

## Controlled Hunts, Special Hunts, Tags and Permits

### What is a Controlled Hunt?

It is a hunt with a limited number of permits in a specific area for a specific species. It is like a general season, but the number of hunters is limited. Controlled hunts are often desirable because of location and timing, and success rates are usually higher than general season hunts. Controlled hunt permits are allocated by a random drawing. Any hunter with a valid Idaho hunting license may apply, with some restrictions. The odds of drawing a permit depend on the number of other applicants and the number of permits available. To participate in a controlled hunt, a hunter must have a **hunting license**. The hunter who draws a **permit** also must buy a tag for the species if he or she intends to hunt.

**To apply**, see instructions on page 72. Controlled hunt applications may be submitted at any hunting and fishing license vendor, Fish and Game office, with a credit card by calling 1-800-55HUNT5 or 1-800-824-3729, or online at <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>.

(Rules for moose, bighorn sheep and mountain goat controlled hunts are covered in their own brochure.)

**Eligibility:** Any person with a valid Idaho hunting license may apply, subject to the following restrictions:

- Holders of a Nongame Hunting license may **not** apply for any controlled hunt.
- A person who has applied for a bighorn sheep, mountain goat, or moose controlled hunt may not apply for any other controlled hunt in the same year, **except** unlimited controlled hunts, a controlled black bear hunt, controlled turkey hunt, extra deer, extra elk, or extra pronghorn controlled hunts, or a designated depredation hunt. In addition, unsuccessful applicants for bighorn sheep, mountain goat or moose controlled hunts are eligible to participate in the second deer, elk and pronghorn application period and in first-come, first-served controlled hunt permit sales for those species.
- A person whose name was drawn in an antlered-only controlled deer hunt may **not** apply for any other controlled antlered-only deer hunt for 1 year **except** for the second deer, elk and pronghorn application period and leftover controlled hunt drawings or sales.
- For example, a hunter who drew a permit in an antlered-only deer hunt in 2008, cannot apply for another antlered-only deer hunt until 2010.
- This waiting period also applies to antlered-only controlled elk hunts.
- There is **no** waiting period to apply for any other deer, elk, pronghorn, or black bear controlled hunt permits. The 1-year waiting period does not apply to controlled hunts with an unlimited number of permits or Landowner Appreciation Permits.

**Permits:** No person may participate in any controlled hunt without a valid controlled hunt permit and tag in their possession. Permits issued based on erroneous information are invalid, and may **not** be used. Fish and Game will notify the person if the permit has been invalidated. The person will remain on the drawn list, and if there is a waiting period in a succeeding year, the person will be required to wait the specified time period. Controlled hunt permits (and tags) may not be exchanged for general season tags.

Any person whose name is drawn in a controlled hunt for deer or elk is prohibited from hunting in any other hunt for the same species (archery, muzzleloader or general), **except** when the hunter has been selected in a controlled extra tag or depredation hunt drawing, or has purchased a leftover nonresident general season tag for that species at nonresident price.

Any person whose name is drawn in a controlled hunt for pronghorn is prohibited from hunting in any other pronghorn hunt, including archery seasons.

**Nonresident Permit Limitations:** In controlled hunts with 10 or fewer permits, not more than 1 nonresident permit may be issued. In controlled hunts with more than 10 permits, **except** unlimited controlled hunts, not more than 10 percent of the permits may be issued to nonresidents. **Note:** If a resident applies for a controlled hunt on a group application with a nonresident, and the 10-percent nonresident limitation has been met, the entire group application will be rejected, including any residents.

### Restrictions:

- Only 1 application per person or group will be accepted for the same species, **except** a person may apply for 1 extra deer hunt and 1 extra elk hunt.
- Several applications may be submitted in a single envelope (see the controlled hunt worksheet, page 71) as long as each application is for a single species.
- Two, 3 or 4 hunters applying together for the same deer, elk or pronghorn controlled hunt is considered a group application.
- Two hunters applying together for the same black bear or turkey controlled hunt is considered a group application.
- If a group application exceeds the number of permits available in a hunt, that application will be rejected.

**Youth only:** Some controlled hunts are limited to youths only. Only hunters under 18 years of age with a valid license may apply for a youth-only hunt, **except** hunters 65 or older, or possessing a disabled combination license may buy a leftover youth-only controlled hunt permit, first-come, first-served, beginning at 10 a.m. Mountain Time, August 25.

