended by a court order or the Wildlife Violator Compact;

(b) The applicant causes more than one (1) sportsperson identification number to have been assigned;

(c) Submission by an individual of more than one (1) completed application for a license for the same big or trophy game species, wild turkey or wild bison unless authorized by Commission regulation;

(d) Applying for a license the applicant is not eligible to receive by Rule and Regulation or Statute;

(e) 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.

(f) The applicant attempts to manipulate or circumvent Department licensing security procedures in the ELS system in order to submit or modify an application.

(g) Any person who has an application disqualified under this section shall be in violation of this regulation and such violation shall be punishable as provided by Title 23, Wyoming Statutes, for violation of Commission regulations.

**Section 23. 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 Game and Fish 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 Game and Fish 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 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 July 10, 2015, and which does not include any later amendments or editions of the incorporated matter.

**Section 24. Withdrawal or Modification of Application, Refund of License Fees and Reissuance of Certain Licenses.** Licenses, permits, stamps, tags, preference points or competitive raffle chances 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, preference point or competitive raffle chance(s) has been issued, except as specified in this section or otherwise as set forth in Commission regulation.

(a) Withdrawal or Modification of an Application.

(a*i*) A request for a voluntary withdrawal of an application before a drawing shall be accepted through the ELS by the date indicated in Section 18(e) for the initial drawing, and by the application closing date for the leftover drawing.

(iA) Applicants may not submit a voluntary withdrawal form for the purchase of a preference point only, Super Tag or Super Tag Trifecta competitive raffle chance.

(b*ii*) A modification of an application must be completed through the ELS by the date indicated in Section 18(e) for the initial drawing, and by the application closing date for the leftover drawing.

(iA) An applicant may only request changes to hunt area and type or change their withdrawal flag indicator on their reduced price application for the initial drawing through the ELS.

(b) Refund of License Fees.

(e*i*) To request a refund of a license fee in this subsection, the licensee shall submit the request for a refund in writing along with the license unaltered and with all coupons intact to the Department 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 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 hunting license, the individual may apply for and receive any remaining issue-after license for the same species in accordance with state statutes and Commission regulations. Application fees and any applicable preference point fees ~~will~~ shall not be refunded. All license refund requests shall be reviewed and addressed by the Fiscal Division Chief and, if required determined by brought before the License Review Board for consideration.

(~~di~~ii) 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~~A) In the case of the death of the licensee, a written request for a license refund supported by a copy of the respective death certificate shall be submitted to the Department. The date of death on such certificate shall have resulted in the licensee not being able to participate in the majority of the regular or special archery season. All refunds issued under this subsection shall be made payable to the estate of the decedent unless the license fee was paid by a nonprofit charitable organization. The nonprofit charitable organization shall provide supporting documentation of payment of the license fee.

(~~ii~~B) In the case of the death of the licensee's spouse, parents, grandparents, siblings, 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 or the death of a member of a party application, the licensee shall submit a written request on a form provided by the Department for a license refund supported by the respective death certificate. The date of death shall have resulted in the licensee not being able to participate in the majority of the regular or special archery season.

(~~iii~~C) In the case of incapacitating illness or injury of the licensee, the licensee's spouse, parents, grandparents, siblings, 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, or incapacitating illness or injury of a member of a party application, 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~~D) Military personnel who receive permanent change of station (PCS) orders and 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;

(vE) 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;

(viF) When the Department determines ~~fifty percent (50%) or more~~ a majority of the hunting opportunity and access to the public land within an individual hunt area outside of designated wilderness has been closed due to administrative actions of the state or federal government in closing of the public access to public lands, or due to a natural disaster, including but not necessarily limited to, wildland fires, the licensee of a limited quota antelope, full price bighorn sheep, limited quota deer, limited quota elk, moose, mountain goat, or wild bison license may request a license fee refund;

(AI) When the Department determines one hundred percent (100%) of all the hunt areas are closed or the hunting season is prevented from occurring due to administrative actions of the state or federal government, a black bear, gray wolf, mountain lion or wild bison licensee may request a license fee refund. The closing of hunt areas due to harvest quotas or mortality limits being met does not qualify a licensee for a license fee refund.

(viiG) 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 License Review Board 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.

(viiiH) 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), (vii), or (viii) of this subsection;

(ixI) A sponsoring organization of a person with a life-threatening illness that has received a license under Section 13 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.

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

(iA) The licensee illegally purchased more licenses than what was authorized for purchase by Commission regulation or Wyoming statute;

(iiB) For any license, permit or stamp in which the hunting season to use the license, permit or stamp expires on December 31 in the year issued, the deadline to submit a written request and all required documents for a refund shall be December 31 of that year.

(C) The licensee was issued a donated big game license in accordance with Section 14 of this chapter;

~~(iiiD)~~ For any license in which the hunting season to use that license has been extended into January of the succeeding calendar year, the deadline to submit a written request and all required documents for a refund of that license shall be January 31 of the year in which the hunting season expires. For all other licenses, the deadline to submit a written request and all required documents for refund shall be on the last date the individual license is valid.

