



# COLORADO

## Parks and Wildlife

Department of Natural Resources

6060 Broadway  
Denver, CO 80216

TO: Members of the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission  
FROM: Hilary Hernandez, Regulations Manager  
RE: November 17-18, 2022 Parks and Wildlife Commission Meeting Regulatory Items  
DATE: November 4, 2022

The regulatory items detailed below are scheduled to be addressed at the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission's November 17-18, 2022 meeting. If there are questions about any of the agenda items below, or if additional information is needed, please feel free to contact Hilary Hernandez at [hilary.hernandez@state.co.us](mailto:hilary.hernandez@state.co.us).

### FINAL REGULATIONS

#### **Agenda Item 9: Chapter P-3 - "River Outfitters" - 2 CCR 405-3**

Open for final consideration of the following:

- Revising personal floatation device types to match U.S. Coast Guard changes.

#### **Agenda Item 10: Chapter P-7 - "Passes, Permits and Registrations" - 2 CCR 405-7**

Open for final consideration of the following:

- Removing the high use fee at certain parks, and changing the daily vehicle pass fee to \$10.00 at all parks.
- Modifications to the Centennial pass.
- Removing Panorama Point, at Golden Gate Canyon, from the designated event facility list.
- Revising regulations to provide discounted camping rates for seniors who purchase the non-motor vehicle individual annual pass and adopting regulations for the replacement of a lost or stolen non-motor vehicle individual annual pass.

**Agenda Item 11: Chapter W-1- "Fishing" 2 CCR 406-1 and those related provisions of Chapter W-0 ("General Provisions" 2 CCR 406-0) and Chapter W-9 ("Wildlife Properties" 2 CCR 406-9) necessary to accommodate changes to or ensure consistency with Chapter W-1**

Open for final consideration of the following:

- Revising the walleye bag and possession limits at Rifle Gap.
- Revising a fishing restriction in Vallecito Creek from the CR 501 Bridge to the standing water line of Vallecito Reservoir.



**Agenda Item 12: Chapter W-3 - “Furbearers and Small Game, except Migratory Birds” 2 CCR 406-3**

Open for final consideration of the following:

- Expanding the southwest youth extended season for fall turkey to all available Game Management Units (GMU) in the state.
- Adopting regulation to allow air gun hunting of turkey in the fall and late seasons.
- Annual changes to turkey seasons and quotas.

**Agenda Item 13: Chapter W-0 - “General Provisions” 2 CCR 406-0, and those related provisions of Chapter W-2 (“Big Game” 2 CCR 406-2), Chapter W-3 (“Furbearers and Small Game, Except Migratory Birds” 2 CCR 406-3), Chapter W-11 (“Wildlife Parks and Unregulated Wildlife 2 CCR 406-11), Chapter W-15 (“License Agents” 2 CCR 406-15), and Chapter P-7 (“Passes, Permits and Registrations” - 2 CCR 405-7) necessary to accommodate changes to or ensure consistency with Chapter W-0**

Open for final consideration of the following:

- Revising a Bighorn Sheep Unit boundary name that was changed by the U.S. Board on Geographic Names.
- Revising license fees and license agent commission rates according to adjustments to the Denver-Aurora-Lakewood Consumer Price Index.
- Modifications to the low-income annual Colorado State Wildlife Area pass.

**Agenda Item 14: Chapter W-2 - “Big Game” 2 CCR 406-2**

Open for final consideration of the following:

- Revising Game Management Unit boundary name that was changed by the U.S. Board on Geographic Names.
- Modifying the limited license application and drawing allocation processes for deer, elk, pronghorn and bear to include a rolling three-year average for licenses requiring ten or more preference points.

**ISSUES IDENTIFICATION**

**Agenda Item 15: Chapter W-2 - “Big Game” - 2 CCR 406-2**

Open for annual review of the entire chapter including, but not limited to:

**Multiple Species**

- Amending the definition of an adult novice hunter and revising the license list classification for the adult novice hunting license and adult novice ranching for wildlife license.
- Modifying the Game Management Unit boundaries for 123, 124, 125, 128 and 129.
- Modifying the Game Management Unit boundaries for 008 and 191.
- Modifying the hunting closure on Mount Evans.

