



**State of Alaska
Department of Commerce, Community &
Economic Development Division of Corporations,
Business, and Professional Licensing
Big Game Commercial Services Board**

Board Packet

February 6, 2024

Big Game Commercial Services Board

Name	Appointed	Reappointed	Expires
Bloomquist, Aaron (Copper Center) Licensed Registered Guides-Outfitters	03/01/2021		03/01/2025
Boniek, Martin (Glennallen) Licensed Transporters	03/01/2021		03/01/2025
Buist, Peter (Fairbanks) Public	05/21/2019	03/01/2021	03/01/2025
Bunch, Jason (Kodiak) Licensed Registered Guides-Outfitters	03/02/2018	03/01/2019	03/01/2023
Flores, Michael (Soldotna) Licensed Transporters	05/11/2020	03/08/2023	03/01/2027
Kunder, Larry (Anchorage) Public	05/25/2022		03/01/2026
Nordlum, Clay (Kotzebue) Private Landholders/Restricted	06/25/2021	03/01/2022	03/01/2026
Vacant () Private Landholders/Restricted			03/01/2024
Lorring, Dave Designated Game Board Member/Restricted	03/01/2023		03/01/2027



Big Game Commercial Services Board - Emergency Regulations

Alaska Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing
Feb 6, 2024, at 10:00 AM AKST to Feb 6, 2024, at 10:30 AM AKST
Zoom (online)

Meeting Details:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87673729511?pwd=QStrUVRVSYtoUnZGR2ZMRzF6MDAxQT09>,

Call In: (669)900-6833

Meeting ID: 876 7372 9511

Passcode: 827482

Agenda

- 1. 10:00am - Roll call/Call to Order**
- 2. 10:02am - Review Agenda**
- 3. 10:03am - Ethics Review**
- 4. 10:04am - Emergency Regulations**
 - A. GUA Registrations (12 AAC 75.230)**
 - B. RGO Contract Requirements (12 AAC 75.260)**
- 5. 10:30am - Adjourn**

State of Alaska
DEPARTMENT OF LAW

ETHICS ACT PROCEDURES FOR BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

All board and commission members and staff should be familiar with the Executive Branch Ethics Act procedures outlined below.

Who Is My Designated Ethics Supervisor (DES)?

Every board or commission subject to the Ethics Act¹ has several ethics supervisors designated by statute.

- The chair serves as DES for board or commission members.
- The chair serves as DES for the executive director.
- The executive director serves as DES for the staff.
- The governor is the DES for a chair.²

What Do I Have To Disclose?

The Ethics Act requires members of boards and commissions to disclose:

- Any matter that is a potential conflict of interest with actions that the member may take when serving on the board or commission.
- Any circumstance that may result in a violation of the Ethics Act.
- Any personal or financial interest (or that of an immediate family member) in a state grant, contract, lease or loan that is awarded or administered by the member's board or commission.
- The receipt of certain gifts.

The executive director of the board or commission and its staff, as state employees, must also disclose:

- Compensated outside employment or services.
- Volunteer service, if any compensation, including travel and meals, is paid or there is a potential conflict with state duties.

- For more information regarding the types of matters that may result in violations of the Ethics Act, board or commission members should refer to the guide, *"Ethics Information for Members of Boards and Commissions."* The executive director and staff should refer to the guide, *Ethics Information for Public Employees.* Both guides and disclosure forms may be found on the [Department of Law's ethics website](#).

How Do I Avoid Violations of the Ethics Act?

- Make timely disclosures!
- Follow required procedures!
- Provide all information necessary to a correct evaluation of the matter!³
- When in doubt, disclose and seek advice!
- Follow the advice of your DES!

What Are The Disclosure Procedures for Board and Commission Members?

The procedural requirements for disclosures by members are set out in AS 39.52.220 and 9 AAC 52.120. One goal of these provisions is to help members avoid violations of the Ethics Act. The procedures provide the opportunity for members to seek review of matters in advance of taking action to ensure that actions taken will be consistent with the Act.

