

Section I

Notice of Development of Proposed Rules and Negotiated Rulemaking

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

State Board of Education

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
6A-10.024 Articulation Between and Among
 Universities, Florida Colleges, and School
 Districts

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The rule implements the statewide articulated acceleration mechanisms of Section 1007.27, Florida Statutes. The rule is being amended to update the Credit by Examination List for the upcoming academic year including the addition of the Florida Advanced College Algebra course, and its temporary passing score. Other changes may be considered for purposes of clarity and consistency.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Credit by Examination List 2025-26

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 1001.02(1), (2)(n), 1004.096(1), 1004.0981, 1007.23(1), 1007.25, 1007.27, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 1001.64(8)(a), 1004.096(1), 1004.0981, 1007.01(2), 1007.23, 1007.25, 1007.27, , F.S.

IF REQUESTED IN WRITING AND NOT DEEMED UNNECESSARY BY THE AGENCY HEAD, A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE NOTICED IN THE NEXT AVAILABLE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: To comment on this rule development or to request a rule development workshop, please go to <https://web02.fldoe.org/rules> or contact: Shannon Mercer, Office of Articulation, (850)245-0407 or shannon.mercer@fldoe.org.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS NOT AVAILABLE.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Opticianry

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
64B12-9.0015 Application for Examination and Licensure
PURPOSE AND EFFECT: One of the forms incorporated in the rule, Form DH-MQA 1065 (Optician Application for Examination), is revised to reflect new background screening requirements in s. 456.0135, F.S.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: One of the forms incorporated in the rule, Form DH-MQA 1065 (Optician

Application for Examination), is revised to reflect new background screening requirements in s. 456.0135, F.S.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 456.013(1), 456.017(1), 456.072(1), 484.005(1), 484.007(1) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 456.013(1), (2), (3), 456.017(1)(f), 456.0635(2), (3), 484.007(1), (2) FS.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Kieran Compagnone, Delegated Executive Director, Board of Opticianry, 4052 Bald Cypress Way Bin C-08, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3258, (850)245-4462 or by electronic mail – Kieran.Compagnone@flhealth.gov

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Opticianry

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B12-9.016 Endorsement

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The form incorporated in the rule, Form DH-MQA 5101, Mobile Opportunity by Interstate Licensure Endorsement (MOBILE), is revised to reflect new background screening requirements in s. 456.0135, F.S.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: The form incorporated in the rule, Form DH-MQA 5101, Mobile Opportunity by Interstate Licensure Endorsement (MOBILE), is revised to reflect new background screening requirements in s. 456.0135, F.S.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 484.005(1), 484.007(3) FS

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 484.007(3) FS.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Opticianry

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B12-16.003 Apprenticeship Requirements and Training Program

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The form incorporated in the rule, Form DH-MQA 1180, Optician Apprentice Application for Registration, is revised to reflect new background screening requirements in s. 456.0135, F.S.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: The form incorporated in the rule, Form DH-MQA 1180, Optician Apprentice Application for Registration, is revised to reflect new background screening requirements in s. 456.0135, F.S.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 484.005(1), 484.007(1)(d)4, FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 456.0635(2), (3), 484.002, 484.007(1)(d)24, FS.

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DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Securities

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

69W-200.001 Definitions

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose and effect is to amend the existing rule to update cross-references to implement Chapter 2025-28, Laws of Florida.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Securities Regulation
RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 517.03, FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 517.07, 517.021, 517.051, 517.061, 517.081, 517.12, 517.161, FS.

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THE NEXT AVAILABLE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Ryann White, Office of General Counsel, (850)410-9803, Ryann.White@flofr.gov.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS NOT AVAILABLE.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Securities

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

69W-302.001 Application for Payment from Securities Guaranty Fund

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose and effect is to implement the Securities Guaranty Fund as amended by Chapters 2024-128 and 2025-28, Laws of Florida, and to adopt forms.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Securities Regulation
RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 517.131, FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 517.131, FS.

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DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Securities

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:

69W-500.019 Accredited Investor Exemption

69W-500.020 Florida Invest Local Exemption

69W-500.021 Foreign Securities Exchange or Foreign Securities Market for Purposes of Section 517.061(20), F.S.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose and effect is to adopt rules pertaining to the accredited investor exemption, the Florida Invest Local exemption, and the Foreign Securities Exchange and Foreign Securities Market Exemption and implement Chapter 2024-168 and Chapter 2025- 28, Laws of Florida.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Securities Regulation
RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 517.03(1), 517.061, 517.061(10), FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 517.061(11), 517.061(20), 517.0612(10), FS.

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DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Securities

RULE NOS.:	RULE TITLES:
69W-600.001	Application for Registration as a Dealer (FINRA)
69W-600.0011	Effect of Law Enforcement Records on Applications for Registration as Dealer, Intermediary, or Investment Adviser
69W-600.0012	Application for Registration as a Dealer (Non-FINRA)
69W-600.0015	Canadian Dealer Notice-Filing
69W-600.0016	Application for Registration as an Investment Adviser (State Registered)
69W-600.0017	Notice-Filing for Federal Covered Advisers
69W-600.0018	Notice-Filing and Requirements for Florida Intrastate Crowdfunding Issuers
69W-600.0019	Registration of Florida Limited Offering Intermediaries
69W-600.002	Application for Registration as Associated Person (FINRA Dealer)
69W-600.0022	Application for Registration as an Associated Person (Non-FINRA Dealer)
69W-600.0024	Application for Registration as an Associated Person (Investment Adviser and Federal Covered Advisor)
69W-600.0031	Notice-Filing of Branch Office (FINRA Dealer)
69W-600.0032	Notice-Filing of Branch Office (Non-FINRA Dealer)
69W-600.0151	Net Capital and Financial Reporting Requirements for Dealers
69W-600.0161	Net Capital and Financial Reporting Requirements for Investment Advisers
69W-600.017	Customer Protection Rule - Reserve Requirements and Custody of Customer Funds and Securities

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose and effect is to amend fingerprint requirements, to implement changes made to the Florida Limited Offering Exemption, and to update cross-references.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Securities Regulation
RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 517.03(1), 517.0611, 517.12, 517.121, 517.1201, 517.1202, 517.1611, FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 517.0611, 517.12, 517.1201, 517.1202, 517.161, 517.1611, 517.201, FS.

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THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS NOT AVAILABLE.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Securities

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

69W-1000.001 Disciplinary Guidelines

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose and effect is to amend the rule to add subsections (1) and (2) of section 517.121, Florida Statutes, to the disciplinary guidelines incorporated therein.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Securities Regulation
RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 517.1611(1) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 517.111, 517.1202, 517.121, 517.161, 517.1611(1), 517.191(4), (9), (10), FS.

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Section II Proposed Rules

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

State Board of Education

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

6A-6.03022 Exceptional Student Education Eligibility
for Students with Dual Sensory Impairments

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To ensure students with dual sensory impairments are properly identified and served under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and state law. The language and process for making eligibility determinations will more closely align with current State Board of Education rules and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. The definitions will align with Rule 6A-6.03013, F.A.C., Exceptional Student Education Eligibility and Assessments for Students Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing, and Rule 6A-6.03014, F.A.C., Exceptional Student Education Eligibility and Assessments for Students with Visual Impairments. It will also require support services, referral forms and information to be made available to students and parents.

SUMMARY: Update exceptional student education eligibility for students with dual sensory impairments to more closely align with current State Board of Education rules and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

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: Based upon the nature of the changes, this proposed rule is not expected to have any adverse impact on economic growth, business competitiveness or any other factors listed in s. 120.541(2)(a), F.S., and will not require legislative ratification. No increase in regulatory costs are anticipated as a result of the rule changes.

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: 1001.02(1), (2)(n), 1003.01(9), 1003.57(1)(c), 1003.571(2), F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 1003.01(9), 1003.57(1), 1003.571(2), F.S.

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

DATE AND TIME: July 16, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Rosen Shingle Creek, 9939 Universal Blvd., Wekiwa 7/8, Orlando, FL, 32819.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Patricia Bodiford, Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400, (850)245-0475.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

Substantial rewording of Rule 6A-6.03022 follows. See Florida Administrative Code for present text.

6A-6.03022 Exceptional Student Education Eligibility and Assessments for Students Who Have ~~with~~ Dual Sensory Impairments.

(1) Definitions.

(a) Dual sensory impairment is defined as the presence of both hearing loss and a visual impairment, or an etiology or a medical diagnosis that indicates a potential dual sensory loss, the combination of which adversely affects the student's educational performance. The term includes congenital deafblindness, congenital visual impairment with acquired hearing loss, congenital hearing loss with acquired visual impairment, and acquired hearing loss and visual impairment including blindness, as defined in Rules 6A-6.03013(1)(a) and (b) and 6A-6.03014(1)(a), F.A.C. If a student is found eligible for both deaf or hard of hearing and visual impairments as primary or other exceptionalities, then the student must be made eligible for dual sensory impairment.

(b) Teacher of the deaf or hard of hearing means an individual who is certified in the area of deaf or hard of hearing in accordance with Rule 6A-4.0172, F.A.C.

(c) Teacher of the visually impaired means an individual who is certified in the area of visually impaired in accordance with Rule 6A-4.0178, F.A.C.

(d) An intervener specialist means an individual who provides specialized services and is trained in deafblind education and intervention strategies to ensure consistent access to instruction, communication and environmental information via one-to-one support for individuals who are deafblind.

(e) An educational interpreter means a highly trained professional who facilitates communication between a student and others by interpreting spoken language into American Sign Language and vice versa, providing communication access by conveying classroom instruction, teacher and peer interactions, and other relevant sound information, such as schoolwide

announcements, to ensure the student has equal access to educational opportunities comparable to their peers.

(2) A full and individual evaluation must be conducted by a school district to identify a student with a dual sensory impairment as eligible for exceptional student education and consider the individual needs of a student with a dual sensory impairment when developing, reviewing or revising an individual educational plan (IEP) in accordance with Rules 6A-1.09401(1)(k), 6A-1.09414, 6A-6.03028, 6A-6.0331 and 6A-6.03411, F.A.C.

(3) Eligibility determination. For a student who has, or who is suspected of having, a combination of a hearing loss and a visual impairment, or a medical diagnosis that indicates a potential dual sensory loss, the evaluation for eligibility must be conducted as described in Rules 6A-6.03013(3) and 6A-6.03014(3), F.A.C., unless one or more of the assessments is waived as provided in paragraph (3)(c).

(a) Deaf or hard of hearing evaluation. An evaluation for eligibility must include an audiological report, a functional listening assessment, and a communication and language assessment as described in Rule 6A-6.03013(3)(a)-(c), F.A.C.

(b) Visual impairment evaluation. An evaluation for eligibility must include a medical report, a functional vision assessment, a learning media assessment, and an orientation and mobility screening as described in Rule 6A-6.03014(3)(a)-(d), F.A.C.

(c) Assessment waiver. If one of the assessments described in paragraphs (3)(a) and (b) provides sufficient information to determine a student who has a dual sensory impairment is eligible for exceptional student education, the other assessments will be waived for the purpose of determining eligibility. However, the assessments that were waived must be conducted during the IEP development process.

(4) Once a student with a dual sensory impairment is determined eligible for exceptional student education, the district must conduct the following assessments:

(a) Any assessment waived for the eligibility determination as provided in paragraph (3)(c); and

(b) A special skills assessment. A special skills assessment evaluates skills aligned with content knowledge as described in Rule 6A-1.09401(1)(k), F.A.C. This assessment must be conducted by a teacher of the deaf or hard of hearing and a teacher of the visually impaired and may include a range of team members to include an intervener, interpreter and other related service providers to evaluate the special skills areas for both the hearing loss and the visual impairment.

(5) Once a student has been determined eligible under both deaf or hard of hearing and visual impairments, the eligibility category must be updated to dual sensory impairment. The student is then required to receive support and services from

both the teacher of the deaf or hard of hearing and the teacher of the visually impaired for identified needs.

(6) The school districts are required to include students with a dual sensory impairments in the state's annual census report for the national child count of children and youth. These students must be registered with the American Printing House (APH) for the Blind by the appropriate Ex-Officio Trustee. Parental consent is required for registration with APH. These students must also be registered and included in the National Deaf Blind Census Registry.

(7) Reevaluation. Reevaluation of students with dual sensory impairments must comply with Rule 6A-6.0331(7), F.A.C., and must include:

(a) An audiological report and evaluation of all skills, described in paragraphs (3)(a) and (4)(a) and (b), known to be impacted by the hearing loss and as required for determining specially designed instruction. The audiological report may be waived by the IEP team, including a teacher of the deaf or hard of hearing or an audiologist, or both, if the team agrees that there is a no suspected change in hearing.

(b) A medical report and an evaluation of all skills, described in paragraphs (3)(b) and (4)(a) and (b), known to be impacted by a visual impairment as required for determining specially designed instruction. The medical report may be waived by the IEP team, including a teacher of the visually impaired, if:

1. The team agrees that there is no suspected change in visual functioning; or

2. The team is provided a physician's written recommendation to waive the medical report for students with bilateral anophthalmia.

(8) Supportive services. The district must make available referral forms, links, and technical support contacts for services to students with dual sensory impairments and their parents. These resources include:

(a) Auditory-Oral Clarke School and Bridge to Speech Clarke School;

(b) Auditory-Oral University of Miami (UM) Debbie School and Bridge to Speech UM Debbie School;

(c) Critical Initiatives in Visual Impairment Project Florida State University (CIVI-FSU);

(d) Educational Interpreter Project (EIP);

(e) Florida Division of Blind Services (DBS);

(f) Florida Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (VR);

(g) Florida Instructional Materials Center for the Visually Impaired (FIMC-VI);

(h) Florida Low Vision Initiative (FLVI);

(i) Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind (FSDB); and

(j) Resource Materials and Technology Center for the Deaf/Hard of Hearing (RMTC-DHH).

Rulemaking Authority 1001.02, 1003.01, 1003.57, 1003.571 FS. Law Implemented 1003.01, 1003.57, 1003.571 FS. History—New 7-2-79, Formerly 6A-6.3022, Amended 10-3-91, 12-15-09, 12-23-14.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
Paul Burns

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Manny Diaz Jr.

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: June 9, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: April 24, 2025

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Medicine

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B8-30.001 Definitions

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed rule amendment will define the definition of a fully licensed physician assistant pursuant to Sections 458.315, 459.0076, 458.347(6), and 459.022(6), F.S. The amendment will also add the sunset provision rule text.

SUMMARY: To define the definition of a fully licensed physician assistant pursuant to Sections 458.315, 459.0076, 458.347(6), and 459.022(6) and F.S.

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.

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: 458.309, 458.347 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 458.347 FS.

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Ashleigh K. Irving, Interim Executive Director, Board of Medicine/MQA, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C03, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3253, Ashleigh.Irving@flhealth.gov

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

64B8-30.001 Definitions.

(1) through (6) No change.

(7) The term “Fully Licensed Physician Assistant” as used herein refers to those physician assistants who have successfully passed the NCCPA examination or other examination approved by the Board and have been issued a license other than a temporary license authorized under Sections 458.315, 459.0076, Section 458.347(7)(b)2, 458.347(6)(7)(f), and or 459.022(6)(7), F.S.

(8) “This rule shall be reviewed, and if necessary, repealed, modified, or renewed through the rulemaking process five years from the effective date.”

