

*Arizona Game and Fish Department*

# **2008-09 Arizona Hunting and Trapping Regulations**



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Hunt information for deer, fall turkey, fall javelina, bighorn sheep, fall buffalo, fall bear and mountain lion.

*To report violators, call the Department's Operation Game Thief line: (800) 352-0700.*



**This booklet includes annual regulations for all statewide hunting of big game, small game, other huntable wildlife and trapping.**

**Use this booklet to apply for the 2008 fall big game drawing. This information applies to hunting seasons from July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009.**

**Hunt permit application deadline is Tuesday, June 10, 2008 at 7 p.m. MST.**

**The online service is not available. Only use paper applications. Hunt permit applications can be submitted by mail or at any department office.**

## From the Director's Desk

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Greetings Arizona Sportsmen and Women,

I am pleased and honored to have the opportunity to introduce the 2008-09 Hunting and Trapping regulations to all of you. As you may know, I was recently appointed as Director of the Arizona Game and Fish Department by the Arizona Game and Fish Commission. My predecessor, Duane Shroufe, was Director of the agency for almost 20 years and under his leadership the Department has been able to provide a wide variety of hunting opportunities over the years. I look forward to working with the Arizona Game and Fish Commission and all of our supporters to ensure that the Arizona Game and Fish Department continues to provide the same exciting opportunities to our sportsmen and women in the future with a continued focus on hunter recruitment and retention.

The Department has maintained its focus on the future of hunting and continues to ensure that we responsibly manage Arizona's wildlife resources in perpetuity for all citizens to enjoy. Continued adherence to the principles of the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation continues to be a priority for the Department and while doing so, the Department will continue to provide the outstanding hunt opportunities you have become accustomed to. As you all know, every time an individual purchases a hunting or fishing license, permit or tag, or purchases sporting arms and ammunition and other equipment, they are contributing to the conservation of wildlife. Of course, the beneficiaries of this conservation effort are all of the citizenry, whether they are consumptive or non-consumptive users of the resource. Without your



contributions and support, wildlife management would not be as it is today.

I am excited about the hunting opportunities that the Department is providing to our constituents this year and am grateful for the support that all sportsmen and women and all other conservation partners lend to the continued management of the wildlife resources of Arizona. Thanks again and good luck.

Larry D. Voyles, Director



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## Changes for 2008-2009

*This list is for informational purposes only and lists the major changes that have occurred since publication of the last regulations booklet. Individuals should thoroughly read and understand the appropriate regulations prior to making application or going afield. If you have questions, please call (602) 942-3000.*

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**Legal Requirements** Remember to read the Legal Requirements box at the beginning of each species. Information includes: license, hunt number and hunt tag requirements; legal methods of take; legal animal definitions; bag limits and more.

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**Fall Turkey** The legal method of take for all fall turkey hunts is Shotgun Shooting Shot (see pages 24 and 42).

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**Juniors Only Fall Turkey** Tags for these hunts are nonpermit-tags and can only be purchased at Department offices (see page 24).

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**Fall Javelina** All fall javelina hunts are designated Juniors Only (see page 25).

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**Javelina Bonus Point Application** Although all fall 2008 javelina hunts are for Juniors Only seasons, the bonus point only hunt number is available to all applicants. If you would like to purchase a bonus point for javelina and are eligible for a big game draw, you are eligible to apply for this bonus point hunt number. If you select the bonus point number on your application, do not apply for any other hunt numbers on your application. The bonus point number is 5000 as listed in the youth section on page 25.

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**Archery Deer** Tags for archery deer hunts in units (1, 3A/3C, 7, 12A, 12B, 13A and 13B) are now only issued through the draw process (see page 37). If you receive an archery deer tag through the draw, you do not come under mandatory archery deer harvest reporting requirements. However, you will receive a hunter questionnaire in the mail. Please return your questionnaire.

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**Prairie Dog** Hunting is closed in Units 29, 30A, 30B, 34A, 34B, 35A and 35B. Refer to Commission Order 14: Other Birds and Mammals (see page 65).

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**Bear Annual Female Harvest Limit** An annual female harvest limit applies to all bear units. Refer to Commission Order 9: Bear (see page 49).

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**Season Dates Overlap** Be aware that Juniors-Only javelina seasons overlap with some Juniors-Only deer seasons.

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## Phone Numbers

### Want To Know If You Were Drawn?

Call the Arizona Game and Fish Department's automated service at (602) 942-3000. Press 2 and follow voice prompts. You must provide your Department ID Number and month and day of birth (00/00). This service is free of charge (long distance charges may apply). Refer to page 18 for important dates.

### Main Number: (602) 942-3000

Choose 1 for known extension or name  
Choose 2 for Draw and Bonus Points  
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### General Information

Wildlife News (623) 236-7700  
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### Report a Game or Fish Violation

1 (800) 352-0700

### Report Vandalism or Livestock Depredation

1 (800) VANDALS (826-3257)

### Mandatory Harvest Reporting of:

Bear 1 (800) 970-BEAR (2327)  
Lion 1 (877) 438-0447  
Archery Deer 1 (866) 903-DEER (3337)

### Did You Know?

*The Arizona Game and Fish Department is collecting photos of hunters in the field in Arizona with their take. Your photo may end up in a Department publication. Send your high-resolution digital submissions to [hougham@azgfd.gov](mailto:hougham@azgfd.gov). Or mail photos to Heidi Hougham, IEPB, Arizona Game and Fish Department, 5000 W. Carefree Highway, Phoenix, AZ 85086.*

### On the Cover:

Luke Bumstead with a javelina and Ashley Artiby with a mule deer.

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# Getting Started Checklist

Welcome to hunting in Arizona. If you don't know where you want to hunt, what you need, or even what you can hunt in Arizona, this section is for you. It is designed to help NEW hunters get started. Following is some basic information you should consider while planning your hunt. The best way for all hunters to prepare themselves to hunt in Arizona is take a Department-sponsored hunter education course (see page 30).

## □ Step 1. Where to Start

### 1. What animal(s) can you hunt?

- Small game: cottontail rabbit, tree squirrel, migratory game birds, and upland game birds like quail.
- Big game: black bear, bighorn sheep, buffalo, deer (mule and white-tailed), elk, javelina, mountain lion, pronghorn antelope, and turkey.
- Predator/furbearer: coyotes, skunks, foxes, raccoons, bobcat, ringtail, weasel, and badgers.
- Other birds and mammals.

### 2. Do you have a hunting license?

To hunt in Arizona, a license is required. Check out page 12 for a list of our hunting permit and license fees. You can purchase licenses, tags, and/or stamps from any of our 340 license dealers (information is online at [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov)), or Department offices statewide (see page 3 for office locations). For children ages 10-17, see Youth Opportunities, page 19.

### 3. Did you validate your license?

You must first sign your license. For some species you must also purchase a stamp or stamp privilege for the license to be valid. You will need a tag in addition to a valid license to hunt big game, sandhill cranes, and pheasants. You must also sign all tags before going afield for them to be valid.

## □ Step 2. Where/When to Hunt

### 1. Where do you want to hunt?

Arizona is divided into Game Management Units (GMU or unit) composed of state, federal, military, and private land. Review the GMU maps and boundary descriptions (pages 75-81), and the "Where you can hunt section" (page 82) for more information.

### 2. When do you want to hunt?

There are several different seasons in which you can hunt a species. Go to individual species to determine their seasons.

## □ Step 3. "To Apply or not to Apply?"

### 1. Don't Apply.

For most small game species, and all predator/furbearer and other birds and mammals you simply need a license and any required validations (for example: stamps) to hunt.

There are also several big game species that you may pursue simply by purchasing an over-the-counter nonpermit-tag in addition to your license. These hunts include archery turkey, mountain lion, fall bear and some archery deer. Over the counter archery deer, mountain lion, buffalo, bear and bighorn sheep have mandatory reporting requirements, so check the information on the corresponding Commission Order.

### 2. Apply.

Permits for most big game species, sandhill crane, and pheasant are issued through a hunt drawing. If interested in hunting any of these species, you must apply for a tag in a drawing; refer to page 12 in this booklet or the appropriate supplement for specific information. The sample application form on page 16 will help you to apply for both a tag and license. Follow the instructions on the sample form and DON'T forget to include your correct fee(s).

## □ Step 4. Do Your Homework

### 1. Common violations

Before you go hunting we recommend you read page 92 to be aware of the most common violations. Also, take a look at the Arizona laws and rules beginning on page 96 to learn what you can and can't do in Arizona. If you are witness to a violation please call our Operation Game Thief hotline at 1-800-352-0700 to report the violation. You may be eligible for a cash reward.

### 2. Care/transport information

Before you go in the field, review our laws and rules to understand requirements to possess and transport wildlife after your hunt. Generally, you need to keep your license on your person and your tag affixed to your carcass at all times during transport. The Department has information available to properly care for your wildlife (see page 3 for regional office locations and phone numbers).

### 3. You're on your way!

These are just some basic steps to help you start your first hunt. Please read through the rest of the hunting and trapping regulations to better familiarize yourself with hunting in Arizona. If this section fails to answer your questions, contact any Arizona Game and Fish office or visit our Web site [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).

## Definitions

**Big Game:** Any of the following species: mule deer, white-tailed deer, pronghorn antelope, elk, turkey, javelina, bear, bighorn sheep, buffalo and mountain lion. All species require a hunt permit-tag, except for archery turkey, juniors turkey, fall bear, mountain lion and some archery deer; these species require a nonpermit-tag.

**Big Game Drawing:** A random computerized lottery drawing to determine issuance of hunt permit-tags. Three separate draws occur each year for various species.

**Bonus Point:** An accumulated credit that authorizes the Department to issue a Big Game Drawing applicant additional computer-generated random numbers during a draw.

**Commission Order:** A document adopted by the Commission that does any or all of the following: open, close, or alter seasons and open areas for taking wildlife; specify wildlife that may or may not be taken; set bag or possession limits for wildlife; or set the number of permits available for a hunt.

**Department ID:** A number used to identify the hunter by name and address, and to accumulate bonus points. A hunter may designate their social security number or a Department issued, computer-generated number.

**Game Management Unit:** An area established by the Commission for management purposes, commonly referred to as GMU or Unit (see maps on pages 75-81, and boundary definitions on page 101).

**Genus:** A major category in the classification of animals and plants ranking above the Species level and below the Family level.

**HAM:** Designates weapon type as handgun, archery, or muzzleloader.

**Hunt Area:** A game management unit (GMU or unit), portion of a unit, or group of units that is open to hunting by a particular hunt number.

**Hunt Number:** The number assigned by Commission Order to a hunt where a limited number of hunt permit-tags is available. The hunt number will specify species, dates, boundaries of the hunt area, weapon type, number of available permits, legal wildlife, and who may hunt. Hunt numbers are assigned for any species where hunt permit-tags are issued through a drawing.

**Hunt Permit-tag:** A tag for a hunt in which a Commission Order has assigned a hunt number. The number of tags is limited by the Commission Order and may only be obtained through a random drawing. A hunt permit-tag along with a license authorizes an individual to hunt a designated species during the designated hunt.

**Hunter Pool:** A computerized database comprised of individuals wishing to be considered for a restricted nonpermit-tag when a supplemental hunt is authorized. Entry into the hunter pool consists of completing an application (page 54) and submitting it along with the application fee to the Department.

**License Dealer:** A business authorized to sell Arizona hunting, fishing, and other licenses and stamps.

**Nonpermit-tag:** A tag for a hunt in which a Commission Order does not assign a hunt number and the number of tags is not limited (over-the-counter tag). A nonpermit-tag along with a license authorizes a hunter to hunt certain game species. A nonpermit-tag may be purchased at Department offices or from licensed dealers.

**Muzzleloading Handgun:** A firearm intended to be fired from the hand, incapable of firing fixed ammunition, having a single barrel and single chamber, loaded through the muzzle with black powder or synthetic black powder, and a single projectile.

**Muzzleloading Rifle:** A firearm intended to be fired from the shoulder, incapable of firing fixed ammunition, having a single barrel and single chamber, loaded through the muzzle with black powder or synthetic black powder, and a single projectile.

**Resident:** A person who has been a bona fide resident of the state of Arizona for six months immediately preceding the date of application for a license or a tag or a member of the armed forces who has been stationed in Arizona for a period of 30 days immediately preceding the date of application for a license or a tag.

**Restricted Nonpermit-tag:** A tag issued for a supplemental hunt.

**Season:** The legally established time a species can be hunted.

**Small Game:** Any of the following species: cottontail rabbits, tree squirrels, upland game birds (quail, blue grouse, chukar partridge, and pheasants), and migratory game birds (doves, waterfowl, sandhill crane, coots, gallinules, snipe, and band-tailed pigeons).

**Species:** A naturally existing population of similar organisms that usually interbreed only among themselves.

**Stamp:** A form of authorization in addition to a license that allows the license holder to take wildlife specified by the stamp. The form of the stamp may be an actual stamp affixed to the back of the license, a printed privilege on the license itself, or a printed privilege on a separate license form.

**Supplemental Hunt:** A season established for a particular species by the Commission for the following purposes: take of depredating wildlife, take of wildlife under an Emergency Season, or take of wildlife under a population management hunt. The Commission through Commission Order shall approve a season or seasons and prescribe a maximum number of restricted nonpermit-tags for specific species that the Director may authorize for issuance.

**Trapper Registration Number:** A trapper's registered number shall be issued by the Department and entered upon the trapping license at the time of purchase. A trapper's registration number is not transferable. All traps shall plainly be identified with the trapper registration number or the trapper's name and address.

# ***The North American Model of Wildlife Conservation***

## ***The untold story***

The North American Model of Wildlife Conservation is the world's most successful. No other continent retains as close to a complete compliment of native wildlife species. While other countries struggle to conserve the little they have left, we enjoy great abundance and diversity of native wildlife.

This is due, in large part, to forward-thinking early conservationists who saw the need to preserve wildlife and their habitats. Their efforts were the source of the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation, which strives to sustain wildlife species and habitats through sound science and active management.

### **Sportsmen's Role in Wildlife Conservation**

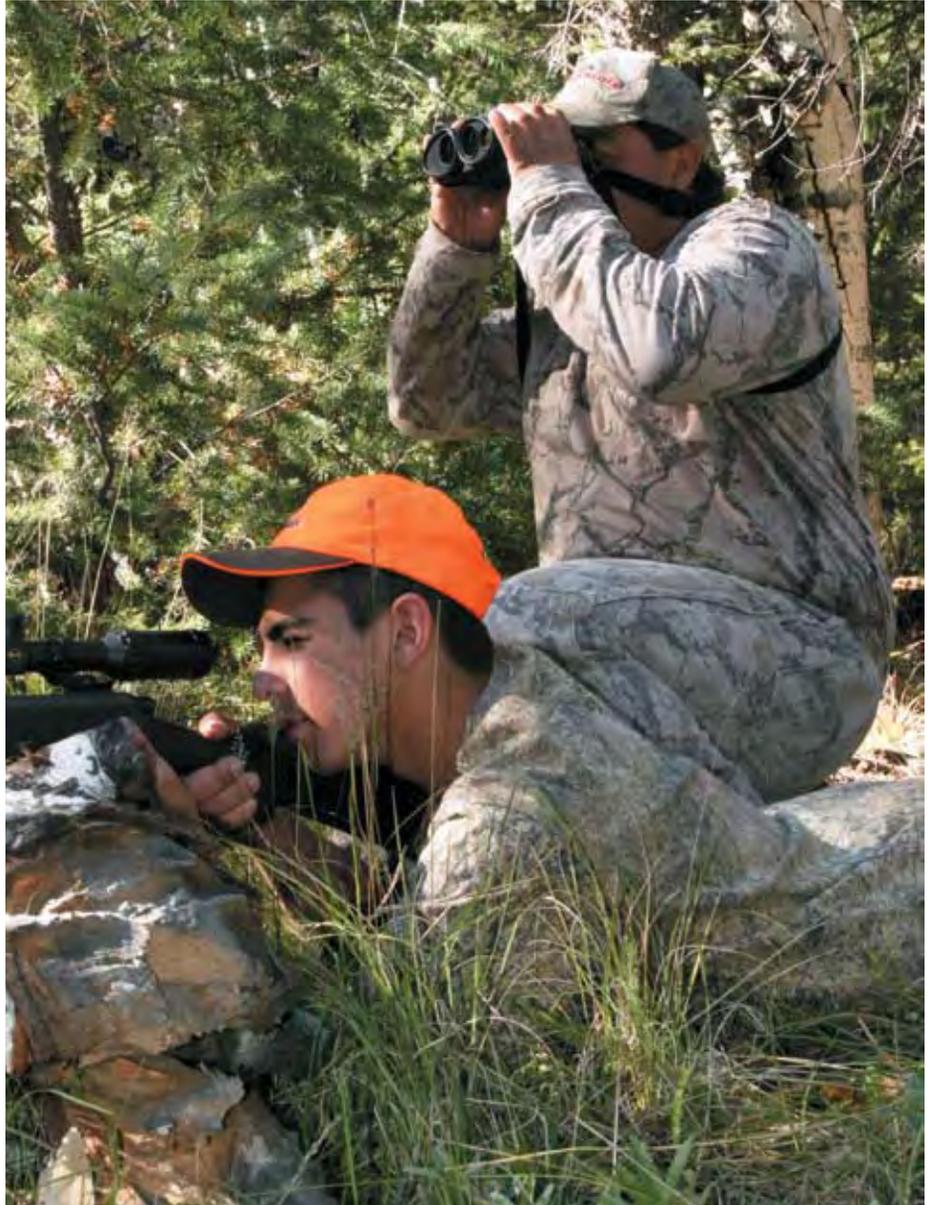
Hunting and angling are the cornerstones of the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation. These activities continue to be the primary source of funding for conservation efforts in North America. Through a 10 percent to 12 percent excise tax on hunting, angling and shooting sports equipment, hunters and anglers have generated more than \$10 billion toward wildlife conservation since 1937.

Though past conservation efforts have focused on hunted species, non-hunted species reap the rewards as well. Protecting wetlands for ducks, forests for deer and grasslands for pronghorn have saved countless non-hunted species from peril.

Regardless of whether one chooses to actively participate in hunting or angling, people interested in wildlife and its future should understand the conservation role sportsmen play.

### **What if Hunting Ends?**

Hunters and anglers actively support wildlife conservation through tangible actions such as buying licenses and paying taxes on hunting and fishing equipment.



Why are hunters and anglers so willing to support conservation through their pocketbooks? Because people place added value on — and are willing to pay for — what they can use.

In some states, the number of hunting and fishing licenses sold has remained stable in recent years. But given the rate of population growth, particularly in Western states, the percentage of people participating in hunting and fishing is actually decreasing.

There is no alternative funding system in place to replace the potential lost funds for conservation. If hunting ends, funding for wildlife conservation is in peril.

To learn more about hunting or participate in the wildlife conservation movement that has been lead by hunters for more than a century, visit any Arizona Game and Fish Department office or visit [www.azgfd.gov/hunting](http://www.azgfd.gov/hunting).

# Managing today for wildlife tomorrow.



## Arizona Sportsmen's Contributions\*

Little to no state general fund monies are used for wildlife conservation in Arizona (general taxpayers usually do not pay for wildlife conservation). The state's sportsmen, however, do contribute:

- Arizona hunters and anglers spend \$1.3 billion a year.
- Their spending directly supports 21,000 jobs and generates \$124 million in state and local taxes. This especially benefits rural communities.
- Sportsmen support nearly twice as many jobs in Arizona as Raytheon, one of the state's largest employers (21,000 jobs vs. 11,000 jobs).
- Annual spending by Arizona sportsmen is nearly three times more than the combined revenues of The Go Daddy Group, Sprouts Farmers Market and Cold Stone Creamery, which are some of the state's fastest growing companies (\$1.3 billion vs. \$481 million).
- The economic stimulus of hunting and fishing equates to \$3.8 million a day being pumped into the state's economy.

\*"Hunting and Fishing: Bright Stars of the American Economy ~ A force as big as all outdoors" (2007). Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation.

## ARIZONA CORE CONCEPTS OF THE NORTH AMERICAN MODEL OF WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

### ***Wildlife is Held in the Public Trust***

The public trust doctrine means that wildlife belongs to everyone. Through shared ownership and responsibility, opportunity is provided to all.

### ***Regulated Commerce in Wildlife***

Early laws banning commercial hunting and the sale of meat and hides ensure sustainability through regulation of harvest and regulating commerce of wildlife parts.

### ***Hunting and Angling Laws are Created Through Public Process***

Hunting seasons, harvest limits and penalties imposed for violations are established through laws and regulations. Everyone has the opportunity to shape the laws and regulations applied in wildlife conservation.

### ***Hunting and Angling Opportunity for All***

Opportunity to participate in hunting, angling and wildlife conservation is guaranteed for all in good standing, not by social status or

privilege, financial capacity or land ownership. This concept ensures a broad base of financial support and advocacy for research, monitoring, habitat conservation and law enforcement.

### ***Hunters and Anglers Fund Conservation***

Hunting and fishing license sales and excise taxes on hunting and fishing equipment pay for management of all wildlife, including wildlife species that are not hunted.

### ***Wildlife is an International Resource***

Proper stewardship of wildlife and habitats is both a source of national pride and an opportunity to cooperate with other nations with whom we share natural resources. Cooperative management of migrating waterfowl is one example of successful international collaboration.

### ***Science is the Basis for Wildlife Policy***

The limited use of wildlife as a renewable natural resource is based on sound science. We learn as we go, adapting our management strategies based on monitoring to achieve sustainability.



**"WE ABUSE LAND BECAUSE WE REGARD IT AS A COMMODITY BELONGING TO US. WHEN WE SEE LAND AS A COMMUNITY TO WHICH WE BELONG, WE MAY BEGIN TO USE IT WITH LOVE AND RESPECT."**

*ALDO LEOPOLD*

## **Sportsmen ethics and responsibilities**

Please observe the following when using private, State Trust or public lands:

- Do not drive on wet and muddy roads where damage to the road is likely.
- You may not operate a motorized vehicle cross-country except for the sole purpose of retrieving downed big game on State Trust land (A.R.S. 17-454).
- Do not hunt near livestock waters where livestock is nearby; harassment of livestock is illegal.
- Treat the lands as if they were yours; any damages to the land or vegetation can take decades to recover! Certain damages to the lands or improvements are subject to prosecution (A.R.S. 13-1601 through 1605).
- It is misdemeanor trespass if you cross private property that is posted no trespass (A.R.S. 13-1501 through 1508).
- It is illegal to camp within 1/4 mile of livestock and/or wildlife watering sources (A.R.S. 17-308).
- Remember, you must have a valid hunting or fishing license and be actively hunting or fishing, or have obtained a use permit from the State Land Department, to legally use State Trust lands unless using a public easement (A.R.S. 37-501, 502; R12-5-533D).
- Be respectful of others. They possess the same rights as you to use the lands.

*If you observe vandalism violations, please call 1 (800) VANDALS. To report hunt violations, call the Operation Game Thief Hotline 1 (800) 352-0700; all calls are confidential. To learn more about the Arizona Game and Fish Department's Heritage Access Program or to get involved, call (623) 236-7624.*

## **Ethical hunting is everyone's business**

Tree stands and blinds near waterholes can be exciting places to encounter wildlife and are legal tools to aid in your hunting experience and enjoyment. However, if you have ever hunted from a tree stand or blind on a waterhole, you've probably encountered other hunters wanting to hunt the same area. You may even have had a negative encounter with another hunter when deciding who was going to stay and hunt. Here are some important tips, ethically speaking, to keep in mind when planning to hunt around a waterhole on public land:

- Waterholes on public and state lands belong to everyone, and everyone should enjoy free and equal access.
- Responsible hunters should respect other hunters' privileges. They should leave the area if another hunter gets to a waterhole first.
- Ethically responsible hunters will always yield to another hunter who has reached the waterhole first on any given morning or evening during the hunt.
- Simply posting a sign/notice on or near a waterhole does not give anyone the exclusive right to hunt that waterhole; the hunter actually needs to be present.
- Hanging a tree stand near a waterhole does not entitle a person to exclusive hunting rights to that waterhole. It may be unlawful to leave tree stands hanging or blinds set for extended periods of time. They may be considered abandoned property and subject to seizure.

"First Come – First Served" is a common courtesy that should be used when more than one person wants to hunt the same area or waterhole, regardless of who has a tree stand or blind in the area. The Arizona Game and Fish Department reminds all hunters that confrontations in hunting situations can involve firearms and hot tempers. Whether you are in the city or next to a waterhole, any threats, intimidation, assault, or disorderly conduct can result in citations, arrests and/or jail time. Please do not allow yourself to get into a situation like that – ethical hunting is everyone's business.

## License Information

### Who Can Go?

Everyone needs a license to hunt wildlife in Arizona. You need in your possession a valid hunt or combination hunt and fish license, plus any required hunt permit-tags, nonpermit-tags, or stamps. A Class H Three-Day Non-resident Hunting License is not valid for big game.

**YOUNG HUNTERS** – Anyone 14 years of age or older needs a license to hunt wildlife in Arizona. You need in your possession a valid hunt or combination hunt and fish license, plus any required hunt permit-tags, nonpermit-tags or stamps.

A person under 14 may hunt wildlife other than big game without a license only when accompanied by a properly licensed person 18 years or older. No more than two unlicensed children may accompany any license holder.

No one under the age of 14 may take big game without having completed a Hunter Education Course. No one under age 10 may hunt big game in Arizona. To hunt big game, anyone 10 to 13 years of age must have in their possession a valid hunt or combination hunt and fish license, a valid Hunter Education Course completion card, plus any required permit-tags, nonpermit-tags and stamps.

### Where to Buy Licenses

Arizona hunting licenses can be obtained from license dealers throughout the state or from any Arizona Game and Fish Department office (see locations on page 3 of this booklet).

A list of license dealers can be found at [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).

If you are applying for a big game draw or bonus points, you may purchase your general hunt or combination hunt and fish license while you are entering your application for the draw. The license will not be mailed until the draw is completed. Family Licenses, Super Conservation Licenses, and Child Hunting and Combination Licenses **may not be obtained through the draw**; these licenses must be purchased at department offices.

### Lifetime License Holders

If a lifetime license holder changes resident status from Arizona, the licensee must then purchase non-resident stamps, tags, and permits. A non-resident tag or stamp can accompany your

lifetime resident license. If you are a lifetime license holder who has moved out of state, the 10 percent non-resident cap does not apply to you. The lifetime license will remain legal for the taking of all wildlife as permitted by law. Residency may be re-established after moving back to Arizona and meeting the required time period as set forth by law. Consult A.R.S. 17-335.01 for additional information.

### Residency Requirements

A resident is a person who has been a bona fide resident of the state of Arizona for six months immediately preceding the date of application for a license or a tag or a member of the armed forces who has been stationed in Arizona for a period of 30 days immediately preceding the date of application for a license or a tag.

Arizona residents may purchase a resident license. All other individuals must purchase a non-resident license.

### Three-Day Non-Resident License

A Class H, Three-Day Non-resident license, valid for the taking of small game, fur-bearing animals, predatory animals, nongame animals, nongame birds, upland game birds and migratory game birds, except ducks, geese and swans is available at all license dealers. This license is not valid for hunting big game nor is it valid when applying for big game hunts through the draw process.

### Lost License or Tag Replacement

Lost licenses, hunt permit-tags and nonpermit-tags may be replaced for a fee at any Arizona Game and Fish Department license dealer. Consult R12-4-103 Duplicate Tags and Licenses for additional information. Stamps cannot be replaced, they must be repurchased.

### Physically Challenged Hunters

Those hunters who are physically challenged may qualify for a Challenged Hunter Access/Mobility Permit (CHAMP). Consult R12-4-217 for a description of this permit. Contact any Arizona Game and Fish Department office for additional information and application.

### Non-US Citizens Wanting to Hunt in Arizona

Pursuant to new regulations by the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), non-immigrant aliens who want to temporarily import firearms and/or ammunition into the United States for the allowable purpose of taking wildlife will need an ATF import permit and valid hunting license in possession at the time of entry/import into the United States. For further information or to make application for the import permit, contact ATF's Firearms and Explosives Import Branch at (202) 927-8320, or download an application from the ATF Web site at [www.atf.treas.gov](http://www.atf.treas.gov).

### Tag Transfers

Under Arizona Revised Statutes and Arizona Game and Fish Commission Rules there are ways people can transfer big game tags to children.

A parent, grandparent or legal guardian may allow the parent's, grandparent's or guardian's minor child or minor grandchild to use the parent's, grandparent's or guardian's big game permit or tag to take big game pursuant to the following requirements:

- The minor child is 10 to 17 years old on the date of transfer;
- The minor child has a valid hunting or combination license on the date of transfer
- A minor child less than 14 years old has satisfactorily completed a department-approved hunter education course by date of transfer.
- The parent or guardian must accompany the child in the field or, if a grandparent allows a minor grandchild to use the grandparent's permit or tag, the grandparent, parent or the child's guardian must accompany the child in the field. In either case, the adult must be within 50 yards of the child when the animal is taken.

Once a tag is transferred, the original permittee may no longer use it.

A person may transfer his or her game tag for use by a child with a life threatening medical condition. Consult A.R.S. 17-332 for more information.

# Hunt Permit-tag and License Fee Information

**The fees listed on this page are valid for 2008 hunts. Please refer to Notes below.**

LICENSES	RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT	YOUTH/CHILD
General Hunting (Class G)	\$32.25	\$151.25	\$15.00 <sup>1</sup> (not available through the draw)
Combination Hunt and Fish (Class F)	\$54.00	\$225.75	\$20.00 <sup>1</sup> (not available through the draw)
Combination Hunt and Fish (Class F)			\$26.50 <sup>2</sup>
Three-Day Hunting (Class H) – not valid for big game	NA	\$61.25	–
Super Conservation Hunting (Class M)	See page 11	NA	–
Super Conservation Combination Hunt and Fish (Class N)	See page 11	NA	–
Family General Hunting (Class J)	See page 11	NA	See page 11
Family Combination Hunt and Fish (Class K)	See page 11	NA	See page 11
Trapping	\$30.00	\$275.00	\$10.00 <sup>3</sup>
Sport Falconry	\$87.50	\$87.50	–
HUNT PERMIT-TAGS	RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT	YOUTH
<b>Obtained only through application and drawing procedures, price shown includes \$7.50 application fee.</b>			
Bonus Point	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$7.50
Deer Hunt Permit-tag	\$42.25	\$232.75	\$32.50 <sup>4</sup>
Antelope Hunt Permit-tag	\$85.00	\$485.00	–
Elk Hunt Permit-tag	\$121.50	\$595.00	\$57.50 <sup>4</sup>
Turkey Hunt Permit-tag	\$25.50	\$77.75	\$17.50 <sup>4</sup>
Javelina Hunt Permit-tag	\$28.75	\$105.00	\$22.50 <sup>4</sup>
Bighorn Sheep Hunt Permit-tag <sup>5</sup>	\$272.50	\$1,407.50	–
Buffalo – Bull or Any Hunt Permit-tag	\$1,095.00	\$5,452.25	–
Buffalo – Cow Hunt Permit-tag	\$659.50	\$3,262.75	–
Buffalo – Cow or Yearling Hunt Permit-tag	\$659.50	\$3,262.75	–
Buffalo – Yearling Hunt Permit-tag	\$362.75	\$1,754.75	–
Bear Hunt Permit-tag <sup>5</sup>	\$29.75	\$245.00	–
Sandhill Crane Hunt Permit-tag (2 tags)	\$22.50	\$22.50	–
Pheasant Hunt Permit-tag (2 tags)	\$7.50	\$7.50	–
NONPERMIT-TAGS	RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT	YOUTH
<b>These tags may be purchased over-the-counter at any Arizona Game and Fish Department office or license dealers.</b>			
Archery Deer Nonpermit-tag <sup>6</sup>	\$34.75	\$225.25	–
Elk Nonpermit-tag <sup>7</sup>	\$114.00	\$587.50	–
Juniors Only Turkey Nonpermit-tag <sup>7</sup>			\$10.00
Fall Archery Turkey Nonpermit-tag	\$18.00	\$70.25	–
Fall Bear Nonpermit-tag <sup>5</sup>	\$22.25	\$237.50	–
Mountain Lion Nonpermit-tag <sup>5</sup>	\$14.50	\$225.00	–
Bobcat Permit-tag (For sale or export) <sup>7</sup>	\$3.00	\$3.00	–
STAMPS	RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT	YOUTH
Unit 12A (North Kaibab) Habitat Stamp	\$15.00	\$15.00	–
Migratory Bird Stamp	\$4.50	\$4.50	\$4.50 <sup>8</sup>
State Waterfowl Stamp	\$8.75	\$8.75	\$8.75 <sup>8</sup>
Federal Waterfowl Stamp	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00 <sup>8</sup>
DUPLICATE LICENSES, TAGS AND STAMPS: CONTACT THE ARIZONA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT			

## Notes:

- For children at least age 10 during the license year, but less than age 14. **These licenses may not be purchased through the big game draw.** The Child General Hunting (Class G) and Child Combination Hunt and Fish (Class F) licenses are valid for both residents and non-residents and may only be purchased at Arizona Game and Fish Department offices.
- For youth less than 21 years of age. Youth Combination Hunt and Fish license fees apply before and throughout the calendar year of their 20th birthday. The Youth Class F license is valid for both residents and non-residents. This license may be purchased through a big game draw.
- For youth 14-17 years of age. Youth license is valid for both residents and non-residents.
- Permit-Tag fees are for "Juniors-Only" designated hunts. If (–) is listed, use respective resident or non-resident fees. **If a person is applying for a Juniors-Only hunt and a regular hunt on the same application, the higher of the tag fees must be enclosed.**
- Mandatory physical check-in.
- Mandatory harvest reporting.
- Not available at license dealers.
- Youth, less than 16 years of age, are not required to purchase a state migratory bird stamp, state waterfowl stamp, or a federal waterfowl stamp.

## Family and Super Conservation Licenses

The Family and Super Conservation licenses are designed to help you maximize your recreational dollar. See the cost-saving breakdowns below to determine what license packages are best for you.

### FAMILY LICENSES – only available at Department offices, not through the draw

These are great values for married couples and parents with children under age 18. The first adult pays full license price, a legal spouse receives a 20-percent discount, and license fees are greatly discounted for every child in the immediate family under age 18. **These licenses may not be obtained through the big game draw.**

*Eligibility:* Residents only. Licenses may be purchased at any Game and Fish office. Family licenses may be issued to members of an immediate family residing in the same household. Immediate family means one adult, or two adults who are married to each other, and their children under age 18, including adoptive children, stepchildren, foster children, and other children for whom they are legal guardians.

Family License Class <sup>3</sup>	What It Includes	Primary Adult <sup>1</sup>	Legal Spouse	Each Child <sup>2</sup>	Family of 4 Total Price
<b>Hunting (Class J)</b>	General Hunt license	\$ 32.25	\$ 25.80	\$ 15.00	\$ 88.05 (Save \$29)
<b>Combo Hunt and Fish (Class K)</b>	Combo Hunt and Fish license	\$ 54.00	\$ 43.20	\$ 20.00	\$137.20 (Save \$24)

### SUPER CONSERVATION LICENSES – only available at Department offices, not through the draw

These super package deals combine multiple licenses, stamps and tags to create outstanding values for avid anglers and hunters. **These licenses may not be obtained through the big game draw.**

*Eligibility:* Residents only. The Super Conservation Hunt and Super Conservation Combination Hunt and Fish licenses are available to residents only, and may only be purchased at Game and Fish offices.

Super Conservation License Class	What It Includes	Resident	Non-resident
<b>Super Hunting (Class M)<sup>3,4</sup></b>	General Hunt license, Unit 12A (North Kaibab) Habitat stamp, state waterfowl stamp and state migratory bird stamp privileges. Also includes over-the-counter archery deer, fall archery turkey, fall bear and mountain lion tags.	\$ 118.00 (Save \$37)	not available
<b>Super Combination Hunt and Fish (Class N)<sup>3,4</sup></b>	General Fish license (Class A), Urban Fish license (Class U), trout stamp, and General Hunt license, Unit 12 A (North Kaibab) Habitat stamp, state waterfowl stamp, state migratory bird stamp, over-the-counter archery deer, fall archery turkey, fall bear and mountain lion tags.	\$163.00 (Save \$50)	not available

#### Notes:

1. A Primary Adult license must be purchased before a spouse or child license can be issued.
2. A Child is defined as at least age 14 during the license year and under age 18 at the time of purchase. EXCEPT: when a license is purchased for the next calendar year, then the child must be under age 18 on Jan. 1 of the calendar year the license is being purchased for.
3. Super Conservation Hunt (Class M) and Super Conservation Combination Hunt and Fish (Class N) licenses, and Family licenses (Class J and K) can only be purchased at department offices. They cannot be purchased through the draw or at license dealers.
4. All stamps and tags included in the Super Conservation Licenses are only valid during the appropriate seasons, and in conjunction with the appropriate hunt permit-tag issued through the draw process. The North Kaibab Habitat Stamp is only valid if you are drawn for a Unit 12A deer hunt.

## Other Licenses Only Available at Arizona Game and Fish Offices

### LIFETIME LICENSES

Available only to Arizona residents. License valid for lifetime. Fee schedule varies by license type and age. For more information, visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov) and type "lifetime license" in the search box.

- General Fishing, Class A – valid all species except trout
- General Hunting, Class G
- Combo Hunt and Fish, Class F – valid all species
- Trout Stamp – validates Class A for taking of trout
- Wildlife Benefactor – includes Combo Hunt and Fish privileges

### COMPLIMENTARY LICENSES

Must meet criteria to qualify for free license that includes Combo Hunt and Fish and Urban Fishing privileges.

- **Pioneer**  
Person must be 70 years of age or older, plus 25 consecutive years as a bona fide Arizona resident immediately preceding application for license.
- **Disabled Veteran**  
Person must show certification from the Veteran's Administration confirming permanent service connected disabilities rated as 100% disabling, plus one or more consecutive years as a bona fide Arizona resident immediately preceding application for license.

# Draw Information

## The Draw

When the number of hunt permits for a species in a particular area must be limited to prevent over-harvest of wildlife, the Commission Order governing seasons for that species assigns a hunt number to a designated area, and a hunt permit-tag is required to take that species in that area. Hunt permit-tags are issued through a computerized random drawing. Big game tags not issued through the drawing process are nonpermit-tags. Nonpermit-tags may be purchased directly from Department offices or through license dealers, except for elk and Juniors Only turkey, which must be purchased at Department offices.

## Qualifications

Individuals wishing to participate in a drawing or to purchase bonus points must apply in writing using the Hunt Permit-Tag Application Form.

Each applicant must possess a valid license for the year in which the hunt will take place or possess a lifetime, pioneer or disabled veteran's license. Non-resident Three-Day Class H licenses may not be used in applying for big game hunt permit-tags. **Youth applying for big game hunts must be licensed.** Applicants not licensed for the year in which the hunt will take place must submit the information and fees required for a license on **each** paper application submitted. Only one license will be issued to you and you will receive a refund for the other license fees submitted. The license will not be mailed until the draw is completed.

## Applying For A Hunt

Paper applications for hunt permit-tags must be made on Hunt Permit-Tag Application Forms available at Department offices, Web site, and license dealers. Please use the current year's application form, that is **WHITE** in color. **Do not cut or alter application form.** Applications not prepared in a legible manner may be deemed not valid and shall be rejected as specified in R12-4-104(D). Use standard blue or black ink (no gel ink).

No more than four people may apply in one envelope. All applicants in a group must apply for the same hunt number(s) and in the same order of preference on the same form.

No person may submit more than one valid application per genus of wildlife in any calendar year, except as specified in R12-4-104(L), when genera are drawn in multiple drawings.

No more than one genus may be included on each Hunt Permit-Tag Application Form. Use a separate form and envelope for each genus of wildlife you wish to hunt. You can list a general hunt as your first choice and another weapons type hunt for the same genus as another choice on the same application—just be sure they are in the same numerical series. Use only one application per genus, even if you are mixing weapons choices.

**Only a single application and the correct fees must be included in one (1) envelope. More than one (1) application in an envelope may result in rejection of all applications.**

## Hunt Permit, Bonus Points Disclaimer

The issuance of any big game permit has no express or implied guarantee or warranty of hunter success. Any person holding a valid permit assumes the risk that circumstances beyond the control of the Arizona Game and Fish Department may prevent the permit holder from using the permit. In such situations, the Arizona Game and Fish Department disclaims any responsibility to reissue or replace a permit, to reinstate bonus points or to refund any fees, except under specific circumstances, such as activation of military or emergency personnel, as stated in R12-4-107.

## Fees

When submitting paper applications, each applicant shall enclose the following fees:

1. The fee for the appropriate hunt permit-tag, which includes the permit application fee.
2. Fee for a hunting license, if a license is requested. Be sure to enclose license fees on **each** application, if required, for each person who is applying on the application for a hunting license.
3. **Discounted hunt permit-tag fees are for "Juniors-Only" designated hunts. If a person is applying for a Juniors-Only hunt and a regular hunt on the same application, the higher of the tag fees must be enclosed.**

Each payment enclosed with a hunt permit-tag application shall be made by certified check, cashier's check, money order, or personal check or draft payable to the Arizona Game and Fish Department. Cash will not be accepted and will result in rejection.

One personal check or money order can cover all fees for the application.

The permit and license fees are specified in the fee schedule on pages 12-13. The hunt permit-tag fees on page 12 include the non-refundable application fee.

A \$25 fee will be charged for each returned or dishonored check.

## Submitting Applications

Applications (except first-come, sandhill crane, pheasant, and raptor applications) may be hand-delivered to Department offices in Phoenix, Mesa, Tucson, Flagstaff, Pinetop, Kingman or Yuma. Mailed applications must be sent only to the Department's Phoenix Office at P.O. Box 52002, Phoenix, AZ 85072-2002. On deadline days, Department business offices close at 5:00 p.m. (MST), but applications can be delivered to drop boxes until 7:00 p.m., (MST). Drop boxes are locked promptly at 7:00 p.m., (MST). All applications must be received by the Department before the deadline. Deadlines for submission are specified in the Hunt Permit-Tag Application Schedule on page 18. Postmarks don't count.

**Complete and proper preparation of an application is the sole responsibility of the applicant.**

## What Happens To My Application?

Any application not properly prepared, submitted with insufficient fees or one that is illegible is not valid and will be rejected.

If there is an error that will result in the rejection of an application and the application is received by the Department on or before Thursday, May 29, 2008, we will make three attempts within a 24-hour period to notify you by telephone if a phone number is provided. If we are able to contact you by phone and our customer service representatives can correct the application at that time, they will do so and enter the application in the Draw. If an error cannot

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be corrected by phone, we will still attempt to notify you of the error and advise you to re-submit your application. The applicants may then prepare a new Hunt Permit-Tag Application Form, include the appropriate fees and re-apply by the scheduled deadline date.

If any applicant in a group is rejected for any reason, all other applicants in that group will also be rejected.

No hunt permit-tag will be issued to anyone in a group if there are not sufficient hunt permit-tags available for all applicants in that group.

Hunt permit-tags will be mailed to each successful applicant.

### What If I'm Not Drawn?

Please use one of the methods (telephone or Internet) described on page 5 to access draw results. These methods of access shall serve as the official notification of draw results.

Over-payments and hunt permit-tag fees received with unsuccessful applications will be returned to applicant "A," as shown on the Hunt Permit-Tag Application Form. Application and license fees will not be refunded. You will not be issued or charged for more than one license.

If you or a member of your group elected to donate your fees or a portion thereof, the donation will not be refunded. A hunting license is required to apply in a drawing. If an application is rejected and a license has been requested, the license will not be issued.

Unsuccessful, valid applications will be awarded bonus points.

Big game hunt permit-tags remaining after the drawing will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis as specified in the hunt permit-tag application schedule on page 18.

### Purchasing A Bonus Point Only

In the event you do not wish to participate in a big game drawing for deer, turkey, javelina, bighorn sheep or buffalo but still wish to accumulate bonus points for these genus, you may "purchase a bonus point."

When completing your application, you must choose the bonus point hunt number established for that genus as your first choice. A bonus point hunt number is established within each applicable Commission Order. If you choose this hunt number, you may not choose any other hunt number on your application. **If the bonus point hunt number is any choice other than the first choice or any other hunt**

**numbers appear on the application, your application will be rejected.** You may purchase only one bonus point per genus per drawing.

To purchase a bonus point, you must have previously purchased a hunting license or apply for a hunting license through the draw for the year in which the hunt will take place. You must also include the application fee per applicant. If applying for a bonus point, your application will **NOT** be entered into the draw and you will not receive a refund on the license fee or the application fee. Do not include the fee for the hunt permit-tag for the genus in which you are applying for the bonus point. **A bonus point purchase costs you only the license fee (if needed) and the \$7.50 application fee per applicant.**

If you apply for a bonus point only using the established bonus point hunt number, you may **NOT** submit another application for the same genus. To do so will cause both applications to be rejected as duplicate applications.

All applicants in a group must apply for the same established bonus point hunt number. The application will not be included in the random number drawing and the individual(s) on the application will each receive a bonus point for that genus.

# How to Apply for the Draw

## Completing Your Paper Hunt Permit-tag Application Form

**R12-4-104 explains application and drawing procedures in detail. Complete and proper preparation of an application is the sole responsibility of the applicant. If any applicant in the group fails to complete any required portion of the application, all applicants in the group will be rejected.**

Numbered paragraphs correspond to numbers circled on the SAMPLE form, use it to assist you in completing your form, which can be found online, at any license dealer or department office.

**1** Enter the hunt number(s) of the hunt(s) in which you wish to participate. The hunt number will indicate the genus (deer, turkey, etc.) and area you want to hunt. **Do not use the Game Management Unit Number.** Hunt numbers are listed in the far left column of each Commission Order. Deer hunts are in the 1000 series, turkey hunts are in the 4000 series, etc. All hunt numbers on an application must be in the same series. **YOU CANNOT MIX HUNT SERIES NUMBERS, BUT YOU CAN MIX WEAPON TYPES WITHIN A SERIES.** You must submit a separate application for each genus (series). No more than five hunt choices can be requested. You may request fewer. You do not have to fill in all the blocks. Do not repeat any choices. You may only apply for either a bonus point or a valid hunt number for any genus, NOT both.

**2** Enter your correct date of birth (mm/dd/yyyy).

**3** Enter your Social Security Number. In accordance with Federal Requirement, 42 U.S.C. Section 666 (A)(13) and A.R.S. 25-320 (N) and 25-502 (K), you **must** provide your valid Social Security Number in the space provided. This is kept on file with the Arizona Department of Economic Security for use in identifying and tracking child support offenders. Any invalid SSN will result in rejection. If you are not a U.S. citizen you must write "NOT US CITIZ" in the Social Security field. If you are not a U.S. citizen, you must obtain a Department I.D. Number prior to submitting and enter it on the application. See #6. You may obtain a Department issued ID number by calling (602) 942-3000 during business hours.

<b>1</b>							
First Choice Hunt Number	Second Choice Hunt Number	Third Choice Hunt Number	Fourth Choice Hunt Number	Fifth Choice Hunt Number			
<b>APPLICANT A</b>							
Date of Birth (m m) (d d) (y y y y)		Federal Requirement: Social Security Number		Check One			
<b>2</b>		<b>3</b>		Non-resident <input type="checkbox"/>			
Arizona Hunting License Number (must include the 2 letter prefix)		Department I.D. Number if different from SSN		<b>4</b>			
<b>5</b>		<b>6</b>		Resident <input type="checkbox"/>			
Last Name		First		M.I.			
<b>7</b>							
Address <i>(must use home mailing address)</i>							
City		State	Zip Code				
<b>8</b>							
<b>SIGN ON LINE BELOW</b>							
Signature (Must be signed by or for Applicant A) <b>X</b> <b>9</b>							
<b>Complete Only To Apply For A Hunt License</b>		Sex	Weight	Height Ft.   In.	Hair	Eyes	AZ Residency Yrs.   Mos.
<b>16</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
Class G Hunting	Res	A <input type="checkbox"/>	Class G Hunting	Non-Res	D <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No license refund will be issued if you are not drawn.</b>	
Class F Hunt/Fish	Res	B <input type="checkbox"/>	Class F Hunt/Fish	Non-Res	E <input type="checkbox"/>		
Class F Youth Hunt/Fish	Res	C <input type="checkbox"/>	Youth Hunt/Fish	Non-Res	F <input type="checkbox"/>		

*In order to participate in the draw, you must have or apply for a license. If you are not licensed at the time you submit your Hunt Permit-tag Application Form, you must apply for a license on each application you submit by completing the license portion of the application form. The license fee must be included with each application. See the applicable hunt regulations for license fees.*

**4** Check the appropriate resident or non-resident box. Resident means a person who has been a bona fide resident of the state of Arizona for six months immediately preceding the date of application, or a member of the Armed Forces who has been stationed in Arizona for a period of 30 days immediately preceding the date of application for a license.

**5** Enter your valid Arizona hunting license number for the year in which the hunt for which you are applying occurs. The hunting license number consists of two letters and six numbers. You may purchase a license through the draw by completing the License Application Form on the bottom of the application and submitting payment with each of your applications if you are not licensed.

**6** Enter your Department I.D. Number (formerly called Sportsman I.D.). This number is for those individuals who choose to use a Department issued I.D. Number instead of a social security number to track bonus points

or for non-U.S. citizens. This is a permanent number and is to be used on all hunt applications. Your I.D. Number (if different from SSN) is vital to track your bonus points and to ensure that you receive the proper credits. Using a different number may result in your not receiving proper bonus point credits. An I.D. Number may be obtained by calling the Department. You **must** still provide a valid SSN even if you provide a valid Department I.D. Number. See #3.

**7** Enter your correct full name (last name first), home mailing address, city, state and zip code.

**8** The Department will make three attempts within a 24-hour period to notify you of errors that will result in the rejection of your application if the application is received on or before Thursday, May 29, 2008. If you wish to participate in this service, please list a telephone number where you can be reached. You are not required

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to enter your telephone number.

9 Each individual applying, or an appointed individual, must sign the appropriate application section.

### COMPLETE 10-16 ONLY IF APPLYING FOR A LICENSE.

10 Enter M for Male, F for Female.

11 Enter your weight in pounds.

12 Enter your height in feet and inches.

13 Enter the appropriate abbreviation for hair color:

- |              |             |
|--------------|-------------|
| BLD - Bald   | BLK - Black |
| BLN - Blonde | BRN - Brown |
| GRY - Gray   | RED - Red   |
| SDY - Sandy  | WHT - White |

14 Enter the appropriate abbreviation for eye color:

- BLK - Black BLU - Blue BRN - Brown  
GRN - Green GRY - Gray HZL - Hazel

15 Enter the number of years and/or months that you have been a resident of Arizona. (See page 16, Completing Your Hunt Permit-Tag Application Form, # 4, to determine if you qualify.) No entry is required here for a non-resident applicant.

16 Check the box next to the license type which you wish to purchase. **If you are requesting a license on more than one application, you must specify the same class of license on each application and include the license fee with each application. You will not be issued or charged for more than one license.** If you

are not licensed for the year in which the hunt will occur, you must complete the License Application Form for each genus applied for and include payment for a license with each application. If you are drawn for more than one genus, only one license will be issued in your name. If you are not drawn, you will be refunded only the hunt permit-tag fee. You must possess or purchase a license to participate in a drawing or to purchase a bonus point. No refunds will be issued for license or application fees if you apply in a drawing and are unsuccessful in the drawing. **If you do not check the box next to the license type you wish to purchase, your application will be rejected.**

## Help Arizona's Big Game Species: Donate to the Big Game Habitat Fund

Arizona's array of big game species is one of the most diverse in the nation. By contributing to the Big Game Habitat Fund, you become our partner in conservation, helping the Arizona Game and Fish Department improve wildlife habitat across the state.

Funds derived from hunter donations are used to conduct habitat improvement projects for all of Arizona's big game species. To view some of the projects accomplished with these funds please visit our Web site at: [www.azgfd.gov/landowner](http://www.azgfd.gov/landowner).

You can become part of Arizona's success story by donating a portion of your refund to big game habitat projects. Do so by entering the amount of your donation in the space provided. This is a voluntary donation which will be deducted from your refund.

17 Enter the amount you wish to donate in this block. This donation will be subtracted from your refund if you are eligible for a refund.

17

If unsuccessful, I wish to donate \$ \_\_\_\_\_ from my refund to the Big Game Habitat Fund.

# Hunt Permit-tag Application Schedule – Fall 2008

Hunt permit-tag applications will be accepted and processed in accordance with R12-4-104 and R12-4-114 and this schedule.

