



Arizona Game and Fish Department

2026 Pronghorn and Elk

HUNT DRAW INFORMATION

Use this booklet to apply for Arizona's 2026 Pronghorn and Elk hunt drawing.*

Applications must be submitted online at azgfd.gov.

Hunt permit application deadline is Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. Arizona time.

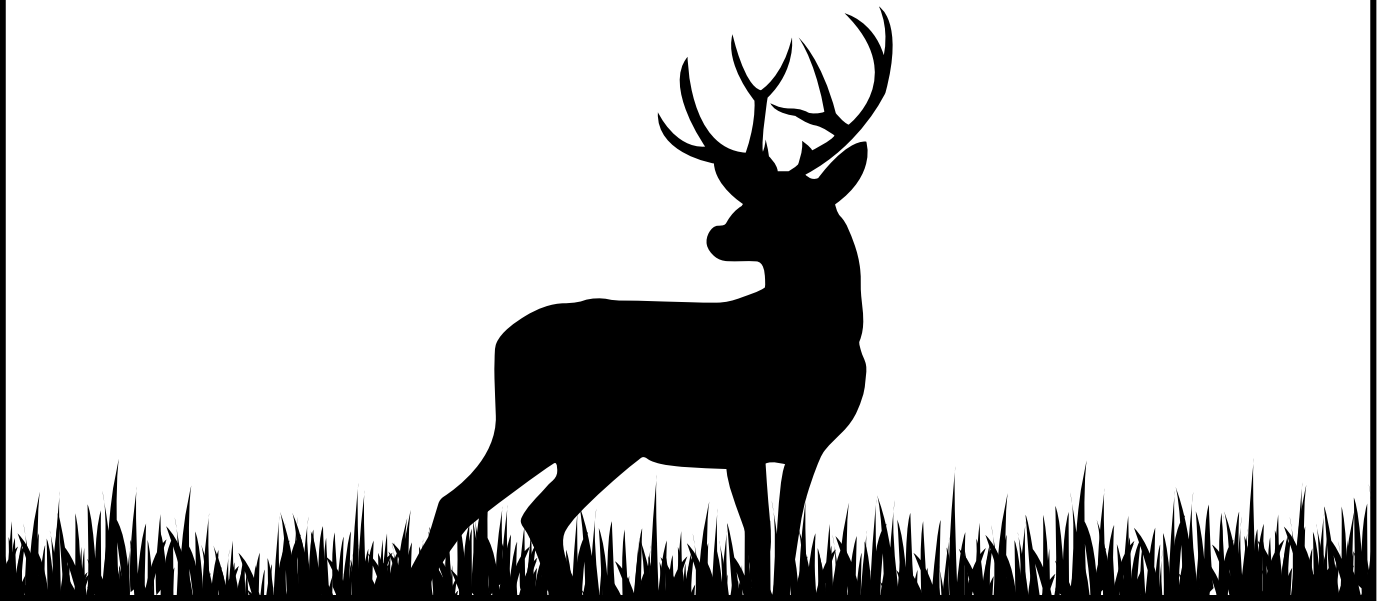
To report violators, call the Department's Operation Game Thief line: 800-352-0700.

** The 2025-26 Arizona Hunting Regulations (official rules) can be found at azgfd.gov or at any Department office or license dealer.*





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\$10 per species or \$25 for
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If a successful applicant is unable to participate
in a hunt for any reason, the accumulated bonus
points that were expended to draw that hunt
permit-tag will be reinstated.

See page 5 for details.

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To conserve Arizona's diverse wildlife resources and manage for safe, compatible outdoor recreation opportunities for current and future generations.

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REGION I

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REGION II

3500 S. Lake Mary Road, Flagstaff 86005
928-774-5045

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5325 N. Stockton Hill Road, Kingman 86409
928-692-7700

REGION IV

9140 E. 28th Street, Yuma 85365
928-342-0091

REGION V

555 N. Greasewood Road, Tucson 85745
520-628-5376

REGION VI

7200 E. University Drive, Mesa 85207
480-981-9400

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Important Information for 2026

*This list is for informational purposes only and includes important information or major changes that have occurred since publication of the last hunt draw booklet. Individuals should thoroughly read and understand the appropriate regulations prior to submitting an application or going afield. The current Arizona Hunting and Trapping Regulations can be found at azgfd.gov, or at any Department office or license dealer. **Get more information at azgfd.gov.***

Applications Must Be Submitted Online at azgfd.gov The deadline to submit applications is 11:59 p.m. (Arizona time) on Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2026.

Know Your Customer ID Customer IDs are required in the draw application. The Customer ID Retrieval Tool can be accessed at www.azgfd.gov/draw and during the draw application process to lookup the number. If the account is located, AZGFD will send the Customer ID number to the associated email address. If you have done business with the Department and are unable to retrieve your Customer ID, please call 602-942-3000.

Get Draw Results Online with a Portal Account Dependent account features are now available with a portal account, so everyone — including youth — can view their draw results online as soon as they are posted. Create an account at www.azgfd.gov/register. Please note: The automated phone service is no longer available.

Current Information Check online at azgfd.gov for the current regulations, which list any amendments at the beginning of the booklet.

Hunter Harvest Questionnaire Your Hunter Harvest Questionnaire may come by mail, email, text, or all three methods. Please take a moment to respond. A QR code, as well as a web link, is also located on the back of your tag. Scan the code to access our Hunter Harvest Questionnaire webpage (you may need to download a QR reader app to scan the code). Completing your hunter questionnaire honestly and accurately is important for management.

Keep Credit Card Information Updated Applicants are encouraged to keep their credit card payment information current. If your payment is declined at the time of the draw, your application will not be drawn. The Department will provide notice on its website when the deadline to update credit cards is finalized.

Elk Nonpermit-tags Information about and a map of hunt areas for elk over-the-counter nonpermit-tags is on pages 18-19.

Use of Trail Cameras Pursuant to Commission Rule R12-4-303.A.5, a person shall not use any images, video or data/information from a trail camera for the purposes of taking or locating wildlife, or aiding in the take of wildlife. For the purposes of this information, "take or taking" means hunting, pursuing, capturing or killing. Scouting prior to a hunt also falls under the definition of take.

Spanish Translation Si desea hablar con un representante de servicio al cliente bilingüe para obtener información llame al (602) 942-3000 de lunes a viernes de 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p. y luego ingrese el número 5 durante el mensaje grabado.

Prescribed Fire Prescribed fire is a tool used by the U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and other public land managers to improve wildlife habitat and overall ecological health for public lands. Prescribed fires often occur during hunting seasons, and it is common for hunters to see both fire and smoke. More information about planned and active fires can be found by contacting the respective National Forest offices or BLM field offices and the Incident Information System website at inciweb.nwcg.gov.

International Border Suspicious Activity Homeland Security issues along the International Border may affect the quality of a person's hunt. Call 800-BE-ALERT to report suspicious activity.

Hunt Permit-tag Application Schedule – Winter 2026

Hunt permit-tag applications will be accepted and processed in accordance with R12-4-104 and R12-4-114 and this schedule.

Drawing			
	ACCEPTANCE DATES ¹	DEADLINE DATES ²	
HUNT	Applications accepted on or after:	ONLINE APPLICATIONS: Deadline 11:59 p.m. (Arizona time):	Hunt permit-tags mailed out by:
Pronghorn	(See note 1)	Feb. 3, 2026	April 1, 2026
Elk	(See note 1)	Feb. 3, 2026	April 1, 2026

First Come ³		
	Applications accepted by mail on or after 8:00 a.m. (Arizona time):	Permits available for purchase with a completed application at all Department offices after 8:00 a.m. (Arizona time):
HUNT	ACCEPTANCE DATES	ACCEPTANCE DATES
Pronghorn	March 16, 2026	March 23, 2026
Elk	March 16, 2026	March 23, 2026

All Applicants

Applicants are encouraged to keep their credit card payment information current. If your payment is declined at the time of the draw, your application will not be drawn. NOTE: If your credit/debit card has been used for multiple applications, please notify your banking institution that multiple charges from Arizona Game and Fish could be processed simultaneously. The Department will provide notice on its website when the deadline to update credit cards is finalized. Customers also can sign up to receive email updates regarding purchasing deadlines at www.azgfd.gov/signup.

Notes:

1. The Department will accept Hunt Permit-tag Applications for big game listed above in early to mid-January, unless otherwise noted in the Hunt Permit-tag Application schedule.
2. Deadline dates may be extended in the event of a Department-related system failure that prevents the public from submitting an application within the deadlines listed above. The online system slow down due to heavy traffic is not considered a Department-related system failure and may not result in a deadline extension. Applicants are encouraged to apply early to avoid the last minute rush. Application assistance can be obtained Monday through Friday (8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Arizona time) by contacting the Department.
3. First come permits are issued if available and will sell very quickly. Applicants are advised to check with the Department before submitting an application for leftover permits. No person, including Youth, may submit more than one valid application per genus for the First Come process, with the exception of javelina (see the javelina bag limit description). A listing of leftover permits is available online at www.azgfd.gov under "Big Game Draw" or at any Department office. To submit first come applications by U.S. mail only, please send to: 5000 W. Carefree Highway, Phoenix, AZ 85086, ATTN: DRAW/FIRST COME.



Hunt Permit-tag and License Fee Information

THE FEES LISTED ON THIS PAGE ARE VALID FOR 2026 HUNTS. PLEASE REFER TO NOTES BELOW.

LICENSES	PRIVILEGES	RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT
General Hunting ¹	Allows take of small game, fur-bearing animals, predatory animals, nongame animals, and upland game birds. A valid tag or stamp is required for the take of big game animals and migratory game birds.	\$37	Not available. See Combination.
Combination Hunt and Fish ^{1,2}	Allows take of all aquatic wildlife statewide, including Community Fishing waters, small game, fur-bearing animals, predatory animals, nongame animals, and upland game birds. A valid tag or stamp is required for the take of big game animals and migratory game birds.	\$57	\$160
Youth Combination Hunt and Fish ^{1,2} (ages 10–17)	Allows take of all aquatic wildlife statewide, including Community Fishing waters, small game, fur-bearing animals, predatory animals, nongame animals, migratory birds and upland game birds. A valid tag is required for the take of big game animals.	\$5	\$5
Short-term Combination Hunt and Fish ^{2,3}	Allows take of all aquatic wildlife statewide, including Community Fishing waters, small game, fur-bearing animals, predatory animals, nongame animals, and upland game birds. A valid stamp is required for the take of migratory game birds. (Not valid when applying for the draw.)	\$15/day	\$20/day

Purchase PointGuard or PointGuard Plus for any of these species.	HUNT PERMIT-TAGS <i>Obtained only through application and drawing procedures, prices shown include a \$13 application fee per applicant for residents and a \$15 application fee per applicant for non-residents.</i> ⁴	RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT	RESIDENT YOUTH	NON-RESIDENT YOUTH
	Bonus Point	\$13	\$15	\$13	\$15
	Pronghorn Hunt Permit-tag	\$103	\$565	\$103	\$565
	Bighorn Sheep Hunt Permit-tag ⁵	\$313	\$1,815	\$313	\$1,815
	Turkey Hunt Permit-tag	\$38	\$105	\$23 ⁷ (for Youth-Only hunts)	\$25 ⁷ (for Youth-Only hunts)
	Bear Hunt Permit-tag ⁵	\$38	\$165	\$38	\$165
	Javelina Hunt Permit-tag	\$38	\$115	\$28 ⁷ (for Youth-Only hunts)	\$30 ⁷ (for Youth-Only hunts)
	Elk Hunt Permit-tag	\$148	\$665	\$63 ⁷ (for Youth-Only hunts)	\$65 ⁷ (for Youth-Only hunts)
	Deer Hunt Permit-tag	\$58	\$315	\$38 ⁷ (for Youth-Only hunts)	\$40 ⁷ (for Youth-Only hunts)
	Bison – Bull/Any Hunt Permit-tag ⁵	\$1,113	\$5,415	\$1,113	\$5,415
	Bison – Cow/Yearling Hunt Permit-tag ⁵	\$663	\$3,265	\$663	\$3,265
	Bison — Yearling only Hunt Permit-tag ⁵	\$363	\$1,765	\$363	\$1,765
	Sandhill Crane Hunt Permit-tag (3 hunt permit-tags)	\$43	\$45	\$43	\$45
	Raptor Capture Hunt Permit-tag	\$13	\$190	\$13	\$190

NONPERMIT-TAGS <i>These tags may be purchased over-the-counter at Department offices or license dealers.</i>	RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT	RESIDENT YOUTH	NON-RESIDENT YOUTH
Archery Turkey Nonpermit-tag	\$25	\$90		
Youth-Only Turkey Nonpermit-tag			\$10	\$10
Bear Nonpermit-tag ⁵	\$25	\$150		
Mountain Lion Nonpermit-tag ⁵	\$15	\$75		
Mountain Lion Pursuit-only Permit	\$20	\$100		
Javelina Nonpermit-tag	\$25	\$100		
Elk Nonpermit-tag	\$135	\$650		
Archery Deer Nonpermit-tag ⁵	\$45	\$300 ⁶		
Raptor Capture Nonpermit-tag		\$175		\$175
Bobcat Seal (for sale or export) ⁶	\$3	\$3		
STAMPS	RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT	YOUTH ⁸	
MIGRATORY BIRD STAMP <i>Allows take of band-tailed pigeons, moorhen, coots, doves, ducks, geese, snipe, and swans (valid July 1 – June 30)</i>	\$5	\$5	Included with Youth Combination license	
FEDERAL WATERFOWL STAMP <i>(valid July 1 – June 30)</i>	\$25	\$25	\$25	

Notes:

- Licenses are valid one year from date of purchase and are non-refundable.
- All licenses that allow fishing allow for simultaneous fishing with two poles.
- A Short-term Combo license may be purchased for any day. Purchaser selects date(s) of validity at time of purchase.
- A portion of the application fees are designated for habitat, access and recruitment/retention.
- Mandatory harvest reporting and physical check-in; archery deer only requires mandatory harvest reporting.
- Not available at license dealers.
- Permit-tag fees are for "Youth-Only" designated hunts. **A youth must pay the higher fee unless applying only for "Youth-Only" hunts.**
- Youth, 16 years of age and older, are required to purchase a federal waterfowl stamp.

License & Hunt Permit-tags Information

Who Can Go?

Everyone needs a license to hunt wildlife in Arizona. You need in your possession a valid hunt or combination hunt and fish license, plus any required hunt permit-tags, nonpermit-tags, or stamps.

A Short-term Combination Hunting and Fishing License is not valid for big game.

Youth ages 10–17 must purchase a Youth Combination Hunting and Fishing license. The license fee is \$5.

A person under 10 may hunt wildlife other than big game without a license only when accompanied by a properly licensed person 18 years or older. No more than two unlicensed children may accompany any license holder.

No one under the age of 14 may hunt big game without having completed a Hunter Education Course. No one under age 10 may hunt big game in Arizona. To hunt big game, anyone 10 to 13 years of age must have in their possession a valid combination hunt and fish license, a valid Hunter Education Course completion card, plus any required permit-tags or nonpermit-tags.

Where to Buy Licenses

Arizona hunting licenses may be purchased online at www.azgfd.gov. The Arizona Game and Fish Department will not mail your license to you. If you would like a paper copy, you must print the license from a home computer. Licenses also can be obtained from any license dealer or Arizona Game and Fish Department office (see locations on page 1 of this booklet).

Lifetime License Holders

If a lifetime license holder changes residency status from Arizona, the licensee must then purchase non-resident stamps, tags, and permits. A non-resident tag or stamp can accompany your lifetime resident license. If you are a lifetime license holder who has moved out of state, the 10 percent non-resident cap does not apply to you. The lifetime license will remain legal for the taking of all wildlife as permitted by law. Residency may be re-established after moving back to Arizona and meeting the required time period as defined below.

Residency Requirements

"Resident" means a person who is domiciled (claims the state of Arizona as their true, fixed and permanent home and principal residence) in this state for six months immediately preceding the date of application for a license, permit, tag, or stamp and does not claim residency for any purpose in another state or jurisdiction; or is a member, spouse or minor child of a member of the armed forces of the United States who is on active duty and stationed in this state for either permanent or temporary duty; or is a member of the armed forces of the United States on active duty stationed in another state or country but who lists this state as their home of record at the time of applying for a license, permit, tag, or stamp.

Arizona residents may purchase a resident license. All other individuals must purchase a non-resident license.

