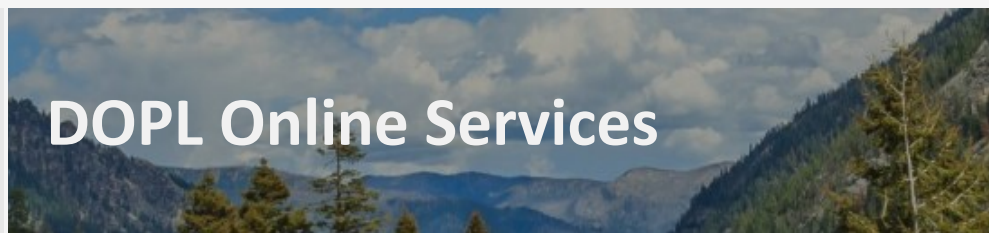




Newsletter

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Safeguarding the health,
safety, and welfare of the
public, and to assist with
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DOPL Online Services

If you missed the update on the Division of Occupational & Professional Licenses (DOPL) website, the new licensing system is set to launch in two stages. The first stage will be on July 1st, 2024, and will NOT include the Outfitters and Guides Licensing Board (OGLB). OGLB will be a part of the second stage currently scheduled for November 4, 2024. The new system will be referred to as DOPL Online Services. In anticipation of its launch, we plan to provide step-by-step guides ahead of the release to make the transition as easy as possible.

To start, below is what everyone will need to do to register an account;

- Username will be a verified email address
- A password of your choosing
- Phone number
- Choosing a security question
- Once complete, you can log into your account

You will be asked if you want to set up a two-step verification or not

Starting on July 1st anyone will be able to set up their login, but outfitters, guides, and designated agents will not have access to their license through DOPL Online Services until the rollout in November. Prior to November, any license-related functions will remain as they have in Access Idaho. We encourage licensees to set up their account and ensure the email on your new account matches what is in your current account in Access Idaho. This will help ensure a smooth transition during the rollout in November.

Outfitters should be aware of some important changes that will come with the new system. First, outfitters that currently possess a guide license to guide as an outfitter will no longer need that license and will not have ac-

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cess to it in the new system as it is not required under Section 36-2112, Idaho Code. Licensed outfitters may act as a guide without a guide's license as long as they meet the training requirements.

Another change that will affect both outfitters and guides is related to the outfitter's roster. A requirement of licensure for a guide license to be valid is to be under the employment of a licensed outfitter. To ensure that guides are under the employment of an outfitter, it will be mandatory that a guide be added to the employing outfitter's roster. This is a roster that will track guides along with designated agents employed by the outfitter.

Initial applications for guide licensure will require an outfitter to add the guide to their roster which will be done through DOPL Online Services. When a new guide applies for licensure, they will need to designate one outfitter as their employing outfitter which will send a request to the outfitter to be added to their roster. Outfitters may approve or deny the request, and once approved, the guide application will then be processed by the Division. Once approved initially for one outfitter, guides may request to be added to other outfitters that they have an employment agreement with.

In the case of guide renewals, if the guide is already on an outfitter's roster at the time of the renewal, they will stay on the same roster when renewed. If on multiple rosters, the guide will be renewed for all of them at the same time. It will be the outfitter's responsibility to remove any guides from their roster that they no longer employ. If a guide is not employed at the time of renewal, their license will not be valid until they are added to an outfitter's roster. If removed from a roster while the license is active, they will need to be employed by another outfitter for the license to remain valid.

The full process will be explained as we approach the second phase of rollout in November. Video walkthroughs of the DOPL Online Services will also be available on the DOPL website. Be sure to keep an eye on your email and the link below for more information soon.

