R657. Natural Resources, Wildlife Resources.

R657-62. Drawing Application Procedures.

R657-62-1. Purpose and Authority.

- (1) Under authority of Sections 23-14-18 and 23-14-19, the Wildlife Board has established this rule for drawing applications and procedures.
- (2) Specific season dates, bag and possession limits, areas open, number of permits and other administrative details that may change annually are published in the respective guidebooks of the Wildlife Board.

R657-62-2. Definitions.

- (1) Terms used in this rule are defined in Section 23-13-2.
- (2) In addition:
- (a) "Application" means a form required by the Division which must be completed by a person and submitted to the Division to apply for a hunting permit.
- (b) "Landowner" means any individual, family or corporation who owns property in Utah and whose name appears on the deed as the owner of eligible property or whose name appears as the purchaser on an executed contract for sale of eligible property.
- (c) "Limited entry hunt" means any hunt listed in the hunt tables published by the Wildlife Board and is identified as a premium limited entry hunt or limited entry hunt. "Limited entry hunt" does not include [cougar pursuit or] bear pursuit.
- (d) "Limited entry permit" means any permit obtained for a limited entry hunt, including conservation permits, expo permits, and sportsman permits.
 - (e)(i) "Valid application" means an application:
 - (A) for a permit to take a species for which the applicant is eligible to possess;
 - (B) for a permit to take a species regardless of estimated permit numbers;
 - (C) for a certificate of registration; and
- (D) containing sufficient information, as determined by the division, to process the application, including personal information, hunt information, and sufficient payment.
- (ii) Applications missing any of the items in Subsection (i) may be considered valid if the application is timely corrected through the application correction process.
- (f)"Waiting period" means a specified period that a person who has obtained a permit must wait before applying for the same permit type.
- (g) "Once-in-a-lifetime hunt" means any hunt listed in the hunt tables published by the Wildlife Board and is identified as once-in-a-lifetime, and does not include general or limited entry hunts.
- (h) "Once-in-a-lifetime permit" means any permit obtained for a once-in-a-lifetime hunt by any means, including conservation permits, sportsman permits, cooperative wildlife management unit permits and limited entry landowner permits.
- (i) Voucher" means an authorization issued by the division that entitles the designated holder to purchase the hunting permit specified in the authorization.

R657-62-3. Scope of Rule.

- (1) This rule sets forth the procedures and requirements for completing and filing applications to receive the following hunting permits and certificates of registrations:
 - (a) Dedicated Hunter certificate of registrations;
 - (b) limited-entry deer;
 - (c) limited-entry elk;
 - (d) limited-entry pronghorn;
 - (e) once-in-a-lifetime;
 - (f) public cooperative wildlife management unit;
 - (g) general season deer, , and youth elk;
 - (h) limited-entry bear;
 - (i) bear pursuit;
 - (j) antlerless big game;
 - (k) [Sandhill] sandhill crane;
 - (1) sharp-tail and greater sage grouse;
 - (m) swan
 - (n)[-cougar;-]
 - [(0)] sportsman;
 - ([p]o) turkey; and
 - ([q]p) landowner buck deer.

R657-62-8. Bonus Points.

- (1) Bonus points are used to improve odds for drawing permits.
- (2)(a) A bonus point is awarded for:
- (i) each valid unsuccessful application when applying for limited-entry permits; or
- (ii) each valid application when applying for bonus points.
- (b) Bonus points are awarded by species for:
- (i) limited-entry deer including cooperative wildlife management unit buck deer and management buck deer;
- (ii) limited-entry elk including cooperative wildlife management unit bull elk and management bull elk;
- (iii) limited-entry pronghorn including cooperative wildlife management unit buck pronghorn;
- (iv) once-in-a-lifetime species including cooperative wildlife management units;
- (v) limited entry bear;
- (vi) restricted bear pursuit;
- (vii) antlerless moose;
- (viii) ewe Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep;
- (xi) ewe desert bighorn sheep; and
- (x[) cougar; and]
- [(xi]) turkey.
- (3)(a) A person may not apply in the drawing for both a permit and a bonus point for the same species.
- (b) A person may not apply for a bonus point if that person is ineligible to apply for a permit for the respective species.
- (c) Group applications may be accepted when applying for bonus points.
- (d) A person may apply for bonus points only during the applicable drawing application for each species.
- (4)(a) Fifty percent of the permits for each hunt unit will be reserved for applicants with the greatest number of bonus points.
- (b) Based on the applicant's first choice, the reserved permits will be designated by a random drawing number to eligible applicants with the greatest number of bonus points for each species.
- (c) If reserved permits remain, the reserved permits will be designated by a random number to eligible applicants with the next greatest number of bonus points for each species.
 - (d) The procedure in Subsection (c) will continue until reserved permits are issued or no applications for that species remain.
 - (e) Any reserved permits remaining and any applicants who are not selected for

reserved permits will be returned to the applicable drawing.