<b>Drawing</b>					
	<b>ACCEPTANCE DATES<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>CORRECTION PERIOD<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>DEADLINE DATES<sup>3</sup></b>		
<b>HUNT</b>	<b>Applications accepted on or after:</b>	<b>Deadline 5 p.m. (MST) in Department offices</b>	<b>Deadline 7 p.m. (MST) in Department offices on:</b>	<b>Hunt permit-tags mailed out by (Archery Deer Tags will be mailed earlier):</b>	<b>Refund warrants mailed out by:</b>
Deer	(See notes 1, 2, 3)	May 29, 2008	June 10, 2008	Aug. 22, 2008	Sept. 5, 2008
Turkey	(See notes 1, 2, 3)	May 29, 2008	June 10, 2008	Aug. 22, 2008	Sept. 5, 2008
Javelina	(See notes 1, 2, 3)	May 29, 2008	June 10, 2008	Aug. 22, 2008	Sept. 5, 2008
Bighorn Sheep	(See notes 1, 2, 3)	May 29, 2008	June 10, 2008	Aug. 22, 2008	Sept. 5, 2008
Buffalo	(See notes 1, 2, 3)	May 29, 2008	June 10, 2008	Aug. 22, 2008	Sept. 5, 2008
Sandhill Crane	Aug. 4, 2008 <sup>4</sup>	N/A	Sept. 2, 2008 <sup>4</sup>	Sept. 22, 2008	N/A
Pheasant	July 7, 2008 <sup>4</sup>	N/A	July 22, 2008 <sup>4</sup>	Aug. 8, 2008	N/A
Raptor	Jan. 5, 2009 <sup>4</sup>	N/A	Feb. 3, 2009 <sup>4</sup>	Feb. 23, 2009	N/A

<b>First Come</b>	
	<b>Applications accepted by mail only on or after 8:00 a.m. (MST):</b>
<b>HUNT</b>	<b>ACCEPTANCE DATES</b>
Deer	Aug. 11, 2008 <sup>5, 6</sup>
Turkey	Aug. 11, 2008 <sup>5</sup>
Javelina	Aug. 11, 2008 <sup>5</sup>
Bighorn Sheep	Aug. 11, 2008 <sup>5</sup>
Buffalo	Aug. 11, 2008 <sup>5</sup>
Sandhill Crane	Sept. 22, 2008 <sup>4</sup>
Pheasant	Aug. 4, 2008 <sup>4</sup>
Raptor	March 2, 2009 <sup>4</sup>

## Notes:

- The Department will accept Hunt Permit-tag Applications for big game listed above as soon as the applicable year hunt information is available on the Department's Web site ([www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov)), or from any Game and Fish Department office or license dealer, unless otherwise noted in the Hunt Permit-tag Application schedule.
- If a paper Hunt Permit-tag Application that is submitted contains an

error and is received by May 29, 2008, the Department will make three attempts within a 24-hour period to notify the applicant by telephone (if a phone number is provided).

- Department offices at Flagstaff, Kingman, Mesa, Phoenix, Pinetop, Tucson and Yuma will close for business at 5:00 p.m. (MST); completed applications will be accepted at these locations until 7:00 p.m. (MST) on deadline days. No applications will be accepted after this time regardless of the postmark. Deadline dates may be extended in the event of a Department related system failure.
- Sandhill Crane, Pheasant and Raptor applications are accepted by mail at the following addresses: P.O. Box 52002, Phoenix, AZ 85072-2002; or at 5000 W. Carefree Highway, Phoenix, AZ 85086-5000. These applications may not be hand delivered to any Department office.
- First come permits are issued if available and will sell very quickly. Applicants are advised to check with the Department before submitting an application for leftover permits. A listing of leftover permits is available by telephone at (623) 236-7702, or online at [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).
- Applications for first come permits, if available for hunts on Camp Navajo or Fort Huachuca, must be submitted by U.S. mail only to, P.O. Box 52002, Phoenix, AZ 85072-2002.

# YOUTH

# OPPORTUNITIES

Welcome to the Youth Opportunity section in the Arizona Game and Fish Department's Hunting and Trapping Regulations. This section is designed to teach youth what they need to know about hunting: how to get started; what hunts are available for youth; and what licenses are required. We also included some fun stuff just for kids. We want to make hunting an enjoyable experience for Arizona's youth. For more information visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).



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**Arizona provides many opportunities for youth to get involved in hunting. There are specific Juniors-Only hunts, hunter education courses, small game camps, archery and sporting clays programs. You will find information about these opportunities in this section.**

## Special Youth Opportunities

### Robbins Butte Dove Hunt

Robbins Butte Wildlife Area (RBWA) is about seven miles southwest of Buckeye and comprises over 1600 acres. RBWA was purchased for its potential as waterfowl habitat. Three ponds were built in 1952 and by 1957 an estimated 30,000 ducks used these ponds. However, increased demand for agricultural water coupled with invasion of salt cedar trees led to dramatic waterfowl declines by 1960.

In response, the Department purchased the adjacent Black Butte Farm to expand RBWA. This land contained some of the last pristine honey mesquite bosque remaining along the lower Gila River. This acquisition protected the bosque, and provided cultivated grain crops for small game. The combination of wildlife food crops, natural foods and nesting habitat now attracts a combined average of 5,000 breeding white-winged and mourning doves each year.

A portion of RBWA is managed strictly for junior hunters. The "juniors only" hunt in early September gives hunters a chance to pursue doves without adult competition. Hunters under the age of 14 may hunt without a license when accompanied by a licensed adult (each adult can bring up to two young hunters). Shooting locations are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Participants must check in prior to hunting and check out when finished. Plan to arrive by 4:30 a.m. for a safety briefing. Afterward, visit the check-in tables and enjoy a free breakfast provided by the Chandler Rod and Gun Club. Oh, and don't forget to bring plenty of shells. This area can produce lots of chances to fill your bag. Please refer to the current Dove and Band-tailed Pigeon Regulations for specific season dates.

### Pheasant Hunt

Arizona's top hunter education graduates are randomly drawn each year for the AZGFD Youth Pheasant Hunt. While taking a hunter education



*A dove hunt at Robbins Butte is one opportunity available to youth.*

class instructors identify their top students and submit them for this random drawing conducted in December. About 500 kids are nominated each year and only 80 lucky hunters are drawn and invited to participate in an all expense paid youth pheasant hunt in Prescott Valley.

Young hunters shoot sporting clays and trap as well as hunt behind top quality pointing dogs that look for pheasants. It's an exciting moment when a cackling rooster pheasant takes flight in front of the young hunters.

A scrumptious lunch is provided for every one as well as a class on how to prepare rooster pheasants for the home table. This has proved to be a very positive event for both parents and young hunters. By attending Arizona's top-notch hunter education class maybe your young hunter might be one of the lucky ones drawn next year.

## Small Game Camps, Scholastic Clays and Archery

### Small Game Camps

The Arizona Game and Fish Department offers camps on hunting basics to individuals who are interested in hunting but may not know where to start. These hands-on workshops teach the skills necessary to successfully pursue the variety of small game found in Arizona. Both adults and youths are invited to participate. The camps include instruction and the opportunity to interact with experienced mentors and other camp participants. Attendees will learn information on firearm safety, hunting opportunities, game care, archery instruction and more. There will also be hands-on hunting opportunities. A schedule of upcoming camps will be announced at [www.azgfd.gov/smallgamecamps](http://www.azgfd.gov/smallgamecamps).

### Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP)

The Arizona Game and Fish Department Scholastic Clay Target Program is a team-based youth development program that uses the shotgun

sports to instill discipline, safety, teamwork, ethics, self-confidence and other life values. Team members can participate in any or all three clay target disciplines: trap, skeet and sporting clays. For more information, contact Ashley Lynch at (623) 236-7305 or visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov) and select Outdoor Recreation then Shooting Sports.

### Archery in the Schools Program (AIS)

The Arizona Game and Fish Department offers a popular Archery in the Schools Program based on a national physical education curriculum introduced in 2003. The core content covers archery, history, safety, techniques, equipment, mental concentration and self-improvement. In addition, the curriculum provides interesting and creative possibilities for integration with core content in social studies, mathematics, visual arts, history and English/language arts. The program provides school PE programs with training, equipment and curriculum, to introduce youth to archery. For more information, contact Denise Raum at (623) 236-7567.

# Crossword

See the solution on page 120.

## ACROSS

- 3** Warmblooded animals that breathe air and produce milk for their young.
- 5** A major category in the classification of animals.
- 6** One or more clues that an animal leaves behind.
- 11** An animal that hunts and eats other animals.
- 13** The animal in the Arizona Game and Fish Department's logo.
- 14** This man was the nation's first U.S. Forest Service Director.
- 15** The first three letters of the first three commandments of hunting safety.
- 17** You can find Gould's and Merriam's in Arizona.
- 19** A legally established time a species can be hunted.
- 21** June 10, 2008
- 24** This animal is not related to the pig family.
- 25** This man was the editor of "Forest and Stream" magazine for 35 years.
- 26** You have to complete this to participate in the draw.
- 27** The Department's official magazine.
- 28** A random computerized lottery to determine who will get hunt permit-tags.



## DOWN

- 1** Footprints left by an animal.
- 2** A male bighorn sheep.
- 4** This man wrote "A Sand County Almanac."
- 6** Animal droppings.
- 7** The place where an animal lives.



- 8** You need a bow and arrow for this activity.
- 9** You can take a \_\_\_\_\_ education class online.
- 10** This is what the Department seeks to conserve, enhance and restore.
- 12** This president formed the U.S. Forest Service.
- 16** This allows a person to hunt a designated species during a designated hunt. (three words)
- 18** Protection or management of natural resources.
- 19** Rabbits, squirrels and upland game birds are considered this.
- 20** A plant or animal living in Arizona

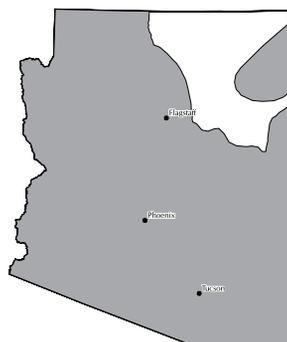
before people.

- 22** Elk, deer and bear are considered this.
- 23** An animal that is hunted or eaten for food.

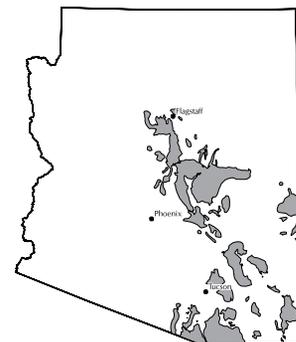


The Arizona Game and Fish Department is providing this section on juniors-only hunting to highlight the hunts for which junior hunters (defined below) have exclusive application opportunity. Some of these hunts have reduced fees. But juniors are not only limited to these hunts. Juniors may apply for other season hunts (beginning on page 34), but must include the higher fees when applying. If a junior chooses to apply with an adult, they are not eligible to apply for the hunts listed in the juniors-only seasons.

## Juniors-Only Deer Hunts



■ Mule Deer Distribution



■ White-tailed Deer Distribution

**For further information on deer, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).**

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS	
<b>License Required</b>	Any valid hunting or combination license except a Three-Day Hunting (Class H) (See tables on pages 12-13 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
<b>Eligible Hunters</b>	Persons are eligible to participate up to and throughout the calendar year of their 17th birthday, provided that persons between the ages 10 and 13 have satisfactorily completed a Hunter Education Course that is approved by the Director as per A.R.S. 17-335 (C).
<b>Tag Required</b>	Hunt Permit-tag obtained only through application and draw process as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. <b>EXCEPT</b> for Archery-Only deer: a hunt nonpermit-tag must be obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.
<b>Hunt Numbers Required</b>	When applying for big game hunt permit-tags, you must use hunt numbers.
<b>Legal Methods of Take</b>	<b>General Hunt:</b> Any firearm or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. <b>Muzzleloader Hunt:</b> Muzzleloading weapons as prescribed in R12-4-101 and R12-4-318, crossbow or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.
<b>Legal Animal Definition</b>	Antlered means having an antler fully erupted through the skin and capable of being shed. Antlerless means not having an antler, antlers, or any part thereof erupted through the skin, as defined in R12-4-101.
<b>Bag Limit</b>	One (1) deer per calendar year, except as prescribed in R12-4-120.
<p><i>To hunt deer in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a deer tag. To hunt deer during a General, Juniors-Only, Muzzleloader, or some Archery-Only seasons, you must apply through a draw for a hunt permit-tag. For other Archery-Only hunts, you may purchase a nonpermit-tag from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.</i></p> <p><i>The Department offers "Juniors-Only" designated hunts. If applying for a Juniors-Only Hunt, do not reapply for the same species with other applicants on a separate application. <b>If a person is applying for a Juniors-Only hunt and a regular hunt on the same application, the higher of the tag fees must be enclosed.</b></i></p>	

## Juniors-Only Deer Hunts

### Deer: Commission Order 2

#### JUNIORS-ONLY DEER

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1143	Oct 10 - Oct 19, 2008		10	Any antlered deer	100
1144	Nov 14 - Nov 17, 2008	(2,12,18)	Winter Range Hunt Area in Unit 12A West (NORTH KAIBAB HABITAT MANAGEMENT STAMP REQUIRED)	Antlerless deer	600
1145	Oct 10 - Oct 19, 2008	(6)	16A (except Mohave County Park Lands)	Any antlered deer	20
1146	Oct 10 - Oct 19, 2008		17B	Any antlered deer	60
1147	Nov 21 - Nov 30, 2008		18B	Any antlered deer	75
1148	Oct 10 - Oct 19, 2008		20A	Any antlered deer	100
1149	Nov 21 - Nov 30, 2008		20C	Any antlered deer	100
1150	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008		23	Any antlered deer	150
1151	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008		27	Any antlered deer	140
1152	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008	(6,11,22)	28, 29, 30A, 31, and 32	Any antlered deer	100
1153	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008		33	Any antlered deer	150
1154	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008		33	Any antlered deer	150
1155	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008	(6)	36A	Any antlered deer	50
1156	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008	(6)	36A	Any antlered deer	150
1157	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008	(6)	36B	Any antlered deer	50
1158	Nov 21 - Nov 30, 2008		42 (except White Tank Mountain Park)	Any antlered deer	75
----	Nov 8 - Nov 23, 2008	(9)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Designated deer	---
<b>Total</b>					<b>2070</b>

#### JUNIORS-ONLY (MUZZLELOADER) DEER

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1169	Dec 19 - Dec 31, 2008		16A (except Bill Williams National Wildlife Refuge and Mohave County Park Lands)	Any antlered deer	30
<b>Total</b>					<b>30</b>

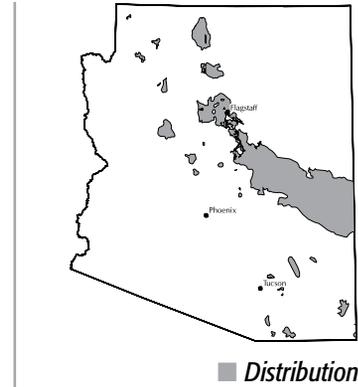
#### Deer Notes:

- A Unit 12A (North Kaibab) Habitat Management Stamp is required for all Unit 12A (North Kaibab) deer hunters. Stamps are available at a cost of \$15.00 at all Arizona Game and Fish Department offices or wherever hunting licenses are sold. All 12A North Kaibab deer hunters shall have this stamp attached to their hunting license. Stamps cannot be obtained through the draw process. Successful Unit 12A (North Kaibab) firearms deer hunters must check out and personally present their deer for inspection at the Jacob Lake Checking Station in accordance with R12-4-308. A check station will not be operated during the Unit 12A (North Kaibab) archery deer season.
- The Buenos Aires, Cibola, Imperial, and Kofa National Wildlife Refuges are open to deer hunting as permitted by refuge regulations; all other Refuges are closed.
- The Fort Huachuca Army Garrison in Unit 35A is open to deer hunting only to properly licensed military and Fort Huachuca civilian personnel holding a valid Fort Huachuca post hunting permit. Juniors only hunts are only open to properly licensed military and Fort Huachuca civilian dependents holding a valid Fort Huachuca post hunting permit. CHAMP hunts are open to the general public. Hunt numbers, season dates and/or special regulations must be obtained from Fort Huachuca. Increases in Force Protection may result in hunt cancellations at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled due to an increase in security, hunters drawn for these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to the Arizona Game and Fish Department by the published deadline.
- Hunter access in Units 29, 30A, 30B, and 32 is extremely restricted. Applicants should not apply for these units unless they have secured access.
- An "antlerless deer" is a deer, any age, without antlers.
- Winter Range Hunt Area in Unit 12A West - That portion of Unit 12A West located west of the following line: beginning at the junction of FR 22 (West Side road) and the Kaibab National Forest boundary; south on FR 22 to FR 462; southeasterly on FR 462 to the intersection of FR 462, FR 22, and FR 270; south on FR 270 to the Grand Canyon National Park boundary.
- Unit 31 and 32 hunts -- Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (as prescribed in R12-4-802) is allowed by permit only, available through the Safford Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. For more information, contact the Safford Field Office at (928) 348-4450 or [www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm](http://www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm).

### IT'S IMPORTANT!

Remember to return your hunter questionnaire.

# Juniors-Only Turkey Hunts



***For further information on turkeys, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).***

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS	
<b>License Required</b>	Any valid hunting or combination license except a Three-Day Hunting (Class H) (See tables on pages 12-13 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
<b>Eligible Hunters</b>	Persons are eligible to participate up to and throughout the calendar year of their 17th birthday, provided that persons between the ages 10 and 13 have satisfactorily completed a Hunter Education Course that is approved by the Director as per A.R.S. 17-335 (C).
<b>Tag Required</b>	Turkey nonpermit-tag obtained from a Department office.
<b>Legal Methods of Take</b>	<b>Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Hunt:</b> Any shotgun shooting shot as prescribed in R12-4-318 or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.
<b>Legal Animal Definition</b>	Any turkey
<b>Bag Limit</b>	One (1) turkey per calendar year, except as prescribed in R12-4-120.
<i>To hunt turkey in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a turkey tag. To hunt turkey during a Limited Weapon Shotgun-Shooting Shot Juniors-Only season, you may purchase a nonpermit-tag from a Department office.</i>	
<i>If you took a turkey during a spring hunt, you are not eligible to apply for a fall hunt.</i>	

## Turkey: Commission Order 5

### JUNIORS-ONLY NONPERMIT TAG REQUIRED (LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT) TURKEY

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 3 - Oct 9, 2008		1, 6A, 8, 10, 12A, 23, 27	Any turkey

# Juniors-Only Javelina Hunts



■ Distribution

**For further information on javelina, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).**

## LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

<b>License Required</b>	Any valid hunting or combination license except a Three-Day Hunting (Class H) (See tables on pages 12-13 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
<b>Eligible Hunters</b>	Persons are eligible to participate up to and throughout the calendar year of their 17th birthday, provided that persons between the ages 10 and 13 have satisfactorily completed a Hunter Education Course that is approved by the Director as per A.R.S. 17-335 (C).
<b>Tag Required</b>	Hunt Permit-tag obtained only through application and draw process as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114.
<b>Hunt Numbers Required</b>	When applying for big game hunt permit-tags, you must use hunt numbers.
<b>Legal Methods of Take</b>	<b>General Hunt:</b> Any firearm, crossbow, or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. <b>Muzzleloader Hunt:</b> Muzzleloading weapons as prescribed in R12-4-101 and R12-4-318, or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. <b>Archery-Only Hunt:</b> Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and/or crossbow as allowed under R12-4-216.
<b>Bag Limit</b>	One (1) javelina per calendar year, except as prescribed in R12-4-120.
<i>To hunt javelina in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a javelina tag. To hunt javelina in any season, you must apply for and obtain a hunt permit-tag through the draw.</i>	
<i>If you took a javelina during a spring hunt, you are not eligible to apply for a fall hunt.</i>	

## Javelina: Commission Order 6

<b>Hunt No.</b>	<b>5000</b>
	<b>BONUS POINT ONLY – See page 15 and see Note 8 on page 26 (No other hunt number may be chosen in conjunction with this one).</b>

## JUNIORS-ONLY JAVELINA

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
5501	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008	(2)	16A (except Mohave County Park Lands)	Any javelina	50
5502	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008		17B	Any javelina	50
5503	Nov 21 - Nov 30, 2008		18B	Any javelina	75
5504	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008		20A	Any javelina	50
5505	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008		28	Any javelina	50
5506	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008		28	Any javelina	50
5507	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008	(5)	29	Any javelina	50
5508	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008	(5)	29	Any javelina	50
5509	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008	(2,5)	30A	Any javelina	50
5510	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008	(2,5)	30A	Any javelina	50
5511	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008	(5)	30B	Any javelina	50
5512	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008	(5)	30B	Any javelina	50
5513	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008	(7)	31	Any javelina	50
5514	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008	(7)	31	Any javelina	50
5515	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008	(5,7)	32	Any javelina	100
5516	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008	(5,7)	32	Any javelina	100
5517	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008		33	Any javelina	135

## Juniors-Only Javelina Hunts

### Javelina: Commission Order 6 (continued)

#### JUNIORS-ONLY JAVELINA

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
5518	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008		33	Any javelina	135
5519	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008	(4)	34A	Any javelina	100
5520	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008	(4)	34A	Any javelina	100
5521	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008		34B	Any javelina	25
5522	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008		34B	Any javelina	25
5523	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008	(1)	35A (except Fort Huachuca)	Any javelina	25
5524	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008	(1)	35A (except Fort Huachuca)	Any javelina	25
5525	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008		35B	Any javelina	25
5526	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008		35B	Any javelina	25
5527	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008	(2)	36A	Any javelina	70
5528	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008	(2)	36A	Any javelina	70
5529	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008	(2)	36B	Any javelina	100
5530	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008	(2)	36B	Any javelina	100
5531	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008	(2)	36C	Any javelina	75
5532	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008	(2)	36C	Any javelina	75
5533	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008	(3)	37A	Any javelina	125
5534	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008	(3)	37A	Any javelina	125
5535	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008	(6)	37B	Any javelina	170
5536	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008	(6)	37B	Any javelina	165
<b>Total</b>					<b>2620</b>

#### JUNIORS-ONLY (MUZZLELOADER) JAVELINA

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
5537	Nov 21 - Nov 27, 2008		39	Any javelina	10
<b>Total</b>					<b>10</b>

#### JUNIORS-ONLY (ARCHERY-ONLY) JAVELINA

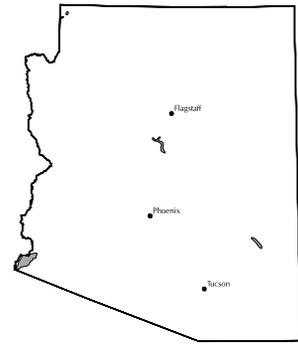
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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
5538	Nov 7 - Nov 16, 2008		39	Any javelina	15
<b>Total</b>					<b>15</b>

#### Notes:

- The Fort Huachuca Military Reservation in Unit 35A is open to javelina hunting only to properly licensed Fort Huachuca military and civilian personnel holding a valid Fort Huachuca post hunting permit. Hunt numbers, season dates and/or special regulations must be obtained from Fort Huachuca. Increases in Force Protection may result in hunt cancellations at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled due to an increase in security, hunters drawn for these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to the Arizona Game and Fish Department by the published deadline. Fort Huachuca contact information: Commander, U.S. Army Garrison, ATTN: ATZS-ISB (Wildlife), Fort Huachuca, AZ 85613-6000, (520)-533-1867 or (520) 533-7083, disenrd@hua.army.mil, or www.huachuca.army.mil/usag/dpw/hunting.html.
- The Buenos Aires Refuge is open to javelina hunting as permitted by refuge regulations; all other Refuges are closed.
- The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
- The Santa Rita Wildlife Area in Unit 34A is actively used for studies in wildlife management. Researchers are present all months and study sites are not always recognizable; hunters are urged to use caution while hunting and take care not to disturb study sites.
- Hunter access in Units 29, 30A, 30B, and 32 is extremely restricted. Applicants should not apply for these units unless they have secured access.
- The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at 602-267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov) (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).
- Unit 31 and 32 hunts -- Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (as prescribed in R12-4-802) is allowed by permit only, available through the Safford Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. For more information, contact the Safford Field Office at (928) 348-4450 or [www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm](http://www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm).
- Although all fall 2008 javelina hunts are for Juniors Only seasons, the bonus point only hunt number is available to all applicants. If you would like to purchase a bonus point for javelina and are eligible for a big game draw, you are eligible to apply for this bonus point hunt number. If you select the bonus point number on your application, do not apply for any other hunt numbers on your application.

# Juniors-Only Pheasant Hunts



■ Distribution

**For further information on pheasants, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).**

## LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

<b>License Required</b>	<b>For hunters under age 14</b> , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. <b>For hunters 14 years and older</b> , any valid hunting or combination license including a Three-Day Hunting (Class H) (See tables on pages 12-13 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
<b>Eligible Hunters</b>	Persons are eligible to participate up to and throughout the calendar year of their 17th birthday, provided that persons between the ages 10 and 13 have satisfactorily completed a Hunter Education Course that is approved by the Director as per A.R.S. 17-335 (C).
<b>Tag Required</b>	Hunt Permit-tag obtained only through application and draw process as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114.
<b>Hunt Numbers Required</b>	When applying for big game hunt permit-tags, you must use hunt numbers.
<b>Legal Methods of Take</b>	Shotgun shooting shot as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.
<b>Legal Animal Definition</b>	Any pheasant
<b>Bag Limit</b>	Two (2) pheasants. Each pheasant possessed shall have a hunt permit-tag attached.
<i>To hunt pheasant in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license. To hunt pheasant during the Juniors Only Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot season, you must apply for and obtain a hunt permit-tag through the draw.</i>	
<i>The Department offers "Juniors-Only" designated hunts. If applying for a Juniors-Only Hunt, do not reapply for the same species with other applicants on a separate application.</i>	

## Pheasant: Commission Order 15

### JUNIORS-ONLY LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT PHEASANT

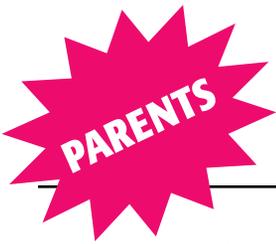
*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Hunt	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
11005	Sep 12 - Sep 14, 2008	(1)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any pheasant	30
<b>Total</b>					<b>30</b>

### Pheasant Notes:

1. For the Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Pheasant application acceptance date see the Table of Contents: License and Tag Fees.

Submitting your application before the acceptance date will result in your application being rejected.



## Who is a Junior?

There are several different categories of “Junior” in Arizona. All of the definitions are listed here:

- A person under 14 may hunt wildlife other than big game without a license when accompanied by a properly licensed person 18 years or older. No more than two unlicensed children may accompany any license holder.
- No one under the age of 14 may take big game without having completed a hunter education course. No one under age 10 may hunt big game in Arizona. To hunt big game, anyone 10-13 years of age must have in their possession a valid hunting license, a valid Hunter Education Course completion card, plus any required permit tags or stamps.

- Trapping: A trapper under the age of 14 is not required to purchase a trapping license, but shall obtain a registration number from any Department office before taking wildlife with a trap. A trapper’s registration number is not transferable.
- Anyone up to and throughout the calendar year of their 20th birthday may purchase a youth combination hunting and fishing license.

**JUNIORS-ONLY HUNTS:** Eligible hunters: Persons are eligible to participate up to and throughout the calendar year of their 17th birthday, provided that persons between the ages of 10-13 have satisfactorily completed a hunter education course that is approved by the Director as per A.R.S. 17-335 (C).

## Transfer Tags

Under Arizona Revised Statutes and Arizona Game and Fish Commission Rules there are ways people can transfer big game tags to children.

A parent, guardian or grandparent to whom a big game permit or tag is issued may transfer the unused permit or tag to the parent’s, guardian’s or grandparent’s minor child if:

- The minor child is between 10 to 17 years old on the date of transfer;
- The minor child has a valid hunting or combination license on the date of the transfer; and
- A minor child less than 14 years old has satisfactorily completed a Department-approved hunter education course by date of transfer.

See R12-4-121 on page 106 for more information.

A person may transfer his or her big game tag for use by a child with a life threatening medical condition. Consult A.R.S. 17-332 on page 97.

Should you be unable to use your big game permit, the Department is unable to reimburse you for your fees or reinstate your bonus points. However, you may donate your tag to a nonprofit organization that provides hunting opportunities to children with life-threatening medical conditions. You may contact the following organizations to arrange for a donation.

- Hunt of a Lifetime at [www.hoalarizona.org](http://www.hoalarizona.org).
- Catch-A-Dream at <http://catchadream.org>.
- United Special Sportsmen Alliance at [www.childswish.com](http://www.childswish.com).

## License, Tag Requirements

See special youth prices on pages 12–13.

## Regular Hunts: Junior Eligibility

The Arizona Game and Fish Department is providing this section on juniors-only hunting to highlight the hunts for which hunters have exclusive application opportunity. Some of these hunts have reduced fees. But juniors are not only limited to these hunts. **Juniors may apply for other season hunts (beginning on page 34), but must include the higher fees when applying.** If a junior chooses to apply with an adult, they are not eligible to apply for hunts of the same species listed in the juniors-only seasons.

### *Did You Know?*

***The Arizona Game and Fish Department holds small game camps to give you the knowledge you need to hunt in Arizona. Last year the Department held six camps throughout the state. The camps offer hands-on opportunities to get you started hunting. For more information, visit [www.azgfd.gov/smallgamecamps](http://www.azgfd.gov/smallgamecamps).***

## Age/Eligibility Chart

PRIVILEGES BY AGE	Ages															
	0-8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21-69	70-up	
May possess a Lifetime Hunting license																
Enroll in Hunter Education																
Enroll in Scholastic Clay Target program																
Hunt "Other than Big Game" without license if accompanied by a licensed person age 18 or older																
Hunt "Other than Big Game" if licensed																
Hunt Big Game if licensed (apply for a big game hunt or bonus point)			<i>Ages 10-13 must pass Hunter Education class</i>													
Participate in Junior Big Game Hunts if Licensed; Eligible for Youth Permit-tag Fees			<i>Ages 10-13 must pass Hunter Education class and must be licensed</i>													
Accept transfer of another person's permit-tag from a qualified non-profit organization if licensed			<i>Ages 10-13 must pass Hunter Education class and must be licensed</i>													
Accept transfer of parents', guardians' or grandparents' permit-tag if licensed on the date of transfer			<i>Ages 10-13 must pass Hunter Education class and must be licensed</i>													
Trap without a license	<i>Must get a Trapper Registration number</i>															
Trap with resident Juvenile Trapping license							<i>Must pass Trapper Education and get a Trapper Registration number</i>									
Eligible General Hunt license (child)																
Eligible Combination Hunt/Fish license (child)																
Eligible Youth Combination Hunt/Fish license																
Eligible for Family Hunting Child's license or Family Combination Child's license							<i>Must first purchase a primary adult Family license</i>									
Eligible for free Pioneer Combination license if 25 years continuous Arizona residency																
Hunt waterfowl or migratory birds without a stamp	<i>Ages 10-13 no hunting license required</i>															

# Hunter Education

*Hunter Education programs across the country are designed to continue the hunting heritage by developing safe, responsible, ethical and knowledgeable hunters. Hunting is a hallowed family tradition that teaches respect for life, each other and nature. It teaches accountability and responsibility. If you are a new hunter, or want to learn about wildlife conservation, the environment, firearms and gun safety, our hunter education courses can help. The program will also benefit experienced people who want to become more proficient hunters and conservationists. While hunter safety is the program focus, hunter ethics, wildlife management, survival, and other important topics are also covered. Hunting is safe, and community and family sustaining. Enroll your family in our hunter education program today. For more information, visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov) or call (623) 236-7235 or (623) 236-7236.*

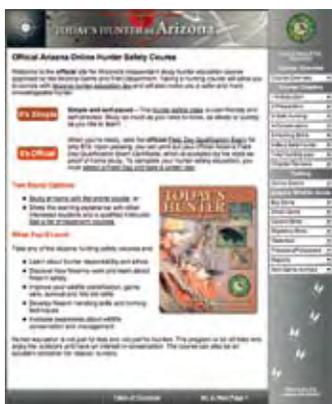
## Course information

Everyone that is at least 10 years old is encouraged to participate in a Department hunter education course. Taught by volunteer instructors, a modest fee to offset student expenses for ammunition and other materials is usually assessed at the first class. The Department offers an introductory beginners course requiring approximately 9 hours in the class room with a field day consisting of another 4 to 6 hours. The Department also offers an independent study online hunter education course. Just like the classroom courses however, a final (proctored) exam will be required prior to course graduation. More detailed classes are also available requiring approximately 20 hours, along with a combination course for bow hunters that is approximately 28 hours. These class room courses are generally offered during weekends and week nights across the state with the field day conducted at a local shooting range.



At a minimum, subjects covered include an introduction to hunter education and conservation as well as topics such as:

- Safety, responsibility, hunter education funding sources.
- Behaviors of a responsible hunter, preventing accidents, planning and preparation, clothing, topographic maps and compasses, survival skills, coping with weather related conditions and basic first aid.
- Wildlife conservation, the hunter's role in wildlife conservation, habitat management, wildlife identification.



- Basic hunting and shooting skills, good marksmanship and accuracy, dominant eye, sight alignment, sighting-in a rifle, rifle firing techniques, shooting positions, shotgun shooting, hunting strategies, vital shots and approaching downed game, field care of game, hunter responsibility and ethics, the five stages of hunter development, North American Model of Wildlife Conservation and market hunting.
- Arizona's Hunting Regulations – Develop an understanding of the most often violated Arizona game laws, rules and regulations.

***While there is no requirement for hunters to wear orange in Arizona; the department STRONGLY suggests that all hunters adopt this valuable safety precaution to help others see and identify them in the field.***

## 10 Commandments of Hunting Safety and TAB +1

1. **T**reat every firearm as if it were loaded! It might be, even if you think it isn't!
2. **A**lways keep the muzzle in a safe direction. Keep control of the direction of the muzzle at all times.
3. **B**e sure of the target and beyond. Be aware of what is in front of the target. Know the identifying features of the game you hunt. Make sure you have an adequate backstop – don't shoot at a flat, hard surface or water.
4. **+1** Keep your finger outside the trigger guard until ready to shoot. This is the best way to prevent an accidental discharge.
5. Check your barrel and ammunition. Make sure the barrel and action are clear of obstructions, and carry only the proper ammunition for your firearm.
6. Unload firearm when not in use. Leave action open; carry firearm in a case and unloaded to and from the shooting area.
7. Point a firearm only at something you intend to shoot. Avoid all horseplay with a gun.
8. Don't run, jump, or climb with a loaded firearm. Unload a firearm before you climb a fence or tree, or jump a ditch. Pull a firearm toward you by the butt, not the muzzle.
9. Store firearms and ammunition separately and safely. Store each in secured locations beyond the reach of children and careless adults.
10. Avoid alcoholic beverages before and during shooting. Also avoid mind- or behavior-altering medicines or drugs.



Arizona's top hunter education graduates are randomly drawn each year for the AZGFD Youth Pheasant Hunt. While taking a hunter education class, instructors identify their top students and submit them for this random drawing conducted in December. Upcoming classroom hunter education course information can be found at [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov). All classroom hunter safety education courses are taught by Arizona Game and Fish Department certified volunteer instructors.

### Hunters Need To Be Prepared

Failing to prepare can lead to injury and death. The cost of the average search and rescue mission can range from \$1,500 to \$4,000 and some searches that are extended operations or require a lot of air support may reach into the tens of thousands of dollars. Hunters should be prepared for any conditions they may face during their hunt. Below are some tips and a list of equipment that should help hunters have a more enjoyable trip.

### Essentials

Water  
 Extra Food  
 Clothing for both night and day  
 Fire source  
 Pocket knife  
 Space blanket  
 Flashlight/ headlamp  
 First aid kit  
 Cell phone  
 Maps and navigational device  
 Signal device  
 Radio (FRS type radios)  
 Rope / shoe lace  
 Water purification tablets or device

### Tips

- Planning ahead; inform family/friends of trip location & return time, be familiar with geographical area, environmental conditions (weather)
- Be prepared to spend the night out in the wild
- Have a plan to pack game out
- Do not depend on cell phones
- Be familiar with how to use maps and navigation device

### Motorized Game Retrieval

Motorized game retrieval is prohibited on many areas around Arizona. Hunters should be aware of rules and regulations for the area they plan to hunt. Hunters should be prepared for retrieving their downed game without the use of motorized vehicles. Alternative options include horseback, backpack, and game carriers with or without wheels depending on land status.

## Welcome to Big Game Hunting in Arizona

**Arizona** has 10 species of wildlife designated as big game by state statute: mule deer, white-tailed deer, pronghorn, elk, turkey, javelina, bighorn sheep, buffalo, bear, and mountain lion. If you also consider that Arizona is occupied by two recognized subspecies of bighorn sheep (Rocky Mountain and desert) and three subspecies of turkeys (Gould's, Merriam's and Rio Grande), there is ample evidence of the diversity of Arizona's big game, and the opportunities a hunter has to pursue. While the diverse habitats in Arizona are home to a lot of different species, no individual species is particularly numerous. Consequently, most big game hunts have a limited number of permits for which you must be drawn to participate.

Elk and pronghorn application information was again provided earlier this year. The draw for elk and pronghorn is already complete and you should know if you received one of these tags. This knowledge should help you determine if you wish to participate in another hunt, and if so, for which deer, turkey, javelina, bighorn sheep, and buffalo hunts to apply.

The Arizona Game and Fish Commission authorized fall javelina permits to be offered to junior hunters this year. If a junior hunter didn't take

a javelina in the spring, that hunter is eligible to apply for these hunts. Junior hunters may wish to apply for a javelina hunt that will complement another deer hunt in which they may participate in this fall. These hunts may be rewarding ways to introduce a junior hunter you know to big game hunting.

Compared with last year, deer hunting opportunity has increased somewhat throughout the state, although fewer bighorn sheep tags are available. There are also moderate increases in turkey permits. Junior turkey hunters may now purchase a turkey tag over the counter at Department offices and hunt in any unit listed in the Juniors-Only section.

The Commission authorized the continuation of the population management seasons for buffalo in Unit 12A. If you are fortunate enough to be drawn for deer in Unit 12A, you will have the opportunity to purchase a buffalo permit to harvest one of these animals. Keep in mind, these restricted nonpermit tags are offered in areas where the named wildlife are not abundant, so your chances of success are small.

So peruse these pages, and select the seasons that meet your desires. Good luck in the draw. Should you need any assistance, feel free to contact any Department office (see contact information on page 3).

### Inside you'll find:

- ✓ *Photographs of Arizona's big game species*
- ✓ *Hunt numbers and season dates*
- ✓ *Legal requirements*
- ✓ *Information about condors and non-lead ammunition*
- ✓ *An explanation of the differences between wolves and coyotes*
- ✓ *Distribution maps*
- ✓ *Draw odds*
- ✓ *Legal animal definitions*
- ✓ *Bag limits*
- ✓ *Legal methods of take*
- ✓ *Required licenses and tags*

# Deer Hunts



Mule Deer



White-tailed Deer



■ Mule Deer Distribution



■ White-tailed Deer Distribution

**For further information on mule deer and white-tailed deer, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).**

## LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

<b>License Required</b>	Any valid hunting or combination license except a Three-Day Hunting (Class H) (See tables on pages 12-13 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
<b>Tag Required</b>	Hunt Permit-tag obtained only through application and draw process as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. <b>EXCEPT</b> for some Archery-Only deer, a hunt nonpermit-tag must be obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.
<b>Hunt Numbers Required</b>	When applying for big game hunt permit-tags, you must use hunt numbers.
<b>Legal Methods of Take</b>	<b>General Hunt:</b> Any firearm or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. <b>Muzzleloader Hunt:</b> Muzzleloader weapons as prescribed in R12-4-101 and R12-4-318, crossbow or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. <b>Archery-Only Hunt:</b> Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and/or crossbow as allowed under R12-4-216.
<b>Legal Animal Definition</b>	Antlered means having an antler fully erupted through the skin and capable of being shed, as defined in R12-4-101.
<b>Bag Limit</b>	One (1) deer per calendar year, except as prescribed in R12-4-120.

*To hunt deer in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a deer tag. To hunt deer during a General, Juniors-Only, Muzzleloader or Archery-Only season, you must apply through a draw for a hunt permit-tag. For Archery-Only Nonpermit Tag hunts, you may purchase a nonpermit-tag from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114. **If a person is applying for a Juniors-Only hunt and a regular hunt on the same application, the higher of the tag fees must be enclosed.***

*Archery deer hunters, except those issued a hunt permit-tag through the draw process, must contact the Arizona Game and Fish Department office in person, or by telephone (1-866-903-DEER [3337]) within 10 days of taking a deer (pursuant to R12-4-308). Those issued hunt permit-tags through the draw process will receive, in the mail, a hunter questionnaire to complete and return.*

*The U.S. Forest Service is concerned about road damage occurring during periods of very wet weather. To prevent road damage, provide for public safety, and protect natural resources, the Forest Service may temporarily close some of its roads to motor vehicle use when soils are saturated and damage is occurring. Hunters should call the appropriate Forest Service office in which their hunt occurs or visit the Forest Service Web site at [www.fs.fed.us/r3](http://www.fs.fed.us/r3) and choose the forest they will be visiting. Once there, go to the current conditions page for the latest road information.*

# Deer Hunts

## Deer: Commission Order 2

### GENERAL DEER

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
<b>1000</b>	<b>BONUS POINT ONLY – See page 15 (No other hunt number may be chosen in conjunction with this one).</b>				
1001	Oct 24 - Nov 2, 2008		1	Any antlered deer	260
1002	Oct 31 - Nov 9, 2008		2A, 2B, and 2C	Any antlered deer	80
1003	Oct 31 - Nov 9, 2008		3A and 3C	Any antlered deer	300
1004	Oct 31 - Nov 9, 2008		4A and 4B	Any antlered deer	150
1005	Oct 31 - Nov 9, 2008	(19,21)	5A and 5B	Any antlered deer	400
1006	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008	(19)	6A	Antlered mule deer	400
1007	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008	(1,19)	6B (except Camp Navajo)	Antlered mule deer	275
1008	Oct 31 - Nov 9, 2008	(19)	7	Any antlered deer	800
1009	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008	(19)	8	Antlered mule deer	600
1010	Oct 31 - Nov 9, 2008	(19)	9	Any antlered deer	400
1011	Oct 24 - Nov 2, 2008		10	Any antlered deer	725
1012	Oct 31 - Nov 9, 2008	(2,3,17)	12A East (NORTH KAIBAB HABITAT MANAGEMENT STAMP REQUIRED)	Any antlered deer	150
1013	Nov 21 - Nov 30, 2008	(2,3,17)	12A East (NORTH KAIBAB HABITAT MANAGEMENT STAMP REQUIRED)	Any antlered deer	50
1014	Oct 31 - Nov 9, 2008	(2,4,17)	12A West (NORTH KAIBAB HABITAT MANAGEMENT STAMP REQUIRED)	Any antlered deer	850
1015	Nov 21 - Nov 30, 2008	(2,4,17)	12A West (NORTH KAIBAB HABITAT MANAGEMENT STAMP REQUIRED)	Any antlered deer	175
1016	Oct 31 - Nov 9, 2008	(13)	12B	Any antlered deer	25
1017	Nov 21 - Nov 30, 2008	(13)	12B	Any antlered deer	75
1018	Oct 31 - Nov 9, 2008	(5,13)	12B West	Any antlered deer	175
1019	Nov 14 - Nov 23, 2008	(13)	13A	Any antlered deer	45
1020	Nov 7 - Nov 16, 2008	(13)	13B	Any antlered deer	45
1021	Oct 24 - Nov 2, 2008	(6)	16A (except Mohave County Park lands)	Any antlered deer	650
1022	Oct 24 - Nov 2, 2008		17A	Any antlered deer	350
1023	Oct 24 - Nov 2, 2008		17B	Any antlered deer	400
1024	Oct 24 - Nov 2, 2008		18A	Any antlered deer	600
1025	Oct 24 - Nov 2, 2008		18B	Any antlered deer	650
1026	Oct 24 - Nov 2, 2008		19A	Any antlered deer	450
1027	Oct 24 - Nov 2, 2008		19B	Any antlered deer	300
1028	Oct 24 - Nov 2, 2008		20A	Any antlered deer	700
1029	Nov 14 - Nov 23, 2008		20B	Any antlered deer	350
1030	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008		20C	Any antlered deer	300
1031	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008		20C	Any antlered deer	250
1032	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008	(13)	21	Antlered mule deer	450
1033	Oct 24 - Nov 2, 2008	(23)	22	Antlered mule deer	625
1034	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008		23	Antlered mule deer	610
1035	Nov 14 - Nov 20, 2008		24A	Antlered mule deer	165
1036	Nov 14 - Nov 20, 2008		24B	Antlered mule deer	450
1037	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008		27	Antlered mule deer	900
1038	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008		28	Antlered mule deer	400
1039	Nov 14 - Nov 20, 2008		28	Antlered mule deer	400
1040	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008	(11)	29	Antlered mule deer	75
1041	Nov 14 - Nov 20, 2008	(11)	29	Antlered mule deer	75
1042	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008	(6,11)	30A	Antlered mule deer	325
1043	Nov 14 - Nov 20, 2008	(6,11)	30A	Antlered mule deer	325
1044	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008	(11)	30B	Antlered mule deer	400
1045	Nov 14 - Nov 20, 2008	(11)	30B	Antlered mule deer	400
1046	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008	(22)	31	Antlered mule deer	150
1047	Nov 14 - Nov 20, 2008	(22)	31	Antlered mule deer	150
1048	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008	(11,22)	32	Antlered mule deer	450
1049	Nov 14 - Nov 20, 2008	(11,22)	32	Antlered mule deer	450
1050	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008		33	Antlered mule deer	350
1051	Nov 14 - Nov 20, 2008		33	Antlered mule deer	250
1052	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008	(10)	34A	Antlered mule deer	25
1053	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008		34B	Antlered mule deer	100
1054	Nov 14 - Nov 20, 2008		34B	Antlered mule deer	100
1055	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008	(6)	36A	Antlered mule deer	350
1056	Nov 14 - Nov 20, 2008	(6)	36A	Antlered mule deer	450
1057	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008	(6)	36B	Antlered mule deer	200
1058	Nov 14 - Nov 20, 2008	(6)	36B	Antlered mule deer	200
1059	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008	(6)	36C	Antlered mule deer	125
1060	Nov 14 - Nov 20, 2008	(6)	36C	Antlered mule deer	125
1061	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008	(13)	37A	Antlered mule deer	75
1062	Nov 14 - Nov 20, 2008	(13)	37A	Antlered mule deer	75
1063	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008	(20)	37B	Any antlered deer	250
1064	Nov 14 - Nov 20, 2008	(20)	37B	Any antlered deer	250

# Deer Hunts

## Deer: Commission Order 2 (continued)

### GENERAL DEER

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1065	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008	(7,13)	39, 40A, and 40B (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 7)	Any antlered deer	150
1066	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008	(7,13)	39, 40A, and 40B (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 7)	Any antlered deer	150
1067	Nov 7 - Nov 16, 2008	(8)	41	Any antlered deer	475
1068	Nov 7 - Nov 16, 2008		42 (except White Tank Mountain Park)	Any antlered deer	300
1069	Nov 7 - Nov 16, 2008	(6,8)	43A, 43B, 44A, and 44B	Any antlered deer	650
1070	Nov 7 - Nov 16, 2008	(6)	45A, 45B, and 45C	Any antlered deer	275
1071	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008	(19)	6A	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1072	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008	(19)	6A	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1073	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008	(19)	6A	Antlered whitetail deer	75
1074	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008	(1,19)	6B (except Camp Navajo)	Antlered whitetail deer	55
1075	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,19)	6B (except Camp Navajo) and 8	Antlered whitetail deer	25
1076	Oct 24 - Nov 2, 2008	(19)	8	Antlered whitetail deer	75
1077	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008	(13)	21	Antlered whitetail deer	460
1078	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008	(13)	21	Antlered whitetail deer	20
1079	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008	(23)	22	Antlered whitetail deer	660
1080	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008	(23)	22	Antlered whitetail deer	25
1081	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008		23	Antlered whitetail deer	575
1082	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008		23	Antlered whitetail deer	85
1083	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008		24A	Antlered whitetail deer	355
1084	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008		24A	Antlered whitetail deer	355
1085	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008		24A	Antlered whitetail deer	30
1086	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008		24B	Antlered whitetail deer	305
1087	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008		24B	Antlered whitetail deer	305
1088	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008		24B	Antlered whitetail deer	25
1089	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008		27 and 28	Antlered whitetail deer	350
1090	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008		27 and 28	Antlered whitetail deer	15
1091	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008	(11)	29	Antlered whitetail deer	285
1092	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008	(11)	29	Antlered whitetail deer	275
1093	Nov 28 - Dec 4, 2008	(11)	29	Antlered whitetail deer	275
1094	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008	(11)	29	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1095	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008	(6,11)	30A	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1096	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008	(6,11)	30A	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1097	Nov 28 - Dec 4, 2008	(6,11)	30A	Antlered whitetail deer	175
1098	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008	(6,11)	30A	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1099	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008	(11)	30B	Antlered whitetail deer	150
1100	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008	(11)	30B	Antlered whitetail deer	150
1101	Nov 28 - Dec 4, 2008	(11)	30B	Antlered whitetail deer	150
1102	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008	(11)	30B	Antlered whitetail deer	75
1103	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008	(22)	31	Antlered whitetail deer	325
1104	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008	(22)	31	Antlered whitetail deer	325
1105	Nov 28 - Dec 4, 2008	(22)	31	Antlered whitetail deer	300
1106	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008	(22)	31	Antlered whitetail deer	125
1107	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008	(11,22)	32	Antlered whitetail deer	500
1108	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008	(11,22)	32	Antlered whitetail deer	500
1109	Nov 28 - Dec 4, 2008	(11,22)	32	Antlered whitetail deer	460
1110	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008	(11,22)	32	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1111	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008		33	Antlered whitetail deer	650
1112	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008		33	Antlered whitetail deer	650
1113	Nov 28 - Dec 4, 2008		33	Antlered whitetail deer	650
1114	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008		33	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1115	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008	(10)	34A	Antlered whitetail deer	600
1116	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008	(10)	34A	Antlered whitetail deer	600
1117	Nov 28 - Dec 4, 2008	(10)	34A	Antlered whitetail deer	550
1118	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008	(10)	34A	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1119	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008		34B	Antlered whitetail deer	150
1120	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008		34B	Antlered whitetail deer	150
1121	Nov 28 - Dec 4, 2008		34B	Antlered whitetail deer	100
1122	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008		34B	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1123	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008	(9)	35A (except Fort Huachuca)	Antlered whitetail deer	300
1124	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008	(9)	35A (except Fort Huachuca)	Antlered whitetail deer	300
1125	Nov 28 - Dec 4, 2008	(9)	35A (except Fort Huachuca)	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1126	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008	(9)	35A (except Fort Huachuca)	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1127	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008		35B	Antlered whitetail deer	400

# Deer Hunts

## Deer: Commission Order 2 (continued)

### GENERAL DEER

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1128	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008		35B	Antlered whitetail deer	400
1129	Nov 28 - Dec 4, 2008		35B	Antlered whitetail deer	250
1130	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008		35B	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1131	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008	(6)	36A	Antlered whitetail deer	350
1132	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008	(6)	36A	Antlered whitetail deer	450
1133	Nov 28 - Dec 4, 2008	(6)	36A	Antlered whitetail deer	350
1134	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008	(6)	36A	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1135	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008	(6)	36B	Antlered whitetail deer	800
1136	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008	(6)	36B	Antlered whitetail deer	800
1137	Nov 28 - Dec 4, 2008	(6)	36B	Antlered whitetail deer	700
1138	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008	(6)	36B	Antlered whitetail deer	40
1139	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008	(6)	36C	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1140	Nov 7 - Nov 13, 2008	(6)	36C	Antlered whitetail deer	200
1141	Nov 28 - Dec 4, 2008	(6)	36C	Antlered whitetail deer	150
1142	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008	(6)	36C	Antlered whitetail deer	100
----	Nov 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(9)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Designated deer	---
<b>Total</b>					<b>41820</b>

For Juniors-Only Deer Hunts, please see page 22.