Rulemaking Authority 458.309, 458.347 FS. Law Implemented 458.347 FS. History—New 4-28-76, Amended 11-15-78, 12-5-79, 2-3-82, 5-15-85, 12-4-85, Formerly 21M-17.01, Amended 5-13-87, 5-24-88, 11-15-88, Formerly 21M-17.001, Amended 9-21-93, Formerly 61F6-17.001, Amended 4-1-96, Formerly 59R-30.001, Amended 5-12-98, 3-28-99, ____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
Rules/Legislative Committee, Board of Medicine

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Board of Medicine

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: April 4, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: April 28, 2025

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Occupational Therapy

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B11-2.002 Application by Endorsement

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes the rule to update the Licensure application to remove outdated provisions. Changes to the rule and incorporated Form DH-MQA 5101 are being updated to comply with a new background screening requirement for applicants for licensure

that will become effective July 1, 2025, in accordance with Chapter 2024-243, Laws of Florida.

SUMMARY: The Board proposes the rule to update the Licensure application to remove outdated provisions. Changes to the rule and incorporated Form DH-MQA 5101 are being updated to comply with a new background screening requirement for applicants for licensure that will become effective July 1, 2025, in accordance with Chapter 2024-243, Laws of Florida.

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.

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: 468.204, 468.213(1) FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 468.213(1) FS.

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Allen Hall, Executive Director, Board of Occupational Therapy/MQA, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin # C05, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3253.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

64B11-2.002 Application by Endorsement.

An applicant for licensure by endoresment pursuant to Section 456.0145(2), F.S., shall submit his or her application DH-MQA 5101 (eff. 5/2025 ~~09/24~~), "Mobile Opportunity by Interstate Licensure Endorsement" (MOBILE) which is incorporated herein by reference and which may be obtained from <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-17205>, the Board office, or at <https://floridasoccupationaltherapy.gov/>. Applicants for licensure shall meet and comply with all requirements in Section 456.0145(2), F.S.

Rulemaking Authority 468.204, 468.213(1) FS. Law Implemented 468.213(1) FS. History—New 4-28-76, Amended 9-9-85, Formerly 21M-13.02, 21M-13.002, 61F6-13.002, 59R-61.002, Amended 6-5-06, 2-1-16, 12-16-24, _____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:

Board of Occupational Therapy

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Board of Occupational Therapy

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 19, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 28, 2025

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Occupational Therapy

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B11-2.003 Application by Examination

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Board proposes the rule to update the Licensure application to remove outdated provisions. Changes to the rule and incorporated Form DH-MQA 1152 are being updated to comply with a new background screening requirement for applicants for licensure that will become effective July 1, 2025, in accordance with Chapter 2024-243, Laws of Florida.

SUMMARY: The Board proposes the rule to update the Licensure application to remove outdated provisions. Changes to the rule and incorporated Form DH-MQA 1152 are being updated to comply with a new background screening requirement for applicants for licensure that will become effective July 1, 2025, in accordance with Chapter 2024-243, Laws of Florida.

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.

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: 456.013, 468.211, 468.221, 468.204 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 456.013, 456.0635, 468.209, 468.211, 468.213, 468.221 FS.

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Allen Hall, Executive Director, Board of Occupational Therapy/MQA, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin # C05, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3253.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

64B11-2.003 Application by Examination.

Each applicant for licensure by examination shall pay an application fee in the amount of \$100.00 in the form of a check or money order payable to the Department of Health. This application fee is nonrefundable and may not be used for more than one year from the original submission of the application. After one year from the date of the original submission of an application, a new application and new fee shall be required from any applicant who desires to be considered for licensure. The application shall be made on the "Application for Licensure as an Occupational Therapist or Occupational Therapy Assistant by Examination," DH-MQA 1152 (5/2025) ~~revised~~

09/2024), hereby adopted and incorporated by reference, available at

[http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-](http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-17204)

17204,

or

[http://www.floridasoccupationaltherapy.gov/applications/app-](http://www.floridasoccupationaltherapy.gov/applications/app-ot-ota.pdf)

ot-ota.pdf, or you may choose to apply through the on-line

application located at

<http://floridasoccupationaltherapy.gov/licensing/>.

Rulemaking Authority 456.013, 468.211, 468.221, 468.204 FS. Law Implemented 456.013, 456.0635, 468.209, 468.211, 468.213, 468.221 FS. History—New 4-28-76, Amended 9-9-85, Formerly 21M-13.07, Amended 6-29-89, Formerly 21M-13.007, 61F6-13.007, 59R-61.007, Amended 1-12-09, 5-19-10, 12-19-12, 10-12-14, 2-1-16, 4-19-16, 7-27-16, 1-24-18, 5-30-19, 12-14-20, 12-16-24, _____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:

Board of Occupational Therapy

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE

PROPOSED RULE: Board of Occupational Therapy

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY

HEAD: May 19, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT

PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 28, 2025

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Osteopathic Medicine

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B15-6.001 Definitions

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed rule amendment will define the definition of a fully licensed physician assistant pursuant to Sections 458.315, 459.0076, 459.022(6), and 458.347(6), F.S., and update rule text with the sunset provision.

SUMMARY: To define the definition of a fully licensed physician assistant pursuant to Sections 458.315, 459.0076, 459.022(6) and 458.347(6), F.S.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

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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.

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: 459.005 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 459.022 FS.

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

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Stephanie Webster, Executive Director, Board of Osteopathic Medicine/MQA, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C06, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3256, or by email at Stephanie.Webster@flhealth.gov.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

64B15-6.001 Definitions.

(1) through (6) No change.

(7) The term “fully licensed physician assistant” as used herein refers to those physician assistants who have successfully passed the NCCPA examination or other examination approved by the Board and have been issued a license other than a temporary license authorized under Sections 458.315, 459.0076, 459.022(6)(7), 458.347(7)(b)2, and 458.347(6)(7)(f), F.S.

(8) “This rule shall be reviewed, and if necessary, repealed, modified, or renewed through the rulemaking process five years from the effective date.”

Rulemaking Authority 459.005 FS. Law Implemented 459.022 FS. History—New 10-18-77, Formerly 21R-6.01, Amended 10-28-87, 4-18-89, 9-26-90, 3-16-92, Formerly 21R-6.001, Amended 2-20-94, Formerly 61F9-6.001, 59W-6.001, Amended 6-7-98, 3-17-99, 7-13-03.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
Board of Osteopathic Medicine

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Board of Osteopathic Medicine

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 16, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: April 28, 2025

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

68A-1.004 Definitions

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to update the reference to open seasons for game mammals. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to provide reference to the new rule regarding hunting of black bears.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment modifies the definition of game mammals to include a reference to a new rule relating to black bear hunting.

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: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

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

DATE AND TIME: During the Commission’s regular meeting August 13-14, 2025, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., each day.

PLACE: Florida Public Safety Institute, 85 Academy Drive, Havana, Florida, 32333.

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: Morgan Richardson, Hunting and Game Management Division Director, Fish and Wildlife

Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850)488-3831.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-1.004 Definitions.

The following definitions are for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the rules of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission relating to wild animal life and freshwater aquatic life. As used herein, the singular includes the plural. The following shall be construed respectively to mean:

(1) through (38) No change.

(39) Game mammals – Those species of deer, squirrel, bear, and rabbit with open seasons established by Rule 68A-12.012 or 68A-13.004, F.A.C., and non-native mammal species generally considered game such as elk, antelope, and buffalo.

(40) through (94) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2025

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 8-1-79, Amended 6-15-81, 11-17-81, 6-21-82, 7-1-83, 7-1-84, 7-1-85, Formerly 39-1.04, Amended 6-1-86, 5-10-87, 10-8-87, 3-1-88, 4-13-88, 4-27-89, 4-11-90, 7-1-92, 4-20-93, 3-1-94, 7-1-94, 4-1-96, 11-23-97, 7-1-98, 6-23-99, Formerly 39-1.004, Amended 7-1-00, 5-1-01, 5-1-03, 7-1-04, 5-26-05, 7-1-06, 4-1-07, 7-1-08, 10-23-08, 7-1-10, 11-8-10, 1-1-11, 4-9-13, 7-29-15, 5-11-16, 7-1-18, 7-1-21, 7-1-22, 7-1-23, 7-1-24, 5-28-25, 6-2-25, 9-1-25.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Morgan Richardson, Hunting and Game Management Division Director, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850) 488-3831.

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

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 21, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 29, 2025

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

68A-4.009 Florida Black Bear Conservation

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to define the seven Bear Management Units. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to provide supporting information regarding hunting of black bears.

SUMMARY: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to define the seven Bear Management Units. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to provide supporting information regarding hunting of black bears.

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.

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RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

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

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Morgan Richardson, Hunting and Game Management Division Director, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850)488-3831

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-4.009 Black Bear Conservation.

(1) through (4) No change.

(5) Bear Management Units (BMUs), as further defined in the Florida Black Bear Management Plan, are the following geographical portions of the state:

(a) West Panhandle BMU – The counties of Escambia, Holmes, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, and Walton.

(b) East Panhandle BMU – The counties of Bay, Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Jackson, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, Wakulla, and Washington.

(c) Big Bend BMU – The counties of Citrus, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hernando, Lafayette, Levy, and Pasco.

(d) North BMU – The counties of Baker, Columbia, Duval, Hamilton, Nassau, Suwannee, and Union.

(e) Central BMU – The counties of Alachua, Bradford, Brevard, Clay, Flagler, Lake, Marion, Orange, Putnam, Seminole, St. Johns, Sumter, and Volusia.

(f) South Central BMU – The counties of Charlotte, De Soto, Glades, Hardee, Highlands, Hillsborough, Indian River, Manatee, Martin, Okeechobee, Osceola, Pinellas, Polk, Sarasota, and St Lucie.

(g) South BMU – The counties of Broward, Collier, Hendry, Lee, Miami-Dade, Monroe, and Palm Beach.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2025

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV., Sec. 9, Fla. Const., 379.1025 FS. History–New 8-23-12, Amended 7-29-15, 9-1-25.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
Morgan Richardson, Hunting and Game Management Division
Director, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620
South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600,
(850)488-3831.

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

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY
HEAD: May 21, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT
PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 29, 2025

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
68A-9.007 Special-use Permits; Short-term Use
Permits; Fees; Special-Opportunity Hunting
and Fishing

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule
amendment is to set the application and permit fees for black
bear hunting. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will
be to provide clarity on fees for hunting black bears.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment sets application
and permit fees for black bear hunting.

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: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

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

DATE AND TIME: During the Commission's regular meeting
August 13-14, 2025, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., each day.

PLACE: Florida Public Safety Institute, 85 Academy Drive,
Havana, Florida, 32333.

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
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8770 (Voice).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE
PROPOSED RULE IS: Morgan Richardson, Hunting and
Game Management Division Director, Fish and Wildlife
Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street,
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850)488-3831.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-9.007 Special-use Permits; Short-term Use Permits; Fees; Special-Opportunity Hunting and Fishing.

Special-use permits, short-term use permits, and fees for
such permits are hereby established as follows:

(1) Limited entry (special hunting and fishing)
opportunities for which special-use permits are required shall
be established by rule or, for small-game areas, by order of the
Executive Director pursuant to Rule 68A-13.007, F.A.C.,
subject to the following provisions:

(a) through (d) No change.

(e) Special-use permits shall be transferable, except that
special-use alligator and Bear Harvest Permits ~~bear permits~~
shall not be transferable and special-opportunity dove hunt

permits shall not be transferable after the date and time they become effective.

(2) The Commission establishes fees for special-use permits and non-refundable application fees for limited entry (special hunting and fishing) opportunities as follows:

(a) No change.

(b) Special-use Bear Harvest Permit issued under subsection 68A-12.012(2), F.A.C. ~~bear permit~~:

1. The fee for a special-use Bear Harvest Permit ~~bear permit~~ for a resident to take bears in this state pursuant to Rule 68A-12.012 ~~68A-13.004~~, F.A.C., is \$100.

2. The fee for a special-use Bear Harvest Permit ~~bear permit~~ for a non-resident to take bears in this state pursuant to Rule 68A-12.012 ~~68A-13.004~~, F.A.C., is \$300.

3. ~~The There shall be no~~ application fee for a special-use Bear Harvest Permit is \$5 ~~bear permit and applications must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. the day prior to the bear season as established in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.~~

(c) No change.

(3) and (4) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2025

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const., 379.354 FS. History—New 9-15-96, Amended 1-9-97, 6-1-97, 4-12-98, 4-15-99, Formerly 39-9.007, Amended 7-1-00, 5-13-02, 7-1-06, 8-22-06, 7-1-07, 7-1-08, 7-1-10, 4-1-15, 7-29-15, 7-1-17, 7-1-18, 4-24-24, 9-1-25.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
Morgan Richardson, Hunting and Game Management Division
Director, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620
South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600,
(850)488-3831.

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

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY
HEAD: May 21, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT
PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 29, 2025

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:

68A-12.002 General Methods of Taking Game and
Crows; Prohibitions

68A-12.003 Protection of Certain Deer and Turkey;
Tagging of Deer, Bear, and Turkey; Deer

68A-12.004 and Wild Turkey Harvest Reporting;
Evidence of Legal Harvest or Sex Required
Possession or Sale of Birds or Mammals;
Taxidermy Operations and Mounting
Requirements

68A-12.007 Hunting Dogs; Molesting Game in Closed
Season; Training; Field Trials; Prohibited
for Certain Hunting

68A-12.012 Regulations Governing Bear Hunting

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendments are to update and create new hunting regulations for black bear hunting in Florida and to clarify regulations relating to harvest reporting and possession of deer and turkey. The effect of the proposed rule amendments will be to provide for a highly regulated, sustainable hunting opportunity for black bears and to clarify regulations.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendments modify existing rules and create a new rule to establish regulations for black bear hunting in Florida.

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.

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RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

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Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Morgan Richardson, Hunting and Game Management Division Director, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850)488-3831.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-12.002 General Methods of Taking Game and Crows; Prohibitions.

(1) through (8) No change.

(9)(a) Game feeding stations may be maintained for the purpose of propagating quail, wild turkey, and other wild game under natural conditions.

(b) Non-migratory game may be taken in proximity to game feeding stations which are maintained with feed (corn, wheat, grain or any other food substance deposited by other than normal agricultural harvesting or planting) throughout the year provided that each feeding station shall have been maintained at least six months prior to the taking of game in proximity thereof. Wild turkey may not be taken if the hunter is less than 100 yards from a game feeding station when feed is present. ~~Bear may not be taken if the hunter or the bear is less than 100 yards from a game feeding station when feed is present.~~

(c) through (d) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2025

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 8-1-79, Amended 6-4-81, 11-17-81, 6-21-82, 7-1-83, 7-1-84, 7-1-85, Formerly 39-12.02, Amended 6-1-86, 4-11-90, 4-14-92, 4-20-93, 3-1-94, 3-30-95, 4-1-96, 12-28-98, Formerly 39-12.002, Amended 7-1-05, 7-1-06, 7-1-08, 10-23-08, 1-1-11, 7-1-13, 12-23-14, 7-29-15, 7-1-18, 7-1-19, 7-1-20, 7-1-23, 7-1-24, 9-1-25.

68A-12.003 Protection of Certain Deer and Turkey; Tagging of Deer, Bear, and Turkey; Deer and Wild Turkey Harvest Reporting; Evidence of Legal Harvest or Sex Required.

(1) Wild Turkey:

(a) through (b) No change.

