

DRAFT REGULATIONS - CHAPTER W-0 - GENERAL PROVISIONS

APPENDIX F - Wildlife License and Pass Prices

(1) Resident and nonresident licenses

License	Residency	Fees
3-year possession/hunting raptor license	Resident	\$198.40 191.46***
Annual possession/hunting raptor license	Nonresident	\$105.80 102.11***
Peregrine falcon capture license	Resident	\$396.75 382.91***
Extra rod stamp	Resident	\$11.90 11.49**
Extra rod stamp	Nonresident	\$11.90 11.49**
Fishing - 1 day	Resident	\$15.85 15.32**
Fishing - 1 day	Nonresident	\$19.80 19.15**
Fishing - additional day	Resident	\$6.60 6.38**
Fishing - additional day	Nonresident	\$6.60 6.38**
Fishing - 5 day	Nonresident	\$39.65 38.29**
Fishing - annual	Resident	\$43.65 42.12**
Fishing - annual	Nonresident	\$125.65 121.26**
Youth (ages 16-17) annual fishing	Resident	\$10.55 10.24**
Senior annual fishing	Resident	\$10.55 10.24**
Small game hunting	Resident	\$37.00 35.74**
Senior lifetime fishing, and resident low-income senior fishing annual upgrade to annual combination fishing and small game hunting^	Resident	\$25.95 25.07**
Small game hunting	Nonresident	\$105.80 102.11**
Small game - 1 day	Resident	\$15.85 15.32**
Small game - 1 day	Nonresident	\$19.80 19.15**
Small game - additional day	Resident	\$6.60 6.38**
Small game - additional day	Nonresident	\$6.60 6.38**
Furbearer license	Resident	\$37.00 35.74**
Furbearer license	Nonresident	\$105.80 102.11**
Turkey, fall	Resident	\$30.40 29.36**
Turkey, fall	Nonresident	\$198.40 191.46**
Turkey, spring	Resident	\$37.00 35.74**
Turkey, spring	Nonresident	\$198.40 191.46**
Turkey (youth)	Resident	\$18.50 17.87**
Turkey (youth)	Nonresident	\$132.25 127.64**
Combination fishing and small game hunting	Resident	\$63.45 61.27**
Senior (ages 64 and older) combination fishing and small game hunting	Resident	\$36.55 35.28**
Pronghorn	Resident	\$50.25 48.50**
Pronghorn	Nonresident	\$522.45 504.17**
Pronghorn	UMU Tribe Enrolled Member; LPP; Pinecrest Ranch Only	\$50.25 48.50**
Bear, fall	Resident	\$63.45 61.26**
Bear, fall	Nonresident	\$310.65 299.81**
Bear, fall (youth)	Resident	\$17.80 17.18**
Bear, fall (youth)	Nonresident	\$63.55 61.35**
Deer	Resident	\$50.25 48.50**
Deer	Nonresident	\$522.45 504.17**
Deer	UMU Tribe Enrolled	\$50.25 48.50**

License	Residency	Fees
	Member; LPP; Pinecrest Ranch Only	
Elk	Resident	\$70.1067.65 **
Elk	Nonresident	\$872.95842.41 **
Elk	UMU Tribe Enrolled Member; LPP; Pinecrest Ranch Only	\$70.1067.65 **
Mountain goat	Resident	\$396.75382.91 **
Mountain goat	Nonresident	\$2923.052820.78 **
Moose	Resident	\$396.75382.91 **
Moose	Nonresident	\$2923.052820.78 **
Mountain lion	Resident	\$63.4561.27 **
Mountain lion	Nonresident	\$872.95842.41 **
Rocky mountain bighorn sheep	Resident	\$396.75382.91 **
Rocky mountain bighorn sheep	Nonresident	\$2923.052,820.78 **
Desert bighorn sheep	Resident	\$396.75382.91 **
Desert bighorn sheep	Nonresident	\$2923.052,820.78 **
Resident low-income senior fishing	Resident	\$8.458.49 **
Youth big game (deer, elk, pronghorn)	Resident	\$18.1547.55 each **
Youth big game (deer, elk, pronghorn)	Nonresident	\$131.90427.32 each**
Youth small game hunting	Resident	\$1.304.28 ***
Youth small game hunting	Nonresident	\$1.304.28 ***
Colorado wildlife habitat stamp, purchased in conjunction with the purchase of a hunting or fishing license	Resident	\$13.2042.76
Colorado wildlife habitat stamp, purchased in conjunction with the purchase of a hunting or fishing license	Nonresident	\$13.2042.76
"Lifetime" Colorado wildlife habitat stamp	Resident	\$396.75382.91 ***
"Lifetime" Colorado wildlife habitat stamp	Nonresident	\$396.75382.91 ***
Wild Bison	Resident	\$396.75382.91 **
Wild Bison	Nonresident	\$2923.052,820.78 **
3-year Resident Herpetofauna Collection and Possession license	Resident	\$40.00 **

*Plus additional surcharge of \$1.50 for the Wildlife Management Public Education Fund.

