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This booklet is intended to assist hunters in applying for deer and other big game license tags. It does not replace the California Hunting Regulations for Mammals and Furbearers. For more detailed information concerning regulations, consult the California hunting regulations, available at any CDFW office (see page 3 for phone numbers); or online at <u>www.wildlife.ca.gov/</u> <u>regulations</u>.

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CDFW has temporarily closed public access to its high public use offices, including license sales counters, to help slow the spread of COVID-19. Please contact your local office to determine whether it has reopened to the public prior to planning a visit.

Hunting licenses are sold at most of the following CDFW offices and at authorized license agents statewide. License sales are also available online at <u>www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/InternetSales</u> and by telephone at (800) 565-1458. To purchase items via online or telephone sales, you must already have hunter education on file in the Automated License Data System (ALDS).

#### CDFW OFFICES DO NOT ACCEPT CASH

Checks, money orders, or any debit or credit card with the Visa or Mastercard logo are accepted. Cash transactions are available for all items sold at authorized local sales agents. Search for a license agent near you at www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/InternetSales/OutletSearch/ FindOutlet.

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Did you know you can now download the regulations to your smart phone or other device? By utilizing iBooks on Apple devices or your favorite book reader on the Android platform you can download the regulations for reference at any time. Regulations can be found at <u>www.wildlife.ca.gov/Regulations</u>.

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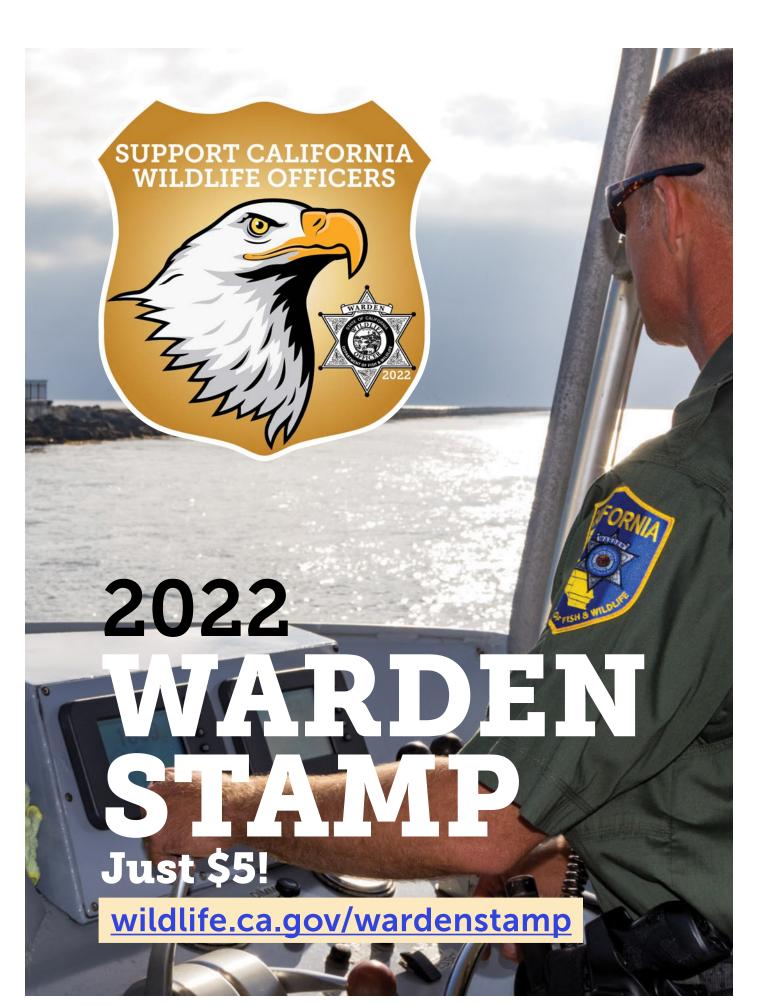
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### INTERSTATE WILDLIFE VIOLATOR COMPACT

The Interstate Wildlife Violator Compact (IWVC) is an agreement between 48 states, which allows for the reciprocal recognition of hunting, fishing and trapping license suspensions. If your license privileges have been suspended by another state, the suspension may be recognized here in California. For example, if your sport fishing, hunting or trapping privileges have been suspended in Colorado for five years, your privileges may also be suspended for five years in California or any of the states participating in the IWVC. The purchase of licenses or tags during the term of the suspension is a violation of the law and may result in prosecution.

### DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR THE BIG GAME DRAWING

You may apply at any CDFW license sales office, license agent or online at CDFW's website at <u>www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/</u> <u>InternetSales</u>. Telephone license sales are also available at (800) 565-1458. All applications for the Big Game Drawing must be submitted and the sales transaction completed before midnight on June 2, 2022.



# **HUNTING LICENSE & TAG FEES**

# **HUNTING LICENSES**

Resident\$54.00
Nonresident\$188.74
Junior\$14.30
Disabled Veteran &
Recovering Service Member*\$8.64
Duplicate Hunting License\$11.88
2-Day Nonresident Hunting License -
Valid only for taking resident and
migratory game birds, resident small
game mammals, fur-bearing mammals
and non-game mammals\$54.00

**TAGS & DRAWING APPLICATIONS** 

Resident ......\$35.38

Nonresident ......\$317.00

Resident ......\$44.28

Nonresident ......\$317.00

# **BEAR TAG**

Resident	\$52.41
Resident Junior	\$28.34
Nonresident	\$334.05

# WILD PIG TAG

Resident	\$25.92
Nonresident	\$86.97

# **BIG GAME DRAWING APPLICATIONS**

Elk Tag Drawing Application	.\$8.13
Pronghorn Tag Drawing Application	.\$8.13
Bighorn Sheep Tag Drawing Application	.\$8.13

# **OTHER FEES**

Duplicate Big Game Tag**	\$11.33
Deer Tag Non-Reporting Fe	ee\$21.60

# **HUNTER EDUCATION**

Hunter Education	
Equivalency Exam***	\$60.00
Duplicate Hunter	
Education Certificate****	\$7.56

\* Initial qualification must be done at a CDFW license sales office, see page 9 for more information.

\*\* Available at any CDFW license sales office.

Second Deer Tag/Drawing Application

First Deer Tag/Drawing Application

\*\*\* Available at regional CDFW license sales offices only by appointment. NOTE: Not recognized as proof of Hunter Education.

\*\*\*\* Customers with CDFW verified Hunter Education Certificates in their ALDS customer record may purchase duplicate hunter education certificates at license agents or online.

Interested in a Lifetime Hunting License?

Visit www.wildlife.ca.gov/Licensing/Lifetime for details!

# WHAT'S NEW IN 2022

# **DEER TAG CLASSIFICATION CHANGES**

For the 2022 deer hunting season, the following deer tags have changed classifications. Please refer to the 2022 Deer Hunts on page 28 for more information.

#### From Premium to Restricted deer tags:

• D6 – tag quota filled on 7/3/2021

#### From Unrestricted to Restricted deer tags:

• D19 – tag quota filled on 7/25/2021

#### From Premium to Unrestricted deer tags:

- A32 tag quota filled on 8/4/2021
- D16 tag quota filled on 8/3/2021

#### SHARE WILL OFFER ELK HUNTS IN COLUSA, DEL NORTE, HUMBOLDT, SHASTA, AND SISKIYOU COUNTIES THIS FALL

For property and hunt information please visit the SHARE webpage after May 14 at: wildlife.ca.gov/Hunting/SHARE



#### Fish and Game Commission adopts regulations for return of certain big game tags for areas impacted by public land closures due to wildfire

The California Fish and Game Commission adopted regulations that would allow premium deer, elk, pronghorn antelope, and bighorn sheep tag holders whose seasons were cut short or eliminated due to public land closures caused by wildfires. Eligible tag holders may return their unfilled premium tags and appeal for their preference points reinstatement and may also earn a preference point for the species for the affected season. In addition, eligible elk, pronghorn antelope, and bighorn sheep tag holders may request a refund of their tag fees. The adopted regulations are pending approval of the Office of Administrative Law, which, if approved, will become effective in the latter half of April 2022. For more information, visit the Exchanges, Returns, Preference Points tab at www. wildlife.ca.gov/Licensing/Hunting.

#### **Digital Booklets and Regulations**

As in previous years, digital booklets are available at <u>www.wildlife.ca.gov/Regulations</u> and can be downloaded as PDFs to your computer, cellular phone, or other electronic device. Hunters and anglers are encouraged to download the digital booklets to their mobile devices and familiarize themselves with the digital format prior to hunting and/or fishing trips.



# **HUNTER EDUCATION PROGRAM**

#### PASS ON THE TRADITION: BE A HUNTER EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR!

Volunteer to be a hunter education instructor and help pass on California's hunting tradition to the next generation. As an instructor, you will be eligible for the Instructor Incentive Program. This program is for instructors only and consists of numerous hunting opportunities including wild pig hunts, X Zone deer tags, and the chance at an open zone deer tag. For more information on becoming a hunter education instructor, visit www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunter-Education/Become-an-Instructor.

Sea un instructor de la Educación del Cazador. El California Department of Fish and Wildlifesolicitas instructores de caceria responsible. Éres aficionado a la cacería? Desea pasarle a la siguientegeneración la tradición de la cacería? Para más informacion, vista www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunter-Education/Become-an-Instructor.

#### HUNTER EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR INCENTIVE PROGRAM (CCR T14-709)

Eligible certified hunter education instructors may participate in the Incentive Program drawings for highly desirable hunting opportunities. CDFW awards incentives, which may include big game tags provided voluntarily by licensed private lands management areas, cooperative elk or deer hunting areas, or other hunts designated by CDFW. Instructors who accept a tag are required to pay the applicable tag fee(s) set forth in the Fish and Game Code or California Code of Regulation Title 14.

#### **ADVANCED HUNTER EDUCATION**

Advanced Hunting Clinics focus on the "howto's" of hunting and are designed for both the novice and experienced hunter. You will learn more about biology, habitat needs, hunting regulations, game care and safety, blackpowder hunting, wilderness navigation, and more. For additional information about the Advanced Hunter Education Program as well as clinic dates and locations, visit www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunter-Education/Advanced or Contact Lt. Shawn Olague at Shawn.Olague@wildlife.ca.gov.

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### For complete regulations, please visit the Fish and Game Commission website at <u>www.fgc.ca.gov</u>

# HUNTING LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

First-time applicants applying for a hunting license through the CDFW's ALDS must present one of the following as evidence of hunter education when applying for a California hunting license:

- An annual California hunting license issued in any prior year;
- A Two-Day Nonresident California Hunting License issued after the 1999/2000 license year;
- A California certificate of hunter education completion or equivalency with a unique number imprinted on it ex: (AA00000) or a California hunter education certificate with no unique number imprinted and a California hunter education validation stamp affixed;
- A certificate of successful completion of a California-approved hunter education course from any state or province; or
- A current hunting license or a hunting license issued in either of the two previous years from any state, province, European Union country or South Africa.

Applicants that have previously purchased a hunting license through CDFW's ALDS will already have the required proof of hunter education evidence in their customer profile. To ensure the appropriate customer profile is retrieved at a license agent, the CDFW recommends hunters provide the license agent with a previously issued ALDS license.

# VALIDATION OF LICENSE

To be valid, every California hunting license shall be signed by the licensee. Proof of identification must be presented at the time of initial purchase. In addition, the license must contain the following information about the licensee: true name, residence address, date of birth, height, weight, color of eyes, color of hair, and sex.

#### Acceptable proof of identification:

- Any license document or GO ID number previously issued via ALDS
- A valid driver's license or identification card issued to him or her by the Department of Motor Vehicles or by the entity issuing driver's licenses from the licensee's state of domicile
- US Birth CertificateUS Certificate or Report of Birth Abroad
- Tribal Identification Card, as defined by each sovereign tribal nation
- Birth Certificate or passport issued from a US Territory
- US Passport
- US Military Identification Cards (Active or reserve duty, dependent, retired member, discharged from service, medical/ religious personnel)
- Certificate of Naturalization or Citizenship
- A foreign government-issued photo identification

Applicants who are less than 18 years of age may provide any form of identification previously described or a guardian's identification (parent or legal guardian identification listed).

# LICENSE PROVISIONS

A valid California hunting license is required to take any bird or mammal. Hunters must carry licenses and be prepared to show them upon request to any peace officer. Guns and other equipment used in hunting must be shown upon request.

A 2-Day Nonresident California Hunting License is valid only for taking resident and migratory game birds, resident small game mammals, fur-bearing mammals and non-game mammals. A 2-Day Nonresident California Hunting License is not valid to hunt big game.

# JUNIOR HUNTING LICENSE ELIGIBILITY

To qualify for a junior hunting license, a hunter must be less than 16 years of age as of July 1, of the license year for which they are applying.

# DISABLED VETERAN AND RECOVERING SERVICE MEMBER HUNTING LICENSES

CDFW offers reduced fee hunting licenses for Disabled Veterans and Recovering Service Members.

Honorably discharged disabled veterans (resident or nonresident) with a 50 percent or greater service-connected disability are eligible for a reduced fee hunting license. Applicants must submit a letter from the Veterans' Administration documenting that you were honorably discharged from the US military and have a service-connected disability rating of 50 percent or greater.

Recovering service members are eligible for a reduced fee hunting license while undergoing medical treatment, recuperation, or therapy, and are in an outpatient status while recovering from a serious injury or illness related to the member's military service. Applicants must submit a letter from your commanding officer or military medical doctor verifying your eligibility as a recovering service member, including the expected recovery date in your verification letter.

To prequalify, applicants must submit the document of eligibility along with a photocopy of your personal identification and GO ID by fax to (916) 419-7585 or by secure document upload. To upload your documentation, please email your request to LRB@ wildlife.ca.gov and follow the link provided in the response. You may also apply by mail or in person at any CDFW license sales office. For more information please contact your nearest CDFW license sales offices or visit our web site at www.wildlife. ca.gov/licensing/hunting. Hunting tags and validations must be purchased at full price.

# UPLAND GAME BIRD AND CALIFORNIA DUCK VALIDATION

Any person (except junior hunters) must have an Upland Game Bird Validation when hunting pheasant, dove, turkey, quail, grouse, ptarmigan, snipe, band-tailed pigeon, partridge or chukar. A California Duck Validation authorizes any person to hunt waterfowl in California (along with the Federal Duck Stamp and free HIP Validation). CDFW knows that many hunters collect the physical stamps, hunters who purchase these validations can claim their collectible stamp online at the address printed on their current hunting licenses. Stamps will be mailed after July 1 of the next license year.

# HARVEST INFORMATION PROGRAM (HIP) VALIDATION REQUIREMENT

If you plan to hunt migratory game birds (ducks, geese, coots, dove, band-tailed pigeon, snipe, gallinules or black brant) you must complete a Harvest Information Program (HIP) survey. To take the survey you must request a HIP validation at any CDFW license sales office, license agent, or online. There is no charge for the HIP validation. Hunters may be cited for hunting migratory game birds without a HIP validation in their immediate possession.

# **DUPLICATE LICENSES**

Your customer record contains a history of all your license purchases. If you lose your license or additional validations, you can go to any CDFW license sales office, license agent, online or by telephone sales and purchase a duplicate license and validations.

# **DISABLED ENTITLEMENTS**

The CDFW offers the following free disabled entitlements to any resident or nonresident hunter that meets the qualifications. These entitlements must be certified by a licensed physician and submitted to the CDFW's License and Revenue Branch. Hunters that qualify for these entitlements must also have a valid California hunting license in possession while hunting.

#### **Disabled Archer Permit**

A disabled archer permit is available to any hunter who has permanent loss, significant limitation, or diagnosed disease or disorder, which substantially impairs one or both upper extremities preventing the hunter from drawing and holding of a bow in a firing position. The Disabled Archer Permit authorizes the disabled archer to use a crossbow or device which holds a string and arrow in the firing position, to assist in the taking of birds and mammals under the conditions of an archery tag or during archery season.

Certification from a licensed physician is required. If the physician indicates on the initial application that the disability is permanent, hunters may renew the permit every year at any CDFW license sales office, license agent, online or by telephone sales.

If the disability is temporary, the physician is required to enter the end date of the disability on the application. Temporary permits may be renewed at any CDFW's license sales office, license agent, online or by telephone sales every year until the temporary disability end date; once the end date has passed, re-certification is required.

#### **Disabled Muzzleloader Scope Permit**

A disabled muzzleloader scope permit is available to any visually impaired hunter having a permanent loss, significant limitation, or diagnosed disease or disorder, which substantially impairs the vision of a hunter, preventing the hunter from viewing and aligning the sights of a muzzleloader rifle with the target in order to hunt deer. The Disabled Muzzleloader Scope Permit allows the hunter to use a 1X scope on a muzzleloader rifle while hunting under the conditions of a muzzleloader deer hunt tag. Hunters must renew the permit each license year, but hunters may provide a copy of their previously issued permit to the CDFW's License and Revenue Branch to renew annually.

#### Mobility Impaired Disabled Persons Motor Vehicle Hunting License

A Mobility Impaired Disabled Persons Motor Vehicle Hunting License is available for any mobility impaired disabled hunter who must use a motor vehicle to pursue game. The Mobility Impaired Disabled Persons Motor Vehicle Hunting License allows a hunter to discharge a firearm from a vehicle that is stopped and its engine turned off. To qualify a person must be either permanently or fully confined to a wheelchair, a single or double amputee above the knee or double amputee below the knee, or depend upon the aid of a walker, crutches, etc. to walk. Certification from a licensed physician is required. The license is only available from the CDFW's License and Revenue Branch.

# HUNTER EDUCATION

#### **Class Options**

Hunter education classes include instruction in firearms safety and handling, sportsmanship and ethics, wildlife management and conservation, archery, black powder, wildlife identification, game care, first aid, and survival. Classes are offered in two formats:

- 1. Traditional (minimum of 10 hours of classroom, homework, and field instruction) or
- 2. Online course and follow-up class. For more information or to register for a class, visit <u>www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunter-Education</u>.

#### **Hunter Education Equivalency Exams**

Hunter education equivalency exams are given by appointment only at CDFW regional offices for a fee. In some states, the California equivalency certificate may not be accepted as evidence of hunter education. For more information on the hunter education equivalency exam, contact your nearest CDFW regional office.

#### **Duplicate Hunter Education Certificates**

Duplicate hunter education certificates can be issued to any person who completed and passed a hunter education class. If the class was completed prior to 1989, CDFW does not have records before this date; the hunter should contact the original instructor, club, or organization where the course was taught to obtain a duplicate. If the hunter is unable to obtain a duplicate through these means, they will have to repeat the course. Visit the hunter education web page at www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunter-Education for more information.

# ADVANCED HUNTER EDUCATION

Advanced Hunter Education Clinics are species-specific or skillspecific. Learn how to field dress a deer, call in a mallard, find your way out of the woods, process and prepare your game for the table, plus much more! For additional information, including clinic dates and locations, visit <u>www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunter-</u> Education/Advanced.

#### **Bowhunter Education Class**

Although bowhunter education training is not required in California, many states do require it for all bowhunters. CDFW's bowhunter education program meets the requirements of all states. For more information or to register for a class, visit <u>www.</u> <u>wildlife.ca.gov/Hunter-Education</u>.



#### State of California - The Natural Resources Agency DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE 2022 BIG GAME DRAWING WORKSHEET FOR APPLYING AT A LICENSE AGENT

#### DO NOT MAIL OR FAX WORKSHEET TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

This worksheet is to assist you when applying online or the sales clerk in entering your hunt choices when you are at a license agent. Select your hunt choices prior to logging in to the internet sales web site or visiting a license agent. All sales transactions for the Big Game Drawing must be completed before midnight on June 2, 2022. You may apply at any CDFW license agent, online at <u>www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/InternetSales</u> or by telephone sales at (800) 565-1458.

#### Mailed or faxed worksheets will not be accepted at a CDFW office.

VERIFY THAT YOUR HUNT CHOICES ARE CORRECT ON YOUR DRAWING RECEIPT BEFORE LEAVING THE LICENSE AGENT. NOTE: Do not leave this worksheet with the sales clerk.

NAME	GO ID		
<b>BIG GAME DRAWING</b> Enter party leader's party identification number only if you ar	re joining an existing pa	arty.	
<b>First-Deer Tag Drawing Application:</b> To enter the Big Game Drawing for a premium deer hunt tag or preference point only Party Leader's Party Identification Number	1 <sup>st</sup> Choice	2 <sup>nd</sup> Choice	3 <sup>rd</sup> Choice
<b>Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application:</b> Use only for junior hunters applying for Apprentice Deer Hunts, who did not apply for Apprentice Deer Hunts on their First-Deer Tag Application Party Leader's	1 <sup>st</sup> Choice	2 <sup>nd</sup> Choice	3 <sup>rd</sup> Choice
Party Identification Number			
Elk Tag Drawing Application: Party Leader's Party Identification Number	Hunt Choice		
Pronghorn Tag Drawing Application:			
Party Leader's Party Identification Number	Hunt Choice		
<b>Bighorn Sheep Tag Drawing Application:</b> Party applications not allowed	Hunt Choice		

# DEER TAGS AND GENERAL INFORMATION

In addition to a valid California hunting license, deer tags are also required and must be in possession when taking deer. Hunters may obtain two deer tags per license year. Applicants for deer tags must be at least 12 years of age on or before July 1, of the license year for which they are applying or at the time of application if they are applying after July 1. A First-Deer Tag Drawing Application or First-Deer Tag must be purchased before or at the same time as a Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application (junior hunters only) or Second-Deer Tag.

#### License and Tag Privileges Can Be Revoked

It is illegal to purchase more than one First-Deer Tag Drawing Application/First-Deer Tag and one Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application/Second-Deer Tag in the same license year. Persons convicted of a deer violation during the 2021-22 license year may not apply for deer tags in 2022-23.

The Fish and Game Code provides that the Fish and Game Commission shall revoke the hunting privileges of any person who is convicted of three violations of the state's hunting laws or regulations within any five-year period. (FGC 12155, CCR T-14 745.5).