~~(ivE)~~ 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.

~~(fiV)~~ There shall be no right of appeal to the Commission for any decision rendered by the License Review Board or the Department for any provision of this section.

~~(gv)~~ 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.

~~(h) In the case of the death of a licensee who has been issued an any wild bison license or a mountain goat license, a written request for the license to be surrendered to the Department and reissued to an immediate family member of the decedent shall be made to the License Review Board. The request shall be supported by a copy of the respective death certificate, and the date of death on such certificate shall have resulted in the licensee not being able to participate in the majority of the regular or special archery hunting season.~~

~~(i) The license shall be reissued to a qualified immediate family member of the decedent at no fee.~~

~~(ii) The license shall be reissued for the same species, hunt area and license type as the license surrendered.~~

~~(iii) A license reissued to an immediate family member of a decedent shall count against the maximum number of licenses a person may otherwise apply for and receive as a condition of Commission regulations.~~

(c) Reissuance of Certain Licenses.

(i) Any antelope, deer or elk limited quota licenses that have been reserved for the immediately succeeding season due to the licensee being unable to use the license for good cause or returned to the Department and for which a license refund has been granted shall may be made available for purchase by residents and nonresidents on a first-come, first-served basis through the ELS if the Department determines that a reasonable hunting opportunity exists.

Any Governor's Complimentary licenses that have been reserved for the immediately succeeding season due to the licensee being unable to use the license for good cause shall not be made available for resale or use during the current year.

(jii) Any nonresident regional deer licenses and any nonresident regional general elk licenses that have been returned to the Department and for which a license refund has been granted shall may be made available for purchase by nonresidents on a first-come, first-served basis through the ELS.

(iii) Any bighorn sheep or moose limited quota licenses that have been returned to the Department and for which a license refund has been granted may be made available for purchase by residents or nonresidents.

(A) If the bighorn sheep or moose license was originally issued through the resident or nonresident preference point drawing, the license may be made available for purchase to the next person on the respective preference point drawing list.

(B) If the bighorn sheep or moose license was originally issued through the resident or nonresident random drawing, the license may be made available for purchase to the next person on the respective resident or nonresident random drawing list.

(C) For any bighorn sheep license to be reissued under this section, the returned license shall have been received by the Department on or before August 1. For any moose license to be reissued under this section, the returned license shall have been received by the Department on or before September 1.

(iv) Any mountain goat or wild bison limited quota licenses that have been returned to the department and for which a license refund has been granted may be made available for purchase through the following process.

(A) If the mountain goat or wild bison license was originally issued through the resident random drawing, the license may be made available for purchase to the next resident applicant on the resident random drawing list.

(B) If the mountain goat or wild bison license was originally issued through the nonresident random drawing the license may be made available for purchase to the next nonresident applicant on the nonresident random drawing list.

(C) For any mountain goat or wild bison license to be reissued under this section, the returned license shall have been received by the Department on or before September 1.

(v) When a limited quota bighorn sheep, moose, mountain goat or wild bison license is available for reissuance under this section, the following notification process shall be

used to contact the next applicant from each respective resident or nonresident random drawing or preference point drawing list.

(A) Applicants shall be notified by email and telephone in the order of the respective resident or nonresident, random or preference point drawing.

(B) The Department shall attempt to contact an applicant during a forty-eight (48) hour period by email and telephone. A minimum of three (3) attempts shall be made during different hours of the day and evening. Notification attempts shall be spaced at least one-half (1/2) hour apart. Department personnel must speak directly to the applicant during the notification call. If an individual cannot be contacted within the forty-eight (48) hour timeframe, the next applicant on the respective list shall be notified. Those who could not be contacted shall retain their position on the respective drawing list and may be contacted if another opportunity exists.

**Section 25. Alteration or Transfer of Licenses, Permits, Stamps, Tags, Preference Points or Competitive Raffle Chances to Another Person Prohibited; Use by Another Person Prohibited; Invalidation by Improper Fees.**

(a) Department licenses, permits, stamps or tags shall not be altered by anyone other than authorized Department personnel.

(b) A license, permit, stamp or tag shall only be used for the purpose of taking wildlife 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 or tag. No license, permit, stamp, tag, preference point or competitive raffle chance shall be transferred to another person. Any license, permit, stamp, tag, preference point or competitive raffle chances shall not be valid unless the proper fees have been received by the Department.

(c) 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.

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

**Section 26. Licenses, Conservation Stamp and Reciprocal Fishing Stamp Expiration.**

(a) Fishing licenses, small game licenses, game bird, combination small game/game bird licenses, furbearer hunting or trapping licenses and game bird farm licenses shall be valid until the expiration date as indicated on the individual license. All other licenses expire on the last day of the calendar year in which issued.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in Commission Regulation, big game animal, ~~and wild bison and fall wild turkey~~ licenses issued in one (1) calendar year are valid through the closing date established in January of the next succeeding calendar year when a hunting season for big game animals, ~~or wild bison or fall wild turkey~~ opens during one (1) calendar year and closes in January of the next succeeding calendar year.