**Plus additional surcharge of \$1.50 for the Wildlife Management Public Education Fund and \$1.25 for the Backcountry Search and Rescue Fund.

***Plus additional surcharge of \$1.25 for the Backcountry Search and Rescue Fund.

^Valid only for resident senior Lifetime Disability and Low Income Fishing license holders.

All ~~2025-2026~~ licenses sold through March ~~2026-2027~~ shall be sold at the ~~2025-2026~~ license fee and commission rates.

License prices established in this table are the actual license price. Some license prices have discounts applied from the statutory maximum price as provided for in Chapters W-2 and W-3.

(2) Special licenses

License	Fees
Scientific collecting license	\$37.0035.74
Importation license	\$99.2095.73
Field trial license	\$30.4029.36

Commercial lake license	\$264.50 255.27
Private lake license	\$18.50 17.87
Commercial wildlife park license	\$198.40 191.46
Noncommercial park license	\$37.00 35.74
Wildlife sanctuary license	\$198.40 191.46
Zoological park license	\$198.40 191.46

(3) The fee for each migratory waterfowl stamp is ~~\$13.20~~~~12.76~~.

(4) The fee for each Federal Waterfowl Stamp is \$33.00.

(5) The nonrefundable application-processing fee for each limited license is ~~\$9.25~~~~8.93~~ for resident applications and ~~\$11.90~~~~11.49~~ for nonresident applications.

(6) Colorado State Wildlife Area passes

Pass	Fees
Colorado State Wildlife Area Pass - annual	\$44.90 42.37 **
Colorado State Wildlife Area Pass - 1 day	\$8.50 8.80 *
Youth (ages 16-17) annual Colorado State Wildlife Area Pass	\$11.80 10.46 *
Senior (ages 64 and older) annual Colorado State Wildlife Area Pass	\$11.80 10.46 *
Low-income annual Colorado State Wildlife Area Pass	\$11.80 10.46 *

*Plus a surcharge of \$1.50 for the wildlife management public education fund.

**Plus a surcharge of \$1.50 for the wildlife management public education fund and a fee of ~~\$12.76~~~~13.20~~ for a Colorado wildlife habitat stamp.

In order to qualify for an annual low-income Colorado State Wildlife Area Pass and the resident low-income senior fishing license an individual must show a photo identification card and:

Provide written proof, in the form of a federal or state income tax return from the immediately preceding calendar year, that the federal taxable income of such individual is at or below one hundred percent of the official poverty line for an individual or a family, as appropriate to the applicant. If said tax return is not available, a return for the year immediately preceding such year shall suffice. Or,

If an individual's income is at a level where such individual is not required to file an income tax return, such individual shall sign a statement under penalty of perjury in the second degree to such effect. No such affidavit shall be required to be notarized. Or,

A Colorado resident may provide documentation in the form of a card or other verifiable written materials that the resident is currently enrolled in any one of the following programs: TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families), WIC (Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children), Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid program), SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), FDPIR (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations), or LEAP (Low-income Energy Assistance Program).

The federal taxable income amounts, based on the number of people in the family/household, cannot be greater than the applicable guideline set forth in the Annual Update of the HHS Poverty Guidelines, 91 Fed. Reg. 1797 (January 15, 2026) issued by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Room 404E, Humphrey Building, Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, DC 20201. This federal guideline, but not later amendments to or editions thereof, has been incorporated by reference. Information regarding how and where the incorporated materials may be examined, or copies obtained, is available from:

Regulations Manager
Policy and Planning Unit
Colorado Division of Parks and Wildlife
6060 Broadway
Denver, Colorado 80216

- (1) The Firearms Training and Safety Course Record Fee is \$52.00 pursuant to §33-9-115(5)(a).

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Basis and Purpose
Chapter W-0 - General Provisions

Basis and Purpose:

Following the passage of the Hunting, Fishing, and Parks for Future Generations Act (SB 18-143), the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission has the authority to adjust most wildlife licenses annually with the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

Consumer Price Indices for the Denver-Aurora-Lakewood metropolitan statistical area (successor to the Denver-Boulder-Greeley statistical area) are compiled by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics. CPI figures are reported bimonthly, in addition to the average CPI for the first half of the calendar year, the average CPI for the second half of the calendar year, and the average CPI for the entire calendar year. The chart below shows the average CPI for the first half of each year.

Consumer Price Index - All Urban Consumers			
Denver-Aurora-Lakewood Metropolitan Area			
First Half 2018			260.790
First Half 2019			264.147
First Half 2020			271.264
First Half 2021			276.290
First Half 2022			300.002
First Half 2023			316.758
First Half 2024			325.308
First Half 2025			332.865
First Half 2026			344.933
Annual Percentage Change (2025 Base Year)			3.6%
Cumulative Percentage Change (Rounded) (2018 Base Year)			32.3%

The CPI calculation above yields the following fees as adjusted in regulation. The fees shown in the blue highlighted column are the statutory caps for each license fee. The Parks and Wildlife Commission may reduce these as appropriate through the rule-making process. The fees shown in the green highlighted rows are the products that the commission created so they do not have a statutory cap. The fees shown in the yellow highlighted rows are the products that have differential pricing that is less than the statutory cap.

