



INSTRUCTIONS AND PERTINENT GUIDING LAW MASTER GUIDE'S LICENSE

License Fees:	Resident	\$750
	Nonresident	\$1,500
Application Processing Fee (nonrefundable)		\$1,500

The nonrefundable application fee is only required of a person who was not licensed as a master guide the previous year.

General Instructions for Application

- Application for master guide must be submitted between April 1 and May 31 each year for renewal applications.
- If an applicant has never been a master guide in Nevada, they are required to first pass the appropriate written guide test. To schedule a test, contact Nevada Department of Wildlife Guides Program prior to submitting an application. Email address: NDOWguides@ndow.org. Phone number: 775-688-1541
- Licenses are not guaranteed. There are requirements which must be met based on experience, ethics, and background check to qualify to be a master guide. Background investigations will be conducted each year on every applicant. You must disclose any wildlife or boating convictions you have been convicted of in any state regardless of the date.
- To avoid application returns, be certain to fill out every part of the application. Any information left blank or marked 'on file' will be returned as incomplete. Include all required documents such as current first aid and required business insurance coverage.
- Do NOT send payment with your application. Upon application approval, NDOW will contact you for payment prior to mailing your approved license. The only exception is new applicants or renewal applicants who did not possess a master guide license the year immediately preceding, must submit a nonrefundable \$1,500 application fee upon application submission.
- Be familiar with all laws and regulations related to guiding, wildlife and boating including federal use permit requirements. Below is a copy of most recent Nevada law concerning guides. The included laws do not represent a complete list of applicable laws and regulations, only a main body of law. It is your responsibility to understand and comply with all local, state and federal laws.
- All client records from the previous year for yourself and your sub guides must be submitted by the master guide. You may submit client records at any time before or during the application period.
- All master guide applications must be paid in full prior to the licensing of sub guides under a master guide's license for both the current and subsequent year.
- Any person you compensate, barter, trade for services predicated on a business relationship (your guide business) including preseason and active season scouts or spotters must possess a sub or master guide license. (See NRS 504.390)

Where To Obtain Applications:

An application for a master guide license may be obtained from the NDOW website (ndow.org) or the headquarters of the Department of Wildlife at 6980 Sierra Center Parkway Ste 120, Reno, NV 89511.

Applicable Laws and Regulations (in part)

Legal Authority: NRS 504.390 through 504.398; NAC 504.590 through 504.711, inclusive.

Minimum Age: 21 years old.

Resident: NRS 502.015:

NRS 502.015 Qualifications for resident licenses, tags and permits.

1. For the purpose of issuing and using resident licenses, tags or permits pursuant to this chapter, a person is considered to be a resident of the State of Nevada if:
 - (a) The person is a citizen of, or is lawfully entitled to remain in, the United States; and
 - (b) During the 6 months next preceding the person's application to the Department for a license, tag or permit, the person:
 - (1) Maintained his or her principal and permanent residence in this State;
 - (2) Was physically present in this State, except for temporary absences; and
 - (3) Did not purchase or apply for any hunting, fishing or trapping privilege or entitlement conditional upon residency from another state, country or province.
2. A person who does not maintain his or her principal and permanent residence in Nevada but who is attending an institution of higher learning in this State as a full-time student is eligible for a resident license, tag or permit if, during the 6 months next preceding the person's application to the Department for a license, tag or permit, the person:
 - (a) Was physically present in Nevada, except for temporary trips outside of the State; and
 - (b) Did not purchase or apply for any hunting, fishing or trapping privilege or entitlement conditional upon residency from another state, country or province.
3. A resident license, tag or permit issued by this State is void if the person to whom it was issued establishes or maintains his or her principal and permanent residence in and obtains any hunting, fishing or trapping privilege or entitlement conditional on residency from another state, country or province.
4. As used in this section, "principal and permanent residence" means a place where a person is legally domiciled and maintains a permanent habitation in which the person lives and to which the person intends to return when he or she leaves the state in which the permanent habitation is located. The term does not include merely owning a residence in a state.

(Added to NRS by [1991, 1571](#); A [1993, 1660](#); [2003, 1530](#); [2009, 2646](#); [2019, 760](#))

Nonresident: "Nonresident" means a person who is not a resident of Nevada.

NAC 504.590: "Federal land management agency" defined. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 504.390) As used in NAC 504.590 to 504.711, inclusive, unless the context otherwise requires, "federal land management agency" means the United States Forest Service, the United States Bureau of Land Management, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service or the National Park Service.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs by R054-04, eff. 8-25-2004)

Licensing, Records, Regulations

NRS 504.390 Licensing; records; regulations. [Effective on the date of the repeal of 42 U.S.C. § 666, the federal law requiring each state to establish procedures for withholding, suspending and restricting the professional, occupational and recreational licenses for child support arrearages and for noncompliance with certain processes relating to paternity or child support proceedings.]

1. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires:
 - (a) “Compensation” means any remuneration given in exchange for providing guide service which is predicated on a business relationship between the parties. The term does not include any reimbursement for shared trip expenses, including, without limitation, expenses for gasoline, food or any other expenses that are generally associated with persons who are engaging in recreational hunting or fishing together.
 - (b) “Guide” means to assist another person for compensation in hunting wild mammals or wild birds and fishing and includes the transporting of another person or the person’s equipment to hunting and fishing locations within a general hunting and fishing area whether or not the guide determines the destination or course of travel.
2. Each person who provides guide service for compensation or provides guide service as an incidental service to customers of any commercial enterprise, whether a direct fee is charged for the guide service or not, must obtain a master guide license from the Department. Such a license must not be issued to any person who has not reached 21 years of age.
3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, each person who assists a person who is required to have a master guide license and acts as a guide in the course of that activity must obtain a subguide license from the Department. Such a license must not be issued to any person who has not reached 18 years of age. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to a person who:
 - (a) Is employed by or assists a person who holds a master guide license solely for the purpose of cooking, cutting wood, caring for, grooming or saddling livestock, or transporting a person by motor vehicle to or from a public facility for transportation, including, without limitation, a public airport.
 - (b) Holds a master guide license which authorizes the person to provide services for the same species and in the same areas as the guide who employs him or her or requests the person’s assistance and has submitted to the Department a notarized statement which indicates that the person is employed by or provides assistance to the guide. The statement must be signed by both guides.
4. Fees for master guide and subguide licenses must be as provided in [NRS 502.240](#).
5. Any person who desires a master guide license must apply for the license on a form prescribed and furnished by the Department. The application must contain such information as the Commission may require by regulation. If that person was not licensed as a master guide during the previous licensing year, the person’s application must be accompanied by a nonrefundable fee of \$1,500.
6. Any person who desires a subguide license must apply for the license on a form prescribed and furnished by the Department. If that person was not licensed as a subguide during the previous licensing year, the person’s application must be accompanied by a nonrefundable fee of \$50.
7. It is unlawful for the holder of a master guide license to operate in any area where a special use permit is required without first obtaining a permit unless the holder is employed by or providing assistance to a guide pursuant to subsection 3.
8. The holder of a master guide license shall maintain records of the number of hunters and anglers served, and any other information which the Department may require concerning fish and game taken by such persons. The information must be furnished to the Department on request.
9. If any licensee under this section, or person served by a licensee, is convicted of a violation of any provision of this title or [chapter 488](#) of NRS, the Commission may revoke the license of the licensee and may refuse issuance of another license to the licensee for a period not to exceed 5 years.
10. The Commission may adopt regulations covering the conduct and operation of a guide service.
11. The Department may issue master guide and subguide licenses that are valid only in certain management areas, management units or administrative regions in such a manner as may be determined by the regulations of the Commission.

