

**COMMISSION ITEM #8 - AMENDED MUZZLELOADER REGULATIONS IN STATES THAT WERE NAMED IN THE  
DISABILITY COMPLAINT (AS OF JUNE 10, 2009. ANY UPDATES WILL BE GIVEN AT COMMISSION MTG FRIDAY)**

**Alaska**- in the process

**California** - No scopes for muzzleloaders but offers a Disabled Muzzleloader Scope Permit which allows 1X scope on a muzzleloading rifle for those with visual disabilities with doctor's verification. Specific Language below.

Upon application to the department, the department may issue a Disabled Muzzleloader Scope Permit, free of any charge or fee, to any person with a physical disability, as defined, which prevents him/her from being able to focus on the target utilizing muzzleloading rifles equipped with open or "peep" sights. The Disabled Muzzleloader Scope Permit authorizes the disabled hunter to use a 1X scope on a muzzleloading rifle, as described in subsection 353, with a muzzleloading rifle only tag.

For the purposes of this section a visual disability means a permanent loss, significant limitation, or diagnosed disease or disorder, which substantially impairs the vision of a hunter, preventing the hunter from viewing and aligning the sights of a muzzleloading rifle with the target in order to hunt deer.

**Colorado**- Scopes on muzzleloaders during muzzleloader season – Requires documentation of a visual disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Hyperopia, myopia, and presbyopia are not considered disabilities under the ADA and will not qualify for an accommodation. Have a special form that must verify with a doctor's note.

**Georgia** - in the process

**Kansas** - in the process

**Idaho** – Allow visually impaired hunters to use non-magnifying scopes during muzzleloader only hunts. Specific language below.

During the muzzleloader only season the muzzleloading rifle or musket must be equipped with only open or peep sights. Scopes and any electronics are prohibited. Except hunters with a visual disability may apply for a permit to use non-magnifying scopes. (Applications are available at Fish and Game offices only).

**Minnesota**- Allow visually impaired (disability such as presbyopia) hunters to use non-magnifying scopes during muzzleloader deer season, with a doctor's note and special permit application. Must also possess a valid hunting license and the permit during the hunt. Special Permit good for 5 years.

**Nebraska**-in the process

**Nevada** – in process

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**North Dakota-in the process**

**Oregon-in the process**

**South Dakota – in the process**

**Utah- Non-magnifying scope allowed during the muzzleloader only season for those with disabilities.  
Specific language below.**

Utah provides special hunting accommodations for people with disabilities. These accommodations include the opportunity to hunt with a companion, use a crossbow, hunt from a vehicle, use a draw lock and use a scope on archery equipment or a muzzleloader. Hunters with disabilities may also apply for an extension to their season, provided they meet certain criteria.

**Washington – Scopes: Scopes are allowed on Crossbows and Muzzleloaders for persons who are visually impaired. “Visually impaired” means central visual acuity that does not exceed 20/200 in the better eye with corrective lenses, or the widest diameter of the visual field is no greater than twenty degrees.**

**Wisconsin-in the process**