Proposed amendments to Commission rules eliminating the carcass tag requirement.



2013-2014 License Year Transition to Web-based Licensing

- All electronic applications for licenses, permits or authorizations will include a unique NMDGF customer identification number.
- Customers will print their own licenses.
- Bear, cougar, turkey and private land deer licenses will still be available at license vendors.
- Private land antelope and elk licenses will be sold through the web.
- Separate game tags will no longer be issued.



2014-2015 License Year

Web-based Licensing System

- All applications for licenses, permits or authorizations will include a unique NMDGF customer identification number.
- All licenses purchased by a hunter, angler or trapper will be printed on standard printer paper.
- Customers who do not have access to a printer may request a license from the Department.



The Hunting and Fishing - License Application, Hunting and Fishing - Manner and Method, and all of the Big Game and Turkey rules will need to be amended.



License Application 19.31.3 NMAC

 Private land Antelope and Elk licenses will be applied for on-line.



Manner and Method 19.31.10 NMAC

- When an animal is legally taken, the licensee shall punch or mark out the designated species, and fill in the date and time on their license.
- The punched and filled out license shall accompany the carcass as proof of lawful possession.
- If a carcass is divided, all unattended portions will be accompanied by a license or note containing specific licensee information.



Big Game and Turkey Rules

 Each of the species rules will be amended to remove carcass tag requirements and to clarify application procedures.



Housekeeping

 Several other occurrences of outdated or otherwise incorrect information will be addressed while amending these rules.



Public Input

- Originally proposed at the November Commission meeting.
- Final draft amendments have been posted on the Department website.
- One comment was received expressing concern that allowing customers to print licenses on their own printers would encourage fraud.



Commission Direction

The Department respectfully suggests the following motion unless Commission discretion indicates a different course of action:

"Move to accept the Department's recommendations and amend 19.31.3, 19.31.10, 19.31.12 through 19.31.17 and 19.31.21 NMAC rules as presented by the Department."



Discussion