### CHAMP DEER (CHAMP permit required)

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1159	Oct 10 - Oct 16, 2008	(2)	12A	Any antlered deer	10
<b>Total</b>					<b>10</b>

### MUZZLELOADER DEER

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1160	Oct 31 - Nov 9, 2008		3B	Any antlered deer	80
1161	Oct 24 - Oct 30, 2008	(1,19)	6B (except Camp Navajo)	Any antlered deer	275
1162	Nov 14 - Nov 20, 2008	(2,3,17)	12A East (NORTH KAIBAB HABITAT MANAGEMENT STAMP REQUIRED)	Any antlered deer	50
1163	Oct 24 - Nov 2, 2008	(6)	15A, 15B, 15C, and 15D	Any antlered deer	200
1164	Oct 31 - Nov 9, 2008		20B	Any antlered deer	150
1165	Nov 14 - Nov 20, 2008	(10)	34A	Any antlered deer	100
1166	Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2008	(9)	35A (except Fort Huachuca) and 35B	Any antlered deer	50
1167	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008	(9)	35A (except Fort Huachuca) and 35B	Any antlered deer	50
1168	Dec 12 - Dec 31, 2008	(7,8,13)	39, 40A, 40B, 41, and 42 (except White Tank Mountain Park) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Footnote 7)	Any antlered deer	50
----	Oct 24 - Dec 31, 2008	(9)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Designated deer	---
<b>Total</b>					<b>1005</b>

### ARCHERY-ONLY DEER

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
1170	Aug 22 - Sep 11, 2008	(14)	1	Any antlered deer	190
1171	Aug 22 - Sep 11, 2008	(14)	3A and 3C	Any antlered deer	150
1172	Aug 22 - Sep 11, 2008	(14,19)	7	Any antlered deer	800
1173	Aug 22 - Sep 11, 2008	(2,14,17)	12A (NORTH KAIBAB HABITAT MANAGEMENT STAMP REQUIRED)	Any antlered deer	1000
1174	Aug 22 - Sep 11, 2008	(13,14)	12B	Any antlered deer	15
1175	Aug 22 - Sep 11, 2008	(5,13,14)	12B West	Any antlered deer	75
1176	Aug 22 - Sep 11, 2008	(13,14)	13A	Any antlered deer	45
1177	Aug 22 - Sep 11, 2008	(13,14)	13B	Any antlered deer	30
<b>Total</b>					<b>2305</b>

# Deer Hunts

## Deer: Commission Order 2 (continued)

### ARCHERY-ONLY NONPERMIT TAG REQUIRED DEER (mandatory harvest reporting, see page 39)

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 22 - Sep 11, 2008	(1,6,11,19, 21,22,23)	2A, 2B, 2C, 3B, 4A, 4B, 5A, 5B, 6A, 6B (except Camp Navajo), 8, 9, 10, 11M, 15A, 15B, 15C, 15D, 16A (except Mohave County Park Lands), 17A, 17B, 18A, 18B, 19A, 19B, 20A, 20B, 20C, 21 (except Cave Creek Recreation Area), 22, 23, 24A, 24B, 27, 28, 29, 30A, 30B, 31, 32, 33, 34A, 34B, 35A (except Fort Huachuca), 35B, 36A, 36B, and 36C	Any antlered deer
Dec 12, 2008 - Jan 31, 2009	(6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 15, 16, 20, 22, 24, 25)	10, 15A, 15B, 15C, 15D, 17B, 18A, 18B, 19B, 20B, 20C, 21 (except Cave Creek Recreation Area), 24A, 24B, 25M, 26M, 28, 29, 30A, 30B, 31, 32, 33, 34A, 34B, 35A (except Fort Huachuca), 35B, 36A, 36B, 36C, 37B, 38M (including Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area), 39, 40A, 40B, 41, 43A, 43B, 44A, 44B, and 47M	Any antlered deer
Jan 1 - Jan 16, 2009	(19)	4A, 4B, 8, 9, and 19A	Any antlered deer
Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2009	(6,23)	16A (except Mohave County Park Lands), 17A, 20A, 22, 23, 27, 37A, 42, 45A, 45B, and 45C	Any antlered deer
Aug 29 - Sep 21, 2008	(1)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B	Any antlered deer
Aug 29, 2008 - Jan 28, 2009	(9)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Designated deer

### Deer Notes:

- Camp Navajo in Unit 6B is open to deer hunting only to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Camp Navajo hunting permit. A hunter education course is required. Hunt numbers must be obtained from the Arizona National Guard. For more information on how to apply for a Camp Navajo hunt, go to [www.campnavajo.com](http://www.campnavajo.com) and select Hunting. Increases in Force Protection may result in hunt cancellations at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled due to an increase in security, hunters drawn for these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to the Arizona Game and Fish Department by the published deadline.
- A Unit 12A (North Kaibab) Habitat Management Stamp is required for all Unit 12A (North Kaibab) deer hunters. Stamps are available at a cost of \$15.00 at all Arizona Game and Fish Department offices or wherever hunting licenses are sold. All 12A North Kaibab deer hunters shall have this stamp attached to their hunting license. Stamps cannot be obtained through the draw process. Successful Unit 12A (North Kaibab) firearms deer hunters must check out and personally present their deer for inspection at the Jacob Lake Checking Station in accordance with R12-4-308. A check station will not be operated during the Unit 12A (North Kaibab) CHAMP or archery deer seasons.
- 12A East Hunt Unit - that portion of Unit 12A located east of AZ Hwy 67 and south of U.S. Hwy 89A.
- 12A West Hunt Unit - that portion of Unit 12A located west of AZ Hwy 67 and also that portion of Unit 12A located north of U.S. Hwy 89A.
- 12B West Hunt Unit - that portion of Unit 12B beginning at the Arizona-Utah State-line and BLM Rd. 1065; south on BLM 1065 to U.S. Hwy 89A; west on U.S. Hwy 89A to Kaibab National Forest boundary; north then west then south on the Kaibab National Forest boundary to Kanab Creek; north on Kanab Creek to the Arizona-Utah Stateline; east on the Arizona-Utah State-line to BLM 1065.
- The Buenos Aires, Cibola, Imperial, and Kofa National Wildlife Refuges are open to deer hunting as permitted by refuge regulations; all other Refuges are closed.
- Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the Barry M. Goldwater Range for hunting access. For specifics about accessing the Barry M. Goldwater Range refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
- The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground is closed to deer hunting, except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Yuma Proving Ground Hunting Program Access permit and coordination with YPG Range Control. Hunters drawn for units 41W, 43A, or 43B who plan to hunt on YPG must check in with the YPG Hunting Program by calling the toll-free number prior to conducting any hunting activities on the range. Occasionally, due to military activities, some affected hunting areas may be temporarily closed. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground - Bldg. 105, Attn: Hunting Program, 301 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498 or call toll-free 1-877-788-HUNT (4868) or (928) 328-2148, or [www.yuma.army.mil/hunting\\_program.htm](http://www.yuma.army.mil/hunting_program.htm).
- The Fort Huachuca Army Garrison in Unit 35A is open to deer hunting only to properly licensed military and Fort Huachuca civilian personnel holding a valid Fort Huachuca post hunting permit. Juniors only hunts are only open to properly licensed military and Fort Huachuca civilian dependents holding a valid Fort Huachuca post hunting permit. Hunt numbers, season dates and/or special regulations must be obtained from Fort Huachuca. Increases in Force Protection may result in hunt cancellations at any time with little or no

# Deer Hunts

## Deer Notes continued:

- prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled due to an increase in security, hunters drawn for these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to the Arizona Game and Fish Department by the published deadline.
10. The Santa Rita Wildlife Area in Unit 34A is actively used for studies in wildlife management. Researchers are present all months and study sites are not always recognizable; hunters are urged to use caution while hunting and take care not to disturb study sites.
  11. Hunter access in Units 29, 30A, 30B, and 32 is extremely restricted. Applicants should not apply for these units unless they have secured access.
  12. An "antlerless deer" is a deer, any age, without antlers.
  13. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
  14. Archery deer hunters who received a hunt permit-tag through the draw process are not required to call the toll free Archery Deer Harvest Reporting telephone number to report their deer kill. We encourage hunters to return the Hunter Survey they will receive in the mail. Unit 12A archery deer hunters are not required to check their deer for inspection at the Jacob Lake Checking Station.
  15. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 26M in the following described area: Those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 4 East.
  16. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 47M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the City of Mesa known as the Elliott and Hawes County Island in Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 7 East.
  17. Individuals with permits for these hunts are eligible to purchase Restricted Non-permit tags for the corresponding buffalo population management seasons listed in Commission Order 26.
  18. Winter Range Hunt Area in Unit 12A West - That portion of Unit 12A West located west of the following line: beginning at the junction of FR 22 (West Side road) and the Kaibab National Forest boundary; south on FR 22 to FR 462; southeasterly on FR 462 to the intersection of FR 462, FR 22, and FR 270; south on FR 270 to the Grand Canyon National Park boundary.
  19. The U.S. Forest Service has expressed concern regarding road damage during wet weather. The Department is working with the U.S. Forest Service to provide limited access via designated core roads in units 5A, 5B, 6A, 6B, 7, 8, and 9 that will remain open during periods when other roads may be closed. When weather is deemed severe, the core roads may also be closed to prevent excessive road damage, provide for public safety, and protect natural resources. Roads that have been closed are closed to all users. Hunters should respect and obey road closures and drive responsibly during wet periods. It is recommended that hunters contact the appropriate Forest Service office to determine current road status for their hunt area (see the Index: Hunting on Public Lands).
  20. The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at 602-267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov) (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).
  21. In the northern portion of Unit 5A, access is permitted on the Clear Creek Ranch by written permission only. Written permission may be obtained at the Ranch headquarters located west of AZ Highway 87 at mile post 333.
  22. Unit 31 and 32 hunts -- Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (as prescribed in R12-4-802) is allowed by permit only, available through the Safford Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. For more information, contact the Safford Field Office at (928) 348-4450 or [www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm](http://www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm).
  23. The area within the fenced enclosure inside the loop formed by Tonto National Forest Road 647, also known as the Walnut Canyon Enclosure, is open to public entry and the taking of deer during open season.
  24. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 25M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the Town of Queen Creek in Pinal County in Sections 5, 7, 8, and 18 of Township 3 South, Range 8 East.
  25. Archery deer hunters planning to hunt in the Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area in Unit 38M must check in with the Arizona Game and Fish Department Tucson Regional Office prior to going afield.

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## HUNT ARIZONA BOOK

Hunt Arizona is a yearly compilation of big game hunting statistics. The publication includes survey and harvest statistics for a five-year period as well as information on distribution, life history, and behavior of big game, small game and other wildlife. This 192-page book is available at all Department offices for \$6.

The book also is available for free online at [www.azgfd.gov/draw](http://www.azgfd.gov/draw).

*Draw odds reflect an applicant's chance of receiving their first choice only and are computed without regard to bonus points.*

### 2007 Drawing Odds and Success Rate

Unit	Hunt Type	Date	Permits Authorized	1st and 2nd Choice	Draw Odds	Hunt Success
<b>GENERAL DEER</b>						
1	Antlered	11/9-11/18	200	1589	22	9
2	Antlered	11/9-11/18	80	631	19	48
3A/3C	Antlered	11/9-11/18	200	1693	17	36
4	Antlered	11/9-11/18	150	1163	21	14
5	Antlered	10/26-11/4	450	3559	21	18
6A	Ant. MD	10/26-11/4	325	3907	15	24
6A	Ant. WT	11/2-11/11	200	354	83	20
6A	Ant. WT	10/26-10/31	250	469	75	13
6A	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	50	685	10	48
6B	Ant. MD	11/9-11/18	250	1001	40	15
6B	Ant. WT	10/26-11/4	20	59	55	15
6B/8	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	50	353	16	42
7	Antlered	10/26-11/4	800	3371	35	26
8	Ant. WT	10/26-11/4	50	120	61	9
8	Ant. MD	10/26-11/4	600	3565	30	23
9	Antlered	10/26-11/4	400	1864	30	31
10 (Jr.)	Antlered	10/5-10/14	100	409	40	45
10	Antlered	10/26-11/4	725	2627	43	15
12A East	Antlered	11/23-12/2	50	3000	3	84
12A East	Antlered	10/26-11/4	175	1975	13	44
12A West	Antlered	11/23-12/2	175	6410	3	72
12A West	Antlered	10/26-11/4	650	5500	13	55
12A West (Jr.)	Antlerless	11/9-11/12	400	534	84	74
12B	Antlered	10/26-11/4	25	434	11	75
12B	Antlered	11/23-12/2	75	2724	4	83
12B West	Antlered	10/26-11/4	175	761	25	71
13A	Antlered	11/16-11/25	55	2726	3	71
13B	Antlered	11/9-11/18	85	4519	3	47
16A	Antlered	10/26-11/4	650	1011	88	21
16A (Jr.)	Antlered	10/5-10/14	20	67	45	22
17A	Antlered	10/26-11/4	375	1179	43	18
17B	Antlered	10/26-11/4	400	1414	54	18
17B (Jr.)	Antlered	10/5-10/14	60	144	62	30
18A	Antlered	10/26-11/4	600	995	91	17
18B	Antlered	10/26-11/4	600	1385	63	21
18B (Jr.)	Antlered	11/16-11/25	50	147	54	22
19A	Antlered	10/26-11/4	450	1476	45	34
19B	Antlered	10/26-11/4	250	611	60	20
20A (Jr.)	Antlered	10/5-10/14	50	216	38	46
20A	Antlered	10/26-11/4	600	1955	45	30
20B	Antlered	11/9-11/18	350	696	74	18
20C	Antlered	11/2-11/11	200	428	88	23
20C (Jr.)	Antlered	11/16-11/25	100	169	81	26
20C	Antlered	10/26-10/31	350	611	86	32
21	Ant. WT	10/26-11/4	400	589	93	16
21	Ant. MD	11/9-11/18	450	1261	55	24
21	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	50	564	14	40
22	Ant. MD	10/26-11/4	600	2103	43	17
22	Ant. WT	10/26-11/4	500	954	70	24
22	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	50	1009	6	69
23 (Jr.)	Antlered	10/5-10/14	150	665	30	60
23	Ant. MD	10/26-11/4	575	2844	33	22
23	Ant. WT	10/26-11/4	600	1259	61	22
23	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	50	1294	6	61
24A	Ant. MD	10/26-11/4	140	816	26	46
24A	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	50	795	9	51
24A	Ant. WT	11/9-11/18	600	932	80	28
24B	Ant. MD	11/2-11/11	450	1037	64	14
24B	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	50	640	9	54
24B	Ant. WT	10/26-10/31	250	408	98	29
24B	Ant. WT	11/9-11/18	250	395	97	24
27	Ant. MD	11/2-11/11	725	2963	30	28
27 (Jr.)	Antlered	10/5-10/14	100	530	29	69
27/28	Ant. WT	11/9-11/18	150	375	64	27
27/28	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	50	471	18	33
28	Ant. MD	10/26-10/31	400	814	73	22
28	Ant. MD	11/2-11/11	400	808	79	32
29	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	75	431	22	45
29	Ant. WT	10/26-10/31	400	328	100	21
29	Ant. MD	11/2-11/11	150	239	83	33
29	Ant. WT	11/9-11/18	400	511	96	16
30A	Ant. WT	10/26-10/31	250	178	100	25
30A	Ant. MD	11/2-11/11	300	520	95	36

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Unit	Hunt Type	Date	Permits Authorized	1st and 2nd Choice	Draw Odds	Hunt Success
<b>GENERAL DEER</b>						
30A	Ant. MD	10/26-10/31	300	469	96	39
30A	Ant. WT	11/9-11/18	275	156	100	22
30A	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	75	234	33	26
30B	Ant. WT	10/26-10/31	250	81	100	14
30B	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	50	198	27	44
30B	Ant. MD	11/2-11/11	350	469	100	31
30B	Ant. MD	10/26-10/31	350	487	99	20
30B	Ant. WT	11/9-11/18	250	123	92	21
31	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	100	999	11	57
31	Ant. WT	11/9-11/18	550	842	88	19
31	Ant. WT	10/26-10/31	550	760	98	26
31	Ant. MD	11/2-11/11	300	903	46	23
32	Ant. MD	10/26-10/31	200	1282	27	36
32	Ant. MD	11/2-11/11	600	1514	56	30
32	Ant. WT	11/9-11/18	650	1238	78	26
32	Ant. WT	10/26-10/31	650	992	93	31
32 (Jr.)	Antlered	11/16-11/25	150	389	61	44
32	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	175	1518	14	56
33	Ant. MD	11/2-11/11	250	591	78	12
33 (Jr.)	Antlered	10/5-10/14	250	470	68	62
33	Ant. MD	10/26-10/31	350	685	73	14
33	Ant. WT	11/9-11/18	750	2143	50	36
33	Ant. WT	10/26-10/31	750	1647	61	38
33	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	150	2053	9	66
34A	Ant. MD	10/26-10/31	25	279	14	15
34A	Ant. WT	11/9-11/18	750	1275	88	17
34A	Ant. WT	10/26-10/31	800	926	98	21
34A	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	150	1077	20	49
34B	Ant. MD	10/26-10/31	100	281	58	16
34B	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	50	310	20	58
34B	Ant. MD	11/2-11/11	100	276	58	43
34B	Ant. WT	11/9-11/18	200	198	100	17
34B	Ant. WT	10/26-10/31	175	152	100	23
35A	Ant. WT	11/9-11/18	300	366	96	19
35A	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	50	346	23	58
35A	Ant. WT	10/26-10/31	400	202	100	22
35B	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	50	385	18	35
35B	Ant. WT	11/9-11/18	450	560	100	20
35B	Ant. WT	10/26-10/31	500	374	100	23
36A	Ant. WT	10/26-10/31	450	415	100	30
36A (Jr.)	Antlered	11/16-11/25	200	220	95	29
36A	Ant. MD	11/2-11/11	450	974	74	17
36A	Ant. WT	11/9-11/18	550	603	100	14
36A	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	100	519	27	38
36A	Ant. MD	10/26-10/31	350	855	68	18
36B	Ant. WT	11/9-11/18	1025	1355	98	17
36B	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	200	1099	24	53
36B	Ant. WT	10/26-10/31	1025	1038	98	23
36B	Ant. MD	10/26-10/31	175	455	63	31
36B	Ant. MD	11/2-11/11	225	552	76	18
36C	Ant. WT	10/26-10/31	350	346	100	28
36C (Jr.)	Antlered	11/16-11/25	25	94	43	31
36C	Ant. MD	10/26-10/31	100	302	48	44
36C	Ant. WT	11/9-11/18	350	490	93	15
36C	Ant. WT	12/14-12/31	75	526	19	53
36C	Ant. MD	11/2-11/11	100	338	58	39
37A	Ant. MD	11/9-11/18	150	404	57	5
37B	Antlered	11/9-11/18	500	1466	50	19
39/40	Antlered	11/9-11/18	300	826	60	35
41	Antlered	11/9-11/18	475	1241	58	32
42	Antlered	11/2-11/11	300	781	59	32
42 (Jr.)	Antlered	11/16-11/25	75	97	90	27
43/44	Antlered	11/9-11/18	650	1073	81	26
45	Antlered	11/9-11/18	275	428	90	22
<b>MUZZLELOADER</b>						
3B	Antlered	11/9-11/18	70	226	44	22
6B	Antlered	10/26-11/4	250	382	76	24
12B West	Antlered	11/9-11/18	35	599	7	91
15	Antlered	10/26-11/4	175	258	85	30
16A (Jr.)	Antlered	12/14-12/31	30	148	24	33
20B	Antlered	10/26-11/4	150	137	100	14
34A	Antlered	11/2-11/11	100	141	78	14
35	Antlered	11/2-11/11	50	100	69	36
35	Antlered	12/14-12/31	50	270	23	53
39/40/41/42	Antlered	12/14-12/31	50	485	11	41

Jr. = Juniors only, CH = CHAMP hunt

# Turkey Hunts



■ Distribution

**For further information on turkeys, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).**

## LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

<b>License Required</b>	Any valid hunting or combination license except a Three-Day Hunting (Class H) (See tables on pages 12-13 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
<b>Tag Required</b>	Hunt Permit-tag obtained only through application and draw process as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. <b>EXCEPT</b> for Archery-Only turkey where a hunt nonpermit-tag must be obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.
<b>Hunt Numbers Required</b>	When applying for big game hunt permit-tags, you must use hunt numbers.
<b>Legal Methods of Take</b>	<b>Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Hunt:</b> Any shotgun shooting shot as prescribed in R12-4-318 or crossbow or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. <b>Archery-Only Hunt:</b> Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and/or crossbow as allowed under R12-4-216. Centerfire rifles, muzzleloading firearms and handguns are no longer legal methods of take.
<b>Bag Limit</b>	One (1) turkey per calendar year, except as prescribed in R12-4-120.

*To hunt turkey in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a turkey tag. To hunt turkey during a Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot season, you must apply through a draw for a hunt permit-tag. For Archery-Only hunts, you may purchase a nonpermit-tag from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114. For Juniors Only hunts, you may purchase a nonpermit-tag from a Department office.*

## Turkey: Commission Order 5

### LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT TURKEY

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
<b>4000</b>	<b>BONUS POINT ONLY - See page 15 (No other hunt number may be chosen in conjunction with this one).</b>				
4051	Oct 3 - Oct 9, 2008		1	Any turkey	625
4052	Oct 3 - Oct 9, 2008		4A and 4B	Any turkey	525
4053	Oct 3 - Oct 9, 2008		5A	Any turkey	450
4054	Oct 3 - Oct 9, 2008	(2)	5B North	Any turkey	35
4055	Oct 3 - Oct 9, 2008	(4)	5B South	Any turkey	75
4056	Oct 3 - Oct 9, 2008		6A	Any turkey	475
4057	Oct 3 - Oct 9, 2008	(1)	6B (except Camp Navajo)	Any turkey	300
4058	Oct 3 - Oct 9, 2008		7	Any turkey	200
4059	Oct 3 - Oct 9, 2008		8 and 10	Any turkey	700
4060	Oct 3 - Oct 9, 2008		9	Any turkey	25
4061	Oct 3 - Oct 9, 2008		12A	Any turkey	1000
4062	Oct 3 - Oct 9, 2008	(3)	13A	Any turkey	10
4063	Oct 3 - Oct 9, 2008	(3)	13B (south of Wolfhole - Jacobs Well Road)	Any turkey	5

## Turkey: Commission Order 5 (continued)

### LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT TURKEY

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
4064	Oct 3 - Oct 9, 2008		17A, 17B, and 18B	Any turkey	25
4065	Oct 3 - Oct 9, 2008		22	Any turkey	150
4066	Oct 3 - Oct 9, 2008		23	Any turkey	700
4067	Oct 3 - Oct 9, 2008		27	Any turkey	800
<b>Total</b>					<b>6100</b>

**For Juniors-Only Turkey Hunts, please see page 24.**

### ARCHERY-ONLY NONPERMIT TAG REQUIRED TURKEY

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 22 - Sep 11, 2008	(1)	1, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, 5A, 5B, 6A, 6B (except Camp Navajo), 7, 8, 9, 10, 11M, 12A, 17A, 17B, 18B, 20A, 22, 23, and 27	Any turkey
Aug 29 - Sep 21, 2008	(1)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B	Any turkey

### Turkey Notes:

1. Camp Navajo in Unit 6B is open to turkey hunting only to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Camp Navajo hunting permit. A hunter education course is required. Hunt numbers must be obtained from the Arizona National Guard. For more information on how to apply for a Camp Navajo hunt, go to [www.camp-navajo.com](http://www.camp-navajo.com) and select Hunting. Increases in Force Protection may result in hunt cancellations at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled due to an increase in security, hunters drawn for these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to the Arizona Game and Fish Department by the published deadline.
2. 5B North Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 5B located north of the following roads: Beginning at the junction of FH 3 (Lake Mary/Clints Well Road) and FR 125; east on FR 125 to FR 82; south on FR 82 to FR 69B; east on FR 69B to FR 69.
3. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
4. 5B South Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 5B located south of the following roads: Beginning at the junction of FH 3 (Lake Mary/Clints Well Road) and FR 125; east on FR 125 to FR 82; south on FR 82 to FR 69B; east on FR 69B to FR 69.

## HUNT ARIZONA BOOK

Hunt Arizona is a yearly compilation of big game hunting statistics. The publication includes survey and harvest statistics for a five-year period as well as information on distribution, life history, and behavior of big game, small game and other wildlife. This 192-page book is available at all Department offices for \$6.

The book also is available for free online at [www.azgfd.gov/draw](http://www.azgfd.gov/draw).

# Bighorn Sheep Hunts



■ Distribution

**For further information on bighorn sheep, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).**

## LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

<b>License Required</b>	Any valid hunting or combination license except a Three-Day Hunting (Class H) (See tables on pages 12-13 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
<b>Tag Required</b>	Hunt Permit-tag obtained only through application and draw process as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114.
<b>Hunt Numbers Required</b>	When applying for big game hunt permit-tags, you must use hunt numbers.
<b>Legal Methods of Take</b>	<b>General Hunt:</b> Any firearm or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.
<b>Legal Animal Definition</b>	Ram means any male bighorn sheep, excluding male lambs, as defined in R12-4-101.
<b>Bag Limit</b>	One (1) desert bighorn sheep in a lifetime, except as prescribed in R12-4-120. One (1) Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep in a lifetime, except as prescribed in R12-4-120.

*To hunt bighorn sheep in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a bighorn sheep tag. To hunt bighorn sheep in any season, you must apply for and obtain a hunt permit-tag through the draw.*

*Hunts with Note 12 have low density bighorn populations. Hunters should expect a difficult hunt with limited access into the better bighorn habitat.*

## Bighorn Sheep: Commission Order 7 (*mandatory physical check-in*)

### GENERAL BIGHORN SHEEP

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
<b>6000</b>	<b>BONUS POINT ONLY – See page 15 (No other hunt number may be chosen in conjunction with this one).</b>				
<b>Desert</b>					
6001	Oct 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,12)	9 and 10	Any ram	1
6002	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,8,9,12,13)	12A and 12B West	Any ram	2
6003	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,8,10)	12B East	Any ram	1
6004	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,8,12,13)	13A	Any ram	3
6005	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,8,13)	13B (north of Wolfhole - Jacobs Well Road)	Any ram	4
6006	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,8,12)	13B (south of Wolfhole - Jacobs Well Road)	Any ram	1
6007	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,12)	15A and 15B (east of Temple Bar Road)	Any ram	1
6008	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,13)	15B (west of Temple Bar Road)	Any ram	3
6009	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,13)	15C (north of Cottonwood Road)	Any ram	3
6010	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,12)	15C (south of Cottonwood Road)	Any ram	1
6011	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,13)	15D	Any ram	3
6012	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2)	16A (except Mohave County Park Lands)	Any ram	1
6013	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,13)	16B	Any ram	2
6014	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1)	22	Any ram	1
6015	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1)	24B North (north and west of AZ Hwy 88)	Any ram	1
6016	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1)	24B South (south and east of AZ Hwy 88)	Any ram	1

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## Bighorn Sheep: Commission Order 7 (*mandatory physical check-in*)

### GENERAL BIGHORN SHEEP

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
6017	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1)	28 (south of U.S. Hwy 70)	Any ram	1
6018	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,13,14)	31 and 32	Any ram	2
6019	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,13)	37A	Any ram	2
6020	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,13)	39 (west of AZ Hwy 85)	Any ram	2
6021	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,3,13)	40B Gila Mtns (north of Cipriano Pass) ( <i>Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 3</i> )	Any ram	3
6022	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,3,13)	40B Mohawk and Copper Mtns ( <i>Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 3</i> )	Any ram	3
6023	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,3)	40B Tinajas Altas Mtns (south of Cipriano Pass) ( <i>Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 3</i> )	Any ram	1
6024	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,13)	41E (east of the Dateland-Palomas-Harquahala Rd [Clanton Hills Rd])	Any ram	3
6025	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,4,13)	41W (west of the Dateland-Palomas-Harquahala Rd [Clanton Hills Rd] and south of the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline) ( <i>Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 4</i> )	Any ram	3
6026	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,4)	43A ( <i>Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 4</i> )	Any ram	1
6027	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,4,13)	43B ( <i>Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 4</i> )	Any ram	5
6028	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1)	44A East (Harquahala Mtns, Black Mtns, Harcuvar Mtns, and Granite Wash Mtns)	Any ram	1
6029	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2)	44A West (west of Swansea Rd. and south of Bill Williams River Rd.)	Any ram	1
6030	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,13)	44B (north of I-10)	Any ram	3
6031	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2)	44B (south of I-10 and that portion of 45A and 45B north of the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline - Kofa National Wildlife Refuge)	Any ram	1
6032	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,13)	45A (south of the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline - Kofa National Wildlife Refuge)	Any ram	3
6033	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,13)	45B (south of the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline - Kofa National Wildlife Refuge)	Any ram	2
6034	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,13)	45C (Kofa National Wildlife Refuge)	Any ram	4
6035	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,3,5,13)	46A (Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge) ( <i>Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 3</i> )	Any ram	2
6036	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,3,5,13)	46B (Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge) ( <i>Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 3</i> )	Any ram	6
<b>Rocky Mountain</b>					
6051	Nov 1 - Nov 30, 2008	(1,6)	Black River Hunt Area in Units 1 and 27	Any ram	1
6052	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1)	23 and 24A	Any ram	1
6053	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,11)	Bear Canyon Hunt Area in Unit 27	Any ram	1
6054	Dec 1 - Dec 15, 2008	(1,13)	27 (south of FR 217 and west of U.S. Hwy 191) and 28 (north of U.S. Hwy 70)	Any ram	3
6055	Dec 16 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,13)	27 (south of FR 217 and west of U.S. Hwy 191) and 28 (north of U.S. Hwy 70)	Any ram	3
6056	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,7,13)	Foote Creek Hunt Area in Unit 27 North	Any ram	3
<b>Total</b>					<b>90</b>

### Bighorn Sheep Notes:

- All bighorn sheep hunters must personally check out within 3 days following the close of the season in accordance with R12-4-308. Unsuccessful hunters and those who did not hunt must also check out either in person or by telephone.
- The Bill Williams River, Cabeza Prieta, Havasu, Imperial and Kofa National Wildlife Refuges are open to bighorn sheep hunting as permitted by refuge regulations; all other Refuges are closed.
- Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the Barry M. Goldwater Range for hunting access. For specifics about accessing the Barry M. Goldwater Range refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
- The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground (YPG) is closed to bighorn sheep hunting, except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Yuma Proving Ground Hunting Program Access permit and coordination with YPG Range Control. Hunters drawn for units 41W, 43A, or 43B who plan to hunt on YPG must check in with the YPG Hunting Program by calling the toll-free number prior to conducting any hunting activities on the range. Occasionally, due to military activities, some affected hunting areas may be temporarily closed. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground - Bldg. 105, Attn: Hunting Program, 301 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498 or call toll-free 1-877-788-HUNT (4868) or (928) 328-2148, or [www.yuma.army.mil/hunting\\_program.htm](http://www.yuma.army.mil/hunting_program.htm).
- Due to travel restrictions in the Wilderness Area, those persons interested in hunting bighorn sheep on the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge should contact the Refuge Manager (520) 387-6483 for information regarding special refuge regulations prior to applying.
- Black River Hunt Area in Units 1 and 27 - That portion of Units 1 and 27 beginning at the Fort Apache Indian Reservation boundary and FR 82; east on FR 82 to FR 25; east on FR 25 to FR 24 (Buffalo Crossing); north on FR 24 to FR 249E; east on FR 249E to FR 249; east on FR 249 to FR 406; east on FR 406 to FR 276; south on FR 276 to FR 37; south on FR 37 to FR 405; south on FR 405 to FR 24; south on FR 24 to FR 25; northwest on FR 25 to FR 25D; west on FR 25D to the San Carlos Indian Reservation boundary; north along

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## Bighorn Sheep Notes continued:

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- the San Carlos Indian Reservation boundary to FR 82.
7. Foote Creek Hunt Area in Unit 27 North - That portion of Unit 27 beginning at the Junction of U.S. Hwy 180 and the New Mexico state line; south along the New Mexico state line to FR 232; west on FR 232 to FR 281; south on FR 281 to Forest Trail 75; west on Forest Trail 75 to Forest Trail 76; west on Forest Trail 76 to U.S. Hwy 191; north on U.S. Hwy 191 to U.S. Hwy 180; east on U.S. Hwy 180 to the New Mexico state line.
  8. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
  9. 12B West Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 12B lying west of BLM road 1065 and north of U.S. Hwy 89A from the BLM 1065/ U.S.Hwy 89A junction west to the Kaibab National Forest boundary.
  10. 12B East Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 12B lying east of BLM road 1065 and south of the segment of U.S. Hwy 89A between the Kaibab National Forest Boundary easterly to Navajo Bridge.
  11. Bear Canyon Hunt Area in Unit 27 - That portion of Unit 27 beginning at the junction of U.S. Hwy 191 and Forest Trailhead 76 at Hannagan Meadow; east-northeast on Forest Trail 76 to Forest Trail 75; east on Forest Trail 75 through Grant Creek drainage to FR 281 (the Blue Road); north on FR road 281 to Forest Trail 52; east-southeast on Forest Trail 52 in Lanphier Canyon to Forest Trail 55; south-southwest on Forest Trail 55 through Bear Valley to Blue River; north-northwest in Blue River to Forest Trail 20; west on Forest Trail 20 to U.S. Hwy 191; north on U.S. Hwy 191 to Forest Trailhead 76 at Hannagan Meadow.
  12. This unit has a low density bighorn sheep population in a remote area with difficult access. Hunters should be prepared for backcountry camping and extensive strenuous hiking in an extremely remote, harsh hunting environment.
  13. Non-residents: Permits are available within these hunt numbers for which you may be drawn in accordance with R12-4-114(E).
  14. Unit 31 and 32 hunts -- Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (as prescribed in R12-4-802) is allowed by permit only, available through the Safford Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. For more information, contact the Safford Field Office at (928) 348-4450 or <https://www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm>.

# Buffalo Hunts



**For further information on buffalo, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).**

<b>LEGAL REQUIREMENTS</b>	
<b>License Required</b>	Any valid hunting or combination license except a Three-Day Hunting (Class H) (See tables on pages 12-13 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
<b>Tag Required</b>	Hunt Permit-tag obtained only through application and draw process as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114.
<b>Hunt Numbers Required</b>	When applying for big game hunt permit-tags, you must use hunt numbers.
<b>Legal Methods of Take</b>	Bow and arrow, centerfire handguns, centerfire rifles, muzzleloading rifles, or all other rifles using black powder as prescribed in R12-4-304. Note that bow and arrow or centerfire handguns may NOT be used at Raymond Wildlife Area.
<b>Bag Limit</b>	One (1) buffalo in a lifetime, except as prescribed in R12-4-120.
<i>To hunt buffalo in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a buffalo tag. To hunt buffalo in any season, you must apply for and obtain a hunt permit-tag through the draw.</i>	
<i>Buffalo meat taken under this Order may be sold as prescribed in R12-4-305. SEE BUFFALO HUNT REGULATIONS UNDER R12-4-306. See page 110.</i>	

<b>Buffalo: Commission Order 8</b>					
<b>GENERAL BUFFALO</b>					
<i>Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.</i>					
Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
<b>7000</b>	<b>BONUS POINT ONLY – See page 15 (No other hunt number may be chosen in conjunction with this one).</b>				
7001	Oct 4 - Oct 5, 2008	(1)	5A and 5B (Raymond Wildlife Area Herd)	Yearling buffalo only	2
7002	Oct 11 - Oct 12, 2008	(1)	5A and 5B (Raymond Wildlife Area Herd)	Yearling buffalo only	2
7003	Sep 27 - Sep 28, 2008	(1)	5A and 5B (Raymond Wildlife Area Herd)	Adult cow buffalo only	2
<b>Total</b>					<b>6</b>

### Buffalo Notes:

1. A hunter with a buffalo hunt permit-tag for the Raymond Wildlife Area herd shall be accompanied by an authorized Department employee who shall designate the animal to be harvested and shall hunt in the order scheduled by the Department in accordance with R12-4-306.

# Bear Hunts



■ Distribution

**For further information on bears, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).**

## LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

<b>License Required</b>	Any valid hunting or combination license except a Three-Day Hunting (Class H) (See tables on pages 12-13 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
<b>Tag Required</b>	Nonpermit-tag obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.
<b>Legal Methods of Take</b>	<b>General Hunt:</b> Any firearm or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. <b>Archery Hunt:</b> Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216.
<b>Bag Limit</b>	One (1) bear per calendar year, except as prescribed in R12-4-120.

*To hunt bear in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a bear tag. To hunt bear in any season, except spring bear seasons, you must obtain a nonpermit-tag from a license dealer.*

*As prescribed in R12-4-308, all hunters must contact an Arizona Game and Fish Department office in person or by telephone at 1-800-970-BEAR (2327) within 48 hours of taking a bear. The report shall include the hunter's name, hunting license number, tag number, sex of the bear taken, management unit where the bear was taken, and telephone number at which the hunter can be reached to obtain additional information. Within 10 days of taking a bear, the hunter shall present the bear's skull, hide, and attached proof of sex to a designated Arizona Game and Fish Department employee for inspection. If a hunter freezes the skull or hide before presenting it for inspection, the hunter shall prop the jaw open to allow access to the teeth and ensure that the attached proof of sex is identifiable and accessible (pursuant to R12-4-308). A premolar tooth will be removed during the inspection. Successful hunters are encouraged to contact the nearest Department office by telephone to coordinate inspections.*

**BEAR SPECIAL NOTE:** *In accordance with R12-4-305(H), an individual may retain the carcass of a bear taken under A.R.S. 17-302 when the season is closed.*

## Bear: Commission Order 9 *(mandatory physical check-in)*

### GENERAL BEAR

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Fem Harv Limit
Aug 1 - Aug 21, 2008	(1,2,10)	1, 2A, 2B, and 2C	Any bear except sows with cubs	4
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,10)	1, 2A, 2B, and 2C	Any bear except sows with cubs	4
Aug 1 - Aug 21, 2008	(1,2,10)	3B	Any bear except sows with cubs	3
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,10)	3B	Any bear except sows with cubs	5
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,10)	3C	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,10)	4A and 5A	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,10)	4B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,10)	5B	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 22 - Sep 11, 2008	(1,2,10)	6A	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,10)	6A	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 1 - Aug 21, 2008	(1,2,10)	6B (except Camp Navajo)	Any bear except sows with cubs	3
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,10)	7 and 9	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,10)	8	Any bear except sows with cubs	3
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,10)	10, 18A, 19B, 20A, and 20B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,10)	17A, 17B, and 18B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,10)	19A	Any bear except sows with cubs	2

# Bear Hunts

## Bear: Commission Order 9 *(mandatory physical check-in)*

### GENERAL BEAR

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Fem Harv Limit
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,8,10)	21	Any bear except sows with cubs	4
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,3,10)	22 North	Any bear except sows with cubs	4
Aug 1 - Aug 21, 2008	(1,2,4,10,11)	22 South	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 22 - Sep 11, 2008	(1,2,4,10,11)	22 South	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,4,10,11)	22 South	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,5,10)	23 North	Any bear except sows with cubs	5
Aug 1 - Aug 21, 2008	(1,2,6,10)	23 South	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 22 - Sep 11, 2008	(1,2,6,10)	23 South	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,6,10)	23 South	Any bear except sows with cubs	3
Aug 22 - Sep 11, 2008	(1,2,10)	24A	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 22 - Sep 11, 2008	(1,2,10)	24B	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,10)	27	Any bear except sows with cubs	12
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,10)	28	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,10)	29 and 30A	Any bear except sows with cubs	3
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,9,10)	31	Any bear except sows with cubs	3
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,2,9,10)	32	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
<b>Total</b>				<b>86</b>

### ARCHERY-ONLY BEAR

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Fem Harv Limit
Aug 22 - Oct 2, 2008	(1,2,10)	4B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 22 - Oct 2, 2008	(1,2,10)	6B (except Camp Navajo) and 11M	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 22 - Oct 2, 2008	(1,2,10)	19A	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 22 - Sep 11, 2008	(1,2,3,10)	22 North	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 22 - Sep 11, 2008	(1,2,5,10)	23 North	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 22 - Oct 2, 2008	(1,2,10)	27	Any bear except sows with cubs	5
Aug 22 - Oct 2, 2008	(1,2,9,10)	32	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 22 - Oct 2, 2008	(1,2,7,10)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Any bear except sows with cubs	
<b>Total</b>				<b>13</b>

### ANNUAL FEMALE HARVEST LIMIT (REFER TO NOTE 10)

Unit	Limit	Unit	Limit	Unit	Limit
1, 2A, 2B, 2C	10	8	5	24A	8
3B	10	10, 18A, 19B, 20A, 20B	2	24B	2
3C	4	17A, 17B, 18B	2	27	25
4A, 5A	5	19A	3	28	5
4B	4	21	8	29, 30A	10
5B	2	22N	10	31	9
6A	5	22S	4	32	6
6B	4	23N	15	35A (FTHU), 35B	7
7, 9	2	23S	12		

# Bear Hunts

## Bear Notes:

1. No person shall knowingly use any substance as bait at any time to attract or take bear.
2. When the number of female bears equaling the female harvest limit for a particular hunt has been reported killed, by either hunters or the Department, the unit(s) will be closed at sundown the Wednesday immediately following. Hunters are responsible for calling 1-800-970-BEAR (2327) before hunting to determine if their desired hunt unit is still open. The female harvest limit is combined for Unit 35A/35B and Fort Huachuca hunts, and both hunts will close when the female harvest limit is reached for Unit 35A/35B.
3. 22 North Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 22 located north of the following: Beginning at the confluence of the Verde River and the East Verde River; easterly along the East Verde River to FR 406; easterly on FR 406 to Payson; easterly on AZ Hwy 260 to the Unit Boundary.
4. 22 South Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 22 located south of the following: Beginning at the confluence of the Verde River and the East Verde River; easterly along the east Verde River to FR 406; easterly on FR 406 to Payson; easterly on AZ Hwy 260 to the Unit Boundary.
5. 23 North Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 23 located north of the following: Beginning at the junction of Tonto Creek and Spring Creek; east along Spring Creek to FR 134; east on FR 134 to FR 129; east on FR 129 to AZ Hwy 288; east on AZ Hwy 288 to FR 54; east on FR 54 to FR 202; south on FR 202 to FR 127; east on FR 127 to FR 127A; east on FR 127A to the Fort Apache Indian Reservation boundary.
6. 23 South Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 23 located south of the following: Beginning at the junction of Tonto Creek and Spring Creek; east along Spring Creek to FR 134; east on FR 134 to FR 129; east on FR 129 to AZ Hwy 288; east on AZ Hwy 288 to FR 54; east on FR 54 to FR 202; south on FR 202 to FR 127; east on FR 127 to FR 127A; east on FR 127A to the Fort Apache Indian Reservation boundary.
7. The Fort Huachuca Military Reservation in Unit 35A is open to bear hunting only to properly licensed Fort Huachuca military and civilian personnel holding a valid Fort Huachuca post hunting permit. Hunt numbers, season dates and/or special regulations must be obtained from Fort Huachuca. Increases in Force Protection may result in hunt cancellations at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled due to an increase in security, hunters drawn for these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to the Arizona Game and Fish Department by the published deadline. Fort Huachuca contact information: Commander, U.S. Army Garrison, ATTN: ATZS-ISB (Wildlife), Fort Huachuca, AZ 85613-6000, (520)-533-1867 or (520) 533-7083, disenrd@hua.army.mil, or [www.huachuca.army.mil/usag/dpw/hunting.html](http://www.huachuca.army.mil/usag/dpw/hunting.html).
8. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
9. Unit 31 and 32 hunts -- Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (as prescribed in R12-4-802) is allowed by permit only, available through the Safford Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. For more information, contact the Safford Field Office at (928) 348-4450 or [www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm](http://www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm).
10. Annual Female Harvest Limit – If the Annual Female Harvest Limit for a given unit is met during a calendar year, that unit or portion thereof will close to bear hunting for the current and future bear seasons during that calendar year. The Annual Female Harvest Limit is comprised of any female bear killed by a hunter or the Department. Refer to the Annual Female Harvest Limit table.
11. The area within the fenced enclosure inside the loop formed by Tonto National Forest Road 647, also known as the Walnut Canyon Enclosure, is open to public entry and the taking of bear during open season.

# Mountain Lion Hunts



■ Distribution

**For further information on mountain lions, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).**

## LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

<b>License Required</b>	Any valid hunting or combination license except a Three-Day Hunting (Class H) (See tables on pages 12-13 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
<b>Tag Required</b>	A hunt nonpermit-tag must be obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.
<b>Legal Methods of Take</b>	<b>General Hunt:</b> Any firearm or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. <b>Archery-Only Hunt:</b> Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and/or crossbow as allowed under R12-4-216.
<b>Bag Limit</b>	One (1) mountain lion per calendar year statewide. In units with a multiple bag limit, hunters may take one (1) mountain lion per day until the multiple bag limit is reached. Once the multiple bag limit has been reached, the season will remain open and revert to calendar year bag limit of one (1) mountain lion. Mountain lions taken under the one (1) per day multiple bag limit do not apply towards the calendar year bag limit until the multiple bag limit is reached.

*To hunt mountain lion in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license and a mountain lion tag. To hunt mountain lion in any season, you must obtain a hunt nonpermit-tag from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.*

*As prescribed in R12-4-308, all hunters must contact an Arizona Game and Fish Department office in person or by telephone at 1-877-438-0447 within 48 hours of taking a lion. The report shall include the hunter's name, hunting license number, tag number, sex of the lion taken, management unit where the lion was taken, and telephone number at which the hunter can be reached to obtain additional information. Within 10 days of taking a lion, the hunter shall present the lions skull, hide, and attached proof of sex for inspection. If a hunter freezes the skull or hide before presenting it for inspection, the hunter shall prop the jaw open to allow access to the teeth and ensure that the attached proof of sex is identifiable and accessible (pursuant to R12-4-308). A premolar tooth will be removed during the inspection. Successful hunters are encouraged to contact the nearest Department office by telephone to coordinate inspections.*

*Hunters may encounter mountain lions wearing radio collars around Flagstaff, Prescott, Payson, and Tucson. The lions instrumented with these collars are part of several ongoing research projects. The collars are used to track lion movements as researchers try to learn how the lions use various habitat types and urban interface areas. The longevity of these lions is important to the ongoing research, and data collected will help to improve Arizona's management of lions in the future. If you would like more information about any of these research efforts please contact the Arizona Game and Fish Department Research Branch at (623) 236-7247. Also, if one of these animals is harvested, the hunter is asked to return the collar, as well as any other marking device, such as an ear tag, to a Department office or officer when doing the required physical check-in of the carcass parts*

**MOUNTAIN LION SPECIAL NOTE:** *In accordance with R12-4-305(H), an individual may retain the carcass of a lion taken under A.R.S. 17-302 when the season is closed.*

# Mountain Lion Hunts

## Mountain Lion: Commission Order 10 *(mandatory physical check-in)*

### GENERAL MOUNTAIN LION

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Multiple Bag Limit
Sep 1, 2008 - May 31, 2009	(1,5,6,9,10,11,12,13,14,15)	Statewide (except National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M, and any hunt listed below in Commission Order 10 with a multiple bag limit)	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(2,11)	6A South	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	15
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(2,5,6)	13B South	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	10
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(2)	15B (west of Temple Bar Rd), 15C, and 15D	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	10
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(2,14)	16A South and 18B South	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	15
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(2,15)	22 (south of AZ Hwy 87 and FR 143, and west of AZ Hwy 188)	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	12
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(2,9)	Bear Canyon Hunt Area in Unit 27	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	5
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(2,10)	Pipestem Hunt Area in Unit 27	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	10
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(2,5,12)	40A	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	4
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(2)	42 (south of the Buckeye-Aguila Rd and west of 355th Ave)	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	2
<b>Total</b>				<b>83</b>

### ARCHERY-ONLY MOUNTAIN LION

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 1, 2008 - May 31, 2009	(4,7,8)	11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens

### Mountain Lion Notes:

- Camp Navajo in Unit 6B is open for mountain lion hunting only to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Camp Navajo hunting permit. A hunter education course is required. For more information on Camp Navajo hunting opportunities go to [www.campnavajo.com](http://www.campnavajo.com) and select Hunting. Increases in Force Protection may result in hunt cancellations at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled due to an increase in security, hunters holding these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department.
- When the number of mountain lions equaling the multiple bag limit for a particular hunt has been reported, that hunt will revert to the statewide bag limit of one (1) lion per calendar year at sundown the Wednesday immediately following.
- Hunters are responsible for calling 1-877-438-0447 before hunting to determine if the multiple bag limit for their desired hunt unit is still in effect.
- The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground is closed to mountain lion hunting, except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Yuma Proving Ground Hunting Program Access permit. Occasionally, due to military activities, some affected hunting areas may be temporarily closed. For information write: U. S. Army Yuma Proving Ground - Bldg. 105, Attn: Hunting Program, 301 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498 or call toll-free 1-877-788-HUNT (4868) or (928) 328-2148, or [www.yuma.army.mil/hunting\\_program.htm](http://www.yuma.army.mil/hunting_program.htm).
- Method of take may be further restricted by local government regulations.
- The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
- 13B South Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 13B south of the following line: beginning at the junction of the Arizona/Nevada state line and county road 101. Northeast along county road 101 to county road 5. Southerly on county road 5 to county road 257. Southerly on county road 257 to BLM road 1045. Southerly on BLM road 1045 to the bottom of Whitmore Canyon. South in Whitmore Canyon to the Colorado River.
- Hunting is not permitted in Unit 47M in the following described area: an unin-

## Mountain Lion Notes continued:

- corporated portion of land within the city of Mesa known as the Elliott and Hawes County Island in Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 7 East.
8. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 26M in the following described area: Those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 4 East.
  9. Bear Canyon Hunt Area in Unit 27 - That portion of Unit 27 beginning at the junction of U.S. Hwy 191 and FR trail 76 at Hannagan Meadow; east-northeast on FR trail 76 to FR trail 75; east on FR trail 75 through Grant Creek drainage to FR 281 (the Blue Road); north on FR road 281 to FR trail 52; east-southeast on FR trail 52, in Lanphier Canyon, to FR trail 55; south-southwest on FR trail 55 through Bear Valley to Blue River; north-northwest in Blue River to FR trail 20; west on FR trail 20 to U.S. Hwy 191; north on U.S. Hwy 191 to FR Trailhead 76 at Hannagan Meadow.
  10. Pipestem Hunt Area in Unit 27 - That portion of Unit 27 beginning at the Junction of U.S. Hwy 191 and FR trail 20; east on FR trail 20 to Blue River; south in Blue river to FR trail 55; east-northeast on FR trail 55 to FR trail 41; east-southeast on FR trail 41 to the Arizona-New Mexico state-line; south on the Arizona-New Mexico stateline to the San Francisco River; west in the San Francisco River to Blue River; north in Blue River to FR 475 (the Juan Miller road); west on FR 475 to U.S. Hwy 191; north U.S. Hwy 191 to FR trail 20.
  11. 6A South Hunt Unit - That portion of 6A east of I-17 and south of FR 213 (Stone-man Lake Road).
  12. Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the Barry M. Goldwater Range for hunting access. For specifics about accessing the Barry M. Goldwater Range refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
  13. The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at 602-267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov) (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).
  14. Unit 16A South and 18B South Hunt Unit -- Those portions of Units 16A and 18B beginning in Wikieup at Chicken Springs Road and U.S. Hwy 93; north on U.S. Hwy 93 for 2.2 miles to Pump Station Road; east on Pump Station Road for 0.9 miles to Back Road; north on Back Road for 1.8 miles to Boner Canyon Road (unmarked); northeast on Boner Canyon Road to Bogles Ranch Road near SV Ranch headquarters (stay right at each road fork); south on Bogles Ranch Road for 3.5 miles to Black Canyon drainage; northeast in Black Canyon drainage to Francis Creek; southeast on Francis Creek to Burro Creek; northeast on Burro Creek to Conger Creek; southeast on Conger Creek to Conger Springhead; south on access road to Bozarth Mesa Road; east on Bozarth Mesa Road to Camp Wood (Yolo) Road, the Unit 17B-18B boundary; southwest on Camp Wood Road to AZ Hwy 96 in Bagdad; southeast on AZ Hwy 96 to the Santa Maria River; southwest along Santa Maria River to Alamo Lake; westerly along the north shore of Alamo Lake to Alamo Road; northwest on Alamo Road to Chicken Springs Road; southeast on Chicken Springs Road to U.S. Hwy 93.
  15. The area within the fenced enclosure inside the loop formed by Tonto National Forest Road 647, also known as the Walnut Canyon Enclosure, is open to public entry and the taking of mountain lion during open season.

# Population Management Hunts

Beginning in 2003-2004, the Arizona Game and Fish Department established Population Management Hunts and the Hunter Pool. AZGFD Wildlife Managers have found that previous hunt strategies designed to manage some wildlife populations are not meeting objectives. When regular hunt seasons don't meet management objectives, conflicts between wildlife and other uses of the land can occur. Population management hunts are designed to allow the Department to achieve supplemental harvests of wildlife when traditional harvest strategies have not met their objectives. Population management hunts will enhance the Department's ability to meet population and habitat management objectives.

The following information is important to know if you are planning on applying for a population management hunt.

- Population management hunts may occur as necessary, under the provisions of R12-4-115 (page 105).
- The Population Management Seasons Commission Order 26 approved by the Commission designates the range of species, season dates, open areas, legal wildlife, lawful taking methods, and maximum tag numbers for population management hunts to be prescribed by the Director and implemented under R12-4-115.
- When a population management hunt is found to be necessary, as prescribed in R12-4-115, hunters will be selected from the hunter pool made up of hunter pool applicants (see application below).
- The hunter pool list will be purged by the Department

Dec. 31, 2008. You may apply at any time during the year (note: do not include the hunter pool hunt application form with a hunt permit-tag application—you must apply separately. See application below for instructions).

- To complete your application, you must designate the species of animal(s) you desire to hunt and the weapon type(s). You must also submit a \$7.50 application fee (note: one \$7.50 application fee per application—not per species). Please do not send cash.
- You may designate more than one species and weapon type on the application form. If you choose to designate more than one species and weapon type on your hunter pool application, your name will be included in the hunter pool for each species and weapon type you designate. This means that you may be eligible to participate in a population management hunt for more than one species or method of take each year (note: annual bag limits apply to all population management hunts and may limit your ability to participate in a population management hunt or regular season hunt).
- If you participate in a population management hunt and fill your annual bag limit for that species, you may not participate in a regular hunting season for that species even if you are drawn through the normal draw process (note: A.R.S. 17-332.E. prohibits the issuing of a refund for the purchase of a license or a permit).
- If your application is selected during a random drawing for a population management hunt, the Department

will attempt to contact you three times by telephone within a 24-hour period. If you cannot be contacted within 24 hours, your application will be returned to the hunter pool for inclusion in future population management hunts during that year.

- If you are offered a restricted non-permit tag for a population management hunt, pursuant to R12-4-115, you may decline to participate. If you decline to participate, your application will be returned to the hunter pool for inclusion in future population management hunts during that year (note: if you agree to participate in a population management hunt but fail to purchase your tag within the timeframe designated when you are contacted, you will not be eligible for further population management hunts that year).
- If you elect to participate in a population management hunt, it is probable that you will be asked to arrive in the field to hunt within a few days of being contacted (note: purchase of restricted nonpermit-tag and applicable hunting license prior to hunting is required).
- Restricted non-permit tags issued through the hunter pool may be purchased through the Department's Phoenix office. See the front of the hunting regulations booklet for the address and phone number.
- You will not gain or lose bonus points when you apply for, or participate in, a population management hunt.

*Form may be photocopied.*

**Do not include this form with a Hunt Permit-tag Application Form  
(See R12-4-115 on page 105)**

**Have you:**

- Filled in all the blanks?
- Enclosed the \$7.50 application fee?
- Signed your application?
- Indicated your choice of species?

**Mail Application and Fee (do not send cash) to:**

Arizona Game and Fish Department  
Attention: Drawer FAB  
5000 W. Carefree Highway  
Phoenix, AZ 85086-5000

## HUNTER POOL APPLICATION

For Jan. 1, 2008 thru Dec. 31, 2008

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**Please provide your hunting license number.**  
(2 character license prefix required)

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone No. ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone No. ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Choose 1 to 4 Species:    Elk    Bear    Javelina    Buffalo

Choose 1 to 3 Method of Take:    Rifle    Ham (Handgun, Archery, Muzzleloader)    Archery

Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_    Resident    Non-resident

Please provide your Department ID Number. If you do not have a Department ID Number, one will be provided for you.  

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

FORM 55

# Population Management Hunts

## LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

<b>License Required</b>	Any valid hunting or combination license except a Three-Day Hunting (Class H) (See tables on pages 12-13 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
<b>Tag Required</b>	Refer to page 54.
<b>Legal Methods of Take</b>	<b>General Hunt:</b> Bow and arrow, centerfire handguns, centerfire rifles, muzzleloading rifles, or all other rifles using black powder as prescribed in R12-4-304. Bow and arrow or centerfire handguns may NOT be used on Raymond Wildlife Area. <b>Muzzleloading Hunt:</b> Muzzleloading weapons as prescribed in R12-4-101 and R12-4-318, or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304. <b>Archery-Only Hunt:</b> Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and/or crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216.
<b>Bag Limit</b>	Refer to individual species annual bag limits. Annual bag limits apply to all population management hunts.

