

**Section I**  
**Notice of Development of Proposed Rules**  
**and Negotiated Rulemaking**

NONE

**Section II**  
**Proposed Rules**

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**RULE NO.:** 14-15.0081  
**RULE TITLE:** Toll Facilities Description and Toll Rate Schedule

**PURPOSE AND EFFECT:** Rule 14-15.0081, F.A.C., is being amended to add Garcon Point Bridge, Central Polk Parkway, and Poinciana Connector as toll facilities to the Turnpike System. The toll rate schedule is being amended to remove cash rates due to conversion to All-Electronic Tolling for Pinellas Bayway, Seminole Expressway, and Polk Parkway. The toll rate table will include the addition of plazas to extensions of existing Turnpike System facilities of First Coast Expressway and Suncoast Parkway. The Minneola Mainline Plaza and the Nolte Road ramp plaza will be added to the Turnpike Mainline rate table. The U.S. 192 North ramp plaza to Western Beltway will be added to the toll rate table. The toll rate schedule incorporated by reference within the rule will be updated. The SR 540 ramp plaza from Polk Parkway table will be removed and toll rates at Winter Lake and Central ML Plazas will be adjusted. The NW 74th Street NB ramp plaza from the Mainline rate table will be removed and the following plaza names will be updated: POW-MIA PARKWAY Plaza (First Coast), Clay Whaley Road (Mainline), and Celebration Avenue/US 192 (Southern Connector).

**SUMMARY:** The rule is being amended to add new toll facilities and toll plazas, and to update the toll rate schedule.

**SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:**

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: The Department used an itemized checklist to conduct an economic analysis and determine if there would be any

adverse impact or regulatory cost associated with this rule that exceeds the stated criteria. Upon review of the proposed rulemaking, the Department determined that the amendments will not exceed any one of the economic analysis criteria in a SERC as set forth in s. 120.541(2)(a), F.S. The rule does not impose a regulatory cost. The use of toll roads and express lanes is at the driver's option.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

**RULEMAKING AUTHORITY:** 334.044(2), 338.155(1)(c), 338.231, F.S.

**LAW IMPLEMENTED:** 334.044(16)(a), 338.155, 338.165, 338.222, 338.2216, 338.231, F.S.

**A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:**

**DATE AND TIME:** Thursday, December 12, 2024, 6:00 p.m. EST (5:00 p.m. CST)

**PLACE:** The rule hearing is being held as a statewide webinar proceeding which can be accessed by registering at the following website: <https://floridasturnpike.com/toll-rate-rulemaking/>.

For those persons wishing to participate in person may attend at one of the following locations:

FDOT District 1 Conference Center, 801 N. Broadway Avenue, Bartow, Florida 33830.

FDOT District 2 Training Facility, 2198 Edison Avenue, Jacksonville, Florida 32204.

FDOT District 3 Design Conference Room, 1074 Highway 90 East, Chipley, Florida 32428.

Florida's Turnpike Enterprise Auditorium, Milepost 263, Building 5315, Ocoee, FL 34761.

FDOT District 6 Auditorium, 1000 N.W. 111th Avenue, Miami, Florida 33172.

FDOT District 7 Auditorium, 11201 N. Malcolm McKinley Drive, Tampa, Florida 33612.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Marco Argolo, Florida Turnpike, Milepost 263, Building 5315, Ocoee, FL 34761, (407)264-3824, marco.argolo@dot.state.fl.us.. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

**THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS:** John Ashley Peacock, Assistant General Counsel, Florida Department of Transportation, Office of the General Counsel, 605 Suwannee Street, Mail Station 58,

Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0458, (850)414-5361,  
ashley.peacock@dot.state.fl.us.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

**14-15.0081 Toll Facilities Description and Toll Rate Schedule.**

(1) The Toll Facilities Description and Toll Rate Schedule, <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-17330> <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14026>, effective ~~February 2, 2022~~ February 25, 2025, is hereby incorporated by this rule and made a part of the rules of the Department. Copies of this Department of Transportation Toll Facilities Description and Toll Rate Schedule are available at no more than cost.

(2) Toll Indexing. Toll rate schedules for the Department toll facilities, including Florida Turnpike System toll facilities, are subject to toll rate adjustments based on the annual Consumer Price Index (CPI).

(a) and (b) No change.

(c) Toll Facilities.

1. No change.

2. The Florida Turnpike System toll facilities affected by toll rate indexing are Florida’s Turnpike Mainline, Beachline West Expressway, Polk Parkway, Sawgrass Expressway, Southern Connector Extension, Seminole Expressway, Suncoast Parkway, Veterans Expressway, Western Beltway, Part C between Milepost 0 and Milepost 11, I-4 Connector, Beachline East Expressway, ~~and~~ First Coast Expressway, Garcon Point Bridge, Central Polk Parkway and Poinciana Connector.

(d) through (g) No change.

(h) Adjustments to toll rates will be published on the Department website: <https://floridasturnpike.com/tolls/toll-rates/> ~~<https://floridasturnpike.com/tolls/toll-rates/>~~.

*Rulemaking Authority 334.044(2), 338.155(1), 338.231 FS. Law Implemented 334.044(16), 338.155, 338.165, 338.222, 338.2216, 338.231 FS. History—New 11-15-87, Amended 2-8-88, 8-1-88, 2-2-89, 5-10-89, 7-1-91, 8-1-91, 11-6-91, 7-11-93, 11-28-93, 9-18-94, 6-6-95, 7-9-95, 1-1-96, 3-31-96, 4-28-96, 6-2-96, 7-28-96, 9-23-97, 11-24-97, 2-12-98, 6-30-98, 7-29-98, 1-6-99, 2-9-99, 4-29-99, 6-21-99, 9-4-01, 3-26-02, 4-10-03, 10-1-03, 12-11-03, 3-7-04, 5-20-04, 11-1-05, 2-5-06, 7-27-06, 10-26-06, 1-15-07, 5-17-10, 11-30-11, 2-19-14, 6-16-15, 3-20-16, 9-19-16, 2-15-18, 2-2-22.*

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:  
Nicola Liquori, Turnpike Enterprise Executive Director

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Jared W. Perdue, P.E., Secretary

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: November 06, 2024

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: August 1, 2024

**DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**

RULE NO.: 33-601.602  
RULE TITLE: Community Release Programs

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: Rule amendment is necessary to clarify that the WRIMS database is operable in all state and private work release centers and to authorize inmates at work release to draw funds from their account in the amount permitted by Rule 33-203.201, Florida Administrative Code.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule provides eligibility requirements, procedures, and requirements related to the placement of inmates in community release programs.

**SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:**

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: The Department used an itemized checklist to conduct an economic analysis and determine if there is an adverse impact or regulatory cost associated with this rule that exceeds the criteria. Upon review of the proposed changes to the rule, the Department has determined that the amendments will not exceed any one of the economic analysis criteria in a SERC as set forth in s. 120.541(2)(a), F.S.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 944.09, 944.105, 945.091, 946.002, 958.09 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 945.091, 946.002, 958.09, F.S.

IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE SCHEDULED AND ANNOUNCED IN THE FAR.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Lauren Sanchez, Paralegal Specialist, 501 S. Calhoun Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399 (850)717-3610, [lauren.sanchez@fdc.myflorida.com](mailto:lauren.sanchez@fdc.myflorida.com). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Office of the General Counsel, Attn. FDC Rule Correspondence, 501 South Calhoun Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, FDCRuleCorrespondence@fdc.myflorida.com.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

**33-601.602 Community Release Programs.**

(1) Definitions.

(a) through (l) No change.

(m) Work Release Inmate Monitoring System (WRIMS) – A web site application used by contract community release facility staff to record information related to an inmate’s participation in a community release program.

(2) through (3) No change.

(4) Inmate Conduct While on Community Release.

(a) No change.

(b) Inmates assigned to a community release program may be subject to electronic monitoring to ensure the safety and security of the public and are required to abide by the Community Release Center Electronic Monitoring Equipment Assignment Rules, Form DC6-199. Form DC6-199 is hereby incorporated by reference. Copies of this form are available from the Forms Control Administrator, 501 South Calhoun Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2500, <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>, <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-06800>. The effective date of the form is ~~XX/XX 5-16~~.

(c) through (d) Nochange.

(e) The classification officer or designated contract facility staff shall complete Form DC6-118A, Personalized Program Plan for Community Release Centers, on all inmates assigned to the community release center within 14 days of receipt of the inmate at the center. Form DC6-118A is hereby incorporated by reference. Copies of this form are available from the Forms Control Administrator, 501 South Calhoun Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2500, <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>, <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-11989>. The effective date of the form is ~~XX/XX 06/20~~. The completed personalized program plan shall be signed by the inmate, the inmate’s classification officer, and the correctional officer major or the designated contract facility staff and facility director at contract facilities. Once the personalized program plan is signed, it shall be given to the staff member assigned to work with the inmate. Any changes in the personalized program plan shall be discussed with the inmate and shall be documented on Form DC6-118B, Personalized Program Plan – Modification

Plan. Form DC6-118B is hereby incorporated by reference. Copies of this form are available from the Forms Control Administrator, 501 South Calhoun Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2500. The effective date of the form is 1-18-11. The inmate’s progress towards achieving the goals of the personalized program plan shall be reviewed monthly with the inmate. The outcome of each review shall be documented on Form DC6-118C, Personalized Program Plan – Monthly Progress Review, ~~and or~~ shall be entered into WRIMS ~~at those facilities at which the system is operational~~. Form DC6-118C is hereby incorporated by reference. Copies of this form are available from the Forms Control Administrator, 501 South Calhoun Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2500. The effective date of the form is 1-18-11. A copy of the Personalized Program Plan shall be printed and given to the inmate. Staff are authorized to schedule subsequent progress reviews upon request of the inmate.

(f) When the inmate is ready for release, a release plan shall be completed in order to assist the inmate in his or her release plans, ~~and or~~ the plan information shall be entered into WRIMS ~~at those facilities at which the system is operational~~.

(5) through (7) No change.

(8) Employment.

(a) through (h) No change.

(i) Facility personnel shall visit the inmate’s place of employment for new employers within the first five days to verify employment. Documentation of on-site employment verification shall be placed in the inmate’s file by utilizing Form DC6-125, Employment Contacts, ~~and or~~ shall be entered into WRIMS ~~at those facilities at which the system is operational~~. Form DC6-125 is hereby incorporated by reference. Copies of this form are available from the Forms Control Administrator, 501 South Calhoun Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2500, <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>. The effective date of the form is ~~XX/XX 9-2-01~~.

(j) There shall be a minimum of three employment contacts per inmate per month by facility personnel to substantiate attendance and discuss any problems that may have arisen. If the inmate has multiple part time jobs, the required contacts must be made at each place of employment. Two of the contacts shall be accomplished either through telephone calls or site visits to the inmate’s place(s) of employment, and documentation of the contacts shall be made on Form DC6-125 ~~or and~~ shall be entered into WRIMS ~~at those facilities at which the system is operational~~. One of the three monthly contacts shall be a personal on-site job check while the inmate is present on the job site. The documentation of the contacts shall be made on Form DC6-125 and placed in the inmate’s file ~~or and~~ shall be entered into WRIMS ~~at those facilities at which the system is operational~~ for future reference.

(k) Facility personnel shall establish a primary and secondary job contact person at all employment sites. The primary and secondary contact person shall be named on Form DC6-125 ~~or and~~ shall be entered into WRIMS ~~at those facilities at which the system is operational.~~

(l) The employer shall provide a current work schedule for the inmate to the work release center each week prior to the inmate being allowed to depart for work. The inmate's work schedule shall be entered into WRIMS ~~at those facilities at which the system is operational.~~

(m) No change.

(9) Clothing and Equipment.

(a) through (h) No change.

(i) Inmates assigned to a community release program are authorized to possess one cell phone each to assist these inmates in setting up job interviews, cementing family relationships, and establishing contacts necessary to increase their chances for successful reentry into the community.

1. through 4. No change.

5. Upon acknowledgement of the DC6-2075 by the inmate, staff will:

a. Add the cell phone to the inmate's Inmate Property List, Form DC6-224, denoting the make, model, serial number, and associated phone number. Form DC6-224 is incorporated in Rule 33-602.201, F.A.C. This information will also be entered into WRIMS ~~at those facilities at which the system is operational;~~ and

b. No change.

6. through 10. No change.

(10) No change.

(11) Disbursement of Earnings.

(a) through (k) No Change.

(l) An inmate is permitted to draw up to the amount permitted by Rule 33-203.201, F.A.C., \$100.00 from his or her account each week, provided the inmate has sufficient funds, it is in accordance with the inmate's financial/budget section of his or her personalized program plan, and the draw is not taken from the savings required by paragraph (11)(c), above. The largest denomination of monies allowed is a five-dollar bill.

(m) No change.

(12) through (18) No change.

*Rulemaking Authority 944.09, 944.105, 945.091, 946.002, 958.09 FS. Law Implemented 945.091, 946.002, 958.09 FS. History—New 12-7-97, Amended 4-13-98, 10-20-98, Formerly 33-9.023, Amended 3-14-01, 9-2-01, 10-27-03, 3-2-04, 10-28-04, 2-7-05, 2-22-07, 7-17-07, 4-10-08, 9-30-08, 1-18-11, 3-6-14, 7-14-14, 5-29-16, 6-9-20, \_\_\_\_\_.*

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:  
Hope Gartman, Assistant Deputy Director of Institutions  
NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE  
PROPOSED RULE: Ricky D. Dixon, Secretary

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: October 14, 2024

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 16, 2024

**FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**Marine Fisheries**

RULE NOS.:	RULE TITLES:
68B-8.001	Introduction and Scope
68B-8.002	Definitions
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68B-8.005	Third Party Contractors
68B-8.006	Scientific Research Special Activity License
68B-8.007	Education/Exhibition Special Activity License
68B-8.008	Florida Marine Science Educators Association Certification
68B-8.009	Prohibited Species Collection Criteria
68B-8.010	Stock Collection and Release Special Activity License
68B-8.011	Aquaculture Broodstock Collection Special Activity License
68B-8.012	Snook Special Activity License
68B-8.013	Non-Conforming Gear Special Activity Licenses and Exemptions
68B-8.014	Marine Chemical Special Activity License
68B-8.015	Dredge Special Activity License

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of this rulemaking is to improve the operation of the Marine Special Activity License (SAL) program, update and modernize rule language, extend license periods, meet evolving program needs, and support the restoration and recovery of coral, oyster, seagrass, and other resources. The effect of these changes would be to reduce administrative burdens on applicants and licensees, provide additional information to increase transparency for applicants, implement changes to meet evolving program needs, and expand the types of activities that may be authorized through the SAL program.

SUMMARY: These proposed rule amendments would update Special Activity License (SAL) eligibility requirements, license periods, and license conditions; remove outdated and unnecessary language; update the SAL program administration process; remove the limit on the number of authorized personnel listed on an SAL; streamline the FWC Law Enforcement notification process for licensees; specify which SAL types allow the use of third party contractors; update and create new definitions to correspond to proposed rule changes; repeal the Dredge SAL; and update the Aquaculture Broodstock Collection and Stock Collection and Release SALs. Updates to the ABC SAL include extending the valid license period to two

years and expanding eligibility requirements to include certified marine plant producers to accommodate the collection of rooted marine plants as broodstock for aquaculture research, restoration, or commercial aquaculture. Updates to the SCR SAL include expanding eligibility requirements to ensure applicants have appropriate experience and veterinary support necessary to complete requested activities related to the relocation, production, outplanting, or rehabilitation of marine organisms, and to establish license conditions that will ensure these activities are conducted in a manner that preserves the health and genetic diversity of wild populations and will provide for emergency response activities.

The Marine SAL program issues licenses to accommodate activities requiring exemptions to state marine fisheries regulations, such as scientific research, education, exhibition, the release of marine organisms, collection of broodstock for aquaculture, and testing innovative fishing gear. SAL program rules, which were last updated 15 years ago, include language that is now outdated or unnecessary. Additionally, the rules need to be updated to address a recent expansion in the types of activities requested by practitioners and that are necessary to respond to various environmental events, such as coral disease outbreaks and outplanting of corals for restoration and to accommodate current or new practices. The proposed rules would provide general updates and clarifications to improve the licensing process, accommodate additional requested activities, update license provisions, and provide additional transparency for SAL applicants.

**SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:**

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: the nature of the rule and the preliminary analysis conducted to determine whether a SERC was required.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

**RULEMAKING AUTHORITY:** Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution

**LAW IMPLEMENTED:** Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution

A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

**DATE AND TIME:** During the Commission’s regular meeting December 11-12, 2024, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. each day.

**PLACE:** RP Funding Center, Sikes Hall, 701 West Lime Street, Lakeland, Florida 33815.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: the ADA Coordinator, at (850)488-6411. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

**THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS:** Jessica McCawley, Director, Division of Marine Fisheries Management, 620 S. Meridian St., Tallahassee, Florida 32399, and (850)487-0554.

**THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:**

**68B-8.001 Purpose and Intent Introduction and Scope.**

(1) The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission recognizes that there are justifiable reasons to allow the harvest, possession, or release of marine organisms that would require the waiver ~~be in violation~~ of one or more of the state’s marine fisheries rules. Such activities include but are not limited to scientific research, restoration, education/exhibition, aquaculture, the use of non-conforming or innovative gear, the use of marine chemicals, and the release of marine organisms, ~~and the use of dredges.~~

~~(2) The rules in this chapter establish the Special Activity License (SAL) Program and allow the Commission to enter into agreements. Under this program the Commission will evaluate a proposed activity that requires a waiver of state marine fisheries rules. If the Commission determines that the proposed activity is in the best interest of the public of the State of Florida, it may issue a SAL or FMSEA Certification or enter into an agreement that includes terms, conditions, or restrictions that are necessary to ensure that the activity is consistent, to the maximum extent practicable, with fisheries rules, management plans of the Commission, and the best available scientific information.~~

**Proposed Effective Date: February 1, 2025**

*Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History–New 7-1-04, Amended 2-1-25.*

**68B-8.002 Definitions.**

As used in Chapter 68B-8, F.A.C.:

(1) through (2) No change.

