



Arizona Game and Fish Department

2023-2024 Arizona Hunting Regulations

This publication includes the annual regulations for statewide hunting of deer, fall turkey, fall javelina, bighorn sheep, fall bison, fall bear, mountain lion, small game, Sandhill crane and other huntable wildlife.

The hunt permit application deadline is Tuesday, June 6, 2023, at 11:59 p.m. Arizona time.

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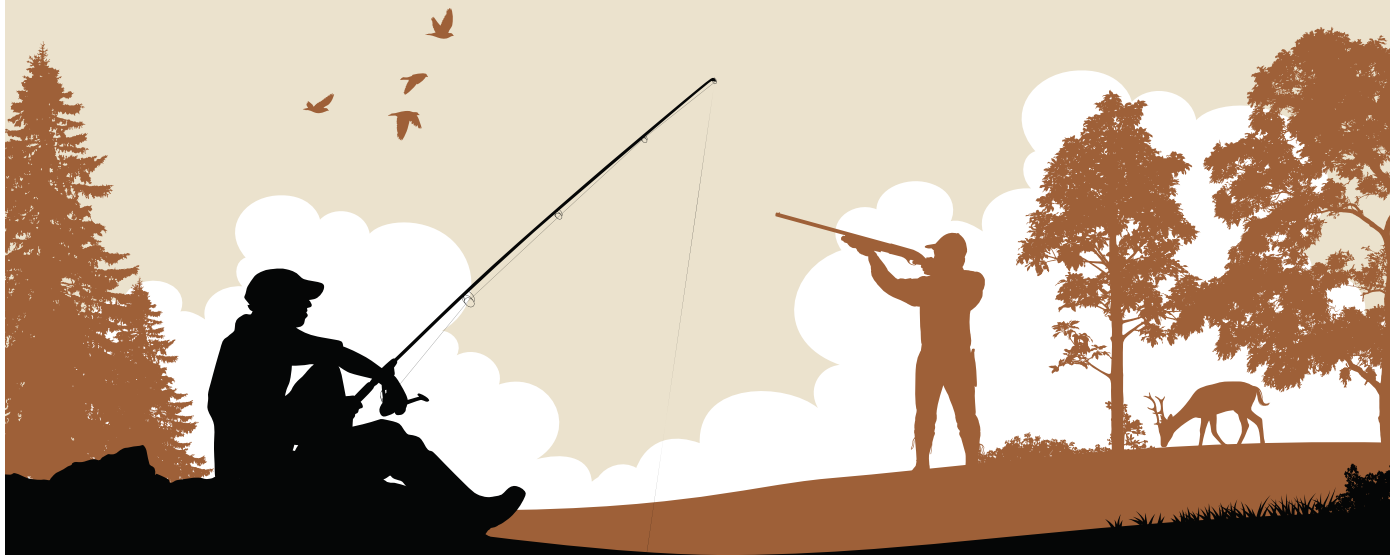
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ARIZONA E-TAG MOBILE APP NOW AVAILABLE!

The Arizona Game and Fish Department's new 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/etag



Available for download on Apple and Android devices.

Important Information for 2023-2024

This list is for informational purposes only and lists the major changes that have occurred since publication of the last regulations booklet. Individuals should thoroughly read and understand the appropriate regulations prior to submitting an application or going afield. If you have questions, please call 602-942-3000. **Get more information at azgfd.gov.**

Hunt permit application deadline is Tuesday, June 6, 2023, at 11:59 p.m. Arizona time. Applications must be submitted online at azgfd.gov.

Know Your Customer ID Customer IDs are required in the draw application. The Customer ID Retrieval Tool can be accessed at customerlookup.azgfd.com 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 Family 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 accounts.azgfd.com. Please note: The automated phone service is no longer available.

Archery Deer (OTC) Harvest Reporting Harvest limits have been set by unit and species for over-the-counter archery deer seasons. Archery deer hunters are required to report their harvest. Once the harvest limit is reached for a unit and species, that unit will close to further archery deer hunting for the remainder of the season (refer to page 35).

Bag/Possession Limits for Cottontail Rabbits and Jackrabbits New limits are in place for cottontail rabbits (see page 55) and black-tailed and antelope jackrabbits (see page 58).

PointGuard Plus AZGFD now offers “PointGuard Plus,” an additional tier of PointGuard service that provides hunters with peace of mind in knowing they can surrender their hunt permit-tag for any reason without losing their coveted bonus points. See www.azgfd.gov/pointguard or page 11 for details.

Keep Credit Card Information Current **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.**

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.

Electronic Tags Already an Arizona E-Tag mobile app user? Please make sure your Arizona E-tag app is up-to-date. Valuable updates and fixes are regularly pushed out to the app, so we want you to have the latest version. Don't have the E-Tag app yet? Now is the time! It's a great tool that allows hunters to tag their harvest electronically in the field, receive big game tags electronically, complete the hunter questionnaire, view and manage licenses, and more! 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. For more information, visit www.azgfd.gov/etag.

Hunter Education A policy implemented by the Arizona Game and Fish Department in 2020 that allowed students to defer from scheduling the field day requirement of the Hunter Education program has been extended to June 30, 2024. For more information, visit www.azgfd.gov/HunterEd.

Use of Trail Cameras As of Jan. 1, 2022, 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.

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.



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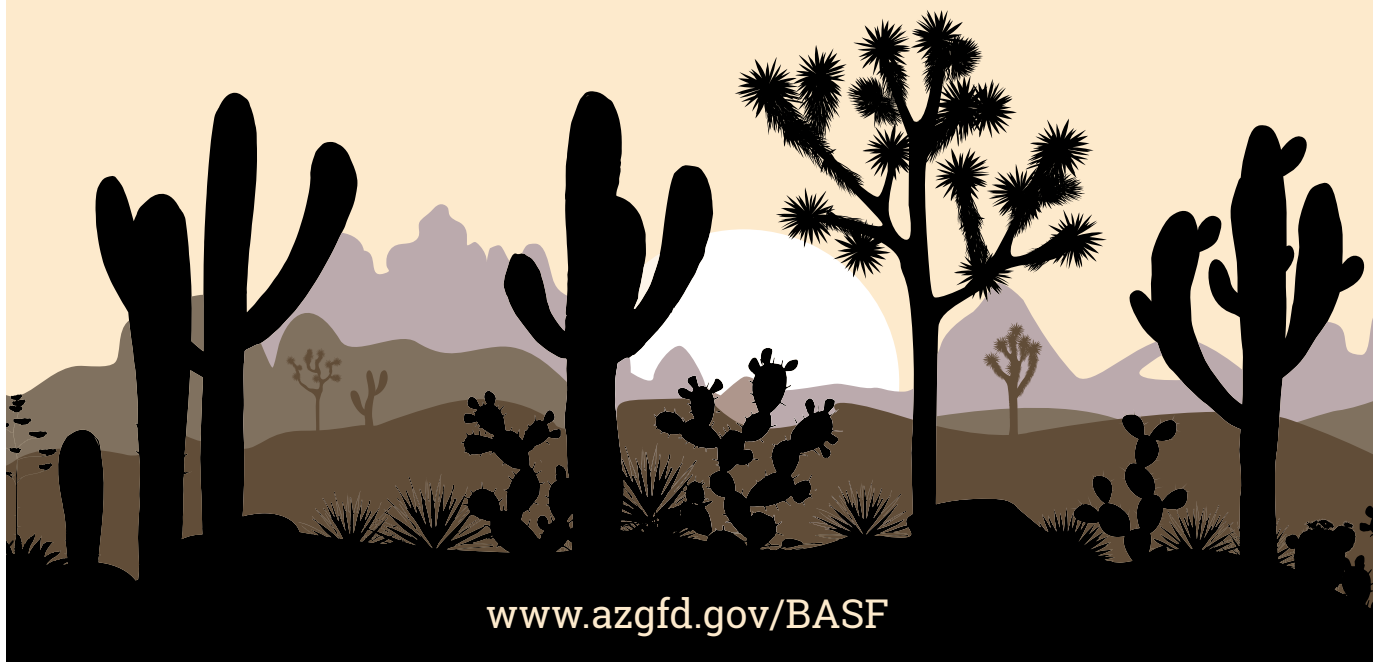
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Hunt Permit-tag Application Schedule – Fall 2023

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:	Deadline 11:59 p.m. (Arizona time):	Hunt permit-tags mailed out by:
Deer	(See notes 1, 2, 3)	June 6, 2023	July 28, 2023
Turkey	(See notes 1, 2, 3)	June 6, 2023	July 28, 2023
Javelina	(See notes 1, 2, 3)	June 6, 2023	July 28, 2023
Bighorn Sheep	(See notes 1, 2, 3)	June 6, 2023	July 28, 2023
Bison	(See notes 1, 2, 3)	June 6, 2023	July 28, 2023
Sandhill Crane	(See notes 1, 2, 3)	June 6, 2023	July 28, 2023

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
Deer	July 10, 2023	July 17, 2023
Turkey	July 10, 2023	July 17, 2023
Javelina	July 10, 2023	July 17, 2023
Bighorn Sheep	July 10, 2023	July 17, 2023
Bison	July 10, 2023	July 17, 2023
Sandhill Crane	July 10, 2023	July 17, 2023

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.

Notes:

- The Department will accept Hunt Permit-tag Applications for big game and Sandhill crane early to mid-May, unless otherwise noted in the Hunt Permit-tag Application schedule.
- 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.
- 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 2023 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.
- 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 3 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. Duplicate licenses can be purchased online. 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, Youth 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



License & Hunt Permit-tags – Information

a person to transfer the person's big game 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 of organizations you can donate your tag to.

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.

SPECIES	DRAW DEADLINE	REGULATIONS
Pronghorn, elk	In February (refer to the application schedule)	Available in early January
Deer, fall turkey, fall javelina, bighorn sheep, fall bison, Sandhill crane	In June (refer to the application schedule)	Available in early May
Spring javelina, spring turkey, spring bison, raptor capture	In October (refer to the application schedule)	Available in early September

Legal Methods of Take – Big Game

REFER TO R12-4-216, R12-4-303, R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 OR READ APPROPRIATE COMMISSION ORDER FOR DETAILS.

LEGAL BIG GAME SPECIES	Centerfire Rifle	Centerfire Handgun	Muzzleloading Rifle	Other Rifle Shooting Black Powder or Synthetic Black Powder	Black Powder Handgun	Crossbow	Archery	Handgun Shooting Shot	Shotgun Shooting Slugs	5 millimeter or .22 Magnum Rimfire	.17 Magnum and .22 Rimfire	Shotgun Shooting Shot	Pursuit with Dogs	Pre-charged Pneumatics .35 and larger
BEAR – Fall	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓				✓	✓
BEAR – Spring (no dogs)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓					✓
BIGHORN SHEEP	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓					✓
BISON – House Rock*	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓							
BISON – Raymond	✓		✓	✓										
DEER SEASON General	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓					✓
Archery Only							✓							
Muzzleloader			✓			✓	✓							
ELK SEASON General	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓					
Archery Only							✓							
Muzzleloader			✓			✓	✓							
JAVELINA SEASON General	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓				✓
Archery Only							✓							
Handgun, Archery, Muzzleloader		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓							✓
MOUNTAIN LION	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	✓	✓
PRONGHORN SEASON General	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓					✓
Archery Only							✓							
Muzzleloader			✓			✓	✓							
TURKEY Fall and Spring						✓	✓					✓		
Archery Only							✓							

* Refer to R12-4-304 for caliber and other specs

Legal Methods of Take – Other Wildlife Species

REFER TO R12-4-216, R12-4-303, R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 OR READ APPROPRIATE COMMISSION ORDER FOR DETAILS.

OTHER LEGAL WILDLIFE SPECIES	Centerfire Rifle	Centerfire Handgun	Muzzleloading Rifle	Other Rifle Shooting Black Powder or Synthetic Black Powder	Black Powder Handgun	Crossbow	Archery	Handgun Shooting Shot	Shotgun Shooting Slugs	5 millimeter or .22 Magnum Rimfire	.17 Magnum and .22 Rimfire	Shotgun Shooting Shot	Falconry	Pneumatic Weapons	Slingshots	Pursuit with Dogs	Trapping
BADGER	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
BLUE GROUSE						✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
BOBCAT	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
CHUKAR PARTRIDGE						✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
COATI	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
COTTONTAIL RABBIT	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
COYOTE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
CROW	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
EUROPEAN STARLING	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
FOXES	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
HOUSE SPARROW	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
JACKRABBITS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
PHEASANT						✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
QUAIL						✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
RACCOON	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
RINGTAIL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
RODENTS (excluding beaver, muskrats, tree squirrels & porcupines)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SANDHILL CRANE						✓	✓					✓	✓				
SKUNKS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
SQUIRREL General	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Archery Only							✓									✓	



Ethical Hunting

Ethics with Landowners and Lessee/Permittees

- Ask permission for access prior to the season before hunting on private property.
- Go out of your way to respect landowners and their property. Be courteous, visit with them, be thankful, and offer assistance when necessary.
- Leave the land better than you found it. Return all gates to the way they were. Notify the landowner of any damage or repairs needed to fences that you find and offer your help.
- When "nature calls," walk away from roads and trails. Find a discrete location and bury the waste.
- Drive only on existing roads approved for use, drive at a reasonable speed, minimize dust, and remember livestock have the right-of-way.
- Leave livestock and other property undisturbed.
- Do not attempt to turn livestock waters on or off.
- Respect all posted signage.

Ethics with Waterholes

- Waterholes on public and state lands should be available to everyone for free and equal access.
- It is unlawful for a person to camp within one-fourth mile (440 yards) of a natural waterhole containing water or a man-made watering facility containing water in such a place that wildlife or domestic stock will be denied access to the only reasonably available water.
- Arizona Game and Fish, ranchers, sportsmen groups and various land management agencies have made significant financial investments in these waters, so please be respectful of them.
- Hunters should be courteous and not hunt over waters all day to allow time for livestock to access waters.
- Ethically responsible hunters yield to another hunter who has reached the waterhole first.
- Posting a sign/notice on or near a waterhole does not give anyone the exclusive right to hunt that waterhole; the hunter needs to be present.
- Hanging a tree stand or setting a blind near a waterhole does not entitle a person to exclusive hunting rights to that waterhole. Depending on the location it may be unlawful to leave tree stands hanging or blinds set for extended periods of time. They may be considered

abandoned property and subject to seizure.

Ethics with Other Hunters

- Follow safe firearms and bow handling practices at all times.
- Refrain from interfering with another hunter's hunt or campsite. If you see someone in that area, back out.
- If you meet up with another hunter in the field, be polite engage in conversation and share information.
- Be respectful and congratulate others for their successful harvest.

Ethics with Non-hunters

- Show respect for other users of the land and their property. They possess the same rights as you do to use the lands.
- Be courteous to non-hunters when transporting your game from the field. Transport animals discreetly.
- Don't leave remains of field dressing in places where it is easily visible. Respect others who may be walking by.
- Take tasteful photographs of your hunt.
- Invite someone new to come hunting with you.

Ethics with the Quarry

- Only take a well-placed shot in a vital area of the game species you are licensed to take.
- Know your limitations. Be mindful of your effective shot range. Avoid extreme distance shots, risky angles and situations where you do not feel confident in your shot. Strive for a quick, clean harvest.
- Select appropriate equipment for your quarry. Be aware of the equipment's limitations and your effective range. Practice to ensure an accurate shot.
- Respect your personal capabilities under various conditions that you could encounter during a hunt. Consider your general health, physical condition, weather and elevation in the area you plan to hunt. Hunt areas that are within your physical limitations.
- Bowhunters should keep in mind shots at greater distances may result in the quarry moving before the arrow reaches it. Kinetic energy is extremely important on larger game animals as energy is lost at longer distances, which can result in wounded or lost game.
- Learn about the habits and habitat of the game species you are hunting.

- Make every possible effort to recover game.
- Adhere to the rules of fair chase.
- Follow up every shot at game with a search for sign. You cannot always tell immediately that an animal has been hit.

Ethics with Agriculture

- Do not harvest or field dress game near growing produce (vegetable) fields.
- Never urinate or defecate near fields or waterways. Look for sanitary facilities provided on ranches.
- Do not allow domestic animals (dogs) in or around growing produce (vegetable) crops.
- Following these guidelines along with the application of common courtesy goes a long way toward being welcomed back in the future. Remember that irresponsible actions by a few can impact future hunting opportunities for many.

Ethics about "First-Come, First-Served"

"First Come – First Served" is a common courtesy that should be used when more than one person wants to hunt the same area or waterhole, regardless of who has a tree stand or blind. Confrontations in hunting situations can involve firearms and hot tempers. Whether you are in the city or next to a waterhole, any threats, intimidation, assault, or disorderly conduct can result in citations, arrests and/or jail time. Refrain from confrontational behavior – ethical hunting is everyone's business.

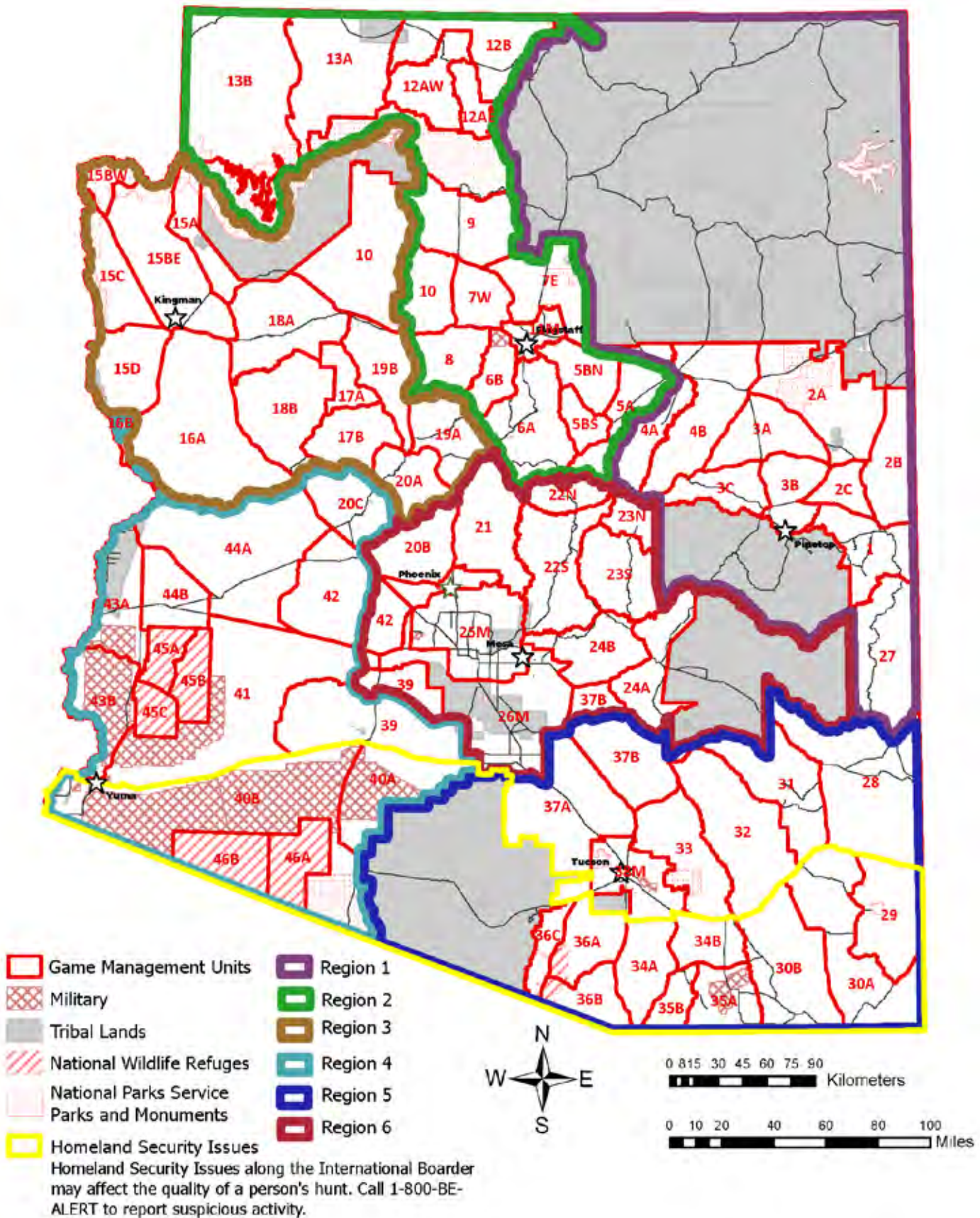
Ethics in Reporting Honest Mistakes

AZGFD realizes that with the hundreds of thousands of hunters that take to the field each year there are bound to be some unfortunate circumstances that may occur. While accidents are infrequent, they do occur to honest hunters every year.

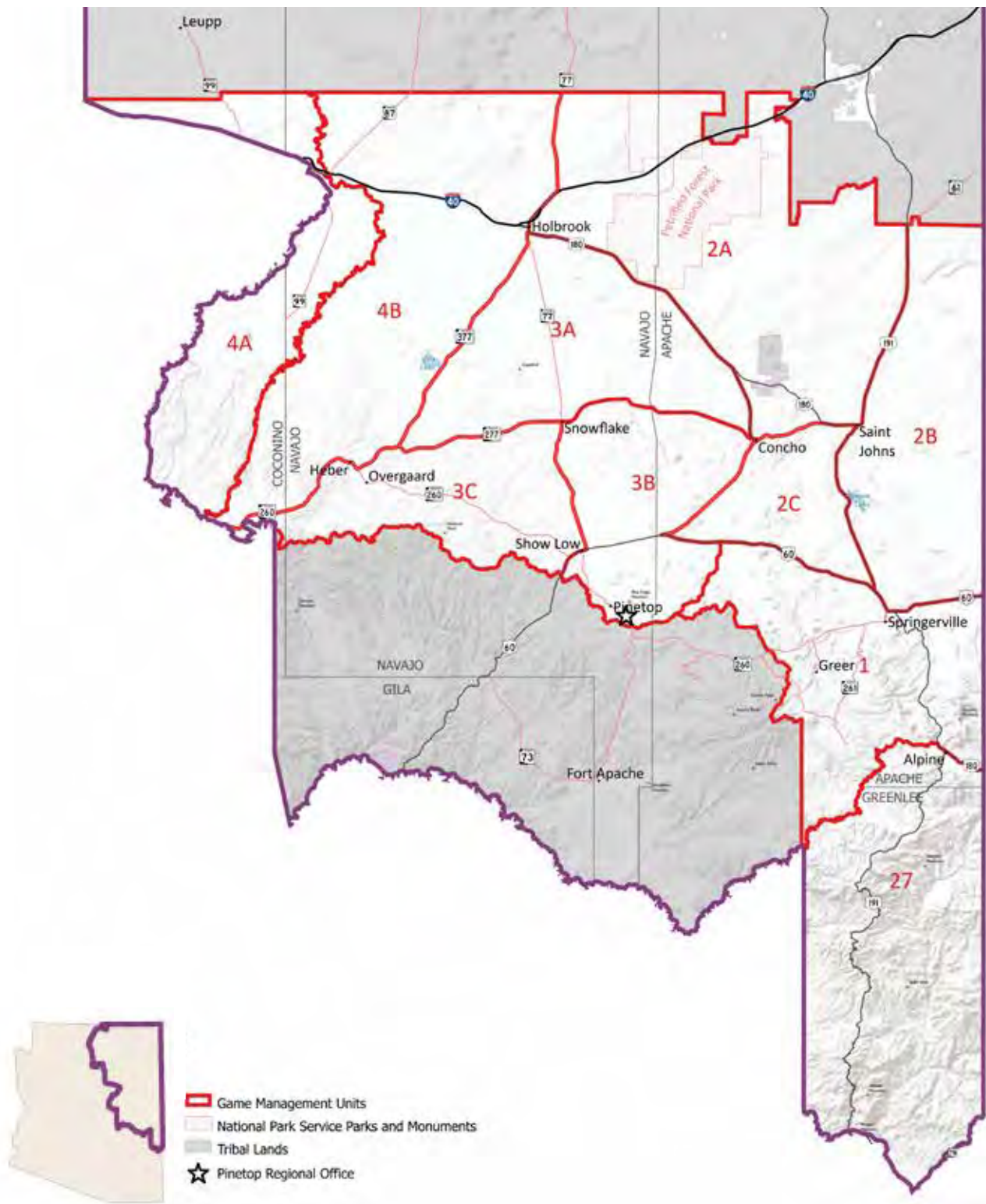
When accidents happen it is critical you notify the department as soon as possible. Call the Operation Game Thief Hotline (800-352-0700) immediately following the accident and follow the instructions provided by the operator. A wildlife manager will be dispatched to the scene to assist you. Report all illegal activities.

In almost all cases, the meat from animals involved in a self-reported violation will be donated to a charitable organization. Every animal needs to be treated as if you are going to consume it yourself.

Game Management Unit Map – Statewide



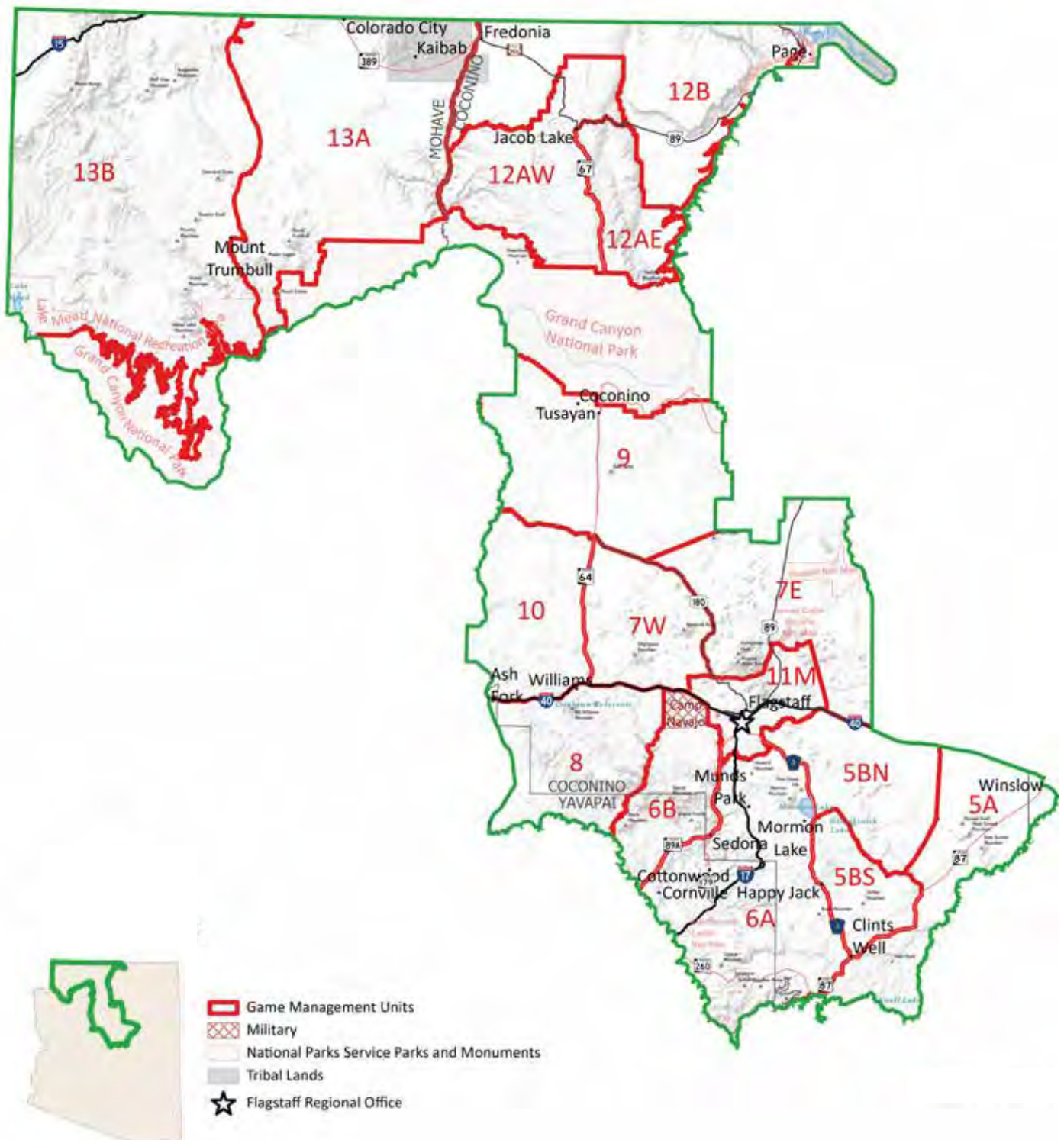
Game Management Unit Map – Region 1



Game Management Units shown on this map are administered by the **Pinetop Regional Office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department**, 2878 E. White Mountain Blvd., Pinetop, AZ 85935. Call: (928) 367-4281.

This map is for reference only. See R12-4-108 on page 91 for legal descriptions of Game Management Unit Boundaries. Hunting on Indian Reservation, if allowed, is controlled by each individual tribe. Contact the appropriate tribe for additional information.

Game Management Unit Map – Region 2

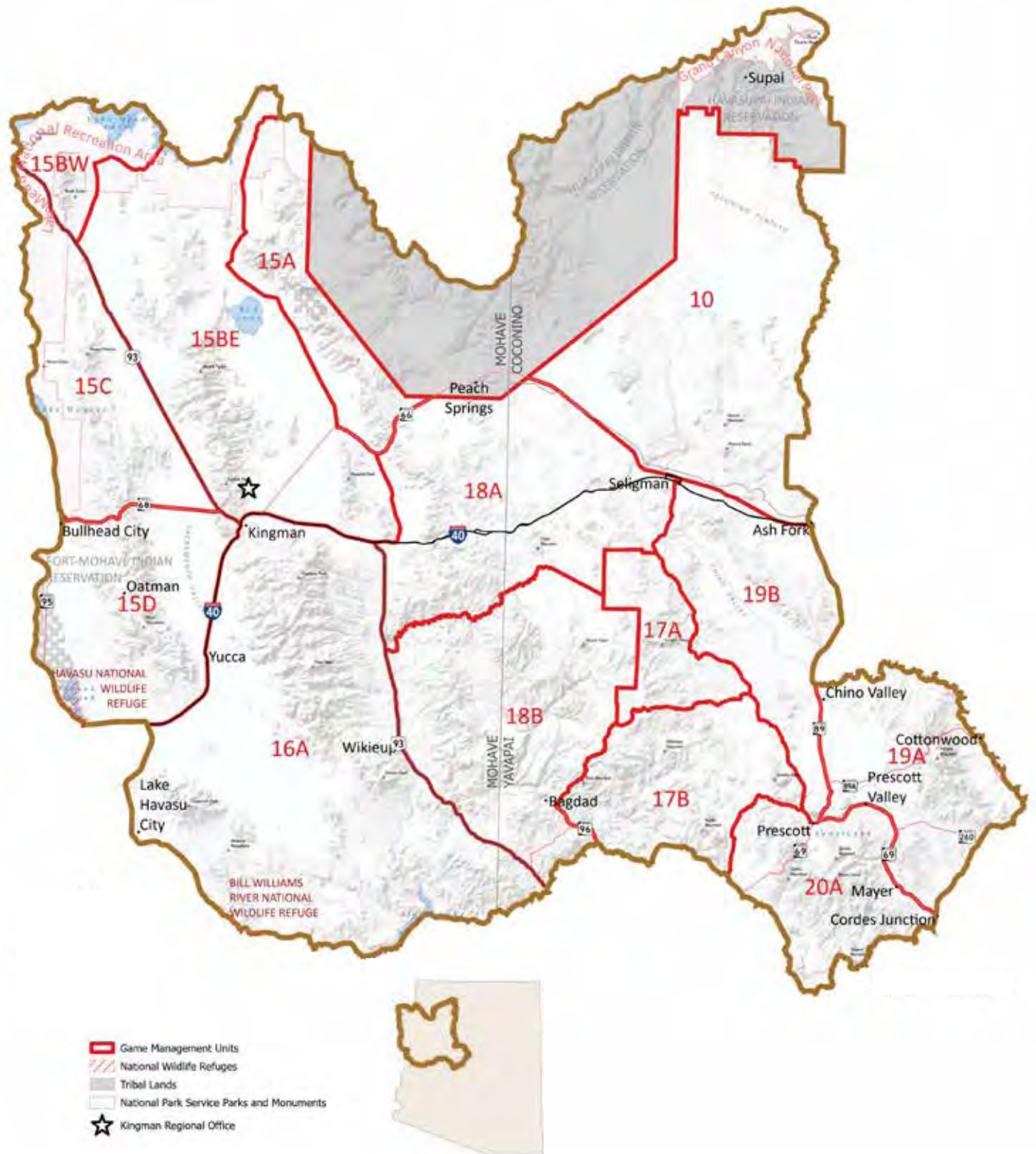


Game Management Units shown on this map are administered by the **Flagstaff Regional Office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department**, 3500 S. Lake Mary Road, Flagstaff, AZ 86005. Call: (928) 774-5045.

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Game Management Unit Map – Region 3



Game Management Units shown on this map are administered by the **Kingman Regional Office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department**, 5325 N. Stockton Hill Road, Kingman, AZ 86409. Call: (928) 692-7700.

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Plan the Hunt - Region 3 & 4 Maps



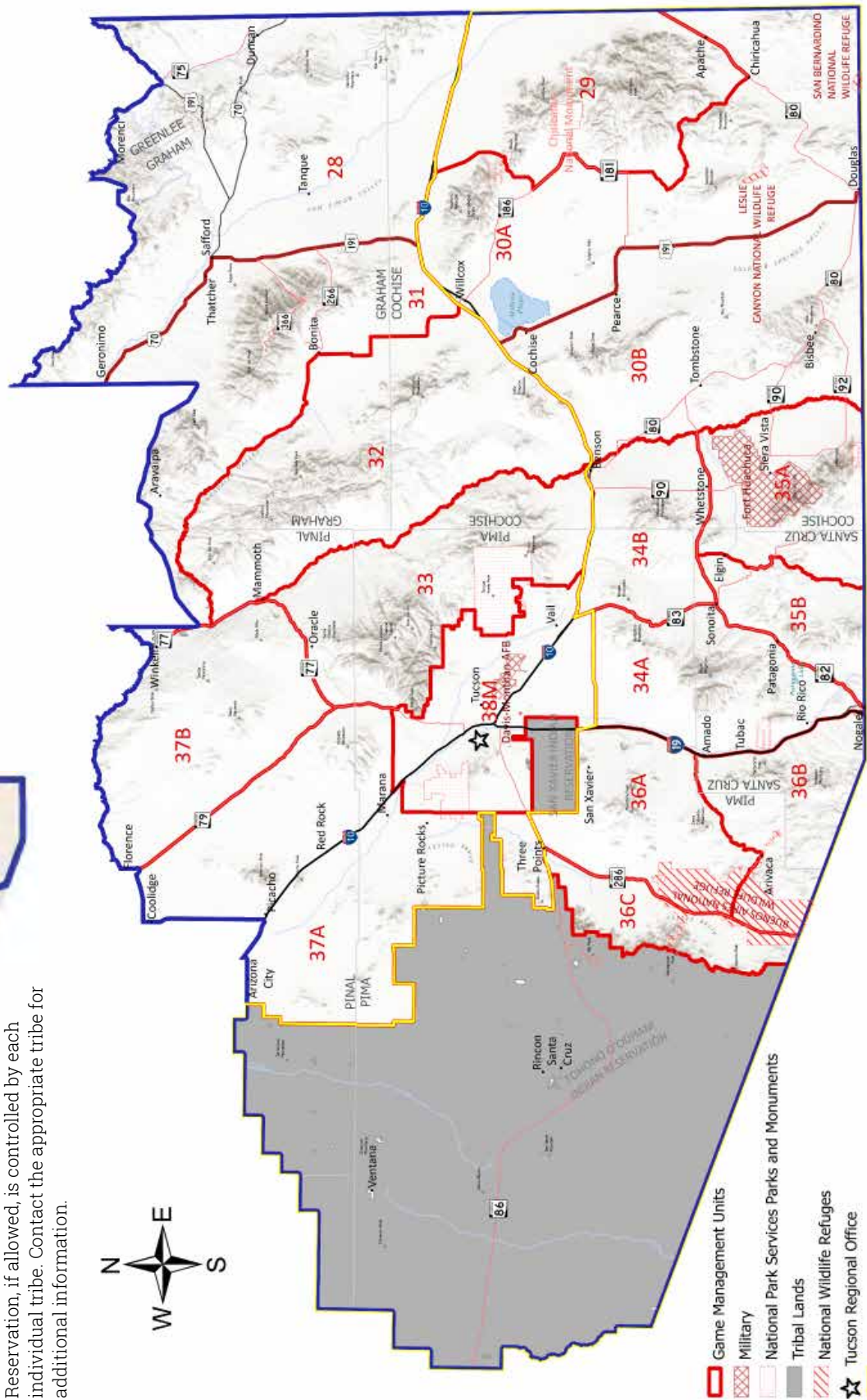
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Game Management Unit Map – Region 5

Game Management Units shown on this map are administered by the **Tucson Regional Office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department, 555 N. Greasewood Road, Tucson, AZ 85745. Call: (520) 628-5376.**

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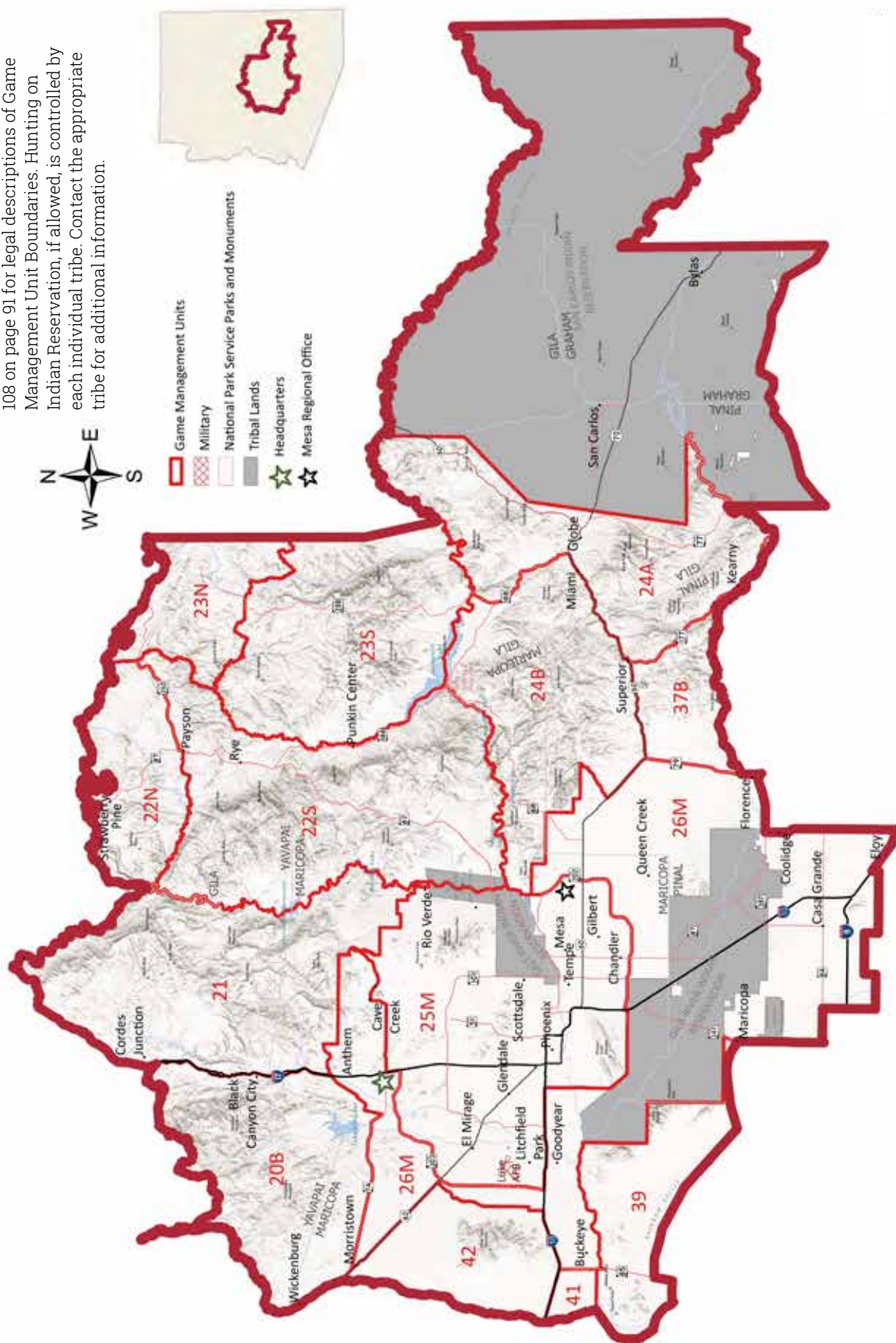


Homeland Security Issues along the International Border may affect the quality of a person's hunt. Call 1-800-BE-ALERT to report suspicious activity.

Game Management Unit Map – Region 6

Game Management Units shown on this map are administered by the **Mesa Regional Office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department**, 7200 E. University Drive, Mesa, AZ 85207. Call: (480) 981-9400.

This map is for reference only. See R12-4-108 on page 91 for legal descriptions of Game Management Unit Boundaries. Hunting on Indian Reservation, if allowed, is controlled by each individual tribe. Contact the appropriate tribe for additional information.



Where, When & How

Where Can You Hunt?

GENERAL – Areas open for hunting are shown in the Commission Orders for each big and small game species (pages 30-77). Generally, U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management and State of Arizona lands are open for hunting. National Parks, and some National Monuments and State Parks are not.

MAPS – The Arizona Game and Fish Department does not publish maps. There are, however, maps available from the U.S. Forest Service, the Bureau of Land Management, and the State Land Department.

ACCESS – Land in Arizona is owned or managed by six different governments or agencies, each with its own set of access rules. (There are 13.1 million acres of private land in Arizona.)

- **THE U.S. FOREST SERVICE** manages 15 percent of the state. Access is open to hunting and fishing in season, though some areas are subject to special closures.
- **THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT** manages 16 percent of the state. Call 602-417-9200 for additional information on BLM and other public lands.
- **THE STATE OF ARIZONA** manages 13 percent of the state, and the State Land Access Rule (R12-4-110, page 95) delineates the rights and privileges of sportsmen and landowners or operators

as regards to state lands. Note that “State Land – No Trespassing” signs prohibit access to non-permittees. Properly licensed hunters lawfully taking wildlife are considered permittees for the purpose of trespassing on state land, and are therefore allowed access - see R12-4-110, paragraph I, page 95. The State Land Department is at 602-542-2119.

- **INDIAN RESERVATIONS** comprise 28 percent of Arizona. Individual tribal governments establish hunting and fishing regulations for their reservations. See R12-4-117, page 97.
- **NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES** have separate regulations. See below for telephone numbers for refuges in Arizona.
- **MILITARY INSTALLATIONS** have separate regulations. Consult individual Commission Orders for specific information.

HUNT UNITS – The maps on pages 15-21 show hunt unit boundaries, which are described in detail in R12-4-108 on page 91. Portions of any unit may be closed during certain hunts. These closures are listed in the footnotes following the Commission Order for the hunt in question (pages 30-77).

SPECIAL RESTRICTIONS – Some parks, refuges and similar areas have special regulations governing certain kinds of hunting - see R12-4-301 (page 102). For special requirements in state wildlife areas, see R12-4-802 (page 109).

National Wildlife Refuges

National Wildlife Refuges in Arizona provide hunting opportunities in designated areas. The following rules apply to all National Wildlife Refuges and are listed to help guide you when visiting:

1. Arizona state law requires all vehicles and operators to be licensed, registered, insured and properly equipped in order to travel on maintained roads or highways. All roads open to vehicle use by the public on NWRs are categorized as “designated routes of travel” which are “maintained” routes. Therefore all vehicles must be “street legal” in order to travel upon NWRs. Any travel off of these roads is prohibited.
2. Any discharge of a firearm except to take legal game is not permitted.
3. Pits, permanent blinds and stands; trail or scouting cameras; and baiting are prohibited.
4. The use or possession of alcoholic beverages while hunting is prohibited.
5. Temporary blinds, boats, hunting equipment, and decoys must be removed following each day’s hunt.
6. Guide service providers must obtain a Special Use Permit from the refuge on which they provide their services.

More information, including refuge-specific regulations and maps, should be obtained by writing or phoning the refuge at:

Buenos Aires N.W.R.

P.O. Box 109
Sasabe, AZ 85633
520-823-4251

Cibola N.W.R.

Rte. 2, Box 1
Cibola, AZ 85328
928-857-3253

Havasut N.W.R.

P.O. Box 3009
Needles, CA 92363
760-326-3853

San Bernardino/ Leslie Canyon N.W.R.

P.O. Box 3509
Douglas, AZ 85607
520-364-2104

Kofa N.W.R.

9300 E. 28th St.
Yuma, AZ 85365
928-783-7861

Imperial N.W.R.

P.O. Box 72217
Yuma, AZ 85365
928-783-3371

Cabeza Prieta N.W.R.

1611 N. 2nd Ave.
Ajo, AZ 85321
520-387-6483

Bill Williams River N.W.R.

60911 Hwy. 95
Parker, AZ 85344
928-667-4144

Violations observed on NWRs may be reported to 800-637-9152.

National Park Service

Hunting is prohibited in the following areas:

- Canyon de Chelly National Monument
- Casa Grande Ruins National Monument

- Chiricahua National Monument
- Coronado National Memorial
- Fort Bowie National Historic Site
- Grand Canyon National Park
- Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site
- Montezuma Castle National Monument & Montezuma Well
- Navajo National Monument
- Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument
- Petrified Forest National Park
- Pipe Spring National Park
- Saguaro National Park
- Sunset Crater National Monument
- Tonto National Monument
- Tumacacori National Historical Park
- Tuzigoot National Monument
- Walnut Canyon National Monument
- Wupatki National Monument

Hunting Restrictions Apply:

- Glen Canyon National Recreation Area

Indian Reservations

Hunting on Indian Reservations, if allowed, is controlled by each individual tribe. Contact the appropriate tribe for information.

Lake Mead National Recreation Area

1. Hunting is permitted in designated areas of Lake Mead National Recreation

Where, When & How

Area and is regulated by state game agencies. Park rangers and state game wardens enforce game regulations. See park hunting maps for designated hunting areas at www.nps.gov/lake/planyourvisit/maps.htm. Be sure to review state hunting regulations for seasons and ensure you possess the appropriate hunting license.

2. A new federal law that allows people who can legally possess firearms under applicable federal, state and local laws, to legally possess firearms is now in effect. It is the responsibility of visitors to understand and comply with all applicable state, local and federal firearms laws before entering this park. Firearms are prohibited in federal buildings where federal employees work. This includes visitors centers, park administrative offices and ranger stations.
3. Target shooting of any kind is prohibited in the recreation area. Shooting is allowed on certain lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management.
4. Motorized vehicles may operate on designated public roadways only and must be licensed and equipped to legally operate on state highways.

Additional information and closure maps are available for review at all ranger stations or can be obtained by writing to: Lake Mead National Recreation Area, Attention: Chief Ranger 601 Nevada Way, Boulder City, NV 89005-2426.

Hunting on Military Reservations

Hunters desiring to hunt on military reservations are advised to contact the specific installation for current regulations prior to going afield. Hunters are also advised that increases in United States Force Protection may result in hunt cancellations at any time and with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is canceled due to an increase in security, hunters drawn for military reservation hunt permit-tags will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department.

U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground: The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground (YPG) is closed to hunting except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed U.S. citizens holding a valid YPG Hunting Access Permit and

coordinating with YPG Range Control. Hunters drawn for Units 41W, 43A, or 43B who plan to hunt on YPG must obtain a hunting access permit before entering YPG. All persons accompanying the hunter on YPG must also have a permit. The permit must be with the permit holder at all times when on YPG. Access permits are issued through iSportsman at <https://yuma.isportsman.net/>. Applicants must register online at iSportsman, and watch the Range Safety Briefing Video, after which, YPG will conduct a background check which takes 2 to 3 business days. All persons, excluding minors are required to be vetted PRIOR to entry upon the installation. Once the background is cleared, applicants must log into their iSportsman account to purchase the Hunting Access Permit. Furthermore, all firearms or bows must be registered either at the visitor center or through iSportsman prior to entering YPG. Do not bring firearms into the visitor center. The weapon registration must be with the weapon, while on YPG. Due to military activities some hunting areas may be temporarily closed on short notice. Updates will be posted on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/USAYPG>, or through iSportsman. For information visit <https://yuma.isportsman.net>; email: usarmy.ypg.imcom.list.doo-vcc@army.mil or call (928) 328-2125.

Barry M Goldwater Range: Barry M. Goldwater Range (BMGR) access is subject to military operations/closure and requires an Access Permit. For more information on how to obtain a permit, please visit the Marine Corps Air Station Yuma website at: <https://www.mcasyma.marines.mil/Staff-and-Agencies/Range-Natural-and-Cultural-Resources/> OR the Luke Air Force Base Website at: <https://www.luke.af.mil/Units/56th-Range-Management-Office/>. Unit 40B on BMGR-West is open to hunting as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except in the Restricted Areas which are closed to all public recreation. For BMGR-East areas in Unit 40B, only Bighorn Sheep hunters with a current tag and their specified participants may access designated BMGR-East areas to hunt or for transit to Units 46A or 46B, and only after receiving a Special Use Permit (SUP) issued by Luke AFB. No other hunting or access is permitted in Unit 40B on BMGR East areas. Hunters in BMGR-East areas in Unit 40A (east of SR-85) require only the Access Permit, but must also

avoid Restricted Areas. It is the hunter's responsibility to know his/her location and remain clear of unauthorized areas. For additional information, contact Luke Air Force Base for BMGR-East: 623-856-7216 or 623-856-1758; or Marine Corps Air Station Yuma for BMGR-West: (928) 269-3115.

Fort Huachuca Army Garrison: Hunting on Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A is restricted. All hunters must meet specific eligibility requirements and must obtain a copy of the special Fort Huachuca hunting regulations and comply with the listed provisions prior to hunting. Fort Huachuca contact information: Commander, U.S. Army Garrison, ATTN: IMWE-HUA-PWB (Hunting), Fort Huachuca, AZ 85613-7010, 520-533-8763.

Camp Navajo: Hunting on Camp Navajo in Unit 6B is restricted. Contact the Arizona National Guard for more information by emailing ng.az.azarnng.mbx.mwr@mail.mil or visiting <https://dema.az.gov/army-national-guard/camp-navajo/garrison-operations/camp-navajo-hunting-information>.

Florence Military Reservation: The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at 602-267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located at www.azgfd.gov/FMR.

Wilderness Areas

The Wilderness Act of 1984 and the Desert Wilderness Act of 1990 designated large portions of Arizona as wilderness. Hunters should be aware that this may influence their hunt. Except where specifically permitted, all forms of motorized travel are prohibited. Hunters should be prepared for remote and primitive conditions. For additional information regarding wilderness restrictions, hunters should contact the Bureau of Land Management, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, or the U.S. Forest Service, as appropriate for the area of interest.



Where, When & How

Bureau of Land Management

Generally, BLM lands in Arizona are open to hunting. Check with the appropriate office for current conditions.

BLM National Monuments: The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting. Contact the Explore Arizona Outdoor Information Center at 602-417-9300 at the BLM State Office in Phoenix.

Grand Canyon – Parashant National Monument: Parashant National Monument is jointly managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the National Park Service (NPS).

Both the BLM lands and NPS lands within Parashant National Monument are open to hunting. However, several NPS regulations differ from those of the BLM. These differences are:

1. Target shooting or the discharge of a weapon except to hunt is not permitted.
2. All motorized vehicles are restricted to established designated roads only (no off-road game retrieval permitted).
3. All motor vehicles must be licensed, insured and equipped to legally operate on state highways (Street Legal).
4. Operators of motor vehicles must possess a valid state driver's license.
5. Shed antlers may not be collected or possessed while on NPS lands.
6. Dogs must be kept on a leash, 6 feet or less in length and not be left unattended in camp.
7. Feeding or baiting of wildlife is prohibited.
8. No landing of aircraft on NPS lands or roads.
9. Property (including game cameras) cannot be left unattended longer than 24 hours. Property left over 24 hours or any unattended property that interferes with visitor safety, orderly management of the park area, or presents a threat to park resources may be impounded at any time.
10. Operating any type of portable motor or engine, or device powered by a portable motor or engine, like RV generators is prohibited.

Special Note: GPS device mapware does not always depict accurate land managing agency policy for roads open for travel. Restrictions are signed and may be gated.

San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area:

The BLM has established special restrictions for the San Pedro Riparian NCA in Units 30B, 34B, and 35A. For more information call the BLM at 520-258-7200.

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State Office - Phoenix 602-417-9200	Yuma Field Office 928-317-3200
AZ Strip Field Office 435-688-3200	Kingman Field Office 928-718-3700
Phoenix Field Office 623-580-5500	Tucson Field Office 520-258-7200
Safford Field Office 928-348-4400	Lake Havasu Office 928-505-1200

U.S. Forest Service

Generally, Forest Service lands in Arizona are open to hunting. Check with the appropriate office for current conditions, including any prescribed burning activities, before heading out on your hunt. Some information about prescribed burns can be found on inciweb.wildfire.gov.

Coronado National Forest Special

Restriction: The U.S. Forest Service has special restrictions for the Sabino Canyon Recreation Area in Unit 33, Madera Canyon in Unit 34A, the East Cochise Stronghold in Unit 30B and Cave Creek in Unit 29. For more information call the Coronado National Forest Office at 520-388-8300.

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.nwccg.gov.

NATIONAL FORESTS IN ARIZONA

Apache-Sitgreaves Springerville 928-333-6280	Kaibab Williams 928-582-1095
Coconino Flagstaff 928-527-3600	Prescott Prescott 928-443-8000
Coronado Tucson 520-388-8300	Tonto Phoenix 602-225-5200

State Trust Land

The boundaries for state trust lands are delineated by signs. Some older signs still may be posted. All state trust land signage should be followed by hunters, anglers and trappers.



Maricopa County Parks

Some land within the Maricopa County Park System is open to hunting. Discharge of firearms or arrows is prohibited in Cave Creek Recreation Area. Contact the Maricopa County Parks Department at 602-506-2930 for further details. Additional information may also be obtained by contacting the following parks (see R12-4-321, page 108):

- McDowell 480-471-0173
- White Tanks 623-935-2505
- Estrella 623-932-3811
- Lake Pleasant 928-501-1710 or 602-372-7460
- Buckeye Hills 602-506-2930

Pima County Park System

Some areas within the Pima County park system are open to hunting. Contact Pima County Parks and Recreation at 520-724-5000.

Access to Private Lands

You must have written or verbal permission from private property owners for use of their legally posted private lands for any purpose including crossing these lands by foot or vehicle to get to public and State Trust lands not accessible by public means. Landowners or lessees of private land who desire to prohibit trespass can post their private land using signs and/or orange painted posts along their property boundary (A.R.S. 17-304).

AZGFD reminds customers to practice safe, responsible recreation when hunting or fishing. Remember, you are a guest when using or crossing private lands, and this access is a privilege, not a right.

The private landowner who has given you permission to use the property may not mind if you bring a friend or two along. You may destroy your welcome if you



arrive with a carload of companions.

Sportsmen who get to know a landowner and who stop in after their stay are almost always welcomed back.

By treating the land as if it were your own, and by showing consideration and courtesy to the landowner and the property, a sportsman will always have a place to enjoy wildlife.

Never forget that you are a guest when using or crossing private lands, and this access is a privilege, not a right. Your actions may be the determining factor in anyone else accessing these lands.

Be aware that in some areas gaining permission to hunt one particular species may be nearly impossible while gaining permission to hunt another species is often easy. For example, some landowners may not let you hunt big game on their property, but would let you call predators or hunt small game.

Be aware that sometimes the landowner may grant access to those who ask to go by foot or horseback versus vehicular access.

Don't assume, unless told otherwise, that permission granted one season means you automatically have permission the following seasons. Situations and ownership change, and permission should be requested each season.

Homeland Security

Homeland security issues along the international border may affect the quality of a person's hunt. Call 800-BE-ALERT to reach the U.S. Border Patrol and report suspicious activity.

Guide Service

A guide license issued from the Arizona Game and Fish Department is required for any person who, for pay, aids or assists another in the taking of wildlife in Arizona. This license does not assure consumer satisfaction; potential clients should require references before engaging the services of a guide.

Guiding on USFS, BLM, or USFWS lands requires a special-use permit from the administering agency. It is the responsibility of the client to determine if their guide has the necessary special use permits.

Hunting Accidents

Any person, who while taking wildlife, is involved in a shooting accident resulting in an injury should render every possible assistance to the injured person. If the accident results in a fatality, he or she shall immediately report the accident to the nearest available law enforcement officer and render assistance as required. In any hunting accident, a report shall be filed with the Arizona Game and Fish Department within 10 days.

Carcass Disposal

Dispose of your carcass discreetly. The Department receives several calls each year reporting the dumping of lawfully taken game. If disposing a carcass in the field, either bury the carcass or place it under a tree away from camping areas and roads. If using a dumpster utilize trash bags or wrap the carcass to reduce the escape of offensive odors.

Taking Wildlife from a Vehicle

Includes: using a vehicle to hunt while traveling on or off road; and/or chasing wildlife with a vehicle, both of which are illegal. A vehicle is any device designed to carry a person: all terrain vehicles, utility terrain vehicles, all terrain cycle, pickup, automobile, motorcycle, aircraft, train, powerboat, sailboat, a boat under sail, or a floating object towed by a powerboat or sailboat. It is also illegal under state law to shoot from, across, or onto a roadway or railway. See A.R.S. 17-301B on page 85.

It is illegal to use an aircraft to pursue, shoot, hunt or otherwise take wildlife. See R12-4-319 on page 108.

When Is Hunting Legal?

SEASONS

Open hunting season dates are indicated in the Commission Orders governing the taking of each kind of big and small game (pages 30-77). Seasons for all wildlife are closed unless specifically opened by Commission Order. Special restrictions apply on state wildlife areas (see R12-4-802, page 109), as well as at certain times on parks, refuges and similar areas (see pages 22-25).

SHOOTING HOURS

Legal shooting time is during daylight

hours (see sunrise-sunset chart on page 29) or as prescribed by the Commission (see individual Commission Orders). In general, if you can see well enough to shoot safely, you are legal. Taking wild animals or birds by moonlight or artificial light is illegal, except for raccoons, reptiles and other mammals as prescribed in R12-4-304, page 103. Other time requirements apply for migratory birds (see Migratory Bird Regulations).

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 and Prescott 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.

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 <http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/r3/about-region/offices> for contact information.

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 8).

An applicant must possess a license (including lifetime, pioneer or disabled veteran's) that is valid on the last day of the application deadline for that draw (per R12-4-104[K]). **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 May. 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 R12-4-107(M).

Fees

Information about fees associated with the draw process is on page 9.

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 8. 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 8.

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 9 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.