License Type	Residency	2026	2026	2026	2027	2027	2027
		CPI Adjusted Statutory Lid**	With annual increase in CPI only	Proposed Price*	CPI Adjusted Statutory Lid**	With annual increase in CPI only	Proposed Price*
3-year possession/hunting raptor license	Resident	\$ 191.46	\$ 191.46	\$ 191.46	\$198.40	\$198.40	\$198.40
Annual possession/hunting raptor license	Nonresident	\$ 102.11	\$ 102.11	\$ 102.11	\$105.81	\$105.81	\$105.80
Peregrine falcon capture license	Resident	\$ 382.91	\$ 382.91	\$ 382.91	\$396.79	\$396.79	\$396.75
Extra rod stamp	Resident	\$ 11.49	\$ 11.49	\$ 11.49	\$ 11.90	\$ 11.90	\$ 11.90
Extra rod stamp	Nonresident	\$ 11.49	\$ 11.49	\$ 11.49	\$ 11.90	\$ 11.90	\$ 11.90
Fishing - 1 day	Resident	\$ 15.32	\$ 15.32	\$ 15.32	\$ 15.87	\$ 15.87	\$ 15.85
Fishing - 1 day	Nonresident	\$ 19.15	\$ 19.15	\$ 19.15	\$ 19.84	\$ 19.84	\$ 19.80
Fishing - additional day	Resident	\$ 6.38	\$ 6.38	\$ 6.38	\$ 6.61	\$ 6.61	\$ 6.60

