

**TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION**

Control No. 220 Department or Agency Conservation and Natural Resources
Rule No. 220-2-.151 Archery Range Regulation

Rule Title: Archery Range Regulation

New Amend Repeal (of Existing Rule) Adopt by Reference

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? YES

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare? YES

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? NO

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and, if so, to what degree? NO

Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the rule? N/A

Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? YES

Does the proposed rule have any economic impact? NO

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975 and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Alabama Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Reference Service.

Signature of Certifying Officer [Signature]

Secretary of Administrative Procedure

Date August 22, 2017

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

RULE NO. & TITLE: (1) 220-2-.151 Archery Range Regulation; (2) 220-2-.126 Public Shooting Range Regulation; (3) 220-2-.22 Wildlife Management Areas and Sanctuaries Established; (4) 220-2-.35 Daily Creel Limits, Possession Limits, and Size Limits; (5) 220-2-.110 Establishment of Physically Disabled Hunting Areas; (6) 220-2-.11 Prohibited Methods and Devices for Hunting.

INTENDED ACTION: (1)-(2), (4)-(6):Amendments. (3):New and repeal.

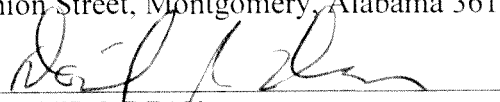
SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: (1)**220-2-.151**-To further regulate conduct at certain archery ranges and parks; to add names of additional archery parks; to further provide for the use of bows and arrows; and to provide for additional posted restrictions; (2)**220-2-.126**-To further regulate conduct at certain public shooting ranges; and to provide for additional posted restrictions; (3)**220-2-.22**-To further provide for the names, boundary lines, and maps of certain wildlife management areas, refuges, and a sanctuary; to also list certain Federal refuges in Alabama; and to repeal existing rule; (4)**220-2-.35**- To further provide for the creel, possession and size limits for certain fish; and to restrict the taking of, and to require the release of certain, species on certain areas; (5)**220-2-.110**-To further provide for and establish certain physically disabled hunting areas; to revise maps; to rename a certain area; and to add an additional area and map; (6)**220-2-.11**-To further provide for prohibited methods and devices for hunting; and to provide for a certain exception for certain range finders on bows.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Interested persons may present their views in writing to the Director of the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries at any time during the period stated below, or orally if requested in advance by personally appearing at Room 469, Folsom Administrative Building, 64 North Union Street, Montgomery, Alabama, at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, October 6, 2011.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:

Thursday, October 6, 2011.

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: M. N. "Corky" Pugh, Director, Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, 5th Floor, 64 N. Union Street, Montgomery, Alabama 36130.



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220-2-.151 Archery Range Regulation

(1) It shall be unlawful to shoot any type of bow or crossbow on the Athens Community Archery Park, the Cullman Community Archery Park, Demopolis Community Archery Park, Dothan Community Archery Park, or any other archery range operated now or in the future by the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, except in accordance with the following rules. All range users shall abide by the posted rules. Permits for excepted uses will be issued by the Hunter Education Coordinator or his designee. The range may be closed as necessary.

- (a) The range is open during daylight hours only, except by permit.
- (b) No alcoholic beverages allowed.
- (c) Arrows may only be nocked onto the bowstring when standing on the shooting line preparing to shoot.
- (d) Shooting allowed only from the shooting line and only into the designated targets.
- (e) Shooters are allowed to bring and shoot at a paper face placed on an existing target as long as it is removed from the range once an individual has finished shooting. Personal targets are not allowed on range, except by permit.
- (f) Bows must be hung on the bowhanger behind the shooting line when waiting to shoot or while archers are down range retrieving arrows. No shooting shall be allowed while anyone is down range.
- (g) All persons are to remain behind the shooting line while shooting is taking place.
- (h) Arrows from bows of 30 pound draw weight or more may only be shot into the targets on the adult range. Arrows from bows less than 30 pound draw weight may be shot into targets on the youth or adult range.
- (i) Only arrows with field or target points may be used or possessed on range. No broadheads may be possessed on the range, except by permit.
- (j) All individuals standing on or utilizing the elevated platform must wear a full body harness, including shoulder and leg straps, and attach themselves to the appropriate safety cable carabineer.
- (k) All used paper target faces and other trash shall be placed in a trash receptacle or removed from the range.
- (l) Use of Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries archery ranges is limited to the following persons: All Alabama residents 16 through 64 years of age are required to have a valid state hunting license, a valid state wildlife management area license, or a valid wildlife heritage license. All non-residents 16 through 64 years of age are required to have a valid state hunting license or a valid state wildlife management area license.
- (m) Bows will only be drawn in such a manner as to prevent accidental or intentional loss of an arrow from range property. Arrows will only be released into designated targets.
- (n) It shall be unlawful to violate any posted restriction.

(2) The penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this regulation shall be as provided by law.

Statutory Authority: §§ 9-2-7, 9-2-8, and 9-2-12

Code of Alabama 1975

PENALTY: As provided by law.
4/21/2009; 10/15/2009;