

1977 Senate Bill 50

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## CHAPTER 232, Laws of 1977

AN ACT to amend 29.224; and to create 29.104 (4) of the statutes, relating to the use of crossbows by physically disabled, resident archers.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. 29.104 (4) of the statutes is created to read:

29.104 (4) (a) After proper application and presentation of a current resident archer hunting license duly issued to the applicant, the secretary may grant to any person who is established by medical evidence, verified by a written statement from a licensed physician, to be unable to operate a manually pulled bow because of a permanent physical disability a special permit to hunt with a crossbow meeting the specifications of par. (b).

(b) Crossbows used in hunting under this subsection shall meet all of the following specifications:

1. Shall be fired from the shoulder;
2. Shall deliver at least 42 ft.-lbs. of energy at a distance of 10 feet;
3. Shall have a stock of not less than 30 continuing inches in length;
4. Shall have a working safety; and
5. Shall be used with arrows or bolts of not less than 10 inches in length with a broadhead.

SECTION 2. 29.224 of the statutes is amended to read:

**29.224 Safe use and transportation of firearms.** (1) No person may possess, place or transport in or on a motor-driven boat while the motor is running any firearm ~~or~~, bow or crossbow unless such firearm is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case and unless such bow or crossbow is unstrung or enclosed within a carrying case.

(2) No person may possess, place or transport in or on any aircraft, vehicle or automobile any firearm ~~or~~, bow or crossbow unless such bow or crossbow is unstrung or enclosed within a carrying case or such firearm is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case.

(3) No person ~~shall~~ may load, fire or shoot any firearm, crossbow or ~~any~~ bow and arrow in, on or from any automobile, aircraft or vehicle, stationary or moving except as provided in s. 29.09 (9).

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