ISSUING AGENCY: New Mexico department of game and fish.

SCOPE: Sportspersons interested in elk management and hunting. Additional requirements may be found in Chapter 17 NMSA 1978, and Chapters 30, 31, 32 and 33 of Title 19 NMAC.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: Sections 17-1-14 and 17-1-26 NMSA 1978 provide that the New Mexico state game commission has the authority to establish rules and regulations that it may deem necessary to carry out the purpose of Chapter 17 NMSA 1978 and all other acts pertaining to protected mammals, birds and fish.

DURATION: April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2027.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 1, 2023, unless a later date is cited at the end of a section.

OBJECTIVE: Establishing open hunting seasons and regulations, rules and procedures governing the issuance of elk licenses by the department.

DEFINITIONS:
A. “Antlerless elk” or “A” shall mean any one elk without antlers.
B. “Antler point restricted elk” or “APRE/6” shall mean any bull elk with a minimum of six antler points on one side. A brow tine or eye guard constitutes a point; a burr at the base does not.
C. “Department” shall mean the New Mexico department of game and fish.
D. “Director” shall mean the director of the New Mexico department of game and fish.
E. “Elk” shall mean any wild cervid of the genus Cervus.
F. “Elk enhancement program” shall mean the department activity that allows the issuance of not more than two authorizations for the taking of one bull elk per license, with the purpose of raising funds for programs and projects to benefit elk.
G. “Elk region” shall mean a portion of the state designated by the department to administer elk management activities. An elk region describes an assemblage of one or more herd units and encompasses one or more GMUs.
H. “Either sex” or “ES” shall mean any one elk.
I. “Game management unit”, “GMU”, “hunt area”, “Cerro portion” or “management area” shall mean those areas as described in 19.30.4 NMAC Boundary Descriptions for Game Management Units.
J. “High-demand hunt” shall mean a special draw hunt where the total number of non-resident applicants for an elk hunt exceeds twenty-two percent of the total applicants based on data for the two immediately preceding years.
K. “Mature bull” or “MB” shall mean a male elk with at least one brow tine extending six or more inches from the main beam or at least one forked antler with both branches six or more inches long.
L. “Primary management zone” shall mean designated areas of the state upon which elk management goals and subsequent harvest objectives are based.
M. “Private land authorization” shall mean the document generated by the department and issued to a private landowner that authorizes the holder to purchase a specified license to hunt elk.
N. “Quality hunt” shall mean a hunt designed to provide a hunter with an opportunity to achieve one or more of the following: an enhanced experience based on timing and length of hunt season; lower hunter density; or an increased opportunity for success.

O. “Secondary management zone” shall mean areas of the state that are not part of the primary management zone or special management zone.

P. “Special management zone” shall mean areas of the state not within the primary management zone or secondary management zone and where private land authorization issuance includes eligibility requirements or restrictions.

Q. “Wildlife management area” or “WMA” shall mean those areas as described in 19.34.5 NMAC Wildlife Management Areas.

19.31.14.8 ADJUSTMENT OF LICENSES AND AUTHORIZATIONS: The director, with the verbal concurrence of the chairperson of the New Mexico state game commission or their designee, may adjust the number of licenses or authorizations up or down by no more than twenty percent to address significant changes in population levels or to address critical department management needs. GMU 34 elk licenses and authorizations may be adjusted beyond this amount as necessary to meet management objectives. These adjustments may be applied to any or all authorizations or licenses for elk in a specific GMU or designated area.

19.31.14.9 ELK LICENSE APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS:

A. Validity of license: In the primary management zones, except GMUs 4 and 5A, private-land ranch-only (as defined in 19.30.5 NMAC) elk licenses shall not be valid on any other private lands. In GMUs 4, 5A, and secondary and special management zones, private-land licenses are valid on any other private lands within the GMU and the same zone designation only if accompanied by written permission; unless otherwise restricted in a department issued agreement.

B. Valle Vidal elk once-in-a-lifetime hunts: No person shall apply for a license to hunt bull elk on the Valle Vidal if he or she has held a license since 1983 allowing them to take a bull elk on the Valle Vidal. Persons that have held a youth-only license may apply for non-youth-only licenses as long as they are eligible. No person shall apply for a license to hunt antlerless elk on the Valle Vidal if he or she has held a license since 1983 allowing them to take an antlerless elk on the Valle Vidal. Persons that have held a youth-only antlerless license may apply for non-youth-only antlerless licenses as long as they are eligible. Either sex or mature bull/antlerless shall be considered as a “bull elk” license, and shall not be considered as an “antlerless” license for this restriction. Persons who have held a Valle Vidal elk license through any incentive program are exempt from this restriction.