Getting Started - Checklist

Welcome to hunting in Arizona. If you don't know where you want to hunt, what you need, or even what you can hunt in Arizona, this section is for you. It is designed to help new hunters get started. Following is some basic information you should consider while planning your hunt. The best way for all hunters to prepare themselves to hunt in Arizona is to take a Department-sponsored hunter education course (see page 113).

☐ Step 1. Identify First Steps

What animal(s) can you hunt?

- Small game: cottontail rabbit, tree squirrel, migratory game birds, and upland game birds like quail.
- Big game: black bear, bighorn sheep, bison, deer (mule and white-tailed), elk, javelina, mountain lion, pronghorn, and turkey.
- Predator/fur-bearer: coyotes, skunks, foxes, raccoons, bobcat, ringtail, weasel, and badgers.
- Other birds and mammals.

Do you have a hunting license?

To hunt in Arizona, a license is required. Check out page 9 for a list of our hunting permit and license fees. You can purchase hunting licenses online at www.azgfd.gov. You also can purchase licenses, tags, and/or stamps from any of our 150+ license dealers (information is online at www.azgfd.gov), or Department offices statewide (see page 3 for office locations).

Are you a resident? See "resident" definition on page 85. You cannot be a resident of more than one state.

Do you have the correct stamp or tag?

For some species you must also purchase a stamp or stamp privilege for the license to be valid. You will need a tag in addition to a valid license to hunt big game and Sandhill cranes. You must also sign all tags before going afield for them to be valid.

☐ Step 2. Learn Where and When

Where do you want to hunt?

Arizona is divided into Game Management Units (GMU or unit) composed of state, federal, military, and private land. Review the GMU maps (pages 15-21), and the "Where, When & How" section (page 22) for more information.

When do you want to hunt?

There are several different seasons in which you can hunt a species. Go to individual species to determine their seasons.

☐ Step 3. Know When to Apply or Not Apply

Don't Apply.

For most small game species and all predator/fur-bearer and other birds and mammals you simply need a license and any required validations (for example: stamps) to hunt.

There are also several big game species that you may pursue simply by purchasing an over-the-counter nonpermit-tag in addition to your license. These hunts include archery turkey, mountain lion, fall bear, some archery deer and some elk. Archery deer, mountain lion, bison, bear and bighorn sheep have mandatory reporting requirements, so check the information on the corresponding Commission Order.

Apply.

Permits for most big game species, Sandhill crane and raptor capture are issued through a hunt drawing. If interested in hunting any of these species, you must apply for a tag in a drawing; refer to page 8 in this booklet or the appropriate supplement for specific information. Apply online at www.azgfd.gov.

Archery deer, mountain lion, bison, bear and bighorn sheep have mandatory reporting requirements, so check the information on the corresponding Commission Order.

☐ Step 4. Follow the Rules

Common violations

Before you go hunting we recommend you read pages 80-81 to be aware of the most common violations. Also, take a look at the Arizona laws and rules beginning on page 84 to learn what you can and can't do in Arizona. If you are witness to a violation please call our Operation Game Thief hotline at 1-800-352-0700 to report the violation. You may be eligible for a cash reward.

Care/transport information

Before you go in the field, review our laws and rules to understand requirements to possess and transport wildlife after your hunt. Generally, you need to keep your license on your person and your tag affixed to your carcass at all times during transport.

You're on your way!

These are just some basic steps to help you start your first hunt. Please read through the rest of these hunting regulations and our other supplemental hunting booklets to better familiarize yourself with hunting in Arizona. If this section fails to answer your questions, contact any Arizona Game and Fish office or visit our website www.azgfd.gov.

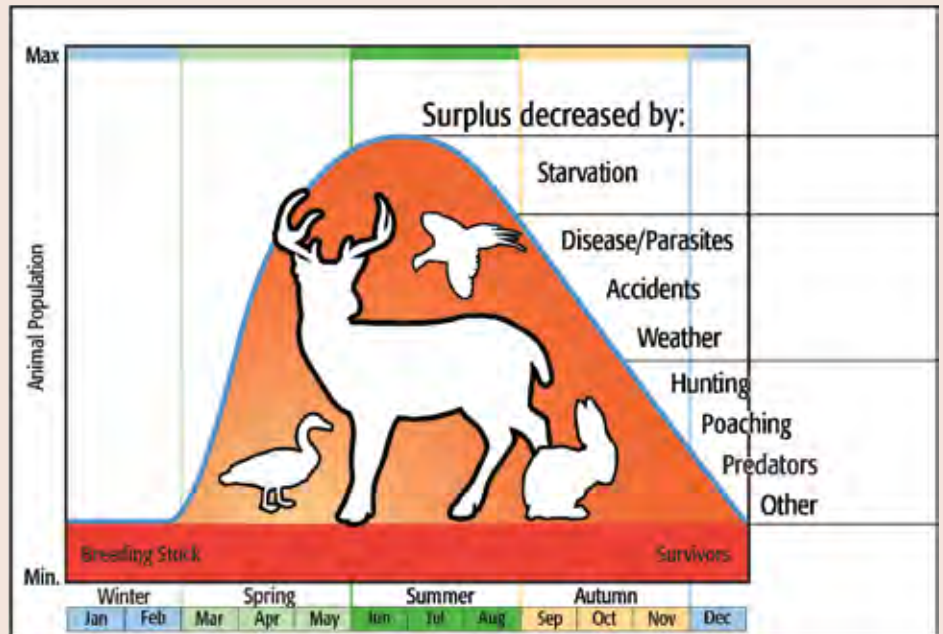
North American Model of Wildlife Conservation

Did You Know?

The Arizona Game and Fish Department is responsible for wildlife management in the state and receives no state tax dollars. Hunters and anglers pay for wildlife conservation through their purchase of licenses, tags and stamps, and excise taxes on hunting and fishing gear. The conservation dollars paid by hunters and anglers benefit both game and nongame species and their habitats.

What Is It?

The North American Model of Wildlife Conservation is the world's most successful system of conservation. No other continent retains such a complete balance of native wildlife species. While other countries struggle to conserve the little they have left, we enjoy great diversity and abundance of wildlife. This user-pay, public-benefit model relies on sound science, public participation, active habitat management, strict regulation, and active law enforcement to sustain wildlife populations. The end result is a harvestable surplus of game species every year, and an opportunity for all to enjoy it.



Arizona's Core Concepts

The North American Model of Wildlife Conservation is the foundation for wildlife conservation in Arizona and throughout the country. Hunters and anglers are its backbone. The Arizona Game and Fish Department's core concepts of the North American Model are:

Wildlife is held in the public trust.

The public trust doctrine means that wildlife belongs to everyone. Through shared ownership and responsibility, opportunity is provided to all.

Regulated commerce in wildlife.

Early laws banning commercial hunting and the sale of meat and hides ensure sustainability through regulation of harvest and regulating commerce of wildlife parts.

Hunting and angling opportunity for all.

Opportunity to participate in hunting, angling and wildlife conservation is guaranteed for all in good standing, not by social status or privilege, financial capacity or land ownership. This concept ensures a broad base of financial support and advocacy for research, monitoring, habitat conservation and law enforcement.

Hunting and angling laws are created through public process.

Hunting seasons, harvest limits and penalties imposed for violations are established through laws and regulations. Everyone has the opportunity to shape the laws and regulations applied in wildlife conservation.

Hunters, anglers, boaters and shooters fund conservation.

Hunting and fishing license sales and excise taxes on hunting, shooting and fishing equipment and motor boat fuels pay for the management of all wildlife, including wildlife species that are not hunted.

Wildlife is an international resource.

Proper stewardship of wildlife and habitats is both a source of national pride and an opportunity to cooperate with other nations with whom we share natural resources. Cooperative management of migrating waterfowl is one example of successful international collaboration.

Science is the basis for wildlife policy.

The limited use of wildlife as a renewable natural resource is based on sound science. We learn as we go, adapting our management strategies based on monitoring to achieve sustainability.

Sunrise & Sunset

Sunrise and Sunset July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

Times shown are for Phoenix. Figure up to nine minutes earlier for eastern areas, nine minutes later for western areas.

DATE	RISE	SET	DATE	RISE	SET	DATE	RISE	SET	DATE	RISE	SET
July 1	5:22	7:42	Oct. 7	6:27	6:05	Jan. 6	7:33	5:35	April 7	6:07	6:54
July 8	5:25	7:41	Oct. 14	6:32	5:56	Jan. 13	7:33	5:41	April 14	5:58	6:59
July 15	5:29	7:39	Oct. 21	6:38	5:48	Jan. 20	7:31	5:48	April 21	5:50	7:03
July 22	5:34	7:35	Oct. 28	6:43	5:40	Jan. 27	7:28	5:55	April 28	5:42	7:09
July 29	5:39	7:30	Nov. 4	6:49	5:34	Feb. 3	7:23	6:01	May 5	5:36	7:15
Aug. 5	5:44	7:24	Nov. 11	6:56	5:28	Feb. 10	7:17	6:08	May 12	5:30	7:20
Aug. 12	5:49	7:18	Nov. 18	7:02	5:24	Feb. 17	7:11	6:14	May 19	5:25	7:25
Aug. 19	5:53	7:10	Nov. 25	7:09	5:21	Feb. 24	7:03	6:21	May 26	5:21	7:30
Aug. 26	5:58	7:01	Dec. 2	7:15	5:20	Mar. 3	6:53	6:27	June 2	5:19	7:34
Sept. 2	6:03	6:52	Dec. 9	7:21	5:21	Mar. 10	6:44	6:33	June 9	5:18	7:38
Sept. 9	6:08	6:43	Dec. 16	7:25	5:22	Mar. 17	6:35	6:38	June 16	5:18	7:40
Sept. 16	6:12	6:33	Dec. 23	7:29	5:26	Mar. 24	6:26	6:43	June 23	5:20	7:42
Sept. 23	6:17	6:24	Dec. 30	7:32	5:30	Mar. 31	6:16	6:48	June 30	5:22	7:42
Sept. 30	6:22	6:14									

Source: NOAA Solar Calculator

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 pays 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.



Big Game – Deer



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



For further information on white-tailed deer, 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 table on page 9 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 some Archery-Only deer, a hunt nonpermit-tag must be obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114. Archery deer nonpermit-tags are only valid for one calendar year and require mandatory harvest reporting.
Hunt Numbers Required	When applying for big game hunt permit-tags, you must use hunt numbers.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any firearm, pre-charged pneumatic weapon, crossbow, or bow and arrow 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, or crossbow if you possess a crossbow permit as allowed under R12-4-216.
Legal Animal Definition	Antlered means having an antler fully erupted through the skin and capable of being shed as defined in R12-4-101.
Bag Limit	One (1) deer per calendar year except as prescribed in R12-4-120.
<i>To hunt deer in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a deer tag. To hunt deer during a General, Youth-Only, Muzzleloader, CHAMP or Archery-Only season, you must apply through a draw for a hunt permit-tag. For Archery-Only Nonpermit-Tag hunts, you may purchase a nonpermit-tag from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114. If a person is applying for a Youth-Only hunt and a regular hunt on the same application, the higher of the tag fees must be enclosed.</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 ages 10 through 13 must have satisfactorily completed a Hunter Education Course that is approved by the Director per ARS 17-333.2 (C). 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>	

Big Game – Deer

Deer: Commission Order 2

GENERAL DEER

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.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1000	BONUS POINT ONLY — See page 26 (no other hunts may be chosen in conjunction with this one)				
1001	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023		1	Any antlered deer	300
1002	Nov 3 - Nov 12, 2023	(28)	2A, 2B and 2C	Any antlered deer	50
1003	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023		3A and 3C	Any antlered deer	100
1004	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(34)	3A and 3C	Any antlered deer	10
1005	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023	(30,31,32,35)	4A and 4B	Any antlered deer	314
1006	Nov 3 - Nov 12, 2023	(29,30,31,32)	5A and 5B	Any antlered deer	423
1007	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(29,30,31,32,34)	5A and 5B	Any antlered deer	9
1008	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023		6A	Antlered mule deer	450
1009	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023	(10)	6B (excluding Camp Navajo)	Antlered mule deer	150
1010	Nov 3 - Nov 12, 2023	(45,157)	7 and 9	Any antlered deer	1100
1011	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023		8	Antlered mule deer	300
1012	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023	(43,44)	10	Any antlered deer	350
1013	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(34,43,44)	10	Any antlered deer	15
1014	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023	(11,12)	12A East (excluding Grand Canyon National Park)	Any antlered deer	50
1015	Nov 24 - Dec 3, 2023	(11,12)	12A East (excluding Grand Canyon National Park)	Any antlered deer	10
1016	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023	(11,13)	12A West (excluding Grand Canyon National Park)	Any antlered deer	300
1017	Nov 24 - Dec 3, 2023	(11,13)	12A West (excluding Grand Canyon National Park)	Any antlered deer	50
1018	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023	(3)	12B	Any antlered deer	15
1019	Nov 24 - Dec 3, 2023	(3)	12B	Any antlered deer	15
1020	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023	(3,14)	12B West	Any antlered deer	110
1021	Nov 24 - Dec 3, 2023	(3,14)	12B West	Any antlered deer	55
1022	Nov 17 - Nov 26, 2023	(3,161)	13A	Any antlered deer	35
1023	Nov 10 - Nov 19, 2023	(3,161)	13B	Any antlered deer	65
1024	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023	(2)	16A (except Mohave County Park Lands)	Any antlered deer	225
1025	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023		17A	Any antlered deer	100
1026	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023		17B	Any antlered deer	325
1027	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023	(42)	18A	Any antlered deer	350
1028	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023	(42)	18B	Any antlered deer	250
1029	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023		19A	Any antlered deer	525
1030	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023	(128)	19B	Any antlered deer	175
1031	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023		20A	Any antlered deer	700
1032	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023		20B	Any antlered deer	250
1033	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023		20C	Any antlered deer	150
1034	Nov 17 - Nov 23, 2023		20C	Any antlered deer	150
1035	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023	(3)	21	Antlered mule deer	300
1036	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023		22	Antlered mule deer	375
1037	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023		23	Antlered mule deer	325
1038	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(34,88)	23	Antlered mule deer	10
1039	Nov 17 - Nov 26, 2023		24A	Antlered mule deer	50
1040	Nov 17 - Nov 26, 2023	(88)	24B	Antlered mule deer	200
1041	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023		27	Antlered mule deer	500
1042	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(34)	27	Antlered mule deer	25
1043	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023		28	Antlered mule deer	275
1044	Nov 17 - Nov 23, 2023		28	Antlered mule deer	250
1045	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023	(128)	29	Antlered mule deer	50
1046	Nov 17 - Nov 23, 2023	(128)	29	Antlered mule deer	50
1047	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023	(2,128)	30A	Antlered mule deer	225
1048	Nov 17 - Nov 23, 2023	(2,128)	30A	Antlered mule deer	225
1049	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023	(128)	30B	Antlered mule deer	375
1050	Nov 17 - Nov 23, 2023	(128)	30B	Antlered mule deer	375
1051	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023	(19)	31	Antlered mule deer	75
1052	Nov 17 - Nov 23, 2023	(19)	31	Antlered mule deer	50
1053	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023	(19,128,129)	32	Antlered mule deer	225
1054	Nov 17 - Nov 23, 2023	(19,128,129)	32	Antlered mule deer	225
1055	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023	(129)	33	Antlered mule deer	200
1056	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023	(129)	34B	Antlered mule deer	25
1057	Nov 17 - Nov 23, 2023	(129)	34B	Antlered mule deer	25
1058	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023	(2,129)	36A	Antlered mule deer	250
1059	Nov 17 - Nov 23, 2023	(2,129)	36A	Antlered mule deer	250
1060	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023	(2,21,129)	36B	Antlered mule deer	150
1061	Nov 17 - Nov 23, 2023	(2,21,129)	36B	Antlered mule deer	150
1062	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023	(2,22,129)	36C	Antlered mule deer	50
1063	Nov 17 - Nov 23, 2023	(2,22,129)	36C	Antlered mule deer	50
1064	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023	(3,22,23,129)	37A	Any antlered deer	175



Big Game – Deer

Deer: Commission Order 2 (continued)

GENERAL DEER

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1065	Nov 17 - Nov 23, 2023	(3,22,23,129)	37A	Any antlered deer	175
1066	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023	(24)	37B	Any antlered deer	225
1067	Nov 17 - Nov 23, 2023	(24)	37B	Any antlered deer	225
1068	Nov 10 - Nov 19, 2023	(3,6,26)	39 (excluding Buckeye Hills and Estrella Mountain Regional Parks), 40A and 40B (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 6)	Any antlered deer	450
1069	Nov 10 - Nov 19, 2023	(7)	41 (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 7)	Any antlered deer	550
1070	Nov 10 - Nov 19, 2023		42 (excluding Skyline and White Tank Mountain Regional Parks)	Any antlered deer	275
1071	Nov 10 - Nov 19, 2023	(2,7,27)	43A, 43B, 44A and 44B (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 7)	Any antlered deer	500
1072	Nov 10 - Nov 19, 2023	(2)	45A, 45B and 45C	Any antlered deer	250
1073	Nov 10 - Nov 19, 2023	(2,6,36)	46A and 46B (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 6)	Any antlered deer	15
1074	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023		6A	Antlered whitetail deer	75
1075	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023		6A	Antlered whitetail deer	75
1076	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(34)	6A	Antlered whitetail deer	20
1077	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023	(10)	6B (excluding Camp Navajo)	Antlered whitetail deer	55
1078	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(10,34)	6B (excluding Camp Navajo) and 8	Antlered whitetail deer	25
1079	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023		8	Antlered whitetail deer	50
1080	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023	(3)	21	Antlered whitetail deer	275
1081	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023	(3)	21	Antlered whitetail deer	275
1082	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(3,34)	21	Antlered whitetail deer	30
1083	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023		22	Antlered whitetail deer	350
1084	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023		22	Antlered whitetail deer	350
1085	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(34,88)	22	Antlered whitetail deer	50
1086	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023		23	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1087	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023		23	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1088	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(34,88)	23	Antlered whitetail deer	85
1089	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023		24A	Antlered whitetail deer	250
1090	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023		24A	Antlered whitetail deer	250
1091	Dec 1 - Dec 10, 2023		24A	Antlered whitetail deer	250
1092	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(34)	24A	Antlered whitetail deer	50
1093	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023		24B	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1094	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023		24B	Antlered whitetail deer	325
1095	Dec 1 - Dec 10, 2023	(88)	24B	Antlered whitetail deer	325
1096	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(34,88)	24B	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1097	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023		27 and 28	Antlered whitetail deer	600
1098	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(34)	27 and 28	Antlered whitetail deer	30
1099	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023	(128)	29	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1100	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023	(128)	29	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1101	Dec 1 - Dec 10, 2023	(128)	29	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1102	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(34,128)	29	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1103	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023	(2,128)	30A	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1104	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023	(2,128)	30A	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1105	Dec 1 - Dec 10, 2023	(2,128)	30A	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1106	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(2,34,128)	30A	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1107	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023	(128)	30B	Antlered whitetail deer	150
1108	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023	(128)	30B	Antlered whitetail deer	150
1109	Dec 1 - Dec 10, 2023	(128)	30B	Antlered whitetail deer	100
1110	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(34,128)	30B	Antlered whitetail deer	100
1111	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023	(19)	31	Antlered whitetail deer	125
1112	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023	(19)	31	Antlered whitetail deer	125
1113	Dec 1 - Dec 10, 2023	(19)	31	Antlered whitetail deer	125
1114	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(19,34)	31	Antlered whitetail deer	125
1115	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023	(19,128,129)	32	Antlered whitetail deer	275
1116	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023	(19,128,129)	32	Antlered whitetail deer	325
1117	Dec 1 - Dec 10, 2023	(19,128,129)	32	Antlered whitetail deer	275
1118	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(19,34,128,129)	32	Antlered whitetail deer	50
1119	Oct 20 - Oct 26, 2023	(129)	33	Antlered whitetail deer	150
1120	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023	(129)	33	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1121	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023	(129)	33	Antlered whitetail deer	300
1122	Dec 1 - Dec 10, 2023	(129)	33	Antlered whitetail deer	300
1123	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(34,129)	33	Antlered whitetail deer	65
1124	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023	(20)	34A	Antlered whitetail deer	675
1125	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023	(20)	34A	Antlered whitetail deer	675
1126	Dec 1 - Dec 10, 2023	(20)	34A	Antlered whitetail deer	600
1127	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(20,34)	34A	Antlered whitetail deer	100
1128	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023	(129)	34B	Antlered whitetail deer	150

Big Game – Deer

Deer: Commission Order 2 (continued)

GENERAL DEER

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1129	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023	(129)	34B	Antlered whitetail deer	125
1130	Dec 1 - Dec 10, 2023	(129)	34B	Antlered whitetail deer	125
1131	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(34,129)	34B	Antlered whitetail deer	25
1132	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023	(136)	35A (excluding Fort Huachuca)	Antlered whitetail deer	375
1133	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023	(136)	35A (excluding Fort Huachuca)	Antlered whitetail deer	375
1134	Dec 1 - Dec 10, 2023	(136)	35A (excluding Fort Huachuca)	Antlered whitetail deer	350
1135	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(34,136)	35A (excluding Fort Huachuca)	Antlered whitetail deer	65
1136	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023		35B	Antlered whitetail deer	425
1137	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023		35B	Antlered whitetail deer	400
1138	Dec 1 - Dec 10, 2023		35B	Antlered whitetail deer	350
1139	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(34)	35B	Antlered whitetail deer	65
1140	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023	(2,129)	36A	Antlered whitetail deer	400
1141	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023	(2,129)	36A	Antlered whitetail deer	425
1142	Dec 1 - Dec 10, 2023	(2,129)	36A	Antlered whitetail deer	400
1143	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(2,34,129)	36A	Antlered whitetail deer	75
1144	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023	(2,21,129)	36B	Antlered whitetail deer	775
1145	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023	(2,21,129)	36B	Antlered whitetail deer	750
1146	Dec 1 - Dec 10, 2023	(2,21,129)	36B	Antlered whitetail deer	750
1147	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(2,21,34,129)	36B	Antlered whitetail deer	115
1148	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023	(2,22,129)	36C	Antlered whitetail deer	175
1149	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023	(2,22,129)	36C	Antlered whitetail deer	175
1150	Dec 1 - Dec 10, 2023	(2,22,129)	36C	Antlered whitetail deer	175
1151	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(2,22,34,129)	36C	Antlered whitetail deer	125
----	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023	(30,31,32,35)	Hopi Hunt in Units 4A and 4B	Any antlered deer	11
----	Nov 3 - Nov 12, 2023	(29,30,31,32)	Hopi Hunt in Units 5A and 5B	Any antlered deer	27
----	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(29,30,31,32,34)	Hopi Hunt in Units 5A and 5B	Any antlered deer	1
----	Nov 17 - Nov 26, 2023	(8)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Antlered whitetail deer	100
----	Dec 22 - Dec 31, 2023	(8,34)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Antlered whitetail deer	80
Total					33,745

YOUTH-ONLY (GENERAL) DEER

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1152	Oct 13 - Oct 19, 2023	(10)	6B (excluding Camp Navajo)	Any antlered deer	50
1153	Oct 6 - Oct 15, 2023	(43,44)	10	Any antlered deer	65
1154	Oct 6 - Oct 9, 2023	(1,11,13)	12A West (excluding Grand Canyon National Park)	Antlerless deer	25
1155	Oct 6 - Oct 15, 2023		17B, 19A, 19B and 20A	Any antlered deer	250
1156	Nov 24 - Dec 3, 2023	(42)	18B	Any antlered deer	65
1157	Oct 13 - Oct 19, 2023		20B	Any antlered deer	100
1158	Oct 6 - Oct 15, 2023		20C	Any antlered deer	175
1159	Oct 6 - Oct 12, 2023	(3)	21	Any antlered deer	50
1160	Oct 13 - Oct 19, 2023		22	Any antlered deer	150
1161	Oct 13 - Oct 19, 2023		23	Any antlered deer	150
1162	Oct 13 - Oct 19, 2023		27	Any antlered deer	100
1163	Oct 6 - Oct 15, 2023	(19,33,128,129)	28, 31 and 32	Any antlered deer	100
1164	Oct 6 - Oct 15, 2023	(2,33,128)	29, 30A and 30B	Any antlered deer	150
1165	Oct 13 - Oct 19, 2023	(33,129)	33	Any antlered deer	200
1166	Nov 24 - Nov 30, 2023	(33,129)	33	Any antlered deer	200
1167	Oct 13 - Oct 19, 2023	(20)	34A	Any antlered deer	125
1168	Oct 13 - Oct 19, 2023	(33,136)	35A (excluding Fort Huachuca)	Any antlered deer	75
1169	Oct 13 - Oct 19, 2023	(33)	35B	Any antlered deer	75
1170	Nov 24 - Nov 30, 2023	(2,33,129)	36A	Any antlered deer	200
1171	Nov 24 - Nov 30, 2023	(2,21,33,129)	36B	Any antlered deer	125
1172	Nov 24 - Nov 30, 2023	(2,22,33,129)	36C	Any antlered deer	25
1173	Oct 13 - Oct 19, 2023	(24)	37B	Any antlered deer	100
1174	Nov 24 - Dec 3, 2023		42 (excluding Skyline and White Tank Mountain Regional Parks)	Any antlered deer	75
----	Nov 10 - Nov 26, 2023	(8)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Any antlered deer	20
Total					2,650



Big Game – Deer

Deer: Commission Order 2 (continued)

CHAMP (GENERAL) DEER (CHALLENGED HUNTER ACCESS MOBILITY PERMIT REQUIRED, SEE R12-4-217)

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1175	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023	(45,157)	7 and 9	Any antlered deer	10
1176	Sep 22 - Sep 28, 2023	(11,13)	12A West (excluding Grand Canyon National Park)	Any antlered deer	10
1177	Nov 17 - Nov 23, 2023	(20)	34A	Any antlered deer	10
Total					30

MUZZLELOADER DEER

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.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1178	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023		3B	Any antlered deer	100
1179	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023	(10)	6B (excluding Camp Navajo)	Any antlered deer	200
1180	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023	(11,12)	12A East (excluding Grand Canyon National Park)	Any antlered deer	15
1181	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023	(3,14)	12B West	Any antlered deer	15
1182	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023	(2)	15A, 15B, 15C and 15D	Any antlered deer	100
1183	Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2023	(2)	15A, 15B, 15C and 15D	Any antlered deer	100
1184	Oct 27 - Nov 2, 2023		20B	Any antlered deer	65
1185	Nov 17 - Nov 23, 2023	(20)	34A	Any antlered deer	25
1186	Nov 3 - Nov 9, 2023	(136)	35A (excluding Fort Huachuca) and 35B	Any antlered deer	40
1187	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(34,136)	35A (excluding Fort Huachuca) and 35B	Any antlered deer	10
1188	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(3,6,7,34)	39, 40A, 40B, 41 and 42 (excluding Buckeye Hills, Skyline, Estrella Mountain and White Tank Mountain Regional Parks) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Notes 6 and 7)	Any antlered deer	50
1189	Oct 20 - Oct 26, 2023	(128)	30B	Antlered whitetail deer	15
1190	Nov 17 - Nov 23, 2023	(129)	33	Antlered whitetail deer	300
1191	Oct 13 - Oct 19, 2023	(2,129)	36A	Antlered whitetail deer	75
----	Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2023	(8)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Any antlered deer	10
----	Dec 22 - Dec 31, 2023	(8,34)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Any antlered deer	10
Total					1,130

YOUTH-ONLY (MUZZLELOADER) DEER

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1192	Oct 6 - Oct 15, 2023	(2,33)	15A, 15B, 15C and 15D	Any antlered deer	25
1193	Nov 24 - Dec 3, 2023	(2,33)	16A (except Mohave County Park Lands)	Any antlered deer	20
Total					45

ARCHERY-ONLY HUNT PERMIT-TAG REQUIRED DEER

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1194	Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(4,34)	3A and 3C	Any antlered deer	65
1195	Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(4,10,34)	11M	Any antlered deer	140
1196	Nov 3 - Nov 16, 2023	(1,4,10)	11M	Antlerless deer	50
1197	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(1,4,10,34)	11M	Antlerless deer	25
1198	Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(4,11)	12A (excluding Grand Canyon National Park) and 12B	Any antlered deer	300
1199	Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(3,4,161)	13A	Any antlered deer	10
1200	Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(3,4,161)	13B	Any antlered deer	20
1201	Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023 and Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(4,34)	17A	Any antlered deer	50
1202	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(4,10,34)	11M	Any deer	25
----	Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(4,5,34)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B	Any antlered deer	20
Total					705

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Big Game – Archery Deer Nonpermit-tag First-Come

Archery deer nonpermit-tags will be sold in accordance with R12-4-114.

ARCHERY DEER NONPERMIT-TAG SPECIAL REGULATION:

- Archery deer nonpermit-tags are valid for one calendar year. If you plan to hunt in January, you must purchase another archery deer nonpermit-tag for the new year.
- Hunters are responsible for determining if their desired hunt unit is still open before hunting by checking the status online at www.azgfd.gov/ArcheryDeerReport or by calling 623-236-7961.
- **MANDATORY REPORTING (R12-4-308):** All archery deer nonpermit-tag hunters must report their deer harvest online at www.azgfd.gov/ArcheryDeerReport or by telephone at 623-236-7961 within 48 hours of taking a deer. The report shall include the hunter's name, hunting license number, tag number, species of deer taken, management unit where the deer was taken, and telephone number at which the hunter can be reached to obtain additional information.

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ARCHERY-ONLY NONPERMIT-TAG REQUIRED DEER

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Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Harvest Limit
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(4,34,137)	1	Any antlered deer	35
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(4,34,137)	2A, 2B and 2C	Any antlered deer	5
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(4,34,137)	3B	Any antlered deer	5
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,30,34,35,137)	4A	Any antlered deer	5
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,137)	4B	Any antlered deer	10
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,29,30,32,34,137)	5A and 5B	Any antlered deer	25
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,137)	6A	Antlered mule deer	25
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,137)	6A	Antlered whitetail deer	20
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,10,34,137)	6B (excluding Camp Navajo)	Antlered mule deer	20
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,10,34,137)	6B (excluding Camp Navajo)	Antlered whitetail deer	5
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,137)	7 and 9	Any antlered deer	65
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,137)	8	Antlered mule deer	15
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,137)	8	Antlered whitetail deer	5
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,43,44,137)	10	Any antlered deer	25
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,137)	15A, 15B, 15C and 15D	Any antlered deer	20
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,137)	16A (except Mohave County Park Lands)	Any antlered deer	25
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,137)	17B	Any antlered deer	30
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,42,137)	18A	Any antlered deer	15
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,42,137)	18B	Any antlered deer	25
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,137)	19A	Any antlered deer	45
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,128,137)	19B	Any antlered deer	15
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,137)	20A	Any antlered deer	75
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,18,34,137)	20B	Any antlered deer	30
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,137)	20C	Any antlered deer	45
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(3,4,34,137)	21	Antlered mule deer	25
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(3,4,34,137)	21	Antlered whitetail deer	50
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,88,137)	22	Antlered mule deer	30
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,88,137)	22	Antlered whitetail deer	50
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,88,137)	23	Antlered mule deer	30
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,88,137)	23	Antlered whitetail deer	40
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,137)	24A	Antlered mule deer	5
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,137)	24A	Antlered whitetail deer	50
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,88,137)	24B	Antlered mule deer	15
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,88,137)	24B	Antlered whitetail deer	75
Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023 and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,15,18,34,137)	25M	Any antlered deer	30
Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023 and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,16,17,18,34,137)	26M (excluding Cave Creek Recreation Area) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 16)	Any antlered deer	30
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(4,34,137)	27	Antlered mule deer	55
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,137)	27 and 28	Antlered whitetail deer	50
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,137)	28	Antlered mule deer	50
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,128,137)	29	Antlered mule deer	10
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,128,137)	29	Antlered whitetail deer	75
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(2,4,34,128,137)	30A	Antlered mule deer	50
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(2,4,34,128,137)	30A	Antlered whitetail deer	70
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,128,137)	30B	Antlered mule deer	60
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,128,137)	30B	Antlered whitetail deer	55
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,19,34,137)	31	Antlered mule deer	15
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,19,34,137)	31	Antlered whitetail deer	65



Big Game – Deer

Deer: Commission Order 2 (continued)

ARCHERY-ONLY NONPERMIT-TAG REQUIRED DEER

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Harvest Limit
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,19,34,128,129,137)	32	Antlered mule deer	50
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,19,34,128,129,137)	32	Antlered whitetail deer	110
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,129,137)	33	Antlered mule deer	15
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,129,137)	33	Antlered whitetail deer	140
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,20,34,137)	34A	Antlered whitetail deer	185
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,129,137)	34B	Antlered mule deer	5
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,129,137)	34B	Antlered whitetail deer	35
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,138,137)	35A (excluding Fort Huachuca)	Antlered mule deer	5
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,138,137)	35A (excluding Fort Huachuca)	Antlered whitetail deer	80
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,137)	35B	Antlered mule deer	5
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,34,137)	35B	Antlered whitetail deer	90
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(2,4,34,129,137)	36A	Antlered mule deer	40
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(2,4,34,129,137)	36A	Antlered whitetail deer	140
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(2,4,21,34,129,137)	36B	Antlered mule deer	30
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(2,4,21,34,129,137)	36B	Antlered whitetail deer	230
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(2,4,22,34,129,137)	36C	Antlered mule deer	5
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023, Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023, and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(2,4,22,34,129,137)	36C	Antlered whitetail deer	70
Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023 and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(3,4,22,23,34,129,137)	37A	Any antlered deer	25
Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023 and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,24,34,137)	37B	Any antlered deer	35
Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023 and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,25,34,137)	38M (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 25)	Any antlered deer	25
Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023 and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(3,4,6,18,26,34,137)	39, 40A and 40B (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 6)	Any antlered deer	35
Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023 and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,7,34,137)	41 (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 7)	Any antlered deer	35
Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023 and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,18,34,137)	42	Any antlered deer	20
Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023 and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(2,4,7,27,34,137)	43A, 43B, 44A and 44B (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 7)	Any antlered deer	30
Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(2,4,34,137)	45A, 45B and 45C	Any antlered deer	15
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023 and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,8,34,137)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Antlered mule deer	5
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023 and Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2024	(4,8,34,137)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Antlered whitetail deer	30
Total				3,065

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Hunters: Help Protect Arizona Wildlife with CWD Surveillance

Your assistance is needed to help the Department detect the introduction of CWD. You may call any Department office (see page 3) to **schedule an appointment** to have a sample collected from the head of your recently harvested deer or elk or contact the CWD program at **CWD@azgfd.gov** to obtain a sampling kit and instructions for collecting 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 that 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, a state that has 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. 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.

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

- Do not bring the brain, intact skull, or spinal column 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 with no meat or soft tissue remaining, including velvet;
- Finished taxidermy mounts or products, including treated antlers with velvet; and
- Upper canine teeth (buglers, whistlers, ivories) with no meat or tissue attached.

CWD is present in the neighboring states of Utah, Colorado, and New Mexico, as well as 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.



Big Game – Turkey



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



■ Distribution

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	Any valid hunting or combination license EXCEPT a Short-term Combination Hunt and Fish License (See table on page 9 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 Youth-Only and Archery-Only turkey where 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	Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Hunt: Any shotgun shooting shot as prescribed in R12-4-318 or 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, or crossbow if you possess a crossbow permit as allowed under R12-4-216. Centerfire rifles, muzzleloading rifles and handguns are not legal methods of take.
Bag Limit	One (1) turkey per calendar year except as prescribed in R12-4-120.
To hunt turkey in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a turkey tag. To hunt turkey during a Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot season, you must apply through a draw for a hunt permit-tag. For Archery-Only hunts, you may purchase a nonpermit-tag from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114. For Youth-Only hunts, you may purchase a nonpermit-tag from a Department office or license dealer.	
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 ages 10 through 13 must have satisfactorily completed a Hunter Education Course that is approved by the Director per ARS 17-333.2 (C). 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.	

Turkey: Commission Order 5

LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT TURKEY

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.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
4000	BONUS POINT ONLY — See page 26 (no other hunts may be chosen in conjunction with this one)				
4501	Oct 6 - Oct 12, 2023		1	Any turkey	450
4502	Oct 6 - Oct 12, 2023		3C	Any turkey	175
4503	Oct 6 - Oct 12, 2023		4A and 4B	Any turkey	300
4504	Oct 6 - Oct 12, 2023		5A	Any turkey	100
4505	Oct 6 - Oct 12, 2023	(52)	5B South	Any turkey	225
4506	Oct 6 - Oct 12, 2023		6A	Any turkey	375
4507	Oct 6 - Oct 12, 2023	(10)	6B (excluding Camp Navajo)	Any turkey	250
4508	Oct 6 - Oct 12, 2023	(157)	7	Any turkey	150
4509	Oct 6 - Oct 12, 2023	(44)	8 and 10	Any turkey	250
4510	Oct 6 - Oct 12, 2023	(157)	9	Any turkey	20
4511	Oct 6 - Oct 12, 2023		12A	Any turkey	650
4512	Oct 6 - Oct 12, 2023		23	Any turkey	450
4513	Oct 6 - Oct 12, 2023		27	Any turkey	450
Total					3,845

Big Game – Turkey

Turkey: Commission Order 5 (continued)

ARCHERY-ONLY PERMIT-TAG REQUIRED TURKEY

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.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Merriam's Turkey					
----	Sep 1 - Sep 14, 2023	(4,5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Military)	Any turkey	7
----	Sep 1 - Sep 14, 2023	(4,5)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B (Other)	Any turkey	3
Total					10

YOUTH-ONLY NONPERMIT-TAG REQUIRED (LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT) TURKEY

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 6 - Oct 12, 2023		1, 4A, 4B, 6A, 23 and 27	Any turkey
Oct 6 - Oct 17, 2023		12A	Any turkey

ARCHERY-ONLY NONPERMIT-TAG REQUIRED TURKEY

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(4,10,44, 157)	1, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, 5A, 5B, 6A, 6B (excluding Camp Navajo), 7, 8, 9, 10, 11M, 12A, 23 and 27	Any turkey

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Your hunter questionnaire is important!
Be sure to respond at www.azgfd.gov/huntersurvey



Big Game – Javelina



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



■ Distribution

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	Any valid hunting or combination license EXCEPT a Short-term Combination Hunt and Fish License (See table on page 9 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 Archery-Only javelina where 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 Hunt and Youth-Only Hunt: Any firearm, pre-charged pneumatic weapon, 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, or crossbow if you possess a crossbow permit as prescribed in R12-4-216.
Bag Limit	Two (2) javelina per calendar year (except as prescribed in R12-4-120) with no more than one (1) javelina taken per open area as defined in each hunt number. The bag limit may be filled in any combination of permit-tag (draw tag or first-come left over draw tag as long as differing hunt numbers) or nonpermit-tag (over-the-counter tag) hunts as prescribed in R12-4-114. No more than one (1) permit-tag shall be issued per hunter through the initial draw.

To hunt javelina in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a javelina tag. To hunt javelina in General, Youth-Only, HAM and Archery-Only seasons, you must apply for and obtain a hunt permit-tag through the draw. To hunt javelina in an Archery-Only Nonpermit Tag season, you may purchase a nonpermit-tag from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.

*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 ages 10 through 13 must have satisfactorily completed a Hunter Education Course that is approved by the Director per ARS 17-332 (C). 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.***

Big Game – Javelina

Javelina: Commission Order 6

YOUTH-ONLY (GENERAL) JAVELINA

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.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
5000	BONUS POINT ONLY — See page 26 (no other hunts may be chosen in conjunction with this one)				
5501	Oct 6 - Oct 15, 2023	(43,44)	10	Any javelina	75
5502	Nov 24 - Dec 3, 2023	(2)	16A (except Mohave County Park Lands)	Any javelina	30
5503	Oct 6 - Oct 15, 2023		17B, 19A, 19B and 20A	Any javelina	200
5504	Nov 24 - Dec 3, 2023	(42)	18B	Any javelina	100
5505	Oct 13 - Oct 19, 2023		20B	Any javelina	95
5506	Nov 24 - Nov 30, 2023	(2,19,84,128,129)	28, 29, 30A, 30B, 31 and 32	Any javelina	100
5507	Nov 24 - Nov 30, 2023	(129)	33	Any javelina	75
5508	Oct 13 - Oct 19, 2023	(20,129,136)	34A, 34B, 35A (excluding Fort Huachuca) and 35B	Any javelina	50
5509	Nov 24 - Nov 30, 2023	(20,129,136)	34A, 34B, 35A (excluding Fort Huachuca) and 35B	Any javelina	50
5510	Oct 13 - Oct 19, 2023	(3,22,23,24,129)	37A and 37B	Any javelina	100
5511	Nov 24 - Nov 30, 2023	(3,22,23,24,129)	37A and 37B	Any javelina	100
Total					975

GENERAL NONPERMIT-TAG REQUIRED JAVELINA

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(2,6,7,27,87)	39, 40B (excluding Pima County), 41, 43A and 43B (excluding National Wildlife Refuges) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Notes 6 and 7)	Any javelina

ARCHERY-ONLY NONPERMIT-TAG REQUIRED JAVELINA

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(4,29,30,32,85)	1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, 5A, 5B, 6A North, 7, 9 and 11M	Any javelina

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Big Game – Bighorn Sheep



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



■ Distribution

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	Any valid hunting or combination license EXCEPT a Short-term Combination Hunt and Fish License (See table on page 9 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 or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.
Legal Animal Definition	Ram means any male bighorn sheep, excluding male lambs.
Bag Limit	One (1) desert bighorn sheep in a lifetime except as prescribed in R12-4-120. One (1) Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep in a lifetime except as prescribed in R12-4-120.

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

Bighorn Sheep: Commission Order 7

GENERAL BIGHORN SHEEP

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.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
6000	BONUS POINT ONLY — See page 26 (no other hunts may be chosen in conjunction with this one)				
Desert Bighorn Sheep					
6001	Oct 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(43,90,96)	9 and 10	Any ram	1
6002	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(3,90,96,98,109,110)	Kanab Creek Hunt Area in Units 12A, 12B and 13A and Cottonwood Wilderness Hunt Area in Unit 13A	Any ram	1
6003	Nov 10 - Nov 30, 2023	(3,90,94,97,111)	12B East	Any ram	3
6004	Nov 24 - Dec 14, 2023	(3,90,94,97,111)	12B East	Any ram	3
6005	Dec 8 - Dec 31, 2023	(3,90,94,97,111)	12B East	Any ram	3
6006	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(3,82,90,97)	13B North	Any ram	3
6007	Nov 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(3,83,90,96,98)	13B South	Any ram	1
6008	Nov 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,96,105)	15A and 15B East (east of Temple Bar Road)	Any ram	1
6009	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,96,97,105)	15B West (west of Temple Bar Road)	Any ram	2
6010	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,96,97,105)	15C North (north of Cottonwood Road)	Any ram	2
6011	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,96,105)	15C South (south of Cottonwood Road)	Any ram	1
6012	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(2,90,91,97,105)	15D	Any ram	4
6013	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(2,90,91,97)	16A (excluding that portion of 16A south and east of the Big Sandy River and Mohave County Park Lands)	Any ram	2
6014	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,97)	16A South (that portion of 16A south and east of the Big Sandy River) and 18B	Any ram	2
6015	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,97,101)	Desert Hunt Area in Unit 22	Any ram	2
6017	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,97)	24B North (north and west of AZ Hwy 88)	Any ram	2
6018	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,97)	24B South (south and east of AZ Hwy 88)	Any ram	2
6019	Nov 17 - Dec 7, 2023	(90,97)	28 (south of U.S. Hwy 70)	Any ram	2
6020	Dec 8 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,97)	28 (south of U.S. Hwy 70)	Any ram	2
6021	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(19,90,97,106,129)	31 and 32	Any ram	3
6022	Nov 10 - Nov 30, 2023	(3,22,23,90,97,111,129)	37A (west of Interstate 10)	Any ram	2
6023	Nov 24 - Dec 14, 2023	(3,22,23,90,97,111,129)	37A (west of Interstate 10)	Any ram	2
6024	Dec 8 - Dec 31, 2023	(3,22,23,90,97,111,129)	37A (west of Interstate 10)	Any ram	2
6025	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(90)	37B	Any ram	1

Big Game – Bighorn Sheep



Bighorn Sheep: Commission Order 7 (continued)

GENERAL BIGHORN SHEEP

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.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
6026	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(3,90,97)	39 (east of Old AZ Hwy 80) (excluding Buckeye Hills and Estrella Mountain Regional Parks)	Any ram	2
6027	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(3,26,90,97)	39 (west of Old AZ Hwy 80)	Any ram	3
6028	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(3,90,92,93)	40A (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 93)	Any ram	1
6029	Nov 17 - Dec 7, 2023	(90,92,93,97)	40B Gila Mtns (north of Cipriano Pass) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 93)	Any ram	3
6030	Dec 8 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,92,93,97)	40B Gila Mtns (north of Cipriano Pass) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 93)	Any ram	3
6031	Nov 17 - Dec 7, 2023	(90,92,93,97)	40B Mohawk and Copper Mtns (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 93)	Any ram	2
6032	Dec 8 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,92,93,97)	40B Mohawk and Copper Mtns (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 93)	Any ram	2
6033	Nov 17 - Dec 7, 2023	(90,92,93,97)	40B Tinajas Altas Mtns (south of Cipriano Pass) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 93)	Any ram	2
6034	Dec 8 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,92,93,97)	40B Tinajas Altas Mtns (south of Cipriano Pass) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 93)	Any ram	2
6035	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,97)	41 East (east of the Dateland-Palomas-Harquahala Rd [Clanton Hills Rd] and that portion north of the El Paso Gas pipeline and east of the AT&T Frontage Rd)	Any ram	3
6036	Nov 17 - Dec 7, 2023	(7,90,97)	41 West (west of the Dateland-Palomas-Harquahala Rd [Clanton Hills Rd] and that portion north of the El Paso Gas pipeline and west of the AT&T Frontage Rd) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 7)	Any ram	3
6037	Dec 8 - Dec 31, 2023	(7,90,97)	41 West (west of the Dateland-Palomas-Harquahala Rd [Clanton Hills Rd] and that portion north of the El Paso Gas pipeline and west of the AT&T Frontage Rd) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 7)	Any ram	3
6038	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,97)	42 and 44A (south of U.S. Hwy 60)	Any ram	2
6039	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(7,27,90,91,97)	43A (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 7)	Any ram	2
6040	Nov 17 - Dec 7, 2023	(7,90,91,97)	43B (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 7)	Any ram	4
6041	Dec 8 - Dec 31, 2023	(7,90,91,97)	43B (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 7)	Any ram	4
6042	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,97)	44A East (Granite Wash Mtns, Harcuvar Mtns, and Black Mtns north of U.S. Hwy 60)	Any ram	2
6043	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(27,90,97)	44B (north of I-10)	Any ram	2
6044	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(27,90,91,97)	44B (south of I-10 and that portion of Units 45A and 45B north of the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline - Kofa National Wildlife Refuge)	Any ram	4
The following hunts are extremely challenging areas with difficult access. Be prepared for backcountry camping and extensive strenuous hiking. There is little to no vehicular access to much of the bighorn sheep habitat within these hunts.					
6016	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,97,99)	Superstition Wilderness Hunt Area in Unit 24B	Any ram	3
6045	Nov 17 - Dec 7, 2023	(90,91,97)	45A (south of the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline - Kofa National Wildlife Refuge)	Any ram	4
6046	Dec 8 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,91,97)	45A (south of the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline - Kofa National Wildlife Refuge)	Any ram	4
6047	Nov 17 - Dec 7, 2023	(90,91,97)	45B (south of the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline - Kofa National Wildlife Refuge)	Any ram	3
6048	Dec 8 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,91,97)	45B (south of the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline - Kofa National Wildlife Refuge)	Any ram	2
6049	Nov 17 - Dec 7, 2023	(90,91,97)	45C (Kofa National Wildlife Refuge)	Any ram	5
6050	Dec 8 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,91,97)	45C (Kofa National Wildlife Refuge)	Any ram	4
6051	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,91,92,93)	46A East (Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge) (east of Growler Wash) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 93)	Any ram	1
6052	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,91,92,93,103)	46A West (Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge) (west of Growler Wash) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 93)	Any ram	1
6053	Nov 17 - Dec 7, 2023	(90,91,92,93,97, 103)	46B East (Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge) (that portion of 46B east of Mohawk Wash, about centerline of the Tule Desert and including the Pinacate Lava Flow) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 93)	Any ram	2
6054	Dec 8 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,91,92,93,97, 103)	46B East (Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge) (that portion of 46B east of Mohawk Wash, about centerline of the Tule Desert and including the Pinacate Lava Flow) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 93)	Any ram	2
6055	Nov 17 - Dec 7, 2023	(90,91,92,93,97, 103)	46B West (Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge) (that portion of 46B west of Mohawk Wash, about centerline of the Tule Desert and including the Pinacate Lava Flow) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 93)	Any ram	4
6056	Dec 8 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,91,92,93,97, 103)	46B West (Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge) (that portion of 46B west of Mohawk Wash, about centerline of the Tule Desert and including the Pinacate Lava Flow) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 93)	Any ram	4
Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep					
6501	Nov 1 - Nov 30, 2023	(90,97,102)	Black River Hunt Area in Units 1 and 27	Any ram	2
6502	Oct 1 - Oct 31, 2023	(90,112)	South Fork Hunt Area in Units 1 and 2B	Any ram	1
6503	Nov 1 - Nov 30, 2023	(90,112)	South Fork Hunt Area in Units 1 and 2B	Any ram	1
6504	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,97)	6A	Any ram	3
6505	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,97,100)	Rocky Mountain Hunt Area in Unit 22	Any ram	3
6506	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,97)	23 and 24A	Any ram	2
6507	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,95,96)	Upper Blue River Hunt Area in Unit 27	Any ram	1
6508	Nov 24 - Dec 14, 2023	(90,97)	27 (south of FR 217 and west of U.S. Hwy 191) and 28 (north of U.S. Hwy 70)	Any ram	3
6509	Dec 15 - Dec 31, 2023	(90,97)	27 (south of FR 217 and west of U.S. Hwy 191) and 28 (north of U.S. Hwy 70)	Any ram	3
Total					156

Big Game – Bison



For further information on bison, 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 table on page 9 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	Bow and arrow, crossbow, centerfire handguns, centerfire rifles, muzzleloading rifles, or all other rifles using black powder as prescribed in R12-4-304. Note that bow and arrow, crossbow, or centerfire handguns may NOT be used when hunting the Raymond Wildlife Herd*. *Rules are subject to change, and it is incumbent on a hunter to make sure of the current rule when their hunt occurs.
Bag Limit	One (1) bison in a lifetime, except as prescribed in R12-4-120.
<i>To hunt bison in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a bison tag. To hunt bison in any season, you must apply for and obtain a hunt permit-tag through the draw.</i>	
<i>Bison meat taken under this Order may be sold as prescribed in R12-4-305. SEE BISON HUNT REGULATIONS UNDER R12-4-306. See page 105.</i>	
KAIBAB PLATEAU BISON HUNT SPECIAL NOTE: A significant portion of the original House Rock herd has moved to the Grand Canyon National Park where hunting is not allowed. Hunters are advised that their ability to successfully harvest a bison may be significantly impacted. As with any hunt, circumstances beyond the control of the Arizona Game and Fish Department may prevent the permit holder from being successful. The Arizona Game and Fish Department and Commission disclaims any responsibility to reissue or replace a permit, to reinstate bonus points, to refund any fees, or to provide any other form of relief.	

ATTENTION: Bison hunters are strongly encouraged to review bison hunting information at www.azgfd.gov/bisonhunt and to watch the recorded bison hunting webinars.

Big Game – Bison

Bison: Commission Order 8

GENERAL BISON

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
7000	BONUS POINT ONLY — See page 26 (no other hunts may be chosen in conjunction with this one)				
7501	Nov 17 - Nov 21, 2023	(29,30,32,113,114,115)	5A and 5B (Raymond Herd)	Designated cow bison	2
7502	Dec 1 - Dec 5, 2023	(29,30,32,113,114,115)	5A and 5B (Raymond Herd)	Designated cow bison	2
7503	Dec 8 - Dec 12, 2023	(29,30,32,113,114,115)	5A and 5B (Raymond Herd)	Designated cow bison	2
7504	Nov 17 - Nov 21, 2023	(113,114,115,116)	House Rock Wildlife Area only (House Rock Herd) in Unit 12A East	Designated cow bison	3
7505	Dec 1 - Dec 5, 2023	(113,114,115,116)	House Rock Wildlife Area only (House Rock Herd) in Unit 12A East	Designated cow bison	3
7506	Dec 15 - Dec 19, 2023	(29,30,32,113,114,115)	5A and 5B (Raymond Herd)	Designated yearling bison	2
Total					14

LIMITED OPPORTUNITY (GENERAL) BISON

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
7507	Sep 15 - Oct 4, 2023	(3,114,115,116,160)	12A (excluding the closed northeast portion of House Rock Wildlife Area - see note), 12B and 13A (Kaibab Plateau Herd)	Cow bison only	10
7508	Oct 20 - Nov 2, 2023	(3,114,115,116,160)	12A (excluding the closed northeast portion of House Rock Wildlife Area - see note), 12B and 13A (Kaibab Plateau Herd)	Cow bison only	5
7509	Nov 10 - Dec 31, 2023	(3,114,115,116,160)	12A (excluding the closed northeast portion of House Rock Wildlife Area - see note), 12B and 13A (Kaibab Plateau Herd)	Cow bison only	5
Total					20

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Big Game – Bear



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



■ Distribution

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	Any valid hunting or combination license except a Short-term Combination Hunt and Fish License (See table on page 9 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Tag Required	Nonpermit-tag obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any firearm, pre-charged pneumatic weapon, crossbow, or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. Archery Hunt: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, or crossbow if you possess a crossbow permit as prescribed in R12-4-216.
Bag Limit	One (1) bear per calendar year, except as prescribed in R12-4-120.

To hunt bear in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a bear tag. To hunt bear in any season, except spring bear seasons, you must obtain a nonpermit-tag from a license dealer.

BEAR SPECIAL REGULATIONS:

- Hunters are responsible for determining if their desired hunt unit is still open before hunting by checking the status online at www.azgfd.gov/bearhunting or calling 1-800-970-BEAR (2327).
- MANDATORY REPORTING (R12-4-308):** All hunters must report their bear harvest online at www.azgfd.gov/bearhunting, by telephone at 1-800-970-BEAR (2327), or in person within 48 hours of taking a bear. The report shall include the hunter's name, hunting license number, tag number, sex of the bear taken, management unit where the bear 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, the hunter (or their designee) shall present the bear's skull and hide with attached proof of sex, accessible and identifiable, 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 bear. 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.
- In accordance with R12-4-305(H), an individual may retain the carcass of a bear taken under ARS 17-302 when the season is closed.

Bear: Commission Order 9

GENERAL BEAR

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Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Fem Harv Limit
Aug 11 - Aug 24, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	1, 2A, 2B and 2C	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	6
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	1, 2A, 2B and 2C	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	3
Aug 11 - Aug 24, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	3B	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	1
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	3B	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	2
Nov 10 - Dec 31, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	3C	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	2
Nov 10 - Dec 31, 2023	(29,30,32,117,118,133,135)	4A and 5A	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	4
Aug 11 - Aug 24, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	4B	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	1
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	4B	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	2
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(29,30,32,117,118,133,135)	5B	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	2
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	6A	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	1
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	6A	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	5
Aug 11 - Aug 24, 2023	(10,117,118,133,135)	6B (excluding Camp Navajo)	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	3

Big Game – Bear

Bear: Commission Order 9 (continued)

GENERAL BEAR

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Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Fem Harv Limit
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(10,117,118,133,135)	6B (excluding Camp Navajo)	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	1
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	7	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	2
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	8	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	5
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	9	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	2
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(43,44,117,118,133,135)	10, 18A and 19B	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	2
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(2,117,118,133,135)	16A (except Mohave County Park Lands)	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	1
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	17A, 17B, 18B, 20A, 20B, and 20C	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	2
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	17A, 17B, 18B, 20A, 20B, and 20C	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	6
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	19A	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	4
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(3,117,118,133,135)	21	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	4
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(55,88,117,118,133,135)	22 North	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	3
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(56,117,118,133,135)	22 South	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	2
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(56,88,117,118,133,135)	22 South	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	1
Nov 3 - Dec 31, 2023	(57,88,117,118,133,135)	23 North	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	4
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(58,117,118,133,135)	23 South	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	3
Nov 3 - Dec 31, 2023	(58,88,117,118,133,135)	23 South	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	4
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	24A	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	2
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	24A	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	2
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(88,117,118,133,135)	24B	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	1
Oct 6 - Nov 2, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	27	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	12
Nov 3 - Dec 31, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	27	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	5
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	28	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	1
Oct 6 - Nov 9, 2023	(2,117,118,119,133,135)	29 and 30A	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	3
Nov 10 - Dec 31, 2023	(2,117,118,119,133,135)	29 and 30A	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	1
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(117,118,128,133,135)	30B	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	1
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(19,117,118,133,135)	31	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	3
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(19,117,118,129,133,135)	32	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	2
Oct 6 - Dec 31, 2023	(117,118,129,133,135)	33	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	2
Total				113

ARCHERY-ONLY BEAR

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Fem Harv Limit
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	1, 2A, 2B and 2C	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	2
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	3B	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	1
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	3C	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	2
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	4B	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	1
Aug 25 - Oct 5, 2023	(10,117,118,133,135)	6B (excluding Camp Navajo) and 11M	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	1
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	19A	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	1
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(55,117,118,133,135)	22 North	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	1
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(57,117,118,133,135)	23 North	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	1
Aug 25 - Sep 14, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	27	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	5
Aug 25 - Oct 5, 2023	(2,117,118,119,133,135)	29 and 30A	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	2
Aug 25 - Oct 5, 2023	(19,117,118,129,133,135)	32	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	1
Aug 25 - Oct 5, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	34A	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	3
Aug 25 - Oct 5, 2023	(117,118,133,135)	35A (excluding Fort Huachuca) and 35B	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	3
Aug 25 - Oct 5, 2023	(8,117,118,133,135)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Any bear except cubs and sows with cubs	2
Total				26

2023 BEAR ANNUAL FEMALE HARVEST LIMITS (REFER TO NOTE 118)

Unit	Limit	Unit	Limit	Unit	Limit	Unit	Limit
1, 2A, 2B, 2C	13	7	3	21	8	28	2
3B	6	8	7	22N	11	29, 30A	10
3C	6	9	2	22S	6	30B	2
4A, 5A	8	10, 18A, 19B	3	23N	17	31	9
4B	6	16A	2	23S	15	32	6
5B	5	17A, 17B, 18B, 20A, 20B, 20C	14	24A	9	33	7
6A	8	19A	8	24B	2	34A	8
6B, 11M	6			27	30	35A, 35B, FTHU	13

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Big Game – Mountain Lion



For further information on mountain lions, 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 table on page 9 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Tag Required	A hunt nonpermit-tag must be obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114. To participate in the Pursuit-Only Season, you must possess a valid mountain lion pursuit-only permit or a valid, unused mountain lion nonpermit-tag.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any firearm, pre-charged pneumatic weapon, 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, or crossbow if you possess a crossbow permit as prescribed under R12-4-216. Pursuit-Only Season: A person may use dogs to pursue, but shall not kill or capture a mountain lion, pursuant to R12-4-318.
Bag Limit	One (1) mountain lion per calendar year statewide.
To hunt mountain lion in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a mountain lion tag. To hunt mountain lion in any season, you must obtain a hunt nonpermit-tag from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.	
MOUNTAIN LION SPECIAL REGULATIONS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hunters are responsible for determining if their desired hunt unit is still open before hunting by checking the status online at www.azgfd.gov/lionhunting or calling 1-877-438-0447. MANDATORY REPORTING (R12-4-308): All hunters must report their lion harvest online at www.azgfd.gov/lionhunting, by telephone at 1-877-438-0447, or in person within 48 hours of taking a mountain lion. The report shall include the hunter's name, hunting license number, tag number, sex of the mountain lion taken, management unit where the mountain lion 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 mountain lion, the hunter (or their designee) shall present the mountain lion's skull and hide with attached proof of sex, accessible and identifiable, 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 and a test measurement will be taken from the mountain lion. 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. The harvest threshold for each zone is a total harvest threshold. There is not a specific annual female harvest threshold. The percent of total and adult females in the annual harvest by management zone will be monitored to determine if harvest thresholds should be adjusted. If the 3-year average adult female harvest comprises greater than 25% of the total harvest for a management zone, the harvest threshold may be reduced for that management zone. The 3-year average will be evaluated annually. Additionally, the proportion of all females in the harvest, total management zone harvest, and trend in annual population estimates parameters will be monitored and used to guide harvest thresholds. In accordance with R12-4-305(H), an individual may retain the carcass of a mountain lion taken under ARS 17-302 when the season is closed by attaching their mountain lion nonpermit-tag and following the harvest check in procedures 	
MOUNTAIN LION SPECIAL NOTE: Hunters may encounter mountain lions wearing radio collars across the state. The collared mountain lions are part of several ongoing research projects. If you harvest a collared mountain lion, and it is OK to do so, please return the collar, as well as any other marking device, such as an ear tag, to a Department office or officer when doing the required physical check-in of the carcass parts.	

