

Elk Licenses

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General Information

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Elk Draw Licenses

Deadline to apply for elk draw licenses is March 18, 2020. Up to four hunters may apply per application for a public-land elk draw license. **Nonresidents are ineligible** for any hunts held exclusively on WMAs or any antlerless (A) elk draw licenses.

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

Fee Types for Elk Draw Licenses (see glossary, pages 122–125)

Resident and nonresident fees are listed on page 12.

S Standard hunts.

Q Quality hunt.

HD . . . High-demand hunt.

Q/HD . . Quality and high-demand hunt combination.

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

Fourth-Choice Elk Hunts

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

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

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

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

Fourth-Choice Elk Hunt Quadrants

NW	Northwest: Units 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10 or 12
NE	Northeast: Units 42, 43, 45, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58 or 59
SW	Southwest: Units 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23 or 24
SE	Southeast: Units 28, 30, 33, 34, 36, 37 or 38

Bag Limit (Glossary, page 120–123)

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

Valle Vidal

Once-in-a-Lifetime Mature Bull/Either Sex: Only persons who have never drawn a MB or ES hunt on the Valle Vidal are eligible to apply.

Once-in-a-Lifetime Antlerless: Only New Mexico residents who have never drawn an antlerless (A) hunt on the Valle Vidal are eligible to apply.

Note: If a youth has drawn any Valle Vidal once-in-a-lifetime hunts, she/he will not be eligible as an adult for that hunt.

Once-as-a-Youth Mature Bull: Only persons 17 years of age or younger who have never drawn a youth-only MB hunt and who possess a hunter education number (page 18) are eligible to apply.

Once-as-a-Youth Antlerless: Only New Mexico residents 17 years of age or younger who have never drawn a youth-only antlerless hunt and possess a hunter education number (page 18) are eligible to apply.

Private-land Hunts

Private-land elk hunts are available in the primary, secondary and special elk management zones.

Participating primary- and special-elk-management-zone landowners and their contact information is available online: <http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/hunting/maps/elk-private-lands/>

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

Primary Management Zone: Areas within the state where elk management is focused and licenses are limited in number.

Private-land elk authorizations are issued in the primary management zone to landowners participating in the Elk Private Lands Use System (EPLUS). Authorizations can be bartered, sold or traded. An authorization allows the holder to purchase a private-land elk license.

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Private-land Hunts—continued.

To purchase a private-land elk license for the primary management zone a hunter must have an authorization number and hunt code from a landowner participating in the EPLUS program.

Secondary Management Zone: Areas not part of the primary or special management zone where no specific elk management goals are set.

Private-land elk licenses in the secondary management zone are unlimited and available over the counter with a ranch code provided by a registered landowner (Written permission from the landowner while hunting is required for the license to be valid).

Special Management Zone: Areas not part of the primary management or secondary management zones where private-land elk authorizations are issued to private landowners by NMDGF on a ranch by ranch basis.

Private-land elk authorizations are issued in the special management zone to landowners participating in the Elk Private Lands Use System (EPLUS). Authorizations can be bartered, sold or traded. To purchase a private-land elk license for the special management zone a hunter must have an authorization number and hunt code from a landowner participating in the EPLUS program.

Obtaining Authorizations

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

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

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

Ranch-only or Unit-wide Authorizations

Unit-wide: A unit-wide authorization number allows a hunter to purchase an elk license valid on any legally accessible public lands, other unit-wide ranches, and other private land with written permission within the GMU. Unit-wide authorizations are only available in the primary management zone. Unit-wide maps will be available prior to the hunting seasons online: <http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/hunting/maps/elk-private-lands/>.

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

It is not considered trespassing if a hunter is in possession of a landowner elk license that has been obtained from the owner or person in control of the land and which grants access to that particular private land for the purpose of lawfully taking elk (pages 25–26). However, in the secondary management zone written permission from the landowner is required for the elk hunter.

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Maps of the elk management zones and unit-wide ranches

Maps of the elk management zones and unit-wide ranches are available online:

<http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/hunting/maps/elk-private-lands/>

License Fees (additional requirements, pages 8–13)

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

Quality Elk Hunt Fees for Private-land Authorizations

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

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

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

Primary Management Zone Seasons

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

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

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Primary Management Zone Seasons: Ranch-only Season Dates—continued.

Any Legal Sporting Arm Hunts _____

License limited to any five consecutive days within a season listed below.

Dates	Units
Oct. 1–Dec. 31	4
Oct. 10–Dec. 31.	5A, 5B, 12, 16B/22, 21A, 21B, 49, 50 and 51
Oct. 17–Dec. 31.	2, 10, 6A, 6C, 7, 16A, 16C, 16D, 36, 45, 48, 52 and 53
Oct. 24–Dec. 31.	16E, 23, 24 and 34
Jan. 1–31, '21.	36 (rifle and muzzleloader only), and 48 (antlerless elk only; Pending ranch approval by NMDGF)

Youth-only Season Dates:

Any Legal Sporting Arm Hunts _____

Dates	Units
Oct. 10–14. . . . .	.16C, 16E, 23, 24 and 34

Muzzleloader, Bow or Crossbow Hunts _____

Dates	Units
Oct. 10–14 . . . . .	.13, 15 and 17

Mobility-impaired Season Dates:

Any Legal Sporting Arm Hunts _____

Dates	Units
Oct. 10–14. . . . .	.16A, 16D and 34

Muzzleloader, Bow or Crossbow Hunts _____

Dates	Units
Oct. 10–14. . . . .	.9

Unit-wide Season Dates: Unit-wide authorizations within the primary management zone correspond with an elk draw hunt code for the same GMU and are restricted to the same bag, sporting arm, and hunt dates.