19.31.14.10 CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE (CWD): The director has the authority to designate possession criteria to any elk hunter where CWD is a concern. It is unlawful to transport dead elk, or their parts, taken from any GMU or area identified by the director in which the presence of, or possibility of, exposure to CWD has been identified, to any location outside that GMU, except for the following:

A. meat that is cut and wrapped (either commercially or privately);
B. quarters or other portions of meat with no part of the spinal column or head attached;
C. meat that has been boned out;
D. hides with no heads attached;
E. clean skull plates with antlers attached; clean is defined as having been immersed in a bath of at least one part chlorine bleach and two parts water with no meat or tissue attached;
F. antlers with no meat or tissue attached;
G. upper canine teeth, also known as “ivories”;
H. finished taxidermied heads; or
I. by prior arrangement to a department office.

19.31.14.11 QUALITY ELK HUNTS: Quality hunts for elk are as follows:
A. all Valle Vidal hunts;
B. the first three mature bull hunts and both bow hunts on the Sargent WMA as follows: ELK-1-165, ELK-1-166, ELK-1-167, ELK-2-163 and ELK-2-164;
D. all GMU 6B hunts that allow the hunter to take a bull;
E. quality hunt fees for licenses listed in Subsection C above shall also apply to the conversion of any mature bull or either-sex private-land authorization (excluding youth-only) for private lands that lie within the primary management zone. This includes any hunt dates from September 15 through October 15.


19.31.14.12 SPECIAL ELK HUNTING OPPORTUNITIES:
A. Elk enhancement program:
(1) Program description: The director shall collect all proceeds generated through the auction and lottery of special bull elk authorizations, and such monies shall be deposited in the game protection fund. These monies shall be made available for expenditure by the department solely for programs and projects to benefit elk and for direct costs incurred in carrying out these programs. These monies shall be used to augment, and not replace, monies appropriated from existing funds available to the department for the conservation, restoration, utilization, and management of elk.
(2) Requirements for issuance of special elk authorizations:
(a) The state game commission shall authorize the director to issue not more than two special elk authorizations in any one license year to take one mature bull elk per license. The director shall allow the sale of one authorization through auction to the highest bidder and one authorization to a person selected through a random drawing of a lottery ticket by the department or an incorporated, non-profit organization dedicated to the conservation of elk.
(b) Unless their hunting privileges have been revoked pursuant to law, any person is eligible to submit a bid for the special elk auction authorization or purchase lottery tickets in an attempt to be selected for the special elk lottery authorization.
(c) The special elk authorizations issued through auction and lottery may be transferred, through sale, barter or gift by the successful individuals only to other individuals qualified to hunt.
(d) Special elk licenses granted through auction or lottery, as described above, shall not be considered ‘once-in-a-lifetime’.
(3) Enhancement hunts: Elk enhancement licenses shall be valid from September 1 through January 31 for any big-game sporting arms. These licenses shall be valid statewide where hunting is allowed; bag limit shall be one mature bull elk. The elk enhancement authorizations may be used by the recipient or transferred through sale, barter or gift by the successful individuals to other individuals qualified to hunt.
B. Elk incentive programs: The director may annually allow up to two elk authorizations to be issued for deer and elk hunters submitting their legally harvested animal for CWD testing. Authorizations to purchase an incentive license may be used either by the applicant or transferred through sale, barter or gift by the successful individuals to any individual qualified to hunt. Elk incentive hunts shall be valid only for the dates, big-game sporting arms, bag limit and area specified by the director.
C. Encouragement hunts:
(1) Only resident youth hunters as defined by 19.31.3 NMAC who have submitted a valid application for a draw hunt for deer, elk, pronghorn, ibex, oryx, Barbary sheep or bighorn sheep in the current license year and were unsuccessful in drawing any license will be eligible to purchase a license for these hunts for the first 14 days of availability on the department website. Licenses remaining after 14 days shall be available to any youth hunter eligible to purchase an elk license.
(2) The director, with concurrence of the chairperson of the state game commission, may adjust the number of licenses available in all encouragement hunts listed below based on management objectives.
(3) These hunts will be administered by the department through a web sale. The open GMUs, hunt dates, hunt codes, big-game sporting arms, number of licenses and bag limits shall be as indicated below:

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A premium elk hunt will be issued each license year through the draw. The hunt area will be statewide on any public land open to hunting, including wildlife management areas, and private land with written permission.