High Achievement Scout License

The High Achievement Scout License is offered to a resident youth who has attained either the rank of Eagle Scout (Boy Scout) or received a Gold Award (Girl Scout). The fee for the reduced license is \$5. The applicant must present proof of their rank or award by providing their certification letter, wallet card, or award certificate at any Department office, and complete the High Achievement Scout License application (Form 306, available on the Department website or at any Department office). This license is not available through the draw. At the age of 21, an Eagle Scout or Gold Award recipient is no longer eligible for the High Achievement Scout License, and from that point forward would be required to purchase an adult license.

Lost License or Tag Replacement

Lost licenses, hunt permit-tags, and nonpermit-tags may be replaced for an \$8 fee at any Arizona Game and Fish Department license dealer. Licenses purchased online can be reprinted for free. Consult R12-4-103 Duplicate Tags and Licenses for additional information. Stamps cannot be replaced, they must be repurchased.

Auto-renewal for Licenses

A new option enables hunting and fishing license holders to automatically renew their licenses upon expiration. Auto-renewal is available for the following licenses: Resident Hunt, Resident Fish, Resident Hunt/Fish Combo, Nonresident Fish, Nonresident Hunt/Fish Combo. Customers must have an AZGFD portal account to add license auto-renewal and select a valid license to be auto-renewed. Visit www.azgfd.gov/autorenew for more information.

Physically Challenged Hunters

Those hunters who are physically challenged may qualify for a Challenged Hunter Access/Mobility Permit (CHAMP). Consult R12-4-217 for information about this permit. Contact any Arizona Game and Fish Department office for additional information and application. The application is also available online.

Non-U.S. Citizens Wanting to Hunt in Arizona

Pursuant to regulations by the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), non-immigrant aliens who want to temporarily import firearms and/or ammunition into the United States for the allowable purpose of taking wildlife will need an ATF import permit and valid hunting license in possession at the time of entry/import into the United States. For further information or to make application for the import permit, contact ATF's Firearms and Explosives Import Branch at 304-616-4550, or download an application from the ATF website at www.atf.gov.

Tag Transfers

Should you be unable to use your big game permit, the Department is unable to reimburse you for your fees or reinstate your bonus points (except as provided below). However, under Arizona Revised Statutes and Arizona Game and Fish Commission Rules there are ways people can transfer big game tags. An \$8 transfer fee applies, unless donating to a non-profit organization. The Commission may prescribe the manner and conditions of transferring and using permits and tags under this paragraph, including an application process for a qualified organization, to allow a person to transfer the person's big game



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permit or tag to a qualified organization for use by:

- A minor child who has a life-threatening medical condition or by a minor child who has a permanent physical disability. If a child with a physical disability is under 14 years of age, the child must satisfactorily complete the Arizona hunter education course or another comparable Hunter Education Course that is approved by the director.
- A veteran of the armed forces of the United States who has a service-connected disability. For the purposes of this paragraph "disability" means a permanent physical impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities requiring the assistance of another person or a mechanical device for physical mobility.
- "Qualified organization" means a non-profit organization that is qualified under section 501(c)(3) of the United States internal revenue code and that affords opportunities and experiences to children with life-threatening medical conditions or with physical disabilities or to veterans with service-connected disabilities.

A parent, grandparent or legal guardian may allow the parent's, grandparent's or guardian's minor child or minor grandchild to use the parent's, grandparent's or guardian's big game permit or tag to take big game pursuant to the following requirements:

- The parent, grandparent or guardian must transfer the permit or tag to the child in a manner prescribed by the Commission.
- The child receiving the permit or tag must be accompanied by a parent, grandparent or guardian when in the field.
- The child must possess a valid hunting license and, if under 14 years of age, must satisfactorily complete the Arizona hunter education course or another comparable hunter education course that is approved by the Director before participating in the hunt.
- Any big game that is taken counts toward the child's bag limit. Once a tag is transferred at a Department office, the original permittee may no longer use it.

Visit www.azgfd.gov/tagtransfer to view

a list organizations you can donate your tag to.

Electronic Tags — Arizona E-Tag

Hunters can download the Arizona E-Tag mobile app from the Apple or Google Play stores, and opt in to receive an electronic tag in their portal account. The Arizona E-Tag app provides real-time delivery of licenses and big game tags purchased or drawn after the app has been downloaded. The app also provides the ability to electronically tag a harvested animal and complete the hunter questionnaire. After downloading the app, update it regularly to ensure it's the latest version. For more information visit www.azgfd.gov/etag.

Tag Surrender — PointGuard Plus and PointGuard

Tag Surrender allows a hunter to surrender his or her tag to the Department for any reason prior to close of business the day before the hunt starts. Go to www.azgfd.gov/pointguard for more information.

PointGuard Plus

- For \$25, an applicant will have the opportunity to surrender a hunt permit-tag and have their bonus points reinstated for all eligible big game species for three consecutive draw cycles from the date of purchase.
- PointGuard Plus can be purchased from the time of completing an online application, up to the deadline to update credit card or debit card information (prior to AZGFD processing hunt applications). The fee is non-refundable.
- Those who purchase PointGuard Plus will receive priority positioning for the reissuing of hunt permit-tags that are surrendered by PointGuard members and non-members alike.

PointGuard

- Like PointGuard Plus, standard PointGuard is available to all applicants when applying online for a hunt permit-tag.
- PointGuard is \$10 per species, per applicant, and can be purchased from the time of completing an online application until the deadline to update credit card or debit card information. The fee is non-refundable.

Only one hunt permit-tag may be surrendered, per species. If an applicant is drawn in the future for that particular species, that hunt-permit tag must be used, expending all accumulated bonus points. Only then may an applicant participate again in PointGuard and PointGuard Plus.

A free AZGFD portal account is not required to purchase PointGuard or PointGuard Plus. A portal account is needed for those applicants wishing to view their draw results, however.

When you surrender your hunt permit-tag:

- You will not receive a refund for the cost of your tag.
- The bonus points you expended to draw the hunt permit-tag will be reinstated.
- The bonus point you would have accrued had you not drawn will be awarded.
- You must surrender your hunt permit-tag before your hunt.

If you transfer your hunt permit-tag to a qualified nonprofit, you may still participate in Tag Surrender:

- You must meet the requirements (listed in the left column).
- Hunters must provide acceptable proof to the Department of the Tag Transfer (i.e., receipt from the qualified nonprofit).
- You must submit your Tag Surrender request and provide proof of the tag being donated within 60 days of the donation; and no less than 30 days prior to the next draw deadline for that species.

According to rule, the Department has several options for the reissuance of a surrendered hunt permit-tag. The proximity to the start of a particular hunt, the type of hunt permit-tag, and demand for that hunt permit-tag will factor into how it will be reissued.

Draw Information

The Draw

When the number of hunt permits for a species in a particular area must be limited to prevent over-harvest of wildlife, the Commission Order governing seasons for that species assigns a hunt number to a designated area, and a hunt permit-tag is required to take that species in that area. Hunt permit-tags are issued through a computerized random drawing. Big game tags not issued through the drawing process are called nonpermit-tags.

Qualifications

Individuals wishing to participate in a drawing or to obtain bonus points must apply online, and complete the online application by the deadline specified in the Hunt Permit-tag Application Schedule found in the current year's hunt regulations (page 2).

An applicant must have possession of a valid license at the time of entry and the deadline of the application period per R12-4-104. **Youth applying for big game hunts must be licensed.** If an applicant does not have a license that meets that requirement, he or she must purchase the license at the time of application.

Applying for a Hunt

The application service will be available in early to mid-January. Visit www.azgfd.gov/draw for more information.

No person, including youth, may submit more than one valid application per genus of wildlife in any calendar year, except as specified in R12-4-104(H), when genera are drawn in multiple drawings; however the annual bag limit still applies.

You can select a general hunt as your first choice and another weapon type hunt for the same genus as another choice on the same application — just be sure they are in the same numerical series.

Hunt Permit, Bonus Points Disclaimer

The issuance of any big game permit has no express or implied guarantee or warranty of hunter success. Any person holding a valid permit assumes the risk

that circumstances beyond the control of the Arizona Game and Fish Department may prevent the permit holder from using the permit. In such situations, the Arizona Game and Fish Department disclaims any responsibility to reissue or replace a permit, to reinstate bonus points or to refund any fees, except under specific circumstances, such as activation of military or emergency personnel, as stated in R12-4-114(M) and R12-4-102.02.

Fees

Information about fees associated with the draw process is on page 3.

Discounted hunt permit-tag fees are for "Youth-Only" designated hunts. A youth must pay the higher fee unless applying only for "Youth-Only" hunts.

Submitting Applications

The application service will be available in early to mid-January. Check the Department's website or sign up for free e-newsletters for regular updates. You can register for e-news at www.azgfd.gov.

Applicants are encouraged to keep their credit card payment information current. If your payment is declined at the time of the draw, your application will not be drawn.

Complete and proper preparation of an application is the sole responsibility of the applicant.

What Happens to My Application?

If any applicant in a group is rejected for any reason, all other applicants in that group will also be rejected and no bonus points will be awarded.

No hunt permit-tag will be issued to anyone in a group if there are not sufficient hunt permit-tags available for all applicants in that group.

Hunt permit-tags will be mailed to each successful applicant.

What if I'm not Drawn?

Customers will receive draw results online through their free portal account.

Create a portal account by visiting accounts.azgfd.com/Account/Register and completing all fields.

Unsuccessful, valid applications will be awarded bonus points.

Big game hunt permit-tags remaining after the drawing will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis as specified in the Hunt Permit-tag Application Schedule on page 2. First-come permit-tag results are not posted. If successful, you will receive your tag in the mail within 10-15 business days.

Obtaining a Bonus Point Only

In the event you do not wish to participate in a big game drawing for species offered in this draw, but still wish to accumulate bonus points for these genera, you may "obtain a bonus point."

A bonus point hunt number is established within each applicable Commission Order. You may obtain only one bonus point per genus per drawing.

To apply for a bonus point only, the individual must be 10 years old by the deadline date as specified in the Hunt Permit-tag Application Schedule on page 2.

To apply for a bonus point only, you must have a license valid through deadline day of that draw. **A bonus point costs you only the license fee (if needed) and the application fee per applicant. See page 3 for license fees. If applying for more than one species for bonus points, you must complete a separate application for each species.**

If you apply for a bonus point only using the established bonus point hunt number, you may **NOT** submit another application for the same genus. To do so will cause both applications to be rejected as duplicate applications.

All applicants in a group must apply for the same established bonus point hunt number. The application will not be included in the random number drawing and the individual(s) on the application will each receive a bonus point for that genus.

Apply Online for Big Game Hunts & Bonus Points at azgfd.gov

THE ONLINE APPLICATION WILL BE AVAILABLE EARLY TO MID-JANUARY.

What If I Buy a License Online?

If you purchase a hunting or fishing license online, you must print the license from your home printer. Your license will not be mailed to you.

What are the License Requirements?

When applying for a hunt, you must have a license valid through deadline day of that draw. If drawn for a hunt permit-tag, you must also have a valid license at the time of the hunt. These may not be the same license. Please contact customer service if you have any questions. See below for phone numbers.

How Do I Pay?

A valid credit or debit card must be used when applying. Your card will be charged once for the application fee and second time if you are successful in drawing a permit-tag. **Applicants are encouraged to keep their credit card payment information current. If your payment is declined at the time of the draw, your application will not be drawn.**

If your credit/debit card has been used for multiple applications, please notify your banking institution that multiple charges from Arizona Game and Fish could be processed simultaneously.

What You Need for Each Applicant

To apply, simply go to the Arizona Game and Fish Department website at www.azgfd.gov, place the cursor on "Apply for a Draw" on the main webpage and follow the step by-step instructions. We recommend having your hunter list (including first and last names, dates of birth, Customer ID numbers, Social Security numbers and email addresses) and hunt choices completed with all the required information for each hunter prior to starting the application process.



Useful Phone Numbers

Want To Know If You Were Drawn?

Dependent account features are now available with a portal account, so everyone — including youth — can view their draw results online as soon as they are posted. Create an account at www.azgfd.gov. Please note: The automated phone service is no longer available.

Main Number: (602) 942-3000

Choose 1 for known extension or name

Choose 2 for draw related questions and hunting and fishing license information

Choose 3 for watercraft

Choose 4 for regional offices

Choose 5 for customer service (Spanish speakers available)

Choose 6 for shooting ranges

Choose 7 for website or customer portal support

If you wish to speak with a bilingual customer service representative to get information or to set an appointment at any of our offices please call (602) 942-3000 Monday through Friday between 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM and then enter the number 5 during the recorded message.

Si desea hablar con un representante de servicio al cliente bilingüe para obtener información llame al (602) 942-3000 de lunes a viernes de 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p. y luego ingrese el número 5 durante el mensaje grabado.

Report a Game or Fish Violation to Operation Game Thief

1 (800) 352-0700

Report Vandalism or Livestock Depredation

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Mandatory Harvest Reporting of:

These numbers are only for reporting your bear, mountain lion and archery deer OTC harvests or raptor captures.

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Archery Deer (OTC) Harvest: 623-236-7961 or online at www.azgfd.gov/ArcheryDeerReport

Raptor capture: 1 (855) 970-HAWK (4295)

Clinics and Camps

Arizona Antelope Foundation

The Arizona Antelope Foundation will hold its annual Antelope Hunter Clinic on June 20, 2026. The clinic will be conducted at the Arizona Game and Fish Department's Pavilion building located at the Ben Avery Clay Target Center at 5060 W Skeet St. Phoenix, 85086. This clinic will cover topics including optics, photography, taxidermy, practical field care and antelope hunting tactics for firearms and archery. In addition to the formal presentations, representatives from the Arizona Game and Fish Department will be on hand to discuss hunting hot-spots and access in the game management units drawn by hunters in attendance. For updates and details go to www.azantelope.org or email info@azantelope.org.

Arizona Elk Society Elk Hunting Clinic

The Arizona Elk Society will hold its Annual Elk Hunting Clinic on Aug. 1, 2026. For information visit www.arizonaelksociety.org or call (623) 444-4147. This all-day clinic will be full of great information about hunting elk with a bow or a rifle; locating elk during the early and late hunting seasons by Dan Adler, Diamond Outfitters Arizona; effectively calling elk; as well as meat care, cape preparation, and proper use of optics to locate elk in the field and much more. The clinic will be a great education tool for first-time hunters and seasoned hunters. The doors open at 8 a.m. and the clinic runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and includes lunch. The location is Shriners Auditorium 552 N 40th St, Phoenix, AZ 85008. For more information about the clinic and the Arizona Elk Society, visit www.arizonaelksociety.org.

Arizona Elk Society Youth Elk Hunters Camp

The Arizona Elk Society's Junior Elk Hunters Camp will be Oct. 8-11, 2026. This event is held in conjunction with the Unit 6A & 5BS Youth-Only Elk

Hunt. Thursday night the AES serves free dinner to all youth hunters and their families, after which they have a seminar on hunter safety, finding elk, meat care and more. There will be free giveaways for youth hunters. Free lunch will be served Friday and Saturday, seminars will be held and mentors available if needed. The AES offers support throughout the weekend for game locating and retrieval, as well as anything else the youth need during the hunt. This year's camp will again be at the St. Joseph's Youth Camp at Mormon Lake, AZ. Check out this event and others at www.arizonaelksociety.org. Call (623) 444-4147 for information.

Arizona Elk Society Wild in the City

Wild in the City is a daylong camp held Feb. 21, 2026, and again in early November date TBD, location Ben Avery Shooting Range Activity Center. It's designed to introduce kids 7–15 to outdoor skills. From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. participants will rotate through six classes including archery, wildlife ID, gun safety and shooting, survival bracelets, animal tracks ID, owl pellet dissection, kayaking, horsemanship

and other classes. Check the website for camp locations. Kids receive event shirts and goody bags. Visit www.arizonaelksociety.org for information and registration. Call (623) 444-4147 if you need help.

Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, White Mountain Chapter, Junior Elk Hunter Camp

The White Mountain Chapter of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation will host the Junior Elk Hunter Camp Oct. 8-11, 2026, in the Greens Peak area of Unit 1. All youth hunters drawn and their immediate families are welcome to join us for this fun and educational camp. All meals will be provided free to youth hunters and their families, Thursday evening through Sunday morning. Mentors will be available. All registered hunters are sure to receive valuable prizes upon check in and will be entered into the grand prize drawing Saturday evening campfire and get together. To register, please email: rmefwm18@gmail.com. Contact (928) 242-4317 for additional information. Registration closes Sept. 30, 2026.

