

# STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE

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To: Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners, County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife, and

Interested Publics

From: Chet Van Dellen, Data and Technology Services Division Administrator

Title: Commission Regulation 19-10, 2019 Big Game Application Deadlines

Description: The Commission will review, revise and adopt recommendations for the establishment of the

2019 big game application deadlines.

Agenda No: 19-F

#### **Summary**:

This regulation is to establish the 2019 big game application and harvest questionnaire return deadlines. All applications and harvest questionnaire returns must be submitted online at www.ndowlicensing.com. Harvest questionnaire returns may also be submitted over the telephone at 1-855-542-6369.

#### **Brief Explanation of the Proposed Regulation**

The Department recommends no changes to the previous year's big game application deadline for the Restricted Non-resident Guided Mule Deer Hunt Draw or Big Game Second Draw format. The Department recommends extending the application deadline for the Big Game Main Draw to the fifth Monday in April. This will have no effect on the date of the Big Game Main Draw or the posting of draw results.

The Department continues to recommend that all big game applications be submitted online and no applications will be accepted by mail. The Department also continues to recommend that all harvest questionnaire returns be submitted online or over the telephone.

The Department recommends no changes to the previous year's harvest questionnaire return deadline, with the exception that the deadline for harvest questionnaire returns for hunts that end on or after January 31 be set to the last day in February. This change would consolidate all harvest questionnaire deadlines into this Commission Regulation rather than have exceptions defined in the big game seasons Commission Regulation.

#### **Recommendation:**

The Department recommends that the Commission review and adopt the proposed regulation as presented.

## CR 19-10 2019 Big Game Application Deadlines

The Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners, under the authority of Section 501.181, 502.140, 502.250 and 503.140 of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS), does hereby adopt the following regulation for the management of wildlife resources in the State of Nevada.

#### **General Big Game Tag Application Information**

All applications associated with the big game tag draw processes for mule deer, including the Restricted Nonresident Guided Mule Deer Hunt, pronghorn antelope, elk, black bear, bighorn sheep and mountain goat must be submitted through the internet at www.ndowlicensing.com. *Applications submitted by mail will not be accepted.* Mailed applications received at Nevada Department of Wildlife offices will be date stamped and returned to the applicant.

#### Restricted Non-resident Guided Mule Deer Hunt Draw Application Deadline

The Department will only accept those applications received for the Restricted Non-resident Guided Mule Deer Hunt draw through the internet at www.ndowlicensing.com submitted before 11:00:00pm Pacific Time on the first Monday in March, except for withdrawn applications as provided for in NAC 502.4183 and for bonus point only applications as provided for in NAC 502.41895.

#### Restricted Non-resident Guided Mule Deer Hunt Draw Results

Initial Restricted Non-resident Guided Mule Deer Hunt draw results will be posted online at www.ndowlicensing.com no later than 48 hours after the completion of the Restricted Non-resident Guided Mule Deer Hunt draw. Draw results information will not be provided in any way before the draw results are posted online.

**Note:** Draw results posted within the 48-hour deadline may not reflect the final status of an application due to payment processing issues that may occur after the results are posted.

#### **Big Game Main Draw Application Deadline**

The Department will only accept those applications received for the Big Game Main Draw through the internet at www.ndowlicensing.com submitted before 11:00:00pm Pacific Time on the fifth Monday in April, except for withdrawn applications as provided for in NAC 502.4183 and for bonus point only applications as provided for in NAC 502.41895.

#### **Big Game Main Draw Results**

Initial Big Game Main Draw results will be posted online at www.ndowlicensing.com no later than 48 hours after the completion of the main draw. The main draw results will be posted on or before the second Friday in June. Draw results information will not be provided in any way before the draw results are posted online.

**Note:** Draw results posted within the 48-hour deadline may not reflect the final status of an application due to payment processing issues that may occur after the results are posted.

#### **Big Game Second Draw Application Deadline**

The Department will only accept those applications for the Big Game Second Draw received through the internet at www.ndowlicensing.com submitted before 11:00:00pm Pacific Time on the fourth Monday in June, except for withdrawn applications as provided for in NAC 502.4183 and for bonus point only applications as provided for in NAC 502.41895.

#### **Big Game Second Draw Results**

Initial Big Game Second Draw results will be posted online at www.ndowlicensing.com no later than 48 hours after the completion of the second draw. The second draw results will be posted on or before the third Friday in July. Draw results information will not be provided in any way before the draw results are posted online.

**Note:** Draw results posted within the 48-hour deadline may not reflect the final status of an application due to payment processing issues that may occur after the results are posted.

#### First-Come, First-Served Remaining Big Game Tags

Following the Big Game Second Draw, any remaining tag quotas for mule deer, pronghorn antelope, elk, black bear, bighorn sheep and mountain goat will be available to eligible applicants through an online first-come, first-served application process to both resident and non-residents at www.ndowlicensing.com, with the exception of the junior mule deer and antierless mule deer hunt tags, which will only be available to eligible resident applicants. **Remaining tags will not be available for sale at Nevada Department of Wildlife offices.** Applicants must be at least 12 years old at the time the application for a first-come, first-served tag is submitted for a hunt season that is already in progress.

The Department will accept online applications for remaining first-come, first-served big game tags beginning at 5:00:00pm Pacific Time on the fourth Monday in July. Online applications for remaining big game tags will be accepted at www.ndowlicensing.com until 11:00:00pm Pacific Time on the seventh weekday next preceding the last day of the hunt season for the tag.

#### **Harvest Questionnaires**

The issuance of a big game tag includes an online harvest questionnaire that tag recipients are required to complete, regardless of whether or not they hunted or harvested big game. Harvest questionnaires may be accessed and submitted to the Department's independent contractor, Kalkomey Enterprises, LLC, through the internet at www.ndowlicensing.com or via telephone at 1-855-542-6369.

Properly completed harvest questionnaires must be submitted on or before 5:00:00pm Pacific Time on January 31 following the close of the hunt season for which the tag was issued, with the exception of hunts that end on or after January 31, which must have properly completed harvest questionnaires submitted on or before 5:00:00pm Pacific Time on February 15 following the close of the hunt season for which the tag was issued.