Procedure for declaring actual or potential conflicts.

Members must declare potential conflicts and other matters that may violate the Ethics Act **on the public record and in writing to the chair**.

Disclosure on the public record. Members must identify actual and potential conflicts orally at the board or commission's public meeting **in advance** of participating in deliberations or taking any official action on the matter.

- A member must always declare a conflict and may choose to refrain from voting, deliberations or other participation regarding a matter.⁴
- If a member is uncertain whether participation would result in a violation of the Act, the member should disclose the circumstances and seek a determination from the chair.

Disclosure in writing at a public meeting. In addition to an oral disclosure at a board or commission meeting, members' disclosures must be made in writing.

- If the meeting is recorded, a tape or transcript of the meeting is preserved **and** there is a method for identifying the declaration in the record, an oral disclosure may serve as the written disclosure.
- Alternatively, the member must note the disclosure on the Notice of Potential Violation disclosure form and the chair must record the determination.

Confidential disclosure in advance of public meeting. Potential conflicts may be partially addressed in advance of a board or commission's public meeting based on the published meeting agenda or other board or commission activity.

- A member identifying a conflict or potential conflict submits a Notice of Potential Violation to the chair, as DES, in advance of the public meeting.
- This written disclosure is considered confidential.
- The chair may seek advice from the Attorney General.
- The chair makes a written determination, also confidential, whether the disclosed matter represents a conflict that will result in a violation of the Ethics Act if the member participates in official action addressing the matter.⁵
- If so, the chair directs the member to refrain from participating in the matter that is the subject of the disclosure.
- An oral report of the notice of potential violation and the determination that the member must refrain from participating is put on the record at a public meeting.⁶

Determinations at the public meeting. When a potential conflict is declared by a member for the public record, the following procedure must be followed:

- The chair states his or her determination regarding whether the member may participate.
- Any member may then object to the chair's determination.
- If an objection is made, the members present, excluding the member who made the disclosure, vote on the matter.
- *Exception:* A chair's determination that is made consistent with advice provided by the Attorney General may not be overruled.
- If the chair, or the members by majority vote, determines that a violation will exist if the disclosing member continues to participate, the member must refrain from voting, deliberating or participating in the matter.⁷

If the chair identifies a potential conflict, the same procedures are followed. If possible, the chair should forward a confidential written notice of potential violation to the Office of the Governor for a determination in advance of the board or commission meeting. If the declaration is first

made at the public meeting during which the matter will be addressed, the members present, except for the chair, vote on the matter. If a majority determines that a violation of the Ethics Act will occur if the chair continues to participate, the chair shall refrain from voting, deliberating or participating in the matter. A written disclosure or copy of the public record regarding the oral disclosure should be forwarded to the Office of the Governor for review by the chair's DES.

Procedures for Other Member Disclosures

A member's interest in a state grant, contract, lease or loan and receipt of gifts are disclosed by filling out the appropriate disclosure form and submitting the form to the chair for approval. The disclosure forms are found on the [Department of Law's ethics website](#).

What Are The Disclosure Procedures for Executive Directors and Staff?

Ethics disclosures of the executive director or staff are made in writing to the appropriate DES (chair for the executive director and the executive director for staff).

- Disclosure forms are found on the ethics website, noted above.

Notices of Potential Violations. Following receipt of a written notice of potential violation, the DES investigates, if necessary, and makes a written determination whether a violation of the Ethics Act could exist or will occur. A DES may seek advice from the Attorney General. If feasible, the DES shall reassign duties to cure a potential violation or direct divestiture or removal by the employee of the personal or financial interests giving rise to the potential violation.

- These disclosures are not required to be made part of the public record.
- A copy of a determination is provided to the employee.
- Both the notice and determination are confidential.

