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Central Coast District Office - (707) 944-5548

South Central District - (559) 243-4005

Southern District - (760) 947-8859

Southern District Office - (562) 799-8381

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[www.dfg.ca.gov/huntered/](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/huntered/)

## HUNTING GUIDE SERVICES

For a list of licensed California hunting guides, visit:

[www.dfg.ca.gov/licensing/hunting/hunting.html](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/licensing/hunting/hunting.html).

Click on the "Publications and Lists" tab.

## CALIFORNIA HUNTING LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The full text of California's hunting regulations can be found in Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, and in the California Fish and Game Code. Both can be found on the DFG Web site at [www.dfg.ca.gov/regulations/index.html](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/regulations/index.html). Printed copies of the regulations are also available at DFG offices and license agents.

All applications for the big game drawing must be received at the DFG's License and Revenue Branch at 1740 N. Market Blvd. in Sacramento by 5:00 PM, June 2, 2009. To avoid being disqualified from the 2009 big game drawing, mail your application early or give yourself plenty of time to travel to the License and Revenue Branch.

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This booklet is intended to assist hunters in applying for deer and other big game tags. It does not replace the California Hunting Regulations for Mammals and Furbearers. For more detailed information concerning regulations, consult the *California Hunting Regulations*, available at any DFG office (see page 4 for phone numbers); or online at [www.dfg.ca.gov/regulations/index.html](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/regulations/index.html).

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# WHAT'S NEW THIS YEAR

## NEW PROPOSED CLASSIFICATION OF DEER TAGS

## OTHER CHANGES

**THE DFG IS PROPOSING SOME CHANGES THAT WILL AFFECT MANY DEER HUNTING ZONES. THE CHANGES WOULD RECLASSIFY HUNTS INTO THE FOLLOWING THREE CATEGORIES:**

**1 "PREMIUM DEER HUNT TAGS"** Any hunt that filled on or before the first business day after July 1 in the immediately preceding license year. You must use your First-Deer Tag Application to apply for a premium deer tag. In 2008, zones C, D12 and D17 filled before July 1. Under the proposed regulations C, D12 and D17 will be premium deer hunt tags in 2009, which will be issued in the annual big game drawing. Hunters will lose all deer preference points if they receive these tags as their first choice tag.

**2 "RESTRICTED DEER HUNT TAGS"** Any hunt that filled on or before the first business day after Aug. 1 of the immediately preceding license year. Note: premium hunts by definition would also be restricted hunts. Hunt A1 and zone D6 tags would be restricted deer hunt tags and would be issued upon request using a First-Deer Tag Application through Aug. 1. After Aug. 1, restricted tags would be issued upon request using either a First-Deer or Second-Deer Tag Application.

**3 "UNRESTRICTED DEER HUNT TAGS"** Any hunt that did not fill on or before the first business day after Aug. 1 in the immediately preceding license year.

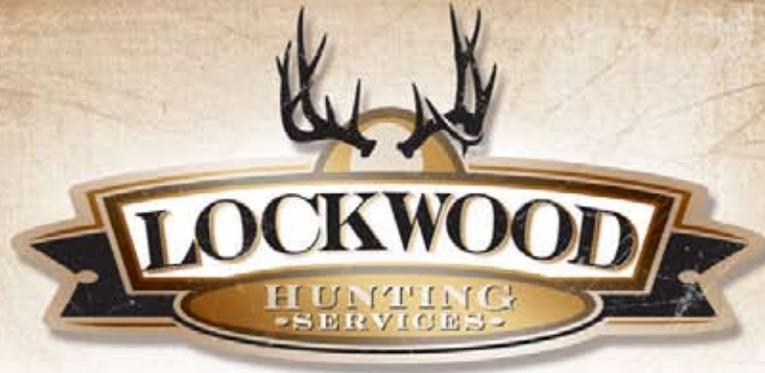
In 2008, A17, A18, A19, A22, A31 and A32 tag quotas did not fill on or before Aug. 1, therefore these hunts are now unrestricted and will be issued upon request on either a First-Deer or Second-Deer Tag Application.

The following D zone tags will be unrestricted deer hunt tags and will be issued upon request using either a First-Deer or Second-Deer Tag Application: D3-5, D7, D8, D9, D10, D11, D13, D14, D15, D16, D19.

**DEER TAG NAME CHANGE** The Archery Only #1 and #2 tags have been combined, making the tag an Archery Only (AO) tag to be issued on either a First-Deer or Second-Deer Tag Application.

**JUNIOR HUNTING LICENSE REQUIREMENT** Fish and Game Code, Section 3031 was amended to change the eligibility requirements to obtain a Junior Hunting License. To qualify for a Junior Hunting License, a hunter must be less than 16 years of age at the beginning of the license year (July 1).

**NEW BEAR HUNTING OPPORTUNITY** The DFG has proposed two changes to California's hunting regulations. One would allow bear hunting in San Luis Obispo County; the other proposal would eliminate the in-season quota that sometimes brings the statewide bear season to an early close.



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## HUNTING LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

Anyone applying for a hunting license must provide evidence that they meet hunter education requirements. Applicants must present one of the following as evidence of hunter education when applying for a California hunting license:

- An annual California hunting license issued in any prior year;
- A two-day nonresident California hunting license issued after the 1999/2000 license year;
- A written declaration which states that the applicant had a California hunting license in any prior year, but that license is now lost or destroyed;
- A California certificate of hunter education completion or equivalency with a California hunter education validation stamp (see Hunter Education Program, page 9);
- A certificate of successful completion of a California-approved hunter education course from any state or province; or
- A current hunting license or a hunting license issued in either of the two previous years from any state Hunting License, province, European Country, or South Africa.

## VALIDATION OF LICENSES

To be valid, every California hunting license shall be signed by the licensee, and the license shall show the date of issue. In addition, the license shall contain the following information about the applicant: true name, residence address, date of birth, height, weight, color of eyes, color of hair, and sex.