[Part 84:101:1947; A [1949, 292](#); 1943 NCL § 3035.84] — (NRS A [1969, 1374](#); [1971, 577](#); [1985, 1353](#); [1987, 1454](#); [1989, 1781](#); [1991, 269, 1576](#); [1993, 1680](#); [1997, 2087](#); [2003, 1556, 2552](#); [2005, 1312, 1313](#); [2009, 446, 447](#), effective on the date of the repeal of 42 U.S.C. § 666, the federal law requiring each state to establish procedures for withholding, suspending and restricting the professional, occupational and recreational licenses for child support arrearages and for noncompliance with certain processes relating to paternity or child support proceedings)

NRS 504.391: Development and implementation of process to petition Department for determination whether a person’s criminal history will disqualify the person from obtaining master guide or subguide license; imposition and waiver of fees; quarterly reports.

1. The Department shall develop and implement a process by which a person with a criminal history may petition the Department to review the criminal history of the person to determine if the person's criminal history will disqualify the person from obtaining a master guide license or subguide license pursuant to [NRS 504.390](#).
2. Not later than 90 days after a petition is submitted to the Department pursuant to subsection 1, the Department shall inform the person of the determination of the Department of whether the person's criminal history will disqualify the person from obtaining a license. The Department is not bound by its determination of disqualification or qualification and may rescind such a determination at any time.
3. The Department may provide instructions to a person who receives a determination of disqualification to remedy the determination of disqualification. A person may resubmit a petition pursuant to subsection 1 not earlier than 6 months after receiving instructions pursuant to this subsection if the person remedies the determination of disqualification.
4. A person with a criminal history may petition the Department at any time, including, without limitation, before obtaining any education or paying any fee required to obtain a license from the Department.
5. A person may submit a new petition to the Department not earlier than 2 years after the final determination of the initial petition submitted to the Department.
6. The Department may impose a fee of up to \$50 upon the person to fund the administrative costs in complying with the provisions of this section. The Department may waive such fees or allow such fees to be covered by funds from a scholarship or grant.
7. The Department may post on its Internet website:
 - (a) The requirements to obtain a license from the Department; and
 - (b) A list of crimes, if any, that would disqualify a person from obtaining a license from the Department.
8. The Department may request the criminal history record of a person who petitions the Department for a determination pursuant to subsection 1. To the extent consistent with federal law, if the Department makes such a request of a person, the Department shall require the person to submit his or her criminal history record which includes a report from:
 - (a) The Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History; and
 - (b) The Federal Bureau of Investigation.
9. A person who petitions the Department for a determination pursuant to subsection 1 shall not submit false or misleading information to the Department.
10. The Department shall, on or before the 20th day of January, April, July and October, submit to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau in an electronic format prescribed by the Director, a report that includes:
 - (a) The number of petitions submitted to the Department pursuant to subsection 1;
 - (b) The number of determinations of disqualification made by the Department pursuant to subsection 1;
 - (c) The reasons for such determinations; and
 - (d) Any other information that is requested by the Director or which the Department determines would be helpful.
11. The Director shall transmit a compilation of the information received pursuant to subsection 10 to the Legislative Commission quarterly, unless otherwise directed by the Commission.

(Added to NRS by [2019, 2939](#))

NRS 504.393: Submission of certain information regarding holder of license to Division of Welfare and Supportive Services of Department of Health and Human Services. [Effective until the date of the repeal of 42 U.S.C. § 666, the federal law requiring each state to establish procedures for withholding, suspending and restricting the professional, occupational and recreational licenses for child support arrearages and for noncompliance with certain processes relating to paternity or child support proceedings.]

The Department shall, upon request of the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services of the Department of Health and Human Services, submit to the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services the name, address and social security number of each person who holds a master guide license or subguide license and any pertinent changes in that information.

(Added to NRS by [1997, 2086](#); A [2003, 1557](#))

NRS 504.395: Acting as guide without license; penalty; forfeiture; revocation.

1. Any person who purposefully or knowingly acts as a master guide or as a subguide without first obtaining a license pursuant to [NRS 504.390](#) is guilty of:
 - (a) For a first offense, a gross misdemeanor.

- (b) For a second or subsequent offense, a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in [NRS 193.130](#).
- 2. Any vessel, vehicle, aircraft, pack or riding animal or other equipment used by a person operating in violation of subsection 1 is subject to forfeiture upon the conviction of that person of a gross misdemeanor or felony if that person knew or should have known that the vessel, vehicle, aircraft, animal or equipment would be used in violation of subsection 1.
- 3. In addition to any penalty imposed pursuant to subsection 1, if a person is convicted of violating a provision of that subsection, the Commission shall:
 - (a) Revoke any license, permit or privilege issued to that person pursuant to this title; and
 - (b) Refuse to issue any new license, permit or privilege to the person for 5 years after the date of the conviction.

(Added to NRS by [1987, 1454](#); A [2009, 449](#))

NRS 504.397: Compensation of master guide or subguide; proof of licensure; penalty.

- 1. A person shall not, directly or indirectly, knowingly compensate a person who holds himself or herself out as providing guide service or engaging in business as a master guide or subguide, or acting in any other capacity for which a master guide license or subguide license is required pursuant to [NRS 504.390](#), unless the person acting in that capacity provides proof that he or she is a holder of such a master guide license or subguide license to the person providing the compensation.
- 2. A person who violates the provisions of subsection 1 is guilty of a misdemeanor.

(Added to NRS by [2009, 446](#))

NRS 504.398: Suspension of license for failure to pay child support or comply with certain subpoenas or warrants; reinstatement of license. [Effective until the date of the repeal of 42 U.S.C. § 666, the federal law requiring each state to establish procedures for withholding, suspending and restricting the professional, occupational and recreational licenses for child support arrearages and for noncompliance with certain processes relating to paternity or child support proceedings.]

- 1. If the Department receives a copy of a court order issued pursuant to [NRS 425.540](#) that provides for the suspension of all professional, occupational and recreational licenses, certificates and permits issued to a person who is the holder of a master guide license or subguide license, the Department shall deem the license issued to that person to be suspended at the end of the 30th day after the date on which the court order was issued unless the Department receives a letter issued to the holder of the license by the district attorney or other public agency pursuant to [NRS 425.550](#) stating that the holder of the license has complied with the subpoena or warrant or has satisfied the arrearage pursuant to [NRS 425.560](#).
- 2. The Department shall reinstate a master guide license or subguide license that has been suspended by a district court pursuant to [NRS 425.540](#) if the Department receives a letter issued by the district attorney or other public agency pursuant to [NRS 425.550](#) to the person whose license was suspended stating that the person whose license was suspended has complied with the subpoena or warrant or has satisfied the arrearage pursuant to [NRS 425.560](#).