Big Game – Mountain Lion



Mountain Lion: Commission Order 10

GENERAL (DAYLIGHT SHOOTING HOURS) MOUNTAIN LION

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 25, 2023 - May 31, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,18,19,21,22,23,24, 26,27,29,30,32,43,44,86,120, 122,129,135)	Statewide (including Buenos Aires and Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuges; excluding all other National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M)	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens

ARCHERY-ONLY MOUNTAIN LION

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 25, 2023 - May 31, 2024	(3,4,10,15,16,17,18,120,135)	11M, 25M, 26M and 38M (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 18)	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens

PURSUIT-ONLY MOUNTAIN LION

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.

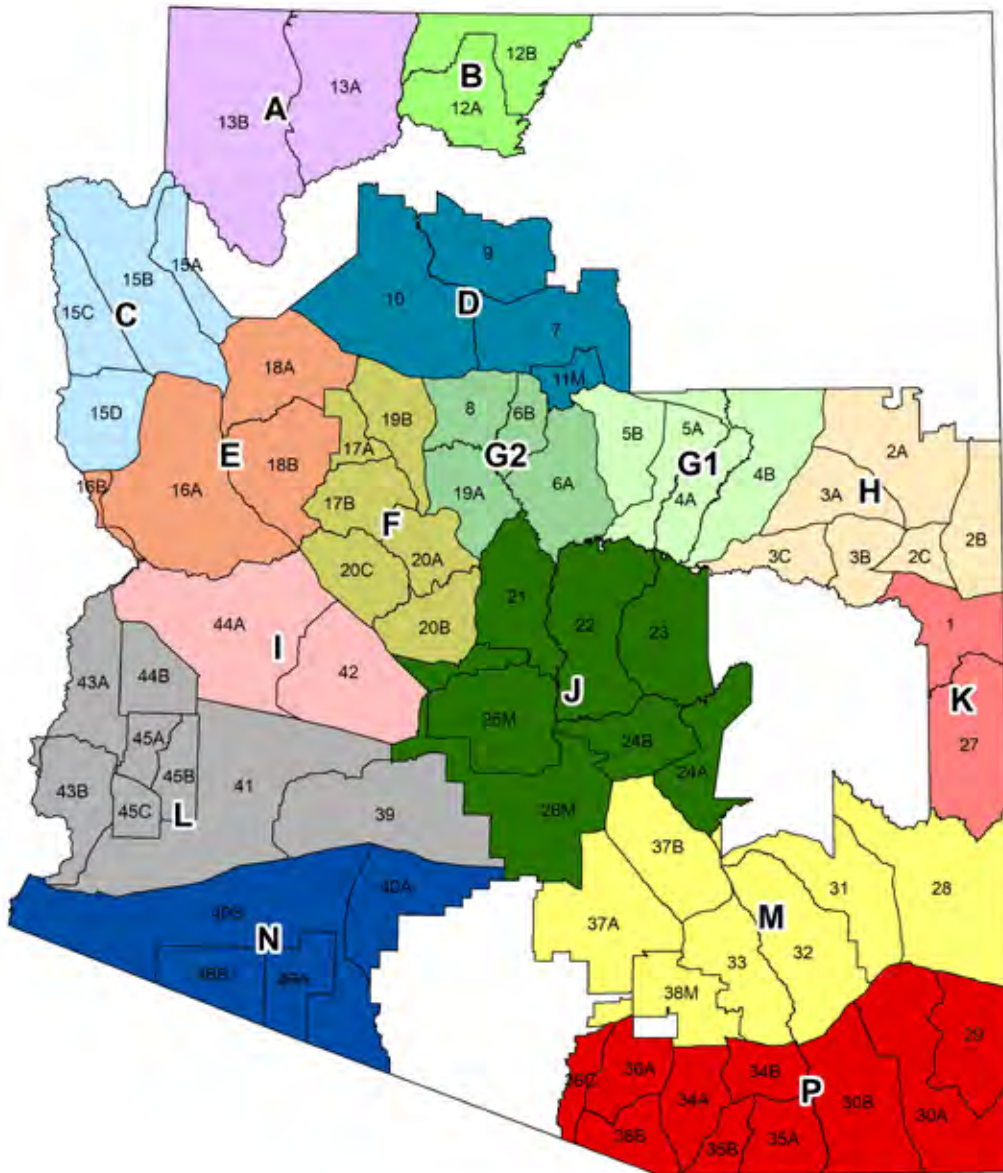
Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 25, 2023 - May 31, 2024	(18,120,121,135)	Statewide (excluding all National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M)	Pursuit of any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens

MOUNTAIN LION ANNUAL HARVEST LIMITS (SEE MAP ON PAGE 50)

Zone	Harvest Threshold Aug. 25, 2023 to May 31, 2024	Zone	Harvest Threshold Aug. 25, 2023 to May 31, 2024
A (Units 13A/13B)	12	I (Units 42/44A)	5
B (Units 12A/12B)	18	J (Units 21/22/23/24A/24B/25M/26M)	54
C (Units 15A/15B/15C/15D)	4	K (Units 1/27)	25
D (Units 7/9/10/11M)	18	L (Units 39/41/43A/43B/44B/45A/45B/45C)	3
E (Units 16A/16B/18A/18B)	19	M (28/31/32/33/37A/37B/38M)	52
F (Units 17A/17B/19B/20A/20B/20C)	35	N (Units 40A/40B/46A/46B)	4
G1 (Units 4A/4B/5A/5B)	16	N (Units 40A/40B/46A/46B) — Female Harvest Threshold	1
G2 (Units 6A/6B/8/19A)	16	P (Units 29/30A/30B/34A/34B/35A/35B/36A/36B/36C)	60
H (Units 2A/2B/2C/3A/3B/3C)	7		

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Big Game – Mountain Lion Management Zones



Jaguars: Attention Mountain Lion Hunters

Jaguars are listed as endangered in the U.S. under the Endangered Species Act. If, when using dogs to tree mountain lions, a jaguar is inadvertently chased and/or treed by dogs, the dogs must be called off the trail upon realization that a jaguar is being chased. Please report any jaguar sighting as soon as possible by calling 623-236-7201.

Jaguar tracks are similar to mountain lion tracks, but a key distinction is that jaguars have rounded toes and heel pads compared with a mountain lion's tear-drop shaped toes and a three lobed heel pad. The front feet of the jaguar are larger than the hind feet (both pads and toes) and tend to be wider than mountain lion feet (measuring up to 6 inches). There is overlap in size between the two species however, therefore the tracks are often difficult to distinguish. Scats are also similar.

The Arizona Houndsmen have offered a reward of up to \$5,000 to any individual who provides information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person who intentionally kills a jaguar. If you believe that you have witnessed a violation, please notify Arizona Game and Fish Department (Operation Game Thief) at 800-352-0700.





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 (page 96).
- 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 species of

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

- You may designate multiple 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 timeframe 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 on page 96)

Hunter Pool Application

One Application – Separate Fee Per Species

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

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

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?

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 – Companion Tags

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS	
License Required	Any valid hunting or combination license EXCEPT a Short-term Combination Hunt and Fish License (See table on page 9 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Tag Required	Refer to page 51.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any firearm, pre-charged pneumatic weapon, 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, or crossbow if you possess a crossbow permit as allowed under R12-4-216. 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.
Bag Limit	Refer to individual species annual bag limits. Annual bag limits apply to all population management hunts.
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.
Special Note: LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license plus restricted nonpermit-tag for legal wildlife. Successful applicants for Population Management Hunts may not exceed the bag limit except as prescribed in R12-4-120.	

Population Management Seasons – Companion Tags: Commission Order 26

JAVELINA YOUTH-ONLY (GENERAL) POPULATION MANAGEMENT SEASONS — COMPANION TAGS

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Oct 13 - Oct 19, 2023	(33,129)	33	Any javelina	200
Nov 24 - Nov 30, 2023	(33,129)	33	Any javelina	200
Oct 13 - Oct 19, 2023	(33,136)	35A (excluding Fort Huachuca)	Any javelina	75
Oct 13 - Oct 19, 2023	(33)	35B	Any javelina	75
Nov 24 - Nov 30, 2023	(2,33,129)	36A	Any javelina	200
Nov 24 - Nov 30, 2023	(2,21,33,129)	36B	Any javelina	125
Nov 24 - Nov 30, 2023	(2,22,33,129)	36C	Any javelina	25
Total				900

JAVELINA YOUTH-ONLY (MUZZLELOADER) POPULATION MANAGEMENT SEASONS — COMPANION TAGS

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Oct 6 - Oct 15, 2023	(2,33)	15A, 15B, 15C and 15D	Any javelina	25
Nov 24 - Dec 3, 2023	(2,33)	16A (except Mohave County Park Lands)	Any javelina	20
Total				45

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Small Game – Tree Squirrel



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



LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	For hunters under age 10, you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. For hunters 10 years and older, any valid hunting or combination license (See table on page 9 for Resident and Non-resident license fees). To hunt in a Falconry-Only season, a Sport Falconry License is required as prescribed in R12-4-422 or R12-4-407.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any lawful method as described in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304. Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Hunt: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-304, R12-4-318 and R12-4-422. Archery-Only Hunt: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, or crossbow if you possess a crossbow permit as prescribed in R12-4-216. Falconry-Only Hunt: Falconry as defined in R12-4-101 and as prescribed in R12-4-318.
Bag Limit	Five (5) tree squirrels per day.
Possession Limit	Fifteen (15) tree squirrels of which no more than five (5) may be taken in any one day.
<i>To hunt tree squirrel in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license.</i>	
<i>Tree squirrels hunters are reminded that A.R.S. 17-309 requires wildlife in possession be identifiable as to species.</i>	

Tree Squirrel: Commission Order 11

GENERAL TREE SQUIRREL

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 29, 2023 - Jan 31, 2024	(3, 5, 10, 29, 30, 32, 129)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Unit 11M)	Any tree squirrel except the Mount Graham red squirrel
Jul 1, 2023 - Jun 30, 2024		31	Tassel-eared tree squirrel
Sep 1, 2023- May 31, 2024	(129)	33	Tassel-eared tree squirrel

LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT TREE SQUIRREL

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 29, 2023 - Jan 31, 2024	(10)	11M	Any tree squirrel

ARCHERY-ONLY TREE SQUIRREL

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 18 - Sep 28, 2023	(3, 5, 10, 29, 30, 32, 129)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Refuges and Units 12A, 12B, 13A, and 13B)	Any tree squirrel except the Mount Graham red squirrel
Aug 18 - Sep 7, 2023	(3)	12A, 12B, 13A, and 13B	Any tree squirrel



Small Game – Tree Squirrel

Tree Squirrel: Commission Order 11 (continued)

FALCONRY-ONLY TREE SQUIRREL

Open Areas include areas closed to hunting by R12-4-321 but do not include areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-801, R12-4-802, and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 18, 2023 - Jan 31, 2024	(3,5)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 31 and 33)	Any tree squirrel

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How to identify a Mount Graham red squirrel

The Mount Graham red squirrel is a subspecies that can only be found in the upper elevation conifer forests of the Pinaleno Mountains. The subspecies was thought to have been extinct in the 1950s, but was rediscovered decades later and granted protection under the Endangered Species Act in 1987.

The Mount Graham red squirrel is a grayish-brown tree squirrel, tinged with shades of rust or yellow along the back. In summer, a dark lateral line separates the light-colored underparts from the grayer or browner sides. Red squirrel ears are slightly tufted in the winter and the tail is bushy. On average, adult red squirrels are

about 13 inches in total length, including a tail that's 5-6 inches long, and they weigh about 8 ounces.

In contrast, tassel-eared squirrels (Abert's) on Mount Graham are distinguished from red squirrels by their larger size, with adults usually 18-23 inches in total length and weighing an average of 22 ounces. Abert's squirrels are gray to black in color, with pale underparts and a rufous patch on the lower back. They are most readily recognized by their prominent winter-tufted ears and long (9-11 inches) bushy tails with gray above and white fur below.



Mount Graham red squirrel



Abert's (tassel-eared) squirrel

Small Game – Cottontail Rabbit



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



LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	For hunters under age 10, you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. For hunters 10 years and older, any valid hunting or combination license (See table on page 9 for Resident and Non-resident license fees). To hunt in a Falconry-Only season, a Sport Falconry License is required as prescribed in R12-4-422 or R12-4-407.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any lawful method as described in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304. The use of rifled firearms is prohibited in the Bill Williams River and San Bernardino National Wildlife Refuges. Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Hunt: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-304, R12-4-318 and R12-4-422. Falconry-Only Hunt: Falconry as defined in R12-4-101 and as prescribed in R12-4-318.
Bag Limit	Five (5) cottontail rabbits per day.
Possession Limit	Fifteen (15) cottontail rabbits of which no more than five (5) may be taken in any one day.
<i>To hunt cottontail rabbits in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license.</i>	
<i>Cottontail Rabbit hunters are reminded that A.R.S. 17-309 requires wildlife in possession be identifiable as to species.</i>	

Cottontail Rabbit: Commission Order 12

GENERAL COTTONTAIL RABBIT

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2023 - Jun 30, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,18,21,22,23,24,25,26,27,29,30,32,86,129,148)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M)	Any cottontail rabbit
Jul 1, 2023 - Jun 30, 2024	(123)	Buenos Aires and Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuges	Any cottontail rabbit
Sep 1, 2023 - Feb 11, 2024	(123)	Cibola, Havasu, and Imperial National Wildlife Refuges	Any cottontail rabbit
Oct 13, 2023 - Feb 11, 2024	(123)	Kofa National Wildlife Refuge	Any cottontail rabbit
Aug 25, 2023 - Feb 29, 2024	(123,146)	Leslie Canyon National Wildlife Refuge	Any cottontail rabbit

LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT COTTONTAIL RABBIT

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2023 - Jun 30, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,15,16,17,18,21,22,23,24,25,27,29,30,32,86,129,148)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Any cottontail rabbit
Sep 1, 2023 - Feb 11, 2024	(123)	San Bernardino National Wildlife Refuge	Any cottontail rabbit
Sep 1, 2023 - Feb 11, 2024	(123)	Bill Williams River National Wildlife Refuges	Any cottontail rabbit

FALCONRY-ONLY COTTONTAIL RABBIT

Open Areas include areas closed to hunting by R12-4-321 but do not include areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-801, R12-4-802, and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2023 - Jun 30, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,15,16,17,22,24,29,30,32,129,148)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Any cottontail rabbit

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Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals



For further information on predatory and fur-bearing mammals, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit www.azgfd.gov.



LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	For hunters under age 10 , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. For hunters 10 years and older, any valid hunting or combination license (See table on page 9 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any lawful method as described in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304. Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Hunt: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318. Pursuit Only Hunt: An individual participating in a "pursuit-only" season may use dogs to pursue raccoons but shall not kill or capture the quarry as prescribed in R12-4-318.
Bag Limit	Unlimited. In the "pursuit-only" season an individual shall not kill or capture any mammal.
Definition	Daylong means the 24-hour period between midnight and midnight.
Possession Limit	Unlimited. In the "pursuit-only" season an individual shall not kill or capture any mammal.
<i>To hunt predatory and fur-bearing mammals in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license.</i>	

Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals: Commission Order 13

GENERAL (DAYLIGHT SHOOTING HOURS) PREDATORY & FUR-BEARING MAMMALS

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2023 - Jun 30, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,18,21,22,23,24,26,27,29,30,32,86,129)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M)	Coyote and skunks
Jul 1, 2023 - Jun 30, 2024	(123)	Buenos Aires National Wildlife Refuge	Coyote and skunks
Jul 1, 2023 - Jun 30, 2024	(123)	Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge	Coyote
Oct 13, 2023 - Feb 11, 2024	(123)	Kofa and Imperial National Wildlife Refuges	Coyote and foxes
Aug 1, 2023 - Mar 31, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,18,21,22,23,24,26,27,29,30,32,86,124,129)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M)	Bobcat, foxes, ringtail, weasel, and badger
Aug 1, 2023 - Mar 31, 2024	(123,124)	Buenos Aires National Wildlife Refuge	Raccoon, bobcat, foxes, ringtail, and badger
Aug 1, 2023 - Mar 31, 2024	(123,124)	Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge	Bobcat and foxes
Aug 25, 2023 - Feb 29, 2024	(123,124,146)	Leslie Canyon National Wildlife Refuge	Coyote, skunks, raccoon, bobcat, gray fox, ringtail, and badger

Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals

Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals: Commission Order 13 (continued)

GENERAL (DAYLONG SHOOTING HOURS) PREDATORY & FUR-BEARING MAMMALS

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Dec 1, 2023 - May 31, 2024	(3,29,30,32,127,129)	4A, 4B (north of Interstate 40), 5A, 5B, 8, 10, 12A, 12B, 13A, 13B, 15A, 15B, 15C, 15D, 16A, 17A, 17B, 18A, 18B, 19A, 19B, 20A, 31, 32, 42, and 44A	Coyote
Aug 1, 2023 - Mar 31, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,18,21,22,23,24,26,27,29,30,32,86,125,129)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M)	Raccoon

LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT (DAYLIGHT SHOOTING HOURS) PREDATORY & FUR-BEARING MAMMALS

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2023 - Jun 30, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,15,16,17,18,21,22,23,24,25,27,29,30,32,86,129)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Coyote and skunks
Aug 1, 2023 - Mar 31, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,15,16,17,18,21,22,23,24,25,27,29,30,32,86,124,129)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Bobcat, foxes, weasel, badger, raccoon, and ringtail

PURSUIT-ONLY PREDATORY & FUR-BEARING MAMMALS

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1 - Jul 31, 2023 and Apr 1 - Jun 30, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,18,21,22,23,24,27,29,30,32,86,121,129)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M)	Raccoon

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Small Game – Other Birds & Mammals

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS	
License Required	For hunters under age 10 , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. For hunters 10 years and older , any valid hunting or combination license (See table on page 9 for Resident and Non-resident license fees). To hunt in a Falconry-Only season, a Sport Falconry License is required as prescribed in R12-4-422 or R12-4-407.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any lawful method as described in R12-4-301, R12-4-304, R14-4-307 and R12-4-318. Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Hunt: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots, traps and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-303, R12-4-304, R12-4-307, R12-4-318 and R12-4-422. Falconry-Only Hunt: Falconry as defined in R12-4-101 and as prescribed in R12-4-318.
Bag Limit	Unlimited, except for coati which is one (1) per calendar year, and black-tailed or antelope jackrabbits, which have a bag limit of 2 per day in the aggregate. House (English) sparrows, European starlings and mammals of the Orders Rodentia (except beaver, black-tailed prairie dog, muskrat, porcupine or tree squirrel) and Insectivora may be taken alive and held in captivity pursuant to R12-4-404.
Possession Limit	Unlimited, except for coati which is one (1) per calendar year and black-tailed or antelope jackrabbits, which have a possession limit of 6 in the aggregate.
<i>To hunt other birds and mammals in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license.</i>	
<i>Hunters are reminded that A.R.S. 17-309 requires wildlife in possession be identifiable as to species.</i>	

Other Birds & Mammals: Commission Order 14

GENERAL OTHER BIRDS & MAMMALS

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2023 - Jun 30, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,18,21,22,23,24, 26,27,29,30,32,86,129)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M)	House (English) sparrow and European starling
Sep 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(5,10,29,30,32)	1, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, 5A, 5B, 6A, 6B, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11M, 17A, 17B, 18A, 18B, 19B, 27 (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Crow
Sep 1, 2023 - Mar 31, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,18,21,22,23,24, 26,27,29,30,32,86,129)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M)	Coati
Sep 1, 2023- Mar 31, 2024	(123)	Buenos Aires National Wildlife Refuge	Coati
Sep 1, 2023 - Feb 29, 2024	(123,146)	Leslie Canyon National Wildlife Refuge	Coati
Jul 1, 2023 - Mar 31, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,18,21,22,23,24, 26,27,29,30,32,86,129)	Open areas north of the Gila River (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M)	Gunnison's prairie dog
Jul 1, 2023 - Jun 30, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,18,21,22,23,24, 26,27,29,30,32,86,129)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M)	All mammals EXCEPT game mammals, fur-bearing mammals, predatory mammals, bats, coati, black-footed ferret, New Mexico jumping mouse, Gunnison's prairie dog, black-tailed prairie dog, jaguar, jaguarundi, ocelot, otter, porcupine and wolves
Jul 1, 2023 - Jun 30, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,18,21,22,23,24, 26,27,29,30,32,86,129; see Bag and Possession Limit)	Open areas Statewide (including Buenos Aires and Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuges; excluding all other National Wildlife Refuges and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M)	Jackrabbit
Aug 25, 2023 - Feb 29, 2024	(123,146; see Bag and Possession Limit)	Leslie Canyon National Wildlife Refuge	Black-tailed jackrabbit

Small Game – Other Birds & Mammals

Other Birds & Mammals: Commission Order 14 (continued)

LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT OTHER BIRDS & MAMMALS

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2023 - Jun 30, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,15,16,17,18,21, 22,23,24,25,27,29,30,32, 86,129)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	House (English) sparrow and European starling
Jul 1, 2023 - Jun 30, 2024	(10)	11M	Gunnison's prairie dog
Jul 1, 2023 - Jun 30, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,15,16,17,18,21, 22,23,24,25,27,29,30,32, 86,129)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	All mammals EXCEPT game mammals, furbearing mammals, predatory mammals, bats, coati, black-footed ferret, New Mexico jumping mouse, Gunnison's prairie dog, black-tailed prairie dog, jaguar, jaguarundi, ocelot, otter, porcupine and wolves

FALCONRY-ONLY OTHER BIRDS & MAMMALS

Open Areas include areas closed to hunting by R12-4-321 but do not include areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-801, R12-4-802, and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2023 - Jun 30, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,15,16,17,18,21, 22,23,24,25,27,29,30,32, 86,129)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	House (English) sparrow and European starling
Sep 1 - Dec 31, 2023	(3,5,10,29,30,32,158)	1, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, 5A, 5B, 6A, 6B, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11M, 17A, 17B, 18A, 18B, 19B, and 27 (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Crow
Sep 1, 2023 - Mar 31, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,15,16,17,18,21, 22,23,24,25,27,29,30,32, 86,129)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Coati
Jul 1, 2023 - Mar 31, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,15,16,17,18,21, 22,23,24,25,27,29,30,32, 86,129)	Open areas north of the Gila River (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Gunnison's prairie dog
Jul 1, 2023 - Jun 30, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,15,16,17,18,21, 22,23,24,25,27,29,30,32, 86,129)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	All mammals EXCEPT game mammals, furbearing mammals, predatory mammals, bats, coati, black-footed ferret, New Mexico jumping mouse, Gunnison's prairie dog, black-tailed prairie dog, jaguar, jaguarundi, ocelot, otter, porcupine and wolves

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Small Game – Pheasant



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



LEGAL REQUIREMENTS	
License Required	For hunters under age 10 , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. For hunters 10 years and older , any valid hunting or combination license (See table on page 9 for Resident and Non-resident license fees). To hunt in a Falconry-Only season , a Sport Falconry License is required as prescribed in R12-4-422 or R12-4-407.
Legal Methods of Take	Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Hunt: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow, and bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons or falconry as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318. Archery-Only Hunt: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, or crossbow if you possess a crossbow permit as prescribed in R12-4-216. Falconry-Only Hunt: Falconry as defined in R12-4-101 and as prescribed in R12-4-318.
Bag Limit	Two (2) pheasants per day.
Possession Limit	Six (6) pheasants of which no more than two (2) may be taken in any one day.
Archery and Falconry-Only Possession Limit	Six (6) pheasants of which no more than two (2) may be taken in any one day.

Pheasant: Commission Order 15

LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT PHEASANT

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 1 - Sep 15, 2023	(6)	40B	Any rooster pheasant

ARCHERY-ONLY PHEASANT

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 13, 2023 - Feb 11, 2024	(3,5)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Any pheasant

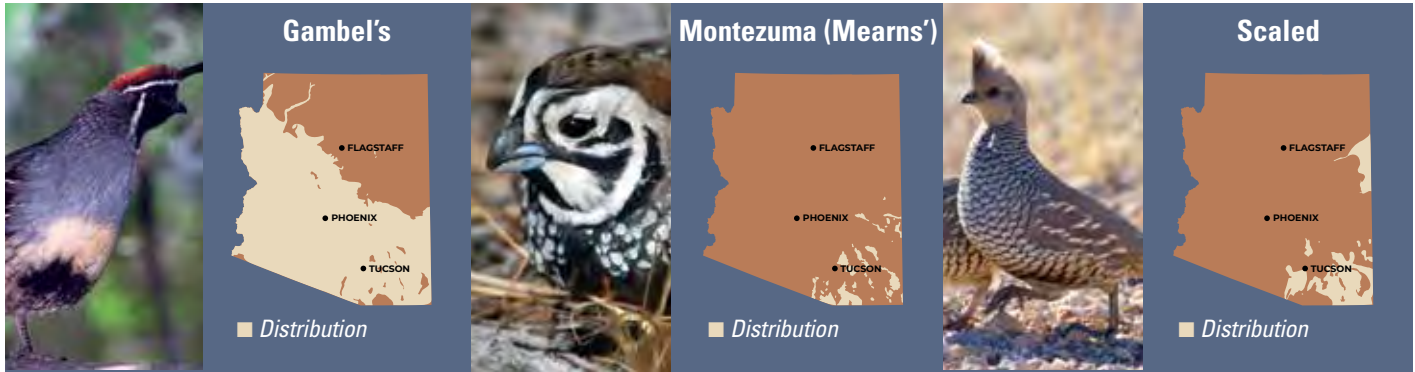
FALCONRY-ONLY PHEASANT

Open Areas include areas closed to hunting by R12-4-321 but do not include areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-801, R12-4-802, and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 11, 2023 - Feb 11, 2024	(3,5)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Any pheasant

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Small Game – Quail



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

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	For hunters under age 10 , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. For hunters 10 years and older , any valid hunting or combination license (See table on page 9 for Resident and Non-resident license fees). To hunt in a Falconry-Only season , a Sport Falconry License is required as prescribed in R12-4-422 or R12-4-407.
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any lawful method as described in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304. Falconry-Only Hunt: Falconry as defined in R12-4-101 and as prescribed in R12-4-318.
GENERAL Bag Limit	Fifteen (15) quail per day in the aggregate of which no more than eight (8) may be Mearns' quail.
GENERAL Possession Limit	Forty-five (45) quail in the aggregate after opening day of which no more than fifteen (15) Gambel's, Scaled, or California quail in the aggregate may be taken in any one day. After Mearns' season opens, the forty-five (45) possession limit may include twenty-four (24) Mearns' quail of which no more than eight (8) may be taken in any one day.
FALCONRY Bag Limit	Three (3) quail per day.
FALCONRY Possession Limit	Nine (9) quail of which no more than three (3) may be taken in any one day.
<i>To hunt quail in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license.</i>	
<i>Quail hunters are reminded that A.R.S. 17-309 requires wildlife in possession be identifiable as to species. Commission Rule R12-4-305 states that for a person transporting or possessing quail, that each quail have attached a fully feathered head, or a fully feathered wing, or a leg with foot attached.</i>	

Quail: Commission Order 16

GENERAL QUAIL

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 13, 2023 - Feb 11, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,15,16,17,18,21,22,23, 24,25,27,29,30,32,86,129,139)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Gambel's, Scaled and California quail
Oct 13, 2023 - Feb 11, 2024	(123,146)	Bill Williams River, Cabeza Prieta, Cibola, Havasu, Imperial, Kofa, Leslie Canyon and San Bernardino National Wildlife Refuges	Gambel's, Scaled and California quail
Dec 1, 2023 - Feb 11, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,15,16,17,18,21,22,23,24, 25,27,29,30,32,86,123,129,139)	Open areas Statewide, including San Bernardino National Wildlife Refuge (excluding all other National Wildlife Refuges)	Mearns' quail

FALCONRY-ONLY QUAIL

Open Areas include areas closed to hunting by R12-4-321 but do not include areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-801, R12-4-802, and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 1, 2023 - Mar 1, 2024	(3,5,6,7,10,18,21,22,23,24,27,29, 30,32,86,129,139)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M)	Any quail
Jul 1, 2023 - Mar 31, 2024	(3,15,16,17,25)	25M, 26M, and 38M	Any quail

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Help Inform Quail Management

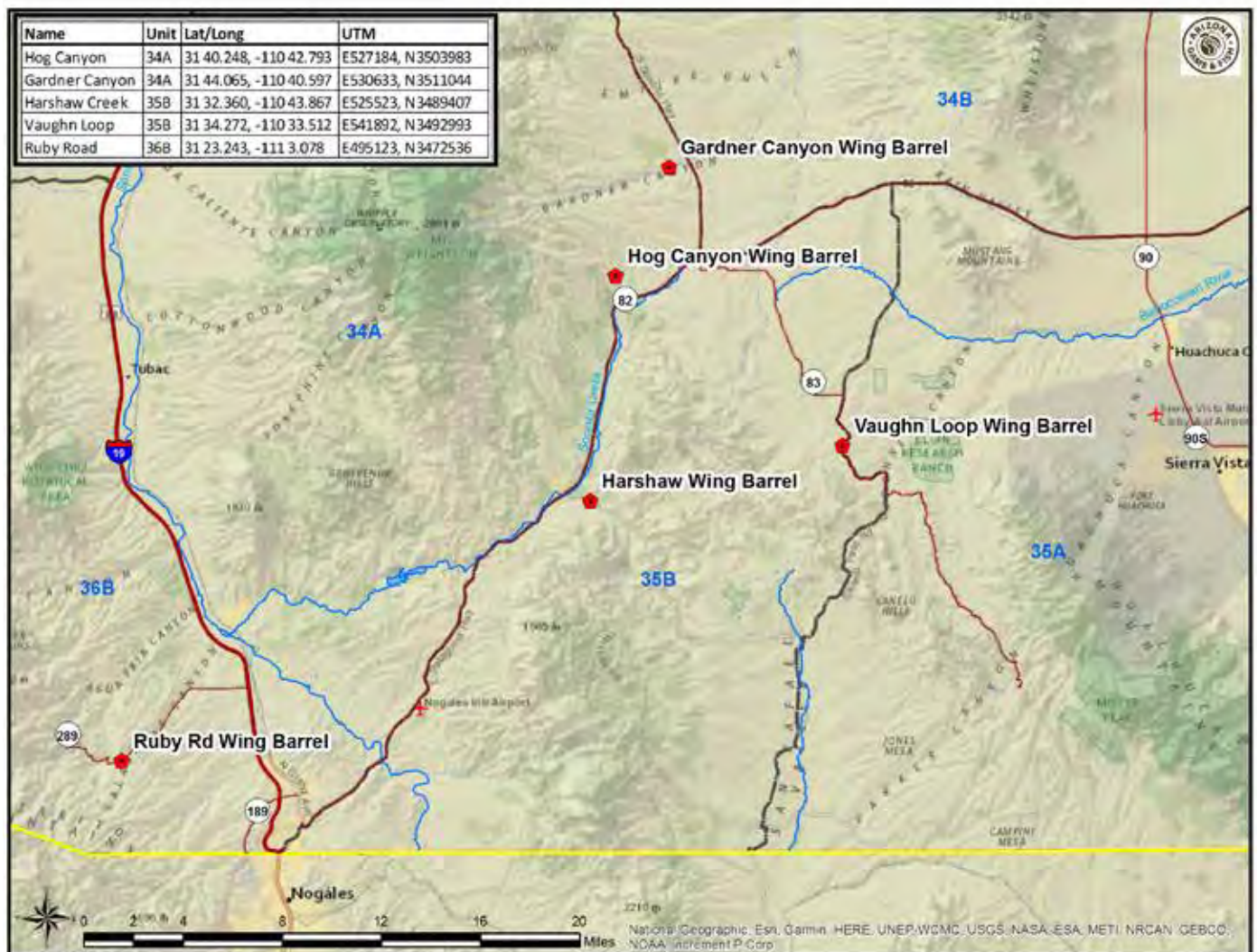
Want to play an active role in gathering data that informs quail management?

The Arizona Game and Fish Department asks quail hunters in southeastern Arizona to follow a few steps for each quail harvested during the hunting season. Locate a quail wing barrel that's on or near your travel route and submit one wing along with brief information regarding the harvest location and date and hunter effort expended.

There are five stations with wing envelopes positioned along popular travel routes during the quail hunting season. Refer to the map below for the locations of wing barrels and the photo to the right as an example of what they look like.

Submission of wings is not mandatory, but the information collected from wing barrels provides the best means for the department to index current quail reproduction, particularly for Montezuma (Mearns') quail, harvest rates, and hunter effort and success.

Hunters submitting wings may be contacted for additional information via email from the department.



Small Game – Chukar Partridge



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



Know the Seasons - Quail & Chukar Partridge



LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	For hunters under age 10 , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. For hunters 10 years and older , any valid hunting or combination license (See table on page 9 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any lawful method as described in R12-4-304.
Bag Limit	Five (5) chukar per day.
Possession Limit	Fifteen (15) chukar of which no more than five (5) may be taken in any one day.
<i>To hunt chukar partridge in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license.</i>	

Chukar Partridge: Commission Order 17

GENERAL CHUKAR PARTRIDGE

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 1, 2023 - Feb 11, 2024	(3,5)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Any chukar

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Attention Chukar Hunters: The Department would like to better survey chukar hunter participation and success. To do this we are asking chukar hunters to provide an address or email to the Department's small game biologist so that they can be surveyed directly after the end of the season. This may be done by sending an email to smallgame@azgfd.gov or through regular mail to the Department's main office: Attention Terrestrial Wildlife Branch.

Small Game – Dusky Grouse



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



LEGAL REQUIREMENTS	
License Required	For hunters under age 10 , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. For hunters 10 years and older , any valid hunting or combination license (See table on page 9 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
Legal Methods of Take	General Hunt: Any lawful method as described in R12-4-304.
Bag Limit	Three (3) dusky grouse per day.
Possession Limit	Nine (9) dusky grouse of which no more than three (3) may be taken in any one day.
<i>To hunt dusky grouse in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license. A migratory bird stamp is not required.</i>	

Dusky Grouse: Commission Order 18

GENERAL DUSKY GROUSE

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.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 1 - Nov 5, 2023	(3,5)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Unit 31)	Dusky grouse

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Attention Grouse Hunters: The Department would like to better survey dusky grouse hunter participation and success. To do this we are asking grouse hunters to provide an address or email to the Department's small game biologist so that they can be surveyed directly after the end of the season. This may be done by sending an email to smallgame@azgfd.gov or through regular mail to the Department's main office: Attention Terrestrial Wildlife Branch.

Small Game – Sandhill Crane



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



Know the Seasons - Dusky Grouse & Sandhill Crane



LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

License Required	For hunters under age 10 , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. For hunters 10 years and older , any valid hunting or combination license (See table on page 9 for Resident and Non-resident license fees). To hunt in a Falconry-Only season , a Sport Falconry License is required as prescribed in R12-4-422 or R12-4-407.
Bag and Possession Limit	Three (3) Sandhill cranes per calendar year.
Legal Methods of Take	Sandhill cranes may be taken only with a 10 gauge or smaller shotgun capable of holding not more than three (3) shells. Sandhill cranes may also be taken by falconry, by bow and arrow, or crossbow.
Motor-Vehicle Restrictions	No person may take Sandhill cranes from any motor-driven vehicle, including aircraft. Special regulations govern handicapped hunters.
Watercraft Restrictions	Sandhill cranes may be hunted from a watercraft (except a sinkbox) including those propelled by motor, sail and wind, or both when the motor has been completely shut off and/or the sails furled and its progress therefrom has ceased. The watercraft may be drifting as a result of current or wind action on the hull, beached or moored, resting at anchor, or may be propelled by paddle, oars or pole. A watercraft under power may be used to retrieve dead or crippled Sandhill cranes but no shooting is permitted while the watercraft is underway. It is illegal to drive or rally birds toward hunters by use of any motor-driven conveyance or sail boat.
Decoys, Calling and Baiting	Sandhill cranes may not be taken with the aid of live decoys, recorded bird calls or electronically amplified bird calls. It is illegal to take birds over baited areas. An area is considered baited for 10 days after the bait has been removed, and a hunter need not know an area has been baited to be in violation.
Retrieval and Tagging	All Sandhill cranes downed shall be retrieved if possible, and retained in the custody of the hunter in the field. Crippled birds must be killed immediately. Any birds given to or left with another person must be tagged by the hunter with a tag showing his name, address and the number and species of birds, and the dates they were killed. Packages in which migratory game birds are shipped must show the names of the sender and receiver, and the number and species of birds contained in the parcel.
Bag Limit	No person may, during any one day take more than one daily bag limit or possess more than one daily bag limit in the field, or while returning to the car, hunting camp or home. One feathered wing must be left attached to all migratory game birds until they reach their final destination.
Importation	For information regarding the importation of migratory game birds killed in another country, hunters should consult federal regulations (50CFR 20.61 through 20.66). One fully feathered wing must remain attached to all migratory game birds being transported between the port of entry and the hunter's home or to a migratory bird preservation facility. No person shall import any migratory game birds from any country except Canada unless such birds are dressed (except as required above), drawn and the head and feet are removed. No person shall import migratory game birds belonging to another person.
Seasons and Shooting Hours	No person may take Sandhill cranes during closed season. Sandhill cranes may be taken only during hours open to hunting. Shooting hours: one-half hour before sunrise until sunset.
Closed Areas	The Willcox Playa Wildlife Area (in Unit 30A) and Whitewater Draw Wildlife Area (in Unit 30B) are closed to all Sandhill crane hunting. See notes for description of closed areas.
One Feathered Wing	Sportsmen should note that one feathered wing (or head for Sandhill crane only) must be left attached to all Sandhill cranes until they reach their final destination.
<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.</i>	

Small Game – Sandhill Crane

Sandhill Crane: Commission Order 24

GENERAL SANDHILL CRANE

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.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
9000	BONUS POINT ONLY — See page 26 (no other hunts may be chosen in conjunction with this one)				
9001	Nov 17, 2023 – Nov 19, 2023	(140,141,142,143,145,148)	30A,30B,31, and 32	Any Sandhill crane	100
9002	Nov 21, 2023 – Nov 23, 2023	(140,141,142,143,145,148)	30A,30B,31, and 32	Any Sandhill crane	100
9003	Nov 25, 2023 – Nov 27, 2023	(140,141,142,143,145,148)	30A,30B,31, and 32	Any Sandhill crane	100
9004	Nov 29, 2023 – Dec 1, 2023	(140,141,142,143,145,148)	30A,30B,31, and 32	Any Sandhill crane	100
9005	Dec 3, 2023 – Dec 5, 2023	(140,141,142,143,145,148)	30A,30B,31, and 32	Any Sandhill crane	100
9006	Dec 15, 2023 – Dec 17, 2023	(140,141,142,143,145,148)	30A,30B,31, and 32	Any Sandhill crane	100
9007	Nov 25, 2023 – Nov 27, 2023	(140,143,144,145)	28	Any Sandhill crane	14
9008	Nov 29, 2023 – Dec 1, 2023	(140,143,144,145)	28	Any Sandhill crane	14
9009	Dec 3, 2023 – Dec 5, 2023	(140,143,144,145)	28	Any Sandhill crane	14
9010	Dec 7, 2023 – Dec 9, 2023	(140,143,144,145)	28	Any Sandhill crane	14
9011	Dec 11, 2023 – Dec 13, 2023	(140,143,144,145)	28	Any Sandhill crane	14
9012	Dec 15, 2023 – Dec 17, 2023	(140,143,144,145)	28	Any Sandhill crane	14
9013	Dec 8, 2023 – Dec 10, 2023	(140,143,144,145)	29	Any Sandhill crane	5
9014	Dec 15, 2023 – Dec 17, 2023	(140,143,144,145)	29	Any Sandhill crane	5
Total					694

YOUTH-ONLY (GENERAL) SANDHILL CRANE

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.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
9015	Dec 8, 2023 – Dec 10, 2023	(140,141,142,143,148)	30A,30B,31, and 32	Any Sandhill crane	35
Total					35

ARCHERY-ONLY SANDHILL CRANE

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.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
9016	Nov 10, 2023 – Nov 12, 2023	(140,141,142,143,148)	30A,30B,31, and 32	Any Sandhill crane	10
Total					10

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Notes for all Commission Orders in this booklet are listed on pages 67-77. Refer to the Note number(s) listed for each hunt in the hunt tables.

1. An 'antlerless deer' is a deer, any age, without antlers.
2. The Buenos Aires, Cabeza Prieta, Cibola, Imperial, Kofa, and Leslie Canyon National Wildlife Refuges are open to hunting as permitted by refuge regulations when Commission Order opens a hunt and the hunt occurs in their respective game management units; all other Refuges are closed. Refer to Index for Hunting on Public Lands.
3. The 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/army-national-guard/camp-navajo/garrison-operations/camp-navajo-hunting-information>. Written proof is required prior to being allowed to hunt on Camp Navajo.
6. For deer, javelina, mountain lion, and small game hunters, Barry M. Goldwater Range (BMGR) access is subject to military operations/closure and requires an Access Permit. For more information on how to obtain a permit, please visit the Marine Corps Air Station Yuma website at: <https://www.mcasyma.marines.mil/Staff-and-Agencies/Range-Natural-and-Cultural-Resources/> OR the Luke Air Force Base Website at: <https://www.luke.af.mil/Units/56th-Range-Management-Office/>. Unit 40B on BMGR-West is open to hunting as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except in the Restricted Areas which are closed to all public recreation. That portion of BMGR-East located in Unit 40B is closed to hunting. Transit through BMGR-East to hunt in Units 46A or 46B is not authorized. Hunters in BMGR-East areas of Unit 40A (east of SR-85) require only the Access Permit, but must also avoid Restricted Areas. It is the hunter's responsibility to know his/her location and remain clear of unauthorized areas. For additional information, contact Luke Air Force Base for BMGR-East: 623-856-7216 or 623-856-1758; or Marine Corps Air Station Yuma for BMGR-West: (928) 269-3115.
7. The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground (YPG) is closed to hunting except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed U.S. citizens holding a valid YPG Hunting Access Permit and coordinating with YPG Range Control. Hunters drawn for Units 41W, 43A, or 43B who plan to hunt on YPG must obtain a hunting access permit before entering YPG. All persons accompanying the hunter on YPG must also have a permit. The permit must be with the permit holder at all times when on YPG. Access permits are issued through iSportsman at <https://yuma.isportsman.net/>. Applicants must register online at iSportsman, and watch the Range Safety Briefing Video, after which, YPG will conduct a background check which takes 2 to 3 business days. Permits will only be available after the background check is complete. Once the background is cleared, applicants must log into their iSportsman account to purchase the Hunting Access Permit. Furthermore, all firearms or bows must be registered either at the visitor center or through iSportsman prior to entering YPG. Do not bring firearms into the visitor center. The weapon registration must be with the weapon, while on YPG. Due to military activities some hunting areas may be temporarily closed on short notice. Updates will be posted at yuma.isportsman.net or via email notification to permit holders. For information visit <https://yuma.isportsman.net>; email: usarmy.ypg.imcom.list.doo-vcc@army.mil or call (928) 328-2125.
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.



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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. 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 website at www.azgfd.gov/otc.
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.
11. Successful Unit 12A (North Kaibab) general and youth-only deer hunters must check out and personally present their deer for inspection at the Jacob Lake Checking Station in accordance with R12-4-308. A check station will not be operated during the Unit 12A (North Kaibab) CHAMP, muzzleloader, or archery deer hunts.
12. 12A East Hunt Unit - that portion of Unit 12A located east of AZ Hwy 67 and south of U.S. Hwy 89A.
13. 12A West Hunt Unit - that portion of Unit 12A located west of AZ Hwy 67 and also that portion of Unit 12A located north of U.S. Hwy 89A.
14. 12B West Hunt Unit - that portion of Unit 12B beginning at the Arizona-Utah Stateline and BLM Rd. 1065; south on BLM 1065 to U.S. Hwy 89A; west on U.S. Hwy 89A to Kaibab National Forest boundary; north then west then south on the Kaibab National Forest boundary to Kanab Creek; north on Kanab Creek to the Arizona-Utah Stateline; east on the Arizona-Utah Stateline to BLM 1065.
15. A significant portion of Unit 25M is closed to hunting. Hunting is not permitted on any incorporated lands, including private property within municipal boundaries, unless otherwise opened under Commission Order. Incorporated lands include municipal corporations such as cities, towns, and villages. Hunting is also not permitted in an unincorporated portion of land west of Loop 202 (San Tan Freeway) known as the Elliot and Hawes County Island in Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 7 East.
16. The following described area in Unit 26M is closed to hunting: those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 4 East.
17. The following described area in Unit 26M is closed to hunting: the unincorporated portion of land within the Town of Queen Creek in Pinal County in Sections 5, 7, 8, and 18 of Township 3 South, Range 8 East.
18. The following parks and preserves in Maricopa County are open to hunting only during the archery-only seasons within respective units as defined in R12-4-321 and Commission Order : Lake Pleasant, White Tank Mountains, Estrella Mountain, Buckeye Hills, and McDowell Mountain Regional parks; McDowell Sonoran Preserve; and portions of Skyline Regional Park (Back Country designated area only--contact the Arizona Game and Fish Department's Mesa Regional office or City of Buckeye for open area maps). These parks and preserves are also open to small game hunting in season as defined in R12-4-321. Hunting in parks and preserves 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.
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.
21. The following described area in Unit 36B is closed to hunting: in the posted portion of Sopori Ranch south of Arivaca Road in Sections 14 and 15, Township 20 South, Range 11 East. The remainder of Sopori Ranch is open to hunting.
22. The following City of Tucson Water Properties located in Avra Valley are open to hunting: the Duval property in Unit 36C and the Bowden-west, Buckalew, Cactus Avra, Ed Anway, Flying E Bar, Kai, Nichols, Tucker, and Trust 205 properties in Unit 37A; all other Tucson Water Properties are closed to hunting. All open City of Tucson properties are foot access only at designated entry points. Signing in and out is required at sign-in boxes located at designated entry points.
23. The following described area in the Town of Marana in Unit 37A is closed to hunting: beginning at the intersection of Sanders Road and Avra Valley Road; north on Sanders Road to the Santa Cruz River; southeast along the Santa Cruz River to the Central Arizona Project Canal; southwest along the Central Arizona Project Canal to Avra Valley Road; west on Avra Valley Road to the intersection of Sanders Road.
24. The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at (602) 267-2060.
25. Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area in Unit 38M is closed to the discharge of all firearms. Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area and Tucson Mountain Park in Unit 38M are open to archery hunting, except those portions within 1/4 mile of any occupied residence or building, developed picnic area, developed campground, shooting range, boat ramp, or golf course are closed to hunting. Developed areas do not include trails. Archery hunters planning to hunt the Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area must check-in online at www.azgfd.gov/tmhregistration prior to going afield. Tucson Mountain Park is a Pima County Park that occurs within



the boundaries of the Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area. The boundary for Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area is as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of the Saguaro National Park boundary (Township 13 South, Range 11 East, Section 33); south about 1 mile to the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline; southeast along El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline to Sandario Rd; south on Sandario Rd about 2 miles to the southwest corner of Township 14 South, Range 11 East, Section 15; east along this section line to the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline; southeast along the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline to AZ Hwy 86 (Ajo Hwy); easterly on AZ Hwy 86 to the Tucson city limits; north along the city limits to Silverbell Rd; northwest on Silverbell Rd to Twin Peaks Rd; west on Twin Peaks Rd to Sandario Rd; south on Sandario Rd to the Saguaro National Park boundary; west and south along the Park boundary to the northwest corner of the Saguaro National Park boundary (Township 13 South, Range 11 East, Section 33).

26. Unit 39 - Arlington, Base and Meridian, Robbins Butte, and Powers Butte Wildlife Areas are closed to discharge of centerfire rifled firearms.
27. The following described area in the Town of Quartzsite in Units 43A and 44B is closed to hunting: Sections 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, and 35, Township 4 North, Range 19 West and Sections 2, 3, and 4, Township 3 North, Range 19 West.
28. Areas of public or private land within or surrounded by the Navajo Nation are included as part of the open area for this hunt number.
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 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. Access requirements for the Hopi Trust Land portions of Units 4A, 5A, and 5B North - is permitted by written permission only by contacting the Hopi Tribe Wildlife and Ecosystems Management Program via e-mail at hophunts@hopi.nsn.us and/or PNutumya@hopi.nsn.us or by calling (928) 734-3673, or (928) 734-3671 Monday-Friday 8am-5pm (MST). Please contact in advance to gain access for hunting and scouting. All permitted minor hunters under the age of 18 will need the parent/guardian to request access for the minor permitted hunter.
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 hophunts@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.

33. Restricted nonpermit-tags for these population management seasons will be available to permit holders in corresponding big game hunts. All notes associated with the corresponding big game hunt also apply to this hunt.
34. Aerial population surveys are conducted in August and September for elk and pronghorn and in December and January for deer and javelina each year. You may observe an airplane or helicopter conducting surveys and short-term disturbance of animals could occur during this hunt. Where possible, efforts will be made to minimize this disturbance.
35. The O'Haco Ranch is located in the north-central part of Unit 4A, just north of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest. The O'Haco Ranch is in the process of constructing a wind farm. During construction of the wind turbines, the O'Haco Ranch will not permit access to hunters. Construction is scheduled to occur for the duration of the 2023 hunting season.
36. The Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge is open to deer hunting in accordance with Refuge regulations (www.fws.gov/refuge/Cabeza_Prieta/visit/rules_and_regulations.html). A visitor access permit (<https://luke.isportsman.net>) is required to access and hunt on the Refuge. When entering the Refuge, hunters should complete a Self-Clearing Visitor Registration Form (FWS Form 3-2405) available on the refuge website and at boundary kiosks located at all refuge entrances. The use of electronic or photographic trail monitoring devices, including game cameras, is prohibited. Refer to the Refuge regulations for site-specific management area closures. Deer hunters are responsible for contacting the Refuge prior to their hunt to obtain information regarding temporary closures in coordination with AZGFD. All permit holders, whether you harvest or not, must check out. Successful permit holders must present their deer

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for inspection at a check station, in accordance with R12-4-308. Information about the check station will be mailed to each hunter at least 2 weeks prior to the start of the hunt. Permit holders who do not harvest may check out by calling the AZGFD Yuma Regional Office at 928-342-0091.

37. 3B North Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 3B located north of U.S. Hwy 60.
38. 3B South Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 3B located south 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/gmul19a.
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. 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, Two Guns, Grapevine, Diablo Combined 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 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 PFPN 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 - That portion of Unit 16A south and east of the following: beginning at 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.
65. Rincon Basin Hunt Area in Units 4A and 4B - Those portions of Units 4A and 4B beginning at the junction of I-40 and North Park Drive (exit 253); north along North Park Drive to McHood Road; east along McHood Road to the Little Colorado River Levee; south along the Little Colorado River Levee to I-40; west along I-40 to North Park Drive (exit 253).
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 through to the North River Road and on to the

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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); northeast 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.
72. 4B North Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 4B north of the following: starting at the junction of Hutch Ranch Road and AZ Hwy 377 (milepost 15.2); north then westerly on Hutch Ranch Road to the first major power-line; southwest along the power-line to the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest boundary; west along the forest boundary to Chevelon Canyon.
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.
74. Units 12A, 12B, 13A, and 13B have an extremely low-density elk population, less than 30 elk combined for all 4 units. These units are specifically managed for wildlife values other than elk, and an established elk population is not desirable. The intent of this hunt is to eliminate this elk population. The cost of the tag has been reduced to \$35 to help achieve this objective. The Department cautions you that due to extremely low elk densities, hunt success will be very low, likely less than 5%. If you apply for this hunt during the draw, you will almost certainly draw it, which will cause you to lose your bonus points. If you pick up one of these tags during the first come-first served process your bonus points will not be affected.
75. Fool Hollow Hunt Area in Unit 3C - That portion of Unit 3C beginning at the intersection of AZ Hwy 260 and the Pinedale-Taylor Rd/FR 129; north and east on the Pinedale-Taylor Rd/FR 129 to AZ Hwy 77; south on AZ Hwy 77 to U.S. Hwy 60; west on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 260; west on AZ Hwy 260 to the intersection with the Pinedale-Taylor Rd/FR 129.
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.