**Deer**

- Creating a new 4th rifle antlered deer hunting season in Game Management Units 31 and 32.
- Creating a new 4th rifle antlered deer hunting season in Game Management Unit 30.

- Creating a list B, private land only, antlerless whitetail season in Game Management Units 6, 16, 17, 161, and 171 from December 1 through December 31.
- Adding early season doe hunt codes in Game Management Units 54, 55, and 551.
- Expanding D-E-411-P6-R to include portions of Game Management Units 52 and 521 and changing the hunt code to D-E-052-P6-R.
- Adding hunt codes for either-sex deer, doe, and cow elk valid only on Centennial Cone Open Space in Game Management Unit 38.

#### Elk

- Splitting Data Analysis Unit E-10 cow elk hunt codes in Game Management Units 21, 22, 30, 31, and 32.
- Restoring Game Management Unit-specific cow rifle licenses for 2nd, 3rd, and 4th seasons in Data Analysis Unit E-16 and the extended private land only cow season in Game Management Unit 444.
- Limiting archery elk licenses in Data Analysis Unit E-14 and/or Game Management Unit 521.

#### Pronghorn

- Creating private land only hunt codes in Data Analysis Unit PH-5.

#### Moose

- Adding bull and cow moose hunting codes in Game Management Units 33 and 34.
- Adding cow moose hunt codes in Game Management Units 44 and 45.
- Replacing the hunt codes for cow (MF047O1X) and bull (MM047O1X) moose in Game Management Unit 47 to create four separate hunt codes in Game Management Units 47, 444, and 471.

#### Bighorn Sheep

- Adding a bighorn sheep ewe hunt code to Data Analysis Unit S-36.

#### Mountain Goat

- Re-opening either-sex mountain goat hunt code GEG18O1R in Game Management Unit G18.

### CONSENT AGENDA

### ISSUES IDENTIFICATION

#### Consent Item 29.1: Chapter W-2- “Big Game” 2 CCR 406-2

Open for annual review of the entire chapter, including, but not limited to:

- Modifying the hunt code DM951P7R to be a general private land only antlered license.
- Removing the private land only designation from all mule deer and pronghorn licenses in Game Management Unit 83.
- Revising the Bighorn Sheep Access Program Option C.



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TO: Members of the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission  
FROM: Hilary Hernandez, Regulations Manager  
RE: Chapter P-3 Final Regulations for the November 2022 Parks and Wildlife Commission Meeting  
DATE: November 4, 2022

Final regulatory changes for Chapter P-3 are summarized below. If there are questions about the agenda item below, or if additional information is needed, please feel free to contact me at [hilary.hernandez@state.co.us](mailto:hilary.hernandez@state.co.us).

### **Agenda Item 9: Chapter P-3 - "River Outfitters" - 2 CCR 405-3 (Step 2 of 2)**

#### **Revising personal floatation device types to match U.S. Coast Guard changes**

In 2014 the US Coast Guard changed the definition of a personal flotation device (PFD) from Type I, II, III, IV, or V to wearable or throwable with a designation of performance level by newtons of buoyancy. However, the new PFD labeling guidance was not released until 2017. The PFD language within river outfitter licensing regulations has been modified to still allow the Type classifications previously allowed and expands the allowable life jackets to include those allowed under the new PFD designations.



