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**HUNTING DRAWS**

Draw Application Period: June 2 to June 25, 2026



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# 2026 Draw Timetable

<b>June 2 - June 25</b>	Draw application period.
<b>July 14</b>	Draw results available.
<b>July 14</b>	Undersubscribed information available.
<b>August 4</b>	Big game licences available.
<b>August 4</b>	Undersubscribed special licences available.
<b>August 4</b>	Landowner applications begin.

## **Additional Hunt Information**

Additional information about specific hunts is available for drawn applicants. This important information includes maps, required briefings etc. and is posted annually online at [mywildalberta.ca](https://mywildalberta.ca) commencing mid-July. Visit <https://mywildalberta.ca/hunting/hunting-draws/hunting-draws-reports/drawn-applicants.aspx>.

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**Important notice:** This document should not be used in place of the 2026 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations, the official summary of the current hunting regulations. This draw book is an overview of regulations that apply to draws for special licences. The 2026 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations is available in July at licence issuers or online at [albertaregulations.ca](http://albertaregulations.ca) or at Fish and Wildlife offices.

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# IMPORTANT CHANGES FOR 2026 DRAWS

## AlbertaRELM

The Government of Alberta sends emails to hunters and anglers throughout the year. These emails contain important information that you need to know – such as when the draw results will be available.

If you want to receive these emails directly, register your WiN at [albertarelm.com](http://albertarelm.com). By providing your email address you will be included in our distribution.

It is important to confirm that you have entered the correct wildlife management unit (WMU) and season for the species that you wish to apply for. Changes can be made until the end of the application period. Group application changes can only be made by the group leader.

Need help with your application? Visit [albertarelm.com](http://albertarelm.com) or call the RELM help desk toll free 1-888-944-5494.

## GENERAL

### DRAW ELIGIBILITIES

- The minimum age for youth to hunt big game is now 10 years old. This means a 10 year old can apply on big game draws and hold big game licences.
- Non-resident bighorn sheep draws (draw code 31) will no longer be drawn based on priority points but rather on a completely random draw basis. Group applications for this draw are no longer permitted. Drawn applicants will not be allowed to apply in future years.
- Non-resident antlered mule deer draw applications (draw code 13) will no longer be accepted beginning in 2026.
- Non-resident antlered moose draw applications (draw code 33) will no longer be accepted beginning in 2026.

### HOSTING

- Hosting non-resident hunters – a resident can still host two non-residents (Canadians) annually, but now one of those two must be a family member.

## BIG GAME

### ELK

- Late elk seasons have been split into separate draw options in the following WMUs (108-110, 116-128, 132, 136-138, 142-150, 162-203, 212, 216, 221, 232-234, 240-242, 250, 300, 302, 304-314, 320-324, 357-360, 503-506, 509-510, 520-523, 526-528, 535, 537 and 544) make sure to review the season dates when applying for late season elk licences.
- The former four November seasons in WMUs 116, 118, 119 and 624 have been changed to three seasons (excluding Saturday hunting in 624 and Sunday hunting in 116, 118, 119 and 624). See pages 19-21 for the new season dates.
- The archery-only season for antlered and antlerless elk in WMUs 116, 118 and 119 is extended to October 31 (excluding Sundays).
- Elk seasons in WMUs 102, 104 and 108 have been aligned. See the Elk Draws section for details.
- The archery-only and general seasons for antlered elk in WMUs 302-308 now require the successful draw of a special licence.
- For the WMU 212 antlerless elk special licence, the December to February seasons have had the weapons restriction repealed. Going forward, center fire rifles (of a calibre legal to hunt big game) are permitted during the December to February seasons. The November season will remain unchanged and restricted to archery-only or to hunting with a shotgun, a cross bow or a muzzle loading firearm of .44 calibre or greater.
- The special licence draw hunting zone in WMU 338 has been repealed and elk may be hunted throughout the WMU.
- Partner licences for elk special licences have been introduced for 2026. See the Partner Licence section on page 10 for details.

### MULE DEER

- The archery-only seasons for antlered mule deer in WMUs 102, 119, 124, 148, 150, 152, 158, 160, 163, 244, 246, 310, 312, 334, 406, 420 and 507 now require the successful draw of a special licence.



# COMMON LICENCE MISTAKES

## GENERAL MULE DEER LICENCE

This general licence is valid during the “archery-only” season which precedes the general season, where a special licence is not required. It is valid during the general season in the following WMUs: 352, 353, 355, 440-446, 512-519, 528-534, 536, 539-542 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 WHITE-TAILED DEER LICENCE

The WMUs which are valid for the 2026 season will be identified in the 2026 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations.

## YOUTH MULE DEER LICENCE

This general licence is available for resident hunters who are 10-17 years of age and who are eligible to hunt. It is valid during the “archery-only” season which precedes the general season, where a special licence is not required. It is valid during the general season in the following WMUs: 352, 353, 355, 440-446, 512-519, 528-534, 536, 539-542 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 10-17 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 cannot 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 or antlered white-tailed deer, 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 50.

**If you are drawn for a special licence, the authorization to purchase that licence cannot be cancelled.  
All licences and applications are non-refundable and non-transferable.**

## Change of Address

If you move, please let us know before you buy a licence or apply on the draws. To update your address, go online at [albertarelm.com](http://albertarelm.com), or call 1-888-944-5494 or visit your local licence issuer.

## IMPORTANT!

Once an undersubscribed licence has been purchased, it will not be cancelled. It may affect your ability to purchase other licences for that species. Please see page 50 – Licences and Combinations before making your purchase.

## SPECIAL LICENCES

Special licences are used in situations where a species (e.g., pronghorn) could not withstand the hunting pressure of a general season, or where they are needed to meet a specific management goal (e.g., the goal of the antlered mule deer draw areas is to develop and maintain a more balanced age structure in the herd). Other benefits from draws include improved hunter success, increased opportunity for harvesting a mature animal, reduced hunter density, a more pleasant hunting experience, reduced disturbance of landowners and a better distribution of the harvest.

A special licence allows a hunter to hunt the type of big game animal (e.g., antlerless elk) in the area (a WMU, a group of WMUs, or a portion of one or more WMUs) specified on the licence. There is a cost for each special licence. The special licence is valid during the open season, which is indicated on certain licences. If the season dates are not indicated on the licence, they can be found in the season information tables in the 2026 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations, available in July.

A special licence is issued with a tag(s) and is valid to hunt the specified type of animal at the specified time and location. A hunter must carry the licence and applicable tag(s) on his or her person while hunting. More than one tag may be issued in specific WMUs if there are too few applications to achieve the desired harvest.

### Two Additional Opportunities

1. Each year, there are more special licences than applicants in some WMUs. These undersubscribed special licences are made available for sale to eligible hunters (see page 12).
2. If the harvest of a certain species in a specific area is still inadequate, quota licences and tags may be available to take a specific number of animals at a specific time and location. Please ensure that your AlbertaRELM email address is current so that you will be notified of these opportunities quickly.

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# DRAW PRIORITY SYSTEM

The draw priority system is designed to recognize hunters who apply for the same special licence annually. Your priority level for a particular special licence increases every year you apply and are not drawn. Once you are drawn for a special licence, your priority for that particular licence drops to zero. If you apply with another hunter(s), the priority for the group application is that of the individual member whose priority is lowest. Any year that you do not apply, your priority level does not increase. The following table provides an example of how the priority level is assigned and changes over a number of years.

This is a sample, not your personal priority.

Year	Draw Code Antlered Moose	Pre-Draw Priority	Drawn	Post Draw Priority
2021	33	0	No	1
2022	Did not apply			
2023	33	1	No	2
2024	33	2	Yes	0
2025	33	0	No	1

# DRAW SELECTION PROCESS

The draw selection process is based on a priority system which allocates licences to applicants with the highest priority as follows:

The first, second and third choices of the highest priority applicant is considered before any choice of an applicant with a lower priority.

The draws are completed one species (draw code) at a time. Each WMU/area choice within the species has a quota for the maximum number of applicants that can be selected. The selection process starts by determining if the number of applicants for a WMU/area choice exceeds the quota for that WMU/area. If so, the priority selection process is applied. The system will first try to fill the available quotas with the first choices of highest priority applicants. If, after the first selection, there are special licences left, the system will look at the second choice of the highest priority applicants that remain, and finally the third choice of highest priority applicants. After considering all top priority applicants, the system will allocate special licences to the next priority applicants. The system will repeat the process with progressively lower priority applicants until all special licences are assigned. If at any level of priority and choice there are more applicants than licences, the available licences will be distributed among those applicants on a random draw basis.

# DRAW STRATEGY

The WMU for which you apply will determine your chances of being drawn. If you apply for a WMU that receives a large number of applications but has a low quota of licences, your chance of getting drawn will be lower than if you apply for a WMU that has fewer applications but a higher quota. The WMU selected does not affect your priority level, but it does affect your chances of selection within a priority level. Priority 1 may be enough to get a licence in WMUs where few hunters apply, but priority 5 may be required to get drawn in a more popular unit with a lower quota. If, for a specific licence, a particular WMU interests you more than others, do not select other WMUs as second and third choices unless you are willing to hunt those WMUs. When drawn, your priority for that draw drops to zero regardless of the WMU being your first, second or third choices.

Remember, your priority level applies to a specific draw code and is the same regardless of the WMU or season for which you apply within that draw code. For example, if you have priority 3 for the antlered moose special licence draw, that will be your priority for that licence in whichever WMU or season you apply.



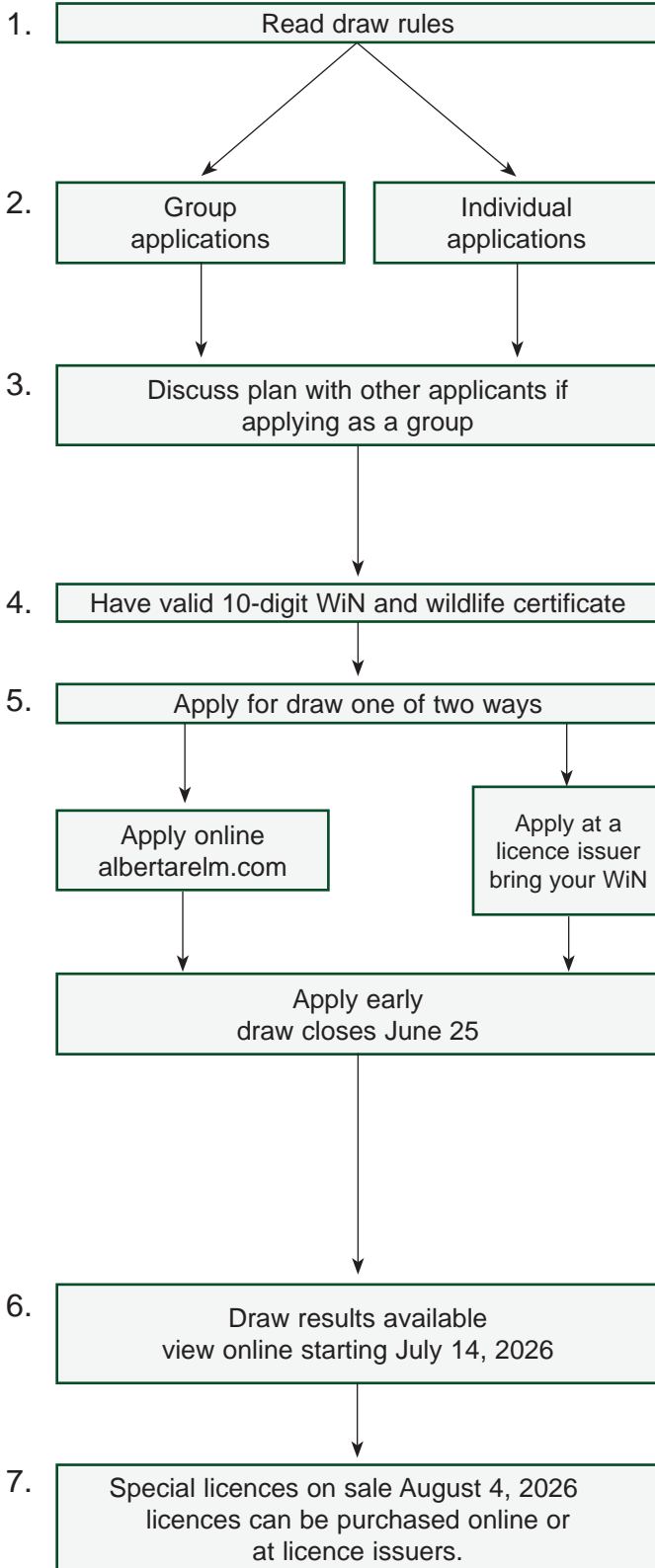
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# DRAW APPLICATION PROCESS

Draw application period is June 2 to June 25, 2026



1. Read Draw Rules
  - Page 10 to 11 – Draw Rules.
  - Page 15 to 43 – Draws Available.
  - Page 49 to 57 – General Hunting Regulations.
  - See Important Notice and Common Licence Mistakes on page 5.
2. Group or individual applications
  - Determine if applying as an individual or group.
  - The rules require a non-resident must apply with a resident (1:1 ratio) except for draw code 31 non-resident class 1 sheep.
3. Group Applications
  - Decide who will apply on behalf of the group.
  - Must have WiN & date of birth of all applicants.
  - Select species, WMU and season.
  - Separate application for each species.
  - Priority for a group application is that of the individual member whose priority is lowest.
4. 10-digit WiN (wildlife identification number) and wildlife certificate required for all applicants.
5. Apply for draw using one of two options
  - Online: albertarelm.com, see page 9.
  - You will need internet access, a credit card and an email address.
  - Cost \$6 per application. Charges will appear on your credit card statement as – ABRELMHUNT&FISH.
  - Licence issuer
  - See listing at albertarelm.com
  - Cost \$6 per draw application.

Ensure you apply early and allow time to resolve any issues that may prevent you from successfully submitting an application. The draw application fee is non-refundable and this levy goes to the Alberta Conservation Association.

**If there are pending special licence harvest surveys on your profile from the previous season the \$15 (GST not included) surcharge will be added to your purchase in compliance with the regulation requiring mandatory harvest and effort reporting.**

An email summarizing the application will be sent to the email address on your WiN profile. Hunters are reminded to check carefully for mistakes as once the draw application period closes, changes cannot be made.
6. Draw Results
  - Results: view online at albertarelm.com starting July 14, 2026.
7. Special licences and undersubscribed licences on sale August 4, 2026. Licences can be purchased online or at licence issuers.
  - If unsuccessful:
    - see what seasons are available for general licences.
    - see page 10 for partner licence availability.
    - see page 12 for undersubscribed special licence information. Licences available for purchase August 4, 2026, 9:00 a.m. on a first-come, first-served basis.

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# DRAW RULES

## Draws Available for Residents

The following table lists the draws available for residents, the maximum number of hunters per application, restrictions on applying for these draws and the number of applications that a resident may submit. For a definition of “resident,” please refer to page 49.

Draw Code	Type of Special Licence Available	Max # of Hunters per application	Restrictions on Applying for These Draws	Maximum Applications Allowed	
29	Class 2 sheep	4	None	1 application for each from this list of 9.	
17	CFB Wainwright deer	4			
13	Antlered mule deer	4			
14	Antlerless mule deer	4			
15	Antlered white-tailed deer	4			
16	Antlerless white-tailed deer	4			
32	Wild turkey	4			
35	Goat	1			Drawn applicants may not reapply in future years.
39	Bison	1			
<b>PRONGHORN RESTRICTIONS</b>					
10	Pronghorn archery	4	A resident may apply for all 3 pronghorn licences, but they may only hold 1.	1 application each from this list of 3.	
11	Class 2 pronghorn	4			
12	Class 1 pronghorn	4			
<b>CLASS 1 SHEEP RESTRICTIONS</b>					
30	WMU 410 class 1 sheep	4	A resident who killed a sheep, except a legal class 2 sheep, in 2025 may not purchase a class 1 sheep licence in 2026. If you apply for a class 1 sheep special licence, except draw 38, you must use ‘priority only’ as your only draw choice for 2026.	1 application only from this list of 5.	
34	WMU 437 class 1 sheep	2			
36	WMU 408 class 1 sheep	2			
37	WMU 444/446 class 1 sheep	2			
38	WMU 438 class 1 sheep	2			
<b>ELK RESTRICTIONS</b>					
18	Antlered elk	4	A resident may only apply for 1 elk licence from this list of 4.	1 application only from this list of 4.	
19	Antlerless elk	4			
41	Either sex elk	4			
21	WMU 300 elk	4			
40	WMU 212 antlerless elk	4	None	1 application allowed.	
<b>MOOSE RESTRICTIONS</b>					
33	Antlered moose	4	A resident may only apply for 1 moose licence from this list of 3.	1 application only from this list of 3.	
27	Antlerless moose	4			
28	Calf moose	4			
<b>MINISTER'S SPECIAL LICENCE (MSL) RESTRICTIONS</b>					
50	MSL class 1 pronghorn	1	None	20 applications allowed per species.	
51	MSL antlered mule deer	1			
52	MSL antlered elk	1			
53	MSL antlered moose	1			
54	MSL class 1 sheep	1			

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55	MSL wild turkey	1	None	20 applications allowed per species.
56	MSL antlered white-tailed deer	1		
57	MSL cougar	1		
58	MSL mountain goat	1		

## RULES FOR APPLYING ON A DRAW

- **Deadlines:** Hunters may apply from Tuesday, June 2, 2026 to Thursday, June 25, 2026. Draw applications for wild turkey must also be made at this time.
- An application made online or at a licence issuer is entered immediately into the draw database.
- There are certain restrictions and maximums allowed when applying for some draws.
- **Eligibility:** Residents or non-residents (Canadian) are not eligible to apply on a draw if: i) their hunting privileges are under a licence suspension/cancellation in Alberta (or elsewhere) or: ii) if they fail to pay their fine after being convicted of a provincial hunting or provincial sportfishing offence throughout the season.
- If a person is convicted of a provincial fishing or hunting offence and fails to pay their fine, they will be suspended from purchasing or using a sportfishing licence, a hunting licence or applying on draws until that outstanding fine has been paid.
- Each applicant (resident and non-resident [Canadian]) must have a valid 10-digit Wildlife Identification Number (WiN), wildlife certificate and must be eligible to hold hunting licences.

### Draws Available for Non-residents (Canadian)

The following table lists the draws available for non-residents (Canadian), maximum number of hunters per application, the restrictions on applying for these draws and the number of applications that a non-resident (Canadian) may submit. For a definition of “non-resident” (Canadian) refer to page 49. A non-resident (Canadian) must apply with a resident (maximum of one non-resident per resident), except for the non-resident class 1 sheep draw. If successful in obtaining one of these special licences, the non-resident must be accompanied by a licenced hunter host while hunting. A hunter host may not charge or accept remuneration for services provided either directly or indirectly. Please refer to the Outfitting and Guiding Requirements on page 53. NOTE: Non-resident aliens are not eligible for any draws.

Draw Code	Type of Special Licence Available	Max # of Hunters per application	Restrictions on Applying for These Draws	Maximum Applications Allowed
12	Class 1 pronghorn	4	Must apply with a resident (maximum of 1 non-resident per resident).	1 application for each licence from this list of four.
31	Class 1 sheep	1 non-resident		
15	Antlered white-tailed deer	4	Must apply with a resident (maximum of 1 non-resident per resident).	
18	Antlered elk	4		

## BOW HUNTERS

A bow hunter must possess a special licence to hunt the following big game animals during the archery-only season:

- pronghorn
- antlerless and/or antlered moose in WMUs 102, 116, 118, 119, 124, 148, 150, 151, 152, 156-166, 200-210, 214-246, 250-260, 300-346, 348, 357, 400, 402, 429, 500-510.
- calf moose in WMUs 359, 360, 505, 510, 521, 522, 523, 526 and 527.
- elk and moose in WMU 936.
- antlered elk in WMUs 302-308, 412-434.
- antlered mule deer in WMUs 102, 104, 106, 108, 110, 112, 119, 124, 128, 130-140, 148, 150, 152, 156, 158, 160, 163, 206- 210, 214, 216, 220-226, 242, 244, 246, 300-308, 310, 312, 314, 318-324, 332, 334, 337-346, 357-360, 400, 402, 406, 420, 502, 504, 506, 507, 509, 510, 511, 521-523, 526, 527 and 537.

## PARTNER LICENCE

The following partner licences are available:

1. A resident holder of an antlerless moose special licence has the option of designating one eligible resident hunter (adult, youth or senior) to be a partner on the special licence, thereby allowing the designated hunter to obtain a special antlerless moose partner licence.
2. A resident holder of an antlered moose special licence has the option of designating one eligible resident hunter (adult, youth or senior) to be a partner on the special licence, thereby allowing the designated hunter to obtain a special antlered moose partner licence.

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3. A resident holder of an antlerless elk special licence or either sex elk special licence has the option of designating one eligible resident hunter (adult, youth or senior) to be a partner on the special licence, thereby allowing the designated hunter to obtain a special antlerless elk partner licence or either sex elk special licence.
4. A resident holder of an antlered elk special licence has the option of designating one eligible hunter, resident (adult, youth or senior) or a non-resident (Canadian) (adult, youth or senior), to be a partner on the special licence, thereby allowing the designated hunter to obtain a special antlered elk partner licence. To qualify for a partner licence in a particular WMU, the non-resident (Canadian) must have been eligible to apply for the special licence in that WMU. A non-resident (Canadian) holder of an antlered elk special licence has the option of designating one eligible resident (adult, youth or senior) hunter to be a partner on the special licence, thereby allowing the designated hunter to obtain a special antlered elk partner licence.
5. Resident hunters successful in drawing a special licence in any of the other draws are allowed to designate one eligible resident youth (10 to 17 years of age or senior 65 and over) to be a partner on their special licence.

The designated partner need not have applied on the applicable draw and his or her draw priority for the special licence will not be affected. Refer to pages 50-52 regarding licence combinations and restrictions. The designated partner hunts under the authority of the special licence and, while hunting, must be able to directly communicate with the special licence holder (without relying on a cell phone, walkie-talkie or other device) to ensure that both hunters stop hunting once the tag(s) are filled. In essence, the two hunters are hunting as one, and while the use of common electronic communication devices (i.e., walkie-talkies, cell phones, etc.) is not unlawful while hunting, the two hunters (partner and special licence holder) must be able to directly communicate while hunting without the need of using such devices.