~~(3) “Bred in Captivity” or “Captive Bred” refers to eggs or organisms, born or otherwise produced in captivity from broodstock that mated or otherwise transferred gametes in captivity (if reproduction is sexual), or from broodstock that were in captivity when development of the progeny began (if development is asexual).~~

~~(3)(4) “Broodstock” means any wild or captive marine organism of any life stage collected or held for propagation sexually mature organisms of both genders capable of producing gametes or offspring now or in the future for artificial cultivation purposes. Broodstock includes organisms captured to conduct immediate source spawning or for long-term retention.~~

~~(4)(5) “Captivity” means when a marine organism at any life stage is eggs or live organisms are held in a controlled or selected aquatic environment that has boundaries designed to prevent such organism eggs or live organisms from entering or leaving the controlled environment.~~

~~(5)(6) No change~~

~~(6)(7) “Certified aquaculture facility” means a facility that has a valid aquaculture certificate of registration issued by DOACS pursuant to Section 597.004, F.S., and is constructed and maintained in accordance with Aquaculture Best Management Practices, Rule 5L-3.004, F.A.C.~~

~~(8) “DOACS” means Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.~~

~~(9) through (11) renumbered as (7) through (9). No change.~~

~~(10)(12) “FMSEA Certification” means documentation validating a person’s the completion of the Florida Marine Science Educators Association Aquatic Species Collection workshop.~~

~~(11) “Genetic conservation unit” or “GCU” means a specific population, group of populations, or habitat(s) designated to preserve or maintain genetic diversity, evolutionary potential, and adaptive capacity of a species and/or subspecies.~~

~~(12)(13) No change~~

~~(13)(14) “Hard bottom” means any living natural or artificial reef (including coral reefs, oyster reefs, and worm reefs) or varying biological assemblage assemblages of marine organisms attached to hard substrate.~~

~~(14)(15) “Harvest” or “collect” means the catching, taking, or molesting of a marine organism by any means whatsoever, followed by a reduction of such organism or part thereof to possession. A marine organism that is caught and immediately returned to the water free, alive, and unharmed is not harvested.~~

~~(15)(16) “Marine organism” means an organism, including anadromous and catadromous organisms and plants, that has a natural portion of its life cycle that is dependent upon marine or estuarine waters, including anadromous and catadromous organisms and plants but excluding striped bass (Morone~~

~~saxatilis), American eels (Anguilla Anguilla rostrata), non-living shells, marine reptiles, marine mammals, and birds.~~

~~(16)(17) No change~~

~~(17) “Mitigation” means an action that is taken to avoid, minimize or offset potential negative effects of an activity.~~

~~(18) No change.~~

~~(19) “Nursery” means a land or water-based central location where holding, propagation, grow out (rearing), acclimation, staging, or restoration research activities occur.~~

~~(20) “Organism of opportunity” means a marine organism that has become available for rescue from a construction project area or an area that has been physically damaged, or through natural processes, strandings, or unknown events.~~

~~(21) “Outplanting” or “seeding” means the removal of a marine organism from any nursery or temporary holding location, and placing such organism into any in-water location outside of an in-water nursery or in-water temporary holding location.~~

~~(22)(19) No change~~

~~(23)(20) No change~~

~~(24) “Release” means the introduction, liberation, outplanting, placement, reintroduction, relocation, stocking, transfer, translocation, or transplantation of any marine organism into or within any in-water location.~~

~~(25) “Relocation” means the movement of a marine organism at any life stage from an in-water location to another in-water location, but excludes outplanting and transfer.~~

~~(26) “Restoration” means any activity designed and implemented to cause or assist in the recovery of growth, sustainability, or viability for populations negatively affected by natural or human-caused impacts.~~

~~(27)(21) “Scientific research” means an activity that uses marine organisms to conduct one or more of the following:~~

~~(a) through (b) No change.~~

~~(c) Restoration activity that facilitates mitigation or recovery of hard bottom marine organisms and includes subsequent monitoring to measure the success of the restoration effort. Restoration activities do not include oyster relay activities authorized pursuant to Section 597.010, F.S.~~

~~(28)(22) No change~~

~~(29)(23) No change~~

~~(30) “Tag” means any internal or external device or other marking, placed in or on an organism for the purpose of identification.~~

~~(24) “Stock enhancement” means the process of releasing many organisms into a self-sustaining, naturally reproducing population of the same native species, in order to increase the number of breeders in that population. Stock enhancement represents an attempt to offset harvesting pressure or to expand stock size based upon a presumed underutilized carrying capacity of the environment.~~

~~(25) “Stock restoration” means the captive breeding and release of marine organisms to maintain or re-establish the demographic stability and biological diversity of a non self-sustaining (inviable) or locally extirpated natural population (stock) until such time that a naturally self-sustaining stock can be re-established. Restoration includes stock enhancement.~~

~~(31)(26) “Third party contractor” is an entity that is paid for services rendered to collect or transport marine organisms on behalf of an a SAL holder, or paid to provide expertise as an agent or consultant for the collection or transport of marine organisms on behalf of an a SAL holder. Salaried staff or faculty, non-salaried volunteers, students, interns, or visiting principal principle investigators who do not receive monetary compensation for their collection assistance are not third party contractors.~~

~~(32) “Transfer,” when used in reference to the possession of a marine organism, means the physical conveyance of a marine organism between entities or nurseries.~~

**Proposed Effective Date: February 1, 2025**

*Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 7-1-04, Amended 11-19-09, 2-1-25.*

**68B-8.003 General Conditions and Restrictions.**

~~(1) An SAL or FMSEA Certification is not transferable.~~  
~~ELIGIBILITY.~~

~~(a) A SAL or FMSEA Certification will not be issued to a person and no person shall conduct activities under a SAL if, during the 36 month period prior to the application or activity, that person has been charged with a violation of a rule in Title 68, F.A.C.; Chapter 370, 372 or 379, F.S.; or 50 CFR Parts 622, 635, 640, 648, 654, 660, or 679 unless that person has received a final disposition of acquittal or dismissal of such charged violation.~~

~~(b) A Stock Collection and Release SAL, an Aquaculture Broodstock Collection SAL, or a Snook SAL will not be issued to a person and no person shall conduct activities under such SAL, if that person has been charged with a violation of a provision of Section 597.004, F.S., or Chapter 5L-3, F.A.C.~~

~~(c) A SAL will not be issued for an activity that is allowed under the marine recreational fishing regulations, with the exception of an Aquaculture Broodstock Collection SAL.~~

~~(d) A SAL will not be issued to a third party contractor.~~

~~(2) APPLICATION, ISSUANCE, AND LICENSE PERIODS.~~

~~(a) A person may apply for and be issued a SAL at any time and a SAL shall be valid for 12 months from the date of issuance with the following exceptions:~~

~~1. The period of validity of a Scientific Research SAL will be based on the duration of the proposed activity, provided that the duration is no longer than is necessary to achieve its stated~~

~~purpose and it does not exceed 36 months from the date of issuance. The period of validity for a Scientific Research SAL issued for prohibited species shall not exceed 12 months from the date of issuance.~~

~~2. An Education/Exhibition SAL involving the collection of prohibited species may only be applied for April 1 through April 30 or October 1 through October 31.~~

~~3. An Aquaculture Broodstock Collection SAL is only valid so long as the SAL holder also holds a valid aquaculture certificate of registration issued pursuant to Section 597.004, F.S., and Chapter 5L-3, F.A.C.~~

~~4. The period of validity of a Governmental Purpose SAL will be based on the duration of the proposed activity, provided that it is no longer than is necessary to achieve its stated purpose.~~

~~5. The period of validity of a Nonprofit SAL is 36 months.~~

~~(b) A person may apply for and shall be issued a FMSEA Certification upon completion of workshop training and a FMSEA Certification is valid for 36 months.~~

~~(3) TRANSFERABILITY OF LICENSE OR CERTIFICATION. A SAL or FMSEA Certification is not transferable. If a SAL or Certificate holder changes his or her affiliation, the SAL or Certificate is no longer valid and must be amended or re-issued.~~

~~(4) SCOPE OF AUTHORITY. A SAL or FMSEA Certification does not authorize any activity outside of state waters, within zoned areas of the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary, or within the boundaries of any federal park. For purposes of this subsection, “zoned areas of the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary” means Sanctuary Preservation Areas, Special Use Areas, Research Only Areas, and Ecological Reserves.~~

~~(2)(5) Law Enforcement Notification – A license holder must provide notice to the Commission’s Division of Law Enforcement of their intent to conduct activities authorized by an SAL or FMSEA Certification no less than 24 hours prior to conducting such activities. The content and submission of such notice shall be made in the manner prescribed on the license holder’s SAL or FMSEA Certification. LAW ENFORCEMENT NOTIFICATION. The holder of a SAL or FMSEA Certification must notify the nearest Commission Law Enforcement Dispatch Center not later than 24 hours prior to conducting activities under a SAL or FMSEA Certification. Notification shall consist of a float plan detailing locations, dates, and times of activities. Deviations from the float plan are permitted only after 24 hour advance notification to the nearest Commission Law Enforcement Dispatch Center. Float plans are valid for the duration of the SAL or FMSEA Certification unless rescinded by the SAL or FMSEA Certification holder.~~

~~(6) AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL.~~

~~(a) No more than 10 individuals shall be authorized to conduct activities pursuant to a SAL unless justification for additional personnel is provided by the applicant and additional personnel are necessary to achieve the stated purpose of the SAL.~~

~~(b) Authorized personnel on a FMSEA Certification will be limited to the certification holder, teaching assistants, and up to 100 students per collecting trip. Both the teaching assistants and students must be operating under the direct supervision of the Certification holder and there must be at least one adult per ten students.~~

~~(3)(7) Release of Marine Organisms – RELEASE OF MARINE ORGANISMS. No marine organism that has been maintained in captivity shall be released unless the release is authorized by an a SAL or FMSEA Certification and ~~or~~ the release is conducted in accordance with the “Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Policy on the Release of Marine Organisms, September 2009,” which is ~~hereby adopted as a rule of the Commission and is~~ incorporated herein by reference and is available at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>. However, the release restrictions in paragraph (a) of this subsection do not apply to:~~

~~(a) Catch and release activities that occur during the course of recreational fishing.~~

~~(b) The use of a marine organism for bait.~~

~~(c) The temporary possession of bycatch or of a marine organism that is temporarily retained in order to conduct directed commercial fishing activities, provided that the marine organism is not retained any longer than is necessary to accomplish the directed harvest.~~

~~(4)(8) Tagging of Marine Organisms – TAGGING OF MARINE ORGANISMS. No marine organism shall be tagged unless such tagging activity has been authorized pursuant to an a SAL or FMSEA Certification. The tagging restrictions of this subsection do not apply to directors of a fishing tournament or their designee, who may tag up to five (5) fish per tournament for purposes of awarding prizes to tournament participants. ~~For purposes of this section, a “tag” means any internal or external device or other marking, placed in or on an organism for the purpose of identification.~~~~

~~(9) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. Required reporting documentation must be submitted within 30 days after expiration of the SAL.~~

~~(5)(10) Transferability of Marine Organisms – TRANSFERABILITY OF MARINE ORGANISMS.~~

~~(a) An A SAL or FMSEA Certification is not required if a marine organism harvested pursuant to an a SAL or FMSEA Certification is being moved through formal transfer or loan between facilities that meet the eligibility requirements for individual Special Activity Licenses as established in Chapter~~

~~68B-8, F.A.C. subsection 68B-8.003(1), F.A.C., and that are certified aquaculture facilities or are conducting scientific research, education, or exhibition activities. A marine organism authorized for sale under subsection 68B-8.003(11), F.A.C., is not considered a transfer or loan. In lieu of an a SAL or FMSEA Certification, the recipient facility must permanently maintain documentation of the transfer or loan for ~~documentation must be permanently maintained by a facility that possesses a marine organism in their possession that was harvested pursuant to an a SAL or FMSEA Certification and transferred or loaned to that facility. The documentation must include the following:~~~~

~~1. through 3. No change.~~

~~4. A detailed description of each marine organism being transferred or loaned including common name, scientific name, size, and sex.~~

~~5. Quantity Number of each species type of marine organism being transferred or loaned.~~

~~6. Date of transfer; or dates of beginning and ending date of loan.~~

~~7. No change.~~

~~8. Signatures from representatives of the transferring and receiving facilities acknowledging that the transfer was completed or the loan was initiated.~~

~~(b) No change.~~

~~(c) A marine organism authorized for sale under subsection 68B-8.003(7), F.A.C., is not eligible for a transfer or loan.~~

~~(6)(11) Possession of Marine Organisms After Expiration of a License or Certification – POSSESSION AFTER LICENSE OR CERTIFICATION EXPIRATION. The Commission recognizes that a marine organism harvested, possessed, or produced ~~collected~~ pursuant to an a SAL or FMSEA Certification may need to be retained for a period of time that extends beyond the expiration date of the SAL or FMSEA Certification issued for its harvest. For this purpose, the following conditions must be met for marine organisms collected pursuant to an a SAL or FMSEA Certification to be legally possessed beyond the expiration of an a SAL or FMSEA Certification:~~

~~(a) All documentation required for reporting must be submitted to the Commission within 30 days after ~~of~~ expiration of the SAL.~~

~~(b) The SAL or FMSEA Certification, or a copy thereof, that authorized the harvest or possession of the marine organism must be promptly produced at the request of the Commission or an authorized law enforcement officer ~~Following the expiration date of the SAL or FMSEA Certification, the original SAL or FMSEA Certification or a copy is sufficient documentation to authorize possession of a marine organism harvested pursuant to a SAL or FMSEA Certification. Such documentation must be promptly produced at the request of an authorized law enforcement officer.~~~~



~~(7)(12) Sale of Marine Organisms – SALE OF MARINE ORGANISMS.~~ A marine organism harvested pursuant to an a SAL or FMSEA Certification shall not be sold or consumed unless it was harvested pursuant to a Gear Innovation SAL, Governmental Purpose SAL, Snook SAL, Marine Chemical SAL, Dredge SAL, or a Nonprofit Corporation SAL, and the sale was conducted in accordance with any condition of sale required by such SAL.

~~(8)(13) Consumption of Marine Organisms – CONSUMPTION OF MARINE ORGANISMS.~~ A marine organism harvested pursuant to an a SAL or FMSEA Certification shall not be consumed unless the marine organism was harvested pursuant to a Gear Innovation SAL or a, Governmental Purpose SAL, or Dredge SAL.

(9) General Application Evaluation Criteria – The Commission will review an SAL application and grant or deny an SAL based on the following criteria:

(a) Completeness of information submitted to the Commission through the application process.

(b) Consistency of the requested activities with the license type requested.

(c) Potential impacts of the type, size, and method of harvesting gear requested for use.

(d) Biological status of the species requested, based on the best available information.

(e) Life history strategies, genetic structure, and ecology of the targeted species.

(f) Degree of variation from management regulations.

(g) The extent of the requested harvest beyond the known total annual commercial and recreational harvest of the stock.

(h) Established harvest limits for the species requested.

(i) Locations of proposed activities and facilities.

(j) Intensity of localized harvest and harvest frequency.

(k) Any additional evaluation criteria specific to the SAL applied for, as established by this chapter.

~~(14) ISSUANCE AND RENEWAL. A SAL or FMSEA Certification issued pursuant to this chapter will not be issued or renewed unless all conditions of a prior SAL or FMSEA Certification held by the applicant were met, and the reporting requirements for the prior SAL were submitted.~~

~~(15) SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION. The Commission will suspend or revoke a SAL or FMSEA Certification if it finds that the SAL or FMSEA Certification holder has violated any provision in Chapter 379, F.S., Commission rules or orders, or terms or conditions of the SAL or FMSEA Certification, or has submitted false or inaccurate information in his or her application. Suspensions and revocations will be imposed in accordance with Chapters 120 and 379, F.S.~~

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**68B-8.004 Application Review Process and Evaluation Criteria.**

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**68B-8.005 Third Party Contractors.**

(1) In order for a third party contractor to conduct activities pursuant to an a SAL, the following requirements must be met:

(a) through (b) No change.

(2) A third party contractor may not serve as an agent for an a SAL applicant during the application process.

(3) An SAL will not be issued directly to any person or entity acting as a third party contractor.

(4) The Commission will only approve the use of a third party contractor for Scientific Research SALs, Education/Exhibition SALs, or Governmental Purpose SALs.

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**68B-8.006 Scientific Research Special Activity License.**

(1) ~~PURPOSE.~~ The purpose of a Scientific Research SAL is to accommodate the need for the scientific community to conduct research and; monitoring, and hard bottom restoration or mitigation activities that enhance the greater body of knowledge in support of fisheries management, resource conservation and enhancement, and public health. ~~If conducting research, the proposed activity must ensure that study results will be presented in sufficient detail and clarity to allow for replication, or at a minimum, offer the opportunity to build systematically on findings. If conducting monitoring, the proposed activity must ensure that collected data will be analyzed to detect physical or biological changes over time in marine organisms, their populations, or communities. If conducting restoration or mitigation, the proposed activity must ensure that species such as oysters, corals, sponges, sea fans, sea whips, and other hard bottom marine organisms are repaired in the event that they are damaged, and the effectiveness of the restoration or mitigation activity is evaluated by subsequent monitoring.~~

(2) Eligibility – ELIGIBILITY. A Scientific Research SAL may be issued only to the following:

(a) through (b) No change.

~~(c) A member of the scientific or technical staff of a marine research institute, laboratory, corporation, or organization with demonstrated experience conducting successful hard bottom restoration or mitigation activities.~~

~~(c)(d)~~ No change.

~~(d)(e)~~ No change

~~(3) Fees and Application – FEES AND APPLICATION.~~

(a) No change.

(b) An applicant for a Scientific Research SAL must complete and submit a Scientific Research SAL application form ~~provided by the Commission~~ (Form DMF-SRSAL (December 2024 ~~9/09~~)), which is incorporated herein by reference and is available at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>.

(4) ~~Evaluation Criteria – EVALUATION CRITERIA.~~ In addition to the evaluation criteria set forth in subsection ~~68B-8.003(9), F.A.C., 68B-8.004(2), F.A.C.,~~ an application for a Scientific Research SAL will be evaluated based on the following criteria as applicable to the request:

(a) Project specifications and methodologies. Proposed methodologies must include sufficient detail and clarity to provide for replication or offer the opportunity to build systematically on findings.

(b) Monitoring strategies. The applicant must ensure that monitoring data can and will be analyzed to detect physical or biological changes over time in marine organisms, their populations, or communities.

~~(c) Documented experience conducting successful hard bottom restoration or mitigation activities.~~

~~(5) License Periods –~~

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), the license period for a Scientific Research SAL will be based on the duration of the proposed activity, provided that the duration is no longer than is necessary to achieve its stated purpose, and may not exceed 5 years (60 months).

(b) The license period for a Scientific Research SAL issued for activities involving a prohibited species may not exceed 1 year (12 months).

~~(6)(5) Reporting Requirements – An REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.~~ A SAL holder must submit the following documentation within 30 days after expiration of an SAL or upon application for renewal, whichever occurs first:

(a) An activity report detailing all SAL-related harvest or sampling activities that resulted in the permanent retention of marine organisms. The activity report is a report other than any publications or technical, monitoring, or final reports. The activity report must include the following information on marine organisms harvested (both targeted and incidental) pursuant to the SAL: common and scientific names ~~of the marine organisms harvested (both targeted and incidental),~~ numbers, and sizes harvested, locations of harvest by county, and disposition ~~of all marine organisms harvested.~~ The activity report for a Scientific Research SAL involving prohibited species must also include the specific harvesting gear used. If

mortality of a prohibited species occurred during harvest or subsequent possession, the report must indicate the cause of death if known. If SAL-related activities did not result in the permanent retention or mortality of any marine organism, the SAL holder must submit a statement to that effect.

(b) ~~Any A copy of any~~ publications, technical, monitoring, or final reports that were generated as a result of work conducted pursuant to the SAL. These reports must include a the notation that activities were authorized pursuant to a Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation research was conducted pursuant to the specific Commission Special Activity License and identify the relevant Special Activity License(s) authorizing such activities. If these reports are not available within 30 days after expiration of an SAL or upon application for renewal, such report(s) must be submitted upon completion or publication.

(c) ~~An A~~ SAL holder who is conducting biomedical research activities involving the collection of horseshoe crabs to remove blood and return the animal to the area of collection alive, must file his or her annual report pursuant to sub-paragraph 68B-46.002(3)(b)3.e., F.A.C.

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**68B-8.007 Education/Exhibition Special Activity License.**

(1) ~~PURPOSE.~~ The purpose of an Education/Exhibition SAL is to accommodate the need for the harvest of marine organisms and conduct activities with such organisms ~~to that~~ will increase the public’s knowledge and awareness of Florida’s marine resources.

(2) ~~Eligibility – ELIGIBILITY.~~ An Education/Exhibition SAL may be issued only to the following:

(a) An instructor employed by, or under the sponsorship of, a university, college, secondary school, ~~or~~ governmental entity, or a private institution or organization that has an established marine or environmental education curriculum.

(b) A curator or director employed by or under sponsorship of a public or private aquarium, museum, university, governmental entity, or business establishment that displays marine organisms for viewing by the public and whose activities have a marine-related component.

~~(3) INELIGIBLE APPLICANTS. The Commission shall deny an application for an Education/Exhibition SAL by an applicant who can reasonably be expected to qualify for a FMSEA Certification. Such person must pursue FMSEA Certification.~~

~~(3)(4) Fees and Application – FEES AND APPLICATION.~~

(a) No change.

(b) An applicant for an Education/Exhibition SAL must complete and submit an Education/Exhibition SAL application form ~~provided by the Commission~~ (Form DMF-ESAL (December 2024 9/09)), which is incorporated herein by reference and is available at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>.

(c) An application for an Education/Exhibition SAL involving the collection of prohibited species may only be submitted from April 1 through April 30 or from October 1 through October 31 each year.

~~(4)(5) Evaluation Criteria – EVALUATION CRITERIA.~~ In addition to the evaluation criteria set forth in subsection 68B-8.003(9), F.A.C., 68B-8.004(2), F.A.C., an application for an Education/Exhibition SAL will be evaluated based on the following criteria as applicable to the request:

(a) No change.

(b) Qualifications of the educator(s) ~~educators~~ requesting to conduct activities pursuant to an a SAL.

(c) Conservation and education benefits of presentations, displays, and other informational materials designed to educate the public about the marine organisms requested for harvest and display.

(d) Current facility inventory of each ~~the~~ species requested for harvest.

(e) The physical environment in which the species will be maintained and any potential maintenance or husbandry concerns. This includes consideration of the expected life span and maximum anticipated size of the species, and whether ~~or~~ ~~not~~ the facility is adequate to accommodate the marine organism for the remainder of its life.

(5) License Periods –

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), an Education/Exhibition SAL may be valid for up to 3 years (36 months).

(b) The license period for an Education/Exhibition SAL issued for the collection of a prohibited species shall not exceed 1 year (12 months).

~~(6) Reporting Requirements – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.~~ An A SAL holder must submit an activity report detailing all SAL-related harvest or sampling activities that resulted in the permanent retention of marine organisms

within 30 days after expiration of an SAL or upon application for renewal, whichever occurs first. The activity report is a report other than any publications or technical, monitoring, or final reports. The activity report must include the following information on marine organisms harvested (both targeted and incidental) pursuant to the SAL: common and scientific names ~~of the marine organisms harvested (both targeted and incidental)~~, numbers, and sizes ~~harvested~~, locations of harvest

by county, and disposition ~~of all marine organisms harvested~~. The activity report for an a Education/Exhibition SAL involving prohibited species must also include the specific harvesting gear used. If mortality of a prohibited species occurred during harvest or subsequent possession, the report must indicate the cause of death if known. If SAL-related activities did not result in the permanent retention or mortality of any marine organism, the SAL holder must submit a statement to that effect.

