

BIG GAME SEASONS

Prairie WMUs (100 Series)

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Sunday hunting for big game is prohibited in Prairie WMUs (100 Series).

Archery Only Seasons are those where only a bow and arrow may be used to hunt.

General Seasons are those where either a firearm, cross-bow or a bow and arrow may be used.

■ Indicates seasons that apply only to hunters with applicable Special Licences. Refer to the 2011 Alberta Hunting Draws booklet for details.

Note: It is a mandatory requirement to submit the heads of deer harvested from specific WMUs for CWD testing and research purposes. See pages 3, 29 and 68 for details.

Species	Type	SEASON		WMUs
		Archery Only	General	
White-tailed Deer	Antlered	S1 - N1	(Wed – Sat only) N2 - N5, N9 - N12 N16 - N19, N23 - N26	102, 104, 106, 108, 110, 112, 116, 118, 119, 124, 128, 130, 132, 134, 136, 138, 140, 142, 144, 148, 152, 156, 158, 160, 164
		S1 - O31	N1 - N30	166
	Antlerless	S1 - N1	■ (Wed – Sat only) N2 - N5, N9 - N12 N16 - N19, N23 - N26	102, 104, 106, 108, 110, 112, 116, 118, 119, 124, 128, 130, 132, 134, 136, 138, 140, 142, 144, 148, 152, 156, 158, 160, 164
		S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	166
	Antlered	S1 - N1 ²	O15 – O31 (Primitive Weapon – muzzle loader, shotgun, cross-bow, bow & arrow)	150, 151, 162, 163
			(Wed – Sat only) N2 - N5, N9 - N12 N16 - N19, N23 - N26 N30 - D3, D7 - D10 D14 - D17	
	Antlerless	S1 - N1 ²	■ O15 – O31 (Primitive Weapon – muzzle loader, shotgun, cross-bow, bow & arrow)	150, 151, 162, 163
			■ (Wed – Sat only) N2 - N5, N9 - N12 N16 - N19, N23 - N26 N30 - D3, D7 - D10 D14 - D17	
Mule Deer	Antlered and Antlerless	S1 - N1	■ (Wed – Sat only) N2 - N5, N9 - N12 N16 - N19, N23 - N26	102, 104, 106, 108, 110, 112, 116, 118, 119, 124, 128, 130, 132, 134, 136, 138, 140, 142, 144, 148, 152, 156, 158, 160, 164
		S1 - N1 ²	■ O15 – O31 (Primitive Weapon – muzzle loader, shotgun, cross-bow, bow & arrow)	150, 151, 162, 163
			■ (Wed – Sat only) N2 - N5, N9 - N12 N16 - N19, N23 - N26 N30 - D3, D7 - D10 D14 - D17	
	S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	166	
Moose	Antlered and Antlerless	■ S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	151, 156, 158, 160, 162, 163, 164, 166
Elk	Antlered and Antlerless		■ S7 - S23 ■ S24 - O8 ■ O9 - O23	102

Species	Type	SEASON		WMUs
		Archery Only	General	
Elk	Antlered and Antlerless		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ S7 - S30 ■ O1 - O24 ■ O25 - N16 ■ N17 - D20 	104, 108, (124, 144, 148, 150)
		■ S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	(164, 166, 208) ¹ (151, 152)

Additional hunting opportunities in the Prairie WMUs:

- Either Sex Elk Special Licence, Antelope Archery Special Licence, Non-trophy Antelope Special Licence and Trophy Antelope Special Licence. Refer to page 61 for season dates or to the **2011 Alberta Hunting Draws** booklet for further details.
- Cypress Hills Elk Archery Licence. Holders of this licence may kill 1 elk, either antlered or antlerless, with a bow and arrow in WMUs 116, 118 and 119 during the archery season, S1 - O15.

¹ Holders of this licence may hunt in WMU 164 and WMU 166 Mon.–Sat., and in WMU 208 Mon.–Sun.

² Bowhunters should be aware that near the end of this season, a primitive weapon season is occurring at the same time.

BIG GAME SEASONS



Parkland WMUs (200 Series & 728, 730, 936)

Government of Alberta ■

Archery Only Seasons are those where only a bow and arrow may be used to hunt.

General Seasons are those where either a firearm, cross-bow or a bow and arrow may be used.

■ Indicates seasons that apply only to hunters with applicable Special Licences. Refer to the 2011 Alberta Hunting Draws booklet for details.

Sunday hunting for big game is prohibited in WMUs 728, 730 and 936.

Note: It is a mandatory requirement to submit the heads of deer harvested from specific WMUs for CWD testing and research purposes. See pages 3, 29 and 68 for details.

