

Hunting and Fishing Licenses and Application Rule 19.31.3 NMAC



Senate Bill 5

- The New Mexico State Legislature passed Senate Bill 5 during the 2025 Legislative Session.
- Senate Bill 5 provides a 25% discount for all license fees for New Mexico residents who receive Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits.
- The new law requires a Commission rule to establish eligibility verification for the SNAP discount.
- The Department worked with the Health Care Authority for the SNAP verification process.



Summary of Proposed Changes

- Add eligibility verification requirements and procedures for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits to 19.31.3.11 NMAC.
- **R. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program discount:** New Mexico residents participating in the supplemental nutrition assistance program are eligible to receive a 25% discount on all licenses as established in 17-3-13 NMSA for the following license year. The Department will qualify individuals for the following license year discount between January 1 and January 10 annually. If not qualified by the Department in January, applicants may prove eligibility in person at any Department office to have the discount applied. No refunds will be offered for full-fee purchases made prior to verification of eligibility.



