General Information

- While in The Field You Must Have All of the Following (page 8)
- All Turkey Harvests Must Be Tagged (pages 29–30)
- License Requirements and Fees (see pages 8–13)
- Legal Sporting Arms for Turkey Hunting (shotguns, bows or crossbows, see page 29)
- Youth-only Hunts (see page 14)

Turkey Draw Permits

The deadline to apply for turkey draw permits is February 12, 2020. Up to two persons may apply per application.

Successful applicants must purchase an over-the-counter (OTC) turkey license with tags unless the E-Tag option is chosen. A game-hunting license or game-hunting & fishing license is required. If planning to hunt within 14 days of online or telephone purchase, hunters may be required to obtain tags at a license vendor or NMDGF office. Tags include instructions for proper tagging.

Spring Over-the-Counter (OTC) License Hunts

OTC turkey licenses are available at NMDGF offices, license vendors, online or by telephone: 1-888-248-6866. Hunters may purchase both spring and fall licenses.

Areas Open for Spring OTC License Hunts: April 15–May 10

STATEWIDE: Except the closed areas listed below.

CLOSED: Unit 2A (areas east of NM Hwy. 550 and north of NM Hwy. 173); Unit 2B (areas in the Carson National Forest), Unit 2C (areas in the Carson National Forest); Units 6B, 8, 19, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31; Bernardo WMA, Bill Evans WMA, Double E WMA, Jackson Lake WMA, La Joya WMA, Lake Roberts WMA, Marquez WMA, Prairie Chicken WMAs, Red Rock WMA, River Ranch WMA, Valle Vidal, W.S. Huey WMA.

Youth-only Spring OTC License Hunt: April 10–12

An early youth-only turkey hunt is available on April 10–12 in all units listed open for spring hunting.

Bag Limit for Spring Season

The bag limit is 2 bearded turkeys, except in permitted areas.(1) The beard and a patch of feathers surrounding the beard must remain on the bird until it is delivered to the place where it will be eaten or placed in final storage.

(1) Turkey draw permit holders may kill only the number of turkeys authorized on their permit in the permitted area. If only one turkey is allowed they may hunt in any open over-the-counter area during the spring season for a second turkey.
**Turkey Draw Permits Seasons (OTC Turkey License Required)**

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<td><strong>Unit 2A (Areas east of Hwy. 550 and north of NM Hwy. 173)</strong></td>
<td>Any Legal - Youth Only . Apr. 15-May.10 . . . . TUR-1-102 . . . . . . .5. . . . 1 bearded turkey</td>
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<td><strong>Unit 2B and 2C (Carson National Forest)</strong></td>
<td>Any Legal . . . . . . . . Apr. 15-May.10 . . . . TUR-1-100 . . . . . . .115 . . . 1 bearded turkey</td>
<td>Any Legal - Youth Only . Apr. 15-May.10 . . . . TUR-1-101 . . . . . . .50 . . . 1 bearded turkey</td>
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<td><strong>Unit 6B (Valles Caldera National Preserve)</strong></td>
<td>Any Legal (1) . . . . . . . . Apr. 15-30 . . . . . . . . TUR-1-103 . . . . . . .20 . . . 1 bearded turkey</td>
<td>(1) Hunter orientation required (page 38).</td>
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<td><strong>Unit 8</strong></td>
<td>Any Legal (2) . . . . . . . . Apr. 15-May.10 . . . . TUR-1-104 . . . . . . .15 . . . 2 bearded turkeys</td>
<td>(2) Shotgun, bow or crossbow, except in Sandia Ranger District which is bow and crossbow only.</td>
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<td><strong>Unit 9 - Marquez WMA</strong></td>
<td>Any Legal - NM Resident . Apr. 15-May.10 . . . . TUR-1-105 . . . . . . .5. . . . 2 bearded turkeys</td>
<td>Only</td>
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<td><strong>Unit 30 - Washington Ranch (1) (Youth Only)</strong></td>
<td>Any Legal . . . . . . . . Apr. 25-26 . . . . . . . . TUR-1-106 . . . . . . .4. . . . 1 bearded turkey</td>
<td>or May 2-3</td>
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<td><strong>Unit 33 - W.S. Huey WMA</strong></td>
<td>Any Legal - NM Resident . Apr. 10-12 . . . . . . . . TUR-1-107 . . . . . . .2. . . . 1 bearded turkey</td>
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<td><strong>Unit 55 - Valle Vidal</strong></td>
<td>Any Legal - NM Resident . Apr. 15-30 . . . . . . . . TUR-1-109 . . . . . . .20 . . . 1 bearded turkey</td>
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(1) This is a special hunting opportunity for youth hunters to harvest a Rio Grande turkey at Washington Ranch. Successful draw applicants will be assigned either the April 25–26 or May 2–3 hunt date and will be contacted with additional hunt details. Hunter orientation is required and will be held on the Friday afternoon before the designated hunt begins. Youth hunters will be paired with a conservation officer for a Saturday and Sunday hunt. Lodging and meals will be provided at Washington Ranch for the youth hunter and parents or legal guardians (up to two guests per hunter). For additional information about this opportunity, contact the Southeast Area office: (575) 624-6135.

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: **1-888-248-6866**
Fall OTC License Hunts

Sept. 1–30 (bow only) and Nov. 1–30 (shotgun, bow or crossbow)

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Bag Limit for Fall Season

The bag limit is any one turkey. If a hunter does not harvest a turkey during the September bow-only hunt, she/he may hunt again in November using legal sporting arms for turkey.

Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge Youth Spring Turkey Hunt

The Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) will conduct a youth Spring turkey hunt for hunters 17 years of age and younger. Hunts will be held on weekends during April and May, 2020 in conjunction with NMDGF seasons. The bag limit is one bearded turkey. Eligible hunters will be drawn from a pool of qualified applicants. An application fee of $6 is required per application. Applications will be available beginning February 2, 2020 at: https://www.fws.gov/refuge/bosque_del_apache/. For more information about hunting opportunities at Bosque del Apache NWR telephone: (575) 835-1828.