Species	Type	SEASON		WMUs
		Archery Only	General	
White-tailed Deer ¹	Antlered and Antlerless	S1 - O31	N1 - N30	203, 204, 206, 208, 210, 214, 216, 220, 221, 222, 224, 226, 228, 230, 238, 240, 242, 244, 246, 250, 252, 254, 258, 260
		S1 - N30		212, 248
		O17 - O31	N9 - N30	936 ²
		S1 - O31 ⁸	O15 – O31 (Primitive Weapon – muzzle loader, shotgun, cross-bow, bow & arrow)	200, 234, 236, 256
	S1 - O31	N1 - D20	202, 232	
	Antlered	S1 - O31	N1 - N30	210
	Antlerless	S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	210
Mule Deer	Antlered and Antlerless	S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	203, 204, 206, 208, 210, 214, 216, 220, 221, 222, 224, 226, 228, 230, 238, 240, 242, 244, 246, 252, 254, 258, 260
		S1 - O31	■ N1 - D20	202, 232
	Antlered	S1 - O31 ⁸	■ O15 – O31 ⁸ (Primitive Weapon – muzzle loader, shotgun, cross-bow, bow & arrow)	200, 234, 236, 256
			■ N1 - D20	
	Antlerless	S1 - O31 ^{6,8}	O15 – O31 ⁷ (Primitive Weapon – muzzle loader, shotgun, cross-bow, bow & arrow)	200, 234, 236, 256
		N1 - D20 ⁷		

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Species	Type	SEASON		WMUs
		Archery Only	General	
Mule Deer	Antlered and Antlerless	S1 - N30		212, 248
	Antlered	S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	250
Moose	Antlered and Antlerless	■ S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	202, 203, 204, 206, 208, 210, 214, 216, 220, 221, 222, 224, 226, 228, 230, 232, 238, 240, 242, 244, 246, 250, 252, 254, 258, 260
		■ S1 - O14	■ O15 – O31 (Primitive Weapon – muzzle loader, shotgun, cross-bow, bow & arrow)	200, 234, 236, 256
			■ N1 - N30	
		S1 - N30		212, 248
			■ D1 - D3 ³ ■ D5 - D10 ■ D12 - D17	728, 730
		■ O17 - O31	■ N1 - N23	936 ²
	Antlerless		■ (Mon. – Fri. only) O25 - D7 ⁴	248 (Strathcona County portion only)
Antlerless (calf only)		■ D1 - D3 ³ ■ D5 - D10 ■ D12 - D17	728, 730	
Elk	Antlered and Antlerless	S1 - N30		212, 248
		■ O17 - O31	■ N1 - N23	936 ²
			■ O15 – O31 (Primitive Weapon – muzzle loader, shotgun, cross-bow, bow & arrow)	200, 234
		S1 - O31 ⁸	■ N1 - D20 and J1 - J20, 2012	(200, 202, 203, 232, 234)
	Antlered (3-point or larger) ⁵	S1 - O24	O25 - N30	214
		S1 - O31	N1 - N30	216, 221, 224
	Antlerless	S1 - O31	■ N1 - D20	224
		S1 - O24	■ O25 - N20 ■ N21 - D20 ■ J1 - J20, 2012	214
	Antlerless	S1 - O31	■ N1 - N25 ■ N26 - D20 ■ J1 - J20, 2012	216, 221
			■ D1 - D20 ■ J3 - J20, 2012 Mon. - Fri. only (Primitive Weapon – muzzle loader, shotgun, cross-bow, bow & arrow)	212

Black Bear and Cougar Seasons – See pages 59 and 60.

¹ The Supplemental Antlerless White-tailed Deer Licence will be issued with 2 tags and is valid only in WMUs 200-208, 214-238, 244, 246 and 254-258.

² Hunters (including bowhunters) require a Firearms Discharge Permit to hunt in WMU 936. Self-registration discharge permits are no longer available. Hunters must contact the Cooking Lake/Blackfoot Grazing, Wildlife and Recreation Area office at **780-922-3293** for information on requirements to obtain the discharge permit. In WMU 936, vehicle access is permitted to the Staging Areas only. Horses are permitted only on designated trails and in open pastures. General area access is by muscular power only (bicycle or walking).

³ From D1 - D3, this season is open to hunting only by means of archery or muzzle loader.

⁴ This season is open to hunting only by means of archery, cross-bow, muzzle loader or shotgun.

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- 5 See page 40 for descriptions of 3-point or larger elk.
 6 This season applies to licence holders of a Mule Deer Licence and/or a Supplemental Antlerless Mule Deer Licence.
 7 This season applies to licence holders of a Supplemental Antlerless Mule Deer Licence.
 8 Bowhunters should be aware that near the end of this season, a primitive weapon season is occurring at the same time.