(c) Harvest reporting requirements shall apply to any person who harvests a wild turkey. Wild turkeys harvested out of state, under permits issued pursuant to Chapter 68A-9, F.A.C., and captive-reared turkeys harvested on licensed Game Farms and Hunting Preserves shall be exempt from harvest reporting requirements.

1. through 4. No change.

5. Once a harvested wild turkey is reported through the Commission's harvest reporting system and prior to that wild

turkey being transferred to another party, the wild turkey, or portions or parts thereof, shall be labeled by the harvester with their first and last name and the harvest reporting confirmation number. Such labeling shall remain on the wild turkey, or portions or parts thereof, until final processing or until stored at the domicile of its possessor. ~~A processor shall maintain the aforementioned labeling, or as an alternative to maintaining labeling, may use a log book and numbering or other tracking system. Said log book shall contain the same information required of the aforementioned label. If a log book is used, it shall be kept on the processor's premises for inspection by Law Enforcement Officers of the Commission.~~

(2) Deer:

(a) No change.

(b) Harvest reporting requirements shall apply to any person who harvests a deer, except for the following: non-native deer, deer harvested out of state, deer killed by a motor vehicle, deer harvested under permits issued pursuant to Chapter 68A-9, F.A.C., and deer harvested on a licensed Game Farm or Licensed Private Hunting Preserve.

1. through 4. No change.

5. Once a harvested deer is reported through the Commission's harvest reporting system and prior to that deer being transferred to another party, the deer, or portions or parts thereof, shall be labeled by the harvester with their first and last name and the harvest reporting confirmation number. Such labeling shall remain on the deer, or portions or parts thereof, until final processing or until stored at the domicile of its possessor. ~~A processor shall maintain the aforementioned labeling, or as an alternative to maintaining labeling, may use a log book and numbering or other tracking system. Said log book shall contain the same information required of the aforementioned label. If a log book is used, it shall be kept on the processor's premises for inspection by Law Enforcement Officers of the Commission.~~

(3) Bear:

~~(a) Positive evidence of sex identification in the form of testicles, penis, penis sheath, udder or vulva shall remain naturally attached to the carcass of all bear taken and shall remain attached until the bear is checked at a Commission designated check station.~~

~~(b) No bear shall be dismembered until checked at a Commission designated check station. Bear may be dismembered in the camp or field after being checked at a Commission designated check station but each portion shall have a tag affixed to it identifying the name, address, and FWC Recreational Licensing Issuance Services Customer ID number of the person who killed it.~~

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21-82, -Formerly 39-12.03, Amended 4-11-90, Formerly 39-12.003, Amended 7-29-15, 7-1-19, 7-26-21, 7-1-22, 7-1-24, 9-1-25.

68A-12.004 Possession or Sale of Birds or Mammals; Taxidermy Operations and Mounting Requirements.

(1) No change.

(2) Wildlife Game legally taken may be stored in public cold storage, refrigerators, freezers or coolers, or a processing facility ~~ice houses or ice boxes~~ when packaged or labeled and clearly marked with the owner's name and, if a license is required, license number or ~~FWC issued~~ customer ID number.

(a) Any harvested deer, or portions or parts thereof, subject to the provisions of paragraph 68A-12.003(2)(c), F.A.C., respectively, shall also have the Commission's harvest reporting system confirmation number recorded on the label, and any deer, or portions or parts thereof, legally taken out-of-state shall also have the telephone number of the person taking or acquiring such deer and the state of harvest recorded on the label. Such labeling shall remain on the deer, or portions or parts thereof, until final processing or until stored at the domicile of its possessor. ~~As an alternative to labeling, the owner of any public cold storage, refrigerators, ice houses or ice boxes may use a log book and numbering or other tracking system. The log book shall contain the same information required of the aforementioned label. The log book shall be kept on the premises for inspection by Law Enforcement Officers of the Commission.~~

(b) Any harvested turkey, or portions or parts thereof, subject to the provisions of paragraph 68A-12.003(1)(c), F.A.C., respectively, shall also have the Commission's harvest reporting system confirmation number recorded on the label.

(c) As an alternative to labeling, the owner, operator, or lessee of public cold storage, refrigerators, freezers or coolers, or a processing facility may use a logbook and numbering or other tracking system. The logbook shall contain the same information required of the label. The logbook shall be kept on the premises for inspection by Commission Law Enforcement and retained while the wildlife, or parts thereof, recorded therein are on the premises.

~~(d)(b)~~ The owner, operator, or lessee of public cold storage, refrigerators, freezers or coolers, ~~ice houses or ice boxes~~ or a ~~taxidermy or~~ processing facility are not subject to possession limits described in Division 68A Chapter 68A-13, F.A.C., for any wildlife game legally taken or acquired by another and stored in their facility.

(3) through (10) No change.

(11) Taxidermy operations and mounting requirements:

(a) Any person engaged in taxidermy shall label all carcasses (whole specimens), untanned hides, and uncured animal parts of fish and wildlife, possessed or received with the name of the person taking or acquiring such fish or wildlife, the

person's address, and date taken or acquired. ~~In addition, any deer subject to the provisions of paragraph 68A-12.003(2)(c), F.A.C., shall have the Commission's harvest reporting system confirmation number recorded on the label, and any deer, or portions or parts thereof, legally taken out of state shall have the telephone number of the person taking or acquiring such deer and the state of harvest recorded on the label. As an alternative to labeling, persons engaged in taxidermy may choose to use a log book and numbering or tracking system. The log book shall contain the same information required of the aforementioned label. The carcass, untanned hide, or uncured animal part shall be assigned a number, which shall be affixed to the specimen so as to be readily identifiable and traceable to the log book information. The log book shall be kept on the taxidermist's premises for inspection by Law Enforcement Officers of the Commission.~~

(b) Any harvested deer subject to the provisions of paragraph 68A-12.003(2)(c), F.A.C., shall also have the Commission's harvest reporting system confirmation number recorded on the label, and any deer, or portions or parts thereof, legally taken out-of-state shall have the telephone number of the person taking or acquiring such deer and the state of harvest recorded on the label.

(c) Any harvested turkey, or portions or parts thereof, subject to the provisions of paragraph 68A-12.003(1)(c), F.A.C., respectively, shall also have the Commission's harvest reporting system confirmation number recorded on the label.

(d) As an alternative to labeling, persons engaged in taxidermy may choose to use a log book and numbering or tracking system. The logbook shall contain the same information required of the label. The carcass, untanned hide, or uncured animal part shall be assigned a number, which shall be affixed to the specimen so as to be readily identifiable and traceable to the log book information. The logbook shall be kept on the taxidermist's premises for inspection by Commission Law Enforcement and retained while the fish or wildlife, or parts thereof, recorded therein are on the premises.

(e) The owner, operator, or lessee of a taxidermy facility is not subject to possession limits described in Division 68A, F.A.C., for any wildlife legally taken or acquired by another and stored in their facility.

(b) through (d) renumbered (f) through (h) No change.

~~(i)(e)~~ No permit shall be required for the mounting of carcasses, green hides, or uncured parts of:

1. No change.

2. Specimens of game mammals (except black bear), game birds, fox squirrel, otter, bobcat or mink that were killed on roads or highways.

(12) The sale or purchase of ~~the any bear~~ carcass or any part thereof of any species of bear is prohibited. The sale or purchase of any taxidermied ~~taxidermal~~ specimen of a black

bear is prohibited. The sale or purchase of a taxidermied ~~taxidermal~~ specimen of any other species of bear is prohibited unless it was legally taken or acquired and has attached thereto a tag bearing the name and address of the possessor and the date when and the specific place where it was taken or acquired. In addition the possessor of any taxidermied specimen ~~taxidermal specimen~~ of any bear shall have in their ~~his~~ possession documentation that the specimen was legally taken, acquired, or exported from the state or country of origin. The possession or transportation of any carcass or untanned skin of any species of bear is prohibited unless it was legally taken or acquired and has attached thereto a Commission bear harvest tag or a tag bearing the name and address of the possessor, the species, and the date when and specific place where it was taken or acquired. In addition the possessor of the carcass or untanned skin shall have in their ~~his~~ possession documentation that it was legally taken, acquired or exported from the state or country of origin.

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68A-12.007 Hunting Dogs; Molesting Game in Closed Season; Training; Field Trials; Prohibited for Certain Hunting.

(1) All dogs used for taking or attempting to take, trailing, pursuing, or molesting wildlife shall wear a collar or tag which shall legibly display the name and address of the owner of the dog. No person shall use any dog to take or attempt to take, trail, pursue or molest wildlife unless such dog is wearing a collar or tag displaying the information required above. Removing, tampering, or otherwise interfering with any collar or tag (including remote tracking and behavior correction devices) of a dog used for hunting without the owner's permission is prohibited.

All dogs not under physical restraint that are used for pursuing deer, bear, wild hog, fox, or coyote must be equipped and monitored with devices that allow remote tracking and behavior correction, except dogs used to pursue wild hog, fox or coyote during sanctioned mounted field trial events. The device(s) must be attached by a collar or similar means and must be used to deter dog egress from authorized areas or ingress into unauthorized areas. The remote tracking device(s) must include Global Positioning System (GPS) or telemetry tracking and the behavior correction device(s) must be designed to remotely correct dog behavior through auditory or physical stimulation.

(2) No change.

(3)(a) The purpose and intent of this subsection is to implement registration requirements for use of dogs to take deer or bear on private lands.

(b) Registration –

1. No person shall use dogs to take, attempt to take, trail, pursue or molest deer or bear on any privately-owned property unless such property has been registered with the Commission as set forth under this subsection. Privately-owned property shall be registered by the landowner(s), lessee, or other person designated by the landowner(s) via written permission as required under subsection (2), of this section. Individuals may register an aggregate of private lands including different ownerships under one registration. No more than one registration shall be in effect for each parcel of land at any given time. Registration shall not be required for use of dogs on leashes for trailing wounded game.

2. Applications for registering private lands for taking deer or bear with dogs shall be on such form as prescribed by the Commission and shall include: a written description of the property boundaries and map showing property boundaries; total acreage of the property; name, street or physical address, and telephone numbers for the applicant and the landowner; a copy of a lease for hunting rights or written permission as required under subsection (2), of this section, where the landowner is not the applicant, and other information pertaining to the proposed activity necessary for registration issuance and enforcement of this rule.

(c) Requirements –

1. Each registration issued pursuant to this subsection shall include a registration number. In addition to requirements under subsection (1), of this section, no person shall use any dog for taking, attempted taking, trailing, pursuing or molesting deer or bear unless such dog is wearing a collar or attachment to the collar legibly displaying the entire registration number specific to the registered property where said use of the dog is occurring.

2. No person using any dog for taking or attempting to take, trailing, pursuing, or molesting deer or bear shall allow a dog off the registered property, whether intentionally or negligently.

3. No person shall participate in taking, attempted taking, trailing, pursuing or molesting deer or bear on any privately-owned property unless such person is in possession of a copy of the registration for said privately-owned property.

(4) through (5) No change.

(6) Deer and bear dogs may be trained during the closed season for taking deer when such dogs are constantly attached to a leash or rope in the hands of the trainer. Deer and bear dogs may be allowed to run free for training purposes only during the period beginning 35 days prior to the first day of the antlered deer season and closing 19 days thereafter, except in Zone D when the period shall begin the last Saturday of October and

continue for 19 days thereafter. Taking wildlife with any gun while training deer or bear dogs is prohibited.

(7) through (8) No change.

(9) While archery or muzzleloading gun hunting during special seasons the taking of deer, bear, or wild hog by the use or aid of dogs is prohibited.

(10) No change.

~~(11) Taking bear by aid of a dog is prohibited except that dogs on leash may be used for trailing shot bear.~~

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68A-12.012 Regulations Governing Bear Hunting.

No individual shall harvest bears from the wild within the state of Florida except as provided herein. The Commission finds that Florida's bear population can sustain bear harvest. Accordingly, as set forth herein, the Commission creates a limited-entry hunting opportunity for appropriate bear populations in current Bear Management Units, as defined in Rule 68A-4.009, F.A.C. This rule sets the criteria for how Bear Harvest Zones will be established, the criteria for determining the number of special-use bear harvest permits that will be issued per Bear Harvest Zone, the requirements of permit holders, and the creation of a Private Lands Bear Harvest Program.

(1) Establishment of Bear Harvest Zones and the number of Bear Harvest Permits:

(a) The executive director, or designee, shall by establishment order set Bear Harvest Zones. Bear Harvest Zones are areas delineated for a sustainable bear harvest based on such things as habitat characteristics, accessibility, and estimated bear densities.

(b) A Bear Harvest Zone will only be established within Bear Management Units having a bear population estimate over 200.

(c) The number of Bear Harvest Permits issued shall be established annually by the Executive Director, or designee, and shall be based upon parameters specific to each Bear Management Unit to ensure a sustainable population using the following:

1. Bear population and demographic estimates;
2. Documented total mortality of adult female bears; and
3. Bear hunting success rates.

(2) Application, selection, issuance of Bear Harvest Permits, and restrictions:

(a) Individuals may apply for a Bear Harvest Permit through the Commission's online licensing system (available at: <https://GoOutdoorsFlorida.com>). The Commission shall

give notice of the designated application times and dates each year electronically at: <https://www.MyFWC.com/Bear>.

1. Applicants may submit more than one application. Applicants will be chosen for a Bear Harvest Permit for a specific Bear Harvest Zone by random drawing.

2. Applicants must pay a non-refundable application fee, as established by paragraph 68A-9.007(2)(b), F.A.C., per application submitted. Applicants selected in the random drawing must pay the permit fee, as established by paragraph 68A-9.007(2)(b), F.A.C., for the issuance of a Bear Harvest Permit by the deadline indicated on the invoice. Selected applicants who fail to pay the fees by the deadline forfeit their permit to the next applicant selected for that specific Bear Harvest Zone.

3. Permits will be limited to one Bear Harvest Permit per individual.

4. Applicants must:

a. Be 18 years of age or older by October 1 of the application year; and,

b. Have complied with all tagging and reporting requirements associated with any bear harvest permit issued to the applicant in any year.

(b) Successful applicants shall be awarded a Bear Harvest Permit through the Commission's licensing system.

(c) One bear harvest tag shall be issued with each Bear Harvest Permit.

1. Bear harvest tags issued under this subsection shall remain the property of the Commission until affixed as provided herein.

2. Only a Bear Harvest Permit holder may possess a bear harvest tag.

3. Unused bear harvest tags shall be returned by the permit holder to the Commission no later than 14 days after the expiration date of the Bear Harvest Permit. It shall be a violation of this section for any individual to possess unused bear harvest tags beyond 14 days after the expiration date of the Bear Harvest Permit.

(d) Bear Harvest Permits shall be valid for use in a specific Bear Harvest Zone and prohibited from use on any Private Lands Bear Harvest Program property as described in subsection (6), below.

(e) Bear Harvest Permits and their associated harvest tags, supplied by the Commission, are nontransferable.

(f) No more than 10% of Bear Harvest Permits awarded shall be to non-residents.

(3) Bear hunting requirements:

(a) Individuals taking bears under a Bear Harvest Permit must be licensed and permitted pursuant to Section 379.354, F.S., unless exempt under section 379.353, F.S.

(b) Unpermitted guests may participate in the taking of bears as follows:

1. When the Bear Harvest Permit holder is present on the property where the take of bear is occurring.

2. Guest hunters must be licensed and permitted as required by section 379.354, F.S., unless exempt pursuant to section 379.353, F.S.