D. **Premium Hunt Opportunity:** One premium elk hunt will be issued each license year through the draw. The hunt area will be statewide on any public land open to hunting, including wildlife management areas, and private land with written permission.

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**19.31.14.13 Population Management Hunts:**

A. The director or their designee may authorize population management hunts for elk when justified in writing by department personnel.

B. The director or their designee shall designate the big-game sporting arms, season dates, season lengths, bag limits, hunt boundaries, specific requirements or restrictions, and number of licenses to be issued.

C. In the event that an applicant is not able to hunt on the dates specified, the applicant’s name shall be moved to the bottom of the list and another applicant may be contacted for the hunt.

D. In those instances where a population management hunt is warranted on deeded private lands, the landowner may suggest eligible hunters of their choice by submitting a list of prospective hunters’ names to the department for licensing consideration. No more than one-half of the total number of licenses authorized shall be available to landowner identified hunters. The balance of prospective hunters shall be identified by the department.
19.31.14.14  ELK HUNTS IN PRIMARY MANAGEMENT ZONES: This section lists elk management information and subsequent hunting opportunities for GMUs in elk regions where a primary management zone has been established. The listed information includes regional elk population information, management goals, harvest objectives, total number of hunting opportunities, GMUs or areas open for hunting, season dates, hunt codes, bag limits, big-game sporting arms, number of licenses available in the public draw and the number and type of authorizations available for private lands within the primary management zone of each GMU.

A. Elk management goals:
   (1) Quality hunt management (QHM):
   (a) Elk harvest in regional populations, herd units or GMUs within a region results in the trend of annual bull mortality rates to be below thirty-five percent.
   (b) Seasons should be designed to ensure timing and length of hunts are desirable.
   (c) At least two-thirds of all hunters are “satisfied” with the experience.
   (2) Optimal opportunity management (OOM):
   (a) Elk harvest in regional populations, herd units or GMUs within a region results in the trend of annual bull mortality rates to be below forty-five percent and harvest near optimal sustainable yield.
   (b) Season structure should be designed to ensure timing and length of hunts provides significant opportunity.
   (c) At least one-third of all hunters are “satisfied” with the experience.

B. Northwest region: primary management zones in GMUs 2, 5A, 9 and 10.
   (1) Optimal opportunity management within primary management zones in GMUs 2, 5A, 9 and 10.
   (2) Foundational resource information for the northwest region is indicated below:

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(3) Public draw elk hunts listing the eligibility requirements or restrictions, GMUs or areas, hunt dates, hunt codes, number of licenses, bag limits and big-game sporting arms shall be as indicated below. The state game commissioned owned Water Canyon WMA shall be open to licensed public draw elk hunters during established seasons.

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Private land elk authorizations for qualifying ranches listing the number of authorizations, bag limits, and big-game sporting arms shall be as indicated below:

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Private land elk hunts for ranches designated as “ranch-only” shall be limited to the following eligibility requirements or restrictions, season dates and big-game sporting arms. All private land mobility-impaired and youth-only hunters must satisfy licensing requirements as stated in 19.31.3 NMAC in order to hunt during the “mobility-impaired” or “youth-only” hunt periods.
muzzle loading rifles and bows

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C. **North central region**: primary management zones in GMUs 4, 5B, 50, 51 and 52.

(1) **Optimal opportunity management within primary management zones in GMUs 4, 5B, 50, 51 and 52.**

(2) **Foundational resource information for the north central region shall be as indicated below:**

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(3) **Public draw elk hunts listing the eligibility requirements or restrictions, GMU or area, hunt dates, hunt codes, number of licenses, bag limits and big-game sporting arms shall be as indicated below:**

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| Sargent WMA only, youth only | 11/4-11/8 | 11/2-11/6 | 11/1-11/5 | 11/7-11/11 | ELK-1-170 | 10 | A |

<p>| Humphries/ Rio Chama WMAs only | 9/1-9/14 | 9/1-9/14 | 9/1-9/14 | 9/1-9/14 | ELK-2-171 | 10 | ES |
|                                | 10/7-10/11 | 10/5-10/9 | 10/11-10/15 | 10/10-10/14 | ELK-1-173 | 15 | MB/A |
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(4) Private land elk authorizations for qualifying ranches listing the number of authorizations, bag limits and big-game sporting arms shall be as indicated below:
(5) Private land elk hunts for ranches designated as “ranch-only” shall be limited to the following eligibility requirements or restrictions, season dates and big-game sporting arms. All private land mobility-impaired and youth-only hunters must satisfy licensing requirements as stated in 19.31.3 NMAC in order to hunt during the “mobility-impaired” or “youth-only” hunt periods.