Additional hunting opportunities in the Parkland WMUs:

- Antlerless Deer (WMUs 212 & 248) Licence. Holders of this licence may kill two antlerless deer, either white-tailed deer or mule deer, with a bow and arrow (but not a cross-bow) in WMUs 212 and 248 during the archery-only season, S1 – N30.
- Foothills Deer Licence. Holders of this licence may kill 2 antlerless deer, either white-tailed deer or mule deer, with a bow and arrow, cross-bow, shotgun, or muzzle loader in WMU 212 on the following dates: D1 – D20 (Monday to Friday only). When hunting, they must carry written permission from the landowner involved.
- WMU 212 Antlerless Elk Archery Licence. Holders of this licence may kill 1 antlerless elk with a bow and arrow (but not a cross-bow) in WMU 212 during the archery only season, S1 – N30.
- Camp Wainwright Deer Special Licence. Refer to page 61 for season dates or the *2011 Alberta Hunting Draws* booklet for further details.
- Strathcona White-tailed Deer Licence. Holders of this licence may kill **three** white-tailed deer, only 1 of which may be antlered, with a bow and arrow, cross-bow, muzzle loader or shotgun in that portion of WMU 248 within the Counties of Strathcona and Leduc only from Mondays to Fridays between the following dates: O25 – D7. Information about this hunt is available from the Fish and Wildlife Division office in Edmonton and from Strathcona County Hall, 2001 Sherwood Drive, Sherwood Park.

BIG GAME SEASONS



Foothills WMUs (300 Series)

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Archery Only Seasons are those where only a bow and arrow may be used to hunt.

General Seasons are those where either a firearm, cross-bow or a bow and arrow may be used.

■ Indicates seasons that apply only to hunters with applicable Special Licences. Refer to the 2011 Alberta Hunting Draws booklet for details.

Species	Type	SEASON		WMUs
		Archery Only	General	
White-tailed Deer ¹	Antlered and Antlerless	S1 - O31	N1 - N30	310, 312, 314, 322, 324, 332, 334, 336, 337, 338, 348
		S1 - O24	O25 - N30	300, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 308
		A25 - S16	S17 - N30	326, 328, 330, 339, 340, 342, 344, 346, 347, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 360
	Antlered	A25 - S23	S24 - N30	316
		A25 - S16	S17 - N30	358, 359
		S1 - O31	N1 - N30	318, 320
	Antlerless	A25 - S16	N1 - N7	358, 359
		A25 - S23	N1 - N30	316
		S1 - O31	N1 - N7	318, 320
Mule Deer	Antlered and Antlerless	S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	310, 312, 314, 318, 320, 322, 324, 332, 334, 336, 337, 348
		S1 - O24	■ O25 - N30	300, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 308
		A25 - S16	■ S17 - N30	326, 346, 358
	Antlered	A25 - S16	S17 - N30	339, 340, 342, 344, 347, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356
		A25 - S23	S24 - N30	316
		A25 - S16	■ S17 - N30	328, 330, 357, 359, 360
		S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	338
	Antlerless	A25 - S16	■ S17 - D20	357, 359, 360

Species	Type	SEASON		WMUs		
		Archery Only	General			
Moose	Antlered and Antlerless	S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	316, 337		
		■ S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	310, 312, 314, 318, 320, 322, 324, 332, 334, 336		
	Antlered	A25 - S23	■ S24 - O31 ■ N1 - N30	339, 340, 342, 344, 346, 347, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360		
		■ S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	348		
		S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	338		
		■ S1 - O24	■ O25 - N30	300, 302, 303, 304, 306, 308		
		■ A25 - S23	■ S24 - O31 ■ N1 - N30	326, 328, 330		
		A25 - S23	■ S24 - N30	352, 353*, 355		
	Antlerless	■ A25 - S23	■ N1 - N30	357		
		A25 - S23	■ S24 - N30	354		
Antlerless (calf only)	A25 - S23	■ S24 - N30	354			
	■ A25 - S23	■ N1 - N30	359, 360			
Elk	Antlered (3-point or larger) ²	A25 - S16	S17 - N30	326, 328, 330, 339, 340, 342, 344, 346, 347, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360		
		S1 - O24	O25 - N30	302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 308, 310, 312, 314		
		S1 - O31	N1 - N30	316, 318, 320, 322, 324, 332, 334, 336, 337, 338, 348		
	Antlerless	A25 - S16	■ S17 - D20	340, 342, 344*		
		A25 - S16	■ S17 - N30	330, 352		
		S1 - O24	■ O25 - D20	302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 308, 310		
		S1 - O31	■ N1 - D20	334, 336		
		S1 - O31	■ N1 - N25 ■ N26 - D20	318, 324, 332		
		S1 - O24	■ O25 - N20 ■ N21 - D20 ■ J1 - J20, 2012	312, 314		
		A25 - S16	■ S17 - O31 ■ N1 - D20 ■ D21 - J20, 2012	346, 357, 358, 359, 360		
		S1 - O31	■ N1 - N25 ■ N26 - D20 ■ J1 - J20, 2012	320, 322		
			■ N1 - D20 ■ D21 - J20, 2012	337, 338*, 348		
		A25 - S16	■ S17 - O31 ■ N1 - D20	353, 354, 355, 356		
		Trophy Sheep ³	Resident		S7 - O31	302 ⁴ , 303, 306, 308
		Black Bear and Cougar Seasons – See pages 59 and 60.				

* The special licence season for antlerless moose in WMU 353 and antlerless elk in WMUs 338 and 344 applies only to a portion of the WMU.

¹ The Supplemental Antlerless White-tailed Deer Licence will be issued with 2 tags and is valid only in WMUs 300, 310-314, 322-357 and 360.

