

**Representative Stephen E. Sandstrom** proposes the following substitute bill:

**REQUIREMENT TO WEAR HUNTER ORANGE**

**AMENDMENTS**

2009 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Stephen E. Sandstrom**

Senate Sponsor: Allen M. Christensen

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill amends a provision in the Wildlife Resources Code regarding the requirement to wear hunter orange.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

▶ exempts a person from the requirement to wear hunter orange while using certain types of hunting permits.

**Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**23-20-31**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2001, Chapter 294

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **23-20-31** is amended to read:



26 **23-20-31. Requirement to wear hunter orange.**

27 (1) As used in this section:

28 (a) (i) "Centerfire rifle hunt" means a hunt for which a hunter may use a centerfire rifle,  
29 except as provided in Subsection (1)(a)(ii).

30 (ii) "Centerfire rifle hunt" does not include:

31 (A) a bighorn sheep hunt;

32 (B) a mountain goat hunt;

33 (C) a bison hunt;

34 (D) a moose hunt;

35 [~~(E)~~] (E) a hunt requiring the hunter to possess a statewide conservation permit; or

36 [~~(F)~~] (F) a hunt requiring the hunter to possess a statewide sportsman permit.

37 (b) "Statewide conservation permit" means a permit:

38 (i) issued by the division;

39 (ii) distributed through a nonprofit organization founded for the purpose of promoting  
40 wildlife conservation; and

41 (iii) valid:

42 (A) on open hunting units statewide; and

43 (B) for the species of big game and time period designated by the Wildlife Board.

44 (c) "Statewide sportsman permit" means a permit:

45 (i) issued by the division through a public draw; and

46 (ii) valid:

47 (A) on open hunting units statewide; and

48 (B) for the species of big game and time period designated by the Wildlife Board.

49 (2) (a) A person shall wear a minimum of 400 square inches of hunter orange material  
50 while hunting any species of big game, except as provided in Subsection (3).

51 (b) Hunter orange material must be worn on the head, chest, and back.

52 [~~(c) A camouflage pattern in hunter orange does not meet the requirements of~~  
53 ~~Subsection (2)(a).]~~

54 (3) A person is not required to wear the hunter orange material described in Subsection  
55 (2):

56 (a) during [~~an archery, muzzle-loader, mountain goat, or bighorn sheep hunt]~~ the

- 57 following types of hunts, unless a centerfire rifle hunt is in progress in the same area[-];
- 58       (i) archery;
- 59       (ii) muzzle-loader;
- 60       (iii) mountain goat;
- 61       (iv) bighorn sheep;
- 62       (v) bison; or
- 63       (vi) moose; or
- 64       (b) as provided by a rule of the Wildlife Board.

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**Fiscal Note**

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**State Impact**

Enactment of this bill will not require additional appropriations.

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**Individual, Business and/or Local Impact**

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs and/or benefits for individuals, businesses, or local governments.

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