## **PROPOSAL 118**

## 5 AAC 92.050. Required permit hunt conditions and procedures.

Add a new paragraph requiring completion of crossbow hunter certification course at time of permit application as follows:

5 AAC 92.050(a) The following conditions and procedures for permit issuance apply to each permit hunt:

. . .

(11) an applicant for a certified crossbow hunter only permit hunt must successfully complete a department-approved crossbow hunter certification course before submitting a permit application.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? The Board of Game recently added crossbows as an allowed method of harvesting game in some drawing permit hunts. This regulatory change now makes crossbows the only restricted method that does not require the applicant to be certified at the time of application. By requiring applicants to be certified before submitting an application for a drawing permit this newest form of weapons restriction certification will be aligned with the existing application requirements for other weapons-restricted hunts.

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