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Effective Date	Code Number				
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Statutory Authority for Promulgating Rules					
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Rule Title:					
Intended Effective Date (Check One)					
Emergency (ACA 25-15-204)	Legal Notice Published				

Electronic Copy of Rule e-mailed from: (Required under ACA 25-15-218)

Contact Person

E-mail Address

Adopted by State Agency

Date

Date

CERTIFICATION OF AUTHORIZED OFFICER

I Hereby Certify That The Attached Rules Were Adopted

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In Substantial Compliance with Act 434 of 1967 the Arkansas Administrative Procedures Act. Pursuant to 2011 decision rendered by the Pulaski County Circuit Court and 2000 opinion by the Arkansas Attorney General, the rulemaking requirements in the Arkansas Administrative Procedures Act cannot be constitutionally applied to the AGFC. Nevertheless, the AGFC does substantially comply with the rulemaking provisions under Ark. Code Ann. section 25-15-204 for public notice, opportunity for comment, and filing of all regulations adopted by the Commission.

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Revised 7/2015 to reflect new legislation passed in the 2015 Regular Session (Act 1258). This act changed the effective date from 30 days to 10 days after filing the rule.

Arkansas Game and Fish Commission

Code Book

The regulations in this Code Book are hereby adopted by the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission under authority of Amendment 35 to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas. All laws, rules, regulations, or orders in conflict with the regulations in this Code Book are hereby repealed by the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission.

B1.15 Veteran And Active Duty Military Waterfowl Hunt

1st Saturday in December and the 1st Saturday in February statewide. **LIMIT:** Same as statewide.

ITEM NO. IV(a)

ARKANSAS GAME AND FISH COMMISSION Little Rock, Arkansas

MINUTE ORDER NO: 20-034			SUBJECT:	Special Youth, Veteran and Active			
DATE PASSED:		Ju	July 16, 2020			Duty Military Waterfowl Regulations	
PAGE	1	of	1	PAGES		LOCATION:	Statewide

WHEREAS, the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission and its staff have proposed the attached regulations for scheduling the Special Youth Waterfowl Hunting Season and Limits, and the Veteran and Active Duty Military Waterfowl Hunt; and

- WHEREAS, the attached regulations have been communicated through a variety of media avenues to sportsmen and the general public throughout the state for review and comment for at least the past 30 days; and
- WHEREAS, after carefully considering the recommendations of Commission staff and the Regulations Committee, as well as comments received from the public, the Commission has determined that the attached regulations promote sound wildlife conservation and management and are consistent with Amendment 35 of the Arkansas Constitution and that these regulations should now be approved for application statewide.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED this 16th day of July 2020, that the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission hereby approves and adopts the attached regulations, which shall become effective immediately upon public filing or as soon thereafter as possible.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the Commission staff is authorized to proceed with legally certifying and filing the attached regulations with the Secretary of State, State Library, and Bureau of Legislative Research and incorporating them into the Commission Code Book and Addendum.

Submitted by:	STAFF APPROVAL Brad Carner Chief	COMMISSION APPROVAL Andrew Farker Andrew Parker Chair	J.D. Neeley Commissioner
Division:	Wildlife Management	Joe Morgan	Commissioner <u>Anne Marie Doramus</u> Anne Marie Doramus
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Approved:	AF Moodhart Legal	Commissioner Stan Jones Stan Jones Commissioner	Commissioner
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FINANCIAL/ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

PLEASE ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS COMPLETELY (Attach additional pages if needed)

DEPARTMENT:Arkansas Game and Fish CommissionBUREAU:Wildlife ManagementPERSON COMPLETING THIS STATEMENT:Mark HutchingsTELEPHONE #:501-223-6352FAX #:SHORT TITLE OF THIS RULE:2020-2021Youth hunting date Proposals.

- 1. Does this proposed, amended, or repealed rule or regulation have a financial impact? Yes: X No:
- 2. Do you believe that the development of a financial impact statement is so speculative as to be cost prohibitive? Yes: No: X If "Yes", please explain:
- 3. If the purpose of this rule is to implement a **federal** rule or regulation, please give the incremental cost for implementing the regulation. Please indicate if the cost provided is the cost of the program.

Current Fiscal Year	<u>Next Fiscal Year</u>	
General Revenue	\$ General Revenue	\$
Federal Funds	\$ Federal Funds	\$
Cash Funds	\$ Cash Funds	\$
Special Revenue	\$ Special Revenue	\$
Other (Identify)	\$ Other (Identify)	\$
Total	\$ Total	\$

4 What is the total estimated cost by fiscal year to any **party** subject to the proposed, amended, or repealed rule? (Estimated cost includes fees, administrative penalties, reporting, record keeping, equipment, construction, labor, professional services, revenue loss, or other costs associated with compliance.) Identify the **party** subject to the proposed rule, and explain how they are impacted.

Current Fiscal Year: NA

Next Fiscal Year: Unknown

Party Subject to Rule: Hunters

Effect on Party Subject to Rule: Potentially, there could be increased fines.

5. What is the total estimated cost by fiscal year to the agency to implement this rule? Explain the financial benefit to the agency from implementing this rule.
Current Fiscal Year: \$N/A
Next Fiscal Year: \$N/A

Financial Benefit to Agency:

- 6. Do alternative means exist for accomplishing the objectives of the rules that might be less burdensome to small business? Yes: No: X Why were such alternatives not proposed: N/A
- 7. Compare this rule with federal and state counterparts: N/A

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July 20, 2020

Ms. Kayla Sansom, Rules & Regulation Filing Office of the Arkansas Secretary of State 500 Woodlane Drive, Room 26 Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: Arkansas Game and Fish Commission Regulation Adopted on July 16, 2020

Dear Ms. Sansom:

Attached please find Regulations B1.13 and B1.15 approved by the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission on July 16, 2020. Also included for each regulation is the required AR Secretary of State Transmittal sheet, applicable Financial Impact Statement, and the signed Minute Order.

Notices for the approved regulations were published as indicated on the AR Secretary of State Transmittal sheet in the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette.

Hard copies of the approved regulations will be in the mail in the next day or so. **Kindly notify** April Soman to confirm receipt of both the electronic submission and hard copy. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to contact me at (501) 223-6327 at your convenience.

> Sincerely, amest. Loodhart

James F. Goodhart General Counsel

JFG/as Enclosures cc: register@sos.arkansas.gov

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