Fishing - additional day	Nonresident	\$ 6.38	\$ 6.38	\$ 6.38	\$ 6.61	\$6.61	\$6.60
Fishing - 5 day	Nonresident	\$ 38.29	\$ 38.29	\$ 38.29	\$ 39.68	\$39.68	\$39.65
Fishing- annual	Resident	\$ 42.12	\$ 42.12	\$ 42.12	\$ 43.65	\$43.65	\$43.65
Fishing - annual	Nonresident	\$ 121.26	\$ 121.26	\$ 121.26	\$ 125.65	\$125.65	\$125.65
Youth (ages 16-17) annual fishing	Resident	\$ 10.21	\$ 10.21	\$ 10.21	\$ 10.58	\$10.58	\$10.55
Senior annual fishing	Resident	\$ 10.21	\$ 10.21	\$ 10.21	\$ 10.58	\$10.58	\$10.55
Small game hunting	Resident	\$ 35.74	\$ 35.74	\$ 35.74	\$ 37.03	\$37.03	\$37.00
Senior lifetime fishing, and resident low-income senior fishing annual upgrade to annual combination fishing and small game hunting^	Resident	\$ -	\$ 25.06	\$ 25.07	\$-	\$25.98	\$25.95
Small game	Nonresident	\$ 102.11	\$ 102.11	\$ 102.11	\$105.81	\$105.81	\$105.80
Small game - 1 day	Resident	\$ 15.32	\$ 15.32	\$ 15.32	\$ 15.87	\$ 15.87	\$ 15.85
Small game - 1 day	Nonresident	\$ 19.15	\$ 19.15	\$ 19.15	\$ 19.84	\$ 19.84	\$ 19.80
Small game - additional day	Resident	\$ 6.38	\$ 6.38	\$ 6.38	\$ 6.61	\$ 6.61	\$ 6.60
Small game - additional day	Nonresident	\$ 6.38	\$ 6.38	\$ 6.38	\$ 6.61	\$ 6.61	\$ 6.60
Furbearer license	Resident	\$ 35.74	\$ 35.74	\$ 35.74	\$ 37.03	\$ 37.03	\$ 37.00
Furbearer license	Nonresident	\$ 319.09	\$ 102.11	\$ 102.11	\$330.66	\$105.81	\$105.80
Turkey, fall	Resident	\$ 29.36	\$ 29.36	\$ 29.36	\$ 30.42	\$ 30.42	\$ 30.40
Turkey, fall	Nonresident	\$ 191.46	\$ 191.46	\$ 191.46	\$198.40	\$198.40	\$198.40
Turkey, spring	Resident	\$ 35.74	\$ 35.74	\$ 35.74	\$ 37.03	\$ 37.03	\$ 37.00
Turkey, spring	Nonresident	\$ 191.46	\$ 191.46	\$ 191.46	\$198.40	\$198.40	\$198.40
Turkey (youth)	Resident	\$ 17.87	\$ 17.87	\$ 17.87	\$ 18.52	\$ 18.52	\$ 18.50
Turkey (youth)	Nonresident	\$ 127.64	\$ 127.64	\$ 127.64	\$132.26	\$132.26	\$132.25
Combination fishing and small game hunting	Resident	\$ 61.27	\$ 61.27	\$ 61.27	\$ 63.49	\$ 63.49	\$ 63.45
Senior (ages 64 and older) combination fishing and small game hunting	Resident	\$ -	\$ 35.28	\$ 35.28	\$-	\$36.55	\$36.55
Pronghorn	Resident	\$ 48.50	\$ 48.50	\$ 48.50	\$ 50.26	\$ 50.26	\$ 50.25
Pronghorn	Nonresident	\$ 504.17	\$ 504.17	\$ 504.17	\$522.45	\$522.45	\$522.45
Bear, fall	Resident	\$ 61.27	\$ 61.26	\$ 61.26	\$ 63.49	\$ 63.49	\$ 63.45
Bear, fall	Nonresident	\$ 842.41	\$ 299.81	\$ 299.81	\$872.95	\$310.68	\$310.65
Bear (youth)	Resident	\$ -	\$ 17.18	\$ 17.18	\$ -	\$ 17.80	\$ 17.80
Bear (youth)	Nonresident	\$ -	\$ 61.35	\$ 61.35	\$ -	\$ 63.58	\$ 63.55
Deer	Resident	\$ 48.50	\$ 48.50	\$ 48.50	\$ 50.26	\$ 50.26	\$ 50.25
Deer	Nonresident	\$ 504.17	\$ 504.17	\$ 504.17	\$522.45	\$522.45	\$522.45
Elk	Resident	\$ 67.65	\$ 67.65	\$ 67.65	\$ 70.10	\$ 70.10	\$ 70.10
Elk (either sex)	Nonresident	\$ 842.41	\$ 842.41	\$ 842.41	\$872.95	\$872.95	\$872.95
Elk (antlerless)	Nonresident	\$ 842.41	\$ 842.41	\$ 842.41	\$872.95	\$872.95	\$872.95
Mountain goat	Resident	\$ 382.91	\$ 382.91	\$ 382.91	\$ 396.79	\$396.79	\$ 396.75
Mountain goat	Nonresident	\$ 2,820.78	\$ 2,820.78	\$ 2,820.78	\$2,923.05	\$2,923.05	\$2,923.05
Moose	Resident	\$ 382.91	\$ 382.91	\$ 382.91	\$ 396.79	\$ 396.79	\$ 396.75
Moose	Nonresident	\$ 2,820.78	\$ 2,820.78	\$ 2,820.78	\$2,923.05	\$ 2,923.05	\$2,923.05
Mountain lion	Resident	\$ 61.27	\$ 61.27	\$ 61.27	\$ 63.49	\$63.49	\$ 63.45
Mountain lion	Nonresident	\$ 842.41	\$ 842.41	\$ 842.41	\$ 872.95	\$ 872.95	\$ 872.95
Rocky mountain bighorn sheep	Resident	\$ 382.91	\$ 382.91	\$ 382.91	\$ 396.79	\$ 396.79	\$ 396.75
Rocky mountain bighorn sheep	Nonresident	\$ 2,820.78	\$ 2,820.78	\$ 2,820.78	\$2,923.05	\$2,923.05	\$2,923.05
Desert bighorn sheep	Resident	\$ 382.91	\$ 382.91	\$ 382.91	\$ 396.79	\$ 396.79	\$ 396.75
Desert bighorn sheep	Nonresident	\$ 2,820.78	\$ 2,820.78	\$ 2,820.78	\$2,923.05	\$ 2,923.05	\$2,923.05
Resident low-income senior fishing	Resident	\$ 10.21	\$ 8.19	\$ 8.19	\$ 10.58	\$ 8.48	\$ 8.45
Youth big game (deer, elk, pronghorn)	Resident	\$ 17.55	\$ 17.55	\$ 17.55	\$ 18.19	\$ 18.19	\$ 18.15
Youth big game (deer, elk, pronghorn)	Nonresident	\$ 127.32	\$ 127.32	\$ 127.32	\$ 131.93	\$131.93	\$ 131.90
Youth small game hunting	Resident	\$ 1.28	\$ 1.28	\$ 1.28	\$ 1.32	\$ 1.32	\$ 1.30

Youth small game hunting	Nonresident	\$ 1.28	\$ 1.28	\$ 1.28	\$ 1.32	\$ 1.32	\$ 1.30
Colorado wildlife habitat stamp, purchased in conjunction with the purchase of a hunting or fishing license	Resident	\$ 12.76	\$ 12.76	\$ 12.76	\$ 13.23	\$ 13.23	\$ 13.20
Colorado wildlife habitat stamp, purchased in conjunction with the purchase of a hunting or fishing license	Nonresident	\$ 12.76	\$ 12.76	\$ 12.76	\$ 13.23	\$ 13.23	\$ 13.20
"Lifetime" Colorado wildlife habitat stamp	Resident	\$ 382.91	\$ 382.91	\$ 382.91	\$ 396.79	\$ 396.79	\$ 396.75
"Lifetime" Colorado wildlife habitat stamp	Nonresident	\$ 382.91	\$ 382.91	\$ 382.91	\$ 396.79	\$ 396.79	\$ 396.75
Wild Bison	Resident	\$ 374.22	\$ 382.91	\$ 382.91	\$ 396.79	\$ 396.79	\$ 396.75
Wild Bison	Nonresident	\$ 2,756.74	\$ 2,820.78	\$ 2,820.78	\$ 2,923.05	\$ 2,923.05	\$ 2,923.05
3-year Resident Herpetofauna Collection and Possession	Resident	-	-	-	-	-	\$40.00