Special and Secondary Management Zones

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

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Elk Draw Licenses

Draw licenses authorize the hunter to hunt on any open public land within the specified unit or hunt area and on any private land in that unit, provided that written permission has been obtained from the landowner of the property.

Closed Areas: Military reservations, national parks and monuments, state parks and monuments, recreation areas, national wildlife refuges, state wildlife management areas, and other locations may be closed or restrict hunting. All state wildlife management areas are closed unless officially designated open to hunting.

Unit	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
Premium Statewide Elk Hunt (see page 36) _____					
(Public land and WMAs open to hunting and private land with written permission)					
Any Legal	.....Sep. 1-Jan.31, '21	.....ELK-1-700	.....Q	.....1	.....MB
Unit 2 _____					
Bow	.....Sep. 1-14	.....ELK-2-100	.....S	.....120	.....ES
Bow	.....Sep. 15-24	.....ELK-2-101	.....S	.....120	.....ES
Muzzle	.....Oct. 10-14	.....ELK-3-102	.....S	.....125	.....MB
Any Legal	.....Oct. 17-21	.....ELK-1-103	.....S	.....75	.....MB
Unit 2 (NM Residents Only) _____					
Any Legal	.....Dec. 12-16	.....ELK-1-104	.....S	.....100	.....A
Any Legal - Youth Only	.....Dec. 12-16	.....ELK-1-105	.....S	.....50	.....A
Unit 2C (NM Residents Only) _____					
Any Legal -	.....Dec. 5-9	.....ELK-1-106	.....S	.....50	.....A
Unit 4 - Sargent WMA Only (NM Residents Only) _____					
Bow	.....Sep. 1-14	.....ELK-2-134	.....Q	.....10	.....ES
Bow	.....Sep. 15-24	.....ELK-2-135	.....Q	.....10	.....ES
Any Legal	.....Oct. 10-14	.....ELK-1-136	.....Q	.....10	.....MB/A
Any Legal	.....Oct. 17-21	.....ELK-1-137	.....Q	.....10	.....MB/A
Any Legal	.....Oct. 24-28	.....ELK-1-138	.....Q	.....10	.....MB/A
Any Legal	.....Oct. 31-Nov. 4	.....ELK-1-139	.....S	.....10	.....MB/A
Any Legal	.....Nov. 7-11	.....ELK-1-140	.....S	.....10	.....A
Any Legal - Youth Only	.....Nov. 7-11	.....ELK-1-141	.....S	.....10	.....A
Unit 4 - Humphries WMA / Rio Chama WMA Only (NM Residents Only) _____					
Bow	.....Sep. 1-14	.....ELK-2-142	.....S	.....10	.....ES
Bow	.....Sep. 15-24	.....ELK-2-143	.....S	.....10	.....ES
Any Legal	.....Oct. 10-14	.....ELK-1-144	.....S	.....15	.....MB/A
Any LegalOct. 17-21ELK-1-145S15MB/A
Any LegalNov. 7-11ELK-1-146S10A
Any Legal - Youth OnlyNov. 7-11ELK-1-147S15A

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Unit 4 - Rio Chama WMA Only (NM Residents Only)					
Any Legal Nov. 14-18 ELK-1-148 S 15 A
Unit 5A					
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 1-14	. . . . . ELK-2-107	. . . . . S	. . . . . 5	. . . . . ES
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 15-24	. . . . . ELK-2-108	. . . . . S	. . . . . 5	. . . . . ES
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 10-14	. . . . . ELK-1-109	. . . . . S	. . . . . 10	. . . . . MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	. . . . . Oct. 10-14	. . . . . ELK-1-110	. . . . . S	. . . . . 10	. . . . . A
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 17-21	. . . . . ELK-1-111	. . . . . S	. . . . . 10	. . . . . MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	. . . . . Oct. 17-21	. . . . . ELK-1-112	. . . . . S	. . . . . 10	. . . . . A
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 24-28	. . . . . ELK-1-113	. . . . . S	. . . . . 10	. . . . . MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	. . . . . Oct. 24-28	. . . . . ELK-1-114	. . . . . S	. . . . . 10	. . . . . A
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 31-Nov. 4	. . . . . ELK-1-115	. . . . . S	. . . . . 10	. . . . . MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	. . . . . Oct. 31-Nov. 4	. . . . . ELK-1-116	. . . . . S	. . . . . 10	. . . . . A
Unit 5B					
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 1-14	. . . . . ELK-2-149	. . . . . S	. . . . . 76	. . . . . ES
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 15-24	. . . . . ELK-2-150	. . . . . S	. . . . . 75	. . . . . ES
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 10-14	. . . . . ELK-1-151	. . . . . S	. . . . . 86	. . . . . MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	. . . . . Oct. 17-21	. . . . . ELK-1-152	. . . . . S	. . . . . 59	. . . . . A
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 24-28	. . . . . ELK-1-153	. . . . . S	. . . . . 86	. . . . . MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	. . . . . Oct. 31-Nov. 4	. . . . . ELK-1-154	. . . . . S	. . . . . 59	. . . . . A
Any Legal	. . . . . Nov. 7-11	. . . . . ELK-1-155	. . . . . S	. . . . . 87	. . . . . MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	. . . . . Nov. 14-18	. . . . . ELK-1-156	. . . . . S	. . . . . 59	. . . . . A
Any Legal	. . . . . Dec. 19-23	. . . . . ELK-1-157	. . . . . S	. . . . . 87	. . . . . MB
Unit 6A					
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 1-14	. . . . . ELK-2-184	. . . . . HD	. . . . . 150	. . . . . ES
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 15-24	. . . . . ELK-2-185	. . . . . HD	. . . . . 102	. . . . . ES
Muzzle	. . . . . Oct. 10-14	. . . . . ELK-3-186	. . . . . HD	. . . . . 104	. . . . . MB
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 17-21	. . . . . ELK-1-187	. . . . . S	. . . . . 100	. . . . . MB
Any Legal Oct. 24-28 ELK-1-188 S 103 MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only Oct. 31-Nov. 4 ELK-1-189 S 99 A