If the special licence holder or designated partner kills an animal, the special licence holder must tag the animal(s) with the tag(s) issued with the special licence. The holder of the special licence may hunt without the partner, but the partner may not hunt unless directly accompanied by the special licence holder. If the intended partner is a non-resident, they must be accompanied by a licensed hunter host while hunting. The cost of the resident partner licence and the resident youth partner licence is \$12 (plus GST). The cost of the non-resident partner licence is \$66 (plus GST). Partner licences may be purchased at any licence issuer or online.

## AGE REQUIREMENTS

- A person must be at least 10 years of age to hunt under the authority of a youth game bird licence.
- A person must be at least 10 years of age to hunt under the authority of a recreational licence.
- Before obtaining any licence, all first-time hunters must successfully complete the Alberta conservation and hunter education course.
- Nine-year-olds may apply in the draws if they meet the above requirements, and the season where the special licence may be used does not close before the applicant is 10 years old.
- All persons under 16 years of age must have the written permission of their parent or legal guardian to purchase a recreational hunting licence.
- To hunt with a firearm, a youth hunter (10 to 17 years of age) must be accompanied by a parent, legal guardian or by a person 18 years of age or older who has written permission of the parent or legal guardian. See Federal Firearms Regulations below for more requirements.
- If a youth who has purchased a youth licence turns 18 years of age after purchasing such a licence and hunting seasons are still open that year, they may still hunt under the youth licence for the remainder of the open season.

**Resident youth hunting licences.** Subject to the age limitations and conditions above, a resident 10 to 17 years of age may purchase a resident youth wildlife certificate, including a game bird licence, for \$12. The holder of a valid resident youth wildlife certificate who is not yet 18 years old may also purchase a youth white-tailed deer licence and a youth mule deer licence, each for \$12. These licences are valid during the seasons that do not require one of the special licences obtained through a draw. This person may also purchase an antlerless mule deer special licence (available through a draw) for \$12. Partner licences are also available to resident youths if designated by the holder of any special licence (see Partner Licence on page 10).

## WHAT IF I'M A FIRST-TIME HUNTER?

First-time hunters in Alberta may apply for draws provided they comply with the licensing requirements outlined below. Hunters should also be aware of federal regulations pertaining to possession and use of firearms. All hunters must have a Wildlife Identification Number (WiN) and wildlife certificate as a prerequisite to applying for or purchasing any hunting licence.

NOTE: All new first-time hunters who have qualified for obtaining recreational hunting licences by successfully completing the Alberta conservation and hunter education course, will be required to provide their hunter certificate number that is issued to each course graduate, in order to be eligible to purchase a hunting licence, either online or at a licence issuer. For more information visit: <http://www.aheia.com>.

### Licensing Requirements for First-time Hunters

A first-time hunter is a hunter who:

- has not previously held a hunting licence in Alberta or elsewhere, or
- has not successfully completed a hunter education course in Alberta or elsewhere.

First-time hunters must pass the Alberta conservation and hunter education course. Non-resident and non-resident alien hunters (10 years of age and older) are exempt from the first-time hunter eligibility requirement if they are accompanied by a hunter host or a designated guide while hunting in Alberta. Youth first-time hunters (10 to 17 years of age) are further restricted (see Age Requirements, above).

### Federal Firearms Regulations

All hunters should be aware of federal laws surrounding the acquisition, possession, transportation and use of weapons and ammunition. For further information contact your local police service or the Canadian Firearms Centre at 1-800-731-4000 or visit the Centre's website at: <http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/cfp-pcaf/index-eng.htm>.

# MOBILITY-IMPAIRED HUNTERS

Eligible individuals may apply to obtain a special permit or licence relating to off-highway vehicle use, bow and arrow equipment and using a weapon on a vehicle. Visit [mywildalberta.ca](http://mywildalberta.ca) for more information.

## UNDERSUBSCRIBED SPECIAL LICENCES

AVAILABLE STARTING TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2026 9:00 A.M.

Two options available - online or licence issuer

When too few people apply for special licences in some WMUs, the undersubscribed special licences are made available for sale to eligible hunters. To determine which special licences are available, you can go online at [albertarelm.com](http://albertarelm.com) starting July 14, 2026.

Undersubscribed licences will be available on a first-come, first-served basis either online or at a licence issuer starting August 4. Licences will be on sale until quota has been depleted.

To purchase your special undersubscribed licence online, you must have a pre-numbered Government of Alberta tag and wire before you begin your purchase. Order early to obtain tags.

- ✓ Order tags on the [albertarelm.com](http://albertarelm.com) contact us page.
- ✓ Call the [albertarelm.com](http://albertarelm.com) help desk at 1-888-944-5494.

Note: Tags are not valid until linked to purchased licence.

Purchase undersubscribed special licences in just two easy steps!

1. Plan ahead, licence availability can be viewed online prior to purchase date at [albertarelm.com](http://albertarelm.com).
2. Purchase an undersubscribed special licence.

Online: [albertarelm.com](http://albertarelm.com)

- You will need your WiN, a credit card and a pre-numbered tag
- Click on “Purchase hunting licences”
- Select species
- Select WMU/season

Licence Issuer

- You will need your WiN
- The species
- WMU/season

Holders of a resident elk (general) licence may now purchase an undersubscribed antlerless elk special licence.

Normal licence restrictions apply regarding licence combinations and eligibility. For example, if you were drawn for an antlerless mule deer special licence, you cannot obtain another antlerless mule deer special licence through the undersubscribed process.

A hunter does not have to apply in the draw in order to be eligible to obtain an undersubscribed licence. Draw priorities are not affected by the acquisition of an undersubscribed licence.

If you have any questions contact the RELM Help Desk 1-888-944-5494

### IMPORTANT!

Once an undersubscribed licence has been purchased, it will not be cancelled. It may affect your ability to purchase other licences for that species. Please see page 50 – Licences and Combinations before making your purchase.

### REMEMBER!

You will need to have a tag on hand to make an online undersubscribed purchase. Please order tags early at [albertarelm.com](http://albertarelm.com) or make your purchase at one of the more than 300 licence issuer locations near you.

# 2025 DRAW STATISTICS

Draw Code	Special Licence	Number Available	Number of Applicants**	Per cent Drawn*
10	Pronghorn archery draw	234	15,024	1%
11	Class 2 pronghorn draw	92	18,701	<1%
12	Class 1 pronghorn draw	1,007	41,354	2%
13	Antlered mule deer draw	6,069	81,215	7%
14	Antlerless mule deer draw	6,050	36,894	16%
15	Antlered white-tailed deer draw	153	9,332	1%
16	Antlerless white-tailed deer draw	2,937	13,011	22%
17	Camp Wainwright deer draw	575	17,045	3%
18	Antlered elk draw	623	33,814	1%
19	Antlerless elk draw	20,496	42,036	33%
21	WMU 300 elk draw	68	1,410	4%
40	WMU 212 antlerless elk draw	541	8,821	1%
27	Antlerless moose draw	3,951	22,468	17%
28	Calf moose draw	336	1,533	21%
33	Antlered moose draw	8,817	75,562	10%
29	Class 2 sheep draw	105	15,063	<1%
30	WMU 410 class 1 sheep draw	25	6,034	<1%
31	NR class 1 sheep	2	387	<1%
34	WMU 437 class 1 sheep draw	8	5,001	<1%
36	WMU 408 class 1 sheep draw	5	1,624	<1%
37	WMU 444/446 Class 1 Sheep Draw	3	4,133	<1%
38	WMU 438 class 1 sheep draw	15	3,385	<1%
32	Wild turkey draw	50	23,071	<1%
35	Mountain goat draw	18	11,637	<1%
39	Bison special licence draw	45	8,865	<1%

\* Number of applicants is the total of applicants who applied to get drawn plus those who selected priority-only option.

\*\* Per cent drawn = number of applicants who were drawn divided by those who applied to get drawn (does not include priority-only).

A more detailed copy of the 2025 Hunting Draws Summary report is available online at [albertarelm.com](http://albertarelm.com).

# LANDOWNER SPECIAL LICENCE

Landowners, or eligible designates, who are unsuccessful in the following special licence draws may still be eligible to obtain one of these special licences to hunt on their own land:

- Antlered mule deer special licence
- Antlerless elk special licence (excluding WMU 732)
- WMU 300 elk special licence
- Antlerless mule deer special licence
- WMU 212 antlerless elk special licence

## The following conditions apply to landowner special licences:

1. The applicant for a landowner special licence must be a resident of Alberta and must have applied for and been unsuccessful in the special licence draw for the same licence type for which the landowner application is being made, with one exception for applicants for landowner antlerless elk special licences (see landowner licence types above). Applicants who were unsuccessful in either the antlerless elk special licence draw or the antlered elk special licence draw may apply for a landowner antlerless elk special licence. Applicants who were unsuccessful in the WMU 300 elk special licence draw may apply for a landowner WMU 300 antlerless elk special licence only. The unsuccessful draw application must have reflected, as a first choice, the same WMU or area where the landowner licence will be applied for and the application must meet the following conditions.
2. **There is a limit of one landowner special licence application per certificate of title (or current tax notice).** NOTE: If a person can qualify under more than one circumstance described in items 3, 4 or 5 below, they may apply only for one of these three kinds of properties.
3. For lands that are not corporate owned, the applicant must own (have title to or have under agreement for sale by the Crown) a minimum of 1/4 section in a single parcel of 160 acres, consideration for road allowance or utility corridor given, or be an eligible person to whom the titleholder transfers this application opportunity. A title holder may transfer this application opportunity only to an individual who is directly involved in farming the land. This person might be a family member or employee of the person who farms the land, provided, in all cases, that the individual is directly involved in the day-to-day farming operations on the land.
4. In the case of land held under title by a business corporation of the above size category, the applicant may be a shareholder of the business. Similar to item 3 above, an individual who is directly involved in farming this land may apply if the application opportunity has been transferred to them by a person who is authorized to do so by the corporation.
5. In the case of joint land titles, only one of the joint title holders may submit an application for a landowner special licence under a certificate of title (or current tax notice). However, if additional joint titles exist, each individual, if eligible, may apply under separate joint titles. The same rules apply to transferees as noted above.
6. Availability of landowner special licences may be limited or may not be available at all for some species in certain WMUs. Those available will be issued to eligible persons on a first-come, first-served basis.
7. The land identified in “item 3” above must be contained within the WMU or area identified as the first choice on the unsuccessful application for the special licence draw. The licence will be valid for the season dates associated with this first choice and on all lands owned by the titleholder and lying in the applicable WMU or area.
8. A person may not obtain more than one of the above six landowner special licences per year.
9. Draw priorities are not affected by the acquisition of a landowner special licence.
10. Remember, you may not possess both an antlered mule deer special licence and a mule deer licence, more than one elk licence (except WMU 212 antlerless elk archery licence and WMU 212 antlerless elk special licence), or more than four of the deer, elk and moose licences indicated in the resident licences and combinations table (pages 50 to 52). You may possess another licence in addition to those combinations for deer, elk or moose on pages 50 to 52 if the additional licence is sold as an undersubscribed licence
11. Antlered mule deer landowner licences will be limited to 25 per cent of the total resident permits in each WMU and provided on a first come, first served basis.

## Application Procedure:

1. Applications can be made in person at a Fish and Wildlife office beginning August 4, 2026. Remote applications can be made beginning August 17 by contacting your local Fish and Wildlife office. See page 59 for office locations.
2. You must present either the certificate of title or a current tax notice for the land in the WMU where you wish the landowner special licence to be valid.
3. The Fish and Wildlife office will confirm your eligibility and first choice WMU/season code.
4. If an applicant is using an opportunity transferred from the title holder (an individual or corporate title holder), the applicant must submit a letter from the title holder (or other share holders), authorizing the application for and the use of the particular landowner special licence. In all cases, the applicant who receives the transferred opportunity must be directly involved in the day to day farming operations of the land.
5. The Fish and Wildlife Division will advise the applicant once the application has been approved. The hunter may then purchase the licence online or from a private licence issuer by providing the issuer with the draw code for which the landowner special licence was approved and his/her WiN.

# PRONGHORN DRAWS

A resident may apply for a class 1 pronghorn special licence, a pronghorn archery special licence and a class 2 pronghorn special licence, but may possess only one of these licences. The class 1 pronghorn special licence draw will be conducted first, then the pronghorn archery special draw, followed by the class 2 pronghorn special licence. Applicants selected in a pronghorn draw will be eliminated from subsequent draws.

## **DRAW CODE 10**

### Pronghorn Archery Special Licence Draw

Residents Only

**Price (GST not included): \$95**

This licence is valid for a class 1 pronghorn or a class 2 pronghorn. See page 49 for definition of “class 2 pronghorn” and “class 1 pronghorn.” A bow hunting permit must also be obtained.

Resident hunters successful in drawing a pronghorn archery special licence may designate a resident youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag (see page 10 for details).

Season	Select one of these WMUs
September 1 – September 26	108
	104, 106, 112
	102, 118
	128, 140
	138, 142, 144
	116, 119, 124, 148
	150, 151, 152
	160, 162, 163, 164, 166

## **DRAW CODE 11**

### Class 2 Pronghorn Special Licence Draw

Residents Only

**Price (GST not included): \$95**

A class 2 pronghorn special licence authorizes the holder to hunt a class 2 pronghorn in one of the following WMUs or WMU groups during its listed season. See page 49 for definition of “class 2 pronghorn.”

Resident hunters successful in drawing a class 2 pronghorn special licence may designate a resident youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag (see page 10 for details).

WMUs	Season
108	October 22 – October 24
	October 26 – October 28
104, 106, 112	October 22 – October 24
	October 26 – October 28
102, 118	October 22 – October 24
	October 26 – October 28
128, 140	October 22 – October 24
	October 26 – October 28

WMUs	Season
116, 119, 124, 148	October 22 – October 24
	October 26 – October 28
138, 142, 144	October 1 – October 3
	October 5 – October 7
150, 151, 152	October 1 – October 3
	October 5 – October 7
160, 162, 163, 164, 166	October 1 – October 3
	October 5 – October 7

*Pronghorn special licence draws continued on next page*

**DRAW CODE 12****Class 1 Pronghorn Special Licence Draw**

Residents and Non-residents (Canadian)

Prices (GST not included): **Resident \$95 Non-resident \$275**

A class 1 pronghorn special licence authorizes the holder to hunt a class 1 pronghorn in one of the following WMUs or WMU groups during its listed season. See page 49 for definition of “class 1 pronghorn.”

Resident hunters successful in drawing a class 1 pronghorn special licence may designate a resident youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag (see page 10 for details).

Note: A non-resident (Canadian) must apply with a resident (maximum of one non-resident per resident).

Season	WMUs
October 19 – October 24	108
	104, 106, 112
	102, 118
	128, 140
	116, 119, 124, 148
September 28 – October 3	138, 142, 144
	150, 151, 152
	160, 162, 163, 164, 166

**DEER DRAWS**

**LICENCE LIMITS FOR MULE DEER HUNTERS** — Hunters may not possess both an antlered mule deer special licence and a mule deer licence.

**DRAW CODE 13****Antlered Mule Deer Special Licence Draw**

Residents Only

Prices (GST not included): **\$50**

An antlered mule deer special licence authorizes the holder to hunt an antlered mule deer in one of the following WMUs during its listed season. See page 49 for definition of “antlered.”

Resident hunters successful in drawing an antlered mule deer special licence may designate a resident youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag (see page 10 for details).

Season	Select one of these WMUs
September 24 – November 30 Archery: September 1 – September 23	400, 402
September 1 – November 30	520, 524, 525, 544
September 24 – November 30	404, 408
September 24 – November 30 Archery: September 9 – September 23	406
November 4 – November 7 November 11 – November 14 November 18 – November 21 November 25 – November 28	116, 118, 142, 144, 151
November 4 – November 7 November 11 – November 14 November 18 – November 21 November 25 – November 28 Archery: September 1 – November 3	102, 104, 106, 108, 110, 112, 119, 124, 128, 130, 132, 134, 136, 138, 140, 148, 150, 152, 156, 158, 160
November 1 – November 30	162, 164, 166, 200, 202, 203, 204, 228, 230, 232, 234, 236, 238, 240, 250, 252, 254, 256, 258, 260, 316, 336, 348, 500, 501, 503, 505, 508
November 1 – November 30 Archery: September 1 – October 31	163, 206, 208, 210, 214, 216, 220, 221, 222, 224, 226, 242, 244, 246, 310, 312, 314, 318, 320, 322, 324, 332, 334, 337, 338, 502, 504, 506, 507, 509, 510
October 25 – November 30 Archery: September 1 – October 24	300, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 308
September 17 – November 30	326, 328, 330, 347, 349, 350, 351, 354, 356, 412, 414, 416, 417, 418, 422, 426, 428, 429, 430, 432, 434, 436, 437, 438, 439, 535
September 1 – November 30 Archery: August 25 – August 31	511
September 17 – November 30 Archery: August 25 – September 16	339, 340, 342, 344, 346, 357, 358, 359, 360, 420, 521, 522, 523, 526, 527, 537

**DRAW CODE 14****Antlerless Mule Deer Special Licence Draw**

Residents Only

Prices (GST not included): \$30 – issued to other than youth  
\$12 – issued to youth (see pages 10-11 for additional information)

An antlerless mule deer special licence authorizes the holder to hunt an antlerless mule deer in one of the following WMUs during its listed season. See page 49 for definition of “antlerless.”

Resident hunters successful in drawing an antlerless mule deer special licence may designate a resident youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag (see page 10 for details).

Season	Select one of these WMUs
September 17 – November 30	358, 537
September 17 – December 20	357, 359, 360, 521, 522, 523, 526, 527
September 24 – November 30	400, 402, 404, 406, 408
November 4 – November 7 November 11 – November 14 November 18 – November 21 November 25 – November 28	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
November 1 – November 30	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, 310, 312, 314, 320, 322, 332, 334, 336, 348, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510
October 25 – November 30	300, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 308

**LICENCE LIMITS FOR WHITE-TAILED DEER HUNTERS** — Hunters may not possess both an antlered white-tailed deer special licence and a white-tailed deer licence.

**DRAW CODE 15****Antlered White-tailed Deer Special Licence Draw**

Residents and Non-residents (Canadian)

Prices (GST not included): Resident \$50 Non-resident \$193

An antlered white-tailed deer special licence authorizes the holder to hunt an antlered white-tailed deer in one of the following WMUs during its listed season. See page 49 for definition of “antlered.”

Resident hunters successful in drawing an antlered white-tailed deer special licence may designate a resident youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag (see page 10 for details).

Season	Select one of these WMUs
September 24 – November 30	404, 406, 408

Note: A non-resident (Canadian) must apply with a resident (maximum of one non-resident per resident).

**DRAW CODE 16****Antlerless White-tailed Deer Special Licence Draw**

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$30

An antlerless white-tailed deer special licence authorizes the holder to hunt an antlerless white-tailed deer in one of the following WMUs during its listed season. See page 49 for definition of “antlerless.”

Resident hunters successful in drawing an antlerless white-tailed deer special licence may designate a resident youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag (see page 10 for details).

Season	Select one of these WMUs
September 24 – November 30	404, 406, 408
November 4 – November 7 November 11 – November 14 November 18 – November 21 November 25 – November 28	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
November 1 – November 30	162, 163, 164, 166, 210

A CFB Wainwright deer special licence will be valid for one of the following three-day seasons in WMUs 728 and 730.

Resident hunters successful in drawing a CFB Wainwright deer special licence may designate a resident youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag. If a partner is designated to share the special licence, the partner will be considered the only person accompanying the special licence holder (see page 10 for details).

Season Type	Season Choices
(Primitive Weapon - muzzle loader and bow and arrow)	November 26 – November 28
Rifle or other legal weapon	November 30 – December 2
Rifle or other legal weapon	December 3 – December 5
Rifle or other legal weapon	December 7 – December 9
Rifle or other legal weapon	December 10 – December 12

- The special licence will be issued with two tags. These tags are valid for deer of either species, either sex and age.
- There will be an archery-only area identified during the check-in and briefing. Only bow and arrow can be used in this area. Cross-bows may be used in the archery-only area by holders of cross-bow licences issued to eligible handicapped persons.

## 2026 CFB Wainwright Ungulate Hunt Information

CFB Wainwright is used for general military training, including live firing of various types of artillery, mortars, rockets, bombs and small arms. Because of the hazards associated with these activities, hunters are required to follow special regulations for their own safety. There is no Sunday hunting in CFB Wainwright.

CFB Wainwright reserves the right to cancel scheduled seasons without notice.

### Check-in/Check-out Procedures

1. All hunters must report to the hunter check station (HCS) to register all persons accessing the base. The HCS will be open from 6 a.m. until all hunters have checked out. Failure to check out may result in loss of access privileges. The route to the HCS is well signed from the entrance of CFB Wainwright.
2. All persons (hunters and non-hunters) must attend a briefing at the HCS each day of the hunt. Briefings will cover closed areas, general rules, wildlife regulations and procedures in case of problems. The briefing on the first day of each hunt will take approximately 30 minutes and will start at 7:00 a.m. The HCS doors will open at 6:00 a.m.
3. It is a mandatory requirement that all ungulates harvested from CFB Wainwright be tested for CWD. Mandatory head submission will be completed at the check station. The process for CWD sampling will be included in the mandatory briefing on day one of each hunt.

### Military Requirements

1. The entry gate onto CFB Wainwright may be manned at the time of the hunt. In order to facilitate entry onto the base, please have your hunting licence, firearms licence and photo ID (driver's licence) available for checking at the gate. Firearms should also be easily accessible as they may be checked by gate personnel.
2. All hunters must sign a liability waiver at the HCS before being given access privileges to the base. Waivers may also be printed off the [mywildalberta.ca/hunting/hunting-draws/cfb-wainwright-ungulate-hunt.aspx](http://mywildalberta.ca/hunting/hunting-draws/cfb-wainwright-ungulate-hunt.aspx) website and filled out to expedite the registration process. When completing waivers, please leave the witness information blank as the HCS staff will complete this section. When minors are participating as hunter helpers, ensure that the appropriate waiver is completed (these differ from adult waivers).
3. Certain areas of CFB Wainwright are permanently closed to hunting (e.g., artillery impact ranges); other areas will be closed on a day-to-day basis. Hunting in closed areas is unlawful and will result in permanent eviction from the base.
4. The hunt will be monitored by military personnel and patrolled by Alberta Fish and Wildlife officers. Anyone found to have entered areas that are off-limits or contravened any other regulations or policies may be asked to leave the base and may have their hunt terminated.
5. Off-highway vehicles (snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, e-bikes etc.) are not permitted within CFB Wainwright.
6. All hunters and non-hunters on the base must wear blaze orange or a high visibility vest (except bow hunters hunting in designated "BOW ONLY" areas).
7. No overnight camping and no open fires are allowed.
8. The military will not assist hunters with vehicles that are stuck or have mechanical problems. Hunters must make their own towing arrangements.

