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# HUNTING

## RULES & INFO

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## A Message from the Director

Hunting and fishing in New Mexico are long held traditions. Generations of New Mexicans have been able to go afield and enjoy the spectacular beauty and resources our state has to offer. The work we do at the Department of Game and Fish to protect and foster these long-standing traditions makes us proud.

This past year, the Department's staff worked tirelessly to grow wildlife populations and improve habitat across the state. We reintroduced bighorn sheep to the Sacramento escarpment, returned Gila trout to their native habitat in Whitewater Creek near Glenwood, used prescribed fire to improve the Colin Neblett Wildlife Management Area, and improved many more acres around the state through partnerships with public and private entities. None of this could have been possible without your support — through both your license purchases and your interest and engagement in the work of the Department.

We also made significant changes in 2018 to the rules that govern license allocation and the method of take. Our goal with these changes is to make it easier for hunters and anglers go enjoy the great outdoors. Your involvement and support in the development of these changes are greatly appreciated.

It is my hope in this new license year you will take time to explore some of the new opportunities across the state. While we are aware more remains to be done, be assured we will continue to work on your behalf for the benefit of New Mexico's wildlife and the citizens of the state.

Thank you!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael B. Sloane". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Michael B. Sloane, Director — New Mexico Department of Game and Fish

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## Mission of the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish

To conserve, regulate, propagate and protect the wildlife and fish within the State of New Mexico, using a flexible management system that ensures sustainable use for public food supply, recreation and safety—and to provide for off-highway motor vehicle recreation that recognizes cultural, historic and resource values while ensuring public safety.

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## Conservation Officer Contact Information

<http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/enforcement/law-enforcement-contact-information/>

## Online Licenses, Applications and Harvest Reporting

License Sales, Applications and Harvest Reporting: <https://onlinesales.wildlife.state.nm.us>

## Important Telephone Numbers

General Information, License Sales and Harvest Reporting . . . . . 1-888-248-6866

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# What's New

## **New Office Location in Albuquerque**

The Department's Northwest Area Office is now located at 7816 Alamo Rd. NW, Albuquerque, NM 87120 (page 140). For directions call (505) 222-4700 and press 8.

## **New Game Hunting License Options**

Big-game draw applicants will be required to purchase a Habitat Management and Access Validation (HMAV) with their Game-hunting or Game-hunting and Fishing License. Applicants will have the option to add the Habitat Stamp, Harvest Information Program (HIP) number and/or Second Rod Validation, if applicable, to their purchase. Hunters must purchase the Habitat Stamp prior to May 15, 2019 to avoid having to print it separately.

## **Game Hunting Licenses Are Nonrefundable through the Draw Application Process**

Game-hunting license and stamp purchases made through the big-game draw application are no longer refundable.

## **Electronic Tag (E-Tag) Option for Deer and Elk**

Hunters may now choose the E-Tag option when purchasing or applying for any deer or elk hunts. You will not receive a carcass tag if you choose this option. Hunters who choose to E-Tag will be required to download the e-tagging app on their phone, upload their deer or elk license and carry their phone in the field. A printed license and/or carcass tag are not required. See page 8 for details.

## **License and Tag combined if purchased online or by phone**

This year, hunters who choose to receive a physical carcass tag may not need to carry a separate license. If purchased online or by telephone, the top section of the carcass tag will display all annual license and stamp purchases, and will serve as a valid license. Hunters must carry the license/carcass tag with them in the field while hunting (details, page 8). If you do not purchase the Habitat Stamp through the draw, or prior to May 15, 2019, a printed copy may be required. This option is not available for license purchases and/or duplicate tags at over-the-counter (OTC) license vendors.

## **Upland Game now in *Small Game Rules and Info* booklet**

Hunting information for upland game species is not in this booklet. See the *New Mexico 2019-2020 Small Game Rules and Information* booklet for upland-game hunting (published July 2019).

## **New Definitions for Legal Sporting Arm Types**

Sporting arm types are defined on pages 30–31.

## **Hunt codes are now listed by Game Management Unit**

Hunts for all species are no longer listed by sporting arm type. Please review listings thoroughly before applying.

## Private-land Elk Licenses

The private-land elk rule has changed. See pages 67–69 for details.

## Private-land Only Pronghorn License

Most private-land only pronghorn licenses are now available over the counter. A public-land hunt code must be selected when purchasing this license. **These licenses are not valid on any public land.**

## Pronghorn Draw Licenses

Successful draw applicants will no longer be assigned to a private ranch. All draw licenses are valid on public lands and private land with written permission within the Game Management Unit.

## New Eligibility Rules for Encouragement Elk Hunts

Only eligible resident youth hunters may purchase these hunts for the first 14 days of the sale. Licenses remaining after the first 14 days of the sale will also be available to eligible resident seniors (65 years and older). Nonresidents and resident applicants who were successful for any species (except javelina) are no longer eligible. See page 85 for eligibility information.

## Duplicate License Fee

A \$6 fee duplicate license fee will be charged for all duplicate tags/licenses in accordance with New Mexico state law. This fee will only be charged when a duplicate tag is obtained requiring reprinting of the license with a new tag number. Big-game and turkey hunters are advised not to purchase their licenses online if they plan to obtain the tag(s) at a license vendor.

## Late Season Archery Elk Hunts Now Offered as Draw Hunts

The late-season archery elk hunts are no longer sold online through secondary sale, but are offered through the draw.

## Deer Seasons for Bow

The September and January seasons are now separate hunts.

## New Open Areas for Spring and Fall OTC Turkey

See pages 111–113.

## Valle Vidal: Greenwood Area No Longer Included

Greenwood Area is no longer included in the Valle Vidal hunt area. It is private property, and written permission to hunt is required. See page 43.

# Important Reminders

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**

## Early Purchase Available for 2019–20 Licenses

Licenses for the 2019–20 license year which begins April 1 will be available online, by telephone, and at license vendors and NMDGF offices beginning March 25.

## Purchase 2019 Game Hunting License through Draw Application

Draw applicants purchasing 2019 Game-hunting Licenses to apply for draw hunts must click "Draw Hunt Applications" in the main menu and purchase the license as part of the application process. Do not click "License Sales."

## Donate an Unused License

A license may be donated to NMDGF for transfer to a youth (17 years of age or younger), a resident veteran or a resident first responder who has been qualified through a nonprofit organization that promotes hunting (page 21).

## Free Mobile App

Powered by Pocket Ranger®, the mobile app offers easy access to maps, fishing reports, license purchases, rules and regulations, Operation Game Thief and *New Mexico Wildlife* magazine at: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us/home/mobile-app/](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/home/mobile-app/) This is not the app needed for the E-Tag option (see page 8).

## Free Hunting and Recreation Maps (page 142)

Free maps of New Mexico big-game hunting units and recreational areas on public lands can be downloaded to your mobile device at:

[www.blm.gov/maps/frequently-requested/new-mexico/hunting-maps](http://www.blm.gov/maps/frequently-requested/new-mexico/hunting-maps)

## Mandatory Harvest Reporting. Don't Forget!

All Barbary sheep, deer, elk, ibex, javelina, oryx, pronghorn, turkey and trapper license holders must submit a harvest report, whether they hunted or not. Deadlines for species are listed on page 6. Harvest reports may be submitted online, by telephone or in person at New Mexico Department of Game and Fish offices.

## Information Center Extended Hours

The NMDGF Information Center is open year-round, Monday–Friday, 8 a.m.–5 p.m. (except holidays) to answer your questions and assist with license issues and harvest reporting. Extended hours are March 11–March 15, Monday–Friday from 8 a.m.–6 p.m. and March 18–March 19 from 8 a.m.–8 p.m. The Information Center will close at 4:30 p.m. on March 20.

## Premium Statewide Deer and Elk Draw Hunts

Statewide memorial hunts now available by draw for deer and elk (page 39).



Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

## **Mexican Gray Wolf: Encounters and Identification**

Know where wolf encounters may occur and how to distinguish the Mexican Gray Wolf from coyotes (pages 130 and 131).

## **50% Discounts for Resident Military and Veterans**

Residents of New Mexico who are active duty military or veterans can receive 50% discounts on licenses, permits and stamps. See pages 19 and *Glossary*, pages 135–139 for eligibility requirements and details.

## **Online Hunter Education Course (Residents only)**

New Mexico residents 11 years of age or older can take New Mexico hunter education online (page 17).

## **Contact Land Management Agencies Before Hunting**

Prescribed burns and/or other activities that could affect hunting may be conducted by land management agencies during hunting seasons (visit: [nmfireinfo.com](http://nmfireinfo.com)). The Department recommends contacting the appropriate management agency prior to your hunt for information on activities that may affect access or animal behavior in your hunting area. For contact information, please see Federal Lands (pages 42–44).

## **Habitat Stamp**

The Habitat Stamp must be purchased prior to hunting, fishing or trapping on BLM and Forest Service properties. To be included in a combined license/tag, the Habitat Stamp must be purchased before May 15, 2019. Proof of Habitat Stamp purchase must be carried while in the field.

## **Draw Carcass Tags by Mail**

Successful draw applicants will receive the license/tag(s) via U.S. Postal Service in late-May or early-June.

## **Draw Refunds**

Draw license fee refunds for unsuccessful applicants will be processed shortly after draw results are released in April. Applications paid by credit card will be refunded directly to the credit card used for the transaction within 10 business days. Applications paid by check or cash will be refunded by check by the end of May. Game-hunting License and stamp purchases will not be refunded.

## **Over the Counter (OTC) Licenses for Some Species Available July 1**

OTC licenses for javelina, fall turkey, private-land deer, private-land pronghorn, private-land Barbary sheep, and federal duck stamps will be available beginning July 1.

# Important Dates

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**

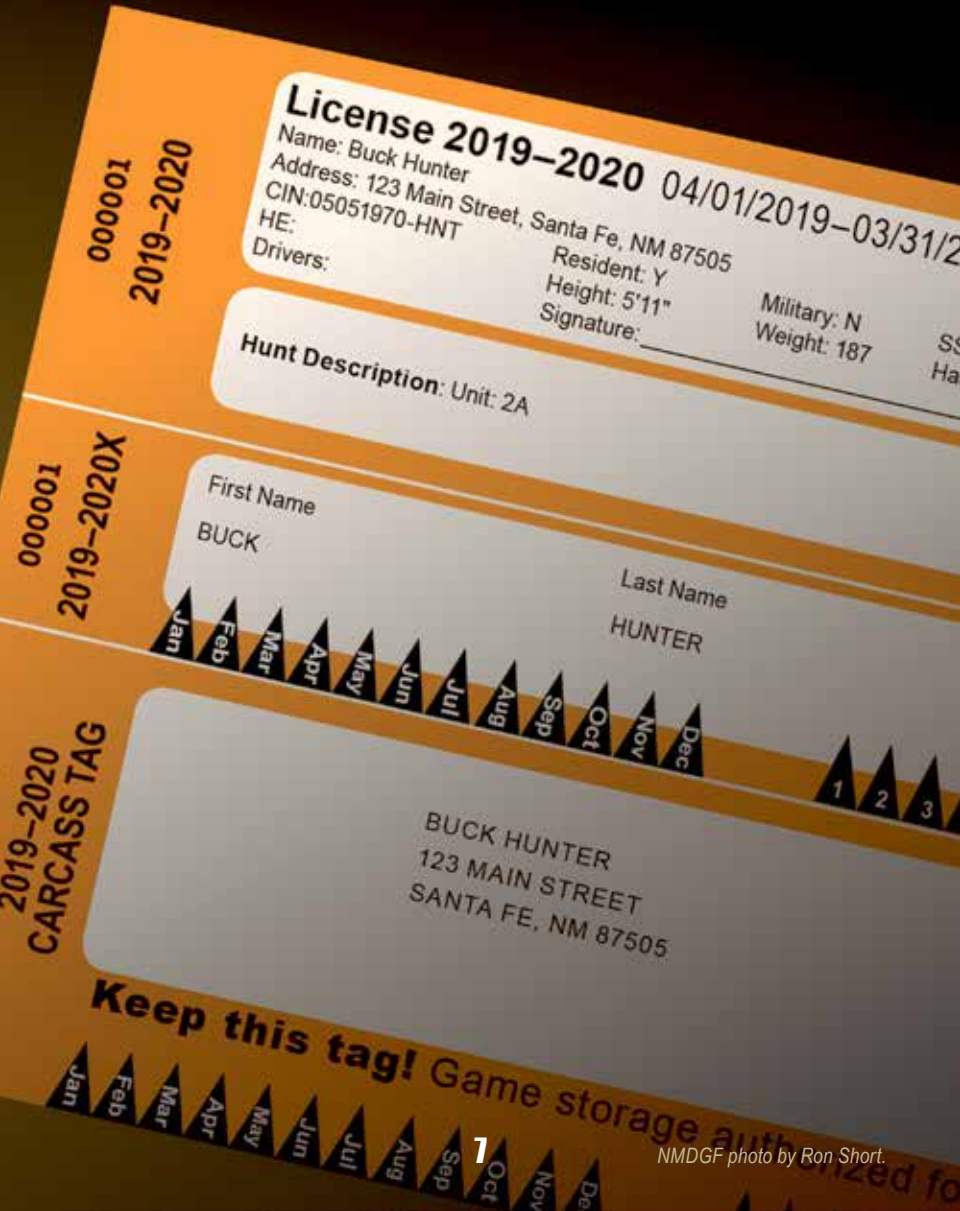
## Important Dates to Remember for All Game

- Feb. 13** Deadline to apply for bear and turkey draw permits. Applications must be completed before 5 p.m. Mountain Standard Time (MST).
- Feb. 15** Deadline to submit 2018–19 harvest reports for deer, elk, pronghorn and turkey license holders. Reports can be submitted online or by telephone. Late fees apply after this date.
- Feb. 27** Results for bear and turkey draw permits are available online: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us), and permits can be printed on standard paper. Permits are not valid unless accompanied by the appropriate license(s). Bear licenses must be purchased at least two days prior to hunting. Carcass tag required.
- Mar. 20** Deadline to apply for Draw Licenses for Barbary sheep, bighorn sheep, deer, elk, ibex, javelina, pronghorn and oryx, and to apply for Private-land Only Deer Licenses in Units 2A, 2B, 2C, 4 and 5A. Applications must be completed before 5 p.m. Mountain Daylight Time (MDT).
- Deadline to submit late 2018–19 harvest reports for deer, elk, pronghorn and turkey. All 2018–19 license holders must report to be eligible for 2019–20 draw licenses. Reports can be submitted online or by telephone. **Failure to report for these species by this date will result in rejection of all draw applications.** An \$8 late fee applies after February 15, 2019. Remember to keep your confirmation number.
- Mar. 25** All 2019–20 over-the-counter (OTC) license types, including Game-hunting Licenses and Game-hunting & Fishing Licenses, are available online, by telephone and at NMDGF offices and license vendors.
- April 1** 2019–20 License Year begins. 2018–19 licenses no longer valid.
- April 7** Deadline to submit 2018–19 harvest reports for Barbary sheep, ibex, javelina, oryx and trapper license holders to be eligible for big-game licenses. Reports can be submitted online or by telephone. **Failure to report for these species by this date will result in rejection of all applications.** An \$8 late fee applies after April 7, 2019. Remember to keep your confirmation number.
- April 24** Big-game Draw results are available online, by telephone or at NMDGF offices.

# License - Tag Combo

Carry a single document in the field.

Purchase online, by phone or at NMDGF offices. See page 8.



# License Requirements

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**

## Individual Account Required

Each individual purchasing a license or applying for a draw hunt and every student registering for a hunter/bowhunter education class, must have an account with a Customer Identification Number (CIN). Establishing an account is free. Accounts can be set up online or by telephone at: <https://onlinesales.wildlife.state.nm.us> or 1-888-248-6866.

## New: E-Tag Option for Deer and Elk

Deer and elk hunters may choose to E-Tag their animal rather than receive and carry a paper license/tag. Deer and elk hunters must choose whether to E-Tag or receive a physical tag when purchasing or applying for their deer or elk license(s). **If you choose to receive a paper license/tag, you cannot later use the E-Tag option.** E-Tags require the hunter to download the E-Tag app to their mobile phone and save their license in the app. Upon harvesting an animal, hunters will be required to immediately E-Tag the animal using the app. When you use the app, you will receive an E-Tag number with your CIN and the date of kill. You must write the E-Tag number, CIN and date of kill on a durable material (e.g. duct tape or flagging ribbon) in permanent ink and attach it to the animal (see *Tagging Instructions*, pages 31–32). The app will work even while out of service as long as you have saved your deer or elk license prior to leaving cell service. Hunters must be able to show their license on their phone. Hunters choosing to E-Tag must still submit a harvest report.

## New: Online and Draw Big-game Licenses and Tags Combo Everything needed to hunt is now available in one convenient document.

Hunters choosing a hard copy license/tag will be issued a carcass tag that includes all annual license purchases. You can carry a single document and will not be required to print your license separately if:

- 1). You have purchased all required stamps prior to mailing of the license/tag; and/or
- 2). You purchase your license online, by telephone or at an NMDGF office.

The license/tag will include the Game-hunting License, any stamps purchased, the big-game license, carcass tag and an antler/horn tag (depending on species and bag limit) and/or a second tag (cougar and spring turkey).

- Licenses/tags will be mailed to all successful draw hunt applicants, unless the E-Tag option is chosen for deer or elk.
- Telephone or online purchases for javelina and private-land Barbary sheep, deer, elk, oryx and pronghorn licenses must be made at least 14 days prior to the start of the hunt to allow time to mail the license(s)/tag(s). License(s)/tag(s) will be mailed to the address provided by the customer for each species. Customers may obtain a duplicate tag in person at any OTC license vendor or NMDGF office. **Duplicate license/tags will be charged a \$6 fee.** If obtained at an OTC license vendor, both a printed license and separate tag will be required. If a duplicate tag is obtained, the original tag number will be invalidated. It is illegal to use an invalidated license/tag.
- See pages 31–32 for more information and instructions for tagging.

## Purchases at OTC License Vendors

The single document option will not be available for big-game licenses and duplicate tags purchased at OTC license vendors. Both a tag and a printed license will be required.

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)



## While in The Field You Must Have All of the Following: License, Stamp and Validation Requirements

1. All big-game or turkey hunters must possess a valid license, and permit if applicable, for the species and hunt type in which they will participate. If the E-Tag option is chosen, hunters must possess an electronic copy of their license, and permit if applicable, and must produce this upon request by an officer.
2. All big-game or turkey hunters must possess a Game-hunting License.
3. All big-game and turkey hunters must possess a carcass tag(s) for each species hunted, unless the E-Tag option is chosen.
4. All hunters, trappers or anglers on any Forest Service or Bureau of Land Management lands must possess a Habitat Stamp. See exceptions below.
5. All hunters, trappers or anglers 18 years and older must possess a Habitat Management & Access Validation. See exceptions below.
6. All hunters 17 years of age and younger must possess a Hunter Education or Mentored Youth number.
7. All hunters on private lands must possess written permission from the landowner (page 27).

### Habitat Management & Access Validation (HMAV)

A Habitat Management and Access Validation (HMAV) must be purchased and possessed by all hunters, trappers or anglers, except individuals 17 years of age and younger, resident anglers 70 years and older (free fishing license) and 100% disabled resident veterans in conjunction with privileges covered by the Disabled-Veteran card. This once-per-license-year fee is used to: lease access to private lands for public use; provide public access to landlocked public land; and provide improvement, maintenance, development and operation of State Game Commission property for fish and wildlife habitat management. The HMAV will automatically be added to the shopping cart with your first purchase of a hunting, fishing or trapping license if required.

### Habitat Stamp

Hunters, trappers and anglers must purchase and possess a current Habitat Stamp to use U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management (BLM) lands in New Mexico, except trappers or anglers 11 years of age and younger, resident anglers 70 years and older (free fishing license) and 100% disabled resident veterans in conjunction with privileges covered by the Disabled-Veteran card. Only one stamp is required each license year for these lands. The stamp is not required on other public property, or on private property. The stamp is not required in Unit 28, a predominately BLM property under military withdrawal. Funds from the sale of Habitat Stamps are used to improve wildlife habitat. All hunters, trappers and anglers are encouraged to purchase a Habitat Stamp.

# License Requirements

## Purchasing Licenses, Stamps and Validations

Licenses, tags, stamps and validations are available online: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us), by telephone: 1-888-248-6866, at NMDGF offices and over-the-counter (OTC) from local vendors. Information and requirements for the Habitat Stamp and Habitat Management & Access Validation are described on page 9. **Please note**, before March 25, Game-hunting Licenses and stamps for the 2019–20 season may only be purchased through the draw application process. Restrictions may apply for online big-game license purchases.

Licenses and permits can be printed on standard paper, but all big-game and turkey hunters must obtain a tag(s) from the department or a license vendor prior to hunting or have chosen the E-Tag option for elk or deer.

## New Mexico Residency Requirements

To qualify for New Mexico resident license(s), an individual must meet one of the following criteria:

1. A United States citizen who has resided in N.M. for a period of not less than 90 days immediately preceding the date of application (or purchase) for the license, has been domiciled in N.M., and has not claimed residency elsewhere for any purpose. **Temporary or seasonal residents and home owners**, who maintain a primary residence outside of N.M., **do not qualify** for resident licenses.
2. A citizen of another country who is legally in the United States and has actually lived in N.M. for at least 90 days immediately preceding his/her license application (or purchase).
3. A student, not otherwise entitled to claim residence, who is attending any educational institution in N.M., has attended and actually has lived in the state for at least one full semester immediately preceding the application (or purchase) for a license. Students must present a certificate or letter verifying their enrollment and attendance from the proper authorities of the educational institution.
4. A member of the U.S. military, not otherwise entitled to claim residence, who is permanently assigned to a military installation located within N.M. and who presents with his/her application a certificate or letter that verifies the military assignment and is signed by the commanding officer. The spouse or dependent of such person, living within the same household and similarly certified by the person's commanding officer may also purchase resident licenses.
5. A member of the U.S. military who is officially stationed at Fort Bliss and who presents a certificate or letter to the department that verifies the military assignment and is signed by the commanding officer, prior to the application deadline. **This applies only for draw-hunt licenses on Fort Bliss. Fort Bliss personnel must pay nonresident license fees for all other hunts.** The 50% resident military and veteran discount does not apply.

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## License Information Is Public Record

Pursuant to the New Mexico Inspection of Public Records Act, Sections 14-2-1 et. seq. NMSA 1978, all information provided when applying for licenses and permits is public record and must be disclosed to anyone when properly requested except as provided by law.

"New Mexico's hunting, fishing, trapping and recreational opportunities are abundant. There's such a variety, sometimes knowing how to take advantage of the opportunities the Department offers can be a challenge. Our knowledgeable staff is here to answer questions and assist with your licensing needs."

— Lisa Brejcha, Information Center Supervisor, New Mexico Department of Game & Fish



# OTC License Fees

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**

## Private-land and OTC License fees

Private-land elk license fees see page 69.

License Type	Resident	Nonresident
Game-hunting License <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	\$15	\$65
Game-hunting & Fishing License <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	\$30	Not Issued
Junior Game-hunting License <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	\$10	\$15
Junior Game-hunting & Fishing License <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	\$15	Not Issued
Senior or Handicapped Game-hunting License <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	\$15	Not Issued
Senior or Handicapped Game-hunting & Fishing License <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	\$20	Not Issued
Disabled Veteran Game-hunting & Fishing License <sup>2,3</sup> . . . . .	\$10	Not Issued
Private-land Deer License - Standard . . . . .	\$34	\$270
Private-land Deer License - Quality . . . . .	\$34	\$355
Private-land Deer License - Junior/Senior . . . . .	\$22	Not Issued
Private-land Pronghorn License . . . . .	\$53	\$270
Turkey License (Spring or Fall Season) . . . . .	\$25	\$100
Bear License. . . . .	\$47	\$260
Cougar License . . . . .	\$43	\$290
Oryx License (Private-land only) . . . . .	\$153	\$1,610
Barbary Sheep License . . . . .	\$103	\$360
Ibex License. . . . .	\$103	\$1,610
Javelina License . . . . .	\$58	\$165
Temporary Game-hunting License (4 days) <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	Not Issued	\$33
Does not enable the purchaser to purchase big-game or turkey licenses.		
Trapper License . . . . .	\$20	\$345
Also required for nonresidents trapping coyotes and skunks.		
Junior Trapper License (Residents Ages 12–17) . . . . .	\$9	Not Issued
Nongame Hunting License . . . . .	Not Issued	\$65
Does not include trapping (pages 34 <i>Nongame</i> , 124 <i>Trapping License</i> ).		
Habitat Stamp . . . . .	\$5	\$5
Mandatory for hunting, angling or trapping on all Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management properties. For age requirements and exceptions, see page 9.		
Habitat Management & Access Validation . . . . .	\$4	\$4
Mandatory for hunting, angling or trapping. This validation does not replace the Habitat Stamp. For age requirements and exceptions, see page 9.		
Duplicate license/tag . . . . .	\$6	\$6

One dollar (\$1) vendor fee will apply for all purchases.

<sup>1</sup> Valid for small game. <sup>2</sup> Valid for small game and fishing. <sup>3</sup> 50% N.M. Resident Military/Veteran Discount does not apply. (See page 15 for age requirements).

Before March 25, game hunting licenses, game hunting and fishing licenses and stamps for the 2019–2020 season are unavailable through license sales and only may be purchased through the draw application process.



# Draw License Fees

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

All prices listed include a nonrefundable application fee (residents: \$7; nonresidents: \$13).

License Type	Resident	Nonresident
<b>Standard Elk License</b> (Residents 18–64 years of age and all nonresidents)		
A (Antlerless)	\$60	.Not Issued
MB (Mature Bull)	\$90	\$548
ES (Either Sex)	\$90	\$548
<b>Quality or High Demand Elk License</b> (pages 139, 137)		
A	\$60	.Not Issued
MB	\$90	\$773
ES	\$90	\$773
<b>Junior/Senior Elk License</b> (See page 15 for eligibility requirements)		
A	\$58	.Not issued
MB	\$58	.Not issued
ES	\$58	.Not issued
<b>Deer License</b>		
Standard (S)	\$41	\$283
Quality (Q)	\$41	\$368
High Demand (HD)	\$41	\$368
Junior/Senior	\$29	.Not issued
<b>Pronghorn License</b>		
All types	\$60	\$283
<b>Javelina License</b>		
All types	\$65	\$178
<b>Bighorn Sheep License</b>		
Ram	\$160	\$3,173
Ewe	\$85	\$3,173
<b>Oryx License</b>		
All types	\$160	\$1,623
<b>Ibex License</b>		
All types	\$110	\$1,623
<b>Barbary Sheep License</b>		
All types	\$110	\$373
<b>Bear Permit</b> (application fee only <sup>1</sup> )	\$7	\$13
<b>Turkey Permit</b> (application fee only <sup>1</sup> )	\$7	\$13

<sup>1</sup> Successful applicants must purchase a 2019-20 Game-hunting License or a Game-hunting & Fishing License, plus the applicable over-the-counter license, tag(s) and stamp(s) beginning March 25.

# Draw Hunt Licenses

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**

## Application Requirements

When applying for draw licenses for Barbary sheep, bighorn sheep, deer, elk, ibex, javelina, oryx and pronghorn, hunters must purchase a nonrefundable 2019–20 Game-hunting License or Game-hunting & Fishing License and HMAV if applicable.

Licenses are available online or by telephone through the draw application process (Jan. 16, 2019–March 20, 2019). Before March 25, Game-hunting Licenses and stamps for the 2019–2020 season may be purchased only through the draw application process. Successful applicants for draw licenses will be mailed a tag, unless the E-Tag option is chosen.

Application and full license fees are charged at the time the application is submitted. Unsuccessful draw applicants will receive a full refund for the draw license, minus the application fee.

To apply for bear and turkey draw permits, prior purchase of a bear, turkey or Game-hunting License is not required. If the applicant is successful in the draw, purchase of a license with tag will be required after March 25. Permits will not be printable until the appropriate license(s) are purchased.

## How the Draw Hunt System Works

All draw applications are entered into an automated system that randomly assigns each application a sequence number. Based on this number and the quotas listed below, the system matches the first, second, then third choices on the application with available licenses or permits. If all choices have already been awarded, the system advances to the next application. New Mexico does not grant preference to unsuccessful applicants.

If an applicant selects a fourth-choice hunt, she/he will be placed in a second pool from which licenses or permits may be awarded if a hunt has not allocated all available licenses. **Only successful applicants will be notified by email.** Unsuccessful applicants will not be notified, but may check their NMDGF account online. For more information about the Draw Hunt System, visit: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us/hunting/applications-and-draw-information/](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/hunting/applications-and-draw-information/).

## Drawing Quotas

**New Mexico state law has established the following quotas for draw hunts for all big-game and turkey licenses and permits:**

- 84% of draw licenses are awarded to New Mexico residents.
- 10% of draw licenses are awarded to residents and nonresidents applying with a New Mexico registered outfitter. See page 36.
- 6% of draw licenses are awarded to nonresidents applying without a New Mexico registered outfitter.
- 100% of draw licenses for antlerless elk and all hunts on Wildlife Management Areas are awarded to N.M. residents.

### Hunts not subject to quota:

- OTC Licenses for Barbary sheep, bear, cougar, turkey, ibex, javelina, private-land deer (excluding units 2A, 2B, 2C, 4 and 5A), private-land pronghorn and private-land oryx.
- Elk licenses obtained via the Private Lands Use System.
- Population Management Hunts.

# Junior, Senior & Disabled

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

## Reduced-fee Junior Licenses

Reduced-fee licenses for resident Junior Game-hunting & Fishing, Junior Deer, Junior Elk and Junior Game-hunting (resident and nonresident) are available to individuals 17 years of age and younger at the time of purchase. Junior licenses for hunting deer and/or elk on private land may be purchased at license vendors, NMDGF offices, by telephone or online.

## Youth-only Hunts

To qualify for youth-only hunts, applicants must be 17 years of age or younger on opening day of the hunt and must possess a Hunter Education number or Mentored-Youth Hunter number (pages 17, 18). The Mentored-Youth number is valid only for deer, turkey, javelina and small game hunts.

## Reduced-fee Senior Licenses

Reduced-fee licenses for Senior Game-hunting and Fishing, Senior Elk or Senior Deer are available to residents 65 years or older at the time of purchase. Senior licenses for hunting deer and/or elk on private land can be purchased at NMDGF offices and license vendors, by telephone or online.

## Reduced-fee Resident Handicapped Licenses

A reduced-fee Game-hunting & Fishing License is available to New Mexico residents with a permanent disability in accord with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Applicants must have one or more disabilities that substantially limit major life activities.

Resident Handicapped License holders must purchase and possess a Habitat Stamp and Habitat Management & Access Validation (page 9) as applicable. All other laws and rules must be followed. For further information telephone: 1-888-248-6866 or email: [specialhunts@state.nm.us](mailto:specialhunts@state.nm.us).

## Mobility-impaired Certification (MI)

MI Certification by NMDGF is required prior to submitting an application for MI-only pronghorn, oryx, elk or deer hunts. To qualify for MI Certification, an individual must have a permanent impairment that: 1). limits his/her mobility to a walker, wheelchair or two crutches; 2). severely restricts movement in both arms; and/or 3). have a combination of permanent disabilities which cause comparable substantial functional limitations. The MI Certification form is available online or may be requested by telephone. This form must be signed by the applicant's physician and attest that one or more of the above mobility-impaired conditions apply.

The MI card is valid for 48 months from the date approved/issued by NMDGF. The MI card holder must purchase and possess a Habitat Stamp and Habitat Management & Access Validation (page 9) if applicable. All other laws and rules must be followed.

For further information telephone: 1-888-248-6866 or email: [specialhunts@state.nm.us](mailto:specialhunts@state.nm.us).

# Junior, Senior & Disabled

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**

## Mobility Impaired (MI) Hunters

A Mobility Impaired Card allows a hunter to: 1). Shoot from a stationary motor-driven vehicle only when it has been parked completely off of the established road surface and there is no right-of-way fence; 2). Have one assistant to help track and kill big game that has been clearly wounded by the MI hunter. **The assistant must have written authorization from the MI hunter and must use the same sporting-arm type as the MI hunter.** 3). Use a crossbow during a bow hunt.

## Disabled Veteran Information

For information see *Military and Veterans*, pages 19–20.

## Title VI Funding

Certain programs of the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish receive federal funds from the U.S. Department of the Interior. These programs are therefore subject to requirements of the New Mexico Human Rights Act and Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, which prohibit discrimination because of ancestry, sex, race, color, religion, national origin, age or physical or mental handicap. If you believe you have been discriminated against in any program, activity or facility, please send a detailed description of the incident by certified mail to the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish. If you desire further information on Title VI, write: New Mexico Department of Game and Fish, ADA Coordinator, P.O. Box 25112, Santa Fe, NM 87504 or Office of Equal Opportunity, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, Office of the Secretary, Washington, DC 20240. The Department of Game and Fish will schedule public meetings and operate facilities that are accessible to physically impaired persons. Reasonable accommodations will be made for other impairments, including hearing and sight. If special aids are required, call **(505) 476-8027** or write to P.O. Box 25112, Santa Fe, NM 87504 at least three working days prior to the meeting date. To initiate a complaint, write to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Diversity and Inclusive Workforce Management, Public Civil Rights Accessibility & Disability Coordinator, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041; **(703) 358-1724**.

## Fundos de Titulo VI

Ciertos programas del New Mexico Department of Game and Fish reciben fondos federales del U.S. Department of the Interior. Estos programas son subyugados a requisitos de la ley de New Mexico Human Rights Act and Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, que prohíben la discriminación por razones de ascendencia, sexo, raza, color, religión origen nacional, edad o impedimento físico o mental. Si usted cree que ha sufrido discriminación en cualquier programa, actividad o comodidades, por favor envíe por correo certificado una descripción detallada al Department of Game and Fish. Si desea más información sobre Título VI, por favor escriba a: Department of Game and Fish, ADA Coordinator, P.O. Box 25112, Santa Fe, NM 87504 or Office of Equal Opportunity, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, Office of the Secretary, Washington, DC 20240. Al programar sus reuniones públicas, el Department of Game and Fish operará en facilidades que proveen acceso para personas con incapacidades físicas. Las personas con otras incapacidades, inclusive del oído y de la vista, recibirán acceso razonable a las reuniones. Si usted necesita algún auxiliar o ayuda especial, por favor llame al número **(505) 476-8027** o escriba a P.O. Box 25112, Santa Fe, NM 87504, por lo menos tres días antes de la reunión. Para iniciar una queja, escriba a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Diversity and Inclusive Workforce Management, Public Civil Rights Accessibility & Disability Coordinator, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041; **(703) 358-1724**.

# Hunter Education

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

## Hunter Education Program

Before purchasing a Game-hunting License, all hunters 17 years of age and younger must obtain a Hunter Education number issued by New Mexico or another state or possess a New Mexico Mentored-Youth Hunter number. The Hunter Education number is valid for hunting all game species. The Mentored-Youth Hunter number is valid only for deer, turkey, javelina and small-game hunting licenses (page 18).

**Online Hunter Education Certification Course (N.M. residents only):** Youth hunters 11 years or older can obtain a Hunter Education number by completing an Online Hunter Education Certification Course. A service fee may apply.

**Standard New Mexico Hunter Education Course:** Hunter Education numbers can also be obtained at no cost by completing a traditional certified Hunter Education Course. There are no age requirements for enrollment in a Standard New Mexico Hunter Education Course, however, students 10 years of age and younger must be accompanied by an adult. The minimum age requirement to enroll in an instructor-led field day course is 10 years of age. Before the first class session, students are required to complete homework assignments. Homework may be completed online through a downloadable PDF file or with a hardcopy manual. Manuals are available at local NMDGF locations, after registration. Students must attend all class sessions and pass both a written exam and a firearm proficiency evaluation to be issued a Hunter Education number. Courses are offered year-round and statewide. Early registration is encouraged to avoid missing a deadline to apply for a hunt. For complete information on course dates, locations and requirements, as well as course content and homework, visit NMDGF at: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us/education](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/education).

## Registration for Hunter/Bowhunter Education Courses

All students wishing to register for a Hunter/Bowhunter Education Course must have a Customer Identification Number (CIN). The CIN is provided to each individual when she/he establishes a personal NMDGF account (page 8). If you require assistance obtaining class information or a Hunter Education number please contact the New Mexico Hunter Education Program: (505) 222-4731 or [dgf-he@state.nm.us](mailto:dgf-he@state.nm.us).

Bowhunter education is not mandatory for archers in New Mexico, however it is recommended by NMDGF. Other states may have different requirements which should be verified.

## Become A Volunteer Instructor

The Hunter Education Program is looking for volunteer instructors. If you are interested in contributing to and preserving our hunting heritage, please contact the New Mexico Hunter Education Program at: (505) 222-4731 or online: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us/education](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/education).

## Fort Bliss

All hunters on Fort Bliss, including McGregor Range, are required to have proof of passing a state-certified Hunter Education Course. Mentored-Youth Hunters are not eligible.

# Mentored-Youth Hunter

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**

## Mentored-Youth Hunter Program

First-time hunters 10–17 years of age can pass an online quiz and receive a Mentored-Youth Hunter number. This number enables a Mentored-Youth Hunter to hunt under the supervision of an adult mentor, purchase a Game-hunting License or Game-hunting & Fishing License, and apply for or purchase hunting licenses **for the following species: deer, turkey, javelina and small game.**

Mentors can be either a parent, guardian or an adult with parental consent, must be 18 years of age or older and must possess a valid hunting license. The Mentored-Youth Hunter and mentor must be in unaided sight and audible distance from one another at all times while hunting.

Participation is a one-time opportunity and good for two consecutive license years, beginning when a Game-hunting License is purchased. When the Mentored-Youth Hunter has completed the program and successfully passed the New Mexico Hunter Education Course, he or she can hunt any legal species independently with no age restriction.

For more information about the Mentored-Youth Hunter Program visit: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us/education](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/education) or telephone: 1-888-248-6866.

# Trapper Education

The Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (AFWA) offers a variety of information for trappers and people interested in trapping on their website: <https://www.fishwildlife.org/afwa-inspires/furbearer-management>. Trappers are encouraged to review the information provided to learn more about furbearer management, scientific and social aspects of trapping, the benefits of trapping to wildlife management and species conservation, and responsible trapping practices. Links on their website include:

- **Trapper Education:** AFWA has developed the in-depth North American Basic Trapper Education Course which covers topics such as furbearer management, trapping regulations, types of equipment used, and ethical fur trapping. This on-line course is offered free of charge.
- **Best Management Practices (BMPs) for trapping:** AFWA, state agencies, and trapping groups developed BMPs through rigorous scientific evaluation of trapping devices and techniques to educate trappers on methods that maximize animal welfare, efficiency, selectivity, practicality, and safety. Over 600 trap types have been evaluated for 23 species of furbearers with a North American investment of approximately \$40 million dollars.
- **Research papers, surveys, and reports:** These documents pertain to use of traps in rare species restoration, furbearer management, public attitudes towards trapping, discussion of specific trapping devices, and harvest statistics throughout the country.