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Unit	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
Unit 6B (Hunter orientation required, see Valles Caldera, page 38)					
Bow	Sep. 1-14	ELK-2-190	Q/HD	.25	ES
Bow	Sep. 15-24	ELK-2-191	Q/HD	.25	ES
Muzzle	Oct. 10-14	ELK-3-192	Q/HD	.15	ES
Any Legal	Oct. 17-21	ELK-1-193	Q/HD	.15	ES
Any Legal	Oct. 24-28	ELK-1-194	Q	.20	ES
Unit 6B (NM Res. Only / Hunter orientation required, see Valles Caldera, page 38)					
Any Legal - Youth Only	Oct. 31-Nov. 4	ELK-1-195	.S.	.30	A
Any Legal	Nov. 7-11	ELK-1-196	.S.	.35	A
Any Legal	Nov. 21-25	ELK-1-197	.S.	.35	A
Any Legal - Youth Only	Nov. 28-Dec. 2	ELK-1-198	.S.	.30	A
Any Legal	Dec. 5-9	ELK-1-199	.S.	.35	A
Unit 6C					
Bow	Sep. 1-14	ELK-2-201	.S.	150	ES
Bow	Sep. 15-24	ELK-2-202	HD	105	ES
Muzzle	Oct. 10-14	ELK-3-203	.S.	155	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 17-21	ELK-1-204	.S.	105	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 24-28	ELK-1-205	.S.	105	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Oct. 31-Nov. 4	ELK-1-206	.S.	110	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Nov. 28-Dec. 2	ELK-1-207	.S.	110	A
Unit 7					
Bow	Sep. 1-14	ELK-2-208	.S.	.15	ES
Bow	Sep. 15-24	ELK-2-209	.S.	.14	ES
Muzzle	Oct. 10-14	ELK-3-210	.S.	.24	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 17-21	ELK-1-211	.S.	.30	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Oct. 24-28	ELK-1-212	.S.	.50	A
Unit 9 - Marquez WMA Only (NM Resident Only)					
Bow	Sep. 1-14	ELK-2-117	.S.	.5	ES
Bow	Sep. 15-24	ELK-2-118	.S.	.5	ES
Muzzle	Oct. 10-14	ELK-3-119	.S.	.4	MB
Muzzle	Oct. 17-21	ELK-3-120	.S.	.5	MB
Muzzle	Oct. 24-28	ELK-3-121	.S.	.5	MB

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Unit	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
Unit 9 - including Water Canyon WMA					
Bow	Sep. 1-14	ELK-2-122	S.	117.	ES
Bow	Sep. 15-24	ELK-2-123	S.	117.	ES
Muzzle - Mobility Impaired Only	Oct. 10-14	ELK-3-124	S.	30.	ES
Muzzle	Oct. 17-21	ELK-3-125	S.	50.	MB
Muzzle	Oct. 24-28	ELK-3-126	S.	50.	MB
Muzzle	Oct. 31-Nov. 4	ELK-3-127	S.	30.	MB
Unit 10					
Bow	Sep. 1-14	ELK-2-128	S.	125.	ES
Bow	Sep. 15-24	ELK-2-129	HD	125.	ES
Muzzle	Oct. 10-14	ELK-3-130	S.	70.	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 17-21	ELK-1-131	S.	70.	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only / Youth Only	Nov. 14-18	ELK-1-132	S.	120.	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Dec. 19-23	ELK-1-133	S.	100.	A
Unit 12					
Bow	Sep. 1-14	ELK-2-213	HD	36.	ES
Bow	Sep. 15-24	ELK-2-214	HD	35.	ES
Bow	Dec. 12-16	ELK-2-222	S.	25.	APRE/6
Any Legal	Oct. 10-14	ELK-1-215	HD	35.	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 17-21	ELK-1-216	HD	60.	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 24-28	ELK-1-217	S.	80.	MB
Any Legal	Nov. 7-11	ELK-1-218	S.	80.	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Nov. 21-25	ELK-1-219	S.	60.	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Nov. 28-Dec. 2	ELK-1-220	S.	60.	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Dec. 5-9	ELK-1-221	S.	64.	A
Unit 13					
Bow	Sep. 1-14	ELK-2-223	HD	190.	ES
Bow	Sep. 15-24	ELK-2-224	Q/HD	138.	ES
Muzzle - Youth Only	Oct. 10-14	ELK-3-225	HD	30.	ES
Muzzle	Oct. 17-21	ELK-3-226	Q/HD	80.	MB
Muzzle	Oct. 24-28	ELK-3-227	S.	117.	MB
Muzzle	Nov. 21-25	ELK-3-228	HD	117.	MB
Muzzle - NM Resident Only	Dec. 5-9	ELK-3-229	S.	110.	A
Muzzle - NM Resident Only	Dec. 12-16	ELK-3-230	S.	108.	A