(Added to NRS by [1997, 2086](#); A [2003, 1557](#))

NAC 504.600: General requirements; application for issuance or renewal of license. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 504.390)

- 1. An applicant for a license as a master guide must:
 - (a) Be a competent person of good moral character.
 - (b) Be 21 years of age or older.
 - (c) Demonstrate knowledge of the wildlife laws and regulations of the State relevant to the license for which the applicant is applying by passing the examination required pursuant to NAC 504.608.
 - (d) Submit proof with his or her application of current certification in:
 - (1) An American Red Cross course in standard first aid;
 - (2) An American Heart Association course in standard first aid; or
 - (3) An equivalent course in standard first aid. The applicant must submit proof with his or her application that this course meets or exceeds the requirements of the American Red Cross or the American Heart Association.
 - (e) Provide proof of his or her United States Coast Guard license, if applicable. If a boat will be used to

provide a service to a client and a United States Coast Guard license is not required, the applicant must provide proof that he or she has obtained a minimum score of 80 percent on the boating safety examination in Boat Nevada, a booklet which may be obtained free of charge from the Department.

- (f) If applying for a license for hunting services, provide proof that the applicant has successfully completed a course in the responsibilities of hunters approved by the Department.
2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, in addition to the requirements of subsection 1, an applicant for a license as a master guide for hunting services or hunting and fishing services:
 - (a) Must submit:
 - (1) Proof that he or she possessed a valid subguide license in Nevada, or held an equivalent position in another state, Canadian province or foreign country, for at least 3 of the 5 years immediately preceding the date of the application;
 - (2) Four letters of recommendation written by clients whom the applicant personally guided during the period described in subparagraph (1); and
 - (3) Either:
 - (I) A letter of recommendation written by the master guide, registered guide, professional guide or outfitter who employed the applicant as a subguide, or an equivalent position, during the period described in subparagraph (1); or
 - (II) Proof that he or she spent a minimum of 15 days guiding clients in the field during the period described in subparagraph (1); or
 - (b) Must submit proof that he or she held the position of, or was licensed in another state, Canadian province or foreign country as a master guide, registered guide, professional guide or outfitter and has at least 20 days of guiding experience for at least 2 of the 5 years immediately preceding the date of the application.
 3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, an application for the issuance or renewal of a master guide license must be received by the Department on or before May 31 of the current year. An application for renewal received after May 31 but before July 1 will be processed and a warning letter will be issued for the first occurrence within 3 years. Any subsequent late application for renewal submitted within 3 years after the receipt of a late application will be denied. An application for renewal received on or after July 1 will not be processed, and all fees will be returned. The denial of or refusal to process an application for the issuance or renewal of a master guide license pursuant to this subsection does not preclude the submission of a timely application for the issuance or renewal of such a license in the next ensuing license year.
 4. An applicant for a license as a subguide must:
 - (a) Satisfy the requirements outlined in paragraphs (a), (c), (d), (e) and (f) of subsection 1; and
 - (b) Be 18 years of age or older.
 5. An application for the renewal of a license as a master guide or subguide must include proof of current certification in standard first aid, as described in paragraph (d) of subsection 1.
 6. An applicant for a license as a master guide is not required to comply with the provisions of subsection 2 if:
 - (a) He or she is applying only to provide fishing services; and
 - (b) His or her license as a subguide or an equivalent position, as applicable, is not currently suspended or revoked.
 7. As used in subsection 2, “proof” means a copy of an official record maintained by a state agency or board that issues a license to act as a guide or outfitter.

[Bd. of Fish & Game Comm’rs, No. 14 § 21.01-9 & part § 21.01-7, eff. 5-1-72; A 5-17-73] — (NAC A 5-1-82; A by Bd. of Wildlife Comm’rs, 9-15-89; 6-20-90; R054-04, 8-25-2004, eff. 10-1-2004; R006-10, 6-30-2010; R053-13, 6-23-2014)

NAC 504.608: Examinations. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 504.390)

1. Before submitting an application for the issuance of an initial license as a master guide or subguide for:
 - (a) Any hunting service, a person must pass an examination related to hunting established by the Department with a minimum score of 80 percent.
 - (b) Any fishing service, a person must pass an examination related to fishing established by the Department with a minimum score of 80 percent.
 - (c) Hunting and fishing services, a person must pass the examinations described in paragraphs (a) and (b) with minimum scores of 80 percent.
2. A master guide licensed by the Department who desires to add a fishing or hunting service to his or her license

must pass an examination established by the Department with a minimum score of 80 percent.

3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, the Department shall administer the examinations required by this section by appointment at its regional offices located in Las Vegas, Reno and Elko from January 1 to December 31 of each year.
4. A person may only take the examinations required by this section twice in a calendar year.
5. A person may, by prior arrangement with the Department, take any examination required by this section at a location other than those specified in subsection 3.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs by R054-04, 8-25-2004, eff. 10-1-2004; A by R110-05, 10-31-2005; R006-10, 6-30-2010; R053-13, 6-23-2014)

NAC 504.661: Master guides: Action by Department on applications; timely submission of application for renewal of license. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 504.390)

1. The Department will make such additional investigation of an applicant for a license as a master guide and his or her qualifications as it deems necessary. A preliminary decision of the Department:
 - (a) Upon an application for renewal of an existing license, will be made not later than 60 days after the date of receipt of the complete application; and
 - (b) Upon an initial application for a license, will be made not later than 90 days after the date of receipt of the complete application.

A licensee who is in good standing and whose application for renewal is received on or before May 31 is entitled to a new license for the next ensuing license year upon complying with the provisions of NAC 504.590 to 504.711, inclusive. If a licensee submits his or her application for renewal on or before May 31, the current license issued by the Department will remain in effect until the Department issues a new license or notifies the licensee in writing that it has denied the application for renewal.

2. If an applicant fails to include proof of certification in first aid or proof of the successful completion of a course in the responsibilities of hunters with his or her application as required in NAC 504.600, the Department will notify the applicant, in writing or electronically, of the deficiency. The applicant must submit the required documents to the Department before the Department will process the application. If the Department does not receive the requisite documentation on or before July 31, the Department will consider the application to be incomplete, return the application to the applicant and take no further action on the application.
3. If an application is denied for a reason listed in NAC 504.671, the Department will notify the applicant, in writing or electronically, of the reasons for denial. The applicant may appeal such a denial to the Commission.
4. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 504.600, the Department will only accept an application for the issuance or renewal of a license as a master guide beginning on April 1 and ending on May 31 of each year.