## Population Management Seasons: Commission Order 26

### BUFFALO

#### Buffalo General Population Management Seasons

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Oct 31 - Nov 9, 2008	(8,9,10,11,12,15)	12A East	Any buffalo	150
Nov 21 - Nov 30, 2008	(8,9,10,11,12,15)	12A East	Any buffalo	50
Oct 31 - Nov 9, 2008	(8,9,10,11,13,15)	12A West	Any buffalo	850
Nov 21 - Nov 30, 2008	(8,9,10,11,13,15)	12A West	Any buffalo	175
<b>Total</b>				<b>1225</b>

#### Buffalo Muzzleloader Population Management Seasons

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Nov 14 - Nov 20, 2008	(8,9,10,11,12,15)	12A East	Any buffalo	50
<b>Total</b>				<b>50</b>

#### Buffalo Archery-Only Population Management Seasons

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Aug 22 - Sep 11, 2008	(8,9,11,15)	12A	Any buffalo	1000
<b>Total</b>				<b>1000</b>

### Notes:

- The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
- Restricted nonpermit tags for these population management seasons will be available to permit holders in corresponding big game seasons.
- Successful buffalo hunters must check out and present their buffalo for inspection at the Jacob Lake Checking Station in accordance with R12-4-308.
- Individuals that have previously harvested a buffalo in Arizona and have met the one (1) per lifetime bag limit are not eligible to purchase the restricted nonpermit tag for buffalo.
- 12A East Hunt Unit - that portion of Unit 12A located east of AZ Hwy 67 and south of U.S. Hwy 89A.
- 12A West Hunt Unit - that portion of Unit 12A located west of AZ Hwy 67 and also that portion of Unit 12A located north of U.S. Hwy 89A.
- All buffalo hunters, including unsuccessful hunters or hunters who did not hunt, with a buffalo restricted nonpermit-tag for the House Rock Wildlife Area herd shall check out in person or by telephone at either the Department's Flagstaff regional office or the House Rock Wildlife Area headquarters within three days following the close of the season. A successful buffalo hunter shall report information about the kill to the Department within five business days after taking the buffalo either in person at the House Rock Wildlife Area headquarters or in person or by telephone at the Department's Flagstaff regional office. If the kill is reported by telephone, the report shall include the name of the hunter, the hunter's tag number, the sex of the buffalo taken, the number of days hunted, and a telephone number where the hunter can be reached for additional information (R12-4-306).

# Condor Country: Why Non-lead Ammunition?

## Hunters are helping

More than 80 percent of Kaibab deer hunters took voluntary lead reduction actions in 2007. Thanks to their efforts, no condors died of lead poisoning last hunting season.

The hunting community should be proud of this accomplishment, but we still need more hunters to help. Please help us prove to our critics that we can solve this problem on our own and that mandatory measures are not needed.

Hunters who use non-lead ammunition in condor range carry on sportsmen's proud tradition of wildlife conservation. If you choose to use lead ammunition, you can still help by removing your entire game carcass (including small game and varmints) and gut pile from the field. Local landfills accept and bury animal remains.

## Hunters praise non-lead bullets



Copper bullets have superior penetration, are less toxic, and do not fragment like lead. 93 percent of hunters say that non-lead bullets perform as well as or better than lead bullets on game.



**The Arizona Game and Fish Department** and our partners ask you to be part of the solution by using non-lead ammunition when hunting in condor country (Game Management Units 9, 10, 12A, 12B, 13A, and 13B).

These sportsmen's groups ask you to use non-lead ammunition in condor range:

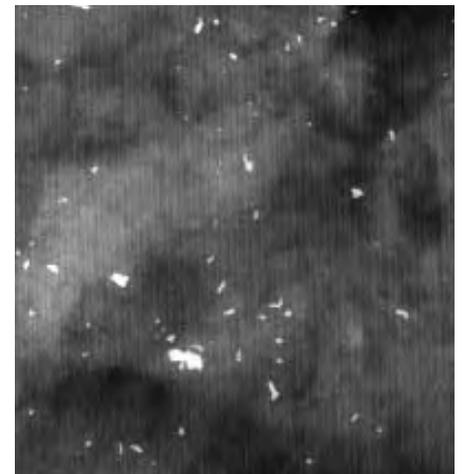
- **Arizona Deer Association**
- **Arizona Elk Society**
- **Arizona Antelope Foundation**
- **Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society**
- **Arizona Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation**

***Hunters drawn for hunts in condor range will be mailed more information before their hunt.***



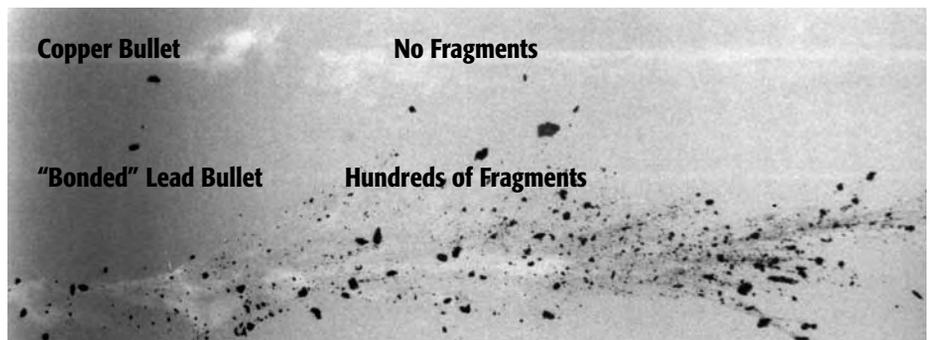
CHRIS PARISH/PERGRINE FUND

Lead poisoning is the leading cause of death in condors and the main obstacle to a self-sustaining condor population in Arizona. At least 12 condors have died from lead poisoning and more than 300 cases of lead exposure have been documented since 1999.



Lead bullet fragments remain in game carcasses and gut piles left in the field by hunters. These X-rays show hundreds of lead fragments (fragments appear bright white in X-ray) in a deer carcass and gut pile. Condors are group feeders, so several birds can ingest fragments from one carcass or gut pile containing lead.

Studies have concluded that lead shot and bullet fragments found in game carcasses and gut piles are the main source of lead in condors. To read these studies and for more info on non-lead ammunition and the condor program, visit: [www.azgfd.gov/condor](http://www.azgfd.gov/condor).



X-ray of a lead and non-lead bullet shot into ballistics gel. Even with no hide or bone, the lead bullet fragmented significantly (fragments are black in X-ray). All visible fragments are from the lead bullet. The copper bullet left no fragments in the gel.

# Mexican Wolf Blue Range Reintroduction Project

Hunters have played a significant role over the past 100 years in recovering and reestablishing wildlife populations across our country, ranging from white-tailed deer to wild turkey to Canada geese. The Arizona Game and Fish Department is asking hunters to step up once again to assist in recovering a wildlife species to its historic range in east-central Arizona.

If you are hunting this year in Unit 1 or 27 or surrounding areas, please be aware that Mexican wolves may be present. Over the past several years numerous wolves have been illegally shot, causing significant setbacks to the reintroduction project. It's possible that many of these shootings were cases of mistaken identity—that the shooter believed the target was a coyote. It can be

difficult to distinguish wolves from coyotes, especially if the light is bad, the sighting is brief, the animal is far away, if it's a juvenile wolf or a wolf in its summer coat.

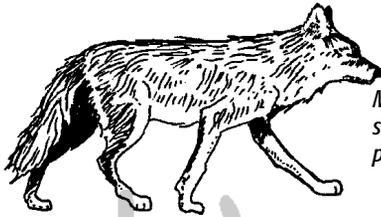
Please read the following identification material and become familiar with the regulations regarding interactions with Mexican wolves.

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## Know the Difference

### Coyote (*Canis latrans*)

Ears are prominent, pointed, relatively long.



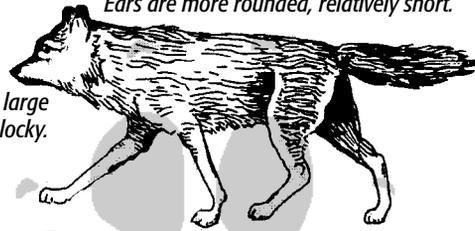
Muzzle is slender and pointed.

1-2 feet tall; 4 feet long with tail;  
Front paw, 2.5 inches long x 2 inches wide

- Nose is more pointed
- Usually displays skittish behavior, tends to flee immediately
- Legs and feet are smaller, more delicate
- Weighs 20 - 35 pounds
- Fur color is very similar to wolves:
  - Grizzled gray, rust or buff
  - Rarely white or black

### Mexican Wolf (*Canis lupus baileyi*)

Ears are more rounded, relatively short.



Muzzle is large and blocky.

2-3 feet tall; 5 feet long with tail;  
Front paw, 4.5 inches long x 3.5 inches wide

- Nose is broad
- Sometimes displays curious behavior and may not flee as quickly
- Legs are longer, more lanky; feet are larger
- Weighs 50 - 80 pounds
- Fur color is very similar to coyotes:
  - Grizzled gray, black, rust or buff
  - Not all white or all black
- Not all wolves have radio collars

## Helping wolves, humans coexist

Mexican wolves are protected under the Endangered Species Act. However, you may legally harass a wolf without injuring it, but you must report the incident within seven days. You may also legally harass, injure or kill a wolf in defense of human life but you must report it within 24 hours. Keep in mind that few people have had to frighten Mexican wolves away, and no one has been injured by one. Most report that hearing or seeing wolves has not affected the success of their hunt and say a sighting has actually added to the quality of their outdoor experience.

You may not legally kill or injure a wolf just because it is near you; kill or injure a wolf that attacks your hunting dog or pet; kill or injure a wolf that is in the act of killing, wounding or biting your horses, mules or any pack animals on public land; enter official closures around occupied release pens, active dens

and rendezvous sites; shoot a wolf because you thought it was a coyote or something else. You are responsible for identifying your target before shooting. Violations of these rules may subject you to prosecution. Criminal penalties may be imprisonment of not more than one year and a fine of up to \$50,000 and/or a civil penalty of up to \$25,000.

If you have any questions regarding wolves, visit [www.azgfd.gov/wolf](http://www.azgfd.gov/wolf).

## Ways to avoid wolf conflicts

Wolves normally avoid human contact. Like all wildlife, they can be curious and could become habituated to humans. This is especially true if people at campgrounds feed wolves.

If a wolf should approach you, raise your arms and look as big as possible. Yell or throw rocks to scare it away. Back away slowly—never run.

## Some other tips

- Keep a clean camp.
- Prepare and store food and wash dishes away from sleeping areas.
- Properly store garbage in camp and dispose of trash in predator-proof receptacle.
- Keep pets close to you. Do not leave them unattended or allow to run free.
- Never feed wildlife—including wolves.

### To report wolf sightings, possible livestock depredations, or harassment of wolves call:

Mexican Wolf Interagency Field Team — (888) 459-9653  
Arizona Game and Fish Operation Game Thief hotline — (800) 352-0700  
White Mountain Apache Tribe — (928) 338-1023

# Welcome to Small Game Hunting in Arizona

**In Arizona** you can find opportunity in one form or another to hunt every single day of the year. Arizona provides great diversity for the hunter. This section covers hunting seasons for small game and other wildlife. The winter of 2007-08 was a wet one in most areas of the state and will provide a much needed reprieve from the below average winters of the past decade. Small game populations respond quickly to rainfall and will benefit greatly from last winter's precipitation. Currently, overall numbers of Gambel's quail, scaled quail and cottontail rabbits are moderately low. Reproduction and recruitment should be high this year but with the current relatively low number of quail, the forecast for the fall of 2008 is average.

The 2007-08 Mearns' quail season was among the best in recent memory. Mearns' quail are dependant on summer monsoon rains. A good summer monsoon season in conjunction with large number of birds remaining from last year will once again mean a very good year for Mearns' quail.

Last year, Abert's squirrels were plentiful throughout their range and provided great hunting throughout the season. The tree squirrel populations throughout the state will benefit from the above average winter precipitation and the forecast for fall tree squirrel hunting is above average. Hunters can expect to find ample, and in some cases year-round, opportunities for predators and furbearers,

including coyotes, bobcats, and gray fox. Remember these predator populations will be influenced by prey abundance. There is a lot of opportunity, challenge and excitement relative to these species, especially when it involves predator calling.

As with any season for these species, it is imperative the hunter does his or her homework. Pay particular attention to precipitation patterns ([www.wrh.noaa.gov/psr/DroughtPage.php](http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/psr/DroughtPage.php)) and do some on-the-ground scouting if possible. Good luck, and we hope to see you in the field this fall. For more information on these species, seasons, and hunting regulations, please visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).

## Tree Squirrel Hunting



■ Distribution

*For further information on squirrels, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).*

### LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

<b>License Required</b>	<b>For hunters under age 14</b> , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. <b>For hunters 14 years and older</b> , any valid hunting or combination license including a Three-Day Hunting (Class H) (See tables on pages 12-13 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
<b>Legal Methods of Take</b>	<b>General Hunt:</b> Any lawful method as described in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304. <b>Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Hunt:</b> Shotgun shooting shot, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-304, R12-4-318 and R12-4-422. <b>Archery-Only Hunt:</b> Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216.
<b>Bag Limit</b>	Five (5) tree squirrels per day.
<b>Possession Limit</b>	Ten (10) tree squirrels of which no more than five (5) may be taken in any one day.

*To hunt tree squirrel in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license.*

# Tree Squirrel Hunting

## Tree Squirrel: Commission Order 11

### GENERAL TREE SQUIRREL

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(1)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands and Units 11M)	Any tree squirrel except the Mount Graham red squirrel
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009		31	Tassel-eared tree squirrel
Sep 1, 2008 - May 31, 2009		33	Tassel-eared tree squirrel

### LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT TREE SQUIRREL

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 3 - Dec 31, 2008	(2)	11M	Any tree squirrel

### ARCHERY-ONLY TREE SQUIRREL

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 22 - Oct 2, 2008	(1)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands and Units 12A and 13A)	Any tree squirrel except the Mount Graham red squirrel
Aug 22 - Sep 11, 2008	(1)	12A and 13A	Any tree squirrel

### Tree Squirrel Notes:

1. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
2. Method of take may be further restricted by local government regulations.

## IT'S IMPORTANT!

Remember to return your hunter questionnaire.

# Cottontail Rabbit Hunting



■ Distribution

**For further information on cottontail rabbits, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).**

## LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

<b>License Required</b>	<b>For hunters under age 14</b> , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. <b>For hunters 14 years and older</b> , any valid hunting or combination license including a Three-Day Hunting (Class H) (See tables on pages 12-13 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
<b>Legal Methods of Take</b>	<b>General Hunt:</b> Any lawful method as described in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304. The use of rifled firearms is prohibited in the Bill Williams River, Buenos Aires, Cibola, Havasu, Imperial, Kofa and San Bernadino National Wildlife Refuges. <b>Limited Weapon-Rimfire Hunt:</b> Rimfire rifled firearms, shotgun, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-301, R12-4-304, R12-4-318 and R12-4-422. <b>Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shotgun Shooting Shot Hunt:</b> Shotgun shooting shot, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-304, R12-4-318 and R12-4-422.
<b>Bag Limit</b>	Ten (10) cottontail rabbits per day.
<b>Possession Limit</b>	Twenty (20) cottontail rabbits of which no more than ten (10) may be taken in any one day.
<i>To hunt cottontail rabbits in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license.</i>	

## Cottontail Rabbit: Commission Order 12

### GENERAL COTTONTAIL RABBIT

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(1,5,8,9)	Open areas Statewide (including Walnut Canyon enclosure in Unit 22; excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Any cottontail rabbit
Sep 1, 2008 - Feb 8, 2009	(2)	Bill Williams River, Buenos Aires, Cibola, Havasu, Imperial and San Bernardino National Wildlife Refuges	Any cottontail rabbit
Oct 10, 2008 - Feb 8, 2009	(2)	Kofa National Wildlife Refuge	Any cottontail rabbit

### LIMITED WEAPON-RIMFIRE COTTONTAIL RABBIT

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(3,4,5,6,7,10)	25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M	Any cottontail rabbit

### LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT COTTONTAIL RABBIT

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(3)	11M	Any cottontail rabbit

# Cottontail Rabbit Hunting

## Cottontail Rabbit Notes:

1. The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground is closed to hunting, except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Yuma Proving Ground Hunting Program Access permit. Occasionally, due to military activities, some affected hunting areas may be temporarily closed. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground, Building 105, Attn: Hunting Program, 301 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498 or call toll-free 1-877-788-HUNT (4868) or (928) 328-2148 or [www.yuma.army.mil/hunting\\_program.htm](http://www.yuma.army.mil/hunting_program.htm).
2. National Wildlife Refuges are open to cottontail rabbit hunting as permitted by Refuge regulations. The use or possession of other than non-toxic shot is prohibited in the Bill Williams River, Cibola, Havasu, and Imperial NWRs .
3. Method of take may be further restricted by local government regulations.
4. Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area is limited to archery only.
5. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
6. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 26M in the following described area: Those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 4 East.
7. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 47M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the City of Mesa known as the Elliott and Hawes County Island in Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 7 East.
8. Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the Barry M. Goldwater Range for hunting access. For specifics about accessing the Barry M. Goldwater Range refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
9. The Florence Military Reservation (training areas Band D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at 602-267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov) (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).
10. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 25M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the Town of Queen Creek in Pinal County in Sections 5, 7, 8, and 18 of Township 3 South, Range 8 East.

# Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals Hunting



■ Distribution

**For further information on predatory and fur-bearing mammals, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).**

## LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

<b>License Required</b>	<b>For hunters under age 14</b> , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. <b>For hunters 14 years and older</b> , any valid hunting or combination license including a Three-Day Hunting (Class H) (See tables on pages 12-13 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
<b>Legal Methods of Take</b>	<b>General Hunt:</b> Any lawful method as described in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304. <b>Limited Weapon-Rimfire Hunt:</b> Rimfire rifled firearms, shotgun, and bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-301, R12-4-304, R12-4-307 and R12-4-318. <b>Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Hunt:</b> Shotgun shooting shot, and bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304, R12-4-307 and R12-4-318. <b>Pursuit Only Hunt:</b> An individual participating in a "pursuit-only" season may use dogs to pursue raccoons but shall not kill or capture the quarry as prescribed in R12-4-318.
<b>Bag Limit</b>	Unlimited. In the "pursuit-only" season an individual shall not kill or capture any mammal.
<b>Possession Limit</b>	Unlimited. In the "pursuit-only" season an individual shall not kill or capture any mammal.

*To hunt predatory and fur-bearing mammals in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license.*

## Predatory and Fur-bearing Mammals: Commission Order 13

### GENERAL PREDATORY AND FUR-BEARING MAMMALS

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(1,8,11,12)	Open areas Statewide (including Walnut Canyon enclosure in Unit 22; excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Coyote and skunks
Apr 1 - May 31, 2009	(2)	Buenos Aires National Wildlife Refuge	Coyote and skunks
Oct 10, 2008 - Feb 8, 2009	(2)	Kofa and Imperial National Wildlife Refuges	Coyote and foxes
Aug 1, 2008 - Mar 31, 2009	(1,3,4,8,11,12)	Open areas Statewide (including Walnut Canyon enclosure in Unit 22; excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Raccoon, bobcat, foxes, ringtail, weasel and badger

### LIMITED WEAPON-RIMFIRE PREDATORY AND FUR-BEARING MAMMALS

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(5,6,8,9,10,13)	25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M	Coyote and skunks
Aug 1, 2008 - Mar 31, 2009	(3,4,5,6,8,9,10,13)	25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M	Raccoon, bobcat, foxes, ringtail, weasel and badger

## Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals Hunting

### Predatory and Fur-bearing Mammals: Commission Order 13 (continued)

#### LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT PREDATORY AND FUR-BEARING MAMMALS

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(5)	11M	Coyote and skunks
Aug 1, 2008 - Mar 31, 2009	(3,4,5)	11M	Raccoon, bobcat, foxes, ringtail, weasel and badger

#### PURSUIT-ONLY PREDATORY AND FUR-BEARING MAMMALS

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1 - Jul 31, 2008 and Apr 1 - Jun 30, 2009	(1,7,8,12)	Open areas Statewide (including Walnut Canyon enclosure in Unit 22; excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Raccoon

#### Predatory and Fur-bearing Mammals Notes:

1. The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground is closed to hunting, except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Yuma Proving Ground Hunting Program Access permit. Occasionally, due to military activities, some affected hunting areas may be temporarily closed. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground, Building 105, Attn: Hunting Program, 301 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498 or call toll-free 1-877-788-HUNT (4868) or (928) 328-2148 or [www.yuma.army.mil/hunting\\_program.htm](http://www.yuma.army.mil/hunting_program.htm).
2. The Buenos Aires, Kofa, and Imperial National Wildlife Refuges are open to predatory and fur-bearing mammal hunting. A refuge permit may be required; contact the individual refuges for their regulations (see Index: Hunting on Public Lands).
3. Any raw bobcat pelt sold or exported must have attached permit tag in accordance with R12-4-305.
4. Raccoon may be taken at night with the aid of artificial light; however the light may not be attached to or operated from a vehicle.
5. Method of take may be further restricted by local government regulations.
6. Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area is limited to archery only.
7. A person participating in a "pursuit-only" season may use dogs to pursue raccoons, but shall not kill or capture the quarry, pursuant to R12-4-318.
8. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
9. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 26M in the following described area: Those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 4 East.
10. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 47M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the City of Mesa known as the Elliott and Hawes County Island in Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 7 East.
11. Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the Barry M. Goldwater Range for hunting access. For specifics about accessing the Barry M. Goldwater Range refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
12. The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at 602-267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov) (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).
13. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 25M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the Town of Queen Creek in Pinal County in Sections 5, 7, 8, and 18 of Township 3 South, Range 8 East.

## Other Birds & Mammals

### LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

<b>License Required</b>	<b>For hunters under age 14</b> , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. <b>For hunters 14 years and older</b> , any valid hunting or combination license including a Three-Day Hunting (Class H) (See tables on pages 12-13 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
<b>Legal Methods of Take</b>	<b>General Hunt:</b> Any lawful method as described in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304. <b>Limited Weapon-Rimfire Hunt:</b> Rimfire rifled firearms, shotgun, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots, traps and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-301, R12-4-304, R12-4-307, R12-4-318 and R12-4-422. <b>Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Hunt:</b> Shotgun shooting shot, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots, traps and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-303, R12-4-304, R12-4-307, R12-4-318 and R12-4-422.
<b>Bag Limit</b>	Unlimited, except for coati which is one (1) per calendar year. House (English) sparrows, European starlings and mammals of the Orders Rodentia (except beaver, black-tailed prairie dog, muskrat, porcupine or tree squirrel) and Insectivora may be taken alive and held in captivity pursuant to R12-4-404.
<b>Possession Limit</b>	Unlimited. Except for coati, which is one (1) per calendar year.
<i>To hunt other birds and mammals in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license.</i>	

## Other Birds and Mammals: Commission Order 14

### GENERAL OTHER BIRDS AND MAMMALS

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(1,5,8,9)	Open areas Statewide (including Walnut Canyon enclosure in Unit 22; excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	House (English) sparrow and European starling
Sep 1 - Dec 31, 2008	(1,5,8,9)	Open areas Statewide (including Walnut Canyon enclosure in Unit 22; excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Crow
Sep 1, 2008 - Mar 31, 2009	(5,8,9)	Open areas Statewide (including Walnut Canyon enclosure in Unit 22; excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Coati
Jul 1, 2008 - Mar 31, 2009 and Jun 16 - Jun 30, 2009	(5,8,9)	Open areas Statewide (including Walnut Canyon enclosure in Unit 22; excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 29, 30A, 30B, 34A, 34B, 35A, 35B, 38M, and 47M)	Gunnison's prairie dog
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(1,2,5,8,9)	Open areas Statewide (including Walnut Canyon enclosure in Unit 22; excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	All mammals EXCEPT game mammals, furbearing mammals, predatory mammals, bats, coati, black-footed ferret, Hualapai vole, Gunnison's prairie dog, black-tailed prairie dog, jaguar, jaguarundi, ocelot, otter, porcupine and wolves

### LIMITED WEAPON-RIMFIRE OTHER BIRDS AND MAMMALS

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(3,4,5,6,7,10)	25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M	House (English) sparrow and European starling
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(3,4,5,6,7,10)	25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M	All mammals EXCEPT game mammals, furbearing mammals, predatory mammals, bats, coati, black-footed ferret, Hualapai vole, black-tailed prairie dog, jaguar, jaguarundi, ocelot, otter, porcupine and wolves

### LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT OTHER BIRDS AND MAMMALS

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(3)	11M	House (English) sparrow and European starling
Jul 1, 2008 - Jun 30, 2009	(3)	11M	All mammals EXCEPT game mammals, furbearing mammals, predatory mammals, bats, coati, black-footed ferret, Hualapai vole, black-tailed prairie dog, jaguar, jaguarundi, ocelot, otter, porcupine and wolves

## Other Birds & Mammals

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### Other Birds and Mammals Notes:

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1. The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground is closed to hunting, except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Yuma Proving Ground Hunting Program Access permit. Occasionally, due to military activities, some affected hunting areas may be temporarily closed. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground, Building 105, Attn: Hunting Program, 301 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498 or call toll-free 1-877-788-HUNT (4868) or (928) 328-2148 or [www.yuma.army.mil/hunting\\_program.htm](http://www.yuma.army.mil/hunting_program.htm).
2. Other mammals may be taken at night with the aid of artificial light as prescribed in R12-4-304E. No firearms may be used at night.
3. Method of take may be further restricted by local government regulations.
4. Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area is limited to archery only.
5. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
6. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 26M in the following described area: Those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 4 East.
7. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 47M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the City of Mesa known as the Elliott and Hawes County Island in Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 7 East.
8. Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the Barry M. Goldwater Range for hunting access. For specifics about accessing the Barry M. Goldwater Range refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
9. The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at 602-267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov) (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).
10. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 25M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the Town of Queen Creek in Pinal County in Sections 5, 7, 8, and 18 of Township 3 South, Range 8 East.

# Pheasant Hunting



■ Distribution

***For further information on pheasants, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).***

## LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

<b>License Required</b>	<b>For hunters under age 14</b> , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. <b>For hunters 14 years and older</b> , any valid hunting or combination license including a Three-Day Hunting (Class H) (See tables on pages 12-13 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
<b>Tag Required</b>	For the Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot and Juniors-Only seasons, hunt permit-tag obtained only through application and draw process as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114.
<b>Hunt Numbers Required</b>	When applying for hunt permit-tags, you must use hunt numbers.
<b>Legal Methods of Take</b>	<b>Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Hunt:</b> Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow, and bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318. <b>Archery-Only Hunt:</b> Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216. <b>Falconry-Only Hunt:</b> Falconry as defined in R12-4-101 and as prescribed in R12-4-318.
<b>Limited Weapon Shotgun Shooting Shot Bag Limit</b>	Two (2) pheasants. Each pheasant possessed shall have a hunt permit-tag attached.
<b>Archery-Only and Falconry-Only Bag Limit</b>	Two (2) pheasants per day.
<b>Archery-Only and Falconry-Only Possession Limit</b>	Four (4) pheasants of which no more than two (2) may be taken in any one day.

*To hunt pheasant in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license. To hunt pheasant during the Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot season, you must apply for and obtain a hunt permit-tag through the draw.*

# Pheasant Hunting

## Pheasant: Commission Order 15

### LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT PHEASANT

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
11001	Sep 19 - Sep 21, 2008	(1)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any rooster pheasant	40
11002	Sep 26 - Sep 28, 2008	(1)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any rooster pheasant	40
11003	Oct 3 - Oct 5, 2008	(1)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any rooster pheasant	40
11004	Oct 10 - Oct 12, 2008	(1)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any rooster pheasant	40
<b>Total</b>					<b>160</b>

### ARCHERY-ONLY PHEASANT

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 3, 2008 - Feb 8, 2009	(2)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges and Mohave County Park Lands)	Any pheasant

### FALCONRY-ONLY PHEASANT

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 3, 2008 - Feb 8, 2009	(2)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges, and Mohave County Park Lands)	Any pheasant

### Pheasant Notes:

- For the Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Pheasant application acceptance date see the Table of Contents: Application Info and Fees. Submitting your application before the acceptance date will result in your application being rejected. and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
- The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest,

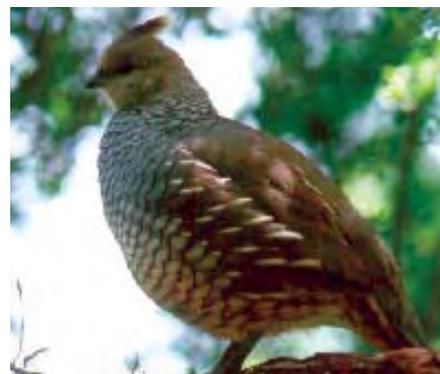
# Quail Hunting



Gambel's



Mearns'



Scaled



■ Distribution



■ Distribution



■ Distribution

For further information on quail, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).

## LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

<b>License Required</b>	<b>For hunters under age 14</b> , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. <b>For hunters 14 years and older</b> , any valid hunting or combination license including a Three-Day Hunting (Class H) (See tables on pages 12-13 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
<b>Legal Methods of Take</b>	<b>General Hunt:</b> Any lawful method as described in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304. <b>Falconry-Only Hunt:</b> Falconry as defined in R12-4-101 and as prescribed in R12-4-318.
<b>GENERAL Bag Limit</b>	Fifteen (15) quail per day in the aggregate of which no more than eight (8) may be Mearns' quail
<b>GENERAL Possession Limit</b>	Thirty (30) quail in the aggregate after opening day of which no more than fifteen (15) Gambel's, Scaled, or California quail in the aggregate may be taken in one day. After Nov. 28, the 30 quail possession limit may include Mearns' quail of which no more than eight (8) may be taken in any one day.
<b>FALCONRY Bag Limit</b>	Three (3) quail per day.
<b>FALCONRY Possession Limit</b>	Six (6) quail of which no more than three (3) may be taken in any one day.

To hunt quail in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license.

Quail hunters are reminded that A.R.S. 17-309 requires wildlife in possession be identifiable as to species. Commission Rule R12-4-305 states that for a person transporting or possessing quail, that each quail have attached a fully feathered head, or a fully feathered wing, or a leg with foot attached.

# Quail Hunting

## Quail: Commission Order 16

### GENERAL QUAIL

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 3, 2008 - Feb 8, 2009	(1,3,4,5,6,7)	Open areas Statewide (including Walnut Canyon enclosure in Unit 22; excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Mohave County Park Lands)	Gambel's, Scaled and California quail
Oct 3, 2008 - Feb 8, 2009	(2)	Bill Williams River, Cibola, Havasu, Imperial, Kofa and San Bernadino National Wildlife Refuges	Gambel's, Scaled and California quail
Nov 28, 2008 - Feb 8, 2009	(3,4,5,6,7)	Open areas Statewide (including Walnut Canyon enclosure in Unit 22; excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Mohave County Park Lands)	Mearns' quail

### FALCONRY-ONLY QUAIL

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 1 - Oct 2, 2008	(3,6,7)	Open areas Statewide (including Walnut Canyon enclosure in Unit 22; excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Any quail
Jul 1, 2008 - Mar 31, 2009	(3,4,5,8)	25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M	Any quail

### Quail Notes:

- The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground is closed to hunting, except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Yuma Proving Ground Hunting Program Access permit. Occasionally, due to military activities, some affected hunting areas may be temporarily closed. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground, Building 105, Attn: Hunting Program, 301 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498 or call toll-free 1-877-788-HUNT (4868) or (928) 328-2148 or [www.yuma.army.mil/hunting\\_program.htm](http://www.yuma.army.mil/hunting_program.htm).
- National Wildlife Refuges are open to quail hunting as permitted by Refuge regulations. The use or possession of other than non-toxic shot is prohibited in the Bill Williams River, Cibola, Havasu, and Imperial NWRs.
- The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
- Hunting is not permitted in Unit 26M in the following described area: Those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 4 East.
- Hunting is not permitted in Unit 47M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the City of Mesa known as the Elliott and Hawes County Island in Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 7 East.
- Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the Barry M. Goldwater Range for hunting access. For specifics about accessing the Barry M. Goldwater Range refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
- The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at 602-267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov) (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).
- Hunting is not permitted in Unit 25M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the Town of Queen Creek in Pinal County in Sections 5, 7, 8, and 18 of Township 3 South, Range 8 East.

# Chukar Partridge Hunting



*For further information on chukar partridge, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).*

## LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

<b>License Required</b>	<b>For hunters under age 14</b> , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. <b>For hunters 14 years and older</b> , any valid hunting or combination license including a Three-Day Hunting (Class H) (See tables on pages 12-13 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
<b>Legal Methods of Take</b>	<b>General Hunt:</b> Any lawful method as described in R12-4-304.
<b>Bag Limit</b>	Five (5) chukar per day.
<b>Possession Limit</b>	Ten (10) chukar of which no more than five (5) may be taken in any one day.
<i>To hunt chukar partridge in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license.</i>	

## Commission Order 17: Chukar Partridge

### GENERAL CHUKAR PARTRIDGE

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 12, 2008 - Feb 8, 2009	(1)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges and Mohave County Park Lands)	Any chukar

### Chukar Partridge Notes:

1. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.

# Blue Grouse Hunting



GARY MCVICKER



■ Distribution

**For further information on blue grouse, their habitat, range, natural history, or where you can hunt them in Arizona, please visit [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov).**

## LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

<b>License Required</b>	<b>For hunters under age 14</b> , you must either have a valid hunting or combination license or be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid hunting or combination license. <b>For hunters 14 years and older</b> , any valid hunting or combination license including a Three-Day Hunting (Class H) (See tables on pages 12-13 for Resident and Non-resident license fees).
<b>Legal Methods of Take</b>	<b>General Hunt:</b> Any lawful method as described in R12-4-304.
<b>Bag Limit</b>	Three (3) blue grouse per day.
<b>Possession Limit</b>	Six (6) blue grouse of which no more than three (3) may be taken in any one day.

*To hunt blue grouse in Arizona, you need a valid hunting or combination license. PLEASE NOTE: A migratory bird stamp is no longer necessary.*

## Blue Grouse: Commission Order 18

### GENERAL BLUE GROUSE

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 12 - Nov 16, 2008	(1)	Open areas Statewide (except for Units 4A and 5A, National Wildlife Refuges, and Mohave County Park Lands)	Blue grouse

### Blue Grouse Notes:

1. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.

# Trapping

## LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

*In accordance with A.R.S. 17-361, all trappers must send in their Arizona Trapping report by April 1st of each year to the Phoenix Office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department; all trappers must check their traps daily and have all traps plainly marked with the name, address, or Trapper Identification number of the owner.*

<b>License Required</b>	Trapping License plus Bobcat Permit-tag in accordance with R12-4-307.
<b>Legal Taking Devices and Times</b>	Traps as prescribed in R12-4-307; wildlife may be trapped day or night.
<b>Trapper Education</b>	A person applying for a trapping license must complete a trapping education course conducted or approved by the Arizona Game and Fish Department before being issued a trapping license in accordance with A.R.S. 17-333.02.
<b>Definition</b>	Trapping means the taking of wildlife in any manner except with a gun or other implement in hand (A.R.S. 17-101 A.20).
<b>Bag Limit</b>	Unlimited.
<b>Possession Limit</b>	Unlimited.
<i>Hunting or trapping seasons are closed on state and federal refuges, parks and monuments, unless specifically opened by Commission Order (A.R.S. 17-101 A.17)</i>	
<b>TRAPPERS:</b> <i>Be sure to file your trapping report annually by April 1 at the Phoenix office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department (5000 W. Carefree Highway, Phoenix AZ 85086).</i>	

## Trapping: Commission Order 23

### TRAPPING

*Open Areas do not include any area closed to trapping under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-108, R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.*

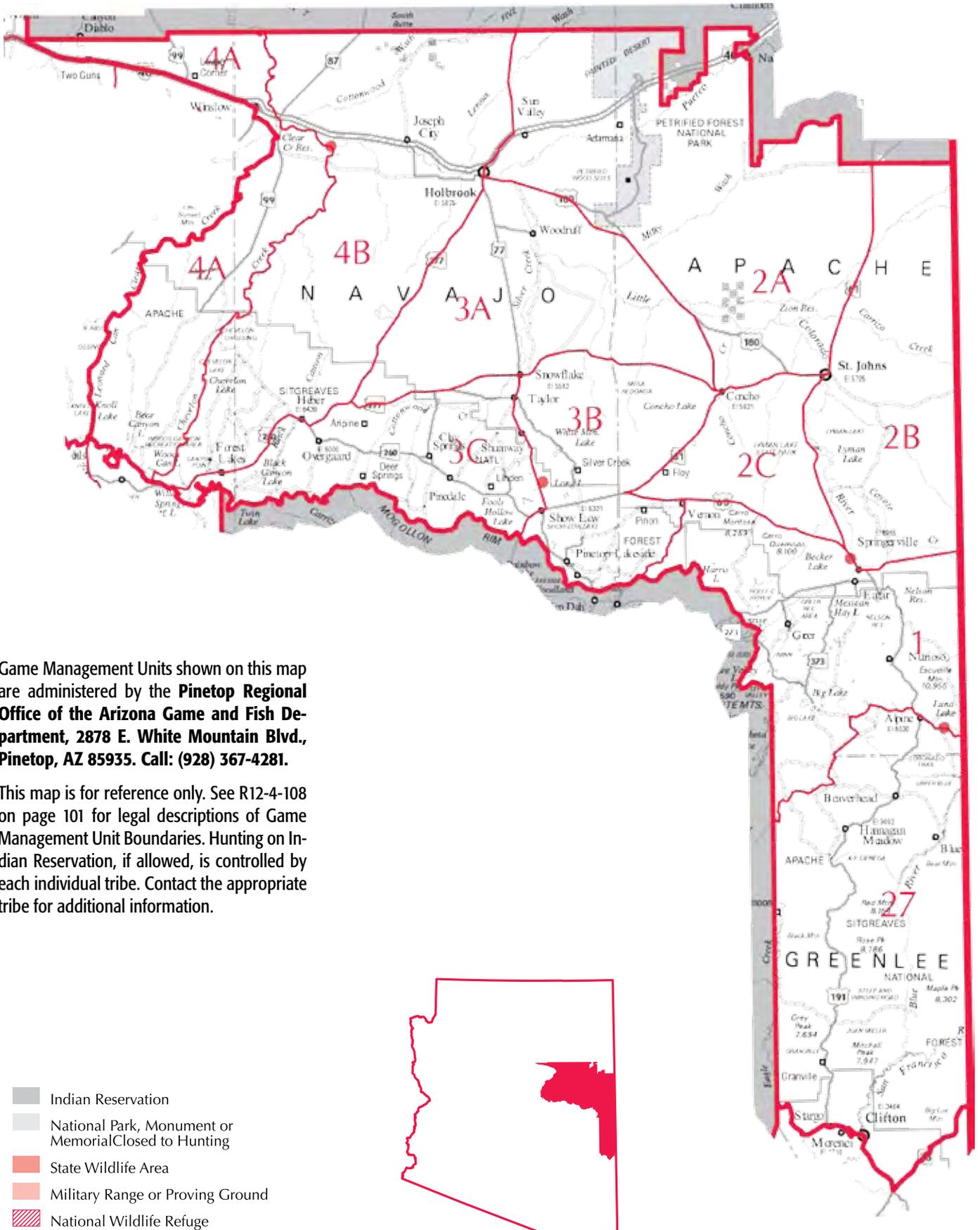
Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Nov 1, 2008 - Feb 28, 2009	(1)	Open areas Statewide (including Walnut Canyon enclosure in Unit 22; excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Coyote, bobcat, foxes, ringtail, badger, beaver, raccoon, skunks, weasels and muskrat

### Trapping Notes:

1. Refer to A.R.S. 17-301D for trapping restrictions on public land.



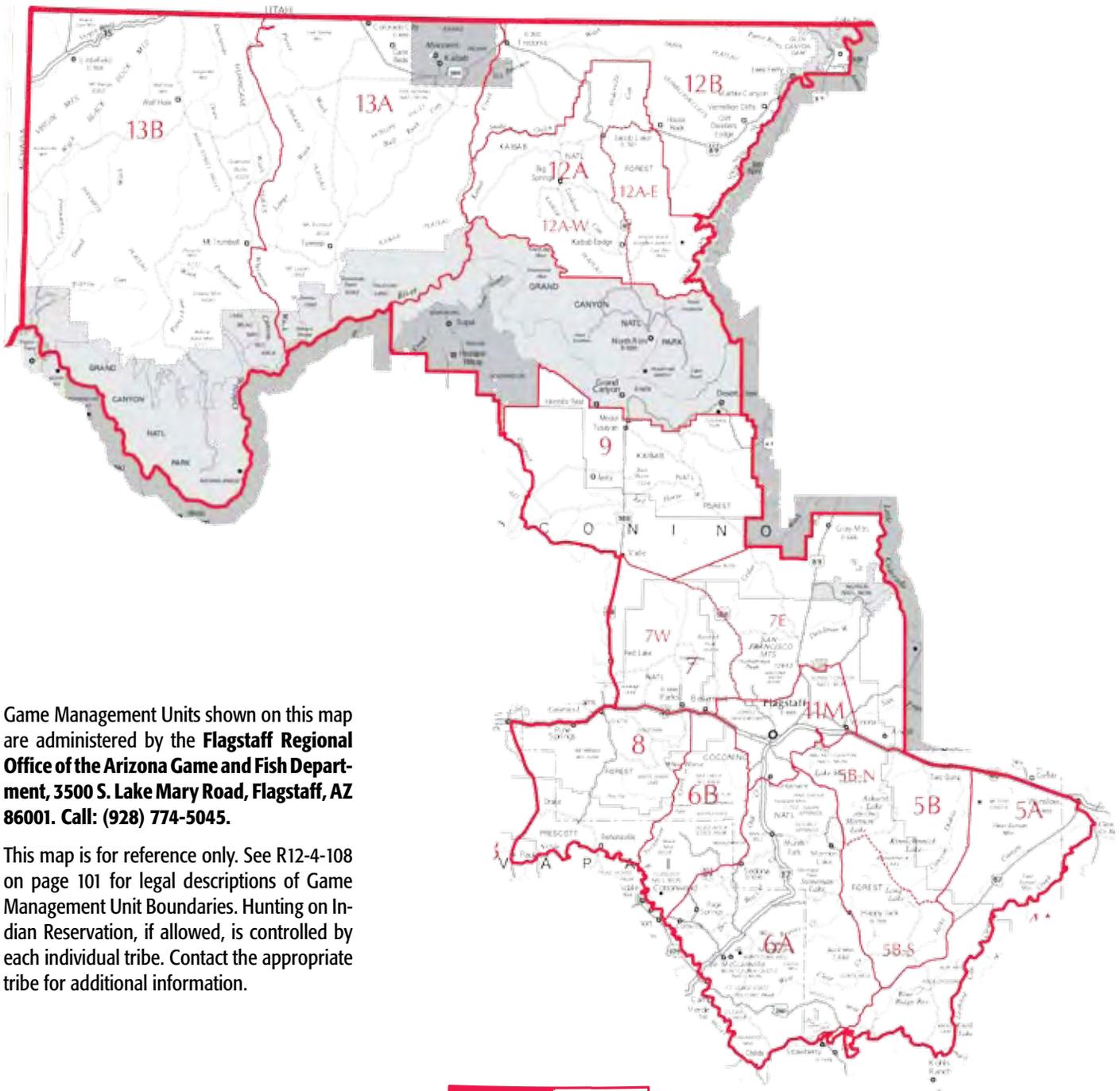
# Region 1 – Game Management Unit Map



Game Management Units shown on this map are administered by the **Pinetop Regional Office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department, 2878 E. White Mountain Blvd., Pinetop, AZ 85935. Call: (928) 367-4281.**

This map is for reference only. See R12-4-108 on page 101 for legal descriptions of Game Management Unit Boundaries. Hunting on Indian Reservation, if allowed, is controlled by each individual tribe. Contact the appropriate tribe for additional information.

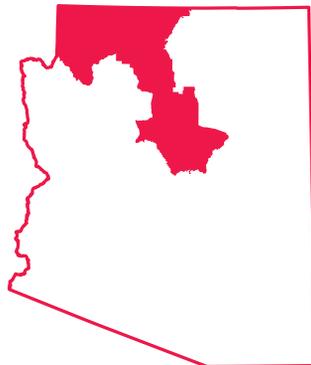
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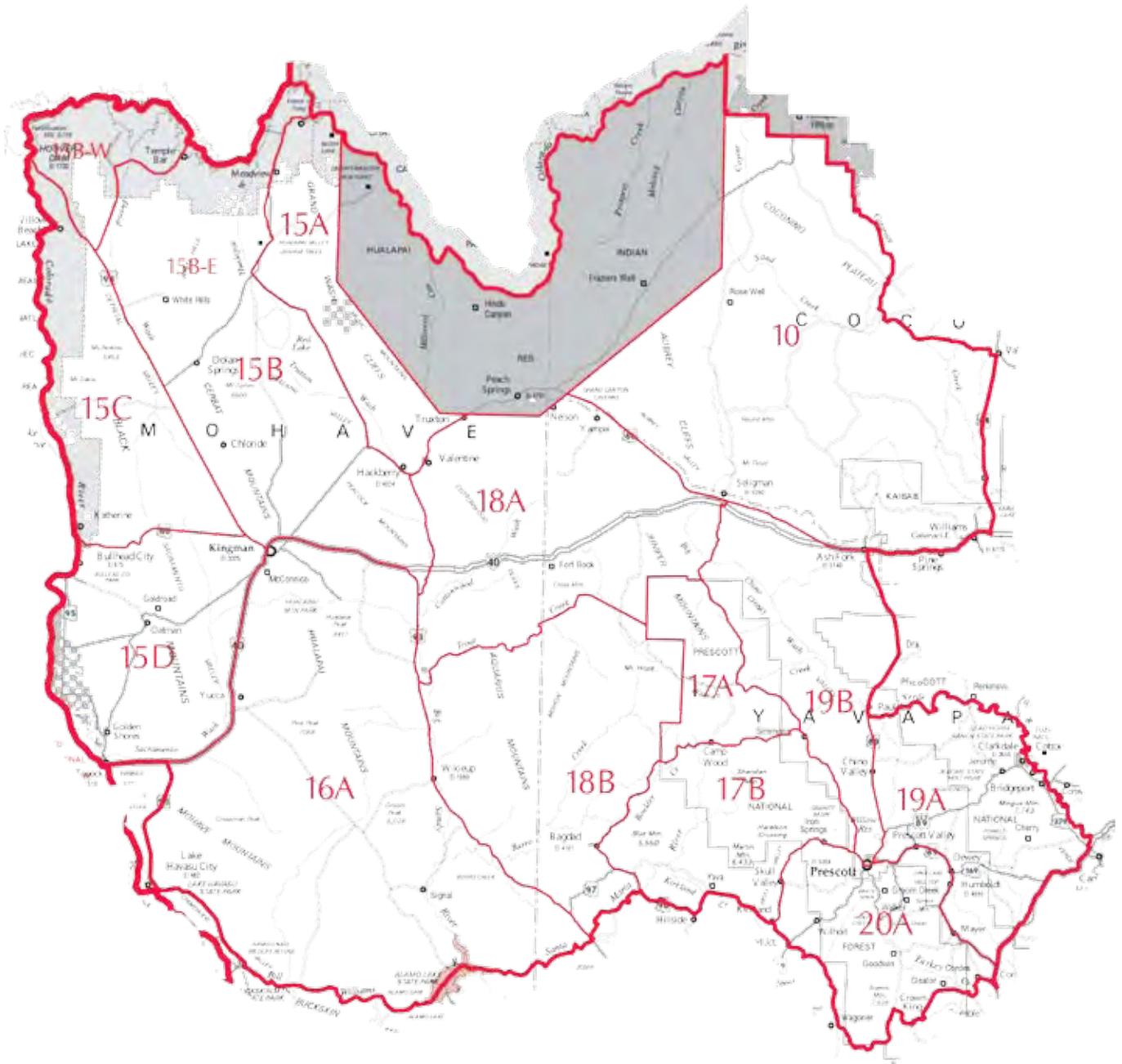
Game Management Units shown on this map are administered by the **Flagstaff Regional Office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department, 3500 S. Lake Mary Road, Flagstaff, AZ 86001. Call: (928) 774-5045.**

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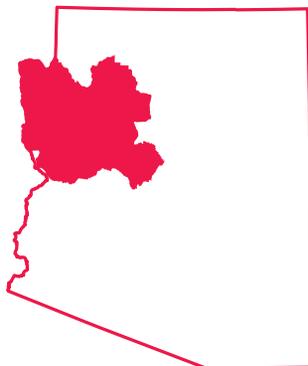
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-  National Park, Monument or Memorial Closed to Hunting
-  State Wildlife Area
-  Military Range or Proving Ground
-  National Wildlife Refuge



# Region 3 – Game Management Unit Map



-  Indian Reservation
-  National Park, Monument or Memorial Closed to Hunting
-  State Wildlife Area
-  Military Range or Proving Ground
-  National Wildlife Refuge



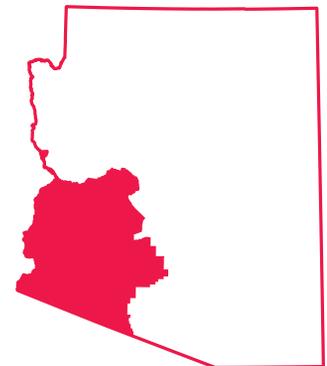
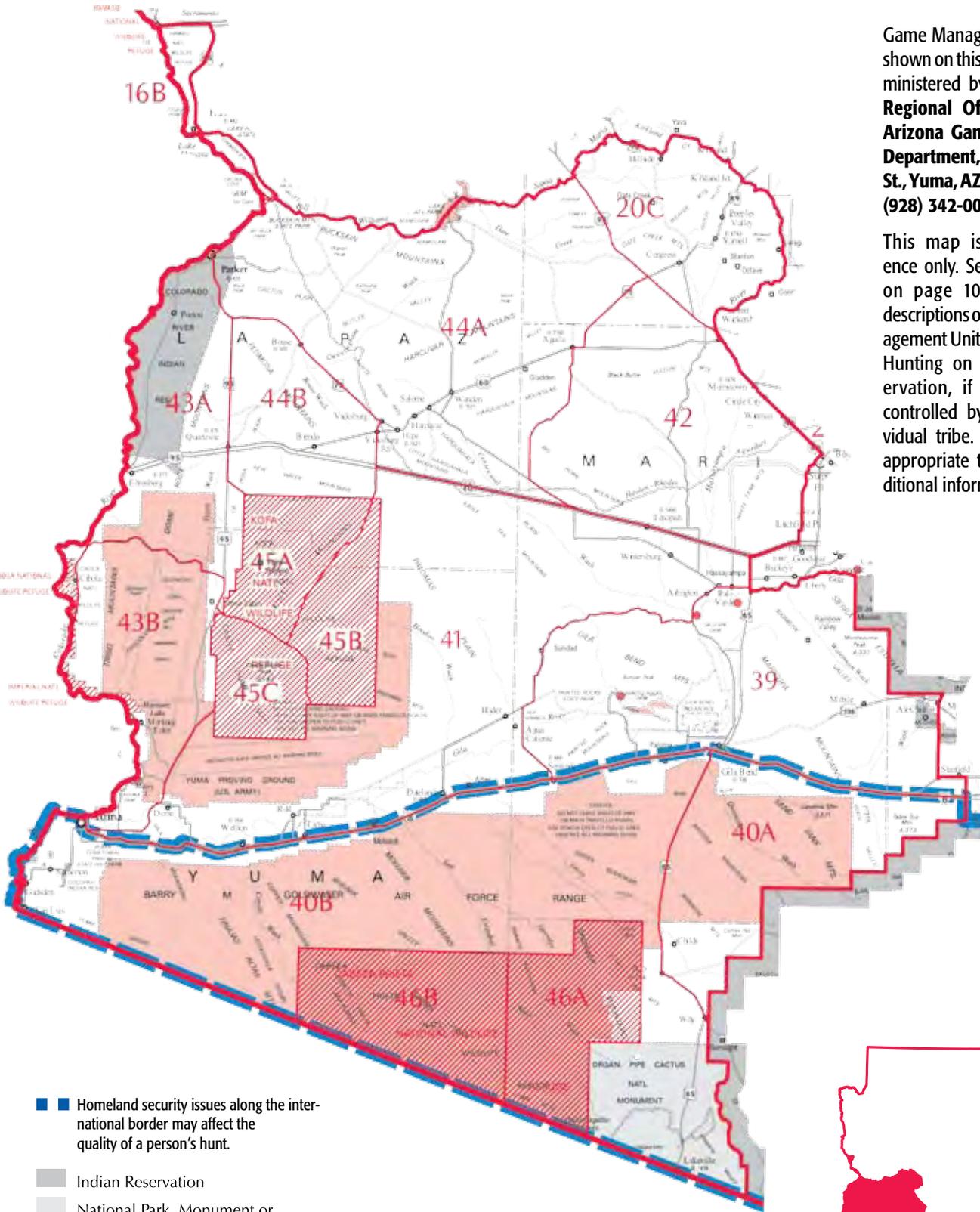
Game Management Units shown on this map are administered by the **Kingman Regional Office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department, 5325 N. Stockton Hill Road, Kingman, AZ 86409. Call: (928) 692-7700.**

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# Region 4 – Game Management Unit Map

