

Rulemaking Hearing Rules  
of the  
Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency

Chapter 1660-01-08  
Rules and Regulations of Hunts

Amendment

Rule 1660-01-08-.05 (4) Permit Applications and Drawings, is amended by deleting paragraph (4) in its entirety and inserting a new paragraph (4) to read as follows:

- (4) Cherokee Special Hunts (Cherokee Wildlife Management Area in designated Areas).
  - (a) Cherokee special hunts consist of Party Dog Hunts.
  - (b) No person may apply on more than one application. If two or more applications are received representing one individual, all applications of that individual will be rejected, the permit fee forfeited, and will be subject to prosecution. Applications must be postmarked no later than the date specified. Persons applying for party hunts may also apply for quota big game hunts subject to rules found in paragraph (1). Quota big game hunt applicants may also apply for party hunts. Persons are limited to one Party Hunt vacancy permit per hunt year.
  - (c) The party application shall contain a minimum of fifty (50) members and a maximum of seventy-five (75). All information requested on the application must be completed for all party applicants. Each applicant must submit the applicable permit fee. All individuals without appropriate licenses/fees will be deleted from the party. Non-residents may purchase the appropriate license after arrival in Tennessee. If the number of valid applicants on a single application falls below the minimum of fifty (50), the entire party will be deleted from the drawing.
  - (d) A drawing will be held to determine the successful party applicants, hunt areas, and hunt dates. The first drawn and in subsequent order will be given their choice of the compartment and hunt date as specified on their application. Vacant hunts remaining after the drawing will not be issued and the area will be closed to big game hunting during that specific hunt.
  - (e) The party leader may request no substitutions for members of the party who cannot appear, but may request vacancy permits providing the number does not increase the party beyond seventy-five (75) members. The party leader shall send all the hunter information requested on the vacancy application and the applicable fees for each permit requested. No blank permits will be issued. The deadline for requesting vacancy permits shall be fourteen days prior to the hunt date.

Statutory Authority: T.C.A. §§70-1-206 and 70-5-101

The rulemaking hearing rule amendment set out herein was properly filed in the Department of State on the 5th day of May, 2008 and will become effective on the 19th day of July, 2008. (FS 05-02-08; DBID )

## ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

(1) The type or types of small business and an identification and estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the proposed rule that would bear the cost of, and/or directly benefit from the proposed rule;

Businesses selling sporting goods in the area will benefit

(2) The projected reporting, recordkeeping and other administrative costs required for compliance with the proposed rule, including the type of professional skills necessary for preparation of the report or record;

None

(3) A statement of the probable effect on impacted small businesses and consumers;

Hunting opportunity should increase which will have a positive benefit to business and consumers

(4) A description of any less burdensome, less intrusive or less costly alternative methods of achieving the purpose and/or objectives of the proposed rule that may exist, and to what extent, such alternative means might be less burdensome to small business;

Will not add cost to business

(5) A comparison of the proposed rule with any federal or state counterparts; and

None

(6) Analysis of the effect of the possible exemption of small businesses from all or any part of the requirements contained in the proposed rule.

Does not directly impact businesses, indirect impact is positive.