# ELK DRAWS

## APPLICATION AND LICENCE LIMITS FOR ELK HUNTERS

Residents – may apply in only one of the following elk draws: antlered elk special licence, antlerless elk special licence, either sex elk special licence, or WMU 300 elk special licence. In addition, hunters may apply in the WMU 212 antlerless elk special licence draw.

Non-residents (Canadian) – may apply for only the antlered elk special licence and must apply with a resident (maximum of one non-resident per resident).

Hunters may not possess more than one elk licence, with the exception of the WMU 212 antlerless elk archery licence and the WMU 212 antlerless elk special licence.

### DRAW CODE 18

## Antlered Elk Special Licence Draw

Residents and Non-residents (Canadian)

Prices (GST not included): Resident \$65 Non-resident \$275

Resident hunters successful in drawing an antlered elk special licence may designate a resident (adult, youth or senior) or a non-resident (Canadian) (adult or youth) partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tags. Non-resident (Canadian) hunters successful in drawing an antlered elk special licence may designate a resident (adult, youth or senior) partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag(s).

**6-POINT ELK** An antlered elk special licence authorizes the holder to hunt a 6-point or larger antlered elk in one of the following WMUs during its listed season. See page 49 for definition of “6-point elk.”

Season	Select one of these WMUs
September 17 – November 30	404, 406, 408
November 1 – November 30	509
September 17 – November 30 Archery: August 25 – September 16	412, 414, 416, 417, 418, 420, 422, 426, 428, 430, 432, 434

**3-POINT ELK** An antlered elk special licence authorizes the holder to hunt a 3-point or larger antlered elk in one of the following WMUs during its listed season. See page 49 for definition of “3-point elk.”

Season	Select one of these WMUs
October 25 – November 30 Archery: September 1 – October 24	302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 308

**ANTLERED ELK** An antlered elk special licence authorizes the holder to hunt an antlered elk in one of the following WMUs or groups of WMUs (in parentheses) during its listed season. If applying for a WMU group, use the first WMU listed to identify the group. See page 49 for definition of “antlered.”

Season	Select one (or the first) of these WMUs
November 1 – November 30	110, (132, 136, 138), (162, 163, 164, 166), (151, 152), (156, 158, 160), (200, 202, 203, 232, 234), (252, 254, 258, 260), (236, 238, 256), (206, 222, 226, 244, 246), (208, 210, 220), (204, 228, 230), (240, 242), 250
December 1 – December 31 (Monday to Saturday only)	(116, 118, 119)
January 1 – January 31, 2027 (Monday to Saturday only)	
February 1 – February 28, 2027 (Monday to Saturday only)	
November 1 – November 23 Archery: October 17 – October 31	936 <sup>1</sup>

*Antlered elk special licence draws continued on next page*

An antlered elk special licence authorizes the holder to hunt an antlered elk in one of the following WMUs or groups of WMUs (in parentheses) during one of its listed seasons.

WMU	Season
102, 104, 108	September 1 – September 30
	October 1 – October 24
	October 25 – November 16
	November 17 – December 31
(116, 118, 119, 624 <sup>2</sup> ) (116, 118, 119 – Monday to Saturday) (624 – Monday to Friday)	November 1 – November 10
	November 11 – November 20
	November 21 – November 30
(124, 128, 142, 144, 148, 150)	September 1 – September 30
	October 1 – October 24
	October 25 – November 16
	November 17 – December 31
	January 1 – January 31, 2027
	February 1 – February 28, 2027
732 – CFB Suffield	November 18 – 20
	November 26 – 28
	January 13 – 15, 2027
	January 21 – 23, 2027

<sup>1</sup> According to the *Provincial Parks (General) Regulation*, a hunter is required to have a firearm discharge permit to hunt within a provincial park and provincial recreation area. This regulation applies to all of the provincial parks and the majority of the provincial recreation areas in Alberta where hunting is allowed. Please note WMU 936: Cooking Lake-Blackfoot Provincial Recreation Area and WMU 624: Cypress Hills Provincial Park do require orientations, please visit <https://www.albertaparks.ca/albertaparksca/visit-our-parks/activities/hunting/firearms-discharge-permits/> for more information.

<sup>2</sup> Prior to hunting in Cypress Hills Provincial Park all hunters must obtain a firearm discharge permit and view an orientation session. Please visit <https://www.albertaparks.ca/albertaparksca/visit-our-parks/activities/hunting/firearms-discharge-permits/> for more information.

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# Antlerless Elk Special Licence Draw

**Residents Only**

Price (GST not included): \$50

An antlerless elk special licence authorizes the holder to hunt an antlerless elk in one of the following WMUs or groups of WMUs (in parentheses) during its listed season. If applying for a WMU group, use the first WMU listed to identify the group. See page 49 for definition of “antlerless.”

Resident hunters successful in drawing an antlerless elk special licence may designate a resident adult, youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag(s) (see page 10 for details).

Select one (or the first) of these WMUs	Season
(116, 118, 119)	December 1 – December 31 (Monday to Saturday only)
	January 1 – January 31, 2027 (Monday to Saturday only)
	February 1 – February 28, 2027 (Monday to Saturday only)
330, 352, 400, 402, 404, 406, 408, 438 <sup>1</sup> , 439, 441 <sup>2</sup> , 444 <sup>3</sup>	September 17 – November 30
340, 342, 344 <sup>4</sup>	September 17 – December 20
224, 334, 336	November 1 – December 20
503	November 1 – December 20
	December 21 – January 31, 2027
	February 1 – February 28, 2027
936 <sup>5</sup>	November 1 – November 23 <b>Archery:</b> October 17 – October 31
110, (132, 136, 138) (162, 163, 164, 166), (200, 202, 203, 232, 234), (240, 242)	November 1 – November 30
	December 1 – December 31
	January 1 – January 31, 2027
	February 1 – February 28, 2027
(151, 152), (156, 158, 160), (252, 254, 258, 260), (236, 238, 256), (206, 222, 226, 244, 246), (208, 210, 220), (204, 228, 230)	November 1 – January 31, 2027

<sup>1</sup> This season applies only to that portion of WMU 438 that lies northwest of Highway 16 and southwest of Highway 40. Refer to the applicable map on page 27.

<sup>2</sup> This season applies only to that portion of WMU 441 that lies east of the Smoky River and southwest of the Muskeg River. Refer to the applicable map on page 27.

<sup>3</sup> This season applies only to that portion of WMU 444 that lies west of the Smoky River and north of Beaverdam Road. Refer to the applicable map on page 27.

<sup>4</sup> This season applies only to that portion of WMU 344 south of Wildhay River and Polecat Haul Road and west of Willow Creek Haul Road. Refer to the applicable map on page 27.

<sup>5</sup> According to the *Provincial Parks (General) Regulation*, a hunter is required to have a firearm discharge permit to hunt within a provincial park and provincial recreation area. This regulation applies to all of the provincial parks and the majority of the provincial recreation areas in Alberta where hunting is allowed. Please note WMU 936: Cooking Lake-Blackfoot Provincial Recreation Area and WMU 624: Cypress Hills Provincial Park do require orientations, please visit <https://www.albertaparks.ca/albertaparksca/visit-our-parks/activities/hunting/firearms-discharge-permits/> for more information.

WMU	Season
102, 104, 108	September 1 – September 30
	October 1 – October 24
	October 25 – November 16
	November 17 – December 31
	January 1 – January 31, 2027
	February 1 – February 28, 2027

*Antlerless elk special licence draws continued on next page*

An antlerless elk special licence authorizes the holder to hunt an antlerless elk in one of the following WMUs or groups of WMUs (in parentheses) during its listed season.

WMU	Season
(116, 118, 119, 624 <sup>1</sup> ) (116, 118, 119 – Monday to Saturday) (WMU 624 – Monday to Friday)	November 1 – November 10
	November 11 – November 20
	November 21 – November 30
(124, 128, 142, 144, 148, 150)	September 1 – September 30
	October 1 – October 24
	October 25 – November 16
	November 17 – December 31
	January 1 – January 31, 2027
	February 1 – February 28, 2027
(214 & 314), 312	October 25 – November 20
	November 21 – December 31
	January 1 – January 31, 2027
	February 1 – February 28, 2027
(216 & 320) (221 & 322)	November 1 – November 25
	November 26 – December 31
	January 1 – January 31, 2027
	February 1 – February 28, 2027
300 – Area A <sup>2</sup>	September 9 – October 24
	October 25 – December 24
	December 25 – January 31, 2027
	February 1 – February 28, 2027
300 – Area B <sup>2</sup>	September 9 – October 24
	October 25 – December 24
	December 25 – January 31, 2027
	February 1 – February 28, 2027
302, 304-310	October 25 – December 20
	December 21 – January 31, 2027
	February 1 – February 28, 2027
303	October 25 – December 20
	December 21 – January 31, 2027
318, 332	November 1 – November 25
	November 26 – December 20

*Antlerless elk special licence draws continued on next page*



An antlerless elk special licence authorizes the holder to hunt an antlerless elk in one of the following WMUs or groups of WMUs (in parentheses) during its listed season.

WMU	Season
324	November 1 – November 25
	November 26 – December 31
	January 1 – January 31, 2027
	February 1 – February 28, 2027
337, 338, 348, 500-502, 507, 508, 511, 514	November 1 – December 20
	December 21 – January 31, 2027
250, 504-506, 509, 510	November 1 – December 20
	December 21 – January 31, 2027
	February 1 – February 28, 2027
346	September 17 – October 31
	November 1 – December 20
	December 21 – January 31, 2027
357-360, 520-523, 526-528, 535, 537, 544	September 17 – October 31
	November 1 – December 20
	December 21 – January 31, 2027
	February 1 – February 28, 2027
353-356	September 17 – October 31
	November 1 – December 20

<sup>1</sup> Prior to hunting in Cypress Hills Provincial Park all hunters must obtain a firearm discharge permit and view an orientation session. Please visit <https://www.albertaparks.ca/albertaparksca/visit-our-parks/activities/hunting/firearms-discharge-permits/> for more information.

<sup>2</sup> See map on page 26 for information on WMU 300 Area A and B

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An antlerless elk special licence authorizes the holder to hunt an antlerless elk in one of the following WMUs or groups of WMUs (in parentheses) during its listed season.

WMU	Season
732 – CFB Suffield	November 18 – 20, 2026
	November 26 – 28, 2026
	January 13 – 15, 2027
	January 21 – 23, 2027

IMPORTANT: See page 19 for application and licence limitations for elk hunters.

## 2026 CFB Suffield Elk Hunt Information

**CFB Suffield’s access policy restricts access to all persons under the age of 18.**

CFB Suffield is used for general military training including live firing of various types of artillery, mortars, rockets, bombs and small arms. Unlike other training areas in Canada, these munitions may have been fired anywhere within CFB Suffield and may continue to pose a danger to those who enter. Likewise, CFB Suffield is much larger and much more challenging to navigate within than any other training area in Canada. For these reasons, hunters are required to follow special range-specific regulations for their own safety. CFB Suffield reserves the right to cancel scheduled seasons without notice.

### Vehicle Access and Search

CFB Suffield roads and trails are very rough and not suited to typical highway passenger vehicles. Four-wheel-drive vehicles with good mud and snow tires are highly recommended. A valid driver’s licence, vehicle registration and proof of valid insurance are required to access CFB Suffield. In addition, all hunters and helpers must provide some basic information when filling out various forms. More information about the forms can be found on the My Wild Alberta website (<https://mywildalberta.ca/hunting/hunting-draws/cfb-suffield-elk-hunt.aspx>). All forms required will be provided at the morning check in. All persons and vehicles entering and leaving CFB Suffield are subject to search.

### Check-in/Check-out Procedures

1. All hunters must report daily for a safety briefing. Anyone late for the safety brief for that day will not be allowed to hunt that day.
2. Hunters will be restricted to specific hunting areas at all times while hunting at CFB Suffield. These areas will be monitored by military personnel and patrolled by Alberta Fish and Wildlife officers. Failure to stay within the assigned area will result in loss of access privileges.
3. Hunters must check out at the hunter check station (HCS) prior to leaving CFB Suffield at the end of each day. Failure to check out will result in loss of access privileges.

### Military Requirements

1. Military use of CFB Suffield is paramount and subject to change on short notice.
2. All hunters must receive a daily safety briefing and sign a liability waiver before being given access privileges.
3. All hunters and helpers must be 18 years of age or older. Those under 18 will not be allowed into the hunt area.
4. Off-highway vehicles (snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles etc), and UAVs are not permitted within CFB Suffield during this special hunt.
5. When outside vehicle in the hunt area, all persons must wear “high visibility” colored outerwear, i.e. vest and/ or hat to increase their visibility.
6. No overnight camping and no open fires are allowed.
7. There is a zero-tolerance policy for drug and alcohol use or possession in the range and training areas, including any drug that will impair an individual’s judgement or cognitive ability. If a participant is found to be in possession of these items, they and their hunting party will be banned immediately upon entering the base.
8. Due to liability issues the military will not assist hunters with vehicles that are stuck or have mechanical problems. Hunters must make their own towing arrangements.

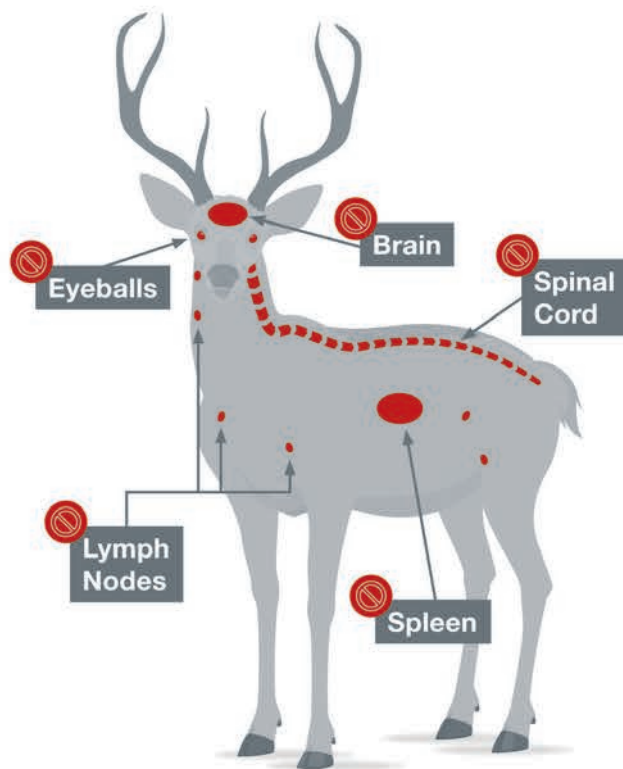
### Additional information

Additional information can be found at the My Wild Alberta website: <https://mywildalberta.ca/hunting/hunting-draws/cfb-suffield-elk-hunt.aspx>. All hunters are encouraged to visit this link prior to arrival at CFB Suffield.



# Carcass Transportation and Handling

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## Meat Processing:

- Do not process a deer that appears to be diseased.
- Process all deer individually, package separately, and label uniquely.
- Debone meat from deer and remove all fat, connective tissue, and lymph nodes.
- Avoid sawing through bone, spinal cord, brain, lymph nodes, or spleen.
- Avoid eating/handling the eyeballs, brain, spinal cord, spleen, and lymph nodes.
- Limit the amount of bodily fluids going to an area, such as a floor drain, that cannot be properly sanitized after use.

## Disposal:

- Deer parts should not be rendered for use in feed for other animals, or used as compost.
- Recommended disposal methods for unwanted portions of carcasses (bones, organs, etc.) are:
  - Leave at the harvest site;
  - Double-bag and send to an approved, lined landfill; or
  - Deep burial (8 feet or deeper).

## Equipment Cleaning:

- Clean processing equipment between each deer.
- Thoroughly sanitize all equipment and workstations with a 50:50 solution of bleach and water.
- Soak tools for one hour in the bleach solution, and then rinse thoroughly with hot water.

## Field Dressing:

- Wear rubber or latex gloves when handling carcasses.
- When field dressing an animal, leave internal organs and inedible parts at the site of harvest.
- Avoid sawing through bone, spinal cord, brain, lymph nodes, or spleen.
- Store all portions of the animal to be transported in a container such as a cooler, bin, or bag that will not leak bodily fluids into the environment.

**DRAW CODE 21****WMU 300 Elk Special Licence Draw****Residents Only**

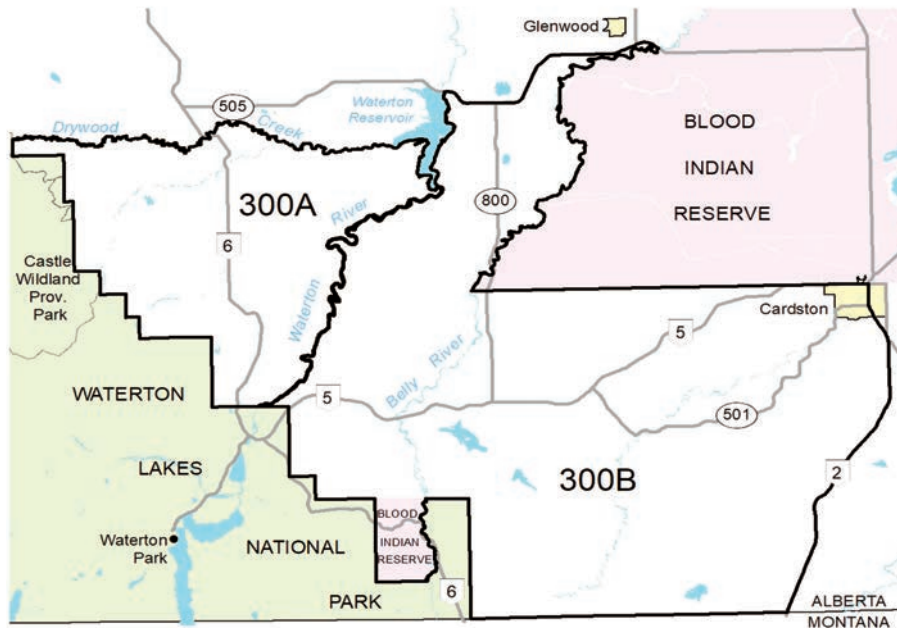
Price (GST not included): \$65

A WMU 300 elk special licence authorizes a resident to hunt a 3-point or larger elk in the specified area of WMU 300 (Area A or Area B) during the time period specified on the licence. See page 49 for definitions of “3-point” elk. You may apply for a 3-point as indicated by the seasons shown below.

Resident hunters successful in drawing a WMU 300 elk special licence may designate a resident adult, youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag (see page 10 for details).

The antlerless elk special licence draw in WMU 300 has been moved to antlerless elk special licence (Draw Code 19) on page 21.

<b>ANTLERED ELK</b> Select one of these Seasons	
<b>Area A</b>	<b>Area B</b>
<b>3-Point – Antlered</b>	<b>3-Point – Antlered</b>
September 9 – October 24	September 9 – October 24
October 25 – December 24	October 25 – December 24
December 25, 2026 – January 31, 2027	December 25, 2026 – January 31, 2027
February 1 – February 28, 2027	February 1 – February 28, 2027

**DRAW CODE 40****WMU 212 Antlerless Elk Special Licence Draw****Residents Only**

Price (GST not included): \$50

A WMU 212 antlerless elk special licence authorizes the holder to hunt an antlerless elk in WMU 212 during one of the specified time periods. See Page 49 for definition of “antlerless.”

Hunters are required to carry written permission from the landowner allowing access while hunting under this licence.

Resident hunters successful in drawing a WMU 212 antlerless elk special licence may designate a resident adult, youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag (see page 10 for details).

<b>WMU</b>	<b>Season</b>
212 (Primitive Weapon - muzzle loader, shotgun, cross-bow, bow and arrow)	November 1 – November 30
212	December 1 – December 31
	January 1 – January 31, 2027
	February 1 – February 28, 2027

# Either Sex Elk Special Licence Draw

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$50

An either sex elk special licence authorizes the holder to hunt either an antlered or antlerless elk in the specified WMUs during the specified time period. See page 49 for definitions of “antlered” and “antlerless.”

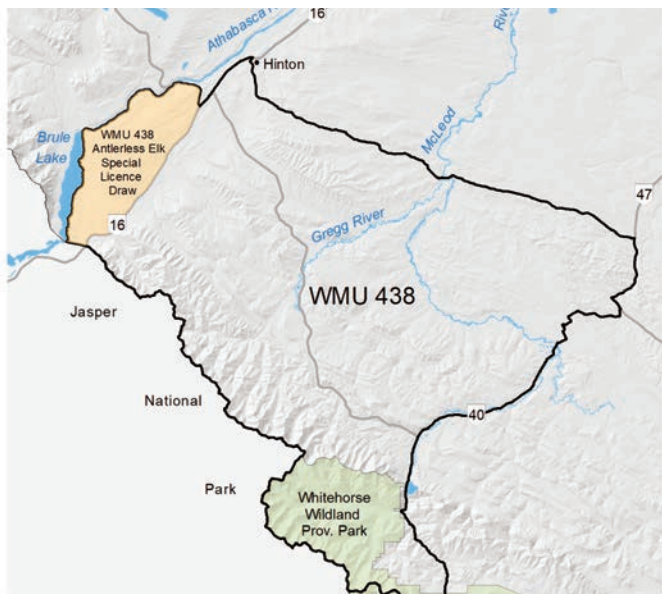
Resident hunters successful in drawing an either sex elk special licence may designate a resident adult, youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag. If a partner is designated to share the special licence, the partner will be considered the only person accompanying the special licence holder (see page 10 for details).

