

Mobility Impaired Certification Information

Mobility Impaired (MI) Certification allows the following privileges to qualified sportspeople:

- The opportunity to apply for Mobility Impaired only hunts through the public drawing.
- The opportunity to shoot at and kill protected species, with a proper and valid license, during their respective seasons from a stationary motor-driven vehicle that is not on an established road. The MI cardholder may not shoot at or kill protected species where a right-of-way fence exists.
- The option of using a crossbow on bow only hunts.
- The option to have another person, who is designated in writing, assist in tracking, killing, and retrieving big game which has been wounded by the licensed mobility-impaired hunter. MI hunters may only designate one person at a time to assist them, and the designee must always carry written authorization from the MI hunter. Assistants must use the sporting arm type designated for the hunt.

Mobility Impaired Certification is available to both resident and non-resident hunters. To apply for this privilege, customers should register for a customer identification number online at www.wildlife.state.nm.us. Once registered, the sportsperson must complete a Mobility Impaired Certification Application. This form should be completely filled out, including certification by a physician, and then returned to the Santa Fe office of the New Mexico Department Game and Fish. The Department will process the application and mail the applicant a Mobility Impaired card.

To qualify for Mobility Impaired Certification an individual must have a permanent impairment that limits mobility to a walker, wheelchair, or crutches; or one or more permanent conditions or disabilities that substantially limit the ability to walk. Mobility Impaired Certification is valid for four years and must be renewed to maintain privileges.

Completed mobility impaired application forms should be sent to:

Mail: NMDGF Special Hunts or Fax: 505-476-8180 or Email: <u>special.hunts@dgf.nm.gov</u> 1 Wildlife Way Santa Fe, NM 87507