Other Disclosures. The DES also reviews other ethics disclosures and either approves them or determines what action must be taken to avoid a violation of the Act. In addition to the disclosures of certain gifts and interests in the listed state matters, state employees must disclose all outside employment or services for compensation.

- The DES must provide a copy of an approved disclosure or other determination the employee.

How Are Third Party Reports of Potential Violations or Complaints Handled?

Any person may report a potential violation of the Ethics Act by a board or commission member or its staff to the appropriate DES or file a complaint alleging actual violations with the Attorney General.

- Notices of potential violations and complaints must be submitted in **writing** and **under oath**.
- Notices of potential violations are investigated by the appropriate DES who makes a written determination whether a violation may exist.⁸
- Complaints are addressed by the Attorney General under separate procedures outlined in the Ethics Act.
- **These matters are confidential**, unless the subject waives confidentiality or the matter results in a public accusation.

What Are The Procedures for Quarterly Reports?

Designated ethics supervisors must submit copies of notices of potential violations received and the corresponding determinations to the Attorney General for review by the state ethics attorney as part of the quarterly report required by the Ethics Act.

- Reports are due in April, July, October and January for the preceding quarter.
- A sample report may be found on the Department of Law's ethics website.
- An executive director may file a quarterly report on behalf of the chair and combine it with his or her own report.
- If a board or commission does not meet during a quarter and there is no other reportable activity, the DES advises the Department of Law Ethics Attorney by e-mail at ethicsreporting@alaska.gov and no other report is required.

If the state ethics attorney disagrees with a reported determination, the attorney will advise the DES of that finding. If the ethics attorney finds that there was a violation, the member who committed the violation is not liable if he or she fully disclosed all relevant facts reasonably necessary to the ethics supervisor's or commission's determination and acted consistent with the determination.

How Does A DES or Board or Commission Get Ethics Advice?

A DES or board or commission may make a **written request** to the Attorney General for an opinion regarding the application of the Ethics Act. In practice, the Attorney General, through the state ethics attorney, also provides **advice by phone or e-mail** to designated ethics supervisors, especially when time constraints prevent the preparation of timely written opinions.

- A request for advice and the advisory opinion are confidential.
- The ethics attorney endeavors to provide prompt assistance, although that may not always be possible.
- The DES must make his or her determination addressing the potential violation based on the opinion provided.

It is the obligation of each board or commission member, as well as the staff, to ensure that the public's business is conducted in a manner that is consistent with the standards set out in the Ethics Act. We hope this summary assists you in ensuring that your obligations are met.

¹ The Act covers a board, commission, authority, or board of directors of a public or quasi-public corporation, established by statute in the executive branch of state government.

² The governor has delegated the DES responsibility to Guy Bell, Administrative Director of the Office of the Governor.

³ You may supplement the disclosure form with other written explanation as necessary. Your signature on a disclosure certifies that, to the best of your knowledge, the statements made are true, correct and complete. False statements are punishable.

⁴ In most, but not all, situations, refraining from participation ensures that a violation of the Ethics Act does not occur. Abstention does not cure a conflict with respect to a significant direct personal or financial interest in a state grant, contract, lease or loan because the Ethics Act prohibition applies whether or not the public officer actually takes official action.

⁵ The chair must give a copy of the written determination to the disclosing member. There is a determination form available on the Department of Law's ethics web page. The ethics supervisor may also write a separate memorandum.

⁶ In this manner, a member's detailed personal and financial information may be protected from public disclosure.

⁷ When a matter of particular sensitivity is raised and the ramifications of continuing without an advisory opinion from the Attorney General may affect the validity of the board or commission's action, the members should consider tabling the matter so that an opinion may be obtained.