# Military & Veterans

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

## Military and Veteran Licenses and Hunt Opportunities

The New Mexico Department of Game and Fish acknowledges the contribution and sacrifice of active military and veterans with several discounted licenses and special hunting opportunities. Information about active military and veteran hunting and fishing opportunities and how to apply is available online and by telephone.

### 50% Discount for Resident Active Military and Veterans

50% discounts on all licenses, permits and stamps are available to New Mexico residents who are active duty military or veterans. The discount may be claimed by applying for or purchasing any license, permit or stamp online, by telephone or at any license vendor. Residents claiming this discount must be able to provide proof of active duty military (page 135) or veteran status (page 139) upon request. **Discount does not apply to:** application fees, license vendor fees, administrative fees (i.e. Landowner authorization certificate fee), duplicate license fees, the federal Duck Stamp, or the Resident Disabled Veteran Game-hunting & Fishing License.

### Proof of Active Military Status Must Accompany Application(s) for All Military-only Hunts

Each license year, applicants must provide proof of full-time active duty status. Veterans are not eligible for these hunts. Proof of service must be provided to NMDGF before the application deadline (page 6). Proof may be submitted by email: [specialhunts@state.nm.us](mailto:specialhunts@state.nm.us), fax: (505) 476-8180 or U.S. Mail: NMDGF Special Hunts, P.O. Box 25112, Santa Fe, NM 87504.

### 100% Disabled Resident Veterans

New Mexico residents who are 100% disabled as a result of having served in the armed services are eligible for a free lifetime Game-hunting & Fishing License. The disabled veteran must apply for a Disabled Veteran card. This card is issued by the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish and allows the cardholder to fish, hunt small game and obtain a Deer Hunting License free of charge. The Deer Hunting License will be issued only if the cardholder has applied and been successful in a public-land deer draw or if the cardholder can obtain written permission from a landowner for a private-land deer hunt. The free Deer Hunting License must be applied for each license year, and no preference is given for public-land deer draws. Stamps are required for any privilege not covered by the Disabled Veteran card.

### Disabled Veteran Game-hunting & Fishing License

New Mexico residents who are disabled veterans of the armed services, but do not meet the 100% disabled qualification, are eligible for a \$10 combination Game-hunting & Fishing License. Disabled veterans may purchase this license online, by telephone or at license vendors. A Habitat Management & Access Validation and a Habitat Stamp if applicable (page 9) are required.

# Military & Veterans

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**

## Resident Veteran Game-hunting & Fishing License

New Mexico residents who are members of the National Guard or the U.S. Armed Forces and were called to active duty on or after April 3, 2003, are eligible for a free Game-hunting & Fishing License for the year following their deactivation and return to New Mexico. Proof of service must be presented to NMDGF. A Habitat Management & Access Validation and Habitat Stamp are not required in conjunction with this license. This is a once-in-a-lifetime benefit.

## Oryx Hunts for Iraq-Afghanistan Returnees

New Mexico residents deployed in Iraq or Afghanistan are eligible to apply for Once-in-a-Lifetime Oryx Hunts, available by drawing each license year. New Mexico resident fees apply. Each year, the applicant must submit proof of service before the application deadline (page 6). Copies may be submitted by email: [specialhunts@state.nm.us](mailto:specialhunts@state.nm.us), fax: (505) 476-8180 or U.S. Mail: NMDGF Special Hunts, P.O. Box 25112, Santa Fe, NM 87504.

## Fort Bliss Opportunities

Active-duty military personnel stationed at Fort Bliss in El Paso, Texas are eligible for resident fees on draw hunt licenses only for hunts that occur on portions of the Fort Bliss military reservation in New Mexico. Each year, proof of assignment must be submitted by email: [specialhunts@state.nm.us](mailto:specialhunts@state.nm.us), fax: 505-476-8180 or mail before the application deadline (page 6).

## Nonresident Disabled Active Duty and Veteran Licenses for Rehabilitation Enrollees

Nonresident active-duty members or veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces who are undergoing a rehabilitation program that involves hunting activities are eligible for a resident fee on deer, elk, javelina, oryx, pronghorn and turkey licenses. The rehabilitation program must be sponsored by the federal government, or a nonprofit organization authorized by the federal government and it must be under the direction of a military or federal Veteran's Administration rehabilitation center.

**This benefit is not available through the draw.** Proof of eligibility must be provided. This benefit is available only through the NMDGF Santa Fe office.



# Transfers & Donations

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

## License Refunds and Transfers

New Mexico hunting licenses are nonrefundable and nontransferable, except: The director of NMDGF may grant refund or transfer of a hunting license, if the licensee: 1). is deceased; 2). has sustained a severe injury or suffered a life-threatening illness which prevents participation; 3). is deployed by the U.S. military prior to the start of the hunt which prohibits participation; or 4). a hunt is cancelled due to a natural disaster. Refund or transfer requests must be in writing and submitted to the NMDGF Santa Fe office prior to the hunt start date. For further information telephone 1-888-248-6866. If a license transfer is not completed at least 14 days prior to hunt start date, the recipient may be required to obtain a license and tag at a license vendor or NMDGF office.

## Donation of a Hunting License

If ineligible for refund or transfer, a hunting license may be donated to NMDGF to provide an opportunity for a youth 17 years of age or younger, a resident veteran or a resident first responder who has been qualified through a nonprofit organization that promotes hunting. Refunds are not offered for donated licenses. Qualifying nonprofit organizations must be approved by the New Mexico State Game Commission.

Requests to donate licenses must be in writing and submitted to the NMDGF Santa Fe Office. For further information telephone 1-888-248-6866. If transfer of a donated license is not completed at least 14 days prior to the hunt start date, the recipient may be required to obtain a license and tag at a license vendor or NMDGF office.

## Draw Licenses

A draw license may not be traded for a private-land license, returned for refund or transferred, sold or bartered, except as defined above.

# General Rules

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**

## It is unlawful to:

- Recklessly or carelessly handle a firearm.
- Hunt while under the influence of alcohol or other intoxicants, including medical marijuana.
- Litter and/or pollute streams, lakes and other waters.
- Leave a fire unattended or to improperly handle fire.
- Hunt protected species without a license and all applicable permits, tags, stamps or validations, or fail to tag any big game or turkey.
- Hunt protected species using licenses, tags, permits, stamps or validations belonging to another individual or take or attempt to take a protected species for another person, except as permitted when assisting a licensed mobility-impaired hunter (pages 15–16).
- Kill more than one of the following: elk, pronghorn, Barbary sheep, bighorn sheep, ibex, javelina, oryx, bear or deer during any license year, except as permitted by rule.
- Apply for, buy or use more than one license for any species per license year.
- Shine spotlights or other artificial lights into areas where big-game species or livestock may be present, while in possession of any sporting arm, except as permitted by rule for raccoon (page 127).
- Take or attempt to take game species by the aid of baiting. An area is considered to be baited for 10 days after the removal of the bait. It is also unlawful to take bear by the aid of scent.
- Use live protected species as decoys to take or attempt to take game species.
- Use electronically or mechanically recorded calling devices, except as permitted for protected furbearers, cougars, bears, javelina and nongame species.
- Use tracer ammunition, full-metal jacketed bullets or fully automatic weapons.
- Park any motor vehicle or camp within 300 yards of any man-made water hole, water well or watering tank used by wildlife or domestic stock, without the prior consent of the private landowner, private-land lessee, public-land lessee or public-land management agency.
- Shoot at protected species or artificial wildlife from a motor vehicle.
- Shoot at game on, from or across any paved, graded or maintained public road or within the fenced right-of-way of any paved, graded or maintained public road.
- Shoot at, pursue, harass, harrass, drive or rally any protected species by any means except while legally hunting.
- Use motor-driven vehicles on roads closed under the Habitat Protection Act or other federal regulation.
- Hunt or shoot at any animal from an aircraft or drone or cause any non-domesticated animal to move from its place of rest or change its direction of travel.
- Hunt from, signal locations of protected species to hunters from or harass game with aircraft; hunt protected species observed from aircraft within 48 hours of observation; or hunt protected species the same day of air travel, except by commercial airline or direct flight to a landing strip.
- Discharge a firearm within 150 yards of a dwelling or building (not including abandoned or vacated buildings on public land) without the permission of the owner or lessee.
- Take any animal that is protected by law but not listed as a game species and/or any animal that is listed as an endangered or threatened species.

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## Vehicle Use: Driving Off-road or on a Closed Road

1. During the seasons established for any protected species, it is unlawful to drive or ride in a motor vehicle which is driven off an established road on **public land** or on a closed road on public land when the vehicle bears a licensed hunter, angler or trapper.
2. During the seasons established for any protected species, it is unlawful to drive or ride in a motor vehicle which is driven off an established road on **private land**, without written permission from the landowner, when the vehicle bears a licensed hunter, angler or trapper.
3. It is unlawful to drive or ride in a motor vehicle which is being driven off an established road or on a closed road when gathering or searching for shed antlers on public land.
4. EXCEPTION: Snowmobiles may be driven off established roads, and lawfully taken game may be retrieved in areas not closed to vehicular traffic.
5. Public land as used in this section shall mean any federally owned or managed property, any state owned or managed property, any private property which is part of a unitization hunting agreement, ranch wide agreement or unit wide agreement for the species being hunted, any private property which the department has paid for public access for the species being hunted or any New Mexico state game commission owned or managed property.

### Established road means:

1. A road, built or maintained by equipment, which shows no evidence of ever being closed to vehicular traffic by such means as berms, ripping, scarification, reseeding, fencing, gates, barricades or posted closures;
2. A two-track road which shows use prior to hunting seasons for other purposes such as recreation, mining, logging, and ranching and which shows no evidence of ever being closed to vehicular traffic by such means as berms, ripping, scarification, reseeding, fencing, gates, barricades or posted closures.

## Harassment of Legal Hunters, Anglers and Trappers

New Mexico Law (Chapter 17-2-7.1, NMSA 1978) prohibits interference with another who is lawfully hunting, trapping or fishing in an area where those activities are permitted. The first offense is a petty misdemeanor, the second a misdemeanor.

If a person committing interference possesses a license, certificate or permit issued to him/her by the New Mexico State Game Commission, the license, certificate or permit will be subject to revocation.

### Interference means:

1. Intentionally locating one's person where human presence may affect the behavior of a game animal, bird or fish, where human presence may interfere with the taking or killing of a game animal, bird or fish, and/or where human presence may interfere with another who is lawfully hunting, trapping or fishing.
2. Intentionally creating a visual, auditory, olfactory or physical stimulus to affect the behavior of a game animal, bird or fish and interfere with another who is lawfully hunting, fishing or trapping.

# General Rules

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**

## *Harassment of Legal Hunters, Anglers and Trappers—continued.*

3. Intentionally altering, removing or affecting the placement or condition of personal property used for taking a game animal, bird or fish.

If you witness any violation, please document the vehicle description, license plate number or aircraft tail number and contact Operation Game Thief:

**1-800-432-4263.**

## Waste of Game

Anyone who takes a Barbary sheep, bighorn sheep, deer, elk, ibex, oryx, pronghorn or turkey must transport from the field the edible portions for human consumption. The edible portions of game animals include all four quarters, backstraps, tenderloins and the neck meat. Hunters are not required to remove the rib cage or organs of game mammals from the field. The edible portions of turkey include the breast, legs and thigh meat. Anyone who wounds or may have wounded any big-game species must go to the place where the animal sustained the wound or may have sustained the wound and make a reasonable attempt to track and kill the animal. This requirement does not authorize trespass on private land. Call 1-800-432-4263 for assistance recovering a wounded animal which enters private land.

Anyone who takes or kills a bighorn sheep, ibex, oryx, Barbary sheep, elk, deer or pronghorn antelope outside of the legal season or without a valid license, which taking or killing results in waste of the animal, is guilty of a 4th-degree felony. Waste of the animal consists of removing from the animal only the head, antlers or horns or abandoning any of the four quarters, backstraps or tenderloins of the carcass. A violation of the provisions of this paragraph is intended to be separate from and cumulative to any other violation of Chapter 17 NMSA 1978.

## License Privileges Can Be Revoked

Points are assessed against privileges based on the type of violation committed. This includes providing false information when harvest reporting. Any person accumulating 20 points or more within any consecutive three-year period shall be considered for revocation of the following: all hunting, fishing and trapping license privileges; any guiding and outfitting registration; landowner authorizations; and/or any permit or certificate issued under Chapter 17, NMSA 1978 and its implementing rules.

Defendants may request to be heard by an outside hearing officer. Recommendations for revocation are made to the New Mexico State Game Commission, which has final authority to revoke privileges.

New Mexico is a member of the Interstate Wildlife Violator Compact (IWVC) and may recognize the suspension or revocation of license privileges of any person listed as a wildlife violator by another participating state. New Mexico will notify IWVC of all revocations, and other states may reciprocate N.M. revocations. Contact NMDGF Field Operations for specific information at: (505) 476-8065.

## Federal Laws

Transporting illegally taken game across state lines is a violation of the federal Lacey Act, and may be classified as a felony.

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

## Parental Responsibility Act

The Parental Responsibility Act requires the New Mexico State Game Commission to suspend the recreational and professional licenses of anyone who does not comply with court-ordered child support obligations. The purpose is to discourage parental neglect of children by suspending hunting and fishing privileges until failure to pay court-ordered child support has been corrected and a \$25 reinstatement fee has been paid. For more information, please contact NMDGF Field Operations: (505) 476-8065.

## Forfeitures

Sporting arms may be seized and forfeited if used to take, attempt to take, illegally possess or transport big game during a closed season; if used while exceeding the bag limit for big game during an open season; or if used to take or attempt to take big game with the use of a spotlight or artificial light. Vehicles used by anyone charged with spotlighting or hunting with the aid of artificial light may be confiscated at the scene and are subject to forfeiture and sale upon conviction.

## Criminal Penalties

Poachers may incur criminal penalties, including:

- First offense: Up to \$1,000 in fines and one year in jail.
- Second offense: Up to \$4,000 in fines and one year in jail.
- Third offense: Up to \$6,000 in fines, mandatory 90 days in jail and up to one year in jail.
- Felony waste of game: Up to \$5,000 in fines and 18 months in prison.

## Substantial Civil Assessments for Poaching

To recover the loss of the state's wildlife, the New Mexico State Game Commission has adopted substantial civil assessments for the illegal taking of trophy game animals. The assessments are:

Elk . . . . .	\$10,000*
Deer. . . . .	\$10,000*
Bighorn sheep . . . . .	\$10,000*
Ibex . . . . .	\$10,000*
Oryx . . . . .	\$10,000*
Pronghorn. . . . .	\$8,000*
Barbary sheep . . . . .	\$6,000*
Turkey. . . . .	\$500*
Trout . . . . .	\$150*

\* Higher dollar amounts may be sought in certain cases.

## Firearm Eligibility

Any applicant who is a convicted felon according to New Mexico Law shall be restricted to the use of archery equipment only. Per New Mexico statute 30-7-16 NMSA 1978, firearm includes any handgun, rifle, muzzleloader or shotgun.

# Criminal Trespass

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**

## Criminal Trespass 30-14-1 NMSA 1978

- A. Criminal trespass consists of knowingly entering or remaining upon posted private property without possessing written permission from the owner or person in control of the land. The provisions of this subsection do not apply if: 1). the owner or person in control of the land has entered into an agreement with the department of game and fish granting access to the land to the general public for the purpose of taking any game animals, birds or fish by hunting or fishing; or 2). a person is in possession of a landowner license given to him by the owner or person in control of the land that grants access to that particular private land for the purpose of taking any game animals, birds or fish by hunting or fishing.
- B. Criminal trespass also consists of knowingly entering or remaining upon the unposted lands of another, knowing that such consent to enter or remain is denied or withdrawn by the owner or occupant thereof. Notice of no consent to enter shall be deemed sufficient notice to the public and evidence to the courts, by the posting of the property at all vehicular access entry ways.
- C. Criminal trespass also consists of knowingly entering or remaining upon lands owned, operated or controlled by the state or any of its political subdivisions, knowing that consent to enter or remain is denied or withdrawn by the custodian thereof.
- D. Any person who enters upon the lands of another without prior permission and injures, damages or destroys any part of the realty or its improvements, including buildings, structures, trees, shrubs or other natural features, is guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be liable to the owner, lessee or person in lawful possession for civil damages in an amount equal to double the value of the damage to the property injured or destroyed.
- E. Whoever commits criminal trespass is guilty of a misdemeanor. Additionally, any person who violates the provisions of Subsection A, B or C of this section, when in connection with hunting, fishing or trapping activity, shall have their hunting or fishing license revoked by the state game commission for a period of not less than three years, pursuant to the provisions of Section 17-3-34 NMSA 1978.
- F. Whoever knowingly removes, tampers with or destroys any "no trespass" sign is guilty of a petty misdemeanor; except when the damage to the sign amounts to more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000), is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to imprisonment in the county jail for a definite term less than one year or a fine not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or to both such imprisonment and fine in the discretion of the judge.

## Posting Requirements for Trespass 30-14-6 NMSA 1978

- A. The owner, lessee or person lawfully in possession of real property in New Mexico, except property owned by the state or federal government, desiring to prevent trespass or entry onto the real property shall post notices parallel to and along the exterior boundaries of the property to be posted, at each roadway or other way of access in conspicuous places, and if the property is not fenced, such notices shall be posted every five hundred feet along the exterior boundaries of such land.

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- B. The notices posted shall prohibit all persons from trespassing or entering upon the property, without permission of the owner, lessee, person in lawful possession or his agent. The notices shall: 1). be printed legibly in English; 2). be at least one hundred forty-four square inches in size; 3). contain the name and address of the person under whose authority the property is posted or the name and address of the person who is authorized to grant permission to enter the property; 4). be placed at each roadway or apparent way of access onto the property, in addition to the posting of the boundaries; and 5). where applicable, state any specific prohibition that the posting is directed against, such as "no trespassing," "no hunting," "no fishing," "no digging" or any other specific prohibition.
- C. Any person who posts public lands contrary to state or federal law or regulation is guilty of a petty misdemeanor.

## Hunting on Private Property without Written Permission

- A. It is unlawful to knowingly enter upon any private property to hunt, capture, take, attempt to take, or kill any game animal, furbearer, game bird, or game fish without possessing written permission from the landowner or person in control of the land or trespass rights unless otherwise permitted in rule or statute.
- B. Any game animal, furbearer, or game bird taken in violation of this section or section 30-14-1 NMSA 1978 is unlawfully killed and shall be subject to seizure.
- C. All shed antlers collected in violation of any New Mexico state game commission, state or federal land closure, in violation of section 30-14-1 NMSA 1978 or in violation of any of the provisions of Chapter 17 or state game commission rule remain property of the State of New Mexico and shall be seized.
- D. EXCEPTION: Written permission is not required on any property which is participating in a unitization, receives compensation for allowing public access, receives unit-wide authorizations, or has agreed to a ranch-wide agreement when species being harvested is part of any of these agreements.

**Written Permission shall mean** a document (which may include a valid hunting, trapping, or fishing license) that asserts the holder has permission from the private landowner or their designee to hunt, fish, trap, or drive off road on the landowner's property. The information on the document must be verifiable and include the name of the person(s) receiving permission, activity permitted, property's location and name (if applicable), name of person granting permission, date and length of time the permission is granted, and phone number or e-mail of the person granting the permission. Licenses issued for private land which have the ranch name printed on them constitute written permission for that property and no other permission is required except for private-land elk licenses in the secondary management zone pursuant to 19.30.5 and 19.31.14 NMAC.

# Operation Game Thief

To report violations call: **1-800-432-4263**

## Poaching Harms Everyone

Poachers are thieves stealing New Mexico's wildlife which is harmful to hunters, anglers and outdoor enthusiasts alike. Operation Game Thief (OGT) is a silent witness program to help stop illegal poaching and wildlife trafficking by offering rewards for information leading to the arrest of poachers.

## Turn Tips into Cash!

Funded by donations from individuals and organizations and not from tax and license fees, rewards include: \$750 for cases involving elk or bighorn sheep; \$500 for cases involving deer or oryx; \$350 for cases involving pronghorn; \$250 for cases involving turkey, bear, cougar, javelina, ibex, Barbary sheep, endangered species, small game, fish, raptors and furbearers; and \$50 for cases where a warning citation is issued.

OGT's toll-free hotline: 1-800-432-4263 is available 24–7–365 or telephone your local New Mexico State Police office. Wildlife violations also can be reported online at: <https://onlinesales.wildlife.state.nm.us/public/ogt>.

## Operation Game Thief Needs Your Support

Individuals or organizations concerned about poaching and its impact on New Mexico's wildlife can send tax-deductible donation to Operation Game Thief or telephone: (505) 476-8064. Donations can be mailed to: OGT, New Mexico Department of Game and Fish, P.O. Box 25112, Santa Fe, NM 87504. All donations received are used solely to pay rewards and promote the program.

## Additional Rewards Are Offered to Help Protect Turkeys

The New Mexico Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTf) offers additional rewards up to \$200 for information leading to the arrest of violators of New Mexico turkey hunting rules or rules protecting the state's endangered Gould's turkey. For more information telephone: (575) 434-2936.

## Rewards Offered for Reporting Off-Road Vehicle Abuse

The illegal use of off-highway vehicles (OHV) can degrade big-game habitat and negatively impact quality hunting and angling opportunities. The New Mexico Chapter of Backcountry Hunters and Anglers (BHA) offers rewards up to \$250 for information leading to the arrest of violators. For information about how to report abuse, visit online: [www.backcountryhunters.org](http://www.backcountryhunters.org) or contact your local NMDGF officer.





"Being a conservation officer is an honor, and it requires many different skills and abilities. It's a job that can really make a difference, and to serve the citizens of New Mexico is truly rewarding."

— Storm Usrey, Conservation Officer, New Mexico Department of Game & Fish

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## License Requirements and Fees: See page 8–14.

### Understanding Hunt Codes

The hunt code printed on your license indicates the species, legal sporting arms, dates, area, fee type and bag limit for the license issued.

For example: **DER-1-100**

- **"DER"** indicates a deer hunt.
- **"1"** indicates any big-game sporting arm (2 = bow only; 3 = muzzleloader, crossbow or bow only).
- **"100"** indicates an individual hunt for specific dates, area and bag limit.

This example (DER-1-100) found on page 53 is a deer hunt for any big-game sporting arm, standard fee, valid in GMU 2A from October 26–30 with a bag limit of one fork antlered deer (FAD).

### Legal Sporting Arms

**Legal sporting arms for deer, elk, pronghorn, bighorn sheep, ibex, oryx, Barbary sheep and bear (big-game sporting arms):** Any centerfire firearm at least .22 caliber or larger, any muzzle-loading firearm at least .45 caliber or larger, any shotgun .410 caliber or larger firing a single slug (including muzzle-loading shotguns), any bow or any crossbow. All firearms, except handguns, must be designed to be fired from the shoulder. Hunters must use only bullets designed to expand or fragment upon impact. Full metal jacket (FMJ) and tracer bullets are illegal. No fully automatic firearms may be used. Arrows and bolts must have broadheads (fixed or mechanical) with cutting edges. Sights on bows and crossbows may not project light (lighted pins are acceptable). No drugs may be used on arrows or bolts, and they cannot be driven by explosives, gunpowder or compressed air.

**Legal sporting arms for cougar, javelina and furbearers:** Any firearm, muzzle-loader, compressed air gun, shotgun, bow or crossbow. All firearms, except handguns, must be designed to be fired from the shoulder. For cougar and javelina, compressed air guns must be .22 caliber or larger and shotguns must fire a single slug or #4 buckshot or larger. Arrows and bolts must have broadheads (fixed or mechanical) with cutting edges. Sights on bows and crossbows may not project light. No drugs may be used on arrows or bolts, and they cannot be driven by explosives, gunpowder or compressed air.

**Bow only:** Any bow. Arrows must have broadheads (fixed or mechanical) with cutting edges. Sights on bows may not project light (lighted pins are acceptable). No drugs may be used on an arrow, and arrows cannot be driven by explosives, gunpowder or compressed air. Crossbow use is legal by certified mobility-impaired hunters during bow seasons. Draw locks are illegal.

**Muzzleloader, bow or crossbow only:** Any sporting arms in which the charge and projectile(s) are loaded through the muzzle. Only blackpowder, Pyrodex or equivalent blackpowder substitute may be used. Use of smokeless powder is prohibited. Scopes, sabots and in-line ignition may be used with muzzleloaders except during Restricted Muzzleloader deer hunts. Hunters may also use any bow or crossbow. Arrows and bolts must have broadheads (fixed or mechanical) with cutting edges. Sights on bows and crossbows may not project light. No drugs may be used on arrows or bolts, and they cannot be driven by explosives, gunpowder or compressed air.

**Restricted Muzzleloader deer:** Only a muzzle-loading rifle using open sights, black powder or equivalent propellant and firing a full bore diameter bullet or patched round ball is legal. The use of in-line ignition, scopes, and smokeless powder are prohibited. Bows and crossbows are legal during restricted muzzleloader deer hunts.

**Legal sporting arms for turkey:** Any shotgun firing shot, bows and crossbows. Arrows and bolts must have broadheads (fixed or mechanical) with cutting edges. Sights on bows and crossbows may not project light. No drugs may be used on arrows or bolts, and they cannot be driven by explosives, gunpowder or compressed air.

## All Big-game and Turkey Harvests Must Be Tagged (E-Tag instructions, page 32)

1. Immediately after harvesting any big game or turkey, the carcass tag must be notched. Carcass tag must be attached to the kill before leaving the kill site. Instructions for notching and attaching are listed below and are provided on the reverse side of the tag.
2. Antlered or horned big game require an antler/horn tag be attached in addition to a carcass tag. Instructions for attaching are listed below and provided on the reverse side of the tag.
3. Any big-game or turkey kill left unattended in the field, in a vehicle or in camp must have a properly notched carcass tag and antler/horn tag (if applicable) attached.  
It is unlawful to possess any big-game species or turkey in the field without a properly notched carcass tag.
4. Bear and cougar must be both carcass tagged and pelt tagged. Bear or cougar must be presented for pelt tagging within five (5) days after harvest (pages 116, 121).

## Tagging Instructions



Left to right:  
Carcass tag, turkey  
tag and antler tag.

The carcass tag or handwritten E-Tag authorizes possession of the big-game animal or turkey for one (1) year from date of kill. Bear and cougar carcass tags authorize possession of the animal for five days or until pelt tagged, whichever occurs first. Keep your tags!

1. Do not remove backing on the carcass tag until you are ready to tag.
2. Upon killing your big-game animal or turkey, immediately and completely notch the month and day of kill on the carcass tag and then attach to the hock tendon of the animal or above the leg spur of the turkey (see illustrations above) prior to moving the big-game animal or turkey from the kill site. For bear and cougar the carcass tag may be wrapped around a hind leg above the foot if skinned.

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## *Tagging Instructions — continued.*

3. Do not leave any backing material on the tag. Wrap the tag on carcass as shown, matching the ends together and pressing adhesive sides together evenly and tightly. **Leave entire face of tag visible and readable. Do not overlap tag ends or cover any of the print.**
4. Tags must remain attached until the big-game animal or turkey arrives at a taxidermist, meat processing facility or place of final storage (e.g. your home), or if required, until it is inspected, documented or pelt tagged by a NMDGF official.
5. If a big-game animal is boned out or when a javelina is killed and nothing is removed or only the skull is taken, fold and adhere the carcass tag to itself leaving the entire face of the carcass tag visible. The adhered carcass tag must physically remain with parts of the animal that are removed and possessed.

## **Antlered and Horned Game Tag Instructions**

When ready to tag, detach antler tag from backing. Attach the antler/horn tag to the main beam of the antler or horn, as close to the base as possible, where it will not slide off. **Leave entire face of tag visible and readable.**

## **E-Tag Instructions (Deer and Elk only)**

If the E-Tag option is chosen, hunters will be required to obtain their E-Tag number through the E-Tagging app upon harvesting a deer or elk. You will receive an E-Tag number with your CIN and the date of kill. You must write the E-Tag number, CIN and date of kill on a durable material (e.g. duct tape or flagging ribbon) in permanent ink and attach it to the animal (see *Tagging Instructions*, page 31).

## **Mandatory Harvest Reporting: Deadlines see page 6.**

Harvest reporting is mandatory for all Barbary sheep, deer, elk, ibex, javelina, oryx, pronghorn, turkey and trapper license holders, whether or not a hunt or harvest occurred. Big-game, turkey and trapper license holders who do not report will be ineligible the following year for all draw hunts, population management hunts, private-land licenses and trapper licenses. Results can be reported online or by telephone.

## **One License per Species**

It is illegal to apply for, buy or use more than one license for any big-game species during any license year—except when permitted by rule. It is the hunter's responsibility to know which license she/he is purchasing from a license vendor.

## **Nonresident Eligibility**

Nonresidents are ineligible for hunts held solely on State Game Commission-owned Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) and draw antlerless elk hunts.

## **Waste of Game**

Anyone who takes a Barbary sheep, bighorn sheep, deer, elk, ibex, oryx, pronghorn or turkey must transport from the field the edible portions for human consumption. Anyone who wounds or may

have wounded any big-game species must go to the place where the animal sustained the wound or may have sustained the wound and make a reasonable attempt to track and kill the animal. This requirement does not authorize trespass on private land. Call 1-800-432-4263 for assistance recovering a wounded animal which enters private land. Waste of game may be a felony violation (page 24).

## Proof of Sex

Hunters must keep proof of sex with all game species (except javelina) until the game has been transported where it will be consumed or stored. The antlers or horns must remain attached to the skull or skull plate of all male Barbary sheep, bighorn sheep, deer, elk, ibex, oryx or pronghorn. Immature males must be accompanied by the scalp and both ears. Female must be accompanied by either the scalp and both ears or the external genitalia naturally attached to one quarter. **The external genitalia of any bear or cougar must remain naturally attached to the hide** and be readily visible until the hide has been inspected and pelt tagged by a NMDGF representative. The beard must remain with the carcass when the bag limit is a bearded turkey.

## Possession, Donation or Sale of Game

It is unlawful to possess any protected species or parts thereof without a properly notched carcass tag or evidence the game has been taken legally. Carcasses, meat and internal organs of game mammals and game birds may not be sold or bartered, but can be donated. Only the skins, heads, antlers, horns, rendered fat, teeth or claws of legally taken or possessed protected species, any parts of furbearers and the feathers of non-migratory game birds may be bartered or sold.

Any person giving items to another person must supply the recipient with a written description which states: the parts (skin, head, antlers, horns, claws, feathers, etc.) and/or the kind and number of game; the date when and county where game was taken; the conveyor's name, address and hunting license number used to take the game; and the date and place of the transaction or donation. A sample certificate is provided on page 132 and downloadable at [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us).

It is unlawful to possess the head, horns or antlers of any big-game species found in the field without a receipt from NMDGF (except for shed antlers).

## Storage

A properly notched carcass tag or handwritten E-Tag must remain with the meat, and authorizes possession and storage for one (1) year from the date of kill. To store or possess meat after this date, individuals must have a storage permit from NMDGF. Bear and cougar carcass tags authorize possession of the animal for five days or until pelt tagged, whichever occurs first.

Trophies taken to a taxidermist or carcasses taken to a meat processor must be accompanied by a properly notched carcass tag and antler/horn tag (if applicable), a handwritten E-Tag, or a possession (donation) certificate.

**Keep your tags!**

## Transportation of Game

Properly tagged game may be transported within and outside the state. Bighorn sheep ram heads also must have a seal. Bear, cougar and bobcat hides must have a pelt tag. See page 41 for details on transporting harvested deer or elk from units where CWD has been confirmed.

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**Use of Dogs:** Dogs may not be used to hunt big game, except bear and cougar. Furbearers may be hunted with dogs. Certain exceptions apply (see specific species sections). When dogs are used to hunt bear or cougar, the licensed hunter must be present continuously once any dog is released. Leashed dogs may be used to locate wounded or dead big game. If dogs will be used to locate wounded or dead big game, **hunters must keep the dog(s) on a leash, and no more than two dogs may be used at a time.** Registration is no longer required.

**Blaze Orange:** Hunters on military properties must wear a minimum of 244 square inches of blaze orange. Hunters participating in any firearm hunt on Valles Caldera National Preserve must wear a minimum of 244 square inches of blaze orange. Though not required elsewhere by law, NMDGF strongly encourages hunters to wear blaze orange.

**Transportation of Horses:** All horses being transported must be inspected by a local livestock inspector. Nonresidents with horses must have proof of ownership and health papers. For further information contact the New Mexico Livestock Board: (505) 841-6161.

**Nongame Hunting License:** Residents do not need a license to take nongame species. Nonresidents must purchase a Nonresident Nongame License or any New Mexico nonresident hunting license. Nongame species include prairie dogs, ground squirrels, Himalayan tahr, porcupine, rabbits, coyotes and skunks. Nongame hunting is not permitted on Wildlife Management Areas (WMA) unless otherwise posted, except Water Canyon WMA, where hunting nongame species, including Himalayan tahr, is permitted January 1–March 31, 2019.

**Feral Hogs Are an Unprotected Species:** Feral hogs damage habitat, contaminate water and compete with native wildlife. Because of the negative impact this non-native intruder causes, anyone may hunt feral hogs year-round without a license. Basic hunting rules apply—such as obtaining permission if hunting on private land. Hunting with the aid of an artificial light and discharging of firearms within 150 yards of an occupied dwelling is illegal. Feral hogs should not be confused with javelina, which look similar but are a protected game species. Javelina are smaller than feral hogs and do not have a tail. Javelina also have a white stripe of hair near the shoulders and neck, giving them the common name 'collared peccary'. For information about where to hunt feral hogs contact the USDA: (505) 346-2640.



Feral hog



Javelina



“Dedicated biologists and officers collect data from big game populations across the state to improve understanding and tailor management efforts to fit the needs of each species. This not only benefits New Mexico’s wildlife but those who enjoy these resources as well.”

— Nicole M. Tatman, Big Game Manager, New Mexico Department of Game & Fish

# Outfitted Hunts

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All outfitters and guides in New Mexico must be registered with the department. Hunters who would like to use the services of an outfitter are strongly encouraged to do their research. Here are a few things you should look for in a reputable outfitter:

- Book your hunt with a registered outfitter. The outfitter list is updated weekly and available on the department's website at [www.wildlife.state.nm.us/enforcement/guide-and-outfitter-info](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/enforcement/guide-and-outfitter-info).
- Ask for references. Ask for successful hunters and unsuccessful hunters to get an accurate idea of what to expect on your hunt. It's also a good idea to search the internet, but remember that anyone can make a website or advertise on social media.
- Ask questions. Make sure you have asked about all of the things you want on your hunt. Make a list so you remember what items you want to discuss with the outfitter and take notes.
- Know whether you will be hunting private land or public land.
- Applying for public land draw hunts with an outfitter may improve your odds of drawing a license. Please reference the "outfitter list" and search for outfitters that have "Yes" in the 10% pool column. Contracts must be signed and dated prior to applying for draw hunts.
- If you draw a 10% pool license, it is not valid unless your outfitter or their guide is physically with you in the field for at least the first two days during the contracted dates of your hunt where your license is valid.
- Contracts are required by law. In an effort to protect both parties, contracts must designate the terms, hunt dates, guide to hunter-client ratio and compensation charged. Contracts must be signed prior to applying in the draw or for private-land hunts, prior to hunting. Read the contract carefully before signing it. The outfitter is only legally required to provide what is in the contract.

## Outfitted Hunts on Private Land

- Most outfitted hunts on private land are conducted by registered outfitters. Outfitted hunts on private land must be conducted by a registered outfitter, unless the hunt is outfitted by the landowner, their authorized agent or their ranch employees. If you are planning to book a hunt with an "agent" who is not a registered outfitter, please call (505) 476-8066 before booking your hunt. An agent is a person who is legally authorized by employment or written contract to act on behalf of a private landowner to oversee the landowner's hunting operation on their deeded property. Agents may not act independently from the landowner. Any person who purchases landowner permits or private-land licenses for a hunter-client or pays for access to a landowner's deeded property for a hunter-client in any way, shall be considered an outfitter and must be registered with the department.
- Private-land Authorizations: Know the difference between Ranch Only and Unit Wide (see page 68). Ranch Only authorizations are restricted to the property's deeded acreage and not valid on public land. If you will be hunting private land make sure you know how big the property is before you book your hunt. Finding out you can only hunt on minimal acres can lead to an undesirable experience and hunting illegally where your license is not valid can be costly.

If any person claiming to be a registered outfitter is not on the registered list, do not do business with them. Guides are not outfitters, and it is illegal to book a hunt with a guide. A list of registered outfitters is provided online at [www.wildlife.state.nm.us/enforcement/guide-and-outfitter-info](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/enforcement/guide-and-outfitter-info).

For more information email: [DFG-Guide-Outfitter@state.nm.us](mailto:DFG-Guide-Outfitter@state.nm.us) or telephone: (505) 476-8066.



# Management Hunts

## Population Management Hunts

Residents and nonresidents wishing to be considered for Population Management Hunts for Barbary sheep, bighorn sheep, deer, elk, ibex, oryx or pronghorn **must select the 5th-choice option on the draw application for the appropriate species.** Applications must be completed online or by telephone by March 20.

Applicants must apply for at least one regular draw hunt choice to be eligible for the Population Management Hunt of the same species. By choosing this option hunters are indicating their willingness, if unsuccessful in drawing their 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th choice, to be placed on a list of eligible hunters for that species.

Should a Population Management Hunt become necessary, a NMDGF official will contact hunters to notify them of the hunt areas, dates, bag limit, allowable sporting arms and any other special restrictions. The hunter will be asked to accept or decline a hunt. If a hunter declines, another hunter will be contacted. Bag limits for Population Management Hunts will be primarily female animals, since these hunts are intended to reduce populations in specific areas.

Choosing a Population Management Hunt option is not a guarantee the applicant will be contacted for a hunt. Population management hunters must file a harvest report.

**White Sands Missile Range (WSMR):** If selecting the 5th-choice option for oryx, applicants must have arranged to receive a hunt authorization code from an approved WSMR 2019 Security Sponsor (see page 108). The applicant must enter the hunt authorization code in his/her oryx 5th-choice hunt application. This applies only to population management oryx hunts that occur on WSMR. **Do not select WSMR options if you do not have an authorization code.**

## Population Management Hunt Fees

If unsuccessful for the 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th choice, applicants will be refunded the license fee.