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**68B-8.008 Florida Marine Science Educators Association Certification.**

(1) The Florida Marine Science Educators Association (FMSEA) Certification provides a streamlined process to accommodate members of the educational community with smaller collecting needs to allow them to conduct educational activities with aquatic organisms. ~~PURPOSE. This section describes a Commission partnership with the Florida Marine Science Educators Association (FMSEA) that provides an alternative to the formal SAL application process to conduct educational activities with aquatic organisms. The FMSEA Certification is a more streamlined process designed to cater to the smaller collecting needs of the educational community as opposed to the larger and more complex collecting needs of SAL holders.~~ A FMSEA Certification holder is exempt from a number of saltwater and freshwater resource regulations to allow the holder ~~him or her~~ to collect and possess aquatic organisms for educational purposes.

(2) Eligibility – ELIGIBILITY. FMSEA Certification may be issued only to the following:

(a) through (d) No change.

(3) Workshop Curriculum – WORKSHOP CURRICULUM. FMSEA Certification requires successful completion of a training workshop. The primary workshop objective must be ~~is~~ to promote best practices in the collection and maintenance of aquatic organisms for educational activities. ~~The A curriculum must include has been established to achieve the primary workshop objective and includes~~ but is not limited to:

(a) through (i) No change.

(4) Certification Documentation – CERTIFICATION DOCUMENTATION. Upon successful completion of the training workshop, a participant receives a certification that is authorized by both FMSEA and Commission representatives. The certification:

(a) through (d) No change.

(5) Certification Period – The certification period for a FMSEA Certification may not exceed 3 years (36 months).

(6) Authorized Personnel –

(a) The number of authorized personnel on a FMSEA Certification will be limited to the Certification holder, teaching assistants, and up to 100 students per collecting trip. Both the teaching assistants and students must be operating under the direct supervision of the Certification holder and there must be at least one adult per ten students.

(b) A third party contractor may not conduct activities authorized pursuant to a FMSEA Certification.

(7)(5) General Conditions and Restrictions – GENERAL CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS. The holder of a FMSEA Certification is subject to the General Conditions and Restrictions in subsections 68B-8.003(1) through (8) paragraphs 68B-8.003(1)(a), (2)(b), subsections (3), (4), (5), paragraph (6)(b), subsections (7), (8), (10), (11), (12), (13), (14), and (15), F.A.C.

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**68B-8.009 Prohibited Species Collection Criteria.**

(1) The purpose of establishing prohibited species collection criteria is to monitor and regulate harvest and possession of prohibited species from Florida Waters and adjacent federal waters while ensuring that such activities do not adversely affect the stocks of such species. PURPOSE. This section establishes criteria for the issuance of a Scientific Research, Education/Exhibition, or Stock Collection and Release SAL involving the harvest of prohibited species from Florida waters and the possession of species legally harvested from the adjacent Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) for scientific research, educational, exhibitional, stock enhancement, or stock restoration purposes. The Commission utilizes the criteria established in this section to monitor and regulate harvest levels of prohibited species harvested from Florida waters and the adjacent EEZ while ensuring that such harvest activities do not adversely affect the stocks of such species.

(2) Eligibility – ELIGIBILITY. An A SAL request involving the harvest or possession of prohibited species may only will be authorized only for the following SALs SAL applicants:

(a) A An applicant for a Scientific Research SAL pursuant to Rule 68B-8.006, F.A.C.

(b) An applicant for an Education/Exhibition SAL pursuant to Rule 68B-8.007, F.A.C.

(c) A An applicant for a Stock Collection and Release SAL pursuant to Rule 68B-8.010, F.A.C.

(3) Prioritization – PRIORITIZATION. When the requested harvest of a prohibited species exceeds an established harvest limit quota, in-state and out-of-state scientific research activities will take priority over in-state education/exhibition activities, which in turn will take priority over out-of-state education/exhibition activities.

(a) Among eligible Florida-based education/exhibition applicants, priority will be given to those applicants who that meet one or more of the following criteria:

1. The applicant has an established protocol that allows for outside independent evaluation of its husbandry operations, programs, and facilities, or meets equivalent professional review standards of the American Zoo and Aquarium Association of Zoos and Aquariums or other equivalent professional organizations.

2. The applicant conducts captive breeding programs or husbandry studies related to the targeted prohibited species, or provides for the financial and/or physical support of research projects that seek to enhance the understanding of one or more prohibited species.

3. The applicant provides financial and/or physical support for research projects that seek to enhance the understanding of one or more prohibited species.

4.3. The applicant supports or sponsors conferences or and symposia that promote the sharing of information related to captive breeding, husbandry, and management of prohibited species.

(b) If an established harvest limit quota for a specific prohibited species has not been met through scientific research activities or through in-state educational/exhibitional activities, priority will be given to eligible out-of-state educational/exhibitional applicants that meet the criteria established in subparagraphs paragraph (3)(a)1. through (3)(a)4., of this rule.

(4) Evaluation Criteria – EVALUATION CRITERIA.

(a) In addition to the evaluation criteria set forth in subsection 68B-8.003(9) 68B-8.004(2), F.A.C., an application for a Scientific Research SAL involving prohibited species will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

1. No change.

2. The novelty of the proposed work, based on a A review of relevant literature and a determination of whether the proposed work is new or is replicating prior published findings.

3. The proposed work includes measures A review of how the research project is designed to minimize the mortality or total harvest levels of the targeted prohibited species to be collected.

4. No change.

5. Whether or not prohibited species collection from Florida Wwaters or the adjacent federal waters EEZ is the only option for successful completion of the research project.

6. Whether ~~or not~~ published project results will contribute to one or more of the following: improved management of prohibited species in captivity or in the wild, increased understanding of prohibited species population dynamics or ecology, benefits to Florida's marine conservation and resource management interests, and contributions to basic and applied science.

7. If any species requested on an SAL application form is designated as a Florida Endangered and Threatened Species pursuant to Chapter 68A-27, F.A.C. listed by the FWC as Endangered, Threatened, or a Species of Special Concern, additional evaluation criteria for such species as set forth in Chapter 68A-27, F.A.C., or Chapter 379, F.S., if applicable, will be applied.

(b) In addition to the evaluation criteria set forth in subsection 68B-8.003(9) ~~68B-8.004(2)~~, F.A.C., an application for an Education/Exhibition SAL involving prohibited species will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

1. No change.

2. Whether the applicant's facility has Existence of a prohibited species captive breeding program or of a prohibited species-related husbandry research program related to the targeted prohibited species, or conducts research projects related to one or more prohibited species research program.

3. through 7. No change.

8. Whether ~~or not~~ non-prohibited species could be utilized in lieu of prohibited species to meet educational or exhibitional objectives.

9. Whether ~~or not~~ prohibited species collection from Florida Wwaters or the adjacent federal waters EEZ is the only option for acquiring the prohibited species, or if the prohibited species may be acquired from areas where the stock is not prohibited from harvest, from captive breeding programs, through loan from another aquarium, or from an aquaculture facility.

10. Whether ~~or not~~ the requested collection is consistent with the "Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Marine Prohibited Species Policy, (September 2009)," which is hereby adopted as a rule of the Commission and is incorporated herein by reference and is available at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>.

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#### **68B-8.010 Stock Collection and Release Special Activity License.**

(1) ~~PURPOSE.~~ The purpose of a Stock Collection and Release SAL is to ensure that activities involving which involve

the collection or of broodstock or wild stock and the release of marine organisms for purposes including but not limited to mitigation, rehabilitation, rescue, restoration, or captive-bred offspring or captive-reared wild stock for scientific research, stock enhancement, or stock restoration purposes are conducted in a manner that preserves the health and genetic diversity of the wild stock native to Florida Wwaters and the adjacent federal waters EEZ. ~~Scientific research, stock enhancement, or stock restoration activities that are conducted to fulfill mitigation requirements established by other state or federal agencies are not exempt from the provisions and requirements of this rule.~~

(2) ~~Eligibility – ELIGIBILITY.~~ A Stock Collection and Release SAL may be issued only to the following:

(a) through (b) No change.

(c) An owner, director, or manager of a plant nursery facility who holds a valid Certificate of Nursery Registration issued pursuant to Section 581.131, F.S., and Chapter 5B-2, F.A.C.

(d) A marine contractor with documented experience conducting successful relocation activities with marine organisms relating to the subject matter of the proposed activity, including subsequent monitoring following such relocation activities.

(e) A restoration practitioner with a minimum of 2 years' experience in the long-term husbandry, welfare, and system management of marine vertebrate or invertebrate taxa that is relevant to the species of marine organism that is the subject of the proposed activity. If land-based nursery-related activities are requested, the applicant must also establish and maintain a veterinarian-client-patient relationship (VCPR) with a United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Category II accredited veterinarian who is trained to conduct health certification examinations and visual health assessments relating to the subject matter of the proposed activity.

(3) ~~Fees and Application – FEES AND APPLICATION.~~

(a) No change.

(b) An applicant for a Stock Collection and Release SAL must complete and submit a Stock Collection and Release SAL application form provided by the Commission (Form DMF-SCRSAL (December 2024) (9/09)), incorporated herein by reference and available at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>.

(4) ~~Evaluation Criteria – EVALUATION CRITERIA.~~ In addition to the evaluation criteria set forth in subsection 68B-8.003(9) ~~68B-8.004(2)~~, F.A.C., an application for a Stock Collection and Release SAL will be evaluated via genetic risk assessment using the flowchart titled entitled, "Decision Process for the Genetic Risk Assessment of Release Activities

Involving Marine Organisms, September 2009” (which is hereby adopted as a rule of the Commission and is incorporated herein by reference and is available at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>) and based on information contained in the applicant’s Hatchery and Genetic Management Plan (HGMP) that must be submitted as part of the application process. The information requested in the HGMP is designed to address four primary genetic concerns: potential impacts from translocations of non-indigenous genes, potential impacts from propagation related genetic changes in cultured fish, potential impacts from excessive genetic input into natural populations, and indirect genetic impacts.

(5) License Period – A Stock Collection and Release SAL may be valid for up to 1 year (12 months). **RELEASE REQUIREMENTS.**

(a) ~~A Stock Collection and Release SAL holder must coordinate all release activities with the Commission and obtain written authorization prior to conducting any release. A release shall not be conducted without written authorization from the Commission.~~

(b) ~~A marine organism will not be authorized for release unless it has been maintained in accordance with the Captivity Requirements set forth in the “Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Policy on the Release of Marine Organisms.”~~

(c) ~~Captive bred or captive reared marine organisms authorized for release must be distinguishable from wild marine organisms so that estimates of project success may be obtained through monitoring. The method used to identify captive bred or captive reared marine organisms is at the discretion of the SAL holder conducting the release. Potential distinguishing methods include but are not limited to internal or external mechanical tags, chemical marks, or genetic tags. All costs incurred in the fulfillment of this provision or any other provision of Rule 68B-8.010, F.A.C., will be the responsibility of the SAL holder.~~

(d) ~~Prior to release, a representative sample of the marine organisms targeted for release must be submitted for a health examination. This examination must be conducted under the direction of a United States Department of Agriculture certified veterinarian with fish health experience, or an American Fisheries Society certified fish pathologist or fish health inspector. Exam results must be summarized in a USDA Health Certificate or a letter. The certificate or letter must state that the organisms are suitable for release into the wild.~~

(6) License Conditions – REPORTING AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS. A Stock Collection and Release SAL holder must submit the following:

(a) A licensee must comply with all conditions set forth under a Stock Collection and Release SAL. An activity report

~~detailing all SAL related harvest and release activities. The activity report is a report other than any publications or technical, monitoring, or final reports. The activity report must include common and scientific names of the marine organisms harvested and released (both targeted and incidental), numbers and sizes harvested and released, locations of harvest and release by county, and disposition of all marine organisms harvested. The activity report for a Stock Collection and Release SAL involving prohibited species must also include the specific harvesting gear used. If mortality of a prohibited species occurred during harvest or subsequent possession, the report must indicate the cause of death if known.~~

(b) The Commission may include license conditions or restrictions under a Stock Collection and Release SAL related to the following subjects, as they apply to activities authorized under such license: A copy of any publications, technical, monitoring, or final reports that were generated as a result of work conducted pursuant to the SAL. These reports must include the notation that research was conducted pursuant to the specific Commission Special Activity License.

1. Conditions ensuring consistency with the “Decision Process for the Genetic Risk Assessment of Release Activities Involving Marine Organisms (September 2009),” which is incorporated herein by reference and is available at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>.

2. Conditions requiring health certification examinations and/or visual health assessments prior to the release of marine organisms.

3. Conditions providing for release activities in accordance with recommendations or certifications provided by the licensee’s veterinarian of record.

4. Conditions establishing threshold criteria related to environmental conditions that if exceeded may require immediate response or corrective action to prevent health decline or disease, including, but not limited to, water temperature, dissolved oxygen levels, light levels, biofouling, and prevalence of disease, infestations, overgrowth, predators, or competitors.

5. Conditions establishing transportation requirements for marine organisms to prevent health decline or disease, including, but not limited to length of transport, container size, spacing, temperature, or dissolved oxygen levels.

6. Conditions establishing maintenance requirements to prevent health decline or disease, including but not limited to control of biofouling, overgrowth, overcrowding, and/or removal of predators, competitors, or dead or diseased organisms.

7. Conditions requiring a licensee to provide for inspection by the Commission to determine compliance with terms and conditions of the license.

8. Conditions establishing monitoring requirements appropriate to the licensed activity.

9. Conditions establishing reporting requirements appropriate to the licensed activity.

10. Any other condition that may be necessary to ensure licensed activities are conducted in a manner that preserves the health and genetic diversity of the wild stock native to Florida Waters and adjacent federal waters.

(c) A third party contractor may not conduct activities authorized pursuant to a Stock Collection and Release SAL. A post release genetic monitoring program shall be required if there was insufficient information to determine the genetic impact of activities under the SAL, or if evaluation of the proposed activity determines that the genetic risks have not been minimized.

(7) Emergency Response – Under certain emergency conditions, such as disease outbreaks, die-off or stranding events of unknown origin, oil spills, hurricanes, floods, and other natural or manmade disasters, the Commission may impose additional restrictions or provide for permit exemptions to safeguard affected marine organisms such as, but not limited to, the coordination and direction of rescue, rehabilitation, and release activities.

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*Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History–New 7-1-04, Amended 11-19-09, 2-1-25.*

**68B-8.011 Aquaculture Broodstock Collection Special Activity License.**

(1) PURPOSE. The purpose of an Aquaculture Broodstock Collection SAL is to allow for the harvest and possession of marine organisms, ~~with the exception of the harvest of snook,~~ as broodstock for aquaculture research, restoration, or commercial aquaculture.

(2) Eligibility – ELIGIBILITY. An Aquaculture Broodstock Collection SAL may be issued only to the following:

(a) through (b) No change.

(c) An owner, director, or manager of a plant nursery facility that holds a valid Certificate of Nursery Registration issued pursuant to Section 581.131, F.S., and Chapter 5B-2, F.A.C.

(3) Fees and Application – FEES AND APPLICATION.

(a) No change.

(b) An applicant for an Aquaculture Broodstock Collection SAL must complete and submit an Aquaculture Broodstock Collection SAL application form provided by the Commission (Form DMF-ABCSAL (December 2024 9/09)), which is incorporated herein by reference and is available at

<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>.

(4) Evaluation Criteria – EVALUATION CRITERIA. In addition to the evaluation criteria set forth in subsection 68B-8.003(9) 68B-8.004(2), F.A.C., an application for an Aquaculture Broodstock Collection SAL will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

(a) Species ~~The species~~, number, and sex of broodstock marine organisms requested for harvest.

(b) Area where ~~The area of~~ broodstock will be harvested harvest.

(c) through (f) No change.

(g) Documented Information ~~indicating the~~ training and experience of the applicant to successfully engage in aquaculture activities.

~~(h) Valid DOACS aquaculture certificate of registration~~

(h)(i) Economic ~~The economic~~ impact and cost effectiveness of the proposed artificial cultivation of the target species.

(i)(j) Biological or ~~The biological and~~ ecological impact of the proposed aquaculture operation.

(j) Project specifications and methodologies for proposed aquaculture research activities must include sufficient detail and clarity to provide for replication or offer the opportunity to build systematically on findings.

(k) Intended use of offspring to be produced from broodstock requested for collection.

(5) A third party contractor may not conduct activities authorized pursuant to an Aquaculture Broodstock Collection SAL.

(6) License Period – An Aquaculture Broodstock Collection SAL may be valid for up to 2 years (24 months), provided the licensee maintains the valid certification(s) required for eligibility under 68B-8.011(2)(b) and (c).

(7)(5) Reporting Requirements – An REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. A SAL holder must submit an activity report detailing all SAL-related harvest or sampling activities that resulted in the permanent retention of marine organisms within 30 days after expiration of an SAL or upon application for renewal, whichever occurs first. The activity report is a report other than any publications or technical, monitoring, or final reports. The activity report must include the following information on marine organisms harvested (both targeted and incidental) pursuant to the SAL: common and scientific names of the marine organisms harvested (both targeted and incidental), numbers, and sizes harvested, locations of harvest by county, and disposition of all marine organisms harvested. The activity report for an a Aquaculture Broodstock Collection SAL involving prohibited species must also include the specific harvesting gear used. If mortality of a prohibited species occurred during harvest or subsequent possession, the report

must indicate the cause of death if known. If SAL-related activities did not result in the permanent retention or mortality of any marine organism, the SAL holder must submit a statement to that effect.

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**68B-8.012 Snook Special Activity License.**

(1) The purpose of a Snook SAL is to allow the harvest of snook as broodstock for commercial aquaculture production purposes and the possession, transport, transfer, sale, receipt, or purchase of snook broodstock progeny, as well as to ensure these activities are conducted in a manner that preserves the health and genetic diversity of the wild stock native to Florida Waters and adjacent federal waters. ~~PURPOSE:~~ Unless authorized by the Commission pursuant to a Snook SAL, the harvest of snook as broodstock for commercial aquaculture production purposes, or the possession, transport, transfer, sale, receipt or purchase of snook broodstock progeny is prohibited. ~~The purpose of a Snook SAL is to allow such activities to occur, and to ensure that they are conducted in a manner that preserves the health and genetic diversity of the wild stock native to Florida waters and the adjacent EEZ.~~

(2) Eligibility – ELIGIBILITY.

(a) through (b) No change.

(3) Fees and Application – FEES AND APPLICATION.

(a) No change.

(b) An applicant for a Snook SAL must complete and submit a Snook SAL application form ~~provided by the Commission~~ (Form DMF-SSAL (9/09)), which is incorporated herein by reference and is available at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>.

(4) Evaluation Criteria – EVALUATION CRITERIA. In addition to the evaluation criteria set forth in subsection ~~68B-8.003(9)~~ ~~68B-8.004(2)~~, F.A.C., an applicant for a Snook SAL for the harvest of broodstock, and production, possession, transport, transfer or sale of the broodstock progeny will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

(a) Number ~~The number~~ and sex of snook requested for broodstock harvest.

(b) Area ~~The area~~ of broodstock harvest.

(c) through (f) No change.

(g) Documented ~~The~~ training and experience ~~of the applicant to successfully engage~~ in snook aquaculture.

(h) Valid ~~DOACS~~ aquaculture certificate of registration issued pursuant to Section 597.004, F.S., and Chapter 5L-3, F.A.C.

(5) Transfer or Sale of Broodstock Progeny – TRANSFER OR SALE OF BROODSTOCK PROGENY.

(a) through (b) No change.

(6) Pay-to-fish Ponds – PAY TO FISH PONDS. A Snook SAL holder who is an owner of a private pond, operates it as a pay-to-fish facility, and whose pond is stocked with progeny obtained from a certified aquaculture facility that is a Snook SAL holder may charge a fee to harvest snook in such ponds, provided:

(a) through (b) No change.

(7) A third party contractor may not conduct activities authorized pursuant to a Snook SAL.

(8)(7) Reporting Requirements – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. A Snook SAL holder for the harvest of broodstock and production, possession, transport, transfer or sale of broodstock progeny must submit the following documentation within 30 days after expiration of an SAL or upon application for renewal, whichever occurs first:

(a) An activity report detailing all SAL-related harvest or sampling activities that resulted in the permanent retention of marine organisms. The activity report must include the following information on marine organisms harvested (both targeted and incidental) pursuant to the SAL: common and scientific names ~~of the marine organisms harvested (both targeted and incidental)~~, numbers, and sizes harvested, locations of harvest by county, and disposition ~~of all marine organisms harvested~~. If SAL-related activities did not result in the permanent retention or mortality of any marine organism, the SAL holder must submit a statement to that effect.

(b) No change.

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**68B-8.013 Non-Conforming Gear Special Activity Licenses and Exemptions.**

(1) ~~BACKGROUND.~~ No person shall use any gear or equipment to harvest a marine organism if the gear is not allowed by rule of the Commission, Chapter 379, F.S., or the Constitution of the State of Florida unless such person has first obtained authorization for such gear via an a SAL or an exemption. The use of non-conforming gear shall be authorized in a Scientific Research SAL or a Stock Collection and Release SAL for scientific research purposes if the use of non-conforming gear is specifically requested in an application for such SAL and the use is justified.

(2) ~~OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS FOR USE OF NON-CONFORMING GEAR.~~ The use of non-conforming gear may also be authorized under an a SAL as follows:

(a) through (d) No change.



