



Department Environment and Conservation

Program for Hunters and Anglers with Disabilities Application

Part 1 (To be completed by applicant - please print clearly)

Purpose of Application (Please indicate X) Disabled Angler ___ Disabled Hunter ___

Name: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Address: _____

Postal Code: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Newfoundland and Labrador Driver's Licence/Photo Identification: _____

Are you presently a big game hunter in this province or have you ever received an application for the big game licence draw? Yes No

If yes, please indicate Hunter Certificate Number: _____

Signature of applicant

Date

Part 2 (To be completed by a physician or optometrist, in the case of a person who is permanently legally blind).

I have examined the applicant and hereby certify that the individual named: (Please indicate X)

_____ has a permanent physical impairment of the lower limbs which severely restricts mobility to the effect that he/she is unable to walk more than 50 meters without the use of a cane or other assistive devices

or

_____ who even with the best possible correction sees less at 20 feet than can a person with normal vision at 200 feet (20/200), or if the greatest diameter of the field of vision in both eyes is less than 20 degrees, (CNIB definition).

Comments:

Physician/Optometrist Name (please print)

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Office Telephone Number

Signature of Physician/Optometrist

Date

Information

Disabled Hunter Program

"Designated hunter" means a person who has completed a recognized hunter training course who is designated by a disabled hunter to shoot and retrieve a big game animal of the kind and sex named on the disabled hunter's licence, but does not include a person who is prohibited by the court from possessing a firearm.

"Disabled hunter" means a person who is permanently legally blind or permanently mobility impaired who holds a valid big game licence issued by the Minister

All first time hunters or those hunters who have not previously completed a recognized hunter training requirement including persons defined within the disabled hunter regulations must, prior to becoming eligible to enter the big game licence draw, complete the provincial Firearm Safety/Hunter Education Program. The program is designed to accommodate all persons with disabilities.

A resident who is permanently legally blind who, upon presentation of medical proof certifying he/she is legally blind (ie. reverse application), will be exempt from the standard testing requirements that require vision to perform in the Firearm Safety/Hunter Education Program.

A permanently legally blind hunter who completes the Firearm Safety/Hunter Education Program may apply for and receive a big game licence but is not entitled, for the purpose of hunting, to possess or use a firearm.

Disabled hunters who receive a big game licence, **shall** in the case of a permanently legally blind person, and **may** in the case of a permanently mobility impaired person, designate at any one time only one designated hunter to shoot and retrieve the type and sex of big game animal named on the disabled hunter's big game licence provided that;

(a) the disabled hunter remains in sight of the designated hunter, and;

(b) the designated hunter possesses the disabled hunter's licence and tags.

A person designated to shoot on behalf of a disabled hunter need not keep the disabled hunter in sight when in pursuit of an animal that has been injured by the licence holder or designated hunter.

A designated hunter may be designated by not more than one disabled hunter per season

How to apply.

- A. Persons who presently receive applications for the big game licence draw or persons who have a Hunter Certificate Number and have received big game licence applications in the past and who are disabled or have since become disabled may apply to become eligible for the Disabled Hunter Program by completing the reverse application form. Applications should be forwarded to the Wildlife Division's, Licensing Section.
- B. New persons not presently receiving an application for the big game licence draw must present this form to a College of the North Atlantic representative prior to enrolling in a Firearm Safety/Hunter Education Course.

Disabled Angler Program

"Designated angler" means a person who holds an inland fishery licence, river specific inland fishery licence or a family inland fishery licence and is designated by a disabled angler to angle and retain a species of fish that the disabled angler is permitted by law to catch and retain.

"Disabled angler" means a person who is (i) permanently legally blind, or (ii) permanently mobility impaired, and who holds an inland fishery licence, river specific inland fishery licence or a family inland fishery licence.

A disabled angler may specify one designated angler to angle and retain the species set out in the disabled angler's licence, in the area permitted and within the bag limits set by law.

A designated angler shall (a) keep within 100 metres of the disabled angler, except when in pursuit of a fish that has been hooked for the disabled angler; (b) possess the licence and tags of the disabled angler while angling for that disabled angler; and (c) immediately affix and lock a tag to a salmon caught for the disabled angler in the manner described in subsection 6(3) of the Wild Life Regulations (i.e. through the gills and mouth of the salmon so that it cannot be removed).

Where a designated angler retains and tags a salmon, the disabled angler shall immediately take possession of and retain the salmon.

There are two ways that persons are identified in the field as Disabled Anglers.

Persons who are currently registered with the Wildlife Division as "Disabled Hunters" have received an Outdoor Identification Card (OIC) with the capability code "D" or "DN" on the card, indicating disabled. Persons who are currently in possession of this card need not register again for the disabled angler program. Possession of their OIC card is sufficient for them to designate an angler to angle on their behalf. Replacement OIC cards are available.

Persons who are NOT registered as disabled hunters must complete the application on the reverse and mail to the Wildlife Division's, Licensing Section. A letter of confirmation will be issued to the applicant indicating their eligibility to take part in the disabled angler program. Persons must possess this letter when designating another angler to angle on their behalf.

For inquiries or to mail an application:

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