Thank You Hunters and Recreational Shooters

Arizona's rich outdoor heritage is enjoyed by all – thanks to hunters like you, whose purchase of hunting and recreational shooting equipment supports wildlife management and habitat enhancement in the Grand Canyon State. When you purchase a rifle, ammunition, archery equipment, and other sporting gear, you pay a federal excise tax and import duties.

Since 1937, this money has been collected by the federal government and redistributed to the states using a formula based on hunting license sales and the state's land area. In 2018, that meant more than \$22 million for game management in Arizona. This money paid for game surveys, hunter education classes, wildlife water catchment construction, wildlife research and shooting range development and operations, among other projects.

Hunters like you are part of the largest and most successful wildlife conservation programs in the world...thank you.



Pronghorn Hunts



■ Distribution

For further information on pronghorn, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit www.azgfd.gov.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	Any valid hunting or combination license EXCEPT a Short-term Combination Hunt and Fish License (see tables on page 3 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Tag Required	Hunt Permit-tag obtained only through application and draw process as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114.
Hunt Numbers Required	When applying for big game hunt permit-tags, you must use hunt numbers.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any firearm, bow and arrow, or crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-304. Muzzleloader Hunt: Muzzleloader weapons as prescribed in R12-4-101 and R12-4-318, crossbow or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. Archery-Only Hunt: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and/or crossbow as allowed under R12-4-216.
Legal Animal Definition	Buck pronghorn means a male pronghorn, as defined in R12-4-101.
Bag Limit	One (1) pronghorn per calendar year, except as prescribed in R12-4-120.
Open Areas	Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

To hunt pronghorn in Arizona you need a valid Arizona hunting or combination license and a pronghorn tag. To hunt pronghorn in any season, you must apply through a draw for a hunt permit-tag.

Pronghorn: Commission Order 3

GENERAL PRONGHORN

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
2000	BONUS POINT ONLY — See page 5 (No other hunt number may be chosen in conjunction with this one).				
2001	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026		1	Buck pronghorn	32
2002	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026		2A	Buck pronghorn	15
2003	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026		2C	Buck pronghorn	5
2004	Oct 2 - Oct 11, 2026		3A	Buck pronghorn	4
2005	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026		3C	Buck pronghorn	3
2006	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026	(30,31,32)	4A	Buck pronghorn	9
2007	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026	(165)	4B	Buck pronghorn	13
2008	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	5A	Buck pronghorn	5
2009	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	5B	Buck pronghorn	25
2010	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026		6A	Buck pronghorn	12
2011	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026	(10,40)	6B North (excluding Camp Navajo)	Buck pronghorn	1
2012	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026	(41)	6B South	Buck pronghorn	1
2013	Oct 2 - Oct 11, 2026	(45,157)	7	Buck pronghorn	40
2014	Oct 2 - Oct 11, 2026		8	Buck pronghorn	3
2015	Oct 2 - Oct 11, 2026	(157)	9	Buck pronghorn	25

Pronghorn Hunts

Pronghorn: Commission Order 3 (continued)

GENERAL PRONGHORN

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
2016	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026	(43,44)	10	Buck pronghorn	60
2017	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026	(3)	12A and 12B	Buck pronghorn	5
2018	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026	(3)	13A	Buck pronghorn	15
2019	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026	(3)	13B	Buck pronghorn	20
2020	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026		17A	Buck pronghorn	2
2021	Sep 11 - Sep 17, 2026	(42,128)	18A	Buck pronghorn	6
2022	Sep 11 - Sep 17, 2026	(42)	18B	Buck pronghorn	3
2023	Sep 4 - Sep 10, 2026	(39,128)	19A (north of AZ Hwy 89A and that portion south of AZ Hwy 89A that is east of Fain Rd, north of AZ Hwy 69/169, and west of FR 151/643)	Buck pronghorn	20
2024	Sep 11 - Sep 17, 2026	(128)	19B	Buck pronghorn	5
2025	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026	(3)	21	Buck pronghorn	5
2026	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026	(128)	30A	Buck pronghorn	4
2027	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026	(128,129)	31 and 32	Buck pronghorn	3
2028	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026		35A (excluding Fort Huachuca) and 35B	Buck pronghorn	2
----	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026	(30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 4A	Buck pronghorn	3
----	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 5A	Buck pronghorn	3
----	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 5B	Buck pronghorn	5
Total					354

MUZZLELOADER PRONGHORN

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
2029	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026		2B	Buck pronghorn	5
2030	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026		3B	Buck pronghorn	5
2031	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026		8	Buck pronghorn	4
2032	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026		15A and 15B	Buck pronghorn	1
2033	Sep 4 - Sep 10, 2026	(128)	17B and 19B	Buck pronghorn	5
2034	Sep 4 - Sep 10, 2026	(42,128)	18A	Buck pronghorn	4
2035	Sep 4 - Sep 10, 2026	(42)	18B	Buck pronghorn	1
2036	Aug 28 - Sep 3, 2026	(39,128)	19A (north of AZ Hwy 89A and that portion south of AZ Hwy 89A that is east of Fain Rd, north of AZ Hwy 69/169, and west of FR 151/643)	Buck pronghorn	5
2037	Sep 4 - Sep 13, 2026	(129)	34A and 34B	Buck pronghorn	3
Total					33

ARCHERY-ONLY PRONGHORN

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
2038	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026		1	Buck pronghorn	30
2039	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026		3A	Buck pronghorn	2
2040	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026		3B	Buck pronghorn	7
2041	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(30,31,32)	4A	Buck pronghorn	1
2042	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(165)	4B	Buck pronghorn	7
2043	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	5A	Buck pronghorn	2
2044	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	5B	Buck pronghorn	8
2045	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026		6A	Buck pronghorn	5
2046	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(10,40)	6B North (excluding Camp Navajo)	Buck pronghorn	5
2047	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(45,157)	7	Buck pronghorn	10
2048	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(157)	9	Buck pronghorn	5
2049	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(43,44)	10	Buck pronghorn	30
2050	Aug 21 - Sep 10, 2026	(4,10)	11M	Buck pronghorn	5
2051	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(3)	12A and 12B	Buck pronghorn	3
2052	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(3)	13A	Buck pronghorn	5
2053	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026		15A and 15B	Buck pronghorn	1
2054	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(128)	17B and 19B	Buck pronghorn	5
2055	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(42,128)	18A	Buck pronghorn	5
2056	Aug 21 - Aug 27, 2026	(39,128)	19A (north of AZ Hwy 89A and the portion south of AZ Hwy 89A that is east of Robert Road, north of AZ Hwy 69/169, and west of FR 151/643)	Buck pronghorn	7
2057	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(3)	21	Buck pronghorn	1
2058	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(128)	30A	Buck pronghorn	1
2059	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(128,129)	31 and 32	Buck pronghorn	2
2060	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(129)	34A and 34B	Buck pronghorn	3
2061	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026		35A (excluding Fort Huachuca) and 35B	Buck pronghorn	3
----	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 4A	Buck pronghorn	1
----	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 5A	Buck pronghorn	2
----	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 5B	Buck pronghorn	2
----	Aug 21 - Sep 3, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Buck pronghorn	6
Total					164



Elk Hunts



■ Distribution

For further information on elk, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit www.azgfd.gov.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	Any valid hunting or combination license EXCEPT a Short-term Combination Hunt and Fish License (see tables on page 3 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Tag Required	Hunt Permit-tag obtained only through application and draw process as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. EXCEPT for General Nonpermit and Archery-Only Nonpermit seasons: a hunt nonpermit-tag must be obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.
Hunt Numbers Required	When applying for big game hunt permit-tags, you must use hunt numbers.
Legal Methods of Take	General and Youth Hunts: Any firearm, bow and arrow, or crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-304. Muzzleloader Hunt: Muzzleloader weapons as prescribed in R12-4-101 and R12-4-318, crossbow or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. HAM: Handguns, muzzleloading rifles, muzzleloading handguns, crossbow, or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-318. Archery-Only Hunt: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and/or crossbow as allowed under R12-4-216.
Legal Animal Definition	Bull elk means an antlered elk. Antlered means having an antler fully erupted through the skin and capable of being shed. Antlerless means any elk, any age, without antlers.
Bag Limit	One (1) elk per calendar year, except as prescribed in R12-4-120.
Open Areas	Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-321, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.
<i>To hunt elk in Arizona you need a valid Arizona hunting or combination license and an elk tag. To hunt elk in General, Youth-Only, Muzzleloader or Archery-Only seasons, you must apply through a draw for a hunt permit-tag. To hunt elk in a General or Archery-Only Nonpermit Tag season, you must obtain a hunt nonpermit-tag from a Department office or license dealer. The same tag can be used in either the General or Archery-Only Nonpermit-tag season.</i> <i>The Department offers "Youth-Only" designated hunts, in which persons are eligible to participate up to their 18th birthday. A youth hunter, whose 18th birthday occurs after opening day of a "Youth-Only" designated hunt for which the hunter has a valid permit or tag, may continue to participate for the duration of the "Youth-Only" designated hunt. Persons between the ages of 10 and 13 must have satisfactorily completed a Hunter Education Course that is approved by the Director per ARS 17-332(E). Hunter Education classes fill up quickly. If you need your Hunter Education card before your hunt, get ahead of the game and register now. To register for a Hunter Education class, visit www.azgfd.gov/huntered or call 623-236-7239. No one under age 10 may hunt big game in Arizona. A youth must pay the higher fee unless applying only for "Youth-Only" hunts.</i>	

Elk Hunts

Elk: Commission Order 4

GENERAL ELK

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
3000	BONUS POINT ONLY — See page 5 (No other hunt number may be chosen in conjunction with this one).				
3001	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026	(166)	3A and 3C	Bull elk	20
3002	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026	(165,166)	4B	Bull elk	15
3003	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	5B	Bull elk	24
3004	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026	(157)	9	Bull elk	20
3005	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026	(43,44)	10	Bull elk	40
3006	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026	(42,128)	15A, 15B, and 18A	Bull elk	35
3007	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026	(55)	22 North	Bull elk	25
3008	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026	(57)	23 North	Bull elk	25
3009	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026	(58)	23 South	Bull elk	10
3010	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026		27	Bull elk	40
3011	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026	(60,73)	1, 2B, and 2C	Bull elk	225
3012	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026	(166)	3A and 3C	Bull elk	225
3013	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026	(30,31,32)	4A	Bull elk	170
3014	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026	(165,166)	4B	Bull elk	175
3015	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	5A	Bull elk	339
3016	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	5B	Bull elk	772
3017	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026		6A	Bull elk	825
3018	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026	(10)	6B (excluding Camp Navajo)	Bull elk	175
3019	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026	(45,53,76,157)	7 East	Bull elk	450
3020	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026	(54)	7 West	Bull elk	500
3021	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026		8	Bull elk	500
3022	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026	(157)	9	Bull elk	225
3023	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026	(43,44)	10	Bull elk	325
3024	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026	(42,128)	15A, 15B, and 18A	Bull elk	100
3025	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026		19A	Bull elk	30
3026	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026	(3)	21	Bull elk	10
3027	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026	(55)	22 North	Bull elk	300
3028	Dec 4 - Dec 10, 2026	(55)	22 North	Bull elk	275
3029	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026	(56)	22 South	Bull elk	100
3030	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026		23	Bull elk	210
3031	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026	(60)	27	Bull elk	250
3032	Dec 4 - Dec 10, 2026	(60)	27	Bull elk	250
3033	Dec 4 - Dec 10, 2026	(46,60)	Escudilla-Auger Canyon Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 46)	Antlerless elk	75
3034	Dec 4 - Dec 10, 2026	(60,73)	1, 2B, and 2C	Antlerless elk	400
3035	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2026	(60,73)	1, 2B, and 2C	Antlerless elk	400
3036	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2026	(166)	3A and 3C	Antlerless elk	175
3037	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(30,31,32)	4A	Antlerless elk	97
3038	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2026	(165,166)	4B	Antlerless elk	50
3039	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	5A	Antlerless elk	194
3040	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026	(29,30,31,32,50)	5B North	Antlerless elk	193
3041	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(52)	5B South	Antlerless elk	325
3042	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026		6A	Antlerless elk	550
3043	Dec 4 - Dec 10, 2026	(10)	6B (excluding Camp Navajo)	Antlerless elk	300
3044	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(45,53,76,157)	7 East	Antlerless elk	200
3045	Dec 4 - Dec 10, 2026	(45,53,76,157)	7 East	Antlerless elk	200
3046	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(48)	Kachina Peaks Wilderness Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 48)	Antlerless elk	30
3047	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(54)	7 West	Antlerless elk	350
3048	Dec 4 - Dec 10, 2026	(54)	7 West	Antlerless elk	350
3049	Dec 4 - Dec 10, 2026		8	Antlerless elk	550
3050	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(157)	9	Antlerless elk	350
3051	Dec 4 - Dec 10, 2026	(157)	9	Antlerless elk	350
3052	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(43,44)	10	Antlerless elk	725
3053	Dec 4 - Dec 10, 2026	(43,44)	10	Antlerless elk	750
3054	Dec 4 - Dec 10, 2026	(42,128)	15A, 15B, and 18A	Antlerless elk	150
3055	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026		19A	Antlerless elk	30
3056	Dec 4 - Dec 13, 2026		19A	Antlerless elk	25
3057	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(3)	21	Antlerless elk	10
3058	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(55)	22 North	Antlerless elk	75
3059	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(56)	22 South	Antlerless elk	50
3060	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026		23	Antlerless elk	75
3061	Dec 4 - Dec 10, 2026		23	Antlerless elk	100
3062	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(60)	27	Antlerless elk	150
----	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 5B	Bull elk	1
----	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026	(30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 4A	Bull elk	5
----	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 5A	Bull elk	11



Elk Hunts

Elk: Commission Order 4 (continued)

GENERAL ELK

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
----	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 5B	Bull elk	28
----	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 4A	Antlerless elk	3
----	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026	(29,30,31,32,50)	Hopi Hunt in Units 5B North	Antlerless elk	7
----	Sep 18 - Sep 24, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Disabled Veteran/Wounded Warrior/Purple Heart)	Antlerless elk	10
----	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Disabled Veteran/Wounded Warrior/Purple Heart)	Antlerless elk	7
----	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Disabled Veteran/Wounded Warrior/Purple Heart)	Antlerless elk	5
----	Sep 18 - Sep 24, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Antlerless elk	2
----	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Antlerless elk	4
----	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Antlerless elk	7
----	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Antlerless elk	3
----	Nov 13 - Nov 29, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Antlerless elk	15
----	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Other)	Antlerless elk	5
----	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Other)	Antlerless elk	4
----	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Other)	Antlerless elk	6
----	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Other)	Antlerless elk	2
----	Nov 13 - Nov 29, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Other)	Antlerless elk	5
----	Sep 11 - Sep 17, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Disabled Veteran/Wounded Warrior/Purple Heart)	Any elk	10
----	Sep 18 - Sep 24, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Disabled Veteran/Wounded Warrior/Purple Heart)	Any elk	3
----	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Disabled Veteran/Wounded Warrior/Purple Heart)	Any elk	3
----	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Disabled Veteran/Wounded Warrior/Purple Heart)	Any elk	3
----	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Any elk	2
----	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Any elk	3
----	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Other)	Any elk	2
----	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Other)	Any elk	2
----	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Other)	Any elk	2
Total					14,124

YOUTH-ONLY (GENERAL) ELK *(Arizona Hunter Education course required for youth ages 10–13)*

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
3063	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026	(60)	1 and 2C	Antlerless elk	200
3064	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026	(166)	3A and 3C	Antlerless elk	125
3065	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026	(30,31,32)	4A	Antlerless elk	97
3066	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	5A	Antlerless elk	121
3067	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026	(52)	5B South and 6A	Antlerless elk	450
3068	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026	(54)	7 West	Antlerless elk	100
3069	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026	(157)	9	Antlerless elk	150
3070	Oct 2 - Oct 11, 2026	(43,44)	10	Antlerless elk	350
3071	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026		22	Antlerless elk	100
3072	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026		23	Antlerless elk	100
----	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026	(30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 4A	Antlerless elk	3
----	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 5A	Antlerless elk	10
Total					1,806