[Bd. of Fish & Game Comm'rs, No. 14 § 21.01-23, eff. 5-1-72] — (NAC A 5-1-82; A by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, 6-20-90; 3-13-97; R054-04, 8-25-2004; R006-10, 6-30-2010; R053-13, 6-23-2014)

NAC 504.663: Master guides: Requirements for liability insurance or self-insurance bond. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 504.390)

1. If the Department approves an application for a license to be a master guide pursuant to NAC 504.661, the applicant must provide proof to the Department within 30 days after the notification that he or she carries liability insurance for a Nevada guiding business or a self-insurance bond in the following amounts:
 - (a) At least \$100,000 for each person with a claim.
 - (b) At least \$300,000 for each occurrence.
 - (c) At least \$25,000 for damage to property.
2. The Department shall issue a master guide license to the applicant upon receiving proof of liability insurance or proof of the self-insurance bond required pursuant to subsection 1.
3. The policy for liability insurance or the bond must remain in effect during the entire time the master guide is licensed to guide.
4. A master guide must submit proof to the Department that he or she continues to carry the liability insurance or self-insurance bond required pursuant to subsection 1 when the master guide renews his or her insurance policy or bond.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, eff. 9-15-89; A 9-13-91; R054-04, 8-25-2004; R006-10, 6-30-2010)

NAC 504.666: Subguides: Action by Department on applications; timely submission of application for renewal of

license. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 504.390)

1. The Department will make such additional investigation of an applicant for a license as a subguide and his or her qualifications as the Department deems necessary. The final decision of the Department:
 - (a) Upon an application for renewal of an existing license, will be made not later than 60 days after the date of receipt of the completed application; and
 - (b) Upon an initial application for a license, will be made not later than 90 days after the date of receipt of the completed application.

A licensee who is in good standing and whose application for renewal is received on or before December 1 is entitled to a new license for the next ensuing license year upon complying with the provisions of NAC 504.590 to 504.711, inclusive. If a licensee submits his or her application for renewal on or before December 1, the current license issued by the Department will remain in effect until the Department issues a new license or notifies the licensee in writing that it has denied the application for renewal.

2. If an applicant fails to include proof of certification in first aid or proof that he or she completed successfully a course in the responsibilities of hunters with his or her application as required by NAC 504.600, the Department will notify the applicant, in writing or electronically, of the omission. The applicant must submit the required documentation to the Department within 60 days after he or she receives the formal notification from the Department of the omission. If the Department does not receive the documentation within the 60-day period, the Department will consider the application to be incomplete and will take no further action on the application.
3. If an application is denied for reasons set forth in NAC 504.671, the Department will notify the applicant, in writing or electronically, of the reasons for denial. The applicant may appeal such a denial to the Commission.
4. The Department will deny the application for a license as a subguide if the applicant holds a current restricted nonresident deer tag.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, eff. 3-13-97; A by R054-04, 8-25-2004; R053-13, 6-23-2014) —
(Substituted in revision for NAC 504.605)

NAC 504.669: Use of services of another master guide or subguide in emergency. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 504.390) In an emergency, a master guide may use the services of:

1. Another currently licensed master guide; or
2. A subguide licensed under another master guide,
for a period not to exceed 10 consecutive days. A master guide who uses the services of a master guide or subguide as described in this section shall give notice of the use to the Division of Law Enforcement of the Department by telephone before beginning or within 24 hours after beginning the use, and electronically or in writing within 10 days after beginning the use.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs by R054-04, eff. 8-25-2004; A by R053-13, 6-23-2014)

NAC 504.671: Grounds for denial, revocation or suspension of license. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 504.390) The Department may deny an application for or revoke or suspend a guide's license for any of the following:

1. Fraud or deception in procuring a license.
2. Fraudulent, untruthful or misleading advertising.
3. A conviction of any:
 - (a) Felony; or
 - (b) Crime involving physical violence, theft or fraud.
4. A conviction of having violated a regulation of a federal land management agency.
5. Immoral, unethical or dishonorable conduct in the licensee's relation to his or her guest, client, patron or a member of the public while providing guide services.
6. A conviction of having violated a provision of:
 - (a) Chapter 488 or title 45 of NRS, or any regulation adopted pursuant thereto, or for a conviction of having violated an equivalent provision in the law or regulations of any other state or the Federal Government; or
 - (b) NRS 444.630 or 445A.465, or any regulation adopted pursuant thereto, relating to the conduct of the guide while providing guide services.

For the purposes of this subsection, the term "conviction" means a final conviction. A forfeiture of bail or collateral deposited to secure a defendant's appearance or a plea of nolo contendere is equivalent to a conviction.

7. A guide's substantial breach of any contract with any person utilizing the guide's services, as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction.

8. Operation by a guide in an area other than that for which the guide is specifically authorized by the federal land management agency having jurisdiction.
 9. The employment or use of an unlicensed subguide by a master guide.
 10. Two or more convictions of any provision of chapters 484A to 484E, inclusive, or chapter 488 of NRS or an equivalent provision of law of any other state or the Federal Government relating to driving a motor vehicle or operating a boat while under the influence of an intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance within the 7 years immediately preceding the application for a license to be a guide.
 11. A conviction of any provision of chapter 453 of NRS or an equivalent provision of law of any other state or the Federal Government relating to controlled substances within the 5 years immediately preceding the application for a license to be a guide.
 12. Failing to report to the Division of Law Enforcement of the Department, without undue delay, any violation of the wildlife laws or regulations pertaining to the unlawful killing, possession or waste of any wildlife of which the guide has personal knowledge.
 13. Shooting, killing or taking a client's wildlife.
 14. Failing to comply with any provision of NAC 504.663, 504.685 or 504.688.
 15. Providing guide services relating to hunting or fishing on public land or public waters without having the necessary special use permit issued by the federal land management agency having jurisdiction within the wildlife management area or unit.
 16. Providing guide services relating to hunting or fishing on private land in violation of NRS 503.240.
 17. Intimidating, threatening or intentionally interfering with a person who is lawfully hunting, fishing or trapping, or who is attempting to do so.
 18. Revocation of a hunting, fishing or trapping license of the guide in any state for the current hunting, fishing or trapping season.
 19. An outstanding warrant for the arrest of the applicant or guide issued in any state.
- [Bd. of Fish & Game Comm'rs, No. 14 § 21.01-27, eff. 5-1-72; A 9-20-75] — (NAC A 5-1-82; A by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, 9-15-89; 9-13-91; R054-04, 8-25-2004; R110-05, 10-31-2005; R006-10, 6-30-2010; R053-13, 6-23-2014)

NAC 504.676: Termination of employment of subguide. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 504.390)

1. A master guide shall notify the Department electronically or in writing within 10 days after terminating the employment of a subguide.
 2. Upon receipt of the notification required pursuant to subsection 1, the Department shall:
 - (a) If the subguide is licensed under only one master guide, immediately suspend the license of the subguide; or
 - (b) If the subguide is licensed under more than one master guide, suspend the portion of the subguide license that pertains to the master guide described in subsection 1.
- (Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs by R054-04, eff. 8-25-2004; A by R053-13, 6-23-2014)

NAC 504.681: Habitual violators. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 504.390)

1. An application for a license as a master guide or a subguide may be permanently denied if the applicant is a habitual violator.
 2. For the purposes of this section, "habitual violator" means a person who has been previously convicted of three or more violations, or combination of violations, of title 45 or chapter 488 of NRS, including regulations adopted pursuant thereto, or the equivalent provisions of the law of any other state or federal law within any 7-year period.
- [Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, No. 120 § 17, eff. 11-5-81] — (NAC A 9-13-91; R053-13, 6-23-2014)

Operation

NAC 504.685: Contracts with clients. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 504.390)

1. Before providing a service to a client, a licensed master guide must furnish the client with a contract:
 - (a) Stating:
 - (1) The type of service to be provided, including, without limitation, food, lodging, transportation, caping, field dressing services and the packing out of harvested wildlife.
 - (2) The dates on which guide services are to be provided.
 - (3) The fee schedule for the guide's services.

