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INFORMATION BULLETIN FOR ACCOMMODATION PERMIT HOLDERS

For more information, contact the Call Center at (303)297-1192, or email Ask CPW at cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/AskCPW.aspx.

You must have your accommodation permit with you while hunting. Possession of an accommodation permit does not exempt the permit holder from obeying all other hunting, fishing, and property use laws. Failure to comply with any terms or conditions of your permit is a violation of Regulation No. 002 (“License Types and Requirements”), 2 CCR 406-02, and may result in a wildlife citation and/or permit revocation. Contact Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) at (303) 297-1192 if your physical condition improves and no longer fits the criteria for your accommodation.

Assistant to track and dispatch wounded game

- Another person must accompany, within voice and visual contact, accommodation permit holders when necessary to ensure that all wildlife taken is retrieved and properly prepared for human consumption. Your assistant may dispatch wounded wildlife as a condition of this permit. Your assistant must be someone who can legally hunt in Colorado, is not suspended from hunting, and who meets the hunter education requirements. Hunters under 16 years old, who require a mentor to hunt, cannot be an assistant. Your assistant is not required to possess a hunting license.
- It is strongly recommended that your assistant carry a copy of your accommodation permit.
- You must take the initial shot. Your assistant is not allowed to fill your tag for you, but is only authorized to track and dispatch game you wounded.
- If you have more than one hunting license, you must stop hunting until your assistant returns from tracking, dispatching and retrieving your wounded game.

Shoot from a vehicle, or shoot from a vehicle/OHV (Off Highway Vehicle)

- It is illegal to shoot a firearm or release an arrow from, upon or across a public road. A “public road” means the traveled portion and the shoulders on each side of any road maintained for public travel by a county, city, or city and county, the state, or the United States government and includes all structures within the limits of the right-of-way of any such road.
- You may only discharge a firearm or release an arrow from a stationary motor vehicle. All forward motion must have ceased, the motor must be turned off or the vehicle must be incapable of forward motion.
- You may not hunt with a rifle, handgun, or shotguns firing a single slug, or archery equipment within an area 50 feet on each side of the centerline of any state highway, municipal or any designated county roads. In the case of a divided road or highway this includes the entire median and the 50-foot requirement is measured from the centerline of both roads. Check the appropriate season brochure for other shooting restrictions.
- It is illegal to hunt, take, or harass any wildlife from or with a motor vehicle.

Transportation of Firearms in a Motor Vehicle or on an OHV

- For motor vehicles, firearms must be unloaded in the chamber, and for OHVs, firearms and bows must be unloaded in both the chamber and the magazine, and fully enclosed in a hard or soft case:
 - o when the vehicle is moving
 - o when you are driving from one hunting location to another
 - o when you are not in the act of hunting
 - o when you are in a place from which you cannot legally shoot (i.e., a public road)

OHV Use

- Use of ATVs/OHVs is regulated by the land management agency or landowner. CPW will not grant off road or off trail use. Contact the appropriate land management agency with requests or questions.
- ATVs/OHVs are illegal in designated wilderness areas.
- It is illegal to hunt, chase, pursue, or harass wildlife with an OHV.

Crossbow or Draw-loc Use During Archery Seasons

The crossbow or draw-loc permit:

- Specifically and only grants the use of equipment applicable to the nature of your disability.
- Allows the use of non-magnifying scopes and red dot sights that magnify 1X or less.
- Does not allow laser or battery operated/electronically powered devices that are attached to or incorporated into the crossbow which aid in range finding and/or aiming or a sighting device which emits light from a crossbow to the animal. The intent of the archery season is to provide a “primitive” style recreational opportunity for hunters.
- Only allows you to nock your arrow or load your bolt when you are in the act of hunting.
- Requires all equipment to have safety locks.
- Does not exempt you from obeying all hunting statutes and regulations, including specifications for crossbows found in Regulation #203(A)(5), listed below:

Crossbows are legal manner of take, provided the minimum draw weight is at least one hundred twenty-five (125) pounds and has a minimum draw length of fourteen (14) inches as measured from the front of the bow to the nocking point of the draw string and contain a positive mechanical safety device. In addition, the bolt must be at least sixteen (16) inches in length equipped with a broadhead with an outside diameter or width of at least 7/8th of an inch with no less than two steel cutting edges and each cutting edge must be in the same plane throughout the length of the cutting surface.