If a hunter is contacted and accepts a 5th-choice hunt, she/he will be required to purchase the appropriate license(s) with tag for the species that she/he will hunt (page 13, *Draw License Fees*).

White Sands Missile Range and Jornada Experimental Range each charge a \$150 access fee to all oryx hunters. Other federal agencies may charge access fees. Choosing the Oryx Population Management Hunt implies acceptance of additional fees should a hunter be called for one of these hunts. Population management hunters must file a harvest report, and may be required to obtain a carcass tag in person at a license vendor or NMDGF office.

## Avoid Late Fees: Harvest Reporting for Late-season Management Hunts

Population Management license holders for hunts that occur late in the license year or after the reporting deadlines must submit a harvest report on or before April 7 to maintain draw eligibility.

NMDGF recommends reporting by telephone at: 1-888-248-6866 to avoid late fees.

# Enhancement Hunts

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All proceeds from enhancement hunts are used solely for habitat enhancement, conservation, research and management projects in New Mexico for the species auctioned or raffled. Authorizations may be used either by the recipient or any individual of the recipient's choice through sale, barter or gift. These hunts do not count as Once-in-a-Lifetime Hunts.

## Big-game Enhancement Packages

Two big-game authorization packages will be auctioned by NMDGF — one through the Mule Deer Foundation at the Western Hunting and Conservation Expo on February 14–17, 2019 in Salt Lake City, Utah — and one through the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation at their Hunters' Rendezvous Auction on January 26, 2019 in Tucson, Ariz. Each package will consist of five authorizations, one for each of the following: deer, elk, ibex, oryx and pronghorn. The season dates are Sept. 1, 2019–Jan. 31, 2020 for deer and elk; April 1, 2019–March 31, 2020 for ibex and oryx (for oryx hunts, WSMR access must be prearranged); and Aug. 1–Nov. 1, 2019 for pronghorn.

## Bighorn Sheep Enhancement Authorizations

Two authorizations will be auctioned by NMDGF with the assistance of the Wild Sheep Foundation—one for desert bighorn sheep and one for Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep—during their convention February 7–9, 2019.

Two authorizations will be raffled by NMDGF with the assistance of the New Mexico Chapter of the Wild Sheep Foundation (NMWSF)—one for desert bighorn sheep and one for Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep.

Raffle tickets can be ordered by contacting NMWSF President Bryan Bartlett: (575) 635-3499 or [bartlebc@yahoo.com](mailto:bartlebc@yahoo.com). Tickets cannot be paid by telephone or email. Tickets are \$20 each, and there are no volume discounts. Hunt dates are August 1–December 31, 2019, except in GMU 53 (Wheeler Peak), where the dates are August 1–15, 2019 and September 1–December 31, 2019.

**New This Year:** The successful auction bidder for desert bighorn sheep will choose their exclusive hunt area from the desert bighorn hunt area list on pages 97–98, and the successful auction bidder for Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep will do the same from the hunt area list on page 96 (excluding Unit 58, Dry Cimarron). Each successful auction bidder must select their exclusive hunt area by June 30, 2019. Raffle winners for desert bighorn sheep and Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep must do the same by July 20, 2019, however, they may not choose the same exclusive area declared by the successful auction bidders. The units remaining after both the auction and raffle winners have chosen their hunts may be hunted by either or both enhancement license holders.

## Deer Enhancement Authorizations

One deer authorization will be auctioned by NMDGF with the assistance of the Mule Deer Foundation at the Western Hunting and Conservation Expo on February 14–17, 2019 in Salt Lake City, Utah. One deer authorization will also be raffled with the assistance of the Mule Deer Foundation. Tickets must be purchased by June 13, 2019 to be considered for the June 14, 2019 drawing. The bag limit for these hunts is one fork-antlered deer.

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

## Elk Enhancement Authorizations

One bull-elk authorization will be auctioned by NMDGF with the assistance of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation at the RMEF Hunters' Rendezvous Auction on January 26, 2019 in Tucson, Ariz. One bull-elk authorization will be raffled with the assistance of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation at the NMDGF Santa Fe office in June, 2019. If an enhancement license holder chooses to hunt on Valles Caldera, he/she must arrange access with the National Park Service: (575) 829-4100 at least 2 weeks prior to hunting. For more information please visit the RMEF website: [www.rmef.org](http://www.rmef.org).

## Gould's Turkey Enhancement Permits

One Gould's turkey enhancement permit will be auctioned by NMDGF with the assistance of the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF) at the NWTF Convention and Sport Show on February 13–17, 2019 in Nashville, Tenn. Additional information will be available on the NWTF website: [www.nwtf.org/convention](http://www.nwtf.org/convention). A second permit will be raffled by NMDGF with the assistance of the New Mexico Chapter of NWTF. Winners of the auction and raffle for Gould's turkey authorizations also will receive a regular New Mexico Spring Turkey license with tag(s). Only 300 tickets will be sold. Tickets are \$20 each. The winner will be drawn on Tuesday, March 12, 2019. For more information email: [nmturkeyhunt@bajabb.com](mailto:nmturkeyhunt@bajabb.com).

## Premium Statewide Deer and Elk Hunts

The New Mexico Department of Game and Fish's premium deer and elk hunts are in honor of two department employees, Austin Roberts and Ocie Gray, who were killed in a January 1960 plane crash while delivering hay to starving pronghorn on the snow-covered plains outside of Las Vegas.

Pilot Austin Roberts, 40, of Roswell, was a 14-year veteran of the department at the time of his death. A cause of the accident was never determined. Before joining the department Roberts served as a bomber pilot during World War II and survived 62 bombing runs and being shot down six times. Lake Roberts in the Gila National Forest is named after him.

Ocie Gray, 25, was a department biologist and a 1959 graduate of New Mexico State University in Las Cruces where a scholarship in his name is available to biology students.

The two premium hunts were authorized by the State Game Commission to provide the public an affordable chance at a high quality hunting experience. The hunt codes are DER-1-700 and ELK-1-700 and allow hunting with any legal sporting arm in any unit statewide, including the department's Wildlife Management Areas and private land with written permission, anytime between Sept. 1, 2019 and Jan. 31, 2020. The hunts are available through the draw and quotas apply.



*Right (top–bottom): Austin Roberts and Ocie Gray. NMDGF photo taken the day of the crash.*

# Legal Shooting Hours

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**

## Legal Shooting Hours

Legal shooting hours for big game, furbearers and turkey are from ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset, unless otherwise noted.

## Sunrise and Sunset (MST) at Albuquerque, NM

Add one minute for each 12 miles west of Albuquerque. Subtract one minute for each 12 miles east of Albuquerque. Mountain Standard Time (MST) changes to Mountain Daylight Time (MDT) beginning Sunday, March 10, 2019 at 2 a.m. and ending Sunday, Nov. 4, 2019 at 2 a.m.

Date	Rise	Set	Date	Rise	Set	Date	Rise	Set
Jan. 1	- 7:14	- 5:05	May 1	- 6:15	- 7:52	Sept. 1	- 6:39	- 7:33
5	- 7:15	- 5:08	5	- 6:11	- 7:55	5	- 6:42	- 7:27
10	- 7:15	- 5:13	10	- 6:07	- 7:59	10	- 6:45	- 7:20
15	- 7:14	- 5:17	15	- 6:03	- 8:03	15	- 6:49	- 7:13
20	- 7:12	- 5:22	20	- 5:59	- 8:07	20	- 6:53	- 7:06
25	- 7:10	- 5:27	25	- 5:56	- 8:11	25	- 6:56	- 6:59
Feb. 1	- 7:05	- 5:35	Jun. 1	- 5:53	- 8:15	Oct. 1	- 7:01	- 6:50
5	- 7:02	- 5:39	5	- 5:52	- 8:18	5	- 7:04	- 6:45
10	- 6:57	- 5:44	10	- 5:52	- 8:20	10	- 7:08	- 6:38
15	- 6:52	- 5:49	15	- 5:51	- 8:22	15	- 7:12	- 6:31
20	- 6:47	- 5:53	20	- 5:52	- 8:23	20	- 7:16	- 6:25
25	- 6:41	- 5:58	25	- 5:53	- 8:24	25	- 7:21	- 6:19
Mar. 1	- 6:36	- 6:02	Jul. 1	- 5:56	- 8:24	Nov. 1	- 7:27	- 6:12
5	- 6:31	- 6:05	5	- 5:57	- 8:24	Mountain Daylight Time Ends		
Mountain Daylight Time Begins			10	- 6:00	- 8:23	5	- 6:31	- 5:08
10	- 7:24	- 7:09	15	- 6:03	- 8:21	10	- 6:36	- 5:04
15	- 7:17	- 7:14	20	- 6:07	- 8:18	15	- 6:41	- 5:00
20	- 7:10	- 7:18	25	- 6:10	- 8:15	20	- 6:45	- 4:58
25	- 7:03	- 7:22	Aug. 1	- 6:15	- 8:09	25	- 6:50	- 4:56
Apr. 1	- 6:53	- 7:27	5	- 6:18	- 8:05	Dec. 1	- 6:56	- 4:54
5	- 6:48	- 7:31	10	- 6:22	- 8:00	5	- 6:59	- 4:54
10	- 6:41	- 7:35	15	- 6:26	- 7:55	10	- 7:03	- 4:54
15	- 6:34	- 7:39	20	- 6:30	- 7:49	15	- 7:07	- 4:56
20	- 6:28	- 7:43	25	- 6:34	- 7:41	20	- 7:10	- 4:58
25	- 6:22	- 7:47				25	- 7:12	- 5:00

Source: [www.timeanddate.com/](http://www.timeanddate.com/)

# Chronic Wasting Disease

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

## Chronic Wasting Disease Rules Apply to Units 19, 28 and 34

It is unlawful to transport outside the GMU any deer or elk or their parts taken from any chronic wasting disease (CWD) control area designated by the director of the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish. The exceptions are:

- Meat that is cut and wrapped either privately or commercially.
- Quarters or other portions of meat with no part of the head or spinal column attached.
- Meat that has been boned out.
- Hides with no heads attached.
- Clean skull plates with antlers attached; Skull plate must be immersed in a bath of at least one part chlorine bleach and two parts water with all meat and tissue removed.
- Antlers with no meat or tissue attached.
- Upper canine teeth, also known as ivories.
- Finished heads mounted by a taxidermist.
- By prior arrangement, a harvested deer or elk or their parts may be moved to an NMDGF office.

You may not remove the whole head and spinal column. You must keep proof of sex with all game species until you get the game to the place where it will be consumed or placed in cold storage.

## Win an Elk or Oryx Incentive Authorization by Helping Test for Chronic Wasting Disease!

To participate, bring your freshly harvested deer or elk head to any NMDGF office or field collection station, where tissues can be collected for CWD testing. In Units 19, 28 and 34 hunters must present the head for testing within the unit where the animal was harvested. Hunters must deliver the unfrozen head within 48 hours of killing the animal to be eligible. Participating hunters may be selected by drawing to receive an elk or oryx incentive authorization. Incentive Authorizations can be used by the recipient or by any individual of the recipient's choice through sale, barter or gift.

# Federal Lands

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**

## Access to Public Lands

New Mexico contains approximately nine million acres of National Forest and 13 million acres of BLM lands. NMDGF recommends contacting the appropriate land management agency prior to hunting. Many public lands in New Mexico are also interspersed with privately owned property. A private landowner has the right to control the use of his/her private land. Where no public access exists, sportsmen/women must obtain written permission from the landowner or leaseholder to cross private land for access to public land. It is unlawful for persons to post or restrict lawful use of public land.

## National Parks and Monuments

National parks and national monuments are closed to hunting, except the following BLM managed national monuments that are open to hunting, trapping and fishing.

Rio Grande Del Norte National Monument . . . . . (575) 751-4899

Prehistoric Trackways National Monument and Organ Mountains–Desert Peaks National Monument . . . . . (575) 525-4300

## Valles Caldera National Preserve

All of Unit 6B is closed to hunting and trapping, except elk and turkey draw hunts. All hunters and participants in any firearm hunt on Valles Caldera National Preserve (VCNP), except turkey hunters using shotguns, must wear a minimum of 244 square inches of blaze orange. A special-use permit fee (\$35) and 7-day entrance fee (\$20) or a National Park Service Senior/All America Pass are required. A hunter orientation also is required before hunting on VCNP. Hunters should review all information regarding VCNP hunting rules and regulations at: [www.nps.gov/vall](http://www.nps.gov/vall). For more information telephone: (575) 829-4100.

## National Wildlife Refuges (NWR)

NWRs are closed to hunting unless specified open by federal refuge regulations for the hunting of particular species. If specified open, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service approved nontoxic shot is required for hunting on all national wildlife refuges.

Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge: . . . (575) 835-1828

Bitter Lake National Wildlife Refuge: . . . . . (575) 622-6755

Las Vegas National Wildlife Refuge: . . . . . (505) 425-3581

Sevilla National Wildlife Refuge: . . . . . (505) 864-4021

## Forest Service Lands

Most national forests in New Mexico are open to public hunting. Outfitters and guides providing services on national forest lands must possess a permit issued by that forest. Vehicle-use restrictions may apply on many Forest Service properties. Specific roads are closed in some national forests to protect natural resources. It is unlawful to use vehicles in areas closed under the Habitat Protection Act. **Late Season Road Closures:** If intending to utilize roads through Forest Service or BLM property, it is advisable to contact the appropriate land management field office (pages 42–44) beforehand for late season or winter closures and other access restrictions.

## Stay Informed about Controlled Burns

The U.S. Forest Service and other public land-management agencies routinely conduct controlled burns in forested areas during the fall months. Prescribed fires maintain a diverse and healthy forest ecosystem and improve wildlife habitat. Hunters are encouraged to be aware before their hunt and check [nofireinfo.com](http://nofireinfo.com) for burn advisories.

### Sandia Ranger District: Cibola National Forest

The Sandia Ranger District is open to all big-game hunting, but restricted to bow-only hunts during established seasons.

### Valle Vidal: Carson National Forest

Greenwood Area is private property and no longer included in the Valle Vidal hunt area. The Valle Vidal is closed seasonally to public access: West Side is closed May 1–June 30; and East Side is closed Jan. 1–March 31. The Valle Vidal Unit is open to big-game and turkey hunting by draw only and is closed to all small-game hunting and trapping. Off-road travel is prohibited, and camping is allowed only in designated campgrounds or beyond one-half mile from the road. Other restrictions may apply. For more information, contact the U.S. Forest Service office in Questa: (575) 586-0520.

## For More Information about Forest Service Lands

For information visit [www.fs.fed.us](http://www.fs.fed.us) or contact the national forest of interest.

Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest (928) 333-4301; Carson National Forest (575) 758-6200; Cibola National Forest (505) 346-3900; Coronado National Forest (520) 388-8300; Gila National Forest (575) 388-8201; Lincoln National Forest (575) 257-4095; or Santa Fe National Forest (505) 438-5300.

## Bureau of Land Management Lands

Most land under Bureau of Land Management jurisdiction, including Wilderness Study Areas, is open to public hunting. However, it is the responsibility of each hunter to know what restrictions apply and where. Outfitters and guides providing services on BLM lands must possess a permit issued by that district. Off-road vehicle travel may be restricted or prohibited on BLM lands, depending on location. Obey all posted rules and check with local BLM offices for regulatory changes that may occur in Special Management Units.

**Kashe Katuwe–Tent Rocks National Monument:** Closed to hunting.

**Rio Bonito Acquired Lands:** Contact Roswell BLM office, (575) 627-0272.

**Santa Cruz Lake Recreation Area:** Land extending one-quarter mile from the shoreline of Santa Cruz Lake and upstream on either side of the Rio Medio is closed to hunting and trapping.

**Rio Grande Recreation Area: Wild Rivers Zone** is open to hunting and trapping with the exception of the closed area: beginning from the fence at the pay station; east following the southern boundary of State Land Section 32 to where it intersects the power line; south following the Red River to its confluence with the Rio Grande; north following the Rio Grande to Sheep's Crossing; east to the right of way fence of the Backcountry Byway; and south following this right of way fence to the pay station. **Taos Valley Overlook Zone** and **Orilla Verde Zone** are closed to hunting and trapping.

# Federal Lands

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## For More Information about BLM Lands

For more information visit: [www.blm.gov/nm/st/en.html](http://www.blm.gov/nm/st/en.html) or contact:

Albuquerque: (505) 761-8700; Carlsbad: (575) 887-6544; Farmington: (505) 599-8900;

Las Cruces: (575) 525-4300; Roswell: (575) 627-0272; Socorro: (575) 835-0412,

Taos: (575) 758-8851, or Santa Fe: (505) 954-2000.

## Military Reservations

With the cooperation of the U.S. Department of Defense, hunting is allowed on some military reservations that control access to these areas. Hunters must obtain permission and conditions of access directly from the military reservation. Hunters may be required to sign-in and sign-out at check stations for some hunts. The U.S. military may delay or cancel hunts (see closures below).

**Kirtland Air Force Base:** No access is allowed within the fenced area.

**Lake Holloman Wildlife Refuge:** Closed to big-game hunting.

**Fort Bliss / McGregor Range:** All hunters on Fort Bliss, including McGregor Range, are required to have proof of passing a state-certified hunter education course. Mentored-Youth Hunters are not eligible. Hunters are required to wear a blaze-orange hat and vest and are subject to security searches. McGregor Range in Unit 28 is open for big-game hunting by draw (see specific species and season listings). Hunters may be required to visit El Paso, TX to acquire an access pass. For access information, contact Fort Bliss: [david.j.black46.civ@mail.mil](mailto:david.j.black46.civ@mail.mil). or Fort Bliss Security Office: (915) 568-3215.

**GMU 34: Grapevine Canyon (McGregor Range Buffer Zone):** Subject to closure by the Forest Service and/or the military during missile firings. This area in GMU 34 is accessible with military permission only. For access information contact the Fort Bliss Security Office: (915) 568-3215.

**White Sands Missile Range:** Open for bighorn sheep, deer, elk, oryx and youth-pronghorn hunting by draw (see specific species and season listings). For access information, contact the White Sands Missile Range at: (575) 678-7909 or (575) 678-7095.

**U.S. Forest Service & Military Closures:** In the interest of public safety, the Forest Service and U.S. military may delay or cancel hunts in portions of GMUs 10, 13, 18, 19, 20, 28 and 34. Closures usually occur between 3 p.m.–8 a.m., during which time roadblocks leading into closed areas will be placed and evacuation required of all persons in these areas. The area subject to closure in Unit 34 is located in Grapevine Canyon (McGregor Range Buffer Zone) and is subject to closure by the U.S. Forest Service and/or the military during missile firings. Closures of these areas can occur throughout the year and may effect a number of hunts listed in this booklet. The area subject to closure in GMU 10 includes approximately 29 square miles of the Mount Taylor Ranger District, Cibola National Forest—located in the Zuni Mountains, directly south and east of the Fort Wingate Launch Complex and south of U.S. Hwy. I-40. The area subject to closure in GMU 13 includes approximately 200 square miles of the western portion of the Magdalena Ranger District, Cibola National Forest—located in the Datil Mountains, north of U.S. Hwy. 60 and northeast of Datil, N.M. Authority for the closures is 36 CFR 261.53 (E) and 36 CFR 261.54 (e).



# New Mexico State Lands

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

## New Mexico State Trust Land

The New Mexico State Game Commission has purchased a lease for **hunting, fishing and trapping of protected species** on State Trust Land. Certain State Trust Land may be under business lease and withdrawn by the Commissioner of Public Lands and unavailable for hunting, fishing or trapping. For specific locations, contact the New Mexico State Land Office: (505) 827-5842 or [www.nmstatelands.org/Recreational\\_Access.aspx#SportsmanAccess](http://www.nmstatelands.org/Recreational_Access.aspx#SportsmanAccess).

To ensure access and create larger and better defined hunting areas, hunting and trapping privileges for some State Trust Land have been exchanged for similar privileges on private lands. These private-land areas have signs posted with notices that the land has been unitized (page 48). Observe these signs and contact NMDGF if you have questions about the location of land open for public use. Though not required, trappers are encouraged to notify the appropriate lessee when trapping on State Trust Lands.

### If Denied Access

The right to enter State Trust Land is assured if access is available by public road (defined in Section 67-2-1, NMSA 1978) or across other public lands or trails. If denied access, contact the New Mexico State Land Office (above) or the local conservation officer to provide complete details, including the location, date, time and name(s) of person(s) denying access.

### If Allowed Access

#### If you have been allowed access to State Trust Land, you may:

- Scout for big game seven days prior to the open season.
- Hunt big game or take protected furbearers during open hours and seasons.
- Hunt or trap unprotected species on State Trust Land, but only during the period in which your license is valid for protected species on those lands.
- Camp with the permission of the agricultural lessee, unless otherwise authorized by the Commissioner of Public Lands.
- Take up to three guests per license holder on your hunt.

#### You must:

- Have in your possession all required and valid fishing, trapping and hunting licenses with tags which must be available on demand by employees of either the State Land Office or NMDGF.
- Respect other land uses, such as surface or mineral leases.
- Drive **only** on established roads and close gates.
- Pack out trash.

#### It is illegal to:

- Attach blinds to private property, such as windmills, tanks, etc.
- Drive off-road for any reason.
- Enter during seasons for which you are not licensed or before the hours and allowed scouting periods for which you are licensed.
- Use private roads or cross private lands without prior written permission from the landowner.
- Remove wood, sand or gravel or conduct commercial or unrelated personal activities.
- Harass or injure livestock or wildlife or damage private property, such as dwellings or range improvements.
- Use a Private-land Only License to hunt on state land, even if the state land is leased by a landowner whose property you have permission to hunt.

# New Mexico State Lands

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**

## New Mexico State Trust Land: Commercial or Other Uses

### A Message from the State Trust Land Office

The New Mexico State Game Commission easement providing licensed sportsmen the use of State Trust Land is subject to the rules and regulations of the New Mexico State Land Office. Persons seeking to use State Trust Land for uses other than the taking of protected species must secure the specific approval of the State Land Office. For more information, contact the State Land Office: (505) 827-5842; or <http://www.nmstatelands.org>.

## New Mexico State Parks

All New Mexico State Parks are closed to hunting, unless specified open in a designated area. For information contact the New Mexico State Parks Division at: 1-888-667-2757 or [nmparks.com](http://nmparks.com).

## Other State Lands

**Chihuahuan Desert Research Center:** The Chihuahuan Desert Rangeland Research Center (College Ranch) is closed to unescorted public access. For information, telephone: (575) 646-2554 or visit: <http://chihuahuansc.nmsu.edu/index.html>.

**Jornada Experimental Range:** Jornada Experimental Range in Doña Ana County is closed to unescorted public access.

**Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District:** For information or to obtain access, telephone: (505) 864-7466.

**Portions of the Rio Grande in Valencia County:** In the interest of public safety, areas posted along the Rio Grande in Valencia County may be closed to hunting. For further information regarding closures contact the NMDGF Northwest Office: (505) 222-4700.

## Don't Bring Firewood into New Mexico from Other States!

Bringing firewood from one state to another has become the principal method by which damaging insect pests and diseases are introduced to forests. Emerald ash borer, Sirex woodwasps, gypsy moth, Asian longhorn beetle, and oak wilt disease can be transported in firewood and are the cause of significant damage to forests in other states. These pests are almost always fatal to trees and will decimate forested areas as well as riparian areas if allowed to get established. **If you inadvertently bring firewood from another state, please burn all of it immediately.**

### Purchase or collect firewood within New Mexico.

For more information contact the New Mexico Department of Agriculture: (575) 646-3207 or the U.S. Department of Agriculture–Plant Protection and Quarantine: (575) 527-6985.



# Wildlife Management Areas

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

## New Mexico State Game Commission Lands

The State Game Commission owns and manages lands across New Mexico for the benefit of fish, wildlife and their habitats. These lands include New Mexico's Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs). Select WMAs are open to provide additional public hunting opportunities. See below for special WMA rules.

### Big-game and Turkey Hunting on Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs)

All WMAs are closed, unless specifically open. If designated open:

- WMAs open for big-game and turkey hunting are listed in this booklet for each big-game species by GMU. All other WMAs are closed to big-game and turkey hunting.
- Only New Mexico residents may apply for big-game hunts held exclusively on WMAs. Non-residents may only apply for hunts open concurrently on both a WMA and other public lands.
- Legal big-game and turkey shooting hours are listed on page 40.
- Scouting is allowed by each properly-licensed, big-game hunter with up to three guests during a seven-day period prior to the published start date of his/her hunt.

### General Rules for Hunting on Wildlife Management Areas

- WMA access is allowed by each properly-licensed hunter with up to three guests, concurrent with his/her published hunt period (and scouting period for big-game hunters only).
- Individuals may not enter closed areas as posted on site.
- Vehicles may not be operated off established roads or on closed roads.
- Camping is restricted to designated areas. Individuals may not camp more than 14 consecutive days, unless concurrent with their published hunt period (and scouting period for big-game hunters only).
- Campfires must be safely contained.
- Dogs must remain on leash, except when being used for hunting purposes as allowed by rule.
- Domestic livestock feed, other than pelleted, grain feed or hay certified as weed free, is prohibited.
- Individuals may not deface or remove rocks, minerals, plants (including fruits, nuts, and berries), animals, firewood, or man-made features (including artifacts).
- Individuals may not violate access rules for specific WMAs posted on site or otherwise published by NMDGF.

Hunting and trapping for nongame animals, protected furbearers, unprotected furbearers (coyotes and skunks) or unprotected species (feral hogs) is not allowed on WMAs, except Water Canyon WMA where nongame hunting is allowed January 1–March 31, 2019

For further rules and specific information about each WMA, visit Conservation/State Game Commission Lands at [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us).

# Private Lands

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**

## Hunting on Private Land

Hunters must possess written permission before entering private lands, including streambeds (see *Criminal Trespass*, pages 26, 27). It is unlawful to knowingly enter any private property to hunt, capture, take, attempt to take or kill any protected species on posted private property without written permission from the landowner or person in control of the land. It also is unlawful to remain on private property if consent has been denied or withdrawn. Any game taken in violation of the above, shall be subject to seizure.

## Unitization Agreements Provide Access

Unitization agreements are cooperative temporary agreements between landowners and the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish, the State Land Office and/or the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). These agreements consolidate areas to benefit sportsmen and landowners alike by increasing public hunting access during the hunting season to previously inaccessible areas, while at the same time diminishing trespass issues for landowners and enabling them to better manage ranching operations. Each agreement is reviewed annually, and the public is welcome to provide comments.

## How Hunters Can Use Unitization

To take advantage of the hunting opportunities unitized ranches provide, hunters must have a valid license for the season and species identified in each agreement. Each agreement specifies the hunting season(s) and species which apply.

For maps and information on ranches that have entered into unitization agreements visit: <http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/hunting/maps/unitized-ranch/>. Also, to assist and inform hunters in the field, signs will be posted on public and private property where unitization agreements are in effect.

Hunters may hunt on private lands that have been opened through a unitization agreement. Hunters must have permission from the lessee to hunt on BLM/State lands that have been closed through a unitization agreement. Game animals taken in violation of the above may be seized.

# Native American Lands

Contact individual pueblos, tribes and nations for more information.

Hunting on Native American lands is outside the jurisdiction of the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish. Permission must be obtained from the pueblo, tribe or nation where that land is located.

A New Mexico license is not required, however, game and/or fish taken on/or from native lands must be accompanied by an official document, such as a license or receipt from tribal authorities, which demonstrates lawful possession.

# Open Gate

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

## Open Gate Program

Open Gate is a voluntary access program available to outdoor users and landowners statewide. Its primary purpose is to provide more opportunities to hunt, fish and trap statewide. To accomplish this, NMDGF leases lands and waters from private landowners for a variety of unique hunting, fishing and trapping opportunities.

Each property participating in Open Gate will have special rules for permitted activities agreed upon by the landowner and NMDGF. These rules will be posted on the property and are also available on the NMDGF website. Hunters, anglers and trappers can use this information to locate and learn about properties that match their interests.

It is the responsibility of the individual using the property to know and obey posted rules. Citations may be issued for violation of any rules or regulations.

### Be a Respectful and Courteous Guest

- Follow all posted rules.
- Leave all gates as you found them.
- Don't block gates or roads with parked vehicles.
- Don't shoot towards livestock, buildings or equipment.
- Pick up any trash along the way.
- If you see the landowner, don't forget to offer an appreciative thank you!

### Landowners Can Earn Extra Cash for a Hunting Lease

The New Mexico Department of Game and Fish is interested in leasing more lands with quality habitat for hunting, fishing, and trapping. Willing landowners can sign an agreement with NMDGF and receive a per-acre payment based on opportunities provided. In addition to property leases, NMDGF will also pay for right-of-way access across the property of a landowner to allow hunters, anglers and trappers access to otherwise inaccessible tracts of State Trust or federal lands. New Mexico provides liability protection to landowners who participate in Open Gate.

Funding for the program is provided from a portion of annual Habitat Management & Access Validation sales. To learn more about the Open Gate program please visit: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us) or telephone: (505) 476-8043.

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## General Information

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## Deer Draw Licenses

Deadline to apply for Deer Draw Licenses is March 20, 2019. Up to four hunters may apply per application for a Deer Draw License.

Successful applicants will be mailed a Deer Draw License/tag, unless the E-Tag option is chosen. The license includes a hunt code and description of the unit, sporting-arm type, season dates and bag limit. Tags include instructions for proper tagging.

The Public-land Deer Draw License authorizes the hunter to hunt on any open public land within the specified unit or hunt area and on any private land in that unit (except Units 2A, 2B, 2C, 4 and 5A), provided that written permission has been obtained from the landowner of the property.

### Types of Deer Draw Licenses

Four types of Deer Draw Licenses are available to hunters using rifle, bow or muzzleloader, including: standard hunts (S); quality hunts (Q); high-demand hunts (HD); and combination quality and high-demand hunts (Q/HD). See *Glossary*, pages 135–139.

### Bag Limit (see glossary, pages 135, 136)

- FAD: Fork-antlered deer.  
 FAMD: Fork-antlered mule deer.  
 FAWTD: Fork-antlered white-tailed deer.  
 ESWTD: Either-sex white-tailed deer.  
 A: Antlerless deer.

### Fourth Choice Hunts

By selecting 4th-choice, an applicant is indicating she/he will accept a deer hunting license for **any hunt** in a specific quadrant of the state. The 4th-choice assignment will always be for the same sporting arm type as the 1st-choice on an application.

Hunters should understand that success rates for 4th-choice hunts may be low, due to small and localized populations of deer. Not all hunts are available in the 4th-choice hunt pool. **Hunters who apply for and receive a 4th-choice hunt will not receive a refund and may not obtain a Private-land Only License if dissatisfied with the hunt drawn.**

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If applying for a 4th-choice hunt, applicants must select one of the four quadrants listed below.

**NW:** Northwest: Units 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12 or 14.

**NE:** Northeast: Units 41, 42, 43, 45, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58 or 59.

**SW:** Southwest: Units 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 or 27.

**SE:** Southeast: Units 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38, 39 or 40.

## Private-land Only Deer Licenses

To hunt on private land only (except in Units 2A, 2B, 2C, 4 and 5A listed below), hunters must obtain a Private-land Only Deer License and tag—available online, by telephone, from license vendors or at NMDGF offices. Online and telephone purchases must be made at least 14 days prior to hunt start date to allow mailing of tags (see page 8), unless the E-Tag option is chosen. When obtaining a Private-land Only Deer License, the hunter must select a hunt code which corresponds with a Deer-Draw Hunt Code for the unit, bag limit, sporting arm type and season date. If the hunter is a nonresident and selects a corresponding Deer-Draw Hunt Code designated as Quality (Q), she/he must purchase a Quality Deer License.

### Private-land Deer Hunting in Units 2A, 2B, 2C, 4 and 5A

Hunters wishing to hunt on private land in these units must obtain an authorization code and a hunt code from the landowner. With this information, hunters may apply through the regular draw. When applying for Private-land Hunts in Unit 5A, only one person per application may apply. The application must be completed by March 20, 2019. Private-land Only Licenses are not issued by license vendors for hunts in Units 2A, 2B, 2C, 4 and 5A. Hunt codes must be obtained from a landowner.

Landowners must obtain an **Authorization Code and Hunt Codes** from the NMDGF Northwest Area Office located in Albuquerque or telephone: (505) 222-4710.

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## Private-land Deer Hunting in Units 8, 46, 54, 55 and 55B

Units 8, 46, 54 and 55 have limited public-land hunting opportunities. Private-land hunters in these units must select one of the hunt codes listed below. The fee type is standard (S).

Unit	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Licenses	Bag Limit
<b>Unit 8</b>				
Bow . . .	Sept. 1–24 . . .	DER–2–501 . . .	Unlimited . . .	FAD
Muzzle . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3 . . .	DER–3–502 . . .	Unlimited . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . .	DER–1–500 . . .	Unlimited . . .	FAD
<b>Unit 46</b>				
Bow . . .	Sept. 1–24 . . .	DER–2–505 . . .	Unlimited . . .	FAD
Muzzle . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3 . . .	DER–3–506 . . .	Unlimited . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–1–503 . . .	Unlimited . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–1–504 . . .	Unlimited . . .	FAD
<b>Unit 54</b>				
Bow . . .	Sept. 1–24 . . .	DER–2–511 . . .	Unlimited . . .	FAD
Muzzle . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3 . . .	DER–3–512 . . .	Unlimited . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–1–507 . . .	Unlimited . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–1–508 . . .	Unlimited . . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth only	Nov. 23–Dec. 1 . . .	DER–1–510 . . .	Unlimited . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . .	Nov. 27–Dec. 1 . . .	DER–1–509 . . .	Unlimited . . .	ESWTD
<b>Unit 55A, 55B</b>				
Bow . . .	Sept. 1–24 . . .	DER–2–516 . . .	Unlimited . . .	FAD
Muzzle . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3 . . .	DER–3–517 . . .	Unlimited . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–1–513 . . .	Unlimited . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–1–514 . . .	Unlimited . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . Youth only	Nov. 23–Dec. 1 . . .	DER–1–515 . . .	Unlimited . . .	FAD
<b>Unit 55B Only</b>				
Any Legal . . .	Nov. 27–Dec. 1 . . .	DER–1–518 . . .	Unlimited . . .	ESWTD



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## Deer Draw Licenses: Seasons for All Sporting Arms

**Closed Areas:** Military reservations, national parks and monuments, state parks and monuments, recreation areas, national wildlife refuges, state wildlife management areas, and other locations may be closed or restrict hunting. All state wildlife management areas are closed unless officially designated open to hunting. **White Sands Missile Range, Unit 19:** WSMR will charge a \$50 per hunter access fee. Successful WSMR applicants will receive an email from WSMR with instructions for fee payment. Hunters are responsible for timely payment and will not be allowed to hunt if the access fee has not been paid by the specified deadline.