*excludes additional surcharges and fees

**2018 base year

License Type	Residency	2026	2026	2027	2027
		CPI Adjusted Statutory Lid**	Proposed Price*	CPI Adjusted Statutory Lid**	Proposed Price*
Scientific collecting license	N/A	\$ 35.74	\$ 35.74	\$ 37.03	\$ 37.00
Importation license	N/A	\$ 95.73	\$ 95.73	\$ 99.20	\$ 99.20
Field trial license	N/A	\$ 29.36	\$ 29.36	\$ 30.42	\$ 30.40
Commercial lake license	N/A	\$ 255.27	\$ 255.27	\$ 264.53	\$ 264.50
Private lake license	N/A	\$ 17.87	\$ 17.87	\$ 18.52	\$ 18.50
Commercial wildlife park license	N/A	\$ 191.46	\$ 191.46	\$ 198.40	\$ 198.40
Noncommercial park license	N/A	\$ 35.74	\$ 35.74	\$ 37.03	\$ 37.00
Wildlife sanctuary license	N/A	\$ 191.46	\$ 191.46	\$ 198.40	\$ 198.40
Zoological park license	N/A	\$ 191.46	\$ 191.46	\$ 198.40	\$ 198.40

*excludes additional surcharges and fees

**2018 base year

License Type	Residency	2026	2026	2027	2027
		CPI Adjusted Statutory Lid**	Actual Price*	CPI Adjusted Statutory Lid**	Proposed Price*
Migratory waterfowl stamp	N/A	\$12.76	\$12.75	\$ 13.23	\$ 13.20

**2018 base year

License Type	Residency	2026	2026	2026	2027	2027	2027
		CPI Adjusted Statutory Lid**	With annual increase in CPI only	Actual Price*	CPI Adjusted Statutory Lid**	With annual increase in CPI only	Proposed Price*
Non-refundable application-processing fee	Resident	\$ 8.93	\$ 8.19	\$ 8.00	\$ 9.26	\$ 9.26	\$ 9.25
Non-refundable application-processing fee	Nonresident	\$ 11.49	\$ 11.26	\$ 11.00	\$ 11.90	\$ 11.90	\$ 11.90

**2018 base year

Colorado State Wildlife Area Passes	2026	2026	2027	2027
	CPI Adjusted Statutory Lid	Proposed Price*	CPI Adjusted Statutory Lid**	Proposed Price*
Colorado State Wildlife Area Pass - annual	-	\$ 42.37	-	\$ 44.90
Colorado State Wildlife Area Pass - 1 day	-	\$ 8.50	-	\$ 8.80
Youth (ages 16-17) annual Colorado State Wildlife Area Pass	-	\$ 10.46	-	\$ 11.80
Senior (ages 64 and older) annual Colorado State Wildlife Area Pass	-	\$ 10.46	-	\$ 11.80
Low-income annual Colorado State Wildlife Area Pass	-	\$ 10.46	-	\$ 11.80

*excludes additional surcharges and fees

The statements of basis and purpose for these regulations can be viewed and copies obtained from the Colorado Division of Parks and Wildlife, Office of the Regulations Manager, Public Involvement Unit, 6060 Broadway, Denver, CO 80216.

The primary statutory authority for these regulations can be found in § 24-4-103, C.R.S., and the state Wildlife Act, §§ 33-1-101 to 33-6-209, C.R.S., specifically including, but not limited to: §§ 33-1-106, C.R.S.

EFFECTIVE DATE - THESE REGULATIONS SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2027 AND SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT UNTIL REPEALED, AMENDED OR SUPERSEDED.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE PARKS AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO THIS 4TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2026.

DRAFT REGULATIONS - CHAPTER W-2 - BIG GAME**ARTICLE I – General Provisions****#201 – License Fees****A. Big Game License Fees****1. License Fee Reduction:**

In accordance with the provisions of §33-4-102, C.R.S., the following big game license fees shall be reduced to the fee specified herein, from the level set forth in §33-4-102, C.R.S.:

- a) Nonresident Bear\$~~310.65~~~~299.84~~
- b) Resident Bear (Youth)\$~~17.80~~~~17.18~~
- c) Nonresident Bear (Youth)\$~~63.55~~~~64.35~~

B. Combination Big Game/Annual Fishing Licenses for Nonresidents

1. Big game licenses issued to non-residents shall be issued as combination Big Game/Annual Fishing licenses, and for each such combination license purchased each year by a nonresident, \$10 of the above license fee shall be allocated to the fishing portion of such combination license.