### **DEER TAG INFORMATION**

Applicants may purchase deer tags or apply in the annual Big Game Drawing at any CDFW license agent, online at <u>www.</u> <u>ca.wildlifelicense.com/InternetSales</u> or by telephone sales at (800) 565-1458. Allow 15 days to receive license items purchased online or by telephone.

Premium deer tags are issued by drawing. Restricted and unrestricted deer tags are issued upon request until the tag quota for the hunt is filled.

### HUNT TAG DESCRIPTIONS

#### A, B, and D Zone Hunt Tags

These tags allow hunting during the archery season with archery equipment only and during the general season with a muzzleloading or centerfire rifle, shotgun, authorized pistol or revolver, crossbow, or bow. Tags are valid for a specific zone of issuance except:

- A zone tag is valid in both A North and A South;
- B Zone Deer Tags are valid in any B zone;
- D3-5 Deer Tags are valid in zones D3, D4, and D5; and
- D11, D13, or D15 tags may be used in any of these three zones.

#### C Zone Hunt Tag

A C zone tag is valid in zones C1, C2, C3, and C4 during the general season only, using a muzzleloading or centerfire rifle, shotgun, authorized pistol or revolver, crossbow, or bow. To hunt with archery equipment only during the archery season in any C zone you must apply in the Big Game Drawing for an A1 Area-Specific Archery Hunt tag.

#### X Zone Hunt Tags

These tags allow hunting during the general season only, in a specific zone using a muzzleloading or centerfire rifle, shotgun, authorized pistol or revolver, crossbow, or bow.

#### Archery-Only (AO) Hunt Tag

The AO (Archery-Only) tag allows hunting with archery equipment only during the archery and general seasons in A, B, or D zones and Hunt G10 (military only). To hunt during an X zone archery season, you must have an Area-Specific Archery Hunt tag for the appropriate zone. You may not possess a firearm or crossbow when hunting under the authority of an Archery-Only deer tag except as otherwise provided in 354(h)(1) and (2).

#### **Apprentice Hunt Tags**

Applicants must be less than 16 years of age as of July 1, of the license year for which they are applying, and must possess a valid 2022-23 California Junior Hunting License. See page 33 for more information on Apprentice Deer Hunts. Junior hunters receiving Apprentice Deer Hunt tags must be accompanied by an adult 18 years of age or older while hunting.

#### Area-Specific Archery Hunt Tags

These tags allow archery hunting in designated areas throughout the state, including X zones.

#### **Military Lands Hunts**

G8, J10 and A33 (Additional Hunt Deer Tags), are held on military installations and offer limited number of tags for the public. Tags are issued through the CDFW's Big Game Drawing.

Additional Military Lands Hunts, G7 (Beale Air Force Base Either- Sex Hunt), G10 (Camp Pendleton Marine Corp Base Either Sex Hunt), and G11 (Vandenberg Air Force Base Either-Sex Hunt) are for military personnel only. Military persons interested in a military tag must contact the base directly for information on application procedures. Hunters interested in the G7 hunt tag may contact the Beale AFB Natural Resources Office at (530) 634-2738. For information on the G10 hunt tag, contact the Camp Pendleton Marine Corp Base at (760) 725-3360. For information on the G11 hunt tag, contact the Vandenberg Air Force Base at (805) 606-6804.

#### **Deer Tag Exchanges**

Premium deer tags <u>cannot be exchanged</u>. Non-Premium deer tags may be exchanged if *all of* the following conditions are met:

- The earliest season (either archery or general) for the tag being exchanged has not yet opened;
- The tag quota for the tag being exchanged has not filled;
- Tags are still available for the zone being requested; and
- The exchange fee of \$11.33 for the exchange tag accompanies your request.

Deer tag exchanges are only processed at CDFW license sales offices (CCR T14-708.4).

#### **Deer Tag Refunds**

Deer tag fees are nonrefundable. Deer Tag Drawing Application fees are nonrefundable once the deer tag application has been entered into the Big Game Drawing or a deer tag has been issued regardless of closures of any zone or hunt due to fire, weather or other natural disasters.

### **DEER DEFINITIONS**

**Antlerless Deer:** Female deer, fawns of either sex other than spotted fawns, and male deer with an unbranched antler

on one or both sides which is not more than three inches in length (CCR T14-351(b)).

**Either-sex Deer:** Antlerless deer, or legal bucks that have two or more points in the upper two-thirds of either antler (CCR T14-351(c)).

**Forked-horn Buck:** A male deer having a branched antler on either side with the branch in the upper two-thirds of the antler. Eyeguards or other bony projections on the lower one-third of the antler shall not be considered as points or branches (CCRT14-351(a)).

**Spike Buck Deer:** A male deer with unbranched antlers on both sides which are more than 3 inches in length (FGC 204(d)).

# **DEER TAG CLASSIFICATIONS**

Deer tags are issued for a specific hunt. Each hunt has a tag quota – the total number of tags that can be issued. Deer hunts are categorized into three different classifications (premium, restricted and unrestricted) based on the prior year's demand for the tag. Hunt classification determines tag issuance method and other rules as follows:

**PREMIUM DEER HUNTS** are any hunt where the quota filled on or before the first business day after July 1, of the previous year. Hunters may only obtain one premium hunt tag per license year. To apply for a premium deer hunt tag, hunters must apply in the Big Game Drawing using a First-Deer Tag Drawing Application. Except junior hunters who may also apply for premium Apprentice Hunts using a Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application.

#### Premium Deer Tags for 2022 are:

General Zone Hunts: C, D9, D12, D14, and D17;

**X Zone Hunts:** X1, X2, X3A, X3B, X4, X5A, X5B, X6A, X6B, X7A, X7B, X8, X9A, X9B, X9C, X10 and X12;

**General Method Hunts:** G1, G3, G6, G8, G12, G13, G19, G21, G37, G38 and G39;

**Muzzleloader Hunts:** M3, M4, M5, M6, M7, M8, M9, M11, MA1 and MA3;

**Area-Specific Archery Hunts:** A1, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A8, A9, A11, A12, A13, A14, A15, A16, A17, A18, A19, A20, A21, A22, A24, A25, A26, A27, A30, A31, and A33;

**Apprentice Hunts:** J1, J3, J4, J8, J9, J10, J11, J12, J13, J14, J15, J16, J17, J18, J19, J20 and J21.

**RESTRICTED DEER HUNTS** are any hunt that filled on or before the first business day after August 1 of the previous year. Restricted deer hunt tags may be issued upon the purchase of a First-Deer Tag. Second-Deer Tag applicants may also obtain a restricted deer hunt tag at any time, if you do not have a pending drawing application, have not been issued a premium deer hunt tag or restricted deer hunt tag as a First-Deer Tag. Restricted tags are issued upon request until the tag quota for the hunt is filled.

#### **Restricted Deer Tags:**

#### General Zone Hunts: D6 and D19

**UNRESTRICTED DEER HUNTS** are any hunt that did not fill on or before the first business day after August 1, in the previous year. Unrestricted deer hunt tags are issued upon the purchase of either a First-Deer Tag or Second-Deer Tag.

#### Unrestricted Deer Tags for 2022 are: Archery Only Hunts: AO

Area-Specific Archery Hunts: A32

**General Hunt Zones:** A, B, D3-5, D7, D8, D10, D11, D13, D15, and D16

### FIRST DEER TAG DRAWING APPLICATION

A First-Deer Tag Drawing Application may only be used to apply for the following hunts:

- First Choice Premium Deer Hunts or **PD** (Point Deer) The preference point code may be used as the first choice to obtain a preference point without competing in the first choice round of the drawing.
- Second and Third Choice Second and third hunt choices are optional and may be a premium deer, restricted deer or unrestricted deer hunt tag.

### SECOND DEER TAG DRAWING APPLICATION

A Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application may **ONLY** be used by junior hunters to apply for Apprentice Hunts, and only if they have not applied for Apprentice Deer Hunts on their First-Deer Tag Drawing Application.

Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application hunt choices are limited as follows:

- First Choice Must be an Apprentice Deer Hunt or **PD** (Point Deer) The preference point code may be used as the first choice to obtain a preference point without competing in the first choice round of the drawing.
- Second and Third Choice Second and third choice hunts are optional and may be another Apprentice Deer Hunt or unrestricted deer hunt tag. Junior hunters may select a restricted deer hunt as their second or third tag choice ONLY if they were issued an unrestricted deer tag as their First-Deer Tag or not pending a First-Deer Tag Drawing Application.

### **FIRST DEER TAG**

A First-Deer Tag may be used to obtain the following:

- Restricted Deer Hunt Tags
- Unrestricted Deer Hunt Tags
- Leftover Premium Deer Hunt Tags issued on July 2, 2022

If any premium deer hunt tags remain after the Big Game Drawing, First-Deer Tag applicants may apply for any leftover premium deer hunt tags starting at 8:00 a.m. on July 2, 2022.

### **SECOND DEER TAG**

A Second-Deer Tag may be used to obtain the following:

- Unrestricted Deer Hunt Tags
- Restricted Deer Hunt Tags
- Leftover Premium Deer Hunt Tags issued on August 2, 2022.

Second-Deer Tag applicants may obtain any restricted deer hunt tag at any time if they do not have a pending First-Deer Tag Drawing Application or have not been issued a premium or restricted deer tag as their First-Deer Tag.

Starting at 8:00 a.m. on August 2, 2022 Second-Deer Tag applicants may apply for any remaining deer tag regardless of whether you have been issued a premium or restricted deer tag already.

# **BIG GAME DRAWING INFORMATION**

All premium deer hunt tags and elk, pronghorn and bighorn sheep tags are distributed through the CDFW Big Game Drawing.

See instructions for applying in the 2022 Big Game Drawing for your elk, pronghorn, and bighorn sheep tags.

For the 2022 Big Game Drawing, 20 is the maximum number of preference points a hunter can have for any species. The CDFW started tracking preference points in 2002. To look up your preference points totals log on to your customer profile at <u>www.ca.wildlifelicense.</u> <u>com/InternetSales</u> and click on "View My Drawing Application/Preference Points."

# APPLYING IN THE BIG GAME DRAWING

Applicants can apply for the Big Game Drawing at any CDFW license agent, online at <u>www.ca.wildlifelicense</u>. <u>com/InternetSales</u> or by telephone sales at (800) 565-1458. All transactions for Big Game Drawing entries must be completed before midnight on June 2, 2022. Applicants applying for preference points only must also submit their applications by the same date and time.

You will need to purchase a California hunting license and the appropriate Big Game Drawing Tag Applications:

- First-Deer Tag Application (junior hunters may apply for Apprentice Deer Hunts on a Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application). See page 28 for deer tag hunt codes.
- Elk Tag Drawing Application, see page 45 for elk hunt codes.
- Pronghorn Tag Drawing Application, see page 50 for pronghorn hunt codes.
- Bighorn Sheep Tag Drawing Application, see page 51 for bighorn sheep hunt codes.

#### 1. Retrieving Your Customer Record

**a.** If applying at a license agent, provide a previous ALDS issued license for the agent to scan.

**b.** If applying online or by telephone sales, use the GO ID (printed above your 'STATE ID') from a previously issued ALDS license to retrieve your customer record. See instructions on page 16 for more information on applying online.

#### 2. Applying for Another Person

If you are applying for someone else or party members, bring their previously issued ALDS license or their identification number and date of birth.

#### 3. Proof of Hunter Education Requirement

Hunter education information must already be on file in your ALDS profile. For new applicants, please bring your required proof of hunter education with you to the license agent. **NOTE:** Hunters who have purchased hunting items via ALDS already have hunter education on file.

#### 4. Items to Purchase

a. Purchase your 2022-23 California hunting license.

**b.** Provide the sales clerk the 2022 hunting items you would like to apply for (see the list of items from the previous column) and the hunt code for each tag application for which you want to apply. **NOTE:** For deer, you should confirm the correct order of your hunt choices.

# **APPLYING AS A PARTY**

The maximum number of party members for deer is six (6). For elk and pronghorn, only residents may apply as a party of two. Hunters cannot apply as a party for bighorn sheep. You will receive a different Drawing Receipt and Party Number for each species for which you are applying. Make sure you are giving the correct Party Number from each Drawing Receipt to the correct hunting party.

When applying for a deer, elk, or pronghorn drawing tag application you will be prompted as to whether you are:

a. Applying alone or creating a new party (party leader).

#### b. Joining an existing party.

The first member of the party is considered the leader. They will be prompted for their hunt choice(s) and a Party Number will be printed on their Drawing Receipt at the end of the sales transaction. **NOTE**: A Party Number is printed on every Drawing Receipt.

The party leader must provide the Party Number to additional members to 'authorize' them to join the party. **NOTE**: CDFW license sales staff and license agents do not have access to a party leader's Party Number.

When other party members apply they must tell the sales clerk they are joining an existing party, and provide the Party Number to the sales clerk (or enter it themselves if applying online). **NOTE**: If other members of the party are applying in the same sales transaction, they will not need the party number and can just indicate to the sales clerk that they are joining that person's party.

When the Party Number is entered in the drawing application screen it will bring up the hunting party and hunt choice information. The sales clerk should confirm that this is the correct party and hunt choice with the purchaser. If this is not the correct party, the sales clerk can cancel and re-enter the Party Number. If correct, the sales clerk can confirm, and this will link the new member to the party. (**NOTE**: If applying online, the confirmation screen will display for the customer with the options to cancel or confirm).

Hunters joining an existing party will be assigned the same tag choices in the same order as the party leader and all party members will be linked in the drawing together.

Party applications can be made up of transactions submitted in the same sales transaction or through several transactions. In addition, hunters can submit their drawing applications at any CDFW license sales offices, license agents, online, or by telephone sales.

**IMPORTANT**: Applicants will receive a Drawing Receipt for each species for which they are applying. If you were issued a first deer tag instead of a Drawing Receipt, at the license agent, you were not entered into the Big Game Drawing. You will not earn a preference point and will not be drawn for a premium deer tag.



#### Check Your Drawing Receipt Carefully!

Hunters should verify the information on their Drawing Receipt before leaving the sales counter. The receipt will include the applicant's name, hunt choice(s), accumulated preference points, and a Party Number. If any of the information is incorrect, the sales clerk must cancel the Drawing Receipt document and 're-sell' the application with the correct information.

License agents have only four hours to cancel a sale. If the transaction has exceeded the fourhour limit when the discrepancy is found, the applicant must contact CDFW's License and

Revenue Branch prior to the June 2 deadline at <u>LRB@</u> wildlife.ca.gov to make any corrections.

### APPLYING FOR THE BIG GAME DRAWING ONLINE

Apply early! Don't be left out! The deadline to apply is midnight on June 2, 2022.

You must have proof of hunter education on file to purchase hunting items online. If you do not have hunter education on file, you must provide proof of hunter education to a license agent or a CDFW license sales office. You may also contact CDFW by fax at (916) 419-7585 or email <u>LRB@wildlife.ca.gov</u> and provide proof of hunter education and GO ID, or your personal identification number. After your hunter education is updated in ALDS, you will be able to purchase hunting licenses now and in the future.

#### How to Apply Online

- Using your last name, date of birth, and ID number (GO ID, CDL, or other ID used to create profile) log into your profile www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/ InternetSales and click on the "Purchase Licenses" link at the top of the page.
- 2. From the Menu box on the left side of the screen, select 2022 Hunting.
- 3. Add the 2022 hunting license to your cart.
- 4. Scroll down to the Drawings section. In the Drawings section,
  - Click on "Add to Cart" to select the desired Drawing Application.
  - Note: Adult hunters MUST use a **First Deer Tag Drawing Application** when applying for deer in the Big Game Drawing. The item 'First Deer Tag' (in the TAGS section) is **not** the correct item for applying in the Big Game Drawing for deer.
  - If you are joining an existing hunting party, select "Join Party". You will need the Party Number of the party you wish to join. See page 13 for more information on applying as a party.
  - If you are applying alone, or if you are the first person in your party to apply, select "Apply Alone or Create New Party."
  - Enter your hunt choices in the boxes provided.
  - Click "Submit" to complete hunt choice entry.
- 5. Repeat step 4, for each species for which you are applying.
- 6. Add any other items you wish to purchase to the cart.
- 7. Select "View Cart" to review the items you've selected and confirm your tag choices.
- 8. Click on "Continue to Checkout" to start the checkout process and enter your payment

information. Enter your email address if you want confirmation of your purchase emailed to you.

- 9. Check the box to certify that you are 18 years of age and authorize the purchase. The transaction will not be processed if this box is not checked, which means you will not be entered in the Big Game Drawing.
- 10. Select "Complete Transaction." The "Transaction Complete" page will appear, stating that your order has been received and processed. Click on "Download Receipt/Licenses" so you may print your drawing receipts for your record.



### MOST COMMON MISTAKES WHEN APPLYING IN THE DRAWING

- Online customers forget to click on the "Submit Payment" button to process the transaction. You can double check your purchase by logging back into your profile and view your license sales history at the top of the page.
- Online customers "Add to Cart" a first deer tag instead of the First Deer Tag Drawing Application located under the "Drawings" list.
- Customers leave the license sales agent with a deer tag instead of a Deer Drawing Receipt. The drawing receipt shows the hunt choices you applied for in the drawing.
- A customer who does not retrieve their existing profile, creates a duplicate profile, and is not connected to their preference points or hunter education. Therefore the customer is not able to purchase a hunting license and cannot apply in the drawing.
- Customers don't apply early and miss the deadline to apply.

### **DRAWING RESULTS**

The CDFW has 10 business days after the deadline to conduct the drawing. Applicants may look up their drawing results on or around June 17, 2022 by entering their customer information on CDFW's website at <u>www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/InternetSales</u> and click on "View My Draw Application/Preference Points" at the top of the page. Applicants will also see their new preference point totals by clicking on the tab "Preference Point." On the same day, drawing results will be available by phone during regular business hours from CDFW license sales offices.

# NOTIFYING APPLICANTS

Deer tags awarded through the Big Game Drawing will be mailed to successful applicants as soon as possible after the drawing. If you do not receive your tag by July 2, 2022, please contact your nearest CDFW license sales office.

Unsuccessful deer tag applicants will also be mailed unsuccessful deer tag notices by July 2, 2022. Notices will list available deer tags as of the notice date. It is not necessary to have the drawing notice to claim an available tag; hunters may go to any CDFW license sales office, license agent, online or by telephone sales to claim available deer tags. Hunters may use their California hunting license to retrieve their customer record.

Unsuccessful nonresidents may request a refund of the difference between the fees paid for a nonresident and a resident Deer Tag Drawing Application, if the application was submitted and a deer tag was not issued or if a nonresident deer tag is issued, and all of the following conditions are met:

- 1. The deer license tag is not a premium tag.
- 2. The deer license tag is returned prior to the earliest opening date for the hunt.
- 3. The tag quota has not been filled for the hunt.

Refund requests shall be submitted on or before March 1, each year, to CDFW's License and Revenue Branch, P.O. Box 944209, Sacramento, CA 94244-2090. If the deadline to submit the request for refund falls on a weekend or holiday, requests will be accepted until the close of business on the first state business day following the deadline to submit the request.

Successful elk, pronghorn and bighorn sheep applicants and alternates should receive their payment notices in the mail by July 2, 2022; unsuccessful applicants will not be notified by mail.

It is not necessary to have the successful tag letter to claim your tag; hunters may purchase their elk or pronghorn tag online or mail in their successful tag letter to any CDFW license sales office.

### RETURNING A PREMIUM HUNT TAG FOR PREFERENCE POINTS

Hunters who have been issued a premium deer, elk, pronghorn, or a bighorn sheep tag and cannot attend their hunt may return their unused tag to the **CDFW License and Revenue Branch** by mail before opening day of the hunt for which the tag is valid.

To return a premium deer hunt tag, you must mail the tag along with a written request for your preference

points to be reinstated. The tag must be **postmarked before** the earliest date the tag is valid for hunting. If the request is approved, your preference points will be reinstated, plus one preference point for deer for the current license year (CCR T14-708.14(j)(1)). Premium deer hunt tags cannot be exchanged and are nonrefundable.

To return an elk, pronghorn, or bighorn sheep tag, you must mail the tag along with a written request for your preference points to be reinstated. The tag and request must be **postmarked before** the earliest date that the tag is valid for hunting. If approved, tag will be refunded (minus the 2022 nonrefundable processing fee of \$32.70) and your preference points will be reinstated, plus one preference point for the species for the current license year (CCR T14-708.14(k)(1)).

Mail the tag(s) with a written request to:

CA Dept. of Fish and Wildlife License and Revenue Branch Big Game Hunting Desk P.O. Box 944209 Sacramento, CA 94299-2090

### HOW THE DRAWING WORKS

Under a Modified Preference Point System drawing, tag quotas for each hunt are split into two portions: one portion awarded by preference point drawings; the other portion awarded in Draw-By-Choice drawings. Quota splits vary, depending on the species, total number of available tags, and other special criteria (such as those for Apprentice Hunts, elk, pronghorn and Bighorn sheep).

CDFW will conduct the drawing within 10 business days of the application deadline.

After the application deadline, when all applicant information has been verified, the computer will:

- Assign each person (or party) a unique random number. Party members receive the same random number as the party leader.
- Determine the preference point value for party applications by averaging all party members' preference points (total preference points of the party divided by the number of party members). Preference point averages are not rounded up or down (CCR T14-708.14(e)).

#### Steps in the Premium Deer Tag Drawing:

- Sort all applications according to the first choice tag, then preference point totals, and then random number.
- Award tag choices to applicants with the most preference points, in random number order only (starting with the lowest random number to the

highest random number). Tags are awarded until the preference quota is met.

- After the preference point round is completed, unsuccessful applicants are resorted by hunt choice and random number order (starting with the lowest random number to the highest random number), and the computer begins awarding tags based on applicant's first-choice without consideration of accumulated preference points, until all draw-bychoice tag quotas fill or until all applicants have been processed.
- All remaining unsuccessful applicants are then sorted by second choice tag, in random number order (starting with the lowest random number to the highest random number) and the computer conducts a second round of drawings for any zones and hunts with tags remaining without consideration of accumulated preference points.
- All remaining unsuccessful applicants are sorted once again by third choice tag, in random number order (starting with the lowest random number to the highest random number), and any remaining tags are awarded without consideration of accumulated points.
- Applicants unsuccessful for any of their hunt choices will be notified of available tags so they may reapply.

Deer tag party applications are not split to meet the tag quota if the number of party members exceeds the number of available tags (CCR T14-708.15(a)(2)). Therefore, when there are fewer tags available than the number of members in a party, the computer bypasses that application and moves on to the next application where party count is equal to or less than the remaining quota.

#### Steps in the Elk, Pronghorn and Bighorn Sheep Tag Drawings:

The draw-by-choice round of the drawing is conducted first then the preference point round.

Alternates are selected in the preference point round and parties may be split when awarding the final tag. The party leader will be awarded the tag and the party member will become the first alternate for that hunt. Applicants drawn as alternates will be awarded unclaimed tags on an individual basis, in the order drawn.

# TAG QUOTA SPLITS

Quota splits are established in regulations adopted by the Fish and Game Commission based on CDFW science-based proposals and public input. Please check the Commission's web site at <u>www.fgc.ca.gov</u> for information on how to become involved in the regulation-setting process.

#### **Premium Deer Hunt Tags**

- Ninety percent (90%) of the individual zone or hunt tag quota shall be awarded using a Preference Point drawing.
- Ten percent (10%) of the individual zone or hunt tag quota shall be awarded using a Draw-by-Choice drawing.
- For zones or hunts with quotas less than ten (10) tags, one (1) tag shall be awarded using a Draw-by-Choice drawing.

#### **Apprentice Deer Hunt Tags**

- Fifty percent (50%) of the hunt tag quota shall be awarded through a Preference Point drawing.
- Fifty percent (50%) of the hunt tag quota shall be awarded through a Draw-By-Choice drawing.

#### Elk, Pronghorn and Bighorn Sheep Tags

- For quotas of one (1), the tag shall be awarded using a Draw-By-Choice drawing.
- For quotas of two (2), one (1) tag shall be awarded using a Preference Point drawing, and one (1) tag shall be awarded using a Draw-By-Choice drawing.
- For quotas of three (3), two (2) tags shall be awarded using a Preference Point drawing, and one (1) tag shall be awarded using a Draw-By-Choice drawing.
- For quotas of four (4) or more, seventy-five percent (75%) of the quota shall be awarded using a Preference Point drawing. The remaining portion of the quota shall be awarded using a Draw-By-Choice drawing.

# The CDFW Recruit, Retain, Reactivate (R3) teams Harvest Huddle Hours (R3H3) are back with a new format for 2022!

Take advantage of opportunities to learn from hunting, fishing, foraging and shooting sport experts on your own time! The new R3H3 prerecorded videos can be watched on your lunch break, while at the gym or while youre with your family. You have total control of when and where you huddle!

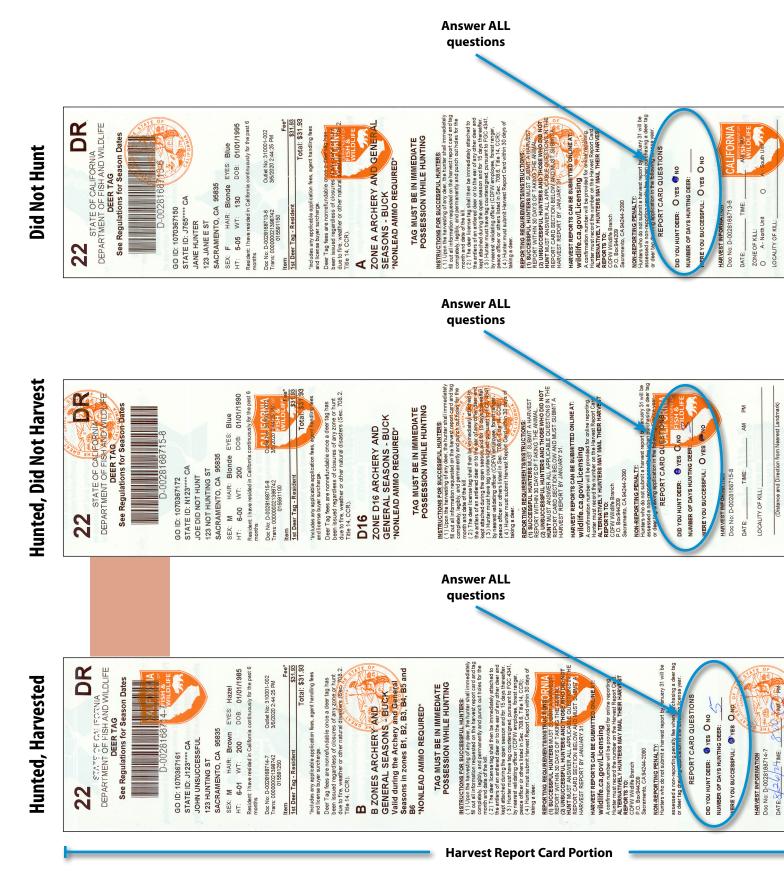
Use the link below to see what videos are available, and to sign up to receive the recordings before they go public.

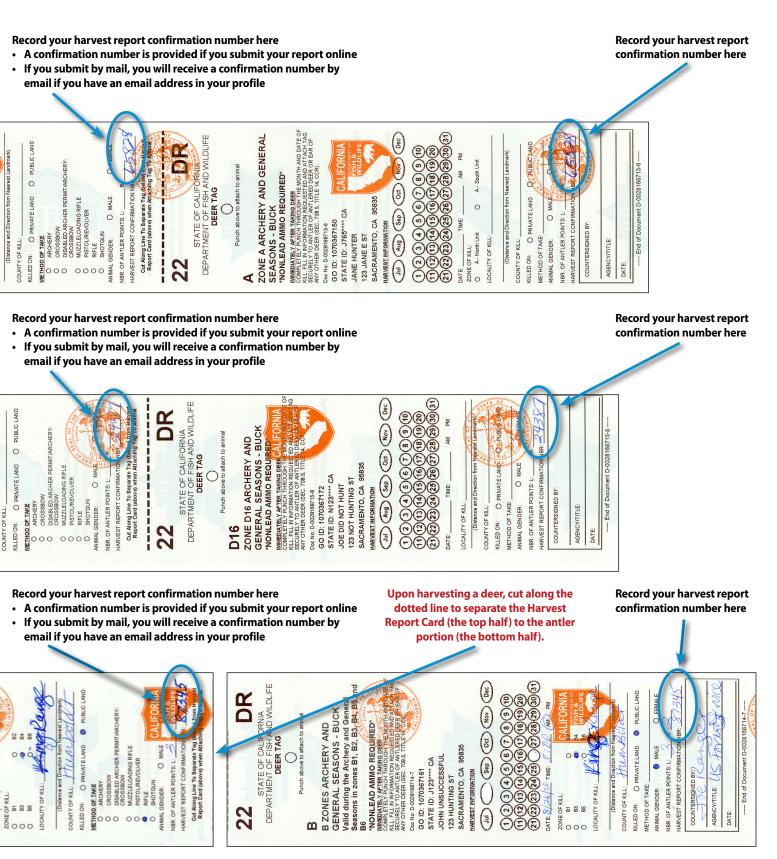


https://www.register-ed.com/programs/california/242/slug:r3-programs

# **HOW TO PROPERLY FILL OUT A TAG**

#### Do not cut deer tags UNTIL AFTER you are successful in taking a deer.





#### **Attach to Antler Portion**

# HARVEST TAG REPORTING

# MANDATORY HARVEST REPORTING FOR ALL DEER TAG HOLDERS

Any person who is issued a deer tag must submit a harvest report card (CCR T14-708.5(b)):

- Successful hunters must submit a completed report within 30 days of taking a deer;
- Unsuccessful hunters; and
- Hunters who did not hunt must submit a completed report by answering the applicable questions on the harvest report card and submit the report by January 31.

# TWO WAYS TO SUBMIT YOUR HARVEST REPORT:

#### Online

Log in to your internet sales profile at <u>www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/</u> <u>InternetSales</u> and follow the steps below:

- 1. Click the **"Harvest Reporting"** menu. Menu items are listed below your name and GO ID number. If you are using a mobile device, the list of menu items is the square box (with three lines) in the upper left corner of your screen.
- Click "Start Report" button next to the tag you would like to report on. If you have two of the same zone/hunt tag, or you have a duplicated tag, you are required to key in the Document Number (located below the barcode). This is to ensure you are reporting the correct tag.
- 3. Answer the question **"What would you like to report?"** Pick the response from the drop box. Click on the **"Next"** button when you have answered (all) the required questions.
- 4. The data you entered will be re-displayed for you to review. Once you've reviewed the data, select the "Confirm Data and Submit Report" button to submit the report.
- 5. A pop-up window to confirm that your report is complete and accurate will open. Click on the **"Ok"** button to finish the reporting.
- 6. The confirmation number will be generated for you to write on your tag. You will still need to retain the tag until March 1. Tags reported online must be surrendered to CDFW upon demand.

#### By Mail

Mail your deer tags to the address below: **CDFW Wildlife Branch** P.O. Box 944209 Sacramento, CA 94244-2090

# TAG VALIDATION AND COUNTERSIGNING REQUIREMENTS

All tag holders upon the killing of any big game shall immediately fill out all portions of the tag including the harvest report card. The tag shall be completely, legibly, and permanently filled out as listed:

- Fill out the effort questions
- Cut out or punch out notches for the month and date of kill. They must be completely cut out or punched out and removed.
- The antler portion of the license tag must be attached to the antlers of an antlered animal or to the ear of an antlerless animal immediately upon being killed.

Deer tag holders, whether successful, unsuccessful, or did not hunt, who fail to report by the January 31 deadline are subject to the non-reporting fee prior to the issuance of a deer tag or deer tag drawing application in the following year.

- Online harvest reporting closes at midnight on January 31.
- The harvest report card returned by mail must be postmarked by the January 31 deadline.
- If the harvest report card is submitted by mail and not received by the CDFW, it is considered not reported and will be charged the nonreporting fee.
- If the harvest report card is received late (failed to report by the January 31 deadline), the non-reporting fee will be charged.

#### NON-REPORTING DEER TAG PENALITY

Deer tag holders who fail to submit a harvest report for any 2022 deer tag by January 31, 2023, will be assessed a \$21.60 non-reporting penalty fee when purchasing a deer tag drawing application or deer tag in the 2023 license year. Deer and elk tags shall be countersigned before transporting, except for the purpose of taking it to the nearest person authorized to countersign the license tag, on the route being followed from the point where taken.

Bear tags shall only be countersigned by a CDFW employee before transporting, except for the purpose of taking it to the nearest CDFW employee. If CDFW offices are closed, the bear tag shall be validated within one business day of transporting the bear from the point where taken.

GAME TAG	REPORTING REQUIREMENT	TAG COUNTERSIGN REQUIREMENT	LENGTH OF TIME TO RETAIN TAG
DEER	Successful hunters must report within 30 days of harvest or by January 31, whichever comes first. Unsuccessful hunters and hunters who did not hunt must report by January 31. Hunters who do not report by the deadline will be charged a non- reporting fee of \$21.60 when purchasing their deer tag drawing application or deer tag in the following license year.	Persons Authorized to Validate (see below)	Keep tag attached for 15 days thereafter the season closes. Retain harvest report cards submitted online until March 1.
BEAR	Successful hunters must return report cards immediately. Hunters who were unsuccessful or did not hunt must return report cards by February 1.	CDFW Staff Only	Retain head and skin for 15 days thereafter season closes.
ELK	Successful and unsuccessful hunters must return report cards within one week of season closure.	Persons Authorized to Validate (see below)	Keep tag attached 15 days thereafter season closes.
PRONGHORN	Successful and unsuccessful hunters must return report cards within one week of season closure.	Not Required	Keep tag attached 15 days thereafter season closes.
BIGHORN SHEEP	Successful hunters must report by phone within 24 hours. Successful and unsuccessful report cards must be returned within 10 days of season closure.	CDFW Staff Only	N/A
WILD PIG	Successful hunters must return report cards immediately.	Not Required	N/A

# PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO VALIDATE OR COUNTERSIGN DEER AND ELK TAGS (CCR T14-708.6(c))\*

#### State

- Fish and Game
   Commissioners
- Employees of the Department of Fish and Game, including Certified Hunter Education Instructors
- Employees of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
- Supervising Plant
   Quarantine Inspectors
- Junior, Intermediate and Senior Plant Quarantine Inspectors

#### Federal

- Employees of the Bureau of Land Management
- Employees of the United States Forest Service
- Employees of the United States Fish & Wildlife Service
- All Uniformed Personnel of the National Park Service
- Commanding Officers of any United States military installation or their designated personnel for deer taken on their reservation
- Postmasters & Post Office Station or Branch Manager for deer brought to their post office

#### Miscellaneous

- Firefighters employed on a full-time basis, only when the deer or elk carcass is brought to their fire station
- Judges or Justices of all state and United States courts
- Notaries Public
- Peace Officers (salaried & non-salaried)
- Officers authorized to administer oaths
- Owners, corporate officers, managers or operators of lockers or cold storage plants for deer brought to their place of business

\*No person may validate or countersign his/her own deer or elk tag (CCR T14-708.6(d)).

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# 2021 PRELIMINARY DEER HARVEST BY ANTLER CLASS

The following table shows the percentage by antler class of forked-horn or better bucks and total reported buck harvest for zones and hunts as of 3/14/2022 (a).

					Total						Total
Zone/Hunt	2 Point Bucks	3 Point Bucks	4 Point Bucks	5+ Point Bucks	Reported Buck Harvest	Zone/Hunt	2 Point Bucks	3 Point Bucks	4 Point Bucks	5+ Point Bucks	Reported Buck Harvest
Archery Only	50.48%	31.61%	13.23%	4.68%	620	Zone D16	58.88%	32.99%	7.61%	0.00%	197
Tags (b)						Zone D17	55.26%	26.32%	18.42%	0.00%	38
A Zone (South-110)	66.05%	26.03%	7.09%	0.76%	2751	Zone D19	67.03%	26.37%	6.59%	0.00%	91
A Zone	50.28%	34.79%	13.55%	1.37%	2693	Zone X1	28.86%	31.84%	30.35%	8.96%	201
(North-160)	22.070/					Zone X2	22.73%	33.33%	36.36%	7.58%	66
Zone B1	33.97%	38.54%	22.64%	4.85%	2208	Zone X3a	31.25%	35.63%	26.88%	6.25%	161
Zone B2	46.33%	34.91%	16.02%	2.74%	1498	Zone X3b	38.52%	34.81%	22.22%	4.44%	135
Zone B3	45.49%	38.63%	13.09%	2.79%	466	Zone X4	40.85%	38.03%	18.31%	2.82%	142
Zone B4	35.08%	37.90%	21.37%	5.65%	248	Zone X5a	25.64%	35.90%	35.90%	2.56%	39
Zone B5	44.18%	37.95%	15.46%	2.41%	498	Zone X5b	2.50%	25.00%	52.50%	20.00%	40
Zone B6	37.79%	38.72%	22.28%	3.08%	552	Zone X6a	17.57%	35.14%	33.78%	13.51%	74
Zone C1	38.41%	36.59%	21.01%	3.99%	276	Zone X6b	29.09%	27.27%	38.18%	5.45%	55
Zone C2	34.71%	36.43%	23.71%	5.15%	291	Zone X7a	32.26%	29.03%	32.26%	6.45%	62
Zone C3	40.17%	42.38%	14.40%	3.05%	361	Zone X7b	46.15%	25.64%	20.51%	7.69%	39
Zone C4	48.47%	34.44%	14.80%	2.30%	392	Zone X8	44.90%	30.61%	16.33%	8.16%	49
Zone D3	46.07%	32.39%	17.79%	3.69%	1411	Zone X9a	27.91%	41.09%	27.13%	3.88%	129
Zone D4	47.78%	30.55%	17.41%	4.26%	563	Zone X9b	62.22%	24.44%	11.11%	2.22%	45
Zone D5	43.22%	32.63%	19.39%	4.77%	1511	Zone X9c	41.67%	38.89%	19.44%	0.00%	72
Zone D6	45.98%	31.74%	18.91%	3.15%	920	Zone X10	48.78%	36.59%	14.63%	0.00%	41
Zone D7	45.83%	30.97%	17.68%	5.41%	889	Zone X12	32.81%	32.81%	31.25%	3.13%	128
Zone D8	54.09%	28.93%	15.72%	1.26%	318	Hunt A1 (C1)	51.85%	33.33%	14.81%	0.00%	27
Zone D9	61.66%	25.39%	11.92%	1.04%	193	Hunt A1 (C2)	48.28%	31.03%	13.79%	6.90%	29
Zone D10	66.36%	25.23%	7.48%	0.93%	107	Hunt A1 (C3)	45.95%	35.14%	13.51%	5.41%	37
Zone D11	75.25%	19.66%	4.41%	0.68%	295	Hunt A1 (C4)	40.43%	42.55%	17.02%	0.00%	47
Zone D12	35.90%	35.90%	21.79%	6.41%	78	Hunt A3	33.33%	0.00%	33.33%	33.33%	3
Zone D13	73.83%	19.14%	6.25%	0.78%	256	Hunt A4	75.00%	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	4
Zone D14	59.29%	29.79%	9.44%	1.47%	340	Hunt A5	0.00%	0.00%	66.67%	33.33%	3
Zone D15	68.29%	24.39%	2.44%	4.88%	41	Hunt A6	50.00%	30.00%	20.00%	0.00%	10

					Total						Total
Zone/Hunt	2 Point	3 Point	4 Point	5+ Point	Reported	Zone/Hunt	2 Point	3 Point	4 Point	5+ Point	Reported
Zone/Hunt	Bucks	Bucks	Bucks	Bucks	Buck	Zone/Hunt	Bucks	Bucks	Bucks	Bucks	Buck
Hunt A7	31.25%	43.75%	18.75%	6.25%	Harvest 16	Hunt G38	46.88%	28.13%	18.75%	6.25%	Harvest 32
Hunt A8		orted Antl			0	Hunt G39	0.00%	0.00%	100.0%	0.00%	2
Hunt A9	0.00%	100.0%	0.00%	0.00%	1	Hunt J1	0.00%	100.0%	0.00%	0.00%	1
Hunt A11	14.29%	14.29%	71.43%	0.00%	7	Hunt J3	10.00%	60.00%	30.00%	0.00%	10
Hunt A12	50.00%	0.00%	50.00%	0.00%	2	Hunt J4	9.09%	18.18%	63.64%	9.09%	11
Hunt A13	0.00%	100.0%	0.00%	0.00%	2	Hunt J8	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%	0.00%	3
Hunt A14	33.33%	33.33%	0.00%	33.33%	3	Hunt J9	50.00%	25.00%	25.00%	0.00%	4
Hunt A15	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	4	Hunt J10	85.71%	14.29%	0.00%	0.00%	14
Hunt A16	31.58%	52.63%	10.53%	5.26%	19	Hunt J11	45.45%	36.36%	9.09%	0.00%	11
Hunt A17	31.71%	28.57%	21.43%	14.29%	14	Hunt J12	11.11%	33.33%	33.33%	22.22%	9
Hunt A18	70.00%	30.00%	0.00%	0.00%	10	Hunt J13	100.0%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2
Hunt A19	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2	Hunt J14	40.00%	20.00%	20.00%	0.00%	6
Hunt A20	46.15%	38.46%	15.38%	0.00%	13	Hunt J15	25.00%	12.50%	50.00%	12.50%	8
Hunt A21	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%	6	Hunt J16	75.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	8
Hunt A22	71.43%	14.29%	0.00%	7.14%	15	Hunt J17	Hunt J17 No Reported Antlered Buck		Harvest	0	
Hunt A24	76.92%	23.08%	0.00%	0.00%	14	Hunt J18	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	33.33%	4
Hunt A25	0.00%	66.67%	33.33%	0.00%	3	Hunt J19	14.29%	42.86%	14.29%	28.57%	7
Hunt A26	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%	15	Hunt J20	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2
Hunt A27	0.00%	66.67%	0.00%	33.33%	3	Hunt J21	35.29%	35.29%	29.41%	0.00%	17
Hunt A30	18.18%	36.36%	36.36%	9.09%	11	Hunt M3	0.00%	22.22%	66.67%	11.11%	9
Hunt A31	68.42%	15.79%	10.53%	0.00%	20	Hunt M4	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%	2
Hunt A32	0.00%	100.0%	0.00%	0.00%	2	Hunt M5	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	2
Hunt A33	75.00%	0.00%	25.00%	0.00%	5	Hunt M6	0.00%	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2
Hunt G1	35.34%	38.55%	23.18%	2.93%	716	Hunt M7	75.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	5
Hunt G3	5.00%	20.00%	60.00%	15.00%	20	Hunt M8	42.86%	42.86%	14.29%	0.00%	7
Hunt G6	20.00%	60.00%	20.00%	0.00%	15	Hunt M9	0.00%	9.09%	63.64%	27.27%	11
Hunt G7	40.00%	60.00%	0.00%	0.00%	5	Hunt M11	16.67%	33.33%	41.67%	8.33%	12
Hunt G8	No Repo	orted Antl	ered Buck	Harvest	0	Hunt MA1	80.00%	0.00%	20.00%	0.00%	5
Hunt G10	50.00%	26.79%	10.71%	0.00%	58	Hunt MA3	33.33%	41.67%	25.00%	0.00%	12
Hunt G11	66.67%	20.83%	8.33%	0.00%	28	Fund-raising	0.00%	0.00%	42.86%	57.14%	7
Hunt G12	66.67%	0.00%	33.33%	0.00%	3	Tags Statewide					
Hunt G13	20.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	12	totals	47.08%	33.01%	16.61%	3.17%	23137
Hunt G19	20.00%	40.00%	40.00%	0.00%	10	(a) Table does r					nclassified
Hunt G21	83.33%	16.67%	0.00%	0.00%	6	or spike buc (b) Archery Onl					ately and
Hunt G37	11.76%	17.65%	47.07%	23.53%	17	are not inclu					

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PD	0	0	0	12,241	138	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ZONE HUNTS												
С	8,150	7,335	815	7,020	0	7,020	14	0	1,130	0	1,130	0
D6	10,000	9,000	1,000	2,039	0	2,039	18	0	6,726	0	5,217	1,509
D9	2,000	1,800	200	651	0	651	9	0	1,349	0	1,202	147
D12	950	855	95	1,225	0	855	6	0	95	95	0	0
D14	3,000	2,700	300	1,860	0	1,860	8	0	1,140	0	1,140	0
D17	500	450	50	1,977	0	450	10	1	50	50	0	0
X1	760	684	76	3,717	0	684	10	2	76	76	0	0
X2	189	171	18	2,199	0	171	18	9	18	18	0	0
ХЗА	354	319	35	1,807	0	319	13	4	35	35	0	0
ХЗВ	499	450	49	2,224	0	450	16	3	49	49	0	0
X4	479	432	47	2,244	0	432	16	3	47	47	0	0
X5A	75	68	7	614	0	68	15	6	7	7	0	0
X5B	50	45	5	3,221	6	45	19	16	5	5	0	0
X6A	329	297	32	2,587	0	297	11	5	32	32	0	0
X6B	309	279	30	1,584	0	279	12	4	30	30	0	0
Х7А	229	207	22	2,157	0	207	14	5	22	22	0	0
Х7В	134	121	13	872	0	121	13	4	13	13	0	0
X8	210	189	21	1,384	0	189	8.5	3.5	21	21	0	0
Х9А	269	243	26	4,507	0	243	18	7	26	26	0	0
Х9В	230	207	23	815	0	207	7	3	23	23	0	0
Х9С	325	293	32	1,036	0	293	7	2	32	32	0	0
X10	400	360	40	643	0	360	5.5	0	40	40	0	0
X12	349	315	34	5,101	0	315	12	7	34	34	0	0

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APPRENTICE	ΗυΝΤ	S										
J1	25	13	12	64	0	13	2	1	12	12	0	0
J3	15	8	7	338	0	8	3	3	7	7	0	0
J4	15	8	7	301	0	8	3	3	7	7	0	0
J8	15	8	7	140	0	8	3	3	7	7	0	0
J9	5	3	2	40	0	3	2	2	2	2	0	0
J10	30	15	15	164	0	15	3	2	15	15	0	0
J11	40	20	20	140	0	20	3	1	20	20	0	0
J12	10	5	5	751	0	5	3	3	5	5	0	0
J13	40	20	20	62	0	20	2	0	20	20	0	0
J14	30	15	15	52	0	15	3	0	15	15	0	0
J15	10	5	5	374	0	5	3	3	5	5	0	0
J16	75	38	37	105	0	38	2	0	37	37	0	0
J17	25	13	12	30	0	13	1	0	12	12	0	0
J18	75	38	37	127	0	38	3	0	37	37	0	0
J19	25	13	12	161	0	13	3	2	12	12	0	0
J20	20	10	10	75	0	10	3	2	10	10	0	0
J21	50	25	25	181	0	25	3	2	25	25	0	0
GENERAL MET	THOD	S HUN	T S									
G1	2,710	2,439	271	3,669	0	2,439	17	0	271	271	0	0
G3	25	23	2	4,640	220	23	19	19	2	2	0	0
G6	50	45	5	1,034	0	45	16	12	5	5	0	0
G8	20	18	2	208	0	18	7	4	2	2	0	0
G12	30	27	3	217	0	27	13	3	3	3	0	0

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GENERAL MET	гнор	S HUN	TS, co	ntinu	e d							
G13	300	270	30	753	0	270	3	1	30	30	0	0
G19	25	23	2	336	0	23	13	5	2	2	0	0
G21	25	23	2	113	0	23	15	2	2	2	0	0
G37	25	23	2	2,745	10	23	19	18	2	2	0	0
G38	300	270	30	287	0	270	9	0	30	17	13	0
G39	2	1	1	635	24	1	19	19	1	1	0	0
MUZZLELOAD	ER HU	U N T S										
M3	20	18	2	750	5	18	19	18	2	2	0	0
M4	10	9	1	59	0	9	18	8	1	1	0	0
M5	5	4	1	144	1	4	19	16	1	1	0	0
M6	80	72	8	86	0	72	3	0	8	8	0	0
M7	150	135	15	207	0	135	6	0	15	15	0	0
M8	20	18	2	87	0	18	11	5	2	2	0	0
M9	15	14	1	786	13	14	19	18	1	1	0	0
M11	20	18	2	585	0	18	16	13	2	2	0	0
MA1	150	135	15	179	0	135	5	0	15	15	0	0
MA3	150	135	15	146	0	135	4	0	15	11	4	0
AREA-SPECIF	IC AR	CHERY	( HUN	ΤS								
A1	1,945	1,751	194	703	0	703	13	0	1,242	0	1,242	0
A3	100	90	10	404	0	90	6	2	10	10	0	0
A4	10	9	1	86	0	9	9	6.5	1	1	0	0
A5	40	36	4	117	0	36	5	2	4	4	0	0
A6	70	63	7	158	0	63	6.5	1	7	7	0	0

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AREA-SPECIF	IC AR	CHERY	Y HUN	ΤS, co	ntinu	e d						
A7	120	108	12	379	0	108	9	2	12	12	0	0
A8	10	9	1	56	0	9	7	2	1	1	0	0
A9	5	4	1	107	0	4	17	10	1	1	0	0
A11	50	45	5	292	0	45	12	5	5	5	0	0
A12	90	81	9	253	0	81	5	3	9	9	0	0
A13	45	41	4	157	0	41	7	3	4	4	0	0
A14	25	23	2	118	0	23	6	4	2	2	0	0
A15	40	36	4	136	0	36	4	1.5	4	4	0	0
A16	30	27	3	423	0	27	14	б	3	3	0	0
A17	210	189	21	80	0	80	5	0	130	0	130	0
A18	350	315	35	11	0	11	3	0	313	0	191	122
A19	100	90	10	31	0	31	4	0	52	0	29	23
A20	40	36	4	317	0	36	11	5	4	4	0	0
A21	25	23	2	158	0	23	12	5.5	2	2	0	0
A22	1,000	900	100	532	0	532	6	0	378	0	290	88
A24	100	90	10	193	0	90	6	1	10	10	0	0
A25	35	32	3	137	0	32	7	2	3	3	0	0
A26	30	27	3	537	0	27	17.5	12	3	3	0	0
A27	10	9	1	230	0	9	18	14	1	1	0	0
A30	40	36	4	209	0	36	9	5	4	4	0	0
A31	1,000	900	100	411	0	411	7	0	589	0	508	81
A32	250	225	25	49	0	49	3	0	72	0	55	17
A33	50	45	5	122	0	45	4	1	5	5	0	0

# **2022 DEER HUNTS**

**PREMIUM DEER ZONES** and **HUNTS** Applications for premium deer hunt tags awarded through the Big Game Drawing must be submitted to any CDFW license sales office, license agent, online or telephone sales before midnight on June 2, 2022. You must use your First-Deer Tag Drawing Application to apply for a premium deer hunt tag. Exception: junior hunters may use a Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application to apply for Apprentice Deer Hunts, but only one application may be used to apply for Apprentice Deer Hunts.

♦ – Tag quota filled in the 2021 Big Game Drawing conducted on June 9, 2021.

PREF	PREFERENCE POINT ONLY								
Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2021 Estimated Hunter Success	2022 Tag Quota	Date Tag Quota Filled	2022 Archery Season Dates	2022 General Season Dates			
PD	Preference Point Only - Deer	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			

GENE	RAL ZONES					
Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2021 Estimated Hunter Success	2022 Tag Quota	Date Tag Quota Filled	2022 Archery Season Dates	2022 General Season Dates
	C1 Zone General Seasons - Buck					Sep 17 - Oct 16
с	C2 Zone General Seasons - Buck	21%	8150		For Archery Deer Seasons in the C	Sep 17 - Oct 23
	C3 Zone General Seasons - Buck	21%	0150	•	Zones See Hunt A-1	Sep 17 - Oct 23
	C4 Zone General Seasons - Buck					Sep 17 - Oct 2
D9	D9 Zone Archery and General Seasons - Buck	12%	2,000	•	Aug 20 - Sep 11	Sep 24 - Oct 23
D12	D12 Zone Archery and General Seasons - Buck	11%	950	٠	Oct 1 - Oct 23	Nov 5 - Nov 27
D14	D14 Zone Archery and General Seasons - Buck	14%	3,000	•	Sep 3 - Sep 25	Oct 8 - Nov 6
D17	D17 Zone Archery and General Seasons - Buck	9%	500	<b>♦</b>	Sep 3 - Sep 25	Oct 8 - Oct 30

C Tag is valid in zones C1, C2, C3 and C4 General Seasons only.

**C1** Large areas of private land where access is restricted. Some private land owned by timber companies is open to hunting. Most public land is administered by Klamath National Forest (530) 842-6131; fair access. CDFW Redding office (530) 225-2300.

C2 Good access, mostly public land administered by the Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2500 and private timber companies open to hunting. CDFW Redding office (530) 225-2300.

**C3** Good access in middle and higher elevations on Lassen National Forest (530) 257-2151, and fair access on private timberlands open to hunting. Lower elevations are largely private property where access is restricted. CDFW Redding office (530) 225-2300.

**C4** Good access in eastern portion on public lands administered primarily by the Lassen National Forest (530) 257-2151. Fair access on private timber-lands open to public. CDFW contact (530) 225-2300.

D9 Good access on public land (559) 243-4005.

D12 Extremely dry and hot desert deer zone. Wilderness areas severely restrict vehicle access; 4 X 4 recommended for entire zone.

D14 Fair access on public lands (909) 484-0167

D17 Wilderness Area and Mojave National Preserve restrict vehicle access (909) 484-0167.

X ZO	NES					
Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2021 Estimated Hunter Success	2022 Tag Quota	Date Tag Quota Filled	2022 Archery Season Dates	2022 General Season Dates
X1	X1 Zone - General Season - Buck	38%	760	<b>♦</b>	For Archery in Zone X-1 See Hunt A-3	Oct 1 - Oct 16
X2	X2 Zone - General Season - Buck	50%	189	<b>♦</b>	For Archery in Zone X-2 See Hunt A-4	Oct 1 - Oct 16
ХЗА	X3A Zone - General Season - Buck	48%	354	٠	For Archery in Zone X-3a See Hunt A-5	Oct 1 - Oct 16
X3B	X3B Zone - General Season - Buck	32%	499	٠	For Archery in Zone X-3b See Hunt A-6	Oct 1 - Oct 16
X4	X4 Zone - General Season - Buck	46%	479	٠	For Archery in Zone X-4 See Hunt A-7	Oct 1 - Oct 16
X5A	X5A Zone - General Season - Buck	57%	75	٠	For Archery in Zone X-5a See Hunt A-8	Oct 1 - Oct 16
X5B	X5B Zone - General Season - Buck	69%	50	٠	For Archery in Zone X-5b See Hunt A-9	Oct 1 - Oct 16
X6A	X6A Zone - General Season - Buck	56%	329	<b>♦</b>	For Archery in Zone X-6a See Hunt A-11	Oct 1 - Oct 16
X6B	X6B Zone - General Season - Buck	47%	309	•	For Archery in Zone X-6b See Hunt A-12	Oct 1 - Oct 16
X7A	X7A Zone - General Season - Buck	35%	229	٠	For Archery in Zone X-7a See Hunt A-13	Oct 1 - Oct 16
X7B	X7B Zone - General Season - Buck	37%	134	•	For Archery in Zone X-7b See Hunt A-14	Oct 1 - Oct 16
X8	X8 Zone - General Season - Buck	36%	210	٠	For Archery in Zone X-8 See Hunt A-15	Sep 24 - Oct 9
X9A	X9A Zone - General Season - Buck	65%	269	٠	For Archery in Zone X-9a See Hunt A-16	Sep 17 - Oct 10
X9B	X9B Zone - General Season - Buck	27%	230	٠	For Archery in Zone X-9b See Hunt A-17	Sep 17 - Oct 10

X1 Good access on public lands administered by the Klamath National Forest (530) 842-6131, Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2500, Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811; no shooting within two-mile radius of Medicine Lake. Some Forest Service Roads may be closed to vehicles during the hunting season. Refer to National Forest maps or contact the Forest Service for details. CDFW contact (530) 459-3164.
X2 Good access on public lands administered by the Klamath National Forest (530) 842-6131, Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2500, Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811; no shooting within two-mile radius of Medicine Lake. Some Forest Service Roads may be closed to vehicles during the hunting season. Refer to National Within two-mile radius of Medicine Lake. Some Forest Service Roads may be closed to vehicles during the hunting season. Horse management activities may overlap with deer season. Contact the Forest Service for details.
X3a Good access on Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811 and Alturas Field Office BLM lands (530) 233-4666. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581.

**X3b** Good access to public land. Contact the Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811, Alturas Field Office (530) 233-4666, or Surprise FieldOffice BLM property (530) 279-6101 for information. CDFW contact (530)233-3581.

X4 Good access on public lands, primarily administered by the Lassen National Forest (530) 257-2151. Most private timberland open for public hunting. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808.

X5a Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0456. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808. Four-wheel drive is needed on some roads.

**X5b** Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0456. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808. Four-wheel drive is needed on some roads.

X6a CDFW Lassen County contact (530) 254-6808. CDFW Plumas County contact (916) 358-2900.

X6b Good access on public lands. CDFW Lassen County contact (530) 254-6808. CDFW Plumas County contact (916) 358-2900.

**X7a** Good access on public lands (916) 358-2900.

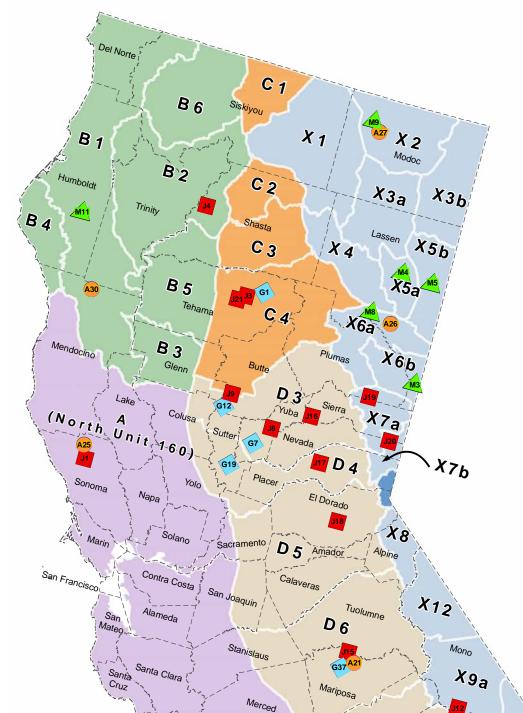
X7b Good access on public lands (916) 358-2900.

X8 Good access on public lands except two wilderness areas (916) 358-2900.

X9a Good access on public lands; carry chains and shovel; cold weather late in season (760) 872-1171.

**X9b** Good access on public lands; carry chains and shovel; cold weather late in season (760) 872-1171.

# **Deer Zones and Additional Hunts**



#### Archery

- Archery
- A21 Anderson Flat Archery Buck Hunt
- A22 San Diego Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- A24 Monterey Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- A25 Lake Sonoma Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt A26 Bass Hill Archery Buck Hunt
- A27 Devil's Garden Archery Buck Hunt
- A30 Covelo Archery Buck Hunt
- A31 Los Angeles Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- A32 Ventura/Los Angeles Archery Late Season Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- A33 Fort Hunter Liggett Archery Late Season Either-Sex Deer Hunt

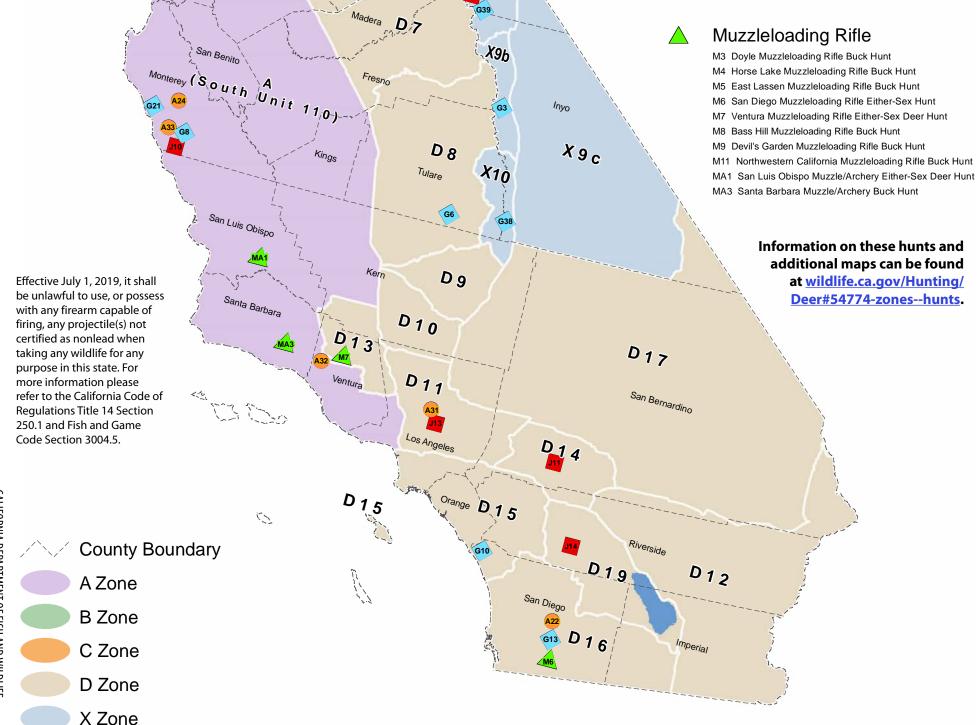
### General

G1 Late Season Buck Hunt for Zone C4
G3 Goodale Buck Hunt
G6 Kern River Deer Herd Buck Hunt
G7 Beale Either-Sex Deer Hunt (Military Only)
G8 Fort Hunter Liggett Antlerless Deer Hunt
G10 Camp Pendleton Either-Sex Deer Hunt (Military Only)
G11 Vandenberg Either-Sex Deer Hunt (Military Only)
G12 Gray Lodge Shotgun Either-Sex Deer Hunt
G13 San Diego Antlerless Deer Hunt
G19 Sutter-Yuba Wildlife Area Either-Sex Deer Hunt
G21 Ventana Wilderness Buck Hunt
G37 Anderson Flat Buck Hunt
G38 Late Season Buck Hunt in Zone X10
G39 Round Valley Late Season Buck Hunt

### Apprentice

- J1 Lake Sonoma Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
  J3 Tehama Wildlife Area Apprentice Buck Hunt
  J4 Shasta-Trinity Apprentice Buck Hunt
  J8 Daugherty Hill Wildlife Area Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
  J9 Little Dry Creek Apprentice Shotgun Either-Sex Deer Hunt
  J10 Fort Hunter Liggett Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J11 San Bernardino Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J12 Round Valley Apprentice Buck Hunt
- J13 Los Angeles Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J14 Riverside Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J15 Anderson Flat Apprentice Buck Hunt
- J16 Bucks Mountain/Nevada City Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J17 Blue Canyon Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J18 Pacific/Grizzly Flat Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J19 X7A Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J20 X7B Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J21 East Tehama Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt

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X ZO	X ZONES, continued								
Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2021 Estimated Hunter Success	2022 Tag Quota	Date Tag Quota Filled	2022 Archery Season Dates	2022 General Season Dates			
X9C	X9C Zone - General Season - Buck	28%	325	٠	For Archery in Zone X-9c See Hunt A-18	Oct 15 - Nov 6			
X10	X10 Zone - General Season - Buck	13%	400	٠	For Archery in Zone X-10 See Hunt A-19	Sep 24 - Oct 9			
X12	X12 Zone - General Season - Buck	45%	349	٠	For Archery in Zone X-12 See Hunt A-20	Sep 17 - Oct 10			
	X12 Zone - General Season - Buck			•	X-12 See Hunt A-20	Sep 1			

**X9c** Wilderness areas/Death Valley Park expansion restrict vehicle access and open hunting areas (760) 872-1171.

**X10** Adequate access on public lands with steep, rough terrain (559) 243-4005.

X12 Good access on public lands; carry chains and shovel; cold weather late in season (760) 872-1171.

#### **GENERAL METHOD HUNTS**

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Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2021 Estimated Hunter Success	2022 Tag Quota	Date Tag Quota Filled	2022 Archery Season Dates	2022 General Season Dates
G1	Late Season Buck Hunt in Zone C4 - General Methods	34%	2,710	•	N/A	Oct 22 - Oct 30
G3	Goodale Buck - General Methods	83%	25	•	N/A	Dec 3 - Dec 18
G6	Kern River Deer Herd Buck - General Methods	39%	50	•	N/A	Dec 3 - Dec 11
G8	Fort Hunter Liggett Antlerless - General Methods	79%	20	•	N/A	Oct 1, 2, 8, 9, 10
G12	Gray Lodge - Shotgun Either-Sex	42%	30	•	N/A	Sep 17 - Sep 25
G13	San Diego Antlerless - General Methods	19%	300	•	N/A	Oct 22 - Nov 13
G19	Sutter-Yuba Wildlife Areas Either-Sex - Shotgun/Archery/Crossbow	46%	25	•	N/A	Sep 24 - Dec 31
G21	Ventana Wilderness Buck - General Methods	24%	25	•	N/A	Nov 12 - Dec 4
G37	Anderson Flat Buck - General Methods	86%	25	•	N/A	Nov 26 - Dec 4
G38	X-10 Zone - Late Season Buck - General Methods	14%	300	•	N/A	Oct 15 - Oct 30
G39	Round Valley - Late Season Buck - General Methods	100%	2	•	N/A	Oct 22 - Nov 6

**G1** Late season tag, valid in **C4** only. Instructions for how to apply for the G1 Tehama Wildlife Area Access Permit can be found at <u>www.</u> wildlife.ca.gov/Hunting/Deer#54774-zones--hunts. CDFW contact 530-597-2201.

**G3** Good public access; unpredictable weather (760) 872-1171. G6 Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005. G8 Access fee required; date subject to change (831) 386-2214. G9 2018 Hunt canceled due to base operations.

G12 Gray Lodge Wildlife Area only; shotguns with solid slugs only (916)358-2900.

G13 Good access on public lands; rugged terrain at higher elevations (858)467-4201.

**G19** Archery-crossbow-shotguns with solid slugs only; all portions walk-in only (916) 358-2900.

**G21** Open only on lands designated USFS Ventana Wilderness Area in Monterey County; steep, rugged, brushy; vehicle restrictions (831) 649-2870.

G37 Good access on National Forest Service lands (559) 243-4005.

G38 Adequate access on public lands with steep, rough terrain (559) 243-4005.

G39 Good access; 4 X 4 recommended; carry chains and shovel (760) 872-1171.

MUZ	ZLELOADING HUNTS					
Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2021 Estimated Hunter Success	2022 Tag Quota	Date Tag Quota Filled	2022 Archery Season Dates	2022 General Season Dates
M3	Doyle Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	69%	20	<b>♦</b>	N/A	Nov 19 - Nov 27
M4	Horse Lake Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	25%	10	<b>♦</b>	N/A	Oct 22 - Oct 30
M5	East Lassen Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	50%	5	<b>♦</b>	N/A	Oct 22 - Oct 30
M6	San Diego Muzzleloading Rifle Either-Sex	4%	80	<b>♦</b>	N/A	Dec 17 - Dec 31
M7	Ventura Muzzleloading Rifle Either-Sex	11%	150	<b>♦</b>	N/A	Nov 26 - Dec 11
M8	Bass Hill Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	53%	20	<b>♦</b>	N/A	Oct 22 - Oct 30
M9	Devil's Garden Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	85%	15	<b>♦</b>	N/A	Oct 22 - Nov 6
M11	Northwestern California Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	68%	20	٠	N/A	Nov 12 - Nov 27
MA1	San Luis Obispo Muzzleloading Rifle/ Archery Either-Sex	16%	150	•	N/A	Nov 26 - Dec 11
MA3	Santa Barbara Muzzleloading Rifle/ Archery Buck	10%	150	•	N/A	Nov 26 - Dec 11

M3 Good access on public lands. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808.

**M4** Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0456. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808. M5 Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0456. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808. M6 Good access on public lands; rugged terrain at higher elevations (858) 467-4201.

M7 Good access; hunt on public lands (858) 467-4201.

M8 Mostly private land in hunt area, but good access on those lands that are public. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808.

M9 Good access on public lands managed by the Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581.

M11 Contact CDFW Eureka office (707) 445-6493 or CDFW Redding office (530) 225-2300.

**MA1** Open only on that portion of San Luis Obispo County lying within the Los Padres National Forest. Good access on public lands; rugged terrain (831) 649-2870.

MA3 Fair access on public lands vehicle use limited (858) 467-4201.

#### **APPRENTICE HUNTS**

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Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2021 Estimated Hunter Success	2022 Tag Quota	Date Tag Quota Filled	2022 Archery Season Dates	2022 General Season Dates
J1	Lake Sonoma Apprentice Either-Sex - General Methods	4%	25	•	N/A	Nov 5 - Nov 6
J3	Tehama Wildlife Area Apprentice Buck - General Methods	87%	15	•	N/A	Nov 26 - Nov 27
J4	Shasta-Trinity Apprentice Buck - General Methods	86%	15	<b>♦</b>	N/A	Nov 26 - Dec 4
J8	Daugherty Hill Wildlife Area Apprentice Either-Sex - General Methods	40%	15	<b>♦</b>	N/A	Dec 3 - Dec 31
J9	Little Dry Creek Apprentice Shotgun Either-Sex	100%	5	<b>♦</b>	N/A	Sep 17 - Sep 25
J10	Fort Hunter Liggett Apprentice Either- Sex - General Methods	77%	30	<b>♦</b>	N/A	Oct 1, 2, 8, 9, 10

J1 Rugged oak/grassland habitat with good deer numbers. Boats required in two-thirds of area. No dogs allowed (707) 944-5500.

J3 Hunt area is restricted to CDFW's Tehama Wildlife Area. CDFW contact (530) 529-7162.

J4 Good public access on Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2300 and Redding Field Office BLM lands (530) 224-2100. CDFW Redding office (530) 225-2300.

J8 Good access. Wildlife Area only (916) 358-2900.

J9 Good access. Wildlife Area only. Shotguns using slugs only (916) 358-2900.

J10 Season subject to change by Commanding Officer (831) 386-2214.

APPF	RENTICE HUNTS, continued					
Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2021 Estimated Hunter Success	2022 Tag Quota	Date Tag Quota Filled	2022 Archery Season Dates	2022 General Season Dates
J11	San Bernardino Apprentice Either-Sex - General Methods	78%	40	٠	N/A	Nov 19 - Nov 27
J12	Round Valley Apprentice Buck - General Methods	100%	10	٠	N/A	Dec 3 - Dec 18
J13	Los Angeles Apprentice Either-Sex - General Methods	38%	40	•	N/A	Nov 19 - Nov 27
J14	Riverside Apprentice Either-Sex - General Methods	57%	30	٠	N/A	Nov 19 - Nov 27
J15	Anderson Flat Apprentice Buck - General Methods	80%	10	٠	N/A	Nov 26 - Dec 4
J16	Bucks Mountain-Nevada City Apprentice Either-Sex - General Methods	49%	75	٠	N/A	Sep 24 - Oct 30
J17	Blue Canyon Apprentice Either-Sex - General Methods	20%	25	•	N/A	Sep 24 - Oct 30
J18	Pacific - Grizzly Flat Apprentice Either-Sex - General Methods	34%	75	•	N/A	Sep 24 - Oct 30
J19	X7A Apprentice Either-Sex - General Methods	46%	25	•	N/A	Oct 1 - Oct 16
J20	X7B Apprentice Either-Sex - General Methods	33%	20	•	N/A	Oct 1 - Oct 16
J21	East Tehama Apprentice Either-Sex - General Methods	62%	50	•	N/A	Sep 17 - Oct 30

J11 Within D14 and San Bernardino County only. Fair access on public lands (909) 484-0167.

J12 Good access; 4 X 4 recommended; carry chains and shovel (760) 872-1171.

J13 Mostly good access on public land except closures in Angeles National Forest. Call (626) 574-5200 for closure information (858) 467-4201.

J14 Within zone D19 and Riverside County only. Good access on public lands (909) 484-0167.

J15 Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005.

J16 Good access on National Forest lands; Mostly private at lower elevations (916) 358-2900. Please note: exclusion of Butte, Colusa and Glenn counties.

J17 Good access on National Forest lands; Mostly private at lower elevations. (916) 358-2900. Please note: exclusion of Colusa County. J18 Good access on National Forest lands; mostly private at lower elevations (916) 358-2900. Please note: exclusion of Alpine, Amador, Calaveras and Tuolumne counties.

J19 Good access on public lands (916) 358-2900.

J20 Good access on public lands (916) 358-2900.

J21 Good access in eastern portion on public lands administered primarily by the Lassen National Forest (530) 257-2151. Tehama Wildlife Area is not open to J21 hunters during the G1 season. CDFW contact (530) 529-7162.

# NON-REPORTING OF DEER TAGS WILL BE ASSESSED A PENALTY

Deer tag holders who fail to submit a harvest report for any 2022 deer tag by January 31, 2023, will be assessed a \$21.60 non-reporting fee when purchasing a deer tag drawing application or deer tag in the 2023 license year.

AREA	-SPECIFIC ARCHERY HUNTS					
Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2021 Estimated Hunter Success	2022 Tag Quota	Date Tag Quota Filled	2022 Archery Season Dates	2022 General Season Dates
	C Zones Archery Only Hunt (Zone C-1 Season)				Aug 20 - Sep 4	
	C Zones Archery Only Hunt (Zone C-2 Season)		1015	•	Aug 20 - Sep 11	N1/A
A1	C Zones Archery Only Hunt (Zone C-3 Season)	9%	1945	•	Aug 20 - Sep 11	N/A
	C Zones Archery Only Hunt (Zone C-4 Season)				Aug 20 - Sep 4	
A3	Archery Hunt in X1 - Buck	5%	100	•	Aug 20 - Sep 11	N/A
A4	Archery Hunt in X2 - Buck	57%	10	•	Aug 20 - Sep 11	N/A
A5	Archery Hunt in X3A - Buck	9%	40	•	Aug 20 - Sep 11	N/A
A6	Archery Hunt in X3B - Buck	20%	70	•	Aug 20 - Sep 11	N/A
A7	Archery Hunt in X4 - Buck	31%	120	•	Aug 20 - Sep 11	N/A
A8	Archery Hunt in X5A - Buck	0%	10	•	Aug 20 - Sep 11	N/A
A9	Archery Hunt in X5B - Buck	20%	5	•	Aug 20 - Sep 11	N/A
A11	Archery Hunt in X6A - Buck	56%	50	•	Aug 20 - Sep 11	N/A
A12	Archery Hunt in X6B - Buck	9%	90	•	Aug 20 - Sep 11	N/A
A13	Archery Hunt in X7A - Buck	5%	45	•	Aug 20 - Sep 11	N/A
A14	Archery Hunt in X7B - Buck	14%	25	•	Aug 20 - Sep 11	N/A
A15	Archery Hunt in X8 - Buck	11%	40	•	Aug 20 - Sep 11	N/A
A16	Archery Hunt in X9A - Buck	66%	30	•	Aug 20 - Sep 11	N/A
A17	Archery Hunt in X9B - Buck	8%	210	•	Aug 20 - Sep 11	N/A
A18	Archery Hunt in X9C - Buck	3%	350	7/2/21	Aug 20 - Sep 11	N/A

A1 tag is valid in zones C1, C2, C3 and C4 during the Archery Season only.

A1-C1 Fair access. Much private land, some owned by timber companies and open to hunting. Most public land is administered by Klamath National Forest; (530) 842-6131. CDFW contact (530) 459-3164.

A1-C2 Good access, mostly public land administered by the Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2500 and private timber companies open to hunting. CDFW contact (530) 225-2300.

A1-C3 and C4 Good access at middle and higher elevations on Lassen National Forestland (530) 257-2151. Fair access on private timberlands open to hunting. Sierra Pacific Industries property is restricted to walking only; no motorized vehicle access behind locked gates without Sierra Pacific Industries' prior written permission. Lower elevations are largely private property where access is restricted. CDFW Redding office (530) 225-2300.

**A3** Good access on public lands administered by Klamath National Forest (530) 842-6131, Shasta Trinity N.F. (530) 226-2500, Modoc N.F (530)233-5811; no shooting within two-mile radius of Medicine Lake. Road management areas within zone - refer to national forest maps for detail. CDFW contact (530) 459-3164.

A4 Good access on public lands, primarily administered by Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581.

**A5** Good access on Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811 and Alturas Field Office BLM lands (530) 233-4666. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581. A6 Good access to public land. Contact the Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811, Alturas Field Office BLM (530) 233-4666, or Surprise Field Office BLM lands (530) 279-6101 for more information. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581.

**A7** Good access on public lands, primarily administered by the Lassen National Forest (530) 257-2151. Most private timberland open for public hunting. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808.

**A8-A9** Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0456. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808. **A11** CDFW Lassen County contact (530) 254-6808. CDFW Plumas County contact (916) 358-2900.

A12 Good access to public lands. CDFW Lassen County contact (530) 254-6808. CDFW Plumas County contact (916) 358-2900.

**A13** Good access on public lands (916) 358-2900. A14 Good access on public lands (916) 358-2900. A15 Good access on public lands (916) 358-2900. A16 Good access on public lands (760) 872-1171. A17 Good access on public lands (760) 872-1171.

A18 Wilderness areas/Death Valley Park expansion restrict vehicle access and open hunting areas (760) 872-1171.

AREA-SPECIFIC ARCHERY HUNTS, continued									
A19	Archery Hunt in X10 - Buck	2%	100	7/2/21	Aug 20 - Sep 4	N/A			
A20	Archery Hunt in X12 - Buck	38%	40	•	Aug 20 - Sep 11	N/A			
A21	Anderson Flat Archery Buck	27%	25	•	Nov 12 - Nov 25	N/A			
A22	San Diego Archery Either-Sex Deer - Split Season Hunt	4%	1000	7/2/21	Sep 3 - Oct 16	N/A			
					Nov 19 - Dec 31				
A24	Monterey Archery Either-Sex	24%	100	•	Oct 8 - Nov 6	N/A			
A25	Lake Sonoma Archery Either-Sex	10%	35	•	Oct 1 - Oct 24	N/A			
A26	Bass Hill Archery Buck	63%	30	•	Nov 19 - Dec 11	N/A			
A27	Devil's Garden Archery Buck	50%	10	•	Oct 22 - Nov 6	N/A			
A30	Covelo Archery Buck	39%	40	•	Nov 12 - Nov 27	N/A			
A31	Los Angeles Archery Either-Sex	8%	1,000	•	Sep 24 - Dec 31	N/A			
A33	Fort Hunter Liggett Late Season Archery Either-Sex	15%	50	•	Oct 1 - Nov 11	N/A			

A19 Adequate access on public lands with steep, rough terrain (559) 243-4005.

A20 Good access on public lands (760) 872-1171.

A21 Good public access on national forest lands (559) 243-4005.

A24 Fair access on public land; steep terrain; possible fire closures on National Forest lands (831) 649-2870.

A25 Sat-Sun-Mon only; rugged terrain, oak/grassland and chaparral habitat with good deer numbers (707) 944-5500.

A26 Mostly private land in hunt area, but good access on those lands that are public. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808.

A27 Good access on public lands managed by the Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581.

A30 Good public access to Mendocino National Forest (530) 934-3316, and Arcata Field Office BLM lands (707) 825-2300. CDFW Eureka office (707) 445-6493, CDFW Redding office (530) 225-2300.

A31 Good access on public land except closures in Angeles National Forest (858) 467-4201. Closure information: (626) 574-5200.

A33 Season subject to change by commanding officer. Access fee required (831) 386-2214. Hunting access is available on weekends and federal holidays only.

**RESTRICTED DEER HUNTS** Restricted deer hunt tags are issued upon request to hunters applying on a First Deer Tag. Hunters

may apply for a restricted deer hunt tag as their Second Deer Tag if they do not have a pending first deer tag drawing application or do not have a premium or restricted deer tag issued as their First Deer Tag. Hunters who have a premium or restricted First Deer Tag will have to wait until August 2, 2022 at 8 a.m. to apply for a restricted deer hunt tag as their Second Deer Tag. The restricted deer hunt tag will be available at CDFW license agents, online and telephone sales until tag quotas fill.

GENERAL ZONES									
Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2021 Estimated Hunter Success	2022 Tag Quota	Date Tag Quota Filled	2022 Archery Season Dates	2022 General Season Dates			
D6	D6 Zone Archery and General Seasons - Buck	8%	10,000	7/3/21	Aug 20 - Sep 11	Sep 17 - Oct 30			
D19	D19 Zone Archery and General Seasons - Buck	8%	1,500	7/25/21	Sep 3 – Sep 25	Oct 1 - Oct 30			
<b>D6</b> Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005. <b>D19</b> Good access on public lands; rugged terrain at higher elevations (909) 484-0167.									

#### **UNRESTRICTED DEER HUNTS** Unrestricted deer hunt tags are issued upon request until tag quotas fill. You may use your First-Deer Tag and/or Second-Deer Tag to apply for unrestricted deer hunt tags.

 $\times$  – Tag quota did not fill in 2021.

AREA	-SPECIFIC ARCHERY HUNTS					
Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2021 Estimated Hunter Success	2022 Tag Quota	Date Tag Quota Filled	2022 Archery Season Dates	2022 General Season Dates
AO	Archery-Only	10%	100000	×	Valid during the archery and general seasons in the A, B, and D Zones, and Hu G-10 (Archery Methods Only); NOT vali during and C or X Zone season or hun	
A32	Ventura/Los Angeles Late Season Archery Either-Sex	5%	250	8/4/21	Nov 12 - Dec 4	N/A

**AO** Archery only (AO) Tags are valid for archery equipment during the archery and general seasons in zones A, B, any D zone, hunt G10 (military personnel only).

A32 Mostly good access on public land except closures in Angeles National Forest (858) 467-4201. Closure information (626) 574-5200.

GENE	GENERAL DEER ZONES														
Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2021 Estimated Hunter Success	2022 Tag Quota	Date Tag Quota Filled	2022 Archery Season Dates	2022 General Season Dates									
А	A Zone - Archery and General - Buck	28%	65,000	×	Jul 9 - Jul 31	Aug 13 - Sep 25									
	B1 Zone - Archery and General - Buck					Aug 20 - Sep 11	Sep 17 - Oct 23								
	B2 Zone - Archery and General - Buck		35,000 8/17/21	35,000 8/1	35,000 8/1	25.000	25.000	25.000	25 000	25.000				Aug 20 - Sep 11	Sep 17 - Oct 23
В	B3 Zone - Archery and General - Buck	22%									0/17/01	Aug 20 - Sep 11	Sep 17 - Oct 23		
Б	B4 Zone - Archery and General - Buck	22%				8/1//21	Jul 23 - Aug 14	Aug 27 - Oct 2							
	B5 Zone - Archery and General - Buck								Aug 20 - Sep 11	Sep 17 - Oct 23					
	B6 Zone - Archery and General - Buck				Aug 20 - Sep 11	Sep 17 - Oct 16									
D3-5	D3-5 Zone - Archery and General - Buck	14%	33,000	9/16/21	Aug 20 - Sep 11	Sep 24 - Oct 30									
D7	D7 Zone - Archery and General - Buck	14%	9,000	9/14/21	Aug 20 - Sep 11	Sep 17 - Oct 30									
D8	D8 Zone - Archery and General - Buck	8%	8,000	×	Aug 20 - Sep 11	Sep 24 - Oct 23									
D10	D10 Zone - Archery and General - Buck	22%	700	9/26/21	Aug 20 - Sep 11	Sep 24 - Oct 23									

**A** Mostly private land. Public access on BLM and National Forest lands. For specific information regarding these areas contact the local BLM field office or National Forest at: Ukiah BLM (707) 468-4000, Hollister BLM (831) 630-5000, or Bakersfield BLM, (661) 391-6000; Mendocino NF in Willows (530) 934-3316, or Los Padres NF in Goleta (805) 968-6640. For additional information contact the nearest Department Regional office. **B** Zone B Tag is valid in Zones **B1 - B6** 

**B1** Good public access to Mendocino National Forest (530) 934-3316, Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2500, Six Rivers National Forest (707) 442-1721, Arcata Field Office BLM lands (707) 825-2300. CDFW Eureka office (707) 445-6493.

**B2** Good public access on Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 934- 3316, Klamath National Forest (530) 842-6131, Six Rivers National Forest (707)442-1721, and Redding Field Office BLM lands (530) 224-2100. CDFW Redding office (530) 225-2300.

**B3** Good public access to Mendocino National Forest lands in western part of hunt area (530) 934-3316 CDFW Rancho Cordova office (916) 358-2900.

**B4** Largely private, limited public access on King Range Conservation area, administered by Arcata Field Office BLM (707) 825-2300. CDFW Eureka office (707) 445-6493.

**B5** In the western portion of the zone, public access is good on Mendocino National Forest (530) 934-3316 and Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2500. CDFW Redding office (530) 225-2300.

**B6** Public access good in Klamath National Forest (530) 842-6131. Foothills of Scott and Shasta valleys are largely private. CDFW contact (530) 459-3164.

**D3-5** Tag is valid in Zones **D3**, **D4** and **D5**. Good public access on National Forest lands, mostly private at lower elevations (916) 358-2900. **D7** Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005.

D8 Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005.

D10 No public land available; hunting normally restricted to landowners and permittees (559) 243-4005.

GEN	ERAL DEER ZONES, continued					
D11	D11 Zone - Archery and General - Buck	9%	5,500	×	Sep 3 - Sep 25	Oct 8 - Nov 6
D13	D13 Zone - Archery and General - Buck	10%	4,000	×	Sep 3 - Sep 25	Oct 8 - Nov 6
D15	D15 Zone - Archery and General - Buck	6%	1,500	×	Sep 3 - Sep 25	Oct 8 - Nov 6
D16	D16 Zone - Archery and General - Buck	9%	3,000	8/3/21	Sep 3 - Sep 25	Oct 22 - Nov 20

D11 Tag good for D11, D13 and D15, but not Camp Pendleton. Mostly good access on public land except closures in Angeles National Forest. Call (626) 574-5200; for closure information (858) 467-4201.

**D13** Tag good for **D11**, **D13** and **D15**, but not Camp Pendleton. Good access on public lands; portion of zone on private lands (858) 467-4201.

D15 Tag good for D11, D13 and D15, but not Camp Pendleton. Good access on public lands (858) 467-4201.

D16 Good access on public lands; higher elevations rugged (858) 467-4201.



# SHARE PROGRAM HUNTING OPPORTUNITIES

SHARE elk hunts will be offered in Colusa, Del Norte, Humboldt, Mendocino, Shasta, and Siskiyou counties, for a total of:

- 47 bull tags
- 41 antlerless tags
- 1 junior only either-sex tags
- 4 junior only antlerless tags

Property and application information will be posted on the SHARE webpage on **May 14, 2022**. Preference points will not be utilized (gained or lost) for SHARE elk hunts.

### **OTHER SHARE HUNTS**

- Colusa and Solano Counties wild pig
- Santa Barbara County deer (D-13 and A zone), bear, wild pig, turkey, dove and quail
- Siskiyou County B6 deer hunt
- Merced County waterfowl, dove, pheasant
- Tulare County bear, turkey, dove, quail

For more information about these hunts or the SHARE Program please visit the website at: <u>www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunting/SHARE</u>



R. Corsetti, Del Norte SHARE Hunt

Jake L., Rush Ranch SHARE Hunt

Nick V., Merced SHARE Hunt

# **ELK, PRONGHORN & BIGHORN SHEEP**

### ELK, PRONGHORN & BIGHORN SHEEP HUNTING INFORMATION

For the 2022 Big Game Drawing, 20 is the maximum number of preference points for any species a hunter can have. To look up your preference points totals log on to your customer profile at <u>www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/</u> <u>InternetSales</u> and click on 'View My Draw Application/ Preference Points' at the top of the page.

By law, you may only submit one application for each species. Any person submitting multiple applications for the same species will be rejected from the drawing and may be prosecuted. All applicants must submit the \$8.13 nonrefundable processing fee for their application.

# ELK AND PRONGHORN TAG APPLICATION RESTRICTIONS

Applicants must be 12 years of age or older on or before July 1, 2022, and possess a valid 2022-23 California hunting license. Only one nonresident may be drawn for an elk or pronghorn tag annually.

## **APPRENTICE ELK & PRONGHORN HUNTS**

Applicants must possess a valid 2022-23 California Junior Hunting License. If drawn, junior hunters must be accompanied when hunting, by a licensed adult chaperone at least 18 years of age.

### BIGHORN SHEEP TAG APPLICATION RESTRICTIONS

Applicants must be at least 16 years of age or older on or before July 1, 2022, and possess a valid 2022-23 California hunting license and must not have drawn a California bighorn sheep tag in any prior year.

Not more than 10 percent of the bighorn sheep tags shall be awarded to non-residents each year.

Applicants cannot apply as a party for a bighorn sheep tag.

### MANDATORY BIGHORN SHEEP HUNT ORIENTATION

Successfully drawn applicants and recipients of fundraising tags must complete the hunter orientation requirement.

## **APPLYING AS A PARTY**

Up to two residents may apply as a party. Nonresidents cannot apply as a party for elk or pronghorn tags. See page 13 for instructions on applying as a party.

If your party is drawn for the last available tag, the party leader will be awarded the tag and the party member will become the first alternate for that hunt. Parties drawn as alternates will be awarded unclaimed tags on an individual basis, in the order drawn.

Bighorn sheep applicants may not apply as a party.

# CHECK YOUR BIG GAME DRAWING RECEIPT CAREFULLY!

All applicants will receive a Drawing Receipt containing the applicants name, hunt choice, accumulated preference points and a Party Number. Applicants should verify the information on their Drawing Receipt before leaving the sales counter. If any of the information is incorrect, the sales clerk must cancel the Drawing Receipt document and 're-sell' the application with the correct information. License agents have only four hours to cancel a sale. If the transaction has exceeded the four-hour limit when the discrepancy is found, the applicant must contact CDFW's License and Revenue Branch prior to the June 2 deadline at LRB@wildlife.ca.gov to make any corrections.

## DRAWING RESULTS

Applicants may look up their drawing results on or around June 17, 2022 by entering their customer information on CDFW's website at <u>www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/</u> <u>InternetSales</u> and click on 'View My Draw Application/ Preference Points' at the top of the page. On the same day, drawing results will be available by phone during regular business hours from CDFW license sales offices.

Successful elk, pronghorn, and bighorn sheep applicants and alternates should receive notices in the mail by July 2, 2022. Unsuccessful applicants will not be notified by mail.

## TAG FEES & PAYMENT DEADLINE

Fee payments from successful applicants for elk and pronghorn tags must be received by the designated CDFW license sales office or purchased online by 5:00 p.m. on July 15, 2022. Fee payments for bighorn sheep tags must be received by CDFW's License and Revenue Branch in Sacramento by 5:00 p.m. on July 15, 2022. Should there be unclaimed tags for any hunt after that date, the alternate list for that hunt shall be used. Tags will be awarded on an individual basis in the order drawn.

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**Elk Tag Fee:** Resident - \$512.05 Nonresident - \$1,568.05 Resident Junior - \$23.50 **Pronghorn Tag Fee:** Resident - \$172.29 Nonresident - \$527.50 Resident Junior - \$23.50

**Bighorn Sheep Tag Fee:** Resident - \$468.75 Nonresident - \$1,736.75

## DEFINITIONS

**Antierless Elk:** Any elk, with the exception of spotted calves, with antiers less than four inches in length as measured from the top of the skull. CCR T14-364(I)(3).

**Bull Elk:** Any elk having an antler or antlers at least four inches in length as measured from the top of the skull. CCR T14-364(I)(1).

Either-Sex Elk: Bull elk, spike elk, or antlerless elk. CCR T14-364(I)(4).

**Spike Bull Elk:** A bull elk having no more than one point on each antler. An antler point is a projection of the antler at least one inch long and longer than the width of its base. CCR T14-364(I)(2).

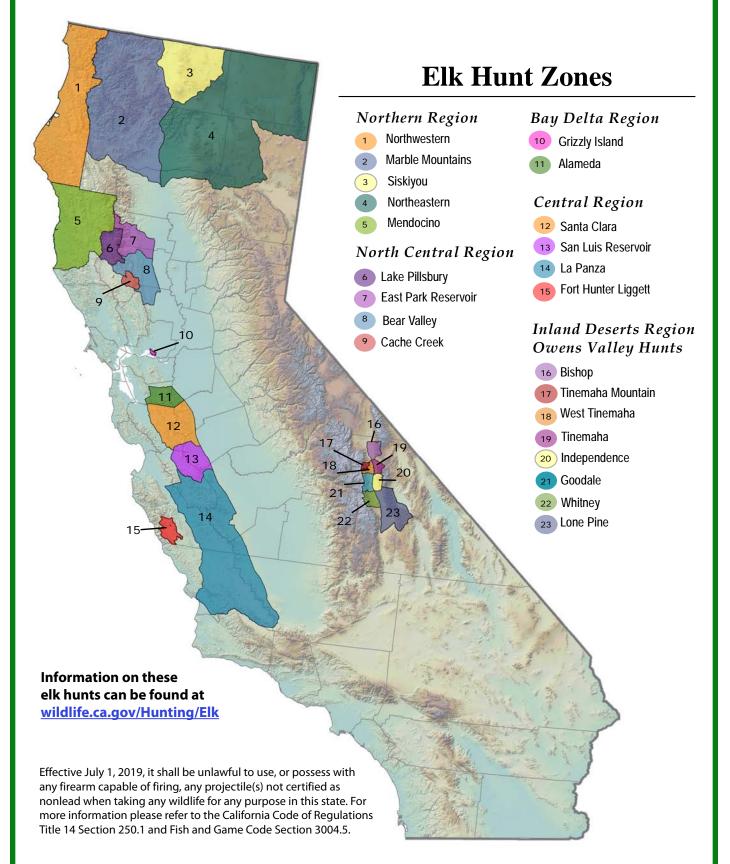
Buck Pronghorn: Pronghorn with horns longer than the ears. CCR T14-363(I)(2).

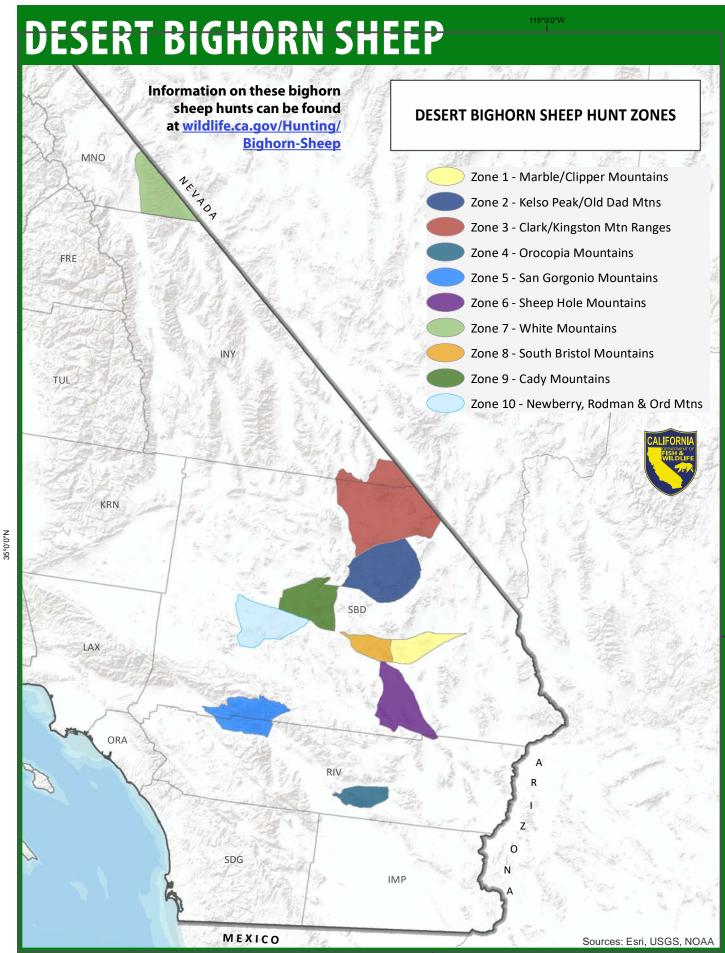
**Doe Pronghorn:** Pronghorn with horns shorter than the ears. CCR T14-363(I)(2).

Either-Sex Pronghorn: Buck or doe pronghorn. CCR T14-363(I)(2).

#### PRONGHORN Effective July 1, 2019, it shall be unlawful to use, or possess with any firearm capable of firing, any projectile(s) not certified as nonlead when taking any wildlife for any purpose in this state. For 2 Siskiyou more information please refer to the California Code of Regulations 3 Title 14 Section 250.1 and Fish and 6 Game Code Section 3004.5. Information on these pronghorn hunts can be 5 found at wildlife.ca.gov/ **Hunting/Pronghorn** Shasta 4 **Pronghorn Hunt Zones** Mount Dome 1 4 Lassen 2 Clear Lake **Big Valley** Likely Tables 6 Surprise Valley Closed To Pronghorn Hunting Plumas Lassen Apprentice, Surprise Valley Apprentice, Big Valley Apprentice Hunt and Likely **Tables Apprentice**

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# **2021 ELK TAG DRAWING STATISTICS**

Hunt Code	Hunt Tag Description	Total Tag Quota	Preference Point Tag Quota	Random	Total Applicants	Max Pref Point Applicants*
499	Preference Point Only - Elk	0	0	0	10,732	448
APP	RENTICE HUNTS					
484	Cache Creek Apprentice - General Methods - Bull	1	0	1	239	0
471	Fort Hunter Liggett Apprentice - General Methods - Antlerless	1	0	1	83	0
472	Fort Hunter Liggett Apprentice - General Methods - Bull	1	0	1	300	0
466	Grizzly Island Apprentice - Period 1 - Antlerless	2	1	1	196	0
469	Grizzly Island Apprentice - Period 2 - Spike Bull	2	1	1	151	0
464	La Panza Period 1 Apprentice - General Methods - Antlerless	1	0	1	46	0
408	Marble Mountain Apprentice - General Methods - Either Sex	4	3	1	245	0
409	Northeastern California Apprentice - General Methods - Either Sex	2	1	1	346	0
ANT	LERLESS HUNTS					
329	Bear Valley - General Method - Antlerless	1	0	1	74	0
416	Cache Creek Period 2 - General Methods - Antlerless	2	1	1	182	0
463	East Park Reservoir - General Methods - Antlerless	2	1	1	133	2
450	Fort Hunter Liggett - Archery - Antlerless	8	6	2	152	0
448	Fort Hunter Liggett Period 2 - General Methods - Antlerless	6	5	1	349	3
365	Goodale Period 2 - General Methods - Antlerless	1	0	1	80	0
366	Goodale Period 3 - General Methods - Antlerless	1	0	1	96	0
433	Grizzly Island Period 1 - General Methods - Antlerless	2	1	1	560	5
358	Grizzly Island Period 9 - General Methods - Antlerless	4	3	1	362	2
360	Grizzly Island Period 11 - General Methods - Antlerless	4	3	1	328	1
363	Grizzly Island Period 13 - General Methods - Antlerless	4	3	1	292	1
368	Independence Period 2 - General Methods - Antlerless	1	0	1	184	0
370	Independence Period 3 - General Methods - Antlerless	1	0	1	127	1
417	La Panza Period 1 - General Methods - Antlerless	5	4	1	202	0
418	La Panza Period 2 - General Methods - Antlerless	6	5	1	240	0
331	Lake Pillsbury - General Methods - Antlerless	4	3	1	281	2
337	Lone Pine Period 1 - Archery - Antlerless	1	0	1	85	0
301	Marble Mountain - General Methods - Antlerless	8	6	2	249	0
304	Northeastern California - General Methods - Antlerless	10	8	2	424	5
374	Northwestern California - General Methods - Antlerless	15	12	3	214	0
401	Siskiyou - General Methods - Antlerless	20	15	5	395	0
324	Whitney Period 3 - General Methods - Antlerless	1	0	1	66	0

# 2021 ELK TAG DRAWING STATISTICS, CONTINUED

Hunt Code	Hunt Tag Description	Total Tag Quota	Preference Point Tag Quota	Random	Total Applicants	Max Pref Point Applicants*
BUL	L HUNTS					
330	Bear Valley - General Methods - Bull	2	1	1	376	9
406	Cache Creek Period 1 - General Methods - Bull	2	1	1	1,001	32
461	East Park Reservoir - General Methods - Bull	2	1	1	951	112
447	Fort Hunter Liggett Period 3 - General Methods - Bull	8	6	2	1,867	135
373	Goodale Period 1 - Bull	1	0	1	376	13
359	Grizzly Island Period 10 - General Methods - Bull	3	2	1	3,004	371
362	Grizzly Island Period 12 - General Methods - Bull	3	2	1	1,147	124
367	Independence Period 1 - Muzzleloader - Bull	1	0	1	301	19
369	Independence Period 2 - General Methods - Bull	1	0	1	518	29
371	Independence Period 3 - General Methods - Bull	1	0	1	327	18
419	La Panza Period 1 - General Methods - Bull	6	5	1	865	71
420	La Panza Period 2 - General Methods - Bull	6	5	1	684	35
332	Lake Pillsbury - General Methods - Bull	2	1	1	1,014	69
486	Lone Pine Period 2 - General Methods - Bull	1	0	1	902	49
302	Marble Mountain - General Methods - Bull	34	26	8	2,560	26
328	Mendocino - General Methods - Bull	2	1	1	418	10
305	Northeastern California - General Methods - Bull	15	12	3	4,145	399
355	Northwestern California - General Methods - Bull	3	2	1	1,000	21
300	Siskiyou - General Methods - Bull	20	15	5	1,116	15
315	West Tinemaha Period 1 - General Methods - Bull	1	0	1	281	15
323	Whitney Period 2 - General Methods - Bull	1	0	1	297	8
EITH	IER-SEX HUNTS					
449	Fort Hunter Liggett - Archery - Either Sex	6	5	1	722	29
303	Marble Mountain - Muzzleloader/Archery - Either Sex	10	8	2	412	2
411	Northeastern California - Archery - Either Sex	10	8	2	681	13
483	Northwestern California - General Methods - Either Sex	3	2	1	615	18
422	Owens Valley Multiple Zone - Archery - Bull	3	2	1	968	106
497	San Luis Reservoir - General Methods - Either Sex	5	4	1	1,113	33
SPI	KE BULL HUNTS					
437	Grizzly Island Period 2 - General Methods - Spike Bull	2	1	1	236	2
357	Grizzly Island Period 8 - General Methods - Spike Bull	6	5	1	284	4

\*In the 2021 Big Game Drawing, the maximum preference points a hunter could have was 19. The maxium preference points a hunter could have and be eligible for an Apprentice Hunt was three (3).

# 2022 ELK HUNTS

#### PREFERENCE POINT ONLY

Hunt Name	Hunt Code	2021 Hunter Success (%)	2022 Tag Quota	2022 Hunt Dates	
Preference Point Only - Elk	499	Enter this hunt code to earn a point only, applications must be submitted before midnight on June 2, 2022.			

## **APPRENTICE HUNTS** - Applicants must be under 18 years of age and possess a Junior Hunting License. Licensed adult chaperone required (CCRT14-708.11(b)(2)).

Hunt Name	Hunt Code	2021 Hunter Success (%)	2022 Tag Quota	2022 Hunt Dates	
Cache Creek Period 1 bull (Apprentice, Tule)	484	100	1	Oct 8–23	
Fort Hunter Liggett bull (Apprentice, Tule)	472	100	1	Dec 20–Jan 1	
Fort Hunter Liggett antlerless (Apprentice, Tule)	471	0	1	Dec 20–Jan 1	
Grizzly Island Period 1 antlerless (Apprentice, Tule)	466	100	2	Aug 16–19	
Grizzly Island Period 2 spike bull (Apprentice, Tule)	469	100	2	Aug 18–21	
La Panza antlerless (Apprentice, Tule)	464	0	1	Oct 8–30	
Marble Mountains either-sex (Apprentice, Roosevelt)	408	50	4	Sept 7–18	
Northeastern California either-sex (Apprentice, Rocky Mountain)	409	100	2	Sept 14–25	
<ul> <li>408 See Roosevelt hunt 301 and 302 for comments.</li> <li>464 See Tule hunt 417 and 419 for comments.</li> <li>409 See Rocky Mountain hunt 304 and 305 for comments.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>466 and 469 See Tule hunts 433 and 437 for comments.</li> <li>484 See Tule hunt 406 for comments.</li> <li>472 and 471 See Tule hunt 449 for comments.</li> </ul>				

ARCHERY				
Hunt Name	Hunt Code	2021 Hunter Success (%)	2022 Tag Quota	2022 Hunt Dates
Fort Hunter Liggett Archery only antlerless (Tule)	450	0	8	Nov 5–13
Fort Hunter Liggett Archery only either-sex (Tule)	449	67	6	July 30–Aug 7
Lone Pine Period 1 Archery antlerless (Tule)	337	100	1	Sept 10–25
Northeastern CA Archery either-sex (Rocky Mountain)	411	33	10	Aug 31–Sept 11
Owens Valley Multiple Zone Archery bull (Tule)	422	67	3	Aug 13–21

**411** See Rocky Mountain hunt **304** and **305** for comments. Archery season typically not during the rut. (530) 598-6011. **337** See Tule hunt **486** for comments.

**422** See Tule hunts Good access to public land. (760) 872-1171. Tag is valid in Bishop, Independence, Goodale, and Lone Pine. **449** and **450** Tag holders must purchase hunting pass from the installation. All hunters must pass a National Crime and Information Center (NCIC) Interstate Identification Index background check prior to being allowed to purchase an installation hunting pass. Season dates and hunt areas subject to modification by Base Commander. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to each hunt (831) 386-2954.

# 2022 ELK HUNTS, CONTINUED

#### **MUZZLELOADER** or **ARCHERY**

Hunt Name	Hunt Code	2021 Hunter Success (%)	2022 Tag Quota	2022 Hunt Dates
Marble Mountains Muzzleloader/Archery either-sex (Roosevelt)	303	50	10	Oct 29–Nov 6
303 See Roosevelt hunt 301 and 302 for comments				

#### MUZZLELOADER

Hunt Name	Hunt Code	2021 Hunter Success (%)	2022 Tag Quota	2022 Hunt Dates
Independence Period 1 Muzzleloader bull (Tule)	367	0	1	Sept 10–25
<b>367</b> See Tule hunt <b>368</b> and <b>369</b> for comments			· · · · ·	

#### ROOSEVELT 2021 Hunter Hunt 2022 Tag 2022 Hunt Dates Hunt Name Code Success (%) Quota Marble Mountain antlerless 301 0 8 Sept 7-18 Marble Mountain bull 302 56 34 Sept 7-18 Northwestern California antlerless 374 87 15 Sept 7-29 Northwestern California bull 355 67 3 Sept 7-29 Northwestern California either-sex 483 100 3 Sept 7-29 Siskiyou antlerless 401 60 20 Sept 7-18 300 75 20 Siskiyou bull Sept 7-18

**401** and **300** Very limited opportunity on public land. Private land access is restricted and may require substantial access fees. Hunters seeking private land opportunities recommended to make access arrangements before applying. Deer and elk season partially overlap. Elk may be Roosevelt and Rocky Mountain hybrids. (530) 598-6011.

**301** and **302** Opportunity on public land; limited opportunity on private land with restricted access. Substantial access fees likely on private land. Hunters seeking private land opportunities are recommended to make access arrangements before applying. Difficult terrain requiring hiking and elevation gain. Deer and elk season partially overlap. (530) 598-6011 and (530) 515-1382. High daytime temperatures to be expected, pack animals recommended. Difficult hunt. Elk may be Roosevelt and Rocky Mountain hybrids.

374, 355, and 483 Very limited opportunity on public land. Private land access is restricted and may require substantial access fees. Deer and elk seasons partially overlap. (707) 498-1908 and (707) 502-4078.

ROOSEVELT/TULE				
Hunt Name	Hunt Code	2021 Hunter Success (%)	2022 Tag Quota	2022 Hunt Dates
Mendocino bull	328	100	2	Sept 21–Oct 2

**328** Elk entirely on private property. Private land access is restricted and may require substantial access fees. CDFW does NOT have list of landowners who provide access. Hunters seeking opportunities on private land are recommended to make access arrangements before applying. (707) 445-5363.

# 2022 ELK HUNTS, CONTINUED

#### **ROCKY MOUNTAIN**

Hunt Name	Hunt Code	2021 Hunter Success (%)	2022 Tag Quota	2022 Hunt Dates
Northeastern CA antlerless	304	33	10	Nov 9–20
Northeastern CA bull	305	73	15	Sept 14–25

**304** and **305** Opportunity for elk on public land and some private land. Private land access is restricted and may require substantial access fees. Deer and elk seasons partially overlap. Horse management activities may overlap with elk season; contact USFS for more information on horse management activites at (530) 233-5811. For local hunt information call (530) 598-6011.

TULE					
Hunt Name	Hunt Code	2021 Hunter Success (%)	2022 Tag Quota	2022 Hunt Dates	
Bear Valley antlerless	329	100	1	Oct 8–16	
Bear Valley bull	330	50	2	Oct 8–16	
Cache Creek Period 1 bull	406	0	2	Oct 8–23	
Cache Creek Period 2 antlerless	416	50	2	Oct 15–30	
East Park Reservoir antlerless	463	100	2	Sept 3–29	
East Park Reservoir bull	461	100	2	Sept 3–29	
Fort Hunter Liggett Period 2 antlerless	448	67	6	Nov 23–Dec 1	
Fort Hunter Liggett Period 3 bull	447	67	8	Dec 20–Jan 1	
Goodale period 1 bull	373	100	1	Sept 10–25	
Goodale Period 2 antlerless	365	100	1	Oct 1–9	
Goodale Period 3 antlerless	366	0	1	Oct 15–23	
Grizzly Island Period 1 antlerless	433	100	2	Aug 16–19	
Grizzly Island Period 2 spike bull	437	100	2	Aug 18–21	
Grizzly Island Period 8 spike bull	357	100	6	Sept 8–11	
Grizzly Island Period 9 antlerless	358	100	4	Sept 13–16	
Grizzly Island Period 10 bull	359	100	3	Sept 15–18	
Grizzly Island Period 11 antlerless	360	100	4	Sept 20–23	
Grizzly Island Period 12 bull	362	100	3	Sept 22–25	
Grizzly Island Period 13 antlerless	363	100	4	Sept 27–30	
Independence Period 2 antlerless	368	0	1	Oct 1–9	
Independence Period 2 bull	369	100	1	Oct 1–9	
Independence Period 3 antlerless	370	0	1	Oct 15-23	
Independence Period 3 bull	371	100	1	Oct 15–23	
La Panza Period 1 antlerless	417	0	5	Oct 8–30	

# 2022 ELK HUNTS, CONTINUED

TULE, continued				
La Panza Period 1 bull	419	100	6	Oct 8–30
La Panza Period 2 antlerless	418	80	6	Nov 12–Dec 4
La Panza Period 2 bull	420	80	6	Nov 12–Dec 4
Lake Pillsbury Period 1 antlerless	331	67	4	Sept 7–16
Lake Pillsbury Period 2 bull	332	100	2	Sept 26–Oct 5
Lone Pine Period 2 bull	486	100	1	Oct 1–9
San Luis Reservoir either-sex	497	100	5	Oct 1–23
West Tinemaha Period 1 bull	315	100	1	Sept 10–25
Whitney Period 2 bull	323	100	1	Oct 1–9
Whitney Period 3 antlerless	324	100	1	Oct 15–23

**406** and **416** Elk on public and private land. Private land access is restricted and may require substantial access fees. (916) 240-6350.

**461** and **463** Colusa County Ordinance prohibits firearms (including archery equipment) on East Park Reservoir (Bureau of Reclamation, BOR) property. A variance allows the use of muzzleloaders (as defined in CCR T14-353). East Park Reservoir (BOR) property will be open to bull hunting Sept 13-16; and antlerless hunting Sept 20-23 and Sept 27-30. Other restrictions apply. Mandatory orientation prior to hunt day. (916) 240-6350.

**417**, **418**, **419**, and **420** Elk on public and private land. Private land access is restricted and may require substantial access fees. Access restrictions on CDFW properties. Low probability of hunter success. Off road travel is prohibited on Carrizo Plain National Monument. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day. Public land access limitations apply to CDFW wildlife areas. (805) 594-6152 and (559) 243-4005.

315, 323, 324, 365, 366, 368, 369, 370, 371, 373, and 486 Good access to public land. (760) 872-1171.

**497** Very limited opportunity on public land. Private land access is restricted and may require substantial access fees. State Park property not open to hunting. Public land method restricted to archery. Hunters seeking private land opportunities recommended to make previous arrangements before applying. Low probability of hunter succes (209) 668-3170.

**360**, **363**, **353**, **433**, **437**, **357**, **358**, **359**, **360**, **362**, and **363** Hunt CDFW land only. Hunters strongly encouraged to bring one non-hunting companion for assistance. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day. (707) 425-3828.

**329** and **330** Elk almost entirely on private property. Private land access is restricted and may require substantial access fees. CDFW does NOT have list of landowners who would allow access. Hunters seeking private land opportunities recommended to make previous arrangements before applying. (916) 240-6350.

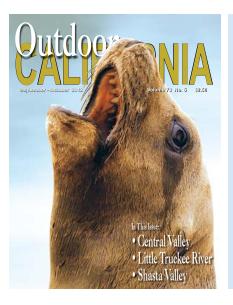
**447** and **448** Tag holders must purchase hunting pass from the installation. All hunters must pass a National Crime and Information Center (NCIC) Interstate Identification Index background check prior to being allowed to purchase an installation hunting pass. Season dates and hunt areas subject to modification by Base Commander. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to each hunt (831) 386-2954.

331 and 332 Good access to public land. (916) 240-6350.

# **2021 PRONGHORN TAG DRAWING STATISTICS**

799 P		Quota	Quota	Tag Quota	Applicants	Point Applicants*
	Preference Point Only - Antelope	0	0	0	10,136	310
APPF	RENTICE HUNTS					
734 Z	Zone3 - Likely Tables Apprentice - General Methods - Either Sex	5	4	1	346	0
790 Z	Zone 4 - Lassen Apprentice - General Methods - Either-Sex	5	4	1	516	0
780 Z	Zone 5 - Big Valley Apprentice - General Methods - Either Sex	1	0	1	120	0
766 Z	Zone 6 - Surprise Valley Apprentice - General Methods - Either Sex	4	3	1	193	0
BUCI	K HUNTS					
710 Z	Zone 1 - Mount Dome - General Methods - Buck	2	1	1	416	3
720 Z	Zone 2 - Clear Lake - General Methods - Buck	15	12	3	1,459	12
728 Z	Zone 2 - Clear Lake - Archery - Buck	1	0	1	128	0
730 Z	Zone 3 - Likely Tables Period 1 - General Methods - Buck	25	19	6	3,282	36
732 Z	Zone 3 - Likely Tables Period 2 - General Methods - Buck	25	19	6	2,107	3
738 Z	Zone 3 - Likely Tables - Archery - Buck	15	12	3	375	0
740 Z	Zone 4 - Lassen Period 1 - General Methods - Buck	35	27	8	5,145	144
742 Z	Zone 4 - Lassen Period 2 - General Methods - Buck	35	27	8	3,171	46
745 Z	Zone 4 - Lassen - Archery - Buck	5	4	1	503	4
750 Z	Zone 5 - Big Valley - General Methods - Buck	20	15	5	1,163	4
755 Z	Zone 5 - Big Valley - Archery - Buck	1	0	1	118	0
760 Z	Zone 6 - Surprise Valley - General Methods - Buck	10	8	2	1,311	36
765 Z	Zone 6 - Surprise Valley - Archery - Buck	1	0	1	93	0

\*In the 2021 Big Game Drawing, the maximum preference points a hunter could have was 19. The maxium preference points a hunter could have and be eligible for an Apprentice Hunt was three (3).



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# **2022 PRONGHORN HUNTS**

ERENCE IT ONLY	Hunt Name	Hunt Code	2021 Hunter 2022 Tag Success (%) Quota		2022 Hunt Dates
PREFER POINT (	Preference Point Only - Pronghorn	799	Enter this hunt code to earn a point only. Applications must be submitted before midnig on June 2, 2022.		nitted before midnight

Applicants must be under 18 years of age and possess a Junior Hunting License. Licensed adult chaperone required (CCR T14-708.10(B)(2)).					
TICE	Zone 3 Likely Tables Period 1 Either-Sex	734	60	5	Aug 20-28
	Zone 4 Lassen Period 1 Either-Sex	790	80	5	Aug 20-28
APPRENTI	Zone 5 Big Valley Either-Sex	780	100	1	Aug 20-28
4	Zone 6 Surprise Valley Either-Sex	766	100	4	Aug 20-28
<b>766</b> Se	ee General Methods Hunt <b>730</b> for comments ee General Methods Hunt <b>760</b> for comments ee General Methods Hunt <b>740</b> for comments	<b>780</b> See General Methods Hunt <b>750</b> for comments. To hunt Ash Creek Wildlife Area call (530) 294-5824. To hunt the wildlife area a mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day is required.			

	Zone 2 Clear Lake Archery Buck	728	100	1	Aug 6-14
RY	Zone 3 Likely Tables Archery Buck	738	25	15	Aug 6-14
ARCHERY	Zone 4 Lassen Archery Buck	745	60	5	Aug 6-14
AR	Zone 5 Big Valley Archery Buck	755	0	1	Aug 6-14
	Zone 6 Surprise Valley Archery Buck	765	0	1	Aug 6-14
<b>738</b> S	ee General Methods Hunt <b>720</b> for comments ee General Methods Hunts <b>730</b> and <b>732</b> for comments ee General Methods Hunt <b>740</b> and <b>742</b> for comments	<b>755</b> See General Methods Hunt <b>750</b> for comments <b>765</b> See General Methods Hunt <b>760</b> for comments			

	Zone 1 Mount Dome General Buck	710	50	2	Aug 20-28
lods	Zone 2 Clear Lake General Buck	720	45	15	Aug 20-28
	Zone 3 Likely Tables Period 1 General Buck	730	58	25	Aug 20-28
METI NTS	Zone 3 Likely Tables Period 2 General Buck	732	67	25	Sept 3-11
RAL	Zone 4 Lassen Period 1 General Buck	740	74	35	Aug 20-28
NER	Zone 4 Lassen Period 2 General Buck	742	87	35	Sept 3-11
GENE	Zone 5 Big Valley General Buck	750	63	20	Aug 20-28
	Zone 6 Surprise Valley General Buck	760	75	10	Aug 20-28

**710** Pronghorn on public (Klamath NF (530) 863-3092; Shasta Trinity NF (530) 226-2500; & BLM (530) 224-2100) and private land. Private-lands access may be restricted or substantial fee required. CDFW contact (530) 340-5977.

**720** Pronghorn on public (Modoc NF (530) 233-5811; BLM (530) 233-4666) and private land. Private-lands access may be restricted or substantial fee required. Tag holders may submit an application for hunting access to Peninsula "U" portion of Clear Lake NWR. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581.

**730** and **732** Pronghorn on public (Modoc NF (530 233-5811; BLM (530) 233-4666) and private land. Private-lands access may be restricted or substantial fee required. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581. Horse management activities may overlap with pronghorn season. Contact USFS for more info. (530) 233-3581.

**740** and **742** Pronghorn on public (Lassen NF (530) 257-2151; BLM (530) 257-0456) and private land. Private-lands access may be restricted or substantial fee required. CDFW contact (530) 254-6808.

**750** Pronghorn on Public (Modoc NF (530) 233-5811; Lassen NF (530) 257-2151; BLM (530) 233-4666) and private land. Private-lands access may be restricted or substantial fee required. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581.

**760** Pronghorn on public (Modoc NF (530) 233-5811; BLM (530) 224-2100) and private land. Private-lands access may be restricted or substantial fee required. CDFW contact (530) 233-3581.

# 2021 BIGHORN SHEEP TAG DRAWING STATISTICS

Hunt Code	Hunt Tag Description	Total Tag Quota	Preference Point Tag Quota	Random Tag Quota	Total Applicants	Max Pref Point Applicants
599	Preference Point Only - Bighorn Sheep	0	0	0	6,762	239
501	Zone 1 - Marble/Clipper Mountains - General Method - Ram	5	4	1	2,518	298
502	Zone 2 - Old Dad And Kelso Peak Mountains - General Method - Ram	1	0	1	1,396	85
503	Zone 3 - Clark And Kingston Mountain Ranges - General Method - Ram	4	3	1	1,591	228
504	Zone 4 - Orocopia Mountains - General Method - Ram	1	0	1	1,255	52
507	Zone 7 - White Mountains - General Method - Ram	6	5	1	2,686	153
508	Zone 8 - South Bristol Mountains - General Method - Ram	2	1	1	515	33
509	Zone 9 - Cady Mountains - General Method - Ram	2	1	1	998	82
510	Zone 10 - Newberry, Rodman And Ord Mountains	6	5	1	2,034	429

# **2022 BIGHORN SHEEP HUNTS**

Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2021 Hunter Success (%)	2022 Tag Quota	2022 Hunt Dates	
599	Preference Point Only - Sheep	Enter this hunt code to earn a point only, applications must be submitted before midnight on June 2, 2022.			
501	Zone 1 - Marble/Clipper Mountains	100	5	Dec. 3 – Feb. 5	
502	Zone 2 - Old Dad/Kelso Peak Mountains	100	1	Dec. 3 – Feb. 5	
503	Zone 3 - Clark and Kingston Mountain Ranges	75	4	Dec. 3 – Feb. 5	
504	Zone 4 - Orocopia Mountains	100	1	Dec. 3 – Feb. 5	
505	Zone 5 - San Gorgonio Mountains	-	0	-	
506	Zone 6 - Sheep Hole Mountains	-	0	-	
507	Zone 7 - White Mountains	83	6	Aug. 20 – Sep. 25	
508	Zone 8 - South Bristol Mountains	100	2	Dec. 3 – Feb. 5	
509	Zone 9 - Cady Mountains	100	2	Dec. 3 – Feb. 5	
510	Zone 10 - Newberry, Rodman and Ord Mountains	100	6	Dec. 3 – Feb. 5	

501, 502, 503, 504 Vehicle access is limited to designated routes.

505 Access extremely difficult. Travel by horseback recommended. Access fees may be required on private land.

506 Extremely rugged terrain. Vehicle access very limited.

**507** Extremely rugged terrain at very high elevations. Altitude sickness has affected previous hunters. Physical condition should be above average. Vehicle access limited to none (760) 872-6585.

508, 509 and 510 Vehicle access limited to designated routes.

# WILD PIG HUNTING

## WILD PIG TAGS

Resident and nonresident hunters, 12 years of age and older, with a valid annual California hunting license may purchase wild pig hunting tags. There is no limit on the number of wild pig tags one person may purchase; however, tag fees are nonrefundable, and tags cannot be transferred from one person to another. For tagging requirements, see page 21.

## WILD PIG HUNTING SEASON

Wild pig tags are valid throughout the hunting year, commencing on July 1 and ending on June 30 the following year. There is no daily bag or possession limit for wild pig. For more information on pig hunting and regulations, please go to CDFW's website at <u>www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunting/Wild-Pig</u>.

## **LEGAL METHODS OF TAKE**

Generally, wild pigs may only be taken using archery equipment, rifles, .40 caliber or greater muzzleloaders, shotguns and pistols, or revolvers. Knives and spears are not legal methods of take for wild pigs in California. Please see the California Hunting Regulations for Mammals and Furbearers (CCR T14-353) for detailed information.

## WILD PIG HUNTING OPPORTUNITIES

### Cañada de los Osos Ecological Reserve

CDFW provides limited-permit apprentice pig hunting opportunities at Cañada de los Osos Ecological Reserve near Gilroy. The hunts are conducted in coordination with volunteers from the Friends of Cañada de los Osos Ecological Reserve who operate the program.

Hunts are scheduled in the spring and fall, and applicants may only apply online by visiting <u>www.wildlife.ca.gov/Regions/3/</u> <u>Hunts/CDLO</u>. Due to the high demand, hunters who are unable to attend the hunt for which they are drawn must notify our office within 5 days of being notified that they were successfully drawn. Please only apply for hunt dates you can attend.

Successful applicants will be assigned a volunteer from the CDA who will act as their guide for the duration of the hunt. Cañada de los Osos falls within the Ridley-Tree Condor Preservation Area and non-lead ammunition is required for all big game hunts.

### SHARE Program for Private Lands Hunting

CDFW provides limited entry permitted hunting opportunities on private and public lands through the SHARE Program. See page 38 for more information and pig hunting opportunities offered through this program.

## **MORE INFORMATION**

Additional information about these hunts and others may be obtained by visiting CDFW's special pig hunts webpage: www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunting/Wild-Pig#194443-hunts. The CDFW continues to work with resource conservation partners to provide these special pig hunts. Additional special opportunities will be announced on this webpage as they become available.

## TOP 15 COUNTIES FOR WILD PIG HUNTING

COUNTY	3-year average reported take
Monterey	974
San Luis Obispo	509
Kern	332
Mendocino	201
Tehama	197
Sonoma	192
Colusa	165
San Benito	138
Glenn	129
Santa Clara	115
Lake	110
Fresno	107
Merced	80
Shasta	55
Alameda	51



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# **BEAR HUNTING**

## **BEAR TAGS**

To hunt bear in California, all residents and nonresidents must be age 12 or older and have both a valid hunting license and a bear tag. Bear tags can be purchased from any CDFW license sales office (See page 3 for information on office closures due to COVID-19), license agent, online, or by telephone sales. Hunters may purchase only one bear tag per hunting license year.

## **BAG AND POSSESSION LIMITS**

No person may possess more than one bear per hunting license year.

## **BEAR HUNTING SEASONS**

Archery bear season in all bear zones opens August 20, 2022, and runs through September 11, 2022.

The general season for black bears opens with the general deer hunting seasons in deer zones A, B, C, D, X8, X9A, X9B, X10 and X12 and extends through December 25, 2022. In the remaining deer X zones, the season opens October 8, 2022, and extends through December 25, 2022. CDFW shall close the season earlier if 1,700 bears have been reported taken. For daily updates on reported bear harvest, visit our website: www.wildlife.ca.gov/ Hunting/Bear or call toll-free (888) 277-6398.

## SUMMARY OF BEAR REGULATIONS

It is unlawful to take a cub or a sow accompanied by one or more cubs.

It is unlawful to feed or bait bears for the purpose of hunting them. It is unlawful to hunt bear over bait, or within a 400-yard radius of a garbage dump or bait.

Only CDFW employees may validate bear tags. Bear tags must be validated before the bear can be transported except for the purpose of taking it directly to the nearest person authorized to validate the tag. If Department offices are closed, the bear tag shall be validated within one (1) business day of transporting the bear from the point where taken.

Every licensed bear hunter who takes a bear must immediately return the validated report card portion of the bear tag. The tag may be presented to a CDFW office/officer, returned via mail, or reported online at www.wildlife.ca.gov/tagreporting.

Any bear hunter who utilizes the services of a guide must verify that the guide has a valid guide's license and must write the guide's license number on the bear tag in the space provided. Every licensed bear hunter who is unsuccessful in taking bear must return the report card portion of the bear tag by February 1 *of the current license year.* The tag may be presented to a CDFW office/officer, returned via mail, or reported online at <u>www.wildlife.ca.gov/tagreporting</u>.

It is illegal to sell parts of any bear in California, including portions of legally-taken bears imported from other states. However, you have the right to retain any and all parts of the bear you take, except the skull, which becomes the property of CDFW.

## MANDATORY PRESENTATION OF BEAR SKULL

Any person who takes a bear shall present the skull (even if damaged) to a CDFW office/officer within 10 days of taking the bear. The skull shall become the property of CDFW. The portion of the skull not needed for scientific purposes will be returned (CCR T14-367.5). Please see appointment section and office phone numbers on the next page.

**IMPORTANT!** Place a stick or other object in the bear's jaws so that the mouth remains open. Do not present frozen skulls to have the premolar tooth removed. Premolars break easily when the skull is frozen.

Whether or not you are successful, all bear tags must be returned to the CDFW no later than February 1, 2023. If you fail to return your 2022 bear tag, even if you did not kill a bear, you will be in violation of (CCR T14-708.12(d)).

Please call ahead before bringing your bear skull to a CDFW office.

### BEAR TAG VALIDATION AND TOOTH EXTRACTION

If you kill a bear, you must have the tag countersigned (validated) by a CDFW employee. Bear tags must be validated prior to transporting the bear, except for the purpose of taking the bear to the nearest person authorized to validate the tag en route to your home from the point where the bear was taken. All CDFW offices will validate bear tags. The report card portion must be returned immediately after tag validation.

CDFW is requiring a premolar tooth be extracted from EVERY bear taken during the hunting season. This will provide wildlife biologists with sufficient information to refine bear management. The premolar tooth will be processed by cutting it in cross section and examining it under a microscope. The bear's age can then be determined by counting annual growth rings, similar to tree rings. Information on age of harvested bears through tooth aging will be posted online at www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunting/Bear.

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# BEAR TAG VALIDATION AND TOOTH EXTRACTION APPOINTMENTS

If you cannot locate a CDFW employee, please call one of the offices listed below and they will provide assistance.

All CDFW offices listed below will validate bear tags.

Please call the following locations for an appointment to have your bear tag validated and/or a tooth pulled. Please leave your bear skull in your vehicle until you check in for your appointment.

Region 1, Redding	(530) 225-2300
Region 2, Rancho Cordova	(916) 358-2900
Region 3, Fairfield	(707) 428-2002
Region 4, Fresno	
Region 5, San Diego	(858) 467-4201
Region 6, Ontario	(909) 484-0167
Region 7, Monterey	(831) 649-2870

Bishop(760) 872-1171
Crystal Lake Hatchery(530) 335-4111
Darrah Springs Hatchery(530) 474-3141
Eureka(707) 445-6493
Feather River Hatchery(530) 538-2222
Iron Gate Hatchery(530) 475-3420
Kern River Hatchery(760) 376-2846
La Grange(209) 853-2533
Ext. 6
Los Alamitos(562) 342-7100
Los Banos Wildlife Area (209) 826-0463
Mad River Fish Hatchery (707) 822-0592
Mendota Wildlife Area (559) 655-4645
Merced River Hatchery(209) 563-6410
Moccasin Hatchery (209) 989-2312
Mokelumne River Hatchery(209) 759-3383
Mt. Shasta Hatchery
Red Bluff Screen Shop (530) 528-9406
Red Bluff Field Office (530) 529-7162
Shasta Valley Wildlife Area(530) 459-3926
Stockton(209) 234-3420
Trinity River Hatchery(530) 778-3931
Warm Springs Hatchery (707) 433-6325
Yreka Screen Shop (530) 841-2555

### DEFINITIONS

**Bear cub:** A bear less than one year old or weighing less than 50 lbs. CCRT14-365(c).

**Bait Related to Bears:** Any material capable of attracting a bear. CCR T14-365(e).

**Baited Area:** Any area where shelled, shucked or unshucked corn, wheat or other grains, salt, or other feed whatsoever capable of luring, attracting, or enticing such birds or mammals is directly or indirectly placed, exposed, deposited, distributed, or scattered, and such area shall remain a baited area for ten days following complete removal of all such corn, wheat or other grains, salt, or other feed. CCR T14-257.5.

*Note:* Scents sprayed into the air and allowed to disperse over a wide area in the wind generally do not fall within the definition of bait. Scent products that have to be applied directly to a surface such as a rock, tree or bush generally cause the game to come to that specific place, and if they feed on it, it is bait.

### USE OF DOGS FOR PURSUIT/TAKE

Effective January 1, 2013, the use of dogs to pursue/take bears is unlawful for sport-hunting purposes.



Effective July 1, 2019, it shall be unlawful to use, or possess with any firearm capable of firing, any projectile(s) not certified as nonlead when taking any wildlife for any purpose in this state. For more information please refer to the California Code of Regulations Title 14 Section 250.1 and Fish and Game Code Section 3004.5.

# **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

# LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

# Q. Why do I need to show identification when purchasing a license?

**A.** When you purchase a license you are required to provide identification or a previously issued ALDS license. This ensures CDFW will have an accurate record of your license history and help CDFW serve you better in:

- Tracking customer preference points for CDFW's annual Big Game Drawing.
- Purchasing duplicate licenses.
- Wildlife management efforts, such as harvest reporting.

CDFW does not share or sell customers' personal information.

### Q. I have purchased a hunting license through the ALDS before, so why does the system say 'Evidence of Hunter Education Required'?

**A.** You have created a second customer profile (another GO ID) that is not connected to your license history and hunter education record. Log out of the online license sales system and find a previously issued ALDS hunting license or drawing receipt and log in again. Enter the last name, GO ID, and date of birth as it is printed on your license document. Once you have logged into the account that has your hunter education, you will be able to purchase a hunting license and enter the drawing. If you are unable to resolve this issue yourself, contact the Department's Internet Sales Help Desk at (916) 928-6882 during regular business hours (Monday-Friday, between 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) for assistance.

**IMPORTANT:** To be included in the Big Game Drawing, submit your application by midnight on June 2. If it is June 2 and you are unable to resolve this issue, go to a license sales agent. Provide your proof of hunter education and customer information for the license sales agent and apply for the Big Game Drawing there.

### Q. What can I hunt for with a 2-Day Nonresident California Hunting License?

**A.** The 2-Day Nonresident California Hunting License is only valid for taking resident and migratory game birds, resident small game mammals, fur-bearing mammals and non-game mammals. A 2-Day Nonresident California Hunting License is not valid to hunt big game.

# Q. Do I still need to have my license in possession when hunting or fishing?

**A.** Under California law you are required to carry your license, validation, report card, or tag with you when you are hunting or fishing.

# Q. What will happen if I do not report my deer tag(s) or report my tag(s) late?

All deer tag holders who do not report the previous year's deer tag(s) by the regulatory deadline of January 31 or report them late will be assessed a non-reporting penalty of \$21.60 when purchasing their deer tag drawing application or deer tag the following license year.

**NOTE:** Mandatory reporting applies to every deer tag issued each hunter. Hunters who are issued two deer tags and report one but not the other will still be assessed the non-reporting penalty.

# **BIG GAME DRAWING**

### Q. Why did I get drawn for a premium deer tag when I only wanted to apply for a preference point?

**A.** To apply for a deer preference point, you must tell the license sales clerk that you want to apply for the code PD (Point Deer). You do not need to indicate a hunt code when applying for a preference point only. Preference points are earned for the species and not a particular zone or hunt.

#### Q. I want to apply for a deer preference point in the Big Game Drawing, but I was issued my first deer tag at the license agent. Will I still earn a preference point?

**A.** No. If you were issued a first deer tag at the license agent then you were not entered into the Big Game Drawing. You will need to go back to the license agent and tell the sales clerk to cancel the transaction and re-sell you a First Deer Tag Drawing Application with the code PD (Point Deer). The license agent only has four hours to cancel any sales transaction. If it has been more than four hours, contact CDFW's License and Revenue Branch prior to the June 2 deadline at LRB@wildlife.ca.gov.

### Q. How can I apply for a deer preference point and get an unrestricted or restricted deer hunt tag?

**A.** Submit a First Deer Tag Drawing Application with a first choice of PD (Point Deer); and a second choice of an unrestricted or restricted deer tag. If your second choice deer tag is available when the Big Game Drawing is conducted, it will be processed in the second round of the drawing. Please see 'How the Drawing Works' page for more information on the second choice tags.

# Q. How can we apply as a party for drawing tags?

**A.** There are two ways to apply as a party. Members of a party can apply in the same sales transaction or in separate transactions at any CDFW license sales office, license agent, online or by telephone sales. Please see 'How the Drawing Works' page for details on the party application process.

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### Q. I am the party leader, where can I find my Party Number to give to members of my hunting party so they can join me?

**A.** The Party Number is located above your hunt choice(s) on your Drawing Receipt for each species for which you applied. Make sure you give the correct Party Number to the correct party members of each species.

### Q. I don't have my party leader's Party Number. Will the license agent be able to join us together?

**A.** No. You must have the Party Number to join another hunter's party. This is done to ensure that only hunters the party leader allows may join his/her party. CDFW license sales offices and license agents cannot provide you with another hunter's Party Number, only the party leader or members of the party can provide you with their Party Number.

# Q. Can a junior hunter apply for a premium deer zone and an Apprentice Hunt on the same application?

**A.** Yes. Junior hunters who wish to apply for an Apprentice Hunt and a premium deer hunt on the same application must use a First-Deer Tag Drawing Application. Either the Apprentice Hunt or Premium deer hunt will be your first choice (which ever you want the most) and the other as your second choice. You will be issued a preference point if you are unsuccessful in receiving your first choice and your second choice tag will be processed in the second round of the drawing (if the hunt you chose has not filled by the second round of the drawing). If the junior hunter applies for an Apprentice Hunt on the First-Deer Tag Drawing Application, they cannot submit a Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application.

### Q. My daughter is a junior hunter. We want to apply together for an X zone tag. Can she apply with me for an X zone tag and still apply for an Apprentice Hunt?

**A.** Yes. You both can apply as a party for the X zone tag using your First-Deer Tag Drawing Application. Your daughter can apply for the Apprentice Hunts using her Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application.

### Q. Will a junior hunter earn two deer preference points if he/she is unsuccessful for both deer tag applications for a premium deer hunt and an Apprentice Hunt tag?

**A.** No. Hunters may only earn one preference point per species (CCR T14-708.14(c)). Junior hunters submitting two applications in the drawing will earn one preference point if they are unsuccessful in their first choice tag on both applications. If they are successful in their first choice tag on either application their preference points will be reset to zero.

### Q. If a junior hunter applies for a premium deer hunt on a First-Deer Tag Drawing Application and an Apprentice Hunt on a Second-Deer Tag Drawing Application, how are the tag choices processed in the drawing? Which application has a higher priority?

**A.** Neither deer tag application has a priority. The computer assigns each deer tag application a unique random number. The preference point value for each application is calculated the same way, the success or non-success of one application does not affect the other application.

# Q. How will I know that my tag choices for the drawing were entered correctly?

**A.** Verify that your tag choices are printed correctly on your Drawing Receipt. You may also verify your tag choices and view all your license items by accessing your customer profile online at <u>www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/InternetSales</u>. Once you are signed in, you will select the 'View My Drawing Applications/Preference Points' link at the top of the page.

### Q. When do I lose preference points?

**A.** You lose all accumulated preference points for a species, as follows:

- Deer You lose all accumulated preference points when you are drawn for a premium tag as your first choice.
- Elk, pronghorn and bighorn sheep You lose all accumulated preference points for a species if you are drawn for and pay for the tag.
- You also lose all accumulated preference points for any species if you do not participate in the drawing for that species for five (5) consecutive years.

### Q. I cannot hunt this year. How can I earn a preference point for deer, elk, pronghorn, and bighorn sheep?

**A.** At a license agent, CDFW license sales office or by telephone sales at (800) 565-1458, you will need to purchase a California hunting license and inform the sales clerk you are applying in the Big Game Drawing. You will need to indicate to the sales clerk, which drawing application(s) you want to apply for; such as: deer, elk, pronghorn or bighorn sheep. To earn a preference point for deer the code is PD, elk is 499, pronghorn is 799 and bighorn sheep is 599.

If applying online, select the "2022 Hunting" tab and "add to the cart" a California hunting license and in the "Drawing" menu, "add to the cart" the drawing applications you want to apply for and enter the corresponding preference point code as indicated above.

To earn the preference point(s), the transaction must be completed before midnight on June 2.

#### Q. I did not apply in the Big Game Drawing and it is now past the deadline; will I still be able to earn a preference point for this year?

**A.** No. You will not earn a preference point for this year and you will not lose your previously accrued preference points. However, a hunter's points are reduced to zero when they have not applied for five (5) consecutive years. A missed application deadline is considered as not applying.

If it is after midnight on June 2, the drawing applications for deer, elk, pronghorn and bighorn sheep will not be available in the "Drawings" list to purchase and apply for the drawing.

# Q. How can I check my preference point totals in ALDS?

**A.** Your preference point totals are printed on your Drawing Receipt(s). The receipt will include the applicant's name, hunt choice(s), and accumulated preference points. You can also check your preference points by logging on to your customer profile at <u>www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/InternetSales</u> and click on the link "View My Draw Application/Preference Points" at the top of the page.

# Q. How will CDFW track my preference points?

**A.** CDFW tracks preference points for current and future drawings using your Get Outdoor (GO) ID. To accurately track your preference points, you must use the same GO ID number to apply in the drawing each year. If you have changes or corrections to your mailing address, you may log into your customer profile and update at <u>www.ca.wildlifelicense.com/</u><u>InternetSales</u>. If you have changes or corrections to your name, identification number, such as a driver's license number or date of birth, you must notify CDFW in writing at:

License and Revenue Branch P.O. Box 944209 Sacramento, CA 94244-2090 or email: <u>LRB@wildlife.ca.gov</u>

# **OBTAINING HUNTING MAPS**

# Q. Where can I obtain hunting maps for deer zones?

A. General maps detailing individual zone or deer hunt boundaries can be found at CDFW's website: <u>www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunting/Deer</u>. For a deer zone poster, please visit a CDFW regional office or send an email request to <u>BigGame@wildlife.ca.gov</u>.

Additional maps are also available from:

- U.S. Forest Service (USFS) online at www.fs.fed.us/visit/maps/;
- Bureau of Land Management (BLM) at 2800 Cottage Way, Suite W-1834, Sacramento, CA 95825, by phone at (916) 978-4400 or online at <u>www.blm.gov/california</u>;
- U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) from sporting goods, backpacking or engineering stores or by contacting the Rocky Mountain Mapping Center, Branch of Information Services, Box 25286, Denver, CO 80225, by phone at 888-ASK-USGS or online at www.usgs.gov/products/maps/overview.

# **OTHER**

# Q. What should I do if I harvest a bear with a GPS collar?

**A.** If you harvest a bear with a GPS collar, please return the collar to your local CDFW Regional Office. The collar contains important information regarding CDFW's bear aversive condition study in the Lake Tahoe Basin.

For more Frequently Asked Questions on hunting you may visit our web site at <u>www.wildlife.ca.gov/Licensing/Hunting/</u><u>Big-Game</u>.



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# **UNLAWFUL ACTIONS**

#### It is the hunter's responsibility to know and follow the law.

The California statutes governing many aspects of hunting, firearms, fishing, and the use of public lands, are found in the California Fish and Game Code (FGC). Hunting and fishing activities are further regulated by the California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Natural Resources (CCR, T14), and the California Penal Code (PC). These documents may be accessed through the Department of Fish and Wildlife website: <a href="http://www.wildlife.ca.gov">www.wildlife.ca.gov</a>.

Additionally, California counties and cities have adopted local ordinances which regulate and restrict hunting activities within their jurisdiction.

The Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), governs many aspects of hunting and fishing on federal lands, specific species, and other activities under federal jurisdiction.

### **IT IS UNLAWFUL TO:**

#### (These are not complete regulations. Some sections are abbreviated.)

#### Fish and Game Code (FGC)

- Transfer, use, possess or alter any license, tag, stamp, permit, application or reservation. FGC 1052.
- Hunt any game bird or mammal without having the required licenses, tags and/or stamps in possession. FGC 1054.2.
- Damage another's property or injure livestock while hunting. FGC 2004.
- Use an artificial light to assist in taking any game bird or game mammal. FGC 2005(a).
- Possess a loaded rifle or shotgun in any vehicle or conveyance or its attachments which is standing on or along or is being driven on or along any public highway or other way open to the public. FGC 2006.
- A rifle or shotgun shall be deemed to be loaded for the purposes of this section when there is an unexpended cartridge or shell in the firing chamber but not when the only cartridges or shells are in the magazine. FGC 2006.
- The provisions of this section shall not apply to peace officers or members of the armed forces of this state or the United States, while on duty or going to or returning from duty. FGC 2006.
- Use of a shotgun larger than 10 gauge for the taking of any game bird or game mammal, or a shotgun capable of holding more than three shells in the magazine and chamber combined. FGC 2010; CCR T14-311 and 353(b).
- Fail to exhibit on the demand of a Wildlife Officer, all licenses, tags, fish, or wildlife taken or otherwise dealt with under the Fish and Game Code, and any device or apparatus designed to be, and capable of being, used to take fish or wildlife. FGC 2012.

#### California Code of Regulations (CCR, T14)

- Take game birds, game mammals or furbearing mammals except as permitted by regulations. CCR T14-250.
- Hunt with a crossbow during archery season (except with a Disabled Archer Permit). CCR T14-354(g).
- Possess a firearm while hunting during archery season or while hunting during the general season with an archery-only tag, except as provided for in 354(h)(1) and h(2). CCRT14-354(h).
- Take spike buck. CCR T14- 351(c).
- Pursue, drive, herd, or take any bird or mammal from any type of motor-driven air or land vehicles, motorboat, airboat, sailboat, or snowmobile, except when the motor is off and/or the sails furled and it is drifting, beached, moored, resting at anchor, or is being propelled by paddle, oar or pole. CCRT14-251.

- Knowingly feed big game mammals. CCR T14-251.3.
- Take game birds and mammals within 400 yards of any baited area. This does not apply to the taking of game birds and mammals on or over standing crops, croplands, or grains found scattered solely as the result of normal agricultural operations or procedures. CCR T14-257.5.
- Take bears within 400 yards of any garbage dump or bait. CCR T14-365(e).
- Nock or fit the notch in the end of an arrow to a bowstring or crossbow string in a ready-to-fire position while in or on any vehicle. CCR T14-354(i).
- Use any bow or crossbow without a draw weight of at least 30 pounds for a bow or 125 pounds for a crossbow. CCRT14-354(f)
- Hunt big game from one- half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise. CCRT14-352.
- Use dogs for pursuit/take, or for dog training, during the archery seasons for deer or bear. CCR T14-265(a)(1).
- Use dogs to take bear, bobcat, elk, bighorn sheep and antelope. CCR T14 265 (a)(2).
- Use dogs for pursuit/take of, or for dog training on, mountain lions (except under authority of a depredation permit). CCR T14-265(a)(3).
- Possess in any State Game Refuge any bird or mammal or part thereof, or any weapon capable of taking any bird or mammal. FGC 10500.
- However, possession of firearms or bows and arrows by persons traveling through game refuges on a public highway or other public thoroughfare or right of way is permitted when the firearms are taken apart or encased and unloaded, and the bows are unstrung. FGC 10506.

#### **California Penal Code (PC)**

• Possess a short barreled shotgun (Barrel less than 18 inches), or a short-barreled rifle (Barrel less than 16 inches). PC 33210.

#### **Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)**

 National Parks and Monuments have special regulations regarding the possession of weapons, game and the running of hunting dogs. Check with federal officials before entering these areas.

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Original copy of the declaration form shall be retained by the person importing the fish or game, a second copy shall be mailed to the Department of Fish & Wildlife, 1416 9th Street, Law Enforcement Division, Sacramento CA 95814, within 24 hours after entering state, a third copy shall be deposited at the point of entry with any state or federal agency or officer, and a fourth copy shall remain with the fish or game if transported by other than owner or common carrier. "Location entered into California" refers to the city or town nearest your point of entry into California. See Fish and Game Code 2353 for complete instructions.

# **PREVENT CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE**



Map of North America showing where CWD has been found in free-ranging (yellow) and captive (light green) cervids. Courtesy of CWD Alliance (http://CWD-info.org).

## CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE

Chronic Wasting Disease is a fatal neurologic disease of deer, elk, and moose. It is caused by a misfolded protein termed a prion and has been detected in 24 states and 2 Canadian provinces. Meat from CWD infected animals should not be eaten. The disease's range continues to slowly expand. Hunter help is needed to stop it from reaching California.

### DEER AND HUNTER IMPACTS

A high prevalence of CWD can reduce populations and potentially decrease long-term herd viability. As CWD prevalence increases in an area, the number of hunters seeking tags decreases. This can impact herds by decreasing populations and indirectly through lost funding for wildlife management.

### HANDLE GAME WITH CAUTION

Whenever hunting, basic safety and hygiene precautions should be taken to protect yourself from injury or exposure to disease when handling wildlife. Minimize the chance of exposure to or spread of CWD by:

- Wear rubber gloves when field dressing carcasses;
- Bone out meat from the animal;
- Minimize the handling of brain and spinal cord, eyes, spleen, and lymph nodes and avoid consuming these tissues;
- Wash hands and instruments thoroughly after field dressing is completed.

### HUNTING OUT OF STATE

It is the responsibility of out-of-state hunters to be aware of all laws and regulations pertaining to the state in which they are going to hunt. Proof of Hunter Education is required. Take note that the California equivalency certificate will not be accepted as evidence of hunter education.

### FOLLOW OTHER STATES' REGULATIONS FOR CWD

If you will be hunting out of state in a known CWD endemic area, you should receive information at the time you receive your hunting tag(s) regarding disposal of the carcass remains and mandatory or voluntary CWD testing. It is the Department's recommendation that any deer or elk harvested in a known CWD area be tested for CWD and receive a negative or not detected result prior to consuming.

### NO SKULL, NO BACKBONE

You will be checked at the California border when returning and only the following body parts are allowed into California:

- boned-out meat and commercially processed cuts of meat,
- portions of meat with no part of the spinal column or head attached,
- hides with no heads attached,
- clean skull plates (no meat or tissue attached) with antlers attached,
- · antlers with no meat or tissue attached,
- finished taxidermy heads,
- upper canine teeth (buglers, whistlers, ivories).

California Code of Regulations, Title 14, § 712 can be summarized in one phrase: "NO SKULL, NO BACKBONE."

### MORE CWD INFORMATION

- www.wildlife.ca.gov/cwd
- www.cdc.gov/prions/cwd/index.html
- <u>cwd-info.org/</u>



## WHAT CALIFORNIA IS DOING

- Importation of captive cervids is tightly regulated and highly restricted.
- Import restrictions on hunterharvested deer and elk carcasses and parts – "NO SKULL, NO BACKBONE."
- Bans on baiting and feeding of Big Game.
- CWD testing at volunteer check stations during hunting season <u>www.wildlife.ca.gov/cwd</u>.

### INCREASED SURVEILLANCE

Since 1999, California has tested approximately 4,500 deer and elk for CWD. To date, no CWD has been found in California deer or elk. However, the potential for CWD to spread to California's deer and elk populations still exists and surveillance for the disease remains important. The CDFW will be increasing CWD surveillance efforts throughout the state over the next few years. Hunters are a vital partner in these surveillance efforts and voluntary CWD check stations will be set-up to facilitate surveillance throughout the state. For additional information on surveillance in CA visit www.wildlife.ca.gov/cwd or contact The Wildlife Investigations Laboratory at 916-358-2790 or WILab@wildlife.ca.gov.

### DISPOSAL OF MEAT FROM CWD-POSITIVE ANIMALS

If you are notified that your out-of-state animal tested positive for CWD, contact your regional CDFW office (see page 3) or the Wildlife Investigations Laboratory at (916) 358-2790 for information. DO NOT DISCARD, only certain disposal methods are appropriate for CWD. The Department will facilitate incinerating or otherwise properly disposing of any meat or tissues.

### LACEY ACT

Transporting illegally taken game across state lines is a violation of the federal Lacey Act (T16, US Code 1406). Such transport, if done in connection with commercial activity, may be classified as a felony.

### BRINGING GAME BACK TO CALIFORNIA

In order to bring back your game from another state, you must have the form Declaration for Entry Into California of Game, Fish, Birds, or Animals filled out and carried while you are transporting the game.

# **Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD):** What you need to know

## WHAT IS CWD?

CWD is a **fatal** neurological disease of cervids (i.e., deer, elk, moose, and reindeer).

# **HOW DOES IT SPREAD?**

## **HOW CAN WE** HELP PREVENT HE SPREAD OF CWD?

Testing deer samples helps us know if CWD is present and allows us to better respond and manage the disease.

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CWD spreads to cervids through contact with infected animals, tissues and environments.

## WHICH U.S. STATES **HAVE DETECTED CWD?**

States with detected cases of CWD



Hunters will have to bring their whole deer or deer's lymph node collection. The lymph nodes, which are a dime- to quarter-sized set of tissue, are located behind the jaw along the spine.

**Sample Option 2** 



Sample **Option 1**  head (with at least 2-4 inches of the neck attached) for

# **OUT-OF-STATE HUNTING & HARVEST IMPORT**



The California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 712, governs the importation of hunter-harvested deer and elk (cervid) into California. Only some parts of a harvested deer or elk can be imported, and no portions of the brain or spinal cord may be imported. Visit wildlife.ca.gov/CWD to learn more.

For more information on keeping California's deer and elk herds safe and free from CWD, please visit CDFW's CWD web page: wildlife.ca.gov/CWD.



