



Tracking Number: [2016-028](#)

To request a change to regulations under the authority of the California Fish and Game Commission (Commission), you are required to submit this completed form to: California Fish and Game Commission, 1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1320, Sacramento, CA 95814 or via email to [FGC@fgc.ca.gov](mailto:FGC@fgc.ca.gov). Note: This form is not intended for listing petitions for threatened or endangered species (see Section 670.1 of Title 14).

Incomplete forms will not be accepted. A petition is incomplete if it is not submitted on this form or fails to contain necessary information in each of the required categories listed on this form (Section I). A petition will be rejected if it does not pertain to issues under the Commission's authority. A petition may be denied if any petition requesting a functionally equivalent regulation change was considered within the previous 12 months and no information or data is being submitted beyond what was previously submitted. If you need help with this form, please contact Commission staff at (916) 653-4899 or [FGC@fgc.ca.gov](mailto:FGC@fgc.ca.gov).

## **SECTION I: Required Information.**

*Please be succinct. Responses for Section I should not exceed five pages*

### **1. Person or organization requesting the change (Required)**

Name of primary contact person: Sean Campbell

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### **2. Rulemaking Authority (Required) - Reference to the statutory or constitutional authority of the Commission to take the action requested: Fish and Game Code, Section 4341**

### **3. Overview (Required) - Summarize the proposed changes to regulations: I believe the new wording could be as follows: ***On duty firefighter of any rank, working for a recognized fire agency within the State of California (Local government Firefighter, Special District Firefighter, County Firefighter, State Firefighter, and Federal Firefighter)*****

### **4. Rationale (Required) - Describe the problem and the reason for the proposed change: The code lists a *County fireman at or above the class of foreman* is an approved person to validate deer and elk. This language is outdated and no longer used in the California Fire Service. I believe the intent of this language is to allow on duty firefighters be allowed to validate deer and elk in their fire stations. Our department has been validating deer and elk for over 30 years but has recently discontinued this practice because we are not "County Fireman" and don't have "Foreman's" in our rank structure. We asked our local Wardens and received mixed answers on whether we were allowed to validate deer and elk. There is confusion amongst the response we received. Some believe the intent of the code allows us to validate, while others believe we would be violating the code if we are not County Fireman. If the language was updated, our department would likely continue with the service of deer/elk validation at our fire stations. This is a service that our community appreciated because our personnel were easy to contact and our facilities are centrally located within the community.**



**SECTION II: Optional Information**

**5. Date of Petition: 10-26-16**

**6. Category of Proposed Change**

- Sport Fishing
- Commercial Fishing
- Hunting
- Other, please specify: [Click here to enter text.](#)

**7. The proposal is to:** *(To determine section number(s), see current year regulation booklet or <https://govt.westlaw.com/calregs>)*

- Amend Title 14 Section(s):708.6 (c)(1.)(C)(1.)
- Add New Title 14 Section(s): [Click here to enter text.](#)
- Repeal Title 14 Section(s): [Click here to enter text.](#)

**8. If the proposal is related to a previously submitted petition that was rejected, specify the tracking number of the previously submitted petition** [Click here to enter text.](#)

Or  Not applicable.

**9. Effective date:** If applicable, identify the desired effective date of the regulation. If the proposed change requires immediate implementation, explain the nature of the emergency: It would be a benefit to have this change occur before the 2017 Regulations guide is published.

**10. Supporting documentation:** Identify and attach to the petition any information supporting the proposal including data, reports and other documents: Not Applicable

**11. Economic or Fiscal Impacts:** Identify any known impacts of the proposed regulation change on revenues to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, individuals, businesses, jobs, other state agencies, local agencies, schools, or housing: None

**12. Forms:** If applicable, list any forms to be created, amended or repealed:

None

**SECTION 3: FGC Staff Only**

Date received: [Click here to enter text.](#)

FGC staff action:

- Accept - complete
- Reject - incomplete
- Reject - outside scope of FGC authority

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Date petitioner was notified of receipt of petition and pending action: \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting date for FGC consideration: \_\_\_\_\_



FGC action:

- Denied by FGC
- Denied - same as petition \_\_\_\_\_  
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- Granted for consideration of regulation change