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Unit 14					
Any Legal Oct. 10-14 ELK-1-356 S 10 ES
Unit 15					
Bow Sep. 1-14 ELK-2-231 HD 350 ES
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 15-24	. . . . . ELK-2-232	. . . . . Q/HD	. . . . . 250	. . . . . ES
Muzzle - Youth Only	. . . . . Oct. 10-14	. . . . . ELK-3-233	. . . . . HD	. . . . . 25	. . . . . ES
Muzzle	. . . . . Oct. 17-21	. . . . . ELK-3-234	. . . . . Q/HD	. . . . . 200	. . . . . MB
Muzzle	. . . . . Oct. 24-28	. . . . . ELK-3-235	. . . . . HD	. . . . . 245	. . . . . MB
Muzzle	. . . . . Nov. 21-25	. . . . . ELK-3-236	. . . . . HD	. . . . . 250	. . . . . MB
Muzzle - NM Resident Only	. . . . . Dec. 5-9	. . . . . ELK-3-237	. . . . . S	. . . . . 250	. . . . . A
Muzzle - NM Resident Only	. . . . . Dec. 12-16	. . . . . ELK-3-238	. . . . . S	. . . . . 250	. . . . . A
Unit 16A					
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 1-14	. . . . . ELK-2-239	. . . . . HD	. . . . . 250	. . . . . ES
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 15-24	. . . . . ELK-2-240	. . . . . Q/HD	. . . . . 150	. . . . . ES
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only	. . . . . Oct. 10-14	. . . . . ELK-1-241	. . . . . Q	. . . . . 25	. . . . . MB
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 17-21	. . . . . ELK-1-242	. . . . . Q/HD	. . . . . 75	. . . . . MB
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 24-28	. . . . . ELK-1-243	. . . . . HD	. . . . . 125	. . . . . MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	. . . . . Dec. 5-9	. . . . . ELK-1-244	. . . . . S	. . . . . 75	. . . . . A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	. . . . . Dec. 12-16	. . . . . ELK-1-245	. . . . . S	. . . . . 75	. . . . . A
Units 16B and 22					
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 1-14	. . . . . ELK-2-246	. . . . . HD	. . . . . 225	. . . . . ES
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 15-24	. . . . . ELK-2-247	. . . . . Q/HD	. . . . . 165	. . . . . ES
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 10-14	. . . . . ELK-1-248	. . . . . Q	. . . . . 25	. . . . . MB
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 17-21	. . . . . ELK-1-249	. . . . . Q/HD	. . . . . 135	. . . . . MB
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 24-28	. . . . . ELK-1-250	. . . . . HD	. . . . . 160	. . . . . MB
Unit 16C					
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 1-14	. . . . . ELK-2-251	. . . . . HD	. . . . . 144	. . . . . ES
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 15-24	. . . . . ELK-2-252	. . . . . Q/HD	. . . . . 100	. . . . . ES
Any Legal - Youth Only	. . . . . Oct. 10-14	. . . . . ELK-1-253	. . . . . S	. . . . . 25	. . . . . ES
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 17-21	. . . . . ELK-1-254	. . . . . Q	. . . . . 50	. . . . . MB
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 24-28	. . . . . ELK-1-255	. . . . . S	. . . . . 91	. . . . . MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only Dec. 5-9 ELK-1-256 S 50 A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only Dec. 12-16 ELK-1-257 S 48 A