- (4) The maximum number of clients which may accompany a guide on any one occasion.
 - (5) The master guide's policy regarding the cancellation and amendment of a contract for guide services.
 - (6) The master guide's policy regarding the return of a deposit if the contract is cancelled.
 - (7) Whether the client can expect to be guided by a person other than the master guide.
 - (b) Signed by the master guide and the client.
 - 2. A contract must be provided to every client whether or not the master guide does the actual guiding.
 - 3. A master guide shall provide the client with a contract signed by the master guide within 30 days after receipt of a deposit for future guide services.
 - 4. Only the master guide may enter into a contract with a client.
 - 5. A subguide, with authorization from the master guide, may present a contract to a client for the purpose of obtaining the client's signature. If a subguide presents a contract to a client:
 - (a) The contract must contain the original signature of the master guide;
 - (b) The subguide shall not alter the provisions of the contract unless he or she receives authorization from the master guide; and
 - (c) If applicable, the subguide shall initial and date any alterations made to the contract.
 - 6. The master guide shall retain all original signed contracts for not less than 3 years.
 - 7. At all times while transporting, providing a service to or otherwise in the company of a client, the master guide or his or her subguide shall carry on his or her person or otherwise have readily available in the field a copy of the contract required by this section and shall provide the copy of the contract to an agent of the Department authorized to enforce the provisions of NAC 504.590 to 507.711 inclusive. At all times when the resident master guide or his or her subguide is not transporting, providing a service to or otherwise in the company of the client, the resident master guide or his or her subguide shall provide, within 24 hours after receiving the request, any contracts to an agent of the Department authorized to enforce the provisions of NAC 504.590 to 504.711 inclusive.
 - 8. Whenever guiding in this State, a nonresident master guide shall keep copies of all contracts for clients guided in the State during the current calendar year readily available for inspection by any agent of the Department.
- (Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, eff. 9-15-89; A by R054-04, 8-25-2004) — (Substituted in revision for NAC 504.665)(R006-21)

NAC 504.688: Records regarding clients. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 504.390)

- 1. Licensed master guides and subguides shall keep and have available complete, current and accurate records regarding their clients.
- 2. Records regarding clients must be written on forms furnished by the Department to all licensed master guides. These forms will include spaces for:
 - (a) The client's name.
 - (b) The client's hunting or fishing license number, whichever is applicable.
 - (c) The client's tag or permit number, if a tag or permit is required by the Department.
 - (d) The dates, specifying the days, months and years, on which the client was guided.
 - (e) The date, specifying the day, month and year, on which each species of wildlife was harvested, the species harvested and the number of the species harvested.
 - (f) The point class of the animal harvested if the animal is a deer or elk.
 - (g) The management unit where each animal was harvested.
 - (h) The name of each of the guides who guided the client.
- 3. A guide shall:
 - (a) Make the initial entry in the records that are required pursuant to subsection 2 on the first day that he or she provides guide services to the client; and
 - (b) Make the final entry in the records required pursuant to subsection 2 on the final day guide services are provided to the client; and
 - (c) Keep the records required pursuant to subsection 2 in the primary method of transportation used by the guide at all times while transporting, providing a service to or otherwise in the company of a client.
- 4. The master guide shall submit to the Department all original record forms for his or her clients for the immediately preceding license year, including the record forms of any subguides employed by the master guide, by certified mail, return receipt requested, not later than the last day of May of the year for which the guide is

currently licensed. If:

- (a) No clients were guided during the immediately preceding license year, the master guide shall submit one page from his or her client record book and one page from the client record book of each subguide employed by the master guide, with the notation "no clients" written on the page.
 - (b) A master guide fails to submit the record forms for his or her clients on or before the last day of May, the Department will give the master guide electronic or written notice of that fact. If the master guide fails to submit the required forms on or before June 30, the Department may deny the master guide's application for renewal for the next ensuing license year.
 - (c) A master guide fails to submit the record forms for his or her clients on or before the last day of May two or more times within a 3-year period, the Department may deny the master guide's application for renewal for the next ensuing license year.
5. The master guide and subguide shall present his or her clients' records for inspection:
- (a) Upon request, to an agent of the Department authorized to enforce the provisions of NAC 504.290 to 504.711, inclusive, while the master guide or subguide is transporting, providing a service to or otherwise in the company of a client: and
 - (b) For all other times when the master guide or subguide is not transporting, providing a service to or otherwise in the company of a client, at any reasonable hour or place to any agent of the Department authorized to enforce the provisions of NAC 504.590 to 504.711, inclusive.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, eff. 9-15-89; A 3-13-97; R054-04, 8-25-2004; R110-05, 10-31-2005; R053-13, 6-23-2014)(R006-21)

NAC 504.693: Possession or availability of license, special use permit and annual letter of authorization while with client. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 504.390) At all times while transporting, providing a service to or otherwise in the company of a client, a master guide or subguide shall carry on his or her person or otherwise have readily available:

1. His or her valid master guide or subguide license issued by the Department or a legible, unaltered copy of the license;
 2. If applicable, the valid original or a legible, unaltered copy of the portion of the special use permit and annual letter of authorization issued to the master guide by the federal land management agency having jurisdiction within the wildlife management area or unit that contains the:
 - (a) Name of the master guide or the name of his or her guiding business; and
 - (b) Description of the wildlife management area or unit, or other geographic area where the master guide is authorized to guide pursuant to the special use permit;
 3. The contract required by NAC 504.685 in the manner set forth in subsection 7 or 8 of NAC 504.685, as applicable; and
 4. The records required by NAC 504.688 in the manner set forth in paragraph © of subsection 3 of NAC 504.688.
- (Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs by R054-04, eff. 8-25-2004; A by R053-13, 6-23-2014)(R006-21)

NAC 504.696: Maintenance of certification in first aid. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 504.390)

While licensed by the Department as a master guide or subguide, a person must maintain current certification in the administration of standard first aid.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs by R054-04, eff. 8-25-2004)

NAC 504.701: Guiding hunt for mountain lion, black bear or bobcat. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 504.390)