LIMITED OPPORTUNITY (GENERAL) ELK

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
3073	Oct 2 - Oct 15, 2026	(42,59)	17A, 17B, 18B, 19B, 20A, and 20C	Bull elk	35
3074	Oct 16 - Oct 29, 2026	(59,67)	Antelope Mountain Hunt Area <i>(Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 67)</i>	Antlerless elk	5
3075	Oct 30 - Nov 12, 2026	(59,67)	Antelope Mountain Hunt Area <i>(Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 67)</i>	Antlerless elk	10
3076	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026	(59,67)	Antelope Mountain Hunt Area <i>(Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 67)</i>	Antlerless elk	15
3077	Sep 11 - Sep 20, 2026	(59,166)	2A and 2B	Antlerless elk	65
3078	Sep 25 - Oct 4, 2026	(59,166)	2A and 2B	Antlerless elk	60
3079	Oct 9 - Oct 18, 2026	(59,166)	2A and 2B	Antlerless elk	40
3080	Dec 4 - Dec 13, 2026	(30,31,32,59,70)	4A North	Antlerless elk	25
3081	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(29,30,31,32,49,59)	East Sunset and West Sunset Hunt areas <i>(Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 49)</i>	Antlerless elk	25
3082	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2026	(29,30,31,32,49,59)	East Sunset and West Sunset Hunt areas <i>(Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 49)</i>	Antlerless elk	25

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LIMITED OPPORTUNITY (GENERAL) ELK

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
3083	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026	(29,30,31,32,51,59)	Twin Arrows Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 51)	Antlerless elk	25
3084	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(29,30,31,32,51,59)	Twin Arrows Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 51)	Antlerless elk	25
3085	Oct 2 - Oct 15, 2026	(42,59)	17A, 17B, 18B, 19B, 20A, and 20C	Antlerless elk	150
3086	Nov 6 - Dec 10, 2026	(42,59)	17A, 17B, 18B, 19B, 20A, and 20C	Antlerless elk	300
3087	Aug 7 - Aug 20, 2026	(59,61)	Black Mountain Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 61)	Antlerless elk	25
3088	Sep 11 - Sep 20, 2026	(59,166)	2A and 2B	Any elk	35
3089	Sep 25 - Oct 4, 2026	(59,166)	2A and 2B	Any elk	35
3090	Oct 9 - Oct 18, 2026	(59,166)	2A and 2B	Any elk	25
3091	Dec 11 - Dec 24, 2026	(59,156,158,167)	Zeniff Hunt Area and Dry Lake Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Notes 156 and 158)	Any elk	50
3092	Nov 6 - Dec 10, 2026	(42,59)	17A, 17B, 18B, 19B, 20A, and 20C	Any elk	150
3093	Sep 25 - Oct 4, 2026	(59)	24A	Any elk	5
3094	Oct 9 - Oct 18, 2026	(59)	24A	Any elk	5
3095	Oct 2 - Oct 29, 2026	(59,129)	28, 31, and 32	Any elk	10
----	Dec 4 - Dec 13, 2026	(30,31,32,59,70)	Hopi Hunt in Units 4A North	Antlerless elk	25
----	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(29,30,31,32,49,59)	Hopi Hunt in Unit East Sunset and West Sunset Hunt areas (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 49)	Antlerless elk	25
----	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2026	(29,30,31,32,49,59)	Hopi Hunt in Unit East Sunset and West Sunset Hunt areas (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 49)	Antlerless elk	25
----	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026	(29,30,31,32,51,59)	Hopi Hunt in Unit Twin Arrows Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 51)	Antlerless elk	25
----	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(29,30,31,32,51,59)	Hopi Hunt in Unit Twin Arrows Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 51)	Antlerless elk	25
Total					1,270

CHAMP (GENERAL) ELK (Challenged Hunter Access/Mobility Permit required, see R12-4-217)

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
3096	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026	(165,166)	4B	Any elk	15
3097	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2026		6A	Any elk	50
3098	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2026	(43,44)	10	Any elk	15
3099	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026		22	Any elk	15
Total					95

MUZZLELOADER ELK

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
3100	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026	(60)	1, 2B, and 2C	Bull elk	35
3101	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026		3B	Bull elk	30
3102	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	5A	Bull elk	24
3103	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2026	(48)	Kachina Peaks Wilderness Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 48)	Bull elk	5
3104	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026	(56)	22 South	Bull elk	50
3105	Nov 27 - Dec 3, 2026		3B	Bull elk	200
3106	Nov 13 - Nov 19, 2026		6A	Bull elk	325
3107	Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2026	(43,44)	10	Bull elk	65
3108	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026		3B	Antlerless elk	100
3109	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2026		3B	Antlerless elk	250
3110	Nov 13 - Nov 19, 2026		6A	Antlerless elk	50
3111	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026		8	Antlerless elk	150
3112	Sep 25 - Oct 15, 2026		16A (excluding Mohave County Park Lands)	Any elk	6
----	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 5A	Bull elk	1
----	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Antlerless elk	6
----	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Other)	Antlerless elk	3
----	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Any elk	3
----	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Other)	Any elk	2
Total					1,305



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LIMITED OPPORTUNITY (HAM) ELK

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
3113	Oct 2 - Oct 15, 2026	(59,68,69)	Coon Canyon and Flat Top Hunt Areas (Special Restrictions Apply - See Notes 68 and 69)	Antlerless elk	5
3114	Oct 16 - Oct 29, 2026	(59,68,69)	Coon Canyon and Flat Top Hunt Areas (Special Restrictions Apply - See Notes 68 and 69)	Antlerless elk	5
3115	Oct 30 - Nov 12, 2026	(59,68,69)	Coon Canyon and Flat Top Hunt Areas (Special Restrictions Apply - See Notes 68 and 69)	Antlerless elk	10
3116	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026	(59,68,69)	Coon Canyon and Flat Top Hunt Areas (Special Restrictions Apply - See Notes 68 and 69)	Antlerless elk	15
3117	Nov 27 - Dec 10, 2026	(59,68,69)	Coon Canyon and Flat Top Hunt Areas (Special Restrictions Apply - See Notes 68 and 69)	Antlerless elk	15
3118	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2026	(59,68,69)	Coon Canyon and Flat Top Hunt Areas (Special Restrictions Apply - See Notes 68 and 69)	Antlerless elk	15
3119	Jul 31 - Aug 6, 2026	(59,71)	Show Low Creek Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 71)	Antlerless elk	10
3120	Aug 7 - Aug 13, 2026	(59,71)	Show Low Creek Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 71)	Antlerless elk	10
3121	Aug 14 - Aug 20, 2026	(59,71)	Show Low Creek Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 71)	Antlerless elk	10
3122	Aug 21 - Aug 27, 2026	(59,71)	Show Low Creek Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 71)	Antlerless elk	10
3123	Aug 28 - Sep 3, 2026	(59,71)	Show Low Creek Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 71)	Antlerless elk	10
3124	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2026	(59,71)	Show Low Creek Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 71)	Antlerless elk	10
3125	Dec 11 - Dec 31, 2026	(37,59)	3B North	Antlerless elk	25
Total					150

ARCHERY-ONLY ELK

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
3126	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026		1, 2B, and 2C	Bull elk	225
3127	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(166)	3A and 3C	Bull elk	75
3128	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026		3B	Bull elk	75
3129	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(30,31,32)	4A	Bull elk	97
3130	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(165,166)	4B	Bull elk	100
3131	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	5A	Bull elk	145
3132	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(29,30,31,32,50)	5B North	Bull elk	168
3133	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(52)	5B South	Bull elk	200
3134	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026		6A	Bull elk	700
3135	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(10)	6B (excluding Camp Navajo)	Bull elk	155
3136	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(45,53,76,157)	7 East	Bull elk	150
3137	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(48)	Kachina Peaks Wilderness Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 48)	Bull elk	25
3138	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(54)	7 West	Bull elk	150
3139	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026		8	Bull elk	200
3140	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(157)	9	Bull elk	90
3141	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(43,44)	10	Bull elk	100
3142	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(4,10)	11M	Bull elk	80
3143	Sep 25 - Oct 8, 2026	(4,10)	11M	Bull elk	80
3144	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(42,128)	15A, 15B, and 18A	Bull elk	25
3145	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026		19A	Bull elk	15
3146	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(3)	21	Bull elk	10
3147	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026		22	Bull elk	45
3148	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(57)	23 North	Bull elk	25
3149	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(58)	23 South	Bull elk	15
3150	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026		27	Bull elk	225
3151	Nov 6 - Nov 19, 2026		1, 2B, and 2C	Bull elk	30
3152	Nov 6 - Nov 19, 2026	(30,31,32)	4A	Bull elk	29
3153	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	5A	Bull elk	48
3154	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026	(29,30,31,32,50)	5B North	Bull elk	48
3155	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026	(52)	5B South	Bull elk	50
3156	Nov 20 - Nov 26, 2026		6A	Bull elk	100
3157	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026	(10)	6B (excluding Camp Navajo)	Bull elk	30
3158	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026	(45,53,76,157)	7 East	Bull elk	55
3159	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026	(54)	7 West	Bull elk	55

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ARCHERY-ONLY ELK

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
3160	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026		8	Bull elk	50
3161	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026	(157)	9	Bull elk	40
3162	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026	(43,44)	10	Bull elk	25
3163	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026	(3)	21	Bull elk	10
3164	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026	(55)	22 North	Bull elk	200
3165	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026	(56)	22 South	Bull elk	65
3166	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026		23	Bull elk	200
3167	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026		27	Bull elk	30
3168	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026		1, 2B, and 2C	Antlerless elk	75
3169	Jul 31 - Aug 6, 2026	(4,163)	Alpine Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 163)	Antlerless elk	25
3170	Aug 7 - Aug 13, 2026	(4,163)	Alpine Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 163)	Antlerless elk	25
3171	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(166)	3A and 3C	Antlerless elk	35
3172	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026		3B	Antlerless elk	25
3173	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(30,31,32)	4A	Antlerless elk	97
3174	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(165,166)	4B	Antlerless elk	25
3175	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	5A	Antlerless elk	48
3176	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(29,30,31,32,50)	5B North	Antlerless elk	24
3177	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(52)	5B South	Antlerless elk	50
3178	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026		6A	Antlerless elk	25
3179	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(10)	6B (excluding Camp Navajo)	Antlerless elk	75
3180	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(45,53,76,157)	7 East	Antlerless elk	55
3181	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(54)	7 West	Antlerless elk	50
3182	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026		8	Antlerless elk	50
3183	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026	(43,44)	10	Antlerless elk	25
3184	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(4,10)	11M	Antlerless elk	80
3185	Sep 25 - Oct 8, 2026	(4,10)	11M	Antlerless elk	80
3186	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026		22	Antlerless elk	25
3187	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026		23	Antlerless elk	25
3188	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026		27	Antlerless elk	25
3189	Sep 4 - Sep 24, 2026		16A (excluding Mohave County Park Lands)	Any elk	8
----	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 4A	Bull elk	3
----	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 5A	Bull elk	5
----	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(29,30,31,32,50)	Hopi Hunt in Units 5B North	Bull elk	7
----	Nov 6 - Nov 19, 2026	(30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 4A	Bull elk	1
----	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 5A	Bull elk	2
----	Nov 13 - Nov 26, 2026	(29,30,31,32,50)	Hopi Hunt in Units 5B North	Bull elk	2
----	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 4A	Antlerless elk	3
----	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(29,30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 5A	Antlerless elk	2
----	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(29,30,31,32,50)	Hopi Hunt in Units 5B North	Antlerless elk	1
----	Sep 11 - Sep 17, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Antlerless elk	5
----	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Antlerless elk	5
----	Oct 16 - Oct 22, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Antlerless elk	7
----	Oct 23 - Oct 29, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Antlerless elk	2
----	Oct 30 - Nov 12, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Other)	Antlerless elk	11
----	Sep 11 - Sep 17, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Any elk	5
----	Sep 18 - Sep 24, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Any elk	5
----	Sep 25 - Oct 1, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Any elk	3
----	Oct 2 - Oct 8, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Any elk	3
----	Oct 9 - Oct 15, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Any elk	6
----	Oct 30 - Nov 12, 2026	(5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Other)	Any elk	9
Total					5,279

LIMITED OPPORTUNITY (ARCHERY-ONLY) ELK

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
3190	Sep 11 - Oct 1, 2026	(42,59)	17A, 17B, 18B, 19B, 20A, and 20C	Bull elk	35
3191	Sep 11 - Oct 1, 2026	(42,59)	17A, 17B, 18B, 19B, 20A, and 20C	Antlerless elk	50
3192	Sep 11 - Sep 24, 2026	(59,129)	28, 31, and 32	Any elk	5
Total					90



Elk Hunts

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GENERAL NONPERMIT-TAG REQUIRED ELK

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Apr 1 - Jul 31, 2026	(9,77)	St. Johns Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 77)	Bull elk
Apr 1 - Jul 31, 2026	(9,62,165)	Winslow-Holbrook Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 62)	Bull elk
Apr 1 - Jul 31, 2026	(9,158)	Zeniff Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 158)	Bull elk
Apr 1 - Jul 31, 2026	(9,156,165)	Dry Lake Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 156)	Bull elk
Apr 1 - Jul 31, 2026	(9,64)	Verde Valley Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 64)	Bull elk
Sep 25 - Nov 26, 2026	(9,156,165)	Dry Lake Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 156)	Antlerless elk
Sep 25 - Nov 26, 2026	(9,158)	Zeniff Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 158)	Antlerless elk
Jan 1 - Mar 31, 2026 and Aug 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(9,77)	St. Johns Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 77)	Any elk
Jan 1 - Mar 31, 2026 and Aug 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(9,63)	Alamo Lake Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 63)	Any elk
Nov 20 - Dec 31, 2026	(9,66,129)	28 (excluding Gila River corridor), 31, and 32 (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 66)	Any elk
Mar 1 - Mar 31, 2026	(9,158)	Zeniff Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 158)	Any elk
Mar 1 - Mar 31, 2026	(9,156,165)	Dry Lake Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 156)	Any elk
Jan 1 - Mar 31, 2026, Aug 1 - Sep 10, 2026, and Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(9,64)	Verde Valley Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 64)	Any elk
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(3,9)	12A, 12B, 13A, and 13B	Any elk
Jan 1 - Mar 31, 2026 and Aug 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(9,62,165)	Winslow-Holbrook Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 62)	Any elk

HAM NONPERMIT-TAG REQUIRED ELK

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Apr 1 - Jul 31, 2026	(9,162)	White Mountain Lake Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 162)	Bull elk
Aug 1 - Aug 31, 2026	(9,162)	White Mountain Lake Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 162)	Antlerless elk
Mar 1 - Mar 31, 2026	(9,162)	White Mountain Lake Hunt Area (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 162)	Any elk

Nonpermit-Tags Required Elk (Over-the-Counter Tags)

Elk over-the-counter nonpermit-tags are a unique, but limited and restricted, hunting opportunity. The following provides key information about these hunts, and hunters are encouraged to review the document "Elk Informational Handout" online at www.azgfd.gov for additional information.

Nonpermit-tags may be used for any nonpermit-tag required Hunt Area (refer to the map on page 19). The separate listings in the regulations for General and HAM are required to identify differences in open areas, seasons, legal wildlife, or weapon types. Hunters can possess one elk nonpermit-tag and adjust their hunt to the open areas and weapon types as permitted by the current elk hunting regulations.

Open hunting areas and dates are subject to change annually. Elk numbers in these hunt areas are very low; therefore, hunt success is expected to be very low. These areas are not traditional elk habitats, and their continued

occupation in these areas is not desired.

Hunters must thoroughly review the Notes section for detailed boundaries of open areas and other pertinent information. Hunters also are encouraged to download the annual "Elk Informational Handout" at www.azgfd.gov/otc.

Some of these areas have significant amounts of private property. Hunters who obtain these nonpermit-tags must contact the property owner and obtain permission before hunting on private land.

These hunts will not affect a hunter's bonus points.

The annual bag limit still applies, of one (1) elk per calendar year (excluding special raffle tags per R12- 4-120). If an elk is harvested with a nonpermit-tag, that hunter cannot participate in a hunt that he or she may have been drawn for in the same calendar year. That hunter can apply for a bonus point, however.