# Application Instructions

**To Complete the Application Worksheet:** Enter the complete **hunt number** of your first and second (optional) choice. All hunt numbers are 4 digits and **do not** correspond to unit numbers. These numbers are found in the left hand column of the controlled hunt tables. The hunt numbers are subject to change each year so be sure to use this 2009 Big Game Seasons brochure when applying for any deer, elk or pronghorn controlled hunt in 2009 or January 2010. The spring 2010 black bear controlled hunts are listed in this brochure.

Each hunting license has an 11-digit number. Enter the complete hunting license number.

**Group Applicants:** Two hunters may apply on the same application for turkey, spring and fall black bear, moose, sheep, goat, Canada goose, or sandhill crane. Up to 4 hunters may apply on the same application for deer, elk, or pronghorn.

**Unreadable, Incomplete Applications:** Any application that is unreadable, has incomplete or incorrect hunt or license numbers, or that lacks the required fee will be declared void and will not be entered in the drawing.

Any person desiring to change an application after it has been submitted may cancel it at a regional Fish and Game office or headquarters. You must pay all fees again when re-applying.

## Controlled Hunt Worksheet Application

**How Many Hunters Are Applying?**

**DESIGNATE \$1 of FEE TO C.A.P?**  
*(Citizens Against Poaching)*

	Yes	No
<i>(Single application for deer, elk, pronghorn, bear, moose, goat, sheep, Canada goose, sandhill crane, or turkey)</i>		
<b>NAME #1</b>		
<b>Date of Birth</b>		
<b>LICENSE NUMBER</b>	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="checkbox"/>	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="checkbox"/>
<i>(Group application for deer, elk, pronghorn, bear, moose, goat, sheep, Canada goose, sandhill crane, or turkey)</i>		
<b>NAME #2</b>		
<b>Date of Birth</b>		
<b>LICENSE NUMBER</b>	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="checkbox"/>	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="checkbox"/>
<i>(Group application for deer, elk, or pronghorn only)</i>		
<b>NAME #3</b>		
<b>Date of Birth</b>		
<b>LICENSE NUMBER</b>	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="checkbox"/>	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="checkbox"/>
<i>(Group application for deer, elk, or pronghorn only)</i>		
<b>NAME #4</b>		
<b>Date of Birth</b>		
<b>LICENSE NUMBER</b>	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="checkbox"/>	<input style="width: 20px; height: 20px;" type="checkbox"/>
<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>		
<b>1st Choice Hunt Number</b>	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>	<b>2nd Choice Hunt Number</b>

*Controlled Hunt Applicants: Use this form for one species application only.  
You may photocopy this form.*

Application fee is \$6.25 per person per species.

## Controlled Hunt Application

Applications may be submitted electronically at any Fish and Game license vendor; made using a credit card by calling 1-800-55HUNT5 or 1-800-824-3729; or on the Internet at <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>. Application worksheets may be mailed, with proper fees, to any Fish and Game office (see page 2.) The main office is Idaho Department of Fish and Game, P. O. Box 25, Boise, ID 83707.

Use the worksheet page 71 to speed up the application process. Fill in the blanks with your hunting license and controlled hunt numbers before you apply.

### Fees

Applicants for controlled hunts for deer, elk, pronghorn or black bear must submit a nonrefundable application fee with each application. **The fee is \$6.25 for each applicant for each species**; \$1 of this fee may be designated for the Citizens Against Poaching program.

A single payment, either cashier's check, money order, certified check or personal check, may be submitted to cover fees for all applications in the same envelope when using the controlled hunt worksheet and applying by mail. If a payment is insufficient to cover fees, all applications will be voided.

### Do not mail cash.

**Do not** include tag fees with controlled hunt application.

**Phone applications** for controlled hunt drawings for deer, elk, bear, or pronghorn may be processed by using Visa, MasterCard, or Discover cards, and calling: 1-800-554-8685 or 1-800-824-3729. The charge for processing phone-in applications is **3 percent of the transaction plus \$5.50**, in addition to the nonrefundable application fee.

**Internet applications** may be made on the Fish and Game Website at <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>. Internet charge is **3 percent of the transaction plus \$3.50**, in addition to the nonrefundable application fee.

### Drawing Results

**Applicant Notification:** All successful applicants, except those applying for spring black bear, will be notified by mail at the address listed on their hunting license by July 10. Successful spring black bear applicants will be notified by mail no later than March 10. Results also will be available on the Fish and Game Website, <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>. Unsuccessful applicants will not be notified.

**Successful applicants for deer, elk, fall black bear or pronghorn controlled hunts must purchase their controlled hunt permit and tag not later than August 1**, at any license vendor, Fish and Game office, through the Internet, or by telephone at 800-554-8685 or 800-824-3729. The permit fee is \$7.75. Maps of controlled hunt areas are available at Fish and Game regional offices.

