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at 10:00 a.m.

05.17 Alligator, Bear, Deer and Turkey Tagging Requirements

- A. All licensed hunters, including youth, 65+ lifetime hunting license holders, disability hunting license holders, holders of any permanent license issued by the Commission and those hunting under the Reciprocal Hunting License Agreement must check their harvest or legibly fill out (in ink) a game tag provided in the current Commission guidebook, or use a piece of paper to make a tag and legibly print (in ink) the hunter's name, date, WMA or zone number, and time of harvest. The tag must be securely fastened to the antler or ear of a deer or to the leg of a turkey. A harvested alligator, deer, bear, or turkey does not need to be tagged when proof of checking is immediately available. SPECIAL NOTE: Harvest information reflecting the name, address, species, sex, date taken and check confirmation number must remain with all portions until reaching the point of final storage.
- B. Immediately after harvesting a bear and before moving it, each hunter must check the bear online or by phone; or each hunter must legibly fill out (in ink) a game tag provided in the current Arkansas Hunting Guidebook, or use a piece of paper to make a tag, and legibly print (in ink) the hunter's name, date, WMA or zone number, and time of harvest. The tag must be securely fastened to the leg or ear of the bear.
- C. Immediately after harvesting an alligator and before moving it, each hunter must call the AGFC Radio Dispatch to notify of harvest. attach an assigned U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service CITES tag approximately 6 inches from tip of tail by hunter. Legibly fill out (in ink) a temporary game tag provided in the current Arkansas Hunting Guidebook, or use a piece of paper to make a tag, and legibly print (in ink) the hunter's name, date, alligator management zone number, and time of harvest and check harvest by calling game check or by one fo the approved checking methods. online game check. The USFWS CITES tag will be mailed to successful hunters upon verification of online checking. The CITIES tag is to be affixed to the alligator approximately 6 inches from the tip of the tail by the hunter.
- D. RESERVED.
- E. Immediately after harvesting a bonus deer allowed under the Deer Management Assistance Program Management tags, Private Land CWD Management Tags, or special Urban Deer Hunt tags, each hunter must physically tag the deer with the special AGFC-issued program tag before moving the deer. Immediate proof of checking does not exempt these deer from being tagged.

PENALTY: Class 2