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CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 10-051

Comments

[<u>NOTE</u>: All citations to "Manual" in the comments below are to the <u>Administrative Rules Procedures Manual</u>, prepared by the Legislative Reference Bureau and the Legislative Council Staff, dated September 2008.]

2. Form, Style and Placement in Administrative Code

a. In the treatment clause of SECTION 1 of the rule-making order, "(a)" should be changed to "(b)."

b. SECTIONS 3, 4, and 5 of the rule-making order, as well as SECTIONS 22 and 23, are not in proper sequence. The sections of the rule-making order should be arranged in the numerical order of the decimal-numbered provisions as they appear in the rules at the time of drafting. [See s. 1.04 (1) of the Manual.]

c. In s. NR 10.01 (3) (ed) 1. a., the correct additional cross-reference is "subd. 1. e."

d. In the treatment clause of SECTION 24 of the rule-making order, the final "a" in the identification of the section affected should be replaced by the notation "(intro.)." In the text of that section, only the text that is affected should be shown.

e. The treatment clause in SECTION 25 of the rule-making order should be rewritten as follows: "NR 12.10 (1) (b) 1. (intro) and b. are amended to read.". The text of the unaffected subunits should not be shown.

f. In ss. NR 12.10 (1) (b) 7. and 12.16 (4), the phrases "fish and wildlife service," "federal depredation permit," and "management zone" all should be shown in lowercase.

g. In s. NR 12.16 (6) (title), the underscored language should be shown following the stricken-through language.

h. In the treatment clause in SECTION 29 of the rule-making order, "(a)" should be inserted after "(3)."

i. In s. NR 17.02 (3) (a), each occurrence of the notation "s." that precedes "NR 16.30 and 16.38" should be replaced by the notation "ss."

5. Clarity, Grammar, Punctuation and Use of Plain Language

It appears that the purpose of the change made to s. NR 8.54 (1) (a) 3. is to clarify that a notice does not have to be sent to a violator who is not a Wisconsin resident. This could be done in a more straightforward way by simply stating, in the rule, that if a violator is a Wisconsin resident, a notice containing the specified information must be sent.