A master guide who is hired to guide a hunt for a mountain lion, black bear or bobcat shall ensure that his or her client physically accompanies the master guide or his or her subguide within close proximity during the entire pursuit and taking of the mountain lion, black bear or bobcat.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, 1-22-87, eff. 2-1-87; A 9-13-91; R053-13, 6-23-2014)

NAC 504.706: Transportation of big game mammals. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 504.390)

1. A licensed master guide or subguide may transport a big game mammal taken by his or her client from the location where the mammal was harvested without first obtaining a transportation permit in accordance with NRS 503.040 if:
 - (a) The big game mammal has been tagged in accordance with NAC 502.400 and the tag has been properly validated in accordance with NAC 502.390; and

- (b) The master guide or subguide transports the big game mammal in accordance with the conditions established on his or her master guide license only to a commercial or private facility within the State, including any cold storage locker, trailer or walk-in facility offered as a service to its customers, for the purpose of preserving the meat or carcass of the big game mammal.
2. During any reasonable hour, upon the request of an agent of the Department authorized to enforce the provisions of title 45 of NRS, a master guide or subguide shall present any big game mammal which he or she is transporting or has transported pursuant to this section.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, eff. 3-13-97; A by R054-04, 8-25-2004) — (Substituted in revision for NAC 504.656)

NAC 504.711: Prohibited acts. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 504.390) A master guide licensed by the Department shall not:

1. Enter into a contract to provide a service in a wildlife management area or unit for which the guide does not possess a valid special use permit, if applicable, issued by the federal land management agency having jurisdiction within the wildlife management area or unit.
2. Submit an application for a restricted nonresident deer tag pursuant to NAC 502.4231 related to a wildlife management area or unit, or for a hunter choice number representing a wildlife management area or unit, for which the master guide does not possess a valid special use permit required by the federal land management agency having jurisdiction within the wildlife management area or unit.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs by R054-04, eff. 8-25-2004; A by R053-13, 6-23-2014; R029-17, 12-19-2017)

Restricted Nonresident Deer Tags

NAC 502.423: Definitions. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.160)

As used in NAC 502.423 to 502.4238, inclusive, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NAC 502.42303 to 502.42307, inclusive, have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, eff. 10-12-94; A 11-14-97; R054-04, 8-25-2004; R029-17, 12-19-2017)

NAC 502.42303: "Federal land management agency" defined. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.160)

"Federal land management agency" means the United States Forest Service, the United States Bureau of Land Management, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service or the National Park Service.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs by R054-04, eff. 8-25-2004)

NAC 502.42305: "Restricted nonresident deer hunt" defined. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.160)

"Restricted nonresident deer hunt" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 502.146.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, eff. 11-14-97)

NAC 502.42306: "Restricted nonresident deer hunter" defined. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.160)

"Restricted nonresident deer hunter" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 502.146.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, eff. 11-14-97)

NAC 502.42307: "Restricted nonresident deer tag" defined. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.160)

"Restricted nonresident deer tag" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 502.146.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, eff. 11-14-97)

NAC 502.42309: Applicability. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.160)

The provisions of NAC 502.423 to 502.4238, inclusive, apply to the processing of applications for restricted nonresident deer tags pursuant to NRS 502.146 to 502.149, inclusive.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, eff. 11-14-97; A by R029-17, 12-19-2017)

NAC 502.4231: Electronic application for tag; required statements. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 501.377, 502.030, 502.148, 502.160, 502.175, 502.250)

1. In addition to the provisions of NAC 502.199 and 502.4175, a person who wishes to obtain a restricted

nonresident deer tag must submit an electronic application provided by the Department.

2. In addition to the provisions of subsection 1, if an application is submitted by a master guide for the applicant, the application must include the following statements which must be acknowledged and attested to by the master guide:

- (a) A statement indicating that the applicant is entitled to the issuance of a restricted nonresident deer tag pursuant to the laws of this State;
- (b) A statement indicating that the master guide has power of attorney to sign the application on behalf of the applicant; and
- (c) A statement indicating whether the master guide will be guiding on federally administered public lands and, if so, indicates that the master guide possesses a valid special use permit issued by the federal land management agency having jurisdiction within the wildlife management area or unit for which the applicant is applying.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, eff. 10-12-94; A by R139-98, 11-13-98; R168-99, 1-19-2000; R133-01, 12-17-2001, eff. 1-1-2002; R137-03, 1-20-2004, eff. 3-1-2004; R054-04, 8-25-2004; R155-09, 4-20-2010; R051-11, 3-9-2012; R159-12, 12-20-2012; R029-17, 12-19-2017)

NAC 502.4233: Master guide: License; special use permit. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.148, 502.149)

At the time an application for a nonresident deer tag is submitted, the master guide who will accompany the restricted nonresident deer hunter on the restricted nonresident deer hunt must:

1. Be licensed by the Department to provide guide services related to deer hunting in the wildlife management area or unit for which the applicant is applying; and
2. If applicable, possess a valid special use permit required by the federal land management agency having jurisdiction within the wildlife management area or unit for which the applicant is applying.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, eff. 10-12-94; A by R054-04, 8-25-2004)

NAC 502.4235: Rejection or prohibited submission of application for tag. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 501.337, 502.148, 502.160, 502.175)

In addition to the provisions of NAC 502.199, 502.4175 and 502.418, the Department shall reject an application for a restricted nonresident deer tag or prohibit a person from submitting the application if:

1. The applicant or the master guide fails to acknowledge a statement indicating that the applicant is entitled to the issuance of the restricted nonresident deer tag under the laws of this State.
2. The applicant or the master guide fails to submit the fees required pursuant to NAC 502.4175.
3. The master guide named in the application:
 - (a) Is not licensed for each wildlife management area or unit named in the application;
 - (b) Fails to specify or incorrectly specifies on the application the number of his or her current master guide license; or
 - (c) If applicable, does not possess a valid special use permit required by the federal land management agency having jurisdiction within the wildlife management area or unit for which the applicant is applying.
4. The applicant and the master guide named in the application are the same person.
5. The applicant holds a license as a subguide issued by the Department which authorizes the applicant to guide for deer in the wildlife management area or unit for which he or she is applying for a restricted nonresident deer tag.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, eff. 10-12-94; A 1-19-96; 5-7-96; 3-13-97; 11-14-97; R139-98, 11-13-98; R168-99, 1-19-2000; R133-01, 12-17-2001, eff. 1-1-2002; R025-03, 10-30-2003; R137-03, 1-20-2004; R054-04, 8-25-2004; R117-07, 12-4-2007; R155-09, 4-20-2010; R051-11, 3-9-2012; R029-17, 12-19-2017)

NAC 502.4236: Members of party: Effect of rejection of application of one member. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.148, 502.160)

1. If the Department is required pursuant to NAC 502.418 or 502.4235 to reject an application submitted by a member of a party, the Department is not required to reject the applications of the other members of the party unless the ground for rejecting that application also applies to the other applications.
2. As used in this section, "party" means two or more persons who apply as a group for tags for a restricted nonresident deer hunt.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, eff. 11-14-97; A by R029-17, 12-19-2017)