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	No. Licenses	Bag
<b>Premium Statewide Deer Hunt (page 39)</b>					
(Public land and WMAs open to hunting and private land with written permission)					
Statewide . . . . .	Sept. 1–Jan. 31 '20	DER-1-700 . . .	Q . . . . .	1 . . . . .	FAD
<b>Unit 2A</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24 . . .	DER-2-103 . . .	S . . . . .	40 . . . . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . . .	DER-2-105 . . .	S . . . . .	80 . . . . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3 . . .	DER-3-107 . . .	S . . . . .	50 . . . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER-1-100 . . .	S . . . . .	150 . . . . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1 . . .	DER-1-102 . . .	S . . . . .	40 . . . . .	FAD
<b>Unit 2B</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24 . . .	DER-2-116 . . .	S . . . . .	130 . . . . .	FAD
Bow - Youth Only . . . . .	Sept. 1–24 . . .	DER-2-117 . . .	S . . . . .	20 . . . . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . . .	DER-2-119 . . .	Q . . . . .	180 . . . . .	FAD
Bow - Youth Only . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . . .	DER-2-120 . . .	Q . . . . .	50 . . . . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3 . . .	DER-3-122 . . .	S . . . . .	175 . . . . .	FAD
Muzzle - Youth Only . . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3 . . .	DER-3-123 . . .	S . . . . .	20 . . . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER-1-109 . . .	S . . . . .	275 . . . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER-1-111 . . .	S . . . . .	400 . . . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . .	DER-1-113 . . .	Q . . . . .	475 . . . . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1 . . .	DER-1-115 . . .	S . . . . .	150 . . . . .	FAD
<b>Unit 2C</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . . .	DER-2-127 . . .	Q/HD . . . . .	50 . . . . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3 . . .	DER-3-129 . . .	Q . . . . .	20 . . . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 9–13 . . .	DER-1-125 . . .	Q/HD . . . . .	30 . . . . .	FAD

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<b>Unit 4 - Humphries/Rio Chama/Sargent WMAs (NM Resident Only)</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24 . . .	DER–2–139 . . .	Q . . . . .	10 . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–1–131 . . .	Q . . . . .	20 . . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–1–132 . . .	Q . . . . .	10 . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–1–134 . . .	Q . . . . .	20 . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 16–20 . . .	DER–1–136 . . .	Q . . . . .	10 . . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Nov. 27–Dec. 1 . . .	DER–1–138 . . .	Q . . . . .	5 . . .	FAD
<b>Unit 5A</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24 . . .	DER–2–144 . . .	S . . . . .	30 . . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3 . . .	DER–3–146 . . .	S . . . . .	10 . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 5–11 . . .	DER–1–142 . . .	S . . . . .	40 . . .	FAD
<b>Unit 5B</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24 . . .	DER–2–150 . . .	Q . . . . .	10 . . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3 . . .	DER–3–151 . . .	Q . . . . .	10 . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . .	DER–1–148 . . .	Q . . . . .	25 . . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1 . . .	DER–1–149 . . .	Q/HD . . .	10 . . .	FAD
<b>Units 6A, 6C</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24 . . .	DER–2–154 . . .	S . . . . .	100 . . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Sept. 28–Oct. 2 . . .	DER–3–155 . . .	S . . . . .	115 . . .	FAD
Any Legal - Mobility impaired . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . .	DER–1–152 . . .	S . . . . .	20 . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . .	DER–1–153 . . .	S . . . . .	100 . . .	FAD
<b>Unit 7</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24 . . .	DER–2–157 . . .	S . . . . .	10 . . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3 . . .	DER–3–158 . . .	S . . . . .	20 . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . .	DER–1–156 . . .	S . . . . .	25 . . .	FAD
<b>Unit 8</b>					
Bow - Youth Only . . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1 . . .	DER–2–159 . . .	S . . . . .	50 . . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . . .	DER–2–160 . . .	S . . . . .	65 . . .	FAD
<b>Unit 9 (including Water Canyon and Marquez WMAs)</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24 . . .	DER–2–163 . . .	S . . . . .	10 . . .	FAD
Muzzle - Restricted Muzzle Only. . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3 . . .	DER–3–164 . . .	S . . . . .	10 . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 9–13 . . .	DER–1–161 . . .	S . . . . .	10 . . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1 . . .	DER–1–162 . . .	S . . . . .	10 . . .	FAD

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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	No. Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 10</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–170. . .	S. . . . .	.100 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3	DER–3–171. . .	S. . . . .	90 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	DER–1–165 . . .	S. . . . .	20 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	DER–1–166 . . .	S. . . . .	70 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER–1–167 . . .	S. . . . .	65 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . .	DER–1–168 . . .	S. . . . .	90 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1	DER–1–169 . . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 12</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–173. . .	S. . . . .	20 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Nov. 9–13. . .	DER–3–174. . .	S. . . . .	40 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER–1–172 . . .	S. . . . .	90 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 13</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–178. . .	S. . . . .	.125 . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20	DER–2–179. . .	S. . . . .	75 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER–3–180. . .	S. . . . .	200 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . .	DER–1–175 . . .	S. . . . .	.150 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 9–13. . .	DER–1–176 . . .	S. . . . .	.150 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1	DER–1–177 . . .	S. . . . .	50 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 14</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–182. . .	S. . . . .	30 . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20	DER–2–183. . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3	DER–3–184. . .	S. . . . .	50 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	DER–1–181 . . .	S. . . . .	50 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 15</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–185. . .	S. . . . .	75 . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20	DER–2–186. . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER–3–187. . .	S. . . . .	.165 . .	FAD
Muzzle - Youth Only . . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1	DER–3–188. . .	S. . . . .	.100 . .	FAD

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<b>Unit 16</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–193. . .	S. . . . .	230 . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . .	DER–2–194. . .	S. . . . .	.175 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–3–195. . .	S. . . . .	300 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . .	DER–1–189. . .	S. . . . .	300 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired . . . . .	Nov. 9–13. . . .	DER–1–190. . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 9–13. . . .	DER–1–191. . .	S. . . . .	300 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1 . .	DER–1–192. . .	S. . . . .	.100 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 17</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–199. . .	Q . . . . .	75 . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . .	DER–2–200. . .	Q . . . . .	75 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–3–201. . .	Q . . . . .	80 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . .	DER–1–196. . .	Q . . . . .	80 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 9–13. . . .	DER–1–197. . .	Q . . . . .	80 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1 . .	DER–1–198. . .	Q . . . . .	80 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 18</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–204. . .	S. . . . .	50 . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . .	DER–2–205. . .	S. . . . .	40 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–3–206. . .	S. . . . .	75 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . .	DER–1–202. . .	S. . . . .	70 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 9–13. . . .	DER–1–203. . .	S. . . . .	70 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 19 - excluding White Sands Missile Range (WSMR) portion</b>					
Bow - excluding WSMR portion <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . .	DER–2–208. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	FAD
Muzzle - excluding WSMR portion <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . . .	DER–3–209. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	FAD
<sup>(1)</sup> CWD detected in this area, see page 41.					
<b>Unit 19 - White Sands Missile Range (WSMR) portion only</b>					
Any Legal - WSMR portion only <sup>(1)(2)</sup> . . . . .	Jan. 3–5 and . . .	DER–1–207. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	FAD
	Jan. 17–19, '20 . .				
<sup>(1)</sup> CWD detected in this area, see page 41.					
<sup>(2)</sup> Mandatory check-in and check-out required.					
<b>Unit 20</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–212. . .	S. . . . .	40 . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . .	DER–2–213. . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–3–214. . .	S. . . . .	85 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . .	DER–1–210. . .	S. . . . .	90 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 9–13. . . .	DER–1–211. . .	S. . . . .	90 . .	FAD

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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	No. Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 21</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–218. . .	S. . . . .	300 . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . .	DER–2–219. . .	S. . . . .	200 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–3–220. . .	S. . . . .	.350 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . .	DER–1–215 . . .	S. . . . .	.425 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 9–13. . . .	DER–1–216 . . .	S. . . . .	.425 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1 . .	DER–1–217 . . .	S. . . . .	.100 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 22</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–224. . .	S. . . . .	30 . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . .	DER–2–225. . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–3–226. . .	S. . . . .	65 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . .	DER–1–221 . . .	S. . . . .	70 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 9–13. . . .	DER–1–222. . .	S. . . . .	70 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1 . .	DER–1–223. . .	S. . . . .	20 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 23 (excluding Burro Mountain Hunt Area)</b>					
Bow <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–232. . .	S. . . . .	.205 . .	FAMD
Bow <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . .	DER–2–233. . .	S. . . . .	50 . .	FAMD
Bow <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–234. . .	S. . . . .	.100 . .	FAWTD
Bow <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	Jan. 16–31, '20. .	DER–2–235. . .	S. . . . .	50 . .	FAWTD
<sup>(1)</sup> Hunters holding a valid Bow Deer License for Unit 23 and who did not harvest a deer during an above hunt, will be allowed to hunt antlerless deer within the Silver City Deer Management Area (as determined by NMDGF) from Jan. 16–Feb. 5, 2020.					
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–3–236. . .	S. . . . .	.225 . .	FAMD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–3–237. . .	S. . . . .	45 . .	FAWTD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . .	DER–1–227. . .	S. . . . .	.450 . .	FAMD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 9–13. . . .	DER–1–228. . .	S. . . . .	.450 . .	FAMD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 16–20 . . .	DER–1–229. . .	S. . . . .	.100 . .	FAWTD
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 7–15. . . .	DER–1–230. . .	HD . . . .	50 . .	FAWTD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1 . .	DER–1–231 . . .	S. . . . .	75 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 23 - Burro Mountain Hunt Area</b>					
Bow <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . .	DER–2–241. . .	Q . . . . .	40 . .	FAMD
Bow <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . . .	DER–2–242. . .	Q . . . . .	20 . .	FAWTD
Bow <sup>(2)</sup> . . . . .	Jan. 16–31, '20. .	DER–2–243. . .	Q . . . . .	50 . .	FAWTD
<sup>(2)</sup> Hunters holding a valid Bow Deer License for Unit 23 and who did not harvest a deer during an above hunt, will be allowed to hunt antlerless deer within the Silver City Deer Management Area (as determined by NMDGF) from Jan. 16–Feb. 5, 2020.					

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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	No. Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 23 - Burro Mountain Hunt Area - continued.</b>					
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER-3-244. . .	Q . . . . .	40 . . . . .	FAMD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER-3-245. . .	Q . . . . .	40 . . . . .	FAWTD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–10. . . .	DER-1-238. . .	Q . . . . .	35 . . . . .	FAMD
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 7–15 . . . .	DER-1-239. . .	Q/HD . . . .	40 . . . . .	FAWTD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1 . . . .	DER-1-240. . .	Q . . . . .	25 . . . . .	FAD

## Unit 24 (excluding Fort Bayard Management Area)

Bow <sup>(3)</sup> . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . . .	DER-2-252. . .	S. . . . .	125 . . . . .	FAMD
Bow <sup>(3)</sup> . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . . . .	DER-2-253. . .	S. . . . .	75 . . . . .	FAMD
Bow <sup>(3)</sup> . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . . .	DER-2-254. . .	S. . . . .	60 . . . . .	FAWTD
Bow <sup>(3)</sup> . . . . .	Jan. 16–31, '20. . . .	DER-2-255. . .	S. . . . .	40 . . . . .	FAWTD

<sup>(3)</sup> Hunters holding a valid Bow Deer License for Unit 24 and who did not harvest a deer during an above hunt, will be allowed to hunt antlerless deer within the Silver City Deer Management Area (as determined by NMDGF) from Jan. 16–Feb. 5, 2020.

Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER-3-256. . .	S. . . . .	280 . . . . .	FAMD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER-3-257. . .	S. . . . .	40 . . . . .	FAWTD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . .	DER-1-247. . .	S. . . . .	400 . . . . .	FAMD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 9–13. . . .	DER-1-248. . .	S. . . . .	400 . . . . .	FAMD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 16–20 . . . .	DER-1-249. . .	S. . . . .	100 . . . . .	FAWTD
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 7–15 . . . .	DER-1-251 . . .	S. . . . .	50 . . . . .	FAWTD

## Unit 24 (Including Fort Bayard Management Area)

Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Sept. 28–Oct. 6 . . . .	DER-1-246. . .	S. . . . .	50 . . . . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1 . . . .	DER-1-250. . .	S. . . . .	50 . . . . .	FAD

## Unit 25

Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . . .	DER-2-260. . .	S. . . . .	45 . . . . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . . . .	DER-2-261. . .	S. . . . .	30 . . . . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER-3-262. . .	S. . . . .	45 . . . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . .	DER-1-258. . .	S. . . . .	100 . . . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 9–13. . . .	DER-1-259. . .	S. . . . .	100 . . . . .	FAD

## Unit 26

Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . . .	DER-2-265. . .	S. . . . .	25 . . . . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . . . .	DER-2-266. . .	S. . . . .	15 . . . . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER-3-267. . .	S. . . . .	60 . . . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . .	DER-1-263. . .	S. . . . .	100 . . . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 9–13. . . .	DER-1-264. . .	S. . . . .	100 . . . . .	FAD

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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	No. Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 27</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20	DER–2–273.	. . . Q . . . . .	40 . .	FAMD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 16–31, '20	DER–2–274.	. . . Q . . . . .	40 . .	FAWTD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER–3–275.	. . . Q . . . . .	40 . .	FAMD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER–3–276.	. . . Q . . . . .	50 . .	FAWTD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . .	DER–1–268.	. . . Q . . . . .	50 . .	FAMD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 9–13. . .	DER–1–269.	. . . Q . . . . .	50 . .	FAMD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 16–20 . .	DER–1–270.	. . . Q/HD . . . .	40 . .	FAWTD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1	DER–1–271.	. . . Q . . . . .	25 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 7–15 . . .	DER–1–272.	. . . Q/HD . . . .	25 . .	FAWTD
<b>Unit 28 (CWD detected in this area. See page 41.)</b>					
Any Legal - McGregor Range . . . . .	Dec. 21–22 . .	DER–1–277.	. . . S . . . . .	25 . .	FAD
Any Legal - McGregor Range / Military Only . . . . .	Dec. 21–22 . .	DER–1–278.	. . . HD . . . . .	25 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 29</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–281.	. . . S . . . . .	100 . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20	DER–2–282.	. . . S . . . . .	50 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	DER–3–283.	. . . S . . . . .	70 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER–1–279.	. . . S . . . . .	170 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 9–13. . .	DER–1–280.	. . . S . . . . .	170 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 30</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–287.	. . . S . . . . .	200 . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20	DER–2–288.	. . . S . . . . .	100 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	DER–3–289.	. . . S . . . . .	325 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER–1–284.	. . . S . . . . .	800 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 9–13. . .	DER–1–285.	. . . S . . . . .	800 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1	DER–1–286.	. . . S . . . . .	250 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 31 (Including Prairie Chicken WMAs)</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–292.	. . . S . . . . .	175 . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20	DER–2–293.	. . . S . . . . .	100 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	DER–3–294.	. . . S . . . . .	175 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . .	DER–1–290.	. . . S . . . . .	465 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 16–20 . .	DER–1–291.	. . . S . . . . .	460 . .	FAD

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<b>Unit 32 (including Prairie Chicken WMAs)</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–299. . .	S. . . . .	.150 . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . .	DER–2–300. . .	S. . . . .	.100 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–3–301. . .	S. . . . .	.175 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–1–295. . .	S. . . . .	.625 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 9–13. . . .	DER–1–296. . .	S. . . . .	.625 . .	FAD
Any Legal - (portions of) <sup>(1)</sup> / Youth Only	Dec. 16–31 . . .	DER–1–297. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	A
Any Legal - (portions of) <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	Jan. 16–31, '20.	DER–1–298. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	A

<sup>(1)</sup> Roswell and Fort Sumner hunt areas of Unit 32.

<b>Unit 33 (including Prairie Chicken WMAs)</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–304. . .	Q . . . . .	.60 . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . .	DER–2–305. . .	Q . . . . .	.50 . .	FAD
Muzzle - Restricted Muzzleloader Only.	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–3–306. . .	Q . . . . .	.140 . .	FAD
Muzzle - Huey WMA Only / . . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1	DER–3–307. . .	S. . . . .	.10 . .	ES
NM Resident only / Youth Only					
Muzzle - Huey WMA Only / . . . . .	Dec. 26– . . .	DER–3–308. . .	S. . . . .	.10 . .	A
NM Resident Only/ Youth Only	Jan. 1, '20				
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . .	DER–1–302. . .	Q . . . . .	.150 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 16–20 . . .	DER–1–303. . .	Q . . . . .	.150 . .	FAD

<b>Unit 34 (CWD detected in this area. See page 41)</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–313. . .	S. . . . .	.450 . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . .	DER–2–314. . .	S. . . . .	.350 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . .	DER–3–315. . .	S. . . . .	.340 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only.	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–1–309. . .	S. . . . .	.50 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–1–310. . .	S. . . . .	.45 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–1–311. . .	S. . . . .	.735 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 9–13. . . .	DER–1–312. . .	S. . . . .	.735 . .	FAD

<b>Unit 36 (including Fort Stanton) <sup>(2)</sup></b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–319. . .	S. . . . .	.225 . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . .	DER–2–320. . .	S. . . . .	.125 . .	FAD
Muzzle - Youth Only . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–3–322. . .	S. . . . .	.25 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1	DER–1–318. . .	S. . . . .	.25 . .	FAD

<sup>(2)</sup> Bureau of Land Management - Fort Stanton–Snowy River Cave National Conservation Area.



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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	No. Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 36 (excluding Fort Stanton)</b>					
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–3–321 . . .	S . . . . .	.115 . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . .	DER–1–316 . . .	S . . . . .	300 . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 9–13 . . .	DER–1–317 . . .	S . . . . .	300 . . .	FAD
<b>Unit 37</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24 . . .	DER–2–325 . . .	S . . . . .	.100 . . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . .	DER–2–326 . . .	S . . . . .	80 . . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–3–327 . . .	S . . . . .	.125 . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . .	DER–1–323 . . .	S . . . . .	.375 . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 16–20 . . .	DER–1–324 . . .	S . . . . .	.375 . . .	FAD
<b>Unit 38</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24 . . .	DER–2–330 . . .	S . . . . .	65 . . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . .	DER–2–331 . . .	S . . . . .	40 . . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–3–332 . . .	S . . . . .	.100 . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . .	DER–1–328 . . .	S . . . . .	.175 . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 16–20 . . .	DER–1–329 . . .	S . . . . .	.175 . . .	FAD
<b>Unit 39</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24 . . .	DER–2–335 . . .	S . . . . .	25 . . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . .	DER–2–336 . . .	S . . . . .	15 . . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–3–337 . . .	S . . . . .	40 . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . .	DER–1–333 . . .	S . . . . .	40 . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 16–20 . . .	DER–1–334 . . .	S . . . . .	40 . . .	FAD
<b>Unit 40</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24 . . .	DER–2–340 . . .	S . . . . .	15 . . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . .	DER–2–341 . . .	S . . . . .	10 . . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–3–342 . . .	S . . . . .	25 . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . .	DER–1–338 . . .	S . . . . .	50 . . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 16–20 . . .	DER–1–339 . . .	S . . . . .	50 . . .	FAD

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<b>Unit 41</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–348. . .	Q . . . . .	10 . .	FAD
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . .	DER–2–349. . .	Q . . . . .	10 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3 . .	DER–3–350. . .	Q . . . . .	25 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–1–343. . .	Q . . . . .	40 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–1–344. . .	Q . . . . .	40 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1 . .	DER–1–345. . .	Q . . . . .	5 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . .	DER–1–346. . .	Q . . . . .	15 . .	ESWTD
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 14–18 . . .	DER–1–347. . .	Q . . . . .	10 . .	ESWTD
<b>Unit 42</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–354. . .	S . . . . .	10 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3 . .	DER–3–355. . .	S . . . . .	10 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–1–351. . .	S . . . . .	40 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–1–352. . .	S . . . . .	35 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 27–Dec. 1 . .	DER–1–353. . .	S . . . . .	10 . .	ESWTD
<b>Unit 43</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–357. . .	S . . . . .	10 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–3–358. . .	S . . . . .	10 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–1–356. . .	S . . . . .	35 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 45</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–363. . .	S . . . . .	150 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3 . .	DER–3–364. . .	S . . . . .	160 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–1–359. . .	S . . . . .	250 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only. . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . .	DER–1–360. . .	S . . . . .	25 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . .	DER–1–361. . .	S . . . . .	250 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1 . .	DER–1–362. . .	S . . . . .	25 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 47</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–367. . .	S . . . . .	10 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3 . .	DER–3–368. . .	S . . . . .	20 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–1–365. . .	S . . . . .	20 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–1–366. . .	S . . . . .	20 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 48</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–371. . .	S . . . . .	45 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3 . .	DER–3–372. . .	S . . . . .	25 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	DER–1–369. . .	S . . . . .	40 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . .	DER–1–370. . .	S . . . . .	50 . .	FAD

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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	No. Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 49</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–375. . .	S. . . . .	.100 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	DER–1–373. . .	S. . . . .	90 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER–1–374. . .	S. . . . .	90 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 50</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–378. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	DER–1–376. . .	S. . . . .	50 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER–1–377. . .	S. . . . .	50 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 51A</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–380. . .	S. . . . .	.65 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER–1–379. . .	S. . . . .	.145 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 51B</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–383. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	DER–1–381. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER–1–382. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 52</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–386. . .	S. . . . .	80 . .	FAD
Muzzle - Restricted Muzzleloader Only . . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3	DER–3–387. . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER–1–384. . .	S. . . . .	90 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . .	DER–1–385. . .	S. . . . .	90 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 53</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–390. . .	S. . . . .	90 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER–1–388. . .	S. . . . .	85 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . .	DER–1–389. . .	S. . . . .	85 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 54 and 55 (N.M. Residents Only)</b>					
Bow - Colin Neblett WMA . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–393. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Colin Neblett WMA. . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	DER–1–391. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Colin Neblett WMA. . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER–1–392. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 55 (N.M. Residents Only)</b>					
Any Legal - ES Barker WMA . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	DER–1–394. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	FAD
Any Legal - ES Barker WMA / Youth Only . . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1	DER–1–395. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Urraca WMA . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	DER–1–396. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Urraca WMA . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER–1–397. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 55A</b>					
Bow - Valle Vidal. . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER–2–398. . .	Q . . . . .	10 . .	FAD

# Deer Licenses

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	No. Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 56</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER-2-403. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3	DER-3-404 . . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	DER-1-399. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER-1-400. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1	DER-1-401. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . .	DER-1-402. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	ESWTD
<b>Unit 57 - Sugarite Canyon State Park only</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Nov. 1–30. . .	DER-2-410. . .	Q . . . . .	20 . .	FAD
<b>Unit 57 (excluding Sugarite Canyon State Park)</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER-2-409. . .	S. . . . .	20 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3	DER-3-411. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	DER-1-405. . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER-1-406. . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1	DER-1-407. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 27–Dec. 1	DER-1-408. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	ESWTD
<b>Unit 58</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER-2-417. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3	DER-3-418. . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	DER-1-412. . .	S. . . . .	40 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER-1-413. . .	S. . . . .	35 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1	DER-1-414. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . .	DER-1-415. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	ESWTD
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 14–18 . .	DER-1-416. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	ESWTD
<b>Unit 59</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . .	DER-2-424. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	FAD
Muzzle . . . . .	Sept. 27–Oct. 3	DER-3-425. . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	DER-1-419. . .	S. . . . .	40 . .	FAD
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	DER-1-420. . .	S. . . . .	40 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Nov. 23–Dec. 1	DER-1-421. . .	S. . . . .	5 . .	FAD
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . .	DER-1-422. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	ESWTD
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 14–18 . .	DER-1-423. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	ESWTD

# Electronic Tag (E-Tag) for Deer and Elk Hunters

## Operational Smartphone Required

Electronic tagging is now available for deer and elk only using the NMDGF E-Tag application on a supported Android or Apple smartphone. See page 8.

If the E-Tag option is chosen, it is the hunter's responsibility to ensure that their smartphone is operational at all times while in the field. Applicants may not later choose to receive a physical carcass tag and must be able to show an electronic copy of their license on their smartphone. Please see tagging instructions on pages 31–32.

NAME: Buck Hunter  
DIN: 05051470  
TAG NO: 19-056774

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# Elk Licenses

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## General Information

- While in The Field You Must Have All of the Following (page 9)
- All Elk Harvests Must Be Tagged (pages 31–32)
- License Requirements and Fees (see pages 8–14)
- Legal Sporting Arms for Elk Hunting (see page 30)
- Hunting on Military Reservations (see page 44)
- Mobility-impaired Hunts (see pages 15–16)
- Youth-only Hunts (see page 15)
- Chronic Wasting Disease Rules (see page 41)

## Elk Draw Licenses

Deadline to apply for Elk Draw Licenses is March 20, 2019. Up to four hunters may apply per application for a Public-land Elk Draw License. **Nonresidents are ineligible** for any hunts held exclusively on State Game Commission-owned WMAs or Antlerless (A) Elk Draw Licenses.

Successful applicants will be mailed an Elk Draw License/tag, unless the E-Tag option is chosen. The license includes a hunt code and description of the unit, sporting-arm type, season dates and bag limit. Tags include instructions for proper tagging.

### Types of Elk Draw Licenses

Four types of Elk Draw Licenses are available to hunters using rifle, bow or muzzleloader, including: standard hunts (S); quality hunts (Q); high-demand hunts (HD); and combination quality and high-demand hunts (Q/HD). See *Glossary*, pages 135–139.

If allotted a license in the draw that has a fee lower than that submitted when applying, the difference will be refunded. Each Elk Draw License is only valid for a specific hunt in a specific area and for the dates designated on the license issued.

### Bag Limit (Glossary, page 135–139)

MB	Mature bull. A spike bull is not legal.
MB/A	Mature bull or antlerless elk. A spike bull is not legal.
A	Antlerless elk.
ES	Either sex elk (includes spike bull).
APRE/6	Antler-point-restricted elk (six or more points on at least one antler).
APRE/6/A	Antler-point-restricted elk (six or more points on at least one antler) or antlerless.

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

## Fourth-Choice Elk Hunts

By selecting 4th-choice an applicant is indicating that she/he will accept an Elk License for any hunt in a specific quadrant of the state. The 4th-choice assignment will always be for the same sporting-arm type as the 1st-choice on the application.

Hunters should understand that success rates for 4th-choice hunts may be low, due to small and localized populations of elk. **Hunters who apply for and receive a 4th-choice hunt will not receive a refund if dissatisfied with the hunt drawn.** Not all hunts are available in the 4th-choice hunt pool.

A hunter drawing a 4th-choice could receive a license with an antlerless bag limit, even if his/her prior three choices were for mature bull licenses.

If applying for a 4th-choice hunt, applicants must select one of the four quadrants listed. Not all hunts are available in the 4th-choice hunt pool.

### Fourth-Choice Elk Hunt Quadrants

NW Northwest: Units 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9 or 10

NE Northeast: Units 43, 45, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57 or 58

SW Southwest: Units 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23 or 24

SE Southeast: Units 28, 30, 33, 34, 36, 37 or 38

## Valle Vidal

**Once-in-a-Lifetime Mature Bull/Either Sex:** Only persons who have never drawn this hunt are eligible to apply.

**Once-in-a-Lifetime Antlerless:** Only New Mexico residents who have never drawn this hunt are eligible to apply.

**Once-as-a-Youth Mature Bull:** Only persons 17 years of age or younger who have never drawn this Youth-only Hunt and who possess a Hunter Education number (page 17) are eligible to apply.

**Once-as-a-Youth Antlerless:** Only New Mexico residents 17 years of age or younger who have never drawn this Youth-only Hunt and who possess a Hunter Education number (page 17) are eligible to apply.

**Note:** If a youth has drawn any Valle Vidal Once-in-a-Lifetime Hunts, she/he will not be eligible as an adult for that hunt.

## Private-land Hunts

**New:** The state is now comprised of primary, secondary and special elk management zones.

**Primary Management Zone:** Areas within the state where elk management is focused and licenses are limited in number. **Secondary Management Zone:** Areas within the state that are not part of the primary or special management zone where no specific elk management goals are set and licenses are available to private landowners in unlimited number. **Special Management Zone:** Areas within the state that are not part of the primary management zone or secondary management zone where private-land elk authorizations are issued to private landowners by the department on a ranch by ranch basis.

# Elk Licenses

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## *Private Land Hunts—continued.*

Private-land elk authorizations are issued in the primary and special management zones to landowners participating in the Elk Private Lands Use System (EPLUS). Authorizations can be bartered, sold or traded. An authorization allows the holder to purchase a private-land elk license. Private-land elk licenses in the secondary management zone are unlimited and available over the counter with a ranch code provided by a registered landowner.

Hunters seeking private-land authorizations are encouraged to communicate clearly with landowners regarding conditions associated with the license purchased and any other special considerations. Hunters are further encouraged to obtain these communications in writing. Obtaining private-land elk authorizations is considered a private matter. NMDGF is not a party to these transactions or communications and is not responsible for resolving disputes.

Landowners participate voluntarily in private-land programs, and the courtesy each hunter exercises can affect future access for all hunters.

Hunters may not hold both a private-land elk license and a draw elk license in the same license year and may not exchange a draw license for a private-land license.

## **Maps of the elk management zones and unit-wide ranches**

Maps of the elk management zones and unit-wide ranches are available online:  
<http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/hunting/maps/elk-private-lands/elk-mgmt-zone-maps>

## **Ranch-only or Unit-wide Authorizations**

**Unit-wide:** A unit-wide authorization number allows a person to purchase an elk license valid on any legally accessible public lands, other unit-wide ranches, and other private land with written permission within the GMU. Unit-wide authorizations are only available in the primary management zone. Unit-wide maps will be available prior to the hunting seasons online at the link above.

**Ranch-only:** A ranch-only authorization number allows a person to purchase an elk license valid only on the private deeded acres of the designated ranch except as otherwise allowed by rule. In GMUs 4, 5A, and in secondary and special management zones, ranch only elk licenses may also be valid on other private lands, within the same GMU and management zone, with written permission. Ranch-only licenses are not valid on any public land.

It is not considered trespassing if a hunter is in possession of a landowner elk license, obtained from the owner or person in control of the land, which grants access to that particular private land for the purpose of lawfully taking elk (pages 26–27).

## **Private-land Elk Licenses**

To purchase a private-land elk license for the primary or special management zone a hunter must have an authorization number, hunt code, and ranch number from a landowner participating in the EPLUS program. A list of participating landowners and their contact information is available online: <http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/hunting/maps/elk-private-lands/>

To purchase a private-land elk license for the secondary management zone a hunter must have a ranch code from a landowner who has registered their property with the department. Written permission from the landowner is also required.



Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

Private-land elk licenses may be purchased at NMDGF offices, license vendors, online or by telephone. Online and telephone purchases must be made at least 14 days prior to hunt start date to allow time for mailing. For assistance with this process please telephone: 1-888-248-6866.

### License Fees (additional requirements, page 9)

	Resident	Nonresident
Antlerless . . . . .	\$69 . . . . .	\$347
Mature-Bull or Either-Sex . . . . .	\$99 . . . . .	\$557
Quality Antlerless . . . . .	\$69 . . . . .	\$782
Quality Mature-Bull or Either-Sex . . . . .	\$99 . . . . .	\$782
Junior/Senior Elk License . . . . .	\$67 . . . . .	Not Issued

### Quality Elk Hunt Fees for Private-land Authorizations

For all hunt dates from Sept. 15–Oct. 15, quality elk license fees shall apply to any mature-bull (MB) or either-sex (ES) ranch-only authorization (except Youth Only) on private lands that lie within the primary management zone in Units 13, 15, 16 and 17.

Quality elk license fees shall apply to any mature-bull (MB) or either-sex (ES) unit-wide license (except Youth Only), for the following hunts:

Bow-only Hunts: . . . . .	ELK-2-224, ELK-2-232, ELK-2-240, ELK-2-247, ELK-2-252, ELK-2-259, ELK-2-266 and ELK-2-273.
Muzzleloader and Bow Hunts: . . . . .	ELK-3-226, ELK-3-234, ELK-3-268 and ELK-3-275.
Any Legal Sporting Arm Hunts: . . . . .	ELK-1-242, ELK-1-248, ELK-1-249, ELK-1-254, ELK-1-261, ELK-1-241 (MI) and ELK-1-260 (MI).

## Primary Management Zone

**Ranch-only Season Dates:** Ranch-only authorizations within the primary management zone are restricted to the following season dates and sporting arm type.

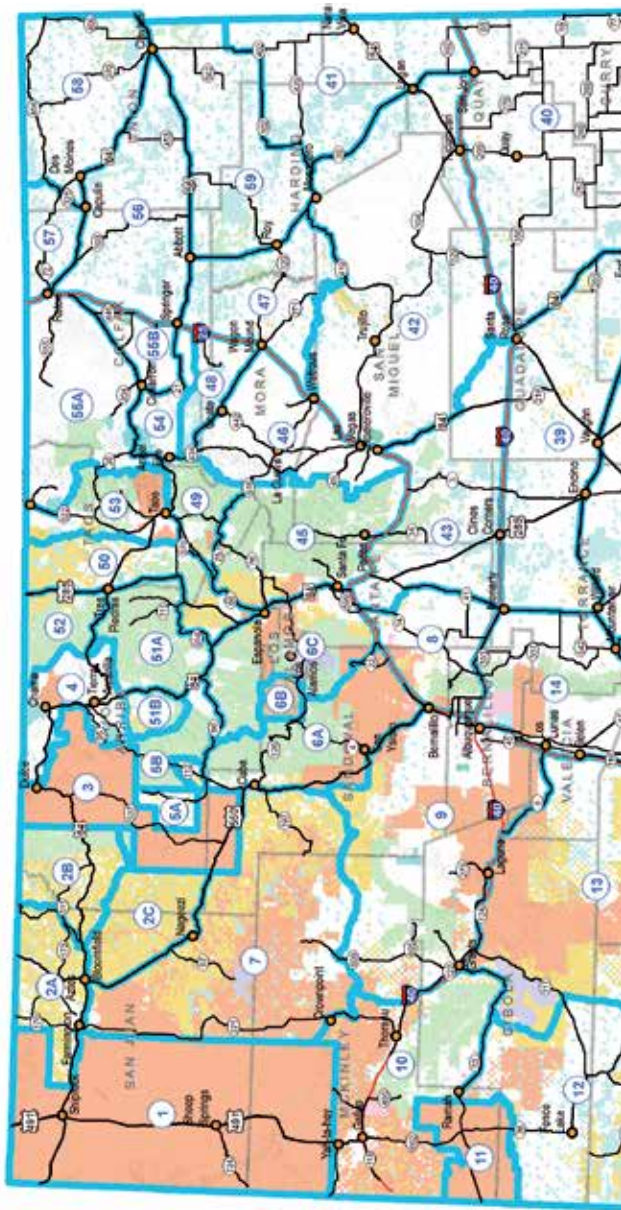
Dates	Units
<b>Bow-only Hunts</b> _____	
License valid for either season	
Sept. 1–14 . . . . .	2, 4, 5A, 5B, 6A, 6C, 7, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15, 16A, 16B/22, 16C, 16D, 16E, 17, 21A, 21B, 23, 24, 34, 36, 45, 48, 49 and 50–53
Sept. 15–24 . . . . .	2, 4, 5A, 5B, 6A, 6C, 7, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15, 16A, 16B/22, 16C, 16D, 16E, 17, 21A, 21B, 23, 24, 34, 36, 45, 48, 49 and 50–53
<b>Muzzleloader, Crossbow and Bow Hunts</b> _____	
License limited to any five consecutive days within a season	
Oct. 5–Dec. 31 . . . . .	2, 6A, 6C, 7, 10, 36, 45, 48, 52 and 53
Oct. 12–Dec. 31. . . . .	9, 13, 15, 16E, 17, 23, 24 and 34
Jan. 1–31, '20. . . . .	13 (Antlerless elk only; Muzzle-loading rifles only pending ranch approval by NMDGF)

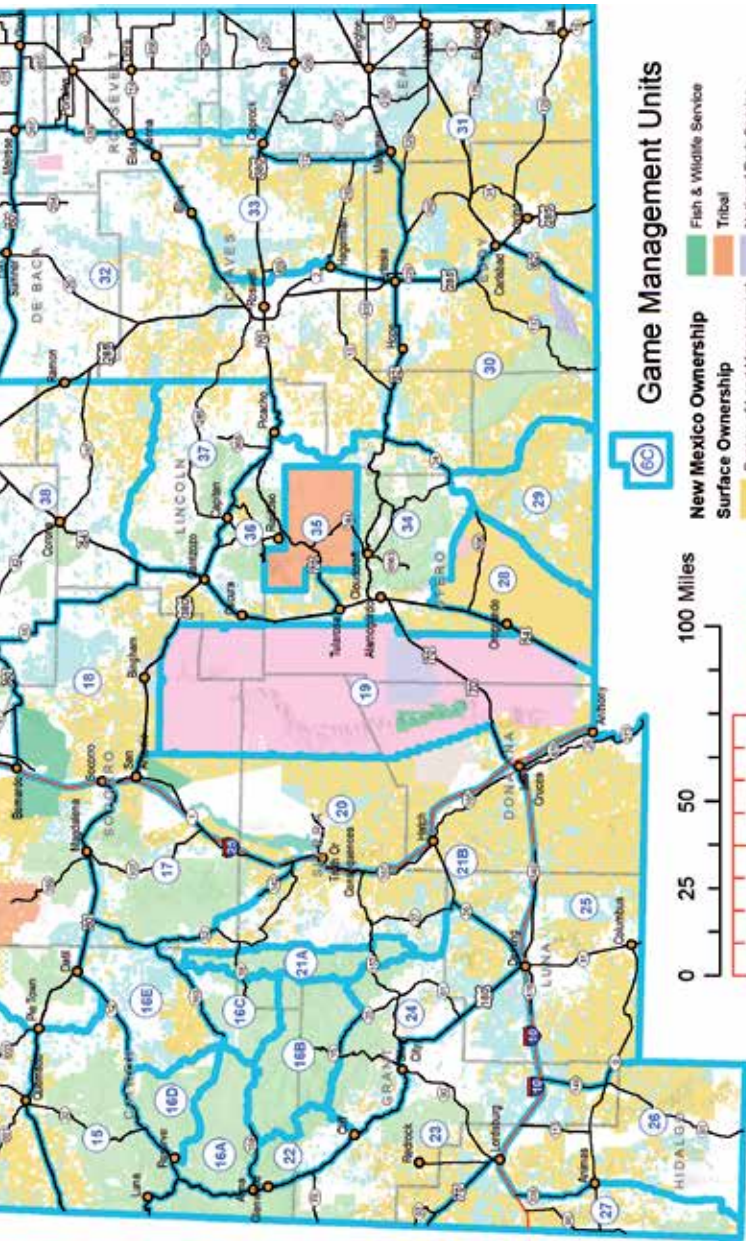
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# Game Management Unit Map

Individual unit maps can be downloaded at: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

This map is for locating Game Management Units (GMUs) and is not intended for determining precise boundaries. GMU maps are available at: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us) (Under *Hunting* is listed *Maps & Land Access* with a link to *Big-game Unit Maps*). Also an electronic GMU map application for mobile devices is available at the Bureau of Land Management website: [www.blm.gov/nm/huntingmaps](http://www.blm.gov/nm/huntingmaps).





## Game Management Units



### New Mexico Ownership

- Fish & Wildlife Service
- Tribal
- National Park Service
- Private
- State
- State Game & Fish
- State Park
- Valles Caldera National Preserve

### Surface Ownership

- Bureau of Land Management
- Bureau of Reclamation
- Dept. of Agriculture
- Dept. of Defense
- Dept. of Energy
- Forest Service

100 Miles

0 25 50

120 Kilometers

0 30 60



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## *Primary Management Zone: Ranch-Only Season Dates—continued.*

Dates

Units

Any Legal Sporting Arm Hunts \_\_\_\_\_

License limited to any five consecutive days within a season

Oct. 1–Dec. 31 . . . . . 4

Oct. 5–Dec. 31 . . . . . 5A, 5B, 12, 16B/22, 21A, 21B, 49, 50 and 51

Oct. 12–Dec. 31. . . . . 2, 10, 6A, 6C, 7, 16A, 16C, 16D, 36, 45, 48, 52 and 53

Oct. 19–Dec. 31. . . . . 16E, 23, 24 and 34

Jan. 1–31, '20. . . . . 36 (rifle and muzzleloader only), and 48 (Antlerless elk only; Pending ranch approval by the department)

### **Youth–only Season Dates:**

Any Legal Sporting Arm Hunts \_\_\_\_\_

Oct. 5–9. . . . . 16C, 16E, 23, 24 and 34

Muzzleloader, Bow or Crossbow Hunts \_\_\_\_\_

Oct. 5–9 . . . . . 13, 15 and 17

### **Mobility–impaired Season Dates:**

Any Legal Sporting Arm Hunts \_\_\_\_\_

Oct. 5–9. . . . . 16A, 16D and 34

Muzzleloader, Bow or Crossbow Hunts \_\_\_\_\_

Oct. 5–9. . . . . 9

**Unit-Wide Season Dates:** Unit-wide authorizations within the primary management zone correspond with an Elk Draw Hunt Code for the same GMU and are restricted to the same bag, sporting arm, and hunt dates.

## **Special and Secondary Management Zones**

**Season Dates:** All authorizations within the special and secondary management zone are ranch-only. Bow-only hunts are limited to Sept. 1–24. Any legal sporting arms hunts are limited to any five consecutive days from Oct. 1–Dec. 31 unless otherwise allowed by the department.

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## Elk Draw Licenses: Seasons for All Sporting Arms

**Closed Areas:** Military reservations, national parks and monuments, state parks and monuments, recreation areas, national wildlife refuges, state wildlife management areas, and other locations may be closed or restrict hunting. All state wildlife management areas are closed unless officially designated open to hunting. **White Sands Missile Range, Unit 19:** WSMR will charge a \$100 per hunter access fee. Successful WSMR applicants will receive an email from WSMR with instructions for fee payment. Hunters are responsible for timely payment and will not be allowed to hunt if the access fee has not been paid by the specified deadline.