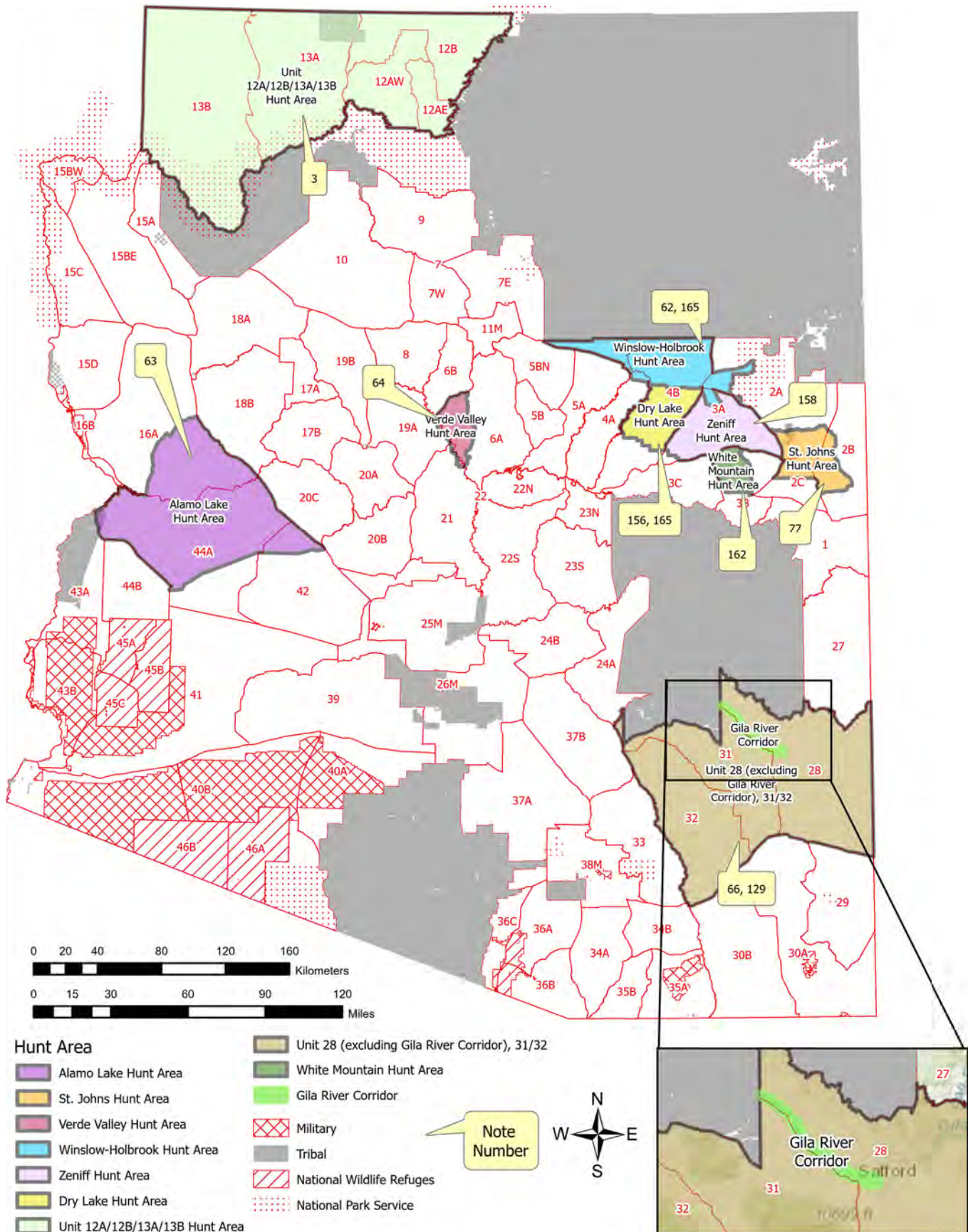
A nonpermit-tag may be transferred to a

hunter's minor child or minor grandchild, or donated to a qualified organization per R12-4-121. For details on transferring a tag, visit www.azgfd.gov/hunting under "Tag Transfer Program."

Hunters are reminded that many of these hunts occur in lower elevations and during the hotter times of the year. These two conditions make it imperative to quickly field dress harvested game, including removing the hide to preserve the meat before transporting. Hunters should have plenty of coolers and ice to preserve their harvest before the hunt.

Hunt questionnaires are sent out annually to all nonpermit-tag holders. A response is important for management of the elk populations, even if an elk is not harvested. Hunters can also submit a response online at www.azgfd.gov/huntersurvey.

Nonpermit-Tags Required Elk Hunt Areas



Elk Hunts

Motorized Big Game Retrieval on National Forest Lands

All national forests are undergoing or have implemented travel management planning, which resulted in changes to motor vehicle use on national forest lands. The Coconino, Coronado, Kaibab, Prescott and Tonto national forests have implemented the Travel Management Rule regulations and only allow motorized use on designated roads, trails and areas identified on a Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM).

These maps are available for free at Forest Service offices and electronically for smartphone and mobile devices — instructions are available on each Forest website. The Travel Management rules include restrictions on driving off of designated roads for big game retrieval.

- The South Kaibab National Forest allows for cross-country motorized retrieval of elk.

- The North Kaibab National Forest allows for cross country motorized travel retrieval of elk and bison.
- The Coconino National Forest allows for cross-country motorized retrieval of elk in Game Management Units 6A, 6B, 7 and 8. It does not allow cross-country driving for retrieval of any other species or in other Game Management Units on the forest.
- The Prescott National Forest allows for cross-country motorized retrieval of elk.
- The Coronado National Forest does not allow motorized big game retrieval off the designated road system.
- The Tonto National Forest allows for motorized retrieval of elk and bear only, and is limited to one mile off either side of NFS

roads to retrieve a downed elk or bear by an individual who has legally taken the animal. This would occur on all open roads within Tonto National Forest in Arizona Game Management Units 21, 22, 23, 24A, and 24B, but does not extend into wilderness areas or inventoried roadless areas.

If you have a permit to hunt in a Game Management Unit that includes one or more national forests, please review the information on the appropriate forests' MVUM or contact the national forest(s) for updated information relative to motor vehicle use and motorized big game retrieval, before your hunt starts. Visit www.fs.usda.gov/main/r3/about-region/offices for contact information.

Hunters: Help Protect Arizona Wildlife with Chronic Wasting Disease Surveillance

Your assistance is needed to help the Arizona Game and Fish Department detect the introduction of chronic wasting disease (CWD). You may call any Department office (see page 1) to schedule an appointment to have a sample collected from the head of your recently harvested deer or elk or review the information on our website (www.azgfd.gov/cwd) to learn how to collect your own sample.

Samples may be dropped off at any Department office from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. We also have several sample submission freezers around the state (see the website for the locations).

There is no charge to the hunter for CWD testing. Hunters who are successful in units 1, 2A/B/C, 27, 28, 29, 30A/B, 34A/B, 35A/B and 36A/B/C are especially encouraged to submit heads because these units are close to New Mexico, Colorado, or Utah; all states that have detected CWD in deer and elk.

It is best if the head or sample has been

kept cool and is submitted within a day of harvest. It could also be kept frozen until brought to the Department. The head may be placed in a garbage bag for delivery. You will be asked to provide information about your harvested elk (hunt number, permit number, game management unit, and date of harvest) and where you can be reached (phone number) in case the test is positive.

No CWD has been detected in Arizona's deer or elk to date.

Help keep CWD out of Arizona

To protect Arizona's deer and elk herds from Chronic Wasting Disease, regulations have been placed on movement of animal parts into the state.

CWD is present in neighboring states and many other popular hunting destinations for deer and elk. Many states have strict regulations governing carcass movement and importation, so we encourage you to contact the wildlife agency where you travel for any applicable regulations.

Hunters are required to take these precautions when hunting deer or elk out-of-state:

- Do not bring the brain, spinal column, or guts into Arizona.

The following elk or deer parts harvested out-of-state are OK to bring back into Arizona:

- Boneless portions of meat, or meat that has been cut and packaged;
- Clean hides and capes with no skull or soft tissue attached;
- Antlers, clean skull plates or skulls with antlers attached without meat or soft tissue (including velvet) remaining;
- Finished taxidermy mounts or products, including treated antlers with velvet;
- Upper canine teeth (buglers, whistlers, ivories) with no meat or tissue attached.
- Quarters when transported directly to a meat processor.
- A clean skull with antlers in velvet when transported directly to a taxidermist.

To access draw odds, go to www.azgfd.gov/surveydata



Hunters: Help Keep Arizona Herds Healthy.

Provide samples of harvested deer and elk to help with early detection of Chronic Wasting Disease. Free testing kits are available.

Visit www.azgfd.gov/cwd
or scan the QR code
for more information.



Population Management Hunts

Population management hunts enhance the Department's ability to meet population and habitat management objectives when traditional harvest strategies are not meeting these objectives.

What you should know if you are planning on applying for a population management hunt.

- Population management hunts may occur as necessary, under the provisions of R12-4-115.
- Commission Order 26 Population Management Seasons designates the range of species, season dates, open areas, legal wildlife, lawful taking methods, and maximum tag numbers for population management hunts to be prescribed by the Director and implemented under R12-4-115.
- When a population management hunt is needed, as prescribed in R12-4-115, hunters will be selected from the hunter pool applicants (see application below).
- The hunter pool list will be purged by the Department Dec. 31 each year. You may apply at any time during the year. (Do not include this application form with a hunt permit-tag application – you must apply separately.)
- On your application, designate the spe-

cies of animal you desire to hunt and the methods of take (one application per species). You must submit a \$13 application fee (residents) or a \$15 application fee (non-residents). Please do not send cash.

- You may designate only one species with multiple methods of take on the application form. Your name will be included in the hunter pool for each species and method of take you submitted an application for. (Annual bag limits apply to all population management hunts and may limit your ability to participate in a population management hunt or regular season hunt.)
- If you participate in a population management hunt and fill your annual bag limit for that species, you may not participate in a regular hunting season for that species even if you are drawn through the normal draw process. Refunds may not be made for the purchase of a license or permit, except that the Commission may prescribe a manner of refunding the cost of a big game permit or tag (A.R.S. 17-332.F).
- If your application is selected during a random drawing for a population management hunt, the Department will attempt to contact you within a 24-hour period. If you cannot be contacted within 24 hours, your

application will be returned to the hunter pool for inclusion in future population management hunts that year.

- If you are offered a restricted nonpermit-tag for a population management hunt, pursuant to R12-4-115, you may decline. If you decline, your application will be returned to the hunter pool for inclusion in future population management hunts that year for that species (note: if you agree to participate in a population management hunt but fail to purchase your tag within the time-frame designated when you are contacted, you will not be eligible for further population management hunts that year).
- If you elect to participate in a population management hunt, it is likely you will be asked to arrive in the field to hunt within a few days of being contacted. (The purchase of restricted nonpermit-tag and applicable hunting license prior to hunting is required.)
- Restricted nonpermit-tags issued through the hunter pool may be purchased through the Department's Phoenix office. See the front of the hunting regulations booklet for the address and phone number.
- You will not gain or lose bonus points when you apply for, or participate in, a population management hunt.

FORM MAY BE PHOTOCOPIED

**Do not include this form with a Hunt Permit-tag Application Form
(See R12-4-115 in the current hunting regulation booklet.)**

Hunter Pool Application

One Application – Separate Fee Per Species

For Jan. 1 through Dec. 31 - For Calendar Year _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____ MI _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Day Phone No. () _____ - _____ Cellphone No. () _____ - _____

Choose 1 to 5 Species: ☐ Deer ☐ Elk ☐ Bear ☐ Javelina ☐ Bison

Choose 1 to 4 Methods of Take: ☐ General ☐ HAM (Handgun, Archery, Muzzleloader) ☐ Muzzleloader ☐ Archery

Birthdate ____/____/____ ☐ Resident ☐ Non-resident

Please provide your Customer ID Number. If you do not have a Customer ID Number, one will be provided for you.

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Signature _____ Date _____

Have you:

- Filled in all the blanks?
- Enclosed the \$13 (residents) or \$15 (non-residents) application fee per species?
- Signed your application?
- Indicated your choice of species?

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Please provide your hunting license number
(2 character license prefix required)

Mail Application and Fee (do not send cash) to:

Arizona Game and Fish Department
Attention: Drawer FAB
5000 W Carefree Highway
Phoenix, AZ 85086-5000

FORM 55

Population Management Hunts

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	Any valid hunting or combination license EXCEPT a Short-term Combination Hunt and Fish License (see tables on page 3 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Tag Required	Restricted nonpermit-tag for legal wildlife. Refer to page 22.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any firearm, bow and arrow, or crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-304. Muzzleloader Hunt: Muzzleloader weapons as prescribed in R12-4-101 and R12-4-318, crossbow or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. Archery-Only Hunt: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216. HAM Hunt: Handguns, muzzleloading rifles, muzzleloading handguns, crossbow, or bow and arrow and prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
Bag Limit	Refer to individual species annual bag limits. Note: annual bag limits apply to all population management hunts. Successful applicants for Population Management Hunts may not exceed the bag limit except as prescribed in R12-4-120.
Open Areas	Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Population Management Seasons: Commission Order 26

DEER GENERAL POPULATION MANAGEMENT SEASONS

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	1	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	2A	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	2B	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	2C	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	3A, 3B, 3C	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(3,131)	12A	Designated deer	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(3,131)	12B	Designated deer	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(3,131)	13A	Designated deer	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(3,131)	13B	Designated deer	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(3,131)	19A, 20A, 20B, and 21	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	27	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	28	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(128,131)	29	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(84,128,131)	30A	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(128,131)	30B	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(20,131)	34A	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	34B	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(8,131)	35A	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	35B	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(84,131)	36A	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(84,131)	36B	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(84,131)	36C	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	40A and 40B	Designated deer	100
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	41	Designated deer	100
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	43A	Designated deer	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	43B	Designated deer	50
Total				1,850

DEER ARCHERY-ONLY POPULATION MANAGEMENT SEASONS

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	1, 2A, 2B, 2C	Designated deer	100
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	3A, 3B, 3C	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	28	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(128,131)	29	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(84,128,131)	30A	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(128,131)	30B	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(20,131)	34A	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	34B	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(8,131)	35A	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	35B	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(84,131)	36A	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(84,131)	36B	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(84,131)	36C	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	40A and 40B	Designated deer	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	41	Designated deer	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	43A	Designated deer	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	43B	Designated deer	50
Total				1,225



Population Management Hunts

Population Management Seasons: Commission Order 26 (continued)

ELK GENERAL POPULATION MANAGEMENT SEASONS

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	1, 2A, 2B, and 2C	Designated elk	300
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, and 4B	Designated elk	300
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	5A and 5B	Designated elk	200
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(3,131)	6A, 19A, and 21	Designated elk	30
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	7	Designated elk	150
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	10	Designated elk	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(3,131)	12A and 12B	Designated elk	25
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(3,131)	13A and 13B	Designated elk	25
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	15A, 15B, and 18A	Designated elk	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	16A and 44A	Designated elk	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	17A, 17B, 18B, 19B, 20A, and 20C	Designated elk	115
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	22	Designated elk	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	23	Designated elk	75
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	24A	Designated elk	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	27	Designated elk	100
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(19,128,131)	28, 31, and 32	Designated elk	35
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	39, 40B, 41	Designated elk	50
Total				1,680

ELK MUZZLELOADER POPULATION MANAGEMENT SEASONS

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	3B and 3C	Designated elk	100
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	10	Designated elk	50
Total				150

ELK HAM POPULATION MANAGEMENT SEASONS

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	1, 2A, 2B, and 2C	Designated elk	200
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, and 4B	Designated elk	200
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	5A and 5B	Designated elk	200
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	16A and 44A	Designated elk	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(19,128,131)	28, 31, and 32	Designated elk	25
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	27	Designated elk	100
Total				775

ELK ARCHERY-ONLY POPULATION MANAGEMENT SEASONS

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	1, 2A, 2B, and 2C	Designated elk	200
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, and 4B	Designated elk	200
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(3,131)	6A, 19A, and 21	Designated elk	30
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	5A and 5B	Designated elk	100
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	10	Designated elk	100
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	16A and 44A	Designated elk	100
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	22	Designated elk	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	23	Designated elk	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	24A	Designated elk	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	27	Designated elk	100
Total				980

Population Management Hunts

Population Management Seasons: Commission Order 26 (continued)