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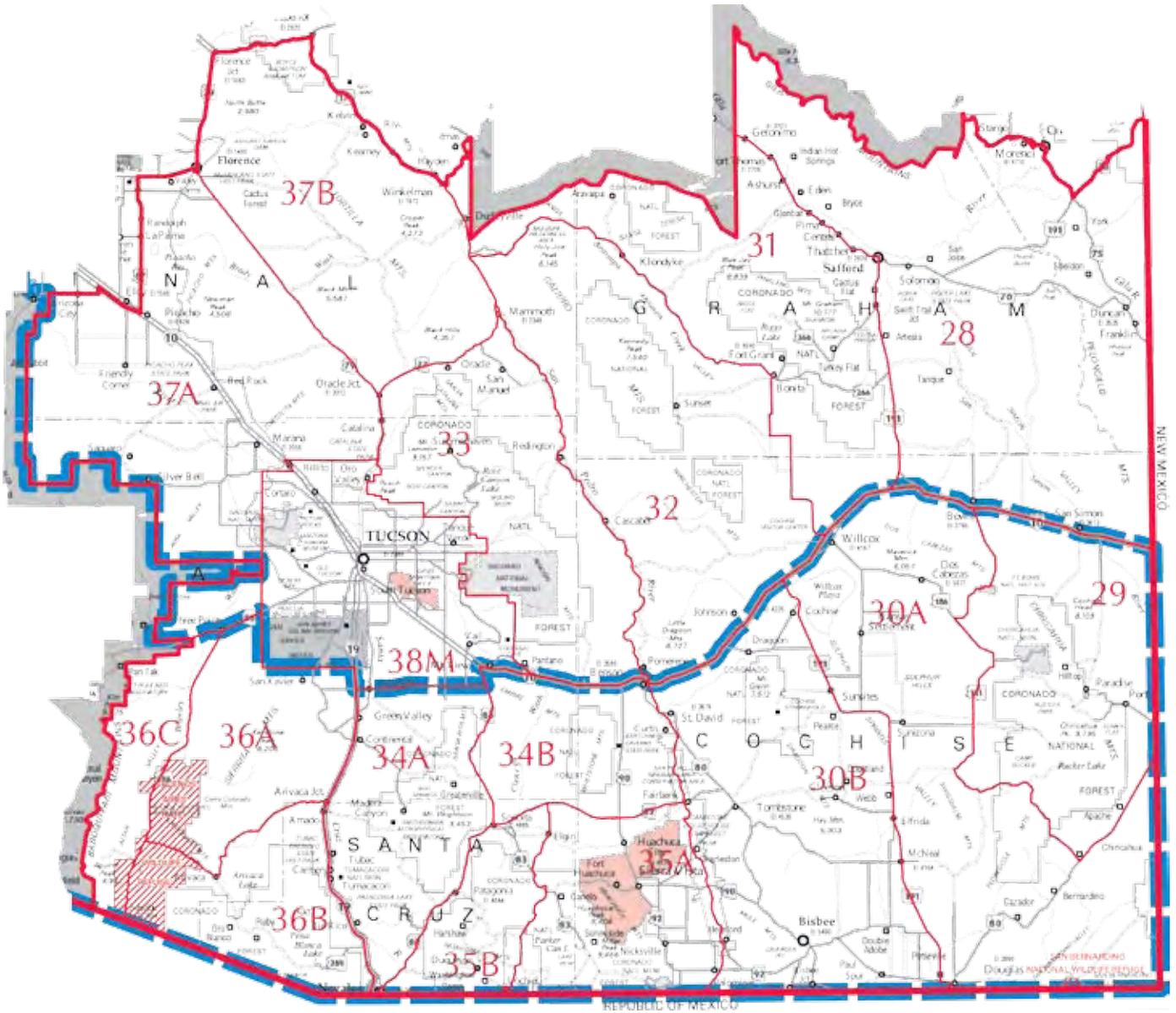
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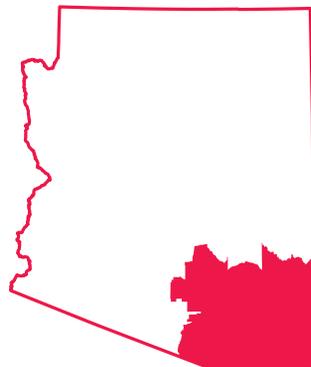
Maps

- Homeland security issues along the international border may affect the quality of a person's hunt.
- Indian Reservation
- National Park, Monument or Memorial Closed to Hunting
- State Wildlife Area
- Military Range or Proving Ground
- National Wildlife Refuge

# Region 5 – Game Management Unit Map



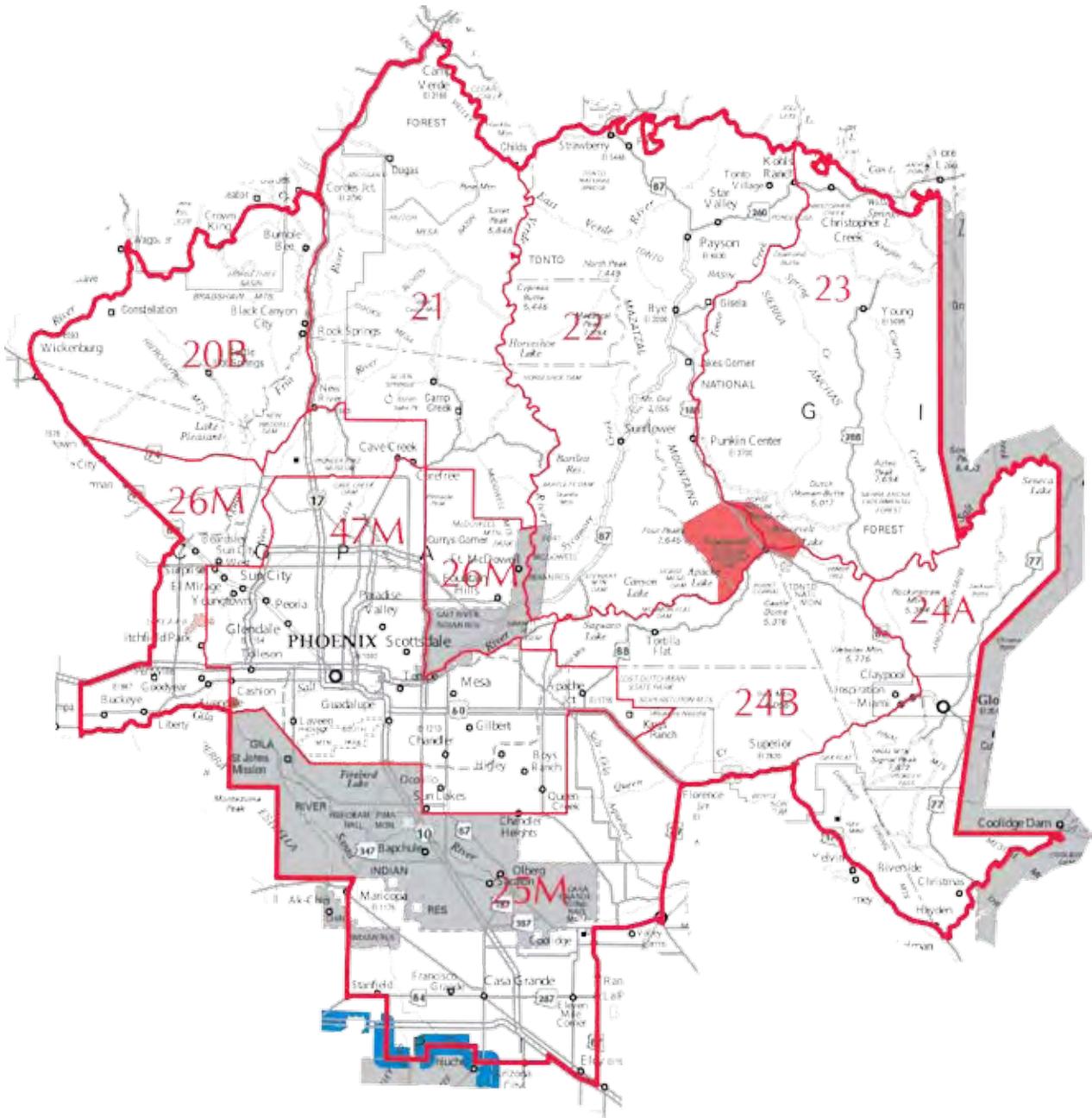
- Homeland security issues along the international border may affect the quality of a person's hunt.
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- National Park, Monument or Memorial Closed to Hunting
- State Wildlife Area
- Military Range or Proving Ground
- National Wildlife Refuge



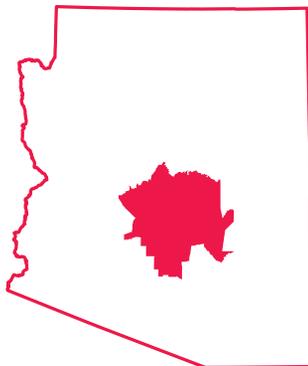
Game Management Units shown on this map are administered by the **Tucson Regional Office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department, 555 N. Greasewood Road, Tucson, AZ 85745. Call: (520) 628-5376.**

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# Region 6 – Game Management Unit Map



- Homeland security issues along the international border may affect the quality of a person's hunt.
- Indian Reservation
- National Park, Monument or Memorial Closed to Hunting
- State Wildlife Area
- Military Range or Proving Ground
- National Wildlife Refuge



Game Management Units shown on this map are administered by the **Mesa Regional Office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department, 7200 E. University Drive, Mesa, AZ 85207. Call: (480) 981-9400.**

This map is for reference only. See R12-4-108 on page 101 for legal descriptions of Game Management Unit Boundaries. Hunting on Indian Reservation, if allowed, is controlled by each individual tribe. Contact the appropriate tribe for additional information.

# Where and When Can You Hunt?

## Where Can You Hunt?

**GENERAL** – Areas open for hunting are shown in the Commission Orders for each big and small game species (pages 33-73). Generally, U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management and State of Arizona lands are open for hunting. National Parks, and some National Monuments and State Parks are not.

**MAPS** – The Arizona Game and Fish Department does not publish maps. There are, however, maps available from the U.S. Forest Service, the Bureau of Land Management, and the State Land Department.

**ACCESS** – Land in Arizona is owned or managed by six different governments or agencies, each with its own set of access rules. (There are 13.1 million acres of private land in Arizona.)

- **THE U.S. FOREST SERVICE** manages 15 percent of the state. Access is open to hunting and fishing in season, though some areas are subject to special closures.
- **THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT** manages 16 percent of the state. Call (602) 417-9200 for additional information on BLM and other public lands.
- **THE STATE OF ARIZONA** manages 13 percent of the state, and the State Land Access Rule (R12-4-110, page 104) delineates the rights and privileges of sportsmen and landowners or operators as regards state lands. Note that “State Land - No Trespassing” signs prohibit access to non-permittees. Properly licensed hunters lawfully taking wildlife are considered permittees for the purpose of trespassing on state land, and are therefore allowed access - see

R12-4-110, paragraph H, page 105. The State Land Department is at (602) 542-4621.

- **INDIAN RESERVATIONS** comprise 28 percent of Arizona. Individual tribal governments establish hunting and fishing regulations for their reservations. See R12-4-117, page 106.
- **NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES** have separate regulations. See below for telephone numbers for refuges in Arizona.
- **MILITARY INSTALLATIONS** have separate regulations. Consult individual Commission Orders for specific information.

**HUNT UNITS** – The maps on pages 75-81 show hunt unit boundaries, which are described in detail in R12-4-108 on page 101. Portions of any unit may be closed during certain hunts. These closures are listed in the footnotes following the Commission Order for the hunt in question (pages 33-73).

**SPECIAL RESTRICTIONS** – Some parks, refuges and similar areas have special regulations governing certain kinds of hunting - see R12-4-301 (page 107). For special requirements in state wildlife areas, see R12-4-802 (page 112).

**ROADS AND VEHICLES** - It is illegal to take wildlife or to discharge a firearm or shoot any other device from a vehicle. A vehicle is any device designed to carry a person - all terrain vehicles, utility terrain vehicles, all terrain cycle, pickup, automobile, motorcycle, aircraft, train, powerboat, sailboat, a boat under sail, or a floating object towed by a powerboat or sailboat. (Requirements for waterfowl are different - see Migratory Bird Regulations.)

## National Wildlife Refuges

National Wildlife Refuges in Arizona provide hunting opportunities in designated areas. The following rules apply to all National Wildlife Refuges and are listed to help guide you when visiting:

1. Loaded weapons may be carried only in hunting zones when actually hunting. A loaded weapon is defined as ANY round in the weapon, including the magazine.
2. Weapons in the vehicle must be unloaded and cased.
3. Target shooting or the discharge of a weapon except to hunt is not permitted.
4. Motorized vehicles may operate on designated public roadways **only** and must be “street legal” ie. licensed, insured and equipped to operate on state highways.
5. Pits, permanent blinds and stands; trail or scouting cameras; and baiting are prohibited.
6. The use or possession of alcoholic beverages while hunting is prohibited.

7. Temporary blinds, boats, hunting equipment, and decoys must be removed following each day’s hunt.

8. Guide service providers must obtain a Special Use Permit from the refuge on which they provide their services.

More information, including refuge-specific regulations and maps, should be obtained by writing or phoning the refuge at:

**Buenos Aires N.W.R.**, P.O. Box 109, Sasabe, AZ 85633, (520) 823-4251

**Kofa N.W.R.**, 356 W. 1st St., Yuma, AZ 85364, (928) 783-7861

After July 15, 2008, the Kofa N.W.R. address will change to:

**Kofa N.W.R.**, 9300 E. 28th St., Yuma, AZ 853656, (928) 783-7861.

**Cibola N.W.R.**  
Rte. 2, Box 1  
Cibola, AZ 85328  
(928) 857-3253

**Imperial N.W.R.**  
P.O. Box 72217  
Yuma, AZ 85365  
(928) 783-3371

**Havasu N.W.R.**  
P.O. Box 3009  
Needles, CA 92363  
(760) 326-3853

**San Bernardino N.W.R.**  
P.O. Box 3509  
Douglas, AZ 85608  
(520) 364-2104

**Cabeza Prieta N.W.R.**  
1611 N. 2nd Ave.  
Ajo, AZ 85321  
(520) 387-6483

**Bill Williams River N.W.R.**  
60911 Hwy. 95  
Parker, AZ 85344  
(928) 667-4144

**Violations observed on NWRs may be reported to (800) 637-9152.**

## National Park Service

Hunting is prohibited in the following areas:

- Canyon de Chelly National Monument
- Casa Grande Ruins National Monument
- Chiricahua National Monument
- Coronado National Memorial
- Fort Bowie National Historic Site
- Grand Canyon National Park
- Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site
- Montezuma Castle National Monument & Montezuma Well

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- Navajo National Monument
- Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument
- Petrified Forest National Park
- Pipe Spring National Park
- Saguaro National Park
- Sunset Crater National Monument
- Tonto National Monument
- Tumacacori National Historical Park
- Tuzigoot National Monument
- Walnut Canyon National Monument
- Wupatki National Monument

### Hunting Restrictions Apply:

- Glen Canyon National Recreation Area (928) 608-6200.

### Indian Reservations

Hunting on Indian Reservations, if allowed, is controlled by each individual tribe. Contact the appropriate tribe for information.

### Lake Mead National Recreation Area

Lake Mead National Recreation Area is open to hunting except in those areas designated as NO HUNTING zones. The following rules are listed for your convenience.

1. Loaded weapons may be carried only in hunting zones when actually hunting.
2. Loaded weapons are defined as: ANY round in the weapon including the magazine.
3. Target shooting or the discharge of a weapon except to hunt is not permitted.
4. Motorized vehicles may operate on designated public roadways only and must be licensed and equipped to legally operate on state highways.

Additional information and closure maps are available for review at all ranger stations or can be obtained by writing to: Lake Mead National Recreation Area, Attention: Chief Ranger 601 Nevada Highway, Boulder City, NV 89005-2426.

### Hunting on Military Reservations

Hunters desiring to hunt on military reservations are advised to contact the specific installation for current regulations prior to going afield. Hunters are also advised that increases in United States Force Protection

may result in hunt cancellations at any time and with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled due to an increase in security, hunters drawn for military reservation hunt permit-tags will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department.

**U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground:** The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground is open to hunting in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Yuma Proving Ground permit. Except for bighorn sheep, restricted areas are closed to the taking of wildlife. Hunting is allowed only in designated hunting areas. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground - Bldg. 105, Attn: Hunting Program, 301 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498 or call toll-free 1 (877) 788-HUNT or (928) 328-2148, or visit [www.yuma.army.mil/hunting\\_program.htm](http://www.yuma.army.mil/hunting_program.htm)

**Barry M. Goldwater Range:** Entry into portions of units 40A, 40B, 46A and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the Barry M. Goldwater Range for hunting access. A) Weapons Impact areas on the Air Force side of the BMGR including the East Tactical Range and Paradise Well area are closed to entry at all times. All persons desiring to hunt outside Weapons Impact areas but within the boundaries of the BMGR located in Units 40A and 40B or to cross the BMGR to access Units 46A and 46B are required to sign a Hold Harmless Agreement and obtain a Special Use Range Permit. More information about the Special Use Range Permit may be obtained by calling the 56th Fighter Wing Range Management Office Public Affairs person at (623) 856-8516 or (623) 856-8520. B) Access to the Air Force's one public recreation area (Area B) or the Marine Corps side of the BMGR does not require a Special Use Range Permit but still requires a Recreational Permit that can be obtained by calling: the Marine Corps Air Station in Yuma at (928) 269-7150; the Bureau of Land Management, Phoenix Field Office at (623) 580-5500; the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge at (520) 387-6483; the Public Lands Information Center at (602) 417-9300; or the Gila Bend Air Force Auxiliary Field at (928) 683-6200.

**Fort Huachuca Army Garrison:** Hunting on Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A is restricted. All hunters must meet specific eligibility requirements and must obtain a copy of the special

Fort Huachuca hunting regulations and comply with the listed provisions prior to hunting. For additional information, contact: Commander, U.S. Army Garrison, ATTN: ATZS-ISB (Wildlife), Fort Huachuca, AZ 85613-6000, (520) 533-7083 or (520) 533-2549, or [disenrd@hua.army.mil](mailto:disenrd@hua.army.mil) or [www.huachuca.army.mil/usag/dpw/hunting.html](http://www.huachuca.army.mil/usag/dpw/hunting.html).

**Camp Navajo:** Hunting on Camp Navajo in Unit 6B is restricted. Contact the Arizona National Guard for more information: (e-mail) [hunting@campnavajo.com](mailto:hunting@campnavajo.com), or visit (Web site): [www.campnavajo.com](http://www.campnavajo.com) and select "hunting."

**Florence Military Reservation:** The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at (602) 267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's Web site, [www.wzgf.gov](http://www.wzgf.gov) (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).

### Wilderness Areas

The Wilderness Act of 1984 and the Desert Wilderness Act of 1990 designated large portions of Arizona as wilderness. Hunters should be aware that this may influence their hunt. Except where specifically permitted, all forms of motorized travel are prohibited. Hunters should be prepared for remote and primitive conditions. For additional information regarding wilderness restrictions, hunters should contact the Bureau of Land Management, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, or the U.S. Forest Service, as appropriate for the area of interest.

### Bureau of Land Management

Generally, BLM lands in Arizona are open to hunting. Check with the appropriate office for current conditions.

**BLM National Monuments:** The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.

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Contact the Public Lands Information Center at (602) 417-9300 at the BLM State Office in Phoenix.

**San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area:** The BLM has established special restrictions for the San Pedro Riparian NCA in units 30B, 34B, and 35A. For more information call the BLM at (520) 439-6400.

## BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

<b>State Office - Phoenix</b> (602) 417-9200	<b>Yuma Field Office</b> (928) 317-3200
<b>Arizona Strip Field Office</b> (435) 688-3200	<b>Kingman Field Office</b> (928) 718-3700
<b>Phoenix Field Office</b> (623) 580-5500	<b>Tucson Field Office</b> (520) 258-7200
<b>Safford Field Office</b> (928) 348-4400	<b>Lake Havasu Office</b> (928) 505-1200

## U.S. Forest Service

Generally, Forest Service lands in Arizona are open to hunting. Check with the appropriate office for current conditions.

**Coronado National Forest Special Restriction:** The U. S. Forest Service has special restrictions for the Sabino Canyon Recreation Area in Unit 33, Madera Canyon in Unit 34A, the East Cochise Stronghold in Unit 30B and Cave Creek in Unit 29. For more information call the Coronado National Forest Office at (520) 388-8300.

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<b>Apache-Sitgreaves</b> Springerville (928) 333-4301	<b>Kaibab</b> Williams (928) 635-8200
<b>Coconino</b> Flagstaff (928) 527-3600	<b>Prescott</b> Prescott (928) 771-4700
<b>Coronado</b> Tucson (520) 388-8300	<b>Tonto</b> Phoenix (602) 225-5200

## Maricopa County Parks

Some land within the Maricopa County Park System is open to hunting. Discharge of firearms or arrows is prohibited in Cave Creek Recreation Area. Contact the Maricopa County Parks Department at (602) 506-2930 for further details. Additional information may also be obtained by contacting the following parks (see R12-4-301, page 107):

- McDowell (480) 471-0173
- White Tanks (623) 935-2505
- Estrella (623) 932-3811
- Lake Pleasant (928) 501-1710 or (623) 372-7460

## Pima County Park System

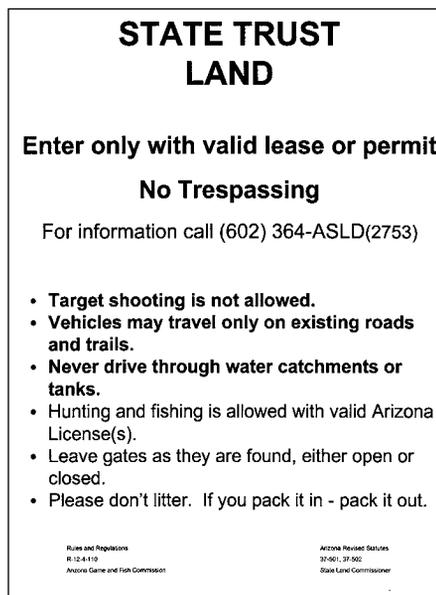
Some areas within the Pima County park system are open to hunting. Contact Pima County Parks and Recreation at (520) 877-6000 for more information.

## Shooting Within City Limits

Arizona State Law (A.R.S. § 13-3107) prohibits discharge of firearms in the incorporated limits of any municipality unless excepted by local ordinance. In addition, some city or town ordinances also prohibit discharge of other implements. Check with your local police Department for information before shooting inside incorporated limits.

## State Trust Land

This is the sign used to delineate the boundaries of the state trust lands for hunters, anglers, and trappers. Some of the older signs may still be



posted. However, the new sign as shown below, should be followed by sportsmen as it effectively replaces the older state trust land sign.

## Tree Stands and Blinds

Tree stands and blinds can be effective and

legal tools to aid in the taking of wildlife. However, please take into consideration the following before hanging a tree stand or setting a blind:

- It may be unlawful to cut any trees or branches while hanging tree stands or setting blinds.
- It may be unlawful to leave tree stands hanging or blinds set for extended periods of time. They may be considered abandoned property and subject to seizure.
- Construction of permanent tree stands or blinds on public lands is unlawful without appropriate authorization.
- It may be unlawful to pound climbing spikes or attach anything that penetrates the surface of a tree causing permanent injury or scarring.
- Placement of tree stands or blinds on public property does not give a person ownership of that area. First come – first serve is common courtesy that should be used when more than one person wants to hunt the same area (or waterhole).

Sportsmen are advised to be responsible when using tree stands or blinds, and check with the appropriate land management agency regarding use and/or restrictions.

## Access to Private Lands

You must have written or verbal permission from private property owners for use of their legally posted private lands for any purpose including crossing these lands by foot or vehicle to get to public and State Trust lands not accessible by public means.

The private landowner who has given you permission to use the property may not mind if you bring a friend or two along. You may destroy your welcome if you arrive with a carload of companions.

Developing person-to-person relationships with private landowners is another key to having more access available for wildlife recreation. Sportsmen who get to know a landowner and who stop in after their stay are almost always welcomed back.

By treating the land as if it were your own, and by showing consideration and courtesy to

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the landowner and the property, a sportsman will always have a place to enjoy wildlife.

Never forget that you are a guest when using or crossing private lands, and this access is a privilege, not a right. Your actions may be the determining factor in anyone else accessing these lands.

Be aware that in some areas gaining permission to hunt one particular species may be nearly impossible while gaining permission to hunt another species is often easy. For example, some landowners may not let you hunt big game on their property, but would let you call predators or hunt small game.

Be aware that sometimes the landowner may grant access to those who ask to go by foot or horseback versus vehicular access.

Don't assume, unless told otherwise, that permission granted one season means you automatically have permission the following seasons. Situations and ownership change, and permission should be requested each season.

## Guide Service

A guide license issued from the Arizona Game and Fish Department is required for any person who, for pay, aids or assists another in the taking of wildlife in Arizona. This license does not assure consumer satisfaction; potential clients should require references before engaging the services of a guide.

Guiding on USFS, BLM, or USFWS lands requires a special-use permit from the administering agency. It is the responsibility of the client to determine if their guide has the necessary special use permits.

## Trapping

Trapping on private land is legal in Arizona, with seasons generally running from November through February. All traps must be inspected daily. It is illegal to disturb traps or trapped animals without permission of the trap owner. If you must disturb a trap, for example to release your own dog, leave the trap where you found it. See Trapping Commission Orders on page 73 and A.R.S. 17-301D.

## Hunting Accidents

Any person, who while taking wildlife, is involved in a shooting accident resulting in an injury should render every possible assistance to the injured person. If the accident results in a fatality, he or she shall immediately report the accident to the nearest available law enforcement officer and render assistance as required. In any hunting accident, a report shall be filed with the Arizona Game and Fish Department within 10 days.

## Road Damage by Motorized Vehicles

The U.S. Forest Service has expressed concern over damage to roads during hunting seasons. Since the majority of our big game habitat is found on Forest Service lands, the Department urges hunters to cooperate with the U.S. Forest Service to reduce road damage. The U.S. Forest Service may close roads during wet periods. During such periods, roads are closed to all users. Please cooperate and reduce road damage. Careless hunters can be fined for damages they cause; assessment can be as high as \$5,000 per mile driven.

## Posting Signs

The U.S. Forest Service would like to remind you that posting or erecting any unauthorized paper notice, sign or similar matter on lands administered by the U.S. Forest Service is a violation of the Code of Federal Regulations.

## Taking Wildlife from a Vehicle

Includes: using a vehicle to hunt while traveling on or off road; and/or chasing wildlife with a vehicle, both of which are illegal. It is also illegal under state law to shoot from, across, or onto a roadway or railway. See A.R.S. 17-301.B on page 96.

It is illegal to use an aircraft to pursue, shoot, hunt or otherwise take wildlife. See R12-4-319 on page 111.

## When Is Hunting Legal?

### SEASONS

Open hunting season dates are indicated in the Commission Orders governing the taking of each kind of big and small game (pages 22-27 and 33-73). Seasons for all wildlife are closed unless specifically opened by Commission Order.

Special restrictions apply on state wildlife areas (see R12-4-802, pages 112), as well as at certain times on parks, refuges and similar areas (see Hunting on Public Lands in the Index, page 115).

### SHOOTING HOURS

Legal shooting time is during daylight hours (see sunrise-sunset chart on page 90) or as prescribed by the Commission (see individual Commission Orders). In general, if you can see well enough to shoot safely, you are legal. Taking wild animals or birds by moonlight or artificial light is illegal, except for raccoons, reptiles and other mammals as prescribed in R12-4-304, page 108. Other time requirements apply for migratory birds (see Migratory Bird Regulations).

## The Arizona Public Lands Information Center



The Arizona Public Lands Information Center is a one-stop resource for outdoor recreation information and off-highway travel in Arizona, featuring custom topographic maps, permits, and licenses.

**Arizona Public Lands Info Center** (602) 417-9300  
One N. Central Ave., Suite 800 1 (800) 986-1151  
Phoenix, AZ 85004 az\_plic@blm.gov

*The Arizona Public Lands Information Center is a partnership between the Public Lands Interpretive Association and the Bureau of Land Management.*

# Operation Game Thief: Wildlife's Answer to Dialing 911

Poachers are a serious threat to Arizona's wildlife. They contribute nothing, yet every animal they take deprives hunters and non-hunters alike of wildlife recreational opportunities. Please report any poaching or other wildlife related violations to the Operation Game Thief hotline. The hotline operates 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. All calls will remain confidential upon request. Rewards of up to \$1,000 may be offered upon arrest in certain cases. Poachers are a "Mutiny on your Bounty" so please help us put them out of business.

## License Revocations and Civil Assessments

The Arizona Game and Fish Commission has the authority to revoke an individual's privilege to take wildlife. It also can bring a civil action against the individual to reimburse the State for the value of any unlawfully taken wildlife. For repeat offenders, the Commission may revoke a person's license to take wildlife for the rest of his or her life. Civil values vary depending on the species of wildlife taken and the size. The current civil assessment for trophy class wildlife starts at \$8,000.

In fiscal year 2006-07, the Commission heard 63 license revocation cases and handed out 245 years of revocation and \$97,176 in civil assessments.

### Operation Game Thief Needs Your Help

A majority of cases were initiated by concerned sportsmen, such as you, making a call on the Operation Game Thief hotline. You can and do make a difference! If you witness a violation the following information will assist us during our investigation.

#### What is the violation?

**Where did it occur?** Be as specific as possible. It is necessary that our officers return to the site.

#### When did it occur?

**Specific violator/vehicle information.** What did the individual look like and what were they wearing? What make, model, and color vehicle were they driving? Record the license plate if possible and, if they left, the direction of travel.

**Your name and telephone number.** Although this is optional, the number of cases that are actually prosecuted from anonymous tips is very low. This is simply because most people do not know the type of information needed to successfully charge and prosecute a violation. Our officers want to talk with you and will guarantee that no one knows your name. We also want to give you a reward for the information you provided. Each year we pay out thousands of dollars in reward payments to concerned sportsmen.



## Poachers are Thieves, Help Stop Poaching

### – Minimum Rewards –

- \$350** Elk, bighorn sheep, eagles, buffalo, endangered species  
**\$250** Deer, antelope, bear, lion, turkey, javelina  
**Up to \$150** Beaver, geese, raptors, ducks, small game, nongame birds, fish

*A maximum of \$1,000 can be paid for information about major violations, repeat offenders and commercial poachers. You need not appear in court or give out your name. Upon the arrest of a violator, a reward may be paid to you in such a manner that you will remain anonymous.*

### – Other Rewards Of \$50 – \$1,000 –

In addition, several sportsmen's groups provide reward monies which allow payment ranging from \$50 to \$1,000 in cases where under state law Operation Game Thief is not able to pay. Nevertheless, the rewards are for cases where the tip was provided originally through Operation Game Thief. Decisions on these are made in consultation with the boards of these organizations:

Arizona Antelope Foundation, Arizona Bowhunters Association, Arizona Elk Society, Tucson Rod and Gun Club, Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society, Arizona Bowhunters and Field Archers Association, Arizona Muzzleloading Association, Central Arizona Bow-hunters, Western Bowhunters Association, Sportsman's Voice, Phoenix Varmint Callers, Arizona Trapper's Association, North American Bear Society, Sportsman's Gun Club, Tucson Chapter of Safari Club International, Phoenix Chapter of Safari Club International, Arizona Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation, and the Arizona Deer Association.

The Arizona Houndsmen have offered a special \$5,000 reward. Please see page 90.

**OPERATION GAME THIEF  
CALL TOLL FREE 24 HOURS A DAY  
1 (800) 352-0700**

*To report any game and fish violation or suspected violation.*

## Off-Highway Vehicles

*The use of off-highway vehicles (OHVs) specifically all-terrain vehicles (ATVs, UTVs), by hunters is growing. The Arizona Game and Fish Department's Off-Highway Vehicle Program promotes responsible and safe use of off-highway vehicles.*

### Tips for OHV users:

- Always remember: Nature Rules! Stay on roads and trails.
- OHVs can severely damage wildlife habitat.
- Hunting from any vehicle is illegal and unsafe.
- OHV rules vary depending on which agency manages the land on which you are riding.
- It is your responsibility to know applicable OHV laws.
- OHV, ATV and UTV operators should always wear a helmet.

### Firearms safety:

- When carrying a rifle or shotgun on an ATV, it should be unloaded and put in a case that is firmly attached to the vehicle.
- It is unsafe to carry a rifle or shotgun mounted on the handlebars of an ATV. The firearm could be wider than the ATV causing an increase in the chance that the firearm could hit something and lead to loss of control.
- Don't forget T.A.B. +1 – **T**reat every gun as if it were loaded, **A**lways point the muzzle in a safe direction and **B**e sure of your target and beyond. **+1** Keep your finger outside the trigger guard until ready to shoot.

### OHV rules and laws:

- No one may use a motor vehicle to assist in the taking of wildlife (except as permitted under the Challenged Hunter Access Mobility Permit, R12-4-217).
- An off-highway vehicle may only be used as a means of travel. It is unlawful to shoot from any OHV, to shoot across, near or from any railroad or roadway.
- It is unlawful to chase or harrass any wildlife with a motorized vehicle.
- Cross-country travel is not allowed in most areas, unless you are picking up legally taken big game. (Some areas do not allow even that.)
- If traveling across country to retrieve game, do so with such care so that your use is low impact and will not be viewed as a new road by other users.
- Contact the appropriate land management agency to learn its off-highway vehicle rules and regulations. Phone numbers to federal and state land management agencies are on pages 82-85.
- Call Operation Game Thief at 1-800-352-0700 to report any violations.



## Clinics, Raffles and Partnerships

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### Arizona Antelope Foundation Clinic

The Arizona Antelope Foundation will hold its annual antelope hunter's clinic from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. June 17, 2008, at Sportsman's Warehouse, 19205 N. 27th Ave., Phoenix. The clinic is held to assist pronghorn hunters on their upcoming hunts. Hunting techniques, field judging, animal care, and unit specific information is emphasized. The Arizona Game and Fish Department will have personnel available to answer questions and strongly encourages antelope hunters to attend the clinic. For more information, contact the Foundation at (623) 936-3533 or visit [www.azantelope.org](http://www.azantelope.org).

### Arizona Deer Association Hunters Clinic

The Arizona Deer Association will once again be holding its Annual Deer Hunting Clinic on Saturday, August 23, 2008, at the Phoenix Mountain Preserve from noon to 4 p.m. For more information visit us at [www.azdeer.org](http://www.azdeer.org) or call (602)395-DEER. This seminar will be full of great information on deer hunting, meat care, cape preparation and proper use of optics to locate deer in the field. Representatives from the Arizona Game and Fish Department will be on hand to answer your questions. Activities include a raffle and a special section with a rifle raffle for youth hunters. For more information about the Deer Hunting Clinic as well as the Arizona Deer Association, please visit us at [www.azdeer.org](http://www.azdeer.org).

### Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society Clinic

The Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society will hold its free annual Hunter's Clinic at the Mountain Preserve Reception Center, 1431 E. Dunlap, Phoenix, on Saturday, September 27, 2008, from 7:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Continental breakfast will be provided. This clinic is held to assist this year's sheep permittees with their upcoming hunt. Hunting techniques, trophy identification, proper equipment, and hunter ethics are emphasized. The Arizona Game and Fish Department, BLM and other land management agencies will have representatives on hand to answer specific questions about bighorn sheep habitat and populations. The Department strongly encourages bighorn sheep permittees to attend the clinic. For more information about bighorn sheep hunting and the Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society, please visit our Web site at [www.adbss.org](http://www.adbss.org).

### Arizona Elk Hunting Tactics, Techniques and Strategies Workshop

The Arizona Hunting Club & Outdoor Adventure Group offers an Elk Hunting Tactics, Techniques and Strategies Workshop for \$15 per student. The Elk Hunting Workshop teaches students how to hunt on paper by locating potential watering holes, feeding areas and bedding areas using topographic maps and a GPS unit. In a separate Elk Scouting Field Trip, students will learn what to scout for while on an actual scouting trip, such as fresh elk tracks, fresh game trails, scrapes/rubs, droppings, beds and signs of heavy grazing. Other activities will include baiting, game cameras and installing tree stands. The Elk Hunting Workshops will be held online via the Internet the second Thursday of every month from 7 to 9 p.m. from January through November 2008. The workshop sign up form is located at [www.arizonahuntingclub.com/huntingworkshopsignup.asp](http://www.arizonahuntingclub.com/huntingworkshopsignup.asp).

### Arizona Elk Society Elk Hunting Clinic

The Arizona Elk Society again will be holding its Annual Elk Hunting Clinic July 26, 2008. For information visit [www.arizonaelksociety.org](http://www.arizonaelksociety.org) or call (623) 594-7074. This seminar will be full of great information on hunting elk with a bow or a rifle; locating elk during the early and late hunting seasons; effectively calling elk; as well as meat care, cape preparation, and proper use of optics to locate elk in the field. The clinic will be a great education tool for first time hunters and seasoned hunters. For more information about the Elk Hunting Clinic as well as the Arizona Elk Society visit [www.arizonaelksociety.org](http://www.arizonaelksociety.org).

### Arizona Elk Society Junior Elk Hunters Camp

The Arizona Elk Society's Junior Elk Hunters Camp will be Oct. 16-19, 2008, at Happy Jack Lodge in Happy Jack, Ariz. This event is held every year in conjunction with the Unit 6A Juniors Elk Hunt. Thursday night the AES serves free dinner to all youth hunters and their families, after which they have a seminar on hunter safety, finding elk, meat care and more. There will be lots of free give-a-ways for the youth hunters. The Arizona Elk Society offers support throughout the weekend for game locating and retrieval, as well as anything else the kids need during the hunt. Check out this event and others at [www.arizonaelksociety.org](http://www.arizonaelksociety.org). Call (623) 594-7074 for information.

### Arizona Elk Society Wapiti Weekend

The Arizona Elk Society annually hosts 130 Youths at the Sipes White Mountain Ranch Wildlife Area for a weekend of fun and education. Kids ages 7-16 and there parents are exposed to a multitude of outdoor related events on this fun filled Father's Day weekend. This year the event will be June 21-22, 2008. Events include 22 rifle shooting, muzzleloader shooting, archery shooting, an interactive Arizona Game and Fish Department ethics video event, camo face painting, animal track identification, elk and predator calling seminars, animal tracking, and a bird habitat event. This is a great event to introduce our youth to the world of outdoors. During the weekend elk and antelope are spotted around the Sipe White Mountain Ranch as well as birds, ducks and other wildlife. For more information check [www.arizonaelksociety.org](http://www.arizonaelksociety.org) or call (623) 594-7074.

### Arizona Big Game Super Raffle

The Arizona Game and Fish Commission authorized various state and national sportsmen's groups to conduct a raffle for one permit from each of nine Arizona big game species. Season dates are Aug. 15, 2008, through Aug. 14, 2009, and include most hunt units. A public drawing will occur on July 19, 2008. An entry form is available on page 32 of this regulation booklet. For ticket purchase, ticket prices, entry deadline and information, please visit the Web site at [www.arizonabiggamesuperraffle.com](http://www.arizonabiggamesuperraffle.com).

### National Wild Turkey Federation Arizona Special Turkey Tag Raffle

The Arizona State Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation will be holding a special \$5.00 raffle for one Special Turkey tag. The winner will have the option of hunting either a Gould's or a Merriam's turkey in any open unit statewide. The hunt dates are August 15, 2008, through August 14, 2009. The drawing will be held August 4, 2008. Winner does not need to be present to win. All proceeds go to the Arizona Game and Fish Department. For information contact: Rich Williams (602) 881-6815 (Phoenix); Craig Kennedy (602) 531-6263 (Mesa); Deborah Robbins, [termite0521@cox.net](mailto:termite0521@cox.net) (Phoenix); Anthony Chavez (623) 877-7246 or [krisgchavez@yahoo.com](mailto:krisgchavez@yahoo.com) (Phoenix AZGFD); John Millican, [j2dbmill@msn.com](mailto:j2dbmill@msn.com) (Sierra Vista); or John Larsen (928) 537-9848 or [jlarsennwtf@yahoo.com](mailto:jlarsennwtf@yahoo.com) (Pinetop area).

# Stamp Order Forms

Hunters of blue grouse, mourning doves, white-winged doves, band-tailed pigeons, coots, snipe, or common moorhens are required to have a Migratory Bird Stamp for the 2008-2009 season. These stamps will be available at all license dealers and Department offices no later than July 1, 2008. The

Migratory Bird Stamp will certify hunters for the Harvest Information Program (HIP). Cost for this stamp is \$4.50.

Hunters of ducks and geese are required to have an Arizona Waterfowl Stamp for the 2008-2009 season. Your Arizona Waterfowl Stamp certifies you for the Harvest Informa-

tion Program (HIP) for ducks and geese only. Cost for this stamp is \$8.75.

Sandhill crane hunters are not required to have a State Waterfowl Stamp or Migratory Bird Stamp. Your hunt permit-tag certifies you for the Harvest Information Program (HIP) for hunting sandhill cranes.

Form may be photocopied.

## 2008-2009 ARIZONA WATERFOWL STAMP

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY. COST FOR THIS STAMP IS \$8.75

MO DY YR  
Date

Name: Mr/Ms/Mrs (Circle One) Last Suffix First MI

Address Street Address or Box Number City State Zip Code

Date of Birth: MO DY YR

1. Do you intend to hunt ducks or geese this season? ( ) No ( ) Yes ( ) I'm a stamp collector

2. If you hunted these birds last season, about how many did you bag?

	Did Not Hunt	None	1-10	11-30	31+
Ducks	( )	( )	( )	( )	( )
Geese	( )	( )	( )	( )	( )

3. Which of the following species did you hunt last season?

\_\_\_ Coots \_\_\_ Moorhens \_\_\_ Snipe

**TO ORDER BY MAIL:** Mail this form to any Arizona Game and Fish Department office (do not include with a hunt permit-tag application). Addresses may be found on page 3 of this publication. Please allow 2-3 weeks for delivery. You must include a check or money order in the amount of \$8.75. This stamp will be available at all license dealers beginning July 1, 2008.

Form may be photocopied.

## 2008-2009 ARIZONA MIGRATORY BIRD STAMP

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY. COST FOR THIS STAMP IS \$4.50

MO DY YR  
Date

Name: Mr/Ms/Mrs (Circle One) Last Suffix First MI

Address Street Address or Box Number City State Zip Code

Date of Birth: MO DY YR

1. Do you intend to hunt doves, coots, moorhen, snipe or blue grouse this season? ( ) No ( ) Yes ( ) I'm a stamp collector

2. Will you hunt band-tailed pigeons this season? ( ) No ( ) Yes

3. If you hunted these birds last season, about how many did you bag?

	Did Not Hunt	None	1-10	11-30	31+
Doves	( )	( )	( )	( )	( )
Band-tailed pigeon	( )	( )	( )	( )	( )

4. Which of the following species did you hunt last season?

\_\_\_ Coots \_\_\_ Moorhens \_\_\_ Snipe \_\_\_ Blue Grouse

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# Sunrise and Sunset

## Sunrise and Sunset July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2009

Times shown are for Phoenix, Arizona. Figure up to nine minutes earlier for eastern areas, nine minutes later for western areas.

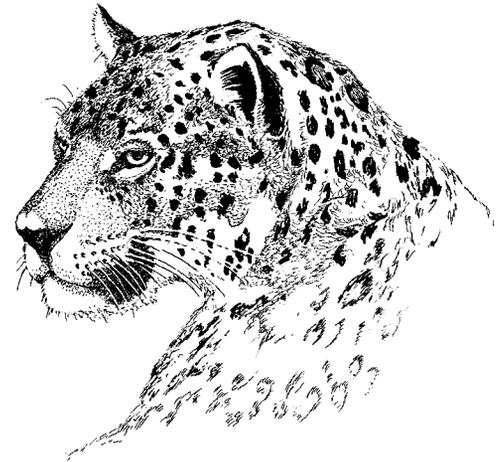
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July 1	5:22	7:42	Sept. 30	6:22	6:13	Dec. 30	7:32	5:30	Mar. 31	6:17	6:49
July 8	5:26	7:41	Oct. 7	6:27	6:04	Jan. 6	7:33	5:35	April 7	6:07	6:54
July 15	5:30	7:39	Oct. 14	6:33	5:55	Jan. 13	7:33	5:41	April 14	5:59	6:59
July 22	5:34	7:35	Oct. 21	6:38	5:47	Jan. 20	7:31	5:48	April 21	5:50	7:04
July 29	5:39	7:30	Oct. 28	6:44	5:40	Jan. 27	7:28	5:54	April 28	5:43	7:09
Aug. 5	5:44	7:24	Nov. 4	6:50	5:33	Feb. 3	7:23	6:01	May 5	5:36	7:15
Aug. 12	5:49	7:17	Nov. 11	6:57	5:28	Feb. 10	7:18	6:08	May 12	5:30	7:20
Aug. 19	5:54	7:09	Nov. 18	7:03	5:24	Feb. 17	7:11	6:14	May 19	5:25	7:25
Aug. 26	5:59	7:01	Nov. 25	7:10	5:21	Feb. 24	7:03	6:21	May 26	5:21	7:30
Sept. 2	6:03	6:52	Dec. 2	7:16	5:20	Mar. 3	6:54	6:27	June 2	5:19	7:34
Sept. 9	6:08	6:42	Dec. 9	7:21	5:21	Mar. 10	6:45	6:33	June 9	5:18	7:38
Sept. 16	6:13	6:33	Dec. 16	7:26	5:22	Mar. 17	6:35	6:38	June 16	5:18	7:40
Sept. 23	6:17	6:23	Dec. 23	7:30	5:26	Mar. 24	6:26	6:43	June 23	5:19	7:42
									June 30	5:22	7:42

## Jaguars: Attention Mountain Lion Hunters

Jaguars are listed as endangered in the U.S. under the Endangered Species Act. If, when using dogs to tree mountain lions, a jaguar is inadvertently chased and/or treed by dogs, the dogs must be called off the trail upon realization that a jaguar is being chased. Please report any jaguar sighting as soon as possible by calling (623) 236-7573.

Jaguar tracks are similar to mountain lion tracks. Front feet of the jaguar are larger than the hind feet (both pads and toes) and tend to be wider than mountain lion feet (measuring up to six inches). There is overlap in size between the two species however, therefore the tracks are often difficult to distinguish. Scats are also similar.

The Arizona Houndsmen have offered a \$5,000 reward to any individual who provides information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person who intentionally kills a jaguar. If you believe that you have witnessed a violation, please notify Arizona Game and Fish Department (Operation Game Thief) at 1 (800) 352-0700.



## Contact the Department About Damaged Water Developments

For five decades, wildlife water developments (catchments) have been providing a reliable source of water for game and nongame species throughout Arizona.

Water developments range from bedrock tinajas (potholes) modified to increase storage or reduce evaporation, to engineered designs with precipitation collection aprons or dams, storage tanks, or troughs. Many of these developments are maintained by the Department, however just as many are managed by the Bureau of Land Management, Forest Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife, the military, and others.

Should you notice a wildlife water development leaking, damaged, or in need of repair, please contact the nearest Department office or the Development Branch at (623) 236-7485 at your earliest convenience. If possible, please record the GPS coordinates of the water development site or provide a simple directional map.

Thank you in advance for your support of Arizona's wildlife.



# Common Violations While Hunting Big Game, Small Game And Migratory Birds

*It is each hunter's responsibility to protect our hunting heritage. You can help ensure responsible hunting by reporting violations to our Operation Game Thief hotline 1 (800) 352-0700. Unfortunate incidents and oversights do occur. If you should find yourself in violation of any laws or rules while hunting please contact the Operation Game Thief hotline to report it. It certainly is more beneficial to report a violation yourself than have a Game Ranger discover it in the field, or have another party report it, and certainly more understandable to the judicial system and the Arizona Game and Fish Commission.*

## Take Wildlife Without A License

*(A.R.S. 17-331) Page 97*

In order to take any wildlife in Arizona, you must have a current year's hunting license in your possession. You should check your license every time that you go hunting, fishing or collecting. Also, you should sign your license and tag before hunting.

## Possess Unlawfully Taken Wildlife

*(A.R.S. 17-309 A 17) Page 97*

Any wildlife that is unlawfully taken, may not

be legally possessed. So even though you may not have been involved in the illegal taking of wildlife, you cannot legally possess unlawfully taken wildlife or parts thereof.

## Exceed Bag and/or Possession Limit

*(A.R.S. 17-309 A 15 and 16) Page 97*

Wildlife may only be taken as prescribed by the Arizona Game and Fish Commission Orders for bag and possession limits. Consult Commission Orders for specifics.

## Improper Tagging of Big Game

*(R12-4-302) Page 108*

All big game taken shall be immediately tagged in accordance with the instructions on the back of the permit-tag and pursuant to Commission Rule, R12-4-302.

## Obtain License or Permit By Fraud

*(A.R.S. 17-341) Page 98*

Only persons who have been a bona fide resident (pages 11 and 96) of Arizona for a minimum of six months, or members of the Armed Forces stationed in Arizona for a minimum of 30 days, may obtain resident licenses and permits. Factors that may establish residency would include most, if not all of the following: a resident is considered to be someone who primarily or permanently resides in Arizona, possesses an Arizona drivers license and registers their vehicles in Arizona, maintains a home in Arizona, votes in Arizona and pays Arizona resident income taxes. A person cannot be considered a resident of two states at the same time.

## Take Wildlife During Closed Season, After Legal Hours or With Aid of Artificial Light

*(A.R.S. 17-309 A 11 and 17-301 A) Page 97 and Page 96*

Wildlife may only be taken during times prescribed by the Commission and closed season shall be in effect unless opened by Commission Order. Pay particular attention to 1/2 day dove seasons and review the Commission orders related to the species you are pursuing before leaving home. Use of spotlights to locate game is illegal if you have any weapons in your vehicle. If fear of theft is a concern, you should disable your firearm or bow and make it obvious that it is incapable of firing.

## License Revocation

*(A.R.S. 17-340) Page 98*

You can have your license privileges revoked by the Commission for up to five years for a conviction of:

- unlawful taking, selling, bartering or possession of wildlife
- careless use of firearms resulting in human injury or death
- destroying or injuring livestock or crops while hunting or fishing
- acts of vandalism or littering while hunting or fishing
- knowingly allowing another person to use your big game tag
- unlawful entry on to closed area for purposes of taking wildlife
- unlawful posting of state or federal lands
- license fraud
- unlawful use of aircraft to take wildlife

Additional convictions may result in license privileges being revoked for longer periods up to permanently.

## Civil Liability

*(A.R.S. 17-314) Page 97*

Under state law anyone who is found to have unlawfully wounded or killed, or unlawfully possessed any of the following wildlife may be subject to civil action by the Arizona Game and Fish Commission in the form of recovery of the following minimum sums (updated annually factoring in the current Consumer Price Index):

For each turkey or javelina.....	\$500.00
For each bear, mountain lion, antelope or deer, other than trophy .....	\$1,500.00
For each elk or eagle, other than trophy or endangered species .....	\$2,500.00
For each predatory, fur-bearing or nongame animal .....	\$250.00
For each small game or aquatic wildlife animal .....	\$50.00
For each trophy or endangered species animal .....	\$8,000.00

# Common Violations While Hunting Big Game, Small Game And Migratory Birds

Examples are leaving all ammunition, arrows and/or barrels or bolts in camp. Hunters cannot use lighted sight pins or other artificial light sources to extend legal shooting hours.

## Take/Hunt From A Vehicle

*(A.R.S. 17-301 B, R12-4-319) Pages 96 and 111*

No person may take wildlife from a motor vehicle (including watercraft and aircraft), except as permitted by Commission Order, and under the provisions of the Challenged Hunter Access Mobility Permit Commission Rule (R12-4-217). "Take," as defined by law, includes pursuing, shooting, hunting and killing wildlife. You are unlawfully using a vehicle to take wildlife if you intentionally drive around until you see the animal you wish to harvest and then make an attempt to take. "Road hunting" is illegal; so is pursuing wildlife with a vehicle, chasing or heading off moving wildlife with a vehicle, and driving off-road to get closer to wildlife. You do not have to shoot from the vehicle to be in violation.

## Take Wildlife With Prohibited Device or By An Unlawful Method

*(A.R.S. 17-301.A; 17-309.A 6,10,19, and 21) Page 96 and Page 97  
(R-12-4-303) Page 108, and (R-12-4-304) Page 108*

Wildlife may only be taken by a device or method as prescribed by the Commission. It is unlawful to take wildlife with a semi-automatic rifle with a magazine that holds more than 5 rounds. It is unlawful to take migratory game birds with an unplugged shotgun capable of holding more than three rounds.

## Shoot Too Close To An Occupied Building or Residence

*(A.R.S. 17-309 A 4) Page 97*

Without the resident's permission, you may not discharge a firearm within 1/4 mile of an occupied residence while taking wildlife. All structures including barns, sheds and cabins should be assumed occupied. This is one of the most common violations during dove and quail seasons.

## Littering While Taking Wildlife

*(A.R.S. 17-309 A 9) Page 97*

All hunters are responsible for cleaning up after themselves. All camp areas should be left clean. Shell casings and associated debris constitute litter and should be picked up and packed out. Also, all hunters are responsible for the proper care and disposal of their wildlife carcasses. Carcass debris should be disposed of according to local jurisdiction regulation. Please check with your local authorities for specific regulations and instructions.

## Shoot Across Road

*(A.R.S. 17-301 B) Page 96*

No person may knowingly discharge any firearm or shoot any other device including bow and arrow upon, from, across, or into a maintained road or railway. It is advisable not to shoot from or across any road. Again, this is one of the most common violations during the dove season.

## Legal Methods of Take – Big Game

REFER TO R12-4-216, R12-4-303, R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 OR READ APPROPRIATE COMMISSION ORDER FOR DETAILS.

