

Part 3. Non-Resident Hunters. To legally hunt brown bears non-resident hunters must be accompanied by a licensed Alaska Big Game Guide or an Alaska resident who is at least 19 years of age and within the second degree of kindred.

Guide or Relative:				
First Name	M.I.	Last Name	Daytime Phone Number	
Mailing Address	City	State	Zip Code	Alaska Guide License Number

Completed and signed applications should be mailed *at least 30 days prior to the start of your hunt* to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Wildlife Conservation, Permits Section, P.O. Box 115526, Juneau, AK 99811-5526. Or, applications may be submitted by fax (907-465-6142) or e-mail in pdf or similar format to dfg.dwc.permits@alaska.gov.

Instructions for Completing the Methods and Means Exemption Application for Hunting Brown Bears using Bait or Scent Lures.

Important: This application should be submitted at least 30 days prior to the planned start of your hunt.

Part 1. To be completed by the Applicant

- Enter your name and all contact information.
- Check one of the boxes to indicate whether you have a resident or non-resident hunting license.
- 1. Please explain how your disability prohibits you from having a reasonable opportunity to harvest a brown bear without this exemption.
- 2. Please list the GMU where you are planning to hunt bears over bait.
- 3. Please sign and date the application certifying that the information provided is true.

Part 2. To be completed by the Physician

- 4. Please describe the nature and extent of the applicant's condition or disability.
 - To qualify for this exemption, the hunter must be "wheelchair bound or similarly disabled".
- 5. Check "yes" if the condition or disability is not expected to improve, check "no" if improvement is possible or likely.
- 6. Your signature indicates that the applicant is wheelchair bound or similarly disabled.

Part 3. Guide or Relative Information. To be completed by non-resident hunters.

- Non-residents hunting brown bears must be accompanied by a licensed Alaska Big Game Guide or relative at least 19 years of age and within the second degree of kindred. See Hunting Regulations.

Submitting an Application.

- Applications should be submitted to the Permits Section a minimum of 30 days prior to your desired hunt date. Applications may be submitted by mail, fax, or **e-mail (preferred)** to the addresses listed at the bottom of page two of the application form.
- Exemptions will be sent to hunters or their designated representative by e-mail. If no e-mail is listed on the application, the exemption will be sent to the hunter via U.S. mail.

Using Your Exemption.

- Exemptions will be valid during any open brown bear season for which you qualify and for which you possess the necessary license, permit (if required), and big game locking tag (if required).

Where can you hunt?

Any bait station at which you hunt must be permitted by your local ADF&G area office, and it is your responsibility to verify that the operator of the bait station has a permit and that the permit is in force at the time you hunt. You may hunt at:

Black Bear Bait Stations

In some Game Management Units/subunits and during specified season dates, black bears may be hunted at bait stations registered with ADF&G. In some cases open seasons for brown bears coincide with open seasons for hunting black bears over bait, and during black bear baiting season your exemption allows you to hunt brown bears at bait stations set up to hunt black bears. See Hunting Regulations for black bear baiting season dates and locations.

or

Brown Bear Bait Stations

If you wish to hunt outside the locations or season dates set for baiting black bears, any bait station at which you hunt must be permitted by ADF&G. Ask the operator to show you his/her permit and verify that it is valid for the location and dates during which you plan to hunt. If you have any questions, please contact the Area Management Biologist for the Game Management Unit in which you plan to hunt.