## LICENSE PROVISIONS

A California hunting license is required for taking any bird or mammal. Hunters must carry licenses and be prepared to show them on request to any peace officer. Guns and other equipment used in hunting must be shown on request. A trapping license is required to sell furs of furbearing mammals and nongame mammals, regardless of the method of take.

## REFUND POLICY

**Refunds will not be issued for premium deer tags or California hunting licenses. Tag/application fees are nonrefundable unless stated otherwise. Refunds will not be issued for area closures due to fire, weather or any other conditions.**

The purchase of hunting licenses and tags is an investment in the continued existence of California's hunting heritage. Funds raised from the sale of these items are used to conduct surveys and research, perform habitat maintenance and improvement projects, and meet the administrative requirements necessary to conduct all hunting seasons. Any reduction in this funding impacts the DFG's ability to perform these duties.

## DUPLICATE HUNTING LICENSES

California hunting licenses come with an Application For Duplicate Hunting License. If you lose your hunting license, you must turn in your Application For Duplicate Hunting License at a license agent or DFG office to obtain a duplicate.

Keep your Application For Duplicate in a safe place! If you lose your license and your Application For Duplicate, you must pay the full fee to replace your license.

## DISABLED VETERAN HUNTING LICENSES

If you are a disabled veteran, you may be eligible for a reduced-fee hunting license, available only at DFG offices. To qualify for this license, you must submit **both** of the following:

- a letter from the Veterans Administration verifying that you have a 50 percent or greater service connected disability and were honorably discharged from the United States armed forces; and
- evidence of meeting California hunter education requirements.

To renew this license, you may submit a previously issued disabled veteran hunting license as proof of eligibility. Hunting tags and species stamps must be purchased at full fee.

## PERMIT FOR DISABLED ARCHERS

The Disabled Archer Permit is valid for one year, from July 1 through June 30, and requires certification from a licensed physician that the hunter cannot hold a bow in the firing position. If the language from the physician indicates that the hunter's disability is permanent the hunter will be able to provide a copy of their previously issued Disabled Archer Permit to obtain a new permit rather than obtaining certification from a licensed physician again. Contact your nearest DFG office for an application.

## HUNTER SURVEY

License agents are being asked to capture the name, driver license or identification number, date of birth, and address, of one hunter per hunting license book. Licensee information will be provided to DFG biologists to conduct surveys. This information is critical to allow the DFG to more accurately estimate hunter effort and harvest rates. Hunter participation is voluntary and providing the driver license or identification number is optional; however, it will help expedite the data entry process.

If you would like more information regarding the hunter surveys, please contact Jesse Garcia of the DFG's Wildlife Branch at (916) 445-3709 or via email at: [JGarcia@dfg.ca.gov](mailto:JGarcia@dfg.ca.gov).

# USE INFORMATION

## HARVEST INFORMATION PROGRAM (HIP) STAMP REQUIREMENT

If you plan to hunt migratory game birds in 2009/2010 (ducks, geese, coots, dove, band-tailed pigeon, snipe, gallinules or black brant) you must complete a Harvest Information Program (HIP) survey and affix a **free** HIP Stamp to your California Hunting License. HIP surveys and stamps are available at license agents. Hunters may be cited for hunting migratory game birds without a HIP stamp affixed to their license.

## LICENSE PRIVILEGES CAN BE REVOKED

*The Fish and Game Code provides that the Fish and Game Commission shall revoke the hunting privileges of any person who is convicted of three violations of the state's hunting laws or regulations within any five-year period. FGC 12155, T-14 745.5.*

# HUNTER EDUCATION PROGRAM

## HUNTER EDUCATION CLASSES

There are no age restrictions for hunter education classes but most instructors set a minimum age requirement of 10 years of age. Classes include at least 10 hours of instruction in a wide range of topics, such as hunting ethics, wildlife conservation and management, safe firearms handling, first aid, survival, wildlife identification, and care of game. There is a minimal fee to cover the instructor's out-of-pocket expenses. For information on upcoming classes, or to take a hunter education course online, visit the DFG Web site at: [www.dfg.ca.gov/huntered/](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/huntered/).

## HUNTER EDUCATION EQUIVALENCY EXAMS

Hunter education equivalency exams are given by appointment at DFG regional offices for a fee. (California equivalency certificates may not be accepted as evidence of hunter education in some states.)

## HUNTING LICENSES AND TAG FEES

*Includes five percent license agent handling fee and \$4.00 nonrefundable processing fee for deer and bear tag applications. License Year runs July 1, 2009–June 30, 2010.*

### Hunting Licenses

Resident, age 16 and over .....	\$41.20
Nonresident .....	\$143.35
Junior (resident/nonresident), under age 16 .....	\$10.75
Disabled Veteran* .....	\$6.25
Duplicate (annual licenses only) .....	\$9.20

### Hunting Tag Applications

#### First-Deer Tag Application

Resident .....	\$27.55
Nonresident .....	\$242.80

#### Second-Deer Tag Application

Resident .....	\$34.40
Nonresident .....	\$242.80

#### Duplicate/Exchange Deer Tag .....

#### Bear Tag Application

Resident .....	\$40.45
Nonresident* .....	\$243.75

#### Wild Pig Hunting Tags

Resident .....	\$19.70
Nonresident .....	\$66.15

#### Bobcat Tags\*\* .....

#### Big Game Drawing Applications

	Single	Party
Antelope .....	\$7.50	\$15.00
Elk .....	\$7.50	\$15.00
Bighorn Sheep .....	\$7.50	

#### Hunter Education

Hunter Education Equivalency Exam .....	\$47.00
Duplicate Hunter Education Certificate .....	\$5.25

#### Hunting Stamps

Upland Game Bird Stamp .....	\$8.40
California Duck Stamp .....	\$17.85

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\*\* Available from DFG offices and select license sales agents.

