

R657. Natural Resources, Wildlife Resources.

R657-62. Drawing Application Procedures.

R657-62-1. Purpose and Authority.

(1) Under authority of Sections 23-14-18 and 23-14-19, the Wildlife Board has established this rule for drawing applications and procedures.

(2) Specific season dates, bag and possession limits, areas open, number of permits and other administrative details that may change annually are published in the respective guidebooks of the Wildlife Board.

R657-62-3. Scope of Rule.

(1) This rule sets forth the procedures and requirements for completing and filing applications to receive the following hunting permits and certificates of registrations:

- (a) Dedicated Hunter certificate of registrations;
- (b) limited-entry deer;
- (c) limited-entry elk;
- (d) limited-entry pronghorn;
- (e) once-in-a-lifetime;
- (f) public cooperative wildlife management unit;
- (g) general season deer, , and youth elk;
- (h) limited-entry bear;
- (i) bear pursuit;
- (j) antlerless big game;
- (k) [~~sandhill~~ Sandhill] crane;
- (l) sharp-tail and greater sage grouse;
- (m) swan
- (n) cougar;
- (o) sportsman;
- (p) turkey; and
- (q) landowner buck deer.

R657-62-9. Preference Points.

(1) Preference points are used in the applicable drawings to ensure that applicants who are unsuccessful in the drawing will have first preference in the next year's drawing.

(2)(a) A preference point is awarded for:

- (i) each valid, unsuccessful application applying for a general buck deer, antlerless deer, antlerless elk, doe pronghorn, Sandhill [~~Crane, Sharp~~crane, sharp-tailed grouse, [~~Greater~~greater]sage -grouse or [~~Swan~~swan] permit; or
- (ii) each valid application when applying only for a preference point in the applicable drawings.

(b) Preference points are awarded by species for:

- (i) general buck deer;
- (ii) antlerless deer;
- (iii) antlerless elk;
- (iv) doe pronghorn;
- (v) Sandhill [~~Crane~~crane];
- (vi) Sharp-tailed [~~Grouse~~grouse];

(vii) Greater sage ~~_~~grouse; and

(viii) Swan.

(3)(a) A person may not apply in the drawing for both a preference point and a permit for the species listed in Subsection (2)(b).

(b) A person may not apply for a preference point if that person is ineligible to apply for a permit.

(4) Preference points for the applicable species are forfeited if a person obtains a general buck deer, antlerless deer, antlerless elk, doe pronghorn, Sandhill [~~Crane, Sharp~~crane, sharp-tailed grouse, [~~Greater~~greater sage ~~_~~grouse or [~~Swan~~swan] permit, whether obtained through a division drawing or over the counter, except points are not forfeited if a person obtains one or more of the following:

(a) youth archery buck deer permit;

(b) mitigation permits issued to a landowner Rule R657-44, including mitigation permit vouchers;

(c) antlerless elk control permits;

(d) a general landowner buck deer permit or landowner appreciation permit issued pursuant to Rule R657-43; and

(e) private land only antlerless elk permits.

(5) Preference points are not transferable.

(6) Preference points are averaged and rounded down when two or more applicants apply together on a group application.

(7)(a) Preference points are tracked using social security numbers or division-issued customer identification numbers.

(b) The division shall retain copies of electronic applications from 2000 to the current applicable drawings for researching preference point records.

(c) Any requests for researching an applicant's preference point records must be submitted within the time frames provided in Subsection (b).

(d) Any preference points on the division's records shall not be researched beyond the time frames provided in Subsection (b).

(e) The division may eliminate any preference point obtained by fraud, deceit, misrepresentation, or in violation of law.

R657-62-21. Sandhill Crane, Sharp-~~Tailed~~tailed and Greater Sage~~-Grouse~~-grouse.

(1) Permit applications.

(a) A person may obtain only one Sandhill [~~Crane~~crane] permit each year.

(b) A person must possess or obtain a valid hunting or combination license in order to apply for or obtain Sandhill [~~Crane, Sharp-Tailed and Greater Sage-Grouse~~crane, sharp-tailed and greater sage-grouse] permit. (c) Applicants must meet all age requirements, proof of hunter education requirements and youth restrictions as provided in Utah Code 23-19-24, 23-19-11 and 23-20-20.

(d) Applicants may select up to four hunt choices. Hunt unit choices must be listed in order of preference.

(2) Youth applications.

(a) For purposes of this section, "youth" means any person 17 years of age or younger on July 31 for the purpose of obtaining Sandhill [~~Crane, Sharp~~crane, sharp-tailed grouse and [~~Greater-Sage~~greater sage-grouse] permits.

(b) Fifteen percent of the Sandhill [~~Crane, Sharp~~crane, sharp-tailed grouse and [~~Greater~~greater] sage-grouse permits are reserved for youth hunters.

(c) Youth applicants who apply for a Sandhill [~~Crane, Sharp~~crane, sharp]-tailed grouse or [~~Greater~~greater sage -grouse permit as provided in this Subsection, will automatically be considered in the youth drawing based upon their birth date.

(3) Group Applications

(a) Up to four people may apply together.

(b) Up to four youth may apply together in a Group Application.

(4) Waiting Periods do not apply.

R657-62-22. Tundra Swan.

(1) Permit applications.

(a) A person may obtain only one tundra swan permit each year.

(i) A person may not apply more than once annually.

(b) A person must possess or obtain a valid hunting or combination license to apply for or obtain a [~~Swan~~tundra swan permit.

(c) The division shall issue no more than the number of tundra swan permits authorized by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service each year.

(d) A person must complete a swan orientation course annually before applying for a tundra swan permit, except as provided under Subsection R657-9-6 (3) (b).

(i) Remaining tundra swan permits available for sale shall be issued only to persons having previously completed the orientation course.

(e) Applicants must meet all age requirements, proof of hunter education requirements and youth restrictions as provided in Utah Code 23-19-24, 23-19-11 and 23-20-20.

(2) Youth applications.

(a) For purposes of this section, "youth" means any person 17 years of age or younger on July 31st of the year in which the youth hunting day is held, as provided in the guidebook of the Wildlife Board for taking waterfowl, Wilson's snipe and coot.

(b) 15% of the [~~Swan~~tundra swan permits are reserved for youth hunters.

(c) Youth who apply for a tundra swan permit will automatically be considered in the youth permit drawing based on their birth date.

(3) Group applications.

(a) Up to four people may apply together in a Group Application.

(b) Up to four youth may apply together in a Group Application.

~~[(4) Any person who harvest a trumpeter swan may not apply for or receive a swan permit for a period of:]~~

~~[(a) five seasons for adults; or]~~

~~[(b) three seasons for youth]~~

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