WMU	Season
(728, 730) <sup>1</sup>	November 26 – November 28 (muzzle loader, bow and arrow)
	November 30 – December 12 (rifle or other legal weapon)

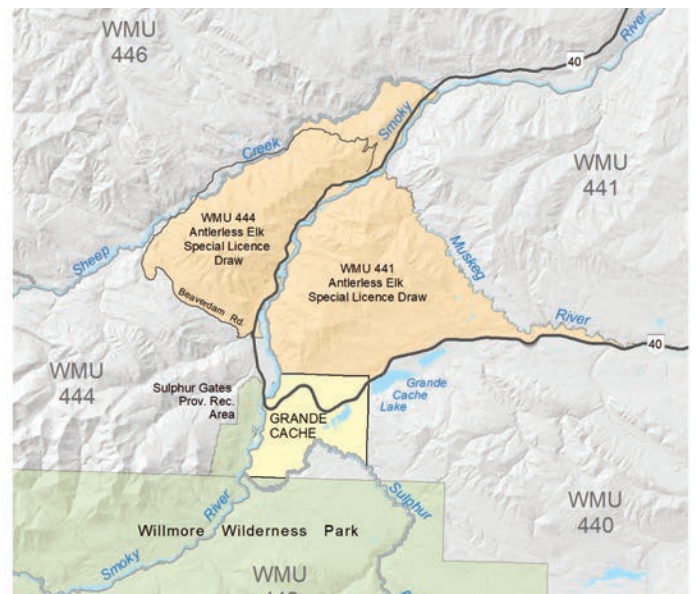
<sup>1</sup> Hunters applying for WMUs (728-730) should read page 18 for rules and information about hunting CFB Wainwright. More information can be found at [mywildalberta.ca/hunting/hunting-draws/cfb-wainwright-ungulate-hunt.aspx](http://mywildalberta.ca/hunting/hunting-draws/cfb-wainwright-ungulate-hunt.aspx). A licence for CFB Wainwright will be valid in both WMUs 728 and 730. Please use code 728 to identify this choice of area.

**IMPORTANT:** See page 19 for application and licence limitations for elk hunters.

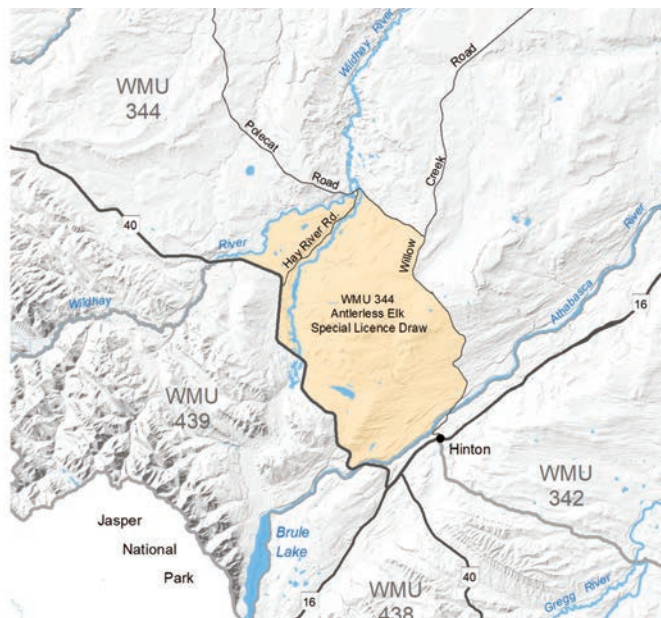
## Antlerless Elk Special Licence Draw WMU 438 Map



## Antlerless Elk Special Licence Draw WMU 441 & 444 Map



## Antlerless Elk Special Licence Draw WMU 344 Map



# MOOSE DRAWS

## APPLICATION AND LICENCE LIMITS FOR MOOSE HUNTERS

Residents – may apply in only one of the following moose draws: antlered moose special licence, antlerless moose special licence or calf moose special licence.

A hunter may possess only one moose licence.

### DRAW CODE 33

## Antlered Moose Special Licence Draw

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): Resident \$65

An antlered moose special licence authorizes the holder to hunt an antlered moose in one of the following WMUs or groups of WMUs (in parentheses) during its specified season. See page 49 for definition of “antlered.”

Resident hunters successful in drawing an antlered moose special licence may designate a resident (adult, youth or senior).

### RESIDENTS ONLY

Season	Select one of these WMUs
September 17 – November 30 Archery: September 1 – September 16	400, 402
September 24 – November 30	404, 406, 408
October 25 – November 30 Archery: September 1 – October 24	300, 302, 303, 304, 306, 308
November 1 – November 30 Archery: September 1 – October 31	102, 116, 118, 119, 124, 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, 310, 312, 314, 334, 336, 508
November 1 – November 23 Archery: October 17 – October 31	936 <sup>1</sup>
October 25 – December 7 (Primitive weapon - muzzle loader, shotgun, cross-bow or bow and arrow)	248 <sup>2</sup>

WMU	Season
(728–730) <sup>3</sup>	November 26 – November 28 (Muzzle loader, bow and arrow)
	November 30 – December 5 (Rifle or other legal weapon)
	December 7 – December 12 (Rifle or other legal weapon)

<sup>1</sup> According to the *Provincial Parks (General) Regulation*, a hunter is required to have a firearm discharge permit to hunt within a provincial park and provincial recreation area. This regulation applies to all of the provincial parks and the majority of the provincial recreation areas in Alberta where hunting is allowed. Please note WMU 936: Cooking Lake-Blackfoot Provincial Recreation Area and WMU 624: Cypress Hills Provincial Park do require orientations, please visit <https://www.albertaparks.ca/albertaparksca/visit-our-parks/activities/hunting/firearms-discharge-permits/> for more information.

<sup>2</sup> This season applies only to that portion of WMU 248 that lies within Strathcona County and Leduc County.

<sup>3</sup> Hunters applying for WMUs (728-730) should read page 18 for rules and information about hunting CFB Wainwright. More information can be found at [mywildalberta.ca/hunting/hunting-draws/cfb-wainwright-ungulate-hunt.aspx](http://mywildalberta.ca/hunting/hunting-draws/cfb-wainwright-ungulate-hunt.aspx). A licence for CFB Wainwright will be valid in both WMUs 728 and 730. Please use code 728 to identify this choice of area.

## RESIDENTS ONLY

Season	Select one of these WMUs
September 1 – November 30	531, 532, 534, 539, 540
September 24 – October 31	412, 414
September 24 – November 30	416, 417, 418, 420, 422, 426, 428, 430, 432, 434, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 444, 445, 446
November 1 – November 30 Archery: September 1 – October 31	316, 318, 320, 322, 324, 332, 337, 338, 348, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 509, 510

## RESIDENTS – Split Season Draws

An antlered moose special licence authorizes the holder to hunt an antlered moose in one of the following WMUs during one of its listed seasons.

WMU	Season
326, 328, 330, 339, 340, 342, 344, 346, 429	September 24 – October 31 Archery: August 25 – September 23
	November 1 – November 30 Archery: August 25 – September 23
347, 349-360, 521-523, 526, 527, 535, 537	September 24 – October 31
	November 1 – November 30
511, 512, 514-520, 524, 525, 528-530, 536, 541, 542, 544	September 1 – October 31
	November 1 – November 30
841	September 17 – October 31
	November 1 – November 30

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Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$50

An antlerless moose special licence authorizes the holder to hunt an antlerless moose in one of the following WMUs or groups of WMUs (in parentheses) during its specified season. See page 49 for definition of “antlerless.”

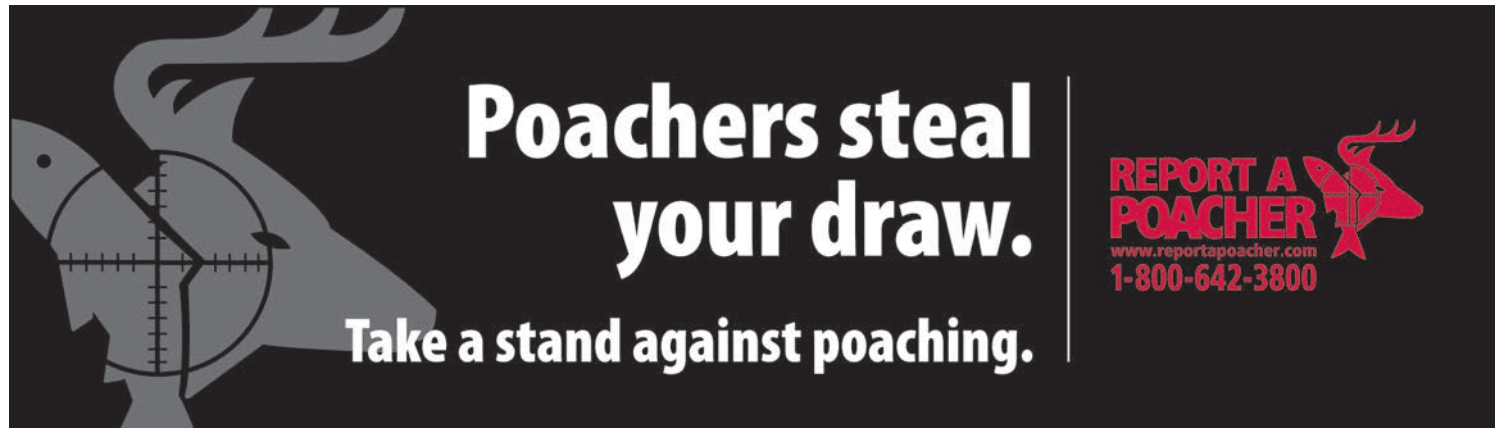
Resident hunters successful in drawing an antlerless moose special licence may designate a resident (adult, youth or senior) partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag (see page 10 for details).

Season	Select one of these WMUs
November 1 – November 30 Archery: September 1 – October 31	102, 116, 118, 119, 124, 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, 310, 312, 314, 316, 320, 322, 332, 334, 336, 337, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 506, 507, 508, 509
September 24 – November 30	352, 353 <sup>1</sup> , 355, 404, 406
October 25 – December 7 (Primitive weapon - muzzle loader, shotgun, cross-bow or bow and arrow)	248 <sup>2</sup>
November 1 – November 30 Archery: August 25 – September 23	357
November 1 – November 23 Archery: October 17 – October 31	936 <sup>3</sup>

WMU	Season
(728–730) <sup>4</sup>	November 26 – November 28 (Muzzle loader, bow and arrow)
	November 30 – December 5 (Rifle or other legal weapon)
	December 7 – December 12 (Rifle or other legal weapon)

- <sup>1</sup> The season in WMU 353 applies only to the portion west of range 23. Refer to map on page 31.
- <sup>2</sup> This season applies only to that portion of WMU 248 that lies within Strathcona County and Leduc County.
- <sup>3</sup> Hunters (including bow hunters) require a firearms discharge permit to hunt in WMU 936. Self-registration discharge permits are no longer available. All successful draw hunters for WMU 936 are required to attend a safety orientation prior to receiving their discharge permit. Please contact the Cooking Lake-Blackfoot Provincial Recreation Area office (780-922-3293), as soon as possible after receiving your notification of success in order to receive information regarding orientation dates and requirements for obtaining your discharge permit.
- <sup>4</sup> Hunters applying for WMUs (728-730) should read page 18 for rules and information about hunting CFB Wainwright. A licence for CFB Wainwright will be valid in both WMUs 728 and 730. Please use code 728 to identify this choice of area.

IMPORTANT: See page 28 for application and licence limitations for moose hunters.

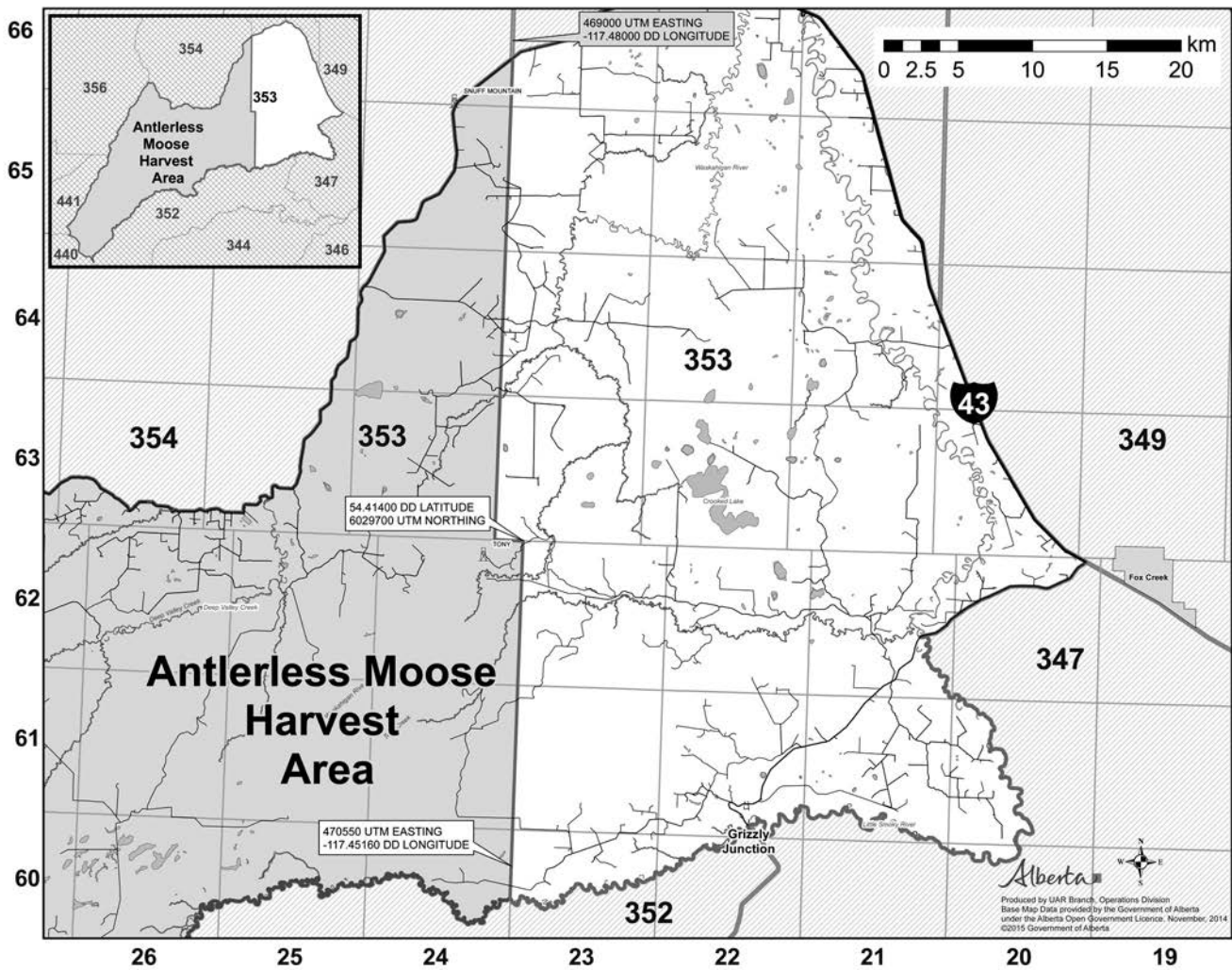


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# Antlerless Moose Special Licence Draw WMU 353 Map



## DRAW CODE 28

## Calf Moose Special Licence Draw

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$50

A calf moose special licence authorizes the holder to hunt a calf moose in one of the following WMUs or groups of WMUs (in parentheses) during its listed season. A calf moose is a moose less than 12 months of age. Refer to the 2026 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations (available in July) for an illustration of a cow and calf moose.

Resident hunters successful in drawing a calf moose special licence may designate a resident youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag (see page 10 for details).

Season	Select one of these WMUs
November 1 – November 30 Archery: September 1 – October 31	505, 510
November 1 – November 30 Archery: August 25 – September 23	359, 360, 521, 522, 523, 526, 527

IMPORTANT: See page 28 for application and licence limitations for moose hunters.

# MOUNTAIN GOAT DRAW

## Goat Special Licence Draw

**DRAW CODE 35**

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): Resident \$185

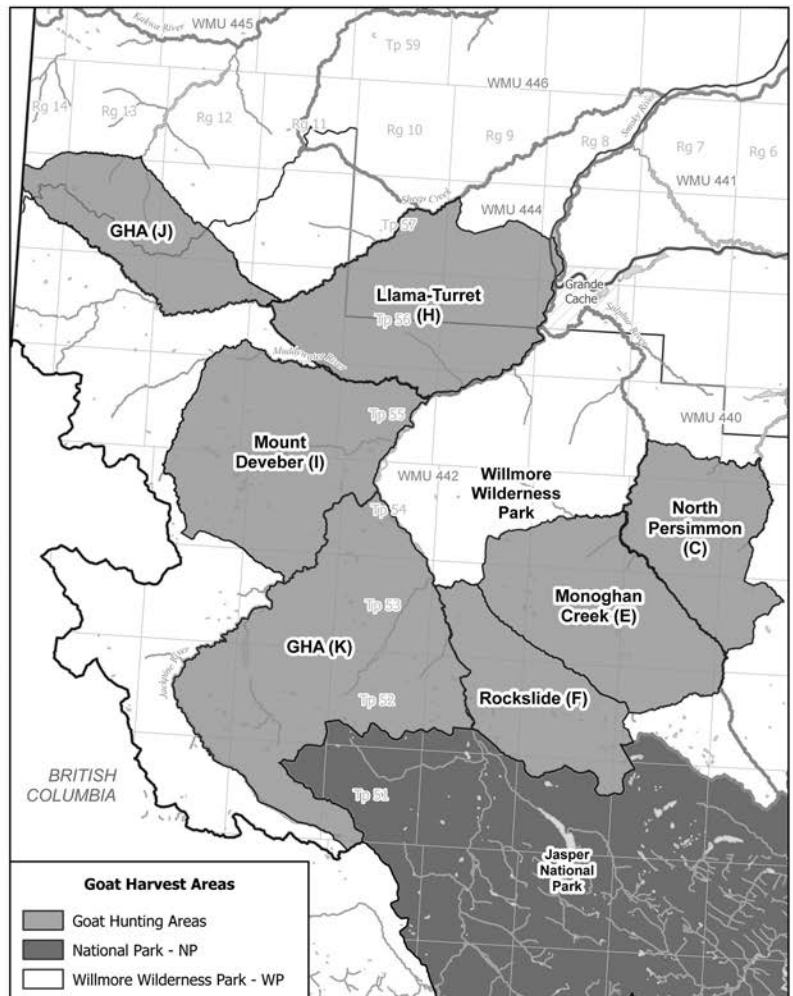
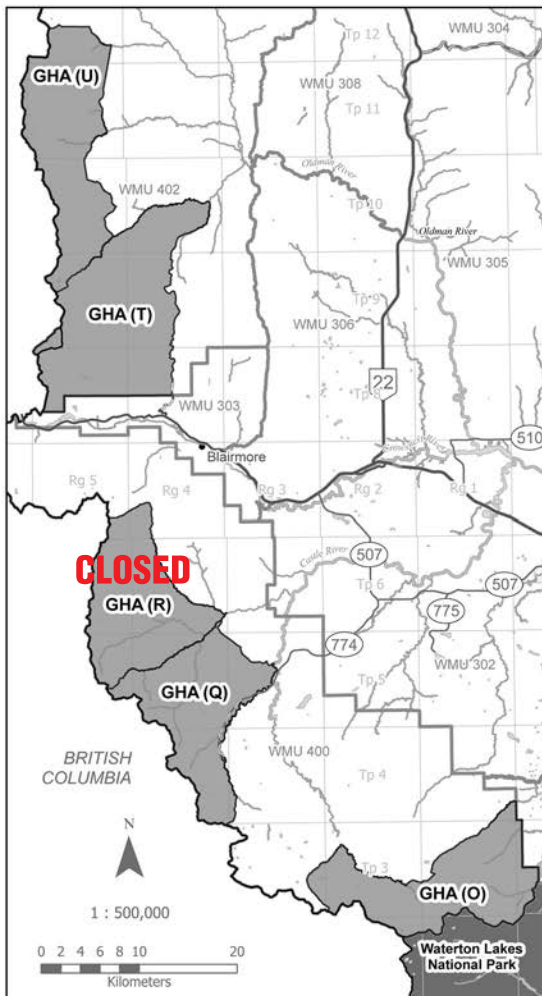
A goat special licence authorizes the holder to hunt an adult mountain goat in one of the following areas during its listed season.

Resident hunters successful in drawing a goat special licence may designate a resident youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag (see page 10 for details).

Season	Area
September 17 – October 31	O
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September 10 – October 31	C
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### IMPORTANT:

1. Because of the limited number of licences available, the draw priority system will not be applied to this draw. Each licence will be distributed on a completely random draw basis, and no priority will be assigned to the applicants not drawn. Note: This is a once in a lifetime opportunity and previously drawn applicants cannot apply in future years.
2. Group or joint applications are not valid for this draw. Applicants must apply individually.
3. It is intended that hunters direct their harvest towards adult male mountain goats. Additional information will be provided to drawn applicants to assist the hunter in differentiating between adult male and adult female goats.
4. Refer to the 2026 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations, available in July, for further information regarding tagging and compulsory registration for goats.



**Goat Harvest Areas**

- Goat Hunting Areas (Grey shading)
- National Park - NP (Dark Grey shading)
- Willmore Wilderness Park - WP (White shading)

# SHEEP DRAWS

**DRAW CODE 29**

## Class 2 Sheep Special Licence Draw

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$95

A class 2 sheep special licence authorizes the holder to hunt a class 2 sheep in one of the following areas during its listed season. A class 2 sheep is a male mountain sheep under the age of one year or a female mountain sheep.

Resident hunters successful in drawing a class 2 sheep special licence may designate a resident youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag (see page 10 for details).

Season	Area	Select This Code	
September 10 – October 31	*402-303, 306	306	
	*402-308	308	
	*402A	853	
	*404A	404	
	*404B	409	
	*406A	854	
	*406B	855	
	*408A	904	
	*408B	856	
	416	416	
	*418A	844	
	*418B	845	
	*418C	864	
	420	420	
	*422A	846	
	*426A	847	
	*430B	849	
	432	432	
	September 10 – October 31	*434A	850
		*434B	851
437		437	
*438A		852	
*438D		704	
440		440	
442		442	
444		444	
*445A		906	
*445B		907	
446		446	
*438C		703	
September 10 – October 31	410 – archery-only	410	

\* These areas comprise either a portion of one WMU or all of one WMU and a portion of an adjacent WMU. See descriptions on pages 35 and 36.

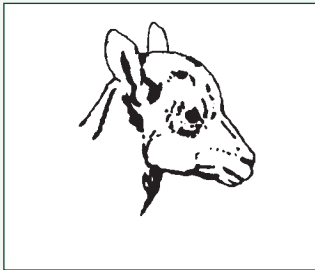
IMPORTANT: A class 2 sheep special licence is not valid for the taking of male bighorn sheep over the age of one year.

