STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME
CULTURAL/EDUCATION PERMIT
APPLICATION

A PERMIT to harvest game for CULTURAL/EDUCATION PURPOSES may be issued to an applicant who proposes to operate a program or event that provides for persons to engage in activities that serve to preserve historic customary and traditional Alaskan cultural practices, knowledge, and values. No permit will be issued when the taking of game will result in a significant reallocation or reduction of other opportunities for harvest or when harvests can reasonably be accommodated under existing regulations. Use of a big animal or other animals taken under a cultural/educational purposes permit must be used within the state.

Completed applications must be received no later than 30 days before the requested start date to allow for processing.

Name of Organization: ________________________________

Contact Person: ________________________________

Phone: ________________________________

Email: ________________________________

Cell Phone: ________________________________

Fax: ________________________________

Type of Event:  

□ Cultural Event  

□ Cultural Education Program

Name of Event Purpose: ________________________________

Dates of Event: ________________________________

Number of Participants Expected: ________________________________

Where will this event/program be held? ________________________________

Profile of Participants:

____________________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________

Instructors (Educational Only):

____________________________________________________________________

Type of Animal(s) Requested: ________________________________

Who will harvest the Animal? ________________________________

Submitted by Karen Hinnell
ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME
CULTURAL PERMIT TO PRESERVE TRADITIONAL ALASKAN CULTURAL PRACTICES
APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND POLICY

Permit Conditions, Terms, and Restrictions:

(a) Under authority of 5 AAC 92.034, the commissioner may issue a nontransferable, no-cost cultural / education permit to harvest game to an applicant who proposes to operate a program or event that provides for persons to engage in activities that serve to preserve historic or customary and traditional Alaskan cultural practices, knowledge, and values. No permit will be issued when the taking of game will result in a significant reallocation or reduction of other opportunities for harvest or when harvests can reasonably be accommodated under existing regulations. Use of a big animal or other animals taken under a cultural / educational purposes permit must be used within the state.

(b) The cultural / educational purposes program must have: a minimum attendance, in addition educational programs must have instructors who are qualified to teach the subject matter and enrolled students,

(c) A permittee who harvests game under authority of a cultural / education permit must comply with all game licensing and regulatory requirements, unless otherwise specified on the permit. Upon request, a permittee will show the permit to a state enforcement officer.

(d) Permits are issued for cultural / education maintenance and preservation purposes, as opposed to nutritional purposes. No more than one big game animal may be harvested under a cultural / education permit although other wildlife can be authorized for take under a cultural permit. No more than one permit may be issued for each cultural/education event or program. Species are limited to deer, moose, caribou, black bear, mountain goat, small game, and furbearers. [Note: the regulation specifically includes “any migratory bird for which a federal permit has been issued” (5 AAC 92.034(8)]. Given the changes in federal regulations governing the take of migratory birds during the spring and summer seasons co-managed by the federal government and the Alaska Migratory Bird Co-Management Council, the Alaska Board of Game might consider amending 5 AAC 92.034 to remove the outdated language “...for which a federal permit has been issued...”]

(e) Game meat harvested under a cultural / education maintenance and preservation permit must be consumed by humans, and animal byproducts may be distributed for personal use. The salvageable meat may not be consumed by animals and the game may not be bartered, sold, or exchanged for anything of value.

Application:

An applicant for a cultural/education program permit shall submit an application, in writing, to the department no later than 30 days before the date the applicant proposes to begin the cultural /education maintenance and preservation program. The applicant shall describe or identify:

(1) The sponsoring and/or underwriting organization, community, or agency;
(2) The purposes of the program or event;
(3) A profile of students/participants that the program/event will serve;
(4) For an Educational Program: The instructors and administrators;
(5) When game resources will be harvested, the species and numbers of game needed to fulfill the cultural / educational maintenance and preservation objectives of the program/event, and the name of the person who will take game, if other than the permittee; and
(6) The location where the cultural / education maintenance and preservation program/event will take place and the area where game will be harvested.

An applicant who is unable to provide all of the information requested above shall identify the information that the applicant is unable to provide and describe, in writing, the reasons why that information has been omitted or cannot be provided.

Reporting Requirements:

Within 30 days of the expiration date of the permit or by December 31 of the year the permit was issued, whichever comes first, the permittee shall submit a report to the department that includes the number of students/participants who successfully completed the program, objectives of the program that were achieved, problems encountered in the program, the date, sex and specific location of game that was harvested, the final disposition of harvested resources, and any other information that may be specified on the permit.

The department will not issue or renew a cultural / education maintenance and preservation permit to a person who violates a condition or requirement of a cultural/education purposes permit that was previously issued or to a sponsor or permittee who failed to comply with the reporting requirements listed above.
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(5) A schedule of classes or training sessions;
(6) The texts, equipment, teaching aids, and other materials that will be used in the program;
(7) How students/participants will be tested for knowledge or proficiency gained through the program;
(8) The standards for successful completion of the program and student/participant attendance requirements for classes or training sessions;
(9)(5) When game resources will be harvested, the species and numbers of game needed to fulfill the cultural/educational maintenance and preservation objectives of the program/event, and the name of the person who will take game, if other than the permittee; and
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