

Chapter 504 of NAC

LCB File No. E001-05

**ADOPTED EMERGENCY REGULATION OF THE
BOARD OF WILDLIE COMMISSIONERS**

Effective until 5:00 p.m. on January 31, 2005.

COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 331

The Board of Wildlife Commissioners acting under the authority of sections 501.339 and 501.181 of the Nevada Revised Statutes, does hereby adopt the following emergency regulation:

This regulation supercedes the provisions of NAC 504.600 and NAC 504.661 which establish the deadline for the receipt of an application for the renewal of a master guides license. The deadline for the receipt of an application for the renewal of a master guide license for the 2005 license year is hereby extended. The completed application and fee for the renewal of a master guides license must be received at the headquarters of the Department of Wildlife, 1100 Valley Road, Reno, Nevada 89512, no later than to 5:00 p.m., January 31, 2005. Any renewal application for a master guide license received after this deadline will be returned without action. This emergency regulation expires without limitation at 5:01 p.m., January 31, 2005.

STATEMENT OF EMERGENCY

NRS. 501.339 (1) provides that, “The Director [of the Department of Wildlife] may in cases of emergency, with the prior approval of the Governor, exercise the powers of the [Wildlife] commission until such a time as the commission meets or the emergency ends.”

Several master guides have contacted the Department of Wildlife and the Wildlife Commission claiming they were unaware of a new application deadline adopted into regulation on August 25, 2004. NAC 504.600 and NAC 504.661 provide for the Department of Wildlife to accept applications between October 1 and December 1, with applications not being accepted after December 1. Several of the guides that contacted the Department of Wildlife have advised that they just came home after a month or more of guiding clients and became aware of the December 1, 2004 deadline after the deadline had already passed. The guides that missed the December 1, 2004 deadline will have lost part of their livelihood if a master guide license is not issued for the 2005 season. The Department of Wildlife and the Wildlife Commission recognizes that the late adoption of the new regulation has made it difficult for several of the currently licensed master guides to submit their renewal applications within the new deadline. In consideration of the above mentioned factors, detrimental impacts to Nevada’s guide industry and potential loss of livelihood for several licensees, the Department of Wildlife proposes to extend the application deadline for the receipt of renewal applications for the 2005 season and thus accommodate the renewing master guides that missed the new deadline.

Pursuant to NRS 501.339(1), the Director of the Department of Wildlife, with the prior approval of Governor Kenny C. Guinn, does hereby enact a regulation to address this emergency. As a result of this regulation, the deadline for the Department of Wildlife to accept an application for the renewal of a master guide’s license is extended to 5:00 p.m., January 31, 2005. The completed application and license fee must be received by Department of Wildlife Headquarters located at 1100 Valley Road, Reno, Nevada 89512. This emergency regulation expires without limitation at 5:01 p.m., January 31, 2005.

December 20, 2004

FOR THE COMMISSION

Terry R. Crawforth, Director
Department of Wildlife

GOVERNOR'S ENDORSEMENT

I, Governor Kenny C. Guinn, endorse the statement of emergency set forth by the Director of the Department of Wildlife.

December ____, 2004

KENNY C. GUINN
Governor