(3) ~~GEAR MARKING/TENDING~~. If the proposed gear use includes an in-water set time, an a SAL or exemption issued for non-conforming gear shall contain special gear marking or tending requirements so that the Commission may responsibly monitor gear use and ensure ~~that~~ activities are restricted to the minimum amount necessary to achieve the stated purpose of the SAL or exemption.

(4) ~~NET GEAR EXEMPTION~~. Exemption from the net gear restrictions set forth in Article X Section 16 of the Florida Constitution may be included only in a Scientific Research SAL, Stock Collection and Release SAL for scientific research purposes, Governmental Purpose SAL, or Governmental Purpose Gear Exemption.

(5) Gear Innovation Special Activity License ~~GEAR INNOVATION SPECIAL ACTIVITY LICENSE~~.

(a) ~~PURPOSE~~. The purpose of a Gear Innovation SAL is to allow for harvesting gear not historically or traditionally used within Florida to be evaluated, monitored, and tested. The Commission may will use the information collected pursuant to a Gear Innovation SAL to evaluate the impact that a proposed gear type would have on the stock of the species targeted, species not targeted but incidentally harvested, and the marine environment, as well as and to determine if the gear could be responsibly introduced into general use. However, a Gear Innovation SAL will not be issued for the harvest of sponges in state waters, for oysters in Apalachicola Bay, or for prohibited species.

(b) Eligibility – ELIGIBILITY. A Gear Innovation SAL may be issued only to the following an individual meeting the criteria under subparagraph 1. or 2., below:

1. No change.
  - a. Has at least five years' experience as a commercial harvester in Florida,
  - b. ~~Has and has~~ landings of the species targeted for harvest with the innovative gear and,
  - c. ~~b.~~ Has working knowledge of the area where the gear will be tested.

2. No change.

(c) Fees and Application – FEES AND APPLICATION.

1. No change.
2. An applicant for a Gear Innovation SAL must complete and submit a Gear Innovation SAL application form provided by the Commission (Form DMF-GISAL (9/09)), which is incorporated herein by reference and is available at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>.

(d) Evaluation Criteria – EVALUATION CRITERIA. In addition to the evaluation criteria set forth in subsection 68B-8.003(9) 68B 8.004(2), F.A.C., an applicant for a Gear Innovation SAL will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

1. through 4. No change.

(e) General Conditions and Restrictions – GENERAL CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS.

1. through 4. No change.

(f) A third party contractor may not conduct activities authorized pursuant to a Gear Innovation SAL.

(g)(~~f~~) Reporting Requirements – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. A log of activities that includes area fished, time fished, catch composition, and any other information required by the Commission to properly evaluate the specific gear being tested, must be maintained for the duration of the SAL and submitted to the Commission on a schedule specified in the SAL. All documentation required by the Commission pursuant to an a SAL or pursuant to any regulation for commercial harvesting activities, including logs and trip tickets, must be available for inspection by the Commission and its employees at any reasonable time.

(6) Governmental Purpose Special Activity License ~~GOVERNMENTAL PURPOSE SPECIAL ACTIVITY LICENSE~~.

(a) ~~PURPOSE~~. The purpose of a Governmental Purpose SAL is to allow government agencies to use non-conforming gear to meet the needs of public health, safety, or welfare. However, a Governmental Purpose SAL will not be issued for activities related to a prohibited species.

(b) Eligibility – ELIGIBILITY. A Governmental Purpose SAL may be issued only to a state or federal agency or to a municipal or county government.

(c) Fees and Application – FEES AND APPLICATION.

1. through 2. No change.

(d) General Conditions and Restrictions – GENERAL CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS.

1. through 2. No change.

(e) License Period –The valid license period for a Governmental Purpose SAL will be based on the duration of the proposed activity, provided that it is no longer than is necessary to achieve its stated purpose.

(f)(~~e~~) Reporting Requirements – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. A log of activities including area fished, time fished, catch composition, and any other information deemed necessary to properly evaluate the requested activity must be maintained for the duration of the SAL and submitted to the Commission on a schedule established in the SAL. All documentation required by the Commission pursuant to an a SAL or pursuant to any regulation for commercial harvesting activities, including logs and trip tickets, must be available for inspection by the Commission or its employees at any reasonable time.

(7) Governmental Purpose Gear Exemption ~~GOVERNMENTAL PURPOSE GEAR EXEMPTION~~.

(a) ~~PURPOSE~~. The purpose of a Governmental Purpose Gear Exemption is to allow for the use of net gear that does not conform to Article X, Section 16 of the Florida Constitution to conduct activities permitted, provided, or required by a governmental agency. A Governmental Purpose Gear Exemption shall only be issued in conjunction with a Marine Turtle Permit, an Education/Exhibition SAL, or a Stock Collection and Release SAL.

(b) Eligibility – ~~ELIGIBILITY~~. A Governmental Purpose Gear Exemption may be issued only to a person who:

1. through 3. No change.

(c) Fees and Application – ~~FEES AND APPLICATION~~.

1. through 2. No change.

(8) Nonprofit Corporation Special Activity License  
~~NONPROFIT CORPORATION SPECIAL ACTIVITY LICENSE~~.

(a) ~~PURPOSE~~. The purpose of a Nonprofit Corporation SAL is to allow for a nonprofit corporation to use non-conforming gear to harvest marine organisms and to sell them to scientific research, education, or exhibition entities to financially support research, educational, and exhibitional activities conducted by such nonprofit corporation. However, a Nonprofit Corporation SAL may will not be issued for a prohibited species.

(b) Eligibility – ~~ELIGIBILITY~~. To obtain a Nonprofit Corporation SAL, a nonprofit corporation must meet the following criteria:

1. through 2. No change.

(c) Fees and Application – ~~FEES AND APPLICATION~~.

1. No change.

2. An applicant for a Nonprofit Corporation SAL must complete and submit a Nonprofit Corporation SAL application form provided by the Commission (Form DMF-NPSAL (September 2009 ~~9-09~~)), which is incorporated herein by reference and is available at <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-XXXXX>.

(d) License Conditions – ~~LICENSE CONDITIONS~~. A Nonprofit Corporation SAL holder will be subject to the following conditions for operation:

1. through 2. No change.

(e) License Period – The valid license period for a Nonprofit Corporation SAL shall not exceed 3 years (36 months).

(f) A third party contractor may not conduct activities authorized pursuant to a Nonprofit Corporation SAL.

(g)(e) Reporting Requirements – ~~REPORTING REQUIREMENTS~~. A Nonprofit Corporation SAL holder must submit the following documentation during the 12th month, and 24th month of the valid license period, and within 30 days of

the expiration of the SAL or during the renewal application process if the SAL is requested for renewal:

1. An activity report documenting the harvest of all specifically named marine organisms authorized for harvest pursuant to a Nonprofit Corporation SAL, and of all marine organisms not reported via the Marine Fisheries Trip Ticket Program (~~MFTT~~) system, by the marine organism's common name and scientific classification, amount harvested, and, if sold, the entity that purchased the marine organism to whom sold.

2. No change.

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**68B-8.014 Marine Chemical Special Activity License.**

(1) ~~PURPOSE~~. The purpose of a Marine Chemical SAL is to monitor the use of marine chemicals for the live harvest of marine organisms.

(2) Eligibility – ~~ELIGIBILITY~~. A Marine Chemical SAL may be issued to:

(a) through (b) No change.

(3) Fees and Application – ~~FEES AND APPLICATION~~.

(a) through (b) No change.

(4) License Conditions – ~~LICENSE CONDITIONS~~. A Marine Chemical SAL holder is subject to the following conditions and restrictions:

(a) through (c) No change.

(5) Reporting Requirements – ~~REPORTING REQUIREMENTS~~.

(a) No change.

(b) The holder of a Marine Chemical SAL issued for commercial marine life harvesting activities must report all landings of live marine life species harvested with a marine chemical via the Marine Fisheries Trip Ticket system pursuant to Chapter 68E-5, F.A.C., and Sections 379.361, and 379.362 and 379.414, F.S.

(6) A third party contractor may not conduct activities authorized pursuant to a Marine Chemical SAL.

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**68B-8.015 Dredge Special Activity License.**

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NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:  
Jessica McCawley, Director, Division of Marine Fisheries

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NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: September 17, 2024

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: September 4, 2024

### Section III Notice of Changes, Corrections and Withdrawals

**DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION**

**Board of Accountancy**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:  
61H1-20.0093 Rules of the Auditor General  
NOTICE OF CORRECTION

Notice is hereby given that the following correction has been made to the proposed rule in Vol. 50 No. 209, October 24, 2024 issue of the Florida Administrative Register.

The rule notice inadvertently omitted a complete description of the SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION.

The correct SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION is as follows:

**SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:**

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: During discussion of the economic impact of this rule at its Board meeting, the Board concluded that this rule change will not have any impact on licensees and their businesses or the businesses that employ them. The rule will not increase any fees, business costs, personnel costs, will not decrease profit opportunities, and will not require any specialized knowledge to comply. This change will not increase any direct or indirect

regulatory costs. Hence, the Board determined that a Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs (SERC) was not necessary and that the rule will not require ratification by the Legislature. No person or interested party submitted additional information regarding the economic impact at that time. The person to be contacted regarding this rule is: Roger Scarborough, Division Director, Board of Accountancy, 240 NW 76th Dr., Suite A, Gainesville, Florida 32607, (850)487-1395 or by email, Roger.Scarborough@myfloridalicense.com.

**DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION**

**Child and Farm Labor Program**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:  
61L-1.004 Procedures for Registration  
NOTICE OF CHANGE

Notice is hereby given that the following changes have been made to the proposed rule in accordance with subparagraph 120.54(3)(d)1., F.S., published in Vol. 50 No. 121, June 20, 2024 issue of the Florida Administrative Register.

**61L-1.004 Procedures for Registration.**

Application for the issuance of a Farm Labor Contractor Certificate of Registration may be made by regular mail, express mail, certified mail, or hand delivery at Department of Business and Professional Regulation, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2212. Assistance with the application process may be obtained at selected Department of Business and Professional Regulation field offices. Contact information for these offices, along with the application, supplemental forms and program information, may be obtained at <https://www2.myfloridalicense.com/farm-labor/forms-and-publications/> <http://www.myfloridalicense.com/dbpr/reg/farmLabor.html>.

Prior to the issuance of a certificate of registration, an applicant seeking a certificate must comply with the following requirements:

- (1) Possess a valid Federal Farm Labor Contractor or Employee Certificate of Registration, or timely submit form WH – 530, “Federal Application for a Farm Labor Contractor or Farm Labor Contractor Employee Certificate of Registration,” OMB Number 1235-0016, Expiration 08/31/2027 ~~revised August 2020~~, herein incorporated by reference, to the U.S. Department of Labor at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the current federal certificate of registration, and provide a copy to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation as proof of timely submission. Form WH-530 can be obtained by contacting the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2212 or at <https://www2.myfloridalicense.com/farm-labor/forms-and->

publications/ or at (new DOS link)  
<https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-02451>;

(2) Complete and submit application form DBPR FCL 1004 “Addendum To Application for a Farm Labor Contractor Certificate of Registration,” effective March 2023 adopted and incorporated herein by reference, which can be obtained by contacting the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2212 or at <https://www2.myfloridalicense.com/farm-labor/forms-and-publications/> or at (new DOS link)  
<https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-02450>. All items on the application form must be completed. Applications that do not contain the required information or required application fee will be considered incomplete and will not be processed until the missing information or fee is provided;

(3) through (5) No change.

*Rulemaking Authority 450.30, 450.36 FS. Law Implemented 450.30, 450.31(1)(c), 450.33 FS. History—New 1-19-73, Revised 1-29-74, Amended 10-30-78, Formerly 8B-4.04, Amended 11-28-85, Formerly 38B-4.04, 38B-4.004, Amended 5-23-88, Formerly 38H-4.004, 38H-11.004, Amended 4-16-13, \_\_\_\_\_.*

**DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES**

**Division of Funeral, Cemetery, and Consumer Services**

RULE NOS.:	RULE TITLES:
69K-18.001	Embalmer Intern Training Program.
69K-18.002	Funeral Director Intern Training Program.
69K-18.003	Concurrent Internships.
69K-18.004	Intern Training Agencies.

**NOTICE OF CHANGE**

Notice is hereby given that the following changes have been made to the proposed rule in accordance with subparagraph 120.54(3)(d)1., F.S., published in Vol. 50 No. 152, August 5, 2024 issue of the Florida Administrative Register.

**69K-18.001 Embalmer Intern Training Program.**

(1) Persons desiring licensure to become an intern embalmer shall apply for a license by completing Form DFS-N1-1708, “Application for Embalmer Intern License,” effective MM/YY, which is incorporated by reference and available on the Department’s website at <http://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/funeralcemetery/> or <https://www.flrules.org/gateway/>\_\_\_\_\_. A one-hundred dollar (\$100.00) nonrefundable application fee and an unlicensed activity fee of five dollars (\$5.00) shall accompany the form. Such application shall demonstrate that the applicant for registration meets the requirements of Sections 497.368(1)(b)-(e), F.S. The completed application shall be filed with the Division at the address stated on the form.

(2) Embalmer internship training shall be received at an approved training agency under the direct supervision of a Florida licensed embalmer in good standing who shall certify by quarterly reports the training activities engaged in by the intern during the preceding calendar quarter.

(a) and (b) No change.

(c) To notify the Division of termination of supervision and/or change in supervisor, the intern must file Form DFS-N1-1734, Notice of ~~Termination~~/Change of Supervisor and/or Location, effective MM/YY, which is incorporated by reference and available on the Department’s website at <http://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/funeralcemetery/> or <https://www.flrules.org/gateway/>\_\_\_\_\_.

(3) through (6) No change.

*Rulemaking Authority 497.103, 497.370 FS. Law Implemented 497.140, 497.368, 497.370, 497.371 FS. History—New 11-11-79, Amended 7-28-80, 8-10-83, 10-16-85, Formerly 21J-18.01, Amended 12-11-88, 11-15-92, Formerly 21J-18.001, Amended 1-8-95, 7-14-99, Formerly 61G8-18.001, Amended 1-5-17, 2-20-19,\_\_\_\_\_.*

**69K-18.002 Funeral Director Intern Training Program.**

(1) No change.

(2) APPLICATION FOR FUNERAL DIRECTOR INTERN LICENSE.

(a) Persons desiring licensure as a funeral director intern shall apply for such license by completing Form DFS-N1-1722, “Application for Funeral Director Intern License,” effective MM/YY, which is incorporated by reference and available on the Department’s website at <http://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/funeralcemetery/> or <https://www.flrules.org/gateway/>\_\_\_\_\_, with a nonrefundable fee of \$105. The application form shall be filed with the Division at the address stated on the form. The fee includes an application of \$100 and an unlicensed activity fee of \$5, which shall accompany the form.

(b) through (d) No change.

(3) ENROLLMENT IN COURSE OF STUDY WHILE INTERNING. This rule section implements Section 497.375(1)(b)2., F.S.

(a) through (d) No change.

(e) A funeral director intern licensed under Section 497.375(1)(b)2., ~~F.S. F.A.C.~~, shall during the internship remain continuously enrolled in, and attending as required by the college or university, the course of study indicated in their internship application (hereinafter in this rule section the “course of study”), until the course of study is successfully completed or the internship ends.

1. No change.

2. If an intern’s internship supervisor is notified by the intern they supervise, licensed under Section 497.375(1)(b)2., ~~F.S. F.A.C.~~, that the intern has, prior to successful completion

of the course of study, ceased or been terminated from current enrollment in the course of study or has ceased attendance in the course of study, the supervisor shall immediately suspend all activities under the internship and within 20 calendar days shall complete and file with the Division Form DFS-N1-2040, "Report of Suspension of Intern's Conditions of Internship," effective MM/YY, which is incorporated by reference and available on the Department's website at <http://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/funeralcemetery/> or <https://www.flrules.org/gateway/>\_\_\_\_. If the supervisor receives information from a source the supervisor deems reliable, specifically asserting that the intern they supervise, licensed under Section 497.375(1)(b)2., F.S., has, prior to successful completion of the course of study, ceased or been terminated from current enrollment in the course of study or has ceased attendance in the course of study, the supervisor shall within 20 calendar days require the intern to provide the supervisor written proof from the school that the intern is currently enrolled in and attending the course of study, and if such proof is not received within 20 days of the supervisor's request the supervisor shall immediately suspend all activities under the internship and within 5 business days shall complete and file with the Division ~~Form a form~~ DFS-N1-2040, "Report of Suspension of Intern's Conditions of Internship," ~~which is incorporated by reference in Rule 69K-1.001, F.A.C.~~

3. No change.

(4) IDENTIFICATION OF TRAINING AGENCY AND SUPERVISOR; CHANGES.

(a) through (d) No Change.

(e) To notify the Division of termination of supervision and/or change in supervisor, the intern must file Form DFS-N1-1734, Notice of ~~Termination~~/Change of Supervisor and/or Location, which is incorporated by reference in paragraph 69K-18.001(2)(c).

(e) renumbered (f) No change.

(5) No change.

(6) RENEWAL OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR INTERNSHIP TO CONTINUE COURSE OF STUDY.

(a) through (b) No change.

(c) An intern whose internship license was applied for and granted under Section 497.375(1)(b)2., F.S., may apply to renew the internship by filing with the Division a completed Form DFS-N1-2036, "Application to Renew Funeral Director Internship to Continue Course of Study," effective MM/YY, which is incorporated by reference and available on the Department's website at <http://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/funeralcemetery/> or <https://www.flrules.org/gateway/>\_\_\_\_. The application shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable fee of \$105. The fee includes an application fee of \$100 and an unlicensed activity fee of \$5.

(d) through (i) No change.

(7) RENEWAL OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR INTERNSHIP DUE TO ILLNESS, INJURY, HARDSHIP, OR AWAITING EXAM RESULTS.

(a) No change.

(b) An intern seeking to renew the internship pursuant to Section 497.375(4)(c), F.S., shall apply to renew the internship by filing with the Division a completed Form DFS-N1-2037, "Application to Renew Internship Due to Illness, ~~Injury~~, Hardship, or Awaiting ~~Exam~~ Results," effective MM/YY, which is incorporated by reference and available on the Department's website at <http://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/funeralcemetery/> or <https://www.flrules.org/gateway/>\_\_\_\_. The application shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable fee of \$105. The fee includes an application fee of \$100 and an unlicensed activity fee of \$5.

(c) through (f) No change.

(8) SUPERVISION – SHIFT FROM DIRECT TO GENERAL SUPERVISION.

(a) through (c) No change.

(d) An intern under Section 497.375(1)(b)2.b., F.S., desiring to change to general supervision, shall submit a completed Form DFS-N1-2039, "Certification for General Supervision of Intern," effective MM/YY, which is incorporated by reference and available on the Department's website at <http://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/funeralcemetery/> or <https://www.flrules.org/gateway/>\_\_\_\_. The certification shall be signed by the funeral director in charge (FDIC) of the training agency where the intern is receiving training, to certify that in the FDIC's opinion the intern is competent to complete the internship under general supervision.

(e) No Change.

(9) TRAINING REPORTS.

(a) An intern's internship supervisor shall prepare and file training reports concerning the intern's performance, on a calendar quarter basis, throughout the internship, including any renewal of the internship, and whether the intern is performing under direct or general supervision. The reports shall be filed with the Division on Form DFS-N1-1747, "Supervisor's Quarterly Report of Apprentice or Intern Training," effective MM/YY, which is incorporated by reference and available on the Department's website at <http://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/funeralcemetery/> or <https://www.flrules.org/gateway/>\_\_\_\_.

(b) through (e) No change.

(10) No change.

*Rulemaking Authority 497.103(5)(b), 497.103(2)(c), (g), 497.375(2), 497.141(2), (4), (12)(g) FS. Law Implemented 497.140, 497.141, 497.147, 497.373, 497.375 FS. History—New 11-11-79, Amended 6-4-*

80, 8-10-83, Formerly 21J-18.02, Amended 12-11-88, 11-15-92, Formerly 21J-18.002, Amended 1-8-95, 7-14-99, Formerly 61G8-18.002, Amended 8-13-12, 1-5-17, 2-20-19, \_\_\_\_\_.

The language on the Report of Suspension of Intern's Conditions of Internship, Form DFS-N1-2040, is amended as follows:

SECTION 1 and 2 No change.

SECTION 3. ATTESTATION

I have received information that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, indicates that the intern named above has not completed the course of study they are supposed to be attending pursuant to Section 497.375, F.S., and said intern is either no longer currently enrolled in the course of study or have ceased attending the course of study.

Pursuant to section 497.159, F.S., the act of knowingly giving false information in the course of applying for or obtaining a license, with intent to mislead the board or a public employee in the performance of her or his official duties, or the act of attempting to obtain or obtaining a license by knowingly misleading statements or knowing misrepresentations, constitutes a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084, F.S. Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing report and that the facts stated in it are true to the best of my belief.

Signature of Supervisor or FDIC      Date      License #

**69K-18.003 Concurrent Internships.**

(1) No change.