Basis and Purpose:

Differential pricing for nonresident black bear, youth black bear, and nonresident mountain lion

Following the passage of the Hunting, Fishing, and Parks for Future Generations Act (SB 18-143), the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission has the authority to adjust most wildlife licenses annually with the Consumer Price Index (CPI). While most resident and nonresident wildlife license fees have been adjusted to the statutory maximum, differential pricing has been retained for nonresident black bear and youth resident and nonresident black bear.

The statements of basis and purpose for these regulations can be obtained from the Colorado Division of Parks and Wildlife, Office of the Regulations Manager by emailing dnr_cpw_planning@state.co.us or by visiting the Division of Parks and Wildlife headquarters at 6060 Broadway, Denver, CO, 80216.

The primary statutory authority for these regulations can be found in § 24-4-103, C.R.S., and the state Wildlife Act, §§ 33-1-101 to 33-6-209, C.R.S., specifically including, but not limited to: §§ 33-1-106, C.R.S.

EFFECTIVE DATE - THESE REGULATIONS SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2027 AND SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT UNTIL REPEALED, AMENDED OR SUPERSEDED.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE PARKS AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO THIS 4TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2026.

DRAFT REGULATIONS - CHAPTER W-3 - FURBEARERS and SMALL GAME, EXCEPT MIGRATORY BIRDS

ARTICLE I - General Provisions

#301 – License Fees

A. Furbearer License Fee

1. Furbearer License Fee Reduction:

In accordance with the provisions of §33-4-102, C.R.S., the following furbearer license fees shall be reduced to the fee specified herein, from the level set forth in §33-4-102, C.R.S.:

- a. Nonresident Furbearer~~\$105.80~~~~102.11~~

B. Resident senior combination fishing and small game hunting license fee

1. Resident senior combination fishing and small game hunting license fee reduction:

In accordance with the provisions of §33-4-102, C.R.S., the following combination license shall be created with a reduced fee specified herein, from the level set forth in §33-4-102, C.R.S.:

- a. Resident senior combination fishing and small game hunting licenses
.....~~\$36.55~~~~35.28~~
- b. Resident senior lifetime fishing upgrade to annual combination fishing and small game hunting license*~~\$25.95~~~~25.07~~

*Valid only for resident senior Lifetime Disability and Low Income Fishing license holders.

Basis and Purpose:

Differential pricing for the nonresident furbearer license, the resident senior combination fishing and small game hunting license, and the resident senior lifetime fishing upgrade to annual combination fishing and small game hunting license

Following the passage of the Hunting, Fishing, and Parks for Future Generations Act (SB 18-143), the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission has the authority to adjust most wildlife licenses annually with the Consumer Price Index (CPI). While most resident and nonresident wildlife license fees are at the statutory cap, differential pricing has been retained for certain licenses, including the nonresident furbearer license, in order keep the fee equitable with similar license types, such as the small game license. Differential pricing has also been retained for the resident senior combination fishing and small game hunting license and the resident senior fishing upgrade to annual combination fishing and small game hunting license. However, all of these licenses prices have increased in accordance with the CPI.

The statements of basis and purpose for these regulations can be obtained from the Colorado Division of Parks and Wildlife, Office of the Regulations Manager by emailing dnr_cpw_planning@state.co.us or by visiting the Division of Parks and Wildlife headquarters at 6060 Broadway, Denver, CO, 80216.

The primary statutory authority for these regulations can be found in § 24-4-103, C.R.S., and the state Wildlife Act, §§ 33-1-101 to 33-6-209, C.R.S., specifically including, but not limited to: §§ 33-1-106, C.R.S.

EFFECTIVE DATE - THESE REGULATIONS SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2027, AND SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT UNTIL REPEALED, AMENDED, OR SUPERSEDED.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE PARKS AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO ON THIS 4TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2026.

DRAFT REGULATIONS - CHAPTER W-16 - PARKS AND WILDLIFE PROCEDURAL RULES**ARTICLE V - Division Agents****#1665 – Agent Commission Rates**

See also §33-4-101 C.R.S. relative to CPW agents and §33-4-102(1.6)(b) C.R.S. for price indexing information for nonresident big game licenses.