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D. Jemez region: primary management zones in GMUs 6A, 6B, 6C and 7.

(1) Quality hunt management goals for primary management zones in GMUs 6A and 6B.

(2) Optimal opportunity management within primary management zones in GMUs 6C and 7.

(3) Foundational resource information for the Jemez region shall be as indicated below:

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(6) Private land elk hunts for ranches designated as “ranch only” shall be limited to the following eligibility requirements or restrictions, season dates and big-game sporting arms. All private land mobility-impaired and youth-only hunters must satisfy licensing requirements as stated in 19.31.3 NMAC in order to hunt during the “mobility-impaired” or “youth-only” hunt periods.

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E. Southwest region:

(1) Quality hunt management for primary management zones in GMUs 12, 13, 15, 16A, 16B/22, 16C, 16D, 16E and 17.

(2) Optimal opportunity management for primary management zones in GMUs 21A, 21B, 23 and 24.

(3) Foundational resource information for the southwest region shall be as indicated below:

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(5) Private-land elk authorizations for qualifying ranches listing the number of authorizations, bag limits and big-game sporting arms shall be as indicated below:

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(6) Private-land elk hunts for ranches designated as “ranch-only” shall be limited to the following eligibility requirements or restrictions, season dates and big-game sporting arms. All private land mobility-impaired and youth-only hunters must satisfy licensing requirements as stated in 19.31.3 NMAC in order to hunt during the “mobility-impaired” or “youth-only” hunt periods.

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F. Southeast region: GMUs 34 and 36.
   (1) Quality hunt management for primary management zones in GMU 36.
   (2) Optimal opportunity management goals for primary management zones in GMU 34.
   (3) Foundational resource information for the southeast region shall be as indicated below:

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Private land elk hunting during the “mobility-impaired” or “youth-only” hunt periods.

Mobility-impaired and youth-only hunters must satisfy licensing requirements as stated in 19.31.3 NMAC in order to participate in these hunts. They must also meet the following eligibility requirements or restrictions, season dates and big-game sporting arms. All private land elk hunts for ranches designated as “ranch only” shall be limited to the hunting seasons indicated below:

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(5) Private land elk authorizations for qualifying ranches listing the number of open GMUs or areas, bag limits and big-game sporting arms shall be as indicated below:

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G. Northeast Region:
(1) Quality hunt management for primary management zones in GMU 45.
(2) Optimal opportunity management goals for primary management zones in GMUs 48, 49 and 53.
(3) Foundational resource information for the northeast region shall be as indicated below:

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(4) Public-draw elk hunts listing the hunt dates, hunt codes, number of licenses, bag limits and big-game sporting arms shall be as indicated below:

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(6) Private-land elk hunts for ranches designated as “ranch only” shall be limited to the following eligibility requirements or restrictions, season dates and big-game sporting arms. All private-land mobility-impaired and youth-only hunters must satisfy licensing requirements as stated in 19.31.3 NMAC in order to hunt during “mobility-impaired” or “youth-only” hunt periods.

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19.31.14.15 ELK HUNTS IN SECONDARY MANAGEMENT ZONES: This section includes eligibility requirements or restrictions, GMUs or areas open for hunting, season dates, hunt codes, big-game sporting arms, number of available licenses and bag limits.

A. Public draw elk hunts in GMUs where no primary or special management zones are established:

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### Private-land only elk hunting:

For private lands within secondary management zones, unlimited private-land licenses are available over-the-counter. Bow-only either-sex hunts will be limited to 9/1 – 9/24 each year. Any big-game sporting arms hunts that are antlerless or either-sex will be limited to five consecutive days from 10/1 – 12/31 each year, except as allowed by 19.30.5 NMAC.


### ELK HUNTS IN SPECIAL MANAGEMENT ZONES:

This section includes eligibility requirements or restrictions, GMUs or areas open for hunting, season dates, hunt codes, big-game sporting arms, number of available licenses and bag limits.

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B. **Private-land only elk hunting:** For private lands that lie within GMUs designated as special management zones (GMUs 54 west of NM 199 and 55A), the department may work with landowners to develop bag limits, big-game sporting arms, season dates and authorization numbers for private-land hunting on participating ranches. Bow-only either-sex hunts will be limited to 9/1 – 9/24 each year. Any big-game sporting arms hunts that are antlerless, mature bull, or either-sex will be limited to five consecutive days from 10/1 – 12/31 each year, except as allowed by 19.30.5 NMAC.