**Looking for a license agent in your area? Visit our Web site at [www.dfg.ca.gov/licensing/index.html](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/licensing/index.html).**

## DUPLICATE HUNTER EDUCATION CERTIFICATES

Duplicate hunter education certificates can be issued to any person who completed and passed a hunter education class after 1989. The DFG does not have records before this date. If the class was completed prior to 1989, the hunter should contact the original instructor, club, or organization where the course was taught to obtain a duplicate. If the hunter is unable to obtain a duplicate through these means, they will have to repeat the course. There is a fee for a duplicate certificate. Contact your nearest DFG office for additional information.

## ARCHERY TRAINING

The DFG recommends participation in the National Bowhunter Education Foundation's archery training course for all persons using archery equipment. Please contact your nearest DFG regional office or [www.nbef.org](http://www.nbef.org) for information on class availability.

# ~ PROTECT OUR DEER & ELK ~

## CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE: NEW REGULATION

**C**hronic Wasting Disease (CWD) is a fatal disease that has spread to wild deer and elk herds in 11 states and two Canadian provinces. To prevent the spread of the disease into California, out-of-state hunters face restrictions on the importation of hunter-harvested deer and elk into California.

Animal parts that present a low risk of disease transmission are allowed into California. These include skull plates with hide attached, and noncommercial processed cuts of meat—as long as there is no part of any brain or spinal tissue attached.

The “high risk” animal parts, including the brain and backbone, are prohibited. Violations can result in a criminal charge being filed.

### FOLLOW OTHER STATES' CWD REGULATIONS

If you will be hunting out of state in a known CWD endemic area, you should receive information at the time you receive your hunting tag(s) regarding disposal of the carcass remains and mandatory or voluntary CWD testing.

### USE CAUTION WHEN HANDLING GAME

- Wear rubber gloves when field dressing carcasses;
- Bone out meat from the animal;
- Minimize the handling of brain and spinal cord, eyes, spleen, and lymph nodes and avoid consuming these tissues;
- Wash hands and instruments thoroughly after field dressing is completed.



Elk with Chronic Wasting Disease. Photo by Dr. Terry Kreeger, Wyoming Game and Fish Department.

## CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE REGULATION (CCR, TITLE 14, SECTION 712)

It is unlawful to import, or possess any hunter harvested deer or elk (cervid) carcass or parts of any cervid carcass imported into the State, except for the following body parts:

(a) portions of meat with no part of the spinal column, brain or head attached (leg, shoulder, rib and other bones detached from the spinal column and head are allowed).

(b) hides and capes (no spinal column, brain tissue or head may be attached).

(c) clean skull plates (no brain tissue may be present) with antlers attached.

(d) antlers with no brain tissue attached (antlers in the velvet stage are allowed, if no brain tissue is attached).

(e) finished taxidermy mounts with no spinal column or brain tissue attached.

(f) upper canine teeth (buglers, whistlers, ivories).



Illustration by Warden Rick Fischer.

# KEEP THE LEAD OUT OF CONDOR RANGE

The Fish and Game Commission adopted regulations prohibiting the use of projectiles containing lead from a firearm for hunting deer, bear, wild pig, elk, and pronghorn antelope in areas designated as California condor range. Lead projectiles are also banned in the same areas when hunting coyote, ground squirrels, and other nongame wildlife. The ban encompasses the historic range of the condor covering approximately 20 percent of the state.

**A** projectile is defined as any bullet, ball, sabot, slug, buckshot or other device which is expelled from a firearm through a barrel by force.

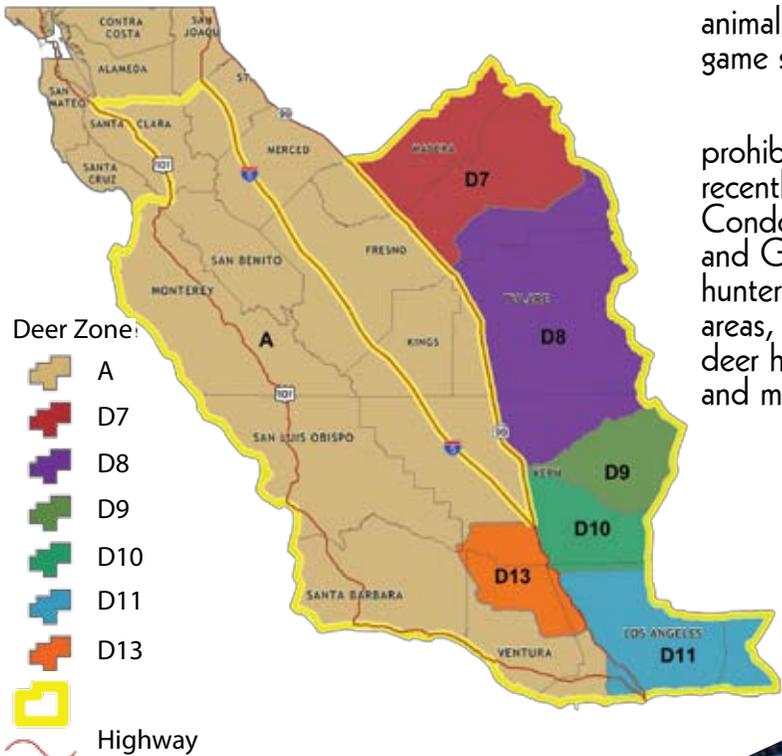
It is illegal to use any projectile that contains more than one percent lead for hunting big game or nongame within the condor area. This includes all projectiles from any legal firearm, including centerfire rifles, shotguns, pistols and revolvers, as well as muzzleloading rifles and rimfire firearms. A list of non-lead legal ammunition for hunting in the condor range can be found on the DFG Web site at [www.dfg.ca.gov/wildlife/hunting/condor/](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/wildlife/hunting/condor/).

The Commission prohibited the possession of lead projectiles, and a firearm capable of firing such projectiles, while big game or nongame hunting within the specified range. Otherwise, lead projectiles may be possessed.

