

IMPORTANT NOTES :

1) The Association régionale des pourvoiries de l'Abitibi-Témiscamingue (APAT) in cooperation with the Direction de l'expertise du ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune (MRNF) has agreed on the following quota calculation conditions, in force starting in 2010.

1.1) If an outfitter does not offer bear hunting in a given year:

- ◇ Quota of the following year = 0

1.2) If an outfitter does not have a quota:

- ◇ Quota of the following year = 50 % (Real use)
- ◇ *For example, if an outfitter who does not hold a quota and hosts 10 non-resident customers in 2010, his quota in 2011 will then be 5 coupons (50% of 10)*

1.3) If the real use of an outfitter is less than or equal to his quota:

- ◇ Quota of the following year -> Quota - (50 % (Final allotment – Real use))
- ◇ *For example, if an outfitter had a quota of 20 coupons and uses only 10 in 2010, his quota in 2011 will then be 15 coupons (20-(50% (20-10))).*

1.4) If the real use of an outfitter is greater than his quota:

- ◇ Quota of the following year -> Quota + 50 % [(Real use - Quota) - (Final allotment – Real use)]
- ◇ *Example without applicable penalty: An outfitter who had an initial quota of 20 coupons claims 10 more during various allotments and uses all of the coupons allotted to him in 2010. His quota for 2011 will then be 25 coupons (20+50%[(30-20)-(30-20)]).*
- ◇ *Example with applicable penalty: An outfitter who had an initial quota of 20 coupons claims 20 more during various allotments (total allotment = 40 coupons) and uses only 20 coupons out of 40 that were allotted to him in 2010. His quota for 2011 will then be 10 coupons (20+50%[(20-20)-(40-20)]).*

Definitions:

- Quota = Quota calculated for the year in progress
- Final allotment = New quota calculated as of May 1st of the year in progress (Guaranteed quota + allotments made in the course of the year)
 - Real use = Number of non-resident customers really hosted by the outfitter during the harvest season (May 15 thru June 30)

2) An outfitter must request to the APAT only the number of coupons he really intends to use. Indeed, all of the supplementary coupons requested will be part of the final allotment. An outfitter who claims coupons to build a supply and who uses only a part of the latter during the harvest season will see his quota decreased in a proportion equal to 50% of the difference observed (Final allotment – Real use), as described in items 1.3 and 1.4.

3) To contact the APAT on this topic (quota use confirmation, allotment claim for additional coupons, information, etc.), outfitters must get touch in writing with Ghyslaine Dessureault, Development Agent for the Association touristique régionale de l'Abitibi-Témiscamingue, by sending an e-mail to ghyslaine@tourisme-abitibi-temiscamingue.org or by sending a fax at 819 762-5212 or by mail to Tourisme Abitibi-Témiscamingue, 155, avenue Dallaire, bureau 100, Rouyn-Noranda, (QC) J9X 4T3

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- 4) It is mandatory that all of the outfitters having harvested black bear over a free territory fill out the « Indice d'abondance et de productivité de l'ours noir, saison _____ » (Black bear abundance and productivity index) and the « Registre de la clientèle de chasseurs » (Hunter clientele register) documents. They must be forwarded to the Direction de l'expertise (DEX) no later than August 1st of each year (exceptionally August 15 for 2009). In the case of failure to comply with this requirement, the offending outfitter will lose his quota.
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- 5) In the event that the number of coupons in a given sector were to prove to be insufficient to meet the demands of all of the claims and if coupons are still available in other sectors, discussions will then have to take place between the DEX and the APAT to determine the steps to be taken in order to cope with such a situation.
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- 6) The management of the << non-resident black bear hunter quota >> will be reviewed at the closing of the present plan which ends in 2014.