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# OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ALASKA

#### MEMORANDUM

TO: Shellene Hutter, Department of Fish and Game

FROM: April Simpson, Office of the Lieutenant Governor

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**DATE:** November 19, 2024

RE: Filed Permanent Regulations: Department of Fish & Game

Department of Fish & Game regulations re: Saltwater Logbook and Vessel Registration

forms update (5 AAC 75.076)

Attorney General File: 2024200358

Regulation Filed: 11/19/2024

Effective Date: 12/19/2024

Print: 252, January 2025

cc with enclosures:

Beth Parsons, Department of Law

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November 18, 2024

The Honorable Nancy Dahlstrom Lieutenant Governor State of Alaska P.O. Box 110015 Juneau, AK 99811-0015

Re: 5 AAC 75.076: DFG - Saltwater Logbook and Vessel Registration forms

update

Our file: 2024200358

#### Dear Lieutenant Governor Dahlstrom:

The Department of Law has reviewed the attached regulations of the Department of Fish and Game against the statutory standards of the Administrative Procedure Act. Based upon our review, we find no legal problems. This letter constitutes the written statement of approval under AS 44.62.060(b) and (c) that authorizes your office to file the attached regulations. The regulations were adopted by the Department of Fish and Game after the close of the public comment period.

The regulations update, from 2024 to 2025, the 2025 eLogbook Backup/Transcription Logbook for Saltwater Charter Operators and Vessel Registration, adopted by reference, and required for sport fishing guides if the charter operator is operating in saltwater; and the 2025 Vessel Registration, adopted by reference, and required for sport fishing guides if the charter operator is operating in fresh water.

The October 9, 2024 public notice and the November 12, 2024 adoption order both state that this action is not expected to require an increased appropriation. Therefore, a fiscal note under AS 44.62.060 is not required.

Because publication of the guides is calendar year-sensitive, we respectfully request that these regulations be filed on or before December 2, 2024.

No technical corrections were necessary to conform the regulations in accordance with AS 44.62.060.

Sincerely,

TREG TAYLOR ATTORNEY GENERAL

> Rebecca C. Polizzotto

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By:

Rebecca C. Polizzotto Chief Assistant Attorney General Legislation, Regulations, and Legislative Research Section

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CC w/enclosure:

Shellene Hutter, Program Coordinator 2

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### ORDER ADOPTING CHANGES TO REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

The attached 1 page of regulations, dealing with regulations to update the year from 2024 to 2025 for the eLogbook Backup/Transcription Logbook for Saltwater Charter Operators and Vessel Registration, adopted by reference; and to update the year of the Freshwater Sport Fish Guide Vessel Registration forms, adopted by reference, from 2024 to 2025, are adopted and certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Department of Fish and Game adopts under the authority of AS 16.05.050, AS 16.05.251, AS 16.05.255 and AS 16.05.270 after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

Although no public comments were received, the Department of Fish and Game paid special attention to the cost to private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes adopted under this order take effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the lieutenant governor, as provided in AS 44.62.180.

DATE:	11/12/2024		
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		Doug Vincent-Lang	
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Douglas Vincent-Lang, Commissioner Department of Fish and Game

April Smpson for

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#### FILING CERTIFICATION

I, Nancy Dahlstrom, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on November 13, 2024, at 2:55 p.m., I filed the attached regulations according to the provisions of AS 44.62.040 -44.62.120.

Nancy Danistrom, Lieutenant Governor

Effective: December 19, 2024

Register: 252, January 2025

### FOR DELEGATION OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S AUTHORITY

I, NANCY DAHLSTROM, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, designate the following state employees to perform the Administrative Procedures Act filing functions of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor:

April Simpson, Regulations and Initiatives Specialist

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed and affixed the Seal of the State of Alaska, in Juneau, on May 15th, 2023.

OF THE STATE OF ALASE

NANCY DAHLSTROM LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR Register 252, January 2025 FISH AND GAME

#### Title 5. Fish and Game.

#### Chapter 75. Statewide Provisions.

#### Article 4. Fishing Services and Sport Fishing Guides.

5 AAC 75.076(a) is amended to read:

- (a) A sport fishing guide shall obtain and complete a
- (1) State of Alaska, Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, <u>2025</u>

  <u>eLogbook Backup/Transcription Logbook For Saltwater Charter Operators</u> [2024

  <u>SALTWATER CHARTER LOGBOOK] and Vessel Registration</u>, adopted by reference, if operating in salt water;
- (2) State of Alaska, Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, 2025
  [2024] Vessel Registration, adopted by reference, if operating in fresh water.
  (Eff. 5/19/98, Register 146; am 9/23/98, Register 147; am 5/15/99, Register 150; am 4/16/2000, Register 154; am 5/20/2000, Register 154; am 3/11/2001, Register 157; am 4/5/2002, Register 162; am 2/28/2003, Register 165; am 3/25/2004, Register 169; am 2/10/2005, Register 173; am 5/19/2005, Register 174; am 5/26/2006, Register 178; am 8/12/2007, Register 183; am 1/1/2008, Register 184; am 4/25/2008, Register 186; am 5/23/2009, Register 190; am 6/20/2010, Register 194; am 4/28/2011, Register 198; am 4/1/2012, Register 201; am 3/7/2013, Register 205; am 4/9/2014, Register 210; am 3/4/2015, Register 213; am 3/2/2016, Register 217; am 3/15/2017, Register 221; am 5/19/2017, Register 222; am 4/20/2018, Register 226; am 3/28/2019, Register 229; am 4/17/2019, Register 230; am 5/26/2019, Register 230; am 3/5/2020, Register 233; am 12/19/2020, Register 236; 2/20/2022, Register 241; am 5/5/2023, Register 246; am 10/8/2023, Register 248; am 12/14/2024, Register 252)

**Authority:** AS 16.05.251