## CLASS 2 SHEEP HUNTING INFORMATION

The holder of a class 2 sheep special licence may

1. hunt and kill one class 2 sheep in the area prescribed on the licence, during the open season for class 2 sheep in that area, but
2. not hunt a class 2 sheep in the following areas:
  - a) within 1.6 km (1 mile) of the Inland Cement Rock Quarry located near Cadomin;
  - b) within 3.2 km (2 miles) of the intersection of the Forestry Trunk Road and the South Ram River in Section 18, Township 36, Range 13, West of the 5th Meridian;
  - c) within 0.8 km (1/2 mile) of Highway 3;
  - d) within 0.8 km (1/2 mile) of Highway 1A between the west boundary of the Stoney Indian Reserve and Canmore;
  - e) within 1.6 km (1 mile) of the intersection of Whitehorse Creek and the main forestry trunk road south of Cadomin;
  - f) within 1.6 km (1 mile) of where Highway 16 intersects the east boundary of Jasper National Park;
  - g) within 182 m (200 yards) of the Canada Cement Rock Quarry at Exshaw;
  - h) within 1.6 km (1 mile) of the Sheep River from the east boundary of WMU 406, upstream to Dyson Creek; and
  - i) within any wildlife sanctuary.

## SHEEP IDENTIFICATION



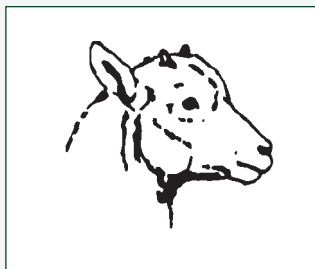
female lamb



female yearling



2-year old ewe



male lamb



male yearling



adult ewe

# CLASS 2 SHEEP HUNTING AREAS

Class 2 sheep hunting area maps are approximate only. Please refer to the area description.

303, 306, 402 – Includes all of WMU 303, 306 and that portion of WMU 402 lying east of the Forestry Trunk Road and south of the Oldman River.

308, 402 – Includes all of WMU 308 and that portion of WMU 402 lying east of the Forestry Trunk Road and north of the Oldman River.

402A – That portion of WMU 402 lying west of the Forestry Trunk Road.

404A – That portion of WMU 404 lying south and east of Cataract Creek.

404B – That portion of WMU 404 lying north and west of Cataract Creek.

406A – That portion of WMU 406 lying south of the Sheep River Road and the Elbow Lake Road which runs from the Sheep River Road past Elbow Lake to Highway 40. Hunting is not permitted in the Sheep River Wildlife Sanctuary.

406B – That portion of WMU 406 lying north of the Sheep River Road and the Elbow Lake Road which runs from the Sheep River Road past Elbow Lake to Highway 40. Hunting is not permitted in the Sheep River Wildlife Sanctuary.

408A – That portion of WMU 408 lying east of Highway 40.

408B – That portion of WMU 408 lying west of Highway 40.

418A – That portion of WMU 418 lying south of the Red Deer River.

418B – That portion of WMU 418 lying east of Bighorn Creek and north of the Red Deer River.

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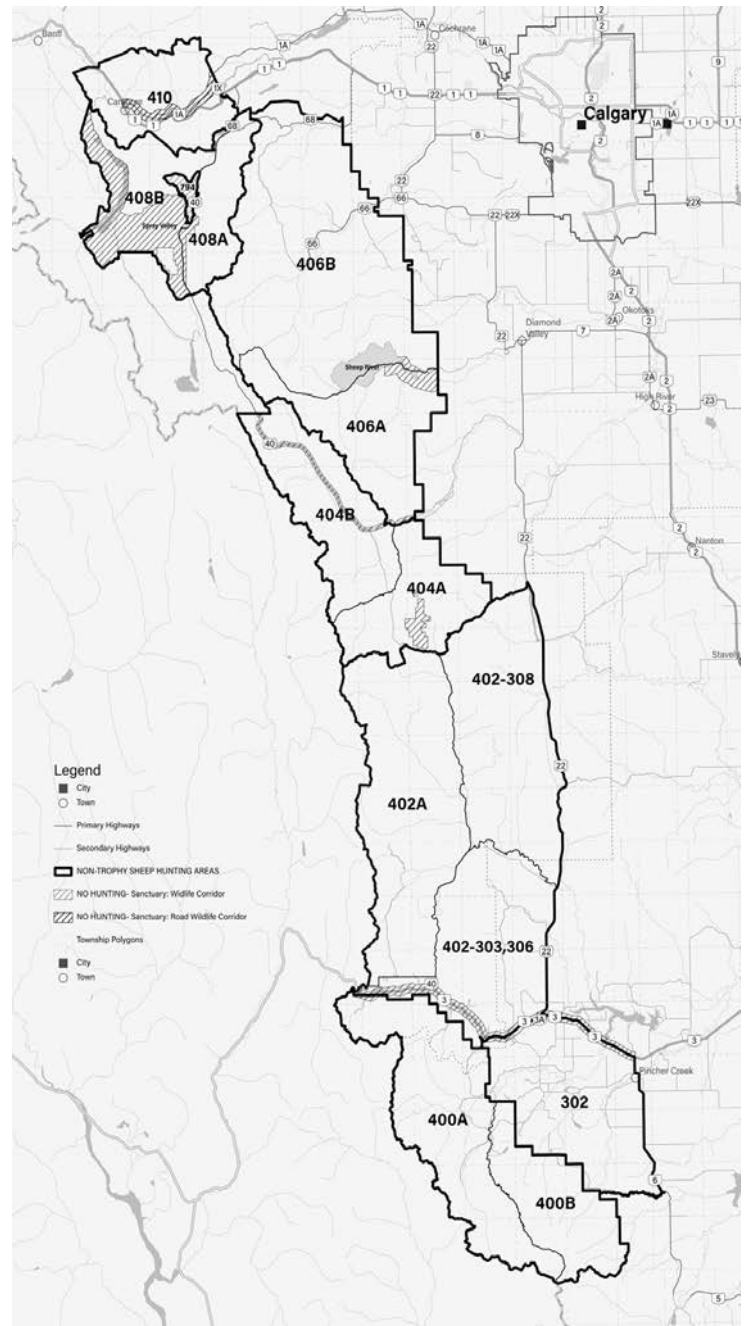
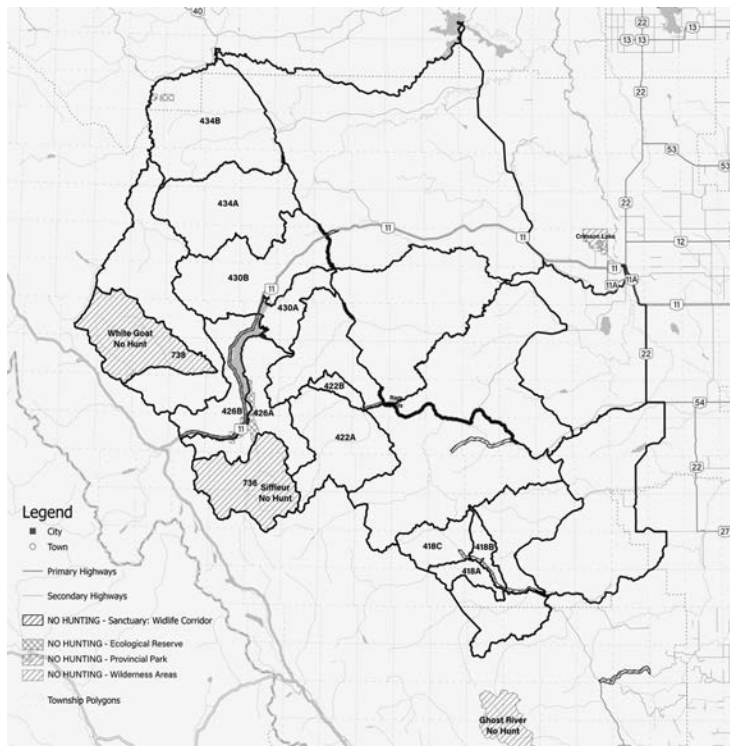
422A – That portion of WMU 422 lying south of Onion Creek and south of the Ram River downstream from the mouth of Onion Creek.

426A – That portion of WMU 426 lying south of the North Saskatchewan River.

430B – That portion of WMU 430 lying north of the North Saskatchewan River.

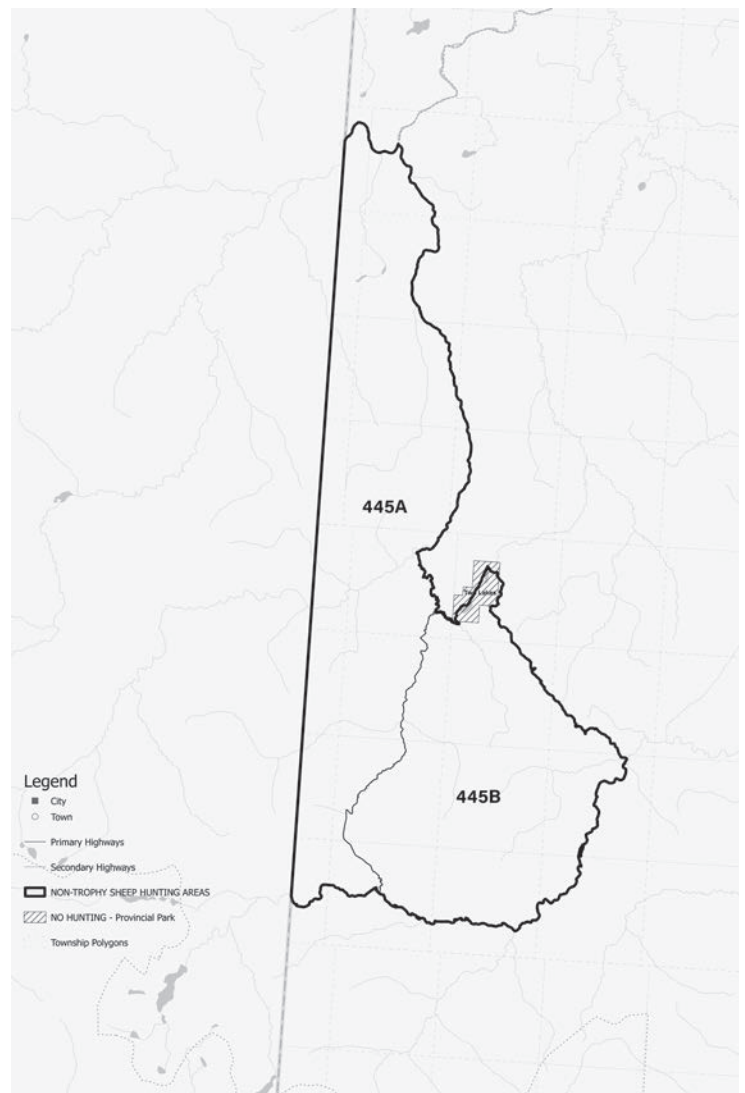
434A – That portion of WMU 434 lying south of the Blackstone River and east of the height of land dividing the Opabin Creek drainage from the Mon's Creek and George Creek drainages.

434B – That portion of WMU 434 lying north of the Blackstone River and west of the height of land dividing the Opabin Creek drainage from the Mon's Creek and George Creek drainages.



- 438A – That portion of WMU 438 lying north of the Drinnan Creek, Gregg River drainage. See map page 38.
- 438B\* – That portion of WMU 438 designated as the Cardinal River Coal mineral surface lease and Gregg River Resources Ltd. 15-year coal lease. See map page 38.
- 438C – That portion of WMU 438 south of the Drinnan Creek, Gregg River drainage and north of the north boundary of the Whitehorse Wildland Park, excluding class 2 sheep hunting area 438B. See map page 38.
- 438D – That portion of WMU 438 south of the north boundary of the Whitehorse Wildland Park. See map page 38.
- 445A – That portion of WMU 445 lying generally west of Mouse Cache Creek, the Kakwa Falls trail between Mouse Cache Creek and the South Torrens River, the South Torrens River and the Torrens River.
- 445B – That portion of WMU 445 lying generally east of Mouse Cache Creek, the Kakwa Falls trail between Mouse Cache Creek and the South Torrens River, the South Torrens River and the Torrens River.

\*Please Note: These areas are not open for the 2026 season.



### LICENCE LIMITS FOR RESIDENT CLASS 1 SHEEP HUNTERS

Hunters may possess only one of the following licences: a class 1 sheep licence, a WMU 410 class 1 sheep special licence, a WMU 437 class 1 sheep special licence, a WMU 444/446 class 1 sheep special licence, a WMU 408 class 1 sheep special licence, or a WMU 438 class 1 sheep special licence. If you apply in one of the five class 1 sheep special licence draws and your application is drawn, you may not buy a class 1 sheep general licence.

## DRAW CODE 30

## WMU 410 CLASS 1 Sheep Special Licence Draw

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$95

A WMU 410 class 1 sheep special licence authorizes the holder to hunt a class 1 sheep in the following WMU during the listed season. See page 49 for definition of “class 1 sheep.”

Resident hunters successful in drawing a WMU 410 class 1 sheep special licence may designate a resident youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag (see page 10 for details).

Season	Select this WMU
September 9 – November 30	410 – archery-only

NOTE: WMU 410 is an archery-only area. The class 1 sheep season in WMU 410 from September 9 – October 31 is provided for the hunter who holds a bowhunting permit and either a class 1 sheep licence or a WMU 410 class 1 sheep special licence. The class 1 sheep season in WMU 410 from November 1 – November 30 is provided only for the hunter who holds a bowhunting permit and a WMU 410 class 1 sheep special licence.

IMPORTANT: If you killed a sheep, except a legal class 2 sheep, in 2025, you may not purchase a class 1 sheep licence in 2026, however, you may apply for a WMU 410 class 1 sheep special licence if you use ‘priority only’ as your only draw choice for 2026.

**DRAW CODE 34****WMU 437 Class 1 Sheep Special Licence Draw**

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$95

A WMU 437 class 1 sheep special licence authorizes the holder to hunt a class 1 sheep in WMU 437 during one of its listed seasons. See page 49 for definition of “class 1 sheep.”

Resident hunters successful in drawing a WMU 437 class 1 sheep special licence may designate a resident youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag (see page 10 for details).

WMU	Season
437	August 25 – September 23
	September 24 – October 31

**IMPORTANT:** If you killed a sheep, except a legal class 2 sheep, in 2025, you may not purchase a class 1 sheep licence in 2026, however, you may apply for a WMU 437 class 1 sheep special licence if you use ‘priority only’ as your only draw choice for 2026. A maximum of two hunters may apply together for this draw.

**DRAW CODE 37****WMU 444/446 Class 1 Sheep Special Licence Draw**

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$95

A WMU 444/446 class 1 sheep special licence authorizes the holder to hunt a class 1 sheep. See page 49 for definition of “class 1 sheep.”

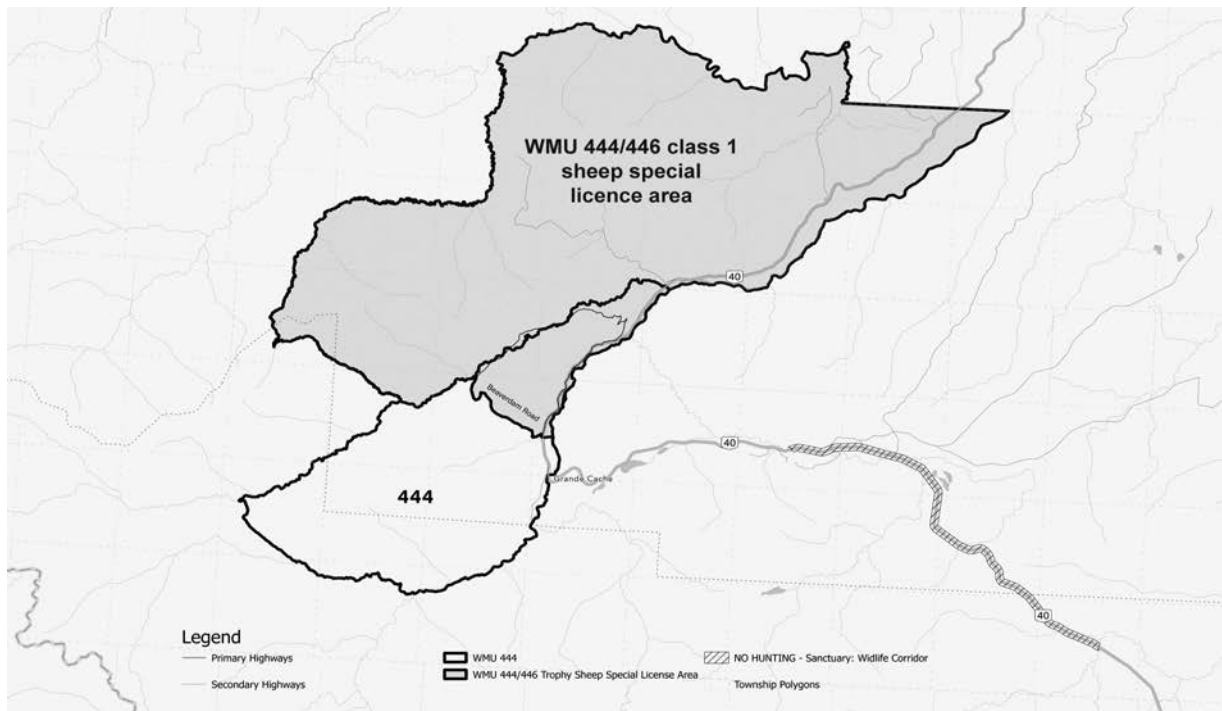
Resident hunters successful in drawing a WMU 444/446 class 1 sheep special licence may designate a resident youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag (see page 10 for details).

Season	WMU
August 25 – October 31	444, 446

A hunter successfully drawn is authorized to hunt in WMU 446 and that portion of WMU 444 north of the Beaverdam Road. Refer to the map below. Note: There is a general class 1 sheep season in WMU 444 from August 25 – October 31 south of the Beaverdam Road; this portion is only open to holders of a class 1 sheep licence.

**IMPORTANT:**

1. If you killed a sheep, except a legal class 2 sheep, in 2025, you may not purchase a class 1 sheep licence in 2026; however, you may apply for a WMU 444/446 class 1 sheep special licence if you use ‘priority only’ as your only draw choice for 2026.
2. A maximum of two hunters may apply together for this draw.



## DRAW CODE 36

# WMU 408 Class 1 Sheep Special Licence Draw

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$95

A WMU 408 class 1 sheep special licence authorizes the holder to hunt a class 1 sheep. See page 49 for definition of “class 1 sheep.”

Resident hunters successful in drawing a WMU 408 class 1 sheep special licence may designate a resident youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag (see page 10 for details).

Season	WMU
November 1 – November 30 (archery-only)	408

A hunter successfully drawn is authorized to hunt in that portion of WMU 408 lying west of Highway 40. This licence authorizes hunting by means of archery-only during the period November 1 – November 30. A bowhunting permit must also be obtained.

NOTE: There is a general class 1 sheep season in WMU 408 from September 9 – October 31; this season is provided for the hunter who holds either a class 1 sheep licence or a WMU 408 class 1 sheep special licence (west of Highway 40).

### IMPORTANT:

1. If you killed a sheep, except a legal class 2 sheep, in 2025, you may not purchase a class 1 sheep licence in 2026; however, you may apply for a WMU 408 class 1 sheep special licence if you use ‘priority only’ as your only draw choice for 2026.
2. A maximum of two hunters may apply together for this draw.

## DRAW CODE 38

# WMU 438 Class 1 Sheep Special Licence Draw

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$95

A WMU 438 class 1 sheep special licence authorizes the holder to hunt a class 1 sheep in Area 438C and will be valid for one of the following 10-day seasons. See page 49 for definition of “class 1 sheep.”

Resident hunters successful in drawing a WMU 438 class 1 sheep special licence may designate a resident youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag (see page 10 for details).

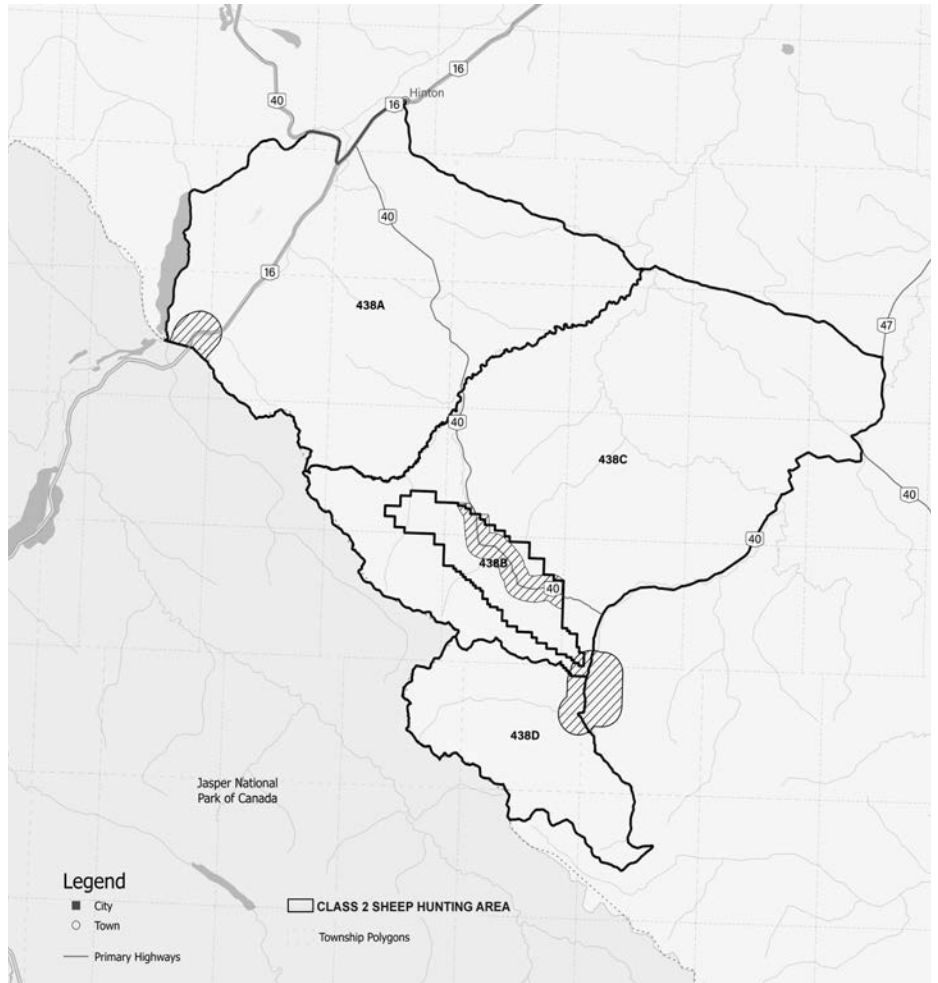
Season Choices
November 1 – November 10
November 11 – November 20
November 21 – November 30

A hunter successfully drawn in Area 438C is authorized to hunt in that portion of WMU 438 south of the Drinnan Creek, Gregg River drainage and north of the north boundary of the Whitehorse Wildland Park, excluding Area 438B. Area 438B includes the portion of WMU 438 designated as the Cardinal River Coal mineral surface lease and Gregg River Resources Ltd. 15-year coal lease.

