



Notice of Proposed Changes in The Regulations of the Alaska Big Game Commercial Services Board

Proposed Regulations - FAQ

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1. What is the purpose of the proposed regulations? What will this regulation do?

12 AAC 75.240. Supervision

- Clarify the requirements for contracting guides to provide supervision to all classes of guide license holders that they employ.
- Provides clear direction for license holders on expectations and to law enforcement when contracting guides are not physically with clients and/or any class of guide license holders.
- Updates the supervision regulations to meet the changes the industry faces due to advances in technology and provides clear direction for law enforcement when contracting guides are not physically with clients and/or any class of guide license holders.

12 AAC 75.250. Participation in a hunt

- Includes all manner of types of communication available.
- Allows license holders to use a large variety of communication tools to comply with the regulation.
- Increase compliance with regulations due to varied options of communicating.

12 AAC 75.340. Professional ethics standards for guides

- Require guides to make a good faith effort to provide communication tools to clients in the field.
- Provide communication tools in the field with applicable instructions is in the best interest of both clients and all class of guide license holders in the event of emergencies and/or situations that require immediate attention from the contracting guide.
- Increase response times to situations that require attention.

12 AAC 75.920. Hunting, guiding, and practical experience

- Allow licensed registered guide-outfitters to provide services of a Class-A assistant guide under the employment of another registered guide-outfitter statewide.
- To permit a non-contracting registered guide to work in GMU's across the state and accumulate needed experience in those areas.

- Allow guides to gain required knowledge of specific GMU's and assist other guides in times of need.

2. What are the costs to comply with the proposed regulations?

None known.

3. When will the regulations be effective?

After the public comment deadline, comments received are compiled and given to the Board for consideration. The Board may adopt the regulation as written/publicly noticed, may amend and adopt them, choose to take no action, or may withdraw the proposed regulations in part or in its whole. After Board action, the adopted regulations goes to Department of Law (DOL) for final review/approval. DOL either approves or disapproves regulations. Once approved by DOL, it goes to the Lt. Governor for filing. Regulation takes effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the Lt. Governor.

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