

6290.0300 APPLICATION PROCEDURE.

Subpart 1. **Eligibility requirements.** Each stamp contest is open only to residents of Minnesota who have maintained a legal residence in the state for a minimum of 60 days immediately preceding the entry deadline for the contest.

A person who wins a contest is ineligible to enter a contest for the same type of stamp for the year of competition following the contestant's first win. A person who wins a contest for one type of stamp is eligible for the other fish and wildlife stamp contests described in part 6290.0200.

Subp. 2. **Contest entry period.** The entry period for each contest will be prescribed in a notice published in the State Register at least 30 days prior to the beginning of the contest entry period. Entry forms provided by the department must be used and can be obtained by contacting the department as prescribed in the contest entry notice. A contest application package will be provided by the department to interested parties upon request.

Subp. 3. **Receipt of entries.** Entries for each stamp contest will be accepted only during the contest entry period. Entries must be received by the department by 4:00 p.m. on the last day of the contest entry period. Late or early entries will not be accepted.

Subp. 4. **Restriction on number of entries.** A person may submit only one entry per year for each type of stamp contest. If two or more entries are submitted for a stamp contest in one year, all of that person's entries for that contest will be declared ineligible.

Subp. 5. **Submittal of entries.** An entry for a migratory waterfowl, pheasant, or trout and salmon stamp contest must be mailed or delivered to the department at the address specified in the contest application package. A contest entry should be securely wrapped and enclosed in a container or envelope with the name of the stamp contest clearly marked on the outside. All completed and signed contest entry forms must accompany the contest entry. These contest entry forms shall include:

- A. the entry form;
- B. reproduction rights agreement form; and
- C. any other forms specified in the contest application package.

Submission of all of the contest entry forms are required for eligibility. Failure to include all completed contest entry forms will render the contest entry ineligible.

Subp. 6. **Department liability.** The department assumes no liability for damage, loss, or theft of a contest entry.

Subp. 7. **Reproduction rights.** A person winning a stamp contest will receive no financial remuneration from the state. The reproduction rights agreement required with the submission of a contest entry will require the contest winner to agree to grant the

department the exclusive rights to use the contest entry as the design for the applicable stamp and for use of the stamp image on commercial products produced or licensed by the department. All rights to the reproduction in a print form are retained by the person submitting a contest entry, including the contest winner. The remainder of the reproduction rights for the design will be determined by the department on an annual basis and will be specified in the reproduction rights agreement form included in the contest application package. If a design is reproduced in a limited or open edition by any party other than the department or its licensees, the contest winner shall deliver two signed prints without cost to the department.

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