**Applicants who already have a general season tag must return it to a Fish and Game office to be exchanged for the appropriate controlled hunt tag.**

**Nonresident hunting license holders** who already have tags will be notified to send them in for exchange, along with \$7.75 for the controlled hunt permit.

**Lifetime license (Certificate) holders** with nonresident tag privileges, who already have tags, will be notified to send them in for exchange, along with \$7.75 for the controlled hunt permit.

**Unclaimed Permits:** All deer, elk or pronghorn controlled hunt permits and tags not picked up by August 1 will be entered into a second controlled hunt drawing.

### Leftover Controlled Hunts

**Second drawings:** To ensure everyone has equal opportunity at leftover and unclaimed controlled hunt permits, there will be 2 drawings for deer, elk, pronghorn and fall black bear hunts. All unclaimed permits, and all leftovers, (does not include unlimited hunts) will be available for a second drawing on August 20. The application period is from August 5 to 15.

Any permits left over after the second drawing will be sold first-come, first-served. The 10 percent nonresident limitation shall not apply. **Applicants for a leftover permit must submit the application fee.**

Nonresident quotas and waiting period restrictions do not apply in the second drawing or leftover sales.

**Leftover controlled hunt permits from the second deer, elk, pronghorn and fall black bear drawing go on sale August 25.**

Leftover controlled hunt permits for spring black bear go on sale April 1.

### Mark your calendar for:

- **May 1 - June 5** – First deer, elk, pronghorn, fall bear application period.
- **July 10** – Winners of first deer, elk, pronghorn drawing notified by this date.
- **August 1** – Last date for purchase of permits from first deer, elk, pronghorn, fall bear drawing.
- **August 5-15** – Second application period for deer, elk, pronghorn, fall bear.
- **August 25** – Winners of second drawing for deer, elk, pronghorn, and fall bear will be notified by this date.
- **August 25** – Leftover permits from second deer, elk, pronghorn, bear drawing go on sale at 10 a.m.
- **August 28** – Residents or nonresidents may buy a leftover nonresident general season deer or elk tag at full nonresident price starting this day, as a second tag.

Unsuccessful applicants may participate in general hunts where appropriate tags are available.

## Refunds and Overpayment

**Refunds:** Fees for hunting licenses will not be refunded to unsuccessful or ineligible applicants. Application fees for controlled hunts are not refundable.

**Nonresidents:** Refer to refund policy on Page 90.

**Overpayments:** Overpayment of fees of more than \$5 will be refunded.

Overpayments of \$5 or less will **not** be refunded and will be retained by Fish and Game.

## Extra Deer and Elk Hunts

All controlled deer and elk hunt areas designated by an "X" are extra deer or elk hunts, usually for antlerless deer or elk. Hunters may apply for a regular controlled hunt and a controlled hunt designated for extra deer and elk tags on a separate application. For example, you may apply for a regular controlled hunt and send in a second controlled hunt application for an X hunt. Hunters also may buy a general deer and elk tag, and apply for an X hunt. If you draw a permit for an X hunt, you could harvest a deer or elk during the general season and a second deer or elk in the extra controlled hunt.

## Unlimited hunts

Unlimited hunts are controlled hunts in which only those who apply during the regular controlled hunt period can obtain a permit.

## Special Hunts, Tags and Permits

### Depredation Hunts

Special controlled hunts are sometimes used to relieve big game damage problems on agricultural crops. If these hunts are needed, they will be held on short notice, involve small areas and be limited to a few hunters.

### How Can I Participate?

If you are an Idaho resident with a valid hunting or combination license, fill out the form on page 74 and mail it to the regional office in the area(s) you are willing to hunt. You, and a partner if you like, may apply in different regions for deer, elk and pronghorn. But you may apply only once each year for deer, once for elk, and once for pronghorn. These forms may be copied if necessary.

All applications received before June 30 will be placed in random order. All applications received after June 30 will be placed at the end of the list in the order received. The list will be valid from July 1 to the following June 30.

### What Are My Chances of Drawing A Depredation Permit?

Most regions issue only a handful of depredation permits each year. If a controlled antlerless or doe/fawn hunt is open or about to open in the depredation area, holders of those permits will be given the first option to participate in the depredation hunt. After antlerless or doe/fawn controlled

hunts have ended, participants will be selected in order from the depredation hunt list.

Generally, applications received after June 30 have little chance of being selected.

