

Submitted by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game
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The Board of Game (“board”) makes the following findings:

1. Whereas current regulations in 5 AAC 92 do not reference electronic licenses and certain regulations require that hunting and trapping licenses and a waterfowl stamp be in paper or physical format.
2. Whereas nothing in statute requires licenses, permits, or other documents to be in paper format and the department would be able to issue licenses, permits and other documents in electronic form if the regulations are amended to authorize the department to issue them in any form determined by the department.
3. Whereas AS 16.05.330 was amended by the legislature effective July 1, 2018 to expressly allow sport fishing, hunting, and trapping licenses and waterfowl and king salmon stamps to be in paper or electronic format; the current regulations will need to be updated to provide for electronic licenses and other required documents.

NOW THEREFORE:

A. Pursuant to AS 16.05.270, the board delegates its authority under AS 16.05.255 to the commissioner for the specific purpose of considering and, at the commissioner’s discretion, adopting permanent regulations to allow and regulate the use of electronic licenses, permits or other documentation for hunting and trapping in formats authorized by the department, and make conforming regulatory changes as necessary, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62).

B. This delegation of authority shall remain in effect unless revoked by the board.