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Unit 16D					
Bow	Sep. 1-14	ELK-2-258	HD	.90	ES
Bow	Sep. 15-24	ELK-2-259	Q/HD	.60	ES
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only	Oct. 10-14	ELK-1-260	Q/HD	.25	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 17-21	ELK-1-261	Q/HD	.55	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 24-28	ELK-1-262	HD	.50	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Dec. 5-9	ELK-1-263	S	.50	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Dec. 12-16	ELK-1-264	S	.50	A
Unit 16E					
Bow	Sep. 1-14	ELK-2-265	S	.90	ES
Bow	Sep. 15-24	ELK-2-266	Q/HD	.60	ES
Muzzle	Oct. 17-21	ELK-3-268	Q	.70	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only	Oct. 10-14	ELK-1-267	S	.25	ES
Any Legal	Oct. 24-28	ELK-1-269	S	.70	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Dec. 5-9	ELK-1-270	S	.75	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Dec. 12-16	ELK-1-271	S	.75	A
Unit 17					
Bow	Sep. 1-14	ELK-2-272	HD	125	ES
Bow	Sep. 15-24	ELK-2-273	Q/HD	.75	ES
Muzzle - Youth Only	Oct. 10-14	ELK-3-274	S	.25	ES
Muzzle	Oct. 17-21	ELK-3-275	Q/HD	100	MB
Muzzle	Oct. 24-28	ELK-3-276	HD	100	MB
Muzzle	Nov. 21-25	ELK-3-277	HD	.25	MB
Muzzle - NM Resident Only	Nov. 21-25	ELK-3-278	S	.25	A
Muzzle - NM Resident Only	Dec. 5-9	ELK-3-279	S	100	A
Muzzle - NM Resident Only	Dec. 12-16	ELK-3-280	S	100	A
Unit 18					
Bow	Sep. 1-14	ELK-2-357	S	.25	ES
Bow	Sep. 15-24	ELK-2-358	HD	.25	ES
Any Legal	Oct. 1-5	ELK-1-359	S	.10	ES

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Unit 19 White Sands Missile Range

Any Legal - Mandatory ⁽¹⁾	Jan. 15-17, '21 and	ELK-1-360	S.	3	ES
Check-in/Check-out	Jan. 29-31, '21				

⁽¹⁾ White Sands Missile Range (WSMR) ONLY, mandatory check-in/check-out. Chronic wasting disease (CWD) detected in this area (page 37). WSMR will charge a \$100 per hunter access fee. Successful WSMR applicants will receive an email from WSMR with instructions for fee payment. Hunters are responsible for timely payment and will not be allowed to hunt if the access fee has not been paid by the specified deadline.

Unit 21A

Bow	Sep. 1-14	ELK-2-281	HD	50	ES
Bow	Sep. 15-24	ELK-2-282	HD	50	ES
Bow	Dec. 19-23	ELK-2-287	S.	15	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 10-14	ELK-1-283	S.	15	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 17-21	ELK-1-284	HD	35	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 24-28	ELK-1-285	HD	55	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Dec. 5-9	ELK-1-286	S.	30	A

Unit 21B

Bow	Sep. 1-14	ELK-2-288	S.	25	ES
Bow	Sep. 15-24	ELK-2-289	S.	25	ES
Bow	Dec. 19-23	ELK-2-297	S.	15	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 10-14	ELK-1-290	HD	10	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 17-21	ELK-1-291	S.	15	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 24-28	ELK-1-292	S.	25	MB

Unit 21B (NM Resident Only)

Any Legal	Nov. 21-25	ELK-1-293	S.	15	A
Any Legal	Nov. 28-Dec. 2	ELK-1-294	S.	15	A
Any Legal	Dec. 5-9	ELK-1-295	S.	15	A
Any Legal	Dec. 12-16	ELK-1-296	S.	20	A

Unit 23

Bow	Sep. 1-14	ELK-2-298	S.	125	ES
Bow	Sep. 15-24	ELK-2-299	HD	75	ES
Bow	Dec. 19-23	ELK-2-304	S.	15	MB
Muzzle	Oct. 17-21	ELK-3-301	S.	75	MB
Any Legal - Youth Only	Oct. 10-14	ELK-1-300	S.	25	ES
Any Legal	Oct. 24-28	ELK-1-302	HD	75	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Dec. 5-9	ELK-1-303	S.	20	A

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Unit	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
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Unit 24 (excluding Ft. Bayard Management Area)

Bow	Sept. 1-14	ELK-2-305	S.	15	ES
Bow	Sept. 15-24	ELK-2-306	S.	10	ES
Muzzle	Oct. 17-21	ELK-3-307	S.	15	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 24-28	ELK-1-308	S.	15	MB

Unit 24 (including Ft. Bayard Management Area)

Any Legal - Youth Only	Oct. 10-14	ELK-1-309	S.	5	ES
Any Legal - NM Resident Only / Youth Only	Oct. 24-28	ELK-1-310	S.	5	A

Unit 28 - McGregor Range (CWD detected in this area. See page 37)

Any Legal - Military Only	Dec. 12-16	ELK-1-361	HD	10	ES
Any Legal	Dec. 12-16	ELK-1-362	HD	10	ES

Unit 30

Bow	Sept. 1-14	ELK-2-363	S.	10	ES
Bow	Sept. 15-24	ELK-2-364	S.	10	ES
Any Legal	Oct. 1-5	ELK-1-365	S.	10	ES
Any Legal	Oct. 10-14	ELK-1-366	S.	20	ES

Unit 34 (CWD detected in this area. See page 37)

Bow	Sept. 1-14	ELK-2-311	HD	200	ES
Bow	Sept. 15-24	ELK-2-312	HD	200	ES
Bow	Dec. 19-23	ELK-2-321	S.	200	APRE/6/A
Muzzle	Oct. 17-21	ELK-3-316	S.	250	ES
Any Legal - Youth Only	Oct. 10-14	ELK-1-313	S.	75	ES
Any Legal - Mobility Impaired Only	Oct. 10-14	ELK-1-315	S.	50	ES
Any Legal	Oct. 24-28	ELK-1-317	S.	150	ES

