

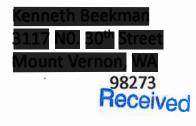
PETITION FOR ADOPTION, AMENDMENT, OR REPEAL OF A STATE ADMINISTRATIVE RULE

In accordance with <u>RCW 34.05.330</u>, the Office of Financial Management (OFM) created this form for individuals or groups who wish to petition a state agency or institution of higher education to adopt, amend, or repeal an administrative rule. You may use this form to submit your request. You also may contact agencies using other formats, such as a letter or email.

The agency or institution will give full consideration to your petition and will respond to you within 60 days of receiving your petition. For more information on the rule petition process, see Chapter 82-05 of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) at http://apps.leg.wa.gov/wac/default.aspx?cite=82-05.

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Department of Fish & Wildlife

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Hello Nichole,

I am again submitting a petition for a rule change. This time to establish a crossbow season of its own. The two other petitions I submitted, asking that seniors 65+ be allowed to use a crossbow during archery season have both been denied. Apparently, crossbows are not wanted during archery seasons, so let's give them a season of their own.

Since there is a season for modern firearms, a season for muzzleloaders, and a season for archery. Crossbows can only be used in the modern firearm season. Of which they are not compatible. A crossbow season should be included in our hunting seasons. Looking at the seasonal date for all the current weapons, a modest crossbow season of 7-10 days could fit in with a few adjustments.

Thirty-three states have very successful separate crossbow seasons. They have attracted new hunters, both young and old. Now many hunters are able to experience the thrills and joys of hunting together.

I would expect that there would be a modest economic benefit with this season in license sales, equipment sales tax, and other hunting related costs

Thank You for your time and considerations,

Kenneth Beekman

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