⁸ The DES provides a copy of the notice to the employee who is the subject of the notice and may seek input from the employee, his or her supervisor and others. The DES may seek advice from the Attorney General. A copy of the DES' written determination is provided to the subject employee and the complaining party. The DES submits a copy of both the notice and the determination to the Attorney General for review as part of the DES' quarterly report. If feasible,

the DES shall reassign duties to cure a potential violation or direct divestiture or removal by the employee of the personal or financial interests giving rise to the potential violation.

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The Attorney General and Department of Law staff may not provide legal advice to private citizens or organizations. Please contact an attorney if you need legal advice. The [Alaska Lawyer Referral Service](#) or your local bar association may be able to assist you in locating a lawyer.

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Ethics Disclosure Form

<p style="text-align: center;">CONFIDENTIAL REQUEST FOR ETHICS DETERMINATION</p>
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TO: _____, Designated Ethics Supervisor

(Identify Your Department, Agency, Public Corporation, Board, Commission)

I request advice regarding the application of the Executive Branch Ethics Act (AS 39.52.010 - .960) to my situation. The situation involves the following:

I have provided additional information in the attached document(s).

I believe the following provisions of the Ethics Act may apply to my situation:

- AS 39.52.120, Misuse of Official Position
- AS 39.52.130, Improper Gifts
- AS 39.52.140, Improper Use or Disclosure of Information
- AS 39.52.150, Improper Influence in State Grants, Contracts, Leases or Loans
- AS 39.52.160, Improper Representation
- AS 39.52.170, Outside Employment Restricted
- AS 39.52.180, Restrictions on Employment after Leaving State Service
- AS 39.52.190, Aiding a Violation Prohibited

I understand that I should refrain from taking any official action relating to this matter until I receive your advice. If the circumstances I described above may result in a violation of AS 39.52.110 - .190, I intend that this request serve as my disclosure of the matter in accordance with AS 39.52.210 or AS 39.52.220.

I certify to the best of my knowledge that my statement is true, correct, and complete. In addition to any other penalty or punishment that may apply, the submission of a false statement is punishable under AS 11.56.200 - AS 11.56.240.

(Signature)

(Date)

(Printed Name)

(Division, Board, Commission)

(Position Title)

(Location)

Designated Ethics Supervisor: Provide a copy of your written determination to the employee advising whether action is necessary under AS 39.52.210 or AS 39.52.220, and send a copy of the determination and disclosure to the attorney general with your quarterly report.

Ethics Disclosure Form

Receipt of Gift

TO: _____, Designated Ethics Supervisor, _____
(Agency, Public Corporation, Board,
Commission or Council)

This disclosure reports receipt of a gift with value in excess of \$150.00 by me or my immediate family member, as required by AS 39.52.130(b) or (f).

1. Is the gift connected to my position as a state officer, employee or member of a state board or commission?

Yes No

2. Can I take or withhold official action that may affect the person or entity that gave me the gift?

Yes No

(If you answer "No" to both questions, you do not need to report this gift. If the answer to either question is "Yes," or if you are not sure, you must complete this form and provide it to your designated ethics supervisor.)

The gift is _____

Identify gift giver by full name, title, and organization or relationship, if any:

Describe event or occasion when gift was received or other circumstance explaining the reason for the gift:

My estimate of its value is \$ _____ The date of receipt was _____

The gift was received by a member of my family. Who? _____

If you checked "Yes" to question 2 above, explain the official action you may take that affects the giver (attach additional page, if necessary):

I certify to the best of my knowledge that my statement is true, correct, and complete. In addition to any other penalty or punishment that may apply, the submission of a false statement is punishable under AS 11.56.200 - AS 11.56.240.

