

**STATE OF NEVADA
BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS
NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE
LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF ADOPTED REGULATIONS--NRS 233B.066
Informational Statement**

**LCB File No. R007-15
Commission General Regulation 454:
Firearm Carry During Muzzleloader and Archery Seasons**

Informational statement relating to Commission General Regulation 454 (LCB File No. R007-15)
as required by Chapter 233B.066.

1. A clear and concise explanation of the need for the adopted regulation:

This regulation was proposed at the request of Nevada sportsmen. It allows personal protection firearm carry in the field while hunting under muzzleloader and archery regulations. Some sportsmen voiced concern that their personal safety was at risk when archery hunting because firearm carry was prohibited while hunting under muzzleloader and archery regulations.

2. Description of how public comment was solicited, a summary of public response, and an explanation of how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary:

A copy of the proposed regulation was noticed and provided to Nevada's 17 County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife (CABs) as part of the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners (NBWC) agenda and support material for the workshops held August 7, 2015 and September 25, 2015, plus the adoption hearing on September 26, 2015. CABs that held public meetings prior to the August and September NBWC meetings provided opportunity for public comment at their individual meetings. Public comment was solicited at the NBWC workshop on August 7, 2015 in Fallon and September 25, 2015 in Las Vegas. The NBWC approved adoption on September 26, 2015 at their meeting in Las Vegas. There was no opposition to this regulation and all testimony received was in favor. The regulation passed unanimously with no changes.

A video recording and minutes from the meetings are available at:
http://www.ndow.org/Public_Meetings/Commission/Archive/

3. The number of persons who attended:

Workshop Hearing - August 7, 2015 (Fallon) and September 25, 2015 (Las Vegas)

- (a) Attended: Workshop – August 7, 2015 – 14; September 25, 2015 - 12
- (b) Testified: Workshop – August 7, 2015 – 2; September 25, 2015 - 3
- (c) Submitted written comments: – There were no written comments submitted.

Adoption Hearing – September 26, 2015 (Las Vegas)

- (a) Attended: 10
- (b) Testified: 0
- (c) Submitted written comments: There were no written comments submitted.

4. For each person identified in paragraphs (b) and (c) of number 3 above, the following information if provided to the agency conducting the hearing:

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- (f) Name of entity or organization represented; Churchill County CABMW

- (a) Name; Ralph Willits
- (b) Telephone number;
- (c) Business address; P.O. Box 34059, Las Vegas, NV 89133
- (d) Business telephone number;
- (e) Electronic mail address;
- (f) Name of entity or organization represented; General Public

5. **A description of how comment was solicited from affected businesses, a summary of their response and an explanation of how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary:**

Comment was not solicited from businesses because this regulation does not affect the operations of any business. A video recording and minutes from the meetings held on August 7, 2015 and September 25 and 26, 2015 are available at:
http://www.ndow.org/Public_Meetings/Commission/Archive/

6. **If the regulation was adopted without changing any part of the proposed regulation, a summary of the reasons for adopting the regulation without change:**

The permanent regulation was adopted on September 26, 2015 and included the changes suggested at the workshop meeting held November 14, 2014 through the temporary regulation process. Therefore the permanent regulation was workshopped on August 7, 2015 and September 25, 2015 and adopted without any changes requested.

7. **The estimated economic effect of the regulation on the business which it is to regulate and on the public:**

(a) Both adverse and beneficial effects:

Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW), Chief Game Warden Tyler Turnipseed determined that the proposed regulation will not impose an economic burden on small businesses or the public because this regulation does not regulate a business.

(b) Both immediate and long-term effects:

NDOW Chief Game Warden Tyler Turnipseed determined there would be no economic effect on the public because this regulation simply allows sportsmen to carry a firearm during muzzleloader and archery only seasons.

8. **The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation:**

There will be no additional cost to the agency to enforce this regulation as game wardens are currently enforcing current wildlife laws.

9. **A description of any regulations of other State or governmental agencies which the regulation overlaps or duplicates and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlap is necessary. If the regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, the name of the regulating federal agency:**

This proposed regulation does not duplicate or overlap local, state, or federal government agencies.

10. **If the regulation includes provisions that are more stringent than a federal regulation that regulates the same activity, a summary of such provisions:**

There are no federal regulations that regulate this activity.

11. **If the regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount the agency expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used:**

There is no new fee or change in an existing fee associated with this regulation.