MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES AND PARKS
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JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI 39211-6374

PUBLIC NOTICE LE4-2280

The Mississippi Commission on Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, at a meeting in Jackson, Mississippi on June 30, 2005 under authority of §25-43-3.103 Mississippi Code of 1972, made known its intent to, and thirty days thereafter did, adopt the following regulations concerning primitive weapons. This was done under authority of §s 49-7-31, 49-7-38 and 49-7-41, Mississippi Code of 1972.

Public Notice LE3-2280 is hereby amended and the following rules and regulations are adopted.

Primitive firearms" for the purpose of hunting deer, are defined as single or double barreled muzzle-loading rifles of at least .38 caliber; single shot, breech loading, cartridge rifles (.38 caliber or larger) of a kind and type manufactured prior to 1900, and replicas, reproductions or reintroductions of those type rifles; and single or double-barreled muzzle-loading, shotguns with single ball or slug. All muzzle-loading Primitive Firearms must use black powder or a black powder substitute with either percussion caps or #209 shotgun primers or flintlock ignition. Breech loading single shot rifles must have exposed hammers and use metallic cartridges.

For the purposes of this Public Notice, a 'black powder substitute' is defined as a substance designed, manufactured and specifically intended to be used as a propellant in muzzleloading or other black powder firearms, excluding modern smokeless powder.

The requirement to purchase and posses a separate crossbow, archery and / or primitive weapon hunting license, as set forth in Miss.Code Ann. Section §49-7-37(6), shall apply during the special open seasons for hunting deer with bow and arrow, crossbow and / or primitive firearms as set forth in Miss. Code Ann. §49-7-31. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as prohibiting the use of a primitive firearm, with or without telescopic sights, or bow and arrow, for the hunting of deer during the regular open gun season(s) for deer, or as a requirement for having the separate primitive firearm license at any time except during the special open season for primitive weapons. However, only bow and arrow or a primitive firearm, as defined herein, and crossbows (as set fort in

Miss. Code Ann. §49-7-31. No firearms, primitive or otherwise, or crossbows (by GENERAL licensees) may be used for the hunting of deer during the special open season(s) for hunting deer with bow and arrow as set forth in Miss. Code Ann. §49-7-31.

This adopted public notice will become effective August 30, 2005. Witness my hand and seal this the 25th day of July, 2005.

MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON
WILDLIFE, FISHERIES AND PARKS

BY: Billy Deviney, ~~Chairman~~

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF
WILDLIFE,FISHERIES AND PARKS

BY: Sam Polles, Ph.D., Executive Director

Sharon Miller
Notary

I certify this to be a true and correct copy:

Sam Polles, Ph.D., Executive Director

My Commission Expires:

Notary Public State of Mississippi At Large
My Commission Expires: May 15, 2006
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