NAC 502.4237: Drawing for tags: Notification; restrictions. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.147, 502.160)

1. If the Department conducts a drawing for the issuance of restricted nonresident deer tags pursuant to the provisions of NRS 502.147, the Department shall provide to the master guides specified on the applications submitted notification of the date, time and location of the drawing.
2. Not more than 30 successfully drawn applications for restricted nonresident deer tags upon which the same master guide is named may be granted by the Department. If 30 such applications have been approved by the Department, the Department shall deny all applications submitted which exceed that number.
3. An applicant who submits an application pursuant to this subsection:
 - (a) May not apply for a nonresident deer tag in the main drawing in the same year.
 - (b) May apply for a nonresident deer tag in the Partnership in Wildlife Drawing and the Silver State Tag Drawing in the same year.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, eff. 10-12-94; A 1-19-96; R137-03, 1-20-2004; R156-05, 2-23-2006, eff. 1-1-2007; R140-16, 9-21-2017; R029-17, 12-19-2017)

NAC 502.4238: Refunds; loss of master guide; award of tags from alternate list; records of Department. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.148, 502.149, 502.160, 502.250)

1. If a master guide of a holder of a restricted nonresident deer tag dies or is no longer able to provide guide services due to medical reasons, because he or she has failed to renew his or her master guide license or the license has been revoked, the holder of the tag for whom guide service was to be performed by the master guide may apply to the Department for a refund or may retain another master guide who is licensed for the area or unit specified on the tag. Before another master guide may render services as a master guide for the holder of the tag, and before the holder may participate in the restricted nonresident deer hunt for which the tag was issued, the holder of the tag must provide written notification to the Department that he or she has retained another master guide. The written notification must include:
 - (a) The reasons for retaining the services of another master guide;
 - (b) The signatures of the holder of the tag and the new master guide and the date on which the written notification was signed; and
 - (c) The number of the master guide license of the newly retained master guide.
2. If the Department provides a refund pursuant to this section, the Department shall return all the fees submitted with the application for the tag.
3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, in awarding restricted nonresident deer tags from an alternate list, the Department shall issue the tag to the eligible applicant on the list:
 - (a) Whose master guide designated on the application for the restricted nonresident deer tag is not named on more than 30 successfully drawn applications pursuant to NAC 502.4237 and is able to accompany the applicant in the field;
 - (b) Who has the drawing number with the highest priority; and
 - (c) Who has indicated as the applicant's first choice the area and season for which the quota for the restricted nonresident deer hunt is being filled.
4. If the Department is unable to collect any fee that is required to be submitted with an application for a hunting license or restricted nonresident deer tag because the method of payment is rejected during the processing of the fee for the license or restricted nonresident deer tag, the Department shall, if more than 14 business days remain until the opening day for the restricted nonresident deer hunt and if the master guide designated on the application for the restricted nonresident deer tag is not named on more than 30 successfully drawn applications pursuant to NAC 502.4237, select an eligible applicant from the alternate list for the restricted nonresident deer hunt who:
 - (a) Has the drawing number with the highest priority; and
 - (b) Indicated as his or her first choice the area and season for which the quota for the restricted nonresident deer hunt is being filled.

5. The Department shall maintain a record of each applicant selected from an alternate list pursuant to this section.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs, eff. 10-12-94; A 11-14-97; R168-99, 1-19-2000; R133-01, 12-17-2001, eff. 1-1-2002; R155-09, 4-20-2010; R159-12, 12-20-2012; R029-17, 12-19-2017)

Other General Laws to Consider

NAC 503.148: Use of aircraft, hot air balloons, unmanned aerial vehicles, satellites or other devices. (NRS 501.105, 501.181)

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a person shall not, for the purpose of hunting, or trapping, locate or observe, or assist a person in locating or observing, any big game mammal, game bird or fur-bearing mammal in a management unit described in NAC 504.210 during the period beginning on July 1 and ending on the last day of February of each calendar year with the use of:
 - (a) An aircraft, including, without limitation, any device that is used for navigation of, or flight in, the air;
 - (b) A hot air balloon or any other device that is lighter than air;
 - (c) An unmanned aerial vehicle; or
 - (d) A satellite or any other device that orbits the earth and is equipped to produce real-time images.
2. Evidence of an act constituting a violation of subsection 1 includes, without limitation:
 - (a) Flying slowly at low altitudes;
 - (b) Hovering;
 - (c) Circling; or
 - (d) Repeatedly flying,over a forest, marsh, field, woodland or rangeland where a big game mammal, game bird or fur-bearing mammal is likely to be found.
3. The provisions of this section do not apply to a person who:
 - (a) Is acting within the scope of his or her official duties and who is:
 - (1) An employee or authorized agent of this State;
 - (2) An employee of a municipal or county government of this State; or
 - (3) An employee of the Federal Government;
 - (b) Holds a scientific permit issued by the Department for the collection of wildlife and who:
 - (1) Is acting in compliance with the terms and conditions of the permit; and
 - (2) If the person is using an aircraft or other device listed in subsection 1, is using such aircraft or other device only to carry out the activities authorized under the permit and is not using the aircraft or other device, for the purpose of hunting or trapping, to locate or observe or assist a person in locating or observing any big game mammal, game bird or fur-bearing mammal in a management unit described in NAC 504.210 during the period beginning on July 1 and ending on the last day of February of each calendar year; or
 - (c) Holds a permit issued by the Department pursuant to NAC 503.760 which authorizes the control of bobcats, coyotes or ravens from an aircraft and who:
 - (1) Is acting in compliance with the terms and conditions of the permit; and
 - (2) If the person is using an aircraft or other device listed in subsection 1, is using such aircraft or other device only to carry out the activities authorized under the permit and is not using the aircraft or other device, for the purpose of hunting or trapping, to locate or observe or assist a person in locating or observing any big game mammal, game bird or fur-bearing mammal in a management unit described in NAC 504.210 during the period beginning on July 1 and ending on the last day of February of each calendar year.
4. The provisions of this section do not authorize any act that is prohibited by NRS 503.010.
5. As used in this section:
 - (a) "Real-time images" means any images that are transmitted continuously or are otherwise updated more than once per day.
 - (b) "Unmanned aerial vehicle" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 493.020.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs by R060-99, eff. 10-27-99; A by R170-01, 4-3-2002; R145-15, 9-9-2016)

NAC 503.1485: Use of trail camera or similar device: Restrictions; exceptions. (NRS 501.105, 501.181)

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a person shall not place, maintain or use a trail camera or similar device:
 - (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), at any time during the period beginning August 1 and ending December 31 of each year.
 - (b) At any time during the period beginning July 1 and ending December 31 of each year if the trail camera or similar device transmits, or is capable of transmitting, images, video or location data of wildlife.
 - (c) At any time if the placement, maintenance or use of the trail camera or similar device prevents wildlife

from accessing, or alters the manner in which wildlife accesses, a spring, water source or artificial basin which is used by wildlife and collects, or is designed and constructed to collect, water.

