

R657. Natural Resources, Wildlife Resources.

R657-17. Lifetime Hunting and Fishing License.

R657-17-1. Purpose and Authority.

(1) Under authority of Section 23-19-17.5, this rule provides the requirements and procedures applicable to lifetime hunting and fishing licenses.

(2) In addition to the provisions of this rule, a lifetime licensee is subject to:

(a) the provisions set forth in Title 23, Wildlife Resources Code of Utah; and

(b) the rules and proclamations of the Wildlife Board, including all requirements for special hunting and fishing permits and tags.

(3) Unless specifically stated otherwise, lifetime licensees shall be subject to any amendment to this rule or any amendment to Section 23-19-17.5.

R657-17-3. Lifetime License Entitlement.

(1) (a) A permanent lifetime license card shall be issued to lifetime licensees in lieu of an annual hunting, and fishing license.

(b) The issuance of a permanent lifetime license card does not authorize a lifetime licensee to all hunting privileges. The lifetime licensee is subject to the requirements as provided in Subsection R657-17-1(2).

(2) Each year, a lifetime licensee who is eligible to hunt big game may receive without charge, a permit ~~and tag~~ for the region of their choice for one of the following general deer hunts:

- (i) archery buck deer;
- (ii) any weapon buck deer; or
- (iii) muzzleloader buck deer.

(3) Sales of lifetime hunting and fishing licenses may not be refunded, except as provided in Section 23-19-38.

(4) Lifetime hunting and fishing licenses are not transferable.

(5) Lifetime hunting and fishing licenses are no longer for sale as of March 1, 1994.

(6)(a) Lifetime license holders may participate in the Dedicated Hunter Program.

~~(b)~~ (b) Upon entering the Dedicated Hunter Program, the lifetime license holder agrees to forego any rights to receive a buck deer permit for the general archery, general season or general muzzleloader deer hunts as provided in Section 23-19-17.5 during enrollment in the Dedicated Hunter Program.

(7)(a) Lifetime license holders may obtain a general any weapon buck deer and bull elk combination permit.

(b) Upon obtaining a general any weapon buck deer and bull elk combination permit, the lifetime license holder foregoes any rights to receive a buck deer permit for the general archery, general any weapon or general muzzleloader deer hunts as provided in Section 23-19-17.5 during the year the general any weapon buck deer and bull elk combination permit is valid.

R657-17-4. General Deer Permits ~~and Tags~~.

(1)(a) The division shall send a reminder ~~[postcard]~~notice to each lifetime licensee~~[-, who is]~~ eligible to hunt big game~~[-]~~ prior to the beginning of the annual bucks, bulls and once-in-a-lifetime application period as prescribed in the proclamation of the Wildlife Board for taking big game.

(b) The lifetime licensee shall, prior to the end of the annual bucks, bulls and once-in-a-lifetime application period, complete and submit an online Lifetime Questionnaire through the division's web site.

(2)(a) Except as provided in Subsection (e) and Subsection (f), the division may not issue a permit to any lifetime licensee who was given ~~[reasonable]~~notice of the deadline as provided in Subsection (1)(~~b~~)a) and fails to submit a complete~~[- and accurate]~~ Lifetime Questionnaire to the division.

(b) If an error is found the division reserves the right to:

(i) contact the lifetime licensee to correct the error; or

(ii) correct the lifetime licensee's choice of general deer permits~~[- without sending a correction letter]~~.

(d) If the division is unable to ~~[contact the lifetime licensee and]~~correct the error, the lifetime licensee may not receive a permit, except as provided in Subsection (f).

(e) The director or his designee may issue a permit to a lifetime licensee who did not receive reasonable notice of the deadline as provided in Subsection (1)(a).

(f) If a lifetime licensee fails to submit a Lifetime Questionnaire by the deadline ~~[as]~~provided in Subsection (1)(b), the lifetime licensee may obtain an available general deer permit on the date these permits are made available over-the-counter to the general public.

(3) As used in this section "reasonable notice" means that a reminder was sent within a reasonable time before the deadline as provided in Subsection (1)(b) to the most recent address given to the division by the lifetime licensee.

(4) The Division will provide lifetime licensees ~~[shall receive a letter from the division]~~notification confirming the information received on the Lifetime Questionnaire.

(5) Lifetime licensees must notify the division of any change of mailing address, residency, address, telephone number, physical description, ~~[or]~~driver's license number or email address.

(6)(a) Lifetime licensees may apply for or obtain general deer preference points or permits through the big game general buck deer drawing as provided in Rule R657-~~[5]~~62 and the proclamation of the Wildlife Board for taking big game, provided the lifetime licensee waives their choice of general deer permits as provided in Subsection R657-17-3(2) and the region in which the lifetime licensee chooses to hunt.

(b) If a lifetime licensee ~~[applies for and]~~does not ~~[obtain]~~draw a general deer permit through the big game general buck deer drawing, the lifetime licensee may only obtain ~~[an available]~~a general deer permit ~~[on the date these permits are]~~when made available to the public for over-the-counter ~~[to the general public]~~purchase.

R657-17-5. Applying for Limited Entry Permits in the Bucks, Bulls and Once-In-A-Lifetime Drawing.

(1) A lifetime licensee may apply for a limited entry permit offered through the bucks, bulls and once-in-a-lifetime drawing using a bucks, bulls and once-in-a-lifetime application [~~published by the division~~].

(2) Limited entry permit species and application procedures are provided in Rule R657-5 and the proclamation of the Wildlife Board for taking big game.

(3)(a) If the lifetime licensee applies for and is successful in obtaining a premium limited entry, limited entry, or cooperative wildlife management unit buck deer permit in the bucks, bulls and once-in-a-lifetime drawing, a general deer permit will not be issued.

(b) If the lifetime licensee does not draw a premium limited entry, limited entry, or cooperative wildlife management unit buck deer permit in the bucks, bulls and once-in-a-lifetime drawing, the general deer permit requested on the Lifetime Questionnaire shall be issued.

(4) Applying for or obtaining an antlerless deer, antlerless elk, or doe pronghorn permit does not affect eligibility for obtaining a general buck deer permit.

(5) All rules established by the Wildlife Board regarding the availability of big game permits in relation to obtaining general deer permits shall apply to lifetime licensees.

R657-17-8. Lost or Stolen Lifetime Hunting and Fishing License.

(1) If a lifetime hunting and fishing license is lost or stolen, a duplicate may be obtained from any division office ~~[-]~~ by:

~~[-] (2) The lifetime licensee shall:~~

~~[-] (a) present a valid driver's license, identification card, birth certificate, or other form of proper identification;~~

~~[-] (b) sign an affidavit stating the lifetime hunting and fishing license was lost or stolen; and]~~

(a) providing verification of identity; and

([e]b) [-pay] paying a [duplicate-] lifetime hunting and fishing license duplication fee.

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