A. Commission Rates for Retail Agents:

1. Division agents shall be paid a 4.75% commission for each license sold electronically, except for those licenses with commissions as shown below in Table A.4.
2. Division agents shall be paid a 5% commission for each pass sold electronically.
3. Division agents who sell registrations shall be paid a flat rate of \$1.00 per registration issued.
4. Other Commission Rates:

Table A.4: Division Product Type	2026 Commission	% of license price in 2026	20272025 Commission	% of license price in 20272025
Second Rod Stamp	\$ 0.77	6.7%	\$0.80 0.75	6.7%
Resident Fishing - 1 day	\$ 1.03	6.7%	\$1.05 1.00	6.7%
Nonresident Fishing – 1 day	\$ 1.28	6.7%	\$1.30 1.25	6.7%
Fishing - 5 day	\$ 2.57	6.7%	\$2.65 2.51	6.7%
Resident Small Game - 1 day	\$ 1.03	6.7%	\$1.05 1.00	6.7%
Nonresident Small Game – 1 day	\$ 1.28	6.7%	\$1.30 1.25	6.7%
Nonresident Deer	\$ 18.15	3.6%	\$18.80 17.74	3.6%
Nonresident Pronghorn	\$ 18.15	3.6%	\$18.80 17.74	3.6%
Nonresident Bear	\$ 10.79	3.6%	\$11.15 10.55	3.6%
Nonresident Mountain Lion	\$ 30.33	3.6%	\$31.40 29.64	3.6%
Nonresident Elk	\$ 30.33	3.6%	\$31.40 29.64	3.6%
Nonresident Rocky Mtn Bighorn Sheep	\$ 101.55	3.6%	\$105.20 99.24	3.6%
Nonresident Desert Bighorn Sheep	\$ 101.55	3.6%	\$105.20 99.24	3.6%
Nonresident Goat	\$ 101.55	3.6%	\$105.20 99.24	3.6%
Nonresident Moose	\$ 101.55	3.6%	\$105.20 99.24	3.6%
Nonresident Wild Bison	\$ 101.55	3.6%	\$105.20 -	3.6% -

All ~~2026~~2025 licenses sold through March ~~2027~~2026 shall be sold at the ~~2026~~2025 license fee and commission rates.

- B. Commission Rates for the System Agent: The system agent shall be paid the commissions shown in the Table B.1 below for each license sold through the system:

1. Commission pricing for any CPW Commissionable Product sold through IPAWS

Table B.1: Commission Rates	IPAWS Products
a. Contractor Commission Fee percent commission rate to cover AWO System operation and maintenance cost for those products less than \$100 and not listed below in c.	3.7%
b. Contractor Commission Fee flat fee commission rate to cover AWO System operation and maintenance cost for those products \$100 or greater and not listed below in c.	\$4.25
c.1. All Wildlife Applications, regardless of Product Cost.	\$4.25
c.2. Parks variable cost products, regardless of actual Product Cost.	3.7%
Breakout Costs	
Contractor credit card fee	2.2%
Contractor fulfillment fee	\$1.45

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Basis and Purpose:

Updating retail agent commission rates according to inflationary increases in license prices

Previously adopted regulations set the retail agent commission at 4.75% of the license fee, except for those commissions that are fixed, as described below. Statutorily, the Commission may set these rates wherever feasible. Historically, the year-to-year Consumer Price Index (CPI) change has been used as a guideline for setting these rates. However, in 2019 CPW proposed fixed commission rates for different types of licenses (6.7% for fishing/small game, and 3.6% for nonresident big game). The fixed rates approved in 2019 yield the following retail agent commissions for the 2027 license year:

Division Product Type	2026	2026	2027	2027
	Actual Price	Commission	Proposed Price	Proposed Commission
Second Rod Stamp	\$ 11.49	\$ 0.77	\$ 11.90	\$ 0.80
Resident Fishing - 1 day	\$ 15.32	\$ 1.03	\$ 15.85	\$ 1.05
Nonresident Fishing - 1 day	\$ 19.15	\$ 1.28	\$ 19.80	\$ 1.30
Fishing - 5 day	\$ 38.29	\$ 2.57	\$ 39.65	\$ 2.65
Resident Small Game - 1 day	\$ 15.32	\$ 1.03	\$ 15.85	\$ 1.05
Nonresident Small Game - 1 day	\$ 19.15	\$ 1.28	\$ 19.80	\$ 1.30
Nonresident Deer	\$ 504.17	\$ 18.15	\$ 522.45	\$ 18.80
Nonresident Pronghorn	\$ 504.17	\$ 18.15	\$ 522.45	\$ 18.80
Nonresident Bear	\$ 299.81	\$ 10.79	\$ 310.65	\$ 11.15
Nonresident Mountain Lion	\$ 842.41	\$ 30.33	\$ 872.95	\$ 31.40
Nonresident Antlerless Elk	\$ 842.41	\$ 30.33	\$ 872.95	\$ 31.40
Nonresident Either-sex Elk	\$ 842.41	\$ 30.33	\$ 872.95	\$ 31.40
Nonresident Antlered Elk	\$ 842.41	\$ 30.33	\$ 872.95	\$ 31.40
Nonresident Rocky Mtn Bighorn Sheep	\$ 2,820.78	\$ 101.55	\$ 2,923.05	\$ 105.20
Nonresident Desert Bighorn Sheep	\$ 2,820.78	\$ 101.55	\$ 2,923.05	\$ 105.20
Nonresident Goat	\$ 2,820.78	\$ 101.55	\$ 2,923.05	\$ 105.20
Nonresident Moose	\$ 2,820.78	\$ 101.55	\$ 2,923.05	\$ 105.20

The statements of basis and purpose for these regulations can be obtained from the Colorado Division of Parks and Wildlife, Office of the Regulations Manager by emailing dnr_cpw_planning@state.co.us or by visiting the Division of Parks and Wildlife headquarters at 6060 Broadway, Denver, CO, 80216.