3. The guest(s) and Bear Harvest Permit holder must share the Bear Harvest Permit bag limit.

4. The Bear Harvest Permit holder shall be responsible for ensuring that all parties comply with the bag limit.

5. One guest hunter is allowed per Bear Harvest Permit holder hunting without dogs.

6. Up to nine guest hunters are allowed per Bear Harvest Permit holder hunting with dogs.

(c) The open season for harvesting bears shall begin no earlier than October 1 and end no later than December 31. Season dates will be established annually, and pursuant to subsection 120.81(5), F.S., the Commission shall give notice of the annual season dates electronically at: <https://www.MyFWC.com/Bear>.

(d) The general methods and prohibitions for take of bear are as provided in Rule 68A-12.002, F.A.C.

(e) Use of dogs:

1. Dogs on leash may be used for trailing a shot bear.

2. Effective July 1, 2026, dogs may be used to pursue bears during the bear dog training seasons established in subsection 68A-12.007(6), F.A.C.

3. Effective July 1, 2027, dogs may be used to pursue bears during the bear dog training seasons established in subsection 68A-12.007(6), F.A.C., and under a Bear Harvest Permit.

4. The use of dogs to pursue bears shall comply with the requirements of Rule 68A-12.007, F.A.C.

5. No more than six dogs at any one time may be used to pursue bears.

6. Dogs may be used to pursue bears on privately-owned property only if the property has been registered as provided in subsection 68A-12.007(3), F.A.C.

(f) Bears may only be taken in the Bear Harvest Zone as specified in the Bear Harvest Permit.

(g) The daily, possession, and season bag limit is one bear per Bear Harvest Permit but at no time shall an individual harvest a bear under more than one Bear Harvest Permit per season.

(4) Bear harvest tagging, reporting, and sampling requirements.

(a) A harvested bear shall be tagged with the issued bear harvest tag prior to moving the bear from the point of recovery. The tag shall be locked and attached through the skin of the carcass. The harvest tag shall remain locked and attached to the carcass until the bear is reported using the Commission's harvest reporting system and shall remain locked and attached to the bear skin until the skin is tanned, taxidermy mounted or

exported from the state. The harvest tag may not be altered to compromise the locking mechanism in any way and shall be used only once.

(b) The possession of any bear not tagged as prescribed herein is prohibited, and such bear shall be subject to seizure and forfeiture to the Commission under the provisions of section 379.3311, F.S.

(c) Harvest reporting requirements shall apply to any individual who harvests a bear under this Rule and does not apply to bears taken under Rule 68A-4.009, F.A.C., or under permits issued pursuant to Rule 68A-9.002, F.A.C.

1. Each bear harvested shall be reported using the Commission's harvest reporting system (available at: <https://GoOutdoorsFlorida.com> and through the Fish|Hunt Florida app on Apple and Android devices) under the customer ID number of the individual who harvested the bear. Reporting must occur within 24 hours of harvest, prior to final processing, prior to the bear or any portions or parts thereof being transferred to another party, and prior to leaving the state.

2. Upon report, the Commission's harvest reporting system will provide a confirmation number.

3. After reporting through the Commission's harvest reporting system, but prior to that bear being transferred to any other party, the bear, or portions or parts thereof, must be labeled with the first and last name of the harvester and the harvest reporting confirmation number. Such labeling shall remain on the bear, or portions or parts thereof, until final processing or until stored at the domicile of its possessor.

(d) All harvested bears are subject to inspection and collection of biological samples by Commission representatives for purposes of harvest sustainability and conservation of the bear resource.

(5) Bear processing and parts.

(a) For any harvested bear, evidence of legal harvest must be possessed, and the identifying information of the harvester must be provided as described herein. For the purposes of this subsection, evidence of legal harvest is in the form of testicles, penis, penis sheath, mammary glands, or vulva that shall remain naturally attached to the carcass, and the identifying information of the harvester is their first and last name and either their customer ID number or their harvest reporting confirmation number.

(b) A harvested bear may be transferred whole or divided and transferred in portions or parts from the harvester to other individuals in the field or camp. If transferred whole, the possessor must retain evidence of legal harvest and the bear harvest tag locked and attached to the carcass per paragraph (4)(a), above, and provide the identifying information of the harvester. If transferred in portions or parts, the harvester must retain evidence of legal harvest and the bear harvest tag locked and attached through the skin per paragraph (4)(a), above, and

any possessor of the portions or parts must provide the identifying information of the harvester.

(c) If the harvester retains the whole harvested bear in their possession, then they must possess evidence of legal harvest, and the bear harvest tag locked and attached to the carcass per paragraph (4)(a), above, and provide their identifying information. Evidence of legal harvest and identifying information of the harvester must be retained until a harvested bear arrives at a meat processor, taxidermist, the domicile of its possessor, or has been cooked, and must be provided upon request by Commission Law Enforcement.

(d) Bear legally taken may be stored in public cold storage, refrigerators, freezers or coolers or a processing facility when packaged or labeled and clearly marked with the owner's name and, if a license is required, license number or customer ID number.

1. Any harvested bear, or portions or parts thereof, subject to the harvest reporting provisions of subsection (4) above, shall also have the Commission's harvest reporting system confirmation number recorded on the label by the harvester, and any bear, or portions or parts thereof, legally taken out-of-state shall also have the telephone number of the individual taking or acquiring such bear and the state of harvest recorded on the label. Such labeling shall remain on the bear, or portions or parts thereof, until final processing or until stored at the domicile of its possessor.

2. As an alternative to labeling, the owner of any public cold storage, refrigerators, freezers or coolers or a processing facility may use a logbook and numbering or other tracking system. The logbook shall contain the same information required of the aforementioned label. The logbook shall be kept on the premises for inspection by a Commission Law Enforcement Officer and retained while a bear, or parts thereof, recorded therein are on the premises.

3. The owner, operator, or lessee of public cold storage, refrigerators, freezers or coolers or a processing facility are not subject to possession limits described in paragraph (3)(g), above, for any bear legally taken by another and stored in their facility.

(6) Beginning January 1, 2026, the Commission hereby creates a Private Lands Bear Harvest Program (Program) to permit landowners to bear hunt on their properties. A landowner may apply for a Program permit issued by the Executive Director, or designee, to allow for the take of bear on a specified private property from October 1 through December 31.

(a) Program enrollment application must meet the following criteria:

1. The property identified in the Program enrollment application must be at least 5,000 contiguous acres, with no less than 50% of the identified acres being suitable bear habitat.

Adjoining properties that form, in aggregate, one contiguous piece of land that together satisfies the acreage requirement and have no less than 50% of the identified acres being suitable bear habitat qualify for Program enrollment.

2. Only the owner of the property, the lessee of the property, or an individual who has written permission from the landowner may submit an application. Applications shall include:

a. A written description of the property boundaries;

b. The total acreage of the property;

c. The name, street or physical address, and telephone number for the applicant and the landowner(s);

d. The signature of the landowner(s) or legal agent of the landowner(s) providing permission to enroll their property in the Program; and

e. Other information pertaining to the proposed activity necessary for permit issuance and enforcement of this subsection.

(b) Permit issuance requirements:

1. An applicant must submit a written Bear Habitat Management Plan (BHMP) developed or approved by a Certified Wildlife Biologist (CWB; certified by The Wildlife Society 5410 Grosvenor Lane, Suite 200, Bethesda, MD 20816) or developed through the Commission's Landowner Assistance Program.

2. An applicant must submit an annual bear population survey demonstrating the number of individual adult bears using the property between August 1 and December 31. The survey must be verified by a Certified Wildlife Biologist and shall not include any bears observed within 300 feet of the property's boundary described in the application.

3. An applicant must include a minimum of four qualifying conservation activities (active habitat management, wildlife management or conservation-related activities for youth) annually indicating those activities affect at least 10% of the property during the Program enrolled period. Conservation-related activities for youth may only account for one of the four qualifying conservation activities required.

4. Commission personnel shall review the application and approve or deny based on whether it is complete and includes the required proposed conservation activities and population data. If approved, the property will be enrolled in the Program and a permit issued in the name of the applicant. Only one permit will be issued for the property described in the application. As a condition of annual permit renewal, the property must be managed consistent with the BHMP, and the conservation activities must be performed substantially as proposed.

5. Notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 68A-4.009, F.A.C., no individual may harvest a bear on property enrolled

in the Program except as provided for by permit issued under this paragraph:

(c) Permitted activities:

1. The Commission shall furnish one bear harvest tag for a property 5,000 to 14,999 acres that submit population data demonstrating at least five individual bears using the property, up to two (2) bear harvest tags for a property 15,000 to 24,999 acres that submit population data demonstrating at least 10 individual bears using the property, and a maximum of three bear harvest tags will be issued for a property 25,000 acres or more that submit population data demonstrating at least 15 individual bears using the property.

a. Bear harvest tags issued under this subsection shall remain the property of the Commission until affixed as provided herein.

b. Any unused bear harvest tag shall be returned by the permittee to the Commission no later than 14 days after the expiration date of the Program permit. It shall be a violation of this section for any individual to possess any unused bear harvest tag issued pursuant to this section 14 days after the expiration date of the permit.

2. The general methods and prohibitions of take for bear are as provided in Rule 68A-12.002, F.A.C.

3. Use of dogs:

a. Dogs on leash may be used for trailing a shot bear.

b. Effective July 1, 2026, dogs may be used to pursue bears during the bear dog training seasons established in subsection 68A-12.007(6), F.A.C.

c. Effective July 1, 2027, dogs may be used to pursue bears during the bear dog training seasons established in subsection 68A-12.007(6), F.A.C., and under a Program permit.

d. All dogs used to pursue bears shall comply with the requirements of Rule 68A-12.007, F.A.C.

e. No more than six (6) dogs at any one time may be used to pursue bears.

f. Dogs may be used to pursue bears only if the property has been registered as provided in subsection 68A-12.007(3), F.A.C.

4. Any individual taking bear under a Program permit issued under this subsection must be licensed as required by section 379.354, F.S., unless exempt under section 379.353, F.S.

5. Each bear harvested under a Program permit shall be tagged with a bear harvest tag issued with the permit prior to moving the bear from the point of recovery. The tag shall be locked through the skin of the carcass. The possession of any bear not tagged as prescribed herein is prohibited, and such bear shall be subject to seizure and forfeiture to the Commission under the provisions of section 379.3311, F.S. The harvest tag shall remain locked on the carcass until the bear is reported using the Commission's harvest reporting system and shall

remain locked and attached to the bear skin until the skin is tanned, taxidermy mounted or exported from the state. The harvest tag may not be altered to compromise the locking mechanism in any way and shall be used only once.

(d) The harvest reporting requirements of subparagraphs (4)(c)1. through 3. and paragraph (4)(d), above, shall apply to bears harvested under this subsection.

(e) Commission personnel may access property enrolled in the Private Lands Bear Harvest Program to check for permit compliance or to collect biological specimens and data on any bear taken.

(7) Failure to comply with any provisions of this rule or any other Commission rules may be grounds for revocation, suspension, or denial of any permit issued under this rule pursuant to Rule 68-1.010, F.A.C.

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NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
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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: May 21, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT
PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 29, 2025

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:

68A-13.0001 Definitions

68A-13.004 Hunting Regulations for Non-Migratory
Game and Issuance of Antlerless Deer
Permits and Private Lands Deer
Management Permits

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to remove unnecessary rule provisions that are provided for elsewhere. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to avoid redundancy of provisions regarding hunting black bears.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment removes rule language that has become obsolete due to the creation of a new rule relating to hunting black bears.

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: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

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

DATE AND TIME: During the Commission's regular meeting August 13-14, 2025, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., each day.

PLACE: Florida Public Safety Institute, 85 Academy Drive, Havana, Florida, 32333.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Morgan Richardson, Hunting and Game Management Division Director, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850)488-3831.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-13.0001 Definitions.

When used in this rule chapter, the terms and phrases listed below have the meaning provided:

(1) through (2) No change.

~~(3) Bear management unit (BMU) — The following geographical portions of the state:~~

~~(a) East Panhandle BMU — The counties of Bay, Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Jackson, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, Wakulla, and Washington.~~

~~(b) North BMU — The counties of Baker, Columbia, Duval, Hamilton, Nassau, Suwannee, and Union.~~

~~(c) Central BMU — The counties of Alachua, Bradford, Brevard, Clay, Flagler, Lake, Marion, Orange, Putnam, Seminole, St. Johns, Sumter, and Volusia.~~

~~(d) South BMU — The counties of Broward, Collier, Hendry, Lee, Miami Dade, Monroe, and Palm Beach.~~

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2025

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. History—New 7-2-14, Amended 7-1-15, 7-29-15, 9-1-25.

68A-13.004 Hunting Regulations for Non-Migratory Game and Issuance of Antlerless Deer Permits and Private Lands Deer Management Permits.

The Commission has approved the following hunting regulations for taking non-migratory game.

(1) Bag and possession limits:

(a) through (c) No change.

~~(d) Bear: daily, possession and season bag 1.~~

(2) No change.

(3) Open seasons:

(a) through (f) No change.

~~(g) Bear:~~

~~1. East Panhandle, North, Central, and South BMUs:~~

~~Opening the Saturday prior to the last Saturday in October and closing 6 days thereafter. If a BMU's harvest objective, established pursuant to subparagraph 2., is attained prior to the season close and on or after the second day of the season, that BMU's season shall close at 11:59 p.m. on the day its harvest objective is attained.~~

~~2. The harvest objective for each BMU shall be as established by Order of the Executive Director, after approval of the Commission, and shall be based on the proportion of the BMU population available for harvest consistent with biologically sustainable population objectives for each BMU.~~

~~3. All bear taken shall be checked and tagged within 12 hours of recovery at a Commission designated check station. The tag shall remain affixed to the hide until it is tanned or mounted.~~

(h) through (j) renumbered (g) through (i) No change.

(4) through (5) No change.

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NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
Morgan Richardson, Hunting and Game Management Division Director, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620

South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850)488-3831.

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

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: May 21, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 29, 2025

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:

68A-15.004	General Regulations Relating to Wildlife Management Areas
68A-15.062	Specific Regulations for Wildlife Management Areas - North Central Region
68A-15.063	Specific Regulations for Wildlife Management Areas - Northwest Region
68A-15.064	Specific Regulations for Wildlife Management Areas - South Region
68A-15.065	Specific Regulations for Wildlife Management Areas - Northeast Region

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to codify the process for establishing black bear hunting seasons on Wildlife Management Areas, and to remove unnecessary rule language. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to facilitate the establishment of bear hunting seasons on Wildlife Management Areas.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment establishes the process for setting bear hunting seasons on Wildlife Management Areas and removes obsolete rule language.

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: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

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

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THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-15.004 General Regulations Relating to Wildlife Management Areas.

(1) through (6) No change.

(7) Dogs:

(a) Dogs may be used for hunting during open seasons, except ~~bear season~~ or if prohibited by regulations for the particular management area. The take of non-protected birds with dogs is allowed during any season when at least one species of small game is legal to take with dogs. The Executive Director or designee may issue permits to raccoon or fox hunting organizations that are sanctioned by the United Kennel Club, American Kennel Club, Professional Kennel Club, or similar sanctioning entity to allow raccoon or fox hunting during otherwise closed seasons and at times and places designated in the permit. Permits may be issued only in areas where this activity will not negatively impact wildlife, where adjoining landowner conflicts will be minimal, where cooperating landowners are in agreement with the permit conditions, and when not in conflict with other user groups.

(b) through (e) No change.

(8) through (12) No change.