² See page 40 for descriptions of 3-point or larger elk.

³ Hunting sheep is prohibited in several areas. See Restricted Areas for Trophy and Non-trophy Sheep on page 37.

⁴ WMU 302 is open only for full-curl rams.

Additional hunting opportunities in the Foothills WMUs:

- WMU 300 Elk Special Licence and Non-trophy Sheep Special Licence. Refer to page 61 for season dates or to the *2011 Alberta Hunting Draws* booklet for further details.

BIG GAME SEASONS

Mountain WMUs (400 Series)

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Archery Only Seasons are those where only a bow and arrow may be used to hunt.

General Seasons are those where either a firearm, cross-bow or a bow and arrow may be used.

■ Indicates seasons that apply only to hunters with applicable Special Licences. Refer to the 2011 Alberta Hunting Draws booklet for details.

Species	Type	SEASON		WMUs
		Archery Only	General	
White-tailed Deer ¹	Antlered and Antlerless	S8 - S23	■ S24 - N30	404, 406, 408
		S8 - N30		410
		A25 - S16	S17 - N30	436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 444, 445, 446
	Antlered	A25 - S16	S17 - N30	412, 414, 416, 417, 418, 420, 422, 426, 428, 429, 430, 432, 434
		S1 - S23	S24 - N30	400, 402
	Antlerless	A25 - S16	N1 - N30	412, 414, 416, 417, 418, 420, 422, 426, 428, 430, 432, 434
		S1 - S23	N1 - N15	400, 402
A25 - S16		N1 - N15	429	
Mule Deer	Antlered and Antlerless	S8 - S23	■ S24 - N30	404, 406, 408
		S1 - S23	■ S24 - N30	400, 402
		S1 - N30		410
	Antlered	A25 - S16	S17 - N30	412, 414, 432, 440, 441, 442, 444, 445, 446
		A25 - S16	■ S17 - N30	416, 417, 418, 420, 422, 426, 428, 429, 430, 434, 436, 437, 438, 439
Moose	Antlered and Antlerless	S8 - S23	■ S24 - N30	404, 406
		S8 - N30		410
	Antlered	A25 - S23	■ S24 - O31	412, 414
		A25 - S23	■ S24 - N30	416, 417, 418, 420, 422, 426, 428, 430, 432, 434, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 444, 445, 446
		■ A25 - S23	■ S24 - O31 ■ N1 - N30	429
	S8 - S23	■ S24 - N30	408	
	■ S1 - S16	■ S17 - N30	400, 402	
Elk	Antlered and Antlerless	S8 - N30		410
	Antlered (6-point or larger) ² and Antlerless	S8 - S16	■ S17 - N30	404, 406, 408
		A25 - S16	■ S17 - N30	416, 417, 418, 420, 422, 428, 430
	Antlered (6-point or larger) ²	A25 - S16	S17 - N30	412, 414, 426, 432, 434, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 444, 445, 446
		A25 - S16	S17 - N30	429
	Antlered (3-point or larger) ²	S1 - S16	S17 - N30	400, 402
		S1 - S16	■ S17 - N30	400, 402
	Antlerless	A25 - S16	■ S17 - N30	438*, 439, 441*, 444*
Goat	Not Applicable		■ S10 - O31	440, 442, 444
			■ S17 - O31	400

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Species	Type	SEASON		WMUs
		Archery Only	General	
Trophy Sheep ⁵	Resident	S7 - O31		410
		■ S8 - N30		410
			■ A25 - S23 ■ S24 - O31	437
			■ N1 - N10 ■ N11 - N20 ■ N21 - N30	438 ⁸
			A25 - O31	412, 414, 416, 417, 418, 420, 422, 426, 428, 430, 432, 434, 436, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 444 ³ , 445
			■ A25 - O31	444 ⁴ , 446
			S7 - O31	400 ⁶ , 402, 404, 406, 408
		■ N1 - N30	408 (west of Highway 40)	
	Non-resident and Non-resident Alien ⁷	■ S7 - N30		410
			■ S1 - O15	412, 414, 416, 417, 418, 420, 422, 426, 428, 430, 432, 434, 436, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 444 ³ , 445

Black Bear and Cougar Seasons – See pages 59 and 60.

* The draw season for antlerless elk in WMU 438, 441 and 444 applies only to a portion of the WMU. See draw booklet for maps.

¹ The Supplemental Antlerless White-tailed Deer Licence will be issued with 2 tags and is valid only in WMUs 436-446.

² See page 38 for descriptions of 3-point or larger elk and 6-point or larger elk.

³ The season for trophy sheep in WMU 444 applies only to the portion south of the Beaverdam Road.

⁴ The draw season for trophy sheep in WMU 444 applies only to the portion north of the Beaverdam Road.

⁵ Hunting of sheep is prohibited in several areas. See Restricted Areas for trophy and non-trophy sheep on page 35.

⁶ WMU 400 is open only for full-curl rams.

⁷ These seasons are only valid for hunters who have obtained Trophy Sheep Special Licences through a Class S Outfitter-guide or through a draw (Non-resident [Canadians] only).