<b>LEGAL BIG GAME SPECIES</b>	Centerfire Rifle	Centerfire Handgun	Muzzleloading Rifle	Other Rifle Shooting Black Powder or Synthetic Black Powder	Black Powder Handgun	Crossbow	Archery	Handgun Shooting Shot	Shotgun Shooting Slugs	5 millimeter or .22 Magnum Rifle	.17 Magnum Rimfire	Shotgun Shooting Shot	Pursuit with Dogs
<b>ANTELOPE SEASON General</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓				
<b>Archery Only</b>							✓						
<b>Muzzleloader</b>			✓				✓						
<b>BEAR – Fall</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓				✓
<b>BEAR – Spring (no dogs)</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓				
<b>BUFFALO – House Rock*</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓						
<b>BUFFALO – Raymond</b>	✓		✓	✓									
<b>DEER – General Seasons</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓				
<b>Archery Only</b>							✓						
<b>Muzzleloader</b>			✓			✓	✓						
<b>ELK SEASON General</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓				
<b>Archery Only</b>							✓						
<b>Muzzleloader</b>			✓				✓						
<b>JAVELINA SEASON General</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓			
<b>Archery Only</b>							✓						
<b>Handgun, Archery, Muzzleloader</b>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓						
<b>MOUNTAIN LION</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓				✓
<b>SHEEP</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓				
<b>TURKEY – Fall and Spring</b>						✓	✓					✓	
<b>Archery Only</b>							✓						

\* Refer to R12-4-304 for caliber and other specs

## Legal Methods of Take – Other Wildlife Species

REFER TO R12-4-216, R12-4-303, R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 OR READ APPROPRIATE COMMISSION ORDER FOR DETAILS.

<b>OTHER LEGAL WILDLIFE SPECIES</b>	Centerfire Rifle	Centerfire Handgun	Muzzleloading Rifle	Other Rifle Shooting Black Powder or Synthetic Black Powder	Black Powder Handgun	Crossbow	Archery	Handgun Shooting Shot	Shotgun Shooting Slugs	5 millimeter or .22 Magnum Rifle	.17 Magnum Rimfire	Shotgun Shooting Shot	Falconry	Pneumatic Weapons	Slingshots	Pursuit with Dogs	Trapping
BADGER	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓
BLUE GROUSE						✓	✓	✓				✓	✓			✓	
BOBCAT	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓
CHUKAR PARTRIDGE						✓	✓	✓				✓	✓			✓	
COTTONTAIL RABBIT	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
COYOTE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓
CROW	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
HOUSE SPARROW	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
FOXES	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓
JACKRABBITS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
MUSKRAT	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓
PHEASANT						✓	✓	✓				✓	✓			✓	
QUAIL						✓	✓	✓				✓	✓			✓	
RACCOON	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓
RINGTAIL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓
RODENTS (excluding beaver, muskrats, tree squirrels & porcupines)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SKUNKS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓
SQUIRREL General	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Archery Only							✓									✓	
EUROPEAN STARLING	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
COATI	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

# Arizona Revised Statute – Title 17 Laws

## A.R.S. 17-101

### Definitions

A. In this title, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "Angling" means the taking of fish by one line and not to exceed two hooks, by one line and one artificial lure, which may have attached more than one hook, or by one line and not to exceed two artificial flies or lures.
2. "Bag limit" means the maximum limit, in number or amount, of wildlife which may lawfully be taken by any one person during a specified period of time.
3. "Closed season" means the time during which wildlife may not be lawfully taken.
4. "Commission" means the Arizona game and fish commission.
5. "Department" means the Arizona game and fish department.
6. "Device" means any net, trap, snare, salt lick, scaffold, deadfall, pit, explosive, poison or stupefying substance, crossbow, firearm, bow and arrow, or other implement used for taking wildlife. Device does not include a raptor or any equipment used in the sport of falconry.
7. "Falconry" means the sport of hunting or taking quarry with a trained raptor.
8. "Fishing" means to lure, attract or pursue aquatic wildlife in such a manner that the wildlife may be captured or killed.
9. "Fur dealer" means any person engaged in the business of buying for resale the raw pelts or furs of wild mammals.
10. "Guide" means a person who, for pay, aids or assists any person in taking wildlife.
11. "License year" means the twelve-month period between January 1 and December 31, inclusive.
12. "Nonresident" means a citizen of the United States or an alien who has not been a bona fide resident of the state of Arizona for six months immediately preceding the date of application for a license.
13. "Open season" means the time during which wildlife may be lawfully taken.
14. "Possession limit" means the maximum limit, in number or amount of wildlife, which may be possessed at one time by any one person.
15. "Resident" means a person who has been a bona fide resident of the state of Arizona for six months immediately preceding the date of application for a license, or a member of the armed forces who has been stationed in Arizona for a period of thirty days immediately preceding the date of application for a license.
16. "Road" means any maintained right-of-way for public conveyance.
17. "Statewide" means all lands except those areas lying within the boundaries of state and federal refuges, parks and monuments, unless specifically provided differently by commission order.
18. "Take" means pursuing, shooting, hunting, fishing, trapping, killing, capturing, snaring or netting wildlife or the placing or using of any net or other device or trap in a manner that may result in the capturing or killing of wildlife.
19. "Taxidermist" means any person who engages for hire in the mounting, refurbishing, maintaining, restoring or preserving of any display specimen.
20. "Traps" or "trapping" means taking wildlife in any manner except with a gun or other implement in hand.
21. "Wild" means, in reference to mammals and birds, those species which are normally found in a state of nature.
22. "Wildlife" means all wild mammals, wild birds and the nests or eggs thereof, reptiles, amphibians, mollusks,

crustaceans, and fish, including their eggs or spawn.

23. "Zoo" means a commercial facility open to the public where the principal business is holding wildlife in captivity for exhibition purposes.
- B. The following definitions of wildlife shall apply:
1. Aquatic wildlife are all fish, amphibians, mollusks, crustaceans and soft-shelled turtles.
  2. Game mammals are deer, elk, bear, pronghorn (1 antelope), bighorn sheep, bison (buffalo), peccary (javelina), mountain lion, tree squirrel and cottontail rabbit.
  3. Big game are wild turkey, deer, elk, pronghorn (antelope), bighorn sheep, bison (buffalo), peccary (javelina), bear and mountain lion.
  4. "Trophy" means:
    - (a) A mule deer buck with at least four points on one antler, not including the eye-guard point.
    - (b) A whitetail deer buck with at least three points on one antler, not including the eye-guard point.
    - (c) A bull elk with at least six points on one antler, including the eye guard point and the brow tine point.
    - (d) A pronghorn (antelope) buck with at least one horn exceeding or equal to fourteen inches in total length.
    - (e) Any bighorn sheep.
    - (f) Any bison (buffalo).
  5. Small game are cottontail rabbits, tree squirrels, upland game birds and migratory game birds.
  6. Fur-bearing animals are muskrats, raccoons, otters, weasels, bobcats, beavers, badgers and ringtail cats.
  7. Predatory animals are foxes, skunks, coyotes and bobcats.
  8. Nongame animals are all wildlife except game mammals, game birds, fur-bearing animals, predatory animals and aquatic wildlife.
  9. Upland game birds are quail, partridge, grouse and pheasants.
  10. Migratory game birds are wild waterfowl, including ducks, geese and swans; sandhill cranes; all coots, all gallinules, common snipe, wild doves and band-tail pigeons.
  11. Nongame birds are all birds except upland game birds and migratory game birds.
  12. Raptors are birds that are members of the order falconiformes or strigiformes and include falcons, hawks, owls, eagles and other birds that the commission may classify as raptors.
  13. Game fish are trout of all species, bass of all species, catfish of all species, sunfish of all species, northern pike, walleye and yellow perch.
  14. Nongame fish are all the species of fish except game fish.
  15. Trout means all species of the family salmonidae, including grayling.

### A.R.S. 17-301

#### Times when wildlife may be taken; exceptions; methods of taking

- A. A person may take wildlife, except aquatic wildlife, only during daylight hours unless otherwise prescribed by the commission. A person shall not take any species of wildlife by the aid or with the use of a jacklight, other artificial light, or illegal device, except as provided by the commission.
- B. A person shall not take wildlife, except aquatic wildlife, or discharge a firearm or shoot any other device from a motor vehicle, including an automobile, aircraft, train or powerboat, or from a sailboat, boat under sail, or a floating object towed by powerboat or sailboat except as expressly permitted by the commission. No person may knowingly discharge any firearm or shoot any other device upon, from, across or into a road or railway.
- C. Fish may be taken only by angling unless otherwise pro-

vided by the commission. The line shall be constantly attended. In every case the hook, fly or lure shall be used in such manner that the fish voluntarily take or attempt to take it in their mouths.

- D. It shall be unlawful to take wildlife with any leghold trap, any instant kill body gripping design trap, or by a poison or a snare on any public land, including state owned or state leased land, lands administered by the United States forest service, the federal bureau of land management, the national park service, the United States department of defense, the state parks board and any county or municipality. This subsection shall not prohibit:
1. The use of the devices prescribed in this subsection by federal, state, county, city, or other local departments of health which have jurisdiction in the geographic area of such use, for the purpose of protection from or surveillance for threats to human health or safety.
  2. The taking of wildlife with firearms, with fishing equipment, with archery equipment, or other implements in hand as may be defined or regulated by the Arizona game and fish commission, including but not limited to the taking of wildlife pursuant to a hunting or fishing license issued by the Arizona game and fish department.
  3. The use of snares, traps not designed to kill, or nets to take wildlife for scientific research projects, sport falconry, or for relocation of the wildlife as may be defined or regulated by the Arizona game and fish commission or the government of the United States or both.
  4. The use of poisons or nets by the Arizona Game and Fish Department to take or manage aquatic wildlife as determined and regulated by the Arizona Game and Fish Commission.
  5. The use of traps for rodent control or poisons for rodent control for the purpose of controlling wild and domestic rodents as otherwise allowed by the laws of the state of Arizona, excluding any fur-bearing animals as defined in section 17-101.

### A.R.S. 17-301.01

#### Protection from wildlife

- A. Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, any person may take wildlife in self-defense or in defense of another person if it is immediately necessary to protect oneself or to protect the other person.
- B. A person shall notify the department within five days after taking wildlife under this section. No animal or part of an animal taken pursuant to this section may be retained, sold or removed from the site without authorization from the department.

### A.R.S. 17-303

#### Taking or driving wildlife

It is unlawful for any person, except by commission order, to enter upon a game refuge or other area closed to hunting, trapping or fishing and take, drive or attempt to drive wildlife from such areas.

### A.R.S. 17-304

#### Prohibition by landowner upon hunting; posting; exception

- A. Landowners or lessees of private land who desire to prohibit hunting, fishing or trapping on their lands without their written permission shall post such lands closed to hunting, fishing or trapping using notices or signboards.
- B. State or federal lands including those under lease may not be posted except by consent of the commission.
- C. The notices or signboards shall meet all of the following criteria:
1. Be not less than eight inches by eleven inches with plainly legible wording in capital and bold-faced let-

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- tering at least one inch high.
2. Contain the words “no hunting”, “no trapping” or “no fishing” either as a single phrase or in any combination.
  3. Be conspicuously placed on a structure or post at least four feet above ground level at all points of vehicular access, at all property or fence corners and at intervals of not more than one-quarter mile along the property boundary, except that a post with one hundred square inches or more of orange paint may serve as the interval notices between property or fence corners and points of vehicular access. The orange paint shall be clearly visible and shall cover the entire above ground surface of the post facing outward and on both lateral sides from the closed area.
- D. The entry of any person for the taking of wildlife shall not be grounds for an action for trespassing unless the land has been posted pursuant to this section.

## A.R.S.17-309

### Violations; classification

- A. Unless otherwise prescribed by this title, it is unlawful for a person to:
1. Violate any provision of this title or any rule adopted pursuant to this title.
  2. Take, possess, transport, buy, sell or offer or expose for sale wildlife except as expressly permitted by this title.
  3. Destroy, injure or molest livestock, growing crops, personal property, notices or signboards, or other improvements while hunting, trapping or fishing.
  4. Discharge a firearm while taking wildlife within one-fourth mile of an occupied farmhouse or other residence, cabin, lodge or building without permission of the owner or resident.
  5. Take a game bird, game mammal or game fish and knowingly permit an edible portion thereof to go to waste, except as provided in section 17-302.
  6. Take big game, except bear or mountain lion, with the aid of dogs.
  7. Make more than one use of a shipping permit or coupon issued by the commission.
  8. Obtain a license or take wildlife during the period for which the person's license has been revoked or suspended or the person has been denied a license.
  9. Litter hunting and fishing areas while taking wildlife.
  10. Possess while hunting any contrivance designed to silence, muffle or minimize the report of a firearm.
  11. Take wildlife during the closed season.
  12. Take wildlife in an area closed to the taking of that wildlife.
  13. Take wildlife with an unlawful device.
  14. Take wildlife by an unlawful method.
  15. Take wildlife in excess of the bag limit.
  16. Possess wildlife in excess of the possession limit.
  17. Possess or transport any wildlife or parts of the wildlife which was unlawfully taken.
  18. Possess or transport the carcass of big game without a valid tag being attached.
  19. Use the edible parts of any game mammal or any part of any game bird or nongame bird as bait.
  20. Possess or transport the carcass or parts of a carcass of any wildlife which cannot be identified as to species and legality.
  21. Take game animals, game birds and game fish with an explosive compound, poison or any other deleterious substances.
  22. Import into this state or export from this state the carcass or parts of a carcass of any wildlife unlawfully taken or possessed.
- B. Unless a different or other penalty or punishment is specifically prescribed a person who violates any provision

of this title, or who violates or fails to comply with a lawful order or rule of the commission, is guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor.

- C. A person who knowingly takes any big game during a closed season or who knowingly possesses, transports or buys any big game which was unlawfully taken during a closed season is guilty of a class 1 misdemeanor.
- D. A person is guilty of a class 6 felony who knowingly:
1. Barter, sells or offers for sale any big game or parts of big game taken unlawfully.
  2. Barter, sells or offers for sale any wildlife or parts of wildlife unlawfully taken during a closed season.
  3. Barter, sells or offers for sale any wildlife or parts of wildlife imported or purchased in violation of this title or a lawful rule of the commission.
  4. Assists another person for monetary gain with the unlawful taking of big game.
  5. Takes or possesses wildlife while under permanent revocation under section 17-340, subsection B.
- E. A peace officer who knowingly fails to enforce a lawful rule of the commission or this title is guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor.

## A.R.S. 17-314

### Civil liability for illegally taking or wounding wildlife; recovery of damages

- A. The commission or any officer charged with enforcement of the laws relating to game and fish, if so directed by the commission, may bring a civil action in the name of the state against any person unlawfully taking, wounding or killing, or unlawfully in possession of, any of the following wildlife, or part thereof, and seek to recover the following minimum sums as damage:
1. For each turkey or javelina \$500.00
  2. For each bear, mountain lion, antelope or deer, other than trophy \$1,500.00
  3. For each elk or eagle, other than trophy or endangered species \$2,500.00
  4. For each predatory, fur-bearing or nongame animal \$250.00
  5. For each small game or aquatic wildlife animal \$50.00
  6. For each trophy or endangered species animal \$8,000.00
- B. No verdict or judgment recovered by the state in such action shall be for less than the sum fixed in this section. The minimum sum that the commission may seek to recover as damages from a person pursuant to this section may be doubled for a second verdict or judgment and tripled for a third verdict or judgment. The action for damages may be joined with an action for possession, and recovery had for the possession as well as the damages.
- C. The pendency or determination of an action for damages or payment of a judgment, or the pendency or determination of a criminal prosecution for the same taking, wounding, killing or possession, is not a bar to the other, nor does either affect the right of seizure under any other provision of the laws relating to game and fish.
- D. All monies recovered pursuant to this section shall be placed in the wildlife theft prevention fund.

## A.R.S. 17-331

### License or proof of purchase required; violation of child support order

- A. Except as provided by this title or commission order, a person shall not take any wildlife in this state without a valid license or a commission approved proof of purchase. The person shall carry the license or proof of purchase and produce it upon request to any game ranger, wildlife manager or peace officer.
- B. A certificate of noncompliance with a child support order issued pursuant to section 25-518 invalidates any license

or proof of purchase issued to the support obligor for taking wildlife in this state and prohibits the support obligor from applying for any additional licenses issued by an automated drawing system under this title.

- C. On receipt of a certificate of compliance with a child support order from the court pursuant to section 25-518 and without further action:
1. Any license or proof of purchase issued to the support obligor for taking wildlife that was previously invalidated by a certificate of noncompliance and that has not otherwise expired shall be reinstated.
  2. Any ineligibility to apply for any license issued by an automated drawing system shall be removed.

## A.R.S. 17-332

### Form and contents of license; duplicate licenses; period of validity

- A. Licenses and license materials shall be prepared by the department and furnished and charged to dealers authorized to issue licenses. The license shall be issued in the name of the department and countersigned by an issuing dealer. Except as provided by rule adopted by the commission, each license shall be signed by the licensee in ink on the face of the license and any license not signed is invalid. With each license authorizing the taking of big game the department shall provide such tags as the commission may prescribe, which the licensee shall attach to the big game animal in such manner as prescribed by the commission. The commission shall limit the number of big game permits issued to nonresidents in a random drawing to ten per cent or fewer of the total hunt permits, but in extraordinary circumstances, at a public meeting the commission may increase the number of permits issued to nonresidents in a random drawing if, on separate roll call votes, the members of the commission unanimously:
1. Support the finding of a specifically described extraordinary circumstance.
  2. Adopt the increased number of nonresident permits for the hunt.
- B. The commission shall issue with each license a shipping permit entitling the holder of the license to a shipment of game or fish as provided by article 4 of this chapter.
- C. It is unlawful, except as provided by the commission, for any person to apply for or obtain in any one license year more than one original license permitting the taking of big game. A duplicate license or tag may be issued by the department or by a license dealer if the person requesting such license or tag furnishes the information deemed necessary by the commission. A fee of four dollars shall be collected for each duplicate license or tag issued.
- D. No license or permit is transferable, nor shall such license or permit be used by anyone except the person to whom such license or permit was issued, except that:
1. A person may transfer the person's big game permit or tag to a qualified organization for use by a minor child who has a life threatening medical condition or by a minor child who has a permanent physical disability. The commission may prescribe the manner and conditions of transferring and using permits and tags under this paragraph. If a physically disabled child is under the age of fourteen, the child must satisfactorily complete the Arizona hunter education course or another comparable hunter education course that is approved by the director. For the purposes of this paragraph:
    - (a) “Disability” means a permanent physical impairment that substantially limits one or more of the child's major life activities requiring the assistance of another person or mechanical device for physical mobility.
    - (b) “Qualified organization” means a nonprofit organization that is qualified under section 501(c)(3) of the United States internal revenue

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code and that affords opportunities and experiences to children with life threatening medical conditions or with physical disabilities.

2. A parent, grandparent or legal guardian may allow the parent's, grandparent's or guardian's minor child or minor grandchild to use the parent's, grandparent's or guardian's big game permit or tag to take big game pursuant to the following requirements:
  - (a) The parent, grandparent or guardian must transfer the permit or tag to the child in a manner prescribed by the commission.
  - (b) The parent or guardian must accompany the child in the field or, if a grandparent allows a minor grandchild to use the grandparent's permit or tag, the grandparent, parent or the child's guardian must accompany the child in the field. In either case, the adult must be within fifty yards of the child when the animal is taken.
  - (c) The child must possess a class F or class G license and, if under the age of fourteen, must satisfactorily complete the Arizona hunter education course or another comparable hunter education course that is approved by the director.
  - (d) Any big game that is taken counts toward the child's bag limit.
- E. No refunds may be made for the purchase of a license or permit.
- F. Licenses are valid for a license year and expire on December 31 except for special licenses issued by the commission, pioneer complimentary licenses, resident and nonresident trapping licenses, sport falconry licenses and classes B, C and D licenses as provided in section 17-333 and lifetime class A, F and G licenses and lifetime trout stamps as provided in section 17-335.01. Trapping licenses are valid from July 1 through June 30 of the following year. Lifetime licenses and lifetime trout stamps are valid for the lifetime of the licensee.

## A.R.S. 17-333.02

### Trapping license; education; exemption

- A. A person applying for a trapping license must successfully complete a trapping education course conducted or approved by the department before being issued a trapping license. The department shall conduct or approve an educational course of instruction in responsible trapping and environmental ethics. The course shall include instruction on the history of trapping, trapping ethics, trapping laws, techniques in safely releasing nontarget animals, trapping equipment, wildlife management, proper catch handling, trapper health and safety and considerations and ethics intended to avoid conflicts with other public land users. A person must pass a written examination to successfully complete the course. The department shall not approve a trapping education course conducted by any person, agency, corporation or other organization for which a fee is charged greater than twenty-five dollars per person.
- B. A person born before January 1, 1967 or who has completed, from and after December 31, 1987 and prior to the effective date of this section, the voluntary trapper education course on responsible trapping conducted in cooperation with the Arizona game and fish department is exempt from the provisions of subsection A.

## A.R.S. 17-335

### Minors; blind residents

- A. A blind resident or a resident or nonresident under the age of fourteen years may fish without a license and shall be entitled to the same privileges as the holder of a valid license, except that such person shall be entitled only to one-half the legal bag and possession limit of trout.
- B. A resident or nonresident under the age of fourteen

- years may, without a license, when accompanied by a person eighteen years of age or older holding a valid Arizona hunting license, take wildlife, except big game species, during open season, but not more than two such children shall accompany a person holding such a license.
- C. No child under the age of fourteen may take big game unless the child has satisfactorily completed the Arizona hunter education course or another comparable hunter education course that is approved by the director.
  - D. The proper license shall be required, except as otherwise specified by the commission, for taking of big game species.

## A.R.S. 17-336

### Complimentary licenses

The commission may issue a complimentary license to:

1. A pioneer seventy years of age or older who has been a resident of this state for twenty-five or more consecutive years immediately preceding application for the license. The pioneer license is valid for the lifetime of the licensee, and the commission shall not require renewal of the license.
2. A veteran of the armed forces of the United States who has been a resident of this state for one year or more immediately preceding application for the license and who is receiving compensation from the United States government for permanent service connected disabilities rated as one hundred per cent disabling.

## A.R.S. 17-340

### Revocation, suspension and denial of privilege of taking wildlife; notice; violation; classification

- A. Upon conviction or after adjudication as a delinquent juvenile as defined in section 8-201 and in addition to other penalties prescribed by this title, the commission, after a public hearing, may revoke or suspend a license issued to any person under this title and deny the person the right to secure another license to take or possess wildlife for a period of not to exceed five years for:
  1. Unlawful taking, unlawful selling, unlawful offering for sale, unlawful bartering or unlawful possession of wildlife.
  2. Careless use of firearms which has resulted in the injury or death of any person.
  3. Destroying, injuring or molesting livestock, or damaging or destroying growing crops, personal property, notices or signboards, or other improvements while hunting, trapping or fishing.
  4. Littering public hunting or fishing areas while taking wildlife.
  5. Knowingly allowing another person to use the person's big game tag, except as provided by section 17-332, subsection D.
  6. A violation of section 17-303, 17-304 or 17-341.
  7. A violation of section 17-309, subsection A, paragraph 1 involving any unlawful use of aircraft to take, assist in taking, harass, chase, drive, locate or assist in locating wildlife.
- B. On conviction or after adjudication as a delinquent juvenile and in addition to any other penalties prescribed by this title:
  1. For a first conviction or a first adjudication as a delinquent juvenile, for unlawfully taking or wounding wildlife at any time or place, the commission, after a public hearing, may revoke, suspend or deny a person's privilege to take wildlife for a period of up to five years.
  2. For a second conviction or a second adjudication as a delinquent juvenile, for unlawfully taking or wounding wildlife at any time or place, the commission, after a public hearing, may revoke, suspend or deny a person's privilege to take wildlife for a period

of up to ten years.

3. For a third conviction or a third adjudication as a delinquent juvenile, for unlawfully taking or wounding wildlife at any time or place, the commission, after a public hearing, may revoke, suspend or deny a person's privilege to take wildlife permanently.
- C. In accordance with title 41, chapter 6, article 10 and notwithstanding subsection A of this section, any person who is assessed civil damages under section 17-314 for the unlawful taking or possession of wildlife may be denied the right to secure a license to take wildlife until damages have been paid in full.
- D. On receiving a report from the licensing authority of a state which is a party to the wildlife violator compact, adopted under chapter 5 of this title, that a resident of this state has failed to comply with the terms of a wildlife citation, the commission, after a public hearing, may suspend any license issued under this title to take wildlife until the licensing authority furnishes satisfactory evidence of compliance with the terms of the wildlife citation.
- E. In carrying out the provisions of this section the director shall notify the licensee, within one hundred eighty days after conviction, to appear and show cause why the license should not be revoked, suspended or denied. The notice 1 may be served personally or by certified mail sent to the address appearing on the license.
- F. The commission shall furnish to license dealers the names and addresses of persons whose licenses have been revoked or suspended, and the periods for which they have been denied the right to secure licenses.
- G. The commission may use the services of the office of administrative hearings to conduct hearings and to make recommendations to the commission pursuant to this section.
- H. Except for a person who takes or possesses wildlife while under permanent revocation, a person who takes wildlife in this state, or attempts to obtain a license to take wildlife, at a time when the person's privilege to do so is suspended, revoked or denied under this section is guilty of a class 1 misdemeanor.

## A.R.S. 17-341

### Applying for or obtaining license or permit by fraud or misrepresentation; classification

- A. It is unlawful for a person to knowingly apply for, or to obtain, by fraud or misrepresentation a license or permit to take wildlife and a license or permit so obtained is void and of no effect from the date of issuance thereof.
- B. Any person who violates this section is guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor.

## A.R.S. 17-361

### Trappers; licensing; restrictions; duties; reports

- A. The holder of a trapping license, may trap predatory, nongame, and fur-bearing mammals under such restrictions as the commission may specify.
- B. All traps shall be plainly identified with the name, address, or registered number of the owner, and such markings of identification shall be filed with the department. All traps in use shall be inspected daily.
- C. It shall be unlawful for a person to disturb the trap of another unless authorized to do so by the owner.
- D. Pursuant to rules and regulations of the commission, each trapping licensee shall, on dates designated by the commission, submit on forms provided by the department, a legible report of the number of each kind of predatory, nongame and fur-bearing mammal taken and the names and addresses of the persons to whom they were shipped or sold or the wildlife management units where the animals were taken.

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## R12-4-101

### Definitions

- A. In addition to the definitions provided in A.R.S. § 17-101, R12-4-401, and R12-4-501, the following definitions apply to this Chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:
1. "Artificial lures and flies" means man-made devices intended as visual attractants for fish and does not include living or dead organisms or edible parts of those organisms, natural or prepared food stuffs, artificial salmon eggs, artificial corn, or artificial marshmallows.
  2. "Bonus point" means a credit that authorizes the Department to issue an applicant an additional computer-generated random number.
  3. "Commission Order" means a document adopted by the Commission that does any or all of the following: open, close, or alter seasons and open areas for taking wildlife; specify wildlife that may or may not be taken; set bag or possession limits for wildlife; or set the number of permits available for limited hunts.
  4. "Crayfish net" means a net that does not exceed 36 inches on a side or in diameter and is retrieved by means of a hand-held line.
  5. "Hunt area" means a game management unit, portion of a unit, or group of units opened to hunting by a particular hunt number.
  6. "Hunt number" means the number assigned by Commission Order to any hunt area where a limited number of hunt permits is available.
  7. "Hunt permits" means the number of hunt permit-tags made available to the public as a result of a Commission Order.
  8. "Hunt permit-tag" means a tag for a hunt for which a Commission Order has assigned a hunt number.
  9. "Identification number" means a number assigned to each applicant or license holder by the Department, as prescribed in R12-4-111.
  10. "License dealer" means a business authorized to sell hunting, fishing, and other licenses under R12-4-105.
  11. "Live baitfish" means any species of live freshwater fish designated by Commission Order as lawful for use in taking aquatic wildlife under R12-4-317.
  12. "Management unit" means an area established by the Commission for management purposes.
  13. "Minnow trap" means a trap with dimensions that do not exceed 12 inches in depth, 12 inches in width, and 24 inches in length.
  14. "Muzzle-loading handgun" means a firearm intended to be fired from the hand, incapable of firing fixed ammunition, having a single barrel and single chamber, and loaded through the muzzle with black powder or synthetic black powder and a single projectile.
  15. "Muzzle-loading rifle" means a firearm intended to be fired from the shoulder, incapable of firing fixed ammunition, having a single barrel and single chamber, and loaded through the muzzle with black powder or synthetic black powder and a single projectile.
  16. "Nonpermit-tag" means a tag for a hunt for which a Commission Order does not assign a hunt number and the number of tags is not limited.
  17. "Restricted nonpermit-tag" means a tag issued for a supplemental hunt under R12-4-115.
  18. "Simultaneous fishing" means taking fish by using two lines and not more than two hooks or two artificial lures or flies per line.
  19. "Sink box" means a low floating device with a depression that affords a hunter a means of concealment beneath the surface of the water.
  20. "Stamp" means a form of authorization in addition to a license that allows the license holder to take

wildlife specified by the stamp. The Department shall issue a stamp by one of the following methods:

- a. Print the name of the stamp on the applicable license;
  - b. Print the name of the stamp on a separate license form that the license holder shall attach to or carry with the applicable license; or
  - c. Provide an actual stamp with an adhesive backing that the license holder shall affix to the back of the applicable license and signs across the face of the stamp.
21. "Tag" means the authorization that an individual is required to obtain from the Department under A.R.S. Title 17 and 12 A.A.C. 4 before taking certain wildlife.
  22. "Waterdog" means the larval or metamorphosing stage of salamanders.
  23. "Wildlife area" means an area established under 12 A.A.C. 4, Article 8.
- B. If the following terms are used in a Commission Order, the following definitions apply:
1. "Antlered" means having an antler fully erupted through the skin and capable of being shed.
  2. "Antlerless" means not having an antler, antlers, or any part thereof erupted through the skin.
  3. "Bearded turkey" means a turkey with a beard that extends beyond the contour feathers of the breast.
  4. "Buck antelope" means a male pronghorn antelope.
  5. "Bull elk" means an antlered elk.
  6. "Designated" means the gender, age, or species of an animal or the specifically identified animal the Department authorizes to be taken and possessed with a valid tag.
  7. "Ram" means any male bighorn sheep, excluding male lambs.

## R12-4-103

### Duplicate Tags and Licenses

- A. Under A.R.S. § 17-332(C), the Department and its license dealers shall issue a duplicate license or tag to an applicant who pays the fee prescribed by R12-4-102 for a duplicate license or tag, and who signs an affidavit that includes and attests to the following:
1. The applicant's name and identification number, if previously issued to the applicant;
  2. The applicant purchased an original license or tag;
  3. The resident status and class of the original license or tag. If the applicant is a resident, the applicant shall also attest to the length of residency;
  4. The approximate date the applicant purchased the original license or tag;
  5. The license dealer from whom the applicant purchased the original license or tag; and
  6. The applicant that purchased the original tag for which a duplicate is being purchased did not use the tag, and that the tag is lost, destroyed, mutilated, or otherwise unusable; or
  7. If applicable, the applicant placed the original tag on a harvested animal that was subsequently condemned and the carcass and all parts of the animal were surrendered to a Department employee under R12-4-112(B) and (C).
- B. If an applicant is applying for a duplicate tag under subsection (A)(7), the applicant shall also submit a condemned meat duplicate tag authorization form issued by the Department.

## R12-4-104

### Application Procedures for Issuance of Hunt Permit-tags by Drawing and Purchase of Bonus Points

- A. For the purposes of this Section, "group" means all applicants who have placed their names on a single

application form contained in a single envelope, or submitted electronically over the Internet as part of the same application. No more than four individuals may apply as a group.

- B. An individual is eligible to apply:
1. For a hunt permit-tag if the individual:
    - a. Is at least ten years old at the start of the hunt for which the individual applies;
    - b. Has completed a department-approved hunter education course by the start date of the hunt for which the individual applies, if the individual is under the age of fourteen; and
    - c. Does not have his or her license or license privileges to hunt in this state suspended or revoked at the time the individual submits an application, as a result of an action under either A.R.S. §§ 17-340 or 17-502.
  2. For a bonus point if the individual:
    - a. Is at least ten years old by the deadline to apply; and
    - b. Does not have his or her license or license privileges to hunt in this state suspended or revoked at the time the individual submits an application, as a result of an action under either A.R.S. §§ 17-340 or 17-502.
- C. An applicant for a hunt permit-tag or a bonus point shall complete and submit a Hunt Permit-tag Application Form, available from any Department office, the Department's Internet web site, or a license dealer. An applicant shall apply at the times, locations, and in the manner established by the hunt permit-tag application schedule that is published annually by the Department and available at any Department office, the Department's Internet web site, or a license dealer. Under A.R.S. § 17-231, the Commission shall set application deadlines for hunt permit-tag drawing applications. The Director has the authority to extend any draw deadline date if problems occur that prevent the public from submitting a hunt permit-tag application within the deadlines set by the Commission.
- D. An applicant shall sign the Hunt Permit-tag Application Form, or provide permission for another individual to sign the application form on behalf of the applicant. If applying electronically over the Internet, an applicant shall attest to, or provide permission for another individual to attest to, the information electronically provided.
- E. An applicant shall provide the following information on the Hunt Permit-tag Application Form:
1. The applicant's name, the applicant's home mailing address, the applicant's residency status, and the applicant's date of birth;
  2. The applicant's social security number, as required under A.R.S. §§ 25-320(N) and 25-502(K), and the applicant's Department identification number, if different from the social security number;
  3. If licensed to take wildlife in this state, the number of the applicant's license for the year the hunt will take place;
  4. If not licensed for the year in which the applicable hunt will take place, the applicant shall purchase a license by completing the License Application portion of the Hunt Permit-tag Application Form, providing the applicant's name, Department identification number, home mailing address, class of license for which application is made, residency status, length of Arizona residency (if applicable), date of birth, sex, weight, height, and color of hair and eyes; and
  5. If an applicant is younger than age 14, and is applying for a hunt other than big game, but is not required to have a license under A.R.S. § 17-335(B), the applicant shall indicate "juvenile" in the space provided for the license number on the Hunt Permit-tag Application Form.
- F. An applicant shall include as part of the hunt permit-tag

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application, the following fees as prescribed by R12-4-102:

1. The fee for the applicable hunt permit-tag, unless the application is submitted electronically over the Internet or telephone;
  2. The permit application fee; and
  3. The license fee if the applicant has not previously purchased a license for the year in which the hunt takes place.
- G. An applicant shall enclose payment for a hunt permit-tag with a single hunt permit-tag application form, made payable in U.S. currency to the Arizona Game and Fish Department, by certified check, cashier's check, money order, or personal check. If applying electronically over the Internet or telephone, an applicant shall include payment by valid credit card as a part of the hunt permit-tag application.
- H. An applicant shall apply for a specific hunt or a bonus point by the current hunt number. If all hunts selected by the applicant are filled at the time the application is processed in the drawing, the Department shall deem the application unsuccessful, unless the application is for a bonus point.
- I. An applicant shall make all hunt choices for the same genus within one application.
- J. An applicant shall not include applications for different genera of wildlife in the same envelope.
- K. All members of a group shall apply for the same hunt numbers and in the same order of preference. The Department shall not issue a hunt permit-tag to any group member unless sufficient hunt permit-tags are available for all group members.
- L. An applicant shall submit only one valid application per genus of wildlife for any calendar year, except:
1. If the bag limit is one per calendar year, an unsuccessful applicant may re-apply for remaining hunt permit-tags in unfilled hunt areas, as specified in the hunt permit-tag application schedule published annually by the Department.
  2. For genera that have multiple draws within a single calendar year, an individual who successfully draws a hunt permit-tag during an earlier season may apply for a later season for the same genus if the individual has not taken the bag limit for that genus during a preceding hunt in the same calendar year.
  3. If the bag limit is more than one per calendar year, an individual may apply as specified in the hunt permit-tag application schedule published annually by the Department for remaining hunt permit-tags in unfilled hunt areas.
- M. An individual shall not apply for a hunt permit-tag for Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep or desert bighorn sheep if that individual has met the lifetime bag limit for that sub-species. An individual shall not apply for a hunt permit-tag for buffalo if the individual has met the lifetime bag limit for that species.
- N. To participate in the bonus point system, an applicant shall comply with R12-4-107.
- O. The Department shall reject as invalid a Hunt Permit-Tag Application Form not prepared or submitted in accordance with this Section or not prepared in a legible manner. If the Department rejects an application from any member of a group, the Department shall reject all applications from the group.
- P. Any hunt permit-tag issued for an application that is subsequently found not to be in accordance with this Section is invalid.
- Q. The Department or its authorized agent shall mail hunt permit-tags to successful applicants. The Department shall return application overpayments to the applicant designated "A" on the Hunt Permit-tag Application Form. Permit application fees shall not be refunded. License fees submitted with a valid application for a bonus point shall not be refunded.
- R. If the Director determines that Department error caused

an individual to submit an invalid application for a hunt permit-tag, prevented an individual from lawfully submitting an application, caused the rejection of an application for a hunt permit-tag, or caused the denial of a hunt permit-tag, the Director may authorize an additional hunt permit-tag if the issuance of an additional hunt permit-tag will have no significant impact on the wildlife population to be hunted and the application for the hunt permit-tag would have otherwise been successful based on its random number. The Director may also authorize the awarding of a bonus point to correct the error if a hunt permit-tag is not issued. If the Director determines that Department error caused the failure to apply an applicant's bonus points to an application, the Director may authorize an additional hunt permit-tag to correct the error, if the issuance of an additional hunt permit-tag will have no significant impact on the wildlife population to be hunted. The Director may also authorize the awarding of a bonus point to correct the error if a hunt permit-tag is not issued. An individual who is denied a hunt permit-tag or a bonus point under this procedure may appeal to the Commission as provided under A.R.S. Title 41, Chapter 6, Article 10.

## R12-4-107

### Bonus Point System

- A. For the purpose of this Section, the following definitions apply:
1. "Bonus point hunt number" means the hunt number assigned by the Commission in a Commission Order for use by an applicant applying only for a bonus point for a genus identified in this Section; and
  2. "Loyalty bonus point" means a bonus point awarded to an individual who has submitted a valid application for a hunt permit-tag or a bonus point for a specific genus identified in subsection (B) at least once annually for a consecutive five-year period.
- B. The bonus point system grants an individual one entry in each drawing for antelope, bear, bighorn sheep, buffalo, deer, elk, javelina, or turkey for each bonus point that individual has accumulated under this Section. Each bonus point entry is in addition to the entry normally granted by R12-4-104. When processing "group" applications, as defined in R12-4-104, the Department shall use the average number of bonus points accumulated by the individuals in the group, rounded to the nearest whole number. If the average is equal to or greater than .5, the total will be rounded to the next higher number.
- C. The Department shall award one bonus point to an applicant who submits a valid Hunt Permit-tag Application Form if all of the following apply:
1. The application is unsuccessful in the drawing or the application is for a bonus point only;
  2. The application is not for a hunt permit-tag left over after the drawing and available on a first-come, first-served basis as prescribed in R12-4-114; and
  3. The applicant, before the drawing, purchases a hunting license valid for the year in which the hunt takes place. The applicant shall either provide the hunting license number on the application, or submit an application and fees for the license with the Hunt Permit-tag Application Form.
- D. An applicant who purchases a bonus point only shall:
1. Submit a valid Hunt Permit-tag Application Form, as prescribed in R12-4-104, with the Commission-assigned bonus point hunt number for the particular genus as the first choice hunt number on the application. Placing the bonus point only hunt number as a choice other than the first choice or including any other hunt number on the application will result in rejection of the application;
  2. Include with the application, payment for the hunt permit-tag application fee and a fee for a hunting license if the applicant does not already possess a

license valid for the year for which the draw is conducted (If an applicant who purchases a bonus point has not already purchased a license for the year for which the applicant is applying, the applicant shall also submit all applicable information designated under R12-4-104(E)(4). If an applicant who purchases a bonus point has already purchased a license for the year for which the applicant is applying, the applicant shall also submit the number of the applicant's license); and

3. Submit only one Hunt Permit-tag Application Form for the same genus for each season that bonus points are issued for that genus.
- E. With the exception of the hunter education bonus point, each bonus point accumulated is valid only for the genus designated on the Hunt Permit-tag Application Form.
- F. Except for a permanent bonus point awarded for hunter education or loyalty bonus points that are accrued and forfeited as prescribed in subsection (K), all of an individual's accumulated bonus points for a genus are forfeited if:
1. The individual is issued a hunt permit-tag for that genus in a computer drawing; or
  2. The individual fails to submit a Hunt Permit-tag Application Form for that genus for five consecutive years.
- G. An applicant issued a first-come, first-served hunt permit-tag under R12-4-114(C)(2)(d) after the computer drawing does not lose bonus points for that genus, and a valid but unsuccessful applicant for a first-come, first-served hunt permit-tag remaining after the computer drawing does not gain a bonus point.
- H. The Department shall award one permanent bonus point for each genus upon an individual's first graduation from the Department's Arizona Hunter Education Course or for serving as a Department hunter education instructor.
1. The Department shall credit an individual who graduated after January 1, 1980, but before January 1, 1991, or an individual certified by the Department as an active hunter education instructor after January 1, 1980, with one permanent bonus point for each genus if the individual provides the following information on a form available from the Department: Department identification number; name; address; residency status, and length of Arizona residency, if applicable; date of birth; sex; weight; height; color of hair and eyes; and, for an individual other than an instructor, the month and year of graduation from the Department's Arizona Hunter Education Course.
  2. An instructor or an individual who has graduated from the Department's Arizona Hunter Education Course shall submit the required form 30 days before a drawing's application deadline, as specified in the hunt permit-tag application schedule, in order for the bonus point to be counted by the Department in that drawing.
- I. The Department shall make an applicant's total number of accumulated bonus points available on the Department's application web site or IVR telephone system. If the applicant disagrees with the total, the applicant may request from the Department proof of compliance with this Section to prove Department error. In the event of an error, the Department shall correct the applicant's record.
- J. The Department shall credit bonus points under an applicant's Department identification number for the genus on the application. The Department shall not transfer bonus points between individuals or genera.
- K. The following provisions apply to the loyalty bonus point program:
1. The Department shall award a loyalty bonus point if an applicant submits a valid application at least once a year for a hunt permit-tag or a bonus point for a specific genus consecutively for a five-year period.
  2. An applicant retains a loyalty bonus point once accrued as long as the applicant submits a valid

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application annually for a hunt permit-tag or a bonus point for the genus for which the loyalty bonus point was accrued.

3. If an applicant who has accrued a loyalty bonus point fails to apply in any calendar year for a hunt permit-tag for the genus for which the loyalty bonus point was accrued, the applicant's loyalty bonus point for that genus is forfeited.
  4. For the purposes of the loyalty bonus point program, year one of the calculation of consecutive application years is 2001, and the Department shall award a loyalty bonus point to an applicant who qualifies for the loyalty bonus point on or after the effective date of this Section.
  5. A loyalty bonus point is accrued in addition to all other bonus points.
- L. The Department shall reinstate any bonus points forfeited for a successful hunt permit-tag application for military personnel, military reserve personnel, national guard personnel, or public agency employees who are unable to use the hunt permit-tag due to mobilization, activation, or required duty in response to a declared national or state emergency, or required duty in response to an action by the President, Congress, or a governor of the United States or its territories. Under A.R.S. § 17-332(E), no refunds for a license or hunt permit-tag will be issued to an applicant who applies for reinstatement of bonus points under this subsection. To request that forfeited bonus points be reinstated under these circumstances, an applicant shall submit all of the following to the Arizona Game and Fish Department, Draw Section, 2221 W. Greenway Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85023:
1. A letter from the applicant requesting reinstatement of bonus points;
  2. The hunt number for which the hunt permit-tag is valid;
  3. Evidence of mobilization or duty status, such as a letter from the public agency or official orders;
  4. An official declaration of a state of emergency from the public agency or authority making the declaration of emergency, if applicable; and
  5. The valid, unused hunt permit-tag, which must be received before the beginning date of the hunt for which the hunt permit-tag is valid, or evidence of mobilization or activation that precluded the applicant from submitting the tag before the beginning date of the hunt.

## R12-4-108

### Management Unit Boundaries

- A. For the purpose of this Section, parentheses mean "also known as," and the following definitions shall apply:
1. "FH" means "forest highway," a paved road.
  2. "FR" means "forest road," an unpaved road.
  3. "Hwy" means "Highway."
  4. "mp" means "milepost."
- B. The state is divided into units for the purpose of managing wildlife. Each unit is identified by a number, or a number and letter. For the purpose of this Section, Indian reservation land contained within any management unit is not under the jurisdiction of the Arizona Game and Fish Commission or the Arizona Game and Fish Department. See R12-4-117.
- C. Management unit descriptions are as follows:
- Unit 1 -- Beginning at the New Mexico state line and U.S. Hwy 60; west on U.S. Hwy 60 to Vernon Junction; southerly on the Vernon-McNary Rd. (FR 224) to the Fort Apache Indian Reservation boundary; east and south along the reservation boundary to Black River; east and north along Black River to the east fork of Black River; north along the east fork to Three Forks; and continuing north and east on the Three Forks-Williams Valley-Alpine Rd. (FR 249) to U.S. Hwy 180; east on U.S. Hwy 180 to the New Mexico state line; north along the state line to U.S. Hwy 60.

Unit 2A -- Beginning at St. Johns on U.S. Hwy 191 (AZ Hwy 61); north on U.S. Hwy 191 (AZ Hwy 61) to the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; westerly along the reservation boundary to AZ Hwy 77; south on AZ Hwy 77 to Exit 292 on I-40; west on the westbound lane of I-40 to Exit 286; south on AZ Hwy 77 to U.S. Hwy 180; southeast on U.S. Hwy 180 to AZ Hwy 180A; south on AZ Hwy 180A to AZ Hwy 61; east on AZ Hwy 61 to U.S. Hwy 180 (AZ Hwy 61); east to U.S. Hwy 191 at St. Johns; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Zuni Tribe.

Unit 2B -- Beginning at Springerville; east on U.S. Hwy 60 to the New Mexico state line; north along the state line to the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; westerly along the reservation boundary to U.S. Hwy 191 (AZ Hwy 61); south on U.S. Hwy 191 (U.S. Hwy 180) to Springerville.

Unit 2C -- Beginning at St. Johns on U.S. Hwy 191 (AZ Hwy 61); west on to AZ Hwy 61 Concho; southwest on AZ Hwy 61 to U.S. Hwy 60; east on U.S. Hwy 60 to U.S. Hwy 191 (U.S. Hwy 180); north on U.S. Hwy 191 (U.S. Hwy 180) to St. Johns.

Unit 3A -- Beginning at the junction of U.S. Hwy 180 and AZ Hwy 77; south on AZ Hwy 77 to AZ Hwy 377; southwesterly on AZ Hwy 377 to AZ Hwy 277; easterly on AZ Hwy 277 to Snowflake; easterly on the Snowflake-Concho Rd. to U.S. Hwy 180A; north on U.S. Hwy 180A to U.S. Hwy 180; northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 180 to AZ Hwy 77.

Unit 3B -- Beginning at Snowflake; southerly along AZ Hwy 77 to U.S. Hwy 60; southwesterly along U.S. Hwy 60 to the Fort Apache Indian Reservation boundary; easterly along the reservation boundary to the Vernon-McNary Rd. (FR 224); northerly along the Vernon-McNary Rd. to U.S. Hwy 60; west on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 61; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 61 to AZ Hwy 180A; northerly on AZ Hwy 180A to Concho-Snowflake Rd.; westerly on the Concho-Snowflake Rd. to Snowflake.

Unit 3C -- Beginning at Snowflake; westerly on AZ Hwy 277 to AZ Hwy 260; westerly on AZ Hwy 260 to the Sitgreaves National Forest boundary with the Tonto National Forest; easterly along the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest boundary to U.S. Hwy 60 (AZ Hwy 77); northeasterly on U.S. Hwy 60 (AZ Hwy 77) to Showlow; northerly along AZ Hwy 77 to Snowflake.

Unit 4A -- Beginning on the boundary of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest with the Coconino National Forest at the Mogollon Rim; north along this boundary (Leonard Canyon) to East Clear Creek; northerly along East Clear Creek to AZ Hwy 99; north on AZ Hwy 99 to AZ Hwy 87; north on AZ Hwy 87 to Business I-40 (3rd St.); west on Business I-40 (3rd St.) to Hipkoe Dr.; northerly on Hipkoe Dr. to I-40; west on I-40 to mp 221.4; north to the southwest corner of the Navajo Indian Reservation Boundary; east along the Navajo Indian Reservation Boundary to the Little Colorado River; southerly along the Little Colorado River to Chevelon Creek; southerly along Chevelon Creek to Woods Canyon; westerly along Woods Canyon to Woods Canyon Lake Rd.; southeasterly along the Woods Canyon Lake Rd. to the Mogollon Rim; westerly along the Mogollon Rim to the boundary of the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest with the Coconino National Forest.

Unit 4B -- Beginning at AZ Hwy 260 and the Sitgreaves National Forest boundary with the Tonto National Forest; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 260 to AZ Hwy 277; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 277 to Hwy 377; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 377 to AZ Hwy 77; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 77 to I-40 Exit 286; northeasterly along the westbound lane of I-40 to Exit 292; north on AZ Hwy 77 to the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; west along the reservation boundary to the Little Colorado River; southerly along the Little Colorado River to Chevelon Creek; southerly along Chevelon Creek to Woods Canyon; westerly along Woods Canyon to Woods Canyon Lake Rd.; southerly along the Woods Canyon Lake Rd. to the Mogollon Rim; easterly along the Mogollon Rim to AZ Hwy 260.

Unit 5A -- Beginning at the junction of the Sitgreaves National Forest boundary with the Coconino National Forest boundary at the Mogollon Rim; northerly along this boundary (Leonard Canyon) to East Clear Creek; northeasterly along East Clear Creek to AZ Hwy 99; north on AZ Hwy 99 to AZ Hwy 87; north on AZ Hwy 87 to Business I-40 (3rd St.); west on Business I-40 (3rd St.) to Hipkoe Dr.; north on Hipkoe Dr. to I-40; west on I-40 to the Meteor Crater Rd. (Exit 233); southerly on the Meteor Crater-Chavez Pass-Jack's Canyon Rd. (FR 69) to AZ Hwy 87; southwesterly along AZ Hwy 87 to the Coconino-Tonto National Forest boundary; easterly along the Coconino-Tonto National Forest boundary (Mogollon Rim) to the Sitgreaves National Forest boundary with the Coconino National Forest.

Unit 5B -- Beginning at Lake Mary-Clint's Well Rd. (FH3) and Walnut Creek (mp 337.5 on FH3); southeasterly on FH3 to AZ Hwy 87; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 87 to FR 69; westerly and northerly on FR 69 to I-40 (Exit 233); west on I-40 to Walnut Creek (mp 210.2); southwesterly along Walnut Creek to Walnut Canyon National Monument; southwesterly along the northern boundary of the Walnut Canyon National Monument to Walnut Creek; southwesterly along Walnut Creek to FH3 (mp 337.5).

Unit 6A -- Beginning at the junction of U.S. Hwy 89A and FR 237; southwesterly on U.S. Hwy 89A to the Verde River; southeasterly along the Verde River to Childs; easterly on the Childs-Strawberry Rd. to the Tonto-Coconino National Forest boundary; easterly along this boundary to AZ Hwy 87; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 87 to Lake Mary-Clint's Well Rd. (FH3); northwesterly on FH3 to FR 132; southwesterly on FR 132 to FR 296; southwesterly on FR 296 to FR 296A; southwesterly on FR 296A to FR 132; northwesterly on FR 132 to FR 235; westerly on FR 235 to FR 235A; westerly on FR 235A to FR 235; southerly on FR 235 to FR 235K; northwesterly on FR 235K to FR 700; northerly on FR 700 to Mountaineer Rd.; west on Mountaineer Rd. to FR 237; westerly on FR 237 to U.S. Hwy 89A except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Yavapai-Apache Nation.

Unit 6B -- Beginning at mp 188.5 on I-40 at a point just north of the east boundary of Camp Navajo; south along the eastern boundary of Camp Navajo to the southeastern corner of Camp Navajo; southeast approximately 1/3 mile through the forest to the forest road in section 33; southeast on the forest road to FR 231 (Woody Mountain Rd.); easterly on FR 231 to FR 533; southerly on FR 533 to U.S. Hwy 89A; southerly on U.S. Hwy 89A to the Verde River; northerly along the Verde River to Sycamore Creek; northeasterly along Sycamore Creek and Volunteer Canyon to the southwest corner of the Camp Navajo boundary; northerly along the western boundary of Camp Navajo to the northwest corner of Camp Navajo; continuing north to I-40 (mp 180.0); easterly along I-40 to mp 188.5.

Unit 7 -- Beginning at the junction of AZ Hwy 64 and I-40 (in Williams); easterly on I-40 to FR 171 (mp 184.4 on I-40); northerly on FR 171 to the Transwestern Gas Pipeline; easterly along the Transwestern Gas Pipeline to FR 420 (Schultz Pass Rd.); northeasterly on FR 420 to U.S. Hwy 89; north on U.S. Hwy 89 to FR 545; east on FR 545 to the Sunset Crater National Monument; easterly along the southern boundary of the Sunset Crater National Monument to FR 545; east on FR 545 to the 345 KV transmission lines 1 and 2; southeasterly along the power lines to I-40 (mp 212 on I-40); east on I-40 to mp 221.4; north to the southwest corner of the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; northerly and westerly along the reservation boundary to the Four Corners Gas Line; southwesterly along the Four Corners Gas Line to U.S. Hwy 180; west on U.S. Hwy 180 to AZ Hwy 64; south on AZ Hwy 64 to I-40.

Unit 8 -- Beginning at the junction of I-40 and U.S. Hwy 89 (in Ash Fork, Exit 146); south on U.S. Hwy 89 to the Verde River; easterly along the Verde River to Sycamore Creek; northerly along Sycamore Creek to Volunteer Canyon; northeasterly along Volunteer Canyon to the west boundary of Camp Navajo; north along the boundary to a point

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directly north of I-40; west on I-40 to U.S. Hwy 89.