(2) GENERAL – An applicant for concurrent internship must meet all the separate requirements for the funeral director internship, and the embalmer internship. An applicant for concurrent internship shall complete and file with the Division Form DFS-N1-1732, “Application for Concurrent Intern License,” effective MM/YY, which is incorporated by reference and available on the Department’s website at <http://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/funeralcemetery/> or <https://www.flrules.org/gateway/>\_\_\_\_\_. Unless exempt, the application shall be accompanied by payment of the application fee specified on the form. The application fee is nonrefundable.

(3) through (6) No change.

(7) To notify the Division of termination of supervision and/or change in supervisor, the intern must file Form DFS-N1-1734, Notice of Termination/Change of Supervisor and/or Location, which is incorporated by reference in paragraph 69K-18.001(2)(c).

*Rulemaking Authority 497.103(2)(c), 497.103(5), 497.141(2) and (12)(g), 497.370(3), 497.375(2), 497.377 FS. Law Implemented 497.368, 497.370, 497.373, 497.375, 497.377 FS. History–New 11-11-79, Formerly 21J-18.03, 21J-18.003, 61G8-18.003, Amended 7-17-12, 2-20-19,\_\_\_\_\_.*

**69K-18.004 Intern Training Agencies.**

(1) No change.

(2) To register as an intern training agency, the funeral establishment, ~~Funeral establishments desiring to become registered as an intern training agency~~ pursuant to Sections 497.370 and 497.375, F.S., shall submit an application for such approval to the Division on Form DFS-N1-1749, “Registration as a Training Agency,” effective MM/YY, which is incorporated by reference and available on the Department’s website at <http://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/funeralcemetery/> or <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/>\_\_\_\_\_.

(3) through (7) No change.

*Rulemaking Authority 497.103, 497.370, 497.375 FS. Law Implemented 497.370, 497.375 FS. History–New 11-11-79, Formerly 21J-18.04, Amended 5-24-89, 5-19-91, Formerly 21J-18.004, 61G8-18.004, Amended 3-16-17, 12-21-23,\_\_\_\_\_.*

**Section IV  
Emergency Rules**

**DEPARTMENT OF THE LOTTERY**

RULE NO.:            RULE TITLE:  
53ER24-49            BLACK FRIDAY BONUS PLAY  
   PROMOTION - 2024

SUMMARY OF THE RULE: This emergency rule sets forth the provisions for the BLACK FRIDAY BONUS PLAY PROMOTION - 2024.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE EMERGENCY RULE IS: Minerva A. Simpson, Attorney, Department of the Lottery, 250 Marriott Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-4011.

THE FULL TEXT OF THIS EMERGENCY RULE IS:

**53ER24-49 BLACK FRIDAY BONUS PLAY PROMOTION - 2024.**

(1) General Bonus Play/Promotion (hereafter “Promotion”) Provisions.

(a) Promotion Period. November 25 through December 1, 2024, dates inclusive, and subject to retailer and Lottery office hours.

(b) Eligible Tickets. The free ticket that is part of each of GROUPER® or GROUPER® Super Sampler package plays purchased during the Promotion Period. The free ticket in the GROUPER package is a \$1 PICK 4™ Str/Box. The free ticket in the GROUPER Super Sampler package is a \$2 JACKPOT TRIPLE PLAY with Combo™. No other ticket obtained with a GROUPER or GROUPER Super Sampler package is eligible. No PICK 4, JACKPOT TRIPLE PLAY with/without Combo, or any other ticket purchased outside of a GROUPER or

GROUPER Super Sampler package is eligible. Tickets meeting the criteria set forth herein are “Eligible” tickets.

(2) Coupon and Drawing Prizes.

(a) Drawing Entry Period, Drawing Date, Number of Winners, and Prizes:

<u>DRAWING ENTRY PERIOD</u>	<u>DRAWING DATE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF WINNERS</u>	<u>PRIZE</u>	<u>TOTAL PRIZE VALUE</u>
November 25 – December 1, 2024	December 3, 2024	10	\$5.00	\$50.00

(b) Coupons for Cash Prizes:

<u>PRIZE</u>	<u>Number of Available Coupons</u>	<u>TOTAL PRIZE VALUE</u>
\$10 Cash Prize Coupon (Applies to a GROUPER Purchase)	2,500	\$25,000
\$20 Cash Prize Coupon (Applies to a GROUPER Super Sampler Purchase)	3,500	\$70,000
<b>Totals</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>\$95,000</b>

(3) How to Enter.

(a) To enter an Eligible ticket, a player may use the Florida Lottery’s website at [floralottery.com](http://floralottery.com) or use the Florida Lottery’s Mobile Convenience App (“App”).

1. Website. On the home page of the Florida Lottery’s website, players click on the Promotions tab and select the Black Friday Bonus Play to enter the 19-digit ticket number on Eligible PICK 4 or JACKPOT TRIPLE PLAY tickets on the ticket entry page.

2. App. On the App, players select the Black Friday Bonus Play under the Promotions section, a Promotions button is located on the main menu and on the bottom navigation bar, to enter the 19-digit ticket number on Eligible PICK 4 or JACKPOT TRIPLE PLAY tickets on the ticket entry page.

3. Deleted Accounts. If a player deletes his/her account, whether through the App or on the Florida Lottery’s website, all account data, including ticket entries, associated with the email address used to register his/her account will also be deleted. Any entries earned will not be entered into a drawing. A player’s account cannot be reactivated using the email associated with the deactivated account. Should a player establish a new account utilizing a different email address, account data, including ticket entries, cannot be transferred to the newly established account. Tickets entered under the prior account cannot be re-entered utilizing the newly created account.

4. Regardless of whether a player chooses to participate in the Promotion by using the web browser or the App, the following provisions shall apply:

- a. a player will be prompted to login or register;
- b. the player must use the same account login information to enter tickets;
- c. the player will only be required to register one time; and
- d. the player’s entry history will be cumulative among the entry platforms.

(b) Any attempt by a player to use more than one account by using multiple or different email addresses, identities, registrations, logins, or any other methods will subject the player and any associated entries to disqualification. In the event a player wins a prize, the name a player uses to register must match the name shown on his/her identification used to make a claim, except for a person who has made a legal name change. A person who has made a legal name change must provide a copy of a marriage certificate/judgment/court order, as applicable, as proof of a differing name. Fictitious names and business names will not be accepted and shall subject the player and any associated entries to disqualification.

(c) Lottery tickets should not be mailed to the Lottery for entry into the Promotion. Tickets received in the mail by the Florida Lottery for entry into the Promotion will not be entered and will not be returned.

(3) Earning Entries into the Promotion Drawing.

(a) To earn entries into the Promotion Drawing, a player may enter ticket numbers by scanning the barcode on the bottom of an Eligible ticket using his or her mobile device or by manually entering the 19-digit ticket number on Eligible tickets on the ticket entry page on the website or Mobile App. A player may earn multiple entries; however, a player can only win one Promotion Drawing prize per entry. A player may enter a maximum of 200 tickets per day. Each ticket number can only be entered one time. Players may enter Eligible ticket/s at any time during the Promotion Period, except that entry capabilities on the website and App will be unavailable from 12 a.m. through 6 a.m. ET due to routine maintenance and may be unavailable at other times if there are technical difficulties. Entries must be made by 11:59:59 p.m. (ET) on December 1, 2024 (last day of the Drawing Entry Period) to be entered into the drawing.

(b) Number of Entries Received. For Eligible tickets, a player will receive the number of entries set forth in the table below:

<u>Ticket</u>	<u>Purchase Price (GROUPER or GROUPER Super Sampler Package)</u>	<u>Number of Entries</u>
PICK 4 Str/Box (Free as Part of a	\$5*	5*

GROUPER Package Purchase)		
JACKPOT TRIPLE PLAY with Combo (Free as Part of a GROUPER Super Sampler Package Purchase)	\$10*	10*

\*The Price shown is for the GROUPER or GROUPER Super Sampler package purchase, as applicable, and the Number of Entries equals the respective purchase price.

(c) The odds of winning depend on the number of entries received during the Promotion Period. All entries are subject to validation by the Florida Lottery and will be disqualified if eligibility requirements are not met.

(d) Drawings. The Florida Lottery will conduct one (1) drawing to select winners. Twenty (20) valid entries will be randomly selected from entries submitted and received before midnight (ET) of the Drawing Entry Period end date (December 1, 2024). A certified random number generation process will be used. The drawing shall be public, held in Tallahassee, Florida, and witnessed by an accountant employed by an independent certified public accounting firm. The first ten (10) valid entries will be the initial winners, subject to responding to notification and submittal of required documentation within the timeframes specified in subsections (4) and (5), below. The remaining entries will be alternates and used if winner/s cannot be notified, per subsection (4), below, or fail to timely provide required claim documentation as set forth in subsection (5), below, or in the event an entry is disqualified. Alternates will be used in the order in which they were drawn.

(4) Winner Notification. The Florida Lottery will attempt to notify each winner by telephone or email using the contact information provided in the winner’s registration data within one business day after the winners are posted on the Florida Lottery’s website. The Florida Lottery deems the winner’s registration data as the winner’s official contact information. Issuing an email or leaving a telephone message on voicemail, if available, shall constitute notification. The Florida Lottery will not attempt to further locate a winner if attempts to reach the winner by telephone or email are unsuccessful. If the Florida Lottery is unable to have contact by telephone or email with a winner within ten (10) calendar days of the date the winners are posted on the Lottery’s website, the winner will forfeit his or her right to claim the prize and the Florida Lottery will select an alternate winner in accordance with subsection (3), above. If the Florida Lottery is unable to have contact by email or telephone with the alternate winner within ten (10) calendar days of the date of notification, the alternate winner will forfeit his or her right to claim the prize and the Florida Lottery will select the next alternate winner. This process will continue until

an alternate is contacted or the Florida Lottery has exhausted the list of alternates due to unsuccessful notification attempts or due to failure by a winner or an alternate winner to timely provide required claim documentation as set forth in subsection (5), below. The Florida Lottery is not responsible or liable for system failures of any sort or type, including, but not exclusively, computer failures, email service failures, and telephone failures. If a prize cannot be awarded for any reason, the prize will not be awarded.

(5) Submittal of Necessary Documentation to Claim a Drawing Prize.

(a) To claim a prize won in the Promotion drawing, a winner must submit to the Florida Lottery a completed Winner Claim Form DOL-173-2, Revised 2/2023, or Spanish Winner Claim Form DOL-173-2S, Revised 2/2023, and a copy of acceptable identification as set forth in the Florida Lottery’s rule governing payment of prizes. Forms DOL 173-2 and DOL 173-2S are hereby incorporated by reference and may be obtained at any Florida Lottery office or retailer, from the Florida Lottery’s website at [floralottery.com](http://floralottery.com), or by writing to: Florida Lottery, Claims Processing, 250 Marriott Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-4016.

(b) A copy of the current prize payment rule can be obtained from the Florida Lottery, Office of the General Counsel, 250 Marriott Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.

(c) The required documents must be received by the Florida Lottery no later than ten (10) calendar days after the Florida Lottery has first notified the winner by telephone (notification by telephone is deemed complete by leaving a voicemail message, if available) or email (issuing an email constitutes notification). If the Florida Lottery does not receive the required documents from a winner by the tenth calendar day after notification, the winner will forfeit his or her right to claim the prize and the Florida Lottery will award the prize to an alternate winner as described in subsection (3), above. The same timeframe for a winner to return required documentation to the Florida Lottery shall apply to an alternate winner.

(6) Award of Drawing Prizes. Upon the Florida Lottery’s timely receipt of a winner’s required documentation, the Florida Lottery will award the prize to that winner, subject to applicable federal tax withholding and analysis for State-Owed Debt and Child Support Debt.

(7) Analysis for State-Owed Debt and Child Support Debt. Prior to the award of drawing prizes, winners will be analyzed for child support debt and Florida state-owed debt. If more than one prize is awarded to the winner, a separate analysis shall occur prior to payment of each prize. If the winner is identified as owing outstanding debt to any state agency or owes child support, the debt will be offset in accordance with Section 24.115, Fla. Stat. If the debt is less than the amount of the cash prize, the balance of the prize, less applicable income tax



withholding on the full prize amount, and after the debt is offset shall be awarded. If the debt is greater than any cash prize, the entire prize amount, after applicable income tax withholding on the full prize amount, will be applied to the outstanding debt.

(8) Taxes. Except as specifically defined herein, all federal, state, and/or local taxes and/or other costs and fees on all prizes will be the responsibility of winners. For \$5,000 cash prizes, and pursuant to applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Service code, federal income taxes will be withheld at a rate of thirty percent (30%) for nonresident winners. The reporting and subsequent payment of any additional federal, state, and/or local taxes shall be the responsibility of all winners.

(9) Coupons for Cash Prizes.

(a) Upon entry of any Eligible PICK 4 ticket (as part of a GROUPER purchase), a player may be randomly awarded a Coupon for a \$10 cash prize. Upon entry of any Eligible JACKPOT TRIPLE PLAY ticket (as part of a GROUPER Super Sampler purchase), a player may be randomly awarded a Coupon for a \$20 cash prize. A Nth generation process, across all entries in each of the GROUPER/GROUPER Super Sampler categories, as applicable, will be used to make random Coupon awards. Any Coupon/s not awarded during the Promotion will not be otherwise awarded.

(b) Coupons may be redeemed at any Lottery retailer or office. The redemption deadline for all Coupons is 11:59:59 p.m. (ET) on January 30, 2025, subject to Lottery retailer or office hours. For any Coupon not redeemed by the deadline, a prize will not be awarded, and the player will not otherwise be compensated.

(10) Other Restrictions and Provisions.

(a) A player can only win one prize per entry.

(b) If a prize cannot be awarded for any reason, the prize will not be awarded.

(c) All players and winners must be at least 18 years of age.

(d) All prizes are subject to the provisions of Chapter 24, Fla. Stat., and rules promulgated thereunder. Prizes will be paid in accordance with the Florida Lottery’s rule governing Payment of Prizes, Emergency Rule 53ER23-20.

(e) Persons prohibited by Section 24.116, Fla. Stat., from purchasing a Florida Lottery ticket are not eligible to participate in this Promotion.

(f) By participating in the BLACK FRIDAY BONUS PLAY PROMOTION - 2024, a prize winner gives his/her permission and consent, and without notification, for the Florida Lottery to photograph and/or videotape and record him/her and to use his/her name, photograph, videotape, and/or recording of him/her for current and future advertising or publicity purposes without additional compensation, notification, or consent.

(g) If there is a conflict with a provision set forth in this Rule and any promotional materials, including, but not limited

to, point of sale, television, radio, and print advertising, and other promotional media/materials, the terms of this Rule shall prevail.

Rulemaking Authority 24.105(9), 24.109(1) FS. Law Implemented 24.105(9), 24.115(1) FS. History—New 11-25-24.

THIS RULE TAKES EFFECT UPON BEING FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE UNLESS A LATER TIME AND DATE IS SPECIFIED IN THE RULE.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 25, 2024

**DEPARTMENT OF THE LOTTERY**

RULE NO.:           RULE TITLE:

53ER24-50           Game Number 1579, “2025”

SUMMARY OF THE RULE: This emergency rule describes Game Number 1579, “2025,” for which the Department of the Lottery will start selling tickets on a date to be determined by the Secretary of the Department. The rule sets forth the specifics of the game; determination of prizewinners; estimated odds of winning; value and number of prizes in the game.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE EMERGENCY RULE IS: Minerva Simpson, Attorney, Department of the Lottery, 250 Marriott Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-4011.

THE FULL TEXT OF THIS EMERGENCY RULE IS:

**53ER24-50 Game Number 1579, “2025”.**

(1) Name of Game. Game Number 1579, “2025”.

(2) Game Number 1579, “2025” is a Scratch-Off lottery game (also known as an instant lottery game).

(3) Price. “2025” lottery tickets sell for \$2.00 per ticket.

(4) “2025” lottery tickets have a series of numbers in machine readable code (or bar code) on the back of the ticket, along with a validation number under the latex area on the ticket. To be a valid winning “2025” lottery ticket, the ticket must meet the applicable requirements of Emergency Rule 53ER23-20, Payment of Prizes.

(5) Play symbols and play symbol captions that may appear in the YOUR NUMBERS play area:

<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
ONE	TWO	THREE	FOUR	FIVE	SIX	SEVEN	EIGHT	NINE	TEN
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
ELEVN	THELV	THRTN	FORTN	FIFTN	SIXTN	SVNTN	EGHTN	NINTN	THNTY



(6) Play symbols and play symbol captions that may appear in the WINNING NUMBERS play area:

<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
ONE	TWO	THREE	FOUR	FIVE	SIX	SEVEN	EIGHT	NINE	TEN
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
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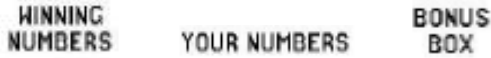
(7) Prize symbols and prize symbol captions that may appear in the YOUR NUMBERS play area:

\$1.00 ONE	\$2.00 TWO	\$4.00 FOUR	\$5.00 FIVE	\$10.00 TEN	\$20.00 TWENTY	\$25.00 THIRTY FIVE	\$30.00 THIRTY
\$40.00 FORTY	\$100 ONE HUNDRED	\$200 TWO HUNDRED	\$400 FOUR HUNDRED	\$1,000 ONE THOUSAND	\$10,000 TEN THOUSAND	\$50,000 FIFTY THOUSAND	

(8) Symbols and symbol captions that may appear in the BONUS BOX play area:



(9) Fixed symbols:



(10) Determination of Prizewinners.

(a) A ticket having a play symbol and corresponding play symbol caption in the YOUR NUMBERS play area that matches a play symbol and corresponding play symbol caption in the WINNING NUMBERS play area shall entitle the player



to the prize shown for that symbol. A ticket having a symbol and symbol caption in the YOUR NUMBERS play area shall entitle the player to two (2) times the prize shown. A ticket



having a symbol and symbol caption in the YOUR NUMBERS play area shall entitle the player to the prize shown.

(b) BONUS BOX. A ticket having a <sup>2025</sup>WIN\$25 symbol and symbol caption in the BONUS BOX play area shall entitle the player to a \$25 cash prize.

(11) Estimated odds of winning, value, and number of prizes in Game Number 1579:

GAME PLAY	WINNING NUMBER	ODDS OF 1 IN	NUMBER OF WINNERS IN 67.1 POOLS OF 180,000 TICKETS PER POOL
\$2	\$2	10.00	1,207,806
\$1 x 4	\$4	49.99	241,614
(\$1 x 2) + \$2	\$4	49.98	241,678
\$2 (CASH)	\$4	50.01	241,494
\$4	\$4	49.99	241,638
\$1 x 5	\$5	375.62	32,156
\$1 + \$2 (CASH)	\$5	375.41	32,174
(\$2 x 2) + \$1	\$5	374.85	32,222
\$1 + \$4	\$5	374.38	32,262
\$5	\$5	374.75	32,230
\$1 + \$4 + \$5	\$10	250.07	48,300
\$5 x 2	\$10	250.28	48,260
\$2 x 5	\$10	250.11	48,292
\$5 (CASH)	\$10	249.73	48,366
\$10	\$10	249.82	48,348
\$2 x 10	\$20	751.61	16,070

\$4 x 5	\$20	750.02	16,104
\$5 x 4	\$20	749.37	16,118
\$10 (CASH)	\$20	748.16	16,144
\$20	\$20	750.86	16,086
\$5 x 5	\$25	2,984.51	4,047
(\$2 x 5) + (\$5 x 3)	\$25	2,985.24	4,046
\$5 + \$5 (CASH) + \$10	\$25	2,982.30	4,050
\$25 (BONUS)	\$25	3,001.57	4,024
\$25	\$25	3,015.81	4,005
(\$1 x 5) + \$25 (BONUS)	\$30	1,200.51	10,061
\$5 x 6	\$30	1,197.06	10,090
\$10 x 3	\$30	1,200.27	10,063
\$10 + \$10 (CASH)	\$30	1,196.70	10,093
\$30	\$30	1,204.94	10,024
\$4 x 10	\$40	3,597.94	3,357
(\$5 x 3) + \$25 (BONUS)	\$40	3,614.09	3,342
\$10 x 4	\$40	3,615.18	3,341
\$20 (CASH)	\$40	3,635.85	3,322
\$40	\$40	4,283.09	2,820
(\$5 x 8) + \$10 + \$25 + \$25 (BONUS)	\$100	4,503.47	2,682
(\$10 x 2) + \$40 (CASH)	\$100	3,577.70	3,376
(\$5 x 3) + \$30 (CASH) + \$25 (BONUS)	\$100	3,607.62	3,348
(\$25 x 3) + \$25 (BONUS)	\$100	3,583.00	3,371
\$100	\$100	4,503.47	2,682
(\$100 x 2) + (\$40 x 4) + (\$2 x 2) + \$10 + \$1 + \$25 (BONUS)	\$400	43,921.09	275
(\$40 x 5) + \$100 (CASH)	\$400	45,068.28	268
\$100 x 4	\$400	44,405.51	272
\$100 (CASH) x 2	\$400	44,569.37	271
\$400	\$400	59,793.56	202
\$100 x 10	\$1,000	191,719.05	63
(\$40 x 5) + \$400 (CASH)	\$1,000	90,814.29	133
\$200 x 5	\$1,000	172,547.14	70
\$200 + \$400 (CASH)	\$1,000	183,004.55	66
\$1,000	\$1,000	180,273.13	67
\$10,000	\$10,000	754,893.75	16
\$50,000	\$50,000	1,509,787.50	8

(12) The overall odds of winning some prize in Game Number 1579 are 1 in 4.37. All prizes are subject to availability at the time of ticket purchase. Prizes may be unavailable due to prior sales or other causes occurring in the normal course of business including, but not limited to, ticket damage, defect, theft, or loss.