⁸ The draw season for trophy sheep is valid in Area 438C (See *2011 Alberta Hunting Draws Booklet*).

Additional hunting opportunities in the Mountain WMUs:

- Non-trophy Sheep Special Licence, Trophy Sheep Special Licence (portion of WMU 408 lying west of Highway 40 or in WMU 446 and that portion of WMU 444 north of Beaverdam Road or in WMU 438C). Refer to page 61 for season dates or to the *2011 Alberta Hunting Draws* booklet for further details.

BIG GAME SEASONS

Boreal WMUs (500 Series & 841)

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Archery Only Seasons are those where only a bow and arrow may be used to hunt.

General Seasons are those where either a firearm, cross-bow or a bow and arrow may be used.

■ Indicates seasons that apply only to hunters with applicable Special Licences. Refer to the 2011 Alberta Hunting Draws booklet for details.

Bison – In the area west of highway 35 and north of the Chinchaga River and the Keg River Metis Settlement, bison is a protected species. No one is allowed to hunt bison in this area, except under the authority of a Bison Special Licence.

Note: It is a mandatory requirement to submit the heads of deer harvested from specific WMUs for CWD testing and research purposes. See page 3, 29 and 68 for details.

Species	Type	SEASON		WMUs
		Archery Only	General	
White-tailed Deer ¹	Antlered and Antlerless	S1 - O31	N1 - N30	501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510
		A25 - A31	S1 - N30	511, 512, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 524, 525, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 534, 536, 539, 540, 541, 542, 544
		A25 - S16	S17 - N30	521, 523, 526, 527, 535, 537

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Species	Type	SEASON		WMUs	
		Archery Only	General		
White-tailed Deer ¹	Antlered and Antlerless	S1 - O31 ⁶	O15 – O31 (Primitive Weapon – muzzle loader, shotgun, cross-bow, bow & arrow)	500	
			N1 - D20		
	Antlered	A25 - S16	S17 - N30	522, 526, 527, 535, 537	
			S17 - N30	841	
Antlerless	A25 - S16	N1 - N7	522		
		N1 - N30	841		
Mule Deer	Antlered and Antlerless	S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	501, 502, 504, 505, 507, 508, 509, 510	
			■ S17 - N30		537
	Antlered	A25 - A31	S1 - N30	511, 512, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 524, 525, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 534, 536, 539, 540, 541, 542, 544	
			■ S17 - N30	521, 522, 523, 526, 527, 535	
			S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	503, 506
				S17 - N30	841
			S1 - O31 ⁶	■ O15 – O31 (Primitive Weapon – muzzle loader, shotgun, cross-bow, bow & arrow)	500
				■ N1 - D20	
	Antlerless	A25 - S16	■ S17 - D20	521, 522, 523, 526, 527	
	Antlerless	S1 - O31 ^{4,6}	O15 – O31 ⁵ (Primitive Weapon – muzzle loader, shotgun, cross-bow, bow & arrow)	500	
N1 - D20 ⁵					
Moose	Antlered and Antlerless	S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	501, 502, 503, 504, 506, 509	
			■ S1 - O31		507, 508
		S1 - O31 ⁶	■ O15 – O31 (Primitive Weapon – muzzle loader, shotgun, cross-bow, bow & arrow)	500	
			■ N1 - N30		
	Antlered	A25 - S23	■ S17 - O31	841	
			■ N1 - N30		
			■ S24 - O31	521, 522, 523, 526, 527, 535, 537	
			■ N1 - N30		
			■ S1 - O31		511, 512, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 524, 525, 528, 529, 530, 536, 541, 542, 544
			■ N1 - N30		
S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	505, 510			
A25 - A31	■ S1 - N30 ²	531, 532, 534, 539, 540			
Antlerless (calf only)	S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	505, 510		
		■ A25 - S23	■ N1 - N30	521, 522, 523, 526, 527	
Elk	Antlered (6-point or larger) ³	S1 - O31	■ N1 - N30	509	
	Antlered (3-point or larger) ³	S1 - O31	N1 - N30	504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 510, 511	
		A25 - S16	S17 - N30	520, 521, 522, 523, 525, 526, 527	

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Species	Type	SEASON		WMUs
		Archery Only	General	
Elk	Antlerless	A25 - S16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ S17 - O31 ■ N1 - D20 ■ D21 - J20, 2012 	520, 521, 522, 523, 526, 527
		S1 - O31	■ N1 - D20	504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510
		S1 - O31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ N1 - D20 ■ D21 - J20, 2012 	511

Black Bear and Cougar Seasons – See pages 59 and 60.

- 1 The Supplemental Antlerless White-tailed Deer Licence will be issued with 2 tags and is valid only in WMUs 500-503, 505, 507-531 and 534-544.
- 2 If hunting with an Outfitter-Guide, hunters should note these WMUs are split into two seasons: Sept. 1 – Oct. 31 or Nov. 1 – Nov. 30.
- 3 See page 40 for description of 3-point or larger elk and 6-point or larger elk.
- 4 This season applies to licence holders of a Mule Deer Licence and/or a Supplemental Antlerless Mule Deer Licence.
- 5 This season applies to licence holders of a Supplemental Antlerless Mule Deer Licence.
- 6 Bowhunters should be aware that near the end of this season, a primitive weapon season is occurring at the same time.