78. Turkeys in Units 29, 30A (north of AZ Hwy 80), 31, 32, 33, 34A, 35A, and 35B are Gould's turkeys.
79. The following county parks and county preserves are open to hunting: A-7 Ranch in Unit 33, Oracle Ridge Property in Unit 33, and Six Bar Ranch in Unit 33. Hunting in County Parks is not permitted within 1/4 mile of any developed picnic area, developed campground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
80. Turkeys in Unit 13B North are Rio Grande turkeys.
81. Turkeys occur near residential areas in these units. Be aware, without permission you may not discharge a firearm, arrow, bolt, or hybrid device within a 1/4 mile of an occupied residence or building while hunting (per A.R.S. 17-309 A 4; R12-4-303).
82. 13B North Hunt Unit - Beginning on the western edge of the Hurricane Rim at the Arizona-Utah state line; southerly along the western edge of the Hurricane Rim to Mohave County Road 30 (Navajo Trail); west along Mohave County Road 30 to Mohave County Road 5 (Mt. Trumbull Road); north along Mohave County Road 5 to BLM Road 1004; west along BLM Road 1004 to Mohave County Road 101 (Mud Mountain Road); southwest along Mohave County Road 101 to the Arizona-Nevada state line; north along the Arizona-Nevada state line to the Arizona-Utah state line; east along the Arizona-Utah state line to the western edge of the Hurricane Rim.
83. 13B South Hunt Unit - Beginning on the western edge of the Hurricane Rim and Mohave County Road 30 (Navajo Trail); south along the Hurricane Rim to Mohave County Road 5 (Mt. Trumbull Road); west along Mohave County Road 5 to the town of Mt. Trumbull (Bundyville); south on Mohave County Road 257 to BLM Road 1045; south on BLM Road 1045 to Cold Spring Wash; south along the bottom of Cold Spring Wash to Whitmore Wash; southerly along the bottom of Whitmore Wash to the Colorado River; westerly along the Colorado River to the Arizona-Nevada state line; north along the Arizona-Nevada state line to Mohave County Road 101 (Mud Mountain Road); northeast on Mohave County Road 101 to BLM Road 1004; east on BLM Road 1004 to Mohave County Road 5 (Mt. Trumbull Road); south on Mohave County Road 5 to Mohave County Road 30 (Navajo Trail); east on Mohave County Road 30 to the western edge of the Hurricane Rim.
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).
85. 6A North Hunt Unit - that portion of Unit 6A north of FR 153 (Schnebley Hill Road) on the west side of Interstate-17 and north of FR 213 (Stoneman Lake Road) on the east side of Interstate-17.
86. The following area in Unit 37A in the Town of Marana is subject to temporary closures in February for special events. All state lands located south of Cochise Canyon Trail in Township 11 South, Range 12 East.
87. The number of javelina in these units is very low, and hunt success is expected to be low. Hunt access may be restricted on private property; be sure you obtain permission to hunt on private land. More information on this hunt is available on the Department's website at www.azgfd.gov/otc. Only a portion of Unit 39 is open during this hunt. The closed portion of Unit 39 is that portion within AZGFD Region 6 as follows: Beginning at AZ Hwy 85 and the Gila River; east along the Gila River to the western boundary of the Gila River Indian Reservation; southeasterly along the reservation boundary to N. Rio Bravo Rd; south along N. Rio Bravo Rd to AZ Hwy 238; west on AZ Hwy 238 to Gas Pipeline Rd (Komatke Rd); northwesterly along Komatke Rd to AZ Hwy 85; south along AZ Hwy 85 to Lewis Prison Rd; west along Lewis Prison Rd to W. Patterson Rd; southwesterly along W. Patterson Rd to Old Hwy 80; northeasterly on Old Hwy 80 to AZ Hwy 85; southerly on AZ Hwy 85 to the Gila River. Robbins Butte, Powers Butte, and Arlington Wildlife Areas are closed during this hunt. The portion of Unit 40B in Pima County is also closed to this hunt.
88. The posted portions of Roosevelt Wildlife Area are closed to hunting in Units 22, 23, and 24B from November 15 through February 15 as prescribed in R12-4-801 and R12-4-802.
89. For this hunt, open areas are restricted to subunits 3-1, 3-2, G, and K within Fort Huachuca. Any use of these tags to take javelina in other areas is prohibited. This hunt is offered as a management hunt to reduce the incursion of javelina onto Libby Army Airfield. Hunting within the perimeter of Libby Army Airfield is prohibited. Descriptions of these subunits will be provided by Fort Huachuca.
90. All bighorn sheep hunters (or their designee) must check out within 3 days following the close of the season at any Department office in accordance with R12-4-308. Unsuccessful hunters and those who did not hunt must also check out either in person or by telephone at any Department office.
91. The Bill Williams River, Cabeza Prieta, Havasu, Imperial and Kofa National Wildlife Refuges are open to bighorn sheep hunting as permitted by refuge regulations; all other Refuges are closed. Due to travel restrictions in the Wilderness Area, those persons interested in hunting bighorn sheep on the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge should contact the Refuge Manager (520) 387-6483 for information regarding special refuge regulations prior to applying.
92. This unit experiences high levels of activity associated with the Mexico border, which is a potential safety and property loss concern. Hunters should be aware of the added challenge this poses, and be prepared to make informed decisions on camping areas and safety in the field. Prior coordination with appropriate land management and enforcement agencies is recommended.
93. For bighorn sheep hunters, Barry M. Goldwater Range (BMGR) access is subject to military operations/closure and requires an Access Permit. For more information on how to obtain a permit, please visit the Marine Corps Air Station Yuma website at: <https://www.mcas-yuma.marines.mil/Staff-and-Agencies/Range-Natural-and-Cultural-Resources/> OR the Luke Air Force Base Website at: <https://www.luke.af.mil/Units/56th-Range-Management-Office/>. Unit 40B on BMGR West is open to

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- hunting as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except in the Restricted Areas which are closed to all public recreation. For BMGR-East areas in Unit 40B, only Bighorn Sheep hunters with a current tag and their specified participants may access designated BMGR-East areas to hunt or for transit to Units 46A or 46B, and only after receiving a Special Use Permit (SUP) issued by Luke AFB. No other hunting or access is permitted in Unit 40B on BMGR-East areas. Hunters in BMGR-East areas in Unit 40A (east of SR-85) require only the Access Permit, but must also avoid Restricted Areas. It is the hunter's responsibility to know his/her location and remain clear of unauthorized areas. For additional information, contact Luke Air Force Base for BMGR East: 623-856-7216 or 623-856-1758; or Marine Corps Air Station Yuma for BMGR-West: (928) 269-3115.
94. 12B East Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 12B lying east of the following line: Beginning at the Utah Stateline and BLM road 1065; southerly along BLM 1065 to U.S. Hwy 89A; westerly on U.S. Hwy 89A to the Kaibab National Forest Boundary; South and east on the boundary of the Kaibab National Forest to the Boundary of the Grand Canyon National Park.
95. Upper Blue River Hunt Area in Unit 27 - That portion of Unit 27 beginning at the Junction of U.S. Highway 180 and the New Mexico state line; south along the New Mexico state line to Forest Trail 41; northwest along Forest Trail 41 to the Little Blue River; south-southwest along the Little Blue River to the confluence of the Blue River; north along the Blue River to Forest Trail 14; west on Forest Trail 14 to U.S. Highway 191; north on U.S. Highway 191 to U.S. Highway 180; east on U.S. Highway 180 to the New Mexico state line.
96. This unit has a low density bighorn sheep population in a remote area with difficult access. Hunters should be prepared for backcountry camping and extensive strenuous hiking in an extremely remote, harsh hunting environment.
97. Non-residents: Permits are available within these hunt numbers for which you may be drawn in accordance with R12-4-114(E).
98. This hunt unit is remote, with limited road (or no road) access and difficult terrain. Hunt success has averaged less than 70%. Hunters should be prepared for backcountry camping and extensive, strenuous hiking, or the use of horses and/or mules.
99. Superstition Wilderness Hunt Area in Unit 24B - That portion of Unit 24B within the boundaries of the Superstition Wilderness Area. This Hunt Area is remote, with no road or vehicle access within the Wilderness Area. Hunters should be prepared for extensive, strenuous hiking in difficult terrain. The use of horses or mules is encouraged.
100. Rocky Mountain Hunt Area in Northern Unit 22 - That portion of Unit 22 located north of the following: Beginning at the confluence of the Verde River and AZ Hwy 87, northeasterly along AZ Hwy 87 to Rye Creek; southeasterly along Rye Creek to Tonto Creek (the Unit 22 boundary); sovereign tribal lands of the Salt River-Pima, Fort McDowell Yavapai, and Tonto Apache Nations within this boundary are excluded from this hunt area. A large portion of this hunt area is located within the Mazatzal Wilderness Area, with limited road or vehicle access. Hunters should be prepared for extensive, strenuous hiking in difficult terrain. The use of horses or mules is encouraged.
101. Desert Hunt Area in Southern Unit 22 - That portion of Unit 22 located south of the following: Beginning at the confluence of the Salt River and Verde River, north along the Verde River to AZ Hwy 87; northeasterly along AZ Hwy 87 to AZ Hwy 188; southeasterly along AZ Hwy 188 to the Salt River; westerly along the Salt River to the confluence with the Verde River; sovereign tribal lands of the Salt River-Pima and Fort McDowell Yavapai Nations are excluded from this hunt area.
102. Black River Hunt Area in Units 1 and 27 - That portion of Units 1 and 27 beginning at the Fort Apache Indian Reservation boundary and FR 116; north and east on FR 116 to FR 249E; east on FR 249E to FR 249; east on FR 249 to FR 285; north on FR 285 to FR 88; east on FR 88 (turns into County Road 2108) to U.S. Hwy 191; south on U.S. Hwy 191 to FR 25; northwest on FR 25 to FR 25D; west on FR 25D to the San Carlos Indian Reservation boundary; north along the San Carlos Indian Reservation and then Fort Apache Indian Reservation boundaries to FR 116.
103. Units 46A and 46B are primarily composed of designated wilderness and contain only three public access roads - El Camino del Diablo, Christmas Pass Rd, and Charlie Bell Rd. There is no vehicular access to much of the sheep habitat within these units (especially in Units 46A West and 46B East, where some mountain ranges are 6-12 miles from the nearest road). Hunters should be prepared for extensive hiking and backcountry camping in extremely remote, desert conditions. Pack and saddle animals may be used by obtaining a special permit from the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge.
104. The Buckeye Hills Regional Park and Estrella Mountain Regional Park are only open to archery hunting during the archery-only seasons.
105. Hunters are advised that a disease outbreak has occurred in Units 15A, 15B East, 15B West, 15C, and 15D. Hunters who are drawn for these units should be prepared for a decrease in availability of older age class rams.
106. Hunter access is restricted on the east and west ends of Aravaipa Canyon and on the north side of Redfield Canyon; hunters will need to secure access into these areas prior to the hunting season. Access across private property is typically given on a first-come basis.
107. 15D North Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 15D north of the following: beginning at the junction of Interstate 40 and AZ Hwy 66 (Oatman Hwy); south-westerly along AZ Hwy 66 to Mohave County Road 153 (Boundary Cone Rd-Oatman Rd); west along Mohave County Road 153 to the Colorado River.
108. 15D South Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 15D south of the following: beginning at the junction of Interstate 40 and AZ Hwy 66 (Oatman Hwy); south-westerly along AZ Hwy 66 to Mohave County Road 153 (Boundary Cone Rd-Oatman Rd); west along Mohave County Road 153 to the Colorado River.
109. Kanab Creek Hunt Area in Units 12A West, 12B West, and 13A - Beginning at intersection of AZ Hwy 389 and the



- eastern edge of the Kaibab Paiute reservation; east along AZ Hwy 389 to the intersection of AZ Hwy 389 and U.S. Hwy 89A; south and east on U.S. Hwy 89A to the intersection of AZ Hwy 89A and FR 22; south and east on FR 22 to the intersection with FR 423; west and south on FR 423 to the intersection with FR 427; south on FR 427 to the intersection with FR 425; south on FR 425 to the intersection with FR 292; south on FR 292 to the Grand Canyon National Park boundary; west along the Grand Canyon National Park boundary to Toroweap Road; north on the Toroweap Road to the intersection with BLM road 5; north on BLM road 5 to the intersection with BLM road 109; north on BLM road 109 to intersection with the Kaibab Paiute Reservation boundary; east and north along the Kaibab Paiute Reservation boundary to the intersection with AZ Hwy 389. This unit excludes sovereign tribal lands of the Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians.
110. Cottonwood Wilderness Hunt Area in Unit 13A North - Beginning at the intersection of AZ Hwy 389 and the Arizona/Utah state line; east to along the Arizona/Utah state line to the western boundary of the Kaibab Paiute Reservation; south along the western boundary of the Kaibab Paiute reservation to the intersection of AZ Hwy 389; northwest on AZ Hwy 389 to the Arizona/Utah state line. Be aware of private land and municipalities. This unit excludes sovereign tribal lands of the Kaibab band of Paiute Indians.
 111. Unit 37A and Unit 12BE Hunts - Hunters are advised that the three Unit 37A (west of I-10) and Unit 12BE hunts have overlapping season dates in order to provide each hunt a 3-week season while attempting to minimize crowding concerns.
 112. South Fork Hunt Area in Units 1 and 2B - That portion of Units 1 and 2B beginning at the Fort Apache Indian Reservation boundary and FR 116; north and east on FR 116 to FR 249E; east on FR 249E to FR 249; east on FR 249 to FR 285; north on FR 285 to FR 88; east on FR 88 (turns into County Road 2108) to U.S. Hwy. 180/191; south on U.S. Hwy. 180/191 to Alpine; in Alpine east on U.S. Hwy 180 to the New Mexico border; north along the New Mexico border to County Road 6040 (Salt Lake Road) in Unit 2B; west on County Road 6040 to U.S. Hwy 191; south on U.S. Hwy 191 to U.S. 60; west on U.S. 60 to FR 117; south on FR 117 to AZ Hwy 260; west on AZ Hwy 260 to the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; south along the reservation boundary to FR 116.
 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.
 115. Successful applicants will be contacted in writing by the Arizona Game and Fish Department to provide them with additional information regarding their hunt.
 116. The Grand Canyon National Park is closed to hunting.
 117. When the number of female bears equaling the female harvest limit for a particular hunt has been reported killed, the unit(s) will be closed at sundown the Wednesday immediately following. Hunters are responsible for checking online at www.azgfd.gov/bearhunting or calling 1-800-970-BEAR (2327) before hunting to determine if their desired hunt unit is still open.
 118. Annual Female Harvest Limit - If the Annual Female Harvest Limit for a given unit is met during a calendar year, that unit or portion thereof will close to bear hunting for the current and future bear seasons during that calendar year. The Annual Female Harvest Limit includes any female bear killed by a hunter or the Department. Refer to the table for the Annual Female Harvest Limit by unit.
 119. The Leslie Canyon National Wildlife Refuge is open to black bear hunting as permitted by refuge regulations; all other Refuges are closed.
 120. Harvest Thresholds - When the number of mountain lions equaling the harvest threshold for a particular mountain lion management zone has been reached, that zone will close to take at sundown the Wednesday immediately following for the remainder of the mountain lion hunting season. Hunters are responsible for checking online at www.azgfd.gov/lionhunting or calling 1-877-438-0447 before hunting to determine if any mountain management zones are closed.
 121. A person participating in a pursuit-only season may use dogs to pursue mountain lions or raccoons, but shall not kill or capture the quarry, pursuant to R12-4-318. If a mountain lion or raccoon is treed, the hunters and dogs must immediately back away from the treed animal and leave the area. Hunters participating in a pursuit-only season must have in their possession a valid hunting license plus for mountain lions a valid mountain lion hunt permit-tag or pursuit-only tag. The use of dogs is not allowed on National Wildlife Refuges.
 122. Buenos Aires and Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuges are open to mountain lion hunting as permitted by Refuge regulations. A refuge special use permit or access permit may be required; contact the individual refuges for their regulations.
 123. National Wildlife Refuges may be open to hunting as permitted by Refuge regulations. A refuge permit may be required; contact the individual refuges for their regulations (see Index: Hunting on Public Lands). The use or possession of other than non-toxic shot is prohibited in the Bill Williams River, Cibola, Havasu, and Imperial NWRs.
 124. Any raw bobcat pelt sold or exported must have a permit tag attached in accordance with R12-4-305.
 125. Raccoon may be taken at night with the aid of artificial light; however the light may not be attached to or operated from a vehicle.
 126. Other mammals may be taken at night with the aid of artificial light as prescribed in R12-4-304E. No firearms may be used at night.
 127. In units listed with this note, coyotes may be taken at night with the aid of artificial light; however, the light may not be attached to or operated from a vehicle.

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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.
130. Refer to A.R.S. 17-301D for trapping restrictions on public land.
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 within 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 non-permit-tag for bison.
133. No person shall knowingly use any substance as bait at any time to attract or take bear (R12-4-304).
134. Taylor Hunt Area in Unit 3B – That portion of 3B north of U.S. Hwy 60 and north of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest boundary.
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 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.
136. The Arizona Game and Fish Department no longer has a compact agreement with the Babacomari Ranch. The Babacomari Ranch allows a very limited number of hunters onto the privately owned ranch each year. Please contact the ranch manager at 520-455-5507 to inquire about access. Once the ranch limit for access has been reached, hunters may not receive a call back. A non-response from the ranch manager means the Babacomari Ranch is not allowing any additional hunter access.
137. Archery Deer Harvest Limits - When the number of deer harvested during the over-the-counter, nonpermit-tag archery season equals the harvest threshold for a particular unit and legal deer has been reached, that unit will close to archery deer hunting at sundown the Wednesday immediately following for the remainder of the archery deer hunting season. Hunters are responsible for checking online at www.azgfd.gov/archerydeerreport or calling 623-236-7961 before hunting to determine if any archery deer units are closed.
139. The Wenima Wildlife Area in Unit 2B is closed to quail hunting.
140. In accordance with R12-4-305 each sandhill crane possessed or being transported shall have a permit-tag attached to its leg or neck and either the fully feathered head or one fully feathered wing shall remain attached until it arrives at the hunter's permanent abode or the place where it is to be consumed.
141. The area within the following described boundaries shall be closed to sandhill crane hunting during the sandhill crane season dates: Beginning at Willcox, southeast on AZ Hwy 186 to the Kansas Settlement Road; south on the Kansas Settlement Road to E. Robbs Road; west along E. Robbs Road to power-line; along power-line running in a southwest direction to AZ Hwy 191 at the power plant; north on AZ Hwy 191 to Interstate 10; northeast on Interstate 10 to Willcox.
142. The area within the following described boundaries shall be closed to sandhill crane hunting at Whitewater Draw Wildlife Area. Beginning at the junction of Coffman and Davis roads; south on Coffman road to the posted portion at the southern end of Whitewater Draw Wildlife Area boundary. Additionally, posted portions of the Alamo Ranch; north to the boundary with that portion of Whitewater Draw Wildlife Area in Section 30, Township 12 South, Range 26 East; west along the posted portion of the Wildlife Area to Frontier road; north on Frontier road to Davis road; east on Davis Road to the point of origin.
143. Sandhill crane hunt permit-tags may be obtained only through application and drawing procedures prescribed in R12-4-104 and the Hunt Permit-Tag Application Schedule. Successful applicants will receive three (3) Sandhill crane hunt-permit tags.
144. The Units 28 and 29 crane hunts may be more difficult than other areas because of the close proximity to the New Mexico border and the cranes are mostly located on private lands. Hunters in these units will need to work closely with landowners to secure access to hunting areas prior to the hunt.



145. All General sandhill crane hunts have a mandatory check station of harvested sandhill cranes this year. Successfully drawn hunters will be sent additional information by mail on how to comply with this mandatory check of all harvested sandhill cranes.
146. On Leslie Canyon National Wildlife Refuge, hunting of this species is permitted only when the hunted species' State season dates overlap with a general or archery State deer and/or javelina hunt season. These species may not be hunted during youth only deer and javelina seasons. The use of dogs and pneumatic weapons is prohibited.
147. Blank
148. The Willcox Playa Wildlife Area (in Unit 30A) is open to hunting and trapping in season, except that the posted portion (SE ¼ of Section 3 and SW ¼ of Section 2 and the NE ¼ of Section 10, T15S, R25E) is closed to public entry from the first day of the waterfowl season through February 28 of the following year. The Willcox Playa Wildlife Area is closed to off-road motor-powered vehicular entry and travel at all times.
156. Dry Lake Hunt Area in Unit 4B - That portion of Unit 4B that lies north of the following: starting at the major powerline & State Route 377 just north of Duck Lake Road, west along the powerline to the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest boundary and west along the forest boundary to Chevelon Canyon.
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 Departments 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.
159. Kanab Creek Hunt Area in Units 12A West, 12B West, and 13A – Beginning on the western edge of the Hurricane Rim and the Utah state line; west on the Utah state line to U.S. Hwy 89A; south and east on U.S. Hwy 89A to the intersection of AZ Hwy 89A and FR 22; south and east on FR 22 to the intersection with FR 423; west and south on FR 423 to the intersection with FR 427; south on FR 427 to the intersection with FR 425; south on FR 425 to the intersection with FR 292; south on FR 292 to the Grand Canyon National Park boundary; west along the Grand Canyon National Park boundary to Whitmore Wash; north up Whitmore wash to Cold Springs wash; north up Cold Springs wash to BLM Rd 1045 (near Cold Springs Wash Pond); north on BLM Rd 1045 to Mohave County Rd. 257; north on Mohave County Rd. 257 to the Mohave County Rd. 5 intersection; east on Mohave County Rd 5 to the western edge on the Hurricane Rim; northerly along the western edge of the Hurricane Rim to Utah state line. This unit excludes sovereign tribal lands of the Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians.
160. The following portions of 12AE are closed to bison hunting for Kaibab Plateau Herd hunts : That portion of House Rock Wildlife Area beginning at the House Rock Wildlife Area entrance on the 8910 road, southerly to the 3510 road (wildlife area headquarters road); easterly on the 3510 road to the South Canyon trailhead; north along the rim of South Canyon to the easternmost terminus of the northern House Rock Wildlife Area boundary; west along the House Rock Wildlife Area boundary fence to the 8910 entrance.
161. Big game retrieval with a vehicle is prohibited within the Parashant National Monument in Units 13A and 13B.

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

THE APPLICATION WILL BE AVAILABLE EARLY TO MID-MAY AT AZGFD.GOV.

What If I Buy a License When I Apply for My Hunt?

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 Big Game Draw" on the main webpage and follow the step by-step instructions. We recommend you have your hunter list (including first and last names, dates of birth, customer ID number, Social Security number and email address) and hunt choices completed with all the required information for each hunter prior to starting the application process.

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.

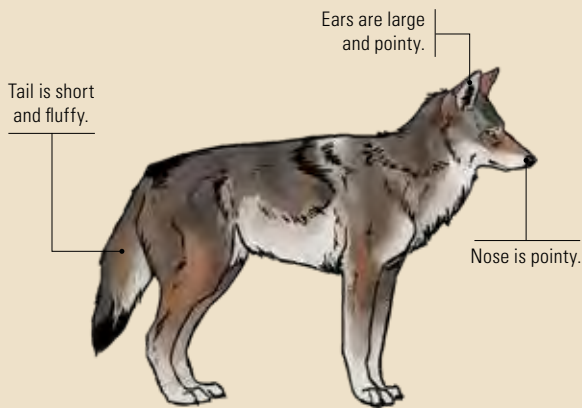
It is important for hunters to distinguish wolves from coyotes, especially when the sighting is brief, the animal is far away, the wolf is a juvenile, or the wolf is in its summer coat. Hunters should exercise extra caution from July to November because wolf pups are active, and their appearance and 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, 22, 23, 27, 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 license revocation (ARS 17-340), a minimum civil assessment of \$8,000 (ARS 17-314) 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.

Common Violations

It is each hunter's responsibility to protect our hunting heritage and ensure wildlife resources are available for future generations. You can help ensure responsible hunting by reporting violations to our Operation Game Thief hotline 800-352-0700. Unfortunate incidents and oversights do occur. If you should find yourself in violation of any laws or rules while hunting, please contact the Operation Game Thief hotline to report it. It certainly is more beneficial to report a violation yourself than have a Wildlife Manager discover it in the field, or have another party report it, and certainly more understandable to the judicial system and the Arizona Game and Fish Commission.

Baiting and Scents

(R12-4-303 A 3 c) Page 103

Using any lure, attractant, or cover scent containing any cervid (deer) urine to take wildlife is unlawful.

R12-4-303 7, page 103

Using edible or ingestible substances, other than water, salt or salt with trace minerals produced for the livestock industry, to aid in the taking of big game is unlawful.

Take Wildlife Without A License

(A.R.S. 17-331) Page 86

In order to take any wildlife in Arizona, you must have the appropriate current hunting or fishing license in your possession. You should check your license every time that you go hunting, fishing or collecting. Also, you must sign your license and tag before hunting.

Possess Unlawfully Taken Wildlife

(A.R.S. 17-309 A 16) Page 86

Any wildlife that is unlawfully taken, may not be legally possessed. So even though you may not have been involved in the illegal taking of wildlife, you cannot legally possess unlawfully taken wildlife or parts thereof.

Exceed Bag and/or Possession Limit

(A.R.S. 17-309 A 14 and 15) Page 86

Wildlife may only be taken and possessed in the quantities prescribed by the Arizona Game and Fish Commission Orders for bag and possession limits. Consult Commission Orders for each species for specifics.

Improper Tagging of Big Game

(R12-4-302) Page 102

All big game taken shall be immediately tagged in accordance with the instructions on the back of the tag or in accordance with instructions for use of an E-Tag and pursuant to Commission Rule, R12-4-302.

Obtain License or Permit By Fraud

(A.R.S. 17-341) Page 88

"Resident" means a person who is domiciled (claims the state of Arizona as their true, fixed and permanent home and principal residence, see pages 10 and 85) in this state for six months immediately preceding the date of application or purchase of a license, permit, tag, or stamp and does not claim residency for any purpose in another state or jurisdiction. (Benefits of residency in another state or jurisdiction may include: driver's license, vehicle registrations, resident property tax credits, voting, resident tax returns, or resident licenses to take wildlife outside of Arizona.) Or is a member of the armed forces of the United States on active duty and stationed in: (i) This state for a period of thirty days immediately preceding the date of applying for or purchase of a license, permit, tag, or stamp; (ii) 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.

Take Wildlife During Closed Season, After Legal Hours or With Aid of Artificial Light

(A.R.S. 17-309 A 10) Page 86, (A.R.S. 17-301 A) Page 85

Wildlife may only be taken during times prescribed by the Commission and closed season shall be in effect unless opened by Commission Order. Review the Commission orders related to the species you are pursuing before leaving home. The use of spotlights from a vehicle is illegal if you have any weapons in your vehicle. During certain coyote seasons it is lawful to use artificial light, yet shall not be used from a vehicle. Check the Commission Orders for more details. If fear of theft is a concern, you should make sure that any weapons in a vehicle are incapable of being fired when you are using a light. Examples are leaving all ammunition, arrows and/or barrels or bolts in camp. Hunters cannot use lighted sight pins or other artificial light sources to extend legal shooting hours.

Take/Hunt From A Vehicle

(A.R.S. 17-301 B) Page 85 (R12-4-319) Page 108

No person may take wildlife from a motor vehicle, watercraft or aircraft, except as permitted by Commission Order, and under the provisions of the Challenged Hunter Access Mobility Permit Commission Rule (R12-4-217). "Take," as defined by law, includes pursuing, shooting, hunting and killing wildlife. You are unlawfully using a vehicle to take wildlife if you intentionally drive around until you see the animal you wish to harvest and then make an attempt to take. "Road hunting" is illegal; so is pursuing wildlife with a vehicle, chasing or heading off moving wildlife with a vehicle, and driving off-road to get closer to wildlife. You do not have to shoot from the vehicle to be in violation.

Common Violations

Take Wildlife With Prohibited Device or By An Unlawful Method

(A.R.S 17-301 A) Page 85, (A.R.S. 17-309 A 12-13) Page 86
(R12-4-303) and (R12-4-304) Page 103
Wildlife may only be taken by a device or method as prescribed by the Commission.

Shoot Too Close To An Occupied Building or Residence

(A.R.S. 17-309 A 4) Page 86 (R12-4-303) 103
Without the resident's permission, you may not discharge a firearm, arrow or bolt, hybrid device, or pneumatic weapon .35 caliber or larger within 1/4 mile (440 yards) of any occupied residence while taking wildlife. All structures including barns, sheds and cabins should be assumed occupied. This is one of the most common violations during dove and quail seasons.

Littering While Taking Wildlife

(A.R.S. 17-309 A 9) Page 86
All hunters are responsible for cleaning up after themselves. All camp areas should be left clean. Shell casings and associated debris constitute litter and should be picked up and packed out. Also, all hunters are responsible for the proper care and disposal of their wildlife carcasses. Carcass debris should be disposed of according to local jurisdiction regulation. Please check with your local authorities for specific regulations and instructions.

Shoot Across Road

(A.R.S. 17-301 B) Page 85
No person may knowingly discharge any firearm or shoot any other device including bow and arrow upon, from, across, or into a maintained road or railway. It is advisable not to shoot from or across any road. Again, this is one of the most common violations during the dove season.

License Revocation

(A.R.S. 17-340) Page 87
You can have your license privileges revoked by the Commission for up to five years for a conviction of:

- unlawful taking, selling, offering for sale, bartering or possession of wildlife
- careless use of firearms resulting in human injury or death
- destroying or injuring livestock or crops while hunting or fishing
- acts of vandalism or littering while hunting or fishing
- knowingly allowing another person to use your big game tag
- unlawful entry on to closed area for purposes of taking wildlife
- license fraud
- unlawful use of aircraft to take wildlife
- waste of game meat
- guiding without a license

Additional convictions may result in license privileges being revoked for longer periods up to permanently.

Civil Values for Species

The Arizona Game and Fish Commission has approved minimum civil values for species. Anyone who is found to have unlawfully wounded or killed, or unlawfully possessed any of the following wildlife, may be subject to civil action by the Arizona Game and Fish Commission and required to pay a fine based on the minimum civil value identified below.

For each bison	\$15,976.08
For each elk	\$6,940.18
For each bear	\$6,798.41
For each bighorn sheep	\$5,041.79
For each mule deer	\$3,808.66
For each mountain lion	\$3,445.94
For each pronghorn	\$3,257.74
For each whitetail	\$3,106.04
For each javelina	\$2,523.37
For each turkey	\$2,428.33
For each predator/furbearer	\$267.50
For each small game/aquatic	\$53.50



Off-Highway Vehicles

The Arizona Game and Fish Department's Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) programs are responsible for promoting safe and ethical use, educating the public and enforcing laws associated with all OHV use. For a complete list of laws and regulations go to: www.azgfd.gov/ohv

OHV rules and laws:

- All off-highway vehicles are required to have an Arizona OHV decal to be operated off-road on public land.
- Arizona residents can purchase OHV decals through the Motor Vehicle Division at www.servicearizona.com. Residents will need to have obtained a license plate for the OHV before purchasing a decal online.
- Nonresidents must purchase OHV decals online at ohv.azgfd.com.
- Those wanting to operate an OHV on maintained roads must register their vehicle with the Motor Vehicle Division and obtain street-legal registration (MC license plate) as well as an OHV decal.
- If your UTV is equipped with seatbelts, wear them – seatbelts help keep the operator and any passengers inside the vehicle in the event of an accident.
- Motor vehicles are not permitted to assist in the taking of wildlife (except as permitted under the Challenged Hunter Access Mobility Permit, R12-4-217).
- OHVs may only be used as a means of travel. It is unlawful to shoot from any OHV, or to shoot upon, from, across or into a road or railway.
- It is unlawful to chase or harass any wildlife with a motorized vehicle.
- Cross-country travel is strictly prohibited. Stay on roads and trails. Motorized big game retrieval is authorized in certain areas under certain circumstances. Check with the appropriate land management agency prior to your hunt to make sure motorized big game retrieval is legal for the species you are hunting in the unit you are hunting in.



- A U.S. Department of Transportation-approved helmet that is properly fitted and fastened is required for all riders and passengers under the age of 18. This applies to all motorcycles and OHVs.
- All OHVs are required to have a U.S. Department of Agriculture-approved spark arrestor device.
- All OHVs are required to have either a muffler or other noise dissipative device that prevents sound above 96 decibels.
- It is unlawful to drive an OHV on roads, trails, routes or areas marked closed by any land management agency or private land owner.
- If you're visiting from out of state, go to www.azgfd.gov/OHV for information on legally operating your OHV in Arizona.
- It is your responsibility to know applicable OHV laws.
- The national forests and Bureau of Land Management have Travel Management Plans that show open roads. Contact the appropriate agency for a free map of the open roads and trails.
- Protect your access to different areas by respecting property, don't litter, share trails and be considerate of others, avoid creating dust and keep out of closed areas.
- Always be prepared by carrying a basic set of tools and a first-aid kit.

Tips for OHV users:

- Enjoy, don't destroy! Help minimize the impacts of OHV use on wildlife and habitat by staying on designated roads and trails.
- If you witness habitat damage or vandalism, report it to 800-VANDALS (826-3257).

Firearms safety:

- When carrying a rifle or shotgun on an OHV, it should be unloaded and put in a case that is firmly attached to the vehicle.
- Don't forget **T.A.B. +1**:
Treat every gun as if it were loaded,
Always point the muzzle in a safe direction, and
Be sure of your target and beyond.
+1 Keep your finger outside the trigger guard until ready to shoot.

Operation Game Thief

Poachers are a serious threat to Arizona's wildlife.

Every animal a poacher kills deprives ethical sportsmen and wildlife enthusiasts of wildlife-related recreational opportunities. Please report any wildlife violations to the Operation Game Thief hotline, 800-352-0700. The hotline operates 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. All calls will remain confidential. Rewards of up to \$8,000 may be offered upon arrest in certain cases.

A majority of cases are initiated by concerned sportsmen who call the Operation Game Thief hotline. You can and do make a difference! Poachers are thieves stealing from you. If you witness a violation the following information will assist us during our investigation:

What is the violation? Describe the activity that occurred and why it is unlawful.

Where did it occur? Be as specific as possible. It is necessary that our officers return to the site.

When did it occur? Is the activity ongoing or are you currently observing it?

Specific violator/vehicle information. What did the individual(s) look like and what were they wearing? What make, model and color vehicle were they driving? Record the license plate if possible and, if they left, the direction of travel.

Your name and telephone number. Although this is optional, the number of cases that are prosecuted from anonymous tips is very low. This is simply because most people do not know the type of information needed to successfully charge and prosecute a violation. Our officers want to talk with you. Your identity will remain confidential and is protected by law. We also want to give you a reward for the information you provided if an arrest is made in the case. Each year we pay out thousands of dollars in rewards to concerned citizens.

Operation Game Thief needs your help – call today 800-352-0700.

POACHING IS A CRIME

– Minimum Rewards –
For information that results in an arrest.

\$500 Pronghorn, eagles, bear, bighorn sheep, bison, deer, elk, javelina, mountain lion, turkey, or endangered or threatened wildlife

A minimum of \$50, not to exceed \$150, for cases that involve wildlife not listed above.

Make the Switch to Non-lead Ammunition

Making the choice to promote ecosystem health by voluntarily choosing to hunt with non-lead bullets is good for both the conservation of wildlife and preserving our hunting heritage. When lead-based ammunition is used to harvest game, the lead-based bullets fragment. Studies have shown the lead fragments remaining in animal parts left in the field can cause lead poisoning in scavengers at a level great enough to be lethal to wildlife. Lead poisoning from bullet fragments is preventable. By switching to non-lead ammunition when hunting, you become a stronger conservationist and retain your hunting heritage.

Three Ps of Non-lead Ammo

Precision – All non-lead ammunition is milled, one bullet at a time, on metal lathes utilizing uniform tools to ensure each bullet is identical, which improves precision. Traditional lead-based bullets are created in a brass cup with molten lead. This manufacturing process introduces inconsistencies that can reduce precision in the field.

Performance – Most non-lead bullets peel open rather than mushroom under compression as a lead bullet does. This opening mechanism requires less energy, while retaining nearly 100 percent of the bullet weight. This results in greater impact at reasonable ranges and deeper penetration.

Price – Non-lead bullets are all premium bullets and when compared to premium lead-based bullets are very similar in price. While cheaper lead-based options exist, they do not deliver the same performance on game as premium bullets.



This image shows the carcass of a deer shot with a 7 mm lead-core, lead-tip bullet. There were 547 lead fragments. The arrow points to a carbon rod that was inserted to show the bullet path. Image courtesy of The Peregrine Fund.

To learn more about lead and wildlife, visit azgfd.gov.

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Definitions

A. In this title, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "Angling" means taking fish by one line and not more than two hooks, by one line and one artificial lure, which may have attached more than one hook, or by one line and not more than two artificial flies or lures.
2. "Bag limit" means the maximum limit, in number or amount, of wildlife that any one person may lawfully take during a specified period of time.
3. "Closed season" means the time during which wildlife may not be lawfully taken.
4. "Commission" means the Arizona game and fish commission.
5. "Department" means the Arizona game and fish department.
6. "Device" means any net, trap, snare, salt lick, scaffold, deadfall, pit, explosive, poison or stupefying substance, crossbow, firearm, bow and arrow, or other implement used for taking wildlife. Device does not include a raptor or any equipment used in the sport of falconry.
7. "Domicile" means a person's true, fixed and permanent home and principal residence. Proof of domicile in this state may be shown as prescribed by rule by the commission.
8. "Falconry" means the sport of hunting or taking quarry with a trained raptor.
9. "Fishing" means to lure, attract or pursue aquatic wildlife in such a manner that the wildlife may be captured or killed.
10. "Fur dealer" means any person engaged in the business of buying for resale the raw pelts or furs of wild mammals.
11. "Guide" means a person who meets any of the following:
 - (a) Advertises for guiding services.
 - (b) Holds himself out to the public for hire as a guide.
 - (c) Is employed by a commercial enterprise as a guide.
 - (d) Accepts compensation in any form commensurate with the market value in this state for guiding services in exchange for aiding, assisting, directing, leading or instructing a person in the field to locate and take wildlife.
 - (e) Is not a landowner or lessee who, without full fair market compensation, allows access to the landowner's or lessee's property and directs and advises a person in taking wildlife.
12. "License classification" means a type of license, permit, tag or stamp authorized under this title and prescribed by the commission by rule to take, handle or possess wildlife.
13. "License year" means the twelve-month period between January 1 and December 31, inclusive, or a different twelve-month period as prescribed by the commission by rule.
14. "Nonresident", for the purposes of applying for a license, permit, tag or stamp, means a citizen of the United States or an alien who is not a resident.
15. "Open season" means the time during which wildlife may be lawfully taken.
16. "Possession limit" means the maximum limit, in number or amount of wildlife, that any one person may possess at one time.
17. "Resident", for the purposes of applying for a license, permit, tag or stamp, means a person who is:
 - (a) A member of the armed forces of the United States on active duty and who is stationed in:
 - (i) This state for a period of thirty days immediately preceding the date of applying for a license, permit, tag or stamp.
 - (ii) Another state or country but who lists this state as the person's home of record at the time of applying for a license, permit, tag or stamp.
 - (b) Domiciled in this state for six months immediately preceding the date of applying for a license, permit, tag or stamp and who does not claim residency privileges for any purpose in any other state or

jurisdiction.

(c) A youth who resides with and is under the guardianship of a person who is a resident.

18. "Road" means any maintained right-of-way for public conveyance.
19. "Statewide" means all lands except those areas lying within the boundaries of state and federal refuges, parks and monuments, unless specifically provided differently by commission order.
20. "Take" means pursuing, shooting, hunting, fishing, trapping, killing, capturing, snaring or netting wildlife or placing or using any net or other device or trap in a manner that may result in capturing or killing wildlife.
21. "Taxidermist" means any person who engages for hire in mounting, refurbishing, maintaining, restoring or preserving any display specimen.
22. "Traps" or "trapping" means taking wildlife in any manner except with a gun or other implement in hand.
23. "Wild" means, in reference to mammals and birds, those species that are normally found in a state of nature.
24. "Wildlife" means all wild mammals, wild birds and the nests or eggs thereof, reptiles, amphibians, mollusks, crustaceans and fish, including their eggs or spawn.
25. "Youth" means a person who is under eighteen years of age.
26. "Zoo" means a commercial facility open to the public where the principal business is holding wildlife in captivity for exhibition purposes.

B. The following definitions of wildlife shall apply:

1. "Aquatic wildlife" means fish, amphibians, mollusks, crustaceans and soft-shelled turtles.
2. "Big game" means wild turkey, deer, elk, pronghorn (antelope), bighorn sheep, bison (buffalo), peccary (javelina), bear and mountain lion.
3. "Fur-bearing animals" means muskrats, raccoons, otters, weasels, bobcats, beavers, badgers and ringtail cats.
4. "Game fish" means trout of all species, bass of all species, catfish of all species, sunfish of all species, northern pike, walleye and yellow perch.
5. "Game mammals" means deer, elk, bear, pronghorn (antelope), bighorn sheep, bison (buffalo), peccary (javelina), mountain lion, tree squirrel and cottontail rabbit.
6. "Migratory game birds" means wild waterfowl, including ducks, geese and swans, Sandhill cranes, all coots, all gallinules, common snipe, wild doves and bandtail pigeons.
7. "Nongame animals" means all wildlife except game mammals, game birds, fur-bearing animals, predatory animals and aquatic wildlife.
8. "Nongame birds" means all birds except upland game birds and migratory game birds.
9. "Nongame fish" means all the species of fish except game fish.
10. "Predatory animals" means foxes, skunks, coyotes and bobcats.
11. "Raptors" means birds that are members of the order of falconiformes or strigiformes and includes falcons, hawks, owls, eagles and other birds that the commission may classify as raptors.
12. "Small game" means cottontail rabbits, tree squirrels, upland game birds and migratory game birds.
13. "Trout" means all species of the family salmonidae, including grayling.
14. "Upland game birds" means quail, partridge, grouse and pheasants.

A.R.S. 17-231

General powers and duties of the commission

A. The commission shall:

3. Establish hunting, trapping and fishing rules and prescribe the manner and methods that may be used in taking wildlife, but the commission shall not limit or restrict the magazine capacity of any authorized firearm.

A.R.S. 17-251

Possession or use of a firearm silencer or muffler while hunting; definition

- A. The commission shall not adopt or enforce any rule that prohibits the lawful possession or use of a firearm silencer or muffler, including for the taking of wildlife or while hunting.
- B. This section does not limit the authority of the commission to prescribe the type and caliber of firearm or ammunition that may be used for taking wildlife.
- C. For the purposes of this section, "firearm silencer or muffler" means any device that is designed, made or adapted to muffle the report of a firearm.

A.R.S. 17-301

Times when wildlife may be taken; exceptions; methods of taking

- A. A person may take wildlife, except aquatic wildlife, only during daylight hours unless otherwise prescribed by the commission. A person shall not take any species of wildlife by the aid or with the use of a jacklight, other artificial light, or illegal device, except as provided by the commission.
- B. A person shall not take wildlife, except aquatic wildlife, or discharge a firearm or shoot any other device from a motor vehicle, including an automobile, aircraft, train or powerboat, or from a sailboat, boat under sail, or a floating object towed by powerboat or sailboat except as expressly permitted by the commission. No person may knowingly discharge any firearm or shoot any other device upon, from, across or into a road or railway.
- C. Fish may be taken only by angling unless otherwise provided by the commission. The line shall be constantly attended. In every case the hook, fly or lure shall be used in such manner that the fish voluntarily take or attempt to take it in their mouths.
- D. It shall be unlawful to take wildlife with any leghold trap, any instant kill body gripping design trap, or by a poison or a snare on any public land, including state owned or state leased land, lands administered by the United States forest service, the federal bureau of land management, the national park service, the United States department of defense, the state parks board and any county or municipality. This subsection shall not prohibit:
 1. The use of the devices prescribed in this subsection by federal, state, county, city, or other local departments of health which have jurisdiction in the geographic area of such use, for the purpose of protection from or surveillance for threats to human health or safety.
 2. The taking of wildlife with firearms, with fishing equipment, with archery equipment, or other implements in hand as may be defined or regulated by the Arizona game and fish commission, including but not limited to the taking of wildlife pursuant to a hunting or fishing license issued by the Arizona game and fish department.
 3. The use of snares, traps not designed to kill, or nets to take wildlife for scientific research projects, sport falconry, or for relocation of the wildlife as may be defined or regulated by the Arizona game and fish commission or the government of the United States or both.
 4. The use of poisons or nets by the Arizona Game and Fish Department to take or manage aquatic wildlife as determined and regulated by the Arizona Game and Fish Commission.
 5. The use of traps for rodent control or poisons for rodent control for the purpose of controlling wild and domestic rodents as otherwise allowed by the laws of the state of Arizona, excluding any fur-bearing animals as defined in section 17-101.

A.R.S. 17-301.01

Protection from wildlife

- A. Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, any person may take wildlife in self-defense or in defense of another person if it is immediately necessary to protect oneself or to protect the other person.



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- B. A person shall notify the department within five days after taking wildlife under this section. No animal or part of an animal taken pursuant to this section may be retained, sold or removed from the site without authorization from the department.

A.R.S. 17-303

Taking or driving wildlife from closed areas or while trespassing

It is unlawful for any person:

1. Except by commission order, to enter on a game refuge or other area that is closed to hunting, trapping or fishing and take, drive or attempt to drive wildlife from such an area.
2. Without authorization from the landowner or lessee of private land, to take wildlife if Section 17-304, Subsection D, Paragraph 1 or 2 applies.

A.R.S. 17-304

Prohibition by landowner on hunting, fishing, trapping or guiding; trespassing; posting; requirements

- A. Landowners or lessees of private land who desire to prohibit hunting, fishing, trapping or guiding on their lands without their permission shall post such lands closed to hunting, fishing, trapping or guiding using notices or signboards.
- B. State or federal lands including those under lease may not be posted except by consent of the commission.
- C. The notices or signboards shall meet all of the following criteria:
1. Be at least eight inches by eleven inches with plainly legible wording in capital and bold-faced lettering at least one inch high.
 2. Contain the words “no trespassing”, “no hunting”, “no trapping”, “no fishing” or “no guiding” either as a single phrase or in any combination.
 3. Be conspicuously placed on a structure or post at all points of vehicular access, at all property or fence corners and at intervals of not more than one-quarter mile along the property boundary, except that a post with one hundred square inches or more of orange paint may serve as the interval notices between property or fence corners and points of vehicular access. The orange paint shall be clearly visible and shall cover the entire aboveground surface of the post facing outward and on both lateral sides from the closed area.
- D. The entry of any person for the taking of wildlife is not grounds for an action for criminal trespassing pursuant to section 13-1502 unless either:
1. The land has been posted pursuant to this section and the notices and signboards also contain the words “no trespassing”.
 2. The person knowingly remains unlawfully on any real property after a reasonable request to leave by the owner or any other person having lawful control over the property or the person knowingly disregards reasonable notice prohibiting trespass at the person's entry to any real property.

A.R.S. 17-305

Possession of other weapons while hunting; violation; classification

- A. The possession of legal weapons, devices, ammunition or magazines, which are not authorized to take wildlife, is not prohibited while hunting if the weapon or device is not used to take wildlife.
- B. Taking wildlife by using a weapon, device, ammunition, or magazine that is not authorized to take wildlife is a class 1 misdemeanor.

A.R.S. 17-308

Unlawful camping

It is unlawful for a person to camp within one-fourth mile of a

natural water hole containing water or a man-made watering facility containing water in such a place that wildlife or domestic stock will be denied access to the only reasonably available water.

A.R.S. 17-309

Violations; classification

- A. Unless otherwise prescribed by this title, it is unlawful for a person to:
1. Violate any provision of this title or any rule adopted pursuant to this title.
 2. Take, possess, transport, buy, sell or offer or expose for sale wildlife except as expressly permitted by this title.
 3. Destroy, injure or molest livestock, growing crops, personal property, notices or signboards, or other improvements while hunting, trapping or fishing.
 4. Discharge a firearm while taking wildlife within one-fourth mile of an occupied farmhouse or other residence, cabin, lodge or building without permission of the owner or resident.
 5. Take a game bird, game mammal or game fish and knowingly permit an edible portion thereof to go to waste, except as provided in section 17-302.
 6. Take big game, except bear or mountain lion, with the aid of dogs.
 7. Make more than one use of a shipping permit or coupon issued by the commission.
 8. Obtain a license or take wildlife during the period for which the person's license has been revoked or suspended or the person has been denied a license.
 9. Litter hunting and fishing areas while taking wildlife.
 10. Take wildlife during the closed season.
 11. Take wildlife in an area closed to the taking of that wildlife.
 12. Take wildlife with an unlawful device.
 13. Take wildlife by an unlawful method.
 14. Take wildlife in excess of the bag limit.
 15. Possess wildlife in excess of the possession limit.
 16. Possess or transport any wildlife or parts of the wildlife that was unlawfully taken.
 17. Possess or transport the carcass of big game without a valid tag being attached.
 18. Use the edible parts of any game mammal or any part of any game bird or nongame bird as bait.
 19. Possess or transport the carcass or parts of a carcass of any wildlife that cannot be identified as to species and legality.
 20. Take game animals, game birds and game fish with an explosive compound, poison or any other deleterious substances.
 21. Import into this state or export from this state the carcass or parts of a carcass of any wildlife unlawfully taken or possessed.
- B. Unless a different or other penalty or punishment is specifically prescribed a person who violates any provision of this title, or who violates or fails to comply with a lawful order or rule of the commission, is guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor.
- C. A person who knowingly takes any big game during a closed season or who knowingly possesses, transports or buys any big game that was unlawfully taken during a closed season is guilty of a class 1 misdemeanor.
- D. A person is guilty of a class 6 felony who knowingly:
1. Barter, sells or offers for sale any big game or parts of big game taken unlawfully.
 2. Barter, sells or offers for sale any wildlife or parts of wildlife unlawfully taken during a closed season.
 3. Barter, sells or offers for sale any wildlife or parts of wildlife imported or purchased in violation of this title or a lawful rule of the commission.
 4. Assists another person for monetary gain with the unlawful taking of big game.
 5. Takes or possesses wildlife while under permanent revocation under section 17-340, subsection B, paragraph 3.
- E. A peace officer who knowingly fails to enforce a lawful rule of the commission or this title is guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor.

A.R.S. 17-314

Illegally taking, wounding, killing or possessing wildlife; civil penalty; enforcement

- A. The commission may impose a civil penalty against any person for unlawfully taking, wounding, killing, or possessing any of the following wildlife, or part thereof, to recover the following minimum sums:
1. For each turkey or javelin \$ 500.00
 2. For each bear, mountain lion, pronghorn (antelope) or deer \$1,500.00
 3. For each elk or eagle, other than endangered species \$2,500.00
 4. For each predatory, fur-bearing or nongame animal \$ 250.00
 5. For each small game or aquatic wildlife animal \$ 50.00
 6. For each bighorn sheep, bison (buffalo) or endangered species animal \$8,000.00
- B. The commission may bring a civil action in the name of this state to enforce the civil penalty. The civil penalty, or a verdict or judgment to enforce the civil penalty, shall not be less than the sum fixed in this section. The minimum sum that the commission may recover from a person pursuant to this section may be doubled for a second violation, verdict or judgment and tripled for a third violation, verdict or judgment. The action to enforce the civil penalty may be joined with an action for possession and recovery had for the possession as well as the civil penalty.
- C. The pendency or determination of an action to enforce the civil penalty or for payment of the civil penalty or a judgment, or the pendency or determination of a criminal prosecution for the same taking, wounding, killing or possession, is not a bar to the other, nor does either affect the right of seizure under any other provision of the laws relating to game and fish.
- D. All monies recovered pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the wildlife theft prevention fund established by section 17-315.

A.R.S. 17-331

License or proof of purchase required; violation of child support order

- A. Except as provided by this title, rules prescribed by the commission or commission order, a person shall not take any wildlife in this state without a valid license or a commission approved proof of purchase. The person shall carry the license or proof of purchase and produce it on request to any game ranger, wildlife manager or peace officer.
- B. A certificate of noncompliance with a child support order issued pursuant to section 25-518 invalidates any license or proof of purchase issued to the support obligor for taking wildlife in this state and prohibits the support obligor from applying for any additional licenses issued by an automated drawing system under this title.
- C. On receipt of a certificate of compliance with a child support order from the court pursuant to section 25-518 and without further action:
1. Any license or proof of purchase issued to the support obligor for taking wildlife that was previously invalidated by a certificate of noncompliance and that has not otherwise expired shall be reinstated.
 2. Any ineligibility to apply for any license issued by an automated drawing system shall be removed.

A.R.S. 17-332 — Amended

Form and content of license; duplicate licenses; transfer of license prohibited; exceptions; refunds; period of validity; definitions

- A. Licenses and license materials shall be prepared by the department and may be furnished and charged to dealers that are authorized to issue licenses. Each license shall be issued in the name of the department and signed in a manner provided by rule adopted by the commission. With each license authorizing the taking of big game, the department shall provide such tags as the commission may prescribe, which the licensee shall attach to the big game animal in the

manner prescribed by the commission. The commission may limit the number or use of licenses that are issued to non-residents or permits that are issued to nonresidents and that are not issued in a random drawing. The commission shall limit the number of big game permits issued to nonresidents in a random drawing to ten percent or fewer of the total hunt permits, but in extraordinary circumstances, at a public meeting the commission may increase the number of permits issued to nonresidents in a random drawing if, on separate roll call votes, the members of the commission unanimously:

1. Support the finding of a specifically described extraordinary circumstance.
 2. Adopt the increased number of nonresident permits for the hunt.
- B. The commission shall issue with each license a shipping permit entitling the holder of the license to a shipment of game or fish as provided by article 4 of this chapter.
- C. It is unlawful, except as provided by the commission, for any person to apply for or obtain in any one license year more than one original license permitting the taking of big game. A duplicate license or tag may be issued by the department or by a license dealer if the person requesting such a license or tag furnishes the information deemed necessary by the commission.
- D. A license or permit is not transferable and may not be used by anyone except the person to whom the license or permit was issued, except that:
1. 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 permit or tag to a qualified organization for use by:
 - (a) A minor child who has a life-threatening medical condition or a permanent physical disability.
 - (b) A minor child whose parent was killed in action while serving in the armed forces of the United States.
 - (c) A minor child whose parent was killed in the course and scope of employment as a peace officer.
 - (d) A minor child whose parent was killed in the course and scope of employment as a professional firefighter who is a member of a state, federal, tribal, city, town, county, district or private fire department.
 - (e) A veteran of the armed forces of the United States who has a service-connected disability.
 2. 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:
 - (a) The parent, grandparent or guardian must transfer the permit or tag to the minor child in a manner prescribed by the commission.
 - (b) The minor child must possess a valid hunting license.
 - (c) Any big game that is taken counts toward the minor child's bag limit.
- E. A minor child who uses a big game permit or tag pursuant to subsection D of this section and is under fourteen years of age must satisfactorily complete the Arizona hunter education course or another comparable hunter education course that is approved by the director.
- F. 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 to the following individuals:
1. An active duty member of the armed forces of the United States who is ordered to leave this state during the time period in which the big game permit or tag is valid for the taking of wildlife.
 2. A peace officer who is assigned to special duty during the time period in which the big game permit or tag is valid for the taking of wildlife.
 3. A professional firefighter who is a member of a state, federal, tribal, city, town, county, district or private fire department and who is assigned to special duty during the time period in which the big game permit or tag is valid for the taking of wildlife.

G. Licenses are valid for a license year as prescribed in rule by the commission. Lifetime licenses and benefactor licenses are valid for the lifetime of the licensee.

H. For the purposes of this section:

1. "Disability" means a permanent physical impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities and that requires the assistance of another person or a mechanical device for physical mobility.
2. "Qualified organization" means a nonprofit organization that is qualified under section 501(c)(3) of the United States internal revenue code and that affords opportunities and experiences to minor children with life threatening medical conditions or with physical disabilities, minor children whose parents were killed in action while serving in the armed forces of the United States or in the course and scope of employment as peace officers or professional firefighters or to veterans with disabilities.

A.R.S. 17-333 — Amended

License classifications; fees; reduced fee and complimentary licenses; annual report; review

- A. The commission shall prescribe by rule license classifications that are valid for the taking or handling of wildlife, fees for licenses, permits, tags and stamps and application fees.
- B. The commission may temporarily reduce or waive any fee prescribed by rule under this title on the recommendation of the director.
- C. The commission may reduce the fees for licenses and issue complimentary licenses, including the following:
 1. A complimentary license to a pioneer who is at least seventy years of age and who has been a resident of this state for twenty-five or more consecutive years immediately before applying for the license. The pioneer license is valid for the licensee's lifetime, and the commission may not require renewal of the license.
 2. A complimentary license to a veteran of the armed forces of the United States who has been a resident of this state for one year or more immediately before applying for the license and who receives compensation from the United States government for a permanent service-connected disability rated as one hundred percent disabling.
 3. A license for a reduced fee of up to twenty-five percent less than the full license fee to a veteran of the United States armed forces who has been a resident of this state for one year or more immediately before applying for the license and who receives compensation from the United States government for a service-connected disability.
 4. A license for a reduced fee that is one-half of the full license fee to a person who has been a resident of this state for one year or more immediately before applying for the license and who submits satisfactory proof to the department that the person is a veteran and a bona fide purple heart medal recipient.
 5. A youth license for a reduced fee to a resident of this state who is either:
 - (a) A member of the boy scouts of America and who has attained the rank of eagle scout.
 - (b) A member of the girl scouts of the USA and who has received the gold award.
- D. All monies collected pursuant to this section shall be deposited, pursuant to sections 35-146 and 35-147, in the game and fish fund established by section 17-261.
- E. On or before December 31 of each year, the commission shall submit an annual report to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the chairperson of the senate natural resources, energy and water committee and the chairperson of the house of representatives energy, environment and natural resources committee, or their successor committees, that includes information relating to license classifications, fees for licenses, permits, tags and stamps and any other fees that the commission prescribes by rule. The joint legislative audit committee may assign a committee of reference to hold a public hearing and review the annual report submitted by the commission.

A.R.S. 17-333.02

Trapping license; education; exemption

- A. A person applying for a trapping license must successfully complete a trapping education course conducted or approved by the department before being issued a trapping license. The department shall conduct or approve an educational course of instruction in responsible trapping and environmental ethics. The course shall include instruction on the history of trapping, trapping ethics, trapping laws, techniques in safely releasing nontarget animals, trapping equipment, wildlife management, proper catch handling, trapper health and safety and considerations and ethics intended to avoid conflicts with other public land users. A person must pass a written examination to successfully complete the course. The department shall not approve a trapping education course conducted by any person, agency, corporation or other organization for which a fee is charged greater than an amount the commission determines per person.
- B. A person who is born before January 1, 1967 or who has completed, from and after December 31, 1987 and before March 1, 1993, the voluntary trapper education course on responsible trapping conducted in cooperation with the Arizona game and fish department is exempt from subsection A of this section.

A.R.S. 17-335

Blind resident; fishing license exemption

A blind resident may fish without a license and is entitled to the same privileges as the holder of a valid license.

A.R.S. 17-338

Remission of fees from sale of licenses and permits; violation; classification

- A. License dealers shall transmit to the department all license and permit fees collected and furnish such information as the commission prescribes by rule. The failure to transmit these fees within thirty days after the deadline the commission prescribes by rule is cause to cancel a license dealer's license. The knowing failure to transmit all collected license and permit fees within thirty days is a class 2 misdemeanor.
- B. A license dealer may collect and retain a reasonable fee as determined by the license dealer in addition to the fee charged to issue the license or permit.

A.R.S. 17-340

Revocation, suspension and denial of privilege of taking wildlife; civil penalty; notice; violation; classification

- A. On conviction or after adjudication as a delinquent juvenile as defined in section 8-201 and in addition to other penalties prescribed by this title, the commission, after a public hearing, may revoke or suspend a license issued to any person under this title and deny the person the right to secure another license to take or possess wildlife for a period of not to exceed five years for:
 1. Unlawful taking, unlawful selling, unlawful offering for sale, unlawful bartering or unlawful possession of wildlife.
 2. Careless use of firearms that resulted in the injury or death of any person.
 3. Destroying, injuring or molesting livestock, or damaging or destroying growing crops, personal property, notices or signboards or other improvements while hunting, trapping or fishing.
 4. Littering public hunting or fishing areas while taking wildlife.
 5. Knowingly allowing another person to use the person's big game tag, except as provided by section 17-332, subsection D.
 6. A violation of section 17-303, 17-304, 17-316 or 17-341 or section 17-362, subsection A.



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7. A violation of section 17-309, subsection A, paragraph 5 involving a waste of edible portions other than meat damaged due to the method of taking as follows:
 - (a) Upland game birds, migratory game birds and wild turkey: breast.
 - (b) Deer, elk, pronghorn (antelope), bighorn sheep, bison (buffalo) and peccary (javelina): hind quarters, front quarters and loins.
 - (c) Game fish: fillets of the fish.
8. A violation of section 17-309, subsection A, paragraph 1 involving any unlawful use of aircraft to take, assist in taking, harass, chase, drive, locate or assist in locating wildlife.
- B. On conviction or after adjudication as a delinquent juvenile and in addition to any other penalties prescribed by this title:
 1. For a first conviction or a first adjudication as a delinquent juvenile, for unlawfully taking or wounding wildlife at any time or place, the commission, after a public hearing, may revoke, suspend or deny the person's privilege to take wildlife for a period of up to five years.
 2. For a second conviction or a second adjudication as a delinquent juvenile, for unlawfully taking or wounding wildlife at any time or place, the commission, after a public hearing, may revoke, suspend or deny the person's privilege to take wildlife for a period of up to ten years.
 3. For a third conviction or a third adjudication as a delinquent juvenile, for unlawfully taking or wounding wildlife at any time or place, the commission, after a public hearing, may revoke, suspend or deny the person's privilege to take wildlife permanently.
- C. In accordance with title 41, chapter 6, article 10 and notwithstanding subsection A of this section, a person against whom the commission imposes a civil penalty under section 17-314 for the unlawful taking, wounding, killing or possession of wildlife may be denied the right to obtain a license to take wildlife until the person has made full payment of the civil penalty.
- D. On receiving a report from the licensing authority of a state that is a party to the wildlife violator compact adopted under chapter 5 of this title that a resident of this state has failed to comply with the terms of a wildlife citation, the commission, after a public hearing, may suspend any license issued under this title to take wildlife until the licensing authority furnishes satisfactory evidence of compliance with the terms of the wildlife citation.
- E. In carrying out this section, the director shall notify the licensee, within one hundred eighty days after conviction, to appear and show cause why the license should not be revoked, suspended or denied. The notice may be served personally or by certified mail sent to the address appearing on the license.
- F. The commission shall furnish to license dealers the names and addresses of persons whose licenses have been revoked or suspended, and the periods for which they have been denied the right to secure licenses.
- G. The commission may use the services of the office of administrative hearings to conduct hearings and to make recommendations to the commission pursuant to this section.
- H. Except for a person who takes or possesses wildlife while under permanent revocation, a person who takes wildlife in this state, or attempts to obtain a license to take wildlife, at a time when the person's privilege to do so is suspended, revoked or denied under this section is guilty of a class 1 misdemeanor.

A.R.S. 17-341

Violation; classification

- A. It is unlawful for a person to knowingly purchase, apply for, accept, obtain or use, by fraud or misrepresentation a license, permit, tag or stamp to take wildlife and a license or permit so obtained is void and of no effect from the date of issuance thereof.
- B. Any person who violates this section is guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor.

A.R.S. 17-361

Trappers; licensing; restrictions; duties; reports

- A. The holder of a trapping license, may trap predatory, nongame, and fur-bearing mammals under such restrictions as the commission may specify.
- B. All traps shall be plainly identified with the name, address, or registered number of the owner, and such markings of identification shall be filed with the department. All traps in use shall be inspected daily.
- C. It shall be unlawful for a person to disturb the trap of another unless authorized to do so by the owner.
- D. Pursuant to rules and regulations of the commission, each trapping licensee shall, on dates designated by the commission, submit on forms provided by the department, a legible report of the number of each kind of predatory, nongame and fur-bearing mammal taken and the names and addresses of the persons to whom they were shipped or sold or the wildlife management units where the animals were taken.