(13) For reorders of Game Number 1579, the odds of winning, value, and number of prizes shall be proportionate to the number of tickets reordered.

(14) Payment of prizes for "2025" lottery tickets shall be made in accordance with the rule of the Florida Lottery governing payment of prizes. A copy of the current rule can be obtained from the Florida Lottery, Office of the General

Counsel, 250 Marriott Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-4011 or at flrules.org.

Rulemaking Authority 24.105(9)(a), (b), (c), 24.109(1), 24.115(1) FS. Law Implemented 24.105(9)(a), (b), (c), 24.115(1) FS. History—New 12-9-2024.

THIS RULE TAKES EFFECT UPON BEING FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE UNLESS A LATER TIME AND DATE IS SPECIFIED IN THE RULE. EFFECTIVE DATE: December 9, 2024

**DEPARTMENT OF THE LOTTERY**

RULE NO.: 53ER24-51  
 RULE TITLE: Game Number 1581, PLATINUM MINE 9X

SUMMARY OF THE RULE: This emergency rule describes Game Number 1581, PLATINUM MINE 9X for which the Department of the Lottery will start selling tickets on a date to be determined by the Secretary of the Department. The rule sets forth the specifics of the game; determination of prizewinners; estimated odds of winning, value and number of prizes in the game.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE EMERGENCY RULE IS: Minerva Simpson, Attorney, Department of the Lottery, 250 Marriott Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-4011.

THE FULL TEXT OF THIS EMERGENCY RULE IS:

**53ER24-51 Game Number 1581, PLATINUM MINE 9X.**

(1) Name of Game. Game Number 1581, PLATINUM MINE 9X.

(2) Game Number 1581, PLATINUM MINE 9X is a Scratch-Off lottery game (also known as an instant lottery game).

(3) Price. PLATINUM MINE 9X lottery tickets sell for \$5.00 per ticket.

(4) PLATINUM MINE 9X lottery tickets have a series of numbers in machine readable code (or bar code) on the back of the ticket, along with a validation number under the latex area on the ticket. To be a valid winning PLATINUM MINE 9X lottery ticket, the ticket must meet the applicable requirements of Emergency Rule 53ER23-20, Payment of Prizes.

(5) Game symbols and Game symbol captions that may appear in the play area:



(6) Prize symbols and prize symbol captions that may appear in the play area:

\$2.00 THO	\$5.00 FIVE	\$10.00 TEN	\$20.00 TWENTY	\$30.00 THIRTY	\$40.00 FORTY	\$50.00 FIFTY
\$100 ONE HUN	\$250 THOHUN FTY	\$500 FIVE HUN	\$1,000 ONE THOU	\$10,000 TEN THOU	\$1,000,000 \$40K/YR/25YRS	

(7) Fixed Symbols:



(8) Determination of Winners.


(a) There are sixteen (16) GAMES (GAME 1 through GAME 16), presented in horizontal lines in two columns, on a ticket. Each GAME is played separately. Game symbols and Game symbol captions from one game cannot be used in any other GAME. Prize symbols and prize symbol captions from one GAME cannot be applied to any other GAME.

(b) A ticket having three (3) like Game symbols and corresponding Game symbol captions in the same GAME shall entitle the player to the Prize shown for that GAME. A ticket

having a **2X** <sup>HIN2X</sup> symbol and symbol caption in any GAME shall entitle the player to two (2) times the Prize shown for that

**9X** <sup>HIN9X</sup> GAME. A ticket having a <sup>HIN9X</sup> symbol and symbol caption in any GAME shall entitle the player to nine (9) times the Prize shown for that GAME.

(c) PLATINUM PRIZE LEGEND. A player shall count the

 total number of <sup>BAR</sup> play symbols and play symbol captions revealed in all sixteen (16) GAMES. The player shall then refer to the PLATINUM PRIZE LEGEND to determine the prize won, if any. Only the highest prize won is paid. Possible prizes are: \$20, \$50, \$100, and \$1,000.

(9) \$1,000,000 Prize: Payment Options.

(a) A winner of a \$1,000,000 prize may choose one of two payment options for receiving his or her prize. Payment options are One-Time Cash Payment or Annual Payments. At the time the \$1,000,000 prize is claimed, the terminal will produce a player claim instructions ticket. The winner has sixty (60) days from the date the player claim instructions ticket is produced to file a claim choosing the One-Time Cash Payment. If a winner does not choose the One-Time Cash Payment within the sixty (60) day timeframe, the Annual Payment option will be applied. Once the winner files a claim and exercises his or her chosen option, the election of that option shall be final. The Annual Payment method of payment shall also be final when it is applied due to a \$1,000,000 winner not making his or her

payment election within sixty (60) days after the player claim instructions ticket is produced.

(b) A winner of a \$1,000,000 prize who elects the One-Time Cash Payment shall receive a single cash payment of \$605,016.00, less applicable federal income tax withholding.

(c) Annual Payments will be paid in twenty-five (25) equal annual installments. A winner of a \$1,000,000 prize who elects the Annual Payment option, or has it applied, shall receive annual installments of \$40,000.00 per year, less applicable federal tax withholding.

(10) Estimated odds of winning, value, and number of prizes in Game Number 1581:

GAME PLAY	WIN	ODDS OF 1 IN	NUMBER OF WINNERS IN 161.71 POOLS OF 120,000 TICKETS PER POOL
\$5	\$5	9.68	2,005,650
\$2 x 5	\$10	30.00	646,878
(\$2 (2X) x 2) + \$2	\$10	60.02	323,305
\$5 x 2	\$10	30.00	646,962
\$10	\$10	30.00	646,858
\$2 x 10	\$20	300.3 3	64,614
\$2 (9X) + \$2	\$20	299.8 5	64,718
\$5 (2X) + (\$2 x 5)	\$20	300.1 4	64,655
\$20 (BARS)	\$20	300.1 1	64,663
\$20	\$20	299.5 7	64,779
(\$2 (2X) x 5) + (\$5 x 2)	\$30	800.1 7	24,252
\$2 (9X) + (\$5 x 2) + \$2	\$30	1,095 .69	17,711
\$20 (BARS) + (\$5 x 2)	\$30	1,093 .71	17,743
(\$5 (2X) x 2) + (\$2 x 5)	\$30	1,087 .58	17,843
\$30	\$30	6,022 .89	3,222
\$5 x 8	\$40	1,495 .86	12,973
\$2 (9X) + \$2 + \$20 (BARS)	\$40	801.7 6	24,204
(\$2 x 10) + (\$5 x 4)	\$40	1,200 .78	16,161
\$10 (2X) + \$5 (2X) + (\$2 x 5)	\$40	800.6 3	24,238
\$40	\$40	5,971 .00	3,250
(\$5 (2X) x 3) + \$20 (BARS)	\$50	1,501 .53	12,924
\$20 (BARS) + (\$10 x 2) + \$5 (2X)	\$50	1,200 .18	16,169
\$5 (9X) + \$5	\$50	1,199 .07	16,184
\$20 (2X) + (\$2 x 5)	\$50	1,331 .53	14,574
\$50 (BARS)	\$50	1,202 .04	16,144
\$50	\$50	4,027 .76	4,818
\$5 (2X) x 10	\$100	2,001 .00	9,698
\$40 + \$30 + \$20 (BARS) + \$10	\$100	1,999 .15	9,707

\$50 (BARS) + (\$2 (2X) x 5) + (\$5 (2X) x 3)	\$100	1,198 .33	16,194
(\$5 (2X) x 6) + (\$5 x 4) + (\$2 x 5) + \$10	\$100	1,201 .37	16,153
\$20 (BARS) + \$5 (9X) + \$5 (2X) + (\$5 x 5)	\$100	1,197 .89	16,200
\$100 (BARS)	\$100	2,001 .62	9,695
\$100	\$100	5,945 .39	3,264
(\$10 (2X) x 3) + \$100 (BARS) + \$10 (9X)	\$250	5,976 .51	3,247
\$20 (2X) + (\$5 (9X) x 2) + \$50 (BARS) + \$30 (2X) + \$5 (2X)	\$250	2,993 .79	6,482
\$20 (9X) + (\$5 (2X) x 5) + \$20 (BARS)	\$250	5,991 .28	3,239
\$50 (2X) + (\$5 (2X) x 15)	\$250	6,680 .12	2,905
\$250	\$250	59,89 4.26	324
\$50 (2X) + \$30 (9X) + (\$10 (2X) x 4) + \$50 (BARS)	\$500	12,03 8.30	1,612
\$100 (BARS) + (\$20 (2X) x 5) + (\$10 (2X) x 5) + (\$50 x 2)	\$500	6,009 .83	3,229
(\$20 x 10) + (\$50 x 6)	\$500	13,41 1.02	1,447
\$50 (BARS) + \$50 (9X)	\$500	11,97 8.85	1,620
\$100 (BARS) + (\$50 x 8)	\$500	24,53 3.17	791
\$500	\$500	125.1 98.32	155
\$100 (BARS) + \$250 (2X) + (\$100 (2X) x 2)	\$1,000	121.2 00 85.88	160
\$1,000 (BARS)	\$1,000	121.2 00 85.88	160
\$1,000	\$1,000	242.5 00 71.75	80
(\$1,000 (2X) x 2) + \$500 (2X) + \$1,000 (BARS) + (\$500 x 8)	\$10,000	1,212 .858 75	16
\$10,000	\$10,000	4,851 .435 00	4
\$1,000,000 (\$40K/YR/25YRS)*	\$1,000,000	4,851 00.0 00*	4

\*Prize amount if the annual payment option is chosen or has it applied. If the one-time cash payment option is chosen, the amount paid is in accordance with subsection (9), above.

(11) The overall odds of winning some prize in Game Number 1581 are 1 in 3.93. All prizes are subject to availability at the time of ticket purchase. Prizes may be unavailable due to prior sales or other causes occurring in the normal course of business including, but not limited to, ticket damage, defect, theft, or loss.

(12) For reorders of Game Number 1581, the odds of winning, value, and number of prizes shall be proportionate to the number of tickets reordered.

(13) Payment of prizes for Game Number 1581, PLATINUM MINE 9X lottery tickets shall be made in accordance with the rule of the Florida Lottery governing payment of prizes. A copy of the current rule can be obtained from the Florida Lottery, Office of the General Counsel, 250 Marriott Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-4011 or at [flrules.org](http://flrules.org).

Rulemaking Authority 24.105(9)(a), (b), (c), 24.109(1), 24.115(1) FS. Law Implemented 24.105(9)(a), (b), (c), 24.115(1) FS. History—New 12-9-2024.

THIS RULE TAKES EFFECT UPON BEING FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE UNLESS A LATER TIME AND DATE IS SPECIFIED IN THE RULE.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 9, 2024

**DEPARTMENT OF THE LOTTERY**

RULE NO.: 53ER24-52  
 RULE TITLE: Game Number 1582, ULTIMATE VIP CASHWORD

SUMMARY OF THE RULE: This emergency rule describes Game Number 1582, ULTIMATE VIP CASHWORD, for which the Department of the Lottery will start selling tickets on a date to be determined by the Secretary of the Department. The rule sets forth the specifics of the game; determination of prizewinners; estimated odds of winning, value and number of prizes in the game.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE EMERGENCY RULE IS: Minerva A. Simpson, Attorney, Department of the Lottery, 250 Marriott Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-4011.

THE FULL TEXT OF THIS EMERGENCY RULE IS:

**53ER24-52 Game Number 1582, ULTIMATE VIP CASHWORD.**

(1) Name of Game. Game Number 1582, ULTIMATE VIP CASHWORD.

(2) Game Number 1582, ULTIMATE VIP CASHWORD, is a Scratch-Off lottery game (also known as an instant lottery game).

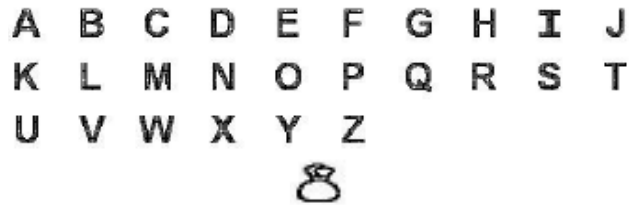
(3) Price. ULTIMATE VIP CASHWORD lottery tickets sell for \$10.00 per ticket.

(4) ULTIMATE VIP CASHWORD lottery tickets have a series of numbers in machine readable code (or bar code) on the back of the ticket, along with a validation number under the latex area on the ticket. To be a valid winning ULTIMATE VIP CASHWORD lottery ticket, the ticket must meet the applicable requirements of Emergency Rule 53ER23-20, Payment of Prizes.

(5) Letters that may appear in the “YOUR LETTERS” play area:



(6) Play symbols that may appear in “GAME 1” and/or “GAME 2 play areas:



(7) Play symbols, play symbol captions, prizes, and prize symbol captions that may appear in the “BONUS” play area:



(8) Legends:

**YOUR LETTERS                      BONUS**

(9) Determination of Winners.

(a) There are two (2) crossword games on each ticket: GAME 1 and GAME 2. Each GAME is played separately. Words formed in one GAME cannot be used in the other GAME. Both GAMEs use the same PRIZE LEGEND. The PRIZE LEGEND lists corresponding prizes for the number of words formed in a GAME.

(b) GAMEs 1 and 2. A ticket having letters in the “YOUR LETTERS” play area that match the letters in a GAME to form three (3) or more words in that GAME shall entitle the player to the corresponding prize in the PRIZE LEGEND for the total number of words matched. A “word” must contain at least three (3) letters. A “word” cannot be formed by linking letters diagonally or by reading the letters from bottom to top or right to left. Letters combined to form a “word” must appear in an unbroken horizontal or vertical string of letters in a GAME that are not interrupted by a blank space and must contain every single letter square between two (2) blank spaces or an edge and a blank space. Every letter in the unbroken string must be revealed in “YOUR LETTERS” and must be included to form a “word.” The possible completed words are shown in each GAME. Each possible complete word consists of three (3) or more letters and occupies an entire word space. All the letters in a possible complete word must be matched to complete the word.

(c) If a completed word in a GAME includes a bag icon symbol, the player is entitled to five (5) times the corresponding prize shown, if any, in the PRIZE LEGEND for the total number of words completed in that GAME.

(d) Possible prizes in the PRIZE LEGEND: \$10, \$20, \$50, \$100, \$200, \$500, \$1,000, \$10,000, \$100,000, and \$2,000,000.

(e) Only the highest prize won in a GAME is paid. A player may win in both GAMEs.

(f) BONUS Play Area. A ticket having a prize symbol and corresponding symbol caption showing a dollar amount in the BONUS play area shall entitle the player to the cash prize shown.

(10) \$2,000,000 Prize; Payment Options.

a) A winner of a \$2,000,000 prize may choose one of two payment options for receiving his/her prize. Payment options are One-Time Cash Payment or Annual Payments. At the time the \$2,000,000 prize is claimed, the terminal will produce a player claim instructions ticket. The winner has sixty (60) days from the date the player claim instructions ticket is produced to file a claim choosing the One-Time Cash Payment. If a winner does not choose the One-Time Cash Payment within the sixty (60) day timeframe, the Annual Payment option will be applied. Once the winner files a claim and exercises his/her chosen option, the election of that option shall be final. The Annual Payment method of payment will also be final when it is applied due to a \$2,000,000 prize winner not making his/her payment election within sixty (60) days after the player claim instructions ticket is produced.

(b) A winner of a \$2,000,000 prize who elects the One-Time Cash Payment shall receive a single cash payment of \$1,195,000.00, less applicable federal income tax withholding.

(c) Annual Payments will be paid in twenty-five (25) equal annual installments. A winner of a \$2,000,000 prize who elects the Annual Payment option, or has it applied, shall receive annual installments of \$80,000 per year, less applicable federal tax withholding.

(11) Estimated odds of winning, value and number of prizes in Game Number 1582:

GAME PLAY	WIN	ODDS OF 1 IN	NUMBER OF WINNERS IN 211.26 POOLS OF 120,000 TICKETS PER POOL
GAME #1: 3 WORDS	\$10	20.00	1,267.767
GAME #2: 3 WORDS	\$10	20.00	1,267.754
\$10 BONUS	\$10	15.00	1,690.091
GAME #1: 4 WORDS	\$20	60.00	422.499
GAME #2: 4 WORDS	\$20	37.50	676.015
GAME #1: 3 WORDS + GAME #2: 3 WORDS	\$20	59.99	422.591
GAME #2: 3 WORDS + \$10 BONUS	\$20	75.02	337.915
\$20 BONUS	\$20	100.05	253.385
GAME #1: 3 WORDS + GAME #2: 4 WORDS	\$30	374.89	67.623
GAME #1: 4 WORDS + GAME #2: 3 WORDS	\$30	374.74	67.650
GAME #1: 3 WORDS + \$20 BONUS	\$30	285.67	88.741
GAME #2: 3 WORDS + \$20 BONUS	\$30	285.97	88.649
GAME #2: 4 WORDS + \$10 BONUS	\$30	285.81	88.698
GAME #1: 4 WORDS + GAME #2: 4 WORDS	\$40	800.07	31.686
GAME #1: 3 WORDS + GAME #2: 4 WORDS + \$10 BONUS	\$40	799.71	31.700
GAME #1: 4 WORDS + GAME #2: 3 WORDS + \$10 BONUS	\$40	599.60	42.280
GAME #1: 4 WORDS + \$20 BONUS	\$40	601.19	42.168
GAME #2: 4 WORDS + \$20 BONUS	\$40	601.99	42.112
\$40 BONUS	\$40	599.51	42.286

GAME #1: 3 WORDS (MONEYBAG)	\$50	1,198.68	21,149
GAME #2: 3 WORDS (MONEYBAG)	\$50	1,201.35	21,102
GAME #1: 5 WORDS	\$50	1,202.95	21,074
GAME #2: 5 WORDS	\$50	1,198.68	21,149
GAME #1: 3 WORDS + GAME #2: 4 WORDS + \$20 BONUS	\$50	1,199.93	21,127
GAME #1: 4 WORDS + GAME #2: 3 WORDS + \$20 BONUS	\$50	1,201.35	21,102
\$50 BONUS	\$50	1,200.16	21,123
GAME #1: 6 WORDS	\$100	800.95	31,651
GAME #2: 6 WORDS	\$100	798.76	31,738
GAME #1: 4 WORDS (MONEYBAG)	\$100	799.16	31,722
GAME #2: 4 WORDS (MONEYBAG)	\$100	799.36	31,714
GAME #1: 5 WORDS + GAME #2: 5 WORDS	\$100	799.31	31,716
GAME #1: 3 WORDS (MONEYBAG) + GAME #2: 3 WORDS (MONEYBAG)	\$100	727.87	34,829
GAME #1: 3 WORDS (MONEYBAG) + GAME #2: 5 WORDS	\$100	727.03	34,869
GAME #1: 5 WORDS + GAME #2: 3 WORDS (MONEYBAG)	\$100	801.05	31,647
GAME #1: 5 WORDS + \$50 BONUS	\$100	798.93	31,731
GAME #2: 5 WORDS + \$50 BONUS	\$100	799.19	31,721
\$100 BONUS	\$100	800.70	31,661
GAME #1: 7 WORDS	\$200	6,015.89	4,214
GAME #2: 7 WORDS	\$200	6,008.76	4,219
GAME #1: 6 WORDS + GAME #2: 6 WORDS	\$200	5,977.59	4,241
GAME #1: 4 WORDS (MONEYBAG) + GAME #2: 4 WORDS (MONEYBAG)	\$200	6,000.23	4,225
\$200 BONUS	\$200	5,986.06	4,235
GAME #1: 8 WORDS	\$500	12,037.49	2,106
GAME #2: 8 WORDS	\$500	12,054.66	2,103
GAME #1: 7 WORDS + GAME #2: 7 WORDS + \$100 BONUS	\$500	11,991.94	2,114
GAME #1: 6 WORDS (MONEYBAG)	\$500	11,958.00	2,120
GAME #2: 6 WORDS (MONEYBAG)	\$500	12,003.30	2,112
GAME #1: 6 WORDS + GAME #2: 7 WORDS + \$200 BONUS	\$500	12,141.26	2,088
\$500 BONUS	\$500	5,995.97	4,228
GAME #1: 9 WORDS	\$1,000	29,615.0	856
GAME #2: 9 WORDS	\$1,000	29,789.0	851
GAME #1: 7 WORDS (MONEYBAG)	\$1,000	29,930.0	847
GAME #2: 7 WORDS (MONEYBAG)	\$1,000	30,001.0	845
GAME #1: 8 WORDS + GAME #2: 8 WORDS	\$1,000	29,859.0	849
GAME #1: 6 WORDS (MONEYBAG) + GAME #2: 6 WORDS (MONEYBAG)	\$1,000	30,251.0	838
\$1,000 BONUS	\$1,000	23,961.0	1,058
GAME #1: 10 WORDS	\$10,000	59,931.0	423
GAME #2: 10 WORDS	\$10,000	60,503.0	419

GAME #1: 9 WORDS (MONEYBAG) + GAME #2: 9 WORDS (MONEYBAG)	\$10.0 00	120.71 8.86	210
GAME #1: 11 WORDS	\$100. 000	1,810. 782.86	14
GAME #2: 11 WORDS	\$100. 000	2,535. 096.00	10
GAME #1: 12 WORDS (80K/YR/25YRS)*	\$2.00 0.000	6,337. 740.00	4
GAME #2: 12 WORDS (80K/YR/25YRS)*	\$2.00 0.000	6,337. 740.00	4

\*Prize amount if the annual payment option is chosen or has it applied. If the one-time cash payment option is chosen, the amount paid is in accordance with subsection (10), above.

