

Chapter 75. Big Game Commercial Services Board.

(Words in **boldface and underlined** indicate language being added; words [CAPITALIZED AND BRACKETED] indicate language being deleted.)

12 AAC 75.340(d) is amended to read:

(d) **Field craft standards.** All classes of guides shall

(1) **conduct themselves in a professional sportsman like manner, and treat wildlife, wild lands and all users with courtesy and respect;**

(2) use every lawful means at the licensee's disposal to bag a wounded animal while it is in danger of escaping, or, in a serious emergency, while human life or well-being is endangered;

(3) [(2)] barring unforeseen conditions, properly prepare according to generally accepted procedures, all antlers, horns, hides, and capes to be delivered to the taxidermist or to the client at the conclusion of a hunt in a satisfactory and unspoiled condition, unless the guide is providing only outfitting and transportation services for the client;

(4) [(3)] endeavor to salvage all meat of animals taken by clients, in accordance with state statutes and regulations;

(5) [(4)] except for brown bear, grizzly bear, wolves, and wolverine, transport the meat of a big game animal taken by the client in accordance with 5 AAC 92;

(6) [(5)] respect gear, equipment, food, shelter, and camps established by other users;

(7) [(6)] avoid staging unused or unattended camps and gear to discourage other users from utilizing a location;

(8) [(7)] allow appropriate buffer areas between hunters and camps in order to avoid disrupting hunts and hunting experiences;

(9) refrain from using any mechanical powered equipment to knowingly herd, drive, chase or harass big game animals;

(10) refrain from making multiple, consecutive approaches in any mechanical powered equipment, near any game animal or group of game animals during any open hunting season for that species, to avoid altering the hunting experience of other hunters, [(8) AVOID USING AN AIRCRAFT IN ANY MANNER TO SPOT BIG GAME FOR THE PURPOSE OF TAKING A SPECIFIC ANIMAL,] unless

(A) hunting brown, grizzly, or black bears from January 1 through June 30 in an area with an allowable harvest under 5 AAC 85 and 5 AAC 92, **of** [OR] one or more brown or grizzly bears per regulatory year; in this subparagraph, "regulatory year" has the meaning given in 5 AAC 92.990; or

(B) specifically authorized under another statute or regulation;

(11) [(9)] avoid utilizing [, IN ANY MANNER,] global positioning system (GPS) or other electronic devices to **locate and stalk** [ASSIST IN THE TAKING OF] a big game animal **for the purpose of harvest**; and

(12) [(10)] respond personally or through an assistant to requests for assistance communicated during the hunt; a contracting or employing guide must respond within a reasonable time based on the urgency of the request, weather conditions, and other safety factors.

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