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CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 00-031

Comments

[NOTE: All citations to “Manual” in the comments below are to the Administrative Rules Procedures Manual, prepared by the Revisor of Statutes Bureau and the Legislative Council Staff, dated September 1998.]

2. Form, Style and Placement in Administrative Code

- a. In SECTION 4 of the rule, the agency should use the same display headings as are in the current rule.
- b. Use of periods at the end of “open season” entries should be consistent throughout the rule.
- c. In s. NR 10.02 (5), SECTION 8, the strike-through should include a comma.

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

- a. Should the reference to “snowshoe hare” in s. NR 10.01 (3) (c) in Table 3 be deleted; does the rule apply to all cottontails, jackrabbits and snowshoe hares under s. NR 10.01 (3) (c) 1.; or does the provision only apply to snowshoe hare?
- b. In s. NR 10.06 (2) (c), SECTION 10 needs to be reviewed for clarity. The references to animals by weapons (“bow deer” and “deer with firearms”) is somewhat misleading and possibly confusing to people unfamiliar with current regulations.

c. As drafted, determining the applicable hunting hours would appear to be very difficult. The agency may wish to include information describing how specific hunting hours can be obtained by the public.

d. In s. NR 10.12 (5) (d), the reference to “waterfowl, coots and mourning doves” should be changed to “waterfowl, coots or mourning doves” to clarify that the rule applies to the hunting of each, not just when all are being hunted.

e. Does s. NR 10.20 need a text description similar to that used for other hunting and management units and zones, such as s. NR 10.28?