JAVELINA GENERAL POPULATION MANAGEMENT SEASONS

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	1 and 27	Any javelina	20
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	3B and 3C	Any javelina	20
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	6A and 6B	Any javelina	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	17B, 19A, 19B, and 20A	Any javelina	100
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	22 and 23	Any javelina	10
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	24A and 24B	Any javelina	10
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	28	Any javelina	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(84,128,131)	29 and 30A	Any javelina	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(128,131)	30B	Any javelina	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(19,131)	31	Any javelina	25
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(19,128,131)	32	Any javelina	25
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(8,131)	35A	Any javelina	25
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(3,131)	37A	Any javelina	25
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	39 and 41	Any javelina	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	40A and 40B	Any javelina	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	42 and 44A	Any javelina	50
Total				610

JAVELINA HAM POPULATION MANAGEMENT SEASONS

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	3B and 3C	Any javelina	25
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	6A and 6B	Any javelina	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	28	Any javelina	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(84,128,131)	29 and 30A	Any javelina	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(128,131)	30B	Any javelina	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(19,131)	31	Any javelina	25
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(19,128,131)	32	Any javelina	25
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(8,131)	35A	Any javelina	25
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(3,131)	37A	Any javelina	25
Total				325

JAVELINA ARCHERY-ONLY POPULATION MANAGEMENT SEASONS

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	1 and 27	Any javelina	20
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	3B and 3C	Any javelina	20
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	4B	Any javelina	20
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	6A and 6B	Any javelina	50
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	17B, 19A, 19B, and 20A	Any javelina	100
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	25M and 26M	Any javelina	25
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	28	Any javelina	25
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(84,128,131)	29 and 30A	Any javelina	25
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(128,131)	30B	Any javelina	25
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(19,131)	31	Any javelina	25
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(19,128,131)	32	Any javelina	25
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(8,131)	35A	Any javelina	25
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(3,131)	37A	Any javelina	25
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(131)	38M	Any javelina	25
Total				435

BISON GENERAL POPULATION MANAGEMENT SEASONS

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(113,114,131,132)	5A and 5B	Designated bison	20
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(113,114,116,131,132)	12A, 12B, and 13A	Designated bison	150
Total				170



Population Management Hunts

Population Management Seasons: Commission Order 26 (continued)

BEAR GENERAL POPULATION MANAGEMENT SEASONS

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	1 and 27	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	4
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	3B and 3C	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	10
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	4A and 4B	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	4
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	20A and 20B	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(3,47,131,133,135)	21	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	22 and 23	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	10
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	24A and 24B	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	28	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,128,131,133,135)	29	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,84,128,131,133,135)	30A	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(19,47,131,133,135)	31	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(19,47,128,131,133,135)	32	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	3
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	33	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	3
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(20,47,131,133,135)	34A	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(8,47,131,133,135)	35A	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	35B	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Total				84

BEAR HAM POPULATION MANAGEMENT SEASONS

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	3B and 3C	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	10
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	28	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,128,131,133,135)	29	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,84,128,131,133,135)	30A	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(19,47,131,133,135)	31	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(19,47,128,131,133,135)	32	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	3
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	33	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	3
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(20,47,131,133,135)	34A	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(8,47,131,133,135)	35A	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	35B	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Total				51

BEAR ARCHERY-ONLY POPULATION MANAGEMENT SEASONS

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	1 and 27	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	4
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	3B and 3C	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	4
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	4A and 4B	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	4
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	20A and 20B	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(3,47,131,133,135)	21	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	2
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	22 and 23	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	2
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	24A and 24B	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	2
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	28	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,128,131,133,135)	29	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,84,128,131,133,135)	30A	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(19,47,131,133,135)	31	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(19,47,128,131,133,135)	32	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	3
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	33	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	3
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(20,47,131,133,135)	34A	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(8,47,131,133,135)	35A	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2026	(47,131,133,135)	35B	Any bear except cubs with sows and sows with cubs	5
Total				64

Population Management Hunts – Companion Tags

Definition	A Companion Tag is a restricted nonpermit-tag offered through the Population Management Season structure. Companion Tag hunts mirror another big game animal hunt for which a hunt number is assigned and hunt permit-tags are issued through the draw. Companion Tags are only available to holders of hunt permit-tags for the associated hunt number. Companion Tags can be purchased at any Department office. See the 2026-2027 Arizona Hunting Regulations (available in May 2026) for season dates.
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Notes

Only notes relevant to species in this book are provided. Numbering of notes is not consecutive.

3. The Baaj Nwaavjo I'tah Kukveni - Ancestral Footprints of the Grand Canyon, Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria Bureau of Land Management National Monuments are open to hunting when the unit they occur in is open to hunting by Commission Order.
4. In accordance with R12-4-303, it is unlawful to discharge an arrow, bolt, or hybrid device while taking wildlife within 1/4 mile of an occupied farmhouse or other residence, cabin, lodge, or building without permission of the owner or resident.
5. Camp Navajo in Unit 6B is open to hunting only to properly licensed hunters with a valid hunt permit-tag for deer, pronghorn, elk, or turkey who meet the qualifications as 'Authorized Participants' according to the installation hunting policies outlined on the National Guard Website. Only the designated species on the hunt permit-tag may be hunted while on Camp Navajo. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to the Arizona Game and Fish Department by the published deadline. Hunters must log onto the National Guard Website and read the installation policies and security requirements in order to have access to Camp Navajo hunt numbers: <https://dema.az.gov/army-national-guard/camp-navajo/garrison-operations/camp-navajo-hunting-information>. An applicant who applies for a category of permit for which he or she is not eligible to participate may not be authorized to participate in the hunt. All hunters are required to show proof of attendance in a hunter safety education course during paperwork submission for the Camp Navajo permit. Increases in Force Protection Conditions, training missions and industrial operations may result in partial or complete hunt cancellation at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled, hunters drawn for these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department or Camp Navajo. Camp Navajo will charge a recreation fee for all hunters. No cash will be taken, only personal checks and money orders. The cost of the recreation fee can be found at the Camp Navajo Website above or by emailing the hunt coordinator at the email address found on Camp Navajo's website.

Eligibility requirements for a disabled veteran, wounded warrior, or Purple Heart hunt are provided on the Camp Navajo website: <https://dema.az.gov/arizona-national-guard/training-area-ranges/camp-navajo/camp-navajo-hunting-information>. Written proof is required prior to being allowed to hunt on Camp Navajo.
8. The Fort Huachuca Army Garrison in Unit 35A is open to hunting only to properly licensed military and Fort Huachuca civilian personnel holding a valid Fort Huachuca post hunting permit. Youth only hunts are only open to properly licensed military and Fort Huachuca civilian dependents holding a valid Fort Huachuca post hunting permit. Hunt numbers, season dates and/or special regulations must be obtained from Fort Huachuca. Increases in Force Protection may result in hunt cancellations at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled due to an increase in security, hunters drawn for these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to the Arizona Game and Fish Department by the published deadline.
9. Over-the counter nonpermit-tags for elk are available in some hunt areas. Elk numbers in these hunt areas are very low and elk may not be present year round; therefore, hunt success is expected to be very low.
10. Rogers Lake Coconino County Natural Area in Unit 6B and Observatory Mesa City of Flagstaff Natural Area in Unit 11M are open to hunting but are closed to all cross-country vehicle travel including motorized big game retrieval. Hunting is not permitted within 1/4 mile of any occupied building, wildlife viewing platform, picnic area, or trailhead.
19. Unit 31 and 32 hunts - Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (as prescribed in R12-4-802) is allowed by permit only, available through the Safford Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. For more information, contact the Safford Field Office at (928) 348-4450 or Recreation.gov search Aravaipa Canyon Wilderness Permit.
20. The Santa Rita Wildlife Area in Unit 34A is actively used for studies in wildlife management. Researchers are present all months and study sites are not always recognizable; hunters are urged to use caution while hunting and take care not to disturb study sites.
29. For hunts in Units 5A and 5B North, the Arizona Game and Fish Department has entered into a Landowner Compact Agreement with the Bar T Bar Ranch and Flying M Ranch located in the northern portion of Units 5A and 5B. A Ranch Pass and adherence to Ranch Rules is required to access these ranches. Signage at points of entrance to the ranch provides notification of the Landowner Compact Agreement. The free Ranch Pass, a copy of Ranch Rules, and location map may be obtained online from the Department's Landowner Relations

Make sure you obtain permission to hunt on private lands. These hunts will not affect your Bonus Points but do count towards your one-elk-per-calendar-year bag limit. More information on these hunts can be found on the Department's Web site at www.azgfd.gov/otc.



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Program web page www.azgfd.gov/landownercompact. Ranch Passes and Ranch Rules for the Flying M Ranch may also be obtained at sign-in boxes located at either of the two entrance points onto the ranch. Ranch Passes and Ranch Rules for the Bar T Bar Ranch may also be obtained at the Meteor Crater Gas Station/Convenience Store.

30. For hunts in Unit 4A, Unit 5A, and Unit 5B, the Arizona Game and Fish Department has entered into an agreement with the Hopi Tribe to allow access to Hopi Trust lands on the Hopi Three Canyon Ranch. This includes the Aja Ranch (Unit 4A), the Clear Creek Ranch (Unit 5A) and the Hart Ranch (Unit 5B). Access is permitted by written permission through the Department Landowner Relations Program web page, www.azgfd.gov/landownercompact or by scanning the QR code on signs at all approved access points. All hunters and everyone in their party must have written permission.
31. Hopi Trust lands in Units 4A, 5A, and 5B are open to both state and Hopi hunters under an agreement with the Hopi Tribe. A percentage of tags are set aside for Hopi Tribal member hunters. Hopi hunt numbers for these hunts must be obtained from the Hopi Tribe Wildlife and Ecosystems Management Program by calling (928) 734-3673, or (928) 734-3671. Non-Hopi Tribal members cannot apply for these hunts. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to the Arizona Game and Fish Department on the standard form by the published deadline. If all permits for these hunts are not issued through the draw, the left-over permits will be available to all hunters (tribal and non-tribal) through the first-come, first-serve process. Hunt numbers for left over permits will be available on the AZGFD website.
32. Hopi Trust Lands in Units 4A, 5A, and 5B North-The Hopi Tribe Wildlife and Ecosystem Management Program requires all AZGFD State Certified/Licensed Outfitters and Guides who conduct business (guide,

pre-scout, or request access on behalf of their clients) on the Hopi 3 Canyon Ranches in Units 4A, 5A, and 5B North to contact the Hopi Tribe's Office of Revenue Commission at (928) 734-3172 or (928) 734-3171, or access business license application at www.hopi-nsn.gov under the Office of Revenue Commission link. Upon approval of a Hopi Business License, access to the Hopi 3 Canyon Ranches may be obtained via email at hopihunts@hopi.nsn.us and/or PNutumya@hopi.nsn.us and/or by calling the Hopi Wildlife and Ecosystems Management Program at (928) 734-3673 or (928) 734-3671.

37. 3B North Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 3B located north of U.S. Hwy 60.
39. For hunts in Unit 19A, access maps for the Lonesome Valley area can be downloaded from the hunt information page on the Arizona Game and Fish Department Website for GMU 19A: www.azgfd.gov/gmu19a.
40. 6B North Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 6B located north of the following: Beginning at the junction of AZ Hwy 89A (milepost 371) and FR 152 (Dry Creek Rd.); north on FR 152 to FR 152C (Boynton Pass Rd.); west on FR 152C to FR 525 (Red Canyon Rd.); northwest on FR 525 to the Red Rock Secret Mountain Wilderness boundary at Gate 2 of 9999 Red Canyon Rd.; westerly along the Red Rock Secret Mountain Wilderness boundary to the Sycamore Canyon Wilderness boundary (at the gate in section 18); southwesterly along the Sycamore Canyon Wilderness boundary to Dogie Trail (Forest Trail 116); northwest on Dogie Trail to Sycamore Creek.
41. 6B South Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 6B located south of the following: Beginning at the junction of AZ Hwy 89A (mp 371) and FR 152 (Dry Creek Rd.); north on FR 152 to FR 152C (Boynton Pass Rd.); west on FR 152C to FR 525 (Red Canyon Rd.); northwest on FR 525 to the Red Rock Secret Mountain Wilderness boundary at Gate 2 of 9999 Red Canyon Rd.; westerly along the Red Rock Secret Mountain Wilderness boundary

to the Sycamore Canyon Wilderness boundary (at the gate in section 18); southwesterly along the Sycamore Canyon Wilderness boundary to Dogie Trail (Forest Trail 116); northwest on Dogie Trail to Sycamore Creek.

42. For hunts in Unit 18A and Unit 18B, The Arizona Game and Fish Department has entered into a Landowner Compact Agreement with the Fort Rock Ranch. The Fort Rock Ranch is located in the northern portion of Unit 18B. If you drew this hunt and are interested in hunting on the Fort Rock Ranch, please visit the Arizona Game and Fish Department's Access Program website: www.azgfd.gov/fortrockranch for how access is granted by Fort Rock Ranch.
43. For hunts in Unit 10, the Arizona Game and Fish Department has entered into a Landowner Compact Agreement with the Boquillas-Diamond A Ranch. The Boquillas-Diamond A Ranch encompasses the entire western half of Unit 10, about 720,000 acres. This hunt may have restricted access. Visit the Ranch's website for details, www.HuntBigBoRanch.com.
44. For hunts in Unit 10, the Arizona Game and Fish Department has entered into a Landowner Compact Agreement with the Perrin Ranch located in the eastern portion of Unit 10. A Ranch Pass and adherence to Ranch Rules is required to access this ranch. Signage at points of entrance to the ranch provides notification of the Landowner Compact Agreement. The free Ranch Pass may be obtained at sign-in boxes at these points of entrance. A location map and Ranch Rules can be viewed and printed from the Department's Landowner Relations Program web page www.azgfd.gov/landownercompact.
45. For hunts in Unit 7, the Arizona Game and Fish Department has entered into a Landowner Compact Agreement with the Walking Cane Ranch located in the southeastern portion of Unit 7. Adherence to Ranch Rules is required to access this ranch.

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A location map and Ranch Rules can be viewed and printed from the Department's Landowner Relations Program web page www.azgfd.gov/landownercompact.

