WAC 220-220-300  Requirements of recreational license dealers.

(1) The director may contract with persons, firms or corporations as license dealers in such numbers as deemed necessary for the purpose of issuing licenses, permits, tags, stamps and catch record cards.

(2) License dealers must have a permanent place of business with regular business hours, and have a type of business that supports hunting and fishing activities. Exceptions to this rule may be granted by the director.

(3) An internet or Interactive Voice Response (IVR) telephone firm or corporation may be designated by the director as a license dealer. Internet or IVR dealers are not required to have a type of business that supports hunting and fishing activities.

(4) All moneys collected from the sale of hand processed licenses, stamps, and other department property must be received in the department by the 10th day of the following month in which they were sold. High volume license dealers or dealers with a history of late payments may be required to remit moneys on a more frequent basis.

(5) All moneys collected from the sale of automated licenses, and other automated department property must be deposited into an electronic funds transfer account (EFT) of a type approved by the state treasurer's office where they shall be collected on a weekly basis on a schedule set by the department and the state treasurer's office.

(6) All records held pursuant to the statutes and regulations dealing with license dealers must be open to inspection by a fish and wildlife officer or department designee at reasonable times.

(7) License dealers who remit payments for hand processed licenses and other documents after the 10th of the month on more than two occasions in one year will be required to obtain a bond equal to the value of their license stock or make electronic fund transfer payment arrangements. "One year" is defined as beginning on the first month in which the license dealer is late making a payment due by the 10th of that month. A dealer who is late a third time, or sporadically thereafter, may lose their license dealership. No license dealer may receive additional license inventory if they are in arrears on license payments.

(8) For licenses sold via an automated system, license dealers must have sufficient funds in their EFT account to cover all licenses and other department property sold during the previous business week (12:01 a.m. Sunday until 11:59 p.m. Saturday) when funds are collected electronically per the announced schedule. If the amount due has not been paid on the date of the next scheduled collection from the account, the automated license terminal will be disabled and authorization to sell licenses will be withheld until all balances due have been paid. If there are insufficient funds in the account on more than three occasions in one license year, the dealer may lose their license dealership. "One license year" is defined as beginning on April 1 and ending on March 31 of the following year.

(9) License dealers using an automated licensing system are required to maintain and deposit license revenue into accounts established in banks designated as public depositories by the Public Deposit Protection Commission.

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