(12) The estimated overall odds of winning some prize in Game Number 1582 are 1 in 3.37. All prizes are subject to availability at the time of ticket purchase. Prizes may be unavailable due to prior sale or other causes occurring in the normal course of business including, but not limited to, ticket damage, defect, theft, or loss.

(13) For reorders of Game Number 1582, the estimated odds of winning, value, and number of prizes shall be proportionate to the number of tickets reordered.

(14) Payment of prizes for ULTIMATE VIP CASHWORD lottery tickets shall be made in accordance with the rule of the Florida Lottery governing payment of prizes. A copy of the current rule can be obtained from the Florida Lottery, Office of the General Counsel, 250 Marriott Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-4011 or at flrules.org.

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EFFECTIVE DATE: December 9, 2024

## Section V Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Rule Variance or Waiver

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION  
Health Facility and Agency Licensing

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

59A-3.243 Nursing Services

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on November 19, 2024, the Agency for Health Care Administration, received a petition for a limited conditional variance from paragraph 59A-3.243(4)(c) and subsection (6) F.A.C. from Trustees of Mease Hospital, Inc. doing business as Mease Dunedin Hospital seeking to deliver a new technology platform consistent with the Acute Care at

Home model. The petition was assigned case number 2024015522. Any interested person or other agency may submit written comments on the petition within 14 days after this notice by e-mailing hospitals@ahca.myflorida.com.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Jack Plagge, Agency for Health Care Administration, 2727 Mahan Drive, Mail Stop #31, Tallahassee, Florida 32308 or e-mailing hospitals@ahca.myflorida.com.

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION

Health Facility and Agency Licensing

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

59A-3.243 Nursing Services

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on November 19, 2024, the Agency for Health Care Administration, received a petition for a limited conditional variance from paragraph 59A-3.243(4)(c) and subsection (6) F.A.C. from BayCare Pasco, Inc. doing business as BayCare Hospital Wesley Chapel, seeking to deliver a new technology platform consistent with the Acute Care at Home model. The petition was assigned case number 2024015523. Any interested person or other agency may submit written comments on the petition within 14 days after this notice by e-mailing hospitals@ahca.myflorida.com.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Jack Plagge, Agency for Health Care Administration, 2727 Mahan Drive, Mail Stop #31, Tallahassee, Florida 32308 or e-mailing hospitals@ahca.myflorida.com.

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION

Health Facility and Agency Licensing

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

59A-3.243 Nursing Services

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on November 19, 2024, the Agency for Health Care Administration, received a petition for a limited conditional variance from paragraph 59A-3.243(4)(c) and subsection (6) F.A.C. from Bartow Regional Medical Center, Inc., seeking to deliver a new technology platform consistent with the Acute Care at Home model. The petition was assigned case number 2024015525. Any interested person or other agency may submit written comments on the petition within 14 days after this notice by e-mailing hospitals@ahca.myflorida.com.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Jack Plagge, Agency for Health Care Administration, 2727 Mahan Drive, Mail Stop #31, Tallahassee, Florida 32308 or e-mailing hospitals@ahca.myflorida.com.

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION

Health Facility and Agency Licensing

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

59A-3.243 Nursing Services

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on November 19, 2024, the Agency for Health Care Administration, received a petition for a limited conditional variance from paragraph 59A-3.243(4)(c) and subsection (6) F.A.C. from South Florida Baptist Hospital, Inc. seeking to deliver a new technology platform consistent with the Acute Care at Home model. The petition was assigned case number 2024015527. Any interested person or other agency may submit written comments on the petition within 14 days after this notice by e-mailing hospitals@ahca.myflorida.com.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Jack Plagge, Agency for Health Care Administration, 2727 Mahan Drive, Mail Stop #31, Tallahassee, Florida 32308 or e-mailing hospitals@ahca.myflorida.com.

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION

Health Facility and Agency Licensing

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

59A-3.243 Nursing Services

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on November 19, 2024, the Agency for Health Care Administration, received a petition for a limited conditional variance from paragraph 59A-3.243(4)(c) and subsection (6) F.A.C. from Morton Plant Hospital Association, Inc. doing business as Morton Plant North Bay Hospital seeking to deliver a new technology platform consistent with the Acute Care at Home model. The petition was assigned case number 2024015528. Any interested person or other agency may submit written comments on the petition within 14 days after this notice by e-mailing hospitals@ahca.myflorida.com.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Jack Plagge, Agency for Health Care Administration, 2727 Mahan Drive, Mail Stop #31, Tallahassee, Florida 32308 or e-mailing hospitals@ahca.myflorida.com.

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION

Health Facility and Agency Licensing

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

59A-3.243 Nursing Services

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on November 19, 2024, the Agency for Health Care Administration, received a petition for a limited conditional variance from paragraph 59A-3.243(4)(c) and subsection (6) F.A.C. from Winter Haven Hospital, Inc. seeking to deliver a new technology platform consistent with the Acute Care at Home model. The petition was assigned case number 2024015529. Any interested person or other agency

may submit written comments on the petition within 14 days after this notice by e-mailing hospitals@ahca.myflorida.com.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Jack Plagge, Agency for Health Care Administration, 2727 Mahan Drive, Mail Stop #31, Tallahassee, Florida 32308 or e-mailing hospitals@ahca.myflorida.com.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Board of Cosmetology

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 24, 2024, the Board of Cosmetology, received a petition for variance or waiver filed by Candice L. Sawyer, Petitioner. Petitioner also filed an additional notice on October 24, 2024. Petitioner is seeking a variance or waiver from Rule 61G5-29.011, Florida Administrative Code, regarding an Endorsement of Specialty Registration. Petitioner is seeking a permanent variance or waiver to obtain a Facial Specialist and a Nail Specialist/Manicurist license in the state of Florida without submitting a certificate of completion from the school they attended that closed.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Ruthanne Christie, Executive Director, Board of Cosmetology, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0783, Ruthanne.Christie@myfloridalicense.com Comments on this petition should be filed with the Board of Cosmetology within 14 days of publication of this notice.

Section VI

Notice of Meetings, Workshops and Public Hearings

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

Suwannee River Water Management District

The Suwannee River Water Management District announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, December 10, 2024, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: District Headquarters, 9225 CR 49, Live Oak, FL 32060

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Governing Board Meeting, Workshops, Public Hearings, and/or Committee Meetings. Consideration of Suwannee River Water Management District business. Information regarding viewing the meeting will be available on the District's website at www.mysuwanneeriver.com. NOTE: One or more Governing Board members may attend and participate in the meetings by means of communications media technology. The Suwannee River Water Management District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or disability in any of its activities or programs, including any



activity or program receiving assistance from the Environmental Protection Agency or programs covered by section 13 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972. The District has designated the following individual as its Civil Right Coordinator: Ben Glass, District Ombudsman, 9225 CR 49, Live Oak, FL 32060, Phone: (386)362-1001 Fax: (386)362-0418.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: (386)362-1001 or 1(800)226-1066 (Florida only) or on the District's website at [www.mysuwanneeriver.com](http://www.mysuwanneeriver.com), when published.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 2 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: (386)362-1001 or 1(800)226-1066 (Florida only). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be issued.

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#### WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

South Florida Water Management District

The South Florida Water Management District announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, December 4, 2024, 9:00 a.m.  
Resiliency Coordination Forum

PLACE: SFWMD Headquarters, B-1 Building, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

Members of the public may view the meeting via Zoom, a media technology free for the public to use.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The South Florida Water Management District is committed to enhancing regional coordination and reinforcing partnership opportunities by holding proactive discussions, leveraging technical knowledge, and exchanging information. This is a forum to engage partners on expanding understanding about the impacts of changing climate conditions on water resources and fostering a constructive environment to discuss tangible asset level solutions.

The public and stakeholders will have an opportunity to attend in person. The meeting will also be available to view at: <https://sfwmd.link/4931WPc>. Remote participation will not be available for this meeting. The link will go live at approximately 9:00 a.m. on December 4, 2024.

One or more members of the Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District may attend this forum. No Governing Board action will be taken.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Yvette Bonilla at [ybonilla@sfwmd.gov](mailto:ybonilla@sfwmd.gov). The agenda will be posted to the District's website [www.SFWMD.gov/meetings](http://www.SFWMD.gov/meetings), seven days prior to the meeting.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least seven days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Molly Brown, District Clerk, at [mobrown@sfwmd.gov](mailto:mobrown@sfwmd.gov). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Yvette Bonilla at [ybonilla@sfwmd.gov](mailto:ybonilla@sfwmd.gov).

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#### WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

South Florida Water Management District

The South Florida Water Management District announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, December 3, 2024, 10:00 a.m.  
Quarterly Meeting of the Everglades Technical Oversight Committee

PLACE: SFWMD Headquarters, B-1 Building, Auditorium, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

TOC Members and the public may participate and provide public comment in-person or via Zoom, a media technology free for the public to use.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Everglades Technical Oversight Committee meeting is a public meeting held quarterly to provide an update on water quality conditions in the Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge and at inflows to Everglades National Park relative to the 1991 Settlement Agreement, entered as a Consent Decree in 1992, and modified in 1995.

The public and stakeholders will have an opportunity to view and comment on the meeting by attending in person or utilizing the following link:

<https://sfwmd.link/3REnIIV>. The link will go live at approximately 10:00 a.m. on December 3, 2024.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Julianne LaRock at (561)682-6747, [jlarock@sfwmd.gov](mailto:jlarock@sfwmd.gov). The agenda will be posted to the District's website at [www.SFWMD.gov/meetings](http://www.SFWMD.gov/meetings) and [www.SFWMD.gov/toc](http://www.SFWMD.gov/toc), seven days prior to the meeting.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least seven days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Molly Brown, District Clerk, at [mobrown@sfwmd.gov](mailto:mobrown@sfwmd.gov). If you are hearing or speech impaired,

please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).  
 For more information, you may contact: Julianne LaRock at (561)682-6747 or jlarock@sfwmd.gov.

**DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION**

**Construction Industry Licensing Board**

The Construction Industry Licensing Board announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

**DATE AND TIME:** Thursday, December 12, 2024, 8:30 a.m.  
**PLACE:** SpringHill Suites - New Smyrna Beach, 512 Flagler Avenue, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32169 (386)427-0512

**GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:** General Business, disciplinary and committee meetings of the Board.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jordan Jones, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1039, (850)717-1983.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Jordan Jones, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1039, (850)717-1983. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be issued.

For more information, you may contact: Jordan Jones, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1039, (850)717-1983.

**DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION**

**Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board**

The Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

**DATES AND TIMES:** Tuesday, December 10, 2024, 10:00 a.m.; Wednesday, December 11, 2024, 10:00 a.m.  
**PLACE:** <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/564765493>

You can also dial in using your phone.

United States: +1(224)501-3412

Access Code 564-765-493

**GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:** Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.: Application Review; Wednesday, December 11, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.: Application Review

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399. (850)487-1395.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399. (850)487-1395. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399. (850)487-1395.

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

The Bureau of Emergency Medical Oversight announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

**DATES AND TIMES:** January 8, 2025, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; January 9, 2025, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; January 10, 2025, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

**PLACE:** Orange County Convention Center, 9800 International Drive, Orlando, Florida 32819

**GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:** The EMS Advisory Council is meeting to conduct the general business of the council in accordance with section 401.245, Florida Statutes. The meeting will continue until the conclusion of the business. Virtual attendance will be available. Please visit the EMS Advisory Council web page for virtual links, schedules, agendas, and additional information at <https://tinyurl.com/EMSAC-FL>.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Shireka Davis at [Shireka.Davis2@flhealth.gov](mailto:Shireka.Davis2@flhealth.gov).

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Shireka Davis at [Shireka.Davis2@flhealth.gov](mailto:Shireka.Davis2@flhealth.gov). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be issued.

For more information, you may contact: Shireka Davis at [Shireka.Davis2@flhealth.gov](mailto:Shireka.Davis2@flhealth.gov).

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

Division of Children's Medical Services

The Child Abuse Death Review Circuit 13 Committee announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: January 8, 2025, 1:00 p.m. - 1:15 p.m., Eastern Time

PLACE: Zoom Meeting. Register in advance for this meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/join/Ab5cCFf41Ovc78Z4-pbqFC>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Committee will address administrative issues, review cases, and discuss the CADR Action Plan. A portion of the meeting is required by paragraph 383.412(3)(a), F.S. to be closed to the public to allow the Committee to discuss information that is confidential and exempt from public meetings and public records. This portion of the meeting will be announced at the meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: [carry.simons@flhealth.gov](mailto:carry.simons@flhealth.gov)

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: [carry.simons@flhealth.gov](mailto:carry.simons@flhealth.gov). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: [carry.simons@flhealth.gov](mailto:carry.simons@flhealth.gov)

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

Division of Children's Medical Services

The Child Abuse Death Review Circuit 2 Committee announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: January 21, 2025, 10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m., EST

PLACE: Microsoft Teams: <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-teams/join-a-meeting>

Meeting ID: 272 940 530 954

Passcode: 5iio5K

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Committee will address administrative issues, review cases, and discuss the CADR Action Plan. A portion of the meeting is required by paragraph 383.412(3)(a), F.S. to be closed to the public to allow the Committee to discuss information that is

confidential and exempt from public meetings and public records. This portion of the meeting will be announced at the meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: [dawn.mcgriff@flhealth.gov](mailto:dawn.mcgriff@flhealth.gov)

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: [dawn.mcgriff@flhealth.gov](mailto:dawn.mcgriff@flhealth.gov). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: [dawn.mcgriff@flhealth.gov](mailto:dawn.mcgriff@flhealth.gov)

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

Division of Children's Medical Services

The Child Abuse Death Review Circuit 4 Committee \*Duval\* announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: December 13, 2024, 9:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m., EST

PLACE: First Coast Child Protection Team, 4539 Beach Blvd, Jacksonville Florida 32207

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Committee will address administrative issues, review cases, and discuss the CADR Action Plan. A portion of the meeting is required by paragraph 383.412(3)(a), F.S. to be closed to the public to allow the Committee to discuss information that is confidential and exempt from public meetings and public records. This portion of the meeting will be announced at the meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: [jessica.winberry@bmcjax.com](mailto:jessica.winberry@bmcjax.com)

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: [jessica.winberry@bmcjax.com](mailto:jessica.winberry@bmcjax.com). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: [jessica.winberry@bmcjax.com](mailto:jessica.winberry@bmcjax.com)

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

Division of Children's Medical Services

The Child Abuse Death Review Circuit 4 Committee \*Duval\* announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Will meet the first Friday of each month beginning January 2025, 9:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m., EST

PLACE: First Coast Child Protection Team, 4539 Beach Blvd, Jacksonville Florida 32207

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Committee will address administrative issues, review cases, and discuss the CADR Action Plan. A portion of the meeting is required by paragraph 383.412(3)(a), F.S. to be closed to the public to allow the Committee to discuss information that is confidential and exempt from public meetings and public records. This portion of the meeting will be announced at the meeting

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: [jessica.winberry@bmcjax.com](mailto:jessica.winberry@bmcjax.com)

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: [jessica.winberry@bmcjax.com](mailto:jessica.winberry@bmcjax.com). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: [jessica.winberry@bmcjax.com](mailto:jessica.winberry@bmcjax.com)

**AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY TASK FORCE**

The Florida A & M University announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: November 26, 2024, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

PLACE: Zoom

<https://famuzoom.us/j/99668651721>

Meeting ID: 996 6865 1721

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Commissioner of Education’s African American Task Force Meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: [keith.rivero@famuedu](mailto:keith.rivero@famuedu)

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: [keith.rivero@famuedu](mailto:keith.rivero@famuedu). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: [keith.rivero@famuedu](mailto:keith.rivero@famuedu)

**AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY TASK FORCE**

The Florida A&M university announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: November 26, 2024, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., EDT or until business is concluded, whichever is earlier.

PLACE: Zoom

<https://famuzoom.us/j/99668651721>

Meeting ID: 996 6865 1721

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Commissioner of Education’s African American Task Force Meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: [keith.rivero@famuedu](mailto:keith.rivero@famuedu)

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: [keith.rivero@famuedu](mailto:keith.rivero@famuedu). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: [keith.rivero@famuedu](mailto:keith.rivero@famuedu)

**FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES**

The Florida Association of Counties Trust (FACT) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Friday, December 13, 2024, 8:30 a.m., EST

PLACE: Drury Plaza Hotel Tallahassee, 1690 Raymond Diehl Road, Tallahassee, FL 32308

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Florida Association of Counties Trust member meeting and general board meeting conducted through the use of communications media technology, as authorized by subsection 163.01(18), Florida Statutes.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Chris Krepcho, [ckrepcho@flcities.com](mailto:ckrepcho@flcities.com), (407)367-4004.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Chris Krepcho, [ckrepcho@flcities.com](mailto:ckrepcho@flcities.com), (407)367-4004. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: Chris Krepcho, [ckrepcho@flcities.com](mailto:ckrepcho@flcities.com), (407)367-4004.

**CONCRETE MASONRY EDUCATION COUNCIL**

The Florida Concrete Masonry Education Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: December 4, 2024, 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Video-Conference Meeting - Microsoft Teams Meeting

CALL-IN INFORMATION:

Number: (866)619-5581

Access Code: 883 640 706#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:  
General Business

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jennifer Starr, Interim Executive Director, at: [jstarr@pcgus.com](mailto:jstarr@pcgus.com) or via the Council's website: [floridamasonrycouncil.org](http://floridamasonrycouncil.org)

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Jennifer Starr at [jstarr@pcgus.com](mailto:jstarr@pcgus.com). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Jennifer Starr, Interim Executive Director, at: [jstarr@pcgus.com](mailto:jstarr@pcgus.com)

AMERICAN CONSULTING PROFESSIONALS -  
DEBORAH TURNER

The Florida Department of Transportation District Seven announces a hearing to which all persons are invited. announces a hearing to which all persons are invited.

DATES AND TIMES: Monday, December 9, 2024, 8:00 a.m. - Friday, December 13, 2024, 5:00 p.m.

PLACES: WEBSITE: [www.fdot.gov/wpph/district7](http://www.fdot.gov/wpph/district7)

OPEN HOUSE: Thursday, December 12, 2024, 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Temple Terrace Public Library located at 202 Bullard Pkwy, Temple Terrace, FL 33617

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District Seven, invites you to comment on the Tentative Five-Year Work Program for projects scheduled July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2030.

The District Seven, Tentative Five-Year Work Program includes upcoming planning activities, preliminary engineering, right of way acquisition, construction, and public transportation projects planned by FDOT and Florida's Turnpike Enterprise within Citrus, Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco, and Pinellas Counties. Select local government projects are also included.

There are two ways to learn about the Tentative Five-Year Work Program:

1. Beginning Monday, December 9, 2024, visit [www.fdot.gov/wpph/district7](http://www.fdot.gov/wpph/district7) to view Work Program maps, documents, and videos. If you do not have access to the internet,

you can use a computer at your local public library during the library's regular operating hours.

2. Attend the District-Wide Work Program Open House: Thursday, December 12, 2024, 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., at Temple Terrace Public Library, Robbins Family Conference Room, 202 Bullard Pkwy, Temple Terrace, FL 33617.

Comments can be submitted two ways:

3. Online: Visit [www.fdot.gov/wpph/district7](http://www.fdot.gov/wpph/district7) and click the "Comment" button to submit a comment.

4. US Mail: Address comments to Steve Drum, Work Program Administrator, Florida Department of Transportation District Seven, 11201 N. McKinley Drive, MS 7-350, Tampa, FL 33612.

Comments must be submitted, or postmarked, by December 30, 2024, to become part of the official record.

Comuniquese con nosotros

Si usted tiene preguntas o comentarios o si simplemente desea mas informacion sobre este proyecto, favor de ponerse en contacto con nuestro representante, el señor Manuel Flores, al teléfono (813)975-6279 o correo electrónico [manuel.flores@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:manuel.flores@dot.state.fl.us).

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: NA Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Roger Roscoe, Public Involvement Coordinator, at [Roger.Roscoe@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Roger.Roscoe@dot.state.fl.us), or (813)975-6411. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Roger Roscoe, Public Involvement Coordinator, [Roger.Roscoe@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Roger.Roscoe@dot.state.fl.us), (813)975-6411 or (800)226-7220.