46. Escudilla-Auger Canyon Hunt Area in Unit 1 - That portion of Unit 1 beginning at the Arizona-New Mexico state line at U.S. Hwy 60; west on U.S. Hwy 60 to U.S. Hwy 191; south on U.S. Hwy 191 to FR 88 (Apache County Road 2108); west on FR 88 to FR 88B; south on FR 88B to FR 249; east on FR 249 to U.S. Hwy 191; south on U.S. Hwy 191 to U.S. Hwy 180; east on U.S. Hwy 180 to the Arizona-New Mexico state line; north along the Arizona-New Mexico state line to U.S. Hwy 60.
47. The use of dogs is prohibited during bear hunts from January 1 to July 31 (R12-4-304).
48. Kachina Peaks Wilderness Hunt Area in Unit 7 East - consists of the Kachina Peaks Wilderness including the Inner Basin and the northern portion of the Waterline Road from where it intersects the Inner Basin. The Kachina Peaks Wilderness Hunt Area encompasses the San Francisco Peaks, and the elevation within the hunt area ranges from 8,000 to 12,635 feet with little to no vehicular access. Hunters interested in this hunt should be physically capable of packing out an elk through very steep and rugged terrain at high elevations. The hunt area boundary includes the Kachina Peaks Wilderness, which is signed and regulated by the Coconino National Forest, and the portion of the Inner Basin to the west of the Waterline Road. For a map and more information regarding this hunt, go to the Department's website under Where To Hunt, Region 2 Unit 7 (www.azgfd.gov/gmu7).
49. East Sunset and West Sunset Hunt Area in Unit 5A - That portion of Unit 5A beginning at AZ Hwy 87 and the Coconino National Forest northern boundary east along the boundary to East Clear Creek; northerly along East Clear Creek to AZ Hwy 99; north on AZ Hwy 99 to AZ Hwy 87; north on AZ Hwy 87 to Business I-40 (3rd Street); west on Business I-40 to Hipkoe Drive; north on Hipkoe Drive to I-40; westerly on I-40 to Meteor Crater Rd (exit 233); southerly on Meteor Crater-Chavez Pass-Jacks Canyon Rd (FR 69) to AZ Hwy 87; northerly on AZ Hwy 87 to the northern Coconino National Forest boundary.
50. 5B North Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 5B located north of the following roads: Beginning at the junction of FH 3 (Lake Mary/Clints Well Road) and FR 125; east on FR 125 to FR 82; south on FR 82 to FR 69B; east on FR 69B to FR 69.
51. Twin Arrows Hunt Area in Unit 5B North - That portion of 5BN beginning at the junction of FR 69 and the rim of Anderson Mesa (at Chavez Pass); northwest along the rim of Anderson Mesa to FR 125; north along FR 125 to FR 126; northwest on FR 126 (Twin Arrows road) to I-40; east along I-40 to the Meteor Crater road; south along the Meteor Crater road to FR 69 (Chavez Pass road); south along FR 69 back to the Anderson Rim (at Chavez Pass).
52. 5B South Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 5B located south of the following roads: Beginning at the junction of FH 3 (Lake Mary/Clints Well Road) and FR 125; east on FR 125 to FR 82; south on FR 82 to FR 69B; east on FR 69B to FR 69.
53. 7 East Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 7 located east of AZ Hwy 180.
54. 7 West Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 7 located west of AZ Hwy 180.
55. 22 North Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 22 located north of the following: Beginning at the confluence of the Verde River and the East Verde River; easterly along the East Verde River to FR 406; easterly on FR 406 to AZ Hwy 260 in Payson; easterly on AZ Hwy 260 to Tonto Creek (the Unit Boundary).
56. 22 South Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 22 located south of the following: Beginning at the confluence of the Verde River and the East Verde River; easterly along the east Verde River to FR 406; easterly on FR 406 to AZ Hwy 260 in Payson; easterly on AZ Hwy 260 to Tonto Creek (the Unit Boundary).
57. 23 North Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 23 located north of the following: Beginning at the junction of Tonto Creek and Spring Creek; east along Spring Creek to FR 134; east on FR 134 to FR 129; east on FR 129 to AZ Hwy 288; east on AZ Hwy 288 to FR 54; east on FR 54 to FR 202; south on FR 202 to FR 127; east on FR 127 to FR 127A; east on FR 127A to the White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation Boundary.
58. 23 South Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 23 located south of the following: Beginning at the junction of Tonto Creek and Spring Creek; east along Spring Creek to FR 134; east on FR 134 to FR 129; east on FR 129 to AZ Hwy 288; east on AZ Hwy 288 to FR 54; east on FR 54 to FR 202; south on FR 202 to FR 127; east on FR 127 to FR 127A; east on FR 127A to the White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation Boundary.
59. Elk occur in low numbers in these non-traditional areas. Hunt success may be very low to no success.
60. Portions of Units 1 and 27 are closed to elk hunting during firearms seasons. Hunting is not permitted in the Alpine Valley in the following areas of Units 1 and 27: all lands in Section 12, Township 5 North, Range 30 East; all lands, other than USFS lands, in Sections 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, 13, and 14, Township 5 North, Range 30 East; and all lands, other than USFS lands, in Sections 7, 16, 17, 18, 19, and 20, Township 5 North, Range 31 East.
61. Black Mountain Hunt Area in Unit 27 - That portion of Unit 27 beginning at the San Carlos Indian Reservation boundary and FR 217; about two miles south along FR 217 to Forest Trail 46 (Eagle National Recreation Trail); northeasterly along Forest Trail 46 to U.S. Hwy 191 (immediately west of Rose Peak Lookout); south along U.S. Hwy 191 to Forest Trail 14 (A-D Bar trail); easterly along Forest Trail 14 to the junction with the Blue River; south along the Blue River to



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- its junction with the San Francisco River; southwesterly along the San Francisco River to U.S. Hwy 191; northerly along U.S. Hwy 191 to San Carlos-Morenci-Clifton Road; west on San Carlos-Morenci-Clifton Road to Eagle Creek; north along Eagle Creek to the San Carlos Indian Reservation Boundary; north along the San Carlos Indian Reservation Boundary to FR 217.
62. Winslow-Holbrook Hunt Area in portions of Units 2A, 3A, 4A, and 4B - Beginning at the northwest corner of Unit 4A and the southwest corner of the Navajo Indian Reservation; south to I-40 at MP 221.4; east on I-40 to Hipkoe Drive to Business I-40 (3rd Street); east on Business I-40 to AZ Hwy 99; southeast on AZ Hwy 99 to Territorial Road; east on territorial Road to intersection of Territorial Road and Obed Road (at this intersection Territorial Road becomes McLaws Road); east on McLaws Road to AZ Hwy 77; south on AZ Hwy 77 to the intersection with the Woodruff Road (mile post 381); east on Woodruff Road to the intersection with Old Woodruff Road; north on Old Woodruff Road to AZ Hwy 180; southeast on AZ Hwy 180 to the southwest boundary with the Petrified Forest National Park (milepost 324.5); north along the PFNP boundary to I-40; west along I-40 to AZ Hwy 77 (exit 292); north on AZ Hwy 77 to the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; west along the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary to the southwest corner of the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary.
63. Alamo Lake Hunt Area in Units 16A, 42, and 44A - Beginning at the junction of Bill Williams River and Planet Ranch Road, north on Planet Ranch Road to Yucca-Alamo Road, southeast on Yucca-Alamo Road to Chicken Springs Ranch Road, northeast on Chicken Springs Ranch Road to U.S. Hwy 93; U.S. Hwy 93 south to U.S. Hwy 60, U.S. Hwy 60 west to Vicksburg Road, north on Vicksburg Road to AZ Hwy 72, AZ Hwy 72 west to AZ Hwy 95, north on AZ Hwy 95 to Bill Williams River, east along Bill Williams River to Planet Ranch Road.
64. Verde Valley Hunt Area in Units 6A, 19A, and 21 - Beginning in that portion of Unit 6A at the junction of I-17 and FR 618 (Beaver Creek Road); southeasterly along FR 618 to AZ Hwy 260 (General Crook Trail); east along AZ Hwy 260 to FR 708 (Fossil Creek Road); east along FR 708 to FR 500; south along FR 500 to the Verde River to Chasm Creek; west along the bottom of Chasm Creek to FR 574 (Salt Mine Road) in the Prescott National Forest; northwesterly along FR 574 to Oasis Road; westerly along Oasis Road to AZ Hwy 260; west along AZ Hwy 260 to AZ Hwy 89A; north along AZ Hwy 89A to AZ Hwy 179; south along AZ Hwy 179 to I-17.
66. Gila River Corridor in Unit 28 - That portion of Unit 28 within the following boundaries is closed to elk hunting: beginning at the San Carlos Reservation boundary and U.S. Hwy 70 east of Bylas; east along U.S. Hwy 70 to East Sanchez Road (in Solomon); north along East Sanchez Road to North Airport Road; west along North Airport Road to the Safford-Bryce-Eden Road; west along the Safford-Bryce-Eden Road to Hot Springs Road, north on Hot Springs Road to Cottonwood Road, west on Cottonwood Road to McEuen Road, northwest along McEuen Road to McEuen Ranch-Geronimo Road, west on McEuen Ranch-Geronimo Road to River Road, then through to the North River Road and on to the San Carlos Reservation boundary; and south along the San Carlos Reservation boundary to U.S. Hwy 70.
67. Antelope Mountain Hunt Area in Unit 1 - That portion of Unit 1 beginning at the junction of AZ Hwy 260 and FR 118; north on FR 118 to FR 8911; north on FR 8911 to State Trust Land; continuing north on dirt road through State Trust Land to U.S. Hwy 60 between milepost 374 and 375; east on AZ Hwy 60 to Main Street in Eagar; south on Main Street to U.S. Hwy 260; west on AZ Hwy 260 to FR 118. For a map and more information regarding this hunt go to the Department's website under Where To Hunt, Region, then Unit 1 (www.azgfd.gov/gmul).
68. Coon Canyon Hunt Area in Unit 1 - That portion of Unit 1 beginning at the junction of AZ Hwy 260 and AZ Hwy 373; south on AZ Hwy 373 to Hall Creek; east on Hall Creek to the Little Colorado River; east along the Little Colorado River to Hobson Canyon; southeast along Hobson Canyon to FR 8070A (70A); east on FR 8070A (70A) to AZ Hwy 261; south on AZ Hwy 261 to FR 8070C (70C); east on FR 8070C (70C) to FR 285 (Water Canyon Road); north of FR 285 (Water Canyon Road) to School Bus Road in Eagar; east on School Bus Road to Main Street in Eagar; north on Main Street to AZ Hwy 260; west AZ Hwy 260 AZ Hwy 373. Hunts within this hunt area may overlap with other scheduled hunts of a different weapon-type occurring within the full unit. For a map and more information regarding this hunt go to the Department's website under Where To Hunt, Region, then Unit 1 (www.azgfd.gov/gmul).
69. Flat Top Hunt Area in Unit 1 - That portion of Unit 1 beginning at the junction of Main Street in Springerville and U.S. Hwy 60; south on Main Street to School Bus Road in Eagar; west on School Bus Road to FR 285 (Water Canyon Road) in Eagar; south on FR 285 (Water Canyon Road) to FR 74/76; east on FR 74/76 to Forest Trail 607 (Saffel Canyon Trail); east on Forest Trail 607 to U.S. Hwy 191; southeast on U.S. Hwy 191 to Nutrioso Creek; north along Nutrioso Creek to U.S. Hwy 60; west on U.S. Hwy 60 to Main Street in Springerville. Hunts within this hunt area may overlap with other scheduled hunts of a different weapon-type occurring within the full unit. For a map and more information regarding this hunt go to the Department's website under Where To Hunt, Region, then Unit 1 (www.azgfd.gov/gmul).
70. Unit 4A North - That portion of Unit 4A beginning on the northern boundary of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest at East Clear Creek; north along East Clear Creek to the Little Colorado River; east along the Little Colorado River to Chevelon Creek;

southerly along Chevelon Creek to the northern boundary of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest; west along the boundary of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest to East Clear Creek.

71. Show Low Creek Hunt Area in Units 3B and 3C - That portion of Units 3B and 3C beginning at the powerline west of AZ Hwy 77 at milepost 344.0; west along powerline to Lone Pine Dam Rd; south along Lone Pine Dam Rd to U.S. Hwy 260 (milepost 335.6); east along U.S. Hwy 260 to FR 136/Joe Tank Rd (milepost 337.1); west along FR 136 to FR 135; south along FR 135 to FR 300; east along FR 300 to U.S. Hwy 60 (milepost 336.9); north along U.S. Hwy 60 to U.S. Hwy 260 (southbound); south along US Hwy 260 to Porter Mountain Rd (milepost 350.0); north-east on Porter Mountain Rd to FR 206 (Maverick Motorized trail); north/northwest on Maverick Motorized trail to FR 9724X; north on FR 9724X to U.S. Hwy 60; west on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 77; north on AZ Hwy 77 to the powerline at milepost 344.0.
73. Unit 1 hunters, the AZ Department of Transportation closes the main highways to Big Lake (AZ Hwy 261 and AZ Hwy 273) by December 31 but may close the highways earlier due to weather conditions. Be aware, closure of AZ Hwy 261 and AZ Hwy 273 will limit access to the central and southern portions of Unit 1.
76. The Unit 7 East elk population has been managed at a reduced level in an effort to enhance aspen regeneration but is now being managed for slight growth. Hunt success may be low due to lower elk density across the unit.
77. St. Johns Hunt Area in Units 2A, 2B, and 2C - Beginning at the junction on U.S. Hwy 180/191 and Apache County road 4162 (TEP Power Plant road near Richville); east on County Road 4162 to TEP Power Plant; north around TEP Power Plant property to the railroad tracks; north along the railroad tracks to the Zuni River (north of St. Johns); west along the Zuni River to the Little Colorado River; west

along the Little Colorado River to U.S. Hwy 180 near milepost 340; east on U.S. Hwy 180 to AZ Hwy 180A; south on AZ Hwy 180A to AZ Hwy 61; south on AZ Hwy 61 to milepost 364; from milepost 364 east along Latitude N34.37648 on a line through Little Ortega Lake, Ortega Sink, and Hidden Spring then continuing east to U.S. Hwy 180/191 (milepost 379, north of Lyman Lake); south on U.S. Hwy 180/191 to Apache County Road 4162.

84. Designated areas within the Buenos Aires and Leslie Canyon National Wildlife Refuges are open to hunting during this hunt as permitted by refuge regulations; all other Refuges are closed (see Index: Hunting on Public Lands).
113. All hunters with a bison tag for either Raymond Wildlife Area or House Rock Wildlife Area will be required to attend a hunter meeting prior to hunting. In accordance with R-12-4-306, a hunter with a bison hunt permit-tag for Raymond Wildlife Area or House Rock Wildlife Area may also be accompanied by an authorized Department employee during the hunt.
114. All hunters with a bison tag, including hunters who did not hunt or harvest, shall check out online at www.azgfd.gov/bisonhunt within 3 days following the close of the season.
116. The Grand Canyon National Park is closed to hunting.
128. Hunter access is extremely restricted in this unit or a unit within this hunt. Applicants should secure access from the landowner before applying.
129. The following Pima County parks and preserves are open to hunting if the unit they occur in is listed as an open area during this hunt: A-7 Ranch in Units 32 and 33, Oracle Ridge Property in Unit 33, Six Bar Ranch in Unit 33, Emperita Ranch in Unit 34B, Bar V Ranch in Unit 34B, Sands Ranch in Unit 34B, Clyne Ranch in Unit 34B, Diamond Bell Ranch in Unit 36A, Marley Ranch in Units 36A and 36B, Rancho Seco in

Units 36A and 36B, Kings 98 Ranch in Unit 36C, Old Hayhook Ranch in Unit 36C, Verdugo in Unit 36C, Bee Ranch in Unit 37A, Mordka Ranch in Unit 37A, Buckelew Ranch in Unit 37A, Carpenter Ranch in Unit 37A, Cochie Canyon Ranch in Unit 37A, Lords Ranch in Unit 37A, and Tortolita Mountain Park in Unit 37A. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within 1/4 mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.

131. These seasons shall be held in accordance with R12-4-115 and may include shorter time frames, smaller geographic areas, and specification of legal wildlife more restrictive than that described in this Commission Order.
132. Individuals that have previously harvested a bison in Arizona and have met the one (1) per lifetime bag limit are not eligible to purchase the restricted nonpermit-tag for bison.
133. No person shall knowingly use any substance as bait at any time to attract or take bear (R12-4-304).
135. MANDATORY REPORTING (R12-4-308): All hunters must report their bear or lion harvest online, by telephone, or in-person within 48 hours of taking the animal. For bears, report online at www.azgfd.gov/bearhunting, by telephone at 1-800-970-BEAR (2327), or in-person within 48 hours of taking a bear. For lions, report online at www.azgfd.gov/lionhunting, by telephone at 1-877-438-0447, or in person within 48 hours of taking a lion. The report shall include the hunter's name, hunting license number, tag number, sex of the animal taken, management unit where the animal was taken, and telephone number at which the hunter can be reached to obtain additional information.

MANDATORY PHYSICAL INSPECTION (R12-4-308): Within 10 days of taking a bear or lion, the hunter (or their designee) shall present the animal's skull



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and hide with attached proof of sex to a designated Arizona Game and Fish Department employee for inspection. If the skull and hide are frozen, they should be defrosted prior to presenting for inspection as a premolar tooth will be removed from the animal. If the skull and hide are frozen, we will not be able to complete the check-out and you will be asked to reschedule. Successful hunters must contact the Department office, where they plan to bring their animal, by telephone to coordinate inspections.

156. Dry Lake Hunt Area in Unit 4B - That portion of Unit 4B beginning at the Territorial Road crossing of Chevelon Creek; east on Territorial Road to intersection of Territorial Road and Obed Road (at this intersection Territorial Road becomes McLaws Road); east on McLaws Road to AZ Hwy 77; south on AZ Hwy 77 to the intersection with Hwy 377; southwesterly on AZ Hwy 377 to the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest boundary; west along the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest boundary to Chevelon Creek; north along Chevelon Creek to the Territorial Road.
157. For hunts in Units 7 and 9, the Arizona Game and Fish Department has entered into a Landowner Compact Agreement with the CO Bar Ranch. A Ranch Pass and adherence to Ranch Rules is required to access this ranch. Signage at points of entrance to the ranch provides notification of the Landowner Compact Agreement. The free Ranch Pass may be obtained at sign-in boxes at these points of entrance. A location map and Ranch Rules can be viewed and printed from the Department's Landowner Relations Program web page www.azgfd.gov/landownercompact.
158. Zeniff Hunt Area in Unit 3A: That portion of Unit 3A that lies north and east of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest boundary; (excluding the portion of the Winslow-Holbrook

Hunt Area that extends into Unit 3A from the intersection of AZ Hwy 77 with the Woodruff Road (mile post 381); east on Woodruff Road to the intersection with Old Woodruff Road; north on Old Woodruff Road to AZ Hwy 180).