2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to:
 - (a) A person who is acting within the scope of his or her official duties, has clearly marked each trail camera or similar device to be used to indicate ownership and is:
 - (1) An employee or authorized agent of this State;
 - (2) An employee or authorized agent of a municipal or county government of this State; or
 - (3) An employee or authorized agent of the Federal Government.
 - (b) A person who places, maintains or uses the trail camera or similar device with approval from the Department.
 - (c) A person who places, maintains, or uses a trail camera or similar device on private property with the permission of the landowner.
 - (d) A person who places, maintains or uses a trail camera or similar device to monitor the use by livestock of any water source described in paragraph (c) of subsection 1 if the owner of the trail camera or similar device is the holder of a permit to appropriate water issued by the State Engineer for the purpose of watering livestock.
3. As used in this section, "trail camera or similar device" means any device which is:
 - (a) Is not held or manually operated by a person; and
 - (b) Is used to capture images, video or location data of wildlife using heat or motion to trigger the device.The term includes a device that uses a time-lapse recording function.

NAC 503.149 Baiting big game mammals. (NRS 501.105, 501.181)

1. A person shall not:
 - (a) Bait big game mammals for the purpose of hunting; or
 - (b) Knowingly hunt big game mammals that were baited by another person.
 2. For the purposes of this section, "bait" means the intentional placing, exposing, depositing, distributing or scattering of salt, minerals, grain or any other food material, whether natural or manufactured, that could attract, entice or lure wildlife to an area for the purpose of hunting. The term does not include:
 - (a) Any incidental attracting or feeding of wildlife associated with any accepted agricultural or livestock practice; or
 - (b) Planting crops and leaving those crops standing as food plots for wildlife.
- (Added to NAC by Bd. of Wildlife Comm'rs by R002-11, eff. 10-26-2011)

Regulation R035-20: Thermal Imaging/ Night Vision

1. A person shall not possess or use any of the following equipment or devices while hunting or taking any game mammal or game bird or while locating game mammals or game birds for the purpose of hunting or taking, including, without limitation:
 - (a) Electronic night-vision equipment;
 - (b) Electronically enhanced light-gathering devices;
 - (c) Thermal imaging devices;
 - (d) Infrared night-vision equipment; or
 - (e) Any other comparable equipment or device used to enhance night-vision.
2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not limit the use of a sight attached to a firearm, bow or crossbow that:
 - (a) Is powered by a battery contained within the sight;
 - (b) Is illuminated by light gathering fiber optics; or
 - (c) Uses a radioactive isotope such as a tritium.

NAC 502.370: Mountain lions: Tags; open season; miscellaneous requirements; unlawful acts. (NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.130, 502.140, 502.160) R176-20

1. Unless otherwise specified by a regulation of the Commission or title 45 of NRS, any resident of Nevada or nonresident is eligible to obtain not more than two mountain lion tags in any year. A mountain lion tag:
 - (a) May be purchased from the Department or a license agent;
 - (b) Must be purchased by the person who will be the holder of the mountain lion tag or, if a child under the age of 18 years is applying for the mountain lion tag pursuant to NRS 502.060, must be purchased by the

- (c) child who will be the holder of the mountain lion tag or by the parent or legal guardian of the child; May be used in any management unit or group of management units that are open for the hunting of mountain lions in Nevada during any open season established for the management unit or group of management units pursuant to subsection 2; and
 - (d) Expires upon the termination of all the open seasons established pursuant to subsection 2 for the year for which the tag is issued.
- 2. The Commission will annually specify the number of mountain lions it determines to be appropriate for harvesting in a management unit or group of management units. The open season for mountain lions in each such management unit or group of management units begins on March 1 and ends on:
 - (a) The last day of the next succeeding February; or
 - (b) The day the Department determines that the number of mountain lions harvested in that management unit or group of management units is equal to or greater than the number specified by the Commission pursuant to this subsection, whichever occurs earlier. The Department shall maintain and annually publish a toll-free telephone number for ascertaining whether the Department has determined that the number of mountain lions harvested in a management unit or group of management units is equal to or greater than the number specified by the Commission pursuant to this subsection. The Department is not required to provide any other notice of the termination of an open season for mountain lions in a management unit or group of management units.
- 3. A person who harvests a mountain lion shall, within 5 business days after harvesting it, personally present:
 - (a) The unfrozen skull with the jaws propped open and the unfrozen pelt in its entirety to a representative of the Department for inspection; and
 - (b) Any records regarding the mountain lion, as specified by the Department, including, without limitation:
 - (1) Records concerning the sex of the mountain lion;
 - (2) Records concerning the removal of the premolar tooth of the mountain lion;
 - (3) A tissue sample from the mountain lion; and
 - (4) The location where the mountain lion was killed, including, without limitation, the unit or units of the management area and the coordinates of the location as identified by latitude and longitude using decimal degrees or by using coordinates of the Universal Transverse Mercator system.

The representative shall affix the seal of the Department permanently to the pelt.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, it is unlawful for any person to:
 - (a) Transport the pelt of a mountain lion from this State without the seal required pursuant to this section permanently affixed to the pelt.
 - (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, possess the pelt of a mountain lion without a seal permanently attached to it.
 - (c) Kill a female mountain lion which is accompanied by a spotted kitten.
 - (d) Kill or possess a spotted mountain lion kitten.
 - (e) Possess, capture, injure, drug, rope, trap, snare or otherwise harm or transport a live mountain lion unless authorized by statute or regulation.
 - (f) Make a false statement or furnish false information in reporting the harvesting of a mountain lion.
 - (g) Participate in a canned hunt.
 - (h) Release a mountain lion for the purpose of a canned hunt after previously capturing and confining the mountain lion for a period of time.
- 5. Unless authorized by the Department, a mountain lion may not be taken with a trap, snare or other trapping device. If a mountain lion is accidentally trapped or killed, the person trapping or killing it shall report the trapping or killing within 48 hours to a representative of the Department and:
 - (a) If the mountain lion is trapped and is alive, the mountain lion must be released unharmed or as directed by the Department and must not be knowingly pursued or taken for at least 24 hours after being released; or
 - (b) If the mountain lion is killed, the mountain lion must be disposed of in accordance with the instructions of the representative.
- 6. The provisions of this section do not apply to a person who:
 - (a) Is acting within the scope of his or her official duties and who is:
 - (1) An employee or authorized agent of this State;
 - (2) An employee of a municipal or county government of this State; or
 - (3) An employee of the Federal Government; or

- (b) Holds a scientific permit issued by the Department pursuant to NAC 503.094 for the collection or possession of a mountain lion and who is acting in compliance with the terms and conditions of the permit.
- 7. As used in this section, “canned hunt” means a hunt wherein the ability for a mountain lion to escape is restricted by any means, including, without limitation, forcing the mountain lion into a tree, cornering the mountain lion or holding the mountain lion at bay, for the purpose of allowing a person who is not a member of the initial hunting party to arrive and take the mountain lion.