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag
<b>Premium Statewide Elk Hunt (see page 39)</b>					
(Public land and WMAs open to hunting and private land with written permission)					
Any Legal . . . . .	Sept. 1–Jan. 31, '20	ELK–1–700 . . . . .	Q . . . . .	.1 . . . . .	MB
<b>Unit 2</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14 . . . . .	ELK–2–100 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.120 . . . . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . . . .	ELK–2–101 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.120 . . . . .	ES
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . . . .	ELK–3–102 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.125 . . . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . . . .	ELK–1–103 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.75 . . . . .	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 14–18 . . . . .	ELK–1–104 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.100 . . . . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only / Youth Only . . . . .	Dec. 14–18 . . . . .	ELK–1–105 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.50 . . . . .	A
<b>Unit 2C Only</b>					
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . . . .	ELK–1–106 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.50 . . . . .	A
<b>Unit 4 (NM Resident Only)</b>					
Bow - Sargent WMA . . . . .	Sept. 1–14 . . . . .	ELK–2–134 . . . . .	Q . . . . .	.10 . . . . .	ES
Bow - Sargent WMA . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . . . .	ELK–2–135 . . . . .	Q . . . . .	.10 . . . . .	ES
Bow - Humphries/Rio Chama WMAs . . . . .	Sept. 1–14 . . . . .	ELK–2–142 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.10 . . . . .	ES
Bow - Humphries/Rio Chama WMAs . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . . . .	ELK–2–143 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.10 . . . . .	ES
Any Legal - Sargent WMA . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . . . .	ELK–1–136 . . . . .	Q . . . . .	.10 . . . . .	MB/A
Any Legal - Sargent WMA . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . . . .	ELK–1–137 . . . . .	Q . . . . .	.10 . . . . .	MB/A
Any Legal - Sargent WMA . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . . . .	ELK–1–138 . . . . .	Q . . . . .	.10 . . . . .	MB/A
Any Legal - Sargent WMA . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . . . . .	ELK–1–139 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.10 . . . . .	MB/A
Any Legal - Sargent WMA / Youth Only . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . . .	ELK–1–140 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.10 . . . . .	A
Any Legal - Sargent WMA / Youth Only . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . . .	ELK–1–141 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.10 . . . . .	A
Any Legal - Humphries / Rio Chama WMAs . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . . . .	ELK–1–144 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.15 . . . . .	MB/A
Any Legal - Humphries / Rio Chama WMAs . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . . . .	ELK–1–145 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.15 . . . . .	MB/A

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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 4 (NM Resident Only) - continued</b>					
Any Legal - Humphries/ Rio Chama WMAs	Nov. 2–6	ELK-1-146	S.	10	A
Any Legal - Humphries/ Rio Chama WMAs / Youth Only	Nov. 2–6	ELK-1-147	S.	15	A
Any Legal - Rio Chama WMA Only	Nov. 9–13	ELK-1-148	S.	15	A
<b>Unit 5A</b>					
Bow	Sept. 1–14	ELK-2-107	S.	5	ES
Bow	Sept. 15–24	ELK-2-108	S.	5	ES
Any Legal	Oct. 5–9	ELK-1-109	S.	10	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Oct. 5–9	ELK-1-110	S.	10	A
Any Legal	Oct. 12–16	ELK-1-111	S.	10	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Oct. 12–16	ELK-1-112	S.	10	A
Any Legal	Oct. 19–23	ELK-1-113	S.	10	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Oct. 19–23	ELK-1-114	S.	10	A
Any Legal	Oct. 26–30	ELK-1-115	S.	10	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Oct. 26–30	ELK-1-116	S.	10	A
<b>Unit 5B</b>					
Bow	Sept. 1–14	ELK-2-149	S.	76	ES
Bow	Sept. 15–24	ELK-2-150	S.	75	ES
Any Legal	Oct. 5–9	ELK-1-151	S.	86	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Oct. 12–16	ELK-1-152	S.	59	A
Any Legal	Oct. 19–23	ELK-1-153	S.	86	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Oct. 26–30	ELK-1-154	S.	59	A
Any Legal	Nov. 2–6	ELK-1-155	S.	87	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Nov. 9–13	ELK-1-156	S.	59	A
Any Legal	Dec. 21–25	ELK-1-157	S.	87	MB
<b>Unit 6A</b>					
Bow	Sept. 1–14	ELK-2-184	S.	150	ES
Bow	Sept. 15–24	ELK-2-185	HD	102	ES
Muzzle	Oct. 5–9	ELK-3-186	HD	104	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 12–16	ELK-1-187	S.	100	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 19–23	ELK-1-188	S.	103	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Oct. 26–30	ELK-1-189	S.	99	A

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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 6B (A hunter orientation is required, page 42.)</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14. . .	ELK–2–190 . . .	Q/HD . . .	25 . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . .	ELK–2–191 . . .	Q/HD . . .	25 . .	ES
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . .	ELK–3–192 . . .	Q/HD . . .	15 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . .	ELK–1–193 . . .	Q/HD . . .	15 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	ELK–1–194 . . .	Q . . . . .	20 . .	ES
Any Legal - NM Resident Only / Youth Only . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	ELK–1–195 . . .	S . . . . .	30 . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . .	ELK–1–196 . . .	S . . . . .	35 . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Nov. 16–20 . .	ELK–1–197 . . .	S . . . . .	35 . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only / Youth Only . . . . .	Nov. 23–27 . .	ELK–1–198 . . .	S . . . . .	30 . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . .	ELK–1–199 . . .	S . . . . .	35 . .	A
<b>Unit 6C</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14. . .	ELK–2–201 . . .	S . . . . .	150 . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . .	ELK–2–202 . . .	HD . . . . .	105 . .	ES
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . .	ELK–3–203 . . .	HD . . . . .	155 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . .	ELK–1–204 . . .	S . . . . .	105 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	ELK–1–205 . . .	S . . . . .	105 . .	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Oct. 26–30 . .	ELK–1–206 . . .	S . . . . .	110 . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Nov. 23–27 . .	ELK–1–207 . . .	S . . . . .	110 . .	A
<b>Unit 7</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14. . .	ELK–2–208 . . .	S . . . . .	15 . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . .	ELK–2–209 . . .	S . . . . .	14 . .	ES
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . .	ELK–3–210 . . .	S . . . . .	24 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . .	ELK–1–211 . . .	S . . . . .	30 . .	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	ELK–1–212 . . .	S . . . . .	50 . .	A
<b>Unit 9</b>					
Bow - Marquez WMA / NM Resident Only . . . . .	Sept. 1–14. . .	ELK–2–117 . . .	S . . . . .	.5 . .	ES
Bow - Marquez WMA / NM Resident Only . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . .	ELK–2–118 . . .	S . . . . .	.5 . .	ES
Bow - including Water Canyon WMA . . . . .	Sept. 1–14. . .	ELK–2–122 . . .	S . . . . .	117 . .	ES
Bow - including Water Canyon WMA . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . .	ELK–2–123 . . .	S . . . . .	117 . .	ES
Muzzle - Marquez WMA / NM Resident Only . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . .	ELK–3–119 . . .	S . . . . .	.4 . .	MB
Muzzle - Marquez WMA / NM Resident Only . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . .	ELK–3–120 . . .	S . . . . .	.5 . .	MB

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<b>Unit 9 - continued</b>					
Muzzle - Marquez WMA / NM Resident Only	Oct. 19–23	ELK–3–121	S	.5	MB
Muzzle - including Water Canyon WMA / Mobility Impaired Only	Oct. 5–9	ELK–3–124	S	.30	ES
Muzzle - including Water Canyon WMA	Oct. 12–16	ELK–3–125	S	.50	MB
Muzzle - including Water Canyon WMA	Oct. 19–23	ELK–3–126	S	.50	MB
Muzzle - including Water Canyon WMA	Oct. 26–30	ELK–3–127	S	.30	MB
<b>Unit 10</b>					
Bow	Sept. 1–14	ELK–2–128	S	.125	ES
Bow	Sept. 15–24	ELK–2–129	S	.125	ES
Muzzle	Oct. 5–9	ELK–3–130	S	.70	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 12–16	ELK–1–131	S	.70	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only / Youth Only	Nov. 9–13	ELK–1–132	S	.120	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Dec. 21–25	ELK–1–133	S	.100	A
<b>Unit 12</b>					
Bow	Sept. 1–14	ELK–2–213	HD	.36	ES
Bow	Sept. 15–24	ELK–2–214	HD	.35	ES
Bow	Dec. 14–18	ELK–2–222	S	.25	APRE/6
Any Legal	Oct. 5–9	ELK–1–215	HD	.35	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 12–16	ELK–1–216	S	.60	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 19–23	ELK–1–217	S	.80	MB
Any Legal	Nov. 2–6	ELK–1–218	S	.80	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Nov. 16–20	ELK–1–219	S	.60	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Nov. 23–27	ELK–1–220	S	.60	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Dec. 7–11	ELK–1–221	S	.64	A
<b>Unit 13</b>					
Bow	Sept. 1–14	ELK–2–223	HD	.190	ES
Bow	Sept. 15–24	ELK–2–224	Q/HD	.138	ES
Muzzle - Youth Only	Oct. 5–9	ELK–3–225	S	.30	ES
Muzzle	Oct. 12–16	ELK–3–226	Q/HD	.80	MB
Muzzle	Oct. 19–23	ELK–3–227	S	.117	MB
Muzzle	Nov. 16–20	ELK–3–228	HD	.117	MB
Muzzle - NM Resident Only	Dec. 7–11	ELK–3–229	S	.110	A
Muzzle - NM Resident Only	Dec. 14–18	ELK–3–230	S	.108	A



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<b>Unit 14</b>					
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . . . .	ELK–1–356 . . . . .	S . . . . .	10 . . . . .	ES
<b>Unit 15</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14. . . . .	ELK–2–231 . . . . .	HD . . . . .	.350 . . . . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . . . .	ELK–2–232 . . . . .	Q/HD . . . . .	.250 . . . . .	ES
Muzzle - Youth Only . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . . . .	ELK–3–233 . . . . .	HD . . . . .	.25 . . . . .	ES
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . . . .	ELK–3–234 . . . . .	Q/HD . . . . .	200 . . . . .	MB
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . . . .	ELK–3–235 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.245 . . . . .	MB
Muzzle . . . . .	Nov. 16–20 . . . . .	ELK–3–236 . . . . .	HD . . . . .	.250 . . . . .	MB
Muzzle - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . . . .	ELK–3–237 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.250 . . . . .	A
Muzzle - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 14–18 . . . . .	ELK–3–238 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.250 . . . . .	A
<b>Unit 16A</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14. . . . .	ELK–2–239 . . . . .	HD . . . . .	.250 . . . . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . . . .	ELK–2–240 . . . . .	Q/HD . . . . .	.150 . . . . .	ES
Any Legal - Mobility impaired Only. . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . . . .	ELK–1–241 . . . . .	Q . . . . .	.25 . . . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . . . .	ELK–1–242 . . . . .	Q/HD . . . . .	.75 . . . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . . . .	ELK–1–243 . . . . .	HD . . . . .	.125 . . . . .	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . . . .	ELK–1–244 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.75 . . . . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 14–18 . . . . .	ELK–1–245 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.75 . . . . .	A
<b>Units 16B, 22</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14. . . . .	ELK–2–246 . . . . .	HD . . . . .	.225 . . . . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . . . .	ELK–2–247 . . . . .	Q/HD . . . . .	.165 . . . . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . . . .	ELK–1–248 . . . . .	Q . . . . .	.25 . . . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . . . .	ELK–1–249 . . . . .	Q/HD . . . . .	.135 . . . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . . . .	ELK–1–250 . . . . .	HD . . . . .	.160 . . . . .	MB
<b>Unit 16C</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14. . . . .	ELK–2–251 . . . . .	HD . . . . .	.144 . . . . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . . . .	ELK–2–252 . . . . .	Q/HD . . . . .	.100 . . . . .	ES
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . . . .	ELK–1–253 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.25 . . . . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . . . .	ELK–1–254 . . . . .	Q . . . . .	.50 . . . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . . . .	ELK–1–255 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.91 . . . . .	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . . . .	ELK–1–256 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.50 . . . . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 14–18 . . . . .	ELK–1–257 . . . . .	S . . . . .	.48 . . . . .	A

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<b>Unit 16D</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14 . . .	ELK–2–258 . . .	HD . . .	90 . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . .	ELK–2–259 . . .	Q/HD . . .	60 . .	ES
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . .	ELK–1–260 . . .	Q/HD . . .	25 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . .	ELK–1–261 . . .	Q/HD . . .	55 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	ELK–1–262 . . .	HD . . .	50 . .	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . .	ELK–1–263 . . .	S . . . .	50 . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 14–18 . . .	ELK–1–264 . . .	S . . . .	50 . .	A
<b>Unit 16E</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14 . . .	ELK–2–265 . . .	S . . . .	90 . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . .	ELK–2–266 . . .	Q/HD . . .	60 . .	ES
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . .	ELK–3–268 . . .	Q . . . .	70 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . .	ELK–1–267 . . .	S . . . .	25 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	ELK–1–269 . . .	S . . . .	70 . .	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . .	ELK–1–270 . . .	S . . . .	75 . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 14–18 . . .	ELK–1–271 . . .	S . . . .	75 . .	A
<b>Unit 17</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14 . . .	ELK–2–272 . . .	HD . . .	125 . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . .	ELK–2–273 . . .	Q/HD . . .	75 . .	ES
Muzzle - Youth Only . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . .	ELK–3–274 . . .	S . . . .	25 . .	ES
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . .	ELK–3–275 . . .	Q/HD . . .	100 . .	MB
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	ELK–3–276 . . .	S . . . .	100 . .	MB
Muzzle . . . . .	Nov. 16–20 . . .	ELK–3–277 . . .	HD . . .	25 . .	MB
Muzzle - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Nov. 16–20 . . .	ELK–3–278 . . .	S . . . .	25 . .	A
Muzzle - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . .	ELK–3–279 . . .	S . . . .	100 . .	A
Muzzle - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 14–18 . . .	ELK–3–280 . . .	S . . . .	100 . .	A
<b>Unit 18</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14 . . .	ELK–2–357 . . .	S . . . .	25 . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . .	ELK–2–358 . . .	S . . . .	25 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 1–5 . . .	ELK–1–359 . . .	S . . . .	10 . .	ES
<b>Unit 19 - White Sands Missile Range (CWD detected in this area. See page 41)</b>					
Any Legal . . . . .	Jan. 3–5, '20 . . .	ELK–1–360 . . .	S . . . .	3 . .	ES
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<b>Unit 21A</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14 . . .	ELK–2–281 . . .	HD . . . . .	50 . . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . .	ELK–2–282 . . .	HD . . . . .	50 . . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Dec. 21–25 . . .	ELK–2–287 . . .	S . . . . .	15 . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . . .	ELK–1–283 . . .	S . . . . .	15 . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . .	ELK–1–284 . . .	HD . . . . .	35 . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	ELK–1–285 . . .	HD . . . . .	55 . . .	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . . .	ELK–1–286 . . .	S . . . . .	30 . . .	A
<b>Unit 21B</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14 . . .	ELK–2–288 . . .	S . . . . .	25 . . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . .	ELK–2–289 . . .	S . . . . .	25 . . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Dec. 21–25 . . .	ELK–2–297 . . .	S . . . . .	15 . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . . .	ELK–1–290 . . .	S . . . . .	10 . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . .	ELK–1–291 . . .	S . . . . .	15 . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	ELK–1–292 . . .	S . . . . .	25 . . .	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Nov. 16–20 . . .	ELK–1–293 . . .	S . . . . .	15 . . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Nov. 23–27 . . .	ELK–1–294 . . .	S . . . . .	15 . . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . . .	ELK–1–295 . . .	S . . . . .	15 . . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 14–18 . . .	ELK–1–296 . . .	S . . . . .	20 . . .	A
<b>Unit 23</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14 . . .	ELK–2–298 . . .	S . . . . .	125 . . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . .	ELK–2–299 . . .	HD . . . . .	75 . . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Dec. 21–25 . . .	ELK–2–304 . . .	S . . . . .	15 . . .	MB
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . .	ELK–3–301 . . .	S . . . . .	75 . . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . . .	ELK–1–300 . . .	S . . . . .	25 . . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	ELK–1–302 . . .	HD . . . . .	75 . . .	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . . .	ELK–1–303 . . .	S . . . . .	20 . . .	A
<b>Unit 24</b>					
Bow - excluding Ft. Bayard Management Area . . . . .	Sept. 1–14 . . .	ELK–2–305 . . .	S . . . . .	15 . . .	ES
Bow - excluding Ft. Bayard Management Area . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . .	ELK–2–306 . . .	S . . . . .	10 . . .	ES
Muzzle - excluding Ft. Bayard Management Area . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . .	ELK–3–307 . . .	S . . . . .	15 . . .	MB
Any Legal - excluding Ft. Bayard Management Area . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	ELK–1–308 . . .	S . . . . .	15 . . .	MB

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<b>Unit 24 - continued</b>					
Any Legal - including Ft. Bayard Management Area / Youth Only	Oct. 5–9	ELK-1-309	S	.5	ES
Any Legal - including Ft. Bayard Management Area / NM Resident Only / Youth Only	Oct. 19–23	ELK-1-310	S	.5	A
<b>Unit 28 - McGregor Range (CWD detected in this area. See page 41)</b>					
Any Legal - Military Only	Dec. 14–18	ELK-1-361	HD	10	ES
Any Legal	Dec. 14–18	ELK-1-362	HD	10	ES
<b>Unit 30</b>					
Bow	Sept. 1–14	ELK-2-363	S	10	ES
Bow	Sept. 15–24	ELK-2-364	S	10	ES
Any Legal	Oct. 1–5	ELK-1-365	S	10	ES
Any Legal	Oct. 12–16	ELK-1-366	S	20	ES
<b>Unit 34 (CWD detected in this area. See page 41)</b>					
Bow	Sept. 1–14	ELK-2-311	HD	200	ES
Bow	Sept. 15–24	ELK-2-312	HD	200	ES
Bow	Dec. 21–25	ELK-2-321	S	200	APRE/6/A
Muzzle	Oct. 12–16	ELK-3-316	HD	.250	ES
Any Legal - Youth Only	Oct. 5–9	ELK-1-313	S	.75	ES
Any Legal - NM Resident Only / Youth Only	Oct. 5–9	ELK-1-314	S	.120	A
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only	Oct. 5–9	ELK-1-315	S	.50	ES
Any Legal	Oct. 19–23	ELK-1-317	S	.150	ES
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Nov. 23–27	ELK-1-318	S	.350	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Dec. 7–11	ELK-1-319	S	.350	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Dec. 14–18	ELK-1-320	S	.350	A
<b>Unit 36</b>					
Bow	Sept. 1–14	ELK-2-322	HD	.133	ES
Bow	Sept. 15–24	ELK-2-323	HD	.132	ES
Muzzle	Oct. 5–9	ELK-3-324	HD	.140	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 12–16	ELK-1-325	S	.140	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 26–30	ELK-1-326	HD	.140	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Nov. 23–27	ELK-1-327	S	.100	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Dec. 7–11	ELK-1-328	S	.100	A

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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 37</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14. . .	ELK–2–367 . . .	S. . . . .	40 . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . .	ELK–2–368 . . .	S. . . . .	30 . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . .	ELK–2–372 . . .	S. . . . .	50 . .	APRE/6
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 1–5 . . . .	ELK–3–369 . . .	S. . . . .	30 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . .	ELK–1–370 . . .	S. . . . .	30 . .	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Nov. 23–27 . . .	ELK–1–371 . . .	S. . . . .	45 . .	A
<b>Unit 38</b>					
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 1–5 . . . .	ELK–1–373 . . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . .	ELK–1–374 . . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	ES
<b>Units 42, 47, 59</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14. . .	ELK–2–375 . . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . .	ELK–2–376 . . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 1–5 . . . .	ELK–1–377 . . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	ES
<b>Unit 43</b>					
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 1–5 . . . .	ELK–1–378 . . .	S. . . . .	30 . .	ES
<b>Unit 45</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14. . .	ELK–2–329 . . .	S. . . . .	75 . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . .	ELK–2–330 . . .	HD . . . .	73 . .	ES
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . . .	ELK–3–331 . . .	S. . . . .	136 . .	MB
Muzzle - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Nov. 9–13. . . .	ELK–3–334 . . .	S. . . . .	49 . .	A
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . .	ELK–1–332 . . .	S. . . . .	140 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	ELK–1–333 . . .	S. . . . .	140 . .	MB
<b>Unit 48</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14. . .	ELK–2–335 . . .	S. . . . .	93 . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . .	ELK–2–336 . . .	S. . . . .	92 . .	ES
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . . .	ELK–3–337 . . .	S. . . . .	50 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . .	ELK–1–338 . . .	S. . . . .	74 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	ELK–1–339 . . .	S. . . . .	50 . .	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . . .	ELK–1–340 . . .	S. . . . .	50 . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . . .	ELK–1–341 . . .	S. . . . .	54 . .	A
<b>Unit 49</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14. . .	ELK–2–342 . . .	S. . . . .	60 . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . .	ELK–2–343 . . .	S. . . . .	59 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . . .	ELK–1–344 . . .	S. . . . .	77 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . .	ELK–1–345 . . .	S. . . . .	76 . .	MB

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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 49 - continued</b>					
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . .	ELK-1-346 . . .	S . . .	77 . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . .	Nov. 9–13 . . .	ELK-1-347 . . .	S . . .	77 . .	A
<b>Unit 50</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14 . . .	ELK-2-158 . . .	S . . .	60 . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . .	ELK-2-159 . . .	S . . .	55 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . .	ELK-1-160 . . .	S . . .	120 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . .	ELK-1-161 . . .	S . . .	125 . .	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . .	ELK-1-162 . . .	S . . .	42 . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . .	Nov. 16–20 . . .	ELK-1-163 . . .	S . . .	45 . .	A
<b>Unit 51</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14 . . .	ELK-2-164 . . .	HD . . .	180 . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . .	ELK-2-165 . . .	HD . . .	180 . .	ES
Muzzle . . . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . .	ELK-3-172 . . .	S . . .	145 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . .	ELK-1-166 . . .	S . . .	220 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . .	ELK-1-167 . . .	S . . .	220 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	ELK-1-168 . . .	S . . .	220 . .	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . .	ELK-1-169 . . .	S . . .	251 . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . .	Nov. 9–13 . . .	ELK-1-170 . . .	S . . .	251 . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . .	Nov. 16–20 . . .	ELK-1-171 . . .	S . . .	252 . .	A
<b>Unit 52</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14 . . .	ELK-2-173 . . .	HD . . .	230 . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . .	ELK-2-174 . . .	HD . . .	230 . .	ES
Muzzle - Mobility Impaired Only . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . .	ELK-3-175 . . .	S . . .	50 . .	MB
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . .	ELK-3-176 . . .	HD . . .	120 . .	MB
Muzzle - NM Resident Only . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . .	ELK-3-177 . . .	S . . .	50 . .	A
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . .	ELK-1-178 . . .	S . . .	230 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	ELK-1-179 . . .	S . . .	230 . .	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only / Youth Only . . . . .	Nov. 9–13 . . .	ELK-1-180 . . .	S . . .	80 . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only / Mobility Impaired Only . . . . .	Nov. 16–20 . . .	ELK-1-181 . . .	S . . .	56 . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . .	Nov. 16–20 . . .	ELK-1-182 . . .	S . . .	73 . .	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . .	Dec. 7–11 . . .	ELK-1-183 . . .	S . . .	115 . .	A

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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 53</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14. . .	ELK–2–348 . . .	S. . . . .	65 . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . .	ELK–2–349 . . .	HD . . . .	60 . .	ES
Muzzle - excluding Cerro portion. . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . .	ELK–3–350 . . .	S. . . . .	50 . .	ES
Any Legal - excluding Cerro portion. . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . .	ELK–1–351 . . .	S. . . . .	80 . .	MB
Any Legal - excluding Cerro portion . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	ELK–1–352 . . .	S. . . . .	131 . .	MB
Any Legal - excluding Cerro portion / NM Resident Only	Nov. 9–13. . .	ELK–1–353 . . .	S. . . . .	94 . .	A
Any Legal - excluding Cerro portion / NM Resident Only	Nov. 16–20 . .	ELK–1–354 . . .	S. . . . .	94 . .	A
Any Legal - north of Sunshine Valley Road / NM Resident Only	Jan. 4–19, '20 .	ELK–1–355 . . .	S. . . . .	40 . .	A
<b>Units 54, 55 - Colin Neblett WMA (NM Residents Only)</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14. . .	ELK–2–388 . . .	S. . . . .	20 . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . .	ELK–2–389 . . .	S. . . . .	20 . .	ES
Muzzle . . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . .	ELK–3–390 . . .	S. . . . .	40 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . .	ELK–1–391 . . .	S. . . . .	40 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . .	ELK–1–392 . . .	S. . . . .	40 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 2–6 . . .	ELK–1–393 . . .	S. . . . .	40 . .	A
<b>Unit 55A</b>					
Bow - ES Barker WMA / NM Resident Only	Sept. 1–14. . .	ELK–2–394 . . .	S. . . . .	5 . .	ES
Bow - ES Barker WMA / NM Resident Only	Sept. 15–24 . .	ELK–2–395 . . .	S. . . . .	5 . .	ES
Bow - Urraca WMA / NM Resident Only	Sept. 1–14. . .	ELK–2–397 . . .	S. . . . .	5 . .	ES
Bow - Urraca WMA / NM Resident Only	Sept. 15–24 . .	ELK–2–398 . . .	S. . . . .	5 . .	ES
Bow - Valle Vidal. . . . .	Sept. 1–14. . .	ELK–2–404 . . .	Q/HD . . .	25 . .	ES
Bow - Valle Vidal. . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . .	ELK–2–405 . . .	Q/HD . . .	25 . .	ES
Muzzle - Urraca WMA / NM Resident Only	Oct. 5–9 . . .	ELK–3–399 . . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Muzzle - Valle Vidal. . . . .	Oct. 5–9 . . .	ELK–3–406 . . .	Q/HD . . .	20 . .	MB
Any Legal - ES Barker WMA / NM Resident Only	Oct. 5–9 . . .	ELK–1–396 . . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Urraca WMA / NM Resident Only	Oct. 12–16 . .	ELK–1–400 . . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Urraca WMA / NM Resident Only	Nov. 2–6 . . .	ELK–1–401 . . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB

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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 55A - continued</b>				
Any Legal - Urraca WMA / NM Resident Only	. . . . . Nov. 9–13. . .	ELK-1-402 . . .	S. . . . .	15 . . A
Any Legal - Urraca WMA / NM Resident Only	. . . . . Nov. 23–27 . . .	ELK-1-403 . . .	S. . . . .	15 . . A
Any Legal - Valle Vidal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . .	ELK-1-407 . . .	Q/HD . . .	35 . . MB
Any Legal - Valle Vidal . . . . .	Oct. 19–23 . . .	ELK-1-408 . . .	Q . . . . .	40 . . MB
Any Legal - Valle Vidal / Youth Only	. . . . . Oct. 26–30 . . .	ELK-1-409 . . .	Q/HD . . .	20 . . MB
Any Legal - Valle Vidal / NM Resident Only / Youth Only	. . . . . Nov. 2–6 . . .	ELK-1-410 . . .	Q . . . . .	35 . . A
Any Legal - Valle Vidal / NM Resident Only	. . . . . Nov. 9–13. . .	ELK-1-411 . . .	Q . . . . .	40 . . A
Any Legal - Valle Vidal / NM Resident Only	. . . . . Nov. 16–20 . . .	ELK-1-412 . . .	Q . . . . .	45 . . A
<b>Unit 56</b>				
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14. . .	ELK-2-379 . . .	S. . . . .	5 . . ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . .	ELK-2-380 . . .	S. . . . .	5 . . ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 1–5 . . .	ELK-1-381 . . .	HD . . . . .	10 . . MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	. . . . . Oct. 12–16 . . .	ELK-1-382 . . .	S. . . . .	10 . . A
<b>Units 57 - Sugarite Canyon State Park only</b>				
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 1–14. . .	ELK-2-383 . . .	S. . . . .	3 . . ES
Bow . . . . .	Sept. 15–24 . . .	ELK-2-384 . . .	S. . . . .	2 . . ES
<b>Units 57, 58 (excluding Sugarite Canyon State Park)</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 1–5 . . .	ELK-1-385 . . .	S. . . . .	5 . . MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . .	ELK-1-386 . . .	S. . . . .	10 . . MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	. . . . . Dec. 14–18 . . .	ELK-1-387 . . .	S. . . . .	10 . . A



# Encouragement Hunts

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## Encouragement Elk Hunts: Online Purchase Only

Only New Mexico residents are eligible. Only youth hunters are eligible during the first 14 days of the online sale. In the current license year, the resident youth hunter must have successfully applied for at least one draw hunt for bighorn sheep, Barbary sheep, deer, elk, ibex, oryx or pronghorn but must not have drawn any hunt. Resident youth hunters must be 17 years of age or younger on opening day of the hunt and must have a valid Hunter Education number (page 17).

After 14 days, remaining licenses will also be available to New Mexico resident senior hunters who have successfully applied for at least one draw hunt for bighorn sheep, Barbary sheep, deer, elk, ibex, oryx or pronghorn, but have not drawn any hunt.

Hunts will be offered online only on a first-come, first-served basis. Hunts will be available online until 14 days before each hunt start date. For information about how to obtain one of these licenses telephone the NMDGF Information Center: 1-888-248-6866.

## Encouragement Elk Seasons (N.M. Residents Only)

**The number of licenses available for these hunts may be adjusted based on changes in population levels and harvest rates. License fee: \$58.**

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Licenses	Bag
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### Unit 5B

Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 29–Dec. 3	ELK-1-501 . . .	20 . . . . .	A
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### Unit 6A

Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 29–Dec. 3	ELK-1-502 . . .	50 . . . . .	A
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 26–30 . .	ELK-1-503 . . .	50 . . . . .	A

### Unit 6C

Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 29–Dec. 3	ELK-1-504 . . .	50 . . . . .	A
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 26–30 . .	ELK-1-505 . . .	50 . . . . .	A

### Unit 10

Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 29–Dec. 3	ELK-1-506 . . .	35 . . . . .	A
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### Unit 13

Muzzle . . . . .	Nov. 29–Dec. 3	ELK-3-507 . . .	60 . . . . .	A
Muzzle . . . . .	Dec. 26–30 . .	ELK-3-508 . . .	60 . . . . .	A

### Unit 15

Muzzle . . . . .	Nov. 29–Dec. 3	ELK-3-509 . . .	75 . . . . .	A
Muzzle . . . . .	Dec. 26–30 . .	ELK-3-510 . . .	75 . . . . .	A

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## Encouragement Elk Seasons—continued.

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 16A</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 29–Dec. 3	ELK-1-511 . . . . .	.75 . . . . .	A
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 26–30 . . . . .	ELK-1-512 . . . . .	.75 . . . . .	A
<b>Unit 16C</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 29–Dec. 3	ELK-1-513 . . . . .	.75 . . . . .	A
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 26–30 . . . . .	ELK-1-514 . . . . .	.75 . . . . .	A
<b>Unit 16D</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 29–Dec. 3	ELK-1-515 . . . . .	.75 . . . . .	A
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 26–30 . . . . .	ELK-1-516 . . . . .	.75 . . . . .	A
<b>Unit 16E</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 29–Dec. 3	ELK-1-517 . . . . .	.75 . . . . .	A
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 26–30 . . . . .	ELK-1-518 . . . . .	.75 . . . . .	A
<b>Unit 17</b>				
Muzzle . . . . .	Nov. 29–Dec. 3	ELK-3-519 . . . . .	.60 . . . . .	A
Muzzle . . . . .	Dec. 26–30 . . . . .	ELK-3-520 . . . . .	.60 . . . . .	A
<b>Unit 34</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 26–30 . . . . .	ELK-1-521 . . . . .	.80 . . . . .	A
<b>Unit 36</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 29–Dec. 3	ELK-1-522 . . . . .	.60 . . . . .	A
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 26–30 . . . . .	ELK-1-523 . . . . .	.60 . . . . .	A
<b>Unit 49</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 29–Dec. 3	ELK-1-524 . . . . .	.50 . . . . .	A
<b>Unit 50</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 26–30 . . . . .	ELK-1-525 . . . . .	.60 . . . . .	A
<b>Unit 51</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 29–Dec. 3	ELK-1-526 . . . . .	.75 . . . . .	A
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 26–30 . . . . .	ELK-1-527 . . . . .	.75 . . . . .	A
<b>Unit 52</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 29–Dec. 3	ELK-1-528 . . . . .	.50 . . . . .	A
<b>Unit 53</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 29–Dec. 3	ELK-1-529 . . . . .	.60 . . . . .	A
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 26–30 . . . . .	ELK-1-530 . . . . .	.60 . . . . .	A

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## General Information

- While in The Field You Must Have All of the Following (page 9)
- All Pronghorn Harvests Must Be Tagged (pages 31–32)
- License Requirements and Fees (see pages 8–14)
- Legal Sporting Arms for Pronghorn Hunting (see page 30)
- Hunting on Military Reservations (see page 44)
- Mobility-impaired Hunts (see pages 15–16)
- Youth-only Hunts (see page 15)

## Pronghorn Draw Licenses

Deadline to apply for Pronghorn Draw Licenses is March 20, 2019. Up to four hunters may apply per application for a Public-land Pronghorn Draw License.

Successful applicants will be mailed a Public-land Pronghorn Draw License/tag. The license includes a hunt code and description of the unit, sporting-arm type, season dates and bag limit. Tags include instructions for proper tagging.

The Public-land Pronghorn Draw License authorizes the hunter to hunt on any open public land within the specified unit or hunt area and on any private land in that unit, provided that written permission has been obtained from the landowner of the property.

### Bag Limit (see glossary, pages 135–137)

- MB** A pronghorn with at least one horn longer than its ears.
- F–IM** Any female pronghorn or any male pronghorn without horns or with both horns shorter than its ears.
- ES** Any male or female pronghorn.

## Private-land Only Pronghorn Licenses

To hunt on private-land only, hunters must obtain a Private-land Only Pronghorn License and tag—available online, by telephone, from license vendors or at NMDGF offices. Online and telephone purchases must be made at least 14 days prior to hunt start date to allow mailing of tags. When obtaining a Private-land Only Pronghorn License, the hunter must select a hunt code which corresponds with a Pronghorn-Draw Hunt Code for the unit, bag limit, sporting arm type and season date.

### Private-land Pronghorn Hunting in Units 4, 14, 46, 48, 54 and 55

Private-land hunters in these units must select one of the hunt codes listed below.

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 4</b>				
Muzzle - Youth Only	Aug. 3–5	ANT-3-300	Unlimited	ES
Bow	Aug. 6–14	ANT-2-301	Unlimited	MB
Muzzle	Aug. 17–19	ANT-3-302	Unlimited	MB
Muzzle	Aug. 24–26	ANT-3-303	Unlimited	MB

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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 14</b>				
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . . . .	ANT–2–304 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . . . . .	ANT–1–305 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . . . . .	ANT–1–306 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . . . . .	ANT–1–307 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB
<b>Unit 46</b>				
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . . . .	ANT–2–308 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . . . . .	ANT–1–309 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . . . . .	ANT–1–310 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . . . . .	ANT–1–311 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . . . . .	ANT–1–312 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB
<b>Unit 48</b>				
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . . . .	ANT–2–313 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . . . . .	ANT–1–314 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . . . . .	ANT–1–315 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . . . . .	ANT–1–316 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . . . . .	ANT–1–317 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB
<b>Unit 54</b>				
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . . . .	ANT–2–318 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . . . . .	ANT–1–319 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . . . . .	ANT–1–320 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . . . . .	ANT–1–321 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . . . . .	ANT–1–322 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB
<b>Unit 55</b>				
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . . . .	ANT–2–323 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . . . . .	ANT–1–324 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . . . . .	ANT–1–325 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . . . . .	ANT–1–326 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . . . . .	ANT–1–327 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	MB

## **Pronghorn Conservation Recognition Program (PCRP)**

Private landowners may enter the PCRP and be granted alternative season hunt dates as approved by NMDGF. Landowners must conduct and maintain substantial habitat improvements and/or land management practices that directly and significantly benefit pronghorn. A PCRP application and conservation management plan are required. To participate contact the NMDGF at **505-476-8042**.

## **Ranch-wide Agreements**

Ranch-wide agreements allow private landowners to enroll their ranch's private deeded and public leased acres as one contiguous ranch for access by public draw hunters. Landowners are issued authorizations for pronghorn licenses valid on that property's deeded and public leased acres. To participate contact the NMDGF at **505-476-8042**.

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## Pronghorn Draw Licenses: Seasons for All Sporting Arms

All licenses are valid on any legally accessible public lands within the unit(s) for which the license is issued and on participating ranches with signed NMDGF ranch-wide hunting agreements or any private property with written permission.

**White Sands Missile Range, Unit 19:** WSMR will charge a \$50 per hunter access fee. Successful WSMR youth-only applicants will receive an email from WSMR with instructions for fee payment. Hunters are responsible for timely payment and will not be allowed to hunt if the access fee has not been paid by the specified deadline. **McGregor Range Hunts:** See page 44.