Note: There is a general class 1 sheep season in WMU 438 from August 25 – October 31. This is only open to holders of a class 1 sheep licence.

### IMPORTANT:

1. If you killed a sheep, except a legal class 2 sheep, in 2025, you may not purchase a class 1 sheep licence in 2026.
2. A maximum of two hunters may apply together for this draw.
3. The draw priority system will not be applied to this draw. No priority will be assigned to the applicants not drawn.



## LICENCE LIMITS FOR NON-RESIDENT CLASS 1 SHEEP HUNTERS

Hunters may possess only one class 1 sheep special licence. If you apply in this class 1 sheep special licence draw, you may not purchase a class 1 sheep special licence through an outfitter-guide if your application has been drawn.

**DRAW CODE 31**

## Non-resident Class 1 Sheep Special Licence Draw

Non-residents (Canadian) Only

Price (GST not included): \$440

A non-resident class 1 sheep special licence obtained through this draw authorizes the holder to hunt a class 1 sheep in any WMU open for non-resident class 1 sheep hunting during the season specified for non-residents. See page 49 for definition of “class 1 sheep.”

WMUs	Season
412, 414, 416, 417, 418, 420, 422, 426, 428, 430, 432, 434, 436, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 444*, 445	September 1 – October 15
410 archery-only	September 9 – November 30

\* In WMU 444 this licence is only valid in that portion of the WMU that lies south of the Beaverdam Road.

### IMPORTANT:

1. If you killed a sheep in Alberta in 2025, you may not apply for or purchase a class 1 sheep special licence in 2026. For this draw, non-residents (Canadian) have to apply without a resident, since residents are not required to enter a draw for class 1 sheep licences. However, while hunting, the hunter must be accompanied by a licensed hunter host (see page 49).
2. Because of the limited number of licences available, the draw priority system will not be applied to this draw. Each licence will be distributed on a completely random draw basis, and no priority will be assigned to the applicants not drawn. Note: Drawn applicants are not allowed to apply in future years (once in a lifetime opportunity).
3. Group or joint applications are not valid for this draw. Applicants must apply individually.
4. Refer to the 2026 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations, available in July, for further information regarding tagging and compulsory registration for bighorn sheep.

**DRAW CODE 32**

## Wild Turkey Special Licence Draw

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$65

**Applications made this season are for the next spring season hunt.**

A wild turkey special licence authorizes the holder to hunt a bearded wild turkey in WMUs 300-308, 400, 402 during the listed season.

Resident hunters successful in drawing a wild turkey special licence may designate a resident youth or senior partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag (see page 10 for details).

Season	Valid in all WMUs listed below
May 1, 2027 – May 31, 2027	300, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 308, 400, 402

IMPORTANT: Successfully drawn hunters may purchase their wild turkey special licence starting mid-March 2027. You must hold a game bird licence in addition to the wild turkey special licence. Please refer to the 2026 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations available in July for further information.



# Bison Special Licence Draw

Residents only

Price (GST not included): \$185

Resident hunters successful in drawing a bison special licence may designate a resident (adult or youth) partner to hunt with them and share the special licence tag. See page 10 for details.

WMU	Season
Bison hunting zone 1	November 15 – December 31
Bison hunting zone 1	January 10, 2027 – February 28, 2027

Note: Drawn applicants are not allowed to apply in future years (once in a lifetime opportunity).

Alberta Forestry and Parks (AFP) continue to offer a hunting season as a management strategy for the Hay-Zama wood bison herd. The population goal for this herd is 400-600 bison. These bison are at risk for contact with diseased bison moving westward from Wood Buffalo National Park and surrounding area. There are concerns involving collisions between bison and vehicles on area roads.

A hunter successfully drawn in Bison Hunting Zone 1 is authorized to hunt in WMUs 536 and 539 with the exception of a core bison protection area, consisting of 6 townships (Townships 112 to 114, Ranges 2 and 3, West of the 6th Meridian).

A resident of Alberta may apply for a resident bison special licence in the 2026 Alberta hunting draws in June of 2026. Group applications are not valid for this draw. Applicants must apply individually. The bison hunting season will be from December 1, 2026 to February 28, 2027. Hunters drawn for a resident bison special licence will be eligible to take only one bison regardless of age or sex. At this time it is recommended that hunters select for adult males. Successful bison hunters will be required to register their kill at an AEP office.

Because this is a unique hunting opportunity with a limited number of licences available, the draw priority system will not be applied to this draw. Each licence will be selected on a random basis and no priority will be assigned to applicants not drawn.

Hunters should be prepared to hunt off-road during winter conditions that can be severe.

All bison must be registered at an AEP office within 5 business days of kill.

Over 400 bison from this herd have been tested and all samples are negative for bovine tuberculosis and brucellosis. Disease testing will resume this season. Applicants drawn for this hunt will receive a sampling kit with complete instructions.

Successful hunters are also requested to submit the incisor bar from harvested bison to assist in management of the bison herd. Successfully drawn applicants will receive an information package including how to sample, and where to bring samples.

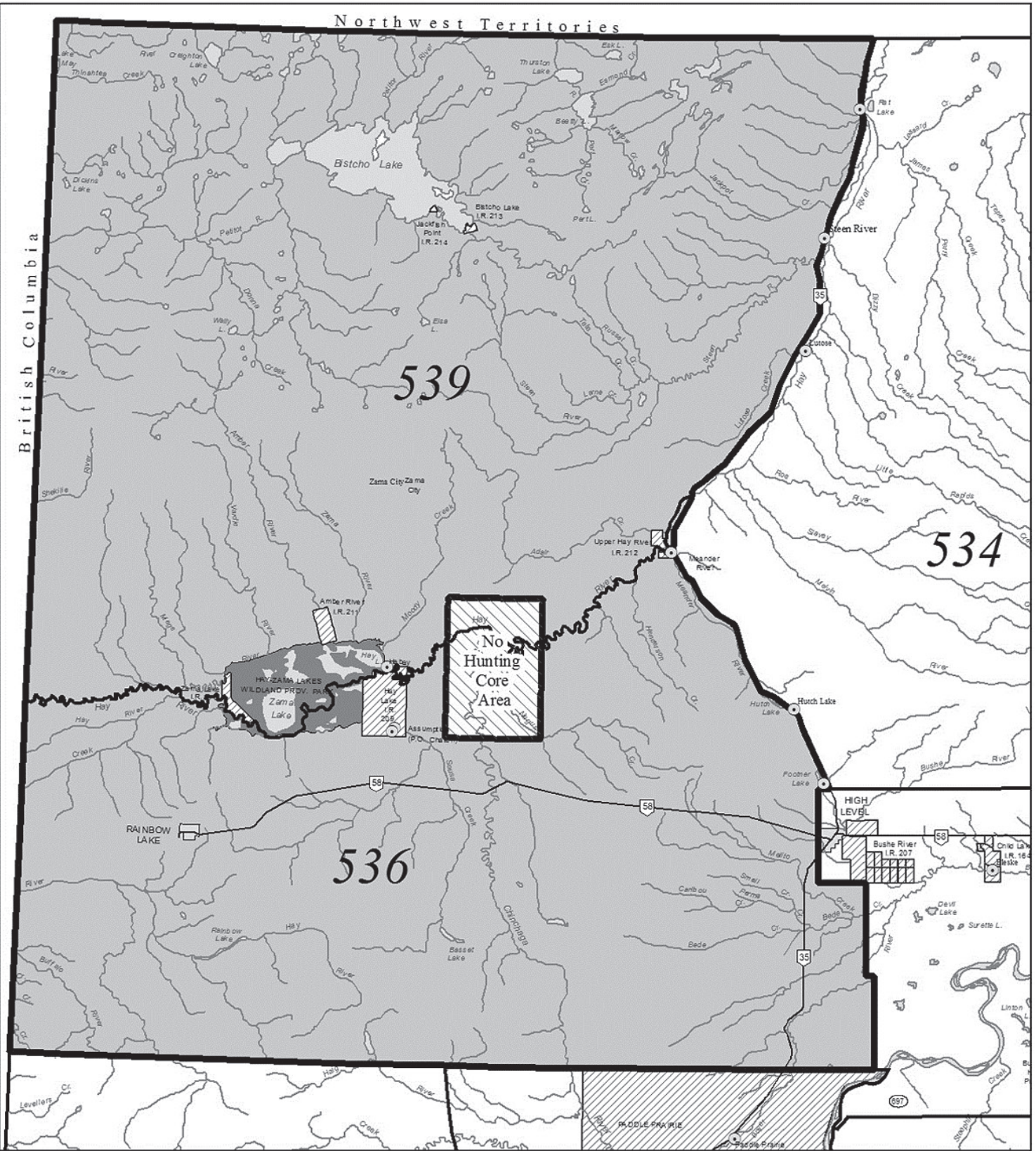
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# BISON HUNTING ZONE



Alberta

# MINISTER'S SPECIAL LICENCE DRAWS

Each year, the Government of Alberta provides Minister's special licence tags for select game species to be auctioned or to be allocated through draws to raise money for wildlife conservation and stewardship in Alberta. Minister's special licences are valid from August 25 to August 24 of the following year, across the province where a hunting season for the respective species occurs (all current hunting related wildlife regulations still apply). See the conditions of licence documents at [mywildalberta.ca](http://mywildalberta.ca) for specific conditions for each species.

This licence does not authorize hunting in any location where hunting is prohibited and it does not preclude the need to obtain permission to access private land. This licence does not authorize hunting on Sundays in wildlife management units where Sunday hunting is prohibited; WMUs 102-160.

## **DRAW CODE 50**

### **MSL Class 1 Pronghorn**

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$10 per application. Up to 20 applications allowed.

This special licence authorizes the holder to hunt one class 1 pronghorn in any WMU where a class 1 pronghorn season is identified in the 2026 Annual Guide to Hunting Regulations.

WMU	Season
102-108, 112, 116, 118, 119, 124, 128, 138-144, 148, 150-152, 160-166	August 25, 2026 – August 24, 2027

## **DRAW CODE 51**

### **MSL Antlered Mule Deer**

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$10 per application. Up to 20 applications allowed.

This special licence authorizes the holder to hunt one antlered mule deer in any WMU where an antlered mule deer season is identified in the 2026 Annual Guide to Hunting Regulations.

WMU	Season
102-166, 200-260, 300-360, 400-446, 500-544, 841	August 25, 2026 – August 24, 2027

## **DRAW CODE 52**

### **MSL Antlered Elk**

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$10 per application. Up to 20 applications allowed.

This special licence authorizes the holder to hunt one antlered elk in any WMU where an antlered elk season is identified in the 2026 Annual Guide to Hunting Regulations.

WMU	Season
102, 104, 108, 110, 116, 118, 119, 124, 128, 132, 136, 138, 142, 144, 148, 150-152, 156, 158, 160-166, 200-260, 300-360, 400-446, 500-502, 504-511, 514, 520-528, 535, 537, 544, 841	August 25, 2026 – August 24, 2027

## **DRAW CODE 53**

### **MSL Antlered Moose**

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$10 per application. Up to 20 applications allowed.

This special licence authorizes the holder to hunt one antlered moose in any WMU where an antlered moose season is identified in the 2026 Annual Guide to Hunting Regulations.

WMU	Season
102, 116, 118, 119, 124, 148-152, 156-166, 200-260, 300-304, 306-360, 400-446, 500-544, 841	August 25, 2026 – August 24, 2027

# MINISTER'S SPECIAL LICENCE DRAWS

## **DRAW CODE 54**

### **MSL Class 1 Sheep**

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$20 per application. Up to 20 applications allowed.

This special licence authorizes the holder to hunt one class 1 sheep in any WMU where a class 1 sheep season is identified in the 2026 Annual Guide to Hunting Regulations.

WMU	Season
302, 303, 306, 308, 400-446	August 25, 2026 – August 24, 2027

## **DRAW CODE 55**

### **MSL Wild Turkey**

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$10 per application. Up to 20 applications allowed.

This special licence authorizes the holder to hunt one wild turkey in any WMU where a wild turkey season is identified in the 2026 Annual Guide to Hunting Regulations.

WMU	Season
300-308, 400, 402	August 25, 2026 – August 24, 2027

## **DRAW CODE 56**

### **MSL Antlered White-tailed Deer**

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$10 per application. Up to 20 applications allowed.

This special licence authorizes the holder to hunt one antlered white-tailed deer in any WMU where an antlered white-tailed deer season is identified in the 2026 Annual Guide to Hunting Regulations.

WMU	Season
102-166, 200-260, 300-360, 400-446, 500-544, 841	August 25, 2026 – August 24, 2027

## **DRAW CODE 57**

### **MSL Cougar**

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$10 per application. Up to 20 applications allowed.

This special licence authorizes the holder to hunt one cougar in any WMU where a cougar season is identified in the 2026 Annual Guide to Hunting Regulations.

WMU	Season
102-166, 200-260, 300-360, 400-446, 500-544	August 25, 2026 – August 24, 2027

## **DRAW CODE 58**

### **MSL Mountain Goat**

Residents Only

Price (GST not included): \$10 per application. Up to 20 applications allowed.

This special licence authorizes the holder to hunt one mountain goat in any WMU where a mountain goat season is identified in the 2026 Annual Guide to Hunting Regulations.

WMU	Season
Goat Hunting Areas O, T, U, E, I and K	August 25, 2026 – August 24, 2027



# WILDLIFE RESPONDER PROGRAM APPLICATIONS

**CODE EWR**

## Elk Responder Application

Residents 18+ Only

Price (GST not included): \$6

NOTE: This is not a recreational hunting opportunity but uses the established draw system as the most effective way for eligible Albertans to apply for participation in the responder program.

The wildlife management responder network is made up of a select number of qualified Albertans to help deal with elk conflicts.

The draw system is an opportunity for Alberta residents to apply to become a wildlife responder.

### Elk Responder Regions

Applicants can select one area based on the elk responder regions listed below.

AREA	
South	102-166, 200-248, 252-256, 300-336, 400-434, 508
Northeast	250, 258, 260, 500-504, 506, 509, 510, 512-519, 529-532
Northwest	337-360, 436-446, 505, 507, 511, 520-528, 534-544

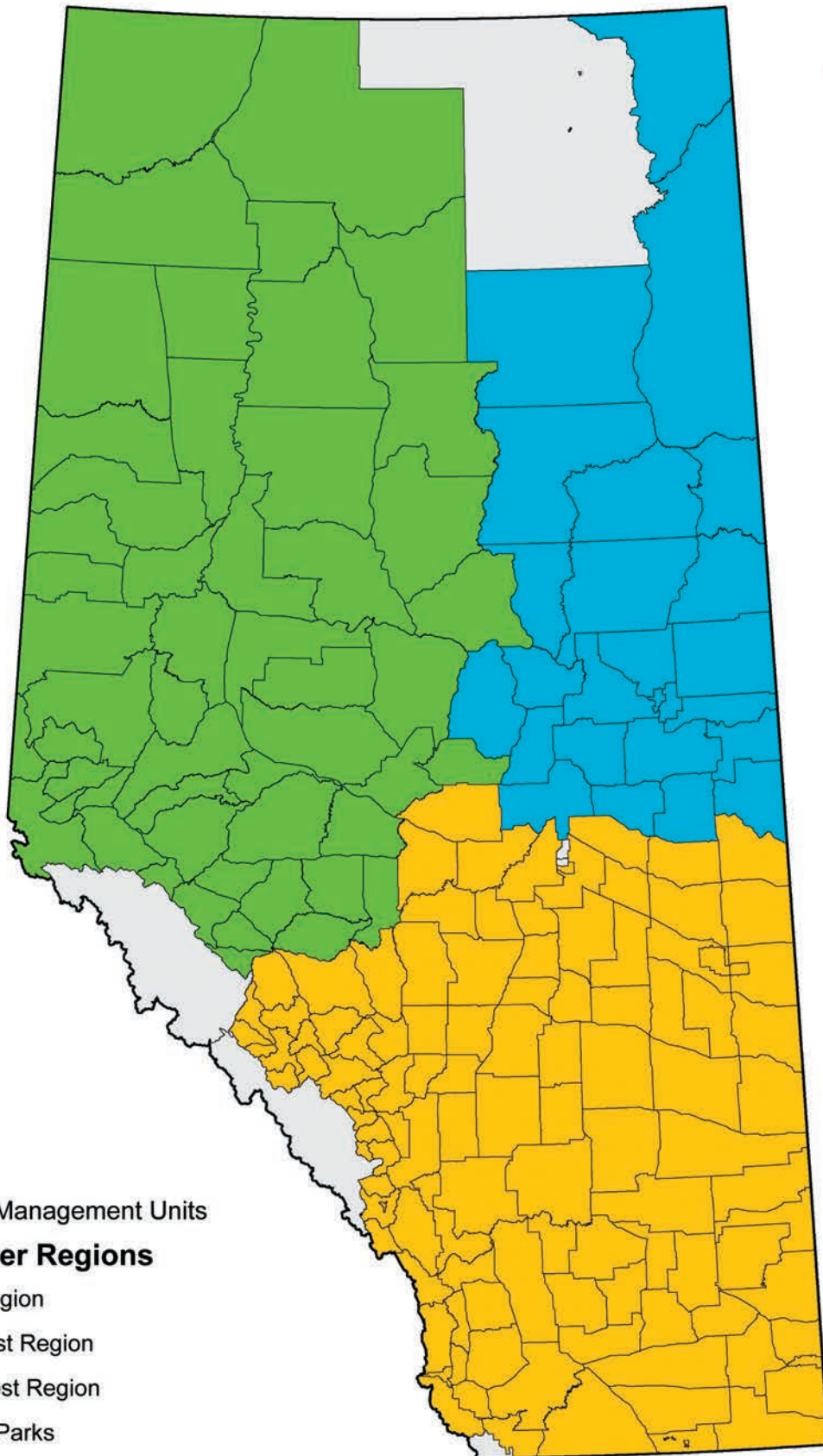
See map at right.

#### IMPORTANT:

1. Because this is a unique draw, with no licences being allocated, the draw priority system will not be applied to this draw. Each applicant will be selected on a random basis and no priority will be assigned to the applicants not drawn.
2. Applicants must apply individually. Group applications are not available for this draw.
3. Each applicant must have a valid 10-digit wildlife identification number (WiN), wildlife certificate and must be eligible to hold hunting licences.
4. Successfully drawn applicants will be contacted by telephone and will be required to respond within 48 hours or less of being contacted. They will receive an authorization outlining the area in which they may pursue the animal and the duration for which that authorization is valid. More information can be found at <https://www.alberta.ca/wildlife-management-responder-network>
5. Actions may include tracking and euthanizing problem elk only when deemed appropriate and safe by wildlife enforcement officers.
6. The authorization does not allow automatic access to private or any other lands where access or the possession or discharge of a weapon requires permission.
7. Lethally managing elk will require reporting to the government for record keeping. The responder will be allowed to keep all parts of the elk.



# Wildlife Responder Program - Elk



## Legend

 Wildlife Management Units

## Elk Responder Regions

 South Region

 North East Region

 North West Region

 National Parks

# WILDLIFE RESPONDER PROGRAM APPLICATIONS

**CODE GBR**

## Grizzly Bear Responder Application

Residents 18+ Only

Price (GST not included): \$50

NOTE: This is not a recreational hunting opportunity but uses the established draw system as the most effective way for eligible Albertans to apply for participation in the responder program.

The wildlife management responder network is made up of a select number of qualified Albertans to help deal with grizzly bear conflicts.

The draw system is an opportunity for Alberta residents to apply to become a wildlife responder.

### Grizzly Responder Regions

Applicants can select one area based on the grizzly responder regions listed below.

