

Game Warden 2026-01292

Salary

\$4,701.84 - \$5,224.28 Monthly

Location

Statewide, WY

Job Type

Permanent Full-time

Job Number

2026-01292

Department

Game & Fish Division

Division

Wildlife

Opening Date

05/14/2026

Closing Date

6/18/2026 11:59 PM Mountain

FLSA

Exempt

Job Classification

FWGW08

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Description and Functions



GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

The Wyoming Game and Fish Department is seeking multiple entry-level Game Wardens to join our team and help conserve Wyoming's wildlife resources while serving the public across the state. This position performs and assists with a variety of essential duties, including law enforcement with an emphasis on watercraft safety and compliance, wildlife management data collection to support management decisions, and wildlife conflict and damage response involving injured or nuisance wildlife.

Game Wardens work closely with a wide range of external constituents and internal Department staff, building strong relationships through public outreach, education, and daily field interactions. This position also participates in ongoing training and completes other duties as assigned in support of the Department's mission to protect and manage Wyoming's wildlife and natural resources.

Working for the State of Wyoming offers more than a paycheck. Our total compensation package includes:

- Comprehensive health, dental, and vision insurance
- Paid vacation, sick leave, FMLA, and holidays
- Retirement - Pension and 457B plans that help you build a secure future
- Flexible schedules and work-life balance options
- Meaningful work that makes a difference for Wyoming communities and MUCH MORE!

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ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS: The listed functions are illustrative only and are not intended to describe every function that may be performed in the job level.

- **Wildlife Management:** Collect/summarize wildlife data from both ground and air, to determine distribution, abundance, recruitment, hunter harvest, and mortality causes of wildlife. Work with senior wildlife biologists and senior game wardens on hunting season strategies and recommendations. Assist

with trapping/collecting/sampling wildlife for research projects and disease surveillance. Assist with the trapping and transplanting of wildlife.

- Carries out a variety of tasks in the habitat development and propagation of wildlife.
- Participates in research projects and wildlife population surveys.
- Wildlife Damage, Conflicts, and Injured/Nuisance Wildlife: Assist senior game wardens and senior wildlife biologists with wildlife damage issues, including investigations, data collection, and delivering damage materials to mitigate conflict. Respond to and appropriately handle injured and nuisance wildlife calls that may require the euthanization of wildlife. Use chemical and mechanical immobilization equipment and techniques when necessary and appropriate. Use firearms to euthanize wildlife
- Law Enforcement/Watercraft Safety: Work independently or with other officers to enforce/check compliance with hunting, fishing, trapping, and watercraft statutes and regulations, as well as littering and state land camping, open fires, and off/closed road travel restrictions. Write enforcement reports, attend court, work with other enforcement agencies, conduct investigations, and collect intelligence. Conduct courtesy watercraft safety and registration inspections, along with HIN, VIN, and AIS inspections. Carry and maintain law enforcement weapons and gear.
- Patrol assigned areas to check for violations of game, fish, and watercraft laws.
- Training: Participate in law enforcement (including firearms and intermediate weapons), wildlife management, wildlife conflict resolution/damage, injured wildlife, immobilization of wildlife, equipment (motorized and nonmotorized), dealing with the public, and other training as assigned or deemed necessary. Required to attend and successfully complete/pass the Wyoming Law Enforcement Academy Peace Officer Basic.
- Public and Agency Contacts and Communication: On a daily basis, develops and maintains effective working relationships and communicates/coordinates with Wyoming Game and Fish Department employees. Makes regular public contacts, both in the field and office setting, with landowners, sportsmen, boaters, public-at-large, conservation groups, government agencies, and non-government organizations. Provide information and education on various wildlife topics and boating safety, as well as a wide variety of other Department issues. Develop and present structured education and information programs related to watercraft safety and hunter education.
- Assists in providing information on wildlife education, law enforcement, and management. Gathers and compiles data into statistical information to meet the requirements of periodic or other reports.

Qualifications

PREFERENCES/ AGENCY REQUIREMENTS:**

**Agency requires that candidates have a Bachelor's degree in wildlife management, range management, biology, zoology, ichthyology, or other closely related fields. Other bachelor's degrees may be considered with at least 20 hours of wildlife-related coursework as evidenced on required transcripts.