## Section VII Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Declaratory Statements

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Massage Therapy

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Board of Massage Therapy has received the petition for declaratory statement from Rachel Lewis, filed on October 18, 2024. The petition seeks the agency's opinion as to the applicability of Section 480.033, Florida Statutes, as it applies to the petitioner.

Petitioner asks the Board to issue a Declaratory Statement regarding the petitioner's clarification as to whether or not a massage therapy licensure is required to operate a clinic to provide back-scratching service. Except for good cause shown,

motions for leave to intervene must be filed within 21 days after the publication of this notice.

A copy of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Stephanie Webster, Executive Director, Board of Massage Therapy, at the above listed address, (850)245-4162, or by electronic mail – stephanie.webster@flhealth.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

School Psychology

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B21-500.005 Experience Required for Licensure

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Department of Health has received the petition for declaratory statement from Sarah Gregor, Psy.S. The petition seeks the agency's opinion as to the applicability of 456.47, F.S. as it applies to the petitioner.

Petitioner seeks clarification on whether the supervised experience needed to obtain licensure as a school psychologist in the state of Florida can be conducted via telehealth, with the supervisor residing in Florida and the Petitioner residing in another state.

A copy of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Anna King, Program Operations Administrator/Supervisor

Please refer all comments to: Anna.King@flhealth.gov

Section VIII

Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding the Validity of Rules

Notice of Petition for Administrative Determination has been filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

NONE

Notice of Disposition of Petition for Administrative Determination has been filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

NONE

Section IX

Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Non-rule Policy Challenges

NONE

Section X

Announcements and Objection Reports of the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee

NONE

Section XI

Notices Regarding Bids, Proposals and Purchasing

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Miami Dade College Bid/Solicitation Announcement

DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MIAMI DADE COLLEGE, 11011 S.W. 104th STREET, MIAMI, FL 33176-3393

Miami Dade College is seeking electronic responses to the Invitation to Bid (ITB) listed below. All solicitation documents, announcements, scheduled meetings, and links will be posted on, and communicated through, the Miami Dade College BidNet Direct website: <https://www.bidnetdirect.com/florida/miamidadecollege>.

Note, construction plans and project specifications can be downloaded from BidNet link above.

Solicitation ID - ITB 2025-RM-05

Title: Network Services College-wide

Due Date by 3:00 p.m., est – January 10th, 2025

Contact: Rossella Montejo - [rmontejo@mdc.edu](mailto:rmontejo@mdc.edu)

If a person decides to appeal any decision with respect to any matter considered at the above-cited meeting, you will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose you may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. A copy of the agenda may be obtained by writing to: Miami Dade College, Office of the Purchasing Director, 11011 S.W. 104 Street, Miami, FL 33176 or by calling (305)237-2402.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

University of Florida

UF-698 Center for Applied Artificial Intelligence – Balm - Cx Selection

The University of Florida Board of Trustees announces that Professional Services in the disciplines of engineering and architecture for Total Building Commissioning will be required for the project listed below:

Project: UF-698, Center for Applied Artificial Intelligence – Balm (University of Florida, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS), Gulf Coast Research and Education Center (GCREC) – Balm, Wimauma, Florida)

The project consists of approximately 34,000 NSF of office, research, and meeting space and provide housing for approximately 32 graduate students. The facility will include a state-of-the-art research shop equipped with the equipment necessary to design and build robotic technologies for agriculture, meeting space to be used as a central hub for training in AI and robotic technologies, as well as offices and open concept work areas. The housing will be a separate structure(s) in the project vicinity. The scope of services shall include design phase peer review; completion and maintenance of the Owner's Project Requirements (OPR) document; development of the Commissioning Plan, Commissioning Specifications, and Systems Manual; and construction phase pre-functional, functional, and performance testing for mechanical, electrical, building automation, and building envelope systems. The consultant shall also support project efforts to achieve higher-than-normal energy efficiency and attain Florida Green Building Coalition (FGBC) Gold Certification.

Blanket professional liability insurance will be required for this project in the amount of \$1,000,000. The selected applicant will also be required to provide insurance coverage for General Liability, Automotive Liability, and Workers' Compensation.

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

Firms desiring to apply for consideration shall submit a proposal only after thoroughly reviewing the facilities program, Project Facts and Commissioning Agent Qualifications (CxQS) Instructions, and other background information. Please see the project-specific page of the Planning Design & Construction Office website: <https://facilities.ufl.edu/projects/selection-notices/> for more information on this project and the Cx selection process.

At the time of application, the applicant must possess current design Professional Registration Certificate(s) from the appropriate governing board; must be properly registered to practice its profession in the State of Florida; and, if the applicant is a corporation, must be chartered by the Florida Department of State to operate in Florida. As required by Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, an applicant may not submit a proposal for this project if it is on the convicted vendor list for a public entity crime committed within the past 36 months. The selected applicant must warrant that it will neither utilize the services of, nor contract with, any supplier, subcontractor, or consultant in excess of \$15,000.00 in connection with this project for a period of 36 months from the date of their being placed on the convicted vendor list.

Incomplete proposals will be disqualified. Submittal materials will not be returned.

The Commissioning Services Proposal Forms, Project Facts and Commissioning Agent Qualifications (CxQS) Instructions, UF Design Services Guide, UF Design & Construction Standards, PD&C non-technical specifications, standard University of Florida Owner-Commissioning Consultant agreement, and other project and process information can be found on the Planning Design & Construction website.

Provide the application submittal as prescribed in the Project Facts and Commissioning Agent Qualifications (CxQS) Instructions. Electronic submittals must be received in the Planning, Design & Construction office by 3:00 p.m. local time, on Monday, December 23, 2024. Facsimile (FAX) submittals are not acceptable and will not be considered.

Planning Design & Construction, 245 Gale Lemerand Drive / P.O. Box 115050, Gainesville, FL 32611-5050, Telephone: (352)273-4000, Internet: [www.facilities.ufl.edu](http://www.facilities.ufl.edu)

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
DEP RFP 2025004 Ambient Air Monitoring Gaseous  
Performance Audits**

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection is requesting Responses from qualified vendors to provide Ambient Air Monitoring Gaseous Performance Audits. The Department will post notice of any changes or additional meeting(s) on the Vendor Information Portal (VIP) in accordance with section 287.042(3), Florida Statutes, and will not re-advertise any notice in the Florida Administrative Register (FAR). Access the VIP at: <https://vendor.myfloridamarketplace.com/>

**FLORIDA GAMING CONTROL COMMISSION**

**Notice of ITB/RFP/ITN Public Bid Opening**

The Florida Gaming Control Commission announces a public bid opening for Invitation to Negotiate (ITN) for Leased Space, ITN Number 415:0019 – Polk County, to which all interested persons are invited to attend.

**DATE AND TIME:** Tuesday, December 17, 2024, 2:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** 4070 Esplanade Way, Suite 250, Tallahassee, FL 32399

**GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:** This is a meeting to open replies received in response to ITN Number 415:0019 – Polk County.

**CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH**

Proceeding with Unsolicited Proposal for the K Street Parking Garage

Notice of Bid/Request for Proposal

**OTHER AGENCIES AND ORGANIZATIONS**

Report on City of Lake Worth Beach

### Proceeding with Unsolicited Proposal for the K Street Parking Garage

Pursuant to Section 255.065(3)(d), Florida Statutes

On September 30, 2024, the City of Lake Worth Beach (City) received a public/private partnership (P3) unsolicited proposal from Sunshine Lake Worth Development, LLC (SLWD), to develop a public parking garage at K Street in the City's downtown area. SLWD submitted the unsolicited proposal as part of the overall proposed project for the Wiener Museum of Decorative Arts (WMODA), which proposed project is memorialized in a Development Agreement entered by the City with the Lake Worth Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) and SLWD on October 15, 2024 (WMODA Project).

On October 15, 2024, the City Commission held the first duly noticed public meeting pursuant to section 255.065(3)(c), Florida Statutes, wherein the City presented and heard public comment regarding SLWD's unsolicited proposal for the K Street Parking Garage. After hearing public comment, the City Commission voted 4 to 1 in favor of moving the unsolicited proposal to its second publicly noticed meeting for the City Commission to determine if the unsolicited proposal is in the public's interest.

On October 29, 2024, the City Commission conducted its second duly noticed public meeting on the SLWD's unsolicited proposal pursuant to section 255.065(3)(c), Florida Statutes. The City's attorney provided an overview of the process required under section 255.065(3)(c), Florida Statutes, including the five (5) factors the City Commission must consider for its determination of the public's interest; the proposed Resolution 46-2024 for the City Commission's consideration; and, that if the unsolicited proposal is determined to be in the public interest's, the process that will commence with City staff, the CRA, and SLWD to prepare a comprehensive agreement for the K Street Parking Garage. The comprehensive agreement will need to comply with the requirements of section 255.065, Florida Statutes. The City Commission then heard public comment from the public at the meeting and public comments sent to the City Clerk's Office, which were all read at the meeting. The City Commission engaged in a discussion regarding SLWD's unsolicited proposal after hearing all public comments. The City Commission passed Resolution No. 46-2024 finding the SLWD's unsolicited proposal for the K Street Parking Garage was in the public's interest in a vote of 4 to 1.

In making its decision, the City considered all public comments, and the Mayor and Commissioners specifically made comments in response supporting their decisions.

SLWD's unsolicited proposal, the Development Agreement for the WMODA Project, and the City Commission's October 15, 2024 and October 29, 2024 duly noticed public meetings

(including the agenda memos, back-up documents, and public comments received) are all available at: <https://lakeworthbeachfl.gov/government/commission-agendas-and-minutes/>, and which are all incorporated into this report by reference.

RESOLUTION NO. 46-2024 OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH, FLORIDA, DETERMINING PURSUANT TO SECTION 255.065, FLORIDA STATUTES, THAT THE UNSOLICITED PROPOSAL FROM SUNSHINE LAKE WORTH DEVELOPMENT, LLC, FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE K STREET PARKING GARAGE IS IN THE PUBLIC'S INTEREST; PROVIDING DIRECTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK TO ADVERTISE THE SAME IN THE FLORIDA REGISTRY AS REQUIRED BY STATUTE; AND, PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTS AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, at the October 15, 2024 City Commission meeting, pursuant to section 255.065, Florida Statutes (entitled, "Public-Private Partnerships") (P3), the City presented and heard public comment regarding Sunshine Lake Worth Development, LLC's (SLWD), unsolicited proposal to construct a parking garage on property at K Street in downtown Lake Worth Beach; and

WHEREAS, the unsolicited proposal was presented as a companion item to the Development Agreement with the Lake Worth Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) and SLWD for the Wiener Museum of Decorative Arts (WMODA) Project ("WMODA Development Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the City Commission approved the WMODA Development Agreement; however, said approval is contingent upon the City Commission determining that the SLWD unsolicited proposal is in the public's interest and moving to the next step in the P3 process; and

WHEREAS, if the City Commission determines that SLWD's unsolicited proposal is in the public's interest, the City, CRA, and SLWD will then commence preparing the agreements necessary to implement the actual design and construction of the K Street Parking Garage along with the other components of the WMODA Project; and

WHEREAS, under section 255.065, Florida Statutes, the determination as to whether SLWD's unsolicited proposal for the K Street Parking Garage is in the public's interest, is based on the City Commission's consideration of the following five (5) factors:

1. The benefits to the public.
2. The financial structure of and the economic efficiencies achieved by the proposal.
3. The qualifications and experience of the private entity that submitted the proposal and such entity's ability to perform the project.



4. The project's compatibility with regional infrastructure plans.

WHEREAS, specifically, under section 255.065, Florida Statutes, the City and SLWD will commence preparing a comprehensive agreement for the design and construction of the K Street Parking Garage, which will include, but not be limited to, the rights and responsibilities of SLWD and the City; requirements for insurance and bonding; design preparation and reviews standards; financing; fees to be charged; and cost savings; and

5. Public comments submitted at the meeting.

WHEREAS, the real property at issue under the SLWD unsolicited proposal for construction of the K Street Parking Garage is owned by the City (with a small parcel owned by the CRA) and is generally located at 13 South K Street, 19 South K Street, and 25 South K Street (with PCNs: 38-43-44-21-15-019-0220, 38-43-44-21-15-019-0230, and 38-43-44-21-15-019-0290); and

WHEREAS, the City Commission voted 4 – 1 at the first publicly noticed meeting on October 15, 2024 to move the unsolicited proposal to its second publicly noticed meeting; and WHEREAS, the City Commission determines that based on the findings stated herein and the findings stated on the record at the City Commission's October 29, 2024 publicly noticed meeting, SLWD's unsolicited proposal is in the public's interest and the City should move forward with preparing a comprehensive agreement for the design and construction of the K Street Parking Garage with SLWD.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are adopted by reference as true and correct findings of the City Commission.

Section 2. SLWD's unsolicited proposal (consisting of 20 pages and dated September 30, 2024) and the WMODA Development Agreement are incorporated into this Resolution by reference.

Section 3. The City Commission hereby makes the following findings based on its review of SLWD's unsolicited proposal for the K Street Parking Garage and after having heard public comment on the same at the City Commission's October 15, 2024 and October 29, 2024 publicly noticed meetings:

1. The benefit to the public. As stated in SLWD's proposal and the WMODA Development Agreement, the WMODA Project will provide the City with a mixed-use cultural arts campus including a 33,000 square foot museum, 102 market rate residential apartment units, eight (8) artist lofts with artist workspace dedicated at 80%-120% of adjusted median income for 15 years, 117 parking space subterranean parking structure to support residential uses, the K Street Parking Garage, an arts alley between L and M Street, relocation of four (4)

contributing structures, together with related amenities and utilities. The development proposed in the WMODA Project will remove sixty-five centrally located public parking spaces which are heavily utilized for downtown parking. The K Street parking garage is proposed as a multi-story, structured parking garage in accordance with the City's 2024 WGI Lake Worth Beach Parking Study Update to not only replace the removed parking spaces but to also add further public parking for the downtown and in support of the WMODA museum component. The WMODA Project improvements are estimated to provide the City of Lake Worth Beach with \$56M in economic output during construction (first two (2) years), increase visitors to the City of Lake Worth Beach and its downtown, increase jobs, increase downtown business revenues, provide an increase in property taxes over 10 years, and provide additional residential units and eight (8) affordable live/work artist units. All of these public benefits flowing from the WMODA Project will also cause an increase in public parking needs downtown, which parking needs are currently over 100% at peak times (with a well-documented need for at least an additional 250 parking spaces). Accordingly, the proposed K Street Parking Garage is a crucial component of WMODA Project and is therefore in the public's interest.

2. The financial structure of and the economic efficiencies achieved by the proposal. As stated in the SLWD proposal and the WMODA Development Agreement, the estimated cost of the parking garage is \$8.5M based on City's 2024 WGI Lake Worth Beach Parking Study Update. The financial structure to cover this cost includes the initial contributions as follow: \$1M from SLWD; \$1.5M from the CRA; and, \$2.5M from the City. SLWD will provide a low interest loan of \$3.5M for the remainder of the cost to be financed. The low interest loan will be repaid with revenue from the City's new parking system (including the K Street Parking Garage) and as further stated in the 2024 WGI Lake Worth Beach Parking Study Update. As can be seen from SLWD's unsolicited proposal, this financial structure should result in the City saving over \$2M in constructing the K Street Parking Garage compared to the City designing, financing, and constructing the parking garage on its own.

3. The qualifications and experience of the private entity that submitted the proposal and such entity's ability to perform the project. As stated in SLWD's proposal and shown through successful past developments, SLWD (and its president Arthur Weiner) has the qualifications and experience to timely and efficiently complete the K Street Parking Garage. United Management Corporation is a renowned family-owned business with over 80 years of expertise in multifamily real estate holdings, whose key principal is Arthur Weiner. United Management has engaged HE2PD, Inc., a full-service owner's representative firm specializing in construction to develop the

WMODA Project including the K Street Parking Garage. SLWD proposes to utilize the Construction Manager at Risk contract methodology to have the parking garage constructed. This methodology helps to ensure the project is completed on time and within budget.

4. The project’s compatibility with regional infrastructure plans. The WMODA Project is compatible with the regional infrastructure and the City’s comprehensive plan. The K Street Parking Garage will address the City’s long-standing and well-documented need for more public parking downtown. As stated in SLWD’s proposal, the K Street Parking Garage also satisfies several key policies of the City’s comprehensive plan including, but not limited to, pursuing proactive development strategies and redevelopment opportunities. The overall improvements to be made by the WMODA Project, including the K Street Parking Garage, will also assist the City in making some necessary and sustainable improvements to its downtown area.

5. Public comments submitted at the meeting. At the October 15, 2024 first publicly noticed meeting on SLWD’s unsolicited proposal, a majority of the public comments were in favor of pursuing the K Street Parking Garage via SLWD’s unsolicited proposal. Other comments addressed some issues that may arise as the City, CRA, and SLWD commence preparing the agreements for the K Street Parking Garage and the other components of the WMODA Project. It is anticipated that the public comments at the October 29, 2024 (second publicly noticed meeting) will be similar in nature. Since the City Commission and the public will have further opportunities to review, consider, and comment upon the comprehensive agreement for the K Street Parking Garage and the other components of the WMODA Project, the City believes the comments made will be sufficiently addressed in the forthcoming agreements.

Section 4. The City Clerk is directed to publish in the Florida Administrative Register a report that includes this Resolution and makes publicly available the WMODA Development Agreement and SLWD’s unsolicited proposal.

Section 5. All resolutions or parts of resolutions are hereby amended to the extent that they are in conflict with this Resolution.

Section 6. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

The passage of this resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Sarah Malega seconded by Commissioner Mimi May, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

- Mayor Betty Resch Yes
- Vice Mayor Sarah Malega Yes
- Commissioner Christopher McVoy No
- Commissioner Reinaldo Diaz Yes
- Commissioner Mimi May Yes

The Mayor thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted on the 29th day of October 2024.

LAKE WORTH BEACH CITY COMMISSION

Betty Resch, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melissa Ann Coyne, MMC, City Clerk

## Section XII Miscellaneous

### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Index of Administrative Rules Filed with the Secretary of State Pursuant to subparagraph 120.55(1)(b)6. – 7., F.S., the below list of rules were filed in the Office of the Secretary of State between 3:00 p.m., Friday, November 15, 2024, and 3:00 p.m., Thursday, November 21, 2024.

Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
5A-19.001	11/15/2024	12/5/2024
5C-3.001	11/15/2024	12/5/2024
5C-3.005	11/15/2024	12/5/2024
5C-4.0016	11/18/2024	12/8/2024
5C-4.0017	11/18/2024	12/8/2024
5C-4.002	11/18/2024	12/8/2024
5C-4.004	11/18/2024	12/8/2024
5C-4.005	11/18/2024	12/8/2024
5C-4.008	11/18/2024	12/8/2024
53ER24-49	11/21/2024	11/25/2024
53ER24-50	11/21/2024	12/9/2024
53ER24-51	11/21/2024	12/9/2024
53ER24-52	11/21/2024	12/9/2024
61-6.011	11/21/2024	12/11/2024
61K1-3.004	11/15/2024	12/5/2024
61K1-3.005	11/15/2024	12/5/2024
61K1-3.006	11/15/2024	12/5/2024
61K1-3.007	11/15/2024	12/5/2024
61K1-3.011	11/15/2024	12/5/2024
61K1-3.013	11/15/2024	12/5/2024
61K1-3.016	11/15/2024	12/5/2024
61K1-3.020	11/15/2024	12/5/2024
61K1-3.021	11/15/2024	12/5/2024
61K1-3.026	11/15/2024	12/5/2024
62-621.300	11/19/2024	12/9/2024
64B7-25.004	11/20/2024	12/10/2024

64B7-26.001	11/21/2024	12/11/2024
64B7-26.010	11/21/2024	12/11/2024
64B7-26.0035	11/21/2024	12/11/2024
64B33-2.0012	11/20/2024	12/10/2024
64B16-26.2033	11/15/2024	12/5/2024
64B16-26.350	11/15/2024	12/5/2024
65CER22-1	11/20/2024	11/23/2024
69B-221.003	11/19/2024	12/9/2024
69B-221.005	11/19/2024	12/9/2024
69B-221.065	11/19/2024	12/9/2024
69B-221.070	11/19/2024	12/9/2024
69B-221.085	11/19/2024	12/9/2024
69B-221.100	11/19/2024	12/9/2024
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69C-2.029	11/19/2024	12/9/2024
69C-2.030	11/19/2024	12/9/2024
69C-2.031	11/19/2024	12/9/2024
69C-2.032	11/19/2024	12/9/2024

69C-2.034	11/19/2024	12/9/2024
<b>LIST OF RULES AWAITING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL SECTIONS 120.541(3), 373.139(7) AND/OR 373.1391(6), FLORIDA STATUTES</b>		
<b>Rule No.</b>	<b>File Date</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
60FF1-5.009	7/21/2016	**/**/****
64B8-10.003	12/9/2015	**/**/****
65C-9.004	3/31/2022	**/**/****

**Section XIII**  
**Index to Rules Filed During Preceding Week**

NOTE: The above section will be published on Tuesday beginning October 2, 2012, unless Monday is a holiday, then it will be published on Wednesday of that week.