(Signature)

(Date)

(Printed Name)

(Division)

(Position Title)

(Location)

Ethics Supervisor Determination: Approve Disapproved

Designated Ethics Supervisor*

(Date)

**Designated Ethics Supervisor: Provide a copy of the approval or disapproval to the employee. If action is necessary under AS 39.52.210 or AS 39.52.220, attach a determination stating the reasons and send a copy of the determination and disclosure to the attorney general with your quarterly report.*

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF EMERGENCY REGULATION
REGARDING FEDERAL CONCESSION PERMITS FOR GUIDE-OUTFITTERS AND MASTER
GUIDE-OUTFITTERS IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE BIG GAME COMMERCIAL SERVICES
BOARD OF ALASKA

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: The Big Game Commercial Services Board proposes to make permanent regulation changes made by emergency regulation in relation to the requirements for federal concession permits.

On November 15, 2023, the Big Game Commercial Services Board adopted, as an emergency regulation, changes in Title 12, Chapter 75 of the Alaska Administrative Code dealing with federal concession permits for guide-outfitters and master guide-outfitters, including the following:

- (1) 12 AAC 75.230 is proposed to be changed to allow a contracting registered guide-outfitter to change or withdraw a GUA before April 1 if the GUA has not been used at any time versus the change taking place after January 1 of the following year.
- (2) 12 AAC 75.260 is proposed to be changed to allow a contracting guide to receive a UVC code in a new concession area in which the permit for the concession is authorized but not valid the year of the hunt, if the concessionaire registers for the guide use area before hunting.

The emergency regulation took effect **November 27, 2023**, and will expire **March 25, 2024**, unless made permanent by the Board. The Board intends to make the emergency regulation permanent.

You may comment on the regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the changes, by submitting written comments to Alison Osborne, Regulations Specialist, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, P.O. Box 110806, Juneau, AK 99811-0806. Additionally, the Board will accept comments by facsimile at (907) 465-2974 and by electronic mail at RegulationsAndPublicComment@alaska.gov. Comments also may be submitted through the Alaska Online Public Notice System by accessing this notice on the system and using the comment link. The comments must be received not later than **4:30 p.m. on January 5, 2024**.

You may submit written questions relevant to the proposed action to Alison Osborne, Regulations Specialist, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, P.O. Box 110806, Juneau, AK 99811-0806 or by e-mail at RegulationsAndPublicComment@alaska.gov. The questions must be received at least 10 days before the end of the public comment period. The Board will aggregate its response to substantially similar questions and make the questions and responses available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System and on the Board's website at <https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/BigGameCommercialServicesBoard.aspx>. The Board may, but is not required to, answer written questions received after the 10-day cut-off date and before the end of the comment period.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Alison Osborne at (907) 465-6826 or RegulationsAndPublicComment@alaska.gov not later than December 29, 2023 to ensure that any necessary accommodation can be provided.

A copy of the emergency regulation is available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System and by contacting Alison Osborne at (907) 465-6826 or RegulationsAndPublicComment@alaska.gov, or go to <https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/portals/5/pub/GUI-EmergencyRegs-0723.pdf>.

Notice of Adoption of Emergency Regulation

The language of the permanent regulation may be different from that of the original emergency regulation and may include other provisions dealing with the same subject. You should comment during the time allowed if your interests could be affected. Written comments received are public records and are subject to public inspection.

Statutory authority: AS 08.54.600; AS 08.54.720; AS 08.54.790 and AS 08.54.680.

Statutes being implemented, interpreted, or made specific: AS 08.54.600; AS 08.54.720; AS 08.54.790 and AS 08.54.680.

Fiscal information: The regulation is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

For each occupation regulated under the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, the Division keeps a list of individuals and organizations interested in its regulations. The Division automatically sends a Notice of Proposed Regulations to the parties on the appropriate list each time there is a proposed change in an occupation's regulations in Title 12 of the Alaska Administrative Code. To be added to or removed from the list, send a request to the to the Division at the address above, giving your name, either your e-mail address or mailing address (as you prefer for receiving notices), and the occupational area in which you are interested.

