

Proposed Amendment of Guide and
Outfitter Registration Rule
(19.30.8 NMAC)

Agenda Item #15

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Clayton, NM

Starting Point

SB 196:

- 2011 Legislature passes Senate Bill 196. Signed by Governor Martinez on April 8, 2011.
- Places specific requirements to be a New Mexico outfitter to be eligible to participate in the limited drawing (10% portion).
- The effective date for Senate Bill 196 is April 1, 2012, the upcoming license year.

Key Areas of Focus

9 specific requirements (NM Outfitter – Spec Draw Participation)

- NM Business Reg. & NMDGF Outfitter Reg.
- Auth. to participate in business in NM
- Paid prop. tax, rent, gross rcpt & 1 other tax in 3 yrs preceding submission of affidavit.
- Majority of which is owned by person residing in NM (rent, property, etc.)
- Employees 80% residents - total personnel
- Leased property for 10 yrs or purchased property in NM > \$50K
- If business change (name), meets all criteria
- Possesses all state & federal permits for hunt (BLM, USFS, SLO)
- At least 2 days of hunting service = accompanied w/ client in area

Key Areas Cont.

Need vs. Redundancy

- Create a check list form
- Outfitters' can review and verify compliance
- Minimize paperwork
- Audit if Concerns or Complaints
- Out of compliance = Code of Conduct Violation
- Subject Outfitter to Pt. Assessment (Revoc.)

Key Areas Cont.

- (9) that operates as a hunting guide service during which at least **two days** are **accompanied** with the client in the area where the license is valid



Key Areas Cont.

- Residents & Non-residents hunters can participate in Outfitter Drawing pool (use NM Outfitter)
- Considering Contractual Requirements prior to applications
- Consider changes to the deadline to register as Outfitter (Jan 15 vs. 1 month later)

Moving Forward

- Seek public comment
- Cont. meeting with NM Council of Outfitters & Guides
- Post Draft of rule changes on NMDGF website August 2011
- Finalize Aug or Nov 2011