A.R.S. 17-362

Guide license; violations; annual report; carrying firearms

- A. A person shall not act as a guide without first satisfying the director of the person's qualifications and without having procured a guide license. A person who is under eighteen years of age shall not be issued a guide license.
- B. If a licensed guide fails to comply with this title or is convicted of violating any provision of this title, in addition to any other penalty prescribed by this title:
 1. For a first offense, the commission, after a public hearing, may revoke or suspend the guide license and deny the person the right to secure another license for a period of up to five years.
 2. For a second offense, the commission, after a public hearing, may revoke or suspend the guide license and deny the person the right to secure another license for a period of up to ten years.
 3. For a third offense, the commission, after a public hearing, may revoke or suspend the guide license and permanently deny the person the right to secure another license.
- C. By January 10 of each year, or at the request of the commission, guides shall report to the department, on forms provided by the department, the name and address of each person guided, the number of days so employed and the number and species of game animals taken. A guide license shall not be issued to any person who has failed to deliver the report to the department for the preceding license year, or until meeting such requirements as the commission may prescribe.

A.R.S. 17-363

Practice of taxidermy; registration required; rules; register; revocation; suspension; civil penalty

- A. A person shall not engage in the business of a taxidermist for hire until that person registers with the department. The department shall adopt rules to allow a person to register pursuant to this section.
- B. A taxidermist shall:
 1. Keep a register of the names and addresses of persons who furnish raw and unmounted specimens, the taker's tag or license number and the date and number of each species of wildlife received.
 2. Exhibit the register on request of an authorized representative of the department.
 3. Maintain the register for five years after the date the wildlife was received.
 4. File a copy of the register in English with the department on or before January 31 of each year.
- C. After a public hearing, the commission may revoke or suspend the registration of a person who violates this section and deny the person the right to register with the department as a taxidermist for hire under subsection A of this section for a period not to exceed one year.
- D. A person who violates this section is subject to a civil penalty of one hundred fifty dollars.

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Transportation, possession and sale of wildlife and wildlife parts

- A. A person may transport in his possession his legally taken wildlife, or may authorize the transportation of his legally taken big game, provided such big game or any part thereof has attached thereto a valid transportation permit issued by the department. Such wildlife shall be transported in such manner that it may be inspected by authorized persons upon demand until the wildlife is packaged or stored. Species of wildlife, other than game species, may be transported in any manner unless otherwise specified by the commission. A person possessing a valid license may transport lawfully taken wildlife other than big game given to him but in no event shall any person possess more than one bag or possession limit.
- B. A holder of a resident license shall not transport from a point within to a point without the state any big game species or parts thereof without first having obtained a special permit issued by the department or its authorized agent.
- C. Migratory birds may be possessed and transported in accordance with the migratory bird treaty act (40 Stat. 755; 16 United States Code sections 703 through 711) and regulations under that act.
- D. A holder of a sport falconry license may transport one or more raptors that the person lawfully possesses under terms and conditions prescribed by the commission. Regardless of whether a person holds a sport falconry license and as provided by section 17-236, subsection C, the person may transport for sport falconry purposes one or more raptors that are not listed pursuant to the migratory bird treaty act.
- E. Heads, horns, antlers, hides, feet or skin of wildlife lawfully taken, or the treated or mounted specimens thereof, may be possessed, sold and transported at any time, except that migratory birds may be possessed and transported only in accordance with federal regulations.

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Definitions

- A. In addition to the definitions provided under A.R.S. § 17-101, R12-4-301, R12-4-401, and R12-4-501, the following definitions apply to this Chapter, unless otherwise specified:
- “Arizona Conservation Education” means the conservation education course provided by Arizona Game and Fish Department in hunting safety, responsibility, and conservation. “Arizona Hunter Education” means the hunter education course provided by Arizona Game and Fish Department in hunting safety, responsibility, and conservation meeting Association of Fish and Wildlife agreed upon reciprocity standards along with Arizona-specific requirements.
- “Attach” means to fasten or affix a tag to a legally harvested animal. An electronic tag is considered attached once the validation code is fastened to the legally harvested animal.
- “Bobcat seal” means the tag a person is required to attach to the raw pelt or unskinned carcass of any bobcat taken by trapping in Arizona or exported out of Arizona regardless of the method of take.
- “Bonus point” means a credit that authorizes the Department to issue an applicant an additional computer-generated random number.
- “Bow” means a long bow, flat bow, recurve bow, or compound bow of which the bowstring is drawn and held under tension entirely by the physical power of the shooter through all points of the draw cycle until the shooter purposely acts to release the bowstring either by relaxing the tension of the toes, fingers, or mouth or by triggering the release of a hand-held release aid.
- “Certificate of insurance” means an official document, issued by the sponsor’s and sponsor’s vendors, or subcontractors insurance carrier, providing insurance against claims for injury to persons or damage to property which may arise from, or in connection with, the solicitation or event as determined by the Department.
- “Cervid” means a mammal classified as a Cervidae, which includes but is not limited to caribou, elk, moose, mule deer, reindeer, wapiti, and whitetail deer; as defined in the taxonomic classification from the Integrated Taxonomic Information System, available online at www.itis.gov.
- “Commission Order” means a document adopted by the Commission that does one or more of the following:
Open, close, or alter seasons,
Open areas for taking wildlife,
Set bag or possession limits for wildlife,
Set the number of permits available for limited hunts, or
Specify wildlife that may or may not be taken.
- “Crossbow” means a device consisting of a bow affixed on a stock having a trigger mechanism to release the bowstring.
- “Day-long” means the 24-hour period from one midnight to the following midnight.
- “Department property” means those buildings or real property and wildlife areas under the jurisdiction of the Arizona Game and Fish Commission.
- “Electronic tag” means a tag that is provided by the Department through an electronic device that syncs with the Department’s computer systems.
- “Export” means to carry, send, or transport wildlife or wildlife parts out of Arizona to another state or country.
- “Firearm” means any loaded or unloaded handgun, pistol, revolver, rifle, shotgun, or other weapon that will discharge, is designed to discharge, or may readily be converted to discharge a projectile by the action of an explosion caused by the burning of smokeless powder, black powder, or black powder substitute.
- “Hunt area” means a management unit, portion of a management unit, or group of management units, or any portion of Arizona described in a Commission Order and not included in a management unit, opened to hunting.
- “Hunt number” means the number assigned by Commission Order to any hunt area where a limited number of hunt permits are available.

- “Hunt permits” means the number of hunt permit-tags made available to the public as a result of a Commission Order.
- “Hunt permit-tag” means a tag for a hunt for which a Commission Order has assigned a hunt number.
- “Identification number” means the number assigned to each applicant or license holder by the Department as established under R12-4-111.
- “Import” means to bring, send, receive, or transport wildlife or wildlife parts into Arizona from another state or country.
- “License dealer” means a business authorized to sell hunting, fishing, and other licenses as established under R12-4-105.
- “Limited-entry permit-tag” means a permit made available for a limited-entry fishing or hunting season.
- “Live baitfish” means any species of live freshwater fish designated by Commission Order as lawful for use in taking aquatic wildlife under R12-4-317.
- “Management unit” means an area established by the Commission for management purposes.
- “Nonpermit-tag” means a tag for a hunt for which a Commission Order does not assign a hunt number and the number of tags is not limited.
- “Nonprofit organization” means an organization that is recognized under Section 501(c) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.
- “Person” has the meaning as provided under A.R.S. § 1-215.
- “Proof of purchase,” for the purposes of A.R.S. § 17-331, means an original, or any authentic and verifiable form of the original, of any Department-issued license, permit, or stamp that establishes proof of actual purchase.
- “Pursue” means to chase, tree, corner or hold wildlife at bay.
- “Pursuit-only” means a person may pursue, but not kill, a bear, mountain lion, or raccoon on any management unit that is open to pursuit-only season, as defined under R12-4-318, by Commission Order.
- “Pursuit-only permit” means a permit for a pursuit-only hunt for which a Commission Order does not assign a hunt number and the number of permits are not limited.
- “Restricted nonpermit-tag” means a tag issued for a supplemental hunt as established under R12-4-115.
- “Solicitation” means any activity that may be considered or interpreted as promoting, selling, or transferring products, services, memberships, or causes, or participation in an event or activity of any kind, including organizational, educational, public affairs, or protest activities, including the distribution or posting of advertising, handbills, leaflets, circulars, posters, or other printed materials for these purposes.
- “Solicitation material” means advertising, circulars, flyers, handbills, leaflets, posters, or other printed information.
- “Sponsor” means the person or persons conducting a solicitation or event.
- “Stamp” means a form of authorization in addition to a license that authorizes the license holder to take wildlife specified by the stamp.
- “Tag” means the Department authorization a person is required to obtain before taking certain wildlife as established under A.R.S. Title 17 and 12 A.A.C. 4.
- “Validation code” means the unique code provided by the Department and associated with an electronic tag.
- “Waterdog” means the larval or metamorphosing stage of a salamander.
- “Wildlife area” means an area established under 12 A.A.C. 4, Article 8.
- B. If the following terms are used in a Commission Order, the following definitions apply:
- “Antlered” means having an antler fully erupted through the skin and capable of being shed.
- “Antlerless” means not having an antler, antlers, or any part of an antler erupted through the skin.
- “Bearded turkey” means a turkey with a beard that extends beyond the contour feathers of the breast.
- “Buck pronghorn” means a male pronghorn.
- “Adult bull bison” means a male bison of any age or any bison designated by a Department employee during an adult bull bison hunt.
- “Adult cow bison” means a female bison of any age or any bison designated by a Department employee during an adult cow bison hunt.

- “Bull elk” means an antlered elk.
- “Designated” means the gender, age, or species of wildlife or the specifically identified wildlife the Department authorizes to be taken and possessed with a valid tag.
- “Ram” means any male bighorn sheep.
- “Rooster” means a male pheasant.
- “Yearling bison” means any bison less than three years of age or any bison designated by a Department employee during a yearling bison hunt.

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Duplicate Tags and Licenses

- A. Under A.R.S. § 17-332(C), the Department and its license dealers may issue a duplicate license or tag to an applicant who:
1. Pays the applicable fee prescribed under R12-4-102, and
 2. Signs an affidavit. The affidavit is furnished by the Department and is available at any Department office or license dealer.
- B. The applicant shall provide the following information on the affidavit:
1. The applicant’s personal information:
 - a. Name;
 - b. Department identification number, when applicable;
 - c. Residency status and number of years of residency immediately preceding application, when applicable;
 2. The original license or tag information:
 - a. Type of license or tag;
 - b. Place of purchase;
 - c. Purchase date, when available;
 3. Disposition of the original tag for which a duplicate is being purchased:
 - a. The tag was not used and is lost, destroyed, mutilated, or otherwise unusable; or
 - b. The tag was placed on a harvested animal that was subsequently condemned and the carcass and all parts of the animal were surrendered to a Department employee as required under R12-4-112(B) and (C). An applicant applying for a duplicate tag under this subsection shall also submit the condemned meat duplicate tag authorization form issued by the Department.
- C. In the event the Department is unable to verify the expiration date of the original license, the duplicate license shall expire on December 31 of the current year.

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Application Procedures for Issuance of Hunt Permit-tags by Computer Draw and Purchase of Bonus Points

- A. For the purposes of this Section, “group” means all applicants who placed their names on a single application as part of the same application.
- B. A person is eligible to apply:
1. For a hunt permit-tag if the person:
 - a. Is at least 10 years of age at the start of the hunt for which the person is applying;
 - b. Has successfully completed a Department-sanctioned hunter education course by the start date of the hunt for which the person is applying, when the person is between 9 and 14 years of age;
 - c. Has not reached the bag limit established under subsection (J) for that genus; and
 - d. Is not suspended or revoked in this state as a result of an action under A.R.S. §§ 17-340 or 17-502 at the time the person submits an application.
 2. For a bonus point if the person:
 - a. Is at least 10 years of age by the application deadline date; and
 - b. Is not suspended or revoked in this state as a result of an action under A.R.S. §§ 17-340 or 17-502 at the time the person submits an application.
- C. An applicant shall apply at the times, locations, and in the manner and method established by the hunt permit-tag



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application schedule published by the Department and available at any Department office, on the Department's website, or a license dealer.

1. The Commission shall set application deadline dates for hunt permit-tag computer draw applications through the hunt permit-tag application schedule.
 2. The Director has the authority to extend any application deadline date if a problem occurs that prevents the public from submitting a hunt permit-tag application within the deadlines set by the Commission.
 3. The Commission, through the hunt permit-tag application schedule, shall designate the manner and method of submitting an application, which may require an applicant to apply online only. If the Commission requires applicants to use the online method, the Department shall accept paper applications only in the event of a Department systems failure.
- D. An applicant for a hunt permit-tag or a bonus point shall complete and submit a Hunt Permit-tag Application. The application form is available from any Department office, a license dealer, or on the Department's website.
- E. An applicant shall provide the following information on the Hunt Permit-tag Application:
1. The applicant's personal information:
 - a. Name;
 - b. Date of birth,
 - c. Social security number, as required under A.R.S. §§ 25-320(P) and 25-502(K);
 - d. Department identification number, when applicable;
 - e. Residency status and number of years of residency immediately preceding application, when applicable;
 - f. Mailing address, when applicable;
 - g. Physical address;
 - h. Telephone number, when available; and
 - i. E-mail address, when available;
 2. If the applicant possesses a valid license authorizing the take of wildlife in this state, the number of the applicant's license;
 3. If the applicant does not possess a valid license at the time of the application, the applicant shall purchase a license as established under subsection (K). The applicant shall provide all of the following information on the license application portion of the Hunt Permit-tag Application:
 - a. Physical description, to include the applicant's eye color, hair color, height, and weight;
 - b. Residency status and number of years of residency immediately preceding application, when applicable;
 - c. Type of license for which the person is applying; and
 4. Certify the information provided on the application is true and accurate;
 5. An applicant who is:
 - a. Under the age of 10 and is submitting an application for a hunt other than big game is not required to have a license under this Chapter. The applicant shall indicate "youth" in the space provided for the license number on the Hunt Permit-tag Application.
 - b. Age nine or older and is submitting an application for a big game hunt is required to purchase an appropriate license as required under this Section. The applicant shall either enter the appropriate license number in the space provided for the license number on the Hunt Permit-tag Application Form or purchase a license at the time of application, as applicable.
- F. In addition to the information required under subsection (E), an applicant shall also submit all applicable fees established under R12-4-102, as follows:
1. When applying electronically:
 - a. The permit application fee; and
 - b. The license fee, when the applicant does not possess a valid license at the time of application. The applicant shall submit payment in U.S. currency using valid credit or debit card.
 - c. If an applicant is successful in the computer draw,

the Department shall charge the hunt permit-tag fee using the credit or debit card furnished by the applicant.

2. When applying manually:
 - a. The fee for the applicable hunt permit-tag;
 - b. The permit application fee; and
 - c. The license fee if the applicant does not possess a valid license at the time of application. The applicant shall submit payment by certified check, cashier's check, or money order made payable in U.S. currency to the Arizona Game and Fish Department.
- G. An applicant shall apply for a specific hunt or a bonus point by the current hunt number. If all hunts selected by the applicant are filled at the time the application is processed in the computer draw, the Department shall deem the application unsuccessful, unless the application is for a bonus point.
 1. An applicant shall make all hunt choices for the same genus within one application.
 2. An applicant shall not include applications for different genera of wildlife in the same envelope.
- H. An applicant shall submit only one valid application per genus of wildlife for any calendar year, except:
 1. If the bag limit is one per calendar year, an unsuccessful applicant may re-apply for remaining hunt permit-tags in unfilled hunt areas, as specified in the hunt permit-tag application schedule.
 2. For genera that have multiple draws within a single calendar year, a person who successfully draws a hunt permit-tag during an earlier season may apply for a later season for the same genus if the person has not taken the bag limit for that genus during a preceding hunt in the same calendar year.
 3. If the bag limit is more than one per calendar year, a person may apply for remaining hunt permit-tags in unfilled hunt areas as specified in the hunt permit-tag application schedule.
- I. All members of a group shall apply for the same hunt numbers and in the same order of preference.
 1. No more than four persons may apply as a group.
 2. The Department shall not issue a hunt permit-tag to any group member unless sufficient hunt permit-tags are available for all group members.
- J. A person shall not apply for a hunt permit-tag for:
 1. Rocky Mountain or desert bighorn sheep if the person has met the lifetime bag limit for that sub-species.
 2. Bison if the person has met the lifetime bag limit for that species.
 3. Any species when the person has reached the bag limit for that species during the same calendar year for which the hunt permit-tag applies.
- K. To participate in:
 1. The computer draw system, an applicant shall possess an appropriate hunting license that shall be valid, either:
 - a. On the last day of the application deadline for that computer draw, as established by the hunt permit-tag application schedule published by the Department, or
 - b. On the last day of an extended deadline date, as authorized under subsection (C)(2).
 - c. If an applicant does not possess an appropriate hunting license that meets the requirements of this subsection, the applicant shall purchase the license at the time of application.
 2. The bonus point system, an applicant shall comply with the requirements established under R12-4-107.
- L. The Department shall reject as invalid a Hunt Permit-Tag Application not prepared or submitted in accordance with this Section or not prepared in a legible manner.
- M. Any hunt permit-tag issued for an application that is subsequently found not to be in accordance with this Section is invalid.
- N. The Department or its authorized agent shall deliver hunt permit-tags to successful applicants. The Department shall return application overpayments to the applicant designated "A" on the Hunt Permit-tag Application. The Department shall not refund:
 1. A permit application fee.

2. A license fee submitted with a valid application for a hunt permit-tag or bonus point.
 3. An overpayment of five dollars or less. The Department shall consider the overpayment to be a donation to the Arizona Game and Fish Fund.
- O. The Department shall award a bonus point for the appropriate species to an applicant when the payment submitted is less than the required fees, but is sufficient to cover the application fee and, when applicable, license fee.
- P. When the Department determines a Department error, as defined under subsection (3), caused the rejection or denial of a valid application:
1. The Director may authorize either:
 - a. The issuance of an additional hunt permit-tag, provided the issuance of an additional hunt permit-tag will have no significant impact on the wildlife population to be hunted and the application for the hunt permit-tag would have otherwise been successful based on its random number, or
 - b. The awarding of a bonus point when a hunt permit-tag is not issued.
 2. A person who is denied a hunt permit-tag or a bonus point under this subsection may appeal to the Commission as provided under A.R.S. Title 41, Chapter 6, Article 10.
 3. For the purposes of this subsection, "Department error" means an internal processing error that:
 - a. Prevented a person from lawfully submitting an application for a hunt permit-tag,
 - b. Caused a person to submit an invalid application for a hunt permit-tag,
 - c. Caused the rejection of an application for a hunt permit-tag,
 - d. Failed to apply an applicant's bonus points to a valid application for a hunt permit-tag, or
 - e. Caused the denial of a hunt permit-tag.

R12-4-107

Bonus Point System

- A. For the purpose of this Section, the following definitions apply:
- "Bonus point hunt number" means the hunt number assigned in a Commission Order for use by an applicant who is applying for a bonus point only.
- "Loyalty bonus point" means a bonus point awarded to a person who has submitted a valid application for a hunt permit-tag or a bonus point for a specific genus identified in subsection (B) at least once annually for a consecutive five-year period.
- B. The bonus point system grants a person one random number entry in each computer draw for bear, bighorn sheep, bison, deer, elk, javelina, pronghorn, Sandhill crane, or turkey for each bonus point that person has accumulated under this Section.
1. Each bonus point random number entry is in addition to the entry normally granted under R12-4-104.
 2. When processing a "group" application, as defined under R12-4-104, the Department shall use the average number of bonus points accumulated by all persons in the group, rounded to the nearest whole number. If the average number of bonus points is equal to or greater than .5, the total will be rounded to the next higher number.
 3. The Department shall credit a bonus point under an applicant's Department identification number for the genus on the application.
 4. The Department shall not transfer bonus points between persons or genera.
- C. The Department shall award one bonus point to an applicant who submits a valid Hunt Permit-tag Application provided the following apply:
1. The application is unsuccessful in the computer draw or the application is for a bonus point only;
 2. The application is not for a hunt permit-tag leftover after the computer draw and available on a first-come, first-served basis as established under R12-4-114; and
 3. The applicant either provides the appropriate hunting

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license number on the application, or submits an application and fees for the applicable license with the Hunt Permit-tag Application Form, as applicable.

D. An applicant who purchases a bonus point only shall:

1. Submit a valid Hunt Permit-tag Application, as prescribed under R12-4-104 at the times, locations, and in the manner and method established by the schedule published by the Department and available at any Department office, on the Department's website, or a license dealer.
 - a. When the application is submitted for a hunt permit-tag or bonus point, the Department shall reject any application that:
 - i. Indicates the bonus point only hunt number as any choice other than the first-choice, or
 - ii. Includes any other hunt number on the application;
 - iii. Includes more than one Hunt Permit-tag Application per genus per computer draw, or
 - iv. Is submitted after the application deadline for that specific computer draw.
 2. When the application is submitted for a bonus point during the extended bonus point period, the Department shall reject any application that:
 - i. Includes more than one Hunt Permit-tag Application per genus, or
 - ii. Is submitted after the application deadline for that extended bonus point period.
 3. Include the applicable fees:
 - a. Application fee, and
 - b. Applicable license fee, required when the applicant does not possess a valid license at the time of application and the applicant is applying for a hunt permit-tag.
- E. With the exception of the conservation education and hunter education bonus points, each accumulated bonus point is valid only for the genus designated on the Hunt Permit-tag Application.
- F. With the exception of a permanent bonus point awarded for conservation education or hunter education and a loyalty bonus point which is accrued and forfeited as established under subsection (L), a person's accumulated bonus points for a genus are expended if:
1. The person is issued a hunt permit-tag for that genus in a computer draw;
 2. The person fails to submit a Hunt Permit-tag Application for that genus for five consecutive years; or
 3. The person purchases a surrendered tag as prescribed under R12-4-118(F)(1), (2), or (3).
- G. Notwithstanding subsection (F), the Department shall restore any expended bonus points to a person who surrenders or transfers a tag in compliance with R12-4-118 or R12-4-121.
- H. An applicant issued a first-come, first-served hunt permit-tag under R12-4-114(C)(2)(e) after the computer draw does not expend bonus points for that genus.
- I. An applicant who is unsuccessful for a first-come, first-served hunt permit-tag made available by the Department after the computer draw is not eligible to receive a bonus point.
- J. The Department shall award one permanent bonus point for each genus upon a person's first graduation from a either:
1. A Department-sanctioned Arizona Hunter Education Course completed after January 1, 1980, or
 2. The Department's Arizona Conservation Education Course completed after January 1, 2021.
- a. Course participants are required to provide the following information upon registration, the participants:
 - i. Name;
 - ii. Mailing address;
 - iii. Telephone number;
 - iv. E-mail address, when available;
 - v. Date of birth; and
 - vi. Department ID number, when applicable.
 - b. The Arizona Game and Fish Department-certified Instructor shall submit the course paperwork to the Department within 10 business days of course completion. Course paperwork must be received by the Department no less than 30 days before the

computer draw application deadline, as specified in the hunt permit-tag application schedule in order for the Department to assign hunter education bonus points in the next computer draw.

- c. Any person who is nine years of age or older may participate in a hunter education course or the Department's conservation education course. When the person is under 10 years of age, the hunter education completion card and certificate shall become valid on the person's 10th birthday.
 - d. The Department shall not award hunter education bonus points for any of the following specialized hunter education courses:
 - i. Bowhunter Education,
 - ii. Trapper Education, or
 - iii. Advanced Hunter Education.
- K. The Department provides an applicant's total number of accumulated bonus points on the Department's application website or IVR telephone system.
1. If a person believes the total number of accumulated bonus points is incorrect, the person may request proof of compliance with this Section, from the Department, to prove Department error.
 2. In the event of an error, the Department shall correct the person's record.
- L. The following provisions apply to the loyalty bonus point program:
1. An applicant who submits a valid application at least once a year for a hunt permit-tag or a bonus point for a specific genus consecutively for a five-year period shall accrue a loyalty bonus point for that genus.
 2. Except as established under subsection (N), once a loyalty bonus point is accrued, the applicant shall retain the loyalty bonus point provided the applicant annually submits an application, with funds sufficient to cover all application fees and applicable license fees for each applicant listed on the application, for a hunt permit-tag or a bonus point for the genus for which the loyalty bonus point was accrued.
 3. An applicant who fails to apply in any calendar year for a hunt permit-tag or bonus point for the genus for which the loyalty bonus point was accrued shall forfeit the loyalty bonus point for that genus.
 4. A loyalty bonus point is accrued in addition to all other bonus points.
- M. A military member, military reserve member, member of the National Guard, or emergency response personnel with a public agency may request the reinstatement of any expended bonus points for a successful Hunt Permit-tag Application.
1. To request reinstatement of expended bonus points under these circumstances, an applicant shall submit all of the following information to the Arizona Game and Fish Department, Draw Section, 5000 W. Carefree Highway, Phoenix, AZ 85086:
 - a. Evidence of mobilization or change in duty status, such as a letter from the public agency or official orders; or
 - b. An official declaration of a state of emergency from the public agency or authority making the declaration of emergency, if applicable; and
 - c. The valid, unused hunt permit-tag.
 2. The Department shall deny requests post-marked after the beginning date of the hunt for which the hunt permit-tag is valid, unless the person also submits, with the request, evidence of mobilization, activation, or a change in duty status that precluded the applicant from submitting the hunt permit-tag before the beginning date of the hunt.
 3. Under A.R.S. § 17-332(E), no refunds for a license or hunt permit-tag will be issued to an applicant who applies for reinstatement of bonus points under this subsection.
 4. Reinstatement of bonus points under this subsection is not subject to the requirements established under R12-4-118.
- N. It is unlawful for a person to purchase or accrue a bonus point by fraud or misrepresentation and any bonus point so obtained shall be removed from the person's Department record.

R12-4-108

Management Unit Boundaries

- A. For the purpose of this Section, parentheses mean "also known as," and the following definitions shall apply:
- "FH" means forest highway.
- "FR" means forest road.
- "Hwy" means Highway.
- "I-8" means Interstate Highway 8.
- "I-10" means Interstate Highway 10.
- "I-15" means Interstate Highway 15.
- "I-17" means Interstate Highway 17.
- "I-19" means Interstate Highway 19.
- "I-40" means Interstate Highway 40.
- "mp" means milepost.
- B. The state is divided into units for the purpose of managing wildlife. Each unit is identified by a number, or a number and letter. For the purpose of this Section, Indian reservation land contained within any management unit is not under the jurisdiction of the Arizona Game and Fish Commission or the Arizona Game and Fish Department.
- C. Management unit descriptions are as follows:
- Unit 1 – Beginning at the New Mexico state line and U.S. Hwy 60; west on U.S. Hwy 60 to Vernon Junction; southerly on the Vernon-McNary road (FR 224) to the White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation boundary; east and south along the reservation boundary to Black River; east and north along Black River to the east fork of Black River; north along the east fork to Three Forks; and continuing north and east on the Three Forks-Williams Valley Alpine Rd. (FR 249) to U.S. Hwy 180; east on U.S. Hwy 180 to the New Mexico state line; north along the state line to U.S. Hwy 60.
- Unit 2A – Beginning at St. Johns on U.S. Hwy 191 (AZ Hwy 61); north on U.S. Hwy 191 (AZ Hwy 61) to the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; westerly along the reservation boundary to AZ Hwy 77; south on AZ Hwy 77 to Exit 292 on I-40; west on the westbound lane of I-40 to Exit 286; south on AZ Hwy 77 to U.S. Hwy 180; southeast on U.S. Hwy 180 to AZ Hwy 180A; south on AZ Hwy 180A to AZ Hwy 61; east on AZ Hwy 61 to U.S. Hwy 180 (AZ Hwy 61); east to U.S. Hwy 191 at St. Johns; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Zuni Tribe.
- Unit 2B – Beginning at Springerville; east on U.S. Hwy 60 to the New Mexico state line; north along the state line to the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; westerly along the reservation boundary to U.S. Hwy 191 (AZ Hwy 61); south on U.S. Hwy 191 (U.S. Hwy 180) to Springerville.
- Unit 2C – Beginning at St. Johns on U.S. Hwy 191 (AZ Hwy 61); west on to AZ Hwy 61 Concho; southwest on AZ Hwy 61 to U.S. Hwy 60; east on U.S. Hwy 60 to U.S. Hwy 191 (U.S. Hwy 180); north on U.S. Hwy 191 (U.S. Hwy 180) to St. Johns.
- Unit 3A – Beginning at the junction of U.S. Hwy 180 and AZ Hwy 77; south on AZ Hwy 77 to AZ Hwy 377; southwesterly on AZ Hwy 377 to AZ Hwy 277; easterly on AZ Hwy 277 to Snowflake; easterly on the Snowflake-Concho Rd. to U.S. Hwy 180A; north on U.S. Hwy 180A to U.S. Hwy 180; northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 180 to AZ Hwy 77.
- Unit 3B – Beginning at Snowflake; southerly along AZ Hwy 77 to U.S. Hwy 60; southwesterly along U.S. Hwy 60 to the White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation boundary; easterly along the reservation boundary to the Vernon-McNary Rd. (FR 224); northerly along the Vernon-McNary Rd. to U.S. Hwy 60; west on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 61; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 61 to AZ Hwy 180A; northerly on AZ Hwy 180A to Concho-Snowflake Rd.; westerly on the Concho-Snowflake Rd. to Snowflake.
- Unit 3C – Beginning at Snowflake; westerly on AZ Hwy 277 to AZ Hwy 260; westerly on AZ Hwy 260 to the Sitgreaves National Forest boundary with the Tonto National Forest; easterly along the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest boundary to U.S. Hwy 60 (AZ Hwy 77); northeasterly on U.S. Hwy 60 (AZ Hwy 77) to Showlow; northerly along AZ Hwy 77 to Snowflake.
- Unit 4A – Beginning on the boundary of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest with the Coconino National Forest at the Mogolion Rim; north along this boundary (Leonard Canyon) 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 St.); west on Business I-40 (3rd St.) to Hipkoe Dr;



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northerly on Hipkoe Dr. to I-40; west on I-40 to mp 221.4; north to the southwest corner of the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; east along the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary to the Little Colorado River; southerly along the Little Colorado River to Chevelon Creek; southerly along Chevelon Creek to Woods Canyon; westerly along Woods Canyon to Woods Canyon Lake Rd.; westerly and southerly along the Woods Canyon Lake Rd. to the Mogollon Rim; westerly along the Mogollon Rim to the boundary of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest with the Coconino National Forest.

Unit 4B – Beginning at AZ Hwy 260 and the Sitgreaves National Forest boundary with the Tonto National Forest; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 260 to AZ Hwy 277; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 277 to Hwy 377; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 377 to AZ Hwy 77; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 77 to I-40 Exit 286; northeasterly along the westbound lane of I-40 to Exit 292; north on AZ Hwy 77 to the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; west along the reservation boundary to the Little Colorado River; southerly along the Little Colorado River to Chevelon Creek; southerly along Chevelon Creek to Woods Canyon; westerly along Woods Canyon to Woods Canyon Lake Rd. (FH 151); westerly and southerly along the Woods Canyon Lake Rd. (FH 151) to the Mogollon Rim; easterly along the Mogollon Rim to the intersection of AZ Hwy 260 and the Sitgreaves National Forest boundary with the Tonto National Forest.

Unit 5A – Beginning at the junction of the Sitgreaves National Forest boundary with the Coconino National Forest boundary at the Mogollon Rim; northerly along this boundary (Leonard Canyon) to East Clear Creek; northeasterly 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 St.); west on Business I-40 (3rd St.) to Hipkoe Dr.; north on Hipkoe Dr. to I-40; west on I-40 to the Meteor Crater Rd. (Exit 233); southerly on the Meteor Crater-Chavez Pass-Jack's Canyon Rd. (FR 69) to AZ Hwy 87; southwesterly along AZ Hwy 87 to the Coconino-Tonto National Forest boundary; easterly along the Coconino-Tonto National Forest boundary (Mogollon Rim) to the Sitgreaves National Forest boundary with the Coconino National Forest.

Unit 5B -- Beginning at Lake Mary-Clint's Well Rd. (FH3) and Walnut Canyon (mp 337.5 on FH3); southeasterly on FH3 to AZ Hwy 87; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 87 to FR 69; westerly and northerly on FR 69 to I-40 (Exit 233); west on I-40 to Walnut Canyon (mp 210.2); southwesterly along the bottom of Walnut Canyon to Walnut Canyon National Monument; southwesterly along the northern boundary of the Walnut Canyon National Monument to Walnut Canyon; southwesterly along the bottom of Walnut Canyon to FH3 (mp 337.5).

Unit 6A – Beginning at the junction of U.S. AZ Hwy 89A and FR 237; southwesterly on U.S. AZ Hwy 89A to the Verde River; southeasterly along the Verde River to the confluence with Fossil Creek; northeasterly along Fossil Creek to Fossil Springs; southeasterly on FS trail 18 (Fossil Spring Trail) to the top of the rim; northeasterly on the rim to Nash Point on the Tonto-Coconino National Forest boundary; easterly along this boundary to AZ Hwy 87; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 87 to Lake Mary-Clint's Well Rd. (FH3); northwesterly on FH3 to FR 132; southwesterly on FR 132 to FR 296; southwesterly on FR 296 to FR 296A; southwesterly on FR 296A to FR 132; northwesterly on FR 132 to FR 235; westerly on FR 235 to Priest Draw; southwesterly along the bottom of Priest Draw to FR 235; westerly on FR 235 to FR 235A; westerly on FR 235A to FR 235; southerly on FR 235 to FR 235K; northwesterly on FR 235K to FR 700; northerly on FR 700 to Mountaineire Rd.; west on Mountaineire Rd. to FR 237; westerly on FR 237 to U.S. AZ Hwy 89A except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Yavapai-Apache Nation.

Unit 6B – Beginning at mp 188.5 on I-40 at a point just north of the east boundary of Camp Navajo; south along the eastern boundary of Camp Navajo to the southeastern corner of Camp Navajo; southeast approximately 1/3 mile through the forest to the forest road in section 33; southeast on the forest road to FR 231 (Woody Mountain Rd.); easterly on FR 231 to FR 533; southerly on FR 533 to U.S. AZ Hwy 89A; southerly on U.S. AZ Hwy 89A to the Verde River; northerly along the Verde River to Sycamore Creek; northeasterly along Sycamore Creek and Volunteer Canyon to the southwest corner of the Camp Navajo boundary; northerly along the western boundary of Camp Navajo to the northwest corner of Camp Navajo; continuing north to I-40 (mp 180.0); easterly along I-40 to mp 188.5.

Unit 7 – Beginning at the junction of AZ Hwy 64 and I-40 (in Williams); easterly on I-40 to FR 171 (mp 184.4 on I-40); northerly on FR 171 to the Transwestern Gas Pipeline; easterly along the

Transwestern Gas Pipeline to FR 420 (Schultz Pass Rd.); north-easterly on FR 420 to U.S. Hwy 89; across U.S. Hwy 89 to FR 545; east on FR 545 to the Sunset Crater National Monument; easterly along the southern boundary of the Sunset Crater National Monument to FR 545; east on FR 545 to the 345 KV transmission lines 1 and 2; southeasterly along the power lines to I-40 (mp 212 on I-40); east on I-40 to mp 221.4; north to the southwest corner of the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; northerly and westerly along the reservation boundary to the Four Corners Gas Line; southwesterly along the Four Corners Gas Line to U.S. Hwy 180; west on U.S. Hwy 180 to AZ Hwy 64; south on AZ Hwy 64 to I-40.

Unit 8 – Beginning at the junction of I-40 and AZ Hwy 89 (in Ash Fork, Exit 146); south on AZ Hwy 89 to the Verde River; easterly along the Verde River to Sycamore Creek; northerly along Sycamore Creek to Volunteer Canyon; northeasterly along Volunteer Canyon to the west boundary of Camp Navajo; north along the boundary to a point directly north of I-40; west on I-40 to AZ Hwy 89.

Unit 9 – Beginning where Cataract Creek enters the Havasupai Reservation; easterly and northerly along the Havasupai Reservation boundary to Grand Canyon National Park; easterly along the Grand Canyon National Park boundary to the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; southerly along the reservation boundary to the Four Corners Gas Line; southwesterly along the Four Corners Gas Line to U.S. Hwy 180; westerly along U.S. Hwy 180 to AZ Hwy 64; south along AZ Hwy 64 to Airpark Rd.; west and north along Airpark Rd. to the Valle-Cataract Creek Rd.; westerly along the Valle-Cataract Creek Rd. to Cataract Creek at Island Tank; northwesterly along Cataract Creek to the Havasupai Reservation Boundary.

Unit 10 – Beginning at the junction of AZ Hwy 64 and I-40; westerly on I-40 to Crookton Rd. (AZ Hwy 66, Exit 139); westerly on AZ Hwy 66 to the Hualapai Indian Reservation boundary; northeasterly along the reservation boundary to Grand Canyon National Park; east along the park boundary to the Havasupai Indian Reservation; easterly and southerly along the reservation boundary to where Cataract Creek enters the reservation; southeasterly along Cataract Creek in Cataract Canyon to Island Tank; easterly on the Cataract Creek-Valle Rd. to Airpark Rd.; south and east along Airpark Rd. to AZ Hwy 64; south on AZ Hwy 64 to I-40.

Unit 11M - Beginning at the junction of Lake Mary Clint's Well Rd (FH3) and Walnut Canyon (mp 337.5 on FH3); northeasterly along the bottom of Walnut Canyon to the Walnut Canyon National Monument boundary; northeasterly along the northern boundary of the Walnut Canyon National Monument to Walnut Canyon; northeasterly along the bottom of Walnut Canyon to I-40 (mp 210.2); east on I-40 to the 345 KV transmission lines 1&2 (mp 212 on I-40); north and northeasterly along the power line to FR 545 (Sunset Crater Rd); west along FR 545 to the Sunset Crater National Monument boundary; westerly along the southern boundary of the Sunset Crater National monument to FR 545; west on FR 545 to U.S. Hwy 89; across U.S. Hwy 89 to FR 420 (Schultz Pass Rd); southwesterly on FR 420 to the Transwestern Gas Pipeline; westerly along the Transwestern Gas Pipeline to FR 171; south on FR 171 to I-40 (mp 184.4 on I-40); east on I-40 to a point just north of the eastern boundary of the Navajo Army Depot (mp 188.5 on I-40); south along the eastern boundary of the Navajo Army Depot to the southeast corner of the Depot; southeast approximately 1/3 mile to forest road in section 33; southeasterly along that forest road to FR 231 (Woody Mountain Rd); easterly on FR 231 to FR 533; southerly on FR 533 to U.S. Hwy 89A; southerly on U.S. Hwy 89A to FR 237; northeasterly on FR 237 to Mountaineire Rd; easterly on Mountaineire Rd to FR 700; southerly on FR 700 to FR 235K; southeasterly on FR 235K to FR 235; northerly on FR 235 to FR 235A; easterly on FR 235A to FR 235; easterly on FR 235 to Priest Draw; northeasterly along the bottom of Priest Draw to FR 235; easterly on FR 235 to FR 132; southeasterly on FR 132 to FR 296A; northeasterly on FR 296A to FR 296; northeasterly on FR 296 to FR 132; northeasterly on FR 132 to FH 3; southeasterly on FH 3 to the south rim of Walnut Canyon (mp 337.5 on FH3).

Unit 12A – Beginning at the confluence of the Colorado River and South Canyon; southerly and westerly along the Colorado River to Kanab Creek; northerly along Kanab Creek to Snake Gulch; northerly, easterly, and southerly around the Kaibab National Forest boundary to South Canyon; northeasterly along South Canyon to the Colorado River.

Unit 12B – Beginning at U.S. Hwy 89A and the Kaibab National Forest boundary near mp 566; southerly and easterly along the forest boundary to Grand Canyon National Park; northeasterly

along the park boundary to Glen Canyon National Recreation area; easterly along the recreation area boundary to the Colorado River; northeasterly along the Colorado River to the Arizona-Utah state line; westerly along the state line to Kanab Creek; southerly along Kanab Creek to the Kaibab National Forest boundary; northerly, easterly, and southerly along this boundary to U.S. Hwy 89A near mp 566; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians.

Unit 13A – Beginning on the western edge of the Hurricane Rim at the Utah state line; southerly along the western edge of the Hurricane Rim to Mohave County Rd. 5 (the Mt. Trumbull Rd.); west along Mohave County Rd. 5 to the town of Mt. Trumbull (Bundyville); south from the town of Mt. Trumbull (Bundyville) on Mohave County Rd. 257 to BLM Rd. 1045; south on BLM Rd. 1045 to where it crosses Cold Spring Wash near Cold Spring Wash Pond; south along the bottom of Cold Spring Wash to Whitmore Wash; southerly along the bottom of Whitmore Wash to the Colorado River; easterly along the Colorado River to Kanab Creek; northerly along Kanab Creek to the Utah state line; west along the Utah state line to the western edge of the Hurricane Rim; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians.

Unit 13B – Beginning on the western edge of the Hurricane Rim at the Utah state line; southerly along the western edge of the Hurricane Rim to Mohave County Rd. 5 (the Mt. Trumbull Rd.); west along Mohave County Rd. 5 to the town of Mt. Trumbull (Bundyville); south from the town of Mt. Trumbull (Bundyville) on Mohave County Rd. 257 to BLM Rd. 1045; south on BLM Rd. 1045 to where it crosses Cold Spring Wash near Cold Spring Wash Pond; south along the bottom of Cold Spring Wash to Whitmore Wash; southerly along the bottom of Whitmore Wash to the Colorado River; westerly along the Colorado River to the Nevada state line; north along the Nevada state line to the Utah state line; east along the Utah state line to the western edge of the Hurricane Rim.

Unit 15A – Beginning at Pearce Ferry on the Colorado River; southerly on the Pearce Ferry Rd. to Antares Rd.; southeasterly on Antares Rd. to AZ Hwy 66; easterly on AZ Hwy 66 to the Hualapai Indian Reservation; west and north along the west boundary of the reservation to the Colorado River; westerly along the Colorado River to Pearce Ferry; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Hualapai Indian Tribe.

Unit 15B – Beginning at Kingman on I-40 (Exit 48); northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to Hoover Dam; north and east along the Colorado River to Pearce Ferry; southerly on the Pearce Ferry Rd. to Antares Rd.; southeasterly on Antares Rd. to AZ Hwy 66; easterly on AZ Hwy 66 to Hackberry Rd.; southerly on the Hackberry Rd.; west on I-40 to Kingman (Exit 48).

Unit 15C – Beginning at Hoover Dam; southerly along the Colorado River to AZ Hwy 68 and Davis Dam; easterly on AZ Hwy 68 to U.S. Hwy 93; northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to Hoover Dam.

Unit 15D – Beginning at AZ Hwy 68 and Davis Dam; southerly along the Colorado River to I-40; east and north on I-40 to Kingman (Exit 48); northwest on U.S. Hwy 93 to AZ Hwy 68; west on AZ Hwy 68 to Davis Dam; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Fort Mohave Indian Tribe.

Unit 16A – Beginning at Kingman on I-40 (Exit 48); south and west on I-40 to U.S. Hwy 95 (Exit 9); southerly on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Bill Williams River; easterly along the Bill Williams and Santa Maria rivers to U.S. Hwy 93; north on U.S. Hwy 93 to I-40 (Exit 71); west on I-40 to Kingman (Exit 48).

Unit 16B – Beginning at I-40 on the Colorado River; southerly along the Arizona-California state line to the Bill Williams River; east along the Bill Williams River to U.S. Hwy 95; north on U.S. Hwy 95 to I-40 (Exit 9); west on I-40 to the Colorado River.

Unit 17A – Beginning at the junction of the Williamson Valley Rd. (County Road 5) and the Camp Wood Rd. (FR 21); westerly on the Camp Wood Rd. to the west boundary of the Prescott National Forest; north along the forest boundary to the Baca Grant; east, north and west around the grant to the west boundary of the Prescott National Forest; north and east along the forest boundary to the Williamson Valley Rd. (County Rd. 5, FR 6); southerly on Williamson Valley Rd. (County Rd. 5, FR 6) to the Camp Wood Rd.

Unit 17B -- Beginning at the junction of Iron Springs Rd. (County Rd. 10) and Williamson Valley Rd. (County Road 5) in Prescott; westerly on the Prescott-Skull Valley-Hillside-Bagdad Rd. to Bagdad; northeast on the Bagdad-Camp Wood Rd. (FR 21) to the

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Williamson Valley Rd. (County Rd. 5, FR 6); south on the Williamson Valley Rd. (County Rd. 5, FR 6) to the Iron Springs Rd.

Unit 18A – Beginning at Seligman; westerly on AZ Hwy 66 to the Hualapai Indian Reservation; southwest and west along the reservation boundary to AZ Hwy 66; southwest on AZ Hwy 66 to the Hackberry Rd.; south on the Hackberry Rd. to I-40; west along I-40 to U.S. Hwy 93; south on U.S. Hwy 93 to Cane Springs Wash; easterly along Cane Springs Wash to the Big Sandy River; northerly along the Big Sandy River to Trout Creek; northeast along Trout Creek to the Davis Dam-Prescott power line; southeasterly along the power line to the west boundary of the Prescott National Forest; north and east along the forest boundary to the Williamson Valley Rd. (County Rd. 5, FR 6); northerly on the Williamson Valley Rd. (County Rd. 5, FR 6) to Seligman and AZ Hwy 66; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Hualapai Indian Tribe.

Unit 18B – Beginning at Bagdad; southeast on AZ Hwy 96 to the Santa Maria River; southwest along the Santa Maria River to U.S. Hwy 93; northerly on U.S. Hwy 93 to Cane Springs Wash; easterly along Cane Springs Wash to the Big Sandy River; northerly along the Big Sandy River to Trout Creek; northeasterly along Trout Creek to the Davis Dam-Prescott power line; southeasterly along the power line to the west boundary of the Prescott National Forest; south along the forest boundary to the Baca Grant; east, south and west along the forest boundary; south along the west boundary of the Prescott National Forest; to the Camp Wood-Bagdad Rd.; southwest on the Camp Wood-Bagdad Rd. to Bagdad; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Hualapai Indian Tribe.

Unit 19A – Beginning at AZ Hwy 69 and AZ Hwy 89 (in Prescott); northerly on AZ Hwy 89 to the Verde River; easterly along the Verde River to I-17; southwest on the southbound lane of I-17 to AZ Hwy 69; northwesterly on AZ Hwy 69 to AZ Hwy 89; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe and the Yavapai-Apache Nation.

Unit 19B – Beginning at the intersection of AZ Hwy 89 and AZ Hwy 69, west on Gurley St. to Grove Ave.; north on the Grove Ave. to Miller Valley Rd.; northwest on the Miller Valley Rd. to Iron Springs Rd.; northwest on the Iron Springs Rd. to the junction of Williamson Valley Rd. and Iron Springs Rd.; northerly on the Williamson Valley-Prescott-Seligman Rd. (FR 6, Williamson Valley Rd.) to AZ Hwy 66 at Seligman; east on Crookton Rd. (AZ Hwy 66) to I-40 (Exit 139); east on I-40 to AZ Hwy 89; south on AZ Hwy 89 to the junction with AZ Hwy 69; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe.

Unit 20A – Beginning at the intersection of AZ Hwy 89 and AZ Hwy 69; west on Gurley St. to Grove Ave.; north on the Grove Ave. to Miller Valley Rd.; northwest on the Miller Valley Rd. to Iron Springs Rd.; west and south on Iron Springs Rd. (County Road 10) to Kirkland; south and east on AZ Hwy 96 to Kirkland Junction (U.S. Hwy 89); southeasterly along Wagoner Rd. (County Road 60) to Wagoner (mp 17); from Wagoner easterly along County Road 60 (FR 362) to intersection of FR 52; easterly along FR 52 to intersection of FR 259; easterly along FR 259 to Crown King Rd. (County Road 59) at Crown King; continue easterly to the intersection of Antelope Creek Rd. cutoff (County Road 179S); northeasterly along Antelope Creek Rd. cutoff to intersection of Antelope Creek Rd. (County Road 179); northeasterly on Antelope Creek Rd. to Cordes; east on Bloody Basin Rd. (County Road 73) to I-17 (Exit 259); north on the southbound lane of I-17 to AZ Hwy 69; northwest on AZ Hwy 69 to junction of AZ Hwy 89 at Prescott; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe.

Unit 20B – Beginning at the Hassayampa River and U.S. Hwy 60/93 (at Wickenburg), northeasterly along the Hassayampa River to Wagoner (County Road 60, mp 17); from Wagoner easterly along County Road 60 (FR 362) to intersection of FR 52; easterly along FR 52 to intersection of FR 259; easterly along FR 259 to Crown King Rd. (County Road 59) at Crown King; continue easterly to intersection of Antelope Creek Rd. cutoff (County Road 179S); northeasterly along Antelope Creek Rd. cutoff to intersection of Antelope Creek Rd. (County Road 179); northeasterly on Antelope Creek Rd. to Cordes; east on Bloody Basin Rd. (County Road 73) to I-17 (Exit 259); south on the southbound lane of I-17 to New River Road (Exit 232); west on New River Road to SR 74; west on AZ Hwy 74 to junction of U.S. Hwy 60/93; northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 60/93 to the Hassayampa River (at Wickenburg).

Unit 20C – Beginning at U.S. Hwy 60/93 and the Santa Maria

River; northeasterly along the Santa Maria River to AZ Hwy 96; easterly on AZ Hwy 96 to Kirkland Junction (AZ Hwy 89); south along AZ Hwy 89 to Wagoner Rd.; southeasterly along Wagoner Rd. (County Road 60) to Wagoner (mp 17); from Wagoner southwest along the Hassayampa River to U.S. Hwy 60/93; northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 60/93 to the Santa Maria River.

Unit 21 – Beginning on I-17 at the Verde River; southerly on the southbound lane of I-17 to the New River Road (Exit 232); east on New River Road to Fig Springs Road; northeasterly on Fig Springs Road to Mingus Rd.; Mingus Rd. to the Tonto National Forest boundary; southeasterly along this boundary to the Verde River; north along the Verde River to I-17.

Unit 22 – Beginning at the junction of the Salt and Verde Rivers; north along the Verde River to the confluence with Fossil Creek; northeasterly along Fossil Creek to Fossil Springs; southeasterly on FS trail 18 (Fossil Spring Trail) to the top of the rim; northeasterly on the rim to Nash Point on the Tonto-Coconino National Forest boundary along the Mogollon Rim; easterly along this boundary to Tonto Creek; southerly along the east fork of Tonto Creek to the spring box, north of the Tonto Creek Hatchery, and continuing southerly along Tonto Creek to the Salt River; westerly along the Salt River to the Verde River; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Tonto Apache Tribe and the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation.

Unit 23 – Beginning at the confluence of Tonto Creek and the Salt River; northerly along Tonto Creek to the spring box, north of the Tonto Creek Hatchery, on Tonto Creek; northeasterly along the east fork of Tonto Creek to the Tonto-Stitgreaves National Forest boundary along the Mogollon Rim; east along this boundary to the White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation boundary; southerly along the reservation boundary to the Salt River; westerly along the Salt River to Tonto Creek.

Unit 24A – Beginning on AZ Hwy 177 in Superior; southeasterly on AZ Hwy 177 to the Gila River; northeasterly along the Gila River to the San Carlos Indian Reservation boundary; easterly, westerly and northerly along the reservation boundary to the Salt River; southwest along the Salt River to AZ Hwy 288; southerly on AZ Hwy 288 and 188 to U.S. Hwy 60; southwest on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 177.

Unit 24B – Beginning on U.S. Hwy 60 in Superior; northeasterly on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 188; northerly on AZ Hwy 188 and 288 to the Salt River; westerly along the Salt River to the Tonto National Forest boundary near Granite Reef Dam; southeasterly along Forest boundary to Forest Route 77 (Peralta Rd.); southwest on Forest Route 77 (Peralta Rd.) to U.S. Hwy 60; easterly on U.S. Hwy 60 to Superior.

Unit 25M – Beginning at the junction of 51st Ave. and I-10; west on I-10 to AZ Loop 303, northeasterly on AZ Loop 303 to I-17; north on I-17 to Carefree Hwy; east on Carefree Hwy to Cave Creek Rd.; northeasterly on Cave Creek Rd. to the Tonto National Forest boundary; easterly and southerly along the Tonto National Forest boundary to Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation boundary; northeasterly along the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation boundary to the Verde River; southerly along the Verde River to the Salt River; southwest along the Salt River to the Tonto National Forest boundary; southerly along the Tonto National Forest boundary to Bush Hwy/Power Rd.; southerly on Bush Hwy/Power Rd. to AZ Loop 202; easterly, southerly, and westerly on AZ Loop 202 to the intersection of Pecos Rd. at I-10; west on Pecos Rd. to the Gila River Indian Community boundary; northwesterly along the Gila River Indian Community boundary to 51st Ave; northerly on 51st Ave to I-10; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands.

Unit 26M – Beginning at the junction of I-17 and New River Rd. (Exit 232); southwest on New River Rd. to AZ Hwy 74; westerly on AZ Hwy 74 to U.S. Hwy 93; southeasterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to the Beardsley Canal; southwest on the Beardsley Canal to Indian School Rd.; west on Indian School Rd. to Jackrabbit Trail; south on Jackrabbit Trail to I-10 (Exit 121); west on I-10 to Oglesby Rd. (Exit 112); south on Oglesby Rd. to AZ Hwy 85; south on AZ Hwy 85 to the Gila River; northeasterly along the Gila River to the Gila River Indian Community boundary; southeasterly along the Gila River Indian Community boundary to AZ Hwy 347 (John Wayne Parkway); south on AZ Hwy 347 (John Wayne Parkway) to AZ Hwy 84; east on AZ Hwy 84 to Stanfield; south on the Stanfield-Cocklebur Rd. to the Tohono O'odham Nation boundary; easterly along the Tohono O'odham Nation boundary to Battaglia Rd.; east on Battaglia Rd. to Toltec Rd.; north on Toltec Rd. to I-10 (Exit 203); southeasterly on I-10 to AZ Hwy 87

(Exit 211); north on AZ Hwy 87 to AZ Hwy 287 north of Coolidge; east on AZ Hwy 287 to AZ Hwy 79; north on AZ Hwy 79 to U.S. Hwy 60; northwesterly on U.S. Highway 60 to Peralta Rd.; northeasterly along Peralta Rd. to the Tonto National Forest boundary; northwesterly along the Tonto National Forest boundary to the Salt River; northeasterly along the Salt River to the Verde River; northerly along the Verde River to the Tonto National Forest boundary; northwesterly along the Tonto National Forest boundary to Mingus Rd.; Mingus Rd. to Fig Springs Rd.; southwest on Fig Springs Rd. to New River Rd.; west on New River Rd. to I-17 (Exit 232); except Unit 25M and those portions that are sovereign tribal lands.

Unit 27 – Beginning at the New Mexico state line and AZ Hwy 78; southwest on AZ Hwy 78 to U.S. Hwy 191; north on U.S. Hwy 191 to Lower Eagle Creek Rd. (Pump Station Rd.); west on the Lower Eagle Creek Rd. (Pump Station Rd.) to Eagle Creek; north along Eagle Creek to the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation boundary; north along the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation boundary to Black River; northeast along Black River to the East Fork of Black River; northeast along the East Fork of Black River to Three Forks-Williams Valley-Alpine Rd. (FR 249); easterly along Three Forks-Williams Valley-Alpine Rd. to U.S. Hwy 180; southeast on U.S. Hwy 180 to the New Mexico state line; south along the New Mexico state line to AZ Hwy 78.

Unit 28 – Beginning at I-10 and the New Mexico state line; north along the state line to AZ Hwy 78; southwest on AZ Hwy 78 to U.S. Hwy 191; northwest on U.S. Hwy 191 to Clifton; westerly on the Lower Eagle Creek Rd. (Pump Station Rd.) to Eagle Creek; northerly along Eagle Creek to the San Carlos Indian Reservation boundary; southerly and west along the reservation boundary to U.S. Hwy 70; southeast on U.S. Hwy 70 to U.S. Hwy 191; south on U.S. Hwy 191 to I-10 Exit 352; easterly on I-10 to the New Mexico state line.

Unit 29 – Beginning on I-10 at the New Mexico state line; westerly on I-10 to the Bowie-Apache Pass Rd.; southerly on the Bowie-Apache Pass Rd. to AZ Hwy 186; southeast on AZ Hwy 186 to AZ Hwy 181; south on AZ Hwy 181 to the West Turkey Creek-Kuykendall cutoff road; southerly on the Kuykendall cutoff road to Rucker Canyon Rd.; easterly on the Rucker Canyon Rd. to Tex Canyon Rd.; southerly on Tex Canyon Rd. to U.S. Hwy 80; northeast on U.S. Hwy 80 to the New Mexico state line; north along the state line to I-10.

Unit 30A – Beginning at the junction of the New Mexico state line and U.S. Hwy 80; south along the state line to the U.S.-Mexico border; west along the border to U.S. Hwy 191; northerly on U.S. Hwy 191 to I-10 Exit 331; northeasterly on I-10 to the Bowie-Apache Pass Rd.; southerly on the Bowie-Apache Pass Rd. to AZ Hwy 186; southeasterly on AZ Hwy 186 to AZ Hwy 181; south on AZ Hwy 181 to the West Turkey Creek - Kuykendall cutoff road; southerly on the Kuykendall cutoff road to Rucker Canyon Rd.; easterly on Rucker Canyon Rd. to the Tex Canyon Rd.; southerly on Tex Canyon Rd. to U.S. Hwy 80; northeast on U.S. Hwy 80 to the New Mexico state line.

Unit 30B – Beginning at U.S. Hwy 191 and the U.S.-Mexico border; west along the border to the San Pedro River; north along the San Pedro River to I-10; northeasterly on I-10 to U.S. Hwy 191; southerly on U.S. Hwy 191 to the U.S.-Mexico border.

Unit 31 – Beginning at Willcox Exit 340 on I-10; north on Fort Grant Rd. to Brookerson Rd.; north on Brookerson Rd. to Ash Creek Rd.; west on Ash Creek Rd. to Fort Grant Rd.; north on Fort Grant Rd. to Bonita; northerly on the Bonita-Klondyke Rd. to the junction with Aravaipa Creek; west along Aravaipa Creek to AZ Hwy 77; northerly along AZ Hwy 77 to the Gila River; northeast along the Gila River to the San Carlos Indian Reservation boundary; south then east and north along the reservation boundary to U.S. Hwy 70; southeast on U.S. Hwy 70 to U.S. Hwy 191; south on U.S. Hwy 191 to the 352 exit on I-10; southwest on I-10 to Exit 340.

Unit 32 – Beginning at Willcox Exit 340 on I-10; north on Fort Grant Rd. to Brookerson Rd.; north on Brookerson Rd. to Ash Creek Rd.; west on Ash Creek Rd. to Fort Grant Rd.; north on Fort Grant Rd. to Bonita; northerly on the Bonita-Klondyke Rd. to the junction with Aravaipa Creek; west along Aravaipa Creek to AZ Hwy 77; southerly along AZ Hwy 77 to the San Pedro River; southerly along the San Pedro River to I-10; northeast on I-10 to Willcox Exit 340.