Date: November 30, 2023

/s/
Alison Osborne, Regulations Specialist
Division of Corporations, Business and
Professional Licensing

FINDING OF EMERGENCY

The Big Game Commercial Services Board finds that an emergency exists and that the attached regulation is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, or general welfare. The facts constituting the emergency include the following:

The nature of the emergency is one of general welfare relating to the livelihoods of Registered Guide-Outfitters and Master Guide-Outfitters (“guides”). Guides who have been awarded special federal use permits by the United State Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), and/or the United States Dept. of Agriculture (USDA) (collectively, “federal concessions”) to conduct guided hunting in specific locations in Alaska are caught in an impossible situation due to inherent conflicts in the timing required by the federal permits and what is required by state regulations. (A project amending the state regulations is in process but will not be in effect in time to remedy this situation for the permits in 2024.) The board requests emergency regulations be granted to remedy this situation in advance of the change in its regulations currently in process.

The federal concession permits have start dates of January 1, 2024. In order for a guide to put his or her clients into the state drawing that opened November 1, 2023, and closes December 15, 2023, for a 2024 permit, the guide must have a Unique Verification Code (UVC) issued by the Big Game Commercial Services Board (“board”). To obtain a UVC code, the guide must be registered to work in the Guide Use Area (GUA) where the hunt is occurring. Current regulations only allow guides to change their GUAs (they may be registered in three at any one time) on an annual basis at the beginning of the calendar year. Applications for the federal concession permits are competitive so guides cannot count on being awarded one. Under the existing regulations (those being changed), a guide who is registered in the maximum three GUAs would have had to change his or her GUAs in late 2022 for 2023 to accommodate his or her potentially being awarded a federal concession permit for work to be performed in 2024 thus depriving them of operating in a preferred GUA for all of 2023, just in case they prevail in the federal concession permit process.

Guides who have been awarded a federal concession permit -- that absent an emergency regulation they will be unable to use in 2024 – will suffer severe financial impacts in 2024 and potentially into the future due to their inability to use the permits. Not being able to utilize a permit in 2024 would cause a significant financial impact on guides’ businesses as well as losses for the communities near these hunting areas as detailed below.

1) As an example, in one federal concession (USFWS) there are six bear permits for non-resident hunters per year in Guide Use Area (GUA) 8-07. The price of a bear hunt averages around \$30,000, meaning a potential loss of \$180,000 of income for guide businesses in that area. There are over 100 USFWS permits alone, plus those issued by BLM, USDA, and state lands. Over one-third of the industry operates in areas that require these concessions. Similar income losses will impact guides who were successfully awarded other federal concessions. This has a financial impact for the economy in these communities, but especially for these small businesses.

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2) Non-resident hunters must have a guide to hunt, so non-resident hunters are deprived of the opportunity to hunt on the federal concession permit land in this GUA. This impacts other local businesses that benefit from these non-resident hunters such as hotels, airlines, taxidermists, restaurants, transporters, and local stores.

3) The state receives federal Pittman-Robertson Act funding to manage wildlife in at least one of the areas with the USFWS permits. The state is required to provide a 25 percent match to the federal funds. The state meets the match with funds from hunting tags. A state brown bear tag is \$1,000. Thus, each tag generates \$4,000 of revenue for the state. As an example, one area has six tags yielding a potential of \$24,000 lost revenue for the state. Other federal concessions represent additional lost state revenue.

4) Finally, some of the federal concession special use permits are issued for five years, with an additional five-year renewal. A guide's inability to enter clients in the state drawing (since a UVC code for 2024 is needed) results in him or her only being able to use the permit for nine of the 10 years. When the next prospectus offering for the same permit area occurs in 10 years, a guide will be at a disadvantage due to the reduced usage of the permit. When scoring permit applications, much weight is given to experience in the area. Being unable to use the permit for 10 percent of its time, would result in lost points that would disadvantage a guide when competing for the permit in the future.