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 2, 7, 9, 10</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT–2–100. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT–1–101. . .	S. . . . .	.3 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT–1–102. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	MB
<b>Unit 12</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT–2–103. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT–1–104. . .	S. . . . .	.3 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT–1–105. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT–1–106. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . .	ANT–1–107. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
<b>Unit 13</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT–2–108. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT–1–109. . .	S. . . . .	.2 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT–1–110. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT–1–111. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . .	ANT–1–112. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
<b>Unit 15</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT–2–113. . .	S. . . . .	20 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT–1–114. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT–1–115. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT–1–116. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only. . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT–1–117. . .	S. . . . .	.3 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . .	ANT–1–118. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB

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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 16</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT-2-119. . .	S. . . . .	20 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-120. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-121. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-122. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only. . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-123. . .	S. . . . .	.3 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . .	ANT-1-124. . .	S. . . . .	20 . .	MB
<b>Unit 17</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT-2-125. . .	S. . . . .	20 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-126. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-127. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-128. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only. . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-129. . .	S. . . . .	.3 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . .	ANT-1-130. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
<b>Unit 18</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT-2-131. . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-132. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-133. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	MB
<b>Unit 19 - White Sands Missile Range</b>					
Any Legal - 19: Youth Only <sup>(1)</sup> . . . . .	Oct. 11–13 . .	ANT-1-134. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	ES
<sup>(1)</sup> Mandatory check-in and check-out required.					
<b>Unit 20</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT-2-135. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-136. . .	S. . . . .	.2 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-137. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
<b>Unit 21, 24</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT-2-138. . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-139. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-140. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-141. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only. . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-142. . .	S. . . . .	.8 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . .	ANT-1-143. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	MB
<b>Unit 22, 23</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT-2-144. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-145. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	ES

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### Unit 22,23 continued

Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . . .	ANT–1–146. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . . .	ANT–1–147. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only. . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . . .	ANT–1–148. . .	S. . . . .	.3 . .	MB

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag
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### Unit 25, 26, 27

Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT–2–149. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . . .	ANT–1–150. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . . .	ANT–1–151. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . . .	ANT–1–152. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only. . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . . .	ANT–1–153. . .	S. . . . .	.3 . .	MB

### Unit 28

Muzzle . . . . .	Sept. 7–8 . . .	ANT–3–154. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
Muzzle - Military Only. . . . .	Sept. 7–8 . . .	ANT–3–155. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB

### Unit 29

Muzzle - Youth Only . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . . .	ANT–3–156. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	ES
Muzzle . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . . .	ANT–3–157. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	MB
Muzzle . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . . .	ANT–3–158. . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	MB

### Unit 30

Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT–2–159. . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	MB
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### Unit 31 (North of US Hwy. 380)

Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT–2–160. . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . . .	ANT–1–161. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . . .	ANT–1–162. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . . .	ANT–1–163. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . . .	ANT–1–164. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . . .	ANT–1–165. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	MB

### Unit 31 (South of US Hwy. 380)

Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT–2–166. . .	S. . . . .	50 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . . .	ANT–1–167. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . . .	ANT–1–168. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . . .	ANT–1–169. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only. . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . . .	ANT–1–170. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . . .	ANT–1–171. . .	S. . . . .	20 . .	MB

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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 32 (east of Pecos River)</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT-2-172. . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-173. . .	S. . . . .	5 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-174. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-175. . .	S. . . . .	5 . .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only. . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-176. . .	S. . . . .	5 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . .	ANT-1-177. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	MB
<b>Unit 32 (west of Pecos River)</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT-2-178. . .	S. . . . .	20 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-179. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-180. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only. . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-181. . .	S. . . . .	5 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . .	ANT-1-182. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	MB
Any Legal - Roswell (portions of). . . . .	Dec. 1–15 . . .	ANT-1-183. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	F-IM
<b>Unit 33</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT-2-184. . .	S. . . . .	30 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-185. . .	S. . . . .	5 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-186. . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-187. . .	S. . . . .	20 . .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only. . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-188. . .	S. . . . .	5 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . .	ANT-1-189. . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	MB
<b>Unit 36, 37</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT-2-190. . .	S. . . . .	20 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-191. . .	S. . . . .	5 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-192. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-193. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only. . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-194. . .	S. . . . .	5 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . .	ANT-1-195. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	MB
<b>Unit 38</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT-2-196. . .	S. . . . .	20 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-197. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-198. . .	S. . . . .	15 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-199. . .	S. . . . .	20 . .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only. . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-200. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . .	ANT-1-201. . .	S. . . . .	30 . .	MB



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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 39</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT–2–202. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT–1–203. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT–1–204. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT–1–205. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only. . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT–1–206. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . .	ANT–1–207. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
<b>Unit 40</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT–2–208. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT–1–209. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only. . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT–1–210. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . .	ANT–1–211. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
<b>Unit 41</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT–2–212. . .	S. . . . .	35 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT–1–213. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT–1–214. . .	S. . . . .	30 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT–1–215. . .	S. . . . .	30 . .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only. . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT–1–216. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . .	ANT–1–217. . .	S. . . . .	35 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Oct. 12–14 . .	ANT–1–218. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	F-IM
<b>Unit 42</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT–2–219. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT–1–220. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT–1–221. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . .	ANT–1–222. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
<b>Unit 8,43</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT–2–223. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT–1–224. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
<b>Unit 47</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT–2–225. . .	S. . . . .	10 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT–1–226. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT–1–227. . .	S. . . . .	25 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT–1–228. . .	S. . . . .	30 . .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only. . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT–1–229. . .	S. . . . .	.5 . .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . .	ANT–1–230. . .	S. . . . .	35 . .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Oct. 12–14 . .	ANT–1–231. . .	S. . . . .	20 . .	F-IM

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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 50, 52</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 6–14. . .	ANT-2-233. . .	S. . . . .	20. .	MB
Muzzle - Youth Only . . . . .	Aug. 3–5 . . .	ANT-3-232. . .	S. . . . .	40. .	ES
Muzzle . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-3-234 . . .	S. . . . .	40. .	MB
Muzzle . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-3-235. . .	S. . . . .	40. .	MB
<b>Unit 56</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT-2-236. . .	S. . . . .	50. .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-237. . .	S. . . . .	50. .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-238. . .	S. . . . .	5. .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-239. . .	S. . . . .	45. .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only. . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-240. . .	S. . . . .	5. .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . .	ANT-1-241. . .	S. . . . .	50. .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Oct. 12–14 . .	ANT-1-242. . .	S. . . . .	40. .	F-IM
<b>Unit 57</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT-2-243. . .	S. . . . .	10. .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-244. . .	S. . . . .	10. .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-245. . .	S. . . . .	10. .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Oct. 12–14 . .	ANT-1-246. . .	S. . . . .	10. .	F-IM
<b>Unit 58</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT-2-247. . .	S. . . . .	35. .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-248. . .	S. . . . .	15. .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-249. . .	S. . . . .	25. .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-250. . .	S. . . . .	30. .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-251. . .	S. . . . .	5. .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . .	ANT-1-252. . .	S. . . . .	40. .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Oct. 12–14 . .	ANT-1-253. . .	S. . . . .	30. .	F-IM
<b>Unit 59</b>					
Bow . . . . .	Aug. 4–12. . .	ANT-2-254. . .	S. . . . .	50. .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-255. . .	S. . . . .	45. .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 17–19 . .	ANT-1-256. . .	S. . . . .	5. .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-257. . .	S. . . . .	40. .	MB
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only. . . . .	Aug. 24–26 . .	ANT-1-258. . .	S. . . . .	10. .	MB
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 27–29 . .	ANT-1-259. . .	S. . . . .	50. .	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Oct. 12–14 . .	ANT-1-260. . .	S. . . . .	40. .	F-IM

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## General Information

- While in The Field You Must Have All of the Following (page 9)
- All Bighorn Sheep Harvests Must Be Tagged (pages 31–32)
- License Requirements and Fees (see pages 8–14)
- Legal Sporting Arms for Bighorn Sheep Hunting (see page 30)
- Hunting on Military Reservations (see page 44)
- Mobility-impaired Hunts (see pages 15–16)
- Youth-only Hunts (see page 15)
- Bag Limit (see glossary, page 135)

## Draw Licenses for Rocky Mountain and Desert Bighorn Sheep

Deadline to apply for Bighorn Sheep Draw Licenses is March 20, 2019. Only one person may apply per application.

Successful applicants will be mailed a Bighorn Sheep Draw License/tag. The license includes a hunt code and description of the unit, sporting-arm type, season dates and bag limit. Tags include instructions for proper tagging.

Hunters are eligible to draw one Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep Ram License and one Desert Bighorn Sheep Ram License in a lifetime. A person who has held a license to hunt a desert bighorn sheep ram may apply for a draw license to hunt a Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep ram and vice versa.

Youth hunters (17 years of age or younger on the first day of the hunt) are eligible to draw one Youth-only Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep Ram License and one Youth-only Desert Bighorn Sheep Ram License.

A hunter may apply for up to three bighorn sheep (BHS) hunt codes in the same license year, but only on one application.

Individuals who have previously held a Bighorn Sheep Enhancement License (page 38) may still apply for draw licenses.

## Bighorn Sheep Ram Heads Must Have a Seal

All bighorn sheep rams taken in New Mexico must have a seal inserted in one horn by NMDGF. Sealing must occur within 10 days of harvest, or prior to transport outside New Mexico (whichever occurs first). Bighorn sheep heads found in the field must remain where found. Bighorn sheep heads may not be possessed without a receipt from NMDGF. Bighorn sheep heads brought into New Mexico must be sealed by NMDGF within 10 days of entry into the state (NMDGF will seal unsealed out-of-state heads only if origin can be verified). Bighorn sheep legally harvested and sealed by another jurisdiction (state, tribal entity or country) do not have to be resealed by NMDGF.

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## Application Procedure for Bighorn Sheep (BHS) Hunts

Hunts are divided into four BHS hunt codes (BHS-1-201, BHS-1-202, BHS-2-203 and BHS-1-204). Applicants may choose, in the order preferred, up to three hunt codes.

**Hunt Areas and Hunt Dates:** Each BHS hunt code lists the available hunt areas and hunt dates for that hunt code. For each BHS hunt code chosen, applicants may select, in the order preferred, up to three hunt areas and hunt dates for that hunt code.

## Rocky Mountain Bighorn Ram: Hunt Code BHS-1-201

### Legal Sporting Arms

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Licenses	Bag
GMUs 16B, 22, 23, 24 (San Francisco River / Turkey Creek)	Jan. 1–31, '20	2	Ram
GMU 45 (Pecos)	Aug. 9–18	5	Ram
GMU 45 (Pecos)	Aug. 23–Sept. 1	3	Ram
GMU 45 (Pecos) - Youth Only	Aug. 23–Sept. 1	1	Ram
GMU 53 (Wheeler Peak) <sup>(1)</sup>	Aug. 6–15	2	Ram
GMU 53 (Wheeler Peak) <sup>(1)</sup>	Sept. 1–10	2	Ram
GMUs 53 and 55 (Latir) <sup>(2)</sup>	Aug. 9–18	1	Ram
GMUs 49, 50 and 53 (Rio Grande Gorge) <sup>(3)</sup>	Aug. 10–24	2	Ram
GMUs 49, 50 and 53 (Rio Grande Gorge) <sup>(3)</sup>	Sept. 1–15	2	Ram
GMU 58 (Dry Cimarron) <sup>(4)</sup>	Aug. 15–Jan. 15, '20	2	Ram

<sup>(1)</sup> GMU 53 south of NM 38 and east of NM 522.

<sup>(2)</sup> GMU 53 north of NM 38 and east of NM 522; and GMU 55 south of NM 196 / FS Rd. 1950.

<sup>(3)</sup> GMU 53 west of NM 522.

<sup>(4)</sup> Herds in GMU 58 often are dispersed, and rams may not be present year-round. Hunters should be prepared to hunt when rams are present. The dates for this hunt are extended as a result. Hunt will most likely occur on private land. If considering this hunt, it is advised to contact the NMDGF Information Center: 1-888-248-6866 before applying.

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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Licenses	Bag
GMU 45 (Pecos)	Sept. 21–25	10	Ewe
GMU 45 (Pecos)	Oct. 5–9	8	Ewe
GMU 45 (Pecos) - Youth-only	Oct. 5–9	2	Ewe
GMUs 49, 50 and 53 (Rio Grande Gorge) <sup>(1)</sup>	Oct. 12–20	12	Ewe
GMUs 49, 50 and 53 (Rio Grande Gorge) - Youth-only <sup>(1)</sup>	Nov. 9–17	12	Ewe
GMUs 49, 50 and 53 (Rio Grande Gorge) <sup>(1)</sup>	Dec. 14–22	12	Ewe

<sup>(1)</sup> GMU 53 west of NM 522.**Rocky Mountain Bighorn Ewe: Hunt Code BHS-2-203****Bow Only**

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Licenses	Bag
GMU 45 (Pecos)	Sept. 6–15	10	Ewe
GMUs 49, 50 and 53 (Rio Grande Gorge) <sup>(1)</sup>	Sept. 16–30	12	Ewe

<sup>(1)</sup> GMU 53 west of NM 522.**Desert Bighorn Ram: Hunt Code BHS-1-204****Legal Sporting Arms**

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Licenses	Bag
GMUs 13 and 17 (Ladrones)	Dec. 1–31	2	Ram
GMU 19 (San Andres) <sup>(1)</sup>	Dec. 14–21	3	Ram
GMU 19 (San Andres) <sup>(1)</sup>	Dec. 27–Jan. 3 '20	2	Ram
GMU 20 South (Caballos) <sup>(2)</sup>	Nov. 16–30	4	Ram
GMU 20 South (Caballos) <sup>(2)</sup>	Dec. 1–15	3	Ram
GMU 20 North (Fra Cristobal) <sup>(3)</sup>	Oct. 11–20	1	Ram
GMU 20 North (Fra Cristobal) - Youth Only <sup>(3)</sup>	Nov. 22–Dec. 1	1	Ram
GMU 26 (Hatchets)	Oct. 1–15	3	Ram
GMU 26 (Hatchets)	Oct. 16–31	3	Ram
GMU 27 (Peloncillos)	Nov. 1–30	3	Ram

<sup>(1)</sup> See below, *San Andres Mountains Bighorn Sheep Hunt*.<sup>(2)</sup> GMU 20 south of NM 51.<sup>(3)</sup> GMU 20 north of NM 51. See below, *Fra Cristobal Bighorn Sheep Hunts*..

# Bighorn Sheep

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

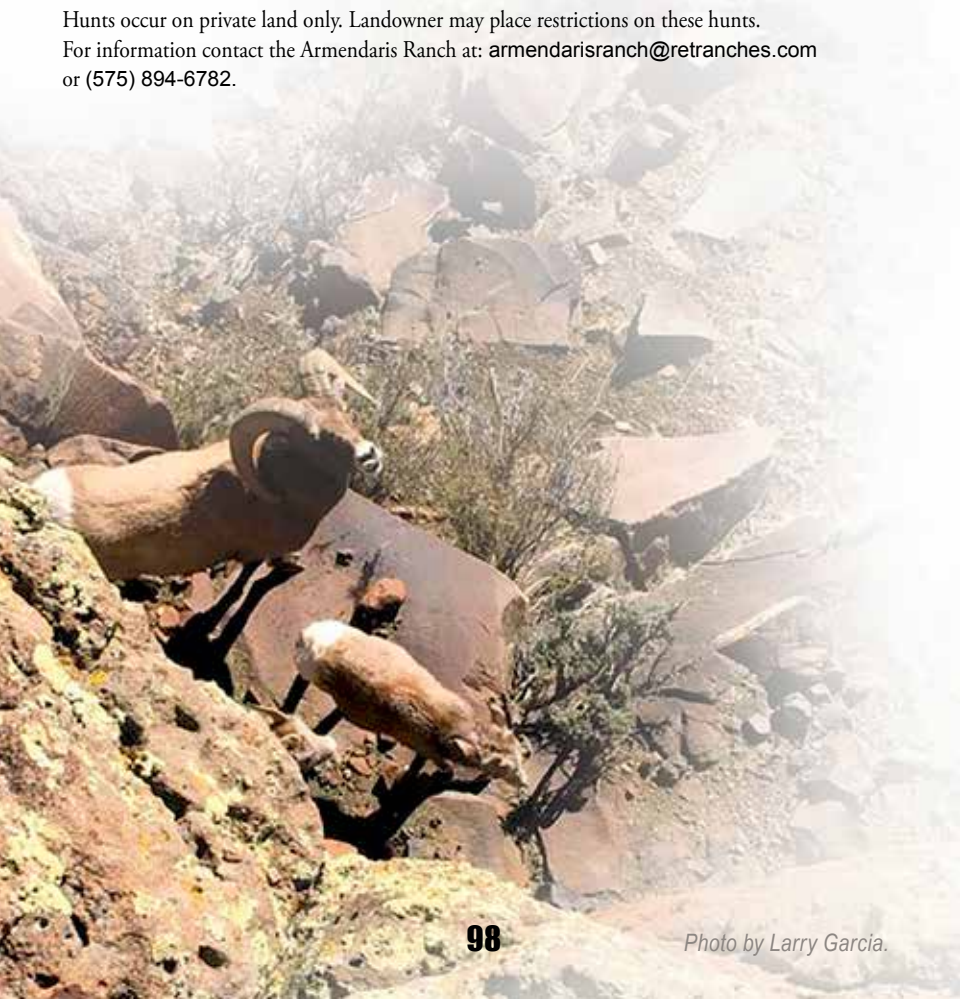
## **GMU 19 (San Andres Mountains Bighorn Sheep Hunt)**

Access through the White Sands Missile Range (WSMR) is required for this hunt. In addition to the bighorn sheep license, validation and stamp fees, WSMR charges a \$150 per hunter access fee. Successful applicants will receive an instruction email from WSMR detailing payment of the fee, including deadline dates. Hunters should anticipate the most opportune times to hunt during the 8-day hunt period will be on weekends, non-duty days and holidays. Military authorities may delay or cancel hunts if concern for public safety dictates.

**WSMR Security:** See page 44.

## **GMU 20 North of N.M. Hwy. 51 (Fra Cristobal Bighorn Sheep Hunts)**

Hunts occur on private land only. Landowner may place restrictions on these hunts. For information contact the Armendaris Ranch at: [armendarisranch@retranches.com](mailto:armendarisranch@retranches.com) or (575) 894-6782.



" The expertise, dedication and hard work of the department's biologists and officers, coupled with public support, have conserved species, restored populations and increased the well-being of wildlife in New Mexico. This benefits everyone."

— Kerry Mower, Wildlife Health Specialist/CWD, New Mexico Department of Game & Fish



## General Information

- While in The Field You Must Have All of the Following (page 9)
- All Ibex Harvests Must Be Tagged (pages 31–32)
- License Requirements and Fees (see pages 8–14)
- Legal Sporting Arms for Ibex Hunting (see page 30)
- Youth-only Hunts (see page 15)

## Ibex Draw Licenses

Deadline to apply for Ibex Draw Licenses is March 20, 2019. Up to two persons may apply per application.

Successful applicants will be mailed an Ibex Draw License/tag. The license includes a hunt code and description of the unit, sporting-arm type, season dates and bag limit. Tags include instructions for proper tagging.

Any valid ibex license can be used for the year-round IBX–1–528 hunt. Licenses for the IBX–1–525 any legal sporting arm hunt are once-in-a-lifetime. Hunters must apply by March 20, 2019 to be considered for this hunt on the Florida Mountains Hunt Area. A hunter may apply for this Once-in-a-Lifetime Ibex Draw License, if she/he has not previously held an IBX–1–525 license.

### Bag Limit (Glossary, page 136)

F–IM: Any female or immature ibex.

ES: Any ibex of either sex.

### Over-the-Counter License

The Over-the-Counter Ibex License for outside the Florida Mountains Hunt Area is IBX–1–528. Licenses can be purchased online, by telephone and at license vendors and NMDGF offices. There is no deadline or limit on the number of IBX–1–528 licenses. An IBX–1–528 license holder may take an unlimited number of animals. **Each kill must be tagged. Do not hunt without a valid tag.**

If planning to hunt within 14 days of online or telephone purchase, hunters may be required to obtain tags at a license vendor or NMDGF office.



Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

## Ibex Licenses: Seasons for All Sporting Arms

**Cougar Hunting in Unit 25, Florida Mountains Hunt Area:** Cougar hunting is closed in the Florida Mountains Hunt Area during any ibex season, except by licensed ibex hunters who also possess a cougar license. Cougar hunters must adhere to the allowed sporting arm type and season dates specified on their ibex license.

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 25 (Florida Mountains)</b>				
Bow . . . . .	Oct. 1–15 . . . . .	.IBX–2–535 . . . . .	100 . . . . .	ES
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 15–29 '20 . . . . .	.IBX–2–536 . . . . .	100 . . . . .	ES
Muzzle . . . . .	Dec. 6–20 . . . . .	.IBX–3–540 . . . . .	.25 . . . . .	ES
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Dec. 27–Jan. 10 '20 . . . . .	.IBX–1–500 . . . . .	.15 . . . . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Feb. 1–9, '20 . . . . .	.IBX–1–520 . . . . .	.75 . . . . .	F-IM
Any Legal . . . . .	Feb. 15–23, '20 . . . . .	.IBX–1–521 . . . . .	.75 . . . . .	F-IM
Any Legal . . . . .	Feb. 29–Mar. 8, '20 . . . . .	.IBX–1–522 . . . . .	.75 . . . . .	F-IM
Any Legal . . . . .	Mar. 14–22, '20 . . . . .	.IBX–1–523 . . . . .	.75 . . . . .	F-IM
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 15–29 . . . . .	.IBX–1–525 . . . . .	.25 . . . . .	ES
<b>Over-the-Counter: Statewide (off-Florida Mountains)</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	April 1–Mar. 31 '20 . . . . .	.IBX–1–528 . . . . .	Unlimited. . . . .	ES

## Ibex Incentive Drawing Eligibility

Individuals who successfully harvest one F–IM ibex during the IBX–1–520, IBX–1–521, IBX–1–522, IBX–1–523 hunts or a population management hunt will be eligible to enter a drawing for one Either-Sex (ES) Ibex. Successful hunters must present the head within five days of harvest to an NMDGF office or official. Information for the ES Ibex Drawing will be provided when the hunter presents the head for confirmation.

## Ibex Hunt Area

**Florida Mountains Hunt Area:** Portion of Unit 25 (shaded below): bounded by U.S. Hwy. I-10 on the north; the U.S./Mexico border on the south; N.M. Hwy. 11 on the west; and the Doña Ana/Luna County line on the east.





**Barbary sheep** (top): Both males and females have shaggy front quarters and are sand colored. Males have crescent-shaped horns. NMDGF photo.

**Bighorn sheep** (right) are grey-brown colored and have white hindquarters. Immature males that have not fully grown curled horns may resemble Barbary sheep at first glance. NMDGF photo by Clint Henson.



# Barbary Sheep

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

## General Information

- While in The Field You Must Have All of the Following (page 9)
- All Barbary Sheep Harvests Must Be Tagged (pages 31–32)
- License Requirements and Fees (see pages 8–14)
- Legal Sporting Arms for Barbary Sheep Hunting (see page 30)
- Hunting on Military Reservations (see page 44)

## Barbary Sheep Draw Licenses

Deadline to apply for Barbary Sheep Draw Licenses is March 20, 2019. Up to four persons may apply per application.

Successful applicants will be mailed a Barbary Sheep Draw License/tag. The license includes a hunt code and description of the unit, sporting-arm type, season dates and bag limit. Tags include instructions for proper tagging.

**Bag Limit:** Any Barbary sheep.

## Over-the-Counter Licenses

Over-the-Counter Barbary Sheep Licenses for public and private lands are available at license vendors, NMDGF offices, online: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us) or by telephone: 1-888-248-6866. If planning to hunt within 14 days of online or telephone purchase, hunters may be required to obtain tags at a license vendor or NMDGF office. When obtaining a Private-land Only Barbary Sheep License, the hunter must select a hunt code which corresponds with a Barbary Sheep Draw Hunt Code for the unit, bag limit, sporting arm type and season date.

## Private-land Only Barbary Sheep Licenses

To hunt on private-land only, hunters must obtain a Private-land Only Barbary Sheep License and tag—available online, by telephone, from license vendors or at NMDGF offices. Online and telephone purchases must be made at least 14 days prior to hunt start date to allow mailing of tags. When obtaining a Private-land Only Barbary Sheep License, the hunter must select a hunt code which corresponds with a Barbary Sheep-Draw Hunt Code for the unit(s), bag limit, sporting arm type(s) and season date.

## Barbary Sheep Draw Licenses: Seasons for All Sporting Arms

All public draw Barbary sheep licenses (with the exception of McGregor range license holders who are stationed at Fort Bliss, El Paso, TX and have paid the resident fees) shall also be valid for over-the-counter hunt areas with any legal sporting arm.

**Closed Areas:** Units 8, 13, 14, 16, 20, 22, 23, 24, 26 and 27; WSMR and Fort Bliss portions of Unit 19; all WMAs (except Water Canyon). **McGregor Range Hunts:** See page 44.

# Barbary Sheep

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 28 McGregor Range</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 28–29 . . . . .	.BBY–1–110 . . . . .	20 . . . . .	ES
Any Legal - Military Only . . . . .	Dec. 28–29 . . . . .	.BBY–1–111 . . . . .	20 . . . . .	ES
<b>Units 29, 30</b>				
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . . . . .	.BBY–2–105 . . . . .	75 . . . . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . . . .	.BBY–1–106 . . . . .	100 . . . . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 7–20 . . . . .	.BBY–1–107 . . . . .	250 . . . . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Jan. 20–Feb. 2 '20 . . . . .	.BBY–1–108 . . . . .	250 . . . . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Feb. 15–Feb. 28 '20 . . . . .	.BBY–1–109 . . . . .	250 . . . . .	ES
<b>Units 32, 34<sup>(2)</sup>, 36, 37</b>				
Bow . . . . .	Jan. 1–15, '20 . . . . .	.BBY–2–100 . . . . .	75 . . . . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 12–16 . . . . .	.BBY–1–101 . . . . .	75 . . . . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 7–20 . . . . .	.BBY–1–102 . . . . .	225 . . . . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Jan. 20–Feb. 2 '20 . . . . .	.BBY–1–103 . . . . .	225 . . . . .	ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Feb. 15–28 '20 . . . . .	.BBY–1–104 . . . . .	225 . . . . .	ES

## Over-the-Counter (OTC) Public-land Hunt

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Licenses	Bag
<b>Units 2, 4–7, 9, 10, 12, 15, 17, 18, 19 (portion outside WSMR and Fort Bliss), _____ and 21, 25, 31, 33, 34<sup>(1)</sup>, 38–59</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Apr. 1–Mar. 31, '20 . . . . .	.BBY–1–300 . . . . .	Unlimited . . . . .	ES

<sup>(1)</sup> BBY-1-300: The western portion of GMU 34 shall be open to over-the-counter licenses. The eastern portion of GMU 34 shall be closed to any license holder of a BBY-1-300 license. The boundary dividing the western portion of GMU 34 is the line beginning at the junction of NM Hwy 244 and the Mescalero Apache Indian Reservation and traveling south to US Hwy 82. Hwy 82 to NM Hwy 130 south to NM Hwy 6563 continuing south as it transitions to County Road E12 (Sacramento River Road). County Road E 12 south to the Unit 34/GMU 28 boundary.

<sup>(2)</sup> Barbary sheep hunters in GMU 34 should beware that bighorn sheep may be present (see page 102).



## General Information

- While in The Field You Must Have All of the Following (page 9)
- All Oryx Harvests Must Be Tagged (pages 31–32)
- License Requirements and Fees (see pages 8–14)
- Legal Sporting Arms for Oryx Hunting (see page 30)
- Hunting on Military Reservations (see page 44)
- Mobility-impaired Hunts (see pages 15–16)
- Youth-only Hunts (see page 15)

## Oryx Draw Licenses

Deadline to apply for Oryx Draw Licenses is March 20, 2019. Up to two persons may apply per application. The majority of these hunts occur on the White Sands Missile Range (WSMR).

Successful applicants will be mailed an Oryx Draw License/tag. The license includes a hunt code and description of the unit, sporting-arm type, season dates and bag limit. Tags include instructions for proper tagging.

All Premier, Broken Horn, Returning Veteran and Youth-only Oryx Hunts are three-day hunts. Friday will be primarily for checking into WSMR. If no military missions are scheduled, hunting may be allowed on Friday afternoons after check-in. Additional information concerning Friday opportunities will be emailed to each license holder.

Military authorities may delay or cancel hunts if public safety is of concern. The number of licenses issued may be reduced below the maximum number listed, if population survey results warrant.

WSMR will charge a \$150 per hunter access fee. Successful WSMR applicants will receive an email from WSMR with instructions for fee payment. Hunters are responsible for timely payment and will not be allowed to hunt if the access fee has not been paid by the specified deadline.

### Bag Limit (Glossary, pages 135, 136)

ES: Any oryx of either sex.

BHO: Any broken-horn oryx.

### White Sands Missile Range (WSMR) Security

Hunters who successfully draw for a WSMR hunt (guests included) must first complete a security-background check to be allowed on WSMR. Security-background registration forms will be sent in advance to all successful license holders prior to the hunt. All hunters (guests included) must have completed forms approved prior to being allowed access to WSMR. Vehicles entering WSMR are subject to search by WSMR security officers.

WSMR bans all alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, camcorders, radar detectors and concealed weapons. Discovery of banned items and/or failure to comply with WSMR requirements or other laws and regulation can result in revocation of hunting privileges on WSMR. Violators will not be afforded opportunity to correct violations. If escorted off WSMR, license fees are nonrefundable.



"What an experience, to hunt oryx in New Mexico was awesome. I am so grateful for the help I received from my dad and friends and for the time to be in the field."

— Jordyn, age 17, Albuquerque, N.M.

# Oryx

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## White Sands Missile Range (WSMR) Security—continued.

### Special Restrictions

- All Premier and Returning Iraq/Afghanistan Resident Veterans Only Oryx Hunts are Once-in-a-Lifetime Hunts and **may not be applied for if previously held**. If another oryx license type that is not Once-in-a-Lifetime has been previously held, applicants remain eligible and may still apply for Premier and Returning Iraq/Afghanistan Resident Veterans Only Oryx Hunt.
- No more than three hunt choices may be designated on each application. For questions about eligibility for a license, contact any NMDGF area office or telephone: 1-888-248-6866.
- Successful applicants will receive an email from WSMR with instructions for check-in and check-out at WSMR. A hunt-area map will be provided at check-in to identify closed areas where no hunting will be allowed.
- No more than three guests may accompany each licensed hunter to assist in cleaning and loading a downed oryx. **Only U.S. citizens** may be guests of permitted hunters, unless guests of an approved foreign-national hunter with an official escort. No additional help for cleaning and loading will be available. Guests may not help the licensed hunter kill the oryx.

**Hunting Guides:** White Sands Missile Range (WSMR) only allows use of outfitters and guides for Oryx Once-in-a-Lifetime, Broken-horn, Youth-only and Mobility-impaired Hunts. Only those outfitters and guides registered with WSMR **in advance of the hunt** will be allowed to operate on the range **Outfitters and guides are not authorized for Population-management Hunts**. It is the hunter's responsibility to verify that an outfitter or guide is in compliance with WSMR policies. For further information about registration requirements contact White Sands Missile Range at: (575) 678-7909 or (575) 678-7095.

## Oryx Draw Licenses: Seasons for All Sporting Arms

**Blaze-Orange Clothing:** Hunters (guests included) must wear at least 244 square inches of blaze-orange clothing while hunting on military property. **Once-in-a-Lifetime Hunts:** All Premier and Returning Iraq/Afghanistan Resident Veterans Only Oryx Hunts are Once-in-a-Lifetime Hunts.

**Broken-Horn Oryx Hunt:** Broken-Horn Oryx Hunts **are not** Once-in-a-Lifetime Hunts (pages 135, 138). Those who have held an Once-in-a-Lifetime Oryx License **may apply** for a Broken-Horn Oryx Hunt. **Bag Limit:** ES (any oryx of either sex); BHO (any broken-horn oryx).

### Premier Hunts (These are Once-in-a-Lifetime Hunts.)

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Licenses	Bag
Stallion Range . . . . .	Sept. 13–15 . . . . .	ORX-1-100 . . . . .	.65 . . . . .	.ES
Rhodes Canyon . . . . .	Sept. 27–29 . . . . .	ORX-1-101 . . . . .	.65 . . . . .	.ES
Rhodes Canyon . . . . .	Oct. 25–27 . . . . .	ORX-1-102 . . . . .	.65 . . . . .	.ES
Stallion Range . . . . .	Nov. 8–10 . . . . .	ORX-1-103 . . . . .	.65 . . . . .	.ES
Rhodes Canyon . . . . .	Dec. 6–8 . . . . .	ORX-1-104 . . . . .	.65 . . . . .	.ES
Stallion Range . . . . .	Jan. 3–5, '20 . . . . .	ORX-1-105 . . . . .	.65 . . . . .	.ES
Stallion Range . . . . .	Jan. 17–19, '20 . . . . .	ORX-1-106 . . . . .	.65 . . . . .	.ES
Small Missile Range . . . . .	Feb. 14–16, '20 . . . . .	ORX-1-107 . . . . .	.65 . . . . .	.ES

**Premier Hunts (These are Once-in-a-Lifetime Hunts.)—continued.**

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Licenses	Bag
Red Canyon . . . . .	Feb. 28–Mar. 1, '20	ORX-1-108 . . . . .	.65 . . . . .	.ES
Stallion Range - Mobility Impaired Only . . . . .	Oct. 11–13 . . . . .	ORX-1-109 . . . . .	.20 . . . . .	.ES

**Youth-only Hunt (This is not a Once-in-a-Lifetime Hunt.)**

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Licenses	Bag
Stallion Range - Youth Only . . . . .	Oct. 11–13 . . . . .	ORX-1-119 . . . . .	.40 . . . . .	.ES

**Broken-Horn Oryx Hunts (These are not Once-in-a-Lifetime Hunts.)**

Those who have held an Once-in-a-Lifetime Oryx License **may apply** for a Broken-Horn Oryx Hunt.

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Licenses	Bag
Stallion Range . . . . .	Sept. 13–15 . . . . .	ORX-1-120 . . . . .	.15 . . . . .	.BHO
Rhodes Canyon . . . . .	Sept. 27–29 . . . . .	ORX-1-121 . . . . .	.15 . . . . .	.BHO
Rhodes Canyon . . . . .	Oct. 25–27 . . . . .	ORX-1-122 . . . . .	.15 . . . . .	.BHO
Stallion Range . . . . .	Nov. 8–10 . . . . .	ORX-1-123 . . . . .	.15 . . . . .	.BHO
Rhodes Canyon . . . . .	Dec. 6–8 . . . . .	ORX-1-124 . . . . .	.15 . . . . .	.BHO
Stallion Range . . . . .	Jan. 3–5 '20 . . . . .	ORX-1-125 . . . . .	.15 . . . . .	.BHO
Stallion Range . . . . .	Jan. 17–19 '20 . . . . .	ORX-1-126 . . . . .	.15 . . . . .	.BHO
Small Missile Range . . . . .	Feb. 14–16 '20 . . . . .	ORX-1-127 . . . . .	.15 . . . . .	.BHO
Red Canyon . . . . .	Feb. 28–Mar. 1 '20 . . . . .	ORX-1-128 . . . . .	.15 . . . . .	.BHO

**Population Management Hunts (These are not Once-in-a-Lifetime Hunts.)**

Only U.S. citizens with a WSMR hunt authorization code may apply for WSMR Population Management Hunts. Foreign nationals may apply for Premier Once-in-a-Lifetime Hunts, however, if drawn they must be escorted at all times by an authorized WSMR official while on the WSMR.

**Oryx population management hunts may occur on or outside WSMR.**

Hunts may occur on two types of areas, standard-hunt areas and secure-hunt areas (formerly Security Badged Hunt areas). United States citizenship is required.

**Standard-hunt areas (These hunts occur outside WSMR):** Applicants should choose the 5th-choice oryx hunt option when applying.

**Secure-hunt areas (These hunts occur on WSMR):** To also be eligible for secure-hunt areas, applicants must have arranged with an approved WSMR 2019 Security Sponsor. An approved Security Sponsor will provide a hunt authorization code that the applicant must enter in his/her oryx 5th-choice management hunt application.

Do not apply unless you have a valid hunt authorization code. Hunters unaccompanied by a sponsor will be denied access to the hunt. If uncertain about your eligibility, please telephone NMDGF: 1-888-248-6866.



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## Returning Iraq/Afghanistan Resident Veterans Only Hunts (These are Once-in-a-Lifetime Hunts.)

The hunts listed below have been established for New Mexico resident veterans who have served on active military duty in Iraq or Afghanistan (see *Oryx Hunts for Iraq-Afghanistan Returnees*, page 20). All hunts are held on White Sands Missile Range (WSMR). No more than two persons may apply on each application. Application must be made by March 20, 2019. **Proof of Military Service Required:** Each year, applicants must provide proof of military service in Iraq or Afghanistan before the application deadline. A **copy** of Orders or DD-214 can be emailed: [specialhunts@state.nm.us](mailto:specialhunts@state.nm.us), faxed: (505) 476-8180, or mailed to: NMDGF, Special Hunts Office, P.O. Box 25112, Santa Fe, N.M. 87504. **Blaze-Orange Clothing:** Hunters must wear at least 244 square inches of blaze-orange clothing while hunting on military property.

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Licenses	Bag
<b>White Sands Missile Range (WSMR) - Iraq / Afghanistan Resident Veterans Only</b>				
Stallion Range . . . . .	Sept. 13–15 . . . . .	ORX-1-110 . . . . .	.5 . . . . .	.ES
Rhodes Canyon . . . . .	Sept. 27–29 . . . . .	ORX-1-111 . . . . .	.5 . . . . .	.ES
Rhodes Canyon . . . . .	Oct. 25–27 . . . . .	ORX-1-112 . . . . .	.5 . . . . .	.ES
Stallion Range . . . . .	Nov. 8–10 . . . . .	ORX-1-113 . . . . .	.5 . . . . .	.ES
Rhodes Canyon . . . . .	Dec. 6–8 . . . . .	ORX-1-114 . . . . .	.5 . . . . .	.ES
Stallion Range . . . . .	Jan. 3–5, '20 . . . . .	ORX-1-115 . . . . .	.5 . . . . .	.ES
Stallion Range . . . . .	Jan. 17–19, '20 . . . . .	ORX-1-116 . . . . .	.5 . . . . .	.ES
Small Missile Range . . . . .	Feb. 14–16, '20 . . . . .	ORX-1-117 . . . . .	.5 . . . . .	.ES
Red Canyon . . . . .	Feb. 28–Mar. 1, '20 . . . . .	ORX-1-118 . . . . .	.5 . . . . .	.ES

## McGregor Range Hunts (These are not Once-in-a-Lifetime Hunts.)

Hunts are on lands administered by Fort Bliss. All hunters may apply for the ORX-1-224 and the ORX-1-226 hunt. Applicants for military only hunts must submit proof of current active-duty status prior to the application deadline (page 6). Hunters are required to possess proof of passing a certified Hunter Education Course, are required to wear a blaze-orange hat and vest, and will be subject to security searches. Hunters may be required to visit El Paso, Texas to obtain an access pass. For further information, contact Fort Bliss: [david.j.black46.civ@mail.mil](mailto:david.j.black46.civ@mail.mil).

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Licenses	Bag
<b>Unit 28 (McGregor Range)</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 21–22 . . . . .	ORX-1-224 . . . . .	.S . . . . .	.25 . . . . .
Any Legal - Military Only . . . . .	Dec. 21–22 . . . . .	ORX-1-225 . . . . .	.S . . . . .	.25 . . . . .
Any Legal . . . . .	Jan. 11–12, '20 . . . . .	ORX-1-226 . . . . .	.S . . . . .	.25 . . . . .
Any Legal - Military Only . . . . .	Jan. 11–12, '20 . . . . .	ORX-1-227 . . . . .	.S . . . . .	.25 . . . . .

## Off-WSMR Hunts (These are not Once-in-a-Lifetime Hunts.)

**Open Areas:** Lands administered by the Forest Service and BLM, State Trust Land, and private property with written permission. **Closed Areas:** White Sands Missile Range, Jornada Experimental Range, San Andres National Wildlife Refuge, Holloman Air Force Base, Fort Bliss / McGregor areas in units 19 and 28, and other lands closed to hunting.