(13) Alligators: Notwithstanding any other provision in Chapter 68A- Title 15, F.A.C., the harvest of alligators, their eggs or hatchlings may be conducted on wildlife management areas in accordance with Commission order(s) and Rules 68A-25.031, 68A-25.032 and 68A-25.042, F.A.C. Guns and bait may be used for taking alligators by alligator hunt participants as specified in Rule 68A-25.042 or 68A-25.032, F.A.C.,

whichever is applicable, and persons taking alligators pursuant to those rules on wildlife management areas shall not be required to check in and out at a check station, or check any alligators taken. A private landowner making his lands available for use in the wildlife management area system may participate in an alligator management program on such lands in accordance with Rule 68A-25.032, F.A.C.

(14) through (16) No change.

(17) Bears: Notwithstanding any other provision in Chapter 68A-15, F.A.C., the harvest and pursuit of bear may be conducted during the season dates for each specific wildlife management area set in accordance with Commission order(s) and Rule 68A-12.012, F.A.C.

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68A-15.062 Specific Regulations for Wildlife Management Areas – North Central Region.

(1) No change.

(2) Cypress Creek Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the muzzleloading gun season that coincide with the open season established for the North BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, furbearers and fish. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age.

(c) through (d) No change.

(3) No change.

(4) Lochloosa Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the archery and muzzleloading gun seasons that coincide with the open season established for the Central BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age.

(c) through (d) No change.

(5) Osceola Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 10. No change.

~~11. Bear—During the open season established for the North BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.~~

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during the bear season)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age.

(c) through (d) No change.

(6) Big Bend Wildlife Management Area – Tide Swamp Unit.

(a) Open season:

1. through 9. No change.

~~10. Bear—During the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.~~

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during the bear season)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age.

(c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 2. No change.

3. During periods when check stations are staffed during the muzzleloading gun season, ~~the bear season~~, the youth turkey hunt, and the first 16 days of the archery, general gun and spring turkey seasons, hunters shall check in and out at a check station when entering or exiting the area and check all game taken.

4. through 7. No change.

(7) Big Bend Wildlife Management Area – Spring Creek Unit.

(a) Open season:

1. through 9. No change.

~~10. Bear—During the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.~~

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during the bear season)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with two or more points is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age.

(c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. During periods when check stations are staffed during the muzzleloading gun season, ~~the bear season~~, the youth turkey hunt, and the first 16 days of the archery, general gun and spring turkey seasons, hunters shall check in and out at a check station when entering or exiting the area and shall check all game taken.

2. through 8. No change.

(8) Big Bend Wildlife Management Area – Hickory Mound Unit.

(a) Open season:

1. through 8. No change.

9. Bear—~~During the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.~~

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during the bear season)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with two or more points is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age.

(c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 5. No change.

6. During periods when check stations are staffed during the ~~bear season and the~~ first 16 days of the archery, general gun and spring turkey seasons, hunters shall check in and out at a check station when entering or exiting the area and check all game taken. Waterfowl hunters using the Hickory Mound Impoundment must check in and out at the check station whenever it is staffed and check all game taken.

7. through 13. No change.

(9) No change.

(10) Big Bend Wildlife Management Area – Snipe Island Unit.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the archery and muzzleloading gun seasons that coincide with the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. The bag limit for deer shall be one per person per day. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with two or more points is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During archery season quota periods, one turkey may be taken per person, but no more than two turkeys per quota permit. During archery season non-quota periods, one turkey may be taken per person. During spring turkey season quota periods, one gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per person, but no more than two per quota permit. During spring turkey season non-quota periods, one gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per person.

(c) through (d) No change.

(11) No change.

(12) Raiford Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the muzzleloading gun season that coincide with the open season established for the Central BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. Wild turkey may be taken during the muzzleloading gun and archery/muzzleloading gun seasons. Only wild hog may be taken during the wild hog-still season.

(c) through (d) No change.

(13) through (15) No change.

(16) Twin Rivers Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the muzzleloading gun season that coincide with the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. The bag limit for deer is one deer per person, but no more than two deer per quota permit during archery season. The bag limit for deer is one antlered deer per person, but no more than two antlered deer per quota permit during muzzleloading gun and general gun seasons. The bag limit for deer is one antlered and one antlerless deer per quota permit during the family hunt. One turkey may be taken per person, but no more than two per quota permit.

(c) through (d) No change.

(17) through (26) No change.

(27) Middle Aucilla Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the muzzleloading gun season that coincide with the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with two or more points is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age.

(c) through (d) No change.

(28) Little River Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, furbearers and fish. Antlerless deer may be taken only during the family hunt, ~~bear may be taken only during those portions of the muzzleloading gun season that coincide with the open season established for the North BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.~~, and quail may be taken only during the periods described as follows: opening the first day of small game season and concluding 8 days thereafter, reopening 20 days later and concluding 8 days thereafter, and reopening 20 days later and concluding 8 days thereafter. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the family hunt, one antlered and one antlerless deer may be taken per quota permit. During the spring turkey season, one gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per person, but no more than two per quota permit.

(c) through (d) No change.

(29) No change.

(30) J.P. Hall Bayard Point Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the muzzleloading gun season that coincide with the open season established for the Central BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish, frogs, and furbearers. The bag limit for deer shall be one deer per person, but no more than two deer per quota permit during archery season and one antlered deer per person, but no more than two antlered deer per quota permit during muzzleloading gun and general gun seasons. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the spring turkey season one gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per person, but no more than two per quota permit.

(c) through (d) No change.

(31) through (32) No change.

(33) Cary Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the muzzleloading gun season that coincide with the open season established for the North BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the archery season the bag limit for deer shall be one deer per person, but no more than two deer per quota permit. During the family hunt the bag limit shall be one antlered and one antlerless deer per quota permit. During the muzzleloading gun and general gun seasons the bag limit shall be one antlered deer per person, but no more than two antlered deer per quota permit. Only wild hog may be taken during the wild hog-still season. During the spring turkey season one gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per person, but no more than two per quota permit.

(c) through (d) No change.

(34) Ralph E. Simmons Memorial Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the muzzleloading gun season that coincide with the open season established for the North BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the archery and general gun for mobility-impaired seasons and the family hunt, the bag limit for deer shall be one antlered and one antlerless deer per quota permit. During the muzzleloading gun and general gun seasons, the bag limit for deer shall be one antlered deer per person, but no more than two deer per quota permit. During the general gun for mobility-impaired season

only certified mobility-impaired hunters may take antlerless deer.

(c) through (d) No change.

(35) Lower Econfina River Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the archery season that coincide with the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with two or more points is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. The take of antlerless deer during the last 14 days of archery season is prohibited.

(c) through (d) No change.

(36) Belmore Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the muzzleloading gun season that coincide with the open season established for the Central BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. During the archery season the bag limit for deer shall be one antlered or one antlerless deer per quota permit. During the family hunts the bag limit for deer shall be one antlered and one antlerless deer per quota permit. During the muzzleloading gun and general gun seasons the bag limit for deer shall be one antlered deer per quota permit. Taking antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the spring turkey season one gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per quota permit.

(c) through (d) No change.

(37) Four Creeks Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the muzzleloading gun season that coincide with the open season established for the North BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. During the archery season the bag limit for deer shall be one deer per quota permit. During the family hunt the bag limit for deer shall be one antlered and one antlerless deer per quota permit. During the muzzleloading gun and general gun seasons the bag limit for deer shall be one deer per quota permit. Taking antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the spring turkey season one gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per quota permit. Only wild hog may be taken during the wild hog-still season.

(c) through (d) No change.

(38) through (40) No change.

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68A-15.063 Specific Regulations for Wildlife Management Areas – Northwest Region.

(1) Apalachee Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 9. No change.

~~10. Bear — During the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.~~

~~10.11.~~ No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during the bear season)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. Quail may be taken in Zone A only during the archery, muzzleloading gun, and quail seasons.

(c) through (d) No change.

(2) Apalachicola Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open seasons:

1. through 12. No change.

~~13. Bear — During the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.~~

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during the bear season)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of 10 inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. Bearded turkeys or gobblers may be taken during the muzzleloading gun season, and during the first 16 days of general gun season. Taking quail is prohibited on the quail enhancement area (that portion of the area lying north of Oak Ridge Road, east of State Road 61 and US Highway 319, south of State Road 263 and west of State Road 363) except during quail season as established annually by order of the Executive Director, based on annual fall quail surveys. The daily bag limit for quail on the quail enhancement area is six (6) per person.

(c) through (d) No change.

(3) Apalachicola Wildlife Management Area – Bradwell Unit.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the archery season that coincide with the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with two or more points is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. The bag limit for antlered deer shall be one per quota permit during the archery season and one per person, but no more than two per quota permit during muzzleloading gun and general gun seasons. During the family hunt, the bag limit shall be one antlered and one antlerless deer per quota permit. During spring turkey season, one gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per person, but not more than two per quota permit. During the youth turkey hunt, one gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per quota permit. During the wild hog seasons, only wild hog may be taken.

(c) through (d) No change.

(4) through (8) No change.

(9) Talquin Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 7. No change.

~~8. Bear — During the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C. (Friday, Saturdays and Sundays only).~~

~~8.9.~~ No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during the bear season)~~, fish and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with two or more points is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the youth turkey hunt, one gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per quota permit. During the wild hog-still season, only wild hog may be taken.

(c) through (d) No change.

(10) Ochlockonee River Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the archery season that coincide with the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. In that portion of the area south of I-10, taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with two or more points is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. In that portion of the area north of I-10, taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. Gobblers or bearded turkeys may be taken during the archery/muzzleloading gun season. During the youth turkey hunt, one gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per quota permit. During the wild hog-still season, only wild hog may be taken.

(c) through (d) No change.

(11) Tate's Hell Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 11. No change.

~~12. Bear — During the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.~~

~~12.13.~~ No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during the bear season)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of 10 inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age.

(c) through (d) No change.

(12) Tate's Hell Wildlife Management Area – Womack Creek Unit.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the archery season that coincide with the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish, frogs, and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with two or more points is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the youth turkey hunt, one gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per quota permit. During the wild hog-dog season, only wild hog may be taken.

(c) through (d) No change.

(13) Aucilla Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 13. No change.

~~14. Bear — During the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., except in the Pinhook still hunt area.~~

~~14.15.~~ No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during the bear season and those portions of the muzzleloading gun season in the Pinhook still hunt area that coincide with the bear season)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. In the Pinhook still hunt area (which is that portion of the area south of US 98), taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. In the remainder of the area, taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with two or more points is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the archery season in the Pinhook still hunt area the bag limit for deer shall be two deer, only one of which can be antlered, per quota permit. During the family hunt the bag limit shall be one antlered and one antlerless deer per quota permit. During the muzzleloading gun and general gun seasons in the Pinhook still hunt area, the bag limit for deer shall be two antlered deer per quota permit, but no more than one per person. During the wild hog-dog season, only wild hog may be taken.

(c) through (d) No change.

(14) Pine Log Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the archery season that coincide with the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. Taking antlerless deer is prohibited, except during the family hunt and the first 23 days of archery season. The bag limit for antlerless deer during the family hunt is one per quota permit. During the youth turkey hunt, one gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per quota permit.

(c) through (d) No change.

(15) through (16) no change.

(17) Tyndall AFB Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 9. No change.

~~10. Bear — During the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C. (only in areas and during days designated by the Installation Commander).~~

~~10.11.~~ No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during the bear season)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with two or more points is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age in areas specified by the Installation Commander. Within the East and West units, the take of deer not having at least one antler with four or more points is prohibited unless otherwise specified by the Installation Commander. The Installation Commander may specify areas and days where taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points is prohibited, and where persons less than 16 years of age may harvest antlered deer not meeting antler point criteria. Antler restrictions shall not apply during the supervised youth hunt. Antlerless deer may be taken during established seasons only by permit from the Installation Commander. The bag limit for deer shall be 3 (but no more than 2 antlerless deer) during all seasons combined, except on the Flightline Unit where statewide bag limits for deer shall apply.

(c) through (d) No change.

(18) No change.

(19) Chipola River Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open seasons, except in the Altha Tract:

1. through 10. No change.

~~11. Bear — During the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.~~

~~11.12.~~ No change.

(b) No change.

(c) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during the bear season and those portions of the archery season in the Altha Tract that coincide with the bear season)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. In that portion of the area south of I-10, taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with two or more points is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. In that portion of the area north of I-10, taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the archery season in the Altha Tract, the bag limit for deer shall be one antlered or one antlerless deer per person, but not more than two per quota permit. During the family hunt, the bag limit shall be one antlered and one antlerless deer per quota permit. During the muzzleloading gun season in the Altha Tract, the bag limit shall be one antlered deer per person, but not more than two per quota permit. One gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per quota permit during the youth turkey hunt and two gobblers or bearded turkeys may be taken per quota permit, but not more than one per person during spring turkey season in the Altha Tract. During the wild hog-still season, only wild hog may be taken.

(d) through (e) No change.

(20) No change.

(21) Econfina Creek Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season except in the mobility-impaired, Cat Creek and Fitzhugh Carter areas.

1. through 10. No change.

~~11. Bear — During the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.~~

(b) through (c) No change.

(d) Legal to Take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during the bear season and those portions of the archery season in the Cat Creek and Fitzhugh Carter areas that coincide with the bear season)~~, fish (except as provided below), frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with two or more points is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the family hunt, the bag limit for antlerless deer is one per quota permit. Taking bobcat and otter is prohibited in the Fitzhugh Carter area. During the youth turkey hunt, one gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per quota permit. In the mobility-impaired hunt area, antlerless deer (bag limit of two per three-day hunt) may be taken during general gun hunts only by persons possessing valid mobility-impaired certificates.

(e) through (f) No change.

(22) Box-R Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the archery season that coincide with the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-~~

~~13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. The bag limit for deer shall be one deer per person, but not more than two per quota permit. Antlerless deer may only be taken during archery season (1 antlerless deer per quota permit) or by antlerless deer permit. Taking antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the youth turkey hunt, one gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per quota permit. During spring turkey season, two gobblers or bearded turkeys may be taken per quota permit, but not more than one per person. During the wild hog-dog season, only wild hog may be taken. The take of deer is prohibited during wild hog-still season.

(c) through (d) No change.

(23) No change.

(24) Wakulla Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the archery season that coincide with the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the youth turkey hunt, one gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per quota permit.

(c) through (d) No change.

(25) No change.

(26) Juniper Creek Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 2. No change.

~~3. Bear hunt — During the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.~~

(b) Legal to take: Antlered deer with at least one antler with two or more points, antlerless deer, ~~bear (only during the bear season)~~, wild hog, non-protected birds, non-protected mammals, and wild turkey (during the youth turkey hunt only). The bag limit for deer shall be one antlered or one antlerless deer per person. During youth turkey hunts, one gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per youth.

(c) No change.

(d) General regulations:

1. through 2. No change.

3. A zone tag issued by the U.S. Forest Service is required to participate in each hunt. A random drawing is held the third Friday in October to issue zone tags. Each hunter shall obtain a zone tag prior to the hunt and keep it in his or her possession while hunting on the area. No person shall hunt in any zone other than that for which he or she has a zone tag. During the family hunt, one or two youth per zone tag, under 16 years of age but not younger than 8 years of age, may hunt as provided in Section 790.22, F.S., under the supervision and in the

presence of one adult not younger than 18 years of age. The adult may only hunt when in the presence of at least one youth under 16 years of age but not younger than 8 years of age. During youth turkey hunts, one youth and one adult may participate as provided by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., per zone tag. ~~During the bear hunt, one youth and one adult may participate per zone tag.~~

4. through 7. No change.