CHAPTER P-3 - RIVER OUTFITTERS

# 304 - PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES

1. River outfitters shall provide commercial passengers participating in regulated trips personal flotation devices (PFDs) as follows:~~A river outfitter shall ensure that each commercial passenger participating in a regulated trip is provided with a personal flotation device that is in good and serviceable condition and of the proper size for the intended wearer and is:~~
  - a. PFDs shall be in good and serviceable condition, of the proper size and fit for the intended wearer and be used in accordance with the manufacturer's label. PFDs shall have 70 Newtons (NT) of buoyancy, be adjustable, and be capable of retaining the wearer in swift water conditions. PFDs shall be U.S. Coast Guard approved and inherently buoyant. Hybrid and inflatable PFDs are unacceptable. PFDs shall be wearable, meaning a PFD that is intended to be worn or otherwise attached to the body in accordance with the manufacturer's label. Or, U.S. Coast Guard approved Type I, Type III, or Type V – whitewater non-inflatable, except that:
    - ~~(1) — If the person weighs fifty pounds or less, a Type II non-inflatable personal flotation device may be worn in lieu of a Type I, Type III, or Type V – whitewater non-inflatable device, provided it is a vest style designed with a crotch strap and an additional flotation collar.~~
  - b. PFDs must be U.S. Coast Guard Type II, Type III, or Type V, provided the PFD is a vest style design. CPW incorporates the PFD type codes promulgated by the U.S. Coast Guard and codified in the October 21, 2014 version of 46 CFR § 160 by reference, but not subsequent amendments. Such materials are available through the U.S. Coast Guard, Office of Governmental & Public Affairs (CG-0922), 2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave. SE, Washington, D.C. 20593. All Type III personal flotation devices must have a minimum of 2 adjustable straps on the side, 1 adjustable waist strap and adjustable shoulder straps, capable of retaining the wearer in swift water conditions. Type III personal flotation devices must be intended for paddling or kayak use by the U.S. Coast Guard and labeled accordingly.
    - (1) All Type III PFDs that are not labeled for youth or child must have a minimum of 2 adjustable straps on the side, 1 adjustable waist strap and adjustable shoulder straps, capable of retaining the wearer in swift water conditions. Type III PFDs that are not labeled for youth or child must, according to the manufacturer's label, be intended for paddling or kayaking.
  - c. All child and youth PFDs must be a vest style design equipped with an additional flotation collar and all child PFDs must have a crotch strap worn in accordance with the manufacturer's label, including previous Type II, Type III, and Type V PFDs.
2. Each guide shall require that every commercial passenger wears and has tied or otherwise securely fastened his or her assigned personal flotation device at all times while on or in a river, except during regulated trips operating on designated flatwater where passengers thirteen years of age or older may be permitted to remove or loosen the personal flotation device at the discretion of the guide or trip leader.
3. Except on designated flatwater, every river outfitter, guide, guide in training, guide instructor, and trip leader shall at all times while participating in a regulated trip or guide training trip wear a PFD meeting the specifications listed in #304-1 and in the manner specified in #304-2. Every river

~~outfitter, guide, guide in training, guide instructor, and trip leader shall at all times while participating in a regulated trip or guide training trip, except on designated flatwater, wear a securely tied or fastened U.S. Coast Guard approved personal flotation device of Type I, III non-inflatable, or V whitewater non-inflatable. The personal flotation device shall be in good and serviceable condition and shall be of the proper size for the intended wearer.~~

4. Designated flatwater means:
  - a. The Colorado River- from the Loma boat launch in Mesa County to the Utah/Colorado state line; and
  - b. The Gunnison River in Delta County -from the Smith Fork to the North Fork.
  - c. The Yampa River from the Hayden Station Pump Station in Routt County to the Juniper Canyon Access Site in Mofatt County and from the Maybell Bridge at Highway 40 in Mofatt County to the Cross Mountain River Access Site in Mofatt County.
5. The trip leader shall ensure that at least one spare U.S. Coast Guard approved personal flotation device as specified in~~of the type required by # 304-1-a.~~ is carried per regulated trip that includes one or more rafts, dories, or motorboats. All required spare personal flotation devices shall be in good and serviceable condition.

**MAILING 11/04/2022  
Basis and Purpose  
Chapter P-3 - River Outfitters**

**Basis and Purpose:**

In 2014 the US Coast Guard changed the definition of a personal flotation device (PFD) from Type I, II, III, IV, or V to wearable or throwable with a designation of performance level by newtons of buoyancy. However, the new PFD labeling guidance was not released until 2017. The PFD language within river outfitter licensing regulations has been modified to still allow the Type classifications previously allowed and expands the allowable life jackets to include those allowed under the new PFD designations.

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](mailto: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 Parks Act, §§ 33-10-101 to 33-33-113, C.R.S., and specifically including, but not limited to: §§ 33-10-106 and 33-10-107, C.R.S.**

**EFFECTIVE DATE - THESE REGULATIONS SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023 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 17TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2022.**

**APPROVED:  
Carrie Besnette Hauser  
Chair**

**ATTEST:  
Marie Haskett  
Secretary**