

Youth organization exemptions from fishing licenses

Some youth organizations may hold fishing events where participants may fish without a license. To qualify for this exemption, please read the text of the legislative bill below, then fill out the information at the bottom of the form. You are not required to submit this form to the DWR, but you must have it in your possession during the event.

Senate Bill 59, 2007 Legislative Session

23-19-14.5 Persons participating in youth organization activity authorized to fish without license.

- (1) As used in this section, "youth organization" means:
 - (a) the Boy Scouts of America
 - (b) the Girls Scouts of the USA; or
 - (c) an organization that:
 - (i) is exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3), Internal Revenue Code; and
 - (ii) promotes character building through outdoor activities.
- (2) The Division of Wildlife Resources shall permit a resident to fish without a license during a youth organization activity if:
- (a) the resident is:
 - (i) a member of a youth organization; and
 - (ii) younger than 14 years old;
 - (b) the fishing is in compliance with all fishing statutes and rules; and
 - (c) the adult leader obtains from the youth organization:
 - (i) a valid tour permit; or
 - (ii) official documentation that specifies:
 - (A) the date and place of the fishing;
 - (B) the name of the adult leader that will supervise the fishing; and
 - (C) that the activity is officially sanctioned by the youth organization.
- (3) (a) The adult leader shall instruct the members on fishing statutes and rules.
- (b) The division shall provide educational materials on its web site to assist the adult leader in complying with Subsection (3)(a).

(4) By following the procedures and requirements of Tile 63, Chapter 46a, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the Wildlife Board shall adopt rules specifying the form of the official documentation required by Subsection (2)(c)(ii).

Youth organization:
Date of fishing trip:
Location of fishing trip:
Adult leader (Must have valid fishing license):
Names and ages of youth participants: