



California Natural Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

**2023 APPLICATION FOR COOPERATIVE DEER HUNTING AREA PERMIT
FEES* Resident fee of \$36.82 or a Nonresident fee of \$327.25 per applicant**

***The previous year's non-reporting fee (\$20.60) must be included, or application will be rejected**

INSTRUCTIONS: Submit the following items to the Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) regional office in the area where your property is located (see list on the back of this application): 1) application form; 2) submit the fee (above) per applicant for a 2023 First-Deer Tag by check or money order or each applicant's 2023 Unsuccessful Deer Tag Letter; 3) proof of ownership (i.e., copy of deed); and, 4) proof of property size (property map). **No individual may submit more than one (1) Application for Cooperative Deer Hunting Area Permit or one (1) First-Deer Tag per deer season, nor may there be more than two (2) applicants for a given parcel of land. See Title 14 regulations on reverse side.**

Unused deer tags will not be accepted as an exchange for a Cooperative Deer Tag.

COMPLETED APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE FIRST FRIDAY IN AUGUST

FIRST APPLICANT (MUST BE LANDOWNER OR IMMEDIATE FAMILY)

NAME	RELATIONSHIP TO OWNER
MAILING ADDRESS (STREET, RURAL ROUTE, CITY, COUNTY STATE, ZIP)	
HOME PHONE NUMBER	DAY PHONE NUMBER
DMV/STATE ID NUMBER	GO ID NUMBER (FROM ALDS ISSUED LICENSE)

SECOND APPLICANT (MUST BE LANDOWNER OR IMMEDIATE FAMILY)

NAME	RELATIONSHIP TO LANDOWNER
MAILING ADDRESS (STREET, RURAL ROUTE, CITY, COUNTY STATE, ZIP)	
HOME PHONE NUMBER	DAY PHONE NUMBER
DMV/STATE ID NUMBER	GO ID NUMBER (FROM ALDS ISSUED LICENSE)

DEER HUNTING ZONE IN WHICH QUALIFYING LANDS ARE LOCATED:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 554, Title 14, California Code of Regulations, as the owner(s)/fee title holder(s) of not less than 640 acres of critical deer habitat within a deer quota hunting zone requiring a drawing, I (we) hereby make application for a cooperative deer hunting area permit. I (we) hereby certify that this is the only application that I (we) have filed for the current year and that the information provided above is true and correct. I have read and understand the provisions of Section 554, Title 14, California Code of Regulations, and agree to abide by those provisions.

PRINTED NAME AND SIGNATURE(S) OF LANDOWNERS(S) X	DATE X
PRINTED NAME AND SIGNATURE X	DATE X

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE APPROVAL

The CDFW shall review the Application for Cooperative Deer Hunting Area Permit, verify the content thereof, and certify that the lands consist of critical deer habitat prior to the issuance of a Cooperative Deer Hunting Area Permit and deer tag.

REGIONAL MANAGER'S SIGNATURE	REGION	DATE
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SECTION 554, TITLE 14, California Code of Regulations

554. Cooperative Deer Hunting Areas.

To encourage the protection and enhancement of critical deer habitat, to provide added protection to landowners from depredations of trespassers and to provide greater access for the public to hunt on privately owned or controlled lands, the department may establish cooperative hunting areas and issue permits for the take of deer as specified subject to the following conditions:

- (a) **Definition and Scope.** A cooperative deer hunting area is an area of private land located within critical deer habitat as determined by the department in deer quota zones (see Section 360) which require public drawings. The cooperative hunting area shall encompass not less than a total of 5,000 acres, except that such area may consist of neighboring lands not less than 640 acres in size under the control of one or more owners.
- (b) **Application Process.** Application forms are available from the department's headquarters and regional offices or online at: www.wildlife.ca.gov/Hunting/Deer. The applicant for a cooperative deer hunting area permit shall be an owner of said land. The completed application form and a completed one deer tag application for the appropriate deer zone shall be submitted to one of the following offices of the Department of Fish and Game:

Region 1, 601 Locust Street, Redding 96001 (530) 225-2300

Region 2, 1701 Nimbus Road, Rancho Cordova 95670 (916) 358-2900

Region 3, 2825 Cordelia Road, Suite 100, Fairfield, CA 94534 (707) 428-2002

Region 4, 1234 East Shaw Avenue, Fresno 93710 (559) 243-4005

Region 5, 4949 View Ridge Avenue, San Diego 92123 (858) 467-4201

Region 6, 4775 Bird Farm Road, Chino Hills 91709 (909) 597-9823

The completed applications must be received prior to the first Friday in August. No individual may submit more than one cooperative deer hunting area application or deer tag application per deer season nor may there be more than two cooperative deer hunting area applicants for a given parcel of land. The department shall review the cooperative deer hunting application, verify the content thereof and certify that the lands consist of critical deer habitat prior to the issuance of a cooperative deer hunting area permit and deer tag.

Only those applications that are filled out completely will be accepted. Incomplete applications will be returned within 15 days of receipt by the department. There shall be no fee for a cooperative hunting area permit.

- (c) A deer tag issued pursuant to the provisions of this section is valid only during the open deer season for the deer zone specified on the tag and may only be used on the lands specified in the landowner's application.
- (d) All provisions of the Fish and Game Code relating to the take of birds and mammals shall be a condition of all permits and tags issued pursuant to this section.
- (e) Any permit or tag issued pursuant to Section 554 may be cancelled or suspended at any time by the commission for cause after notice and opportunity to be heard, or without a hearing upon conviction of a violation of this regulation by a court of competent jurisdiction.

Note: Authority cited: Section 1572, Fish and Game Code. Reference: Sections 1570-1572, Fish and Game Code.