COUGAR SEASONS

Fall Season

This season is open only to holders of a resident cougar licence. The use of dogs is prohibited during this season, and hunters may harvest one cougar of either sex.

Winter Season

During this season, cougar may be hunted by holders of a resident cougar licence, non-resident cougar licence, or cougar special licence. The use of dogs is allowed. The cougar season in specific WMUs may close prior to the closing date on this table. There is a male quota and a female quota. If either the male quota or the female quota for those WMUs is reached, the season will remain open until the other quota is filled. Before hunting cougar in any WMU, hunters must ensure that the season in that WMU remains open by calling the toll-free cougar hotline (1-800-661-3729) and listening to the message listing current closures. The hotline is updated regularly and by calling after

4:30 p.m., hunters can confirm which units will be open the next day.

It is unlawful to:

- allow the skin of any cougar to be wasted, destroyed, spoiled or abandoned. See exemption for salvaging skin on page 32 – Access for Control of Livestock Predation.
- hunt a female cougar accompanied by a cougar kitten with spotted fur, or a cougar kitten with spotted fur.

Use of Predator Calls and Bait

Cougar may be hunted using mouth or hand operated calls. The use of electronic calls and bait are prohibited for hunting cougar.

More information on cougar management, including a map of hunting areas, is available at mywildalberta.com.

ATTENTION: ALL RESIDENT COUGAR HUNTERS!

If you purchase a cougar licence for the fall season, it can be used for the winter season

ATTENTION COUGAR HUNTERS!

If possible, cougars should be brought in for registration in an unfrozen condition so the premolar tooth can be removed.

It is also helpful to prop the jaw open with a stick before rigor sets in.

ATTENTION BEAR AND COUGAR HUNTERS!

Trichinosis – To prevent possible trichinosis, a parasitic infection, bear and cougar meat should be thoroughly cooked before it is consumed by humans or pets.

Cougar Season	SEASON		WMUs
	Archery Only	General	
Fall (Use of dogs prohibited) Residents Only	Nov. 1 – Nov. 30		212, 248, 410
		Nov. 1 – Nov. 30	102, 104, 106, 108, 110, 112, 116, 118, 119, 124, 128, 130, 132, 134, 136, 138, 140, 142, 144, 148, 150, 151, 152, 156, 158, 160, 162, 163, 164, 166, 200, 202, 203, 204, 206, 208, 210, 214, 216, 220, 221, 222, 224, 226, 228, 230, 232, 234, 236, 238, 240, 242, 244, 246, 250, 252, 254, 256, 258, 260, 357, 358, 359, 360, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 506, 508, 514, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 534, 535, 536, 537, 539, 539, 540, 541, 542, 544
Winter	Dec. 1, 2011 – Feb. 29, 2012		410
		Dec. 1, 2011 – Feb. 29, 2012	300, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 308, 310, 312, 314, 316, 318, 320, 322, 324, 326, 328, 330, 332, 334, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 342, 344, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 400, 402, 404, 406, 408, 412, 414, 416, 417, 418, 420, 422, 426, 428, 429, 430, 432, 434, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 444, 445, 446, 505, 507, 509, 510, 511, 512, 515, 516, 517

BLACK BEAR SEASONS

Black Bear Baiting

Baiting of black bears is permitted in the following WMUs: **322, 330-338, 348, 358-360, 500-507, 509, 510, 512-520, 522, 523, 529-536, 539-542 and portions of WMUs 320, 324, 357, 521, 526, 528 and 544** (check with local Fish and Wildlife Division offices, page 16). However, the following restrictions also apply:

1) Baiting is prohibited within 1.6 km (1 mi.) of occupied dwellings. Owners and occupants of dwellings are exempt from this restriction if they have permission to bait from the owners or occupants of all other dwellings within 1.6 km (1 mi.) of the bait. Other persons may also bait within 1.6 km (1 mi.) of an occupied dwelling if the bait has been authorized in writing by the owners or occupants of that dwelling and all other dwellings within 1.6 km (1 mi.) of the bait.

2) Baiting is prohibited within 1.6 km (1 mi.) of provincial parks that are not designated as Wildland Provincial Parks, provincial and forest recreation areas and some industrial sites.

3) Each bait site must have a readily observable sign legibly showing the owner's name, WIN, Big Game Outfitter-guide Permit number, or Big

Game Guide Designation Number.

4) Each bait must be posted with surrounding signs to warn other people of its presence.

5) Baiting is restricted to the open season and the preceding two weeks in each specific WMU. Contact a Fish and Wildlife Division office (page 16) for legal land descriptions or more information.