Unit 33 – Beginning at Tangerine Rd. and AZ Hwy 77; north and northeast on AZ Hwy 77 to the San Pedro River; southeast along the San Pedro River to I-10 at Benson; west on I-10 to Marsh Station Rd. (Exit 289); northwest on the Marsh Station Rd. to the

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Agua Verde Rd.; north on the Agua Verde Rd. to its terminus then north 1/2 mile to the Coronado National Forest boundary; north and west along the National Forest boundary; then west, north, and east along the Saguaro National Park boundary; continuing north and west along the Coronado National Forest boundary to the southern boundary of Catalina State Park; west along the southern boundary of Catalina State Park to AZ Hwy 77; north on AZ Hwy 77 to Tangerine Rd.

Unit 34A – Beginning in Nogales at I-19 and Compound St.; northeast on Grand Avenue to AZ Hwy 82; northeast on AZ Hwy 82 to AZ Hwy 83; northerly on AZ Hwy 83 to the Sahuarita Rd. alignment; west along the Sahuarita Rd. alignment to I-19 Exit 75; south on I-19 to Grand Avenue (U.S. Hwy 89).

Unit 34B – Beginning at AZ Hwy 83 and I-10 Exit 281; easterly on I-10 to the San Pedro River; south along the San Pedro River to AZ Hwy 82; westerly on AZ Hwy 82 to AZ Hwy 83; northerly on AZ Hwy 83 to I-10 Exit 281.

Unit 35A – Beginning on the U.S.-Mexico border at the San Pedro River; west along the border to Lochiel Rd.; north on Lochiel Rd. to Patagonia San Rafael Rd.; north on the Patagonia San Rafael Rd. to San Rafael Valley-FS 58 Rd.; north on the San Rafael Valley-FS 58 Rd. to Christian Ln.; north on the Christian Ln. to Ranch Rd.; east and north on the Ranch Rd. to FR 799-Canelo Pass Rd.; northeasterly on the FR 799-Canelo Pass Rd. to AZ Hwy 83; northwesterly on the AZ Hwy 83 to Elgin Canelo Rd.; northeasterly on the Elgin-Canelo Rd. to Upper Elgin Rd.; north on the Upper Elgin Rd. to AZ Hwy 82; easterly on AZ Hwy 82 to the San Pedro River; south along the San Pedro River to the U.S.-Mexico border.

Unit 35B – Beginning at Grand Avenue at the U.S.-Mexico border in Nogales; east along the U.S.-Mexico border to Lochiel Rd.; north on the Lochiel Rd. to Patagonia San Rafael Rd.; north on the Patagonia San Rafael Rd. to San Rafael Valley-FS 58 Rd.; north on the San Rafael Valley-FS 58 Rd. to Christian Ln.; north on the Christian Ln. to Ranch Rd.; east and north on the Ranch Rd. to FR 799-Canelo Pass Rd.; northeasterly on FR 799-Canelo Pass Rd. to AZ Hwy 83; northwesterly on the AZ Hwy 83 to Elgin Canelo Rd.; north on the Elgin Canelo Rd. to Upper Elgin Rd.; north on the Upper Elgin Rd. to AZ Hwy 82; southwest on AZ Hwy 82 to Grand Avenue; southwest on Grand Avenue to the U.S.-Mexico border.

Unit 36A – Beginning at the junction of Sandario Rd. and AZ Hwy 86; southwest on AZ Hwy 86 to AZ Hwy 286; southerly on AZ Hwy 286 to the Arivaca-Sasabe Rd.; southeasterly on the Arivaca-Sasabe Rd. to the town of Arivaca; from the town of Arivaca northeasterly on the Arivaca Rd. to I-19; north on I-19 to the southern boundary of the San Xavier Indian Reservation boundary; westerly and northerly along the reservation boundary to the Sandario road alignment; north on Sandario Rd. to AZ Hwy 86.

Unit 36B – Beginning at I-19 and Compound St.; southeasterly on Compound St. to Sonoita Ave.; north on Sonoita Ave. to Crawford St.; southeasterly on Crawford St. to Grand Avenue in Nogales; southwest on Grand Avenue to the U.S.-Mexico border; west along the U.S.-Mexico border to AZ Hwy 286; north on AZ Hwy 286 to the Arivaca-Sasabe Rd.; southeasterly on the Arivaca-Sasabe Rd. to the town of Arivaca; from the town of Arivaca northeasterly on the Arivaca Rd. to I-19; south on I-19 to Grand Avenue.

Unit 36C – Beginning at the junction of AZ Hwy 86 and AZ Hwy 286; southerly on AZ Hwy 286 to the U.S.-Mexico border; westerly along the border to the east boundary of the Tohono O'odham (Papago) Indian Reservation; northerly along the reservation boundary to AZ Hwy 86; easterly on AZ Hwy 86 to AZ Hwy 286.

Unit 37A – Beginning at the junction of I-10 and Tangerine Rd. (Exit 240); southeast on I-10 to Avra Valley Rd. (Exit 242); west on Avra Valley Rd. to Sandario Rd.; south on Sandario Rd. to AZ Hwy 86; southwest on AZ Hwy 86 to the Tohono O'odham Nation boundary; north, east, and west along this boundary to Battaglia Rd.; east on Battaglia Rd. to Toltec Rd.; north on Toltec Rd. to I-10 (Exit 203); southeast on I-10 to AZ Hwy 87 (Exit 211); north on AZ Hwy 87 to AZ Hwy 287; east on AZ Hwy 287 to AZ Hwy 79 at Florence; southeast on AZ Hwy 79 to its junction with AZ Hwy 77; south on AZ Hwy 77 to Tangerine Rd.; west on Tangerine Rd. to I-10.

Unit 37B – Beginning at the junction of AZ Hwy 79 and AZ Hwy 77; northwest on AZ Hwy 79 to U.S. Hwy 60; east on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 177; southeast on AZ Hwy 177 to AZ Hwy 77; south-

east and southwest on AZ Hwy 77 to AZ Hwy 79.

Unit 38M – Beginning at the junction of I-10 and Tangerine Rd. (Exit 240); southeast on I-10 to Avra Valley Rd. (Exit 242); west on Avra Valley Rd. to Sandario Rd.; south on Sandario Rd. to the San Xavier Indian Reservation boundary; south and east along the reservation boundary to I-19; south on I-19 to Sahuarita Rd. (Exit 75); east on Sahuarita Rd. to AZ Hwy 83; north on AZ Hwy 83 to I-10 (Exit 281); east on I-10 to Marsh Station Rd. (Exit 289); northwest on Marsh Station Rd. to the Agua Verde Rd.; north on the Agua Verde Rd. to its terminus, then north 1/2 mile to the Coronado National Forest boundary; north and west along the National Forest boundary, then west, north, and east along the Saguaro National Park boundary; continuing north and west along the Coronado National Forest boundary to the southern boundary of Catalina State Park; west along the southern boundary of Catalina State Park to AZ Hwy 77; north on AZ Hwy 77 to Tangerine Rd.; west on Tangerine Rd. to I-10.

Unit 39 – Beginning at AZ Hwy 85 and the Gila River; east along the Gila River to the western boundary of the Gila River Indian Community; southeasterly along this boundary to AZ Hwy 347 (John Wayne Parkway); south on AZ Hwy 347 (John Wayne Parkway) to AZ Hwy 84; east on AZ Hwy 84 to Stanfield; south on the Stanfield-Cocklebur Rd. to I-8; westerly on I-8 to Exit 87; northerly on the Agua Caliente Rd. to the Hyder Rd.; northeasterly on Hyder Rd. to 555th Ave.; north on 555th Ave. to Lahman Rd.; east on Lahman Rd., which becomes Agua Caliente Rd.; northeasterly on Agua Caliente Rd. to Old Hwy 80; northeasterly on Old Hwy 80 to Arizona Hwy 85; southerly on AZ Hwy 85 to the Gila River; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Tohono O'odham Nation and the Ak-Chin Indian Community.

Unit 40A – Beginning at Ajo; southeasterly on AZ Hwy 85 to Why; southeasterly on AZ Hwy 86 to the Tohono O'odham (Papago) Indian Reservation; northerly and easterly along the reservation boundary to the Cocklebur-Stanfield Rd.; north on the Cocklebur-Stanfield Rd. to I-8; westerly on I-8 to AZ Hwy 85; southerly on AZ Hwy 85 to Ajo.

Unit 40B – Beginning at Gila Bend; westerly on I-8 to the Colorado River; southerly along the Colorado River to the Mexican border at San Luis; southeasterly along the border to the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge; northerly, easterly and southerly around the refuge boundary to the Mexican border; southeast along the border to the Tohono O'odham (Papago) Indian Reservation; northerly along the reservation boundary to AZ Hwy 86; northwesterly on AZ Hwy 86 to AZ Hwy 85; north on AZ Hwy 85 to Gila Bend; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Cocopah Tribe.

Unit 41 – Beginning at I-8 and U.S. Hwy 95 (in Yuma); easterly on I-8 to exit 87; northerly on the Agua Caliente Rd. to the Hyder Rd.; northeasterly on Hyder Rd. to 555th Ave.; north on 555th Ave. to Lahman Rd.; east on Lahman Rd., which becomes Agua Caliente Rd.; northeasterly on Agua Caliente Rd. to Old Hwy 80; northeasterly on Old Hwy 80 to Arizona Hwy 85; northerly on AZ Hwy 85 to Oglesby Rd.; north on Oglesby Rd. to I-10; westerly on I-10 to Exit 45; southerly on Vicksburg-Kofa National Wildlife Refuge Rd. to the Refuge boundary; easterly, southerly, westerly, and northerly along the boundary to the Castle Dome Rd.; southwesterly on the Castle Dome Rd. to U.S. Hwy 95; southerly on U.S. Hwy 95 to I-8.

Unit 42 – Beginning at the junction of the Beardsley Canal and U.S. Hwy 93 (AZ 89, U.S. 60); northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to AZ Hwy 71; southwesterly on AZ Hwy 71 to U.S. Hwy 60; westerly on U.S. Hwy 60 to Aguila; south on the Eagle Eye Rd. to the Salome-Hassayampa Rd.; southeasterly on the Salome-Hassayampa Rd. to I-10 (Exit 81); easterly on I-10 to Jackrabbit Trail (Exit 121); north along Jackrabbit Trail to the Indian School road; east along Indian School Rd. to the Beardsley Canal; northeasterly along the Beardsley Canal to U.S. Hwy 93.

Unit 43A – Beginning at U.S. Hwy 95 and the Bill Williams River; west along the Bill Williams River to the Arizona-California state line; southerly to the south end of Cibola Lake; north and easterly on the Cibola Lake Rd. to U.S. Hwy 95; south on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.); east along the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.) to the west boundary of the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge; northerly along the refuge boundary to the Crystal Hill Rd. (Blevens Rd.); northwesterly on the Crystal Hill Rd. (Blevens Rd.) to U.S. Hwy 95; northerly on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Bill Williams River; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Colorado River Indian Tribes.

Unit 43B – Beginning at the south end of Cibola Lake; southerly along the Arizona-California state line to I-8; southeasterly on I-8 to U.S. Hwy 95; easterly and northerly on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Castle Dome road; northeast on the Castle Dome Rd. to the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge boundary; north along the refuge boundary to the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.); west along the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.) to U.S. Hwy 95; north on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Cibola Lake Rd.; west and south on the Cibola Lake Rd. to the south end of Cibola Lake; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Quechan Tribe.

Unit 44A – Beginning at U.S. Hwy 95 and the Bill Williams River; south along U.S. Hwy 95 to AZ Hwy 72; southeasterly on AZ Hwy 72 to Vicksburg; south on the Vicksburg-Kofa National Wildlife Refuge Rd. to I-10; easterly on I-10 to the Salome-Hassayampa Rd. (Exit 81); northwesterly on the Salome-Hassayampa Rd. to Eagle Eye Rd.; northeasterly on Eagle Eye Rd. to Aguila; east on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 71; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 71 to U.S. Hwy 93; northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to the Santa Maria River; westerly along the Santa Maria and Bill Williams rivers to U.S. Hwy 95; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Colorado River Indian Tribes.

Unit 44B – Beginning at Quartzsite; south on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Crystal Hill Rd. (Blevens Rd.); east on the Crystal Hill Rd. (Blevens Rd.) to the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge; north and east along the refuge boundary to the Vicksburg-Kofa National Wildlife Refuge Rd.; north on the Vicksburg-Kofa National Wildlife Refuge Rd. to AZ Hwy 72; northwest on AZ Hwy 72 to U.S. Hwy 95; south on U.S. Hwy 95 to Quartzsite.

Unit 45A – Beginning at the junction of the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.) and Kofa National Wildlife Refuge boundary; east on the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.) to O-0 Junction; north from O-0 Junction on the Kofa Mine Rd. to the Evening Star Mine; north on a line over Polaris Mountain to Midwell-Alamo Spring-Kofa Cabin Rd. (Wilbanks Rd.); north on the Midwell-Alamo Spring-Kofa Cabin Rd. (Wilbanks Rd.) to the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline Rd.; north on a line from the junction to the north boundary of the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge; west and south on the boundary line to Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.).

Unit 45B – Beginning at O-0 Junction; north from O-0 Junction on the Kofa Mine Rd. to the Evening Star Mine; north on a line over Polaris Mountain to Midwell-Alamo Spring-Kofa Cabin Rd. (Wilbanks Rd.); north on the Midwell-Alamo Spring-Kofa Cabin Rd. (Wilbanks Rd.) to the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline Rd.; north on a line from the junction to the north Kofa National Wildlife Refuge boundary; east to the east refuge boundary; south and west along the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge boundary to the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (Wellton-Kofa Rd./Ave 40E); north and west on the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (Wellton-Kofa Rd./Ave 40E) to O-0 Junction.

Unit 45C – Beginning at the junction of the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.) and Kofa National Wildlife Refuge; south, east, and north along the refuge boundary to the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.); north and west on the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.) to the junction of the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. (King Rd.) and Kofa National Wildlife Refuge boundary.

Unit 46A – That portion of the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge east of the Yuma-Pima County line.

Unit 46B – That portion of the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge west of the Yuma-Pima County line.

R12-4-109

Approved Trapping Education Course Fee

Under A.R.S. § 17-333.02(A), the provider of an approved educational course of instruction in responsible trapping and environmental ethics may collect a fee from each participant that:

1. Is reasonable and commensurate for the course, and
2. Does not exceed \$25.

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R12-4-110

Posting and Access to State Land

A. For the purpose of this Section:

“Corrals,” “feed lots,” or “holding pens” mean completely fenced areas used to contain livestock for purposes other than grazing.

“Existing road” means any maintained or unmaintained road, way, highway, trail, or path that has been used for motorized vehicular travel, and clearly shows or has a history of established vehicle use, and is not currently closed by the Commission.

“State lands” means all land owned or held in trust by the state that is managed by the State Land Department and lands that are owned or managed by the Game and Fish Commission.

B. In addition to the prohibition against posting proscribed under A.R.S. § 17-304, a person shall not lock a gate, construct a fence, place an obstacle, or otherwise commit an act that denies legally available access to or use of any existing road upon state lands by persons lawfully taking or retrieving wildlife or conducting any activities that are within the scope of and take place while lawfully hunting or fishing.

1. A person in violation of this Section shall take immediate corrective action to remove any lock, fence, or other obstacle unlawfully preventing access to state lands.
2. If immediate corrective action is not taken, a representative of the Department may remove any unlawful posting and remove any lock, fence, or other obstacle that unlawfully prevents access to state lands.
3. In addition, the Department may take appropriate legal action to recover expenses incurred in the removal of any unlawful posting or obstacle that prevented access to state land.

C. The provisions of this Section do not allow any person to trespass upon private land to gain access to any state land.

D. A person may post state lands as closed to hunting, fishing, or trapping without further action by the Commission when the state land is within one-quarter mile of any:

1. Occupied residence, cabin, lodge, or other building; or
2. Corrals, feed lots, or holding pens containing concentrations of livestock other than for grazing purposes.
3. Subsection (D) does not authorize any person to deny lawful access to state land in any way.

E. The Commission may grant permission to lock, tear down, or remove a gate or close a road or trail that provides legally available access to state lands for persons lawfully taking wildlife or conducting any activities that are within the scope of and take place while lawfully hunting or fishing if access to such lands is provided by a reasonable alternate route.

1. Under R12-4-610, the Director may grant a permit to a state land lessee to temporarily lock a gate or close an existing road that provides access to state lands if the taking of wildlife will cause unreasonable interference during a critical livestock or commercial operation. This permit shall not exceed 30 days.
2. Applications for permits for more than 30 days shall be submitted to the Commission for approval.
3. If a permit is issued to temporarily close a road or gate, a copy of the permit shall be posted at the point of the closure during the period of the closure.

F. A person may post state lands other than those referenced under subsection (D) as closed to hunting, fishing, or trapping, provided the person has obtained a permit from the Commission authorizing the closure. A person possessing a permit authorizing the closure of state lands shall post signs in compliance with A.R.S. 17-304(C). The Commission may permit the closure of state land when it is necessary:

1. Because the taking of wildlife constitutes an unusual hazard to permitted users;
2. To prevent unreasonable destruction of plant life or habitat; or
3. For proper resource conservation, use, or protection, including but not limited to high fire danger, excessive interference with mineral development, developed agricultural land, or timber or livestock operations.

G. A person shall submit an application for posting state land to prohibit hunting, fishing, or trapping under subsection (F), or

to close an existing road under subsection (E), as required under R12-4-610. If an application to close state land to hunting, fishing, or trapping is made by a person other than the state land lessee, the Department shall provide notice to the lessee and the State Land Commissioner before the Commission considers the application. The state land lessee and the State Land Commissioner shall file any objections with the Department, in writing, within 30 days after receipt of notice, after which the matter shall be submitted to the Commission for determination.

H. A person may use a vehicle on or off a road to pick up lawfully taken big game.

I. The closing of state land to hunting, fishing, or trapping shall not restrict any other permitted use of the land.

J. State trust land may be posted with signs that read “State Land No Trespassing,” but such posting shall not prohibit access to such land by any person lawfully taking or retrieving wildlife or conducting any activities that are within the scope of and take place while lawfully hunting or fishing.

K. When hunting, fishing, or trapping on state land, a license holder shall not:

1. Break or remove any lock or cut any fence to gain access to state land;
2. Open and not immediately close a gate;
3. Intentionally or wantonly destroy, deface, injure, remove, or disturb any building, sign, equipment, marker, or other property;
4. Harvest or remove any vegetative or mineral resources or object of archaeological, historic, or scientific interest;
5. Appropriately mutilate, deface, or destroy any natural feature, object of natural beauty, antiquity, or other public or private property;
6. Dig, remove, or destroy any tree or shrub;
7. Gather or collect renewable or non-renewable resources for the purpose of sale or barter unless specifically permitted or authorized by law;
8. Frighten or chase domestic livestock or wildlife, or endanger the lives or safety of others when using a motorized vehicle or other means; or
9. Operate a motor vehicle off road or on any road closed to the public by the Commission or landowner, except to retrieve a lawfully taken big game.

R12-4-112

Diseased, Injured, or Chemically-immobilized Wildlife

A. A person who lawfully takes and possesses wildlife believed to be diseased, injured, or chemically-immobilized may request an inspection of the wildlife carcass provided:

1. The wildlife was lawfully taken and possessed under a valid hunt permit- or nonpermit-tag, and
2. The person who took the wildlife did not create the condition.

B. The Department, after inspection, may condemn the carcass if it is determined the wildlife is unfit for human consumption. The Department shall condemn chemically-immobilized wildlife only when the wildlife was taken during the immobilizing drug’s established withdrawal period.

C. The person shall surrender the entire condemned wildlife carcass and any parts thereof to the Department.

1. Upon surrender of the condemned wildlife, the Department shall provide to the person written authorization allowing the person to purchase a duplicate hunt permit- or nonpermit-tag.
2. The person may purchase a duplicate tag from any Department office or license dealer where the permit-tag is available.

D. If the duplicate tag is issued by a license dealer, the license dealer shall forward the written authorization to the Department with the report required under R12-4-105(K).

R12-4-114 — Amended

Issuance of Nonpermit-tags and Hunt Permit-tags

A. The Department provides numbered tags for sale to the public. The Department shall ensure each tag:

1. Includes a transportation and shipping permit as prescribed under A.R.S. §§ 17-332 and 17-371, and
2. Clearly identifies the wildlife for which the tag is valid.

B. If the Commission establishes a big game season for which a hunt number is not assigned, the Department or its authorized agent, or both, shall sell nonpermit-tags.

1. A person purchasing a nonpermit-tag shall provide all of the following information to a Department office or license dealer at the time of purchase; the applicant’s:

- a. Name,
- b. Mailing address, and
- c. Department identification number.

2. An applicant shall not obtain nonpermit-tags in excess of the bag limit established by Commission Order when it established the season for which the nonpermit-tags are valid.

C. If the number of hunt permits for a species in a particular hunt area must be limited, a Commission Order establishes a hunt number for that hunt area and a hunt permit-tag is required to take the species in that hunt area.

1. A person applying for a hunt permit-tag shall submit an application as described under R12-4-104.

2. The Department shall determine whether a hunt permit-tag will be issued to an applicant as follows:

- a. The Department shall reserve a maximum of 20% of the hunt permit-tags for each hunt number, except as established under subsection (C)(2)(b), for bear, deer, elk, javelina, pronghorn, Sandhill crane, and turkey and reserve a maximum of 20% of the hunt permit-tags for all hunt numbers combined statewide for bighorn sheep and bison to issue to persons who have bonus points and shall issue the hunt permit-tags as established under subsection (C)(2)(c).

- b. For bear, deer, elk, javelina, pronghorn, Sandhill crane, and turkey, the Department shall reserve one hunt permit-tag for any hunt number with fewer than five, but more than one, hunt permit-tags and shall issue the tag as established under subsection (C)(2)(c). When this occurs, the Department shall adjust the number of available hunt permit-tags in order to ensure the total number of hunt permit-tags available does not exceed the 20% maximum specified in subsection (C)(2)(a).

c. The Department shall issue the reserved hunt permit-tags for hunt numbers that eligible applicants designate as their first or second choices. The Department shall issue the reserved hunt permit-tags by random selection:

- i. First, to eligible applicants with the highest number of bonus points for that genus;
- ii. Next, if there are reserved hunt permit-tags remaining, to eligible applicants with the next highest number of bonus points for that genus; and
- iii. If there are still tags remaining, to the next eligible applicants with the next highest number of bonus points; continuing in the same manner until all of the reserved tags have been issued or until there are no more applicants for that hunt number who have bonus points.

d. The Department shall ensure that all unreserved hunt permit-tags are issued by random selection:

- i. First, to hunt numbers designated by eligible applicants as their first or second choices; and
- ii. Next, to hunt numbers designated by eligible applicants as their third, fourth, or fifth choices.

e. Before each of the three passes listed under (C)(2)(c)(i), (ii), and (iii), each application is processed through the Department’s random number generator program. A random number is assigned to each application; an additional random number is assigned to each application for each group bonus point, including the Education and Loyalty bonus points. Only the lowest random number generated for an application is used in the computer draw process. A new random number is generated for



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each application for each pass of the computer draw.

- f. If the bag limit is more than one per calendar year, or if there are unissued hunt permit-tags remaining after the random computer draw, the Department shall ensure these hunt permit-tags are available on a first-come, first-served basis as specified in the annual hunt permit-tag application schedule.

D. A person may purchase hunt permit-tags equal to the bag limit for a genus.

1. A person shall not exceed the established bag limit for that genus.
2. A person shall not apply for any additional hunt-permit-tags if the person has reached the bag limit for that genus during the same calendar year.
3. A person who surrenders a tag in compliance with R12-4-118 is eligible to apply for another hunt permit-tag for the same genus during the same calendar year, provided the person has not reached the bag limit for that genus.

E. The Department shall make available to nonresidents:

1. For bighorn sheep and bison, no more than one hunt permit-tag or 10% of the total hunt permit-tags, whichever is greater, for bighorn sheep or bison in any computer draw. The Department shall not make available more than 50% nor more than two bighorn sheep or bison hunt permit-tags of the total in any hunt number.
2. For antlered deer, bull elk, pronghorn, Sandhill crane, or turkey, no more than 10%, rounded down to the next lowest number, of the total hunt permit-tags in any hunt number. If a hunt number for antlered deer, bull elk, pronghorn, Sandhill crane, or turkey has 10 or fewer hunt permit-tags, no more than one hunt permit-tag will be made available unless the hunt number has only one hunt permit-tag, then that tag shall only be available to a resident.

F. The Commission may, at a public meeting, increase the number of hunt permit-tags issued to nonresidents in a computer draw when necessary to meet management objectives.

G. The Department shall not issue under subsection (C)(2)(c), more than half of the hunt permit-tags made available to nonresidents under subsection (E).

H. A nonresident cap established under this Section applies to:

1. Hunt permit-tags issued by computer draw under subsections (C)(2)(c) and (d), and
2. Archery deer nonpermit-tags.
 - a. The number of archery deer nonpermit-tags made available to nonresidents shall be set annually at 10% of the average total archery deer nonpermit-tag sales for the preceding five years, rounded down to the nearest increment of five.
 - b. The Commission, through the nonpermit-tag first-come schedule published by the Department, shall designate the manner and method of purchasing a nonresident archery deer nonpermit-tag, which may require an applicant to apply online only.
 - c. If the Commission requires applicants to use the online method, the Department shall accept paper applications only in the event of a Department systems failure. The Director has the authority to extend the nonpermit-tag first-come schedule if a problem occurs that prevents the public from purchasing a nonpermit-tag within the deadlines set by the Commission.

safety or management of wildlife or its habitat, or public health or safety.

"Management objectives" means goals, recommendations, or guidelines contained in Department or Commission-approved wildlife management plans, which include hunt guidelines, operational plans, or hunt recommendations;

"Hunter pool" means all persons who have submitted an application for a supplemental hunt.

"Restricted nonpermit-tag" means a permit limited to a season for a supplemental hunt established by the Commission for the following purposes:

Take of depredating wildlife as authorized under A.R.S. § 17-239;

Take of wildlife under an Emergency Season; or

Take of wildlife under a population management hunt if the Commission has prescribed nonpermit-tags by Commission Order for the purpose of meeting management objectives because regular seasons are not, have not been, or will not be sufficient or effective to achieve management objectives.

B. The Commission shall, by Commission Order, open a season or seasons and prescribe a maximum number of restricted nonpermit-tags to be made available under this Section.

C. The Department shall implement a population management hunt under the open season or seasons established under subsection (B) if the Department determines the:

1. Regular seasons have not met or will not meet management objectives;
2. Take of wildlife is necessary to meet management objectives; and
3. Issuance of a specific number of restricted nonpermit-tags is likely to meet management objectives.

D. To implement a population management hunt established by Commission Order, the Department shall:

1. Select season dates, within the range of dates listed in the Commission Order;
2. Select specific hunt areas, within the range of hunt areas listed in the Commission Order;
3. Select the legal wildlife that may be taken from the list of legal wildlife identified in the Commission Order;
4. Determine the number of restricted nonpermit-tags that will be issued from the maximum number of tags authorized in the Commission Order.
 - a. The Department shall not issue more restricted nonpermit-tags than the maximum number prescribed by Commission Order.
 - b. A restricted nonpermit-tag is valid only for the supplemental hunt for which it is issued.

E. The provisions of R12-4-104, R12-4-107, R12-4-114, and R12-4-609 do not apply to a supplemental hunt.

F. If the Department anticipates the normal fee structure will not generate adequate participation, then the Department may reduce restricted nonpermit-tag fees up to 75%, as authorized under A.R.S. § 17-239(D).

G. A supplemental hunt application submitted in accordance with this Section does not invalidate any other application submitted by the person for a hunt permit-tag.

1. The Department shall not accept a group application, as defined under R12-4-104, for a restricted nonpermit-tag.
2. An applicant shall not apply for or obtain a restricted nonpermit-tag to take wildlife in excess of the bag limit established by Commission Order.
3. The issuance of a restricted nonpermit-tag does not authorize a person to exceed the bag limit established by Commission Order.

H. To participate in a supplemental hunt, a person shall:

1. Obtain a restricted nonpermit-tag as prescribed under this Section, and
2. Possess a valid hunting license. If the applicant does not possess a valid license or the license will expire before the supplemental hunt, the applicant shall purchase an appropriate license.

I. The Department or its authorized agent shall maintain a hunter pool for supplemental hunts other than companion tag hunts.

1. The Department shall purge and renew the hunter pool on an annual basis.

2. An applicant for a restricted nonpermit-tag under this subsection shall submit a hunt permit-tag application to the Department for each desired species. The application is available at any Department office, an authorized agent, or on the Department's website. The applicant shall provide all of the following information on the application:

a. The applicant's:

- i. Name;
- ii. Department identification number, when applicable;
- iii. Mailing address;
- iv. Number of years of residency immediately preceding application;
- v. Date of birth;
- vi. Social Security Number, as required under A.R.S. §§ 25-320(P) and 25-502(K); and
- vii. Daytime and evening telephone numbers,

b. The species that the applicant would like to hunt, if selected,

c. The applicant's hunting license number.

3. In addition to the requirements established under subsection (I)(2), at the time of application the applicant shall submit the application fee required under R12-4-102. A separate application and application fee is required for each species the applicant submits an application for.

4. When issuing a restricted nonpermit-tag, the Department or its authorized agent shall randomly select applicants from the hunter pool.

a. The Department or its authorized agent shall attempt to contact each randomly-selected applicant at least three times within a 24-hour period.

b. If an applicant cannot be contacted or is unable to participate in the supplemental hunt, the Department or its authorized agent shall return the application to the hunter pool and draw another application.

c. In compliance with subsection (D)(4), the Department or its authorized agent shall select no more applications after the number of restricted nonpermit-tags established by Commission Order are issued.

5. The Department shall reserve a restricted nonpermit-tag for an applicant only for the period specified by the Department when contact is made with the applicant. If an applicant fails to purchase the nonpermit-tag within the specified period, the Department or its authorized agent shall:

a. Remove the person's application from the hunter pool, and

b. Offer that restricted nonpermit-tag to another person whose application is drawn from the hunter pool as established under this Section.

6. A person who participates in a supplemental hunt through the hunter pool shall be removed from the supplemental hunter pool for the genus for which the person participated. A hunter pool applicant who is selected and who wishes to participate in a supplemental hunt shall submit the following to the Department to obtain a restricted nonpermit-tag:

a. The fee for the tag as established under R12-4-102 or subsection (F) if the fee has been reduced, and

b. The applicant's hunting license number. The applicant shall possess an appropriate license that is valid at the time of the supplemental hunt. The applicant shall purchase a license at the time of application when:

- i. The applicant does not possess a valid license, or
- ii. The applicant's license will expire before the supplemental hunt.

7. A person who participates in a supplemental hunt shall not reapply for the hunter pool for that genus until the hunter pool is renewed.

J. The Department shall only make a companion tag available to a person who possesses a matching hunt permit-tag and not a person from the hunter pool. Authorization to issue a companion tag occurs when the Commission establishes a hunt in Commission Order under subsection (B).

R12-4-115

Restricted Nonpermit-Tags; Supplemental Hunts and Hunter Pool

A. For the purposes of this Section, the following definitions apply:

"Companion tag" means a restricted nonpermit-tag valid for a supplemental hunt prescribed by Commission Order that exactly matches the season dates and open areas of another big game hunt, for which a hunt number is assigned and hunt permit-tags are issued through the computer draw.

"Emergency season" means a season established for reasons constituting an immediate threat to the health,



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1. The requirements of subsection (D) are not applicable to a companion tag issued under this subsection.
2. To obtain a companion tag under this subsection, an applicant shall submit a hunt permit-tag application to the Department. The application is available at any Department office and on the Department's website. The applicant shall provide all of the following information on the application, the applicant's:
 - a. Name,
 - b. Mailing address,
 - c. Department identification number, and
 - d. Hunt permit-tag number, to include the hunt number and permit number, corresponding with the season dates and open areas of the supplemental hunt.
3. In addition to the requirements established under subsection (J)(2), at the time of application the applicant shall:
 - a. Provide verification that the applicant lawfully obtained the hunt permit-tag for the hunt described under this subsection by presenting the hunt permit-tag to a Department office for verification, and
 - b. Submit all applicable fees required under R12-4-102.

R12-4-117

Indian Reservations

A state license, permit, or tag is not required to hunt or fish on any Indian reservation in this State. Wildlife lawfully taken on an Indian reservation may be transported or processed anywhere in the State if it can be identified as to species and legality as provided in A.R.S. § 17-309(A)(19). All wildlife transported anywhere in this State is subject to inspection under the provisions of A.R.S. § 17-211(E)(4).

R12-4-118

Hunt Permit-tag Surrender

- A. The Commission authorizes the Department to implement a tag surrender program if the Director finds:
 1. The Department has the administrative capacity to implement the program;
 2. There is public interest in such a program; or
 3. The tag surrender program is likely to meet the Department's revenue objectives.
- B. The tag surrender program is limited to a person who has a valid and active membership in a Department membership program.
 1. The Department may establish a membership program that offers a person various products and services.
 2. The Department may establish different membership levels based on the type of products and services offered and set prices for each level.
 - a. The lowest membership level may include the option to surrender one hunt permit-tag during the membership period.
 - b. A higher membership level may include the option to surrender more than one hunt permit-tag during the membership period.
 3. The Department may establish terms and conditions for the membership program in addition to the following:
 - a. Products and services to be included with each membership level.
 - b. Membership enrollment is available online only and requires a person to create a portal account.
 - c. Membership is not transferable.
 - d. No refund shall be made for the purchase of a membership, unless an internal processing error resulted in the collection of erroneous fees.
- C. The tag surrender program is restricted to the surrender of an original, unused hunt permit-tag obtained through a computer draw.
 1. A person must have a valid and active membership in the Department's membership program with at least one unredeemed tag surrender that was valid:
 - a. On the application deadline date for the computer draw in which the hunt permit-tag being surren-

dered was drawn, and

- b. At the time of tag surrender.
2. A person who chooses to surrender an original, unused hunt permit-tag shall do so prior to the close of business the day before the hunt begins for which the tag is valid.
3. A person may surrender an unused hunt permit-tag for a specific species only once before any bonus points accrued for that species must be expended.
- D. A person who wants to surrender an original, unused hunt permit-tag or an authorized nonprofit organization that wants to return a donated original, unused hunt permit-tag shall comply with all of the following conditions:
 1. Submit a completed application form to any Department office. The application form is available at any Department office and on the Department's website. The applicant shall provide all of the following information on the application form:
 - a. The applicant's:
 - i. Name,
 - ii. Mailing address,
 - iii. Department identification number,
 - iv. Membership number,
 - b. Applicable hunt number,
 - c. Applicable hunt permit-tag number, and
 - d. Any other information required by the Department.
 2. A person shall surrender the original, unused hunt permit-tag as required under subsection (C) in the manner described by the Department as indicated on the application form.
- E. Upon receipt of an original, unused hunt permit-tag surrendered in compliance with this Section, the Department shall:
 1. Restore the person's bonus points that were expended for the surrendered tag, and
 2. Award the bonus point the person would have accrued had the person been unsuccessful in the computer draw for the surrendered tag.
 3. Not refund any fees the person paid for the surrendered tag, as prohibited under A.R.S. § 17-332(E).
- F. The Department may, at its sole discretion, re-issue or destroy the surrendered original, unused hunt permit-tag. When re-issuing a tag, the Department may use any of the following methods in no order of preference:
 1. Re-issuing the surrendered tag, beginning with the highest membership level in the Department's membership program, to a person who has a valid and active membership in that membership level and who would have been next to receive a tag for that hunt number, as evidenced by the random numbers assigned during the Department's computer draw process;
 2. Re-issuing the surrendered tag to a person who has a valid and active membership in any tier of the Department's membership program with a tag surrender option and who would have been next to receive a tag for that hunt number, as evidenced by the random numbers assigned during the Department's computer draw process;
 3. Re-issuing the surrendered tag to an eligible person who would have been next to receive a tag for that hunt number, as evidenced by the random numbers assigned during the Department's computer draw process; or
 4. Offering the surrendered tag through the first-come, first-served process.
- G. For subsections (F)(1), (2), and (3); if the Department cannot contact a person qualified to receive a tag or the person declines to purchase the surrendered tag, the Department shall make a reasonable attempt to contact and offer the surrendered tag to the next person qualified to receive a tag for that hunt number based on the assigned random number during the Department's computer draw process. This process will continue until the surrendered tag is either purchased or the number of persons qualified is exhausted. For the purposes of subsections (G) and (H), the term "qualified" means a person who satisfies the conditions for re-issuing a surrendered tag as provided under the selected re-issuing method.
- H. When the re-issuance of a surrendered tag involves a group application and one or more members of the group is qualified under the particular method for re-issuing the surrendered tag, the Department shall offer the surrendered tag

first to the applicant designated "A" if qualified to receive a surrendered tag.

1. If applicant "A" chooses not to purchase the surrendered tag or is not qualified, the Department shall offer the surrendered tag to the applicant designated "B" if qualified to receive a surrendered tag.
2. This process shall continue with applicants "C" and then "D" until the surrendered tag is either purchased or all qualified members of the group application choose not to purchase the surrendered tag.
- I. A person who receives a surrendered tag shall submit the applicable tag fee as established under R12-4-102 and provide their valid hunting license number.
 1. A person receiving the surrendered tag as established under subsections (F)(1), (2), and (3) shall expend all bonus points accrued for that genus, except any accrued Education and loyalty bonus points.
 2. The applicant shall possess a valid hunting license at the time of purchasing the surrendered tag and at the time of the hunt for which the surrendered tag is valid. If the person does not possess a valid license at the time the surrendered tag is offered, the applicant shall purchase a license in compliance with R12-4-104.
 3. The issuance of a surrendered tag does not authorize a person to exceed the bag limit established by Commission Order.
 4. It is unlawful for a person to purchase a surrendered tag when the person has reached the bag limit for that genus during the same calendar year.
- J. A person is not eligible to petition the Commission under R12-4-611 for reinstatement of any expended bonus points, except as authorized under R12-4-107(M).
- K. For the purposes of this Section and R12-4-121, "valid and active membership" means a paid and unexpired membership in any level of the Department's membership program.

R12-4-121

Tag Transfer

- A. For the purposes of this Section:

"Authorized nonprofit organization" means a nonprofit organization approved by the Department to receive donated unused tags.

"Unused tag" means a hunt permit-tag, limited-entry permit-tag, nonpermit-tag, or special license tag that has not been attached to any wildlife.
- B. A parent, grandparent, or guardian issued a hunt permit-tag, limited-entry permit-tag, nonpermit-tag, or special license tag may transfer the unused tag to the parent's, grandparent's, or guardian's minor child or grandchild.
 1. A parent, grandparent, or guardian issued a tag may transfer the unused tag to a minor child or grandchild at any time prior to the end of the season for which the unused tag was issued.
 2. A parent, grandparent, or guardian may transfer the unused tag by providing all of the following documentation in person at any Department office:
 - a. Proof of ownership of the unused tag to be transferred,
 - b. The unused tag, and
 - c. The minor's valid hunting license.
 3. If a parent, grandparent, or legal guardian is deceased, the personal representative of the person's estate may transfer an unused tag to an eligible minor. The person acting as the personal representative shall present:
 - a. The deceased person's death certificate, and
 - b. Proof of the person's authority to act as the personal representative of the deceased person's estate.
 4. To be eligible to receive an unused tag from a parent, grandparent, or legal guardian, the minor child shall meet the criteria established under subsection (D).
 5. A minor child or grandchild receiving an unused tag from a parent, grandparent, or legal guardian shall be accompanied into the field by any grandparent, parent, or legal guardian of the minor child.
- C. A person issued a tag or the person's legal representative may donate the unused tag to a an authorized nonprofit

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organization for use by a minor child with a life threatening medical condition or permanent physical disability or a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States with a service-connected disability.

1. The person or legal representative who donates the unused tag shall provide the authorized nonprofit organization with a written statement indicating the unused tag is voluntarily donated to the organization.
 2. An authorized nonprofit organization receiving a donated tag under this subsection may transfer the unused tag to an eligible minor child or veteran by contacting any Department office.
 - a. To obtain a transfer, the nonprofit organization shall:
 - i. Provide proof of donation of the unused tag to be transferred;
 - ii. Provide the unused tag;
 - iii. Provide proof of the minor child's or veteran's valid hunting license.
 - b. To be eligible to receive a donated unused tag from an authorized nonprofit organization, a minor child shall meet the criteria established under subsection (D).
 3. A person who donates an original, unused hunt permit-tag issued in a computer drawing to an authorized nonprofit organization may submit a request to the Department for the reinstatement of the bonus points expended for that unused tag, provided all of the following conditions are met:
 - a. The person has a valid and active membership in the Department's membership program with at least one unredeemed tag surrender on the application deadline date, for the computer draw in which the hunt permit-tag being surrendered was drawn, and at the time of tag surrender.
 - b. The person submits a completed application form as described under R12-4-118;
 - c. The person provides acceptable proof to the Department that the tag was transferred to an authorized nonprofit organization; and
 - d. The person submits the request to the Department:
 - i. No later than 60 days after the date on which the tag was donated to an authorized nonprofit organization; and
 - ii. No less than 30 days prior to the computer draw application deadline for that genus, as specified in the hunt permit-tag application schedule.
- D. To receive an unused tag authorized under subsections (B) or (C), an eligible minor child shall meet the following criteria:
1. Possess a valid hunting license,
 2. Has not reached the applicable annual or lifetime bag limit for that genus, and
 3. Is 10 to 17 years of age on the date of the transfer. A minor child under the age of 14 shall have satisfactorily completed a Department-sanctioned hunter education course before the beginning date of the hunt.
- E. To receive an unused tag authorized under subsection (C), an eligible veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States with a service-connected disability shall meet the following criteria:
1. Possess a valid hunting license, and
 2. Has not reached the applicable annual or lifetime bag limit for that genus.
- F. A nonprofit organization is eligible to apply for authorization to receive a donated unused tag, provided the nonprofit organization:
1. Is qualified under section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code, and
 2. Affords opportunities and experiences to:
 - a. Children with life-threatening medical conditions or physical disabilities, or
 - b. Veterans with service-connected disabilities.
 3. This authorization shall remain in effect unless revoked by the Department for noncompliance with the requirements established under A.R.S. § 17-332 or this Section.
 4. A nonprofit organization shall apply for authorization by submitting an application to any Department office. The application form is furnished by the Department and is

available at any Department office. A nonprofit organization shall provide all of the following information on the application:

- a. Nonprofit organization's information:
 - i. Name,
 - ii. Physical address,
 - iii. Telephone number;
 - b. Contact information for the person responsible for ensuring compliance with this Section:
 - i. Name,
 - ii. Address,
 - iii. Telephone number;
 - c. Signature of the president and secretary-treasurer of the organization or their equivalents; and
 - d. Date of signing.
5. In addition to the application, a nonprofit organization shall provide all of the following:
- a. A copy of the organization's articles of incorporation and evidence that the organization has tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, unless a current and correct copy is already on file with the Department;
 - b. Document identifying the organization's mission;
 - c. A letter stating how the organization will participate in the Big Game Tag Transfer program; and
 - d. A statement that the person or organization submitting the application agrees to the conditions established under A.R.S. § 17-332 and this Section.
6. An applicant who is denied authorization to receive donated tags under this Section may appeal to the Commission as provided under A.R.S. Title 41, Chapter Article 10.

R12-4-127

Civil Liability for Loss of Wildlife

- A. In order to compensate the state for the value of lost or injured wildlife, the Commission may, pursuant to A.R.S. § 17-314, impose a civil penalty against any person for unlawfully taking, wounding, killing or possessing wildlife. Any civil penalties so imposed shall be equal to or greater than the applicable statutory-minimum sums found in A.R.S. § 17-314(A). The Commission may impose a civil penalty above the statutory-minimum sums where it has determined that the value of the lost or injured wildlife exceeds the statutory-minimum sums.
- B. The Commission shall annually establish the value of lost or injured wildlife using objective and measurable economic criteria. When doing so, the Commission may consider objective economic criteria recommended by the Department or any other person.
- C. The Department shall recommend the value of lost or injured wildlife to the Commission by aggregating the following objective and measurable economic factors:
1. The average dollar amount spent by an individual hunter in pursuit of the same species. This amount shall be calculated using information from the most recent National Survey of Fishing, Hunting and Wildlife-Associated Recreation conducted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and measures hunting and fishing expenditures, in combination with hunter harvest data gathered by the Department. This information shall be available on the Department's website.
 2. The average dollar amount spent by an individual in an effort to view wildlife. This amount shall be calculated using information from the most recent National Survey of Fishing, Hunting and Wildlife-Associated Recreation conducted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and measures wildlife viewing expenditures, in combination with hunter harvest data gathered by the Department. This information shall be available on the Department's website.
 3. The average body weight in pounds of meat for the unlawfully taken or possessed species multiplied by the average price per pound of ground meat for that same species or a similar species. Average body weight in pounds of meat shall be calculated using the average body weight for the wildlife taken, minus 30% of the

average weight to account for the weight of the head, hide, offal, and bone.

4. When new data is not available, the Department may use Consumer Price Index (CPI) calculations to update the above factors in terms of U.S. dollars.
- D. The most recent wildlife values established by the Commission shall be available on the Department's website.

R12-4-201 — Amended

Pioneer License

- A. A pioneer license grants all of the hunting and fishing privileges of a combination hunting and fishing license. The pioneer license is only available at a Department office.
- B. The pioneer license is a complimentary license and is valid for the license holder's lifetime. The license remains valid if the licensee subsequently resides outside of this state.
1. A licensee who resides outside of Arizona shall submit the nonresident fee to purchase any required hunt permit-tag, nonpermit-tag, or stamp to hunt and fish in this state.
 2. Limits established under R12-4-114 for nonresident hunt permit-tags and nonpermit-tags do not apply to a pioneer license holder.
- C. A person who is age 70 or older and has been a resident of Arizona for at least 25 consecutive years immediately preceding application may apply for a pioneer license by submitting an application to the Department. The application form is furnished by the Department and is available at any Department office and on the Department's website. A pioneer license applicant shall provide all of the following information on the application:
1. The applicant's personal information:
 - a. Name;
 - b. Date of birth;
 - c. Physical description, to include the applicant's eye color, hair color, height, and weight;
 - d. Department identification number, when applicable;
 - e. Residency status and number of years of residency immediately preceding application, when applicable;
 - f. Mailing address, when applicable;
 - g. Physical address;
 - h. Telephone number, when available; and
 - i. E-mail address, when available;
 2. Affirmation that:
 - a. The applicant is 70 years of age or older and has been a resident of this state for 25 or more consecutive years immediately preceding application for the license; and
 - b. The information provided on the application is true and accurate.
 3. Applicant's signature and date.
- D. In addition to the requirements listed under subsection (C), an applicant for a pioneer license shall also submit a copy of any one of the following documents at the time of application:
1. Valid U.S. passport;
 2. Applicant's birth certificate;
 3. Valid government-issued driver's license; or
 4. Valid government-issued identification card.
- E. All information and documentation provided by the applicant is subject to Department verification.
- F. The Department shall deny a pioneer license when the applicant:
1. Fails to meet the criteria prescribed under A.R.S. § 17-336(A)(1),
 2. Fails to comply with this Section, or
 3. Provides false information on the application.
- G. The Department shall provide written notice to the applicant stating the reason for the denial. The applicant may appeal the denial to the Commission as prescribed under A.R.S. Title 41, Ch 6, Article 10.
- H. A pioneer license holder may request a no-fee duplicate of the paper license provided:
1. The license was lost or destroyed;

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2. The license holder submits a written request to the Department for a no-fee duplicate paper license; and
 3. The Department's records indicate a pioneer license was previously issued to that person.
- I. A person issued a pioneer license prior to January 1, 2014 shall be entitled to the privileges established under subsection (A).

R12-4-202 — Amended

Complimentary and Reduced-fee Disabled Veteran's License; Reduced-fee Purple Heart Medal License

- A. The complimentary and reduced-fee disabled veteran's licenses and Purple Heart Medal license grant all of the hunting and fishing privileges of a combination hunting and fishing license. The disabled veteran's and Purple Heart Medal license are only available at a Department office.
- B. The Department offers three types of veteran's licenses:
1. A complimentary license to a disabled veteran who receives compensation from the U.S. government for a permanent service-connected disability rated as 100% disabling.
 - a. The complimentary license is valid for either a three-year period from the issue date or the license holder's lifetime.
 - b. If the certification or benefits letter required under subsection (D)(1) indicate the applicant's disability rating of 100% is permanent and:
 - i. Will not be reevaluated, the disabled veteran's license shall be valid for the license holder's lifetime.
 - ii. Will be reevaluated in three years, the disabled veteran's license will expire three years from the date of issuance.
 - c. Eligibility for the complimentary disabled veteran's license is based on the disability rating, not on the compensation received by the veteran.
 - d. An applicant for a complimentary disabled veteran's license shall have been a resident of Arizona for at least one year immediately preceding application.
 2. A reduced-fee license to a disabled veteran who is a resident as defined under A.R.S. § 17-101 and who is receiving compensation from the U.S. government for a service-connected disability.
 - a. The reduced-fee license is valid for one year from the date of purchase or selected start date provided the date selected is no more than 60 calendar days from and after the date of purchase.
 - b. The applicant shall pay the fee required under R12-4-102.
 3. A reduced-fee license to a person who submits satisfactory proof to the Department that the person is a bona fide Purple Heart Medal recipient.
 - a. The reduced-fee license is valid for one year from the date of purchase or selected start date provided the date selected is no more than 60 calendar days from and after the date of purchase.
 - b. An applicant for a reduced-fee Purple Heart Medal license shall have been a resident of Arizona for at least one year immediately preceding application.
- C. A person applying for a disabled veteran's or Purple Heart Medal license shall submit an application to the Department. The application form is furnished by the Department and available at any Department office and on the Department's website. The applicant shall provide all of the following information on the application:
1. The applicant's personal information:
 - a. Name;
 - b. Date of birth;
 - c. Physical description, to include the applicant's eye color, hair color, height, and weight;
 - d. Department identification number, when applicable;
 - e. Residency status and number of years of residency immediately preceding application, when applicable;
 - f. Mailing address, when applicable;
 - g. Physical address;

- h. Telephone number, when available; and
 - i. E-mail address, when available;
2. Affirmation that:
- a. The applicant meets the eligibility requirements prescribed under A.R.S. § 17-333(C)(2), (C)(3), or (C)(4),
 - b. The applicant has been a resident of this state for at least one year immediately preceding application for the license,
 - c. The information provided on the application is true and accurate.
3. Applicant's signature and date.
- D. In addition to the requirements established under subsection (B), an applicant for a veteran's license shall, at the time of application, certify eligibility for the license by submitting:
1. For a complimentary or reduced-fee disabled veteran's license issued under A.R.S. § 17-333(C)(2) or (C)(3) respectively, an original or facsimile DD-214, certification form, or a benefits letter issued by the U.S. Department of Veteran's Affairs (DVA) or obtained from the DVA website that meets the requirements specified in subsections (B)(1) and (B)(2). The certification form is furnished by the Department and is available at any Department office and on the Department's website. The certification shall be completed and signed by an agent of the U.S. Department of Veteran's Affairs.
 2. For a Purple Heart Medal license issued under A.R.S. § 17-333(C)(4), an original or facsimile DD-214 or DD-215, service records showing the award, military orders of the award, or other military discharge document such as WD AGO Form. The actual Purple Heart Medal or a certificate of award will not suffice alone for verification purposes.
- E. All information and documentation provided by the applicant is subject to Department verification. The Department shall return the original or certified copy of a document to the applicant after verification.
- F. The Department shall deny a disabled veteran's or Purple Heart Medal license when the applicant:
1. Fails to meet the criteria prescribed under A.R.S. § 17-333(C)(2), (C)(3), or (C)(4),
 2. Fails to comply with the requirements of this Section, or
 3. Provides false information during the application process.
- G. The Department shall provide written notice to the applicant stating the reason for the denial. The applicant may appeal the denial to the Commission as prescribed under A.R.S. Title 41, Chapter 6, Article 10.
- H. A complimentary disabled veteran's license holder may request a no-fee duplicate paper license provided:
1. The license was lost or destroyed,
 2. The license holder submits a written request to the Department for a duplicate license, and
 3. The Department's records indicate a disabled veteran's license was previously issued to that person.
- I. A person issued a disabled veteran's license prior to January 1, 2014 shall be entitled to the privileges established under subsection (A).
- J. For the purposes of this Section:
1. "Disabled veteran" means a veteran of the armed forces of the U.S. with a service connected disability.
 2. "Veteran" means a person who has served in the U.S. armed forces.

R12-4-203

National Harvest Information Program (HIP); State Waterfowl and Migratory Bird Stamp

- A. All state fish and wildlife agencies are required to obtain data to assess the harvest of migratory game birds in compliance with the federally mandated National Harvest Information Program administered by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service in accordance with 50 C.F.R. Part 20.
- B. In compliance with the National Harvest Information Program, the Department requires a person to possess a migratory bird stamp or authorization number, which may be affixed to or written on the appropriate license, and a current, valid federal waterfowl stamp. The migratory bird

stamp and authorization number are required to take band-tailed pigeons, moorhen, coots, doves, ducks, geese, snipe, or swans.

1. The state migratory bird stamp expires on June 30 of each year. To obtain a state migratory bird stamp, a person shall submit:
 - a. The fee required under R12-4-102, and
 - b. A completed state migratory bird registration form to a license dealer or a Department office.
2. The person shall provide on the state migratory bird registration form the person's:
 - a. Name,
 - b. Mailing address,
 - c. Date of birth, and
 - d. Information on past and anticipated hunting activity.
3. The youth combination hunting and fishing license includes the state migratory bird stamp privileges. A youth hunter who possesses a valid combination hunting and fishing license shall obtain:
 - a. A Federal waterfowl stamp when the youth hunter is 16 years of age or older and is taking ducks, geese, swans, coots, gallinules; or
 - b. A permit-tag when the youth hunter is taking Sandhill crane.
- C. A license dealer shall submit state migratory bird registration forms for all state migratory bird stamps sold with the monthly report required under A.R.S. § 17-338.