**Agency requires that candidates possess a valid driver's license.

**Willing and able to undergo a background check, which will include fingerprinting.

**Wyoming State Law requires competitive testing for wildlife law enforcement positions. See website information at <https://wgfd.wyo.gov/careers>

**You will be required to pass a mandatory physical fitness assessment. Minimum standards are available at <https://www.wleacademy.com/fitness-standards>

**You will be required to pass a written exam.

KNOWLEDGE:

- Knowledge of basic concepts, principles, and practices of wildlife management.
- Knowledge of animal biological processes.
- Knowledge of Wyoming game and fish statutes and regulations, and of the enforcement of game and fish laws and regulations.
- Knowledge of wildlife and fish species identification and life history.
- Knowledge of wildlife population ecology.
- Knowledge of methods, techniques, and regulations pertinent to the investigation, court procedures, and prosecution of violators in wildlife, hunting/fishing/trapping, and watercraft-related criminal cases.
- Knowledge of watercraft safety.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Education:

Bachelor's Degree (typically in Biology)

Experience:

0-2 years of progressive work experience (typically in Biology)

Certificates, Licenses, and Registrations:

POST certification required within one year of the date of appointment

OR

Education & Experience Substitution:

3-5 years of progressive work experience (typically in Biology)

Certificates, Licenses, and Registrations:

POST certification required within one year of the date of appointment

Necessary Special Requirements

PHYSICAL WORKING CONDITIONS:

- Work in various weather conditions and environments.
- Must be able to work all days of the week and varied work hours, including weekends and early mornings, evenings/late nights.
- Ability to safely operate motorized equipment, including 4x4 pickup trucks, boats/personal watercraft, ATVs, and snow machines.
- Ability to safely and appropriately handle live wildlife in a variety of sensitive and hazardous conditions.
- Ability to collect data as an observer in a small aircraft (fixed wing and helicopter).
- Ability to utilize and handle firearms (enforcement and hunting) and pass the Department firearms qualification requirements and testing.
- Ability to perform and pass Department custody/control and intermediate weapons requirements and use of force testing.
- The position is on call to respond to job requirements.
- The position requires lifting of heavy objects and strenuous physical exertion at times.
- You will be required to pass a mandatory physical fitness assessment. Minimum standards are available at <https://www.wleacademy.com/fitness-standards>.

NOTES:

- FLSA: Exempt
- Wyoming State Law requires competitive testing for wildlife law enforcement positions.
- Must submit transcripts **WITH THE APPLICATION** containing at least 20 hours of wildlife-related coursework (see preferences). Additional details are available at: <https://wgfd.wyo.gov/careers>
- Candidates who are invited to the final in-person interview/testing week (August 10-14, 2026) will be required to pass a mandatory physical fitness assessment on the first day of in-person interviews in order to proceed, so be prepared. Please review the minimum standards at <https://www.wleacademy.com/fitness-standards>.
- See additional details regarding the game warden recruitment process at <https://wgfd.wyo.gov/careers>
- Successful applicants must pass a comprehensive background check and complete the fingerprinting process, polygraph, psychological assessment, written exam and job suitability profile prior to appointment.
- POST certification is required within the first year of employment.
- Additional Information and Contacts:
 - See process details at <https://wgfd.wyo.gov/careers> (*Game Warden Recruitment Process*)
 - Email: wgf.wildliferecruiting@wyo.gov
 - Phone: Wildlife Administration 307-777-4684

Supplemental Information

040-Game & Fish Commission-Wildlife Division

Click [here](#) to view the State of Wyoming Classification and Pay Structure.

Click [here](#) to view the State of Wyoming Total Compensation Calculator.

URL: <http://agency.governmentjobs.com/wyoming/default.cfm>

The State of Wyoming is an Equal Opportunity Employer and actively supports the ADA and reasonably accommodates qualified applicants with disabilities.

Class Specifications are subject to change, please refer to the A & I HRD Website to ensure that you have the most recent version.

Employer

State of Wyoming

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