The primary statutory authority for these regulations can be found in § 24-4-103, C.R.S., and the state Wildlife Act, § 33-1-101 to 33-6-209, C.R.S., specifically including, but not limited to: § 33-6-106, C.R.S.

EFFECTIVE DATE - THESE REGULATIONS SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2027 AND SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT UNTIL REPEALED, AMENDED OR SUPERSEDED.

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Mountain States License Fee Comparison

The following analysis compares big game license fees and opportunities for mountain states. Although general license stipulations and hunting opportunities vary by state and species, every effort has been made to compare licenses that address similar nonresident hunting opportunities. This analysis is not intended to be a comprehensive summary of all hunting opportunities in all states. For example, several states have programs closely comparable to Ranching for Wildlife, and most states issue special licenses, including disease management, auction/raffle and landowner licenses. This analysis is intended to compare licenses generally available to average non-residents on an over-the-counter or draw basis.

Fee Chart

	Colorado (2026)	*Average	Arizona	Idaho	Montana	Nevada	N.Mex.	Wyoming	Utah
Elk (Bull)	☐ \$845.16	\$846.82	\$650.00	\$651.75	☐ \$1,112.00	\$1,200.00	\$773.00	☐ \$692.00	☐ \$849.00
Elk (Cow)	☐ \$845.16	\$501.46	\$650.00	\$651.75	\$270.00	\$500.00	N/A	\$288.00	\$649.00
Deer (Buck)	☐ \$506.92	\$431.82	\$300.00	\$351.75	☐ \$760.00	\$240.00	\$398.00	\$374.00	☐ \$599.00
Deer (Doe)	☐ \$506.92	\$233.54	\$300.00	\$351.75	\$75.00	\$240.00	\$398.00	\$34.00	\$236.00
Pronghorn (Buck)	☐ \$506.92	\$387.54	\$550.00	\$342.75	\$200.00	\$300.00	\$423.00	\$326.00	☐ \$571.00
Pronghorn (Doe)	☐ \$506.92	\$297.96	\$550.00	\$342.75	\$200.00	\$300.00	\$423.00	\$34.00	\$236.00
Moose (Bull)	☐ \$2,823.53	\$2,529.19	N/A	\$2,626.75	\$1,250.00	N/A	N/A	\$2,752.00	☐ \$3488.00
Moose (Cow)	☐ \$2,823.53	\$2,207.19	N/A	\$2,626.75	\$1,250.00	N/A	N/A	\$2,752.00	\$2200.00
Black Bear	☐ \$302.56	\$300.96	\$150.00	\$231.75	\$350.00	\$300.00	\$360.00	\$373.00	\$342.00
Mountain Lion	☐ \$845.16	\$238.75	\$75.00	\$204.50	\$320.00	\$100.00	\$360.00	\$373.00	°NA
Bighorn Sheep (Ram)	☐ \$2,823.53	\$2,484.25	\$1,800.00	\$2,626.75	\$1,250.00	\$1,200.00	\$3,523.00	\$3,002.00	☐ \$3988.00
Bighorn Sheep (Ewe)	☐ \$2,823.53	\$1,819.96	\$1,800.00	\$2,626.75	\$1,250.00	\$1,200.00	\$3,523.00	\$240.00	\$2100.00
Mountain Goat	☐ \$2,823.53	\$2,263.35	N/A	\$2,626.75	\$1,250.00	\$1,200.00	N/A	\$2,752.00	☐ \$3488.00
Hunting License	† \$104.86	\$120.67	☐ \$160.00	\$185.00	\$15.00	☐ \$155.00	\$65.00	N/A	\$144.00
Application Fee	\$11.49	\$14.43	\$15.00	**\$18.00	**\$5.00	***\$14.00	\$13.00	\$15.00	\$21.00
Preference Point fee	N/A	\$62.67	\$15.00	N/A	\$100.00	\$10.00	N/A	^	\$15.00

License prices that exceed Colorado's price.

* Average does not include Colorado

** Application fee for Goat, Sheep and Moose is more than other species (\$45.75 for Idaho; \$50 for Montana).

*** Application fee for Elk is \$19.00 (includes \$5 elk damage fee). Application fee for all other species is \$14 (excludes mountain lion).

☐ Hunt/fish combo license

† Colorado hunting license equals small game license (cheapest qualifying license) and \$2.75 fees (Search/Rescue - \$1.25 & Wildlife Education Fund - \$1.50)

° Utah mountain lions may be hunted with a valid hunting license.

^ Preference point fee differs by species: Pronghorn: \$31, Bighorn sheep and Moose: \$150, Deer: \$41, and Elk: \$52.