(27) Beaverdam Creek Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 10. No change.

~~11. Bear — During the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.~~

12. through 13. renumbered 11. through 12. No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during the bear season)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with two or more points is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the family hunt, antlered or antlerless deer may be taken (limit one antlerless deer per person per day). During the muzzleloading gun season, antlered or antlerless deer may be taken (limit one antlerless deer per day). During the youth turkey hunt, the bag limit is one gobbler or bearded turkey per quota permit. During spring turkey season, two gobblers or bearded turkeys may be taken per quota permit, but not more than one per person. During the wild hog-dog season, only wild hog may be taken.

(c) and (d) No change.

(28) through (32) No change.

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68A-15.064 Specific Regulations for Wildlife Management Areas – South Region.

(1) through (5) No change.

(6) Okaloacoochee Slough Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 9. No change.

~~10. Bear — During the open season established for the South BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.~~

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during the bear season)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. During the archery, muzzleloading gun, family and general gun seasons, the bag limit for deer shall be one per quota permit. The taking of

antlerless deer is prohibited during archery season. One gobbler or bearded turkey may be taken per spring turkey or youth turkey quota permit. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. Notwithstanding the quail season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., quail may be taken throughout the general gun-walk season established for this area.

(c) through (d) No change.

(7) No change.

(8) Picayune Strand Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the general gun season that coincide with the open season established for the South BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of 10 or more inches in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. The bag limit for deer shall be two per quota permit, but no more than one per person. The taking of antlerless deer and turkey is prohibited during archery season. One gobbler (or bearded turkey) may be taken per spring turkey or youth turkey quota permit. Notwithstanding the quail season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., quail may be taken throughout the general gun season established for this area.

(c) through (d) No change.

(9) No change.

(10) Spirit-of-the-Wild Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 8. No change.

~~9. Bear — During the open season established for the South BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.~~

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during the bear season)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. The bag limit for deer shall be two per quota permit, but no more than one per person. During the spring turkey season, one gobbler (or bearded turkey) may be taken per person, but not more than two per quota permit. During the youth turkey season, one gobbler (or bearded turkey) may be taken per quota permit. The taking of antlerless deer and turkey is prohibited during archery season. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. Notwithstanding the quail season established by Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., quail may be taken throughout the general gun-walk season established for this area.

(c) through (d) No change.

(11) through (13) No change.

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68A-15.065 Specific Regulations for Wildlife Management Areas – Northeast Region.

(1) No change.

(2) Ocala Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 13. No change.

~~14. Bear — During the open season established for the Central BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C., except in the Church Lake Unit during the muzzleloading gun season.~~

(b) Legal to take:

1. All legal game, ~~bear (only during the bear season and that portion of the muzzleloading gun season in the Church Lake Unit that coincides with the bear season)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. During the spring turkey season, one gobbler (or bearded turkey) may be taken per person, but not more than two per quota permit. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. Antlered deer may only be taken in the Church Lake Unit during the archery season, muzzleloading gun season the first 9 days of the general gun season and the general gun still season. Deer daily bag one per person. Antlerless deer may not be taken during the archery season.

2. No change.

(c) through (e) No change.

(3) through (6) No change.

(7) Tiger Bay Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 7. No change.

~~8. Bear — During the open season established for the Central BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.~~

(b) Legal to take:

1. All legal game, ~~bear (only during the bear season)~~, fish, except as provided below, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age.

2. No change.

(c) through (d) No change.

(8) through (10) No change.

(11) Jumper Creek Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the muzzleloading gun season that coincide with the open season established for the Central BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. The take of antlerless deer is prohibited during the archery season.

(c) through (d) No change.

(12) Rock Springs Run Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: Only deer, wild hog and coyote may be taken during the archery, general gun and muzzleloading gun seasons, ~~except bear may be taken during those portions of the muzzleloading gun season that coincide with the open season established for the Central BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.~~ Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. Only rabbit, gray squirrel, wild hog, coyote and bobwhite quail may be taken during the small game season. The bag limit for deer shall be one antlered and one antlerless deer per quota permit. During the muzzleloading gun and general gun seasons, antlerless deer may be taken only by antlerless deer permit.

(c) through (d) No change.

(13) through (17) No change.

(18) Seminole Forest Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the general gun for mobility impaired season and the muzzleloading gun season that coincide with the open season established for the Central BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.)~~, fish, except as provided below, frogs and furbearers (except otter and bobcat). One antlered and one antlerless deer may be taken per quota permit during the archery season. One antlered deer may be taken per quota permit during the muzzleloading gun and general gun seasons. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. During the archery season, two turkeys of either sex may be taken per quota permit, but no more than one per person per day. During spring turkey season, two gobbler or bearded turkeys may be taken per quota permit, but no more than one gobbler or bearded turkey per person per day.

1. through 2. No change.

(c) through (d) No change.

(19) No change.

(20) Etoniah Creek Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during those portions of the muzzleloading gun season that coincide with the open season established for the Central BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.),~~ fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. The bag limit for deer shall be one per person, but not more than two per quota permit. During the spring turkey season, one gobbler (or bearded turkey) may be taken per person, but not more than two per quota permit.

(c) through (d) No change.

(21) through (31) No change.

(32) Lake Monroe Wildlife Management Area.

(a) Open season:

1. through 4. No change.

~~5. Bear — During the open season established for the Central BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.~~

(b) Legal to take: All legal game (except wild turkey may only be taken during archery and spring turkey seasons), ~~bear, (only during the bear season),~~ furbearers, fish and frogs. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. Antlerless deer may only be taken during the archery season.

(c) through (d) No change.

(33) No change.

(34) Marshall Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

(a) No change.

(b) Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear, (only during those portions of the archery season that coincide with the open season established for the Central BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.),~~ fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with three or more points or one antler with a main beam of ten inches or more in length is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. The bag limit for deer shall be one per person, but not more than two deer per quota permit. During the spring turkey season, one gobbler (or bearded turkey) may be taken per person, but not more than two per quota permit.

(c) through (d) No change.

(35) No change.

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7-1-10, 7-1-11, 8-11-11, 7-1-12, 7-26-12, 7-1-13, 9-9-13, 7-1-14, 7-1-15, 7-29-15, 7-1-16, 7-1-17, 9-14-17, 7-1-18, 7-1-19, 8-19-19, 7-1-20, 7-1-21, 7-1-22, 7-1-23, 7-1-24, 9-1-25.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
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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: May 21, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT
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FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:

68A-17.004 General Regulations Relating to Wildlife
and Environmental Areas

68A-17.005 Specific Regulations for Wildlife and
Environmental Areas

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed rule amendment is to codify the process for establishing black bear hunting seasons on Wildlife and Environmental Areas and to remove unnecessary rule language. The effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to facilitate the establishment of bear hunting seasons on Wildlife and Environmental Areas.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule amendment establishes the process for setting bear hunting seasons on Wildlife and Environmental Areas and removes obsolete rule language.

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: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

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

DATE AND TIME: During the Commission's regular meeting August 13-14, 2025, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., each day.

PLACE: Florida Public Safety Institute, 85 Academy Drive, Havana, Florida, 32333.

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: Morgan Richardson, Hunting and Game Management Division Director, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850) 488-3831.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

68A-17.004 General Regulations Relating to Wildlife and Environmental Areas.

(1) through (6) No change.

(7) Dogs:

(a) Dogs may be used for hunting during open seasons, except ~~bear season~~ or if prohibited by regulations for the particular wildlife and environmental area. The take of non-protected birds with dogs is allowed during any season when at least one species of small game is legal to take with dogs. The Executive Director or designee may issue permits to raccoon or fox hunting organizations that are sanctioned by the United Kennel Club, American Kennel Club, Professional Kennel Club, or similar sanctioning entity to allow raccoon or fox hunting during otherwise closed seasons and at times and places designated in the permit. Permits may be issued only in areas where this activity will not negatively impact wildlife, where adjoining landowner conflicts will be minimal, where cooperating landowners are in agreement with the permit conditions, and when not in conflict with other user groups.

(b) through (e) No change.

(8) through (17) No change.

(18) Bears: Notwithstanding any other provision in Chapter 68A-17, F.A.C., the harvest and pursuit of bear may be conducted during the season dates for each specific wildlife and environmental area set in accordance with Commission order(s) and Rule 68A-12.012, F.A.C.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2025

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const., 379.354, 375.313 FS. History—New 4-12-98, Amended 12-28-98, Formerly 39-17.004, Amended 7-1-00, 7-1-04, 7-1-05, 7-1-06, 7-29-07, 7-1-08, 7-1-09, 7-1-10, 1-1-11, 3-25-12, 4-9-13, 7-1-14, 7-1-15, 7-1-16, 7-1-18, 7-1-19, 9-13-20, 7-1-21, 7-1-22, 7-1-23, 7-1-24, 9-1-25.

68A-17.005 Specific Regulations for Wildlife and Environmental Areas.

(1) through (2) No change.

(3) Northwest Region.

(a) No change.

(b) Apalachicola River – Gulf and Franklin counties.

1. Open seasons:

a. through k. No change.

~~1. Bear — During the open season established for the East Panhandle BMU in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.~~

~~1.m. No change.~~

2. Legal to take: All legal game, ~~bear (only during the bear season)~~, fish, frogs and furbearers. Taking of antlered deer not having at least one antler with two or more points is prohibited, except by persons less than 16 years of age. Antlerless deer may only be taken during the archery season. Bearded turkey or gobblers may be taken during the spring turkey season and the first 41 days of the general gun season; turkey of either sex may be taken during the archery and muzzleloading gun seasons. During the first phase of dove season, taking dove in posted dove fields is prohibited except on Saturdays. Wild hog may only be taken during the archery, muzzleloading gun, general gun, archery/muzzleloading gun and wild hog-dog seasons and during the open season for quail established in Rule 68A-13.004, F.A.C.

3. through 4. No change.

(c) No change.

(4) through (5) No change.

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2025

Rulemaking Authority Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const. Law Implemented Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const., 379.2223, 375.313 FS. History—New 7-1-83, Amended 11-30-83, 7-1-84, 8-21-85, Formerly 39-17.05, Amended 6-1-86, 8-13-87, 8-18-88, 8-17-89, 4-11-90, 7-1-91, 10-31-91, 4-14-92, 4-20-93, 7-1-94, 9-15-94, 3-30-95, 8-15-95, 7-1-96, 4-3-97, 10-28-97, 7-1-98, 8-11-98, 7-1-99, Formerly 39-17.005, Amended 7-1-00, 5-1-01, 6-2-02, 5-25-03, 7-1-04, 7-1-05, 7-1-06, 7-1-07, 7-1-08, 1-6-09, 7-1-09, 10-29-09, 7-1-10, 7-1-11, 11-14-11, 7-1-12, 7-26-12, 7-1-13, 7-1-14, 7-2-14, 7-1-15, 7-29-15, 7-1-16, 7-1-17, 9-14-17, 7-1-18, 7-1-19, 7-1-20, 7-1-21, 7-1-22, 7-1-23, 7-1-24, 9-1-25.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Morgan Richardson, Hunting and Game Management Division Director, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, (850)488-3831.

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

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY
HEAD: May 21, 2025

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT
PUBLISHED IN FAR: May 29, 2025

Section III

Notice of Changes, Corrections and Withdrawals

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

Division of Plant Industry

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
5B-43.001 Definitions and Purpose
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. 51 No. 79, April 23,
2025 issue of the Florida Administrative Register.

5B-43.001 Definitions.

For the purpose of this chapter, the definitions in Section
581.011, F.S., and the following definitions shall apply:

(1) “Approved solid waste facility” means a facility
permitted by the Florida Department of Environmental
Protection as a Class I landfill.

(1) through (12) renumbered (2) through (13) No change.
*Rulemaking Authority 570.07(23), 581.031(1), (5), (7), (17) FS. Law
Implemented 570.32(5), (6), 581.031(6), (7), (15), (17), (20), (30),
581.101, 581.161, 581.181 FS. History—New 6-15-81, Amended 8-18-
85, Formerly 5B-43.01, Amended 2-11-87, ____.*

Section IV

Emergency Rules

NONE

Section V

Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Rule Variance or Waiver

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
62-342.700 Financial Responsibility
The Florida Department of Environmental Protection hereby

gives notice: That on June 11, 2025, the Department issued an
Order Granting Petition for Variance pursuant to 120.542, F.S.
to Westervelt Ecological Services. The Order grants a variance
from Chapter 373.4136, F.S. and subsection 62-342.700(11),
F.A.C., which requires a Trust Fund Agreement be worded in
substantial conformance with Form 62-342.700(11). The Order
is for the St. Marks Mitigation Bank, located in Wakulla and
Jefferson Counties. The petition was received on May 7, 2025.
Notice of receipt of this Petition was published on the Florida
Administrative Register on May 12, 2025, Vol. 51/92. No
public comment was received. The Order, file number OGC
#25-0797, granted the petition based on a showing that the
Petitioner demonstrated that a strict application of the rule
would result in substantial hardship to Petitioner and because
Petitioner demonstrated that the purpose of the underlying
statute will be or has been achieved by other means.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained
by contacting: Donna Kendall, telephone: (850)245-8488,
email: Donna.Kendall@FloridaDep.gov, Department of
Environmental Protection, Division of Water Resource
Management, Submerged Lands and Environmental Resource
Coordination, 2600 Blair Stone Road, MS 2500, Tallahassee,
Florida 32399-2400; during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m.
to 5:00 p.m., except legal holidays.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color,
religion, sex, pregnancy, national origin, age, handicap, or
marital status. Persons who require special accommodations
under the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) or persons
who require a translation service (free of charge) are asked to
contact DEP’s Limited English Proficiency Coordinator at
(850)245-2118 or LEP@FloridaDEP.gov. If you have a hearing
or speech impairment, please contact the agency using the
Florida Relay Service, (800)955-8771 (TDD) or (800)955-8770
(voice).

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Nursing

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
64B9-3.002 Qualifications for Examination

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on June 10, 2025, the Board
of Nursing, received a petition for variance or waiver filed by
Sydney Coward. Although no rule is listed in the petition, it
appears Petitioner is seeking a variance or waiver from
subsection 64B9-3.002(3), F.A.C., which states in part, for an
applicant writing the examination for practical nurses on the
basis of practical nursing education equivalency, a completed
Practical Nurse Equivalence (PNEQ) Application Letter or an
official certified transcript which sets forth graduation from an
approved professional program is required.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Amanda Gray, Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C02, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3252; MQA.Nursing@flhealth.gov. Comments on this petition should be filed with the Board of Nursing within 14 days of publication of this notice.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES Securities

The Office of Financial Regulation hereby gives notice: On June 11, 2025, the Office of Financial Regulation issued a Final Order Denying Petition for a Waiver from paragraph 69W-600.0024(6)(b), Florida Administrative Code, submitted on behalf of Erez Hevroni. On January 13, 2025, the Office issued a Notice of Intent to Enter a Final Order Denying the Petition for Waiver from paragraph 69W-600.0024(6)(b), Florida Administrative Code, and Notice of Rights. Petitioner's failure to file a petition for hearing or to file any other document in compliance with Rules 28-106.201, 28-106.2015, or 28-106.301, Florida Administrative Code, constitutes a waiver of Petitioner's right to an administrative hearing. Based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Petition is denied. **The original petition was published October 21, 2024 in the Florida Administrative Register Volume 50, Number 206.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Agency Clerk, Office of Financial Regulation, P.O. Box 8050, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-8050, (850)410-9889, Agency.Clerk@flofr.gov.