Unit 9 -- Beginning where Cataract Creek enters the Havasupai Reservation; easterly and northerly along the Havasupai Reservation boundary to Grand Canyon National Park; easterly along the Grand Canyon National Park boundary to the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; southerly along the reservation boundary to the Four Corners Gas Line; southwest along the Four Corners Gas Line to U.S. Hwy 180; westerly along U.S. Hwy 180 to AZ Hwy 64; south along AZ Hwy 64 to Airpark Rd.; west and north along Airpark Rd. to the Valle-Cataract Creek Rd.; westerly along the Valle-Cataract Creek Rd. to Cataract Creek at Island Tank; northwesterly along Cataract Creek to the Havasupai Reservation Boundary.

Unit 10 -- Beginning at the junction of AZ Hwy 64 and I-40; westerly on I-40 to Crookton Rd. (AZ Hwy 66, Exit 139); westerly on AZ Hwy 66 to the Hualapai Indian Reservation boundary; northeasterly along the reservation boundary to Grand Canyon National Park; east along the park boundary to the Havasupai Indian Reservation; easterly and southerly along the reservation boundary to where Cataract Creek enters the reservation; southeasterly along Cataract Creek in Cataract Canyon to Island Tank; easterly on the Cataract Creek-Valle Rd. to Airpark Rd.; south and east along Airpark Rd. to AZ Hwy 64; south on AZ Hwy 64 to I-40.

Unit 11M -- Beginning at the junction of Lake Mary-Clint's Well Rd. (FH3) and Walnut Creek (mp 337.5 on FH3); north-easterly along Walnut Creek to the Walnut Canyon National Monument boundary; northeasterly along the northern boundary of the Walnut Canyon National Monument to Walnut Creek; northeasterly along Walnut Creek to I-40 (mp 210.2); east on I-40 to the 345 KV transmission lines 1 and 2 (mp 212 on I-40); north and northeasterly along the power line to FR 545 (Sunset Crater Rd.); west along FR 545 to the Sunset Crater National Monument boundary; westerly along the southern boundary of the Sunset Crater National Monument to FR 545; west on FR 545 to U.S. Hwy 89; south on U.S. Hwy 89 to FR 420 (Schultz Pass Rd.); southwest along FR 420 to the Transwestern Gas Pipeline; westerly along the Transwestern Gas Pipeline to FR 171; south on FR 171 to I-40 (mp 184.4 on I-40); east on I-40 to a point just north of the eastern boundary of Camp Navajo (mp 188.5 on I-40); south along the eastern boundary of Camp Navajo to the southeast corner of Camp Navajo; southeast approximately 1/3 mile to the forest road in section 33; southeasterly along the forest road to FR 231 (Woody Mountain Rd.); easterly on FR 231 to FR 533; southerly on FR 533 to U.S. Hwy 89A; southerly on U.S. Hwy 89A to FR 237; northeasterly on FR 237 to Mountaineer Rd.; easterly on Mountaineer Rd. to FR 700; southerly on FR 700 to FR 235K; southeasterly on FR 235K to FR 235; northerly on FR 235 to FR 235A; easterly on FR 235A to FR 235; easterly on FR 235 to FR 132; southeasterly on FR 132 to FR 296A; northeasterly on FR 296A to FR 296; northeasterly on FR 296 to FR 132; northeasterly on FR 132 to FH3; southeasterly on FH3 to Walnut Creek (mp 337.5 on FH3).

Unit 12A -- Beginning at U.S. Hwy 89A and the Kaibab National Forest boundary near mp 566; southerly and easterly along the forest boundary to Grand Canyon National Park; southerly and westerly along the park boundary to Kanab Creek; northerly along Kanab Creek to Snake Gulch; northerly, easterly and southerly around the Kaibab National Forest boundary to U.S. Hwy 89A near mp 566.

Unit 12B -- Beginning at U.S. Hwy 89A and the Kaibab National Forest boundary near mp 566; southerly and easterly along the forest boundary to Grand Canyon National Park; northeasterly along the park boundary to Glen Canyon National Recreation area; easterly along the recreation area boundary to the Colorado River; northeasterly along the Colorado River to the Arizona-Utah state line; westerly along the state line to Kanab Creek; southerly along Kanab Creek to the Kaibab National Forest boundary; northerly, easterly, and southerly along this boundary to U.S. Hwy 89A near mp 566; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians.

Unit 13A -- Beginning on the western edge of the Hurricane Rim at the Utah state line; southerly along the western edge of the Hurricane Rim to Mohave County Rd. 5 (the Mt. Trumbull Rd.); west along Mohave County Rd. 5 to the town of Mt. Trumbull (Bundyville); south from the town of Mt. Trumbull (Bundyville) on Mohave County Rd. 257 to BLM Rd. 1045; south on BLM Rd. 1045 to Cold Spring Wash; south along the bottom of Cold Spring Wash to Whitmore Wash; southerly along the bottom of Whitmore Wash to the Colorado River; easterly along the Colorado River to Kanab Creek; northerly along Kanab Creek to the Utah state line; west along the Utah state line to the western edge of the Hurricane Rim; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians.

Unit 13B -- Beginning on the western edge of the Hurricane Rim at the Utah state line; southerly along the western edge of the Hurricane Rim to Mohave County Rd. 5 (the Mt. Trumbull Rd.); west along Mohave County Rd. 5 to the town of Mt. Trumbull (Bundyville) on Mohave County Rd. 257 to BLM Rd. 1045; south on BLM Rd. 1045 to Cold Spring Wash; south along the bottom of Cold Spring Wash to Whitmore Wash; southerly along the bottom of Whitmore Wash to the Colorado River; westerly along the Colorado River to the Nevada state line; north along the Nevada state line to the Utah state line; east along the Utah state line to the western edge of the Hurricane Rim.

Unit 15A -- Beginning at Pearce Ferry on the Colorado River; southerly on the Pearce Ferry Rd. to Antares Rd.; southeasterly on Antares Rd. to AZ Hwy 66; easterly on AZ Hwy 66 to the Hualapai Indian Reservation; west and north along the west boundary of the reservation to the Colorado River; westerly along the Colorado River to Pearce Ferry; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Hualapai Indian Tribe.

Unit 15B -- Beginning at Kingman on I-40 (Exit 48); northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to Hoover Dam; north and east along the Colorado River to Pearce Ferry; southerly on the Pearce Ferry Rd. to Antares Rd.; southeasterly on Antares Rd. to AZ Hwy 66; easterly on AZ Hwy 66 to Hackberry; southerly on the Hackberry Rd. to its junction with U.S. Hwy 93; north and west on U.S. Hwy 93 and I-40 (Exit 71) to Kingman.

Unit 15C -- Beginning at Hoover Dam; southerly along the Colorado River to AZ Hwy 68 and Davis Dam; easterly on AZ Hwy 68 to U.S. Hwy 93; northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to Hoover Dam.

Unit 15D -- Beginning at AZ Hwy 68 and Davis Dam; southerly along the Colorado River to I-40; east and north on I-40 to Kingman (Exit 48); northwest on U.S. Hwy 93 to AZ Hwy 68; west on AZ Hwy 68 to Davis Dam; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Fort Mohave Indian Tribe.

Unit 16A -- Beginning at Kingman Exit 48 on I-40; south and west on I-40 to AZ Hwy 95 (Exit 9); southerly on AZ Hwy 95 to the Bill Williams River Rd. (milepost 161.4); easterly along the Bill Williams River Rd. to Mineral Wash Rd.; continuing easterly along the Bill Williams and Santa Maria rivers to U.S. Hwy 93; north and west on U.S. Hwy 93 and I-40 to Kingman (Exit 48).

Unit 16B -- Beginning at I-40 on the Colorado River; southerly along the Arizona-California state line to the Bill Williams River; east along the Bill Williams River to AZ Hwy 95; north on AZ Hwy 95 to I-40 (Exit 9); west on I-40 to the Colorado River.

Unit 17A -- Beginning at the junction of the Williamson Valley Rd. (County Road 5) and the Camp Wood Rd. (FR 21); westerly on the Camp Wood road to the west boundary of the Prescott National Forest; north along this boundary to the Baca Grant; east, north and west around the grant to the west boundary of the Prescott National Forest; north and east along this boundary to the Williamson Valley Rd. (County Rd. 5, FR 6); southerly on Williamson Valley Rd.

(County Rd. 5, FR 6) to the Camp Wood Rd.

Unit 17B -- Beginning in Prescott; at the junction of Iron Springs Rd. and Williamson Valley Rd. westerly on the Prescott-Skull Valley-Hillside-Bagdad Rd. to Bagdad; northeast on the Bagdad-Camp Wood Rd. (FR 21) to the Williamson Valley Rd. (County Rd. 5, FR 6); south on the Williamson Valley Rd. (County Rd. 5, FR 6) to the Iron Springs Rd.

Unit 18A -- Beginning at Seligman; westerly on AZ Hwy 66 to the Hualapai Indian Reservation; southwest and west along the reservation boundary to AZ Hwy 66; southwest on AZ Hwy 66 to the Hackberry Rd.; south on the Hackberry Rd. to U.S. Hwy 93; south on U.S. Hwy 93 to Cane Springs Wash; easterly along Cane Springs Wash to the Big Sandy River; northerly along the Big Sandy River to Trout Creek; north-east along Trout Creek to the Davis Dam-Prescott power line; southeasterly along the power line to the west boundary of the Prescott National Forest; north and east along the forest boundary to the Williamson Valley Rd. (County Rd. 5, FR 6); northerly on the Williamson Valley Rd. (County Rd. 5, FR 6) to Seligman and AZ Hwy 66; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Hualapai Indian Tribe.

Unit 18B -- Beginning at Bagdad; southeast on AZ Hwy 96 to the Santa Maria River; southwest along the Santa Maria River to U.S. Hwy 93; northerly on U.S. Hwy 93 to Cane Springs Wash; easterly along Cane Springs Wash to the Big Sandy River; northerly along the Big Sandy River to Trout Creek; northeasterly along Trout Creek to the Davis Dam-Prescott power line; southeasterly along the power line to the west boundary of the Prescott National Forest; south along the forest boundary to the Baca Grant; east, south and west along the joint Baca Grant Prescott Forest Boundary. Continuing south along the west boundary of the Prescott National Forest; to the Camp Wood-Bagdad Rd.; southwest along the Camp Wood-Bagdad Rd. to Bagdad; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Hualapai Indian Tribe.

Unit 19A -- Beginning at AZ Hwy 69 and U.S. Hwy 89 (in Prescott); northerly on U.S. Hwy 89 to the Verde River; easterly along the Verde River to I-17; southwest along the southbound lane of I-17 to AZ Hwy 69; northwesterly on AZ Hwy 69 to U.S. Hwy 89; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe and the Yavapai-Apache Nation.

Unit 19B -- Beginning at the intersection of U.S. Hwy 89 and AZ Hwy 69 northwesterly through Prescott to the junction of Williamson Valley Rd. and Iron Springs Rd.; northerly on the Williamson Valley-Prescott-Seligman Rd. (FR 6, Williamson Valley Rd.) to AZ Hwy 66 at Seligman; east on Crookton Rd. (AZ Hwy 66) to I-40 (Exit 139); east on I-40 to U.S. Hwy 89; south on U.S. Hwy 89 to the junction with AZ Hwy 69; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe.

Unit 20A -- Beginning at the intersection of U.S. Hwy 89 and AZ Hwy 69; northwest to Iron Springs Rd., west and south on the Iron Springs-Skull Valley-Kirkland Junction Rd. to U.S. Hwy 89; continue south and easterly on the Kirkland Junction-Wagoner-Crown King-Cordes Rd. to Cordes, from Cordes southeast to I-17 (Exit 259); north on the southbound lane of I-17 to I-17 (Exit 259); northwest on AZ Hwy 69 to junction of U.S. Hwy 89 at Prescott; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Yavapai-Prescott Tribe.

Unit 20B -- Beginning at the Hassayampa River and U.S. Hwy 93 (in Wickenburg); northeasterly along the Hassayampa River to the Kirkland Junction-Wagoner-Crown King-Cordes road (at Wagoner); southerly and northeasterly along the Kirkland Junction-Wagoner-Crown King-Cordes Rd. (at Wagoner) to I-17 (Exit 259); south on the southbound lane of I-17 to the New River Road (Exit 232); west on the New River Road to State Highway 74; west on AZ Hwy 74 to the junction of AZ Hwy 74 and U.S. Hwy 93; northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to the Hassayampa River.

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Unit 20C -- Beginning at U.S. Hwy 93 and the Santa Maria River; northeasterly along the Santa Maria River to AZ Hwy 96; easterly on AZ Hwy 96 to Kirkland Junction; southeasterly along the Kirkland Junction-Wagoner-Crown King-Cordes road to the Hassayampa River (at Wagoner); southwestly along the Hassayampa River to U.S. Hwy 93; northwestly on U.S. Hwy 93 to the Santa Maria River.

Unit 21 -- Beginning on I-17 at the Verde River; southerly on the southbound lane of I-17 to the New River Road (Exit 232); east on New River Road to Fig Springs Road; northeasterly on Fig Springs Road to the Tonto National Forest boundary; southeasterly along this boundary to the Verde River; north along the Verde River to I-17.

Unit 22 -- Beginning at the junction of the Salt and Verde Rivers; north along the Verde River to Childs; easterly on the Childs-Strawberry road Rd. to the Tonto-Coconino National Forest boundary along the Mogollon Rim; easterly along this boundary to the Tonto-Sitgreaves National Forest boundary; easterly along this boundary to Tonto Creek; southerly along the east fork of Tonto Creek to the spring box, north of the Tonto Creek Hatchery, and continuing southerly along Tonto Creek to the Salt River; westerly along the Salt River to the Verde River; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Tonto Apache Tribe and the Fort McDowell Mohave-Apache Community.

Unit 23 -- Beginning at the confluence of Tonto Creek and the Salt River; northerly along Tonto Creek to the spring box, north of the Tonto Creek Hatchery, on Tonto Creek; northeasterly along the east fork of Tonto Creek to the Tonto-Sitgreaves National Forest boundary along the Mogollon Rim; east along this boundary to the Fort Apache Indian Reservation boundary; southerly along the reservation boundary to the Salt River; westerly along the Salt River to Tonto Creek.

Unit 24A -- Beginning on AZ Hwy 177 in Superior; southeasterly on AZ Hwy 177 to the Gila River; northeasterly along the Gila River to the San Carlos Indian Reservation boundary; easterly, westerly and northerly along the reservation boundary to the Salt River; southwestly along the Salt River to AZ Hwy 288; southerly on AZ Hwys 288 and 88 to U.S. Hwy 60; southwestly on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 177.

Unit 24B -- Beginning on U.S. Hwy 60 in Superior; northeasterly on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 88; northerly on AZ Hwys 88 and 288 to the Salt River; westerly along the Salt River to Bush Hwy at the Blue Point Bridge; westerly on Bush Hwy to the Usery Pass Rd. (Ellsworth Rd.); southerly on the Usery Pass Rd. to the Tonto National Forest Boundary; southeasterly along Forest boundary to Forest Route 77 (Peralta Rd.); southwestly on Forest Route 77 (Peralta Rd.) to U.S. Hwy 60; easterly on U.S. Hwy 60 to Superior.

Unit 25M -- Beginning at 115th Ave. and the Gila River; easterly to the western boundary of the Gila Indian Reservation; southeasterly along the reservation boundary to AZ Hwy 347 (Maricopa Rd.); south on AZ Hwy 347 (Maricopa Rd.) to AZ Hwy 84; east on AZ Hwy 84 to Stanfield; south on the Stanfield-Cocklebur Rd. to the Tohono O'odham (Papago) Indian Reservation; easterly along the reservation boundary to Battaglia Rd.; east on Battaglia Rd. to Toltec Rd.; north on Toltec Rd. to I-10 (Exit 203); southeasterly on I-10 to AZ Hwy 87 (Exit 211); north on AZ Hwy 87 to AZ Hwy 287 north of Coolidge; east on AZ Hwy 287 to AZ Hwy 79; north on AZ Hwy 79 to U.S. Hwy 60; northwestly on U.S. Hwy 60 to the Meridian Extension (Maricopa-Pinal County Line); south on the Meridian Extension (Maricopa-Pinal County Line) to Empire Blvd.; west on Empire Blvd. to the Gila Indian Reservation boundary; north and west along the Gila River Indian Reservation boundary to 115th Ave.; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Gila River Indian Community and the Ak-Chin Indian Community.

Unit 26M -- Beginning at the junction of I-17 and New River Rd. (Exit 232); west on New River Rd. to AZ Hwy 74; west on AZ Hwy 74 to the junction with U.S. Hwy 93; southeasterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to the Beardsley Canal; southwestly along

the Beardsley Canal to Indian School Rd.; west on Indian School Rd. to Jackrabbit Trail; south on Jackrabbit Trail to I-10 (Exit 121); west on I-10 to Oglesby Rd. (Exit 112); south on Oglesby Rd. to AZ Hwy 85; south on AZ Hwy 85 to the Gila River; east along the Gila River to 115th Ave.; north on 115th Ave. to I-10; west along I-10 to Litchfield Rd.; north on Litchfield Rd. to Bell Rd.; east on Bell Rd. to the New River; north along the New River to the Carefree Hwy; east along Carefree Hwy to Cave Creek Rd.; northeast along Cave Creek Rd. to Pima Rd.; south on Pima Rd. to Loop 101; south on loop 101 to the Salt River; easterly along the Salt River to the Tonto National Forest boundary; southeasterly to Usery Pass Rd.; north on Usery Pass Rd. to Bush Hwy; easterly on Bush Hwy to the Salt River at the Blue Point Bridge; westerly along the Salt River to the Verde River; northerly along the Verde River to the Tonto National Forest boundary; northwestly along this boundary to Fig Springs Rd.; southwestly on Fig Springs Rd.; west on New River Rd. to I-17 (Exit 232); except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and the Fort McDowell Mohave-Apache Community.

Unit 27 -- Beginning at the New Mexico state line and AZ Hwy 78; southwest on AZ Hwy 78 to U.S. Hwy 191; north on U.S. Hwy 191 to San Carlos-Morenci-Clifton Rd.; west on San Carlos-Morenci-Clifton Rd. to Eagle Creek; north along Eagle Creek to the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation boundary; north along the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation boundary to Black River; northeast along Black River to the East Fork of Black River; northeast along the East Fork of Black River to Three Forks-Williams Valley-Alpine Rd. (FR 249); easterly along Three Forks-Williams Valley-Alpine Rd. to U.S. Hwy 180; southeast on U.S. Hwy 180 to the New Mexico state line; south along the New Mexico state line to AZ Hwy 78.

Unit 28 -- Beginning at I-10 and the New Mexico state line; north along the state line to AZ Hwy 78; southwest on AZ Hwy 78 to U.S. Hwy 191; northwest on U.S. Hwy 191 to Clifton; westerly on the Clifton-Morenci-San Carlos Rd. to Eagle Creek; northerly along Eagle Creek to the San Carlos Indian Reservation boundary; southerly and west along the reservation boundary to U.S. Hwy 70; southeast on U.S. Hwy 70 to U.S. Hwy 191; south on U.S. Hwy 191 to I-10 Exit 352; easterly on I-10 to the New Mexico state line.

Unit 29 -- Beginning on I-10 at the New Mexico state line; westerly on I-10 to the Bowie-Apache Pass Rd.; southerly on the Bowie-Apache Pass Rd. to AZ Hwy 186; southeast on AZ Hwy 186 to AZ Hwy 181; south on AZ Hwy 181 to the West Turkey Creek-Kuykendall cutoff road; southerly on the Kuykendall cutoff road to Rucker Canyon Rd.; easterly on the Rucker Canyon Rd. to the Tex Canyon Rd.; southerly on Tex Canyon Rd. to U.S. Hwy 80; northeast on U.S. Hwy 80 to the New Mexico state line; north along the state line to I-10.

Unit 30A -- Beginning at the junction of the New Mexico state line and U.S. Hwy 80; south along the state line to the U.S.-Mexico border; west along the border to U.S. Hwy 191; northerly on U.S. Hwy 191 to I-10 Exit 331; northeasterly on I-10 to the Bowie-Apache Pass Rd.; southerly on the Bowie-Apache Pass Rd. to AZ Hwy 186; southeasterly on AZ Hwy 186 to AZ Hwy 181; south on AZ Hwy 181 to the West Turkey Creek - Kuykendall cutoff road; southerly on the Kuykendall cutoff road to Rucker Canyon Rd.; easterly on Rucker Canyon Rd. to Tex Canyon Rd.; southerly on Tex Canyon Rd. to U.S. Hwy 80; northeast on U.S. Hwy 80 to the New Mexico state line.

Unit 30B -- Beginning at U.S. Hwy 191 and the U.S.-Mexico border; west along the border to the San Pedro River; north along the San Pedro River to I-10; northeasterly on I-10 to U.S. Hwy 191; southerly on U.S. Hwy 191 to the U.S.-Mexico border.

Unit 31 -- Beginning at Willcox Exit 340 on I-10; north on Fort Grant Rd. to Brookerson Rd.; north on Brookerson Rd. to Ash Creek Rd.; west on Ash Creek Rd. to Fort Grant Rd.; north on Fort Grant Rd. to Bonita; northerly on the Bonita-Klondyke Rd. to the junction with Aravaipa Creek;

west along Aravaipa Creek to AZ Hwy 77; northerly along AZ Hwy 77 to the Gila River; northeast along the Gila River to the San Carlos Indian Reservation boundary; south then east and north along the reservation boundary to U.S. Hwy 70; southeast on U.S. Hwy 70 to U.S. Hwy 191; south on U.S. Hwy 191 to the 352 exit on I-10; southwest on I-10 to Exit 340.

Unit 32 -- Beginning at Willcox Exit 340 on I-10; north on Fort Grant Rd. to Brookerson Rd.; north on Brookerson Rd. to Ash Creek Rd.; west on Ash Creek Rd. to Fort Grant Rd.; north on Fort Grant Rd. to Bonita; northerly on the Bonita-Klondyke Rd. to the junction with Aravaipa Creek; west along Aravaipa Creek to AZ Hwy 77; southerly along AZ Hwy 77 to the San Pedro River; southerly along the San Pedro River to I-10; northeast on I-10 to Willcox Exit 340.

Unit 33 -- Beginning at Tangerine Rd. and AZ Hwy 77; north and northeast on AZ Hwy 77 to the San Pedro River; southeast along the San Pedro River to I-10 at Benson; west on I-10 to Marsh Station Rd. (Exit 289); northwest on the Marsh Station Rd. to the Agua Verde Rd.; north on the Agua Verde Rd. to its terminus then north 1/2 mile to the Coronado National Forest boundary; north and west along the National Forest boundary; then west, north, and east along the Saguaro National Park boundary; continuing north and west along the Coronado National Forest boundary to the southern boundary of Catalina State Park; west along the southern boundary of Catalina State Park to AZ Hwy 77; north on AZ Hwy 77 to Tangerine Rd.

Unit 34A -- Beginning in Nogales at I-19 and Grand Avenue (U.S. Highway 89); northeast on Grand Avenue (U.S. Hwy. 89) to AZ Hwy 82; northeast on AZ Hwy 82 to AZ Hwy 83; northerly on AZ Hwy 83 to the Sahuarita road alignment; west along the Sahuarita road alignment to I-19 Exit 75; south on I-19 to Grand Avenue (U.S. Hwy 89).

Unit 34B -- Beginning at AZ Hwy 83 and I-10 Exit 281; easterly on I-10 to the San Pedro River; south along the San Pedro River to AZ Hwy 82; westerly on AZ Hwy 82 to AZ Hwy 83; northerly on AZ Hwy 83 to I-10 Exit 281.

Unit 35A -- Beginning on the U.S.-Mexico border at the San Pedro River; west along the border to the Lochiel-Canelo Pass-Elgin Rd.; north on the Lochiel-Canelo Pass-Elgin Rd. to AZ Hwy 82; easterly on AZ Hwy 82 to the San Pedro River; south along the San Pedro River to the U.S.-Mexico border.

Unit 35B -- Beginning at Grand Avenue (U.S. Hwy 89) at the U.S.-Mexico border in Nogales; east along the U.S.-Mexico border to the Lochiel-Canelo Pass-Elgin Rd.; north on the Lochiel-Canelo Pass-Elgin Rd. to AZ Hwy 82; southwest on AZ Hwy 82 to Grand Avenue; southwest on Grand Avenue to the U.S.-Mexico border.

Unit 36A -- Beginning at the junction of Sandario Rd. and AZ Hwy 86; southwestly on AZ Hwy 86 to AZ Hwy 286; southerly on AZ Hwy 286 to the Arivaca Rd.; easterly on the Arivaca Rd. to I-19; north on I-19 to the southern boundary of the San Xavier Indian Reservation boundary; westerly and northerly along the reservation boundary to the Sandario road alignment; north on Sandario Rd. to AZ Hwy 86.

Unit 36B -- Beginning at I-19 and Grand Avenue (U.S. Hwy 89) in Nogales; southwest on Grand Avenue to the U.S.-Mexico border; west along the U.S.-Mexico border to AZ Hwy 286; north on AZ Hwy 286 to the Arivaca Rd.; east on the Arivaca Rd. to I-19; south on I-19 to Grand Avenue (U.S. Hwy 89).

Unit 36C -- Beginning at the junction of AZ Hwy 86 and AZ Hwy 286; southerly on AZ Hwy 286 to the U.S.-Mexico border; westerly along the border to the east boundary of the Tohono O'odham (Papago) Indian Reservation; northerly along the reservation boundary to AZ Hwy 86; easterly on AZ Hwy 86 to AZ Hwy 286.

Unit 37A -- Beginning at the junction of I-10 and Tangerine Rd. (Exit 240); southeast on I-10 to Avra Valley Rd. (Exit 242); west on Avra Valley Rd. to Sandario Rd.; south on Sandario Rd. to AZ Hwy 86; southwest on AZ Hwy 86 to the Tohono

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O'odham (Papago) Indian Reservation boundary; north, east, and west along the reservation boundary to Battaglia Rd.; east on Battaglia Rd. to Toltec Rd.; north on Toltec Rd. to I-10 (Exit 203); southeast on I-10 to AZ Hwy 87 (Exit 211); north on AZ Hwy 87 to AZ Hwy 287; east on AZ Hwy 287 to AZ Hwy 79 at Florence; southeast on AZ Hwy 79 to its junction with AZ Hwy 77; south on AZ Hwy 77 to Tangerine Rd.; west on Tangerine Rd. to I-10.

Unit 37B -- Beginning at the junction of AZ Hwy 79 and AZ Hwy 77; northwest on AZ Hwy 79 to U.S. Hwy 60; east on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 177; southeast on AZ Hwy 177 to AZ Hwy 77; southeast and southwest on AZ Hwy 77 to AZ Hwy 79.

Unit 38M -- Beginning at the junction of I-10 and Tangerine Rd. (Exit 240); southeast on I-10 to Avra Valley Rd. (Exit 242); west on Avra Valley Rd. to Sandario Rd.; south on Sandario Rd. to the San Xavier Indian Reservation boundary; south and east along the reservation boundary to I-19; south on I-19 to Sahuarita Rd. (Exit 75); east on Sahuarita Rd. to AZ Hwy 83; north on AZ Hwy 83 to I-10 (Exit 281); east on I-10 to Marsh Station Rd. (Exit 289); northwest on Marsh Station Rd. to the Agua Verde Rd.; north on the Agua Verde Rd. to its terminus, then north 1/2 mile to the Coronado National Forest boundary; north and west along the National Forest boundary, then west, north, and east along the Saguaro National Park boundary; continuing north and west along the Coronado National Forest boundary to the southern boundary of Catalina State Park; west along the southern boundary of Catalina State Park to AZ Hwy 77; north on AZ Hwy 77 to Tangerine Rd.; west on Tangerine Rd. to I-10.

Unit 39 -- Beginning at AZ Hwy 85 and the Gila River; east along the Gila River to the western boundary of the Gila River Indian Reservation; southeasterly along the reservation boundary to AZ Hwy 347 (Maricopa Rd.); south on AZ Hwy 347 (Maricopa Rd.) to AZ Hwy 84; east on AZ Hwy 84 to Stanfield; south on the Stanfield-Cocklebur Rd. to I-8; westerly on I-8 to Exit 87; northerly on the Agua Caliente Rd. to the Hyder Rd.; northeasterly on Hyder Rd. to 555th Ave.; north on 555th Ave. to Lahman Rd.; east on Lahman Rd., which becomes Agua Caliente Rd.; northeasterly on Agua Caliente Rd. to Old Hwy 80; northeasterly on Old Hwy 80 to Arizona Hwy 85; southerly on AZ Hwy 85 to the Gila River; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Tohono O'odham Nation and the Ak-Chin Indian Community.

Unit 40A -- Beginning at Ajo; southeasterly on AZ Hwy 85 to Why; southeasterly on AZ Hwy 86 to the Tohono O'odham (Papago) Indian Reservation; northerly and easterly along the reservation boundary to the Cocklebur-Stanfield Rd.; north on the Cocklebur-Stanfield Rd. to I-8; westerly on I-8 to AZ Hwy 85; southerly on AZ Hwy 85 to Ajo.

Unit 40B -- Beginning at Gila Bend; westerly on I-8 to the Colorado River; southerly along the Colorado River to the Mexican border at San Luis; southeasterly along the border to the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge; northerly, easterly and southerly around the refuge boundary to the Mexican border; southeast along the border to the Tohono O'odham (Papago) Indian Reservation; northerly along the reservation boundary to AZ Hwy 86; northwesterly on AZ Hwy 86 to AZ Hwy 85; north on AZ Hwy 85 to Gila Bend; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Cocopah Tribe.

Unit 41 -- Beginning at I-8 and AZ Hwy 95 (in Yuma); easterly on I-8 to exit 87; northerly on the Agua Caliente Rd. to the Hyder Rd.; northeasterly on Hyder Rd. to 555th Ave.; north on 555th Ave. to Lahman Rd.; east on Lahman Rd., which becomes Agua Caliente Rd.; northeasterly on Agua Caliente Rd. to Old Hwy 80; northeasterly on Old Hwy 80 to Arizona Hwy 85; northerly on AZ Hwy 85 to Oglesby Rd.; north on Oglesby Rd. to I-10; westerly on I-10 to Exit 45; southerly on Vicksburg-Kofa National Wildlife Refuge Rd. to the Refuge boundary; easterly, southerly, westerly, and northerly along the boundary to the Castle Dome Rd.; southwest on the Castle Dome Rd. to U.S. Hwy 95;

southerly on U.S. Hwy 95 to I-8.

Unit 42 -- Beginning at the junction of the Beardsley Canal and U.S. Hwy 93 (U.S. 89, U.S. 60); northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to AZ Hwy 71; southwest on AZ Hwy 71 to U.S. Hwy 60; westerly on U.S. Hwy 60 to Aguilá; south on the Eagle Eye Rd. to the Salome-Hassayampa Rd.; southeasterly on the Salome-Hassayampa Rd. to I-10 (Exit 81); easterly on I-10 to Jackrabbit Trail (Exit 121); north along Jackrabbit Trail to the Indian School road; east along Indian School Rd. to the Beardsley Canal; northeasterly along the Beardsley Canal to U.S. Hwy 93.

Unit 43A -- Beginning at AZ Hwy 95 and the Bill Williams River; west along the Bill Williams River to the Arizona-California state line; southerly to the south end of Cibola Lake; northerly and easterly on the Cibola Lake Rd. to U.S. Hwy 95; south on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd.; east along the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. to the west boundary of the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge; northerly along the refuge boundary to the Crystal Hill Rd.; northwesterly on the Crystal Hill Rd. to U.S. Hwy 95; northerly on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Bill Williams River; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Colorado River Indian Tribes.

Unit 43B -- Beginning at the south end of Cibola Lake; southerly along the Arizona-California state line to I-8; southeasterly on I-8 to U.S. Hwy 95; easterly and northerly on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Castle Dome road; northeast on the Castle Dome Rd. to the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge boundary; north along the refuge boundary to the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd.; west along the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. to U.S. Hwy 95; north on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Cibola Lake Rd.; west and south on the Cibola Lake Rd. to the south end of Cibola Lake; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Quechan Tribe.

Unit 44A -- Beginning at U.S. Hwy 95 and the Bill Williams River; south along U.S. Hwy 95 to AZ Hwy 72; southeasterly on AZ Hwy 72 to Vicksburg; south on the Vicksburg-Kofa National Wildlife Refuge Rd. to I-10; easterly on I-10 to the Salome-Hassayampa Rd. (Exit 81); northwesterly on the Salome-Hassayampa Rd. to Eagle Eye Rd.; northeasterly on Eagle Eye Rd. to Aguilá; east on U.S. Hwy 60 to AZ Hwy 71; northeasterly on AZ Hwy 71 to U.S. Hwy 93; northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 93 to the Santa Maria River; westerly along the Santa Maria and Bill Williams rivers to U.S. Hwy 95; except those portions that are sovereign tribal lands of the Colorado River Indian Tribes.

Unit 44B -- Beginning at Quartzite; south on U.S. Hwy 95 to the Crystal Hill Rd.; east on the Crystal Hill Rd. to the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge; north and east along the refuge boundary to the Vicksburg-Kofa National Wildlife Refuge Rd.; north on the Vicksburg-Kofa National Wildlife Refuge Rd. to AZ Hwy 72; northwest on AZ Hwy 72 to U.S. Hwy 95; south on U.S. Hwy 95 to Quartzite.

Unit 45A -- Beginning at the junction of the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. and Kofa National Wildlife Refuge boundary; east on the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. to O-O Junction; north from O-O Junction on the Kofa Mine Rd. to the Evening Star Mine; north on a line over Polaris Mountain to Midwell; north on the Midwell-Alamo Spring-Kofa Cabin Rd. to the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline Rd.; north on a line from the junction to the north boundary of the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge; west and south on the boundary line to Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd.

Unit 45B -- Beginning at O-O Junction; north from O-O Junction on the Kofa Mine Rd. to the Evening Star Mine; north on a line over Polaris Mountain to Midwell; north on the Midwell-Alamo Spring-Kofa Cabin Rd. to the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline Rd.; north on a line from the junction to the north Kofa National Wildlife Refuge boundary; east to the east refuge boundary; south and west along the Kofa National Wildlife Refuge boundary to the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd.; north and west on the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. to O-O Junction.

Unit 45C -- Beginning at the junction of the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. and Kofa National Wildlife Refuge; south, east, and north along the refuge boundary to the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd.; north and west on the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. to the junction of the Stone Cabin-King Valley Rd. and Kofa National Wildlife Refuge boundary.

Unit 46A -- That portion of the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge east of the Yuma-Pima County line.

Unit 46B -- That portion of the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge west of the Yuma-Pima County line.

Unit 47M -- Beginning at the junction of I-17 and the Carefree Hwy; east along the Carefree Hwy to Cave Creek Rd.; northeast along Cave Creek Rd. to Pima Rd.; south on Pima Rd. to Loop 101; south on Loop 101 to the Salt River; easterly along the Salt River to the Tonto National Forest boundary; northeasterly to the Tonto National Forest boundary; southeasterly along the Forest boundary to Forest Rd. 77 (Peralta Rd.); southwest on Forest Road 77 (Peralta Rd.) to U.S. Hwy 60; northwesterly on U.S. Hwy 60 to the Meridian Extension (Maricopa-Pinal County Line); south on the Meridian Extension (Maricopa-Pinal County Line) to Empire Blvd.; west on Empire Blvd. to the Gila River Indian Reservation boundary; north and west along the Gila River Indian Reservation boundary to the Gila River; west along the Gila River to 115th Ave.; north on 115th Ave. to I-10; west along I-10 to Litchfield Rd.; north on Litchfield Rd. to Bell Rd.; east on Bell Rd. to the New River; north along the New River to the Carefree Hwy; east along Carefree Hwy to I-17.

D. This Section is effective July 1, 2006.

## R12-4-110

### Posting and Access to State Land

A. For the purpose of this Section:

1. "Corrals," "feed lots," or "holding pens" mean completely fenced areas used to contain livestock for purposes other than grazing, including feeding, roundup, branding, doctoring, and other related purposes.
2. "Existing road" means any maintained or unmaintained road, way, highway, trail or path that has been used for motorized vehicular travel and clearly shows or has a history of established vehicle use.
3. "State lands" means all land owned or held in trust by the state that is managed by the State Land Department and lands that are owned or managed by the Game and Fish Commission.

- B. In addition to those prohibitions against posting in A.R.S. § 17-304, an individual shall not lock a gate, construct a fence, place an obstacle or otherwise commit an act that denies legally available access to or use of any existing road upon state lands by persons lawfully taking or retrieving wildlife. An individual in violation of this Section shall take immediate corrective action to remove any lock, fence, or other obstacle that unlawfully blocks access to state lands. If immediate corrective action is not taken, a representative of the Department may remove any unlawful posting and remove any lock, fence, or other obstacle that unlawfully blocks access to state lands. In addition, the Department may take appropriate legal action to recover expenses incurred in the removal of any unlawful posting or obstacle that blocks access to state land.
- C. The provisions of this Section do not allow any individual to trespass upon private land to gain access to state land.
- D. An individual may post state lands within 1/4 mile of any occupied residence, cabin, lodge, or other building and lands within corrals, feed lots, or holding pens containing concentrations of livestock other than for grazing purposes as closed to hunting, fishing, or trapping without further action by the Commission.
- E. An individual may post state lands other than those referred to in subsection (D) as closed to hunting, fishing, or trapping only if the individual has obtained a permit

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from the Commission, and the Commission determines that the closing is necessary:

1. Because the taking of wildlife constitutes an unusual hazard to permitted users;
  2. To prevent unreasonable destruction of plant life or habitat; or
  3. For proper resource conservation, use, or protection, including but not limited to high fire danger, excessive interference with mineral development, developed agricultural land, or timber or livestock operations.
- F. An individual shall submit an application for posting state land to prohibit hunting, fishing, or trapping under subsection (E), or to close an existing road under subsection (J), as required by R12-4-610. If an application to close state land to hunting, fishing, or trapping is made by an individual other than the state land lessee, the Department shall provide notice to the lessee and the State Land Commissioner before the Commission considers the application. The state land lessee or the State Land Commissioner shall file any objections in writing within 30 days after receipt of notice, after which the matter shall be submitted to the Commission for determination.
- G. An individual may use a vehicle on or off a road to pick up lawfully taken big game animals.
- H. The closing of state land to hunting, fishing, or trapping shall not restrict any other permitted use of the land.
- I. State trust land may be posted with signs that read "State Land No Trespassing" but such posting shall not prohibit access to such land by any individual lawfully taking or retrieving wildlife.
- J. The Commission may grant permission to lock or obliterate a gate or close a road or trail that provides legally available access to state lands for licensed hunters and fishermen if access to such lands is provided by a reasonable alternate route. Under R12-4-610, the Director may grant a permit to a state land lessee to temporarily lock a gate or close an existing road that provides access to state lands if the taking of wildlife will cause unreasonable interference during a critical livestock or commercial operation. This permit shall not exceed 30 days. Applications for permits for more than 30 days shall be submitted to the Commission for approval. If a permit is issued to temporarily close a road or gate, a copy of the permit shall be posted at the point of the closure during the period of the closure.
- K. When hunting, fishing, or trapping on state land, a license holder shall not:
1. Break or remove any lock or cut any fence to gain access to state land;
  2. Open and not immediately close a gate;
  3. Intentionally or wantonly destroy, deface, injure, remove, or disturb any building, sign, equipment, marker, or other property;
  4. Harvest or remove any vegetative or mineral resources or object of archaeological, historic, or scientific interest;
  5. Appropriately mutilate, deface, or destroy any natural feature, object of natural beauty, antiquity, or other public or private property;
  6. Dig, remove, or destroy any tree or shrub;
  7. Gather or collect renewable or non-renewable resources for the purpose of sale or barter unless specifically permitted or authorized by law; or
  8. Frighten or chase domestic livestock or wildlife, or endanger the lives or safety of others when using a motorized vehicle or other means.

## R12-4-111

### Identification Number

- A. An applicant for a Department identification number may either:
1. Assign his or her own number by using his or her social security number; or

2. Obtain a number from the Department by providing the Department with full name and any aliases, date of birth, and mailing address.

## R12-4-112

### Diseased, Injured, or Chemically Immobilized Wildlife

- A. The Director may authorize Department employees to condemn the carcass of a lawfully taken and lawfully possessed diseased, injured, or chemically immobilized wildlife taken under any permit tag that is, in the opinion of the employee, unfit for human consumption, if the individual who took the wildlife requests it and this condition was not created by the actions of the individual who took the wildlife. A Department employee may condemn wildlife that is chemically immobilized if the wildlife was taken during the established withdrawal period of that immobilizing drug.
- B. The individual who took the wildlife shall surrender the entire condemned wildlife carcass and any parts thereof to the Department employee.
- C. After condemnation and surrender of the wildlife, the Department employee shall provide written authorization to the individual who took the wildlife to purchase and use a duplicate tag. The license holder may purchase the tag from any dealer where the tag is available. The license dealer shall forward the written authorization to the Department with the report of the tag sale.

## R12-4-114

### Issuance of Nonpermit-tags and Hunt Permit-tags

- A. In accordance with A.R.S. § 17-332 and the provisions of this Section, the Department shall annually provide numbered tags for sale to the public. The Department shall ensure that each tag includes a transportation and shipping permit as prescribed in A.R.S. §§ 17-332 and 17-371, and that each tag is made of tear-resistant material with an adhesive back covered by a detachable paper backing and clearly identifies the animal for which the tag is valid.
- B. If the Commission establishes a big game season for which a hunt number is not assigned, the Department or its authorized agent, or both, shall sell nonpermit-tags.
1. To obtain a nonpermit-tag, an applicant shall provide to a license dealer or Department office the applicant's name, home mailing address, and Department identification number.
  2. An applicant shall not apply for or obtain nonpermit-tags in excess of the bag limit prescribed by the Commission when it established the season for which the nonpermit-tags are valid.
- C. If the number of hunt permits for a species in a particular hunt area must be limited, a Commission Order establishes a hunt number for that hunt area, and a hunt permit-tag is required to take the species in that hunt area.
1. To apply for a hunt permit-tag, an applicant shall submit an application under R12-4-104.
  2. The Department shall use the following procedure to determine whether a hunt permit-tag will be issued to an applicant:
    - a. The Department shall reserve a maximum of 20% of the hunt permit-tags for each hunt number for antelope, bear, deer, elk, javelina, and turkey to issue to individuals and groups that have bonus points. The Department shall reserve a maximum of 20% of the hunt permit-tags for all hunt numbers combined statewide for bighorn sheep and buffalo to issue to individuals and groups that have bonus points.
    - b. The Department shall issue the reserved hunt permit-tags for hunt numbers designated by eligible applicants as their first or second choices.

The Department shall issue the reserved hunt permit-tags by random selection:

- i. First, to eligible applicants with the highest number of bonus points for that genus;
  - ii. Next, if there are reserved hunt permit-tags remaining, to eligible applicants with the next highest number of bonus points for that genus; and
  - iii. If there are still tags remaining, to the next eligible applicants with the next highest number of bonus points; continuing in the same manner until all of the reserved tags have been issued or until there are no more applicants for that hunt number who have bonus points.
- c. The Department shall ensure that the first selection from all unreserved hunt permit-tags is by random drawing.
- d. If the bag limit established by Commission Order is more than one per calendar year, or if there are hunt permit-tags remaining unissued after the random drawings, the Department shall ensure that these hunt permit-tags are available on a set date on a first-come, first-served basis as specified in the hunt permit-tag application schedule published annually.
- D. The Department shall not make available more than one hunt permit-tag or 10% of the total hunt permit-tags, whichever is greater, for bighorn sheep or buffalo in any draw to nonresidents. The Department shall not make available more than 50% nor more than two bighorn sheep or buffalo hunt permit-tags of the total in any hunt number to nonresidents.
- E. The Department shall not make available more than 10%, rounded down, of the total hunt permit-tags in any hunt number to nonresidents for antelope, antlered deer, bull elk, javelina, or turkey. If a hunt number for antelope, antlered deer, bull elk, javelina or turkey has ten hunt permit-tags or fewer, no more than one hunt permit-tag will be made available to a nonresident, except that if a hunt number has only one hunt permit-tag, that tag shall only be available to a resident.
- F. Any cap established under this Section applies only to hunt permit-tags issued by random drawing under subsections (C)(2)(b) and (c).

## R12-4-115

### Supplemental Hunts and Hunter Pool

- A. For the purposes of this Section, the following definitions apply:
1. "Management objectives" means goals, recommendations, or guidelines contained in Commission-approved wildlife management plans, which include hunt guidelines, operational plans, or hunt recommendations;
  2. "Hunter pool" means all individuals who have submitted an application for a supplemental hunt; and
  3. "Supplemental hunt" means a season established by the Commission for the following purposes:
    - a. Take of depredating wildlife under A.R.S. § 17-239;
    - b. Take of wildlife under an Emergency Season if the Commission adopts, amends, or repeals a Commission Order for reasons constituting an immediate threat to the health, safety, or management of wildlife or its habitat or to public health or safety; or
    - c. Take of wildlife under a population management hunt if the Commission has prescribed restricted nonpermit-tags by Commission Order for the purpose of meeting management objectives because regular seasons are not, have not been, or will not be sufficient or effective to achieve management objectives.

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- B. For the purposes of authorizing a population management hunt, the Commission through Commission Order shall open a season or seasons and prescribe a maximum number of restricted nonpermit-tags that the Director may issue under this Section.
- C. The Director shall implement a population management hunt under the open season or seasons prescribed in subsection (B) if the Director finds that:
1. Regular seasons have not met or will not meet management objectives;
  2. Take of wildlife is necessary to meet management objectives; and
  3. Issuance of a specific number of restricted nonpermit-tags is likely to meet management objectives.
- D. To implement a population management hunt under subsection (B), the Director shall do the following:
1. Select season dates, within the range of dates prescribed by the Commission through Commission Order;
  2. Select specific hunt areas, within the range of hunt areas prescribed by the Commission through Commission Order;
  3. Select the legal animal that may be taken from the list of legal animals prescribed by the Commission through Commission Order;
  4. Determine the number of restricted nonpermit-tags that will be issued from the maximum number of tags prescribed by the Commission through Commission Order; and
  5. Reduce restricted nonpermit-tag fees up to 75% if the normal fee structure will not generate adequate participation from either the hunter pool or hunt permit-tag holders under subsection (J).
- E. The Director shall not issue more restricted nonpermit-tags than the maximum number prescribed by the Commission through Commission Order.
- F. To participate in a supplemental hunt, an individual shall obtain a restricted non-permit tag as prescribed by this Section. A restricted non-permit tag is valid only for the supplemental hunt for which it is issued.
- G. If the season dates and open areas of a supplemental hunt prescribed by the Commission through Commission Order exactly match the season dates and open areas of another big game animal for which a hunt number is assigned and hunt permit-tags are issued through the draw, the Department shall make the restricted nonpermit-tags available only to holders of the hunt permit-tags, and not the hunter pool.
- H. To obtain a restricted nonpermit-tag under subsection (G), an applicant shall provide to a Department office the applicant's name, address, Department identification number, and hunt permit-tag number on a form prescribed by the Department.
- a. The applicant shall provide verification that the applicant legally obtained the hunt permit-tag for the hunt described under subsection (G) by presenting the hunt permit-tag to a Department office for verification.
  - b. The applicant shall not apply for or obtain a restricted nonpermit-tag to take wildlife in excess of the bag limit prescribed by the Commission.
- I. The Department or its authorized agent shall maintain a hunter pool for supplemental hunts and shall randomly select applicants from the hunter pool for participation in a supplemental hunt, if the season dates and open areas of the supplemental hunt do not exactly match the season dates and open areas of another big game animal for which a hunt number is assigned and hunt permit-tags are issued through the draw.
- J. When issuing restricted nonpermit-tags to the hunter pool, the Department or its authorized agent shall randomly select applicants from the hunter pool. The Department or its authorized agent shall attempt to contact each randomly-selected applicant by telephone at least three times during a 24-hour period. If an applicant cannot be contacted or cannot participate in the supplemental hunt, the Department or its authorized agent shall return the application to the hunter pool and draw another application. The Department or its authorized agent shall draw no more applications after the number of restricted nonpermit-tags prescribed in subsection (D)(4) has been issued.
- K. The Department shall purge and renew the hunter pool annually.
- L. An applicant for a supplemental hunt shall submit the following information on a form available from the Department or its authorized agent:
1. Applicant's name, home mailing address, whether a resident or nonresident, and date of birth;
  2. Daytime and evening telephone numbers;
  3. The species that the applicant would like to hunt if drawn; and
  4. The number of the applicant's hunting license for the year that corresponds with the applicable supplemental hunt.
- M. Along with the application form, an applicant for a supplemental hunt shall submit the permit application fee prescribed in R12-4-102.
- N. The Department shall not accept group applications, as described in R12-4-104, for supplemental hunts.
- O. A hunter pool applicant who is drawn and who wishes to participate in a supplemental hunt shall submit the following to the Department to obtain a restricted nonpermit-tag:
1. The fee for the tag as prescribed by R12-4-102, or as prescribed by subsection (D)(5) if the fee has been reduced, and
  2. The number of the applicant's hunting license, valid for the year of the supplemental hunt.
- P. The Department shall reserve a restricted nonpermit-tag for an applicant only for the period specified by the Department when contact is made with the applicant. The Department shall issue a restricted nonpermit-tag not purchased within the specified period to another individual whose application is drawn from the hunter pool as prescribed by this Section. The Department or its authorized agent shall remove from the hunter pool the application of any successful applicant who does not purchase a tag after being contacted and agreeing to purchase the tag.
- Q. An individual who participates in a supplemental hunt through the hunter pool shall be removed from the supplemental hunter pool for the genus for which the individual participated. An individual who participates in a supplemental hunt shall not reapply for the hunter pool for that genus until that hunter pool is renewed.
- R. The provisions of R12-4-104, R12-4-107, R12-4-114, and R12-4-609 do not apply to supplemental hunts. A supplemental hunt application submitted in accordance with this Section does not invalidate any application for a hunt permit-tag. The issuance of a restricted nonpermit-tag does not authorize an individual to exceed the bag limit established by the Commission.
- tag is issued may transfer the unused permit or tag to the parent's or guardian's minor child, if:
1. The minor child is from 10 to 17 years old on the date of transfer,
  2. The minor child has a valid hunting license on the date of transfer, and
  3. A minor child less than 14 years old satisfactorily completes a Department-approved hunter education course by the beginning date of the hunt.
- B. A parent or guardian may obtain a transfer, in person, at any Department office. To obtain a transfer, a parent or guardian shall provide the following:
1. Proof of ownership of the big game permit or tag to be transferred;
  2. The minor's valid hunting license; and
  3. The unused big game permit or tag.
- C. An individual to whom a hunt permit-tag is issued or the individual's legal representative may donate the unused tag to a non-profit organization if:
1. The organization is exempt from federal taxation under Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code;
  2. The organization provides opportunities and experiences to children with life-threatening medical conditions; and
  3. The individual or legal representative that donates the tag provides the organization with some type of statement that indicates that the tag is voluntarily donated to that organization.
- D. A non-profit organization that receives a hunt permit-tag under subsection (C) may obtain a transfer by contacting any Department office. To obtain a transfer, an organization shall:
1. Provide proof of donation of the big game permit-tag to be transferred;
  2. Provide the unused big game permit or tag;
  3. Provide proof of the minor child's valid hunting license; and
  4. Transfer the tag to a minor child who meets the following criteria:
    - a. Has a life-threatening medical condition;
    - b. Is 10 to 17 years old by the date of the transfer;
    - c. Has a valid hunting license; and
    - d. If is less than 14 years old, satisfactorily completes a Department-approved hunter education course before the beginning date of the hunt.
- E. The Department shall issue a transfer permit or tag in the name of the minor child if it is lawfully submitted according to this Section.

## R12-4-201

### Pioneer License

- A. In addition to urban fishing privileges granted in A.R.S. § 17-333(A)(9), a pioneer license grants all of the hunting and fishing privileges of a Class F combination hunting and fishing license.

## R12-4-202

### Disabled Veteran's License

- A. A disabled veteran's license grants all of the hunting and fishing privileges of a Class F combination hunting and fishing license and an urban fishing license.

## R12-4-203

### National Harvest Information Program (HIP)

- A. An individual who takes ducks, geese, swans, doves, band-tailed pigeons, snipe, coots, common moorhen, or blue grouse in Arizona shall participate in the National Harvest Information Program.
1. If the individual is taking ducks, geese, or swans, the individual shall possess an Arizona state waterfowl stamp, as prescribed in R12-4-101, that accompanies

## R12-4-117

### Indian Reservations

A state license, tag, or permit is not required to hunt or fish on any Indian reservation in this state. Wildlife lawfully taken on an Indian reservation may be transported or processed anywhere in the state if it can be identified as to species and legality as provided in A.R.S. § 17-309(A)(20). All wildlife transported is subject to inspection under the provisions of A.R.S. § 17-211(E)(4).

## R12-4-121

### Big Game Permit or Tag Transfer

- A. A parent or guardian to whom a big game hunt permit-

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a valid Arizona hunting license. The stamp expires on June 30 of each year.

2. If the individual is taking doves, band-tailed pigeons, snipe, coots, common moorhen, or blue grouse, the individual shall possess an Arizona state migratory bird stamp that accompanies a valid state hunting license as prescribed in R12-4-101. The stamp expires on June 30 of each year.
- B. The Department shall make state waterfowl stamps and state migratory bird stamps available annually.
  1. To obtain a state waterfowl stamp or state migratory bird stamp, an individual shall pay the required fee and submit a completed HIP registration form to a license dealer or a Department office. The individual shall provide on the HIP registration form the individual's name, home mailing address, date of birth, and information on past and anticipated hunting activity.
  2. A license dealer shall submit HIP registration forms for all state waterfowl stamps and state migratory bird stamps with the monthly report required by A.R.S. § 17-338.