ORDER CERTIFYING ADOPTION

I certify that the Big Game Commercial Services Board, under the authority of AS 12 AAC 75.230(a)(6), (b), (c), and 12 AAC 75.260(d), adopted at its November 14, 2023, meeting the attached 3 pages of regulation changes as an emergency regulation to take effect immediately upon filing by the lieutenant governor, as provided in AS 44.62.180(3).

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

Date: 11/15/2023



Jason Bunch, Chair, Big Game Commercial Services Board



FILING CERTIFICATION

I, Nancy Dahlstrom, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on November 27, 2023, at 9:08 a .m., I filed the attached regulation according to the provisions of AS 44.62.



for Lieutenant Governor Nancy Dahlstrom

Effective: November 27, 2023.
Register: 248, January 2024

Expires March 25, 2024
unless made "permanent"
by the adopting agency

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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)(6) is repealed:

[(6) WHETHER REGISTRATION IS FOR A SINGLE CALENDAR YEAR OR MULTIPLE CALENDAR YEARS.]

12 AAC 75.230 (b) is amended to read:

(b) [UNLESS IT IS ISSUED FOR MULTIPLE CALENDAR YEARS, A GUIDE USE AREA REGISTRATION ISSUED UNDER AS 08.54.750 AND THIS SECTION EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31 OF EACH YEAR.] A registration [FOR MULTIPLE CALENDAR YEARS] expires on December 31 of the last year for which it is issued. To re-register, the registered guide-outfitter must again submit a complete application under (a) of this section.

12 AAC 75.230 (c) is amended to read:

(c) A registered guide-outfitter may register for a maximum of five calendar years ending on December 31, including the calendar year in which the registration becomes effective. A registration for multiple calendar years may be withdrawn or changed annually **before April 1, if the GUA being withdrawn or changed has not been used in the that year. This includes attempting to get hunters drawn for limited entry drawings for that GUA, in which case the guide must have been registered for the GUA in the year of the December draw**

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application period AND the year the hunt would have taken place. Both of these years will be considered used and may not be withdrawn. No refunds will be issued for the years left on a multiple year registration if it is withdrawn [WITH THE WITHDRAWAL OR CHANGE TO TAKE EFFECT ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1 OF THE NEXT CALENDAR YEAR].

12 AAC 75.260(d) is amended to read:

(d) A contracting registered or master guide who is signing the hunt contract, and who intends to apply a client for a drawing hunt permit for a hunt conducted under regulations required under AS 16.05, shall obtain a unique verification code for each guide use area in which a unique verification code is required from the department before entering an application for the client. Unique verification codes will only be issued to registered or master guides who are registered in a guide use area located in the hunt area the year the application is made and the years the permit is valid; **except a contracting guide may receive a code and apply a client in a new concession area in which the permit for the concession is authorized but not valid until the year of the hunt as long as the Concessionaire registers for the guide use area before providing services.** Unique verification codes will be current until the associated guide use area registration expires or is withdrawn or amended. Unique verification codes can only be utilized by the contracting registered or master guide who is applying clients for a drawing hunt permit.

(Eff. 7/30/2006, Register 179; am 6/8/2007, Register 182; am 4/16/2016, Register 218; am 7/16/2020, Register 235; am 3/24/2022, Register 241; am 11 / 27 / 2023 , Register 248)

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Authority: AS 08.54.600 AS 08.54.720 AS 08.54.790
AS 08.54.680

2024 STATE CALENDAR

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DECEMBER

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 Holiday  Payday

State Holidays

Date	Holiday
01/01/24	New Year's Day
01/15/24	MLK Jr.'s Birthday
02/19/24	Presidents' Day
03/25/24	Seward's Day
05/27/24	Memorial Day
07/04/24	Independence Day

State Holidays

Date	Holiday
09/02/24	Labor Day
10/18/24	Alaska Day
11/11/24	Veterans' Day
11/28/24	Thanksgiving Day
12/25/24	Christmas Day

Please refer to appropriate collective bargaining unit agreement for more information regarding holidays.