

IMPORTANT CHANGES FOR 2011 DRAWS

GENERAL

- **NEW for 2011**, the tag colour has been changed from **orange** to **yellow**. For online purchase, the new yellow tags are available at your local Fish and Wildlife District office free of charge. Hunters are asked to destroy any of the old orange tags left over from past seasons.
- **Beginning 2012** the Hunting Draw Booklet and priorities will **NO LONGER** be mailed directly to past draw applicants. An email will be sent to advise applicants when the booklet will be available at Fish and Wildlife Division District offices, Licence Issuers and online.
- Draw applicants with an email address recorded on albertarelm.com will no longer receive their draw results by mail. They will receive email notification (starting July 14, 2011) directing them to view their draw results online at albertarelm.com.

BIG GAME

- Big game hunting is now permitted on Sundays, during open seasons in WMUs 210 and 400 - 414.
- An archery and general hunting season for antlered elk (3-point or larger) has been created in WMU 508.
- An archery and Antlerless Elk Special Licence hunting season for antlerless elk in WMU 508 has been created.
- An archery and general hunting season for antlered elk (3-point or larger) has been created in WMU 525.
- The antlered elk hunting season in WMU 526 has been changed from a Special Licence to a General Licence (3-point or larger).
- An Antlered and Antlerless Elk Special Licence hunting season has been created for WMU 151 and 152.
- An archery-only hunting season for Antlered and Antlerless Elk Special Licences has been added for WMUs 164, 166 and 208.
- The Cypress Hills Elk Special Licence has been replaced with an Either Sex Elk Special Licence. **Applicant's priorities accumulated in the Cypress Hills Elk Special Licence Draw (Draw Code 20) will be transferred to this draw (Draw Code 41) but only if they apply for this draw in 2011.** For more information on the Either Sex Elk Special Licence see page 28.
- The Antlered and Antlerless Elk Special Licence hunting season in WMUs 728/730 (Camp Wainwright) has been replaced with an Either Sex Elk Special Licence. See page 28 for season dates.
- An Antlered and Antlerless Moose Special Licence hunting season has been created in WMU 151.
- The Antlered, Antlerless and Calf Moose Special Licence in WMU 728/730 have been split into three separate seasons for each licence type. Refer to pages 32, 36 and 37 for more information.
- White-tailed deer and mule deer hunting seasons in WMU 210 are now Monday - Sunday during an open season.
- The Supplemental Antlerless White-tailed Deer Licence is no longer valid in WMUs 150, 151, 162, 163, 240, 242, 250, 252, 260, 504 and 506.
- The hunting of antlerless white-tailed deer in WMUs 150, 151, 162 and 163 now requires an Antlerless White-tailed Deer Special Licence.
- Holders of an Antelope Archery Special Licence will be able to harvest either a trophy or non-trophy antelope.
- The hunting season for mountain goats has been opened in Goat Hunting Areas C and Q. See pages 38 and 39 for season dates and Goat Hunting Areas.
- Cougar seasons have been expanded. For season dates and open WMUs refer to the 2011 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations.

BIRD GAME

- Please note that there will be changes to game bird season dates, changes to the list of open WMUs that have open seasons, and changes to bag limits. For further details, refer to the 2011 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations.
- The Camp Wainwright ruffed and sharp-tailed grouse season has been opened for 2011.

SPECIAL WALLEYE LICENCE DRAWS

The implementation of harvest restrictions have enabled a number of walleye fisheries to recover to the point where a limited harvest can be sustained. Recognizing the impact of a high number of anglers and the need to preserve fisheries, the harvest of walleye from certain lakes will be limited through a draw. Information on the program, eligible lakes and licences is available to interested anglers on our website at mywildalberta.com or albertaregulations.ca. The Special Walleye Licence draw is run separately from the hunting draws. The 2011 draw has been concluded. The information for the 2012 draw will be available in March 2012.

COMMON LICENCE MISTAKES

GENERAL MULE DEER LICENCE

This general licence is valid during the “archery only” season which precedes the general season. It is valid during the general season in the following WMUs: 316, 339-344, 347, 349-356, 412, 414, 432, 440-446, 511-520, 524, 525, 528-534, 536, 539-544 and 841. This licence is not valid during a season in which a Special Licence is required. In the Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations, special licences are required for all seasons where a small black box is located beside the season date.

SUPPLEMENTAL ANTLERLESS MULE DEER LICENCE

This licence is issued with two tags and is only valid in WMUs 200, 234, 236, 256 and 500. It is a general licence and does not require a draw application.

SUPPLEMENTAL ANTLERLESS WHITE-TAILED DEER LICENCE

The Supplemental Antlerless White-tailed Deer Licence will be issued with two tags and is only valid in WMUs 200-208, 214-238, 244, 246, 254-258, 300, 310-314, 322-357, 360, 436-446, 500-503, 505, 507-531, 534-544.

YOUTH MULE DEER LICENCE

This general licence is available for resident hunters who are 12-17 years of age and who are eligible to hunt. It is a general licence that is valid during the “archery only” season which precedes the general season. It is valid during the general season in the following WMUs: 316, 339-344, 347, 349-356, 412, 414, 432, 440-446, 511-520, 524, 525, 528-534, 536, 539-544 and 841. **This licence is not valid during a season in which a Special Licence is required.** In the Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations, special licences are required for all seasons where a small black box is located beside the season date.

YOUTH WHITE-TAILED DEER LICENCE

This licence is valid for resident hunters who are 12-17 years of age and who are eligible to hunt. It is a general licence and is valid during a general season (archery or rifle). Because it is a general licence, it can not be used during the rifle season in WMUs 404, 406 and 408 (a special licence is required). In the Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations, special licences are required for all seasons where a small black box is located beside the season date.

SUPPLEMENTAL BLACK BEAR LICENCE

This licence is only valid in WMUs 224, 250, 258, 260, 320-360, 429, 445, 500-544 and 841.

SPECIAL LICENCES

If you are drawn for a special licence your draw priority returns to zero and that draw cannot be cancelled. You may not be able to purchase a particular general licence once you have been drawn for a special licence of that same species. Example: if you are drawn for Antlered Mule Deer, Antlered White-tailed Deer or Antlered, Antlerless, or Calf Moose you will not be able to purchase a general licence for that species. If you are drawn for Either Sex Elk, WMU 300 Elk, Antlered or Antlerless Elk you will not be able to purchase a general elk licence. Resident hunters are able to purchase an elk licence in combination with the WMU 212 Antlerless Elk Archery and the WMU 212 Antlerless Elk Special Licence. See licence combinations on page 49.

IT'S IMPORTANT TO PROVIDE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS

By providing your email address you will:

- receive early notification of your draw results.
- receive important information from Fish and Wildlife throughout the year.
- be able to participate in the annual Game Harvest Survey.
- receive the latest information quickly and efficiently.
- receive personal notification of your Chronic Wasting Disease test results.

Visit albertarelm.com to provide/correct your email address.

Change of Address

If you move, please let us know BEFORE you buy a licence or apply on the draws. We need your current permanent address and phone number to notify you of your draw results, new information, etc. To update your address, go online at albertarelm.com or call (toll-free in North America) 1-877-289-0999 or 1-888-944-5494, or fill out a WIN Application form at your local licence issuer.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

If you are drawn for a special licence, the authorization to purchase that licence cannot be cancelled. Special licences are very important in achieving the annual harvest goals so it is important that you exercise this hunting opportunity.