Section VI Notice of Meetings, Workshops and Public Hearings

DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL AFFAIRS

The Services and Resources Committee of the Statewide Council on Human Trafficking announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, July 9, 2025, 1:00 p.m. until conclusion

PLACE: Microsoft Teams Meeting - 1(412)912-1530, Phone Conference ID: 8499989#;

<https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-teams/join-a-meeting?rtc=1>, Meeting ID: 216417402981, Passcode: F4uD7MB3; and 2415 North Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32303, COT_C100_Auditorium

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Committee Business

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Lynn Guyton at Lynn.Guyton@myfloridalegal.com or by accessing the board's website at:

<https://www.myfloridalegal.com/human-trafficking/council/meetings>

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: the Office of the Attorney General James Uthmeier at (850)414-3300. 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: Lynn Guyton at Lynn.Guyton@myfloridalegal.com by telephone at (813)287-7960.

REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council

The Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council's Executive Budget Committee announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: June 23, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: virtual

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8185117476?pwd=UGwqnXiL4vQ16Z6weJbOiLtLsFpP70.1&omn=88601452132>

Meeting ID: 818 511 7476

Passcode: 89652

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: FY24 Audit Review Workshop

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Maria Robles, maria@tbrpc.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 4 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Maria Robles, maria@tbrpc.org. 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: Maria Robles, maria@tbrpc.org

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

Southwest Florida Water Management District

The Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) announces a workshop to which all persons are invited.

DATES AND TIMES: Wednesday, June 25, 2025, 10:00 a.m.; Thursday, June 26, 2025, 5:00 p.m.

PLACE: These workshops will be conducted by means of communications media technology. Preregistration is required. Preregister on our website calendar at <https://www.swfwmd.state.fl.us/about/calendar/2025-regional-water-supply-plan-rwsp-workshop-06/25/2025> and/or <https://www.swfwmd.state.fl.us/about/calendar/2025-regional-water-supply-plan-rwsp-workshop-06/26/2025>.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Public Draft 2025 Regional Water Supply Plan (RWSP) workshops. The 2025 RWSP is an assessment of projected water demands and potential sources of water to meet these demands in the SWFWMD for the period from 2025 through 2045. Updates to the RWSP are made in an open public process to ensure all stakeholders are provided with an opportunity to share their thoughts. At the workshop, staff will give a presentation on the Public Draft 2025 RWSP, and the public will have the opportunity to give comments and ask questions. A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: WaterMatters.org – Boards, Meetings & Event Calendar; 1(800)423-1476 (FL only) or (352)796-7211

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: SWFWMD Human Resources Office, (352)796-7211 or 1(800)423-1476 (FL only) or email to ADACoordinator@WaterMatters.org. 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: Cassidy.Hampton@WaterMatters.org; (352)269-5183

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

South Florida Water Management District

The Quarterly Meeting of the Everglades Technical Oversight Committee announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, June 24, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

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/41JXvbi>

The link will go live at approximately 10:00 a.m. on June 24, 2025.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Julianne LaRock at (561)682-6747, jlarock@sfwmd.gov. The agenda will be posted to the District's website at www.SFWMD.gov/meetings and 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. 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 CHILDREN AND FAMILIES Refugee Services

The Jacksonville Area Refugee Task Force announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, July 9, 2025, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

PLACE: Meeting will take place via the Microsoft Teams platform. Use the below link to connect to the meeting:

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_MzNiYjQ2OWMtOTY2OC00YTc1LWJlOTYtYmNhNThkMzQzNzU3%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22f70dba48-b283-4c57-8831-cb411445a94c%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%224c7ac74e-0835-4242-a8cf-f26976fc1c32%22%7d

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The purpose of the Jacksonville Area Refugee Task Force meeting is to increase awareness of the refugee populations, share best practices, spot trends in refugee populations, build collaborations between agencies, help create good communication among service providers, get informed about upcoming community events, and discuss refugee program service needs and possible solutions to meeting those needs.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Lita Amin (904)524-1316 or David Draper at (407)317-7335

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: Lita Amin (904)524-1316 or David Draper at

(407)317-7335. 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: Lita Amin (904)524-1316 or David Draper at (407)317-7335

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Marine Fisheries

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

68B-24.0065 Special Provisions for John Pennekamp Coral Reef State Park in Monroe County: Closure During Two-day Sport Season; Closure of Coral Formation Protection Zones

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission announces a workshop to which all persons are invited.

DATES AND TIMES: June 26, 2025, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. (EDT); July 1, 2025, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (EDT)

PLACE: Statewide webinars. More information about how to participate in the webinars will be available on the FWC website prior to the webinar date: <http://www.myfwc.com/fishing/saltwater/rulemaking/workshops/>. People interested in participating may also contact the Division of Marine Fisheries Management at (850)487-0554 for more information.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) is proposing changes to the rules governing Coral Formation Protection Zones (CPZs) of John Pennekamp Coral Reef State Park and is holding two virtual public workshops to gather public input. Proposed changes under consideration would resolve discrepancies between the CPZ boundary coordinates described in rule language and the areas currently marked by buoys on the water, maintain conservation of Florida's Coral Reef, and decrease the total acreage in which lobster harvest and trap deployment are prohibited. Staff will provide a brief presentation on proposed CPZ modifications and seek public feedback. Public feedback gathered during these workshops will be considered when developing rule recommendations for the Commission.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jessica McCawley, at 620 South Meridian St., Tallahassee, Florida 32399, (850)487-0554.

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).

For more information, you may contact: Jessica McCawley, at 620 South Meridian St., Tallahassee, Florida 32399, (850)487-0554.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Division of State Fire Marshal

The Fire and Emergency Incident Information System Technical Advisory Panel (FFIRS) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Monday, July 14, 2025, 3:00 p.m.

PLACE: JW Marriott Miami Turnberry Resort & Spa, Miami, FL

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Regular Meeting. Topics to include but not limited to a FFIRS and EMS update.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: MaryAnn.Benson@myfloridacfo.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 10 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: MaryAnn.Benson@myfloridacfo.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).

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Division of State Fire Marshal

The Firefighters Employment, Standards, and Training Council (FFESTC) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Monday, July 14, 2025, 4:00 p.m.

PLACE: JW Marriott Miami Turnberry Resort & Spa, Miami, FL

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Regular Meeting. Topics to include but not limited to a Division and Bureau update.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: MaryAnn.Benson@myfloridacfo.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 10 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: MaryAnn.Benson@myfloridacfo.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).

MOFFITT CANCER CENTER & RESEARCH INSTITUTE
The Florida Cancer Control & Research Advisory Council (CCRAB) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: June 24, 2025, 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m., Eastern

PLACE: URL: <https://moffitt.zoom.us/j/92561486314>

Meeting ID: 925 6148 6314

Phone: (305)224-1968

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:
Florida Cancer Plan 2030 Planning Meeting – Subgroup 4:
Diagnosis/Treatment, Quality of Life, Childhood Cancers

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting:
www.ccrab.org

For more information, you may contact:
bobbie.mckee@moffitt.org

FLORIDA LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE COMMISSION

The Florida Local Government Finance Commission announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Friday, June 27, 2025, 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: Zoom or Telephone

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Florida Local Government Finance Commission (the "Commission") announces a public meeting to which all interested persons are invited. The meeting will be held virtually on Friday, June 27, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time, via Zoom or by telephone.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://fl-counties.zoom.us/j/87811021831?pwd=Z0uxamk2PDlzhbEDNY49naF3QvxS3.1>

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Meeting ID: 878 1102 1831

Find your local number: <https://fl-counties.zoom.us/j/87811021831>

Interested persons may access internet-connected computers at their local full service public library. Persons wishing to physically attend the meeting are invited to do so at the offices of Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson, P.A., as General Counsel to the Issuer, located at 2502 N. Rocky Point Drive, Suite 1060, Tampa, Florida 33607.

The meeting of the Commission will be for the purpose of taking certain actions related to the Commission's private projects conduit revenue bond program. The Commission will consider the adoption of a bond resolution approving the issuance of private project conduit bonds for the principal purpose of financing and refinancing certain capital expenditures for the benefit of Ponte Vedra Pine Company LLC's senior living retirement communities located in Duval County, Florida. The Commission may also consider introductions and/or approval(s) of a TEFRA inducement resolution(s) related to the possible issuance of private project conduit bonds for additional projects along with any other business which may properly come before it. The agenda for such meeting can be obtained prior to the meeting from the Florida Association of Counties pursuant to the contact information provided in the final paragraph of this Notice. The Commission is an unincorporated, nonprofit association whose members are comprised of Brevard County, Florida, Charlotte County, Florida, Lee County, Florida, Osceola County, Florida, Sarasota County, Florida and St. Johns County, Florida.

ALL PERSONS FOR OR AGAINST ANY MATTER, PROPOSITION OR OFFICIAL ACTION BEFORE THE COMMISSION CAN BE HEARD AT SAID TIME AND PLACE. PERSONS INTERESTED IN TAKING FURTHER ACTION WITH RESPECT TO SUCH MEETING WILL NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF SUCH MEETING IS MADE (AT THEIR SOLE COST AND EXPENSE) WHICH RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH ANY APPEAL IS BASED.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this meeting should contact Anna Doughty at the Florida Association of Counties, 100 S. Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301, or by telephone at (850)922-4300, no less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the date of the meeting.

/s/ Nicole Jovanovski

Chair, Florida Local Government
Finance Commission

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Anna Doughty, Florida Association of Counties, 100 S. Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301; (850)922-4300

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 24 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Anna Doughty, Florida Association of Counties, 100 S. Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301; (850)922-4300. 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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SOUTH FLORIDA COMMUNITY CARE NETWORK

The South Florida Community Care Network, LLC d/b/a Community Care Plan announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: July 10, 2025, 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: Memorial Healthcare System, 3111 Stirling Road, Hollywood, Florida 33312 in the Executive Conference Room – 2nd floor.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Meeting of the CCP HR Committee Members to discuss general matters.

Interested persons may submit written comments or other documentation regarding the HR Committee Member Meeting to: Attn: Legal Department, South Florida Community Care Network, LLC d/b/a Community Care Plan, 1643 Harrison Parkway, Suite H-200, Sunrise, Florida 33323, Email: public.comments@ccpcares.org.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Migdalia Soto-Roba at mroba@ccpcares.org or (954)622-3227.

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 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Victoria Tuffy at vtuffy@ccpcares.org or (954)622-3232. 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: Justin Marshall, Esq., Senior Vice President and Chief Legal Officer, South Florida Community Care Network, LLC d/b/a Community Care Plan, at jmarshall@ccpcares.org or (954)622-3402.

SOUTH FLORIDA COMMUNITY CARE NETWORK

The South Florida Community Care Network, LLC d/b/a Community Care Plan announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: July 10, 2025, 2:00 p.m. or immediately following completion of HR Committee Meeting, whichever is later.

PLACE: Memorial Healthcare System, 3111 Stirling Road, Hollywood, Florida 33312 in the Executive Conference Room – 2nd floor.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Meeting of the Audit & Compliance Committee to discuss general matters.

Interested persons may submit written comments or other documentation regarding the Audit and Compliance Committee Meeting to: Attn: Legal Department, South Florida Community Care Network, LLC d/b/a Community Care Plan, 1643 Harrison Parkway, Suite H-200, Sunrise, Florida 33323, Email: public.comments@ccpcares.org.

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SOUTH FLORIDA COMMUNITY CARE NETWORK

The South Florida Community Care Network, LLC d/b/a Community Care Plan announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: July 10, 2025, 2:00 p.m. or immediately following completion of the Audit & Compliance Committee Meeting, whichever is later.

PLACE: Memorial Healthcare System, 3111 Stirling Road, Hollywood, Florida 33312 in the Executive Conference Room – 2nd floor.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Members will meet to discuss general matters.

Interested persons may submit written comments or other documentation regarding the Member Meeting to: Attn: Legal Department, South Florida Community Care Network, LLC d/b/a Community Care Plan, 1643 Harrison Parkway, Suite H-200, Sunrise, Florida 33323, Email: public.comments@ccpcare.org.

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INFINITE SOURCE COMMUNICATIONS GROUP, LLC

The Florida Department of Transportation announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: The Public Hearing will be held virtually and in-person on separate days. Virtual meeting: Wednesday, June 25, 2025, 6:00 p.m.; In-person meeting: Thursday, June 26, 2025, 5:30 p.m. A formal Presentation will begin at 6:00 p.m. followed by a comment period.

The same information will be presented at both the virtual and the in-person for the Public Hearing, so attending both is not necessary.

PLACE: Virtual: <https://tinyurl.com/419669-3-Willoughby-Kickoff>.

If using a mobile device, the free “GoToWebinar” application is required to attend. Please allow adequate time to view the presentation in its entirety.

In-Person: 10th Street Community Center, 724 SE 10th Street, Stuart, Florida 34994

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will hold a virtual and in-person Public Hearing Meeting for the Willoughby Boulevard Extension PD&E Study. The project identification number is 419669-3-22-03. The purpose of this project is to provide system linkage in the roadway network, reduce area congestion by providing an additional north-south corridor to improve movement of people and goods, improve travel, and safely accommodate bicycles and pedestrians to support the surrounding community's transportation needs.

Participants are requested to register in advance for the virtual experience. To register for the Public Kick-Off Meeting, please use the following link <https://tinyurl.com/419669-3-Willoughby-Kickoff>. To join by phone during the virtual meeting, please dial 1(914)614-3221, Access Code, 286-413-659. You will receive an email with a link to log in the day of the virtual meeting. If using a mobile device, the free “GoToWebinar” application is required to attend. Please allow adequate log-in time to view the presentation in its entirety. Comments can be provided during the event or through the project webpage <https://www.fdot.gov/projects/WilloughbyPDE>. All comments must be submitted by Sunday, July 6, 2025. They will also be available on the project website. The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project,

are being, or have been, carried out by FDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated May 26, 2022, and executed by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and FDOT.

For the in-person meeting, doors will open at 5:30 p.m. for all attendees. Staff will be available to answer questions and to provide assistance. Comments and questions will be answered in the order received. If your question is not answered during the event, a response will be provided in writing following the meeting. Questions and comments may also be submitted prior to the meeting by e-mailing the Project Manager.

FDOT is sending notices to all property owners and tenants within at least 300 feet on either side of the project and to other public officials, regulatory agencies, organizations, and individuals interested in the project.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Ms. María Formoso, P.E., P.M.P., FDOT District Four, 3400 West Commercial Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309, (954)777-4677 or toll free at (866)336-8435, ext. 4677 by email

at Maria.Formoso@dot.state.fl.us or visit the project website at www.fdot.gov/projects/WilloughbyPDE.

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: Ms. María Formoso, P.E., P.M.P., FDOT District Four, 3400 West Commercial Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309, (954)777-4677 or toll free at (866)336-8435, ext. 4677 by email at Maria.Formoso@dot.state.fl.us or visit the project website at www.fdot.gov/projects/WilloughbyPDE. 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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All exhibits presented at the Public Hearing can be viewed electronically on the project website www.fdot.gov/projects/WilloughbyPDE.