162. White Mountain Lake Hunt Area in Unit 3B North - Starting at the intersection of U.S Highway 77 and the Snowflake-Concho highway, south on U.S. Highway 77 to the National Forest Service boundary, East along the Forest Service boundary to U.S. Highway 60, east on U.S. Highway 60 to the intersection with Arizona State Highway 61, east on Arizona State Highway 61 to the intersection with Apache County Road 8235 (Stanford Road), north on Apache County Road 8235, west on Apache County Road 8256, north on Apache County road 8620, east on Apache County Road 8260, north on Apache County Road 8235, east on Apache County road 8300, north on Apache County Road 8303, east on Apache County Road 8304, north on Apache County road 8625, north on Mead Rock Road, east on Morgan Lane, North on Black Mesa Valley Road, west on Snowflake-Concho Highway to the intersection with U.S. Highway 77.
163. Alpine Hunt Area in Units 1 and 27 - West of Luna Lake turnoff (F.S. 570) to Luna Lake Short Loop trail; North on Luna Lake Short Loop trail 100 yards until you hit the powerlines; Northwest on powerlines to F.S. 275 (Stone Creek road); South on F.S. 275 to 275C1; Northwest on F.S. 275C1 to F.S. 8200A; West on F.S. 8200 to F.S. 8067 (Dry Valley Ts); Northwest on F.S. 8067 to HWY 181/191; South on HWY 180/191 to F.S. 8075; West on F.S. 8075 to F.S. 8249S; Southwest on F.S. 8249S to F.S. 8249; South on F.S. 8249 to F.S. 249; West on F.S. 249 to Long trail (F.S. 8868); East on F.S. 8868 to F.S. 403M; East on F.S. 403M to F.S. 403; East on F.S. 403 to HWY 191; South on HWY 191 to F.S. 59; East on F.S. 59 to

the Apache County/Greenlee County line; East on Apache/Greenlee county line to F.S. 281 (Blue River Road); North on F.S. 281 to F.S. 571; North on F.S. 571 to HWY 180; West on HWY 180 to F.S. 270 (Luna Lake turnoff). For a map and more information regarding this hunt, go to the Department's website under Where To Hunt, Region 1 Unit 27 (www.azgfd.gov/gmu27).

165. The West Camp Wind Farm Project is a wind energy project that is located in Game Management Unit 4B, north of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest, north of Hutch Road and southwest of Joseph City. The land ownership in this area is mostly private, mixed with Arizona State Trust Lands. Construction continues and will impact access into portions of the unit. Hunting within the project area is currently prohibited. There is limited signage on the ground, so hunters will need to use caution to stay out of turbines, construction areas and areas where workers are present.
166. Over-the-counter (OTC), nonpermit-tag elk seasons will be open in a portion of this unit during permitted elk seasons. Those areas with an open OTC hunt are also open for draw permit-tag seasons, but hunters may consider focusing their efforts in areas that are excluded from the OTC hunt. For more information on over-the-counter seasons and open areas, visit the Arizona Game and Fish Department's Nonpermit-tag website: www.azgfd.gov/otc.
167. Over-the-counter (OTC), nonpermit-tag elk seasons occur within the open area for this hunt. Hunt success may be very low to no success. For more information on over-the-counter seasons and open areas, visit the Arizona Game and Fish Department's Nonpermit-tag website: www.azgfd.gov/otc.

Mexican Wolf Recovery

An important step in accomplishing recovery of the Mexican wolf is to reduce inadvertent illegal shooting of this subspecies. To date, many wolves have been shot, and it is probable that some of these shootings were cases of mistaken identity, where the shooter believed the target was a coyote.

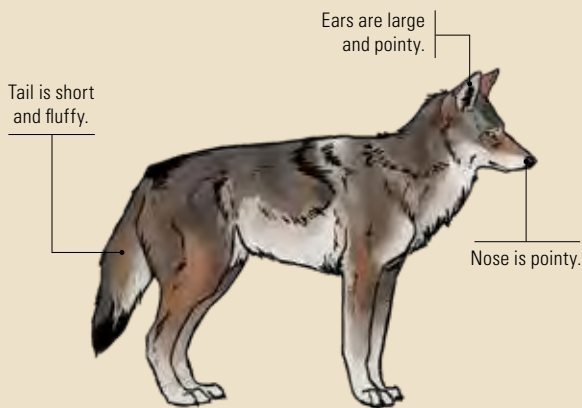
It is important for hunters to distinguish wolves from coyotes, especially when the sighting is brief, the animal is far away, the wolf is a juvenile, or the wolf is in its summer coat. Hunters should exercise extra caution from July to November because wolf pups are active, and their appearance and behavior can make them appear like coyotes. You are responsible for identifying your target before shooting.

If you are hunting in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, 5A, 5B, 6A, 6B, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11M, 22N, 22S, 23N, 23S, 27, 29, 30A, or near the United States/Mexico border, please be aware that Mexican wolves may be present. Mexican wolves are federally protected under the Endangered Species Act. Killing one can result in criminal penalties of up to \$50,000, and/or not more than one year in jail, and/or a civil penalty of up to \$25,000. The unlawful killing of a wolf is a violation of A.R.S. 17-309.A.10 and could result in a minimum civil assessment of \$8,000 (ARS 17-314), loss of hunting privileges for up to five years (ARS 17-340) and additional criminal fines as determined by the court. A person may harass, injure or kill a wolf in defense of human life, but the action must be reported within 24 hours.



A wolf's tail is long (almost to the ground) and straight. The nose and face have a blocky appearance. Not all wolves are collared.

Coyote (*Canis latrans*)



Coyote

- 20 to 35 pounds
- 4-feet long and 1 to 2 feet tall at the shoulder
- Moves with more bounce
- Shorter legs with smaller paws

— PROTECTED —

Mexican Gray Wolf (*Canis lupus baileyi*)



Mexican Gray Wolf

- 50 to 80 pounds
- 5-feet long and 2 to 3 feet tall at the shoulder
- Moves in a stiff, heavy gait
- Long, lanky legs with large paws

For more information on Mexican wolves, visit www.azgfd.gov/wolf or www.fws.gov/southwest/es/mexicanwolf. Call the Arizona Game and Fish Department's Pinetop office at 928-532-2391 or the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Alpine office at 928-339-4329.



Fair Chase

I am fair chase.

Fair chase is the ethical, sportsmanlike and lawful pursuit and taking of free-range wildlife in a manner that does not give a hunter or an angler improper or unfair advantage over such wildlife.

Fair chase has been embraced as the proper conduct of a sportsman/sportswoman in the field and has been taught to new hunters for more than a century. It pays respect to the traditions of hunting and angling by emphasizing the development of an individual's skills rather than reliance on practices or technologies that overwhelm the quarry's ability to elude detection or take.

In many situations, fair chase is not something that is enforceable by law. Rather it should be guided by each person's ethical compass, which compels them to do the right thing when no one else is watching.

The support of fair chase and respect for the traditions of hunting and angling are every sportsman's responsibility.

So remember, **Hunt Hard, Hunt Fair.**

Learn more: www.azgfd.gov/fairchase

Operation Game Thief

You Can Make a Difference

The Department's Operation Game Thief (OGT) program is a silent witness, anti-poaching campaign that encourages concerned citizens to act as a first line of defense by reporting wildlife poaching activity. By doing so, you are helping to protect one of Arizona's most valuable natural resources – wildlife!

In addition, you are increasing your chances of drawing a permit. Each year the number of sportsman applying for permits far exceeds the number of permits available.

When poachers illegally kill fish and wildlife, the science-based approach to managing wildlife populations is immediately compromised and has a direct impact on wildlife populations.

Simply stated, a decrease in wildlife means a decrease in allocated permits.

The success of the OGT program relies entirely on the information the Department receives from concerned citizens who make an investment in Arizona's wildlife heritage by reporting wildlife crimes. Alert observation and timeliness of reporting can often make the difference on whether a violator is

apprehended or not.

If you have information about a wildlife crime you are urged to call the OGT hotline at 800-352-0700 or by dialing #HUNT from a cellphone. The toll-free hotline is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and 365 days a year to report wildlife violations. All callers remain confidential and can report anonymously if needed. Rewards may be paid for information that leads to an arrest.

Not everyone can be drawn but everyone can make a difference, do the right thing and call today 800-352-0700.

Campfire Safety

Be Fire Safe

If you use a campfire, make sure it is fully extinguished before leaving the area – be sure it is cold to the touch. There are three steps to ensuring a campfire is completely out:

- Drown the campfire ashes with lots of water.
- Stir, add more water and stir again. Be sure all burned material is cold.
- Feel the materials with your bare hand. If it is too hot to touch, it's too hot to leave.

Make the Switch to Lead-free Ammunition

Know the Facts and Make Your Own Choice

- Lead is a naturally occurring element in the environment and has many beneficial uses. However, it is a known toxin and has been removed from many consumer products like pipes, paint and gasoline.
- Lead has been used in the manufacture of ammunition and fishing tackle for centuries because of its unique properties, availability, performance, and ease and low cost to manufacture.
- Spent ammunition, lost fishing tackle and lead fragments in carcasses and gut piles can be ingested by wildlife, which can cause illness or death.
- Birds are the most susceptible to lead toxicity, and population-level effects have been documented in waterfowl and California condors.
- State and federal fish and wildlife agencies are responsible for managing fish and wildlife resources, using the best science to implement focused management solutions when population effects are documented.
- Hunters and anglers have been the primary supporters of wildlife conservation in North America since the early 1900s.
- Collaboration with industry, conservation organizations and shooting-sports interests is essential to ensuring

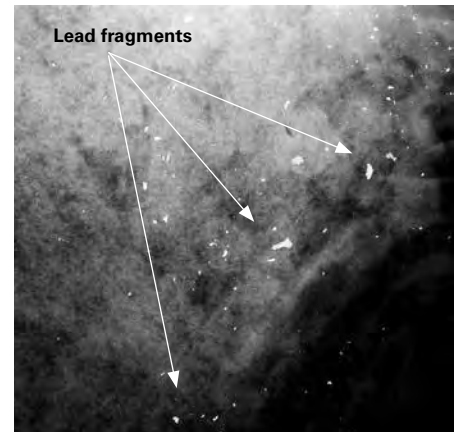
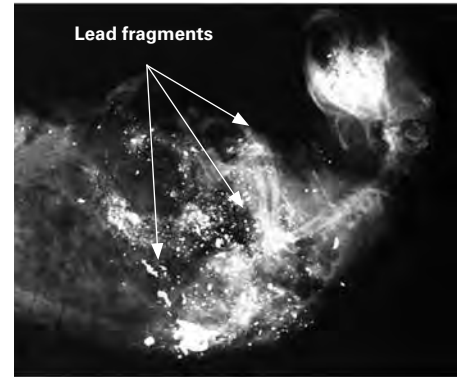
continued protection of our wildlife resources and conservation heritage.

- Lead-free ammunition and fishing tackle alternatives are becoming more widely available and reasonably priced. Using lead-free alternatives can prevent lead poisoning of individual wildlife and may offer better performance.
- Advancements in technology have made lead-free ammunition a serious competitor when it comes to accuracy and precision.
- Hunters who choose to use lead ammunition can help to reduce lead poisoning in scavengers by removing the entire game carcass from the field.

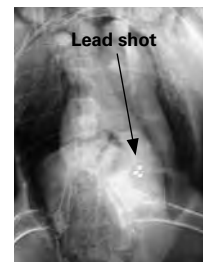
Availability

Lead-free ammo alternatives are available for big game, varmint and small game hunting. Non-fragmenting solid copper or copper alloy bullets are now loaded in most hunting calibers. Highly frangible lead-free varmint bullets (compressed copper or tin powder) are available in both centerfire and rimfire cartridges. Lead-free shot (steel, tungsten, and bismuth) is also available.

To learn more about lead-free ammunition, visit: huntingwithnonlead.org



X-ray of prairie dog (top), coyote (center) and a deer (bottom) gut pile. All contain lead bullet fragments that could be ingested by wildlife.



Eagles and other raptors feed on game remains and ingest lead shot and bullet fragments. Doves and waterfowl are known to pick up lead shot in the field.

What hunting magazines and Arizona hunters say about solid copper bullets:

"I was very impressed with the bullet's performance, the buck literally dropped in its tracks." — Kaibab deer hunter

"Accurate, zero bloodshot, no wasted game meat." — Kaibab deer hunter

"I've never seen deadlier performance on game." — Safari Club International article

"While their terminal performance is the stuff of legend, they are also capable of remarkable accuracy." — American Rifleman article

LEAD VS. LEAD-FREE AMMO COSTS 2023 PRICES FROM ONLINE AMMO RETAILERS

.30-06 165 gr. loaded ammo, Box of 20 (big game hunting)	Basic Lead: \$30 - \$40, Premium lead: \$45 - \$70, Lead-free: \$50 - \$70
.223 loaded ammo, Box of 20 (35-55 gr.) (varmint hunting)	Basic Lead: \$15 - \$25, Premium lead: \$30 - \$50, Lead-free: \$30 - \$50
12 gauge #6 shotshells, Box of 25 (upland game/dove hunting)	Lead: \$11 - \$30, Steel: \$15 - \$40

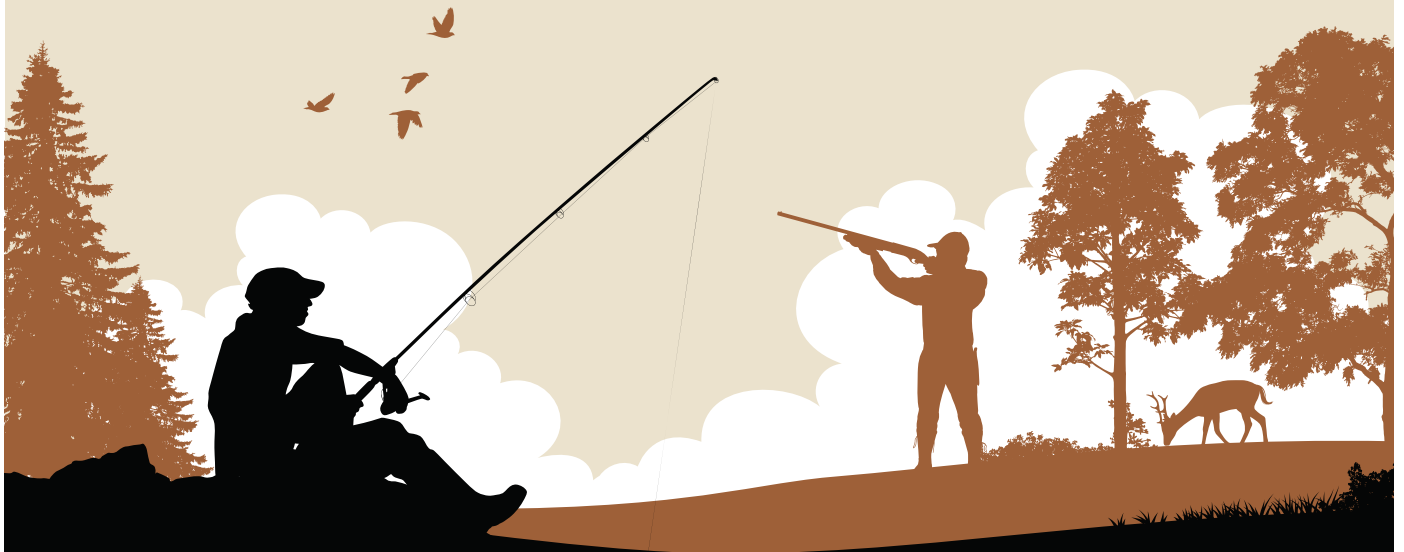




ARIZONA E-TAG MOBILE APP NOW AVAILABLE!

The Arizona Game and Fish Department's mobile application makes life easier for all who hunt and fish in Arizona. The Arizona E-Tag app provides real-time delivery and viewing of licenses and big game tags that have been purchased or drawn after the app has been downloaded. The app gives the ability to electronically tag a harvested animal, complete the hunter questionnaire and the functionality to view licenses/tags.

Hunters wishing to receive an electronic tag can download the app through the Apple and Google Play stores and must opt-in through their portal accounts. For more information about tag modernization and electronic tags visit: www.azgfd.gov/etags



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