

Chapter 75. Big Game Commercial Services Board.

(Words in **boldface and underlined** indicate language being added; words [CAPITALIZED AND BRACKETED] indicate language being deleted. Complete new sections are not in boldface or underlined.)

12 AAC 75.230(a) is amended to read:

(a) The department will register an applicant in a guide use area if the applicant meets the requirements of AS 08.54.750 and this section. For each guide use area for which a registered guide-outfitter is registering, the registered guide-outfitter shall submit the following information on a form provided by the department:

- (1) the applicant's registered guide-outfitter license number;
- (2) the guide use area for which the registered guide-outfitter is registering;
- (3) **certification in the game management unit in which the registered guide-**

outfitter is applying within [THE LOCATION OF THE REGISTERED GUIDE-OUTFITTER'S CAMP];

(4) **sworn statement by the applicant attesting to the required land use authorization;**

(5) **sworn statement by the applicant attesting to the ability to provide services on at least 5,000 contiguous acres of uplands in the guide use area requested**

[DOCUMENTATION FROM THE LANDOWNER OR LAND MANAGER THAT THE APPLICANT HAS THE AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE BIG GAME HUNTING SERVICES ON AT LEAST 5,000 CONTIGUOUS ACRES OF THE UPLANDS IN THE GUIDE USE AREA; PROOF OF PRIOR YEAR AUTHORIZATION, IF STILL VALID, WILL BE ACCEPTED TO MEET THE REQUIREMENT OF THIS PARAGRAPH; A LETTER OF INTENT TO AUTHORIZE USE FOR THE CURRENT YEAR, FROM THE LANDOWNER

OR LAND MANAGER, WILL BE ACCEPTED TO MEET THE REQUIREMENT OF THIS PARAGRAPH];

(6) [(5)] whether registration is for a single calendar year or multiple calendar years.

12 AAC 75.230 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

(f) A registered guide-outfitter may not register for, or provide services within, a guide use area unless the applicant has written authorization by the landowner or appropriate representative in the form of a permit, registration or letter to provide big game hunting services on at least 5,000 contiguous acres of uplands in the guide use area.

(g) A registered guide-outfitter must register for three calendar years to obtain registration for guide use areas within Game Management Unit 9. Withdrawal from a guide use area within Game Management Unit 9 can occur one time within the three year registration period, with the withdrawal or change to take effect on or after January 1 of the next calendar year as described in (c) of this section. (Eff. 5/24/96, Register 138; am 10/19/96, Register 140; am 4/6/2001, Register 158; am/readopt 7/30/2006, Register 179; am 6/8/2007, Register 182; am 12/1/2007, Register 184; am ____/____/_____, Register _____)

Authority: AS 08.54.600 AS 08.54.750

12 AAC 75.260 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(e) A contract may be amended at any time before the conclusion of the hunt with the signature of the contracting guide and the client. (Eff. 7/30/2006, Register 179; am 6/8/2007, Register 182; am 4/16/2016, Register 218; am ____/____/_____, Register _____)

Authority: AS 08.54.600 AS 08.54.720 AS 08.54.790
AS 08.54.680

12 AAC 75.400 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(e) During portions of a hunt, a transporter is exempt from transporter activity report filing requirements when providing transportation services for a client to, from, or in between sites operated by another transporter or registered guide who has contracted this same hunt with the same client. (Eff. 5/24/96, Register 138; am 10/19/96, Register 140; am 12/2/99, Register 152; am 4/6/2001, Register 158; am/readopt 7/30/2006, Register 179; am 11/24/2007, Register 184; am 12/2/2012, Register 204; am 4/13/2013, Register 206; am ____/____/_____, Register ____)

Authority: AS 08.54.600 AS 08.54.660 AS 08.54.760
AS 08.54.650

12 AAC 75.450 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(d) During portions of a hunt, a transporter is exempt from transporter contracting requirements when providing transportation services for a client to, from, or in between sites operated by another transporter or registered guide who has contracted this same hunt with the same client. (Eff. 7/30/2006, Register 179; am 6/8/2007, Register 182; am ____/____/_____, Register ____)

Authority: AS 08.54.600 AS 08.54.680 AS 08.54.790
AS 08.54.650 AS 08.54.720

12 AAC 75.920(b) is amended to read:

(b) For purposes of satisfying the hunting experience requirements in AS 08.54.620, the applicant must document at least 20 days of big game hunting activity in a calendar year in order to receive credit for one year. **For the purposes of satisfying the guiding experience requirements in AS 08.54.620(a)(4)(A)(i), the applicant must document at least 60 days of big game guiding activity in three or more calendar years. Big game hunting activity includes working in a guide camp or under the supervision of a licensed guide while performing guide-related duties.**

12 AAC 75.920(c) is amended to read:

(c) For purposes of satisfying the requirements in AS 08.54.630(a)(2), the applicant must document at least **60** [30] days of big game hunting activity **during two or more calendar years** [IN A CALENDAR YEAR IN ORDER TO RECEIVE CREDIT FOR A YEAR. HOWEVER, AN APPLICANT MAY ALSO SATISFY THOSE REQUIREMENTS BY DOCUMENTING A CUMULATIVE TOTAL OF 60 DAYS OF BIG GAME HUNTING ACTIVITY OVER A PERIOD LONGER THAN TWO YEARS, IF FOR AT]. **At** least 30 of the 60 days **must be** [THE APPLICANT WORKS] in a guide camp or under the supervision of a licensed guide while performing guide-related duties. **Big game hunting activity includes working in a guide camp or under the supervision of a licensed guide while performing guide-related duties.**

Documented passage of the assistant guide training course described in AS 08.54.630(a)(4)(B) may count for 10 days.

12 AAC 75.920(d)(4) is amended to read:

(4) has directly participated in the spotting, stalking, and subsequent harvesting of at least three big game animals [DURING A GUIDED HUNT] in this state;

12 AAC 75.920 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(e) For the purposes of the requirements in AS 08.54.610(d)(1), a person who is licensed as a registered guide-outfitter may be employed by another registered guide-outfitter to provide the services of a class-A assistant guide, statewide, providing that the non-contracting registered guide has had at least 10 days hunting experience in the game management unit that they will be assisting the contracting guide in. (Eff. 12/2/99, Register 152; am 7/30/2006, Register 179; am 6/8/2007, Register 182; am 11/24/2007, Register 184; am 4/13/2013, Register 206; am 6/29/2013, Register 206; am ____/____/_____, Register _____)

Authority: AS 08.54.600 AS 08.54.610 AS 08.54.630
AS 08.54.605 AS 08.54.620