Lead bullets for .22 rimfire or smaller firearms are legal when sport hunting for small game mammals but prohibited for nongame animals in condor range under the current adopted regulations.

Hunters can legally hunt jackrabbit, cottontail, and tree squirrel using lead projectiles, but not ground squirrels in the same area. Part of the reasoning for this is that, unlike nongame animals that are hunted and usually left in the field, game species must be retrieved and not wasted.

The geographic area where lead is prohibited is exactly the same area described in the recently enacted Assembly Bill 821 - Ridley-Tree Condor Preservation Act and entered into the Fish and Game Code as Section 3004.5. To assist hunters in understanding and visualizing affected areas, the lead prohibition area is also known as deer hunt zones D7, D8, D9, D10, D11, D13, and most (but not all) of the South A zone.



# ABOUT THE BIG GAME DRAWING

Big Game Drawing Deadline: June 2, 2009

## GENERAL INFORMATION

All premium deer hunt tags and elk, antelope and bighorn sheep tags are distributed through the DFG Big Game Drawing.

Under a Modified Preference Point System drawing, tag quotas for each hunt are split into two portions: one portion awarded by preference point drawings; the other portion awarded in Draw-By-Choice drawings. Quota splits vary, depending on the species, total number of available tags, or other special criteria (such as those for Apprentice Hunts).

Instructions for completing elk, antelope and bighorn sheep applications can be found on page 34, and deer tag application instructions begin on page 13.

All Big Game Tag Applications for the annual Big Game Drawing must be **received** at the DFG's License and Revenue Branch, in Sacramento, by 5:00 p.m. on June 2, 2009.

## HOW THE DEER DRAWINGS WORK

- The DFG will run the draw within 10 business days of the application deadline.
- After the application deadline, when all applicant information has been entered, the computer assigns each person (or party) a unique random number. Hunters who apply as a party receive the same random number as the party leader.
- Just prior to the drawing, the computer sorts all applications according to first tag choice, preference point totals, and random number.
- The computer begins awarding first tag choices to applicants with the most preference points, in random

number order (starting with the lowest random number to the highest random number).

- After the preference point round is completed, unsuccessful applications are resorted by hunt choice and random number order (starting with the lowest random number to the highest random number), and the computer begins awarding tags based on applicant's first-choice without consideration of accumulated points, until all draw-by-choice tag quotas fill or until all applications have been processed.
- All remaining unsuccessful applications are then sorted by second tag choice, in random number order (starting with the lowest random number to the highest random number) and the computer conducts a second round of drawings for any zones and hunts with tags remaining without consideration of accumulated points.
- If tags remain after second tag choices have been processed, applications are sorted once again by third tag choice, in random number order (starting with the lowest random number to the highest random number), and any remaining tags are awarded without consideration of accumulated points.
- Applications not drawn in the third round are submitted for refund or hunters are notified of available tags so they may reapply.

## DRAWING RESULTS

Deer tags and unsuccessful drawing notices will be mailed to drawing participants as soon as possible after the drawing. Beginning June 24, 2009, draw results will be available by phone during regular business hours from DFG license sales offices. On that date applicants may also look up draw results on the DFG's Web site at:

<https://biggame.dfg.ca.gov/biggame>.

## NOTIFYING SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS

Successful applicants should receive their tags by July 2, 2009. If you do not receive your tag by this date please contact your nearest DFG license sales office.

## NOTIFYING UNSUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS

After the drawings, notices will be mailed to unsuccessful drawing applicants who did not check the refund box on their original deer tag applications. These applicants should receive a notice by July 2, 2009 that lists zones and available hunts as of the notice date. Applicants must wait for their drawing notices to reapply for available tags. If you are unsuccessful and checked the refund box when you applied, you will be notified by mail and your application will be automatically submitted for a refund. Allow 3 to 6 months to receive your refund.

**Do not** discard your drawing notice as it takes the place of your original deer tag application and must be used to reapply for available tags (either individually or as a party), or to request a refund of your deer tag application fee. Unsuccessful applicants who do not receive their drawing notice by July 2, 2009 should contact any DFG license sales office.

## DEER TAG QUOTA SPLITS

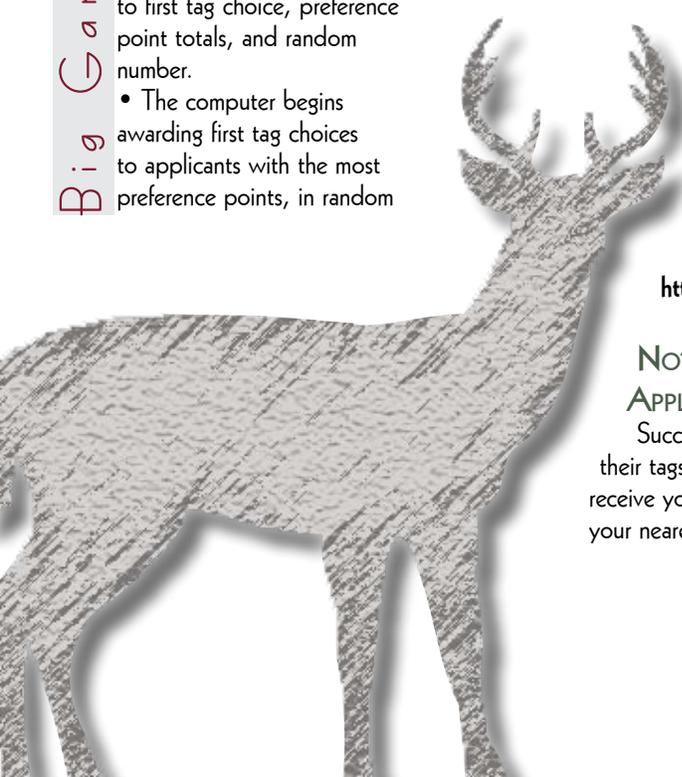
Quota splits are established in regulations adopted by the Fish and Game Commission based on DFG proposals and public input. Please check the Commission's Web site at [www.fgc.ca.gov](http://www.fgc.ca.gov) for information on how to play a role in the regulation-setting process.