Hunters are reminded that Alberta's *Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act*, *Livestock Diseases Act* and the *Public Health Act* apply to baiting situations. Any livestock dying other than through proper slaughter for human consumption must be disposed of in prescribed ways and may not be used for baiting bears. Containers or wrappings made of paper, cardboard, plastic or other materials should not be left at bait sites. For the safety of others, baits should not be placed near active work sites (e.g., tree planting locations) and all bait sites must be cleaned immediately after the bear season.

Supplemental Black Bear Licences

Supplemental Black Bear Licences are available in the following WMUs: **224, 250, 258, 260, 320-360, 429, 445, 500-544 and 841.**

It is unlawful to:

- allow the skin of any bear to be wasted, destroyed, spoiled, or abandoned. See exception for salvaging skin on page 32 - Access for Control of Livestock Predation.
- hunt a black bear under the age of one year or a female black bear accompanied by a cub under the age of one year.

ATTENTION: All Black Bear and Non-resident (Canadian) and Non-resident Alien Wolf/Coyote Hunters

If you purchase one of these licences for the spring season, it can be used for the following fall of the same calendar year. This applies for any of the following: Wildlife Certificate, Black Bear Licence (Resident or Non-Resident [Canadian]), Black Bear Special Licence (Non-resident [Canadian] or Non-Resident Alien), Supplemental Black Bear Licence (Resident or Non-Resident [Canadian]) or a Non-Resident (Canadian)/Non-Resident Alien Wolf/Coyote Licence.

DON'T DISCARD IT!

It can be used for the following fall season.

Type	SEASON		WMUs
	Archery Only	General	
Fall 2011	Aug. 25 – Aug. 31	Sept. 1 – Nov. 30	344, 346, 347, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 412, 414, 416, 417, 418, 420, 422, 426, 428, 430, 432, 434, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 444, 445, 446, 511, 512, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 534, 535, 536, 537, 539, 540, 541, 542, 544
	Aug. 25 – Sept. 16	Sept. 17 – Nov. 30	326, 328, 330, 339, 340, 342, 429
	Sept. 1 – Sept. 23	Sept. 24 – Nov. 30	300, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 308, 310, 312, 314
	Sept. 1 – Nov. 30		212
	Sept. 8 – Nov. 30		410
		Sept. 1 – Nov. 30	200, 202, 203, 204, 206, 208, 214, 216, 220, 221, 222, 224, 226, 228, 230, 232, 234, 236, 238, 240, 242, 244, 246, 250, 252, 254, 256, 258, 260, 316, 318, 320, 322, 324, 332, 334, 336, 337, 338, 348, 400, 402, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510
		Sept. 8 – Nov. 30	404, 406, 408
		Sept. 17 – Nov. 30	841
Spring 2012 (Requires a new year licence)	Apr. 1 – May 31		212, 410
		Apr. 1 – May 15	404, 406, 408, 841
		Apr. 1 – May 31	200, 202, 203, 204, 206, 208, 214, 216, 220, 221, 222, 224, 226, 228, 230, 232, 234, 236, 238, 240, 242, 244, 246, 250, 252, 254, 256, 258, 260, 300, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 308, 310, 312, 314, 316, 318, 320, 322, 324, 326, 328, 330, 332, 334, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 342, 348, 400, 402, 429, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510
		Apr. 1 – June 15	344, 346, 347, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 412, 414, 416, 417, 418, 420, 422, 426, 428, 430, 432, 434, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 444, 445, 446, 511, 512, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 534, 535, 536, 537, 539, 540, 541, 542, 544

ADDITIONAL SPECIAL LICENCE DRAW HUNTS

Season Dates And Locations (refer to page 15 for month abbreviations)

Non-trophy Sheep Special Licence

Areas 416, 418A*, 418B*, 420, 422A*, 426A*, 430A*, 430B*, 432, 434A*, 434B*, 437, 438A*, 438C*, 438D*, 440, 442, 444, 445A*, 445B*, 446	S10 - O31
Areas (402 – 303, 306)*, 402 – 308*, 402A*, 406A*, 406B*, 408A*, 408B*	S10 - O31
Area 410	S10 - N30

* These areas comprise either a portion of one WMU or all of one WMU and a portion of an adjacent WMU. See descriptions in the *2011 Alberta Hunting Draws* booklet.

Camp Wainwright Deer Special Licence (WMUs 728 and 730)

Bow and arrow or muzzle loader	D1 - D3
Rifle	D5 - D7, D8 - D10, D12 - D14, D15 - D17

Antelope Archery Special Licence

WMUs 102, 104, 106, 108, 112, 116, 118, 119, 124, 128, 138, 140, 142, 144, 148, 150, 151, 152, 160, 162, 163, 164, 166	S7 - S24
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Trophy Antelope Special Licence

WMUs 138, 142, 144, 150, 151, 152, 160, 162, 163, 164, 166	S26 - O1
WMUs 102, 104, 106, 108, 112, 116, 118, 119, 124, 128, 140, 148	O17 - O22

Non-trophy Antelope Special Licence

WMUs 102, 104, 106, 108, 112, 116, 118, 119, 124, 128, 140, 148	O20 - O22, O24 - O26
WMUs 138, 142, 144, 150, 151, 152, 160, 162, 163, 164, 166	S29 - O1, O6 - O8

Either Sex Elk Special Licence

WMUs 116, 118, 119 and 624	Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri. only, N1 - N25
WMUs 116, 118 and 119	Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri. only, N29, 2011 - J6, 2012
WMUs 728 and 730	Bow and arrow or muzzle loader D1 - D3, Rifle D5 - D17

WMU 300 Elk Special Licence

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Bison Special Licence

– WMUs 536 and 539 excluding Core Bison Protection Area J1 - F28, 2012

Refer to the *2011 Alberta Hunting Draws* booklet for details on what seasons will be open and how to apply for special licences.