Unit 34 - NM Resident Only (CWD detected in this area. See page 37)

Any Legal - Youth Only	Oct. 10-14	ELK-1-314	S.	120	A
Any Legal	Nov. 28-Dec. 2	ELK-1-318	S.	350	A
Any Legal	Dec. 5-9	ELK-1-319	S.	350	A
Any Legal	Dec. 12-16	ELK-1-320	S.	350	A

Unit 36

Bow	Sept. 1-14	ELK-2-322	HD	133	ES
Bow	Sept. 15-24	ELK-2-323	HD	132	ES
Muzzle	Oct. 10-14	ELK-3-324	HD	140	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 17-21	ELK-1-325	S.	140	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 31-Nov. 4	ELK-1-326	HD	140	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Nov. 28-Dec. 2	ELK-1-327	S.	100	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Dec. 5-9	ELK-1-328	S.	100	A

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Unit	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
Unit 37					
Bow Sep. 1-14 ELK-2-367 S 40 ES
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 15-24	. . . . . ELK-2-368	. . . . . HD	. . . . . 30	. . . . . ES
Bow	. . . . . Dec. 5-9	. . . . . ELK-2-372	. . . . . S	. . . . . 50	. . . . . APRE/6
Muzzle	. . . . . Oct. 1-5	. . . . . ELK-3-369	. . . . . S	. . . . . 30	. . . . . MB
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 17-21	. . . . . ELK-1-370	. . . . . S	. . . . . 30	. . . . . MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	. . . . . Nov. 28-Dec. 2	. . . . . ELK-1-371	. . . . . S	. . . . . 45	. . . . . A
Unit 38					
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 1-5	. . . . . ELK-1-373	. . . . . S	. . . . . 10	. . . . . ES
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 10-14	. . . . . ELK-1-374	. . . . . S	. . . . . 10	. . . . . ES
Units 42, 47 and 59					
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 1-14	. . . . . ELK-2-375	. . . . . S	. . . . . 10	. . . . . ES
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 15-24	. . . . . ELK-2-376	. . . . . S	. . . . . 10	. . . . . ES
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 1-5	. . . . . ELK-1-377	. . . . . S	. . . . . 10	. . . . . ES
Unit 43					
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 1-5	. . . . . ELK-1-378	. . . . . S	. . . . . 30	. . . . . ES
Unit 45					
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 1-14	. . . . . ELK-2-329	. . . . . S	. . . . . 75	. . . . . ES
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 15-24	. . . . . ELK-2-330	. . . . . HD	. . . . . 73	. . . . . ES
Muzzle	. . . . . Oct. 10-14	. . . . . ELK-3-331	. . . . . S	. . . . . 136	. . . . . MB
Muzzle - NM Resident Only	. . . . . Nov. 14-18	. . . . . ELK-3-334	. . . . . S	. . . . . 49	. . . . . A
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 17-21	. . . . . ELK-1-332	. . . . . S	. . . . . 140	. . . . . MB
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 24-28	. . . . . ELK-1-333	. . . . . S	. . . . . 140	. . . . . MB
Unit 48					
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 1-14	. . . . . ELK-2-335	. . . . . S	. . . . . 93	. . . . . ES
Bow	. . . . . Sep. 15-24	. . . . . ELK-2-336	. . . . . S	. . . . . 92	. . . . . ES
Muzzle	. . . . . Oct. 10-14	. . . . . ELK-3-337	. . . . . S	. . . . . 50	. . . . . MB
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 17-21	. . . . . ELK-1-338	. . . . . S	. . . . . 74	. . . . . MB
Any Legal	. . . . . Oct. 24-28	. . . . . ELK-1-339	. . . . . S	. . . . . 50	. . . . . MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only Nov. 7-11 ELK-1-340 S 50 A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only Dec. 5-9 ELK-1-341 S 54 A

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Unit	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
Unit 49					
Bow	Sep. 1-14	ELK-2-342	S.	.60	ES
Bow	Sep. 15-24	ELK-2-343	S.	.59	ES
Any Legal	Oct. 10-14	ELK-1-344	S.	.77	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 17-21	ELK-1-345	S.	.76	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Nov. 7-11	ELK-1-346	S.	.77	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Nov. 14-18	ELK-1-347	S.	.77	A
Unit 50					
Bow	Sep. 1-14	ELK-2-158	S.	.60	ES
Bow	Sep. 15-24	ELK-2-159	S.	.55	ES
Any Legal	Oct. 10-14	ELK-1-160	S.	120	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 17-21	ELK-1-161	S.	125	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Nov. 7-11	ELK-1-162	S.	.42	A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	Nov. 21-25	ELK-1-163	S.	.45	A
Unit 51					
Bow	Sep. 1-14	ELK-2-164	S.	180	ES
Bow	Sep. 15-24	ELK-2-165	HD	180	ES
Muzzle	Dec. 5-9	ELK-3-172	S.	145	ES
Any Legal	Oct. 10-14	ELK-1-166	S.	220	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 17-21	ELK-1-167	S.	220	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 24-28	ELK-1-168	S.	220	MB
Unit 51 (NM Resident Only)					
Any Legal	Nov. 7-11	ELK-1-169	S.	251	A
Any Legal	Nov. 14-18	ELK-1-170	S.	251	A
Any Legal	Nov. 21-25	ELK-1-171	S.	252	A
Unit 52					
Bow	Sep. 1-14	ELK-2-173	HD	230	ES
Bow	Sep. 15-24	ELK-2-174	HD	230	ES
Muzzle - Mobility Impaired Only	Oct. 10-14	ELK-3-175	S.	.50	MB
Muzzle	Oct. 10-14	ELK-3-176	HD	120	MB
Muzzle - NM Resident Only	Oct. 10-14	ELK-3-177	S.	.50	A
Any Legal	Oct. 17-21	ELK-1-178	S.	230	MB
Any Legal	Oct. 24-28	ELK-1-179	S.	230	MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only / Youth Only	Nov. 14-18	ELK-1-180	S.	.80	A