## PREMIUM DEER TAGS (EXCLUDING APPRENTICE DEER TAGS)

- Ninety percent (90%) of the individual zone or hunt tag quota shall be awarded using a Preference Point drawing.
- Ten percent (10%) of the individual zone or hunt tag quota shall be awarded using a Draw-by-Choice drawing.
- For zones or hunts with quotas less than ten (10) tags, one (1) tag shall be awarded using a Draw-by-Choice drawing.

## APPRENTICE DEER TAGS

- Fifty percent (50%) of the hunt tag quota shall be awarded through a Preference Point drawing.
- Fifty percent (50%) of the hunt tag quota shall be awarded through a Draw-By-Choice drawing.



# GENERAL DEER TAG INFORMATION

## GENERAL DEER TAG INFORMATION

In addition to a California hunting license, deer tags are also required and must be in possession when taking deer. Applicants for deer tags must be at least 12 years of age on or before July 1 of the license year for which they are applying or at the time of application if they are applying after July 1.

First-Deer and Second-Deer Tag Applications are available at license agents and DFG license sales offices.

Only a First-Deer Tag Application may be used to apply for the Big Game Drawing except that junior hunters may apply for Apprentice Hunts using a Second-Deer Tag Application.

You must purchase a First-Deer Tag Application before purchasing a Second-Deer Tag Application.

It is illegal to submit more than one First-Deer Tag Application and one Second-Deer Tag Application in the same license year. Persons convicted of a deer violation during the 2008/2009 license year may not apply for deer tags in 2009/2010.

If on any day, the DFG receives more applications than there are available tags for any zone or hunt, a drawing may be held for the available tags at the DFG's License and Revenue Branch in Sacramento.

## DEER TAG EXCHANGES

Premium deer tags cannot be exchanged. Tags issued on request may be exchanged if all of the following conditions are met:

1. The earliest season (either archery or general) for the tag being exchanged has not yet opened;
2. The tag quota for the tag being exchanged has not filled;
3. Tags are still available for the zone being requested; and
4. Payment of a nonrefundable exchange tag processing fee accompanies your request.

If you think you were issued the incorrect tag, immediately return it to the DFG office that issued your tag with a written explanation and include the postmarked envelope in which you received the tag (if the tag was issued by mail). The DFG will verify which tag you requested. If it is determined that the DFG issued you the incorrect

tag you will not be required to pay the exchange fee. However, if it is determined that the DFG issued you the tag that you requested you will be required to pay the exchange fee.

## LOST OR DESTROYED DEER TAGS

To replace a lost or destroyed tag, you must file an affidavit with any DFG office and pay a nonrefundable duplicate tag fee. A Big Game Tag affidavit is available online at: [www.dfg.ca.gov/licensing/pdffiles/fg300c.pdf](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/licensing/pdffiles/fg300c.pdf).

## DEER TAG REFUND POLICY

Refunds will not be issued for area closures due to fire, weather, or any other conditions. License agent handling fees and application processing fees are nonrefundable. Once you request a refund of your First-Deer Tag Application or Second-Deer Tag Application fee, you may not buy another application of the same type during the 2009/2010 license year.

You may request a refund for an unissued First-Deer Tag Application, Second-Deer Tag Application, or unsuccessful drawing notice. The deadline for requesting a refund is Jan. 31, 2010. If you checked the refund box on your deer tag application and are unsuccessful in receiving any of your tag choices, you will automatically receive a refund of your application fee. Please allow 3 to 6 months to process your refund.

Premium Deer Tags are nonrefundable. Refunds for unused deer tags issued upon request, may only be requested prior to the opening of the earliest season (either archery or general) for which the tag is valid. You may not request a refund for any zone for which the tag quota has filled.

## *Suggestions for Applying for Deer Tags*

Under proposed regulations for 2009, deer hunts will be classified as premium hunts if the tag quota for the zone filled

on or before July 1 of the immediately preceding license year.

This means C, D12 and D17 will be premium tags and issued through the big game drawing in 2009. To obtain one of these tags, apply through the DFG's Big Game Drawing and mail your application early so it will reach the DFG's License and Revenue Branch in Sacramento by June 2, 2009. If you are drawn for one of these hunts as your first tag choice, you will lose all your accrued deer preference points.

Junior hunters may not apply for Apprentice Hunts on more than one deer tag application.

Junior hunters who wish to apply for a premium deer hunt (excluding Apprentice Hunts) or a restricted deer hunt (A1 and D6 for 2009) must apply for these hunts using a First-Deer Tag Application and submit a Second-Deer Tag Application to apply for Apprentice Hunts.

Consulting the 2008 Deer Tag Drawing Statistics on pages 20-21 can help you to develop your point strategy for the premium deer tag drawing.

Big Game Drawing Deadline: June 2, 2009





# DEER HUNTS

## A, B, AND D ZONE DEER

### TAGS:

These tags allow hunting during the archery season with archery equipment and during the general season with a muzzleloading or centerfire rifle, shotgun, authorized pistol or revolver, crossbow, or bow. Tags are valid for a specific zone except:

- B zone tag is valid in all B zones;
- D3-5 tag is valid in zones D3, D4, and D5; and
- D11, D13, or D15 tag may be used in any of these three zones.

## C ZONE DEER TAGS:

These tags are valid in zones C1, C2, C3, and C4 during the general season only, using a muzzleloading or centerfire rifle, shotgun, authorized pistol or revolver, crossbow, or bow. To hunt with archery equipment during the archery season in any C zone you must apply for an A1 Area-Specific Archery Hunt tag.

