

Title 5. Fish and Game.

Part 4. Department Programs.

Chapter 93. Department Programs.

Article 1. Miscellaneous Department Programs.

5 AAC 93.030 is amended to read:

5 AAC 93.030. Permit application procedures and fees for McNeil River State Game Sanctuary access permits. The department will issue permits for access to McNeil River State Game Sanctuary as provided in 5 AAC 92.065 as follows:

(1) for the period June 7 - August 25, the department will issue to an individual a reserved, nontransferable regular or standby bear viewing permit (5 AAC 92.065(b)) under the following conditions:

(A) each application for a regular or standby bear viewing permit must be accompanied by a nonrefundable [\$25] **\$30** application fee for each name on the application; the application and fee must be received in the department's Anchorage office by March 1;

(B) an application that is incomplete or illegible or is not accompanied by complete application fees, if required, is void;

(C) not more than three individuals may apply as a group on one application for a bear viewing or standby permit; no individual may be named on more than one application, and multiple applications are all void;

(D) the department will hold the lottery drawing on March 15 and will notify successful applicants by mail;

(E) after being selected for a regular or standby bear viewing permit an individual must pay the use fee before the permit will be issued; the use fee for a regular bear viewing permit is [\$150] **\$225** for a resident and [\$350] **\$525** for a nonresident; the use fee for a standby permit is [\$75] **\$112** for a resident and [\$175] **\$262** for a nonresident;

(F) a permittee may return a bear viewing or standby permit before May 15 for a refund of the use fee; the department will not refund any money for a returned permit received after May 15;

(2) at any time during a year, the department will issue a permit for access to the sanctuary other than a permit described in (1), (3), or (4) of this section; a permit application must specify the location, time, and nature of activities to be conducted by the applicant in the sanctuary; the application fee for an access permit under this paragraph is [\$25] **\$50**; there is no use fee for this permit;

(3) there is no application fee for an access permit under 5 AAC 92.065(c) for a guide, air taxi operator, or lodge owner; the use fee for this permit is [\$100] **\$200**;

(4) for the period June 7 - August 25, the department will issue a scientific/educational permit under the following conditions:

(A) each application for a scientific/educational permit must be accompanied by a nonrefundable [\$50] **\$60** application fee for each name to be included on the scientific/educational permit; the application and fee must be received in the department's Anchorage office by December 1 of the previous year; up to four of the scientific/educational permits available each year may be designated as "commercial use/scientific/educational" permits for projects that

- (i) include filming, videography, or photography portraying the McNeil River State Game Sanctuary in a commercial product for sale;
- (ii) require special authorization or assistance from on-site personnel;
- (iii) produce products that will be used to create displays or public viewing opportunities requiring an entry fee;
- (iv) utilize sponsorship or fundraising through paid advertisements;
- or
- (v) create ancillary products for sale;

(B) after being selected for a scientific/educational permit under this paragraph, each individual named on the permit must pay the use fee before the permit will be issued; the use fee for a scientific/educational permit is [\$150] **\$225** for a resident and [\$350] **\$525** for a nonresident. (Eff. 8/8/87, Register 103; am 8/20/89, Register 111; am 7/12/92, Register 123; am 4/1/93, Register 125; am 2/27/94, Register 129; am 2/6/2000, Register 153; am ____/____/2018, Register _____)

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Editor's note: Before 8/20/89, Register 111, the substance of 5 AAC 93.030 was contained in former 5 AAC 83.241. The history note for 5 AAC 93.030 includes the history of the provision before 8/20/89.

5 AAC 93.035 is amended to read:

5 AAC 93.035. Fees for Walrus Islands State Game Sanctuary access permits. (a)
Fees for permits issued by the department under 5 AAC 92.066 for access to Round Island and adjacent waters in the Walrus Islands State Game Sanctuary are as follows:

(1) for a camping permit, each application must be accompanied by a fee of [\$50]

\$100 per person;

(2) for a day-use permit, the fee is [\$10] **\$20** per person per day.

(b) Scientific/education permits are issued free of charge.

(c) The department will refund to an unsuccessful camping permit applicant the fee submitted under (a)(1) of this section. (Eff. 11/1/91, Register 120; am ____/____/2018, Register _____)

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