## R12-4-216

### Crossbow Permit

- A. For the purposes of this Section, "crossbow permit" means a document issued by the Department that authorizes the permit holder to use a crossbow during an archery-only season, as prescribed under R12-4-318.
- B. A crossbow permit is valid only when the designated animal for the archery-only season may otherwise be taken by crossbow under R12-4-304. Possession of a crossbow permit does not waive any other requirement for method of take or licensing.
- C. An applicant for a crossbow permit shall apply on an application form available from any Department office. The applicant shall provide all of the following information on the application form:
  1. The applicant's name, Department identification number, mailing address, and telephone number; and
  2. A statement from an M.D., doctor of medicine, with a valid license to practice issued by any state, or a D.O., doctor of osteopathic medicine, with a valid license to practice issued by any state, that affirms the applicant has a permanent disability of at least 90% impairment of function of one arm and provides the physician's typed or printed name, business address, and signature.
- D. All information and documentation provided by an applicant for a crossbow permit is subject to verification by the Department.
- E. The Department shall provide written notice to an applicant whose application for a crossbow permit is denied. The applicant may appeal the denial to the Commission as prescribed in A.R.S. Title 41, Chapter 6, Article 10.
- F. A crossbow permit is valid as long as the criteria for obtaining the permit are met, unless the Commission revokes the permit.
- G. When acting under the authority of a crossbow permit, the crossbow permit holder shall possess the permit, and shall exhibit it upon request to any peace officer.
- H. A crossbow permit holder shall not transfer the permit to another individual or allow another individual to use the permit.
- I. After a hearing and upon sufficient cause showing, the Commission shall revoke the crossbow permit of a crossbow permit holder who transfers the permit to another individual or allows another individual to use the permit. An individual whose crossbow permit is revoked by the Commission may petition the Commission for rehearing in accordance with R12-4-607.

## R12-4-217

### Challenged Hunter Access/Mobility Permit

- A. The Department shall issue to a qualified individual a Challenged Hunter Access/Mobility Permit (CHAMP) that allows the individual to perform the following activities:
  1. Discharge a firearm or other legal hunting device from a motor vehicle if, under existing conditions, the discharge is otherwise lawful, the motor vehicle is motionless, it is not on any road as defined by A.R.S. § 17-101, and the engine is turned off.
  2. Discharge a firearm or other legal hunting device from a watercraft (except a sinkbox), including a watercraft propelled by a motor, sail and wind, or both; if the motor has been shut off, the sail furlled, or both; and progress has ceased. The watercraft may be drifting as a result of current or wind action, beached, moored, resting at anchor, or propelled by paddle, oars, or pole. A watercraft under power may be used to retrieve dead or wounded wildlife but no discharge of a firearm from a watercraft is prohibited if the watercraft is underway.
  3. Use off-road locations in a motor vehicle if use is not in conflict with other laws and the motor vehicle is used as a place to wait for game. A motor vehicle shall not be used to chase or pursue game.
  4. Designation of an assistant to track and dispatch a wounded animal, and to retrieve the animal, in accordance with the requirements of this Section.
- B. A qualified individual who possesses a CHAMP shall comply with all legal requirements governing method of take and licensing.
- C. An applicant for a CHAMP shall apply on an application form available from any Department office. The applicant shall provide all of the following information on the application form:
  1. The applicant's name, Department identification number, mailing address, and telephone number.
  2. A statement from an M.D., doctor of medicine, with a valid license to practice issued by any state, or a D.O., doctor of osteopathic medicine, with a valid license to practice issued by any state, that provides the physician's printed or typed name, business address, and signature, and affirms the applicant is permanently disabled as follows:
    - a. Has a disability or combination of disabilities that creates a minimum permanent impairment of function of or equivalent to no less than 90% loss of function in one leg;
    - b. Has a visual field of no more than 20% in the applicant's best functioning eye; or
    - c. Has vision of 20/200 or less after best correction in the applicant's best functioning eye.
- D. All information and documentation provided by the applicant for the CHAMP is subject to verification by the Department.
- E. The Department shall provide written notice to an applicant whose application for a CHAMP is denied. The applicant may appeal the denial to the Commission as prescribed in A.R.S. Title 41, Chapter 6, Article 10.
- F. While a motor vehicle or watercraft is in use under subsection (A), the CHAMP holder shall display on the motor vehicle or watercraft the CHAMP vehicle placard that the Department issues with the CHAMP.
- G. The Department shall provide a CHAMP holder with a dispatch permit that allows the CHAMP holder to designate a licensed hunter as an assistant to dispatch and retrieve an animal wounded by the CHAMP holder or retrieve wildlife killed by the CHAMP holder. The CHAMP holder shall designate the assistant only after the animal is wounded or killed. The CHAMP holder shall ensure that designation on the permit is in ink and includes a description of the animal, the assistant's name and hunting license number, and the date and time the animal

was wounded or killed. The CHAMP holder shall also ensure compliance with all of the following requirements:

1. The site where the animal is wounded and the location from which tracking begins are marked so they can be identified later.
2. The assistant possesses the dispatch permit while tracking and dispatching the wounded animal.
3. The CHAMP holder is in the field while the assistant is tracking and dispatching the wounded animal.
4. The assistant does not transfer the dispatch permit to anyone except the CHAMP holder.
5. Dispatch is made by a method that is lawful for the take of the particular animal in the particular season.
6. The assistant attaches the dispatch permit to the carcass of the animal and returns the carcass to the CHAMP holder, and the tag of the CHAMP holder is affixed to the carcass.
7. If the assistant is unsuccessful in locating and dispatching the wounded animal, the assistant returns the dispatch permit to the CHAMP holder who strikes the name and authorization of the assistant from the dispatch permit.
- H. A dispatch permit is void if all spaces for designation of an assistant are filled or the dispatch permit is attached to a carcass.
- I. A CHAMP is valid as long as the criteria for obtaining the permit are met, unless the Commission revokes the permit.
- J. When acting under the authority of the CHAMP, the permit holder shall possess and exhibit the CHAMP, upon request, to any peace officer.
- K. A CHAMP holder shall not transfer the permit to another individual or allow another individual to use the permit.
- L. After a hearing and upon sufficient cause showing, the Commission shall revoke the CHAMP of a permit holder who transfers the permit to another individual or allows another individual to use the permit, upon conviction for violating A.R.S. § 17-312 or any other law that governs the take of wildlife, or for violation of this Section. If an individual's CHAMP permit is revoked by the Commission, the individual may petition the Commission for rehearing in accordance with R12-4-607.

## R12-4-301

### Restrictions for Taking Wildlife in Maricopa County Parks

- A. Lands and water within the boundaries of all Maricopa County parks are open to hunting and trapping when a Commission order establishes an open season. Individuals may use only the following methods of take:
  1. Archery hunting, when lawful for the wildlife taken under R12-4-304.
  2. Shotguns shooting shot, when taking small game, predatory, furbearing, and nongame animals during quail season in Lake Pleasant, White Tank Mountains, McDowell Mountain, and Estrella Mountain regional park, subject to subsection (F).
- B. An individual is prohibited from using rifled firearms within all Maricopa County parks except to take deer during deer seasons established by Commission order with concurrence of the Maricopa County Recreation Services Department.
- C. An individual shall not trap within any Maricopa County park except under the provisions of A.R.S. § 17-239, or when the Maricopa County Recreation Services Department and the Arizona Game and Fish Department determine that wildlife numbers need to be reduced in a park area because of a danger to the public or other wildlife.
- D. An individual shall not hunt within 1/4 mile of any developed picnic area, boat ramp, shooting range, golf course, or other recreational area developed for public use.

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- E. Individuals entering any Maricopa County park for the purpose of hunting shall declare their intention of hunting and pay any fees required by Maricopa County Recreation Services Department at an entry station when entering the park, if the park has an entry station in operation.
- F. This rule does not authorize an individual to use a method of take that is prohibited by a city ordinance.

## R12-4-302

### Use of Tags

- A. In addition to meeting the requirements of A.R.S. § 17-331, an individual who takes wildlife shall have in possession any tag required for the particular season or hunt area.
- B. A tag obtained in violation of statute or rule is invalid and shall not be used to take, transport, or possess wildlife.
- C. An individual who takes wildlife shall not possess a tag issued to anyone else, except as provided in this Section and R12-4-305, or attach to wildlife a tag issued to anyone else, except as provided in R12-4-217.
- D. An individual shall not allow a tag issued to that individual to be attached to wildlife killed by anyone else, except as provided in R12-4-217.
- E. An individual shall not attach a tag issued to that individual to wildlife killed by anyone else, except as provided in R12-4-217.
- F. An individual shall take and tag only the wildlife identified on the tag.
- G. An individual shall use a tag only in the season and hunt area for which the tag is valid.
- H. An individual who lawfully possesses both a nonpermit-tag and a hunt permit-tag shall not take a genus or species in excess of the bag limit established for that genus or species.
- I. Immediately after an individual kills wildlife, unless exempted under R12-4-217 or the individual who took the wildlife wishes to divide the carcass under R12-4-305, the individual shall attach his or her valid tag to the wildlife carcass in the following manner:
1. Remove all of the detachable paper covering from the adhesive back of the tag;
  2. Seal the exposed adhesive portions of the tag around the wildlife so the tag cannot be removed or reused and all printing on the face of the tag is visible and:
    - a. For a deer, elk, or antelope, seal the tag around the antler or horn, or through the gambrel of a hind leg;
    - b. For a javelina, bighorn sheep, mountain lion, buffalo, or bear, seal the tag through the gambrel of a hind leg; and
    - c. For a turkey, sandhill crane, or pheasant, seal the tag around the neck or a leg.
- J. An individual who lawfully takes wildlife under a tag and wishes to authorize another individual to possess, transport, or ship any portion of a carcass under R12-4-305 shall, at the time the portions are to be possessed, transported, or shipped independent from the original tag holder:
1. Tear and separate the tag portions along the perforated line,
  2. Legibly complete and sign the Carcass/Transportation/Shipping Permit portion in accordance with R12-4-305(D), and
  3. Provide to the individual who will possess and transport the portions of the carcass the completed Carcass/Transportation/Shipping permit.
- K. An individual who possesses, transports, or ships a carcass or any part or parts of a carcass and is not the original tag holder shall possess the completed Carcass/Transportation/Shipping permit issued as part of the original permit authorizing the take of that animal.
- L. If a tag or a separated portion of a tag has been sealed

or mutilated, or the Carcass/Transportation/Shipping permit portion of the tag is signed or filled out, the tag is no longer valid for taking wildlife.

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### Unlawful Devices, Methods, and Ammunition

- A. In addition to the prohibitions prescribed in A.R.S. §§ 17-301 and 17-309, the following devices, methods, and ammunition are unlawful for taking any wildlife in this state. An individual shall not use or possess any of the following while taking wildlife:
1. Fully automatic firearms, including firearms capable of selective automatic fire;
  2. Tracer, armor-piercing, or full-jacketed ammunition designed for military use;
  3. Shotguns larger than 10 gauge or shotguns capable of holding more than five shells in the magazine, unless plugged with a one-piece filler that cannot be removed without disassembling the gun, and that limits the magazine capacity to five shells;
  4. Semiautomatic centerfire rifles with a magazine capacity of more than five cartridges, unless the magazine is modified with a filler or stop that cannot be removed without disassembling the magazine;
  5. Contrivances designed to silence, muffle, or minimize the report of a firearm;
  6. Poisoned projectiles, or projectiles that contain explosives; or
  7. Pitfalls of greater than 5-gallon size, explosives, poisons, or stupefying substances, except as permitted in A.R.S. § 17-239, or as allowed by a scientific collecting permit issued under A.R.S. § 17-238.
- B. An individual shall not place substances in a manner intended to attract bears.
- C. An individual shall not use manual or powered jacking or prying devices to take reptiles or amphibians.
- D. An individual shall not use live decoys, recorded bird calls, electronically amplified bird calls, or baits to take migratory game birds, as prohibited by 50 CFR 20.21, revised June 14, 2001. This material is incorporated by reference in this Section, but does not include any later amendments or editions. A copy is available from any Department office, or it may be ordered from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402.

## R12-4-304

### Lawful Methods for Taking Wild Mammals, Birds, and Reptiles

- A. An individual may use the following methods to take big game, subject to the restrictions in R12-4-318.
1. To take antelope:
    - a. Centerfire rifles;
    - b. Muzzleloading rifles;
    - c. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
    - d. Centerfire handguns;
    - e. Handguns using black powder or synthetic black powder;
    - f. Shotguns shooting slugs;
    - g. Bows with a standard pull of 40 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges; and
    - h. For individuals holding a crossbow permit issued under R12-4-216, crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 pounds, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges.
  2. To take bear:

- a. Centerfire rifles;
  - b. Muzzleloading rifles;
  - c. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
  - d. Centerfire handguns;
  - e. Handguns using black powder or synthetic black powder;
  - f. Shotguns shooting slugs;
  - g. Bows with a standard pull of 40 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges;
  - h. For individuals holding a crossbow permit issued under R12-4-216, crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 pounds, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges; and
- i. Pursuit with dogs between August 1 and December 31.
3. To take bighorn sheep:
    - a. Centerfire rifles;
    - b. Muzzleloading rifles;
    - c. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
    - d. Centerfire handguns;
    - e. Handguns using black powder or synthetic black powder;
    - f. Shotguns shooting slugs;
    - g. Bows with a standard pull of 40 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges; and
    - h. For individuals holding a crossbow permit issued under R12-4-216, crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 pounds, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges.
  4. To take buffalo:
    - a. At the House Rock Wildlife Area:
      - i. Centerfire rifles;
      - ii. Muzzleloading rifles;
      - iii. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
      - iv. Centerfire handguns no less than .41 Magnum or centerfire handguns with an overall cartridge length of no less than two inches;
      - v. Bows with a standard pull of 50 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads of no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges; and
      - vi. For individuals holding a crossbow permit issued under R12-4-216, crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 pounds, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges.
    - b. At the Raymond Wildlife Area:
      - i. Centerfire rifles;
      - ii. Muzzleloading rifles; and
      - iii. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder.
  5. To take deer:
    - a. Centerfire rifles;
    - b. Muzzleloading rifles;
    - c. All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
    - d. Centerfire handguns;
    - e. Handguns using black powder or synthetic black powder;
    - f. Shotguns shooting slugs;
    - g. Bows with a standard pull of 40 or more

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- pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges; and
- h. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 pounds, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges.
6. To take elk:
- Centerfire rifles;
  - Muzzleloading rifles;
  - All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
  - Centerfire handguns;
  - Handguns using black powder or synthetic black powder;
  - Shotguns shooting slugs;
  - Bows with a standard pull of 40 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges; and
  - For individuals holding a crossbow permit issued under R12-4-216, crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 pounds, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges.
7. To take javelina:
- Centerfire rifles;
  - Muzzleloading rifles;
  - All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
  - Centerfire handguns;
  - Handguns using black powder or synthetic black powder;
  - Shotguns shooting slugs;
  - Bows with a standard pull of 40 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges;
  - Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 pounds, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges;
  - .22 rimfire magnum rifles; and
  - 5 mm rimfire magnum rifles.
8. To take mountain lion:
- Centerfire rifles;
  - Muzzleloading rifles;
  - All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
  - Centerfire handguns;
  - Handguns using black powder or synthetic black powder;
  - Shotguns shooting slugs;
  - Bows with a standard pull of 40 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges; and
  - Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 pounds, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges; and
  - Pursuit with dogs.
9. To take turkey:
- Centerfire rifles;
  - Muzzleloading rifles;
  - All other rifles using black powder or synthetic black powder;
  - Centerfire handguns;
  - Handguns using black powder or synthetic black powder;
  - Shotguns shooting slugs;
  - Bows with a standard pull of 40 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges;
  - Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 pounds, using bolts with a minimum length of 16 inches and broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges;
  - .22 rimfire magnum rifles;
  - 5 mm rimfire magnum rifles;
  - .17 rimfire magnum rifles; and
  - Shotguns shooting shot.
- B. An individual may use the following methods to take small game, subject to the restrictions in R12-4-318.
- To take cottontail rabbits and tree squirrels:
    - Firearms not prohibited in R12-4-303,
    - Bow and arrow,
    - Crossbow,
    - Pneumatic weapons,
    - Slingshots, and
    - Falconry.
  - To take all upland game birds:
    - Bow and arrow,
    - Falconry,
    - Shotguns shooting shot,
    - Handguns shooting shot, and
    - Crossbow.
  - To take migratory game birds:
    - Bow and arrow;
    - Crossbow;
    - Falconry;
    - Shotguns shooting shot, except that lead shot shall not be used or possessed while taking ducks, geese, swans, mergansers, common moorhens, or coots; and
    - Shotguns shooting shot and incapable of holding more than two shells in the magazine, unless plugged with a one-piece filler that cannot be removed without disassembling the gun that limits the magazine capacity to two shells.
- C. An individual may take waterfowl from a watercraft except a sinkbox, under the following conditions:
- The motor, if any, is shut off, the sail, if any, is furled, and any progress from a motor or sail has ceased;
  - The watercraft may be drifting as a result of current or wind action; may be beached, moored, or resting at anchor; or may be propelled by paddle, oars, or pole; and
  - The individual may use the watercraft under power to retrieve dead or crippled waterfowl, but no shooting is permitted while the watercraft is underway.
- D. An individual may take predatory and furbearing animals by using the following methods, subject to the restrictions in R12-4-318:
- Firearms not prohibited in R12-4-303;
  - Bow and arrow;
  - Crossbow;
  - Traps not prohibited by R12-4-307; and
  - Artificial light while taking raccoon, if the light is not attached to or operated from a motor vehicle, motorized watercraft, watercraft under sail, or floating object towed by a motorized watercraft or a watercraft under sail.
- E. An individual may take nongame mammals and birds by any method not prohibited in R12-4-303 or R12-4-318, under the following conditions. An individual:
- Shall not take nongame mammals and birds using foothold steel traps;
  - Shall check pitfall traps of any size daily, release non-target species, remove pitfalls when no longer in use, and fill any holes;
  - Shall not use firearms at night; and
  - May use artificial light while taking nongame mammals and birds, if the light is not attached to or operated from a motor vehicle, motorized watercraft, watercraft under sail, or floating object towed by a motorized watercraft or a watercraft under sail.
- F. An individual may take reptiles by any method not prohibited in R12-4-303 or R12-4-318 under the following conditions. An individual:
- Shall check pitfall traps of any size daily, release non-target species, remove pitfalls when no longer in use, and fill any holes;
  - Shall not use firearms at night; and
  - May use artificial light while taking reptiles, if the light is not attached to or operated from a motor vehicle, motorized watercraft, watercraft under sail, or floating object towed by a motorized watercraft or a watercraft under sail.

## R12-4-305

### Possessing, Transporting, Importing, Exporting, and Selling Carcasses or Parts of Wildlife

- A. For the purposes of this Section, "evidence of legality" means:
- The wildlife is identifiable as the "legal wildlife" prescribed by Commission order, which may include evidence of species, gender, antler or horn growth, maturity and size; and
  - The wildlife is accompanied by the applicable license, tag, separated portion of a tag under R12-4-302, stamp or permit required by law.
- B. An individual shall ensure that evidence of legality remains with the carcass or parts of a carcass of any wild mammal, bird, or reptile that the individual possesses or transports, until arrival at the individual's permanent abode, a commercial processing plant, or the place where the wildlife is to be consumed.
- C. In addition to the requirement in subsection (B), an individual possessing or transporting the following wildlife shall also ensure that:
- Big game, sandhill cranes, and pheasant each have the required valid tag attached as prescribed in R12-4-302;
  - Migratory game birds, except sandhill cranes, each have one fully feathered wing attached;
  - Each sandhill crane has either the fully feathered head or one fully feathered wing attached; and
  - Each quail has attached a fully feathered head, or a fully feathered wing, or a leg with foot attached, if the current Commission order has established separate bag or possession limits for any species of quail.
- D. An individual who has lawfully taken wildlife that requires a valid tag when prescribed by the Commission, such as big game, sandhill crane, or pheasant, may authorize its transportation or shipment by completing and signing the Transportation/Shipping Permit portion of the valid tag for that animal. A separate Transportation/Shipping Permit issued by the Department is necessary to transport or ship to another state or country any big game taken with a resident license. Under A.R.S. § 17-372, an individual may ship other lawfully taken wildlife by common carrier after obtaining a valid Transportation/Shipping Permit issued by the Department. The individual shall provide the following information on the permit form:
- Number and description of the wildlife to be transported or shipped;
  - Name of the individual who took the wildlife and that individual's address, license number, license class, and tag number;
  - Name and address of the individual who receives a portion of the divided carcass of the wildlife under subsection (E), if applicable;
  - Address of destination where the wildlife is to be transported or shipped; and
  - Name and address of transporter or shipper.
- E. An individual who lawfully takes wildlife under a tag may authorize another individual to possess the head or car-

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cass of the wildlife by separating and attaching the tag as prescribed in R12-4-302. An individual who receives a portion of the wildlife shall provide the identity of the individual who took and gave the portion of the wildlife.

- F. An individual shall not possess the horns of a bighorn sheep, taken by a hunter in this state, unless the horns are marked or sealed as prescribed in R12-4-308.
- G. An individual who sells, offers for sale, or exports the raw pelt of a bobcat taken in this state shall obtain a bobcat permit tag available for a fee as provided in R12-4-102 at Department offices and other locations at those times and places as determined and published by the Department, and shall ensure that the bobcat permit tag is locked through the mouth or eye openings so that it cannot be removed.
- H. Unless an individual has taken the annual bag limit for bear or mountain lion, an individual who takes bear or mountain lion under A.R.S. § 17-302, if the season for bear or mountain lion is closed, may retain the carcass of the wildlife if the individual has a valid hunting license and the carcass is tagged with a nonpermit-tag as required by R12-4-114 and R12-4-302. An animal retained shall count towards the annual bag limit for bear or mountain lion as authorized in Commission Order. The individual shall comply with R12-4-308.
- I. An individual may import into this state carcasses or parts of carcasses of wildlife that have been lawfully taken in another state or country if accompanied by evidence of legality.
- J. Individuals who obtain buffalo meat under R12-4-306 may sell the meat.
- K. An individual may import into this state the carcasses or parts of aquatic wildlife that have been lawfully taken in another state or country if accompanied by evidence of legality, and if transported and exported in accordance with the laws of the state or country of origin.
- L. An individual in possession of or transporting the carcasses of any freshwater fish that have been taken within this state shall ensure that the head, tail, or skin is attached so that the species can be identified, numbers counted, and any required length determined.
- M. An individual in possession of a carp (*Cyprinus carpio*) or buffalofish (*Ictiobus* spp.) carcass taken under Commission order may sell the carcass.

## R12-4-306

### Buffalo Hunt Requirements

- A. When authorized by Commission order, the Department shall conduct a hunt to harvest buffalo from the state's buffalo herds.
- B. An unsuccessful hunter with a buffalo hunt permit-tag for the House Rock Wildlife Area herd shall check out in person or by telephone at either the Department's Flagstaff regional office or the House Rock Wildlife Area headquarters within three days following the close of the season. A successful buffalo hunter shall report information about the kill to the Department within five business days after taking the buffalo either in person at the House Rock Wildlife Area headquarters or in person or by telephone at the Department's Flagstaff regional office. If the kill is reported by telephone, the report shall include the name of the hunter, the hunter's tag number, the sex of the buffalo taken, the number of days hunted, and a telephone number where the hunter can be reached for additional information.
- C. A hunter with a buffalo hunt permit-tag for the Raymond Wildlife Area herd shall hunt in the order scheduled by the Department.
- D. A hunter with buffalo hunt permit-tag for the Raymond Wildlife Area herd shall be accompanied by an authorized Department employee who shall designate the animal to be harvested.

## R12-4-307

### Trapping Regulations: Licensing; Methods;

### Tagging of Bobcat Pelts

- A. For the purposes of this Section, the following definitions apply:
  - 1. "Body-gripping trap" means a device designed to capture an animal by gripping the animal's body.
  - 2. "Confinement trap" means a device designed to capture wildlife alive and hold it without harm.
  - 3. "Instant kill trap" means a device designed to render an animal unconscious and insensitive to pain quickly with inevitable subsidence into death without recovery of consciousness.
  - 4. "Land set" means any trap used on land rather than in water.
  - 5. "Leghold trap" means a device designed to capture an animal by the leg or foot.
  - 6. "Paste-type bait" means a partially liquefied substance intended for use as a lure for animals.
  - 7. "Sight-exposed bait" means a carcass or parts of a carcass lying openly on the ground or suspended in a manner so that it can be seen from above by a bird. This does not include dried or bleached bones with no attached tissue or less than two ounces of paste-type baits or trap flags.
  - 8. "Trap flag" means an attractant made from materials other than animal parts that is suspended at least three feet above the ground.
  - 9. "Water set" means any trap used and anchored in water rather than on land.
- B. A valid trapping license is required for an individual 14 years of age or older for trapping predatory and fur-bearing animals. An individual born on or after January 1, 1967 shall successfully complete a Department-approved trapping education course to obtain a trapping license. Traps may be used to take predatory and fur-bearing animals only during the trapping season established by Commission order.
- C. All trappers shall inspect their traps daily and kill or release all predatory and fur-bearing animals. All trappers shall release without additional injury all animals that cannot lawfully be taken by trap. While in the field, all trappers shall possess a device that is designed or manufactured to restrain trapped animals so that a trapped animal can be removed from a trap when its release is required by this Section. All trappers, in units designated by Commission order as javelina hunt units, shall possess a choke restraint device that enables the trapper to release a javelina from a trap.
- D. An individual shall not:
  - 1. Set a trap within 1/2 mile of any of the following areas developed for public use: a boat launching area, picnic area, camping area, or roadside rest area;
  - 2. Set a trap, other than a confinement trap, within 1/2 mile of any occupied residence or building without permission of the owner or resident;
  - 3. Set a trap, other than a confinement trap, within 100 yards of an interstate highway or any other highway maintained by the Arizona Department of Transportation, within 25 yards of any other road as defined by A.R.S. § 17-101, or within 50 feet of any trail maintained for public use by a government agency;
  - 4. Set a leghold trap within 30 feet of a sight-exposed bait;
  - 5. Bait a confinement trap with live animals or portions of game mammals, big game, small game, upland game birds, migratory game birds, or game fish, or use bait with a confinement trap that is not wholly contained within the confinement trap;
  - 6. Use any trap with teeth;
  - 7. Use any snare;
  - 8. Use any trap with an open jaw spread that exceeds 6 1/2 inches for any land set;
  - 9. Use a body-gripping or other instant kill trap with an open jaw spread that exceeds five inches for any land set;

- 10. Use a leghold trap with an open jaw spread that exceeds 7 1/2 inches for any water set; or
- 11. Use a body-gripping or other instant kill trap with an open jaw spread that exceeds 10 inches for any water set.
- E. An individual who uses a leghold trap to take wildlife with a land set shall use:
  - 1. A commercially-manufactured, padded, or rubber-jawed trap, or an unpadded trap with jaws permanently offset to a minimum of 3/16 inch and a device to allow for pan tension adjustment;
  - 2. A commercially-manufactured jawed trap that does not exceed 5 1/2 inches, modified with a pan safety device that prevents capture of non-targeted wildlife or domestic animals and a separate device that allows for pan tension adjustment; or
  - 3. A commercially manufactured leghold trap that captures wildlife by means of an enclosed bar or spring designed to prevent capture of non-targeted wildlife or domestic animals.
- F. An individual who uses a leghold trap to take wildlife with a land set shall ensure that the trap has an anchor chain with at least two swivels. Anchor chains that are 12 inches or less in length shall have a swivel attached at each end. Anchor chains that are greater than 12 inches shall have one swivel attached at the trap and one swivel attached within 12 inches of the trap. The anchor chain shall be equipped with a shock-absorbing spring that requires less than 40 pounds of force to extend or open the spring.
- G. Every licensed trapper shall file a complete written report as required by A.R.S. § 17-361(D) with the Phoenix Office of the Department by April 1 of each year on a form available from any Department office. The trapper shall file the report even if no trapping is done.
- H. Persons suffering property loss or damage due to wildlife and who take responsive measures as permitted under A.R.S. §§ 17-239 and 17-302 are exempt from this Section. Exemption under this Section does not authorize any form of trapping prohibited by A.R.S. § 17-301.
- I. All trappers shall ensure that their traps are plainly identified with the name and address or registered number of the owner as prescribed by A.R.S. § 17-361(B). All trappers shall ensure that each of their traps has the name and address or registered number of the owner legibly marked on a metal tag attached to the trap. The number assigned by the Department is the only acceptable registered number. For the purpose of this Section, "owner" means the person placing, setting, or using the trap.
- J. An individual who applies for a trapping license shall provide the following information on a form available from any Department office:
  - 1. Full name, address, and telephone number;
  - 2. Date of birth and physical description;
  - 3. An identification number assigned by the Department;
  - 4. Category of license: resident, nonresident, or juvenile; and
  - 5. The signature of the applicant.
- K. The Department shall issue a registered number to a trapper and enter the number on the trapping license at the time the trapper purchases the license. A trapper under the age of 14 is not required to purchase a trapping license, but shall obtain a registration number from any Department office before taking wildlife with a trap. A trapper's registration number is not transferable.
- L. All trappers shall ensure that the unskinned carcass of a bobcat that they have trapped in this state or the pelt of any bobcat that they have trapped in this state has a validated bobcat transportation tag attached to the carcass or pelt, except for a pelt tagged for sale and export under subsection (M).
  - 1. Trappers shall provide the following information on the bobcat transportation tag: current trapping license number, game management unit where the

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bobcat was taken, sex of the bobcat, and method by which the bobcat was taken. The Department shall provide transportation tags with each trapping license. A licensed trapper may obtain additional transportation tags from any Department office at no charge.

2. Trappers shall validate transportation tags immediately upon taking the bobcat by legibly and completely filling in all information required on the tag.
- M. Trappers shall ensure that pelts of bobcats that they have taken in this state that are sold, offered for sale, or exported from the state shall have bobcat permit tags (export tags) locked through the mouth and an eye opening, or through both eye openings so that the permit tag cannot be removed without being damaged. Trappers may obtain bobcat permit tags as follows:
  1. Bobcat permit tags are available for a fee as provided in R12-4-102 at Department offices and other locations at those times and places as determined and published by the Department.
  2. When available, bobcat permit tags are issued on a first-come, first-served basis from November 1 through April 10 of each year.
  3. Department personnel or authorized agents of the Department shall attach and lock bobcat permit tags only to those pelts presented with validated transportation tags. Department personnel or authorized agents of the Department shall collect the transportation tags before attaching the bobcat permit tags.
  4. The April 10 deadline is waived for pelts consigned to licensed taxidermists for tanning or mounting.
  5. Department personnel shall attach bobcat permit tags to bobcat pelts seized under A.R.S. § 17-211(D)(4) before disposal by the Department. The April 10 deadline is waived for pelts tagged under this subsection.

## R12-4-308

### Wildlife Inspections, Check Stations, and Roadblocks

- A. The Department has the authority to establish mandatory wildlife check stations. The Department shall publish the location, check-in requirements, and check-out requirements for a season with the published Commission order establishing the season.
  1. Hunters shall personally check in at a wildlife check station before hunting in a season with a published check-in requirement.
  2. The Department shall ensure that wildlife check stations with a published check-in requirement are open continuously from 8:00 a.m. the day before the season until 8:00 p.m. the first day of the season, and from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. during each day of the season.
  3. Hunters shall personally check out after hunting in a season with a published check-out requirement, and shall present for inspection any wildlife taken and display any license, tag, or permit required for taking or transporting wildlife.
  4. The Department shall ensure that wildlife check stations with a published check-out requirement are open continuously from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. during each day of the season and remain open until 12:00 noon on the day following the close of the season.
- B. The Department has the authority to conduct inspections for bighorn sheep, archery deer, bear, mountain lion and special big game license-tags (deer, elk, antelope, and buffalo) at the Department's Phoenix and regional offices or designated locations. Regional offices are open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on legal state holidays.
  1. All bighorn sheep hunters shall personally check out within three days after the close of the season.

Each hunter who takes a bighorn sheep shall submit the intact horns and skull for inspection and photographing. The Department representative shall affix a mark or seal to one horn of each bighorn sheep lawfully taken under Commission order. The hunter shall not remove, alter, or obliterate the mark or seal.

2. All special big game license-tag hunters who tag a deer, elk, antelope, or buffalo shall submit the intact horns or antlers and skull or skullcap for inspection and photographing within three days after the close of the season.
3. A successful non-permit tag archery deer hunter shall report information about the kill to a Department office in person or by telephone within 10 days of taking the deer if the hunt area does not have a check station requirement.
4. A successful bear or mountain lion hunter shall report information about the kill in person or by telephone within 48 hours of taking the wildlife. The report shall include the name of the hunter, the hunter's hunting license number, the sex of the wildlife taken, the management unit where the wildlife was taken, and a telephone number where the hunter can be reached for additional information. Within 10 days of taking the wildlife, each hunter who takes a bear or mountain lion shall present the skull, hide, and attached proof of sex for inspection. If a hunter freezes the skull or hide before presenting it for inspection, the hunter shall prop the jaw open to allow access to the teeth and ensure that the attached proof of sex is identifiable and accessible.
- C. The Director or Director's designee may establish vehicle roadblocks at specific locations when necessary to ensure compliance with applicable wildlife laws. Any occupant of a vehicle at a roadblock shall, upon request, present for inspection all wildlife in possession, and produce and display any license, tag, stamp, or permit required for taking or transporting wildlife.
- D. This Section does not limit the game ranger or wildlife manager's authority to conduct stops, searches, and inspections under A.R.S. §§ 17-211(D) and 17-331, or to establish voluntary wildlife survey stations to gather biological information.

## R12-4-318

### Seasons for Lawfully Taking Wild Mammals, Birds, and Reptiles

- A. Methods of lawfully taking wild mammals and birds during seasons designated by Commission order as "general" seasons are designated in R12-4-304. Restrictions designated in subsection (C) do not apply to general seasons.
- B. Methods of lawfully taking big game during seasons designated by Commission order as "special" are designated in R12-4-304. "Special" seasons are open only to individuals who possess special big game license tags issued under A.R.S. § 17-346 and R12-4-120.
- C. When designated by Commission order, the following seasons have specific requirements and lawful methods of take more restrictive than those for general and special seasons, as prescribed in this Section. While taking the species authorized by the season:
  1. An individual participating in a "muzzleloader" season shall not use or possess any firearm other than muzzle-loading rifles or muzzle-loading handguns, as defined in R12-4-101.
  2. An individual participating in an "archery-only" season shall use and possess only a bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304, and shall not use or possess any other weapons, including crossbows or any other bows with a device that holds the bow in a drawn position, except as authorized by R12-4-216.
  3. An individual participating in a "handgun, archery,

and muzzleloader (HAM)" season may only use or possess any or all of the following: handguns, muzzle-loading rifles as defined in R12-4-101, crossbows, and bows and arrows as prescribed in R12-4-304.

4. An individual who possesses a valid tag for a bear season between January 1 and July 31 shall not use dogs to take bear.
5. An individual participating in a "pursuit-only" season may use dogs to pursue bears, mountain lions, or raccoons as designated by Commission order, but shall not kill or capture the quarry. An individual participating in a "pursuit-only" season shall possess and, at the request of Department personnel, produce a valid hunting license and any required tag for taking the animal pursued, even though there shall be no kill.
6. An individual participating in a "limited weapon" season may only use or possess the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, when prescribed in R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted: bow and arrow; crossbow; pneumatic weapons; falconry; slingshots; any trap except foot-hold steel traps; nets; hand-propelled projectiles; or capture by hand.
7. An individual participating in a "limited weapon-shotgun" season may only use or possess the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, when prescribed in R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted: shotgun shooting shot or slug; bow and arrow; crossbow; pneumatic weapons; falconry; slingshots; any trap except foot-hold steel traps; nets; hand-propelled projectiles; or capture by hand.
8. An individual participating in a "limited weapon-shotgun shooting shot" season may only use or possess the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, when prescribed in R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted: shotgun shooting shot, bow and arrow, crossbow, pneumatic weapons, falconry, slingshots, any trap except foot-hold steel traps, nets, hand-propelled projectiles, or capture by hand.
9. An individual participating in a "limited weapon-rimfire" season may only use or possess the following methods or devices for taking wildlife, when prescribed in R12-4-304 as lawful for the species hunted: rifled firearms using rimfire cartridges; shotgun shooting shot or slug; bow and arrow; crossbow; pneumatic weapons; falconry; slingshots; any trap except foot-hold steel traps; nets; hand-propelled projectiles; or capture by hand.
10. An individual participating in a "falconry-only" season shall be a falconer either licensed under R12-4-422 or exempted under R12-4-407, and use no method of take except falconry.
11. An individual may participate in a "juniors-only hunt" up to and throughout the calendar year of the individual's 17th birthday, provided the individual meets the requirements of A.R.S. § 17-335.
12. An individual participating in a "CHAMP" season shall be a challenged hunter access/mobility permittee under R12-4-217.
13. An individual participating in a "raptor capture" season shall be a licensed falconer under R12-4-422 or exempted under R12-4-407.

## R12-4-319

### Use of Aircraft to Take Wildlife

- A. For the purposes of this Section, the following definitions apply:
  1. "Aircraft" means any contrivance used for flight in the air or any lighter-than-air contrivance.
  2. "Locate" means any act or activity that does not take or harass wildlife and is directed at locating or finding wildlife in a hunt area.
- B. An individual shall not take or assist in taking wildlife from or with the aid of aircraft.
- C. Except in hunt units with Commission-ordered special

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seasons under R12-4-115 and R12-4-120 and hunt units with seasons only for mountain lion and no other concurrent big game season, an individual shall not locate or assist in locating wildlife from or with the aid of an aircraft in a hunt unit with an open big game season. This restriction begins 48 hours before the opening of a big game season in a hunt unit and extends until the close of the big game season for that hunt unit.

- D. An individual who possesses a special big game license tag for a special season under R12-4-115 or R12-4-120 or an individual who assists or will assist such a licensee shall not use an aircraft to locate wildlife beginning 48 hours before and during a Commission-ordered special season.
- E. This Section does not apply to any individual acting within the scope of official duties as an employee or authorized agent of the state or the United States to administer or protect or aid in the administration or protection of land, water, wildlife, livestock, domesticated animals, human life, or crops.

## R12-4-320

### Harassment of Wildlife

- A. In addition to the provisions of A.R.S. § 17-301, it is unlawful to harass, molest, chase, rally, concentrate, herd, intercept, torment, or drive wildlife with or from any aircraft as defined in R12-4-319, or with or from any motorized terrestrial or aquatic vehicle.
- B. This Section does not apply to individuals acting:
1. Under the provisions of A.R.S. § 17-239; or
  2. Within the scope of official duties as an employee or authorized agent of the state or the United States to administer or protect or aid in the administration or protection of land, water, wildlife, livestock, domesticated animals, human life, or crops.

## R12-4-609

### Commission Orders

- A. Except as provided in subsection (B):
1. At least 20 calendar days before a meeting where the Commission will consider a Commission Order, the Department shall ensure that a public meeting notice and agenda for the public meeting is posted in accordance with A.R.S. § 38-431.02. The Department shall also issue a public notice of the recommended Commission Order to print and electronic media at least 20 calendar days before the meeting.
  2. The Department shall ensure that the public meeting notice and agenda contains the date, time, and location of the Commission meeting where the Commission Order will be considered and a statement that the public may attend and present written comments at or before the meeting.
  3. The Department shall also ensure that the public meeting notice and agenda states that a copy of the proposed Commission Order is available for public inspection at the Department offices in Phoenix, Pinetop, Flagstaff, Kingman, Yuma, Tucson, and Mesa 10 calendar days before the meeting. The Commission may make changes to the recommended Commission Order at the Commission meeting.
- B. The requirements of subsection (A) do not apply to Commission orders establishing:
1. Supplemental hunts as prescribed in R12-4-115, and
  2. Special seasons for individuals that possess special license tags issued under A.R.S. § 17-346 and R12-4-120.
- C. The Department shall publish the content of all Commission orders and make them available to the public without charge.

## R12-4-801

### Wildlife Areas General Provisions

- A. Wildlife areas shall be established to:
1. Provide protective measures for wildlife, habitat, or

both; and

2. Allow for special management or research practices; and
  3. Enhance wildlife and habitat conservation.
- B. Wildlife areas shall be:
1. Lands owned or leased by the Commission and managed by the Department, or
  2. Federally-owned lands of unique wildlife habitat where cooperative agreements provide wildlife management and research implementation.
  3. Any lands with property interest conveyed to the Commission by any entity, through approved land use agreement, including but not limited to deeds, patents, leases, conservation easements, special use permits, licenses, agreement, management agreement, inter-agency agreements, letter agreements, and right-of-entry, where said property interest is sufficient for management of the lands consistent with the objectives of the wildlife area.
- C. Wildlife area designation shall not be given to any private lands, or lands in which private parcels are located, solely for the purpose of protecting private property. Wildlife area designation on private property, or where private property is involved, shall be considered by the Commission only when the Commission and the owners arrive at a mutual agreement that shall not confine or restrict the Department in fulfilling management or research objectives, nor close the area to hunting, trapping, or fishing.
- D. Land qualified for wildlife areas shall be:
1. Lands with unique topographic or vegetative characteristics that contribute to wildlife,
  2. Lands where certain wildlife species are confined because of habitat demands,
  3. Lands that can be physically managed and modified to attract wildlife, or
  4. Lands that are identified as critical habitat for certain wildlife species during critical periods of their life cycles.
- E. The Department may restrict public access to and public use of wildlife areas and the resources of wildlife areas for up to 90 days when necessary to protect property, ensure public safety, or to ensure maximum benefits to wildlife. Closures or restrictions exceeding 90 days shall require Commission approval.
- F. Closures of all or any part of a wildlife area to public entry, and any restriction to public use of a wildlife area, shall be listed in this Article or shall be clearly posted at each entrance to the wildlife area. No person shall conduct an activity restricted by this Article or by such posting.
- G. When a wildlife area is posted against travel except on existing roads, no person shall drive a motor-operated vehicle over the countryside except by road.

## R12-4-802

### Wildlife Areas Restrictions

- A. No person shall violate the following restrictions on Wildlife Areas:
1. Alamo Wildlife Area (located in Units 16A and 44A):
    - a. Wood collecting limited to dead and down material, for onsite noncommercial use only.
    - b. Overnight public camping in the wildlife area outside of Alamo State Park allowed for no more than 14 days within a 45-day period.
    - c. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, on designated trails, or in designated areas only.
    - d. Open to hunting in season.
  2. Allen Severson Wildlife Area (located in Unit 3B):
    - a. No open fires.
    - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
    - c. No overnight public camping.
    - d. Posted portions closed to discharge of all firearms from April 1 to July 31 annually.

- e. Open to hunting in season, except posted portions closed to hunting from April 1 to July 31 annually.
3. Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (located in Units 31 and 32):
    - a. Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wilderness Area is by permit only, available through the Safford Office of the Bureau of Land Management.
    - b. Closed to discharge of all firearms.
    - c. Open to hunting in season with bow and arrow only.
  4. Arlington Wildlife Area (located in Unit 39):
    - a. No open fires.
    - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
    - c. No overnight public camping.
    - d. Target or claybird shooting permitted in designated areas only.
    - e. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, on designated trails, or in designated areas only.
    - f. Closed to discharge of rifled firearms.
    - g. Open to hunting in season.
  5. Base and Meridan Wildlife Area (located in Units 39, 26M, and 47M):
    - a. No open fires.
    - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
    - c. No overnight public camping.
    - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, on designated trails, or in designated areas only.
    - e. Closed to discharge of rifled firearms.
    - f. Open to hunting in season.
    - g. No target or clay bird shooting
  6. Becker Lake Wildlife Area (located in Unit 1):
    - a. No open fires.
    - b. No overnight public camping.
    - c. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads only.
    - d. Posted portions closed to public entry from December 15 to July 31 annually.
    - e. Open to hunting in season, except posted portions. Legal weapons restricted to shotguns shooting shot and bow and arrow.
  7. Bog Hole Wildlife Area (located in Unit 35B):
    - a. No open fires.
    - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
    - c. No overnight public camping.
    - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, on designated trails, or in designated areas only.
    - e. Open to hunting in season.
  8. Chevelon Canyon Ranches Wildlife Area (located in Unit 4A):
    - a. No open fires.
    - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
    - c. No overnight public camping.
    - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads only, except as permitted by R12-4-110 (G).
    - e. Open to hunting in season.
  9. Chevelon Creek Wildlife Area (located in Unit 4B):
    - a. No open fires.
    - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
    - c. No overnight public camping.
    - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads only, except as permitted by R12-4-110(G).
    - e. Posted portions closed to all public entry.
    - f. Additional posted portions closed to public entry from October 1 to February 1 annually.
    - g. Open to hunting in season, except posted portions closed to hunting from October 1 to February 1 annually.

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10. Clarence May & C.H.M. May Memorial Wildlife Area (located in Unit 29):
    - a. Closed to discharge of all firearms.
    - b. Closed to hunting.
  11. Cluff Ranch Wildlife Area (located in Unit 31):
    - a. Open fires allowed in designated areas only.
    - b. Wood collecting limited to dead and down material, for onsite noncommercial use only.
    - c. Overnight public camping allowed in designated areas only, for no more than five days within a 14-day period.
    - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, on designated trails, or in designated areas only.
    - e. Posted portions around Department housing closed to discharge of all firearms.
    - f. Closed to discharge of centerfire rifled firearms.
    - g. Open to hunting in season.
  12. Colorado River Nature Center Wildlife Area (located in Unit 15D):
    - a. No open fires.
    - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
    - c. No overnight public camping.
    - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, on designated trails, or in designated areas only.
    - e. Closed to hunting.
  13. House Rock Wildlife Area (located in Unit 12A):
    - a. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, on designated trails, or in designated areas only.
    - b. Open to hunting in season.
  14. Jaques Marsh Wildlife Area (located in Unit 3B):
    - a. No open fires.
    - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
    - c. No overnight public camping.
    - d. Open to hunting in season. Legal weapons restricted to shotguns shooting shot and bow and arrow.
  15. Lamar Haines Wildlife Area (located in Unit 7):
    - a. No firewood cutting or gathering.
    - b. No overnight public camping.
    - c. No motorized vehicles.
    - d. Open to hunting in season.
  16. Luna Lake Wildlife Area (located in Unit 1):
    - a. Posted portions closed to public entry from April 1 to July 31 annually.
    - b. Open to hunting in season, except closed to hunting from April 1 to July 31 annually.
  17. Mitty Lake Wildlife Area (located in Unit 43B):
    - a. Open fires allowed in designated areas only.
    - b. Overnight public camping allowed in designated areas only, for no more than 10 days per calendar year.
    - c. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, on designated trails, or in designated areas only.
    - d. Posted portions closed to public entry from November 15 to February 15 annually.
    - e. Open to hunting in season, except posted portions closed to hunting from November 15 to February 15 annually.
  18. Powers Butte (Mumme Farm) Wildlife Area (located in Unit 39):
    - a. No open fires.
    - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
    - c. No overnight public camping.
    - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on posted designated roads, on designated trails, or in designated areas only.
    - e. Closed to discharge of centerfire rifled firearms.
    - f. Open to hunting in season.
    - g. If conducted during an event approved under R12-4-804, target or clay bird shooting in permitted designated areas only.
  19. Quigley Wildlife Area (located in Unit 41):
    - a. No open fires.
    - b. No overnight public camping.
    - c. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, on designated trails, or in designated areas only.
    - d. Posted portions closed to public entry from September 1 to March 31 annually.
    - e. Open to hunting in season, except posted portions closed to hunting from September 1 to March 31 annually.
  20. Raymond Wildlife Area (located in Unit 5B)
    - a. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, on designated trails, or in designated areas only.
    - b. Open to hunting in season.
  21. Robbins Butte Wildlife Area (located in Unit 39):
    - a. No open fires.
    - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
    - c. No overnight public camping.
    - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, on designated trails, or in designated areas only from one hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset daily.
    - e. Parking in designated areas only.
    - f. If conducted during an event approved under R12-4-804, target or claybird shooting permitted in designated areas only.
    - g. Posted portions around Department housing closed to discharge of all firearms.
    - h. Closed to discharge of centerfire rifled firearms.
    - i. Open to hunting in season.
  22. Roosevelt Lake Wildlife Area (located in Units 22, 23, and 24B):
    - a. Posted portions closed to public entry from November 15 to February 15 annually.
    - b. Open to hunting in season, except posted portions closed to hunting from November 15 to February 15 annually.
  23. Santa Rita Wildlife Area (located in Unit 34A)
    - a. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads as permitted by R12-5-533(D).
    - b. Open to all hunting as permitted by R12-4-304 and R12-4-318, except that the take of wildlife with firearms is prohibited from March 1 to August 31.
    - c. All other uses of state land will be according to the provisions of the Arizona State Land Department's Recreational Permit.
  24. Sipe White Mountain Wildlife Area (located in Unit 1):
    - a. No open fires.
    - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
    - c. No overnight public camping.
    - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads only, except as permitted by R12-4-110 (G).
    - e. Posted portions around Department housing closed to discharge of all firearms.
    - f. Open to hunting in season.
  25. Springerville Marsh Wildlife Area (located in Unit 2B):
    - a. No open fires.
    - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
    - c. No overnight public camping.
    - d. Closed to discharge of all firearms.
    - e. Closed to hunting.
  26. Sunflower Flat Wildlife Area (located in Unit 8):
    - a. No overnight public camping.
    - b. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, on designated trails, or in designated areas only.
  27. Three Bar Wildlife Area (located in Unit 22): Open to hunting in season, except the area within the fenced enclosure inside the loop formed by Tonto National Forest Road 647, also known as the Walnut Canyon Enclosure, which is closed to hunting, unless otherwise provided by Commission Order.
  28. Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area (located in Unit 38M):
    - a. Closed to discharge of all firearms.
    - b. Open to hunting in season with bow and arrow only.
    - c. Archery deer and archery javelina hunters must check in with the Arizona Game and Fish Tucson Regional Office prior to going afield.
  29. Upper Verde River Wildlife Area (located in Unit 8 and 19A):
    - a. No firewood cutting or gathering.
    - b. No overnight public camping.
    - c. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, on designated trails, or in designated areas only.
    - d. Open to hunting in season.
    - e. Closed to discharge of firearms within mile radius of visitor parking area.
  30. Wenima Wildlife Area (located in Unit 2B):
    - a. No open fires.
    - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
    - c. No overnight public camping.
    - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads only, except as permitted by R12-4-110 (G).
    - e. Posted portions closed to discharge of all firearms.
    - f. Open to hunting in season.
  31. White Mountain Grasslands Wildlife Area (located in Unit 1):
    - a. No open fires.
    - b. No overnight public camping
    - c. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads only, except as permitted by R12-4-110 (G).
    - d. Posted portions closed to public entry.
    - e. Open to hunting in season.
  32. Whitewater Draw Wildlife Area (located in Unit 30B):
    - a. Open fires allowed in designated areas only.
    - b. Overnight public camping allowed in designated areas only, for no more than three days within a seven-day period.
    - c. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, on designated trails, or in designated areas only.
    - d. Closed to discharge of centerfire rifled firearms.
    - e. Posted portions closed to public entry from October 15 to March 15 annually.
    - f. Open to hunting in season, except posted portions closed to hunting from October 15 through March 15 annually.
  33. Willcox Playa Wildlife Area (located in Unit 30A):
    - a. Open fires allowed in designated sites only.
    - b. No firewood cutting or gathering.
    - c. Overnight public camping allowed in designated areas only, for no more than 5 days within a 14-day period.
    - d. Motorized vehicle travel permitted on designated roads, on designated trails, or in designated areas only.
    - e. Posted portions closed to public entry from October 15 through March 15 annually.
    - f. Open to hunting in season, except posted portions closed to hunting from October 15 through March 15 annually.
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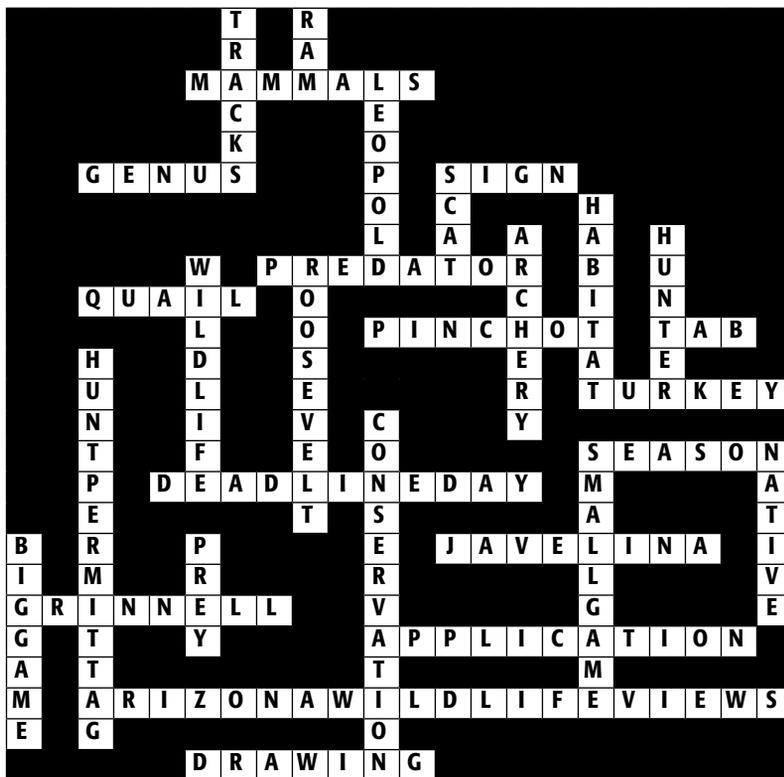
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