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Licenses	Bag
<b>Statewide - Off-range</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	June 1–30 . . . . .	ORX–1–204. . . . .	.80 . . . . .	.ES
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	June 1–30 . . . . .	ORX–1–205. . . . .	.20 . . . . .	.ES
Any Legal . . . . .	July 1–31. . . . .	ORX–1–206. . . . .	.80 . . . . .	.ES
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	July 1–31. . . . .	ORX–1–207. . . . .	.20 . . . . .	.ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 1–31 . . . . .	ORX–1–208. . . . .	.80 . . . . .	.ES
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Aug. 1–31 . . . . .	ORX–1–209. . . . .	.20 . . . . .	.ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Sept. 1–30 . . . . .	ORX–1–210. . . . .	.80 . . . . .	.ES
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Sept. 1–30 . . . . .	ORX–1–211. . . . .	.20 . . . . .	.ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Oct. 1–31 . . . . .	ORX–1–212. . . . .	.80 . . . . .	.ES
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Oct. 1–31 . . . . .	ORX–1–213. . . . .	.20 . . . . .	.ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Nov. 1–30 . . . . .	ORX–1–214. . . . .	.80 . . . . .	.ES
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Nov. 1–30 . . . . .	ORX–1–215. . . . .	.20 . . . . .	.ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Dec. 1–31 . . . . .	ORX–1–216. . . . .	.80 . . . . .	.ES
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Dec. 1–31 . . . . .	ORX–1–217. . . . .	.20 . . . . .	.ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Jan. 1–31, '20 . . . . .	ORX–1–218. . . . .	.80 . . . . .	.ES
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Jan. 1–31, '20 . . . . .	ORX–1–219. . . . .	.20 . . . . .	.ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Feb. 1–29, '20 . . . . .	ORX–1–220. . . . .	.80 . . . . .	.ES
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Feb. 1–29, '20 . . . . .	ORX–1–221. . . . .	.20 . . . . .	.ES
Any Legal . . . . .	Mar. 1–31, '20. . . . .	ORX–1–222. . . . .	.80 . . . . .	.ES
Any Legal - Youth Only. . . . .	Mar. 1–31, '20. . . . .	ORX–1–223. . . . .	.20 . . . . .	.ES

## Private-land Hunts (These are not Once-in-a-Lifetime Hunts.)

Private-land Oryx Licenses are valid only on deeded private land. Hunters must obtain and possess written permission from the landowner. Private-land Oryx Licenses are valid for a period of one month and must correspond to the hunt dates, eligibility requirements/restrictions, sporting arm type and bag limits listed in the above table. In addition to the dates listed above statewide private-land, off-range licenses are available for April and May. Licenses are available at NMDGF offices and license vendors, online: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us), or by telephone: 1-888-248-6866. Online and telephone purchases must be made at least 14 days prior to hunt start date to allow mailing of tag.

# Turkey

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

## General Information

- While in The Field You Must Have All of the Following (page 9)
- All Turkey Harvests Must Be Tagged (pages 31–32)
- License Requirements and Fees (see pages 8–14)
- Legal Sporting Arms for Turkey Hunting (see pages 30–31)
- Youth-only Hunts (see page 15)

## Turkey Draw Permits

Deadline to apply for Turkey Draw Permits is February 13, 2019. Up to two persons may apply per application.

Successful applicants must purchase an Over-the-Counter Turkey License with tags, and a Game-hunting License or Game-hunting & Fishing License. If planning to hunt within 14 days of online or telephone purchase, hunters may be required to obtain tags at a license vendor or NMDGF office. Tags include instructions for proper tagging.

## Over-the-Counter (OTC) License Hunts

Resident and nonresident spring or fall Over-the-Counter Turkey Licenses are available online: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us), by telephone: 1-888-248-6866 and at NMDGF offices and license vendors. Hunters may purchase both spring and fall licenses.

### Areas Open for Spring OTC License Hunts: April 15–May 10

STATEWIDE: Except the closed areas listed below.

CLOSED: Unit 2A (areas east of NM Hwy. 550 and north of NM Hwy. 173); Unit 2B (areas in the Carson National Forest), Unit 2C (areas in the Carson National Forest); Units 6B, 8, 19, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31; Bernardo WMA, Bill Evans WMA, Double E WMA, Jackson Lake WMA, La Joya WMA, Lake Roberts WMA, Marquez WMA, Prairie Chicken WMAs, Red Rock WMA, River Ranch WMA, Valle Vidal, W.S. Huey WMA.

### Youth-only Spring OTC License Hunt: April 12–14

An early Youth-only Turkey Hunt opportunity is scheduled for April 12–14 in all units listed open for spring hunting.

## Bag Limit for Spring Season

The bag limit is 2 bearded turkeys, except as restricted by permit or area.<sup>(1)</sup> The beard and a patch of feathers surrounding the beard must remain on the bird until it is delivered to the place where it will be eaten or placed in final storage.

- (1) If successful in a draw hunt restricted by permit or area with a bag limit of one (1), one additional turkey may be harvested in the Areas Open for Spring OTC License Hunts listed on page 111.

# Turkey

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**

## OTC License Hunts—Continued.

### Areas Open for Fall OTC License Hunts

**Sept. 1–30** (bow only) and **Nov. 1–30** (legal sporting arms)

STATEWIDE: Except the closed areas listed below.

CLOSED: Unit 2A (areas east of NM Hwy. 550 and north of NM Hwy. 173); Unit 2B (areas in the Carson National Forest); Unit 2C (areas in the Carson National Forest); Units 6B, 8, 14, 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 33, 38, 43, 49, 50, 53; Bernardo WMA, Bill Evans WMA, Double E WMA, Edward Sargent WMA, Jackson Lake WMA, La Joya WMA, Lake Roberts WMA, Marquez WMA, Prairie Chicken WMAs, Red Rock WMA, Rio Chama WMA, River Ranch WMA, Sugarite Canyon State Park, Valle Vidal, W.A. Humphries WMA and W.S. Huey WMA.

### Bag Limit for Fall Season

The bag limit is any one turkey. If a hunter does not harvest a turkey during the September Bow-only Hunt, she/he may hunt again in November using legal sporting arms for turkey.

## Turkey Draw Permits (OTC Turkey License Required): Seasons for Legal Sporting Arms

Hunt Area	Hunt Date	Hunt Code	Permits	Bag Limit
<b>Unit 2B and 2C (Carson National Forest)</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Apr. 15–May 10 . . .	TUR–1–100 . . . . .	115 . . . . .	1 bearded turkey
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Apr. 15–May 10 . . .	TUR–1–101 . . . . .	50 . . . . .	1 bearded turkey
<b>2A (Areas east of NM Hwy. 550 and north of NM Hwy. 173)</b>				
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Apr. 15–May 10 . . .	TUR–1–102 . . . . .	5 . . . . .	1 bearded turkey
<b>Unit 6B<sup>(1)</sup> (Valles Caldera National Preserve)</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Apr. 15–30 . . . . .	TUR–1–103 . . . . .	20 . . . . .	1 bearded turkey
<sup>(1)</sup> Hunter orientation required (page 42).				
<b>Unit 8 (Sandia Ranger District, Archery Only)</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Apr. 15–May 10 . . .	TUR–1–104 . . . . .	15 . . . . .	2 bearded turkey
<b>Unit 9 - Marquez WMA (N.M. Resident Only)</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Apr. 15–May 10 . . .	TUR–1–105 . . . . .	5 . . . . .	2 bearded turkeys
<b>Unit 30 - Washington Ranch (Youth Only, page 113)</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Apr. 27–28 . . . . . May 4–5	TUR–1–106 . . . . .	4 . . . . .	1 bearded turkey
<b>Unit 33 - W.S. Huey WMA (Youth Only, N.M. Resident Only)</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Apr. 12–14 . . . . .	TUR–1–107 . . . . .	2 . . . . .	1 bearded turkey
Any Legal . . . . .	Apr. 19–21 . . . . .	TUR–1–108 . . . . .	2 . . . . .	1 bearded turkey
<b>Unit 55 - Valle Vidal</b>				
Any Legal . . . . .	Apr. 15–30 . . . . .	TUR–1–109 . . . . .	20 . . . . .	1 bearded turkey

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## Washington Ranch Youth Hunt

This is a special hunting opportunity for youth hunters to harvest a Rio Grande Turkey at Washington Ranch. Successful draw applicants will be assigned either the April 27–28 or May 4–5 hunt date and will be contacted with additional hunt details. Hunter orientation is required and will be held on the Friday afternoon before the designated hunt begins. Youth hunters will be paired with a Conservation Officer for a Saturday and Sunday hunt. Lodging and meals will be provided at Washington Ranch for the youth hunter and parents. For additional information about this opportunity, contact the Southeast Area Office: (575) 624-6135.

## Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge Youth Spring Turkey Hunt

The Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) will conduct a Youth Spring Turkey Hunt for hunters 17 years of age and younger. Hunts will be held on weekends during April and May, 2019 in conjunction with seasons established by the New Mexico State Game Commission. The bag limit is one bearded turkey. Eligible hunters will be drawn from a pool of qualified applicants. An application fee of \$6 is required per application. Applications will be available beginning February 2, 2019 at: [https://www.fws.gov/refuge/bosque\\_del\\_apache/](https://www.fws.gov/refuge/bosque_del_apache/). For more information about hunting opportunities at Bosque del Apache NWR telephone: (575) 835-1828.

# Javelina

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**

## General Information

- While in The Field You Must Have All of the Following (page 9)
- All Javelina Harvests Must Be Tagged (pages 31–32)
- License Requirements and Fees (see pages 8–14)
- Legal Sporting Arms for Javelina Hunting (see page 30)
- Hunting on Military Reservations (see page 44)
- Youth-only Hunts (see page 15)

## Javelina Draw Licenses

Deadline to apply for Javelina Draw Licenses is March 20, 2019. Up to four persons may apply per application.

Successful applicants will be mailed a Javelina Draw License/tag. The license includes a hunt code and description of the unit, sporting-arm type, season dates and bag limit. Tags include instructions for proper tagging.

**Bag Limit:** One javelina. New Mexico law does not require javelina meat to be taken from the field.

### Extended Seasons for Javelina: (JAV-1-100, JAV-1-104 and JAV-2-103)

Properly licensed deer or elk hunters who possess a JAV-1-100, JAV-1-104 or JAV-2-103 license may hunt javelina outside of the published javelina hunt dates, but only during the dates and in the unit or units of their deer or elk hunt, if open for javelina hunting (see below). Hunters must use the same weapon type listed on their deer or elk license.

### Over-the-Counter Licenses (excluding GMUs 19, 23–28)

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Licenses	Bag
Statewide (excluding Units 19, 23–28)	Jan. 16–Mar. 31, '20	JAV-1-104	1000	ES
Statewide (excluding Units 19, 23–28)	Jan. 1–31, '20	JAV-2-103	300	ES

Online and telephone purchases must be made at least 14 days prior to hunt start date to allow mailing of tags.

## Javelina Draw Licenses: Seasons for All Sporting Arms

**WMAs open to javelina hunting:** Prairie-Chicken WMAs - Black Hills (East and West), Claudell; Crossroads 1–5; Gallina Wells 1, 1A, 1B and 2–6; Liberty; Marshall; Milnesand; Bluit (North, South and East); Wayside; Antelope Flats; Bledsoe; Little Dipper; Pitchfork; Ranger Lake; and Sandhills Prairie Conservation Area. **JAV-1-100, JAV-1-104 and JAV-2-103 Hunts:** Javelina will be in small, isolated groups except in Units 23–27. Before hunting on McGregor Range/Fort Bliss, **all hunters are required** to have proof of passing a certified Hunter Education Course (page 17).

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Licenses	Bag
Statewide (excluding Unit 28) - Youth Only	Jan. 1–Mar. 31, '20	JAV-1-100	150	ES
Units 19, 23–27	Jan. 1–31, '20	JAV-2-101	300	ES
Units 19, 23–27	Feb. 1–Mar. 1, '20	JAV-1-102	1000	ES
Unit 28 McGregor Range - Military Only	Dec. 28–29	JAV-1-105	5	ES
Unit 28 McGregor Range	Dec. 28–29	JAV-1-106	5	ES

# Bear

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)

## General Information

- While in The Field You Must Have All of the Following (page 9)
- All Bear Harvests Must Be Tagged (pages 31–32)
- License Requirements and Fees (see pages 8–14)
- Legal Sporting Arms for Bear Hunting (see page 30)
- Youth-only Hunts (see page 15)
- Bear Licenses must be purchased at least two calendar days before hunting.

## Bear Draw Permits

Deadline to apply for Bear Draw Permits is February 13, 2019. Only one person may apply per application.

Successful applicants must purchase an Over-the-Counter Bear License with tags, and a Game-hunting License or Game-hunting & Fishing License. If planning to hunt within 14 days of online or telephone purchase, hunters may be required to obtain a tag at a license vendor or NMDGF office. Tags include instructions for proper tagging.

Bear Draw Permits are available for the areas listed in the table on page 118. Only New Mexico residents may apply for WMA Bear Draw Permits.

Hunters may hunt during the over-the-counter season if they have not taken a bear during their draw hunt.

## Bag Limit

The bag limit is one bear. A hunter may not take any cub younger than one-year old or any female accompanied by a cub(s). New Mexico law does not require bear meat to be taken from the field.

## Over-the-Counter (OTC) License Hunts

An OTC Bear License may be purchased at license vendors, NMDGF offices, online: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us) or by telephone: 1-888-248-6866. If planning to hunt within 14 days of online or telephone purchase, hunters may be required to obtain tags at a license vendor or NMDGF office. **Bear Licenses must be purchased at least two calendar days before hunting.**

**Harvest Limits for All Zones** (map, page 119): New Mexico is divided into 14 Bear Management Zones, enabling NMDGF to better manage regional bear populations. Each zone has two harvest limits: 1, the total number of bears that may be harvested (total limit; and 2, the number of female bears that may be harvested. Harvest limits for each Bear Management Zone are listed in the table on page 117. Bear Management Zones close when harvests reach 90% of the total limit, 90% of the female sublimit, or when the season has ended—whichever occurs first.

**Zone Closure:** Before hunting, hunters must verify the zone is open by checking online: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us/hunting/information-by-animal/big-game/bear/](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/hunting/information-by-animal/big-game/bear/) or telephone: 1-877-950-5466.

## Baiting and Trapping

Baiting and trapping are **not legal methods** for taking bear. If accidentally trapped, the bear must be released. Should assistance be needed to release a bear, contact NMDGF.

## Pelt Tags Required

Harvested bears must be both carcass tagged and pelt tagged. The carcass tag must be properly notched and attached immediately after the animal is harvested. The hunter must present the carcass tag, skull, and hide for pelt tagging to any District Conservation Officer or any NMDGF office **within five days** of killing the bear or before transporting the hide outside New Mexico, whichever occurs first. **Hunters who appoint a designee to transport the harvested bear for pelt tagging are required to contact a conservation officer prior to pelt tagging.** Hunters are required to present to any NMDGF office the **unfrozen skull of any bear killed with the mouth fixed open** for removal of a premolar tooth. The pelt tag must remain attached to the hide until the hide is processed. Improperly tagged hides will be seized by NMDGF.

## Proof of Sex

The testicles, penis and/or baculum of a male, or the vulva of a female, must remain naturally attached to the hide and be visible to the NMDGF tagging official. NMDGF will only pelt tag a harvested bear if proof of sex is attached to the hide and readily visible to the tagging official. Bears presented to NMDGF for tagging without proof of sex attached will be seized.

## Use of Dogs

Dog use is **not allowed** on Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) or during September bow seasons. Dog use is **allowed** to hunt bears elsewhere during hunts for any legal sporting arm (see table, page 117). When dogs are used to hunt bears, the licensed hunter who harvests the bear must be present continuously from the time any dog is released. Dogs may only be released during legal hunting hours. There is no “pursuit” or “training” season outside the regular open season.

## Valle Vidal

It is unlawful to hunt bears on the Valle Vidal, except for hunters who successfully draw a Bear Draw Permit and purchase a Game-hunting License or Game-hunting & Fishing License and an Over-the-Counter Bear License. Dogs are allowed during the April 15–May 20 and the Aug. 1–31 hunts.

In addition to the above, elk hunters also may hunt bears in the Valle Vidal provided they: 1). Possess a Valle Vidal rifle, muzzleloader or bow elk license; 2). Possess an OTC bear license and tag; 3). Use the sporting arm type specified for their elk hunt; 4). Hunt only during the dates of their elk hunt; and 5). The harvest limit in Bear Zone 5 has not been met and the season is still open.

## Livestock Damage

Landowners, lessees or their regular employees do not need a license to kill a bear that has killed domestic livestock or presents an immediate threat to human life or property. Any person taking such action **must report the incident to NMDGF within 24 hours.** Pelts, claws and other parts of depredating animals taken under this provision are the property of the State of New Mexico and must be delivered to NMDGF.



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Zone: Open Units	Hunt Dates	Sporting Arm	Dog Use	Total Limit	Female Limit
<b>Zone 1</b> . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . . . .	Bow Only.	Not Allowed .	158 . . . . .	63
Units: 4–7, 51, 52 . . . . .	Sept. 25–Nov. 15 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed		
<b>Zone 2</b> . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . . . .	Bow Only.	Not Allowed .	15 . . . . .	.6
Unit 2 . . . . .	Sept. 25–Nov. 15 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed		
<b>Zone 3</b> . . . . .	Aug. 16–31 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed . . . . .	65 . . . . .	26
Units: 49, 50, 53 . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . . . .	Bow Only.	Not Allowed		
	Sept. 25–Nov. 15 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed		
<b>Zone 4</b> . . . . .	Aug. 16–31 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed . . . . .	109 . . . . .	43
Units: 45, 46, 48. . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . . . .	Bow Only.	Not Allowed		
	Sept. 25–Nov. 30 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed		
<b>Zone 5</b> . . . . .	Aug. 16–31 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed . . . . .	92 . . . . .	37
Units: 54, 55 . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . . . .	Bow Only.	Not Allowed		
	Sept. 25–Nov. 15 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed		
<b>Zone 6</b> . . . . .	Aug. 16–31 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed . . . . .	33 . . . . .	13
Units: 39–43, 47, 59. . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . . . .	Bow Only.	Not Allowed		
	Sept. 25–Nov. 15 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed		
<b>Zone 7</b> . . . . .	Aug. 16–31 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed . . . . .	35 . . . . .	14
Units: 56–58 . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . . . .	Bow Only.	Not Allowed		
	Sept. 25–Nov. 15 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed		
<b>Zone 8</b> . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . . . .	Bow Only.	Not Allowed .	11 . . . . .	.4
Unit 8 . . . . .	Oct. 15–Nov. 15. . . . .	Any Legal*	Allowed		
* USFS Sandia Ranger District is bow only.					
<b>Zone 9</b> . . . . .	Aug. 16–31 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed . . . . .	36 . . . . .	14
Units: 9, 10 . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . . . .	Bow Only.	Not Allowed		
	Sept. 25–Nov. 15 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed		
<b>Zone 10</b> . . . . .	Aug. 16–31 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed . . . . .	146 . . . . .	58
Units: 12, 13, 15–18, 20–24 . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . . . .	Bow Only.	Not Allowed		
26, 27 . . . . .	Sept. 25–Nov. 30 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed		
<b>Zone 11</b> . . . . .	Aug. 16–31 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed . . . . .	36 . . . . .	14
Units: 37, 38 . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . . . .	Bow Only.	Not Allowed		
	Sept. 25–Nov. 30 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed		
<b>Zone 12</b> . . . . .	Aug. 16–31 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed . . . . .	33 . . . . .	13
Unit 34 . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . . . .	Bow Only.	Not Allowed		
	Sept. 25–Nov. 30 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed		
<b>Zone 13</b> . . . . .	Aug. 16–31 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed . . . . .	16 . . . . .	.6
Unit 36 . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . . . .	Bow Only.	Not Allowed		
	Sept. 25–Nov. 15 . . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed		
<b>Zone 14</b> . . . . .	Sept. 1–24. . . . .	Bow Only.	Not Allowed .	19 . . . . .	.7
Unit 14 . . . . .	Oct. 15–Nov. 15. . . . .	Any Legal.	Allowed		

# Bear

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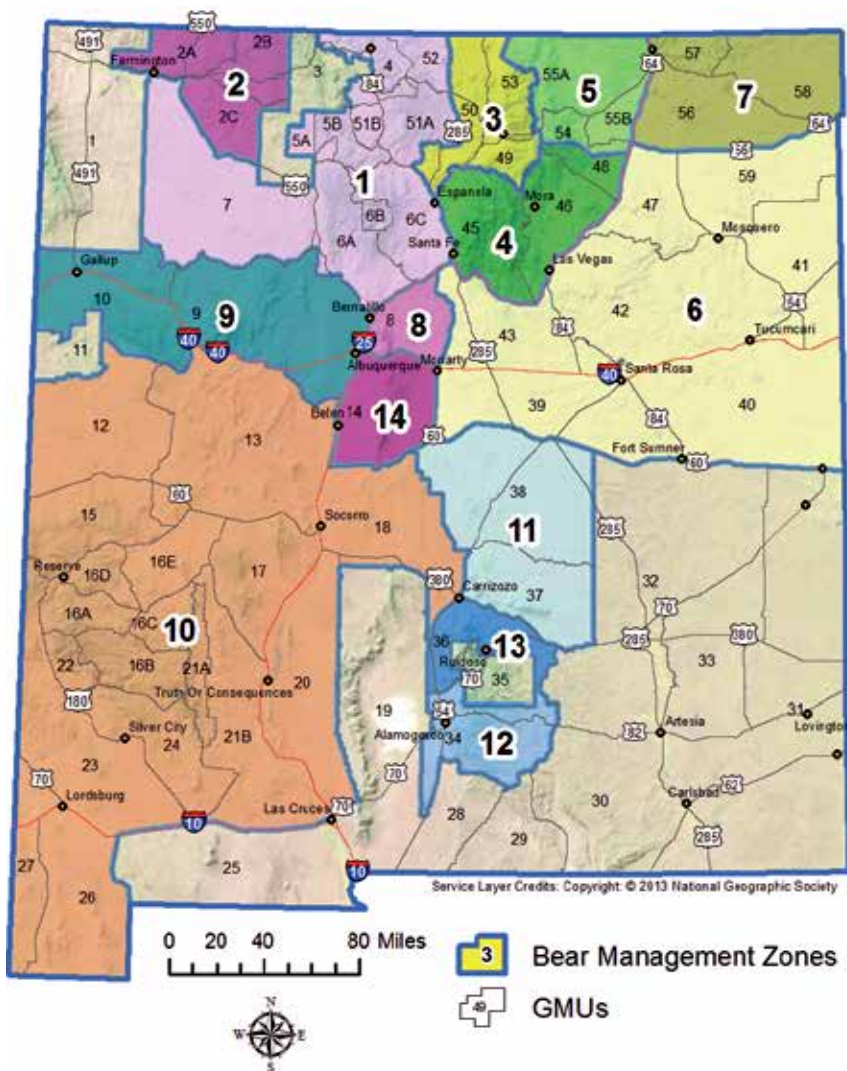
## Bear Draw Permits (OTC Bear License Required): Seasons for All Sporting Arms

**Closed Areas:** Rio Grande Wild and Scenic River Area, including Taos Valley Overlook; All Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs are open only to hunters with a valid Bear Draw Permit and Bear Hunting License during draw seasons for that area.); and Subunit 6B (Valles Caldera National Preserve). **Bow Only** (crossbow may only be used by certified mobility-impaired hunters); Sandia Ranger District: Zones 8 and 14, and Sugarite Canyon State Park. **Electronic Calls:** Electronic calls are allowed for bear hunting.

Area	Date	Hunt Code	Permits
<b>Unit 2</b> _____			
Any Legal - Youth Only . . . . .	Aug. 1–31 . . . . .	BER–1–100. . . . .	5
<b>Unit 4 Sargent WMA</b> _____			
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Aug. 1–31 . . . . .	BER–1–101. . . . .	10
<b>Unit 4 Humphries WMA</b> _____			
Any Legal - NM Residents Only. . . . .	Aug. 1–31 . . . . .	BER–1–102. . . . .	5
<b>Unit 9 Marquez WMA</b> _____			
Any Legal - NM Resident Only . . . . .	Aug. 1–31 . . . . .	BER–1–103. . . . .	5
<b>Units 54/55 Barker and Colin Neblett WMAs</b> _____			
Any Legal - NM Resident Only. . . . .	Aug. 1–31 . . . . .	BER–1–104. . . . .	12
<b>Unit 55 Valle Vidal</b> _____			
Any Legal . . . . .	Apr. 15–May 20 . . . . .	BER–1–106. . . . .	20
Any Legal . . . . .	Aug. 1–31 . . . . .	BER–1–105. . . . .	20
<b>Unit 57 Sugarite Canyon State Park</b> _____			
Bow Only . . . . .	Aug. 1–31 . . . . .	BER–2–107 . . . . .	5

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## Bear Management Zones and Game Management Units



# Cougar

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## General Information

- While in The Field You Must Have All of the Following (page 9)
- All Cougar Harvests Must Be Tagged (pages 31–32)
- License Requirements and Fees (see pages 8–14)
- Legal Sporting Arms for Cougar Hunting (see page 30)
- Hunting on Military Reservations (see page 44)
- Cougar Licenses must be purchased at least two calendar days before hunting.

## Over-the-Counter (OTC) Licenses

An OTC Cougar License may be purchased at license vendors, NMDGF offices, online: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us) or by telephone: 1-888-248-6866. Before purchasing an Over-the-Counter (OTC) Cougar License, hunters must purchase or possess a Game-hunting License or Game-hunting & Fishing License. If planning to hunt within 14 days of online or telephone purchase, hunters may be required to obtain tags at a license vendor or NMDGF office. Tags include instructions for proper tagging. **Cougar Licenses must be purchased at least two calendar days before hunting.**

**Bag Limit:** The bag limit is two cougars.

Cougar license holders who have successfully harvested two cougars may request authorization from NMDGF to take an additional 2 cougars in the same license year. Tags may be used in Cougar Management Zones that have not met the established harvest limits during at least two of the three previous seasons. Before requesting additional authorizations, licensed hunters must meet all reporting and tagging requirements for two cougars already taken.

No hunter may take any spotted kitten(s) or any female accompanied by a spotted kitten(s). New Mexico law does not require cougar meat to be taken from the field.

## Mandatory Cougar Identification Course

NMDGF requires all cougar hunters to successfully complete a cougar identification course. The Cougar ID number is issued upon successful completion of the course through your NMDGF online account.

## Cougar Seasons

**Statewide Cougar Season: April 1, 2019–March 31, 2020.**

### Harvest Limits for All Zones

New Mexico is divided into 19 Cougar Management Zones, enabling NMDGF to better manage regional cougar populations. Each zone has two harvest limits: 1, the total number of cougars that may be harvested (total limit); and 2, the number of female cougars that may be harvested (female limit). Harvest limits for each Cougar Management Zone are listed in the table on page 122.

Cougar Management Zones will close and hunting will cease when harvests reach 90% of the total limit or 90% of the female sublimit, whichever occurs first.

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## Zone Closures

Before hunting, hunters must verify the zone is open by checking online or by telephone: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us/hunting/information-by-animal/big-game/cougar](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/hunting/information-by-animal/big-game/cougar) or 1-877-950-5466.

**Baiting:** It is illegal to hunt cougars over bait in New Mexico.

**Use of Traps and Foot Snares:** Hunters with a valid cougar license **and a valid trapper license** may use traps or foot snares to harvest cougars on state trust land or private deeded land with written permission from the landowner. Neck snares are not permitted. Restrictions for cougar take using traps or foot snares shall follow the regulations on methods, trap specification, trap inspection, and wildlife removal as defined on pages 124–127. Legal trapping and foot snaring dates for cougar are Nov. 1–March 31.

Foot snares are prohibited in GMU 27 and those portions of GMU 26 (San Luis Mountains) designated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as critical habitat for jaguars. Jaguar critical habitat area in GMU 26 can be viewed at: <https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/report/table/critical-habitat.html> by clicking the **online mapper** link and entering 'San Luis Mountains' in the **Find address or place** search menu.

## Tagging of Cougar Hides

Harvested cougars must be both carcass tagged and pelt tagged. The carcass tag must be properly notched and attached immediately after the animal is harvested. The hunter must present the carcass tag, skull, and hide for pelt tagging to any District Conservation Officer or NMDGF office within five days of killing the cougar or before transporting the hide outside New Mexico, whichever occurs first. **Hunters who appoint a designee to transport the harvested cougar for pelt tagging are required to contact a conservation officer prior to pelt tagging.** Hunters are required to present to any NMDGF office the **unfrozen skull** of any cougar killed with the mouth fixed open for removal of a premolar tooth. The pelt tag must remain attached to the hide until the hide is processed. Improperly tagged hides will be seized by NMDGF.

## Proof of Sex

The testicles, penis and/or baculum of a male, or the vulva of a female, must remain naturally attached to the hide and be visible to the NMDGF's tagging official. NMDGF will only pelt tag a harvested cougar if proof of sex is attached to the hide and readily visible to the tagging official. Cougar hides presented to the NMDGF for tagging without proof of sex attached will be seized.

## Livestock Damage

Landowners, lessees and/or their regular employees may without a license kill any cougar that has killed domestic livestock or presents an immediate threat to human life or property. Any person taking such action **must report the incident to NMDGF within 24 hours.** Pelts, claws and other parts of depredating animals taken under this provision are the property of the State of New Mexico and must be delivered to NMDGF.

## Use of Dogs

Dog use is **not allowed** on Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) or to pursue cougars during September bow seasons. Dog use is **allowed** to hunt cougars elsewhere during hunts for any legal sporting arm. When dogs are used to hunt cougars, the licensed hunter who harvests the cougar must be present continuously from the time any dog is released.

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## *Use of Dogs—continued.*

Dogs may only be released during legal hunting hours. There is no "pursuit" or "training" season outside the regular open season.

**Closed Areas:** Sugarite Canyon State Park; Rio Grande Wild and Scenic River Area, including Taos Valley Overlook; Subunit 6B (Valles Caldera National Preserve). **Wildlife Management Areas:**

Cougar hunting by licensed deer and/or elk hunters who also possess a valid cougar license is allowed in the E.S. Barker, Colin Neblett, Humphries, Marquez, Sargent and Urraca WMAs, and the Valle Vidal. All other Wildlife Management Areas are closed. Licensed deer and elk hunters may hunt cougar in open WMAs provided they: 1, Possess a valid deer or elk license for the WMA; 2, Possess a cougar license with tags; 3, Use the sporting arm type specified for their deer or elk hunt; 4, Hunt only during the dates of their deer or elk hunt; and 5, The harvest limit in the Cougar Zone has not been met. Dogs are not allowed. **Restricted**

**Areas:** Only bows and crossbows may be used to hunt cougars in the Sandia Ranger District of the Cibola National Forest in Units 8 and 14. Zone E—Unit 10 and Zone G,H,I—Units 13, 18, 19, 20: These units are subject to closure by the Forest Service and/or the military during operations. **Florida Mountains**

**Hunt Area—Unit 25:** Cougar hunting is closed in the Florida Mountains Hunt Area during any ibex season, except by licensed ibex hunters (only for allowed sporting arm type and season dates as specified on the ibex license). **Electronic calls:** Electronic calls may be used for cougar.

## Cougar Management Zones

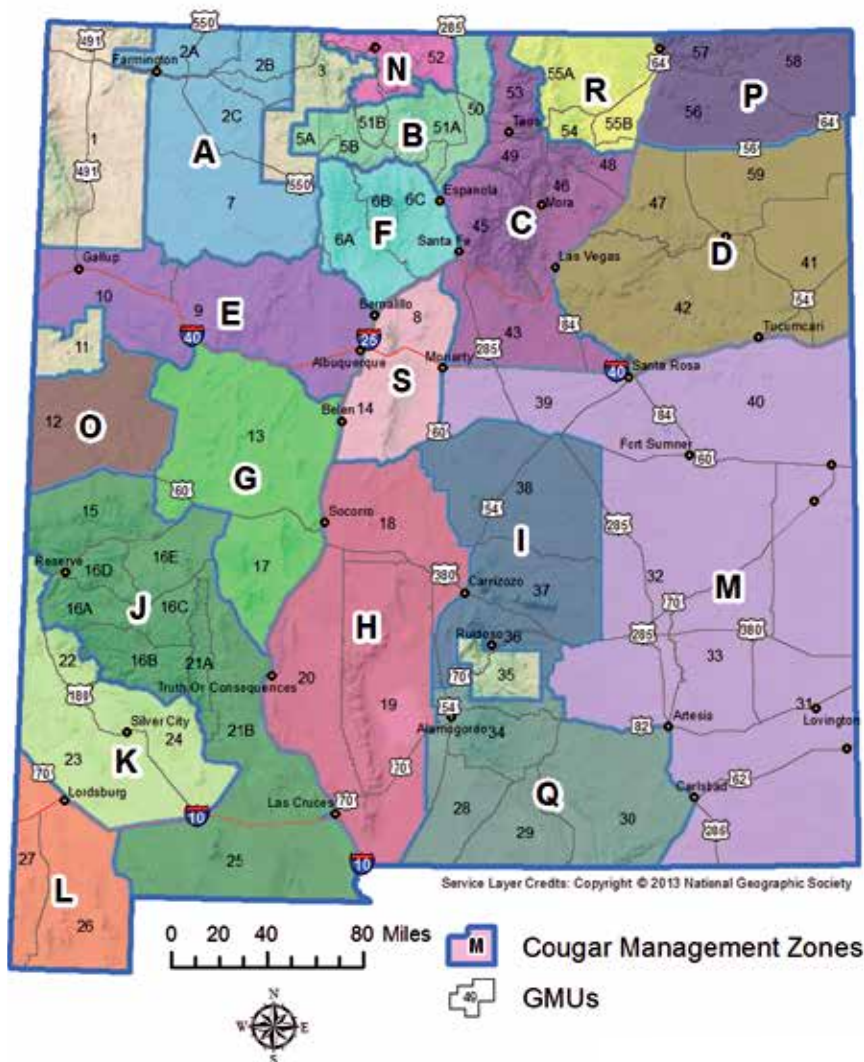
Cougar Management Zone locations in New Mexico are designated in the map on page 123.

### Zones and Season Limits

Zone	Open Units	Total Limit	Female Limit
A . . . .	2, 7 . . . . .	42 . . . . .	13
B . . . .	5, 50, 51 . . . . .	28 . . . . .	8
C . . . .	43, 45, 46, 48, 49, 53 . . . . .	85 . . . . .	43
D . . . .	41, 42, 47, 59 . . . . .	23 . . . . .	12
E . . . .	9, 10 . . . . .	50 . . . . .	15
F . . . .	6 . . . . .	46 . . . . .	23
G . . . .	13, 17 . . . . .	73 . . . . .	37
H . . . .	18–20 . . . . .	37 . . . . .	16
I . . . .	36–38 . . . . .	24 . . . . .	7
J . . . .	15, 16, 21, 25 . . . . .	89 . . . . .	27
K . . . .	22–24 . . . . .	66 . . . . .	33
L . . . .	26, 27 . . . . .	19 . . . . .	10
M . . . .	31–33, 39, 40 . . . . .	31 . . . . .	9
N . . . .	4, 52 . . . . .	15 . . . . .	5
O . . . .	12 . . . . .	21 . . . . .	6
P . . . .	56, 57, 58. . . . .	14 . . . . .	7
Q . . . .	28–30, 34 . . . . .	35 . . . . .	11
R . . . .	54, 55 . . . . .	26 . . . . .	8
S . . . .	8, 14 . . . . .	25 . . . . .	13

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## Cougar Management Zones and Game Management Units



# Furbearers

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## Trapping Licenses

All trappers and furbearer hunters must purchase a Trapper License, available online, by telephone, at NMDGF offices and license vendors. Trapper-license holders who do not submit a mandatory harvest report by April 7, 2019 will be rejected from the draw. An \$8 late fee will be charged to report before a new Trapper License may be purchased.

New Mexico residents 12–17 years of age must purchase a Junior Trapper License to trap or hunt **protected furbearers**, however, a Hunter Education number is required to hunt (Mentored Youth number is not eligible.) New Mexico residents 11 years of age or younger do not need a license to trap or hunt protected furbearers. No license is required for New Mexico residents to take **unprotected furbearers** (see '*Unprotected Furbearers*' below).

Nonresidents who hunt protected furbearers or who trap any furbearer (protected and unprotected) in New Mexico **must have a Nonresident Trapper License**. Nonresidents who hold a Nonresident Nongame License or any current New Mexico nonresident hunting license may hunt and possess coyote, prairie dog, rabbit or skunk, but may not set traps or snares unless they also have a Nonresident Trapper License. Nonresidents of states that do not allow New Mexico residents to trap may not legally purchase a New Mexico Nonresident Trapper License. For information and licenses, telephone: 1-888-248-6866.

## License Requirements and Fees (see pages 8–12)

### Trapper Education (see page 18)

### Legal Means of Harvest

Furbearers may be taken with the legal sporting arms for furbearers listed on page 30, and/or with traps and snares. Calls (including mechanically or electronically recorded calling devices) are legal for hunting protected furbearers. Dogs may be used only during open trapping season for protected furbearers. There is no "pursuit or training season" other than the regular open season—except for raccoon (page 127).

### Bag Limit

There is no bag limit on any protected furbearer. The director may close seasons to address management needs.

### Protected Furbearers

Protected furbearers that may be taken during open season are raccoon, badger, weasel, fox, ringtail, bobcat, muskrat, beaver and nutria. **Taking of all other protected furbearers is prohibited.** These include, but are not limited to, mink, pine marten, river otter, black-footed ferret and coatimundi.

### Unprotected Furbearers

Unprotected furbearers include coyote and skunk. There is no closed season or bag limit on unprotected furbearers. Nonresidents must purchase a Nonresident Trapping License to trap unprotected species. Nonresidents must purchase a nongame or any current New Mexico nonresident hunting license to hunt unprotected species.



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## Trap Inspection

A licensed trapper or his/her representative (agent) must personally visit and inspect each trap every calendar day, and all wildlife must be removed. Every other calendar day all traps must be checked personally by the trapper.

Each trapper will be allowed one or more agents, who must possess written permission from the trapper and a valid Trapper License. The permission must include the trapper's full name, address, Trapper License Number, Trapper Identification (ID) Number or Customer Identification Number (CIN) and the general location or route of traps.

A release device or catch pole must be carried.

## Harassing Trappers, Trap Tampering or Furbearer Removal

It shall be illegal to destroy, disturb or remove any trap, snare or trapped wildlife belonging to a licensed trapper, without permission of the owner of the trap or snare—except from March 16–Oct. 31, when landowners may remove any trap or snare from their privately owned or leased land, if such a trap or snare could endanger livestock. Domestic animals may be released from any trap at any time.