AREA	
South	102-144, 300-312, 400-408
Central	148-166, 200-248, 314-342, 410-438
North	250-260, 344-360, 439-446, 500-544

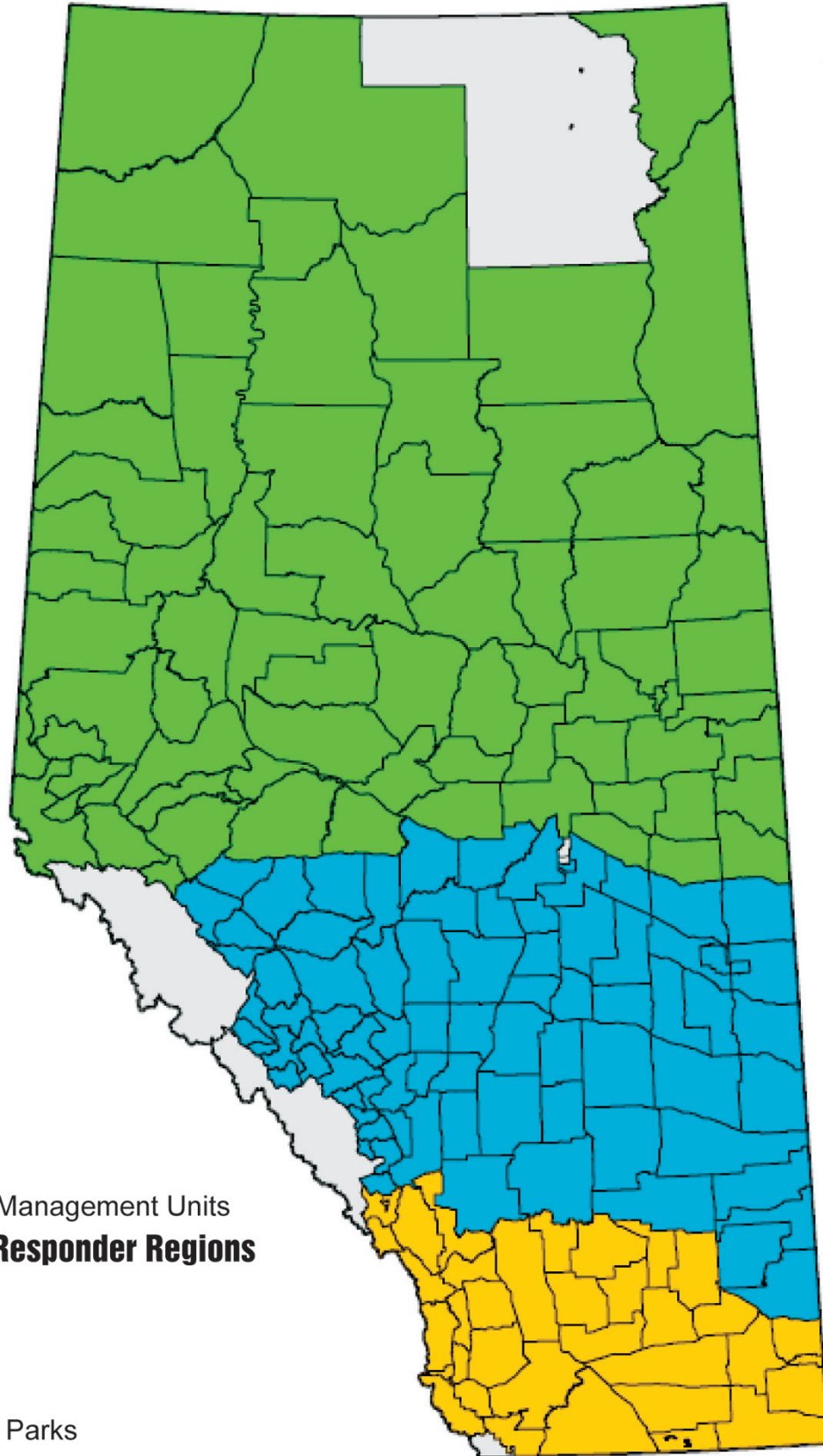
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#### IMPORTANT:

1. Because this is a unique draw, with no licences being allocated, the draw priority system will not be applied to this draw. Each applicant will be selected on a random basis and no priority will be assigned to the applicants not drawn.
2. Applicants must apply individually. Group applications are not available for this draw.
3. Each applicant must have a valid 10-digit wildlife identification number (WiN), wildlife certificate and must be eligible to hold hunting licences.
4. Those selected for a response action will be contacted by telephone and will be required to respond within 24 hours or less of being contacted. They will receive an authorization outlining the area in which they may pursue the animal and the duration for which that authorization is valid. More information can be found at <https://www.alberta.ca/wildlife-management-responder-network>.
5. Actions may include tracking and euthanizing a problem grizzly bear only when deemed appropriate and safe by wildlife enforcement officers.
6. The authorization does not allow automatic access to private or any other lands where access or the possession or discharge of a weapon requires permission.
7. Lethally managing a grizzly bear will require reporting and delivery of the bear to the government for record keeping and sampling. The responder will be allowed to keep all parts of the bear, except for the gall bladder.



# Wildlife Responder Program - Grizzly Bear



## Legend

- Wildlife Management Units
- Grizzly Bear Responder Regions**
- South
- Central
- North
- National Parks

# CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) occurs in mule deer and white-tailed deer throughout eastern and central Alberta, and spills over into a few elk and moose. The disease is associated with protein changes in the brain that eventually result in weight loss, behavioural changes and premature death within two years. Field data from long-term infected populations of mule deer and whitetails indicate a gradual shift towards younger deer, lower productivity and fewer adult males. Dynamic real-world models and field data indicate CWD has significant effects on age/sex profile, fawn production and overall survival in local deer populations.

Alberta has monitored CWD in wild deer since 1998. The disease was detected in 2005 on the Alberta/Saskatchewan border. Cumulatively it has been documented in 7,289 cervids (5,982 mule deer, 1,200 white-tailed deer, 78 elk and 29 moose) and continues to expand westward from Saskatchewan. CWD occurs in Alberta throughout the parklands and prairies. It also occurs in some areas west of Highway 2 from Athabasca south and into the southern foothills.

The CWD Surveillance Program monitors long-term occurrence in designated wildlife management units (WMUs) along the Alberta/Saskatchewan border, CFB Wainwright and WMUs along the leading western and northern edge of the known distribution. Previous annual program summaries, details and CWD distribution maps are available at [alberta.ca/chronic-wasting-disease](http://alberta.ca/chronic-wasting-disease).

**For game management purposes, we have the following requirements for 2026/27 hunting seasons:**

**Mandatory requirement to submit DEER harvested in the following WMUs:**

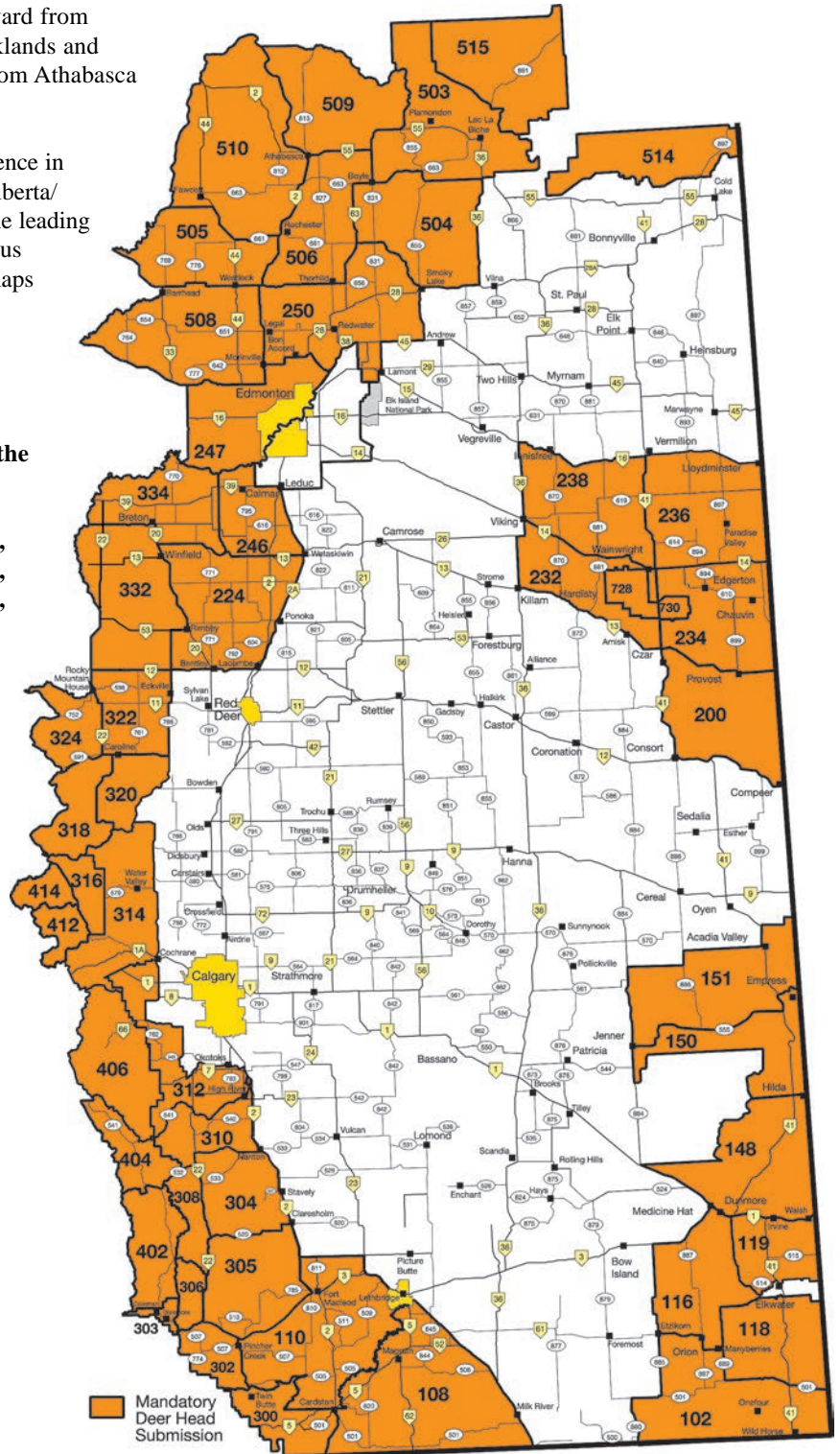
- 102, 108, 110, 116, 118, 119, 148, 150, 151, 200, 224, 232, 234, 236, 238, 246, 247, 250, 300, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 308, 310, 312, 314, 316, 318, 320, 322, 324, 332, 334, 402, 404, 406, 412, 414, 503, 504, 505, 506, 508, 509, 510, 514, 515, 728 and 730 (see map).

**Our data over the last 25 years clearly indicate that CWD occurs primarily in mule deer in Alberta and thus they provide the best surveillance sample for tracking the disease. However, we also are interested in tracking CWD in white-tailed deer.**

Hunters and outfitters play a vital role in CWD surveillance. As in previous years, the CWD program accepts the head of any cervid legally harvested in Alberta. Deer heads submitted for testing, as well as examination of emaciated deer, help define the area where the disease occurs. Hunters who remove deer from CWD risk areas contribute to fewer deer on the landscape and less opportunity for disease transmission. The cooperation and assistance of all stakeholders, landowners and interested parties is important and greatly appreciated.

Logistical timelines limit lab testing capacity to a maximum of approximately 2,500 heads per month. While most cervids are harvested in November, it generally takes until March to test heads from late-season harvests.

Please check the CWD web pages prior to the fall hunting seasons to get additional information regarding the 2026/27 surveillance program.



# GENERAL HUNTING REGULATIONS

The following are brief summaries of some of the hunting regulations that apply to the purchase and use of licences obtained through a draw. A more comprehensive summary is presented in the 2026 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations. It is available free-of-charge at licence issuers and Fish and Wildlife offices and online at [albertaregulations.ca](http://albertaregulations.ca) starting in July. Obtain a copy and read it prior to using any licence.

## WILDLIFE CERTIFICATE AND LICENCES

A person must possess the applicable hunting licence in order to hunt big game or game birds. The hunter must carry the licence and applicable tag(s) on his or her person while hunting. A person is required to obtain a wildlife certificate prior to applying on the draws.

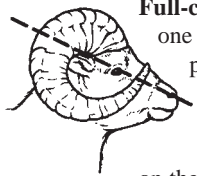
## DEFINITIONS

The following definitions will help you understand the information in this booklet. A more complete listing of definitions for all regulations is available in the 2026 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations.

**Antlered** – a white-tailed deer, mule deer, moose or elk having an antler exceeding 10.2 cm (4 in.) in length.

**Antlerless** – a white-tailed deer, mule deer, moose or elk that is not 'antlered' (as defined above).

**Designated guide** – a person designated by the Alberta Professional Outfitters Society to commercially guide big game hunters in Alberta.



**Full-curl class 1 sheep** – a male bighorn sheep with horns, one of which is of sufficient size that, when viewed in profile (with the front of the right and left horn bases aligned), its tip extends upward beyond a straight line drawn from the rear-most point of the base of the horn to the centre of the nostril. For more information on the definition of full-curl class 1 sheep, please visit [mywildalberta.ca](http://mywildalberta.ca).

**Either sex special elk** – authorizes the hunting of any age, size, or gender of elk in a specific WMU.

**Hunter host** – an adult resident who is the holder of a valid hunter host licence. To be eligible for this licence, you must hold a WiN card and be eligible to obtain a recreational hunting licence. A hunter host may not provide services for gain or reward, or accept a fee for services directly or indirectly. The licence authorizes the holder (usually a relative or friend of the hunters to be hosted) to accompany a maximum of two non-residents (Canadian) or non-resident aliens named on the host's licence to hunt wolf, coyote and big game throughout the province during the seasons and in the locations where the licences are valid.

**Non-resident (Canadian)** – a person who is not a resident (see below), but who makes his or her home and is ordinarily present in Canada and who has lived in Canada for the 12-month period immediately preceding the relevant date.

**Non-resident alien** – a person who is neither a resident (see below) nor a non-resident (see above).

**Class 2 pronghorn** – a female pronghorn or a male pronghorn having horns not more than 7.6 cm (3 in.) in length.

**Outfitter-guide** – a person who is the holder of a valid outfitter-guide permit, and who provides outfitting and guiding services to big game hunters in Alberta.

- class S outfitter-guide – an outfitter-guide who holds non-resident

(Canadian) and non-resident alien allocations for class 1 sheep special licences. A class S outfitter-guide may also hold allocations for other big game special licences.

- class T outfitter-guide – an outfitter-guide who holds non-resident (Canadian) and non-resident alien allocations for big game special licences other than those for class 1 sheep.

**Partner licence** – a licence issued to an eligible hunter that allows him or her to hunt a specific species in a specified WMU and season under the direct authority of a special licence held by another hunter successful in a draw.

**Resident** – a person whose primary residence has been in Alberta for at least a 6-month period immediately preceding the relevant date and who

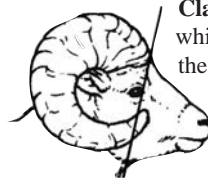
- 1) is a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada, or
  - 2) has lived in Canada for the 12-month period immediately preceding the relevant date; or
- who is on full-time service with the Armed Forces of Canada and would, if an election were held under the *Elections Act (Canada)*, be eligible to vote in Alberta under that Act.

**Six-point elk** – a male elk bearing an antler that is composed of a main beam from which project not fewer than five tines, each of which is at least 7.6 cm (3 in.) in length.

**Special licence** – a licence obtained through a draw process, or for non-resident and non-resident alien hunters, through an outfitter-guide. It permits hunting of a specific type or class of game only in specific areas during a specified season (page 6).

**Three-point elk** – a male elk bearing an antler that is composed of a main beam from which project not fewer than two tines, each of which is at least 7.6 cm (3 in.) in length.

**Class 1 pronghorn** – a male pronghorn that has a horn at least 12.6 cm (5 in.) in length.



**Class 1 sheep** – a male bighorn sheep with horns, one of which is of sufficient size that a straight line drawn from the most anterior point of the base of the horn to the tip of the horn extends beyond the anterior edge of the eye when viewed in profile (with the front of the right and left horn bases aligned). For more information on the definition of class 1 sheep please visit [mywildalberta.ca](http://mywildalberta.ca).

**WMU** – wildlife management unit, a geographical area prescribed in legislation.

**WiN** – wildlife identification number, a permanent registration number issued to each angler and hunter.

# LICENCES AND COMBINATIONS FOR RESIDENTS

The following table lists big game and game bird licences available for residents either through a draw (special licences), online or over-the-counter at a private licence issuer.

NOTE: The 5 per cent federal Goods and Services Tax (GST) is not included in the prices listed in these tables.

Prior to using any licence, each hunter must possess a WiN and a wildlife certificate, which costs \$30 (or \$12 for a resident youth/senior wildlife certificate, page 11). Hunters wishing to hunt with a bow and arrow must also purchase a bowhunting permit.

## LICENCES AND COMBINATIONS FOR RESIDENTS

Licence	Price (\$)	Restrictions Applying to the Species	Maximum Licences Allowed Per Hunter
White-tailed deer	50	A resident adult may obtain only one of the first two licences.	A resident adult or youth may obtain four different licences from this list of 25, but not more than one licence from this list for any one species.
Antlered white-tailed deer special licence	50		
Youth/senior white-tailed deer <sup>1</sup>	12	A resident youth/senior may obtain only one of the last three licences.	
Special antlered white-tailed deer partner licence (youth/senior)	12		
Mule deer	50	A resident adult may obtain only one of the first two licences.	
Antlered mule deer special licence	50		
Youth mule deer <sup>1</sup>	12	A resident senior may obtain only one of the four licences, excluding the youth licence.	
Special antlered mule deer partner licence (youth/senior)	12		
		A resident youth may obtain only one of the last three licences.	
Elk	50	A resident may obtain only one of these nine licences.	
WMU 300 elk special licence	65		
Either sex elk special licence	50		
Antlerless elk special licence	50		
Antlered elk special licence	65		
Special WMU 300 elk partner licence	12		
Special either sex elk partner licence	12		
Special antlerless elk partner licence	12		
Special antlered elk partner licence	12		
Moose (archery)	50		A resident adult may obtain only one of the first six licences.
Antlerless moose special licence	50		
Antlered moose special licence	65	A resident youth/senior may obtain only one of these seven licences.	
Calf moose special licence	50		
Special antlered moose partner licence	12		
Special antlerless moose partner licence	12		
Special calf moose partner licence (youth/senior)	12		
Class 1 sheep	95	A resident who killed a sheep, except a legal class 2 sheep, in 2025 may not purchase a class 1 sheep licence in 2026.	A resident adult may obtain only one of the first six licences.
WMU 408 Class 1 sheep special licence	95		
WMU 410 Class 1 sheep special licence	95		
WMU 437 Class 1 sheep special licence	95		
WMU 438 Class 1 sheep special licence	95		
WMU 444/446 Class 1 sheep special licence	95		
Special WMU 410 Class 1 sheep partner licence (youth/senior)	12		A resident youth/senior may obtain only one of these 11 licences.
Special WMU 408 Class 1 sheep partner licence (youth/senior)	12		
Special WMU 437 Class 1 sheep partner licence (youth/senior)	12		

Licence	Price (\$)	Restrictions Applying to the Species	Maximum Licences Allowed Per Hunter
Special WMU 438 class 1 sheep partner licence (youth/senior)	12	see page 50 for restrictions	see page 50 for licences
Special WMU 444/446 class 1 sheep partner licence (youth/senior)	12		
Class 2 sheep special licence	95	A resident youth/senior may obtain only one of these two licences.	A resident adult may obtain one of each of these 16 licences (excluding the youth/senior licences).
Special class 2 sheep partner licence (youth/senior)	12		
Antlerless white-tailed deer special licence	30	A resident youth/senior may obtain only one of these two licences.	A resident youth may obtain 16 different licences from this list of 23, but not more than one licence from this list for any one species.
Special antlerless white-tailed deer partner licence (youth/senior)	12		
Supplemental antlerless white-tailed deer <sup>2</sup>	30		
WMU 248 white-tailed deer	30		
Foothills deer <sup>3</sup>	30		
Antlerless mule deer special licence (issued to a youth)	30 (12)	A resident youth may obtain only one of these two licences.	
Special antlerless mule deer partner licence (youth/senior)	12		
Antlerless deer (WMUs 212 & 248)	30		
CFB Wainwright deer special licence	50	A resident youth/senior may obtain only one of these two licences.	
Special CFB Wainwright deer partner licence (youth/senior)	12		
WMU 212 antlerless elk archery	30		
WMU 212 antlerless elk special licence	50	A resident youth/senior may obtain only one of these two licences.	
Special WMU 212 antlerless elk partner licence (youth/senior)	12		
Black bear	30		
Supplemental black bear <sup>4</sup>	30		
Youth black bear licence	12		
Cougar	50		
Goat special licence	185		A resident youth may obtain only 1 of these 2 licences.
Special goat partner licence (youth)	12		
Pronghorn archery special licence	95	None	A resident adult may obtain only one of the first three licences.
Class 2 pronghorn special licence	95		
Class 1 pronghorn special licence	95		
Special pronghorn archery partner licence (youth/senior)	12		A resident youth/senior may obtain only one of these six licences.
Special class 2 pronghorn partner licence (youth/senior)	12		
Special class 1 pronghorn partner licence (youth/senior)	12		
Game bird	20	Not applicable	Not applicable
Pheasant	30		
Wild turkey special licence	65	A resident youth/senior may obtain only one of these two licences.	Not applicable
Special wild turkey partner licence (youth/senior)	12		
Bowhunting permit (not required for cross-bows)	10	Not applicable	Not applicable
Hunter host licence	35		
WiN activation	8		
Physical WiN card	3		
Licence reprint <sup>5</sup>	2		
Tag/licence replacement <sup>6</sup>	11		

see footnotes on next page

<sup>1</sup> These licences are valid during the seasons that do not require one of the special licences obtained through a draw.

<sup>2</sup> The WMUs that are valid for the 2026 supplemental antlerless white-tailed deer licence will be identified in the 2026 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations.

<sup>3</sup> When hunting under the authority of this licence, hunters must carry written permission to hunt from a landowner involved.

<sup>4</sup> This licence is only valid in the following WMUs where two black bear licences may be used: 224, 250, 258, 260, 320-360, 429, 445, 500-544 and 841.

<sup>5</sup> All purchased licences can be reprinted either at a licence issuer for a \$2 fee or online at no charge.

<sup>6</sup> You are required to bring your licence and identification to a licence issuer and obtain the authorization for the tag replacement. You will receive a replacement licence with new tag(s) for a \$11 fee.

## LICENCES AND COMBINATIONS FOR NON-RESIDENTS (CANADIAN)

The following table lists big game and game bird licences available for non-residents (Canadian) either through a draw (special licences) or over-the-counter at a private licence issuer.

NOTE: The 5 per cent federal Goods and Services Tax (GST) is not included in the prices listed in these tables.

Prior to using any licence, each hunter must possess a WiN and a wildlife certificate, which costs \$30. Hunters wishing to hunt with a bow and arrow (but not a cross-bow) must also purchase a bowhunting permit.

All non-resident hunters of big game, wolf or coyote require a designated guide or a hunter host. See Outfitting and Guiding Requirements on page 53. Non-resident game bird hunters who choose to contract a hunt with an outfitter-guide must do so through a bird game outfitter-guide.

## LICENCES AND COMBINATIONS FOR NON-RESIDENTS (CANADIAN)

Licence	Price (\$)	Restrictions Applying to the Species	Maximum Licences Allowed Per Hunter	
White-tailed deer	193	A non-resident may not obtain more than one of these two licences.	A non-resident may obtain four different licences from this list of nine, but not more than one licence for any one species.	
Antlered white-tailed deer special licence <sup>1</sup>	193			
Antlered mule deer	193	A non-resident may not obtain more than one of these two licences.		
Antlered elk	275	A non-resident may not obtain more than one of these two licences.		
Antlered elk special licence <sup>1</sup>	275			
Antlered moose (archery)	275	A non-resident may not obtain more than one of these two licences.		
Antlered moose special licence <sup>1</sup>	275			
Class 1 sheep special licence <sup>1,2</sup>	440	A non-resident who killed a sheep in 2025 may not purchase a class 1 sheep special licence in 2026.		A non-resident may obtain one of each from this list of three.
Class 1 pronghorn special licence <sup>3</sup>	275	None		
Black bear licence	110	A non-resident accompanied by a hunter host may obtain both of these licences.	A non-resident may obtain one of each licence from this list of two. However, non-residents purchasing one of these two licences may not purchase a black bear special licence.	
Supplemental black bear licence <sup>4</sup>	110			
Black bear special licence <sup>5</sup>	110	Non-residents must purchase these licences through an outfitter-guide.		Non-residents purchasing this licence may not purchase a black bear licence or a supplemental black bear licence.