**HISTORY OF 19.31.14 NMAC:**

**Pre-NMAC History:** The material in this part was derived from that previously filed with the State Records Center and Archives under:

- Regulation No. 482, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, Elk, Antelope, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, And Barbary Sheep, filed 5/31/1967;
- Regulation No. 489, Establishing Turkey Seasons For The Spring of 1968, filed 3/1/1968;
- Regulation No. 491, Establishing Big Game Seasons For 1968 For Jicarilla Reservation, filed 3/1/1968;
- Regulation No. 492, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, Elk, Antelope, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, And Barbary Sheep, filed 6/6/1968;
- Regulation No. 495, Establishing A Season On Bighorn Sheep, filed 10/2/1968;
- Regulation No. 496, Establishing An Elk Season In The Tres Piedras Area, Elk Area P-6, filed 12/11/1968;
- Regulation No. 503, Establishing 1969 Deer Seasons For Bowhunting Only And Big Game Seasons For The Jicarilla Indian Reservation, filed 3/5/1969;
- Regulation 504, Establishing Seasons on Deer, Bear, Turkey, Dusky Grouse, Chickaree And Tassel-Eared Squirrel, And Barbary Sheep, filed 6/4/1969;
- Regulation No. 507, Establishing A Season On Bighorn Sheep, filed 8/26/1969;
- Regulation No. 512, Establishing Turkey Season For The Spring Of 1970, filed 2/20/1970;
- Regulation No. 513, Establishing Deer Season For Bowhunting Only In Sandia State Game Refuge, filed 2/20/1970;
Regulation No. 514, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, Elk, Antelope, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, Barbary Sheep And Bighorn Sheep, filed 6/9/1970;
Regulation No 520, Establishing Turkey Seasons For The Spring Of 1971, filed 3/9/1971;
Regulation No. 522, Establishing 1971 Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, And Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 3/9/1971;
Regulation No. 523, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep And Bighorn Sheep, filed 6/9/1971;
Regulation No. 531, Establishing A Season On Javelina, filed 12/17/1971;
Regulation No. 532, Establishing Turkey Seasons For The Spring Of 1972, filed 3/20/1972;
Regulation No. 534, Establishing 1972 Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, And Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 3/20/1972;
Regulation No. 536, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Chickaree And Tassel-Eared Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep And Bighorn Sheep, filed 6/26/1972;
Regulation No. 542, Establishing A Season On Javelina, filed 12/1/1972;
Regulation No. 545, Establishing Turkey Seasons For The Spring Of 1973, filed 2/26/1973;
Regulation No. 546, Establishing 1973 Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, And Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 2/26/1973;
Regulation No. 547, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Chickaree And Tassel-Eared Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep And Bighorn Sheep, And Javelina, filed 5/31/1973;
Regulation No. 554, Establishing Special Turkey Seasons For The Spring of 1974, filed 3/4/1974;
Regulation No. 556, Establishing 1974 Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, And Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 3/14/1974;
Regulation No. 558, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx, And Ibex, filed 5/29/1974;
Regulation No. 565, Establishing Special Turkey Seasons For The Spring Of 1975, filed 3/24/1975;
Regulation No. 567, Establishing 1975 Seasons On Deer, Bear, And Turkey On The Jicarilla Apache And Navajo Indian Reservations And On Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 3/24/1975;
Regulation No. 568, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Chickaree And Tassel-Eared Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 6/25/1975;
Regulation No. 573, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 2/23/1976;
Regulation No. 583, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 2/11/1977;
Regulation No. 590, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 2/15/1978;
Regulation No. 596, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 2/23/1979;
Regulation No. 603, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1980 through March 31, 1981, filed 2/22/1980;
Regulation No. 622, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1983 through March 31, 1984, filed 3/9/1983;
Regulation No. 628, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1984 through March 31, 1985, filed 4/2/1984;
Regulation No. 634, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1985 Through March 31, 1986, filed 4/18/1985;
Regulation No. 645, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1987 through March 31, 1988, filed 2/12/1987;
Regulation No. 653, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1988 through March 31, 1989, filed 12/18/1987;
Regulation No. 663, Establishing Opening Spring Turkey For The Period April 1, 1989 through March 31, 1990, filed 3/28/1989;

History of Repealed Material:
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