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Guide License

- A. A guide, as defined under A.R.S. § 17-101, is a person who does any one of the following:
1. Advertises for guiding services.
 2. Is presented to the public for hire as a guide.
 3. Is employed by a commercial enterprise as a guide.
 4. Accepts compensation in any form commensurate with the market value in this state for guiding services in exchange for aiding, assisting, directing, leading, or instructing a person in the field to locate and take wildlife.
 5. Is not a landowner or lessee who, without full fair market compensation, allows access to the landowner's or lessee's property and directs and advises a person in taking wildlife.
- B. A person shall not act as a guide unless the person holds one of the following guide licenses:
1. A hunting guide license, which authorizes the license holder to act as a guide for the lawful taking of wildlife other than aquatic wildlife as defined under A.R.S. § 17-101.
 2. A fishing guide license, which authorizes the license holder to act as a guide for the lawful taking of aquatic wildlife.
 3. A hunting and fishing guide license, which authorizes the license holder to act as a guide for the lawful taking of wildlife.
- C. A guide license shall expire on December 31 of each year.
- D. A person is not eligible to apply for an original or renewal guide license when any one of the following conditions apply:
1. The applicant was convicted of a felony violation of any federal wildlife law, within five years immediately preceding the date of application;
 2. The applicant was convicted of a violation listed under A.R.S. § 17-309(D), within five years immediately preceding the date of application;
 3. The applicant was convicted of a violation of a federal or state wildlife law for which a license to take wildlife may be revoked or suspended within five years immediately preceding the date of application; or
 4. The applicant's privilege to take or possess wildlife or to guide or act as a guide is currently suspended or revoked anywhere in the U.S. for violation of a federal or state wildlife law.
- E. Notwithstanding subsection (D), a person who was convicted of a misdemeanor violation of any wildlife law within



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- one year preceding the date of application may apply for a guide license provided the person immediately and voluntarily reported the violation to the Department after committing the violation.
- F. An applicant for a guide license shall:
1. Be 18 years of age or older, and
 2. Possess the required Department-issued license, as applicable:
 - a. A current Arizona hunting license when applying for a hunting guide license;
 - b. A current Arizona fishing license when applying for a fishing guide license;
 - c. A current Arizona combination hunting and fishing license when applying for a hunting and fishing guide license;
- G. The guide license does not exempt the license holder from any applicable method of take or licensing requirement. The guide license holder shall comply with all applicable Commission rules, including, but not limited to, rules governing:
1. Lawful methods of take,
 2. Lawful devices, and
 3. License requirements.
- H. Unless otherwise provided under this Section, a person shall successfully complete the Department administered examination, and answer at least 80% of the questions correctly, prior to applying for a guide license. Guide examinations are:
1. Provided at a Department office.
 2. Valid until December 31 of the year in which it was taken.
 3. A person interested in taking the guide examination shall contact a Department office to obtain scheduling information.
- I. The examination is based on the type of guide license the person is seeking.
1. Before taking the examination, the applicant shall provide their:
 - a. Name;
 - b. Date of birth; and
 - c. Driver license number and issuing state.
 2. The examination may include questions regarding any of the following topics:
 - a. A.R.S. Title 17 Game and Fish statutes and Commission rules regarding the taking and handling of terrestrial and aquatic wildlife;
 - b. A.R.S. Title 28, Ch 3, Article 20 Off-highway Vehicles statutes and rule regarding the use of off-highway vehicles;
 - c. A.R.S. Title 5, Ch 3, Boating and Water Sports statutes and Commission rules on boating;
 - d. Requirements for guiding on federal lands;
 - e. Identification of aquatic wildlife species;
 - f. Identification of wildlife;
 - g. Special state and federal laws regarding certain species;
 - h. General knowledge of fair chase, hunter ethics, and conservation in Arizona;
 - i. General knowledge of species habitat and wildlife that may occur in the same habitat;
 - j. General knowledge of the types of habitat within the State; and
 - k. General knowledge of special or concurrent jurisdictions within the State.
 3. An applicant who fails the examination may retake the examination agreed upon by the applicant and the examination administrator.
- J. In addition to the guide examination requirement under subsection (H), a guide license holder shall take the Department administered examination when:
1. The applicant currently holds a hunting or fishing guide license and is applying for a combination hunting and fishing guide license;
 2. The applicant for a hunting guide license was convicted of a violation of A.R.S. Title 17 or Game and Fish Commission rule governing the taking and handling of terrestrial wildlife within one year preceding the date of application;
 3. The applicant for a fishing guide license was convicted of a violation of A.R.S. Title 17 or Game and Fish Commission rule governing the taking and handling of aquatic wildlife within one year preceding the date of application;
 4. The applicant failed to submit a renewal application postmarked before the expiration date of the guide license; or
 5. The applicant failed to submit the annual report for the preceding license year by January 10 of the following license year.
- K. A person may apply for a guide license by submitting an application to the Department. The application form is furnished by the Department and is available at any Department office and on the Department's website. A guide license applicant shall provide all of the following information on the application:
1. The applicant's personal information:
 - a. Name;
 - b. Date of birth;
 - c. Physical description, to include the applicant's eye color, hair color, height, and weight;
 - d. Social Security Number;
 - e. Current hunting, fishing, or combination hunting and fishing license number;
 - f. Residency status;
 - g. Mailing address, when applicable;
 - h. Physical address;
 - i. Telephone number, when available;
 - j. E-mail address, when available;
 - k. Type of guide license sought; and
 - l. Calendar year for which the application is made;
 2. The outfitting or guide:
 - a. Business name; and
 - b. Business address, as applicable;
 3. Responses to questions relating to criminal violations;
 4. Affirmation that:
 - a. The applicant meets the eligibility requirements prescribed under this Section; and
 - b. The information provided on the application is true and accurate;
 5. Applicant's signature and date.
- L. In addition to the requirements listed under subsection (K), an applicant for a guide license shall also submit a copy of any one of the following as proof of the applicant's identity:
1. Valid U.S. passport;
 2. Applicant's birth certificate;
 3. Valid government-issued driver's license; or
 4. Valid government-issued identification card.
- M. All information and documentation provided by the guide license applicant is subject to Department verification.
- N. An applicant for a guide license shall pay all applicable fees required under R12-4-102 upon approval of an initial or renewal application for a guide license.
- O. The Department shall deny a guide license when the applicant:
1. Fails to meet the criteria prescribed under A.R.S. § 17-362,
 2. Fails to comply with the requirements of this Section,
 3. Provides false information during the application process,
 4. Fails to provide the annual report required under subsection (R) by January 10, or
 5. Provides false information in the annual report required under subsection (R) within three years immediately preceding the date of application.
- P. The Department shall provide written notice to the applicant stating the reason for the denial. The applicant may appeal the denial to the Commission as prescribed under A.R.S. Title 41, Chapter 6, Article 10.
- Q. A guide license holder may submit an application for renewal of a guide license after December 1 of the year it was issued. The Department shall not start the substantive review, as defined under A.R.S. § 41-1072, before January 10 of the following license year, unless the Department receives the annual report prior to the date established under subsection (R). The current guide license shall remain valid pending a Department decision on the application for renewal, provided:
1. The application for renewal is submitted to the Department by December 31, and
 2. The Department receives the annual report submitted in compliance with subsection (R).
- R. A guide license holder shall submit to the Department the annual report required under A.R.S. § 17-362(C) for the previous calendar year before January 10 of the following license year. The report form is furnished by the Department and is available at any Department office or on the Department's website.
1. A report is required whether or not the license holder performed any guiding activities.
 2. The annual report shall include all of the following information, as applicable:
 - a. License holder's personal information:
 - i. Name;
 - ii. Guide license number; and
 - iii. E-mail address, when available; and
 - b. Client's personal information:
 - i. Name;
 - ii. Mailing address; and
 - iii. Arizona license, tag and permit numbers, and
 - c. Dates guiding activities were conducted;
 - d. Number and species of wildlife taken by the clients;
 - e. Game management unit or body of water where guiding activities took place;
 - f. Affirmation that the information provided in the annual report is true and accurate; and
 - g. License holder's signature and date.
 3. The Department shall not renew a guide license if the annual report is not submitted to the Department by January 10 of the following license year.
- S. The date of receipt for the items required under subsections (K), (L), (Q), and (R) shall be as follows:
1. The date a person presents the items to a Department office;
 2. The date a private express mail carrier receives the package containing the items as indicated on the shipping package; or
 3. The date of the United States Postal Service postmark stamped on the envelope containing the items.
- T. A guide license holder shall:
1. Complete a Department-sanctioned continuing education course at least once every five-years.
 2. While performing guide activities or providing guide services:
 - a. Possess a valid guide license.
 - b. Possess a valid Arizona hunting, fishing, or combination hunting and fishing license, as applicable under subsection (F)(2).
 - c. Present the license for inspection upon the request of any peace officer, including wildlife managers and game rangers.
 - d. Report any violation of a federal or state wildlife regulation, law, or rule personally witnessed by the guide license holder.
- U. A guide license holder shall not:
1. Use, or allow another person to use, any method or device prohibited under any federal or state wildlife regulation, law, or rule while taking wildlife.
 2. Aid, counsel, agree to aid, or attempt to aid another person in planning or engaging in conduct that results in a violation of any federal or state wildlife regulation, law, or rule while taking wildlife.
 3. Pursue any wildlife or hold at bay any wildlife for a person unless that person is present during the pursuit to take the wildlife.
 - a. The person shall be continuously present during the entire pursuit of that specific target animal.
 - b. If dogs are used, the person shall be present when the dogs are released on a specific target animal and shall be continuously present for the remainder of the pursuit.
 4. Hold wildlife at bay other than during daylight hours, unless a Commission Order authorizes the take of the species at night.
- V. As authorized under A.R.S. § 17-362(A), the Commission may

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revoke or suspend a guide license when any one or more of the following actions occur:

1. The guide license holder failed to comply with the requirements of A.R.S. Title 17 or was convicted of violating any provision of A.R.S. Title 17;
2. The guide license holder was convicted of a felony violation of any federal wildlife law;
3. The guide license holder was convicted of a violation listed under A.R.S. § 17-309(D);
4. The guide license holder was convicted of a violation of a federal or state wildlife law for which a license to take wildlife may be revoked or suspended; or
5. The guide license holder's privilege to take or possess wildlife is suspended or revoked by any jurisdiction for violation of a federal or state wildlife law.

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Crossbow Permit

- A. For the purposes of this Section, "healthcare provider" means a person who is licensed to practice by the federal government, any state, or U.S. territory with one of the following credentials:
Medical Doctor,
Doctor of Osteopathy,
Doctor of Chiropractic,
Nurse Practitioner, or
Physician Assistant.
- B. A crossbow permit allows a person to use a crossbow, or any bow to be drawn and held with an assisting device, during an archery-only season, as prescribed under R12-4-318, when authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted.
- C. The crossbow permit does not exempt the permit holder from any other applicable method of take or licensing requirement. The permit holder shall be responsible for compliance with all applicable regulatory requirements.
- D. The crossbow permit does not expire, unless:
 1. The medical certification portion of the application indicates the person has a temporary physical disability; then the crossbow permit shall be valid for a period of one year from the date the medical certification portion of the application was signed by the healthcare provider,
 2. The permit holder no longer meets the criteria for obtaining the crossbow permit, or
 3. The Commission revokes the person's hunting privileges under A.R.S. § 17-340. A person whose crossbow permit is revoked by the Commission may petition the Commission for a rehearing as established under R12-4-607.
- E. An applicant for a crossbow permit shall apply by submitting an application to the Department. The application form is furnished by the Department and is available at any Department office and online at www.azgfd.gov. A crossbow permit applicant shall provide all of the following information on the application:
 1. The applicant's:
 - a. Name;
 - b. Date of birth;
 - c. Physical description, to include the applicant's eye color, hair color, height, and weight;
 - d. Department identification number, when applicable;
 - e. Residency status;
 - f. Mailing address, when applicable;
 - g. Physical address;
 - h. Telephone number, when available; and
 - i. E-mail address, when available;
 2. Affirmation that:
 - a. The applicant meets the requirements of this Section, and
 - b. The information provided on the application is true and accurate, and
 3. Applicant's signature and date.
 4. The certification portion of the application shall be completed by a healthcare provider. The healthcare provider shall:
 - a. Certify the applicant has one or more of the following physical limitations:

- i. An amputation involving body extremities required for stable function to use conventional archery equipment;
 - ii. A spinal cord injury resulting in a disability to the lower extremities, leaving the applicant nonambulatory;
 - iii. A wheelchair restriction;
 - iv. A neuromuscular condition that prevents the applicant from drawing and holding a bow;
 - v. A failed manual muscle test involving the grading of shoulder and elbow flexion and extension or an impaired range-of-motion test involving the shoulder or elbow; or
 - vi. A combination of comparable physical disabilities resulting in the applicant's inability to draw and hold a bow;
 - vii. A failed functional draw test that equals 30 pounds of resistance and involves holding it for four seconds. The functional draw test may not be used to determine eligibility for the permit when it is not associated with a disability.
- b. Indicate whether the disability is temporary or permanent and, when temporary, specify the expected duration of the physical limitation; and
 - c. Provide the healthcare provider's:
 - i. Typed or printed name,
 - ii. License number,
 - iii. Business address,
 - iv. Telephone number, and
 - v. Signature and date;
5. A person who holds a valid Challenged Hunter Access/Mobility Permit (CHAMP) and who is applying for a crossbow permit is exempt from the requirements of subsection (E)(4) and shall indicate "CHAMP" in the space provided for the medical certification on the crossbow permit application.
- F. In addition to the requirements listed above, at the time of application an applicant who is applying for a crossbow permit shall pay the applicable fee required under R12-4-102.
 - G. All information and documentation provided by the applicant is subject to Department verification.
 - H. The Department shall deny a crossbow permit when the applicant:
 1. Fails to meet the criteria prescribed under this Section,
 2. Fails to comply with the requirements of this Section, or
 3. Provides false information during the application process.
 - I. The Department shall provide written notice to the applicant stating the reason for the denial. The applicant may appeal the denial to the Commission as prescribed under A.R.S. Title 41, Chapter 6, Article 10.
 - J. The applicant claiming a temporary or permanent disability is responsible for all costs associated with obtaining the medical documentation, re-evaluation of the information, or a second medical opinion.
 - K. When acting under the authority of a crossbow permit, the crossbow permit holder shall possess the permit, and exhibit the permit upon request to any peace officer, including wildlife managers and game rangers.
 - L. A crossbow permit holder shall not:
 1. Transfer the permit to another person, or
 2. Allow another person to use or possess the permit.

R12-4-217

Challenged Hunter Access/Mobility Permit (CHAMP)

- A. For the purposes of this Section, the following definitions apply:
"Healthcare provider" means a person who is licensed to practice by the federal government, any state, or U.S. territory with one of the following credentials:
Medical Doctor,
Doctor of Osteopathy,
Doctor of Chiropractic,
Nurse Practitioner, or
Physician Assistant.

"Severe permanent disability" means one or more permanent physical or mental disabilities resulting from amputation, arthritis, autism, blindness, burn injury, cancer, cerebral palsy, cystic fibrosis, intellectual disability, muscular dystrophy, musculoskeletal disorders, neurological disorders, paraplegia, pulmonary disorders, quadriplegia and other spinal cord conditions, sickle cell anemia, and end stage renal disease or a combination of permanent disabilities resulting in comparable substantial functional limitations.

- B. The Challenged Hunter Access/Mobility Permit (CHAMP) allows a person with a severe permanent disability to perform one or more of the following activities:
 1. Discharge a firearm or other legal hunting device from a motor vehicle if, under existing conditions:
 - a. The discharge is otherwise lawful;
 - b. The motor vehicle is not in motion;
 - c. The motor vehicle is not on any road, as defined under A.R.S. § 17-101; and
 - d. The motor vehicle's engine is turned off.
 2. Discharge a firearm or other legal hunting device from a watercraft, as defined under R12-4-501; provided the motor is turned off, the sail furled, or both; and progress has ceased.
 - a. The watercraft may be drifting as a result of current or wind, beached, moored, resting at anchor, or propelled by paddle, oars, or pole.
 - b. A person may use a watercraft under power to retrieve dead or wounded wildlife.
 - c. For the purposes of this subsection, "watercraft" does not include a sinkbox.
 3. Use off-road locations in a motor vehicle if use is not in conflict with federal or state statutes or regulations or local ordinances or regulations and the motor vehicle is used as a place to wait for game. A person shall not use a motor vehicle to chase or pursue game.
 4. Designate an assistant to track and dispatch a wounded animal, and to retrieve the animal, in accordance with the requirements of this Section.
- C. The CHAMP holder shall comply with all applicable regulatory requirements. A CHAMP does not exempt the permit holder from any other applicable method of take or licensing requirement.
- D. The CHAMP does not expire, unless:
 1. The permit holder no longer meets the criteria for obtaining the CHAMP, or
 2. The Commission revokes the person's hunting privileges under A.R.S. § 17-340. A person whose CHAMP is revoked by the Commission may petition the Commission for a rehearing as established under R12-4-607.
- E. An applicant for a CHAMP shall apply by submitting an application to the Department. The application form is furnished by the Department and is available from any Department office and on the Department's website. The CHAMP applicant shall provide all of the following information on the application:
 1. The applicant's:
 - a. Name;
 - b. Date of birth;
 - c. Physical description, to include the applicant's eye color, hair color, height, and weight;
 - d. Department identification number, when applicable;
 - e. Residency status;
 - f. Mailing address, when applicable;
 - g. Physical address;
 - h. Telephone number, when available; and
 - i. E-mail address, when available;
 2. Affirmation that:
 - a. The applicant meets the requirements of this Section, and
 - b. The information provided on the application is true and accurate, and
 3. Applicant's signature and date.
 4. The certification portion of the application shall be completed by a healthcare provider. The healthcare provider shall:
 - a. Certify the applicant is a person with a severe permanent disability as defined under subsection (A), and



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- b. Provide the healthcare provider's:
 - i. Typed or printed name,
 - ii. Business address,
 - iii. Telephone number, and
 - iv. Signature and date;
- F. In addition to the requirements listed above, at the time of application an applicant who is applying for a CHAMP shall pay the applicable fee required under R12-4-102.
- G. All information and documentation provided by the applicant is subject to Department verification.
- H. The applicant claiming a severe permanent disability is responsible for all costs associated with obtaining the medical documentation, re-evaluation of the information, or a second medical opinion.
- I. The Department shall deny a CHAMP when the applicant:
 - 1. Fails to meet the criteria prescribed under this Section,
 - 2. Fails to comply with the requirements of this Section, or
 - 3. Provides false information during the application process.
- J. The Department shall provide written notice to the applicant stating the reason for the denial. The applicant may appeal the denial to the Commission as prescribed in A.R.S. Title 41, Chapter 6, Article 10.
- K. When acting under the authority of the CHAMP, the permit holder shall possess and exhibit the permit upon request to any peace officer, including wildlife managers and game rangers.
- L. The CHAMP holder shall ensure the CHAMP vehicle placard, issued with the CHAMP, is visibly displayed on the motor vehicle or watercraft when in use.
- M. The Department shall provide a CHAMP holder with a dispatch permit that allows the CHAMP holder to designate a licensed hunter as an assistant to:
 - 1. Dispatch and retrieve an animal wounded by the CHAMP holder, or
 - 2. Retrieve wildlife killed by the CHAMP holder.
- N. The CHAMP holder shall:
 - 1. Designate an assistant only after the animal is wounded or killed.
 - 2. Ensure the designation on the dispatch permit is in ink and includes:
 - a. A description of the animal,
 - b. The assistant's name and valid Arizona hunting license number,
 - c. The date and time the animal was wounded or killed, and
 - 3. Ensure compliance with all of the following requirements:
 - a. The site where the animal is wounded and the location from which tracking begins are marked so they can be identified later.
 - b. The assistant possesses the dispatch permit and a valid hunting license while tracking and dispatching the wounded animal. When acting under the authority of the dispatch permit, the assistant shall possess and exhibit the dispatch permit and hunting license upon request to any peace officer, including wildlife managers and game rangers.
 - c. The CHAMP holder is in the field while the assistant is tracking and dispatching the wounded animal.
 - d. The assistant does not transfer the dispatch permit to anyone except that the dispatch permit may be transferred back to the CHAMP holder.
 - e. Dispatch is made by a method that is lawful for the take of the particular animal in the particular season in accordance with requirements established under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
 - f. The assistant attaches the dispatch permit to the carcass of the animal and returns the carcass to the CHAMP holder, and the tag of the CHAMP holder is affixed to the carcass.
 - g. If the assistant is unsuccessful in locating and dispatching the wounded animal, the assistant returns the dispatch permit to the CHAMP holder. The CHAMP holder shall strike the name and authorization of the assistant from the dispatch permit.
- O. A dispatch permit may not be reused when all spaces for

designation of an assistant are filled or the dispatch permit is attached to a carcass. The CHAMP holder may request another dispatch permit from the Department if:

- 1. All spaces for assistants are filled,
- 2. The dispatch permit is lost, or
- 3. When the CHAMP holder needs another dispatch permit for another big game hunt.

P. A CHAMP holder shall not:

- 1. Transfer the permit to another person, or
- 2. Allow another person to use or possess the permit.

R12-4-301

Definitions

In addition to the definitions provided under A.R.S. § 17-101 and R12-4-101, the following definitions apply to this Article unless otherwise specified:

"Aircraft" means any contrivance used for flight in the air or any lighter-than-air contrivance, including unmanned aircraft systems also known as drones.

"Artificial flies and lures" means man-made devices intended as visual attractants to catch fish. Artificial flies and lures does not include living or dead organisms or edible parts of those organisms, natural or prepared food stuffs, or chemicals or organic materials intended to create a scent, flavor, or chemical stimulant to the device regardless of whether it is added or applied during or after the manufacturing process.

"Barbless hook" means any fish hook manufactured without barbs or on which the barbs have been completely closed or removed.

"Body-gripping trap" means a device designed to capture an animal by gripping the animal's body.

"Confinement trap" means a device designed to capture wildlife alive and hold it without harm.

"Crayfish net" means a net that does not exceed 36 inches on a side or in diameter and is retrieved by means of a hand-held line.

"Deadly weapon" has the same meaning as provided under A.R.S. § 13-3101.

"Device" has the same meaning as provided under A.R.S. § 17-101.

"Dip net" means any net, excluding the handle, that is no greater than three feet in the greatest dimension, that is hand-held, non-motorized, and the motion of the net is caused by the physical effort of the person.

"Drug" means any chemical substance, other than food or mineral supplements, that affects the structure or biological function of wildlife.

"Edible portions of game meat" means, for:

Upland game birds, migratory game birds and wild turkey: breast.

Bear, bighorn sheep, bison, deer, elk, javelina, mountain lion, and pronghorn antelope: front quarters, hind quarters, loins (backstraps), neck meat, and tenderloins.

Game fish: filets of the fish.

"Evidence of legality" means the wildlife is accompanied by the applicable license, tag, stamp, or permit required by law and is identifiable as the "legal wildlife" prescribed by Commission Order, which may include evidence of species, gender, antler or horn growth, maturity, and size.

"Foothold trap" means a device designed to capture an animal by the leg or foot.

"Hybrid device" means a device with a combination of components from two or more lawful devices and is used for the take of wildlife, such as but not limited to a firearm, pneumatic weapon, or slingshot that shoots arrows or bolts.

"Instant kill trap" means a device designed to render an animal unconscious and insensitive to pain quickly with inevitable subsidence into death without recovery of consciousness.

"Land set" means any trap used on land rather than in water.

"Minnow trap" means a trap with dimensions that do not exceed 12 inches in depth, 12 inches in width, and 24 inches in length.

"Muzzleloading handgun" means a firearm intended to be fired from the hand, incapable of firing fixed ammunition, and loaded with black powder or synthetic black powder and a single projectile.

"Muzzleloading rifle" means a firearm intended to be fired from the shoulder, incapable of firing fixed ammunition, having a single barrel, and loaded through the muzzle with black powder or synthetic black powder and a single projectile.

"Muzzleloading shotgun" means a firearm intended to be fired from the shoulder, incapable of firing fixed ammunition, having a single or double smooth barrel and loaded through the muzzle with black powder or synthetic black powder and using ball shot as a projectile.

"Paste-type bait" means a partially liquefied substance used as a lure for animals.

"Pneumatic weapon" means a device that fires a projectile by means of air pressure or compressed gas. This does not include tools that are common in the construction and art trade such as, but not limited to, nail and rivet guns.

"Pre-charged pneumatic weapon" means an air gun or pneumatic weapon that is charged from a high compression source such as an air compressor, air tank, or internal or external hand pump.

"Prohibited possessor" has the same meaning as provided under A.R.S. § 13-3101.

"Prohibited weapon" has the same meaning as provided under A.R.S. § 13-3101.

"Rifle" means a firearm intended to be fired from the shoulder that uses the energy from an explosive in a fixed cartridge to fire a single projectile through a rifled bore for each single pull of the trigger. This does not include a pre-charged pneumatic weapon.

"Shotgun" means a firearm intended to be fired from the shoulder and that uses the energy from an explosive in a fixed shotgun shell to fire either ball shot or a single projectile through a smooth bore or rifled barrel for each pull of the trigger.

"Sight-exposed bait" means a carcass, or parts of a carcass, lying openly on the ground or suspended in a manner so that it can be seen from above by a bird. This does not include a trap flag, dried or bleached bone with no attached tissue, or less than two ounces of paste-type bait.

"Simultaneous fishing" means taking fish by using only two lines at one time and not more than two hooks or two artificial flies or lures per line.

"Single-point barbless hook" means a fishhook with a single point, manufactured without barbs, or on which the barbs have been completely closed or removed. This does not include a treble fishhook.

"Sinkbox" means a low-floating device with a depression that affords a hunter a means of concealment beneath the surface of the water.

"Smart device" means any device equipped with a target-tracking system or an electronically-controlled, electronically-assisted, or computer-linked trigger or release. This includes but is not limited to smart rifles.

"Trail Camera" means any device that is not held or manually operated by a person and is used to capture images, video, or location, time, or date data of wildlife.

"Trap flag" means an attractant made from materials other than animal parts that is suspended at least three feet above the ground.

"Water set" means any trap used and anchored in water rather than on land.

R12-4-302

Use of Tags

- A. In addition to meeting requirements prescribed under A.R.S. § 17-331, a person who takes wildlife shall have in possession any tag required for the particular season or hunt area.
- B. A tag obtained in violation of statute or rule is invalid and shall not be used to take, transport, or possess wildlife.
- C. A person who lawfully possesses both a nonpermit-tag and a hunt permit-tag shall not take a genus or species in excess of the bag limit established by Commission Order for that

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genus or species.

D. A person shall:

1. Take and tag only the wildlife identified on the tag.
2. Use a tag only in the season and hunt for which the tag is valid as specified by Commission Order.

E. Except as permitted under R12-4-217, a person shall not:

1. Allow their tag to be attached to wildlife killed by another person,
2. Allow their tag to be possessed by another person while taking wildlife,
3. Allow wildlife killed by that person to be tagged with another person's tag,
4. Attach their tag to wildlife killed by another person, or
5. Possess a tag issued to another person while taking wildlife.
6. Subsections (E)(2) and (5) do not apply to a tag issued to a person under 18 years of age.

F. Except as permitted under R12-4-217, immediately after a person kills wildlife, the person shall attach:

1. The tag to the wildlife carcass in the manner indicated on the tag, or
2. The validation code to the wildlife carcass in the manner indicated by the Department through the person's electronic device.

G. A person who authorizes another person to possess, transport, or ship a portion of their lawfully taken animal shall complete the transportation and shipping portion of the tag in the manner indicated on the tag or by the Department through the person's electronic device, as applicable.

H. A tag is no longer valid for the take of wildlife if:

1. The tag is mutilated or the Transportation and Shipping Permit portion of the tag is signed or filled out, or
2. The validation code is attached to a carcass.

R12-4-303

Unlawful Devices, Methods, and Ammunition

A. In addition to the prohibitions prescribed under A.R.S. §§ 17-301 and 17-309, the following devices, methods, and ammunition are unlawful for taking wildlife in this state:

1. A person shall not use any of the following to take wildlife:
 - a. Fully automatic firearms, including firearms capable of selective automatic fire.
 - b. Tracer or armor-piercing ammunition designed for military use.
 - c. Any smart device as defined under R12-4-301.
 - d. Any self-guided projectiles.
2. A person shall not take big game using full-jacketed or total-jacketed bullets that are not designed to expand upon impact.
3. A person shall not use or possess any of the following while taking wildlife:
 - a. Poisoned projectiles or projectiles that contain explosives or a secondary propellant.
 - b. Pitfalls of greater than 5-gallon size, explosives, poisons, or stupefying substances, except as permitted under A.R.S. § 17-239 or as allowed by a scientific collecting permit issued under A.R.S. § 17-238.
 - c. Any lure, attractant, or cover scent containing any cervid urine.
 - d. Electronic night vision equipment, electronically enhanced light-gathering devices, thermal imaging devices or laser sights projecting a visible light; except for devices such as laser range finders projecting a non-visible light, scopes with self-illuminating reticles, and fiber optic sights with self-illuminating sights or pins that do not project a visible light onto an animal.
4. A person shall not by any means:
 - a. Hold wildlife at bay other than during daylight hours, unless authorized by Commission Order.
 - b. Injure, confine, place, or use a tracking device in or on wildlife for the purpose of taking or aiding in the take of wildlife.

- c. Place any substance, device, or object in, on, or by any water source to prevent wildlife from using that water source.
- d. Place any substance in a manner intended to attract bears.
- e. Use a manual or powered jacking or prying device to take reptiles or amphibians.
- f. Use dogs to pursue, tree, corner or hold at bay any wildlife for a hunter, unless that hunter is present for the entire hunt.
- g. Take migratory game birds, except Eurasian colored-doves:
 - i. Using a shotgun larger than 10 gauge, a shotgun of any description capable of holding more than three shells unless it is plugged with a one-piece filler that cannot be removed without disassembling the shotgun so that its total capacity does not exceed three shells.
 - ii. Using electronically amplified bird calls or baits.
 - iii. By means or aid of any motordriven land, water, or air conveyance, or any sailboat used for the purpose of or resulting in the concentrating, driving, rallying, or stirring up of any migratory bird.
- iv. Activities described under subsections (A)(4)(g)(i) through (A)(4)(g)(iii) are prohibited under 50 C.F.R. 20.21, revised October 1, 2015. The material incorporated by reference in this Section does not include any later amendments or editions. The incorporated material is available at any Department office, online from the Government Printing Office website www.gpoaccess.gov, or may be ordered from the Superintendent of Documents, P.O. Box 979050, St. Louis, MO 63197-9000.

h. Discharge any of the following devices while taking wildlife within one-fourth mile (440 yards) of an occupied farmhouse or other residence, cabin, lodge or building without permission of the owner or resident:

- i. Arrow or bolt,
 - ii. Hybrid device, or
 - iii. Pneumatic weapon .35 caliber or larger.
- i. Participate in, organize, promote, sponsor, or solicit participation in a contest where a participant uses or intends to use any device or implement to capture or kill predatory animals or fur-bearing animals as defined under A.R.S. § 17-101. For the purposes of this subsection, "contest" means a competition among participants where participants must register or record entry and pay a fee, and prizes or cash are awarded to winning or successful participants.

5. A person shall not place, maintain, or use a trail camera, or images, video, to include location, time, or data from a trail camera, for the purpose of taking or aiding in the take of wildlife or locating wildlife for the purpose of taking or aiding in the take of wildlife.
6. A person shall not use images of wildlife produced or transmitted from a satellite or other device that orbits the earth for the purpose of:
 - a. Taking or aiding in the take of wildlife, or
 - b. Locating wildlife for the purpose of taking or aiding in the take of wildlife.
- c. This subsection does not prohibit the use of mapping systems or programs.
7. A person shall not use edible or ingestible substances to aid in taking big game. The use of edible or ingestible substances to aid in taking big game is unlawful when:
 - a. A person places edible or ingestible substances for the purpose of attracting or taking big game, or
 - b. A person knowingly takes big game with the aid of edible or ingestible substances placed for the purpose of attracting wildlife to a specific location.
8. Subsection (A)(7) does not limit Department employees or Department agents in the performance of their official duties.

9. For the purposes of subsection (A)(7), edible or ingestible substances do not include any of the following:

- a. Water.
- b. Salt.
- c. Salt-based materials produced and manufactured for the livestock industry.
- d. Nutritional supplements produced and manufactured for the livestock industry and placed during the course of livestock or agricultural operations.

B. It is unlawful for a person who is a prohibited possessor to take wildlife with a deadly weapon or prohibited weapon.

C. Wildlife taken in violation of this Section is unlawfully taken.

D. This Section does not apply to any activity allowed under A.R.S. § 17-302, to a person acting within the scope of their official duties as an employee of the state or United States, or as authorized by the Department.

R12-4-304

Lawful Methods for Taking Wild Mammals, Birds, and Reptiles

A. A hybrid device is lawful for the take of wildlife provided all components of the device are authorized for the take of that species under this Section.

B. A person may only use the following methods to take big game when authorized by Commission Order and subject to the restrictions under R12-4-303 and R12-4-318.

1. To take bear:

- a. Centerfire rifles;
- b. Muzzleloading rifles;
- c. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
- d. Centerfire handguns;
- e. Muzzleloading handguns;
- f. Shotguns shooting slugs, only;
- g. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons .35 caliber or larger;
- h. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons using arrows or bolts with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges and capable of firing a minimum of 250 feet per second;
- i. Bows with a standard pull of 30 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges;
- j. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 pounds, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges or bows as described in subsection (B)(1)(i) to be drawn and held with an assisting device; and
- k. Pursuit with dogs only between August 1 and December 31, provided the person shall immediately kill or release the bear after it is treed, cornered, or held at bay. For the purpose of this subsection, "release" means the person removes the dogs from the area so the bear can escape on its own after it is treed, cornered, or held at bay.

2. To take bighorn sheep:

- a. Centerfire rifles;
- b. Muzzleloading rifles;
- c. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
- d. Centerfire handguns;
- e. Muzzleloading handguns;
- f. Shotguns shooting slugs, only;
- g. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons .35 caliber or larger;
- h. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons using arrows or bolts with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges and capable of firing a minimum of 250 feet per second;
- i. Bows with a standard pull of 30 or more pounds,



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- using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges; and
- j. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 pounds, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges or bows as described in subsection (B)(2)(i) to be drawn and held with an assisting device.
3. To take bison:
 - a. Statewide, except for the management units identified under subsection (B)(3)(b):
 - i. Centerfire rifles;
 - ii. Muzzleloading rifles;
 - iii. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - iv. Centerfire handguns no less than .41 Magnum or centerfire handguns with an overall cartridge length of no less than two inches;
 - v. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons 40 caliber or larger a minimum of 500 foot pounds of energy;
 - vi. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons using arrows or bolts with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges and capable of firing a minimum of 250 feet per second; and
 - vii. Bows with a standard pull of 40 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads of no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges;
 - viii. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 pounds, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges or bows as described in subsection (B)(3)(a)(vi) to be drawn and held with an assisting device.
 - b. In Management Units 5A and 5B:
 - i. Centerfire rifles,
 - ii. Muzzleloading rifles, and
 - iii. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder.
 4. To take deer:
 - a. Centerfire rifles;
 - b. Muzzleloading rifles;
 - c. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - d. Centerfire handguns;
 - e. Muzzleloading handguns;
 - f. Shotguns shooting slugs, only;
 - g. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons .35 caliber or larger;
 - h. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons using arrows or bolts with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges and capable of firing a minimum of 250 feet per second;
 - i. Bows with a standard pull of 30 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges; and
 - j. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 pounds, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges or bows as described in subsection (B)(4)(i) to be drawn and held with an assisting device.
 5. To take elk:
 - a. Centerfire rifles;
 - b. Muzzleloading rifles;
 - c. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - d. Centerfire handguns;
 - e. Muzzleloading handguns;
 - f. Shotguns shooting slugs, only;
 - g. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons 40 caliber or larger and capable of firing a minimum of 500 foot pounds of energy;
 - h. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons using arrows or bolts with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges and capable of firing a minimum of 250 feet per second;
 - i. Bows with a standard pull of 30 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges; and
 - j. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 pounds, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges or bows as described in subsection (B)(5)(h) to be drawn and held with an assisting device.
 6. To take javelina:
 - a. Centerfire rifles;
 - b. Muzzleloading rifles;
 - c. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - d. Centerfire handguns;
 - e. Muzzleloading handguns;
 - f. Shotguns shooting slugs, only;
 - g. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons .35 caliber or larger;
 - h. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons using arrows or bolts with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges and capable of firing a minimum of 250 feet per second;
 - i. Bows with a standard pull of 30 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges;
 - j. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 pounds, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges or bows as described in subsection (B)(6)(i) to be drawn and held with an assisting device;
 - k. .22 rimfire magnum rifles; and
 - l. 5 mm rimfire magnum rifles.
 7. To take mountain lion:
 - a. Centerfire rifles;
 - b. Muzzleloading rifles;
 - c. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - d. Centerfire handguns;
 - e. Muzzleloading handguns;
 - f. Shotguns shooting slugs or shot;
 - g. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons .35 caliber or larger;
 - h. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons using arrows or bolts with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges and capable of firing a minimum of 250 feet per second;
 - i. Bows with a standard pull of 30 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges;
 - j. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 pounds, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges or bows as described in subsection (B)(7)(i) to be drawn and held with an assisting device;
 - k. Artificial light, during seasons with day-long hours, provided the light is not attached to or operated from a motor vehicle, motorized watercraft, watercraft under sail, or floating object towed by a motorized watercraft or a watercraft under sail; and
 8. To take pronghorn antelope:
 - a. Centerfire rifles;
 - b. Muzzleloading rifles;
 - c. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
 - d. Centerfire handguns;
 - e. Muzzleloading handguns;
 - f. Shotguns shooting slugs, only;
 - g. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons .35 caliber or larger;
 - h. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons using arrows or bolts with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges and capable of firing a minimum of 250 feet per second;
 - i. Bows with a standard pull of 30 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges; and
 - j. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 pounds, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges or bows as described in subsection (B)(8)(i) to be drawn and held with an assisting device.
 9. To take turkey:
 - a. Shotguns shooting shot;
 - b. Bows with a standard pull of 30 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges; and
 - c. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 pounds, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges or bows as described in subsection (B)(9)(b) to be drawn and held with an assisting device.
 - d. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons using arrows or bolts with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal, ceramic-coated metal, or ceramic cutting edges and capable of firing a minimum of 250 feet per second;
 - C. A person may only use the following methods to take small game, when authorized by Commission Order and subject to the restrictions under R12-4-303, R12-4-318, and R12-4-422.
 1. To take cottontail rabbits and tree squirrels:
 - a. Firearms,
 - b. Bow and arrow,
 - c. Crossbow,
 - d. Pneumatic weapons,
 - e. Slingshots,
 - f. Hand-held projectiles,
 - g. Falconry, and
 - h. Dogs.
 2. To take all upland game birds and Eurasian collared-dove:
 - a. Bow and arrow;
 - b. Falconry;
 - c. Pneumatic weapons;
 - d. Shotguns shooting shot, only;
 - e. Handguns shooting shot, only;
 - f. Crossbow;
 - g. Slingshot;
 - h. Hand-held projectiles; and
 - i. Dogs.

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3. To take migratory game birds, except Eurasian collared-dove:
 - a. Bow and arrow;
 - b. Crossbow;
 - c. Falconry;
 - d. Dogs;
 - e. Shotguns shooting shot:
 - i. Ten gauge or smaller, except that lead shot shall not be used or possessed while taking ducks, geese, swans, mergansers, common moorhens, or coots; and
 - ii. Incapable of holding more than a total of three shells, as prescribed under 50 C.F.R. 20.21, published October 1, 2015. The material incorporated by reference in this subsection does not include any later amendments or editions. The material is available at any Department office, online from the Government Printing Office website www.gpoaccess.gov, or may be ordered from the Superintendent of Documents, P.O. Box 979050, St. Louis, MO 63197-9000.
- D. A person may take waterfowl from any watercraft, except a sinkbox, subject to the following conditions:
 1. The motor is shut off, the sail is furled, as applicable, and any progress from a motor or sail has ceased;
 2. The watercraft may be:
 - a. Adrift as a result of current or wind action;
 - b. Beached;
 - c. Moored;
 - d. Resting at anchor; or
 - e. Propelled by paddle, oars, or pole; and
 3. The person may only use the watercraft under power to retrieve dead or crippled waterfowl; shooting is prohibited while the watercraft is under power.
- E. A person may take predatory and fur-bearing animals by using the following methods, when authorized by Commission Order and subject to the restrictions under R12-4-303 and R12-4-318:
 1. Firearms;
 2. Pre-charged pneumatic weapons .22 caliber or larger;
 3. Bow and arrow;
 4. Crossbow;
 5. Traps not prohibited under R12-4-307;
 6. Artificial light while taking raccoon provided the light is not attached to or operated from a motor vehicle, motorized watercraft, watercraft under sail, or floating object towed by a motorized watercraft or a watercraft under sail;
 7. Artificial light while taking coyote during seasons with day-long hours, provided the light is not attached to or operated from a motor vehicle, motorized watercraft, watercraft under sail, or floating object towed by a motorized watercraft or a watercraft under sail; and
 8. Dogs.
- F. A person may take nongame mammals and birds by any method authorized by Commission Order and not prohibited under R12-4-303, R12-4-318, and R12-4-422, subject to the following restrictions. A person:
 1. Shall not take nongame mammals and birds using foot-hold traps;
 2. Shall check pitfall traps of any size daily, release non-target species, remove pitfalls when no longer in use, and fill any holes;
 3. Shall not use firearms at night; and
 4. May use artificial light while taking nongame mammals and birds, if the light is not attached to or operated from a motor vehicle, motorized watercraft, watercraft under sail, or floating object towed by a motorized watercraft or a watercraft under sail.
- G. A person may take reptiles by any method not prohibited under R12-4-303 or R12-4-318 subject to the following restrictions. A person:
 1. Shall check pitfall traps of any size daily, release non-target species, remove pitfalls when no longer in use, and fill any holes;
 2. Shall not use firearms at night; and
 3. May use artificial light while taking reptiles provided the

light is not attached to or operated from a motor vehicle, motorized watercraft, watercraft under sail, or floating object towed by a motorized watercraft or a watercraft under sail.

R12-4-305

Possessing, Transporting, Importing, Exporting, and Selling Carcasses or Parts of Wildlife

- A. A person shall ensure that evidence of legality remains with the carcass or parts of a carcass of any wildlife that the person possesses, transports, or imports until arrival at the person's permanent abode, a commercial processing plant, or the place where the wildlife is to be consumed.
- B. In addition to the requirement under subsection (A), a person possessing or transporting the following wildlife shall ensure each:
 1. Big game animal, Sandhill crane, and pheasant has the required valid tag attached in the manner indicated on the tag or as indicated by the Department through the person's electronic device, as applicable;
 2. Migratory game bird, except Sandhill cranes, has one fully feathered wing attached;
 3. Sandhill crane and Eurasian-collared dove has either the fully feathered head or one fully feathered wing attached;
 4. Quail has attached a fully feathered head, or a fully feathered wing, or a leg with foot attached, when the current Commission Order has established separate bag or possession limits for any species of quail; and
 5. Freshwater fish has the head, tail, or skin attached so the species can be identified and the total number and required length determined.
- C. A person who has lawfully taken wildlife that requires a valid tag when prescribed by the Commission may authorize its transportation or shipment by completing and signing the Transportation and Shipping Permit portion of the valid tag or as indicated by the Department through the person's electronic device, as applicable, for that animal. A separate Transportation and Shipping Permit issued by the Department is necessary to transport or ship to another state or country any big game taken with a resident license. Under A.R.S. § 17-372(B), a person may ship other lawfully taken wildlife by common carrier after obtaining a valid Transportation and Shipping Permit issued by the Department. The person shall provide the following information:
 1. Number and description of the wildlife to be transported or shipped;
 2. Name, address, license number, and license class of the person who took the wildlife;
 3. Tag number;
 4. Name and address of the person receiving a portion of the carcass of the wildlife as authorized under subsection (D), if applicable;
 5. Address of destination where the wildlife is to be transported or shipped; and
 6. Name and address of transporter or shipper.
- D. A person who lawfully takes wildlife under a tag may authorize another individual to possess the head or carcass of the wildlife as prescribed under R12-4-302.
- E. A person who receives a portion of the wildlife shall provide the identity of the person who took and gave the portion of the wildlife upon request to any peace officer, wildlife manager, or game ranger.
- F. A person shall not possess the horns of a bighorn sheep, taken by a hunter in this state, unless the horns are marked or sealed as established under R12-4-308.
- G. Except as provided under R12-4-307, before a person may sell, offer for sale, or export the raw pelt or unskinned carcass of a bobcat taken in this state, the person shall:
 1. Present the bobcat for inspection at any Department office, and
 2. Purchase a bobcat seal by paying the fee established under R12-4-102 at any Department office or other location as determined and published by the Department. Department personnel or an authorized agent shall attach and lock the bobcat seal only to a pelt or unskinned carcass presented with a validated transportation tag.

- H. A person who takes bear or mountain lion under A.R.S. § 17-302 may retain the carcass of the wildlife if the person has a valid hunting license and the carcass is immediately tagged with a nonpermit-tag or a valid hunt permit-tag as required under R12-4-114 and R12-4-302, provided the person has not reached the applicable bag limit for that big game animal. An animal retained under this subsection shall count toward the applicable bag limit for bear or mountain lion as authorized by Commission Order. The person shall comply with inspection and reporting requirements established under R12-4-308.
- I. A person may possess, transport, or import only the following portions of a cervid lawfully taken in another state or country:
 1. Boneless portions of meat, or meat that has been cut and packaged either personally or commercially;
 2. Clean hides and capes with no skull or soft tissue attached, except as required for proof of legality;
 3. Clean skulls with antlers, clean skull plates, or antlers with no meat or soft tissue attached, this includes velvet antlers;
 4. Finished taxidermy mounts or products; and
 5. Upper canine teeth with no meat or tissue attached.
- J. A private game farm license holder may transport a cervid lawfully killed or slaughtered at the license holder's game farm to a licensed meat processor.
- K. A person may possess or transport only the following portions of a cervid lawfully killed or slaughtered at a private game farm authorized under R12-4-413:
 1. Boneless portions of meat, or meat that has been cut and packaged either personally or commercially;
 2. Clean hides and capes with no skull or soft tissue attached;
 3. Clean skulls with antlers, clean skull plates, or antlers with no meat or soft tissue attached, this includes velvet antlers;
 4. Finished taxidermy mounts or products; and
 5. Upper canine teeth with no meat or tissue attached.
- L. A person who obtains bison meat as authorized under R12-4-306 may sell the meat.
- M. Except for cervids, which are subject to requirements established under subsections (I), (J), and (K), a person may import into this state the carcasses or parts of wildlife, including aquatic wildlife, lawfully taken in another state or country if transported and exported in accordance with the laws of the state or country of origin.
- N. A person shall not transport live crayfish from the site where taken, except as permitted under R12-4-316.
- O. A person in possession of a common carp (*Cyprinus carpio*), buffalofish (*Ictiobus spp.*), or crayfish (families *Astacidae*, *Cambaridae*, and *Parastacidae*) carcass taken under Commission Order may sell the carcass.

R12-4-306

Bison Hunt Requirements

- A. When authorized by Commission Order, the Department shall conduct a hunt to harvest bison from the state's bison herds.
- B. A hunter with a bison permit-tag or nonpermit-tag shall, when required:
 1. Provide a signed written acknowledgment that the hunter received, read, understands, and agrees to comply with the requirements of this Section.
 2. Hunt in the order scheduled.
 3. Be accompanied by an authorized Department employee who:
 - a. Shall designate the bison to be harvested, and
 - b. May assist in taking the bison if the hunter fails to dispatch a wounded bison within a reasonable period of time.
 4. Take only the bison designated by the Department employee.
- C. A hunter issued a bison permit-tag or nonpermit-tag shall check out no more than three days after the end of the hunt, regardless of whether the hunter, harvested a bison, did not harvest a bison, or did not participate in the bison hunt.
 1. House Rock Herd (Units 12A, 12B, and 13A): a hunter may check out either in person, electronically, or by



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telephone with the Department's Flagstaff regional office or Jacob Lake Check station, when open during deer season.

2. Raymond Herd (Units 5A and 5B):
 - a. A hunter may check out either in person, electronically, or by telephone with the Department's Flagstaff regional office, or when required, with the Raymond Wildlife Area headquarters.
 - b. A hunter may be required to present the harvested bison to the Department for the purpose of gathering biological data when the bison was taken in Units 5A or 5B and a Department employee did not accompany the hunter during the bison hunt.
 3. At the time of check out, the hunter shall provide all of the following information:
 - a. Hunter's name,
 - b. Hunter's contact number,
 - c. Tag number,
 - d. Sex of bison taken,
 - e. Age of the bison taken: adult or yearling,
 - f. Number of days hunted, and
 - g. Number of bison seen while hunting.
 4. An authorized Department employee who accompanies the hunter, shall conduct the check out at the end of the hunt.
- D. Failure to comply with the requirements of this Section shall result in the invalidation of the hunter's permit-tag or nonpermit-tag, consistent with the written acknowledgment signed and agreed to by the hunter.

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Trapping Regulations, Licensing; Methods; Tagging of Bobcat Pelts

- A. An Arizona trapping license permits a person to trap predatory and fur-bearing animals.
- B. A trapping license is required for any person 10 years of age and older. A person under the age of 10 is not required to purchase a trapping license, but shall apply for and obtain a registration number. The trapper registration number is not transferable.
- C. A person born on or after January 1, 1967 shall successfully complete a Department-approved trapping education course before applying for a trapping license.
- D. A person applying for a trapping registration number or trapping license shall pay the applicable fees established under R12-4-102.
- E. A person applying for a trapping registration number or trapping license shall apply using a form furnished by the Department. The form is available at any Department office and online at www.azgfd.gov. The person shall provide all of the following information on the form:
 1. The applicant's personal information:
 - a. Name;
 - b. Date of birth;
 - c. Physical description, to include the applicant's eye color, hair color, height, and weight;
 - d. Department identification number;
 - e. Residency status and number of years of residency immediately preceding application, when applicable;
 - f. Mailing address, when applicable;
 - g. Physical address;
 - h. Telephone number, when available; and
 - i. E-mail address, when available;
 2. Category of license:
 - a. Resident,
 - b. Nonresident, or
 - c. Youth, and
 3. The applicant's signature and date.
- F. A trapper may only trap predatory and fur-bearing animals during trapping seasons established by Commission Order.
- G. A trapper shall:
 1. Inspect traps daily;
 2. Kill or release all predatory and fur-bearing animals;
 3. Possess a choke restraint device that enables the trapper to release a javelina from a trap when trapping in a javelina hunt unit, as designated by Commission Order;
4. Possess a device that is designed or manufactured to restrain a trapped animal while it is being removed from a trap when its release is required by under this Section; and
5. Release, without additional injury, all animals that cannot lawfully be taken by trap.
6. Subsections (G)(3) and (G)(4) do not apply when the trapper is using a confinement trap.
- H. A trapper shall not:
 1. Bait a confinement trap with:
 - a. A live animal;
 - b. Any edible parts of small game, big game, or game fish; or
 - c. Any part of any game bird or nongame bird.
 2. Set any trap within:
 - a. One-half mile (880 yards) of any of the following areas developed for public use:
 - i. Boat ramp or launching area,
 - ii. Camping area,
 - iii. Picnic area,
 - iv. Roadside rest area, or
 - v. Developed wildlife viewing platform.
 - b. One-half mile of any occupied farmhouse or other residence, cabin, lodge or building without permission of the owner or resident.
 - c. One-hundred yards of an interstate highway or any other highway maintained by the Arizona Department of Transportation.
 - d. Fifty feet of any trail maintained for public use by a government agency.
 - e. Seventy-five feet of any other road as defined under A.R.S. § 17-101.
 - f. Subsections (H)(2)(b), (H)(2)(c), (H)(2)(d), and (H)(2)(e) do not apply when the trapper is using a confinement trap.
 3. Set a foothold trap within 30 feet of sight-exposed bait.
 4. Use any:
 - a. Body-gripping or other instant kill trap with an open jaw spread that exceeds 5 inches for any land set or 10 inches for any water set;
 - b. Foothold trap with an open jaw spread that exceeds 7 1/2 inches for any water set;
 - c. Snare, unless authorized under subsection (I);
 - d. Trap with an open jaw spread that exceeds 6 1/2 inches for any land set; or
 - e. Trap with teeth.
- I. A trapper who uses a foothold trap to take wildlife with a land set shall use commercially manufactured traps that meet the following specifications:
 1. A padded or rubber-jawed trap or an unpadded trap with jaws permanently offset to a minimum of 3/16 inch and a device that allows for pan tension adjustment;
 2. A foothold trap that captures wildlife by means of an enclosed bar or spring designed to prevent the capture of non-targeted wildlife or domestic animals; or
 3. A powered cable device with an inside frame hinge width no wider than 6 inches, a cable loop stop size of at least 2 inches in diameter to prevent capture of small non-target species, and a device that allows for a pan tension adjustment.
- J. A trapper who uses a foothold trap to take wildlife with a land set shall ensure that the trap has an anchor chain equipped with at least two swivels as follows:
 1. An anchor chain 12 inches or less in length shall have a swivel attached at each end.
 2. An anchor chain greater than 12 inches in length shall have one swivel attached at the trap and one swivel attached within 12 inches of the trap. The anchor chain shall be equipped with a shock-absorbing spring that requires less than 40 pounds of force to extend or open the spring.
- K. A trapper shall ensure that each trap has either the name and address or the registration number of the trapper marked on a metal tag attached to the trap. The registration number assigned by the Department is the only acceptable registration number.
- L. A trapper shall immediately attach a valid bobcat transportation tag to the pelt or unskinned carcass of a bobcat taken in this state. The trapper shall validate the transportation tag by providing all of the following information on the bobcat transportation tag:
 1. Current trapping license number,
 2. Management unit where the bobcat was taken,
 3. Sex of the bobcat, and
 4. Method by which the bobcat was taken.
- M. The Department shall provide transportation tags with each trapping license. Additional transportation tags are available at any Department office at no charge.
- N. A trapper shall ensure that all bobcats taken in this state have a bobcat seal attached and locked either through the mouth and an eye opening or through both eye openings no later than April 1 of each year.
 1. When available, bobcat seals are issued on a first-come, first-served basis at Department offices and other locations at those times and places as determined and published by the Department.
 2. The trapper shall pay the bobcat seal fee established under R12-4-102.
 3. Department personnel or an authorized agent shall attach and lock a bobcat seal only to a pelt or unskinned carcass presented with a validated transportation tag and a complete lower jaw identified with labels provided with the transportation tag. Department personnel or authorized agents shall collect the transportation tags and jaws before attaching the bobcat seal.
- O. Department personnel shall attach a bobcat seal to a bobcat pelt seized under A.R.S. § 17-211(E)(4) before disposal by the Department to the public.
- P. A licensed trapper shall file the annual report prescribed under A.R.S. § 17-361(D). The report form is available at any Department office and online at www.azgfd.gov.
 1. The trapper shall submit the report to Arizona Game and Fish Department, Game Terrestrial Wildlife Branch, 5000 W. Carefree Highway, Phoenix, AZ 85086 by April 1 of each year.
 2. A report is required even when trapping activities were not conducted.
 3. The Department shall deny a trapping license to any trapper who fails to submit an annual report until the trapper complies with reporting requirements.
- Q. Persons suffering property loss or damage due to wildlife and who take responsive measures as permitted under A.R.S. §§ 17-239 and 17-302 are exempt from this Section. This exemption does not authorize any form of trapping prohibited under A.R.S. § 17-301.

R12-4-308

Wildlife Inspections, Check Stations, and Roadblocks

- A. The Department has the authority to establish mandatory wildlife check stations.
 1. The Department shall publish in the Commission Order establishing the season the:
 - a. Location,
 - b. Check in requirements, and
 - c. Check out requirements for that specific season.
 2. The Department shall ensure a wildlife check station with a published:
 - a. Check in requirement is open:
 - i. 8:00 a.m. the day before the season until 8:00 p.m. the first day of the season, and
 - ii. 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. during each day of the season.
 - b. Check out requirement is open:
 - i. 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. during each day of the season, and
 - ii. Until 12:00 p.m. on the day after the close of the season.
 3. A hunter shall:
 - a. Check in at a wildlife check station in person before hunting when the Department includes a check in requirement in the Commission Order for that season;
 - b. Check out at a wildlife check station in person after

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- hunting when the Department includes a check out requirement in the Commission Order for that season and shall:
- Present for inspection any wildlife taken; and
 - Display any license, tag, or permit required for taking or transporting wildlife.
- B. The Department may conduct inspections of lawfully taken wildlife at the Department's Phoenix and regional offices or designated locations during the posted business hours.
- A bighorn sheep hunter shall check out either in person or by designee within three days after the close of the season. The hunter or designee shall submit the intact horns and skull for inspection and photographing. A Department representative shall affix a mark or seal to one horn of each bighorn sheep lawfully taken under Commission Order. It is unlawful for any person to remove, alter, or obliterate the mark or seal.
 - A hunter who harvests a bear or mountain lion shall:
 - Report information about the kill to the Department either in person or by telephone within 48 hours of taking the wildlife. The report shall include the:
 - Name of the hunter,
 - Hunter's hunting license number,
 - Sex of the wildlife taken,
 - Management unit where the wildlife was taken,
 - Telephone number where the hunter can be reached for additional information, and
 - Any additional information required by the Department.
 - Present either in person or by designee the skull, hide, and attached proof of sex for inspection within 10 days of taking the wildlife. If a hunter freezes the skull or hide before presenting it for inspection, the hunter shall prop the jaw open to allow access to the teeth and ensure that the attached proof of sex is identifiable and accessible.
 - For seasons other than bear, bighorn sheep, or mountain lion, a hunter who harvests wildlife for which a harvest objective is established, shall report information about the kill either in person or by telephone within 48 hours of taking the wildlife. The report shall include the information required under subsection (B)(2)(a).
- C. The Director may establish vehicle roadblocks at specific locations when necessary to ensure compliance with applicable wildlife laws. Any occupant of a vehicle at a roadblock shall, upon request, present for inspection all wildlife in possession, and provide evidence of legality as defined under R12-4-301.
- D. This Section does not limit the game ranger or wildlife manager's authority to conduct stops, searches, and inspections authorized under A.R.S. §§ 17-211(E), 17-250(A)(4), and 17-331, or to establish voluntary wildlife survey stations to gather biological information.
- C. When designated by Commission Order, the following seasons have specific requirements and lawful methods of take more restrictive than those for general and special seasons, as established under this Section. While taking the species authorized by the season, a person participating in:
- A "CHAMP" season shall be a challenged hunter access/mobility permit holder as established under R12-4-217.
 - A "youth-only hunt" shall be under the age of 18. A youth hunter whose 18th birthday occurs during a "youth-only hunt" for which the youth hunter has a valid permit or tag may continue to participate for the duration of that "youth-only hunt."
 - A "pursuit-only" season may use dogs to pursue bears, mountain lions, or raccoons as designated by Commission Order, but shall not kill or capture the quarry.
 - A person participating in a "pursuit-only" season shall possess and, at the request of Department personnel, produce an appropriate and valid hunting license and any required tag or pursuit-only permit for the wildlife pursued, even though there shall be no kill.
 - Pursuit is allowed regardless of whether a person has met the bag limit established under R12-4-104(J) for that genus.
 - A person does not commit an offense under A.R.S. § 17-309 where the person causes or allows a dog to pursue a bear, mountain lion, or raccoon when all of the following apply:
 - A pursuit-only season for the wildlife pursued is authorized by Commission Order;
 - The person possesses a valid hunting license and tag;
 - The bear, mountain lion, or raccoon is not injured or killed in the course of the pursuit.
 - A "restricted season" may use any lawful method authorized for a specific species under R12-4-304, except dogs may not be used to pursue the wildlife for which the season was established.
 - An "archery-only" season shall not use any other weapons, including crossbows or bows with a device that holds the bow in a drawn position except as authorized under R12-4-216. A person participating in an "archery-only" season may use one or more of the following methods or devices if authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - Bows and arrows, and
 - Falconry.
 - A "handgun, archery, and muzzleloader (HAM)" season may use one or more of the following methods or devices if authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - Muzzleloading rifles,
 - Handguns,
 - Muzzleloading handguns,
 - Bows and arrows,
 - Crossbows or bows to be drawn and held with an assisting device, and
 - Pre-charged pneumatic weapons capable of holding and discharging a single projectile .35 caliber or larger.
 - A "muzzleloader" season may use one or more of the following methods or devices if authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - Muzzleloading rifles or muzzleloading handguns,
 - Bows and arrows, and
 - Crossbows or bows to be drawn and held with an assisting device.
 - A "limited weapon" season may use one or more of the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, if authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - Bows and arrows,
 - Crossbows or bows to be drawn and held with an assisting device,
 - Pneumatic weapons capable of holding and discharging a single projectile .25 caliber or smaller,
 - Hand-propelled projectiles,
 - Any trap except foothold traps,
 - Slingshots,
 - Dogs,
 - Falconry,
 - Nets, or
 - Capture by hand.
 - A "limited weapon-hand or hand-held implement" season may use one or more of the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, if authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - Catch-pole,
 - Hand,
 - Snake hook, or
 - Snake tongs.
 - A "limited weapon-pneumatic" season may use one or more of the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, if authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - Pneumatic weapons discharging a single projectile .25 caliber or smaller,
 - Hand-propelled projectiles,
 - Slingshots,
 - Dogs,
 - Falconry,
 - Nets, or
 - Capture by hand.
 - A "limited weapon-rimfire" season may use one or more of the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, if authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - Rifled firearms using rimfire cartridges,
 - Shotgun shooting shot or slug,
 - Bows and arrows,
 - Crossbows or bows to be drawn and held with an assisting device,
 - Pneumatic weapons,
 - Hand-propelled projectiles,
 - Any trap except foothold traps,
 - Slingshots,
 - Dogs,
 - Falconry,
 - Nets, or
 - Capture by hand.
 - A "limited weapon-shotgun" season may use one or more of the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, if authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - Shotgun shooting shot or slug,
 - Muzzleloading shotgun,
 - Bows and arrows,
 - Crossbows or bows to be drawn and held with an assisting device,
 - Pneumatic weapons,
 - Hand-propelled projectiles,
 - Any trap except foothold traps,
 - Slingshots,
 - Dogs,
 - Falconry,
 - Nets, or
 - Capture by hand.
 - A "limited weapon-shotgun shooting shot" season may use one or more of the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, if authorized under R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted:
 - Shotgun shooting shot,
 - Muzzleloading shotgun shooting shot,
 - Bows and arrows,
 - Crossbows or bows to be drawn and held with an assisting device,
 - Pneumatic weapons,
 - Hand-propelled projectiles,
 - Any trap except foothold traps,
 - Slingshots,
 - Dogs,
 - Falconry,
 - Nets, or
 - Capture by hand.

R12-4-318

Seasons for Lawfully Taking Wild Mammals, Birds, and Reptiles

- A. Methods of lawfully taking wild mammals, birds, and reptiles during seasons designated by Commission Order as "general" seasons are designated under R12-4-304.
- Lawful devices are defined under R12-4-101 and R12-4-301.
 - Lawful devices are listed under this Section by the range of effectiveness, from greatest range to least range.
 - A hybrid device may be used in a general season, provided:
 - All components of the hybrid device are designated as lawful for a given species under R12-4-304, and
 - No components are prohibited under R12-4-303.
- B. Methods of lawfully taking big game during seasons designated by Commission Order as "special" are designated under R12-4-304. "Special" seasons are open only to a person who possesses a special big game license tag authorized under A.R.S. § 17-346 and R12-4-120.