## X ZONE DEER TAGS:

These tags allow hunting during the general season only, in a specific zone using a muzzleloading or centerfire rifle, shotgun, authorized pistol or revolver, crossbow, or bow.

## ARCHERY-ONLY (AO)

### DEER TAGS:

These tags allow hunting with archery equipment during the archery and general seasons in A, B, or D zones. An Archery-Only tag may be used by military personnel only for Additional Hunt G10. (To hunt during an X zone archery season, you must have an Area-Specific Archery Hunt tag.) You may not possess a rifle, pistol, revolver or crossbow when hunting with an Archery-Only deer tag except as otherwise provided.

## ADDITIONAL HUNT DEER

### TAGS:

Additional deer hunts offer antlerless, either-sex, and buck hunting opportunities in a variety of locations throughout the state. They include apprentice deer hunts, military lands hunts, and special equipment hunts.

## APPRENTICE DEER HUNTS:

Applicants must be at least 12 years of age on or before July 1 of the license year for which they are applying or at the time of application if they are applying after July 1, and must possess a valid 2009/2010 California junior hunting license. See pages 24 for Apprentice Deer Hunts. Junior hunters receiving tags must be accompanied by a licensed adult 18 years of age or older while hunting.

## MILITARY LANDS HUNTS:

Additional Hunts A33, G8, G9 and J10 are held on military installations

and offer limited numbers of tags for the public. Tags are issued through the DFG's Big Game Drawing.

Additional Hunts G7 (Beale Air Force Base Either-Sex Hunt), G10 (Camp Pendleton Air Force Base Either-Sex Hunt), and G11 (Vandenberg Air Force Base Either-Sex Hunt) are for military personnel only. Military personnel must submit a First or Second-Deer Tag Applications directly to the base.

## AREA-SPECIFIC ARCHERY

### HUNTS:

These tags allow archery hunting in designated areas throughout the state, including X zones.

The following Area Specific Archery Hunts are available at the DFG's license sales offices specified below:

- A1 (Archery Buck in the C zones) – available at the License and Revenue Branch and Redding office;
- A17 - available at the License and Revenue Branch only;
- A18 - available at the License and Revenue Branch only;
- A19 - available at the License and Revenue Branch only;
- A22 (San Diego Archery Either-Sex) - available at the License and Revenue Branch, Los Alamitos and San Diego offices;
- A31 (Los Angeles Archery Either-Sex) - available at the License and Revenue Branch, Los Alamitos and San Diego offices; and
- A32 (Ventura/Los Angeles Archery Late Season Either-Sex) - available at the License and Revenue Branch, Los Alamitos and San Diego offices.

# DEER TAG CLASSIFICATIONS



## PREMIUM DEER TAGS

Premium Deer Tags are defined as any deer hunt for which the tag quota filled on or before July 1 of the immediately preceding license year. Premium Deer Tags are issued through the DFG's Big Game Drawing. To apply for a premium deer tag issued through the Big Game Drawing, applicants must use a First-Deer Tag Application; except for junior hunters applying for Apprentice Hunts (see page 24 for information on Apprentice Hunts).

FOR 2009, THE FOLLOWING ARE PREMIUM DEER TAGS:

- C
- D12
- D17
- X1, X2, X3A, X3B, X4, X5A, X5B, X6A, X6B, X7A, X7B, X8, X9A, X9B, X9C, X10, X12
- M3, M4, M5, M6, M7, M8, M9, M11
- MA1, MA3
- G1, G3, G6, G8, G9, G12, G13, G19, G21, G37, G38, G39
- J1, J3, J4, J7, J8, J9, J10, J11, J12, J13, J14, J15, J16, J17, J18, J19, J20, J21
- A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A8, A9, A11, A12, A13, A14, A15, A16, A20, A21, A24, A25, A26, A27, A30, A33

## RESTRICTED DEER TAGS

Restricted Deer Tags are defined as any deer tag for which the tag quota filled on or before the first business day after August 1 of the immediately preceding license year. To apply for a restricted deer tag prior to Aug. 2, 2009, applicants must use their First-Deer Tag Application. For 2009, the following are Restricted Deer Tags:

- A1
- D6

Beginning August 2, 2009, applicants may use a First-Deer or Second-Deer Tag Application to apply for a Restricted Deer Tag.

## UNRESTRICTED DEER TAGS

Unrestricted Deer Tags are defined as any deer tag for which the tag quota did not fill by the first business day after August 1 of the immediately preceding license year. To apply for an unrestricted deer tag to be issued upon request, applicants must use their First-Deer or Second-Deer Tag Application. Unrestricted deer tags are issued on request until tag quotas fill. You may apply by mail or in person at any DFG license sales office (except for zones A17, A18, A19, A22, A31, A32 –see page 14 for more information).

FOR 2009, THE FOLLOWING ARE UNRESTRICTED DEER TAGS:

- A
- B
- D3-5, D7, D8, D9, D10, D11, D13, D14, D15, D16, D19
- A17, A18, A19, A22, A31, A32
- Archery-Only

# FIRST DEER TAG APPLICATIONS



A FIRST-DEER TAG APPLICATION  
MAY BE USED TO APPLY FOR THE  
FOLLOWING HUNTS:

- PREMIUM DEER TAGS
- RESTRICTED DEER TAGS
- UNRESTRICTED DEER TAGS

## LEFTOVER DRAW TAGS ISSUED BEGINNING JULY 2, 2009

Any Premium Deer Tags remaining after the Big Game Drawing will be issued on request by mail and in person from the DFG's License and Revenue Branch in Sacramento only. Persons with First-Deer Tag Applications or unsuccessful drawing notices may apply for Premium Deer Tags remaining after the drawing (if any are available). If the number of applications received by 5:00 p.m., July 2, 2009 exceeds the number of tags available for a specific zone or hunt, a drawing may be held.