Section VII

Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Declaratory Statements

NONE

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 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

DEP RFP 2025014 Mobile Vessel Pumpout Services for Monroe County

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection is requesting Responses for Mobile Vessel Pumpout Services for Monroe County. 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/>

BARR AND BARR

UF Communicore 3rd Floor Renovation Bid

Barr & Barr, Inc. is seeking qualified bids for the University of Florida Communicore 3rd Floor Renovation project. The project is located at 1249 Center Drive, Gainesville, FL 32610 and includes interior renovation scope of work including abatement, selective demolition, drywall, framing, interior glazing, flooring, paint, other finishes, fire protection, plumbing, mechanical, and electrical scopes. The virtual non-mandatory project meeting is June 19, 2025. Bids are due August 1, 2025. For bidders instructions and more information, contact Lauren Bird at lbird@barrandbarr.com.

CITY OF FT. LAUDERDALE

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF UNSOLICITED PROPOSAL AND INVITATION TO SUBMIT PROPOSALS FOR THE DESIGN, DEVELOPMENT, FINANCING, CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF A NEW CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE CITY HALL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, has received an unsolicited proposal from a private entity pursuant to Section 255.065, Florida Statutes, for the design, development, financing, construction, operation, and maintenance of a new City of Fort Lauderdale City Hall. The City of Fort Lauderdale will accept other proposals for the same project on or before the sixtieth day after June 6, 2025. Other

proposals for the same project must be received in writing in the City of Fort Lauderdale City Manager's Office, 101 NE Third Avenue, Suite 2100, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, 33301, before 5:00 p.m. local time on August 5, 2025.

David R. Soloman, City Clerk

Publish:

Florida Administrative Register: June 6, 2025, and June 13, 2025

South Florida Sun Sentinel: June 6, 2025, and June 13, 2025

**SARASOTA COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITAL BOARD
REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS for
CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

PROJECT ANNOUNCEMENT: The Sarasota County Public Hospital District d/b/a Sarasota Memorial Hospital Health Care System and its governing board (collectively, "the Hospital"), located in Sarasota County, Florida, is accepting statements of qualifications from Construction Management Firms (the Firm) under the provisions of the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act, which is codified at Section 287.055, Florida Statutes.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The scope of work for this project includes Construction Management services for the renovation of existing Electrophysiological procedure, patient holding & treatment, office, utility and storage areas for new use as reconfigured and renovated spaces of similar, improved, types. This project is envisioned to occur in multiple phases to allow the department to remain in use throughout. The project is located within the main Cardiac department of Sarasota Memorial Hospital's Sarasota Campus (East Tower, Level Two) 1700 S. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, Florida.

Work may include, but is not limited to, pre-construction phase services such as cost estimating, value engineering, critical path method scheduling, constructability reviews and cost control. Construction Management work may include oversight of construction professionals and sub-contractors for the selective interior demolition of existing partitions, ceiling, and interior finishes, as well as management for the installation of new owner-provided medical, and imaging equipment. Construction work may also include the installation of new interior finishes, as well as new electrical, mechanical, medical gas, and plumbing system connections for the renovated space and new equipment.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE: Final project schedule shall be determined in part by equipment availability. In addition, the proposed schedule will be determined, and may be subject to change, based on the timing of regulatory and other necessary approvals.

Firms interested in being considered as candidates are required to submit seven (7) bound statements of qualifications

organized in the following order and including, at a minimum, the following information:

1. A copy of the firm's current Florida construction license and corporate registration certificates.
 2. A completed AIA Document A305 Contractor's Qualification Statement, latest edition.
 3. Proof of general, automobile and workers' compensation liability insurance coverage.
 4. Proof of current bonding capacity, including total bonding capacity, current usage, and available bonding capacity remaining.
 5. A statement as to whether the firm is a certified Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) or Woman or Minority Owned Business Enterprise (WMBE). If your firm claims MBE, WMBE status, a copy of your firm's current, valid MBE, WMBE certificate is required as part of your qualification statement submittal.
 6. A list of at least three client references, including each contact's name, title, organization, address, telephone number and project name(s) for each project specified. Please ensure your references are updated and willing to reply. Reference responses are mandatory.
 7. A summary of the firm's construction and permitting experience with the Florida Agency for Healthcare Administration, the City of Sarasota, FL and other applicable permitting agencies.
 8. Resumes of key personnel that would be assigned to this project, including each individual's relevant project experience.
 9. The location of the firm's main office, and proposed project team office location (if different from main).
 10. An explanation of how the firm will respond expeditiously to urgent project matters, including a summary of the firm's proposed approach to this particular project.
- The basis for selection criteria for this project includes, but is not limited to:
1. The firm's relevant construction / renovations experience as it relates to the above referenced project;
 2. The firm's relevant experience with regulatory agencies with applicable jurisdictional authority, including, but not limited to, federal, state, and local agencies;
 3. The firm's depth of construction project management team and the resources available for this assignment. This includes recent, current, and projected workloads of the Firm;
 4. The location of Construction Management main / corporate office;
 5. The firm's approach to this particular project and the ability to respond quickly;
 6. Whether or not the firm is an MBE / WMBE (valid certificate from the Office of Supplier Diversity)
 7. The firm's experience with Facilities Management projects at Sarasota Memorial Hospital.

8. The firm's available bonding capacity remaining for this project.

The Selection Committee may use a scoring rubric or consensus method to evaluate qualifications based on the criteria described above. No price or fee proposals shall be considered during the evaluation phase, in accordance with Section 287.055, Florida Statutes. It is the Hospital's responsibility to negotiate fair, competitive and reasonable compensation per Section 287.055, Florida Statutes. A fair, competitive and reasonable compensation shall be evaluated based upon the following information: (1) Compensation on similar projects; (2) other compensation reference data; and (3) after approval of the ranking, proposals requested from the shortlisted firms based upon a scope of services document to be provided at the time of negotiations.

All interested Firms are further informed as follows:

1. The Hospital reserves the right to reject any or all submittals at any time during this process.
2. The Hospital reserves the right to request additional information beyond the data set forth above.
3. The Hospital reserves the right to waive any minor irregularities, informalities, or technical deficiencies in a submittal, provided that such waiver does not materially affect the qualifications of the responding firm.
4. Questions regarding submissions shall be directed only to John Salt, (941)917-1802.

Submissions shall be titled: Statement of Qualifications for Construction Management Services for

The Sarasota Memorial Hospital Health Care System Electrophysiology Expansion & Renovation Project

5. Submittals must be received by the Hospital no later than 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 25, 2025. Submit statements to the attention of John Salt, Director of Facilities Management, Attn: Facilities Management, 1700 South Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, FL 34239. Submittals received after this deadline will not be accepted. Facsimile (FAX) or electronic submittals are not acceptable and will not be considered. Applications on any other form may not be considered. Applications that are late or do not comply with the above instructions may be deemed non-responsive and rejected at the sole discretion of the Hospital. Submittals are part of the public record. Application materials will not be returned.

6. Only John Salt shall be contacted with regard to this Request. Requests for meetings by individual Firms will not be granted. No communication shall take place between the applicants and the Hospital's Selection Committee members or other employees of the Hospital. Failure to comply could result in immediate disqualification.

7. Interested persons should contact John Salt, (941)917-1802 with any project-related questions.

8. The selection committee will meet in a public meeting at Sarasota Memorial Hospital's Waldemere Auditorium, 1700 S. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, FL 34239, (ground level entrance), at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 9, 2025, to hear presentations, discuss and announce the top three ranked Firms (unless fewer than three Firms deliver submittals) deemed to be the most highly qualified to perform the required services with whom the Hospital will subsequently engage in contract negotiations. If there are less than three (3) Firms responding, the Selection Committee shall also evaluate current statements of qualifications and performance data on file with Hospital, in determining which Firm is the most highly qualified to perform the required services and announce the top three ranked Firms. All interested parties are invited to attend.

SARASOTA COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITAL BOARD REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS for ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES

PROJECT ANNOUNCEMENT: The Sarasota County Public Hospital District d/b/a Sarasota Memorial Hospital and its governing board (collectively, "the Hospital"), located in Sarasota County, Florida, is accepting statements of qualifications from Architectural/Engineering Consulting Firms under the provisions of the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act, which is codified at Section 287.055, Florida Statutes.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The scope of work for this project may include programming, schematic design, design development, construction documents, and construction administration for all architectural, interior design, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, fire protection and structural design work services for the renovation of existing Electrophysiological procedure, patient holding & treatment, office, utility and storage areas for new use as reconfigured and renovated spaces of similar, improved, types. This project is envisioned to occur in multiple phases to allow the department to remain in use throughout. The project is located within the main Cardiac department of Sarasota Memorial Hospital's Sarasota Campus (East Tower, Level Two), 1700 S. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, Florida.

Firms interested in being considered as candidates are required to submit seven (7) bound statements of qualifications to be organized in the following order and including, at a minimum, the following information:

1. A copy of the firm's current applicable Florida professional design licensure(s) (e.g., Certificate of Authorization from the Florida Board of Architecture and Interior Design or the Florida Board of Professional Engineers and corporate registration certificates.
2. Proof of General, Professional Liability, and Errors and Omissions insurance coverage in the minimum amount of

\$1,000,000 per claim; \$1,000,000 annual aggregate. The Firm's insurer(s) shall be rated A- (or better) by a.m. Best.

3. A statement as to whether the firm is a certified Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) or Woman or Minority Owned Business Enterprise (WMBE). If your firm claims MBE, WMBE status, a copy of your firm's current, valid MBE, WMBE certificate is required as part of the submission package.

4. A list of the proposed design team, including each team member's resume with relevant design experience.

5. A list of at least three (3) client references consisting of name, title, organization, address, telephone number and project name(s) for each project specified. Please ensure that your references are updated and are willing to reply. Reference responses are mandatory and non-responding references will not be considered as valid references.

6. A summary of the firm's past design experience for Electrophysiological procedure rooms and their associated support spaces, including pre- and post- procedure areas, within an existing hospital.

7. A summary of the firm's design and permitting experience with the Florida Agency for Healthcare Administration (AHCA), and the City of Sarasota, FL and other applicable permitting agencies.

8. Location of the design firm's main office, and location of the proposed team for this project.

9. An explanation of how the firm will respond expeditiously on urgent project matters.

The basis for selection criteria for this project includes, but is not limited to:

1. The firm's relevant design experience as it relates to the above referenced project;
2. The firm's relevant experience with regulatory agencies with applicable jurisdictional authority, including, but not limited to, federal, state, and local agencies;
3. The firm's depth of design team and the resources available for this assignment. this includes recent, current, and projected workloads of the firm;
4. The location of the lead designer's main / corporate office;
5. The firm's approach to this particular project;
6. The firm's ability to respond quickly;
7. Whether or not the lead firm is an MBE / WMBE (valid certificate from the Office of Supplier Diversity required); and
8. The volume of previously awarded projects to the firm by the Hospital.

The Selection Committee may use a scoring rubric or consensus method to evaluate qualifications based on the criteria described above. No price or fee proposals shall be considered during the evaluation phase, in accordance with Section 287.055, Florida Statutes. It is the Hospital's responsibility to negotiate a fair, competitive and reasonable compensation per

Section 287.055, Florida Statutes. A fair, competitive and reasonable compensation shall be evaluated based upon the following information: (1) Compensation on similar projects; (2) other compensation reference data; and (3) after approval of the ranking, proposals requested from the shortlisted firms based upon a scope of services document to be provided at the time of negotiations.

All interested firms are further informed as follows:

1. The Hospital reserves the right to reject any or all submittals at any time during this process.
2. The Hospital reserves the right to waive any minor irregularities, informalities, or technical deficiencies in a submittal, provided that such waiver does not materially affect the qualifications of the responding firm.
3. The Hospital reserves the right to request additional information beyond the data set forth above.
4. Questions regarding submissions shall be directed to John Salt, (941)917-1802
5. Except as specified herein, no person employed by, or acting on behalf of, a firm submitting a proposal may contact directly or indirectly any member of the Sarasota County Public Hospital Board or any officers, agents or any other employees of the Sarasota Memorial Health Care System. Violation of this prohibition may result in the firm's proposal being rejected and the firm being disqualified from the review and selection process.

Submissions shall be titled:

Statement of Qualifications for ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES

The Sarasota Memorial Hospital – Sarasota Campus Electrophysiology Expansion & Renovation Project

1. Submissions must be received by the Hospital no later than 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 25, 2025. Submit statements to the attention of John Salt, Director of Facilities Management, Attn: Facilities Management, 1700 South Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, FL 34239. Facsimile (FAX) or electronic submittals are not acceptable and will not be considered. Applications that are late or do not comply with the above instructions may be deemed non-responsive and rejected at the sole discretion of the Hospital. Submittals are part of the public record. Application materials will not be returned.

2. Only John Salt can be contacted with regard to this Request. No other SMH staff, administrators, or board members shall be contacted. Failure to comply could result in immediate disqualification.

3. Interested persons should contact John Salt at (941)917-1802 with any project-related questions.

4. The selection committee will meet in a public meeting at Sarasota Memorial Hospital's Waldemere Auditorium, 1700 S. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, FL 34239, (ground level entrance), at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 9, 2025, to hear presentations,

discuss and announce the top three ranked firms with whom the Hospital will subsequently engage in contract negotiations. If fewer than three (3) Firms respond, the Selection Committee will also evaluate current statements of qualifications and performance data on file with Hospital, in determining which Firm is the most highly qualified to perform the required services and announce the top three ranked Firms. All interested parties are invited to attend.

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, June 6, 2025, and 3:00 p.m., Thursday, June 12, 2025.

Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
19B-4.001	6/11/2025	7/1/2025
19B-16.003	6/11/2025	7/1/2025
40A-8.021	6/9/2025	6/29/2025
40A-8.051	6/9/2025	6/29/2025
40E-7.668	6/6/2025	6/26/2025
40E-7.669	6/6/2025	6/26/2025
40E-7.670	6/6/2025	6/26/2025
40E-7.671	6/6/2025	6/26/2025
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61A-3.057	6/11/2025	7/1/2025
61L-2.012	6/11/2025	7/1/2025
64B1-3.010	6/11/2025	7/1/2025
64B1-4.0011	6/11/2025	7/1/2025
64B4-2.0025	6/9/2025	6/29/2025
64B6-2.003	6/11/2025	7/1/2025
64B6-3.0012	6/11/2025	7/1/2025
64B6-8.002	6/11/2025	7/1/2025
64B6-8.003	6/11/2025	7/1/2025

64B13-4.004	6/10/2025	7/1/2025
64B18-24.001	6/6/2025	6/26/2025
64B20-2.001	6/11/2025	7/1/2025
64B20-2.002	6/11/2025	7/1/2025
64B20-2.003	6/11/2025	7/1/2025
64B20-2.006	6/11/2025	7/1/2025
64B20-4.001	6/11/2025	7/1/2025
65C-28.021	6/11/2025	7/1/2025
65G-11.002	6/10/2025	6/30/2025

LIST OF RULES AWAITING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL SECTIONS 120.541(3), 373.139(7) AND/OR 373.1391(6), FLORIDA STATUTES

Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
14-10.0043	4/11/2025	**/**/****
60FF1-5.009	7/21/2016	**/**/****
64B8-10.003	12/9/2015	**/**/****
65C-9.004	3/31/2022	**/**/****

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Office of the Secretary

Florida State Clearinghouse

The state is coordinating reviews of federal activities and federally funded projects as required by Section 403.061(42), F.S. This includes Outer Continental Shelf activities and other actions subject to federal consistency review under the Florida Coastal Management Program. A list of projects, comments and deadlines, and the address for providing comments, are available at: <https://prodapps.dep.state.fl.us/clearinghouse/>. For information, call (850)717-9076. This public notice fulfills the requirements of 15 CFR 930.

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.