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14. A “falconry-only” season shall be a falconer licensed under R12-4-422 unless exempt under A.R.S. § 17-236(C) or R12-4-407. A falconer participating in a “falconry-only” season shall use no other method of take except falconry.
15. A “raptor capture” season shall be a falconer licensed under R12-4-422 unless exempt under R12-4-407.
16. A “limited-entry” season means any hunting opportunity for which a limited number of permits is made available to the public.

R12-4-319

Use of Aircraft to Take Wildlife

- A. A person shall not take or assist in taking wildlife from or with the aid of aircraft, including drones.
- B. Except in hunt units with Commission-ordered special seasons under R12-4-115 and R12-4-120 and hunt units with seasons only for mountain lion and no other concurrent big game season, a person shall not locate or assist in locating wildlife from or with the aid of an aircraft, including drones, in a hunt unit with an open big game season. This restriction begins 48 hours before the opening of a big game season in a hunt unit and extends until the close of the big game season for that hunt unit.
- C. A person who possesses a special big game license tag for a special season under R12-4-115 or R12-4-120 or a person who assists or will assist such a licensee shall not use an aircraft, including drones, to locate wildlife beginning 48 hours before and during a Commission-ordered special season.
- D. This Section does not apply to any person acting within the scope of official duties as an employee or authorized agent of the state or the United States to manage or protect or aid in the management or protection of land, water, wildlife, livestock, domesticated animals, human life, or crops.
- E. For the purposes of this Section, “locate” means any act or activity that does not take or harass wildlife and is directed at locating or finding wildlife in a hunt area.

R12-4-320

Harassment of Wildlife

- A. In addition to the provisions established under A.R.S. § 17-301, it is unlawful to harass, molest, chase, rally, concentrate, herd, intercept, torment, or drive wildlife with or from any aircraft, including drones, as defined under R12-4-301, or with or from any motorized terrestrial or aquatic vehicle.
- B. This Section does not apply to person's acting:
 1. In accordance with the provisions established under A.R.S. § 17-239; or
 2. Within the scope of official duties as an employee or authorized agent of the state or the United States to manage or protect or aid in the management or protection of land, water, wildlife, livestock, domesticated animals, human life, or crops.

R12-4-321

Restrictions for Taking Wildlife in City, County, or Town Parks and Preserves

- A. All city, county, and town parks and preserves are closed to hunting and trapping, unless open by Commission Order.
- B. Unless otherwise provided under Commission Order or rule, a city, county, or town may:
 1. Limit or prohibit any person from hunting within one-fourth mile (440) yards) or trapping within one half mile (880 yards) of any:
 - a. Developed picnic area,
 - b. Developed campground,
 - c. Developed trailhead,
 - d. Developed wildlife viewing platform,
 - e. Boat ramp,
 - f. Shooting range,
 - g. Occupied structure, or
 - h. Golf course.

2. Require a person entering a city, county, or town park or preserve, for the purpose of hunting, to declare the person's intent to hunt within the park or preserve, if the park or preserve has a check in process established.
 3. Allow a person to take wildlife in a city, county, or town park or preserve only during the posted park or preserve hours.
- C. The requirements of subsection (B)(1) do not apply to a reptile and amphibian limited weapon hand or hand-held implement season established by Commission Order.

R12-4-322

Pickup and Possession of Wildlife Carcasses or Parts

- A. For the purposes of this Section, the following definitions apply:
 1. “Fresh” means the majority of the wildlife carcass or part is not exposed dry bone and is comprised mainly of hair, hide, or flesh.
 2. “Not fresh” means the majority of the wildlife carcass or part is exposed dry bone due to natural processes such as scavenging, decomposition, or weathering.
- B. If not contrary to federal law or regulation, a person may pick up and possess naturally shed antlers or horns or other wildlife parts that are not fresh without a permit or inspection by a Department law enforcement officer.
- C. If not contrary to federal law or regulation, a person may only pick up and possess a fresh wildlife carcass or its parts under this Section if the person notifies the Department prior to pick up and possession and:
 1. The Department's first report or knowledge of the carcass or its parts is voluntarily provided by the person wanting to possess the carcass or its parts;
 2. A Department law enforcement officer or an authorized Department employee or agent is able to observe the carcass or its parts at the site where the animal was found in the same condition and location as when the animal was originally found by the person wanting to possess the carcass or its parts; and
 3. A Department law enforcement officer, using the officer's education, training, and experience, determines the animal died from natural causes. The Department may require the person to take the officer to the site where the animal carcass or parts were found when an adequate description or location cannot be provided to the officer.
- D. If a Department law enforcement officer determines that the person wanting to possess the carcass or its parts is authorized to do so under subsection (C), the officer may authorize possession of the carcass or its parts.
- E. Wildlife parts picked up and possessed from areas under control of jurisdictions that prohibit such activity, such as other states, reservations, or national parks, are illegal to possess in this state.
- F. This Section does not authorize the pickup and possession of a threatened or endangered species carcass or its parts.

R12-4-609

Commission Orders

- A. Except as provided under subsection (B):
 1. At least 14 calendar days before a meeting where the Commission will consider a Commission Order, the Department shall:
 - a. Post a public meeting notice and agenda in accordance with A.R.S. § 38-431.02; and
 - b. Issue a public notice of the recommended Commission Order in print and electronic media.
 2. The Department shall ensure the public meeting notice and agenda includes:
 - a. The date, time, and location of the Commission meeting where the Commission Order will be considered;
 - b. A statement that the public may attend and present written comments at or before the meeting; and

- c. A statement that a copy of the proposed Commission Order shall be made available to the public 10 calendar days before the meeting. Copies are available for public inspection on the Department's website and at Department offices in Phoenix, Pinetop, Flagstaff, Kingman, Yuma, Tucson, and Mesa.
 3. The Commission may make changes to the recommended Commission Order at the Commission meeting.
- B. The requirements of subsection (A) do not apply to a Commission Order that establishes:
1. A supplemental hunt as authorized under R12-4-115;
 2. A special season for persons who possess a special license tag issued under A.R.S. § 17-346 and R12-4-120, and
 3. A special season that allows fish to be taken by additional methods on waters where a fish die-off is imminent as established under R12-4-317(C).
- C. The Department shall publish the content of all Commission orders and make them available to the public free of charge.

R12-4-801

General Provisions

- A. Wildlife Areas:
 1. Wildlife areas shall be established to:
 - a. Provide protective measures for wildlife, habitat, or both;
 - b. Allow for hunting, fishing, and other recreational activities that are compatible with wildlife habitat conservation and education;
 - c. Allow for special management or research practices; and
 - d. Enhance wildlife and habitat conservation.
 2. Wildlife areas shall be:
 - a. Lands owned, leased, or otherwise managed by the Commission;
 - b. Federally-owned lands of unique wildlife habitat where cooperative agreements provide wildlife management and research implementation; or
 - c. Any lands with property interest conveyed to the Commission by any entity, through an approved land use agreement, including but not limited to deeds, patents, leases, conservation easements, special use permits, licenses, management agreements, inter-agency agreements, letter agreements, and right-of-entry, where the property interest conveyed is sufficient for management of the lands consistent with the objectives of the wildlife area.
 3. Land qualified for wildlife areas shall be:
 - a. Lands with unique topographic or vegetative characteristics that contribute to wildlife,
 - b. Lands where certain wildlife species are confined because of habitat demands,
 - c. Lands that can be physically managed and modified to attract wildlife, or
 - d. Lands that are identified as critical habitat for certain wildlife species during critical periods of their life cycles.
 4. The Department may restrict public access to and public use of wildlife areas and the resources of wildlife areas for up to 90 days when necessary to protect property, ensure public safety, or to ensure maximum benefits to wildlife. Closures or restrictions exceeding 90 days shall require Commission approval.
 5. Closures of all or any part of a wildlife area to public entry, and any restriction to public use of a wildlife area, shall be listed in this Article or shall be clearly posted at each entrance to the wildlife area. No person shall conduct an activity restricted by this Article or by such posting.
 6. When a wildlife area is posted against travel except on existing roads, no person shall drive a motor-operated vehicle over the countryside except by road.
 7. The Department may post signs that place additional restrictions on the use of wildlife areas. Such restrictions may include the timing, type, or duration of certain activities, including the prohibition of access or nature of use.
 8. A person shall not access or use any wildlife area or

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facility in violation of any Department actions authorized under subsection (7) when signs are posted providing notice of the restrictions.

B. Commission-owned real property and -managed lands other than Wildlife Areas:

1. The Department may take action to manage public access and use of any Commission-owned real property or facilities. Such actions may include restrictions on the timing, type, or duration of certain activities, including the prohibition of access or nature of use.
2. A person shall not access or use any Commission-owned real property, facilities, or -managed lands in violation of any Department actions authorized under subsection (B)(1), if signs are posted providing notice of the restrictions.

R12-4-802

Wildlife Area and Other Department Managed Property Restrictions

A. No person shall violate the following restrictions on Wildlife Areas:

1. Alamo Wildlife Area (located in Units 16A and 44A):
 - a. Posted portions closed to all public entry.
 - b. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
2. Allen Severson Wildlife Area (located in Unit 3B):
 - a. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - b. Posted portions closed to discharge of all firearms from April 1 through July 25 annually.
 - c. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except posted portions closed to hunting from April 1 through July 25 annually.
3. Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (located in Units 31 and 32):
 - a. Access through the Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area within the Aravaipa Canyon Wilderness Area is by permit only, available through the Safford Office of the Bureau of Land Management.
 - b. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except the wildlife area is closed to the discharge of all firearms.
4. Arivaca Lake Wildlife Area (located in Unit 36B):
 - a. Open fires allowed in designated areas only.
 - b. Wood collecting limited to dead and down material, for onsite noncommercial use only.
 - c. Overnight public camping in the wildlife area allowed in designated areas only, for no more than 14 days within a 30-day period.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
5. Arlington Wildlife Area (located in Unit 39):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). No motorized travel is permitted within agriculture and crop production areas. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Target or clay bird shooting permitted in designated areas only.
 - f. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except:

- i. Posted portions around Department housing are closed to the discharge of all firearms; and
- ii. Wildlife area is closed to the discharge of centerfire rifled firearms.

6. Base and Meridian Wildlife Area (located in Units 39, 26M, and 47M):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel is not permitted on the wildlife area, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. No target or clay bird shooting.
 - f. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except the wildlife area is closed to the discharge of centerfire rifled firearms.
7. Becker Lake Wildlife Area (located in Unit 1):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. The Becker Lake boat launch access road and parking areas along with any other posted portions of the wildlife area will be closed to all public entry from one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise daily.
 - f. Posted portions closed to all public entry.
 - g. Posted portions closed to hunting.
 - h. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except the wildlife area is closed to the discharge of rifled firearms.
8. Bog Hole Wildlife Area (located in Unit 35B):
 - a. Motorized vehicle travel is not permitted on the wildlife area. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response or other emergency vehicles.
 - b. Open to all hunting in season, by foot access only, as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
9. Chevelon Canyon Ranches Wildlife Area (located in Unit 4A):
 - a. Open fires allowed in designated areas only.
 - b. Wood collecting limited to dead and down material, for onsite noncommercial use only.
 - c. Overnight public camping allowed in designated areas only, for no more than 14 days within a 30-day period.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. No target or clay bird shooting.
 - f. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
10. Chevelon Creek Wildlife Area (located in Unit 4B):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Posted portions closed to all public entry.
 - f. Additional posted portions closed to all public entry from October 1 through February 1 annually.
 - g. No target or clay bird shooting.
 - h. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under

R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except posted portions closed to hunting from October 1 through February 1 annually.

11. Cibola Valley Conservation and Wildlife Area (located in unit 43A):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). No motorized travel is permitted within agriculture and crop production areas. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Posted portions closed to all public entry.
 - f. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
12. Clarence May and C.H.M. May Memorial Wildlife Area (located in Unit 29): Closed to hunting, except for predator hunts authorized by Commission Order.
13. Cluff Ranch Wildlife Area (located in Unit 31):
 - a. Open fires allowed in designated areas only.
 - b. Wood collecting limited to dead and down material, for onsite noncommercial use only.
 - c. Overnight public camping allowed in designated areas only, for no more than 14 days within a 30-day period.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Posted portions around Department housing and Pond Three are closed to discharge of all firearms.
 - f. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except the wildlife area is closed to the discharge of centerfire rifled firearms.
14. Coal Mine Spring Wildlife Area (located in Unit 34A):
 - a. Overnight public camping allowed for no more than 14 days within a 30-day period.
 - b. Motorized vehicle travel is not permitted on the wildlife area, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response or other emergency vehicles.
 - c. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
15. Colorado River Nature Center Wildlife Area (located in Unit 15D):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles, law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Closed to the discharge of firearms.
 - f. Closed to hunting.
16. Fool Hollow Lake Wildlife Area (located in Unit 3C):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. The parking area adjacent to Sixteenth Avenue and other posted portions of the wildlife area will be closed to all public entry daily from one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise, except for anglers possessing a valid fishing license accessing Fool Hollow Lake/Show Low Creek.
 - f. Closed to the discharge of firearms.



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- g. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except the wildlife area is closed to the discharge of firearms.
- 17. House Rock Wildlife Area (located in Unit 12A):
 - a. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles, law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - b. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
 - c. Members of the public shall remain in an enclosed vehicle at all times when within one-quarter mile of the House Rock bison herd, except when taking bison or accompanied by Department personnel.
- 18. Jacques Marsh Wildlife Area (located in Unit 3B):
 - a. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - b. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except the wildlife area is closed to the discharge of rimfire and centerfire rifled firearms.
- 19. Lamar Haines Wildlife Area (located in Unit 7):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. Wood cutting by permit only and collecting limited to dead and down material, for noncommercial use only. Members of the public shall obtain a wood cutting permit from the Flagstaff Game and Fish Department regional office.
 - c. Overnight public camping allowed for no more than 14 days within a 30-day period.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
- 20. Lower San Pedro River Wildlife Area (located in Units 32 and 37B):
 - a. Open fires allowed in designated areas only. The following acts are prohibited:
 - i. Building, attending, maintaining, or using a fire without removing all flammable material from around the fire to adequately prevent the fire from spreading from the fire pit.
 - ii. Carelessly or negligently throwing or placing any ignited substance or other substance that may cause a fire.
 - iii. Building, attending, maintaining, or using a fire in any area that is closed to fires.
 - iv. Leaving a fire without completely extinguishing it.
 - b. Wood collecting limited to dead and down material, for onsite noncommercial use only.
 - c. Overnight public camping allowed in designated areas only, for no more than 14 days within a 30-day period.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
- e. Posted portions closed to all public entry.
- f. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except posted portions closed to hunting.
- g. Parking allowed within 300 feet of designated open roads and in designated areas only.
- h. Discharge of a firearm or pre-charged pneumatic weapon prohibited within ¼ mile of buildings.
- i. A person shall not use a metal detector or similar device except as authorized by the Department. This subsection does not apply to law enforcement officers in the scope of their official duties, or to persons duly licensed, permitted, or otherwise authorized to investigate historical or cultural artifacts by a government agency with regulatory authority over cultural or historic artifacts.
- 21. Luna Lake Wildlife Area (located in Unit 1):
 - a. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - b. Posted portions closed to all public entry from February 15 through July 31 annually.
 - c. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except when closed to hunting from April 1 through July 31 annually.
- 22. Manhattan Claims Wildlife Area (located in Unit 29):
 - a. Wood collecting limited to dead and down material, for onsite noncommercial use only.
 - b. Overnight public camping allowed for no more than 14 days within a 30-day period.
 - c. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
- 23. Mitty Lake Wildlife Area (located in Unit 43B):
 - a. Open fires allowed in designated areas only.
 - b. Wood collecting limited to dead and down material, for onsite noncommercial use only.
 - c. Overnight public camping allowed in designated areas only, for no more than 14 days within a 30-day period.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Posted portions closed to all public entry.
 - f. Mitty Lake is a “No Ski” waterway as defined under R12-4-501.
 - g. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
- 24. Planet Ranch Conservation and Wildlife Area (located in Units 16A and 44A):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. Overnight public camping allowed in designated areas only, for no more than 14 days within a 30-day period.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H), outside the posted Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program habitat area. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Posted portions closed to public entry.
 - f. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except posted portions closed to hunting.
- 25. Powers Butte (Mumme Farm) Wildlife Area (located in Unit 39):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). No motorized travel is permitted within agriculture and crop production areas. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. If conducted during an event approved under R12-4-125, target or clay bird shooting is permitted in designated areas only.
 - f. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except:
 - i. Posted portions around Department housing are closed to the discharge of all firearms; and
 - ii. Wildlife area is closed to the discharge of center-fire rifled firearms.
- 26. Quigley-Achee Wildlife Area (located in Unit 41):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No overnight public camping.
 - c. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). No motorized travel is permitted within agriculture and crop production areas. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - d. Posted portions closed to all public entry.
 - e. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except posted portions closed to hunting.
- 27. Raymond Wildlife Area (located in Unit 5B):
 - a. Open fires allowed in designated areas only.
 - b. Overnight public camping permitted in designated sites only, for no more than 14 days within a 30-day period.
 - c. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, trails, or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). All-terrain and utility type vehicles are prohibited. For the purpose of this subsection, all-terrain and utility type vehicle means a motor vehicle having three or more wheels fitted with large tires and is designed chiefly for recreational use over roadless, rugged terrain. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - d. Posted portions closed to all public entry from May 1 through July 29 annually.
 - e. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except posted portions closed to hunting periodically during hunting seasons.
 - f. Members of the public shall remain in an enclosed vehicle at all times when within one-quarter mile of the Raymond bison herd, except when taking bison or accompanied by Department personnel.

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28. Robbins Butte Wildlife Area (located in Unit 39):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Parking in designated areas only.
 - f. If conducted during an event approved under R12-4-125, target or clay bird shooting is permitted in designated areas only.
 - g. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 except the wildlife area is closed to the discharge of centerfire rifled firearms.
 29. Roosevelt Lake Wildlife Area (located in Units 22, 23, and 24B):
 - a. Posted portions closed to all public entry from November 15 through February 15 annually.
 - b. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). No motorized travel is permitted within agriculture and crop production areas. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - c. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except posted portions closed to hunting from November 15 through February 15 annually.
 30. Santa Rita Wildlife Area (located in Unit 34A): Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
 31. Sipe White Mountain Wildlife Area (located in Unit 1):
 - a. Open fires allowed in designated areas only.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. Overnight public camping allowed in designated areas only, for no more than 14 days within a 30-day period.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except posted portions around Department housing is closed to the discharge of all firearms.
 32. Springerville Marsh Wildlife Area (located in Unit 2B):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Closed to the discharge of all firearms.
 - f. Open to all hunting as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except the wildlife area is closed to the discharge of all firearms.
 33. Sunflower Flat Wildlife Area (located in Unit 8):
 - a. Overnight public camping allowed for no more than 14 days within a 30-day period.
 - b. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - c. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
34. Three Bar Wildlife Area (located in Unit 22):
 - a. Motorized vehicle travel:
 - i. Is permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H).
 - ii. Is prohibited within the Three Bar Wildlife and Habitat Study Area.
 - iii. This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - b. Open to all hunting in season, as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
 35. Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area (located in Unit 38M):
 - a. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except:
 - i. Portions posted closed to hunting,
 - ii. Portions closed to hunting as identified on the online check-in system wildlife area map, and
 - iii. Firearms and pre-charged pneumatic weapons are prohibited for the take of wildlife.
 - b. Archery deer and archery javelina hunters must check-in online at www.azgfd.gov/tmhregistration prior to going afield.
 36. Upper Verde River Wildlife Area (located in Unit 8 and 19A):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping allowed.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel is not permitted, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire department, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
 37. Wenima Wildlife Area (located in Unit 2B):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. No overnight public camping.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. No target or clay bird shooting.
 - f. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
 38. White Mountain Grasslands Wildlife Area (located in Unit 1):
 - a. No open fires.
 - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
 - c. Overnight public camping allowed in designated areas only, for no more than 14 days within a 30-day period.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Posted portions closed to all public entry.
 - f. If conducted during an event approved under R12-4-125, target or clay bird shooting is permitted in designated areas only.
 - g. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
39. Whitewater Draw Wildlife Area (located in Unit 30B):
 - a. No open fires except as authorized by the Department.
 - b. Overnight public camping allowed in designated areas only, for no more than 14 days within a 30-day period.
 - c. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - d. Posted portions closed to all public entry from October 15 through March 15 annually.
 - e. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except:
 - i. The wildlife area is closed to the discharge of centerfire rifled firearms, and
 - ii. Posted portions closed to hunting from October 15 through March 15 annually.
 40. Willcox Playa Wildlife Area (located in Unit 30A):
 - a. Open fires allowed in designated areas only.
 - b. Wood collecting limited to dead and down material, for onsite noncommercial use only.
 - c. Overnight public camping allowed in designated areas only, for no more than 14 days within a 30-day period.
 - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads or areas only, except for big game retrieval as permitted under R12-4-110(H). This subsection does not apply to Department authorized vehicles or law enforcement, fire response, or other emergency vehicles.
 - e. Posted portions closed to all public entry from October 15 through March 15 annually.
 - f. Open to all hunting in season as permitted under R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except posted portions closed to hunting from October 15 through March 15 annually.
- B. Notwithstanding Commission Order 40, public access and use of the Hirsch Conservation Education Area and Biscuit Tank is limited to activities conducted and offered by the Department and in accordance with the Department's special management objectives for the property, which include, but are not limited to, flexible harvest, season, and methods that:
 1. Allow for a variety of fishing techniques, fish harvest, fish consumption, and catch and release educational experiences;
 2. Maintain a healthy, productive, and balanced fish community and
 3. Provide public education activities and training courses that are compatible with the management of aquatic wildlife.





Earn a Lifetime Bonus Point!

The Arizona Game and Fish Department's innovative online course — “Ethically Hunting Arizona” — provides hunters 18 and older with an opportunity to earn a lifetime bonus point.

The Ethically Hunting Arizona course was developed primarily for hunters who are looking to acquire their permanent Arizona Education Bonus Point without having to compete for limited seating in the classroom-style structure of the traditional Arizona Hunter Education course. Get more information and register for the course:

www.azgfd.gov/eha

NOTE: If a hunter already has earned an Arizona Education Bonus Point by completing Arizona Hunter Education, a second bonus point cannot be obtained through the taking of the Ethically Hunting Arizona course. In addition, completing the online course does not fulfill hunter education requirements to hunt in other states.



Expand Skills – Hunter Education

Get Ahead of the Game

Any individual 9 years of age or older may complete a Hunter Education course offered through the Arizona Game and Fish Department. To hunt big game, youth under the age of 14 must complete Hunter Education.

Hunter education is not required for anyone 14 years of age or older to hunt in Arizona.

If you have Hunter Education certification from another state, your certification meets Arizona Hunter Education requirements.

Youth big game hunters need a Hunter Education card to hunt. They do not need a Hunter Education card to apply for the draw, only a hunting license. Youth hunters can purchase a hunting license without having attended Hunter Education.

The purpose of the Hunter Education program is about more than safety. It is also to develop responsible, knowledgeable and involved hunters who understand the importance of complying with hunting laws and behaving ethically.

To request a "Today's Hunter in Arizona" student manual, email azhuntereducation@azgfd.gov with the quantity and mailing address.

Course Information

At a minimum your Hunter Education Course will include the following topics:

- Responsibility, safety, skills
- Funding sources
- Conservation, fair chase, fair share, hunters' ethics and hunters' image
- Planning and preparation, maps and compasses, survival skills, coping with extreme weather and basic first aid
- Firearm safety, nomenclature, function, handling and shot-selection
- Wildlife conservation, management and identification
- Marksmanship, rifle and shotgun shooting, hunting strategies, vital shots and care of game
- Arizona hunting laws and regulations and licensing

	Classroom Course	Online Course Field Day	Bonus Point Field Test
Who	Anyone age 9 and up.	Anyone age 9 and up who has successfully completed the Arizona Hunter Education Online Course.	Adults only. Ages 18 and older, that have successfully completed the Arizona Hunter Education Online Course, and have a minimum of three years' hunting experience.
Length	All classroom Hunter Education courses are taught by certified Arizona Game and Fish Department Volunteer Instructors and include a hands-on field day and exam. The instructors determine the location and length of the class. Classroom courses average 16 hours of in-person instruction and field days average four hours.	The online course is a self-paced program that is completed on the internet. Once a passing score of 80 percent is obtained on the course examination, a completion certificate may be printed and a field day scheduled. Field day courses are taught by certified Arizona Game and Fish Department Volunteer Instructors. The instructors determine the location and length of the field day. Field days average four hours.	The online course is a self-paced program that is completed on the internet. Once a passing score of 80 percent is obtained on the course examination, a completion certificate may be printed and a field test scheduled. Field tests are administered by certified Arizona Game and Fish Department Volunteer Instructors. Students rotate through practical application stations at their pace. The stations are: live-fire, matching, practical hunt and a written examination. Average completion time is one hour.
Requirements	Preregistration is required for all Hunter Education class formats. To register visit, www.azgfd.gov/HunterEd Students will need to provide a Customer ID number to complete any registration. To get a Customer ID number please call 602-942-3000.		

Trapper Education

Pursuant to A.R.S. 17-333.02 Any person born after January 1, 1967, is required to successfully complete a Trapper Education Course prior to obtaining a trapping license.

For more information on the Trapper Education Program visit www.azgfd.gov/huntered

Bowhunter Education

Bowhunter specific education course is available, however graduates will not receive a permanent bonus point. Bowhunter Education is not required to bowhunt in Arizona.

For more information on the Bowhunter Education Program visit www.azgfd.gov/huntered

Hunter Education courses are youth-focused opportunities that cover key information including conservation, fair chase and hunters' ethics. Classes are offered in both in-person, online and Field Day formats.

**To register for a class, visit: www.azgfd.gov/HunterEd
Hunter Education classes fill up quickly!**

**Lost your card or need your Hunter Education Certification number?
Visit ilostmycard.com**

Are you over 18 and don't need Hunter Education but want the Education Bonus Point? Take Ethically Hunting Arizona! Learn more: www.azgfd.gov/EHA



Expand Skills – Outdoor Skills Network

Are you interested in going hunting, but not sure where to start?

Look no further. The Arizona Game and Fish Department along with an extensive network of partnering organizations host dozens of learn how to hunt, fish, shoot, trap and other outdoor skill development events throughout the year. Most of these events offer mentoring (not guides), hands-on activities, seminars, a hot meal and campfires for sharing your story.

Event types and descriptions are merely guidelines to help you choose what is best for you – they are not prerequisites – most events offer activities that are suitable for all skill levels and interests. Further, hunting is just one portion of these events. Many of these events are also open to people wishing to learn more about wildlife, habitat, conservation, camping and the outdoors.

For a continually updated list of events and to register, visit: www.azgfd.gov/OutdoorSkills

Become a Hunting Mentor

All the events listed here are made possible by dedicated sportsmen and women like you. We need mentors to keep them going and growing. Do you have a desire to pass on your hunting knowledge and skills? Sharing the hunting tradition with someone new can be a rewarding experience. Mentoring provides an opportunity to give back to the hunting culture and thereby conserve the hunting legacy for future generations. Most importantly, mentoring is fun and rewarding! We have extensive opportunities to get you started.

Sign up to receive more information: bit.ly/MentorAZ

INTRODUCTORY

- No hunting or pursuit of wildlife, shooting lessons, instructional, typically 1-day activity. **Instructional** – knowledge or information imparted
 - Skill Meter: 0-5
 - Mentoring Meter: 7-10

BEGINNER

- Basic take of wildlife, 1-day event, pass shooting, species include dove, ducks, squirrel. **Beginner** – a person who is inexperienced; novice; a person who has begun a course of instruction or is learning the fundamentals.
 - Skill Meter: 1-5
 - Mentoring Meter: 7-10

DEVELOPING

- Pursuit of wildlife, overnight events, remote locations, species include quail, rabbit, predator, javelina, turkey. **Apprentice** – one who is learning by practical experience under skilled workers of a trade, art or calling.
 - Skill Meter: 3-7
 - Mentoring Meter: 6-9

INTERMEDIATE

- Pursuit of more challenging species, deer, elk, stalking, remote locations, overnight, lots of field time. **Intermediate** – applies some already learned basic skills to adapt and meet the next level of learning, skill development.
 - Skill Meter: 5-8
 - Mentoring Meter: 3-6

EXPERIENCED coming soon, minimal mentoring, base camps and “meet ups”

- Base camps and meet ups that provide similar feel of learn how-to events, but are self-supported by attendees at a designated camping area and timeframe, possibly portable potties, and some facilities, possibly a camp host with unit and hunting information. **Experienced** – having knowledge or skill in a particular field, especially a profession or job, gained over a period of time.
 - Skill Meter: 7-9
 - Mentoring Meter: 0-2



Scan the QR code to view the online event listing with registration information.



INTRODUCTORY

Seasonal: AZ Family Campout Program

Learn the basics of camping and outdoor activities like hiking, archery, geocaching, fishing, wildlife, biking and more. Fee required.

- Location: AZ State Parks (varies)
- Hosted by: Arizona State Parks
- Register: azstateparks.com/family

May - September: Women's 5-Step Beginner Hunting Series - YDD-WOTW, PF

Mentored women's program to learn about shooting, safety and dove hunting. The five-month series includes: Trap - May, Archery - June, First Shots - July, Shotgun - August, Dove Hunt - September

- Location: Yuma Area
- Hosted by: Yuma Desert Doves Women on the Wing - Pheasants Forever
- Info: Catherine Thompson
cthompson@azgfd.gov, (928) 341-4060

Expand Skills – Outdoor Skills Network

May 13: Free Elk Hunting Seminar/Show & Family Fun Day - CHA

Starts at 9 a.m. Vendors, food/drinks, door prizes. There will be a bounce house, archery range, games, free toys, etc. Awesome raffles plus free veteran's raffle, free kid's raffle.

- Location: Oasis Community Church, 15014 N. 56th St., Scottsdale
- Hosted by: Christian Hunters of America
- Info: davidmyrick@christianhuntersofamerica.org, (602) 309-3430

June: Antelope Hunter Clinic - AAF

In-person clinic from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. covers everything you need to know about antelope hunting. Extensive topics presented by seasoned experts and wildlife biologists. All 2023 antelope tag holders will receive a letter from the AAF.

- Location: 5000 W. Carefree Highway, Phoenix, AZ 85086
- Hosted by: Arizona Antelope Foundation
- Register: <https://azantelope.org/events>

June 9-11: Hunting Skills Camp - AMDO

Scheduled classes covering: hunter ethics, glassing, tracking, field dressing, GPS, map reading, camping, meat processing, wild game cooking, shotgun shooting, rifle shooting skills.

- Location: Upper Wolf Creek Campground
- Hosted by: AZ Mule Deer Organization, Best of the West, Valley of the Sun QF
- Info: kevinshall@yahoo.com or terry@azmuledeer.org

June 17: JAKES Day - NWTf Huachuca Gould's

JAKES (Juniors Acquiring Knowledge, Ethics and Sportsmanship) event. This event is FREE for children, ages 8-17 and parents. Limited to the first 50 children and pre-registration is required.

- Location: Soldier Creek Park in Sierra Vista, AZ
- Hosted by: Huachuca Gould's Chapter

of National Wild Turkey Federation

- Register: www.nwtfhua Goulds.org or contact David (678) 520-4287 or Wayne (520) 678-9827

June 23-25: Off The Grid Camping 103 - Beyond BOW

Learn traditional camping activities plus archery, hiking, cornhole, stargazing, geocaching and campfire. Bring your own gear & bedding. We will help set it up! Tents and cots available.

- Location: Camp Raymond
- Hosted by: Arizona Wildlife Federation
- Register: www.azwildlife.org/bow/ (520) 240-2437, bow@azwildlife.org

July 14-16: Bowhunter Happening - ABA

Family 3D fun shoot. Special courses: extreme, long shot and smoker and more! Raffles. Outdoor vendors and food on site.

- Location: Mormon Lake
- Hosted by: Arizona Bowhunters Association
- Information: archerybowhunters.com

July 18: Free Predator Hunting Seminar - CHA

Awesome raffles, door prizes, refreshments, etc. Seating is open and no registration is required. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the seminar starts at 7 p.m.

- Location: TBD
- Hosted by: Christian Hunters of America
- Info: davidmyrick@christianhuntersofamerica.org, (602) 309-3430

July 28-30: Hike to Hunt Challenge

The most realistic 3D archery experience you will have ... all in the cool pines of Flagstaff. Four courses of over 100 targets, vendors and prizes.

- Location: Arizona Nordic Village in Flagstaff
- Hosted by: Hike to Hunt
- Registration: www.hiketohunt.com, info@hiketohunt.com

July 29: Elk Hunting Clinic - AES

All-day clinic on hunting elk with a bow or rifle, early or late seasons, calling, locating, meat care, camping and more. Includes lunch.

- Location: El Zaribah Shrine Auditorium, Phoenix
- Hosted by: Arizona Elk Society
- Contact: www.arizonaelksociety.org, (623) 444-4147

Sept. 7 – Nov. 2, 2023: ASRPA Cactus Clays Beginning Skeet

Clay target shotgun instruction in Skeet shooting. Weekly, 9-week program with 1:1 instruction by NRA-certified instructors.. Participants may receive NRA Shotgun certification & skill awards. Space limited.

- Location: Ben Avery Clay Target Center, 5 – 7 PM
- Hosted by: Arizona State Rifle & Pistol Association – Shotgun Division
- Info: asrpashoots@gmail.com, (602) 571-4055 asrpacactusclays.com

Sept. 8-10: Becoming an Outdoors-Woman Camp

For adult women in a fun, safe environment. Learn fishing, hunting, kayaking, hiking, rappelling and camping. Includes evening activities, meals and lodging. Fee required.

- Location: Prescott Area
- Hosted by: Arizona Wildlife Federation
- Register: www.azwildlife.org/bow/ (520) 240-2437, bow@azwildlife.org

Oct. 17: Free Deer Hunting Seminar - CHA

Doors open at 6 p.m. and the seminar starts at 7 p.m. Awesome raffles, door prizes, refreshments, etc. Seating is open and no registration is required.

- Location: TBD
- Hosted by: Christian Hunters of America
- Info: davidmyrick@christianhuntersofamerica.org, (602) 309-3430



Expand Skills – Outdoor Skills Network

Nov. 4: Quail Day - VOTSQF

A fun day to learn about Arizona quail. Learn shotguns/ammo, habitat, strategy. Kids activities. Hunting dog area. Watch votsqf.com for info updates.

- Location: TBD
- Hosted by: Valley of the Sun Chapter of Quail Forever
- Contact: AJ Murosky deerguy@yahoo.com

Nov. 21: Free Javelina Hunting Seminar - CHA

Doors open at 6 p.m. and the seminar starts at 7 p.m. Awesome raffles, door prizes, refreshments, etc. Seating is open and no registration is required.

- Location: TBD
- Hosted by: Christian Hunters of America
- Info: davidmyrick@christianhuntersofamerica.org, (602) 309-3430

Jan. 27, 2024: Becoming an Outdoors-Woman Camp

For adult women in a fun, safe environment. Learn fishing, hunting, kayaking, hiking, rappelling and camping. Includes evening activities, meals and lodging. Fee required.

- Location: Yuma area
- Hosted by: Arizona Wildlife Federation
- Register: www.azwildlife.org/bow/, (520) 240-2437, bow@azwildlife.org

Mar. 19, 2024: Free Turkey Hunting Seminar - CHA

Doors open at 6 p.m. and the seminar starts at 7 p.m. Awesome raffles, door prizes, refreshments, etc. Seating is open and no registration is required.

- Location: TBD
- Hosted by: Christian Hunters of America
- Info: davidmyrick@christianhuntersofamerica.org, (602) 309-3430

Mar. 22-24, 2024: Unit 20C Shooting and Hunting Skills Camp

Come learn shooting and hunting skills. Outdoor activities, cooked meals will be provided.

- Location: Boyd Ranch, LLC

- Hosted by: Youth Outdoors Unlimited
- Register: <https://youthoutdoorsunlimited.com/>

Apr. 26-28, 2024: Becoming an Outdoors-Woman Camp

For adult women in a fun, safe environment. Learn fishing, hunting, kayaking, hiking, rappelling and camping. Includes evening activities, meals and lodging. Fee required.

- Location: Prescott Area
- Hosted by: Arizona Wildlife Federation
- Register: www.azwildlife.org/bow/, (520) 240-2437, bow@azwildlife.org

Mar. / Apr. 2024: Free Elk Hunting Seminar/Show & Family Fun Day - CHA

Vendors, food/drinks, door prizes. Awesome raffles plus free veteran's raffle, free kid's raffle. Seating is open (but limited) and no registration is required.

- Date/Location: TBD
- Hosted by: Christian Hunters of America
- Info: davidmyrick@christianhuntersofamerica.org, (602) 309-3430

Apr. 6-7, 2024: Family Turkey Hunting Skills Camp - Huachuca Gould's NWTf

Youth age 10-17, w/ hunter ed, and family. Learn the skills for planning to hunt wild turkeys. Learn behavior, safety & patterning shotgun & calling/ mock hunting scenarios. Fee may be required.

- Location: Highway 83 MP 5.9 (South of Sonoita, AZ)
- Hosted by: Huachuca Gould's Chapter of NWTf, AZGFD
- Info: John, j2dbmill@msn.com, (520) 508-4272

July 16, 2024: Free Predator Hunting Seminar - CHA

Doors open at 6 p.m. and seminar starts at 7 p.m. Seating is limited. Awesome raffles, door prizes, refreshments, etc.

- Location: TBD
- Hosted by: Christian Hunters of America
- Info: davidmyrick@christianhuntersofamerica.org, (602) 309-3430

BEGINNER

Sept. 2: Robbins Butte Mentored Youth Dove Hunt

Learn to hunt doves from experienced mentors at an AZGFD wildlife area. Bird identification, hunting tips, gun safety, and food provided.

- Location: Robbins Butte Wildlife Area, Buckeye
- Hosted by: AZGFD
- Contact: DeWane (480) 324-3562, register at <https://bit.ly/3ZB8i3k>

Sept. 2-3: Safford Youth Dove Hunting Clinic and Hunt

Experts teach kids new to hunting everything needed to hunt dove: firearms safety, biology, hunting, cleaning, cooking and live hunt the next morning.

- Location: Dry Lake Park, Safford
- Hosted by: AZGFD, South Eastern Arizona Sportsmen Club
- Contact: Mike Richins, mrichins@azgfd.gov

Sept. 2: Yuma Youth Dove Hunt - Clint Curry Memorial

Youth dove hunt for beginners age 8-16 who want to learn how to hunt doves with experienced hunters. Lunch provided after the hunt.

- Location: TBD
- Hosted by: Curry Family, Yuma Valley Rod and Gun Club
- Contact: Pat, yumahuntered@gmail.com

Sept. 9: Mentored Dove Hunt - NWTf Women In The Outdoors

Family WITO & Wheelin' Sportsmen event for Women & Hunters with Disabilities to learn how to hunt, clean, prepare doves. Includes parking assistance, and a safety briefing. Meals provided.

- Location: Robbins Butte Wildlife Area, Buckeye
- Hosted by: National Wild Turkey Federation, No Excuses Hunting, Copper State Hunting Retriever Club
- Contact: Roy, (928) 587-8894, imbeeman59@yahoo.com

Expand Skills – Outdoor Skills Network

Oct. 6-8: Mogollon Rim Outdoor Skills, Squirrel Hunting & Fishing Camp

Camp for individuals who are new to hunting and or fishing, birdwatching, and outdoor skills. Outdoor cooked meals will be provided.

- Location: Sharp Creek Campground, Payson, Hwy. 260.
- Hosted by: Mogollon Sporting Association, AZGFD, Red Bear Outfitters, Dream Chasers
- Contact: Joe Sayer, jsayer@azgfd.gov, (928) 853-0963

Nov. 10-12: Unit 1 & 27 Squirrel Hunt Camp - YOU

Introductory event for kids and families to learn how to hunt squirrels. Squirrel cooking seminar and other outdoor skill activities. Food provided.

- Location: White Mountains Unit 1
- Hosted by: Youth Outdoors Unlimited, RMEF, AES
- Register: www.youthhunteraz.com

Mar. 2, 2024: Family Day - SAQF & NWTF

Learn trap shooting, archery, BB gun range, wildlife biology, falconry, fly fishing, live bird dog hunt demonstration and more. Gear, instruction and free breakfast & lunch provided.

- Location: Empire Ranch, north of Sonoita 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- Hosted by: Southern Arizona Quail Forever & National Wild Turkey Federation
- Contact: Tony Valentino, (520) 465-6569, avalen18@aol.com

June 2024, Fish Camp, 3 Courses - TU/BSA

Weeklong, high-end angling and conservation programs for youth 13-18. Non-scouts welcome. Please register after Nov. 1, 2023. Dates are June 2-7, June 9-14 & June 16-2, 2024.

- Location: R-C Scout Ranch, Payson
- Hosted by: Grand Canyon Council BSA, Arizona Council of Trout Unlimited
- Contact: Alan, president@zanegreytu.org, (925) 785-5583, <https://bit.ly/3UmAgyM>

DEVELOPING

Aug. 11-13: Predator Hunting Boot Camp - PPCI George Knox Memorial

Adult focused. Beginners learn about predator calling, hunting, history of predator/furbearers, and other outdoor skill activities. Food provided, tent/truck camping.

- Location: Vincent Ranch, Woods Canyon Lake Area, Unit 4A
- Hosted by: Phoenix Varmint Callers Inc. and Arizona Elk Society
- Contact: Wayne Wilson: Desert_rider@yahoo.com or www.PPCI.org

Nov. 17-19: Yuma Youth Small Game Camp

Open to beginners age 8-16 who want to learn to hunt small game, quail and rabbits with experienced mentors. Meals provided Friday through Sunday.

- Location: GMU 41, intersection of Palomas-Harquahala and gas line roads
- Hosted by: Yuma Valley Rod and Gun Club
- Contact: Pat, yumahuntered@gmail.com

Dec. 8-10: Cibola Junior Waterfowl Camp

Mentored waterfowl hunt for youth hunters ages 11-17.

- Location: Cibola National Wildlife Refuge, Cibola, AZ
- Hosted by: Friends of Cibola NWR, Arizona Outdoor Sports, USFWS, DU, AZGFD
- Contact: Carissa Rosenfeld (626) 484-2752, friendsofcibolanwr@gmail.com

Jan. TBD, 2024: Youth Mentored Waterfowl Camp - DU

Three-day waterfowl hunt camp with experienced mentors for youth ages 10-17. Learn about decoys, calling, blinds and hunting. 15-spot allocation process.

- Location: Whitewater Draw, McNeal
- Hosted by: Ducks Unlimited - Sierra Vista Chapter
- Register: Matthew, mirlmeier@cox.net, www.facebook.com/SVDucks/

Jan. 5-7, 2024: Pintail Slough Junior Waterfowl Camp

Learn to identify, hunt, and clean waterfowl, and put new skills to use in the duck blinds! Open to junior hunters aged 12-17 accompanied by an adult. Limited to 20 junior hunters. No prior experience necessary! Designed for beginners! Fee may be required.

- Location: Pintail Slough, Havasu National Wildlife Refuge
- Hosted by: AZGFD, Havasu NWR, Friends of Havasu NWR, Arizona Outdoor Sports
- Information: AZGFD (928) 692-7700

Jan. 12-14, 2024: Women's Gambel's Quail Hunt - VOTSQF

Great for beginner and intermediate female hunters. Minimal cost. Meals and accommodations included.

- Location: AZGFD Horseshoe Ranch off Bloody Basin Rd & Interstate 17
- Hosted by: Valley of the Sun Chapter of Quail Forever
- Register: www.votsqf.com

Jan. 12-15, 2024: Mentored Archery Javelina, Deer, Duck, Quail, Predator Hunting Camp – CHA

Camp for new or novice archery javelina and deer hunters. Must have camping/hunting gear and proper license/tags/stamps. Parents or guardians must be present and able to hunt with kids under 18. Registration required; space and mentors are limited.

- Location: Camp site & hunt units TBD
- Hosted by: Christian Hunters of America
- Info: davidmyrick@christianhuntersofamerica.org, (602) 309-3430

Jan. 26-28, 2024: Unit 20C Youth Javelina & Small Game Camp - YOU

Camp for youth to assist with javelina and small game hunting. Outdoor activities, cooked meals will be provided. Mentoring will be available.

- Location: Date Creek – Sunflower Flats
- Hosted by: Youth Outdoors Unlimited
- Register: www.youthhunteraz.com



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Jan. 26-28, 2024: Unit 34A/B & 35A/B Youth Javelina, Archery Deer, Small Game and Predator Hunting Camp - AMDO

Mentors provide hunt assistance for youth tag holders and in pursuing archery deer, quail, rabbit or coyotes. Meals provided. Drawing for youth who participate in camp activities.

- Location: Empire Ranch Airstrip Group Campsite. Vail/Sonoita area Unit 34B
- Hosted by: Arizona Mule Deer Organization Region 5 South
- Contact: Tom, (520) 850-9379, cditsch@outlook.com

Jan. 26-28, 2024: Unit 37B Small Game & Youth Javelina Camp - APC

Youth learn to hunt jackrabbits, predators, quail with dogs and javelina for tag holders. All meals provided. Q&A w/ biologists, glassing & tracking, hunting how to's, safety, ethics, and campfire with s'mores! Mentors will accompany youth and a parent/guardian.

- Location: North Barkerville Road and Freeman Road - Oracle Junction area - Unit 37B
- Hosted by: Arizona Predator Callers, Sirius Gundogs, Valley of the Sun Quail Forever
- Contact: Kara, Kara.Jensen.Az@gmail.com, (602) 309-2517, arizonapredatorcallers.com

Feb. 15-18, 2024: Women's Beginner Javelina Hunting Camp - AOW

Mentored camp for novice women 18+ to learn the skills and ins and outs of hunting javelina and other game species. Legal methods of take include archery, muzzleloader or handgun. Hunt involves hiking uneven terrain & climbing hills.

- Location: Buenos Aires Wildlife Refuge, Arivaca, AZ Unit 36 A/B/C
- Hosted by: Arizona Outdoor Women, AZ Chapter SCI, AZGFD
- Contact: Kathy, tucsonhuntered@comcast.net

Apr. 19-21, 2024: Units 1 & 27 Youth Spring Turkey Hunting Camp - Marvin Robbins Memorial

Learn to hunt wild turkeys at this mentored turkey hunting camp. Seminars, outdoor skills, activities, camping and meals provided.

- Location: White Mountains area, near Crescent & Big Lake area
- Hosted by: Youth Outdoors Unlimited, NWTf, RMEF, AES
- Register: www.youthoutdoorsunlimited.com

Apr. 19-21, 2024: Unit 6A Youth Spring Turkey Hunting Camp - Marvin Robbins Memorial

Learn to hunt Arizona's wild turkeys in this mentored turkey hunting camp. Seminars, outdoor skills, activities, camping and meals provided.

- Location: Happy Jack area, V bar V Ranch, serving Units 6A, 5A, 5B
- Hosted by: National Wild Turkey Federation, Arizona Wildlife Federation
- Contact: Tim, longbeardsaz@gmail.com, www.nwtfarizona.org

Apr. 19-21, 2024: Unit 23 Youth Spring Turkey Hunting Camp - Marvin Robbins Memorial

Learn to hunt Arizona's wild turkeys in this mentored turkey hunting camp. Seminars, outdoor skills, activities, camping and meals provided.

- Location: Colcord Ridge Campground, East of Payson, serving Units 23, 4A, 4B, 3C
- Hosted by: National Wild Turkey Federation, Arizona Elk Society, Phoenix Varmint Callers
- Contact: Rich, azgobbler60@gmail.com, www.nwtfarizona.org

INTERMEDIATE

Oct. 5-8: Prescott Youth Deer Camp - AMDO/MSA

Camp for youth hunters drawn for Units 17B, 19A, 19B, 20A. Deer hunting techniques, biology, game care, mentor assistance and meals provided.

- Location: Prescott Area, serving Units 17B, 19A, 19B & 20A
- Hosted by: Prescott Chapter Arizona Mule Deer Organization
- Contact: Kevin, (928) 713-6877, kevinshall@yahoo.com

Oct. 5-8: Kaibab Youth Deer Hunters Base Camp - ADA

Kaibab deer hunters base camp with information and assistance, biology and habits, lots of activities, some food and campfire.

- Location: North Rim Grand Canyon, Unit 12A West, SR22 & FR429
- Hosted by: Buckskin Chapter of Arizona Deer Association
- Contact: adabuckskinchapter@gmail.com

Oct. 5-8: Unit 27 Youth Deer Hunt Camp - AMDO

High Country youth deer hunting camp. Instruction, some mentoring, and cookouts provided.

- Location: Near Alpine, Unit 27
- Hosted by: Arizona Mule Deer Organization, Beaver Creek Guest Ranch
- Contact: Thomas, (928) 245-1688 or tlr1822@gmail.com

Oct 6-8: Unit 20C Youth Deer & Predator - YOU

Camp for youth to assist with deer & predator hunting. Outdoor activities, cooked meals will be provided. Mentoring will be available.

- Location: Date Creek - Sunflower Flats
- Hosted by: Youth Outdoors Unlimited, Turner's Outdoorsman
- Register: www.youthhunteraz.com

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Oct. 6-8: Unit 27 Youth Deer Hunt Camp - MDF

High country youth deer hunting camp. Instruction, some mentoring and cook-outs provided.

- Location: White Mountains area, TBD
- Hosted by: White Mountain Chapter of Mule Deer Foundation
- Contact: John Gebhart, (520) 431-0760, jtgebhart@muledeer.org

Oct. 6-8: Unit 34A, 35A & 35B Youth Deer, Javelina & Outdoor Skills Camp - MDF

Camp for youth new to hunting and outdoor skills. Hunting seminars, archery range and outdoor activities throughout the weekend. Meals provided.

- Location: Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds, Sonoita, Unit 35B
- Hosted by: SE AZ Chapter of Mule Deer Foundation
- Contact: John Gebhart, (520) 431-0760, jtgebhart@muledeer.org

Oct. 12-15: Unit 1 White Mountain Jr. Elk Hunters Camp - RMEF White Mountain Chapter

Educational hunt camp for youth hunters drawn and their immediate families. Mentors are available. All meals are provided. Prizes and drawing during the campfire get together.

- Location: White Mountains, near Sunrise, Sheep Corral in Green Peak Area
- Hosted by: White Mountain Chapter of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation
- Register: rmefwm18@gmail.com, (928) 242-4317

Oct. 12-15: Unit 5A & 5B Flagstaff Youth Deer Hunt Camp - MDF

Youth hunt camp offering hunting and safety tips, campfire and food provided. Mentors available for scouting, tracking and retrieving game.

- Location: Flagstaff area, camp TBD, Unit 8
- Hosted by: Mule Deer Foundation - Flagstaff Chapter
- Contact: Julie or Bob, (928) 699-1922 or (928) 699-5940, julie@personnelsafety.com

Oct. 12-15: Unit 6A & 5BS Youth Elk Hunter's Camp - AES

Camp for youth hunters in Units 6A & 5BS. Scouting tips, meat care, safety, prizes, meals, game retrieval, and some mentoring available.

- Location: St. Joseph Youth Camp at Mormon Lake, Unit 6A
- Hosted by: Arizona Elk Society
- Information: www.arizonaelksociety.org (623) 444-4147

Oct. 12-15: Unit 6B Youth Deer Hunt Camp - AMDO

Camp for youth hunters drawn for Unit 6B. Deer hunting tips, assistance, biology and habits, food and drawings. Family welcome.

- Location: TBD
- Hosted by: Arizona Mule Deer Organization
- Contact: Jessica flagstaffmuledeer@gmail.com

Oct. 12-15: Unit 22 & 23 Tonto Basin Youth Deer Camp - AMDO

Camp for youth hunters drawn for Unit 22 or 23. Meals provided Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights, and mentors are available.

- Location: Tonto Basin, Forest Service Rd 1720, S. of Tonto Basin by south welcome sign
- Hosted by: Arizona Mule Deer Organization
- Contact: Terry, (623) 696-5579, terry@azmuledeer.org

Oct. 12-15: Unit 23 Youth Deer & Cow Elk Camp - ADA

Camp for youth deer and cow elk tag holders. Mentors available for scouting, tracking, game retrieval and care. Seminars and meals provided. Hunt Number: 3072

- Location: Colcord Ridge Campground, Mogollon Rim area, Unit 23
- Hosted by: Arizona Deer Association
- Contact: David or Renee, (602) 228-1719, info@azdeer.org

Oct. 12-15: Unit 33 & 37B Youth Deer Hunt Camp - AMDO

Camp for youth hunters drawn for Unit 33 or 37B. Deer hunting tips, assistance, biology and habits, food and drawings. Family welcome.

- Location: Triangle Y Ranch Camp, Oracle
- Hosted by: Arizona Mule Deer Organization
- Contact: Tim Hendrickson, (520) 904-4117, tim@trhlandscape.com

Oct. 12-15: Unit 34A, 35A & 35B Youth Deer Hunt Camp - AMDO

Experienced mentors provide hunt assistance to Unit 34 & 35 youth deer tag holders & youth pursuing quail, rabbit or coyote. There will be a drawing for those youth hunters who participate in camp activities throughout the weekend.

- Location: Empire Ranch Airstrip Group Campsite. Vail/Sonoita area, Unit 34B.
- Hosted by: Arizona Mule Deer Organization Region 5 South
- Contact: Tom (520) 850-9379, cditsch@outlook.com

Nov. 23-26: Unit 36A, 36B & 36C Youth Deer Camp - AZSCI

Deer hunting tips and tactics from experienced hunters. Meals provided Friday, Saturday and Sunday morning breakfast. Camping spots are limited. Registration is required. Free.

- Location: Buenos Aires National Wildlife Refuge, Arivaca
- Hosted by: Arizona Chapter of SCI, AZGFD
- Info: www.azsci.com, Info@azsci.com

Dec. 7-10: Unit 42 Youth Deer Hunt Camp - AMDO

Hunt camp for youth hunters drawn for Unit 42. General deer hunting information, tactics and tips, camp activities and some food provided.

- Location: Wickenburg Area off Vulture Mine Rd, Unit 42
- Hosted by: Arizona Mule Deer Organization
- Contact: Terry, terry@azmuledeer.org or (623) 696-5579



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Clinics and Camps

Please check with each organization for the most current information about camps and clinics.

Arizona Antelope Foundation

The Arizona Antelope Foundation will hold its annual Antelope Hunter Clinic on June 10, 2023. This clinic will cover topics including optics, photography, taxidermy, practical field care and 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 Desert Bighorn Sheep Society Clinic

The Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society will hold its annual Hunters' Clinic on September 30, 2023, at the Embassy Suites, 5001 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale, AZ 85250. The clinic is provided free-of-charge by the Society as a public service, and all hunters who have drawn a bighorn sheep tag are invited to attend. Registration begins at 7 a.m. and the clinic runs from 7:30 a.m. to noon. The clinic is held to help sheep tag holders have a safe and successful hunt. Hunting techniques, identification, proper equipment and hunter ethics are emphasized. The Arizona Game and Fish Department, Bureau of Land Management and other land management agencies will have representatives in attendance to answer questions about bighorn sheep habitat and populations. The department strongly encourages bighorn sheep tag holders to attend the clinic. For more information, please visit our website at www.adbss.org.

Arizona Elk Society Elk Hunting Clinic

The Arizona Elk Society will hold its Annual Elk Hunting Clinic at the end of July 2023. 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 clinic runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and includes lunch. The location is to be determined. 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. 5–8, 2023. 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. Josephs 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 on Oct. 7, 2023, at the Ben Avery Shooting Range. 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.

RMEF, White Mountain Chapter, Jr. Elk Hunters Camp

The White Mountain Chapter of The Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation will host the Junior Elk Hunters Camp Oct. 12–15, 2023, at Sheep Corral 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 are provided free to youth hunters and their immediate families. All registered hunters are sure to win valuable prizes and will be entered into the grand prize drawing during the Saturday evening campfire and get together. To register, please email: rmefwm18@gmail.com. Contact (928) 242-4317 for additional information.



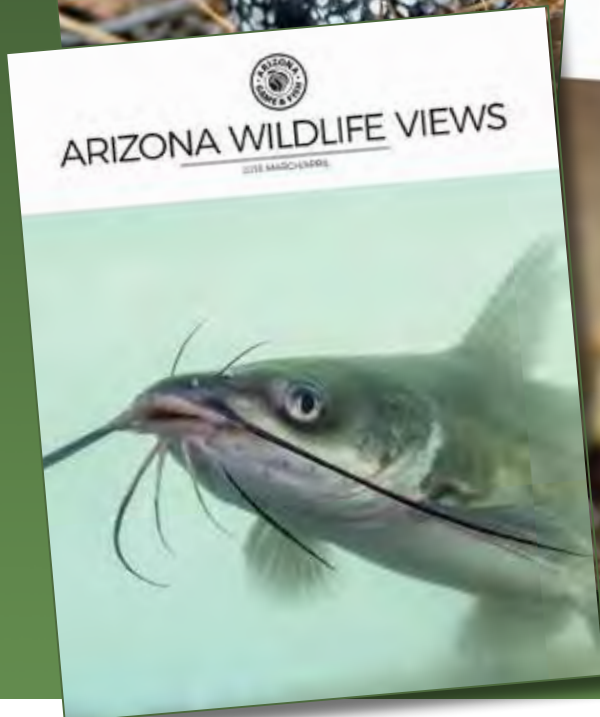


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Rio Salado Sportsman's Club/Usery Mountain Shooting Range	3960 N. Usery Pass Mesa AZ, 85207 (480) 984-9610	Outdoor Pistol (7 to 300 yards), Outdoor Rifle (7 to 300 yards), Rifle Silhouette, Pistol Silhouette, Muzzleloading, Airgun, Sporting Clays, Trap	www.rsscraz.com
Seven Mile Hill Shooting Range	3155 Oatman Road Golden Valley AZ, 86413 (928) 753-8038	Outdoor Pistol (200 yards), Outdoor Rifle (200/1000 yards), Rifle Silhouette, Pistol Silhouette, Muzzleloading, Trap, Archery, Skeet	www.mohavesportsmanclub.com
Sierra Vista Shooting Range	3300 S. Sharp Shooters Road Tombstone AZ, 85638 (520) 508-9846	Outdoor Pistol (to 200 yard/meter), Outdoor Rifle (to 500 yard/meter), Rifle Silhouette, Pistol Silhouette, Muzzleloading, Shotgun, Trap, Skeet	www.sierravistashootingrange.com
Silver Creek Archery Range	88 Hatchery Road, Show Low, AZ 85901 (928) 242-1285	Archery	www.azgfd.gov/wheretoshoot
St. John's Shooting Range	320 CR6350, St. Johns, AZ 85936 (928) 337-2254	Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, Archery events	www.nasashootingclub.com
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Tri-State Shooting Park	Boundary Cone Road at mile marker 7 (closest town is Bullhead City) (702) 371-1532	Outdoor Rifle and Pistol (200 yards), Outdoor Pistol (50 yards), Shotgun, Trap, Skeet	www.tristateshootingpark.com
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