## PREFERENCE POINT ONLY

Applicants who want to earn a preference point for deer but do not want to apply for a premium deer tag must:

1. Purchase a 2009/2010 California hunting license;
2. Purchase a First-Deer Tag Application;
3. Complete the application and write the point code "PD" in the first choice box on the application; and
4. Mail your application to the DFG's License and Revenue Branch in Sacramento. The application must be received by 5:00 p.m., June 2, 2009.

In addition to requesting a preference point, applicants may also use the application to apply for a premium deer tag or deer tag issued on request as their second and third tag choices.

## Do You Hunt IN ANOTHER STATE?

If you do, you must declare any legally taken and possessed game or fish brought back into California. A Declaration For Entry form is on page 63. Additional forms can be found on the DFG web site at

[http://www.dfg.ca.gov/enforcement/docs/declaration\\_form.pdf](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/enforcement/docs/declaration_form.pdf)

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# SECOND DEER TAG APPLICATIONS



AFTER PURCHASING A FIRST-DEER TAG APPLICATION, APPLICANTS MAY PURCHASE A SECOND-DEER TAG APPLICATION TO APPLY FOR THE FOLLOWING:

- UNRESTRICTED DEER TAGS
- APPRENTICE DEER HUNT TAGS
- RESTRICTED DEER TAGS (AFTER AUG. 3, 2009)

Second-Deer Tag Applications cannot be used to apply for Premium Deer Tags through the Big Game Drawing. Exception: Junior hunters who use their First-Deer Tag Application to apply for other tags, may use their Second-Deer Tag Application to apply for Apprentice Deer Hunts through the Big Game Drawing. Junior hunters may only submit one application in the Big

Game Drawing for an Apprentice Deer Hunt; either a First-Deer Tag Application or a Second-Deer Tag Application.

Tags issued to hunters using Second Deer Tag Applications beginning Aug. 3, 2009:

- Any remaining Restricted Deer Tags (A1, D6)
- Any remaining Premium Deer Tags

On Aug. 3, 2009, if any Premium Deer Tags or Restricted Deer Tags remain, they will become available to hunters who apply using Second-Deer Tag Applications.

Tags will be issued on request until tag quotas fill. To apply for a Restricted Deer Tag before Aug. 3, 2009, you must use a First-Deer Tag Application.

If the DFG has received more applications than available tags for any zone or hunt, a drawing may be held. To be included in any drawing, submit your Second-Deer Tag Application in advance to the DFG's License and Revenue Branch in Sacramento.

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# REFILLING OUT DEER TAG APPLICATION

## COMPLETING YOUR DEER TAG APPLICATION

When filling out your deer tag application, follow these steps:

- 1 Purchase a deer tag application from a DFG license sales office or license agent.
- 2 Write your 2009/2010 California hunting license number in the space provided.
- 3 If you applied for last year's Big Game Drawing, you may have received hunter identification labels in the mail. If so, **affix** the hunter identification labels on the application. If not, **print all** required information, including your permanent hunter identification number (driver license or DMV identification number) and your date of birth.
- 4 Clearly print the **Hunt Code** for each choice, in order of preference, on your deer tag application (see pages 22-27). For Area-Specific Archery Hunts, use the hunt code (such as A6), not the zone where the hunt is located.
- 5 Mail your application to:  
Department of Fish and Game  
License and Revenue Branch  
P.O. Box 349020  
Sacramento CA 95834-9020
- 6 Make sure your application is **received** (not postmarked) by the **drawing deadline of 5:00 p.m., June 2, 2009**. Late applications will not be entered into the drawing and applicant will not earn a preference point.

## APPLYING AS A PARTY

Up to six (6) people may apply together by submitting their deer tag applications together, as specified below.

You must meet **all** of the following conditions to be considered a party:

1. All party members must make the same tag choices in the same order on their applications;
2. Each party member's application must show the party leader's name and driver license, DMV identification, or DFG identification number;
3. The party size must not exceed the maximum of six (6) persons; and

4. All party members' applications must be mailed in **one** envelope with the party leader's application on top and **stapled** together. (Party members are awarded tags according to choices listed on the top application.)

You may not add or drop party members once your applications are submitted.

The preference point value for party applications entered in the Big Game Drawing is determined by averaging all party members' points (total preference points of the party divided by the number of party members). Preference point averages are not rounded up or down.

## PLEASE CHECK YOUR APPLICATION CAREFULLY!

You may not make changes to your application once it is received by the DFG.

The information you provide on your application is used to track your preference points for current and future drawings.

Incomplete, incorrect, ineligible, or late applications may prevent you from receiving a deer tag for the 2009/2010 hunting season and earning a preference point for the 2009 season.

Late applications will not be entered into the drawing and applicants will not earn a preference point.

## TOP Reasons Why Deer Tag Applications are Rejected From the Drawing

1. Applications received after the deadline.
2. Invalid zone or hunt code entered on applications.
3. Zone or hunt code not entered on applications.
4. Incorrect application used to apply for the drawing (Second-Deer Tag Application).
5. Applicant is too young to apply.
6. Applications mailed to the wrong address.
7. Applications mailed with insufficient postage.

# 2008 PRELIMINARY DEER HARVEST BY ANTLER CLASS

The following table shows the percentage by antler class of forked horn or better bucks and the total reported buck harvest for zones and hunts as of March 4, 2009\*.