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Unit	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
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Unit 52 – cont.

Any Legal - NM Resident Only / Mobility Impaired Only	.Nov. 21-25	.ELK-1-181	.S.	.56	.A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	.Nov. 21-25	.ELK-1-182	.S.	.73	.A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	.Dec. 5-9	.ELK-1-183	.S.	115	.A

Unit 53

Bow	.Sep. 1-14	.ELK-2-348	.S.	.65	.ES
Bow	.Sep. 15-24	.ELK-2-349	.HD	.60	.ES

Unit	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
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Unit 53 (excluding Cerro portion)

Muzzle	.Oct. 10-14	.ELK-3-350	.S.	.50	.ES
Any Legal	.Oct. 17-21	.ELK-1-351	.S.	.80	.MB
Any Legal	.Oct. 24-28	.ELK-1-352	.S.	131	.MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	.Nov. 14-18	.ELK-1-353	.S.	.94	.A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	.Nov. 21-25	.ELK-1-354	.S.	.94	.A

Unit 53 (north of Sunshine Valley Road / NM Residents Only)

Any Legal	.Jan. 2-17, '21	.ELK-1-355	.S.	.40	.A
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Unit 54 and 55 - Colin Neblett WMA Only (NM Residents Only)

Bow	.Sep. 1-14	.ELK-2-388	.S.	.20	.ES
Bow	.Sep. 15-24	.ELK-2-389	.S.	.20	.ES
Muzzle	.Oct. 10-14	.ELK-3-390	.S.	.40	.MB
Any Legal	.Oct. 17-21	.ELK-1-391	.S.	.40	.MB
Any Legal	.Oct. 24-28	.ELK-1-392	.S.	.40	.MB
Any Legal	.Nov. 7-11	.ELK-1-393	.S.	.40	.A

Unit 55A (NM Resident Only)

Bow - ES Barker WMA	.Sep. 1-14	.ELK-2-394	.S.	.5	.ES
Bow - ES Barker WMA	.Sep. 15-24	.ELK-2-395	.S.	.5	.ES
Bow - Urraca WMA	.Sep. 1-14	.ELK-2-397	.S.	.5	.ES
Bow - Urraca WMA	.Sep. 15-24	.ELK-2-398	.S.	.5	.ES
Muzzle - Urraca WMA	.Oct. 10-14	.ELK-3-399	.S.	.10	.MB
Any Legal - ES Barker WMA	.Oct. 10-14	.ELK-1-396	.S.	.10	.MB
Any Legal - Urraca WMA	.Oct. 17-21	.ELK-1-400	.S.	.10	.MB
Any Legal - Urraca WMA	.Nov. 7-11	.ELK-1-401	.S.	.10	.MB
Any Legal - Urraca WMA	.Nov. 14-18	.ELK-1-402	.S.	.15	.A
Any Legal - Urraca WMA	.Nov. 28-Dec. 2	.ELK-1-403	.S.	.15	.A

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Unit	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
Unit 55A - Valle Vidal (Once-in-a-lifetime, page 65)					
Bow	.Sep. 1-14	.ELK-2-404	.Q/HD	.25	.ES
Bow	.Sep. 15-24	.ELK-2-405	.Q/HD	.25	.ES
Muzzle	.Oct. 10-14	.ELK-3-406	.Q/HD	.20	.MB
Any Legal	.Oct. 17-21	.ELK-1-407	.Q/HD	.35	.MB
Any Legal	.Oct. 24-28	.ELK-1-408	.Q	.40	.MB
Any Legal - Youth Only	.Oct. 31-Nov. 4	.ELK-1-409	.Q	.20	.MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only / Youth Only	.Nov. 7-11	.ELK-1-410	.Q	.35	.A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	.Nov. 14-18	.ELK-1-411	.Q	.40	.A
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	.Nov. 21-25	.ELK-1-412	.Q	.45	.A
Unit 56					
Bow	.Sep. 1-14	.ELK-2-379	.S	.5	.ES
Bow	.Sep. 15-24	.ELK-2-380	.S	.5	.ES
Any Legal	.Oct. 1-5	.ELK-1-381	.HD	.10	.MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	.Oct. 10-14	.ELK-1-382	.S	.10	.A
Unit 57 (Sugarite Canyon State Park Only)					
Bow	.Sep. 1-14	.ELK-2-383	.S	.3	.ES
Bow	.Sep. 15-24	.ELK-2-384	.S	.2	.ES
Units 57, 58 (excluding Sugarite Canyon State Park)					
Any Legal	.Oct. 1-5	.ELK-1-385	.S	.5	.MB
Any Legal	.Oct. 10-14	.ELK-1-386	.S	.10	.MB
Any Legal - NM Resident Only	.Dec. 12-16	.ELK-1-387	.S	.10	.A



