

Part 3. Resident Hunters. Companion Hunter Information (attach separate sheet for each additional companion hunter).

First Name	M.I.	Last Name	Daytime Phone Number
Mailing Address			Alaska Hunting License Number
City	State	Zip Code	Hunting License Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Resident <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Resident

Part 4. Non-Resident Hunters. To legally hunt brown bears non-resident hunters must be accompanied by a licensed Alaska Big Game Guide or an Alaska resident who is at least 19 years of age and within the second degree of kindred.

Guide or Relative:			
First Name	M.I.	Last Name	Daytime Phone Number
Mailing Address	City	State	Zip Code
			Alaska Guide License Number

Part 5. Bait Station Information (attach separate sheet for a second bait station).

Bait Station Operated By:			
First Name	M.I.	Last Name	Daytime Phone Number
Mailing Address	City	State	Zip Code
Bait Station Location (GMU and Description, GPS Coordinates, etc.):			Bait Station Permit Number:

Completed and signed applications should be mailed *at least 30 days prior to the start of your hunt* to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Wildlife Conservation, Permits Section, P.O. Box 115526, Juneau, AK 99811-5526. Or, applications may be submitted by e-mail in pdf or similar format to dfg.dwc.permits@alaska.gov.

Instructions for Completing the Methods and Means Exemption Application Form for Hunting Brown Bears using Bait.

Important: This application should be submitted at least 30 days prior to the start of your hunt.

Part 1. To be completed by the Applicant

- Enter your name and contact information.
- Check one of the boxes to indicate whether you have a resident or non-resident hunting license.
- 1. Please explain how your disability prohibits you from having a reasonable opportunity to harvest a brown bear without this exemption.
- 2. Please sign and date the application certifying that the information provided is true.

Part 2. To be completed by the Physician

- 3. Please describe the nature and extent of the applicant's condition or disability. **It is important to understand that you are not being asked to provide a medical diagnosis.**
 - To qualify for a methods and means exemption to hunt brown bears with the use of bait, the hunter must be "wheelchair bound or similarly disabled to the extent that use of bait is the **only** reasonable option the applicant has to harvest a brown bear". **Please address this issue when describing the nature and extent of the applicant's condition or disability or the exemption may not be granted due to lack of information.**
- 5. Check "yes" if the condition or disability is not expected to improve, check "no" if improvement is possible or likely.
- 6. Your signature indicates that the applicant is wheelchair bound or similarly disabled.

Part 3. Companion Hunter Information. To be completed by the applicants who are Alaska residents.

- 8. Alaska residents hunting brown bears under this type of Methods and Means Exemption shall be accompanied by an able-bodied companion hunter at all times to act as a back-up shooter, to track and dispatch wounded bears, and to process and retrieve game from the field. The companion hunter must be **licensed as a resident hunter in Alaska or as a big game guide authorized to guide in the area and having a signed guide-client relationship with the exemptee prior to hunting**. The companion hunter is not required to possess a brown bear hunting permit or big game tag, and is not authorized to harvest brown bears with the use of bait.

Part 4. Guide or Relative Information. To be completed by non-resident hunters.

- 9. Non-residents hunting brown bears must be accompanied by a licensed Alaska Big Game Guide or relative at least 19 years of age and within the second degree of kindred.

Part 5. Bait Station Information. To be completed by the applicant.

- 10. Will the bait station(s) used to hunt brown bears under this exemption be within Game Management Units 4, 8, or 10?
 - a. **If NO**, you may hunt at any bear baiting station registered with ADF&G. Please include bait station permit number(s) and the name and contact information for the individual operating the station. If hunting at more than one bait station, please include separate sheets.
 - b. **If YES**, you do not need a separate ADF&G black bear bait station permit. **However, your bait station must be registered with the local ADF&G area management biologist and Alaska Wildlife Troopers.** To register the bait station you must provide your name, address, phone number, a precise written description of the location including GPS coordinates, and the proposed dates of operation. The bait station must be operated in compliance with most conditions for operating a black bear bait station under regulation 5 AAC 92.044. These terms are listed on page two of the exemption.
 - 1. In the box provided, please include a written description of the location of the bait station in relation to known land marks like rivers, lakes, roads, etc. Please also provide GMU and subunit and GPS coordinates.