(c) All daily hunting or fishing licenses shall only be valid for the calendar day(s) delineated on the license. A nonresident five (5) day fishing license is only valid for five (5) consecutive calendar days.

(d) Conservation Stamp and Reciprocal Fishing Stamp. Conservation Stamp and Reciprocal Fishing Stamp Authorizations issued through the ELS shall be valid until the expiration date as indicated on the document exhibiting the stamp privilege.

**Section 27. Super Tag Licenses and Super Tag Trifecta Licenses.** Wyoming statutes provide for the issuance of big game, trophy game and wild bison licenses to be issued through a competitive raffle process. Big game, trophy game and wild bison licenses authorized under this section shall be valid for the species for which the license has been issued.

(a) These licenses shall be valid in any hunt area in accordance with Commission regulations, except for the following:

(i) A Super Tag License or a Super Tag Trifecta License for moose shall not be valid in any moose hunt area which has a total quota of ten (10) or fewer antlered or any moose licenses.

(ii) A Super Tag License or a Super Tag Trifecta License for full price bighorn sheep shall not be valid in any bighorn sheep hunt area which has a total quota of ten (10) or fewer full price bighorn sheep licenses.

(iii) A Super Tag License or a Super Tag Trifecta License shall not be valid within Grand Teton National Park.

(iv) A Super Tag License or a Super Tag Trifecta License for wild bison shall not be valid in any wild bison hunt area which has a total quota of ten (10) or fewer any wild bison licenses.

(b) Recipients of a Super Tag License and Super Tag Trifecta License shall be exempt from the provisions in this Chapter limiting the number of big game, trophy game or wild bison licenses an individual may possess in any one (1) calendar year. An individual is eligible to receive a Super Tag License or Super Tag Trifecta License for big game, trophy game or wild bison annually. Recipients shall be exempt from the once in a lifetime license restriction for bull moose, full price bighorn sheep, mountain goat and wild bison licenses. Preference points shall not be lost if an individual receives a Super Tag License or Super Tag Trifecta License for antelope, bighorn sheep, deer, elk, moose or wild bison.

(c) There shall be up to eleven (11) successful recipients of licenses from all the individuals that purchased a Super Tag License or Super Tag Trifecta License competitive raffle chance. Up to ten (10) individual recipients shall be issued one Super Tag License as follows: one (1) antelope license, or one (1) bighorn sheep license, or one (1) black bear license, or one (1) deer license, or one (1) elk license, or one (1) gray wolf license, or one (1) moose license, or one (1) mountain goat license, or one (1) mountain lion license or one (1) wild bison license. The successful recipient of a Super Tag License shall be based on what species of big game, trophy game or wild bison license was randomly drawn for the participating recipient. One (1) successful applicant shall be issued Super Tag Trifecta Licenses, allowing that individual to choose, at their discretion, no more than three (3) different species of big game, trophy game and wild bison licenses.

(d) Super Tag License and Super Tag Trifecta License competitive raffle chances shall be sold annually.

(i) The price for a single Super Tag License competitive raffle chance shall be ten dollars (\$10) for both residents and nonresidents. The price for a single Super Tag Trifecta License competitive raffle chance shall be thirty dollars (\$30) for both residents and nonresidents. The number of competitive raffle chances that any one person may purchase is not limited in number.

(ii) An applicant may apply for Super Tag License competitive raffle chances by an individual species of big game or trophy game or for wild bison. An applicant may choose to purchase a competitive raffle chance(s) for multiple species.

(iii) For a Super Tag Trifecta License competitive raffle chance, a person does not need to select the individual species of big game or trophy game or wild bison at the time they purchase a raffle chance.

(iv) A person purchasing a Super Tag License or Super Tag Trifecta License competitive raffle chance shall not be eligible to submit a voluntary withdrawal form or be eligible for a refund for competitive raffle chances purchased.

(e) A competitive drawing shall be conducted to determine the winners of the individual species Super Tag Licenses and Super Tag Trifecta License.

(i) There shall be no preference given to residents or nonresidents in the drawing or issuance of a Super Tag License or Super Tag Trifecta License.

(ii) If a nonresident applicant wins a Super Tag License raffle for a bighorn sheep, moose, mountain goat or wild bison, the applicant shall be required to purchase their Super Tag License by March 15 of that year so the license may be counted against the nonresident quota.

(iii) If a nonresident applicant wins the Super Tag Trifecta License raffle and chooses to select either a bighorn sheep, moose, mountain goat or wild bison license, the

applicant shall be required to select the individual species and purchase their license(s) by March 15 of that year so the license(s) may be counted against the nonresident quota.

(f) License fees for successful Super Tag License and Super Tag Trifecta License holders shall be as set forth in Wyoming Statute or Commission regulation.

(g) No person shall purchase a competitive raffle chance for a Super Tag License or Super Tag Trifecta License during any calendar year in which the person's privilege to obtain a license or preference point has been revoked or suspended by a court or the Wildlife Violator Compact.

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