OTHER SPECIES

NOTE: It is unlawful, with the following exceptions, to allow the pelt of any furbearing animal to be wasted:

It is not legally necessary to salvage pelts of 1) furbearing animals taken in accordance with regulations authorizing control of problem wildlife, or 2) coyotes harvested, by residents, outside of public lands in the Green Area.

Timber Wolf – A Resident may, without a licence, hunt (but not trap) timber wolf from the opening of any big game season in a particular WMU to May 31, 2012, or until June 15, 2012 in WMUs where black bear seasons are open until June 15, 2012.

A Non-resident or Non-resident Alien who holds a Non-resident/Non-resident Alien Wolf/Coyote Licence may hunt (but not trap) timber wolf from the opening of any big game season in a particular WMU to May 31, 2012, or until June 15, 2012 in WMUs where black bear seasons are open until June 15, 2012.

Coyote – A Resident may, without a licence and on land to which he or she has the right of access, hunt (but not trap) coyote at all times of the year throughout the province, except as follows:

- 1) on public lands in the Green Area, only from October 1, 2011 to February 29, 2012, and
- 2) in Camp Wainwright (WMUs 728 and 730), only from January 2, 2012 to February 29, 2012.

See page 32 for information on coyote hunting for control of livestock predation.

Subject to the exception (*) below, a Non-resident or Non-resident Alien who holds a valid Non-resident/Non-resident Alien Wolf/Coyote Licence may hunt coyote on lands to which he or she has the right of access at all times of the year throughout the province – except on public lands in the Green Area where the season is from October 1, 2011 to February 29, 2012.

*Exception: if a big game season (other than a cougar season) is open in the area he or she is hunting, then a Non-resident or Non-resident Alien who holds a big game licence may hunt coyote only in the WMU or area where their big game licence is valid.

Baiting for Wolves and Coyotes – On public land, hunters cannot use bait for hunting wolves or coyotes except a) from Dec. 1 to Mar. 31, or b)

during an open season for the hunting of black bear where the setting out, use and possession of bait for the purpose of hunting black bear is **permitted**. (This **highlighted** wording is legally correct but differs from the wording used in distributed copies of the 2011 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations.)

Each wolf or coyote bait site must have a readily observable sign showing the owner's name, WIN, Big Game Outfitter-guide Permit Number, or Big Game Guide's Designation Number.

These baiting restrictions do not apply to WMUs 102-166, to persons hunting under authority of a trapping licence, or on any private land.

Red Fox – A Resident may, without a licence and at all times of the year, hunt (but not trap) red fox on any privately owned land to which he or she has the right of access. (This **highlighted** wording is legally correct but differs from the wording used in distributed copies of the 2011 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations.)

Red Squirrel and Badger – A Resident may, without a licence and at all times of the year, hunt or trap red squirrel and badger on any privately owned land to which he or she has the right of access. (This **highlighted** wording is legally correct but differs from the wording used in distributed copies of the 2011 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations.)

Bobcat – A resident may, without a licence from November 1 - February 28, 2011, hunt (but not trap) bobcat in WMUs 102, 104, 106, 108, 112, 116, 118, 119 and in the portion of WMU 110 that lies east of highway 2 and south of highway 3. The use of dogs is prohibited. All kills must be registered at a Fish and Wildlife office (see page 16).

Other Animals – Porcupine, rabbit, hare, skunk, raccoon and woodchuck may be hunted, but not trapped**, without a licence throughout the province, at all times of the year.

** Some exceptions apply. Please refer to the *2011 Alberta Guide to Trapping Regulations*, available in September 2011.

HUNTING WITH CROSS-BOWS

Since the fall season of 2002, cross-bows are no longer “prohibited” for hunting wildlife in Alberta, although there may be federal licensing requirements. See page 20 for federal government contact information. Cross-bows may not be used to hunt big game during archery-only seasons. The only exception is for an eligible handicapped hunter who has obtained a cross-bow licence.

A Bowhunting Permit, as required by bowhunters using conventional archery equipment, is **not** required by persons who are hunting with

cross-bows.

In accordance with federal regulations, cross-bows may not be used for waterfowl hunting.

Persons hunting big game with a cross-bow must use an authorized cross-bow and arrow (bolt). An authorized cross-bow is one that requires 100 pounds or more of pull to draw the string or cable to its cocked position. There is no restriction on arrow length however it must have a tip as described under the heading “Bowhunting” on page 41-42.