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Encouragement Elk Hunts: Online Purchase Only

Only New Mexico residents are eligible. Only youth hunters are eligible during the first 14 days of the online sale. The resident youth hunter must have applied for at least one draw hunt for bighorn sheep, Barbary sheep, deer, elk, ibex, oryx or pronghorn but must not have drawn any hunt. Resident youth hunters must be 17 years of age or younger on opening day of the hunt and must have a valid hunter education number (page 18).

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

Hunts will only be offered online on a first-come, first-served basis. Hunts will be available online until 14 days before each hunt start date. Please note: rejected applicants are ineligible. For more information telephone the NMDGF Information Center: 1-888-248-6866. .

Encouragement Elk Seasons (N.M. Residents Only)

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

Unit	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
Unit 5B					
Any Legal	Nov. 27-Dec.1	ELK-1-501	.S.	.20	A
Unit 6A					
Any Legal	Nov. 27-Dec. 1	ELK-1-502	.S.	.50	A
Any Legal	Dec. 26-30	ELK-1-503	.S.	.50	A
Unit 6C					
Any Legal	Nov. 27-Dec. 1	ELK-1-504	.S.	.50	A
Any Legal	Dec. 26-30	ELK-1-505	.S.	.50	A
Unit 10					
Any Legal	Nov. 27-Dec. 1	ELK-1-506	.S.	.35	A
Unit 13					
Muzzle	Nov. 27-Dec. 1	ELK-3-507	.S.	.60	A
Muzzle	Dec. 26-30	ELK-3-508	.S.	.60	A
Unit 15					
Muzzle	Nov. 27-Dec. 1	ELK-3-509	.S.	.75	A
Muzzle	Dec. 26-30	ELK-3-510	.S.	.75	A
Unit 16A					
Any Legal	Nov. 27-Dec. 1	ELK-1-511	.S.	.75	A
Any Legal	Dec. 26-30	ELK-1-512	.S.	.75	A

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Unit	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
Unit 16C					
Any Legal Nov. 27-Dec. 1 ELK-1-513 S 75 A
Any Legal	. . . . . Dec. 26-30	. . . . . ELK-1-514	. . . . . S	. . . . . 75	. . . . . A
Unit 16D					
Any Legal	. . . . . Nov. 27-Dec. 1	. . . . . ELK-1-515	. . . . . S	. . . . . 75	. . . . . A
Any Legal	. . . . . Dec. 26-30	. . . . . ELK-1-516	. . . . . S	. . . . . 75	. . . . . A
Unit 16E					
Any Legal	. . . . . Nov. 27-Dec. 1	. . . . . ELK-1-517	. . . . . S	. . . . . 75	. . . . . A
Any Legal	. . . . . Dec. 26-30	. . . . . ELK-1-518	. . . . . S	. . . . . 75	. . . . . A
Unit 17					
Muzzle	. . . . . Nov. 27-Dec. 1	. . . . . ELK-3-519	. . . . . S	. . . . . 60	. . . . . A
Muzzle	. . . . . Dec. 26-30	. . . . . ELK-3-520	. . . . . S	. . . . . 60	. . . . . A
Unit 34					
Any Legal	. . . . . Dec. 26-30	. . . . . ELK-1-521	. . . . . S	. . . . . 80	. . . . . A
Unit 36					
Any Legal	. . . . . Nov. 27-Dec. 1	. . . . . ELK-1-522	. . . . . S	. . . . . 60	. . . . . A
Any Legal	. . . . . Dec. 26-30	. . . . . ELK-1-523	. . . . . S	. . . . . 60	. . . . . A
Unit 49					
Any Legal	. . . . . Nov. 27-Dec. 1	. . . . . ELK-1-524	. . . . . S	. . . . . 50	. . . . . A
Unit 50					
Any Legal	. . . . . Dec. 26-30	. . . . . ELK-1-525	. . . . . S	. . . . . 60	. . . . . A
Unit 51					
Any Legal	. . . . . Nov. 27-Dec. 1	. . . . . ELK-1-526	. . . . . S	. . . . . 75	. . . . . A
Any Legal	. . . . . Dec. 26-30	. . . . . ELK-1-527	. . . . . S	. . . . . 75	. . . . . A
Unit 52					
Any Legal	. . . . . Nov. 27-Dec. 1	. . . . . ELK-1-528	. . . . . S	. . . . . 50	. . . . . A
Unit 53					
Any Legal	. . . . . Nov. 27-Dec. 1	. . . . . ELK-1-529	. . . . . S	. . . . . 60	. . . . . A
Any Legal	. . . . . Dec. 26-30	. . . . . ELK-1-530	. . . . . S	. . . . . 60	. . . . . A