

32-920. Hunter education requirements; adult supervision of youths required, when; apprentice hunting license. (a) Except as provided by subsections (d) and (e), no person who is born on or after July 1, 1957, and is 16 or more years of age shall hunt in this state on land other than such person's own land unless the person has been issued a certificate of completion of an approved hunter education course. If such person is required by law to obtain a hunting license, the person shall attest to or exhibit proof of completion of such course to the person issuing the license at the time of purchasing the license. If such person is not required by law to obtain a hunting license, is less than 27 years of age but 16 or more years of age or is less than 16 but 12 or more years of age and hunting without adult supervision, the person shall be in possession of the person's certificate of completion of such course while hunting. A person may purchase for another person, under rules and regulations adopted by the secretary in accordance with K.S.A. 32-805, and amendments thereto, a lifetime hunting or combination hunting and fishing license without the license recipient's first having been issued a certificate of completion of an approved hunter education course.

(b) A person less than 12 years of age shall not hunt unless under the direct supervision of an adult who is 18 or more years of age.

(c) A person who is 12 or more years of age but less than 16 years of age and who has not been issued a certificate of completion of an approved hunter education course shall not hunt unless under the direct supervision of an adult who is 18 or more years of age.

(d) A person who is 16 or more years of age may obtain two separate deferrals of completion of hunter education. Each such deferral is valid until the end of the license year in which a license is purchased. Such person may purchase an apprentice hunting license but shall not hunt unless under the direct supervision of a licensed adult who is 18 or more years of age.

(e) Completion of an approved hunter education course shall not be required to obtain a special controlled shooting area hunting license valid only for licensed controlled shooting areas.

History: L. 1972, ch. 158, § 1; L. 1981, ch. 175, § 10; L. 1983, ch. 133, § 1; L. 1985, ch. 136, § 1; L. 1987, ch. 142, § 2; L. 1987, ch. 145, § 1; L. 1987, ch. 141, § 2; L. 1989, ch. 118, § 61; L. 2000, ch. 72, § 1; L. 2000, ch. 159, § 4; L. 2002, ch. 96, § 1; L. 2004, ch. 99, § 2; L. 2005, ch. 124, § 2; L. 2007, ch. 143, § 4; L. 2014, ch. 135, § 4; July 1.