- (5)(a) Each applicant receives a random drawing number for:
- (i) each species applied for; and
- (ii) each bonus point for that species.
- (6) Bonus points are forfeited if:
- (a) a person obtains a permit through the drawing for that bonus point species including any permit obtained after the drawing; or
- (b) a provision in a rule issued by the Wildlife Board specifically forfeits bonus points.
- (7) Bonus points are not forfeited if:
- (a) a person is successful in obtaining a conservation permit, expo permit, sportsman permit, or harvest objective bear permit;
- (b) a person obtains a landowner or a cooperative wildlife management unit permit from a landowner; or
- (c) a person obtains a poaching-reported reward permit.
- (8) Bonus points are not transferable.
- (9) Bonus points are averaged and rounded down when two or more applicants apply together on a group application.
- (10)(a) Bonus points are tracked using social security numbers or division-issued customer identification numbers.
- (b) The division shall retain electronic copies of applications from 1996 to the current drawings for the purpose of researching bonus point records.
- (c) Any requests for researching an applicant's bonus point records must be submitted within the time frames provided in Subsection (b).
 - (d) Any bonus points on the division's records shall not be researched beyond the time frames provided in Subsection (b).
- (e) The division may void or otherwise eliminate any bonus point obtained by fraud, deceit, misrepresentation, or in violation of law.

[R657-62-23. Cougar.] R657-62-23. Reserved.

- [(1) Permit Applications
- (a) A person must possess or obtain a valid hunting or combination license to apply for or obtain a cougar limited entry permit.
- (b) A person may not apply for or obtain more than one cougar permit for the same year.
- (e) Limited entry cougar permits are valid only for the limited entry management unit and for the specified season provided in the hunt tables of the guidebook of the Wildlife Board for taking cougar.
- [(d) Applicants may select up to three management unit choices when applying for limited entry cougar permits. Management unit choices must be listed in order of preference.]
- [(e) If permits remain after all choices have been evaluated separately for residents and nonresidents, a second evaluation shall be done allowing cross-over usage of remaining resident and nonresident permit quotas.]
 - [(f) Any limited entry cougar permit purchased after the season opens is not valid until seven days after the date of purchase.]

[(g) Applicants must meet all age requirements, proof of hunter education requirements and youth restrictions as provided in Utah Code 23-19-22.5, 23-19-11 and 23-20-20.]

- [(2) Group applications are not accepted.]
- [(3) Waiting periods.]

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R657-62-24. Sportsman.

- (1) Permit applications.
- (a) One sportsman permit is offered to residents for each of the following species:
- (i) desert bighorn (ram);
- (ii) bison (hunter's choice);
- (iii) buck deer;
- (iv) bull elk;
- (v) Rocky Mountain bighorn (ram);
- (vi) mountain goat (hunter's choice);
- (vii) bull moose;
- (viii) buck pronghorn;
- (ix) black bear; and
- (x[) cougar; and]
- [(xi]) wild turkey.
- (b) Bonus points shall not be awarded or utilized when applying for or obtaining sportsman permits.
- (2) Group applications are not accepted.
- (3) Waiting Periods
- (a) Any person who applies for or obtains a Sportsman Permit is subject to all waiting periods and exceptions as applicable to the species pursuant to rule R657-41.
 - (b) Once-in-lifetime waiting periods
- (i) If you have obtained a once-in-a-lifetime permit through the sportsman drawing you are ineligible to apply for that once-in-a-lifetime species through the big game drawing.
- (ii) If you have obtained a once-in-a-lifetime permit through the big game drawing you are ineligible to apply for that once-in-a-lifetime species through the sportsman drawing.
 - (c) Limited Entry waiting periods
 - (i) Waiting periods do not apply to Sportsman deer, elk, pronghorn, or bear or cougar.
 - (ii) Waiting period will not be incurred for receipt of a Sportsman deer, elk, pronghorn, or bear[or cougar].

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