**Landowner Appreciation Permits:** Owners of at least 640 acres in 1 hunt area that provides significant habitat values for deer, elk or pronghorn, may be eligible for a Landowner Appreciation Permit. For further information, see the Landowner Appreciation Permit rules for deer, elk and pronghorn or contact any department office.

Eligible landowners need to register their land and eligible applicants before applying for Landowner Appreciation Permits. Land registration is done at regional offices. Landowners need to register their land and eligible applicants only once. Applications will be accepted on or after June 15 of each year. Applications received by July 15 will be randomly drawn. Any permits left after the drawing will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Landowner Permission Hunts:** Landowner permission hunts have been established by commission in order to alleviate localized wildlife problems. Landowner permission permits will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis at Nampa, McCall, Magic Valley and headquarters Fish and Game offices after July 15. Any person applying for an elk or pronghorn landowner permission hunt must have a permission slip from a landowner who owns more than 159 acres in the hunt area. Permission slips must have the landowner's name, address and signature.

**Idaho National Laboratory (INL) Elk and Pronghorn Permit:** A pass is required from the Idaho Fish and Game office, 4279 Commerce Circle, Idaho Falls, to hunt elk in the Lemhi, Beaverhead or Snake River Elk Zones or pronghorn in Units 51, 58, or 63 within 1/2 mile inside the north and east boundary of the Idaho National Laboratory, which is adjacent to agricultural land. Hunting of all other species on INL land is prohibited.

## 2009 - 2010 DEPREDATION HUNT APPLICATION

1st Hunter \_\_\_\_\_ Hunting license No. \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Work) \_\_\_\_\_

2nd Hunter \_\_\_\_\_ Hunting license No. \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Work) \_\_\_\_\_

I/We are applying for (check one)  Deer  Elk  Black Bear  Turkey  Pronghorn Depredation Hunts

### Game Management Units

### Send To:

1-7, 9 .....2885 W. Kathleen Avenue, Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815

8, 8A, 10-19, 20.....3316 - 16th St., Lewiston, ID 83501

19A, 20A, 22-26, 31-35, 38-42 ..... 3101 South Powerline Rd., Nampa, ID 83686

43-49, 52-57 .....324 South 417 East, Suite #1, Jerome, ID 83338

66A, 68, 68A, 70-78..... 1345 Barton Rd., Pocatello, ID 83204

50, 51, 58-66, 67, 69 ..... 4279 Commerce Circle, Idaho Falls, ID 83401

21, 21A, 27-30A, 36-37A .....P.O. Box 1336, Salmon, ID 83467

**Clip and mail to appropriate Regional Office, Idaho Department of Fish and Game, Attn.: Depredation Hunts.**

## Other Permit Information

**Exchange of Deer or Elk Tags:** Hunters may exchange general season elk tags for use in another zone at any Fish and Game office. Likewise, deer hunters may exchange a general season deer tag for another deer tag at any Fish and Game office. A fee of \$3.75 will be charged. Only 1 exchange is allowed. The exchange must be completed before the first opening hunt date for the tag being exchanged. For any area with a quota on tags, exchanges must be made before the quota for that tag type has been sold.

### Nonresident Deer Tag – Use for Black Bear or Mountain Lion

Nonresident deer tags, **excluding** Nonresident Junior Mentored deer tags, are valid to take a black bear or mountain lion, if a season is open for that species, instead of a deer where and when the deer tag is valid, and there is an open deer season in that same unit. Hunters may buy other bear or lion tags, but after the deer tag is used to harvest a deer, black bear or mountain lion, a second deer tag may not be purchased – except in an area where the harvest of 2 deer is allowed, or by buying a leftover nonresident deer tag when available.

**Note:** Residents or nonresidents may buy 1 unsold general season nonresident deer tag and/or elk tag at the nonresident price starting August 28, to be used as a second tag. This

second nonresident general season deer tag may also be used to tag a black bear or mountain lion instead of a deer.

### Nonresident Reduced Bear and Mountain Lion Tags:

In the Lolo, Selway, or Middle Fork Zone units (Units 10, 12, 16A, 17, 19, 20, 20A, 26, and 27), and in that portion of Unit 16 north of the Selway River, nonresidents may use reduced bear or reduced mountain lion tags, available at the discounted price of \$31.75. Reduced bear and reduced mountain lion tags are valid **only** in these units. *To hunt bears and lions in any other unit, hunters must purchase a regular bear or lion tag at the regular price.*

**Hunters who have already purchased a bear or lion tag at the regular price will not get a refund to purchase a reduced tag.**