## LICENCES AND COMBINATIONS FOR NON-RESIDENTS (CANADIAN)

Licence	Price (\$)	Restrictions Applying to the Species	Maximum Licences Allowed Per Hunter
Cougar	165	Not applicable	One licence only from this list of two.
Cougar special licence	165		
Game bird	77	Not applicable	Not applicable
Pheasant	50		
Bowhunting permit (not required for cross-bows)	22		
WiN activation	8		
Licence reprint <sup>6</sup>	2		
Tag/licence replacement <sup>7</sup>	11		

- These licences are available through the draw system for non-residents (Canadian) if they are hunting with a hunter host.
- Non-resident class 1 sheep special licences are only available through class S outfitter-guides or through a draw. Only two licences are available through a draw, and each hunter successful in the draw must be accompanied by a hunter host.
- Non-resident class 1 pronghorn special licences are available through an outfitter-guide or through a draw. See Outfitting and Guiding Requirements (page 53).
- This licence is valid only in the following WMUs where two black bear licences may be used: 224, 250, 258, 260, 320-360, 429, 445, 500-544 and 841.
- These licences are valid for two black bears if the outfitter-guide's allocation is valid for a WMU where the supplemental black bear licence is valid (two-bear areas).
- All purchased licences can be reprinted either at a licence issuer for a \$2 fee or online at no charge.
- You are required to bring your licence and identification to a licence issuer and obtain the authorization for the tag replacement. You will receive a replacement licence with new tag(s) for \$11.

## OUTFITTING AND GUIDING REQUIREMENTS FOR NON-RESIDENTS (CANADIAN) (see Definitions on page 49)

### Big Game

Since only resident and non-resident (Canadian) hunters are eligible to apply for special licence draws, only the outfitting and guiding requirements of non-residents (Canadian) are presented here. [Note: there are further restrictions for non-resident alien hunters that hunt with a hunter host. Those restrictions are outlined in the 2026 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations (available in July) and can be viewed online at [mywildalberta.ca](http://mywildalberta.ca) or [albertaregulations.ca](http://albertaregulations.ca).]

A non-resident (Canadian) hunter of big game has two options:

- they may contract the holder of a valid outfitter-guide permit, be guided by a designated big game guide and hunt under the authority of a licence allocated to the outfitter-guide, or
- they may be accompanied by a hunter host (see below) – usually a relative or friend – under the authority of a special licence obtained through the draw or a non-draw licence for which they are eligible.
- A non-resident (Canadian) may hunt wolf and coyote under the authorization of a valid wildlife certificate.

### A Hunter Host

- must be an adult resident, hold a WiN and be eligible to hold recreational hunting licences.
- must be the holder of a hunter host licence (see below).
- may not provide services for gain or reward, or accept remuneration, directly or indirectly, for such services.
- may accompany a maximum of two hunters/year, either non-residents (Canadian), non-resident aliens or a combination thereof. Only one of the non-resident alien hunters may be a non-relative.
- must accompany the hunter(s) named on the hunter host licence while hunters are hunting big game under the authority of the hunter host licence.

### Hunter Host Licence

- a resident who wishes to accompany a non-resident (Canadian) as a hunter host may purchase the hunter host licence at any private licence issuer.
- you must have the WiN(s) of the non-resident(s) at the time of purchase. You must ensure that the hunters you accompany are named on your hunter host licence. If you purchase your hunter host licence naming one hunter and you decide to add a second hunter to your licence at a later date, you can do so at no additional charge. Return to a private licence issuer with your licence and have it amended.
- Once you have purchased your hunter host licence, the non-resident(s) (Canadian) may purchase their licences.

# NON-DRAW LICENCE SEASONS

Tables below list the seasons available to hunters using licences not acquired through a draw (licences that are purchased over-the-counter or online with a valid WiN and wildlife certificate).

Archery-only seasons are those where only a bow and arrow may be used to hunt. Cross-bows may be used in the archery-only seasons by holders of cross-bow licences issued to eligible handicapped persons. Archery-only seasons usually precede general seasons. WMUs 212, 248 and 410 are archery-only seasons and do not have a general season.

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

This information is being provided to help hunters plan their hunting trips. Before applying on a draw, a hunter may want to know what non-draw licence seasons are available.

## ARCHERY-ONLY NON-DRAW LICENCE SEASONS

### WHITE-TAILED DEER – Archery-only, non-draw licence seasons

Type	Archery-only Season	WMUs
Antlered and antlerless	August 25 – August 31	511, 512, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 524, 525, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 534, 536, 539, 540, 541, 542, 544
	August 25 – September 16	326, 328, 330, 339, 340, 342, 344, 346, 347, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 412, 414, 416, 417, 418, 420, 422, 426, 428, 429, 430, 432, 434, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 444, 445, 446, 521, 522, 523, 526, 527, 535, 537, 841
	September 9 – September 23	404, 406, 408
	September 1 – September 23	400, 402
	September 1 – November 30	212, 247, 248
	September 9 – November 30	410
	September 1 – October 24	300, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 308
	September 1 – October 31	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, 310, 312, 314, 316, 318, 320, 322, 324, 332, 334, 336, 337, 338, 348, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510
	September 1 – November 3	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
	October 17 – October 31	936 <sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> According to the *Provincial Parks (General) Regulation*, a hunter is required to have a firearm discharge permit to hunt within a provincial park and provincial recreation area. This regulation applies to all of the provincial parks and the majority of the provincial recreation areas in Alberta where hunting is allowed. Please note WMU 936: Cooking Lake-Blackfoot Provincial Recreation Area and WMU 624: Cypress Hills Provincial Park do require orientations, please visit <https://www.albertaparks.ca/albertaparksca/visit-our-parks/activities/hunting/firearms-discharge-permits/> for more information.

### MULE DEER – Archery-only, non-draw licence seasons

Type	Archery-only Season	WMUs
Antlered and antlerless	September 1 – October 31	162, 164, 166, 200, 202, 203, 204, 228, 230, 232, 234, 236, 238, 240, 250, 252, 254, 256, 258, 260, 336, 348, 500, 501, 503, 505, 508
	September 1 – November 3	116, 118, 142, 144, 148, 151
	September 9 – September 23	404, 408
	September 1 – November 30	212, 247, 248
	September 9 – November 30	410
Antlered	August 25 – August 31	512, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 524, 525, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 534, 536, 539, 540, 541, 542, 544
	August 25 – September 16	326, 328, 330, 347, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 412, 414, 416, 417, 418, 422, 426, 428, 429, 430, 432, 434, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 444, 445, 446, 535
	September 1 – October 31	316

## MULE DEER – Archery-only, non-draw licence seasons

Type	Archery-only Season	WMUs
Antlerless	August 25 – September 16	357, 358, 359, 360, 521, 522, 523, 526, 527, 537
	September 1 – October 31	163, 206, 208, 210, 214, 216, 220, 221, 222, 224, 226, 242, 244, 246, 310, 312, 314, 320, 322, 332, 334, 502, 504, 506, 507, 509, 510
	September 1 – November 3	102, 104, 106, 108, 110, 112, 119, 124, 128, 130, 132, 134, 136, 138, 140, 150, 152, 156, 158, 160
	September 1 – October 24	300, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 308
	September 1 – September 23	400, 402
	September 9 – September 23	406

## MOOSE – Archery-only, non-draw licence seasons

Type	Archery-only Season	WMUs
Antlered and antlerless	August 25 – September 23	352, 353, 355
	September 9 – September 23	404, 406
	September 1 – November 30	212, 247, 248
	September 9 – November 30	410
Antlered	August 25 – August 31	511, 512, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 524, 525, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 534, 536, 539, 540, 541, 542, 544
	August 25 – September 23	347, 349, 350, 351, 354, 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, 521, 522, 523, 526, 527, 535, 537
	September 9 – September 23	408

## ELK – Archery-only, non-draw licence seasons

Type	Archery-only Season	WMUs
Antlered and antlerless	September 1 – November 30	212, 247, 248
	September 1 – October 31	116, 118, 119
	September 1 – October 31	110, 132, 136, 138, 151, 152, 156, 158, 160, 162, 163, 164, 166, 200, 202, 203, 204, 206, 208, 210, 220, 222, 226, 228, 230, 232, 234, 236, 238, 240, 242, 244, 246, 250, 252, 254, 256, 258, 260
	September 9 – November 30	410
Antlered (6-point or larger) and antlerless	September 9 – September 16	404, 406, 408
	September 1 – October 31	509
	August 25 – September 16	438, 439, 441, 444
Antlered (6-point or larger)	August 25 – September 16	436, 437, 440, 442, 445, 446
Antlered (3-point or larger) and antlerless	August 25 – September 16	340, 342, 344, 346, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 526, 527, 528, 535, 537, 544
	September 1 – September 16	400, 402
	September 1 – October 24	214, 310, 312, 314
	September 1 – October 31	106, 112, 130, 134, 140, 216, 221, 224, 318, 320, 322, 324, 332, 334, 336, 337, 338, 348, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 510, 511, 514
Antlered (3-point or larger)	August 25 – September 16	339, 347, 349, 350, 351, 525, 540
	September 1 – October 31	106, 112, 130, 134, 140, 316, 326, 328, 330, 429
	September 1 – October 31	512, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519
	September 17 – November 30	841
Antlerless	August 25 – September 16	330
	September 1 – October 24	302-308

## CLASS 1 SHEEP – Archery-only, non-draw licence seasons

Type	Archery-only Season	WMUs
Resident	September 9 – October 31	410

## BLACK BEAR – Archery-only, non-draw licence seasons Note: there are no draws for black bear licences.

Type	Archery-only Season	WMUs
Fall 2026	August 25 – August 31	326, 328, 330, 339, 340, 342, 344, 346, 347, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 412, 414, 416, 417, 418, 420, 422, 426, 428, 429, 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
	September 1 – November 30	212
	September 9 – October 31	410
Spring 2027	April 1 – May 31	212, 410

Supplemental black bear licences are valid in WMUs 224, 250, 258, 260, 320-326, 429, 445, 500-544 and 841.

Baiting of black bears is permitted in WMUs 322, 330-338, 348, 358-360, 500-506, 509, 510, 512-520, 522, 523, 529-536, 539-544 and portions of 320, 324, 357, 507, 521, 526 and 528.

## COUGAR – Archery-only, non-draw licence seasons Note: there are no draws for cougar licences.

Archery-only Season	WMUs
November 1, 2026 – March 31, 2027 <sup>1,3</sup>	212, 247, 248
December 1, 2026 – March 31, 2027 <sup>2,3</sup>	410

<sup>1</sup> Use of dogs to hunt cougars is prohibited during this season.

<sup>2</sup> From December 1, 2026 – March 31, 2027, hunters must call 1-800-661-3729 (toll free) prior to hunting each day to determine if the season remains open (see 2026 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations for more information).

<sup>3</sup> Residents only are allowed to hunt during this season.

## Additional archery-only, non-draw licence seasons

(see 2026 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations for details):

- WMU 212 antlerless elk archery licence season, September 1 – October 31.
- Antlerless deer licence season, September 1 – November 30; WMUs 212, 247 and 248.
- Foothills deer licence season, Mondays to Fridays, December 1 – December 20, WMU 212.
- WMU 248 white-tailed deer licence season, October 25 – December 7.

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# GENERAL NON-DRAW LICENCE SEASONS

## WHITE-TAILED DEER – General, non-draw licence seasons

Type	General Season	WMUs
Antlered and antlerless	November 1 – November 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, 310, 312, 314, 316, 318, 320, 322, 324, 332, 334, 336, 337, 338, 348, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510
	September 17 – November 30	326, 328, 330, 339, 340, 342, 344, 346, 347, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 429, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 444, 445, 446, 521, 522, 523, 526, 527, 535, 537, 841
	September 1 – November 30	511, 512, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 524, 525, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 534, 536, 539, 540, 541, 542, 544
	October 25 – November 30	300, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 308
	November 9 – November 30	936 <sup>1</sup>
Antlered	September 17 – November 30	358, 359, 412, 414, 416, 417, 418, 420, 422, 426, 428, 430, 432, 434, 527
	September 24 – November 30	400, 402
	November 1 – November 30	162, 163, 164, 166, 210
	November 4 - November 7 November 11 - November 14 November 18 - November 21 November 25 - November 28	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
Antlerless	November 1 – November 15	400, 402
	November 1 – November 30	412, 414, 416, 417, 418, 420, 422, 426, 428, 430, 432, 434

Valid WMUs for the 2026 supplemental antlerless white-tailed deer licence will be identified in the 2026 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations.

<sup>1</sup> According to the *Provincial Parks (General) Regulation*, a hunter is required to have a firearm discharge permit to hunt within a provincial park and provincial recreation area. This regulation applies to all of the provincial parks and the majority of the provincial recreation areas in Alberta where hunting is allowed. Please note WMU 936: Cooking Lake-Blackfoot Provincial Recreation Area and WMU 624: Cypress Hills Provincial Park do require orientations, please visit <https://www.albertaparks.ca/albertaparksca/visit-our-parks/activities/hunting/firearms-discharge-permits/> for more information.

## MULE DEER – General, non-draw licence seasons

Type	General Season	WMUs
Antlered	September 1 – November 30	512, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 534, 536, 539, 540, 541, 542
	September 17 – November 30	352, 353, 355, 440, 441, 442, 444, 445, 446, 841

## ELK – General, non-draw licence seasons

Type	General Season	WMUs
Antlered (6-point or larger)	September 17 – November 30	436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 444, 445, 446
Antlered (3-point or larger)	September 17 – November 30	339, 340, 342, 344, 346, 347, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 400, 402, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 535, 537, 540, 544
	October 25 – November 30	214, 310, 312, 314
	November 1 – November 30	216, 221, 224, 316, 318, 320, 322, 324, 326, 328, 330, 332, 334, 336, 337, 338, 348, 429, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 510, 511, 514

## CLASS 1 SHEEP – General, non-draw licence seasons

Type	General Season	WMUs
Resident	August 25 – October 31	412, 414, 416, 417, 418, 420, 422, 426, 428, 430, 432, 434, 436, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 444*, 445
	September 9 – October 31	303, 306, 308, 402, 404, 406, 408

\* This season applies only to that portion of WMU 444 south of the Beaverdam Road.

## FULL CURL CLASS 1 SHEEP – General, non-draw licence seasons

Type	General Season	WMUs
Resident	September 9 – October 31	302, 400

## BLACK BEAR – General, non-draw licence seasons Note: there are no draws for black bear licences.

Type	General Season	WMUs
Fall 2026	September 1 – November 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, 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, 357, 358, 359, 360, 400, 402, 412, 414, 416, 417, 418, 420, 422, 426, 428, 429, 430, 432, 434, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 444, 445, 446, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 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, 841
	September 9 – November 30	404, 406, 408
Spring 2027	April 1 – May 15	400, 404, 406, 408, 841
	April 1 – June 15	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, 402, 429
	April 1 – June 30	344, 346, 347, 348, 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, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 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

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## COUGAR – General, non-draw licence seasons Note: there are no draws for cougar licences.

General Season	WMUs
September 1, 2026 – March 31, 2027 <sup>1</sup> residents only	102-106, 112, 124-130, 134-166, 200-210, 220, 222, 226-244, 250-260, 500-502, 504, 520, 528, 530-534, 536, 539-541
August 25 – November 30 <sup>1</sup> residents only	108, 110, 116-119, 132, 214, 216, 221, 224, 246, 357-360, 412-446, 503, 506, 508, 514, 518, 519, 521-527, 529, 535, 537, 542, 544
December 1, 2026 – March 31, 2027 <sup>2</sup>	108, 110, 116-119, 132, 214, 216, 221, 224, 246, 300-360, 400-408, 412-446, 503, 505-519, 521-527, 529, 535, 537, 542, 544

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<sup>2</sup> During this season, hunters must call 1-800-661-3729 (toll free) prior to hunting each day to determine if the season remains open (see 2026 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations for more information).

# FURTHER INQUIRIES

For more information about the draws:

- RELM Help Desk: seven days a week, 6 a.m. – 12 a.m. (MT) – 1-888-944-5494
- Alberta Government Fish and Wildlife Services  
E-mail: [FP.HuntingandFishingBranch@gov.ab.ca](mailto:FP.HuntingandFishingBranch@gov.ab.ca)
- Website – [mywildalberta.ca](http://mywildalberta.ca) or [albertaregulations.ca](http://albertaregulations.ca)

For further information about the hunting regulations or other matters concerning fish and wildlife management, please contact the sources listed below. For toll-free access to most Alberta Environment and Protected Areas offices, call 310-0000.

**Local telephone numbers of Alberta Government / Fish and Wildlife Enforcement Services Offices.  
Office hours vary, please contact the individual office for hours of operation.**

<b>Alberta Government Offices</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Hunting, trapping and sportfishing regulations.</li> <li>● Licences: RFMA/trapping, fish stocking, fish research, competitive fishing, fur dealers, taxidermy, tannery, damage control.</li> <li>● Found dead wildlife or export permit applications.</li> <li>● Registrations for compulsory furbearer species and big game, fish or wildlife disease inquiries including freezer locations.</li> <li>● Wildlife or fisheries management inquiries.</li> <li>● Landowner special licences.</li> </ul>	
Athabasca	780-675-2419
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## Public Safety and Emergency Services / Fish and Wildlife Enforcement Services Offices

- For non-urgent enforcement or problem wildlife matters see contact information below
- For hunting and fishing violations in progress or imminent public safety risk or significant property loss due to wildlife call **Report A Poacher line 1-800-642-3800**
- Fish and Wildlife Enforcement media requests 780-644-3009
- The first location listed is the designated unit hub office location responsible for the subsequent locations listed

<b>Northwest Region</b>	Grande Prairie, Grande Cache, Spirit River, Valleyview	780-538-5265
	High Prairie, Fox Creek, Slave Lake, Whitecourt	780-523-6526
	Peace River, Fairview, Fort Vermilion, High Level, Manning	780-624-6405
	Rocky Mountain House, Drayton Valley, Edson, Evansburg, Hinton, Nordegg, Sundre	403-845-8300
<b>Northeast Region</b>	Athabasca, Cold Lake, Fort McMurray, Lac La Biche	780-675-8169
	Edmonton	780-644-7089
	Spruce Grove, Barrhead	780-960-8190
	Red Deer, Wetaskiwin	403-755-6150
	Smoky Lake, St. Paul <sup>1</sup>	780-656-3556
	Vegreville, Camrose, Ponoka <sup>1</sup>	780-632-5410
	Provost, Stettler, Vermilion <sup>1</sup>	780-753-2433

<b>South Region</b>	Calgary, Drumheller, Hanna, Strathmore	403-297-6423
	Cochrane, High River, Oyen	403-932-2388
	Lethbridge, Brooks, Cardston, Medicine Hat, Vulcan	403-381-5266
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### Footnotes:

<sup>1</sup> Part time offices – please contact for service hours.

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- If you see any suspicious hunting or fishing activity, like hunting out of season, illegal sale of fish and wildlife, or not adhering to size restriction or bag limits.
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  - driving up and down a stream
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  - creating tire ruts
  - creating new vehicle trails in an area that has existing trails
  - taking vehicles off-trail in sensitive high alpine areas
  - blocking existing trails
  - clearing a new trail to access another area
  - clearing trees and other plants to create a camping spot
  - building or inhabiting an unauthorized structure on public lands
  - leaving large amounts of litter
  - abandoning vehicles

If the information provided concerns a resource violation and results in the laying of a charge, the reporter may be eligible for a reward. Both calling and reporting can be done anonymously and all personal information is kept confidential. If you have any questions about this program, please contact the nearest Fish and Wildlife office (page 59).

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# Alberta Senior and Youth Hunting Opportunities

Senior Hunting Licence Sales Statistics					
Season	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Resident senior hunters	18,256	18,402	19,660	18,032	21,165
White-tailed deer	11,713	11,585	12,585	11,629	13,595

Youth Hunting Licence Sales Statistics					
Season	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Resident youth hunters	10,832	10,692	11,213	11,209	12,683
Antlerless mule deer	1,274	1,224	1,176	392	265
Mule deer	801	804	819	817	916
White-tailed deer	7,421	7,020	7,578	7,629	9,232
Black bear	688	547	548	582	697

To meet Alberta's hunter eligibility criteria, first time hunters are required to complete the hunter education training program. Please visit [ahea.com](http://ahea.com) for more information on course offerings.

Prior to purchasing any licence or big game draw application, each resident senior or youth hunter must possess a wildlife certificate for a reduced cost of \$12 (GST not included), which includes a game bird licence at no additional cost.

Alberta residents 10 to 17 years of age are eligible for the following youth licences, for a cost of \$12 (GST not included).

- Youth white-tailed deer licence: For use in hunting seasons that do not require a special licence draw.
- Youth mule deer licence: For use in hunting seasons that do not require a special licence draw.
- Youth antlerless mule deer special licence.
- Youth black bear licence.

Alberta residents 65 years and older are eligible for the following licence, for a cost of \$12 (GST not included).

- Senior white-tailed deer licence: For use in hunting seasons that do not require a special licence draw.


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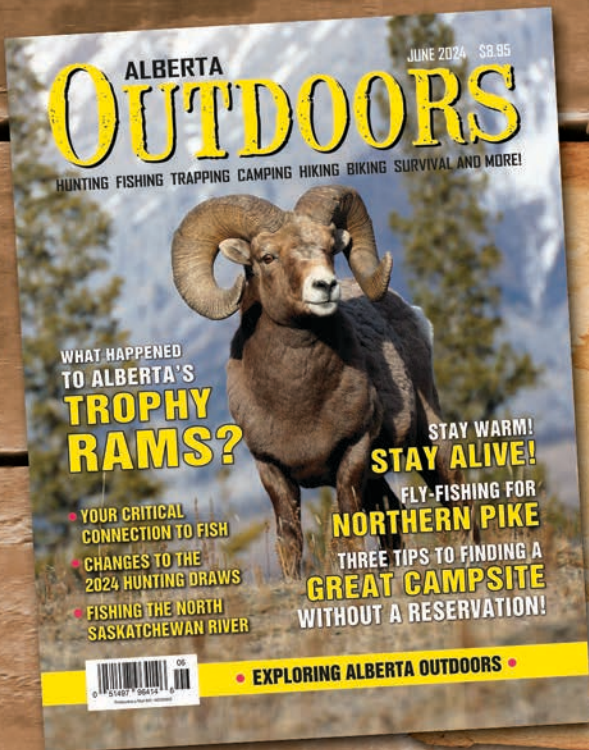
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