[DOPL Online Services Change – New Licensing System Scheduled for Launch on July 1st, 2024 | Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses \(idaho.gov\)](#)

Allocated Tag Reminder

For all hunting outfitters that have been designated tags, this is a reminder that any tags not picked up from the Idaho Department of Fish and Game (IDFG) by July 16th will revert to the undesignated tag pool. Please do not wait until the last minute as you run the risk of missing your window to pick up tags should errors occur during the process. If you are experiencing any issues picking up your tags, please email OGLB-Allocation@dopl.idaho.gov as soon as possible. Controlled hunt tags are not available until July 3rd and outfitters will have until September 10th to pick them up.

The IDFG Commission will be setting 2025 allocation for limited general-season deer and uncapped elk zone hunts at the next quarterly meeting on July 24th. Capped and Controlled Hunts will be allocated for the 2025 and 2026 seasons in the spring of 2025.

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Rule Changes, Updates, and Proposals

2024 Rules Changes

The following rule changes will go into effect starting July 1st 2024.

IDAPA 24.35.01.257.09

Will add a section c. under the Undesignated Tag Pool stating the following;

No tags designated from the pool will be considered for historical use calculations until all tag transfers are recorded and all hardship requests have been resolved.

IDAPA 24.35.01.259.01

Clark Fork River (CF1) will have an updated area description to match IDFG's description. The total number of opportunities will be reduced from four (4) to two (2). This will not affect currently licensed outfitters.

Clark Fork River (CF2) will be a new opportunity on the same river stretch as the CF1 with a seasonal restriction and a maximum number of two (2) outfitters for either power or float or a combination thereof.

The total number of opportunities on the Priest River will be reduced from five (5) to two (2). This will not affect currently licensed outfitters.

IDAPA 24.35.01.259.04

Hayden Lake will be removed from the table and fall under the general catch-all language of 05. to allow for two (2) outfitters with a maximum of two (2) boats per outfitter.

New River Section Opportunity

There will be a new open opportunity once the new rules go into effect starting July 1st. This section will be known as Clark Fork River (CF2) and those interested in applying may do so starting July 1st. For current outfitters, this would be an amendment to your current license. For more information on amendments, check out our amendment page on the board website [Amendments | Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses \(idaho.gov\)](#). Early applications will not be accepted.

Negotiated Rule Making

The board is hosting a Negotiated Rulemaking meeting on June 18th for various proposed rules in IDAPA 24.35.01. This will be an opportunity for anyone to ask questions or make comments regarding the below potential changes;

002.08. is being removed from the rule as it is covered under Idaho Code 36-2102(r).

100.03. Removal of outfitter and designated agent examination as required by Idaho Code 67-9409(4).

103.02.b. has a few changes to clarify the training requirements for float boating on classified water.

103.05. clarifies the renewal period for guides and gives the board discretion to waive fees for a reinstatement of a guide license.

257.09. changes and clarification to the operation of the Undesignated Tag Pool. Potential changes include more restrictions on whom undesignated tags can be designated to, who can request tags, and how

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many can be requested at a time. Clarifications are on how the pool functions before the deadline for tags to return to the pool, July 16th, and how the pool functions after the deadline.

259.01. correction to the date regarding boating limitations for the newly added CF2, to be changed to "Memorial Day to November 30."

259.02. addition of the Little Salmon River to rule as a licensable river section for float boating.

259.04. increase the number of boats per operator on Lake Coeur d'Alene, Lake Pend Oreille, and Priest Lake from 1 to 2.

A link to the meeting is available on the DOPL and OGLB websites and linked below. You may provide comments in person or via video during the meeting, or you may submit written comments at any time. Please send any written comments via email to john.price@dopl.idaho.gov.

[Outfitters and Guides – Negotiated Rule Making | Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses \(idaho.gov\)](#)



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Upcoming Meetings

June 18—Negotiated Rule Making

June 27—Special Meeting

August 23—Quarterly Meeting

Sept 3—Special Meeting

November 13—Quarterly Meeting

All meetings are held at the Division HQ Chinden Building. Remote options are available on the Division website.