New Mexico Law (Chapter 17-2-7.1, NMSA 1978) prohibits interference with another who is lawfully trapping in an area where those activities are permitted. The first offense is a petty misdemeanor, the second a misdemeanor. See pages 23–24.

## Trap Identification

For any trap or snare that reasonably could be expected to catch a protected furbearer, the following restrictions apply. Each trap or snare must be permanently marked with either the trapper's CIN (page 8), a Trapper ID number (previously issued by NMDGF) or the trapper's name and address. The trapper's identification information must be stamped on the bottom of the frame of the trap or on a metal tag which is riveted, welded or otherwise securely attached to the trap frame, chain or cable.

## Land Sets

No foot-hold trap with an outside jaw-spread of more than 6.5 inches, or 7 inches if laminated above the jaw surfaces, shall be used in making a land set. No tooth-jawed traps are permitted. Any foot-hold trap with an inside jaw spread 5½ inches or larger shall be offset, unless it has padded jaws.

No land set may be placed within one-quarter mile of a designated and signed roadside rest area, picnic area or an occupied dwelling, without the prior written permission of the occupant of the dwelling—except for land sets placed by the occupant/landowner on his/her own land.

No land set shall be placed within one-half mile of an established and maintained public campground or boat-launching area. It is unlawful to make a land set within 25 yards of any public road or trail (including culverts or structures located beneath)—except on private land with written permission from the landowner. "Trail" shall mean: any path opened for public use and maintained annually with public funds or any path published on a map by a municipal, state or federal agency that is open for public travel. "Public road" shall mean: any thoroughfare constructed and annually

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maintained with public funds (regardless of whether it is currently open or closed to vehicular use) and any thoroughfare published on a map by a municipal, state or federal agency that is open for public travel. When a fence is present within 25 yards of the outside edge of a road, sets must be made on the side of the fence opposite the road.

No body-gripping trap with an inside jaw spread greater than 7 inches may be set on land. Body-gripping traps with inside jaw spreads of 6–7 inches set on land shall be used in conjunction with a cubby set, such that the trap trigger is recessed in the cubby at least 8 inches from an entrance.

**Water Sets:** No foot-hold trap with an inside jaw spread larger than 7½ inches or body-gripping trap with a jaw spread larger than 12 inches shall be used in making a water set.

## Visible Bait and Trap Flags

It shall be illegal to place, set or maintain any trap or snare within 25 feet of bait that is visible from any angle and that consists of the flesh, hide, fur, viscera, or feathers of any animal—unless the bait is used in conjunction with a cubby set where it cannot be seen except from a height of 3 feet or less above ground level and at a maximum distance of 25 feet. The bait must be inside the cubby, but the trap or snare may be outside. Bones that are entirely free of flesh, hide, fur or feathers may be used as visible bait. The restriction on visible bait shall not apply to a trap flag that is suspended above the ground and that is made from materials other than animal parts.

## Possession of Live Furbearers

It is illegal to import and/or possess live protected furbearers in New Mexico. The director of NMDGF may issue a permit for retention of raccoons or other activity permitted by rule. Individuals must obtain a permit prior to possessing a live raccoon.

## No Trapping of Bear

There are no open trapping seasons for bear. Livestock owners or others suffering depredation should call the nearest NMDGF office for assistance (see page 1).

## Cougar Trapping and Snaring

Hunters with both a valid trapper license and a cougar license may use traps or foot snares to harvest cougars on state trust land or private deeded land with written permission from the landowner (pages 46, 48). Neck snares are not a legal method of take. All furbearer trapping rules including trap-size restrictions apply. **Foot snares are prohibited in GMU 27 and those portions of GMU 26 (San Luis Mountains) designated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as critical habitat for jaguars.** Jaguar critical habitat area in GMU 26 can be viewed at: <https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/report/table/critical-habitat.html> by clicking the 'online mapper' link and entering 'San Luis Mountains' in the 'Find address or place' search menu.

## Bobcat Pelt Tag Required

Anyone taking a bobcat in New Mexico must present the pelt for tagging by April 14 or prior to leaving the state, whichever occurs first. Although a carcass tag is not required, a current Trapper License (except N.M. residents 11 years of age or younger) is required when presenting a bobcat for tagging. Tags may be obtained from NMDGF offices (see page 1, *Regional Offices*). Pelts also may be tagged by New Mexico licensed fur dealers—following the policies established by NMDGF.

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**No person shall transport across state lines, sell, barter or otherwise dispose of any bobcat pelt taken in New Mexico unless it has been properly pelt tagged.** It is unlawful to present for tagging any bobcat pelt taken outside the State of New Mexico. It also is unlawful for licensed fur dealers to tag any bobcat contrary to this rule.

### **Accidental Trapping of Protected Species**

If at anytime you trap a river otter, lynx, coatimundi, mink, pine marten or black-footed ferret, a federally protected bird, or a protected furbearer during closed season—you must release it. If you accidentally trap a Mexican gray wolf—follow the instructions provided on page 130. Trappers must carry a device for releasing nontarget animals. However, if the animal is badly injured and/or releasing it would be dangerous, NMDGF must be contacted as soon as possible. **Trappers will not be held criminally liable if a protected species is accidentally captured, and the trapper voluntarily reports the event or releases the animal.**

**Mandatory Harvest Reporting, see page 6.**

## **What You Must Know Before You Hunt or Trap**

**Closed Areas:** Los Alamos County, except the northern quarter and a strip along the west bank of the Rio Grande (north of Water Canyon from the Rio Grande to a line 1,000 feet below the canyon rim); Valles Caldera National Preserve; portions of the Wild Rivers Recreation Area; Orilla Verde and Santa Cruz Lake recreation areas; the Valle Vidal; Chihuahuan Desert Rangeland Research Center; New Mexico state parks; national parks and monuments; national wildlife refuges and New Mexico State Game Commission–owned WMAs. Fort Bliss/McGregor Range only allows furbearer hunting and is closed to trapping. The Gila, Cibola, Lincoln and Apache Sitgreaves National Forests are all closed to beaver trapping.

### **Seasons (Statewide)**

Badger, Weasel, Fox, Ringtail and Bobcat: Nov. 1, 2019–March 15, 2020.

Beaver, Muskrat and Nutria: April 1–30, 2019 and Nov. 1, 2019–March 31, 2020.

Raccoon Trapping and Hunting: April 1–May 15, 2019 and Sept. 1, 2019–March 31, 2020.

Raccoon Pursuit Only (statewide): April 1, 2019–March 31, 2020.

### **Raccoon Hunting with the Aid of Artificial Light**

Hunters possessing a valid Trapper License may hunt raccoons with the aid of artificial light only during raccoon trapping and hunting season. Artificial light must be a headlamp or handheld flashlight. Artificial light cannot be cast from a vehicle. Legal sporting arms are limited to a rimfire rifle or handgun no larger than .22 caliber, shotguns, bows and crossbows. Hunting any other furbearer with the aid of artificial light or after legal shooting hours is unlawful.

## Rabies Information for Trappers

In recent years, rabies has been detected in some furbearers in New Mexico. All mammals are capable of contracting rabies. Wild animals infected more often include skunks, foxes, coyotes, raccoons, bobcats and bats.

Trappers should be aware of the potential risk of contracting rabies when harvesting an animal. Rabies is caused by a virus that can be transmitted to humans through contact with the saliva, nervous tissue and/or brain tissue of a rabid animal. Rabies is transmitted only if the virus is introduced through a bite, contact with an open cut in the skin, or more rarely, when infectious material such as saliva from a rabid animal gets into the eyes, nose or mouth.

Some recommended precautions for trappers include:

- Avoid attack or being bitten.
- Wear protective gloves when handling and skinning animals. Open wounds or scratches increase the risk of infection when protective gloves are not used.
- Always err on the side of caution. Use goggles and a skinning apron if possible.
- Clean tools with a disinfectant such as a 10% bleach solution.
- Wash thoroughly with soap and water, iodine solution or alcohol solution after handling and skinning animals.
- If bitten or otherwise possibly exposed to a rabid animal, thoroughly wash the area with soap and water and seek medical care as soon as reasonably possible.
- If attacked or bitten by a potentially rabies-carrying species, the animal may be required by law to be tested for rabies, depending on the species and the ability to retrieve it. The entire head of the animal will be needed for testing. The head should be kept on ice and double bagged. Report the incident as soon as reasonably possible to your local NMDGF officer. The officer will contact the New Mexico Department of Health to determine if testing is required.

Finally, the presence of rabies after skinning need not be a cause for concern, provided the skin(s) and tissues are dried completely. Drying renders the virus no longer viable or active.

## Know the Difference between Bobcat and Lynx

### Bobcat

- Underside of the tail is white to the tip.
- Ear tufts are less than 1 inch in length.
- Cheek tufts are not prominent.
- Brownish color with black spots (usually) on the belly.
- Total length from 25–37 inches.
- Feet appear small with no hair between pads.
- Track size is less than 2½ inches wide.
- Stride length is approximately 20 inches.



### Lynx

- Tail has a black tip and is not white underneath.
- Ear tufts are at least 1½ inches long.
- Cheek tufts are prominent.
- Grayish color with no spots on belly.
- Total length is between 32–37 inches.
- Feet appear large with pads covered by hair.
- Track size is 3½–4½ inches wide.
- Stride length is approximately 28 inches.



# Mexican Gray Wolf

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## Trapping and the Mexican Gray Wolf

Trapping has been shown to cause no negative impact on Mexican gray wolf populations. However, for trapping in the USFWS Blue Range Wolf Reintroduction Area (BRWRA)—located in portions of Catron, Grant and Sierra counties—NMDGF strongly encourages the following to reduce potential injury to Mexican gray wolves inadvertently trapped.

### Recommended techniques to reduce potential injury to Mexican gray wolves:

- To render a wolf unable to pull the trap free—double stake, cable stake (at least 18 inches deep), or otherwise securely fasten traps to immovable objects with aircraft cable or chain.
- To prevent lunging and/or rolling-induced injury—use short chains (12 inches or less), attached near the center of the trap base plate via a swivel and incorporate at least one additional swivel between the trap and anchoring point.
- To hasten recovery and safe release of animals—use drags of sufficient size and weight or steel grapples at least ½-inch in diameter or cross section that are attached to chains or cables at least 10 feet in length.
- Choose laminated, offset or padded jaws on foot-hold traps.
- Scout the area intended for trapping. If signs are evident that wolves are present, avoid the area if possible or use only No. 1.75 or smaller traps.

*Trappers will not be held criminally liable if a Mexican gray wolf is accidentally captured.*

Should a Mexican gray wolf be accidentally captured, immediately call the Mexican Wolf Interagency Field Office at 1-888-459-9653 or telephone NMDGF's 24-hour dispatch at 1-800-432-4263 or telephone the local NMDGF Conservation Officer. The officer will respond to remove and secure the wolf until a member of the Mexican Wolf Interagency Field Team can arrive to process and radio-collar the wolf.

## Wolves Are a Federally Protected Species

The Mexican Wolf Restoration Area includes portions of New Mexico. Wolves are protected by the federal Endangered Species Act and by the New Mexico Wildlife Conservation Act. Federal penalties for shooting a wolf can include a year in jail and a \$50,000 fine with additional New Mexico state penalties for violating the Wildlife Conservation Act.

**Rewards up to \$45,000 for information leading to arrest and prosecution of wolf poachers** are offered by federal and state agencies and conservation organizations jointly.

### It is illegal to:

- Kill or injure a wolf because it is near you or your property.
- Kill or injure a wolf if it attacks your pet.
- Kill or injure a wolf feeding on dead livestock.
- Enter posted closures around release pens, active dens and rendezvous sites.
- Shoot a wolf because of mistakenly identifying it as a coyote or anything else (page 131).

### However, it is legal to kill, injure or harass a wolf if:

- The wolf is in the act of killing, wounding or biting cattle, sheep, horses, mules or burros owned by you and which are on private or tribal land.
- Acting in defense of human life.

Any person taking such action **must report the incident within 24 hours** to the Mexican Wolf Interagency Field Office: 1-888-459-9653 or the NMDGF 24-hour dispatch telephone: 1-800-432-4263. For more information about Mexican wolves and the USFWS Wolf Recovery Program, visit: [www.fws.gov/southwest/es/mexicanwolf/](http://www.fws.gov/southwest/es/mexicanwolf/).

### Wolf Encounters and Identification

The Gila National Forest and surrounding areas are locations where wolf encounters may occur. Mexican wolves typically weigh between 50–80 pounds, stand 28–32 inches at the shoulder and measure 5-½ feet from snout to tail (approximately the size of a large German shepherd). Coat color varies, but solid black or white Mexican wolves do not occur.



*Left: Coyotes can be difficult to differentiate at a distance or a quick glance.*

*Bottom: Mexican gray wolves weigh two to three times more, have larger, blocky heads with more rounded ears, and feet larger in proportion to the body. Many wolves have radio collars.*





# Possession Certificate

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Use this certificate if you give game animals or parts to a person or organization.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ ,  
Full name of license holder. Please print.

residing at: \_\_\_\_\_ tel.: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_ ,  
Address and telephone of license holder required. Please print.

on this day: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ at: \_\_\_\_\_ ,  
Date of transaction; Place of transaction.

hereby convey to: \_\_\_\_\_ the following game animal(s) or parts:  
Full name of person receiving game animal(s) of parts.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Detailed description of the kind and number of animals donated or the kind, approximate weight and specific parts donated.  
(Example: one elk hind quarter weighing approximately 75 lbs.)

for the purpose of, \_\_\_\_\_ ,  
Donation, taxidermy and/or meat processing.

taken in GMU \_\_\_\_\_ under my valid license number: \_\_\_\_\_ and taken on: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_.

Donor: \_\_\_\_\_ Recipient: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of license holder) (Signature of recipient)

By signing we understand and acknowledge to postdate, predate or otherwise falsify a Possession Certificate is unlawful.

## Skulls Are State Property

Skulls are both fascinating and valuable. When found in the field, the skulls of all protected species remain the property of New Mexico—unless from an animal legally taken by a licensed hunter during an approved hunting season. This rule applies to all individuals, whether hunting or not.

To combat poaching of our valuable big-game resources, the New Mexico State Game Commission has adopted this rule. This important law enables conservation officers to better regulate the taking of big-game animals solely for the head or trophy.

Deer and elk shed antlers each year. Although possession of shed antlers is legal, possession of antlers attached to a skull found in the field is not. Antlered skulls may be available for purchase from NMDGF. If purchased, the receipt must be retained by the owner. Should probable cause suggest an animal was killed or is possessed unlawfully, conservation officers may confiscate such skulls. If you find the skull of a protected animal, leave it where it is found and contact an NMDGF conservation officer.



# Make a Difference . . .

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## Become a Wildlife Conservation Volunteer!

Volunteers play an important role to help the department provide programs and services across the state. From wildlife conservation and aquatic education to off-road vehicle safety and habitat restoration, volunteers share their time and talent to help the department provide programs and support initiatives that otherwise might not be possible.

If you enjoy New Mexico's great outdoors, value and support wildlife conservation and have a passion for angling, outdoor sports and activities, consider giving back to your community by becoming a Wildlife Conservation Volunteer.

For information about the variety of volunteer opportunities available, visit us online.



# What Is Fair Chase?

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Since its beginning, the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish has promoted the practice of *fair chase*, a philosophy shared by hunters that encourages respect for wildlife, the land and the law. The department realizes fair chase is a personal and ethical preference among sportsmen and sportswomen—and that in some cases, what sometimes is legal may not be considered ethical or moral.

Today's many technological advances in equipment can make hunters' choices about "fair chase" difficult. Is it fair chase to attempt to shoot game beyond your personal effective range? Is it acceptable to monitor game on real-time trail cameras, wait for a trophy and then move in and harvest the animal? Is it fair chase to use high-tech devices such as rifle scopes that digitally track distant animals and even pull the trigger at the precise moment?

Traditionally, fair chase has been defined as the ethical and lawful pursuit and taking of a free-ranging game species in a manner that does not give the hunter an improper advantage over the animal. Hunter–conservationists always have embraced this concept and taught the ethics of hunting to new hunters for decades. It is a fairness code of mostly unwritten rules that is defined and practiced by each individual hunter.

Today, as technology continues to test the limits of fairness, the New Mexico State Game Commission counts on hunters, rather than the establishment of new regulations, to decide conduct in the field and whether use of advanced equipment represents "fair chase," even if it is legal.

The department, as it evaluates future hunting rules, plans to continue public discussion about evolving technologies, fair chase and hunting practices. Sportsmen, sportswomen and everyone concerned with wildlife conservation are encouraged to engage in those conversations.

# Glossary of Terms

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**Active Duty Military (N.M. Resident) Discount:** Current active duty in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps or Coast Guard for a minimum period of 90 days.

Members of the National Guard or Military Reserve Component and commissioned officers of the U.S. Public Health Service or National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration who have completed a minimum of six years of continuous honorable service. This definition does not apply to Military-only Hunts (page 138).

**Ammunition:** Hunters of protected species may use only soft-nosed, hollow-point or plastic-tip bullets. Full metal-jacketed and tracer bullets are not legal. The use of sabots is legal in muzzleloading rifles, except restricted muzzleloader hunts (page 139, *Restricted Muzzleloaders*).

**Antlerless (A) Deer or Elk :** Any deer or elk without antlers.

**Antler Point Restricted Elk (APRE/6):** A legal APRE/6 elk must have six or more points of any length on at least one antler for an APRE/6 hunt. A brow tine or eye guard counts as one point. A burr at the base of the antler does not count as a point.

**Antler Point Restricted Elk or Antlerless (APRE/6/A):** Antler-point-restricted elk (six or more points on at least one antler) or an antlerless elk.

**Bag Limit:** The maximum number of game animals or birds permitted by law to be taken by one person in a given period.

**Bait:** Any salt, mineral, grain, scent or other feed, commercially produced game attractant or any other organic material which is attractive to wildlife.

**Baiting:** To place, expose, deposit, distribute or scatter any bait on or over areas where any person is attempting to take protected game species. All bait must be completely removed at least 10 days prior to hunting.

**Big Game:** Species include Barbary sheep, bear, bighorn sheep, cougar, deer, elk, ibex, javelina, oryx and pronghorn.

**Bighorn Sheep Ram:** Any male bighorn sheep.

**Bighorn Sheep Ewe:** Any female bighorn sheep.

**Bow and Arrow:** Includes compound, recurve and longbows. Sights on bows may magnify targets but cannot project light. Arrows must have broadheads (fixed or mechanical) with steel cutting edges. No drugs may be used on arrows. Arrows cannot be driven by explosives. Draw locks are not legal.

**Broken-horn Oryx:** An oryx of either sex that has one or more horns missing at least 25% of its normal length. This may be determined by comparing the broken horn's length to the remaining horn or where it is readily apparent the terminal end would not taper to a point for another 25% of growth.

**Compressed air gun:** Handgun or rifle that propels a nonspherical projectile by compressed air. Compressed air guns must be at least .22 caliber or larger for hunting javelina and cougar.

**Crossbow and Bolt:** Crossbow use is legal during Any Legal Sporting Arm hunts and Muzzleloader hunts. Crossbows may be used by a certified mobility-impaired hunter during bow season. Sights on crossbows may magnify targets but cannot project light. Bolts must have broadheads with steel cutting edges. No drugs may be used on bolts. Bolts cannot be driven by explosives.

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**Depredation Damage Fee:** A fee required of all big-game hunters that has been included in the price of each big-game license. The fee is \$3 for each resident and \$10 for each nonresident big-game license. Money generated is being used to develop permanent solutions to chronic wildlife depredation problems throughout the state.

**Either Sex (ES):** Any male or female of a big-game species.

**Either Sex Whitetail Deer (ESWTD):** Any male or female whitetail deer.

**Established Road:** A road built and/or maintained by equipment and which shows no evidence of ever having been closed to vehicular traffic by such means as berms, ripping, scarification, reseeding, fencing, gates, barricades or posted closures.

**Female or Immature Ibex (F-IM):** Any female ibex, or any male ibex with horns less than 15 inches long.

**Female or Immature Pronghorn (F-IM):** Any female pronghorn or any pronghorn without horns or with both horns shorter than its ears.

**Firearm:** Any handgun, rifle, muzzleloader or shotgun.

**Foot Snare:** Wire or cable with a single closing device set to capture a cougar or furbearer by the foot.

**Foot Hold Trap:** A spring actuated device designed to capture a cougar or furbearer by the foot.

**Fork-Antlered Deer (FAD):** Any deer possessing an antler which has a definite fork, showing two or more distinct points. A burr at the base does not constitute a point or fork.

**Fork-Antlered Mule Deer (FAMD):** Any mule deer possessing an antler which has a definite fork, showing two or more distinct points. A burr at the base does not constitute a point or fork.

**Fork-Antlered White-tailed Deer (FAWTD):** Any white-tailed deer possessing an antler which has a definite fork, showing two or more distinct points. A burr at the base does not constitute a point or fork.

**Fourth-Choice Deer or Elk Hunt:** By selecting a fourth-choice quadrant, applicants indicate they **will accept** a deer or elk license for **any hunt** in that quadrant of the state. Be aware success rates for some fourth-choice hunts may be low, due to small and localized populations of deer or elk. A hunter drawing a fourth-choice elk hunt could receive a license with an antlerless bag limit, even if all other hunt choices were for a mature bull. Refunds will not be made to successful applicants. The fourth-choice assignment will always be for the same sporting-arm type as the first choice on an application. Not all draw hunts are included in the fourth-choice pool.

**Game-hunting License:** An annual Game-hunting License is valid for hunting all small game including upland and migratory game birds. An annual Game-hunting & Fishing License is valid for fishing in addition to hunting small game. All hunters must purchase one of these licenses in order to apply for any big-game license or before purchasing any over-the-counter big-game or turkey license. Either license may be purchased at license vendors statewide, including all NMDGF offices, by telephone: 1-888-248-6866 and online: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us).

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**Game Management Unit (GMU):** A subdivision of the state used to manage big-game species and turkey.

**Habitat Management & Access Validation:** All hunters, trappers and anglers 18 years of age and older on any lands must purchase and possess a \$4 Habitat Management & Access Validation once during the year (April 1–March 31, 2019). This fee will not be charged to hunters, trappers and anglers younger than 18 years of age, resident anglers 70 years and older and 100% Disabled Resident Veterans in conjunction with their free licenses.

**Habitat Stamp (Habitat Improvement Stamp):** All hunters on any U.S. Forest Service or BLM lands must purchase and possess a \$5 Habitat Stamp once during the year (April 1–March 31, 2019). All trappers and anglers 12 years of age and older must purchase and possess this stamp, except resident anglers 70 years and older and 100% Disabled Resident Veterans in conjunction with their free licenses.

**Handicapped Hunter:** New Mexico resident with a severe physical or developmental disability. To qualify, applicants must have one or more disabilities that substantially limit one or more major life activities.

**High-Demand (HD) Hunt:** An elk or deer draw hunt with at least 22% nonresident applicants for the previous two license years.

**Junior Hunting License:** Reduced-fee licenses are available to resident hunters 17 years of age or younger at the time of purchase.

**License Year:** Twelve month period, beginning April 1, 2019 and ending March 31, 2020.

**Landowner Permission:** It is unlawful, unless otherwise allowed by rule, to hunt, fish or trap on private land **without possessing** valid written permission from the landowner of the property that the hunter or angler is hunting, fishing or trapping. The landowner's signature including date and telephone number on a valid license, landowner authorization or other paper shall constitute valid written permission.

**Mature Buck (MB) Pronghorn:** A pronghorn with at least one horn longer than its ears.

**Mature Bull (MB) Elk:** A male elk with at least one brow tine extending six or more inches from the main beam or at least one forked antler with both branches six or more inches long (spike bulls are not legal, page 139).

**Mature Bull / Antlerless (MB/A) Elk:** Any male elk with at least one brow tine extending six or more inches from the main beam or at least one forked antler with both branches six or more inches long (spike bulls are not legal, page 139) or any antlerless elk.

**Mentored-Youth Hunter Program:** This program permits youth 10 to 17 years of age to hunt under the supervision of a licensed hunter before completing a hunter education course. After completing an online quiz, youths can obtain a Mentored-Youth Hunter number permitting them to apply and/or purchase deer, turkey and javelina licenses. Supervising licensed hunters must possess a current hunting license, be 18 years or older and a parent, guardian or adult with parental consent. Mentored-Youth Hunter registration is available one time only and valid for two consecutive license years. For information see page 18.

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**Mobility-impaired Hunter (MI):** An individual with permanent impairment(s) and/or disabilities with substantial functional limitations. For further information see pages 15–16.

**Military-only Hunt:** Applicants must be on full-time active duty in the military and must provide proof of current military assignment to the Special Hunts Office in Santa Fe by the application deadline.

**Muzzleloader (Muzzle):** Includes rifles and shotguns in which the charge and projectile are loaded through the muzzle. Only black powder, Pyrodex or an equivalent substitute may be used. Smokeless powder is illegal. Legal muzzleloading shotguns are those capable of being fired from the shoulder only. Muzzleloaders may use in-line ignition, pelleted powder, sabots, belted bullets and scopes. Also see page 139, *Restricted Muzzleloader*.

**NMDGF:** New Mexico Department of Game and Fish.

**Nongame Hunting:** Nongame species include prairie dogs, ground squirrels, Himalayan tahr, porcupine, rabbits, coyotes and skunks. **Residents** are not required to have a license to take nongame species. **Nonresidents** must purchase a Nonresident Nongame License or a New Mexico Nonresident Hunting License or Nonresident Trapping License. Nongame hunting is not permitted on Wildlife Management Areas, unless specifically permitted by rule.

**Once-in-a-Lifetime License:** A draw license that can only be issued once in an applicant's lifetime. This license may not be applied for if an applicant has previously held one.

**Over-the-Counter (OTC) License:** A license available from vendors, NMDGF offices online: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us) and by telephone: 888-248-6866. No drawing is required to purchase these licenses.

**Population Management Hunt:** A hunt designed to manage the number of big game on public or private lands where they have damaged property or may interfere with military operations.

**Private-land Authorization:** Documentation obtained from a private landowner that allows a hunter to purchase a private-land elk or pronghorn license.

**Private-land Only Deer License:** A license authorizing hunters to hunt deer only on private land with written permission. Hunters must enter a hunt code from a public-land hunt for the Game Management Unit (GMU) where the private land is located. Not available from license vendors for units 2A, 2B, 2C, 4 and 5A.

**Protected Furbearers:** Protected furbearers that may be harvested during open season include raccoon, badger, weasel, fox, ringtail, bobcat, beaver, muskrat and nutria. A Trapper License is required for: all residents 12 years of age and older; all nonresidents who trap protected furbearers; and all nonresidents who trap unprotected furbearers (coyotes or skunks). Residents ages 12–17 may purchase a Junior Trapper License.

**Protected Species:** Protected species include all big game, turkey, squirrels and game birds. A hunter must have a Game-hunting or Game-hunting & Fishing License. If hunting big game, hunters must have a specific big-game species license. Hunters also may need a Turkey or Bear Draw Permit. Hunters must have in possession **all appropriate licenses, tags and/or permits** in the field while hunting any of these species.

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**Public Lands:** Descriptions of federal and state public lands are listed on pages 42–47.

**Quality (Q) Hunt:** These hunts are designed to increase opportunities for a successful harvest, achieve harvests from wider selections of mature deer or elk, and/or provide a pleasurable experience based on timing of the hunt and hunter density. Quality hunts are determined by the New Mexico State Game Commission.

**Ranch-wide Agreements (Pronghorn):** Ranch-wide agreements allow private landowners to enroll their ranch's private deeded and public leased acres as one contiguous ranch for access by public draw hunters. Landowners are issued authorizations for pronghorn licenses valid on that property's deeded and public leased acres.

**Restricted Muzzleloader** (for specific deer hunts): Any muzzleloading rifle, including a smoothbore flintlock or musket, using open sights in which the charge and projectile are loaded via the muzzle. Only black powder, Pyrodex or an equivalent substitute may be used. Smokeless powder, inline ignition, sabots, multiple projectiles and scopes are illegal.

**Senior Hunting Licenses:** Reduced-fee deer, elk and Game-hunting and Fishing licenses are available to New Mexico resident hunters 65 years of age and older.

**Small game:** Includes upland game and migratory game birds (See *New Mexico Small Game Rules and Information* booklet).

**Spike Bull Elk:** A male elk with antlers having a single beam without branches. **A spike elk may be legally harvested only with an either sex license.**

**Standard (S) Hunt:** Deer or elk hunts which are charged a regular license fee rather than a Quality or High-Demand fee.

**State Trust Land:** Lands administered by the Commissioner of Public Lands and granted to the State of New Mexico from the Federal Government for the economic support of public institutions such as public schools and universities.

**Wildlife Management Area (WMA):** Properties owned or managed by and under the control of the State Game Commission.

**U. S. Military (N.M. Resident):** Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard, or their Reserve Components, Army National Guard, Air National Guard, and commissioned members of the U.S. Public Health Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

**Veteran (N.M. Resident) Discount:** New Mexico resident veteran with a minimum of 90 days active duty service in the U.S. Military, or six continuous years in the National Guard, Military Reserve Component, or U.S. Public Health Service or National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Veterans must have been honorably discharged from military service.

**Youth-only Hunt:** To be eligible for a Youth-only Hunt, each applicant must be 17 years of age or younger on opening day of the hunt.

# New Albuquerque Office

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us)



## New Game & Fish Regional Office Complex

7816 Alamo Rd., Albuquerque, N.M. 87120

New Mexico Department of Game and Fish has a new Albuquerque location. This environmentally friendly and energy efficient facility sits on 16 acres along the Rio Grande near Paseo Del Norte and Coors Boulevard. The facility includes:

- Office open to the public.
- Conservation educational opportunities.
- Historic adobe ranch house with department and wildlife conservation exhibits.
- Open space for wildlife habitat with water rights for irrigation of crops to feed migratory birds.

Form more information about the new facility contact: (505) 222-4700.



# Off-Highway Vehicles

Registration and information: [www.B4uRide.com](http://www.B4uRide.com)



## Know the Laws, Operate Safely and Enjoy!

New Mexico laws for off-highway vehicles (OHV) are designed to protect all citizens through responsible and safe OHV use. OHVs include all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), recreational off-highway vehicles (ROVs), motorcycles and snowmobiles. Hunters who use OHVs must ensure their vehicles are registered and permitted properly and equipped with a Forest Service-approved spark arrester. Nonresidents may register OHVs in their home state or purchase a New Mexico nonresident permit at [www.B4uRide.com](http://www.B4uRide.com).

All youth operators and passengers younger than 18 years of age must wear a DOT approved helmet and goggles or safety glasses. Whether young or old, it's every rider's responsibility to know and observe the laws. Before riding on public land, visit [www.B4uRide.com](http://www.B4uRide.com).

## New Mexico OHV Code of Ethics

- Learn about the area in which you will ride. Contact public-land managers or owners of private property to understand area restrictions and receive permission before you ride. Get maps of the area(s) and stay on trails and/or areas designated for OHV use.
- Be courteous on the trail. Allow right-of-way to hikers and horseback riders, and when encountering horses—pull off of the trail on the low side, stop your engine, remove your helmet, and speak to the rider. Wait until all horses have passed and moved beyond 50 feet before restarting your engine.
- Minimize your impact on other hunters and anglers using the trail. Respect seasonal closures and avoid operating at peak-hunting hours. If retrieving game with an OHV, do it at midday to minimize disturbance to others. Cross streams where designated and at a 90-degree angle wherever possible.
- Leave gates and fences as you found them, and remember it's unlawful to travel or hunt on private property without the owner's permission.
- Leave areas cleaner than found. A plastic trash bag and bungee cords can be helpful tools to keep land clean.
- Obey trail markers and closure signs. If it's posted closed, stay out!
- Keep your OHV quiet. Excessive sound stresses wildlife and annoys property owners and other recreational users. It also contributes to your own riding fatigue. Less sound allows you to ride more comfortably and others to enjoy their outdoor experience.
- Approach livestock or wildlife on the trail slowly. Sometimes range cattle will pass the afternoon under shade trees along the trail. If you startle them, they may run directly into your path. Give them time to react and as wide a berth as possible, and remember, it is unlawful to pursue or harass livestock.
- Never mix riding with alcohol or drugs. It's not only illegal, it's dangerous.
- Familiarize yourself with all of New Mexico's laws and requirements for OHV use by visiting: [www.B4uRide.com](http://www.B4uRide.com) or telephoning: (505) 222-4728.

# Free GPS on Your Phone

[www.blm.gov/maps/frequently-requested/new-mexico/hunting-maps](http://www.blm.gov/maps/frequently-requested/new-mexico/hunting-maps)

## New Mexico Hunting, Land Status and Recreation Maps

BLM-New Mexico has partnered with the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish (NMDGF) to provide free maps of big-game hunting units and recreational areas on public lands. Download the CarryMap app to your mobile device, then download New Mexico maps at: [www.blm.gov/nm/huntingmaps](http://www.blm.gov/nm/huntingmaps)

Some of the many features include:

- Up-to-date land-status maps.
- NMDGF Game Management Units, Wildlife Management Areas, Unitization Agreements and other designated areas.
- NMDGF Officer Districts and contact information.
- State Trust land hunting access points, lands withdrawn from hunting, and campsite locations.
- GPS mapping capability.
- Record tracks, mark waypoints, and share data.



# Our Shared Past

New Mexico Office of Archeological Services: <http://nmarchaeology.org/>

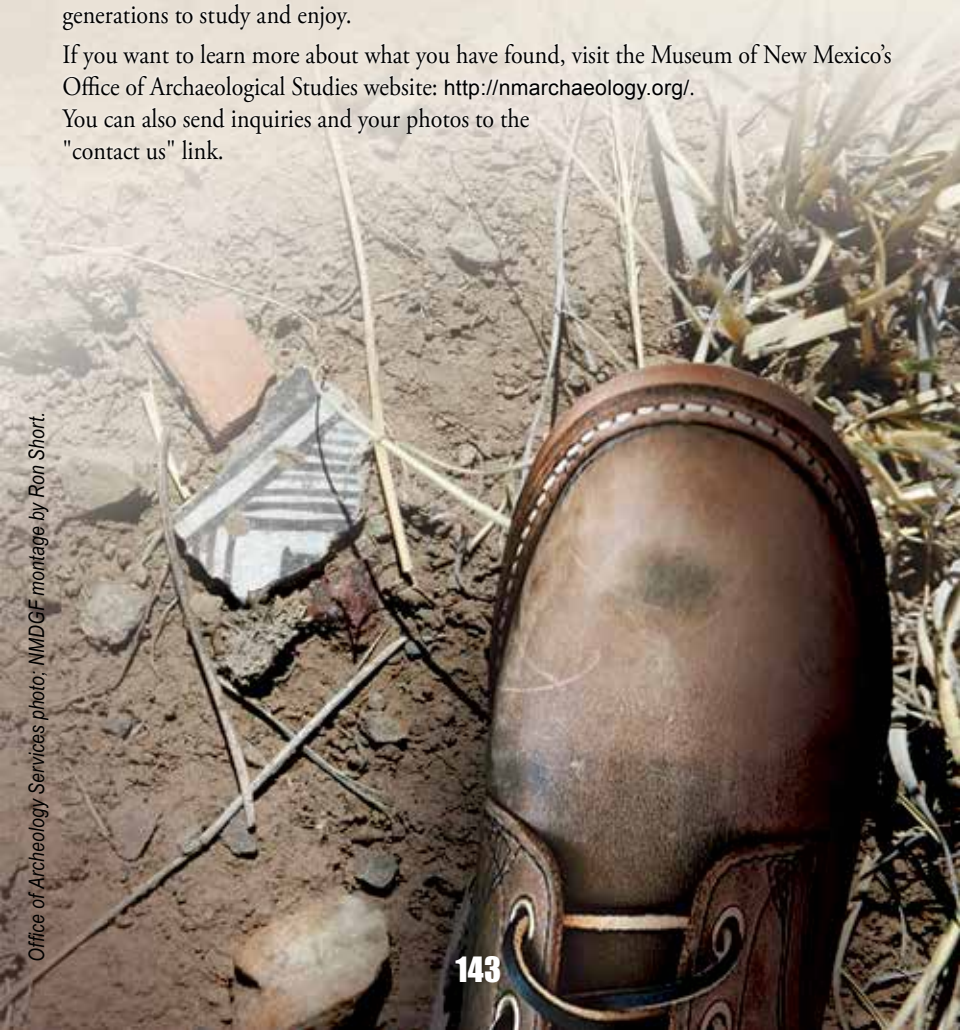
## Archaeological Sites and Artifacts

If you encounter an archaeological site or artifacts while in the field, remember these are parts of New Mexico's history and under the jurisdiction of the land owner or the land management agency (pages 42–47). To disturb sites or remove artifacts is illegal in most cases, and in all cases such acts erase important historical information and prevent others from appreciating and learning about our shared past.

Whether an early twentieth century homestead or a hunting camp from 10,000 years ago, if you encounter archaeological artifacts or structures, please take only pictures and memories of your discovery. This way the information will be there for future generations to study and enjoy.

If you want to learn more about what you have found, visit the Museum of New Mexico's Office of Archaeological Studies website: <http://nmarchaeology.org/>.

You can also send inquiries and your photos to the "contact us" link.





# Electronic Tag (E-Tag)

E-Tag option is now available for deer and elk.  
Operational smartphone required.

Validate your tag electronically with the NMDGF E-Tag app that will work on a supported Android or Apple smartphone even when off-line.

Information on pages 8, 31-32 and 65.

Sex:

**AUTHORIZATION**  
(Required for private land hunts in Units 2A, 2B, 2C, 4 and 5A)  
Authorization Code:

**ENTER OUTFITTER INFO FOR OUTFITTED HUNTS ONLY**  
Is this an outfitted hunt? Yes  No

To apply for the 10% special-drawing pool, all applicants must have a signed contract with an outfitter prior to applying. It is unwise to use a New Mexico outfitter number to apply in a pool without a valid contract. The contract must be signed and dated by all parties and details of compensation and services to be provided by the outfitter.

**CARCASS TAG REQUIREMENT**  
NMDGF will mail the tag for this species to the address displayed below if this application is approved or provide an address where you want this tag to be mailed before adding your application.  
E-Tag Option (deer and elk only):  **E-Tag Option (you will not receive a tag):**   
NOTE: If the E-Tag option is chosen, applicants may not later choose a carcass tag and must be able to show an electronic copy of their license on their smartphone. See tagging instructions on pages 31-32 of the 2020-21 New Mexico Hunting Rules and Information Book.

Address 1:   
Address 2:   
City:   
State:   
Country:  Zip:

Tag Confirmation:   
I confirm that I have reviewed this information.