Zone/ Hunt	Two Point Bucks	Three Point Bucks	Four Point Bucks	Four+ Point Bucks	Total Buck Harvest	Zone/ Hunt	Two Point Bucks	Three Point Bucks	Four Point Bucks	Four+ Point Bucks	Total Buck Harvest	Zone/ Hunt	Two Point Bucks	Three Point Bucks	Four Point Bucks	Four+ Point Bucks	Total Buck Harvest
Archery Only 1**	42.2%	32.7%	18.4%	6.8%	147	Zone X8	37.1%	34.3%	20.0%	8.6%	35	Hunt G13	(Antlerless buck harvest)				5
Archery Only 2**	48.0%	30.7%	16.7%	4.7%	150	Zone X9a	43.5%	33.5%	18.8%	3.5%	170	Hunt G19	50.0%		25.0%		4
						Zone X9b	33.8%	36.6%	25.4%	4.2%	71	Hunt G21	(No buck harvest)				0
A Zone (South- Unit 110)	67.4%	24.8%	6.8%	0.7%	2,045	Zone X9c	28.9%	47.4%	23.7%		38	Hunt G37	16.7%	16.7%	58.3%	8.3%	12
A Zone (North- Unit 160)	52.2%	33.4%	13.0%	1.3%	1,516	Zone X10	37.9%	51.7%	6.9%	3.4%	29	Hunt G38	11.8%	29.4%	52.9%	5.9%	17
						Zone X12	27.3%	37.6%	33.2%	1.5%	205	Hunt G39		33.3%	33.3%	33.3%	3
Zone B1	36.4%	36.8%	22.6%	3.9%	1,213	Hunt A1	53.5%	34.0%	9.8%	2.8%	215	Hunt M3		21.4%	71.4%	7.1%	14
Zone B2	50.5%	29.9%	15.7%	3.7%	1,073	Hunt A3	48.3%	41.4%	10.3%		29	Hunt M4	50.0%	25.0%	25.0%		4
Zone B3	52.9%	30.9%	12.7%	3.1%	259	Hunt A4	(No buck harvest)				0	Hunt M5		20.0%	80.0%		5
Zone B4	44.0%	29.9%	21.6%	2.2%	134	Hunt A5	25.0%	41.7%	25.0%	8.3%	12	Hunt M6			33.3%		3
Zone B5	51.3%	33.7%	12.8%	1.9%	312	Hunt A6	58.8%	17.6%	23.5%		17	Hunt M7	(Antlerless buck harvest)				1
Zone B6	39.4%	34.1%	22.0%	4.2%	449	Hunt A7	29.4%	23.5%	41.2%	5.9%	17	Hunt M8	16.7%	33.3%	50.0%		6
Zone C1	35.3%	37.9%	22.6%	3.8%	235	Hunt A8	(No buck harvest)				0	Hunt M9	14.3%	28.6%	42.9%	14.3%	7
Zone C2	44.8%	31.2%	22.4%	1.6%	125	Hunt A9		50.0%	25.0%	25.0%	4	Hunt M11	11.1%		77.8%	11.1%	9
Zone C3	48.5%	30.8%	17.4%	3.3%	299	Hunt A11	22.7%	36.4%	31.8%	9.1%	22	Hunt MA1	50.0%		50.0%		2
Zone C4	52.3%	31.9%	13.3%	2.2%	405	Hunt A12	41.7%	50.0%	8.3%		12	Hunt MA3	85.7%	14.3%			7
Zone D3	50.5%	28.1%	18.7%	2.2%	758	Hunt A13	33.3%	33.3%	33.3%		6	Hunt J1	40.0%	20.0%	20.0%	20.0%	5
Zone D4	47.5%	27.2%	20.8%	4.5%	202	Hunt A14	75.0%	25.0%			4	Hunt J3	33.3%	33.3%	33.3%		6
Zone D5	44.6%	32.8%	17.8%	4.8%	1,083	Hunt A15	33.3%	33.3%	33.3%		3	Hunt J4	40.0%	50.0%	10.0%		10
Zone D6	51.7%	33.0%	13.2%	1.9%	567	Hunt A16	41.7%	41.7%	16.7%		12	Hunt J7	50.0%	50.0%			2
Zone D7	51.0%	31.7%	14.0%	3.1%	357	Hunt A17	75.0%	12.5%	12.5%		8	Hunt J8	66.7%		33.3%		3
Zone D8	56.4%	27.3%	13.4%	2.6%	344	Hunt A18		33.3%	66.7%		3	Hunt J9	50.0%				2
Zone D9	60.7%	26.5%	12.0%	0.9%	117	Hunt A19	100.0%				1	Hunt J10	51.9%	18.5%			27
Zone D10	48.9%	38.3%	10.6%	2.1%	47	Hunt A20	52.9%	35.3%	11.8%		17	Hunt J11	(No buck harvest)				0
Zone D11	66.3%	23.3%	8.8%	1.0%	193	Hunt A21		100.0%			1	Hunt J12		33.3%	50.0%	16.7%	6
Zone D12	16.4%	43.6%	36.4%	3.6%	55	Hunt A22	53.8%	46.2%			13	Hunt J13	(Antlerless buck harvest)				1
Zone D13	65.2%	27.0%	6.5%	0.9%	230	Hunt A24	88.9%	11.1%			9	Hunt J14	33.3%	66.7%			6
Zone D14	50.0%	33.6%	9.9%	5.3%	152	Hunt A25		100.0%			1	Hunt J15	16.7%	16.7%	66.7%		6
Zone D15	83.3%	8.3%	8.3%		12	Hunt A26	14.3%	35.7%	50.0%		14	Hunt J16	50.0%		50.0%		2
Zone D16	53.0%	36.9%	8.6%	1.4%	279	Hunt A27		100.0%			1	Hunt J17	66.7%				3
Zone D17	22.7%	34.8%	31.8%	9.1%	66	Hunt A30	20.0%	40.0%	40.0%		5	Hunt J18	(Antlerless buck harvest)				1
Zone D19	56.1%	29.3%	11.0%	1.2%	82	Hunt A31	57.6%	30.3%	9.1%	3.0%	33	Hunt J19		75.0%		25.0%	4
Zone X1	40.6%	29.6%	23.6%	5.3%	318	Hunt A32	(No buck harvest)				0	Hunt J20	30.0%	30.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10
Zone X2	25.4%	28.6%	34.9%	9.5%	63	Hunt A33	50.0%				2	Hunt J21	25.0%	25.0%	25.0%		4
Zone X3a	24.5%	40.2%	24.5%	9.8%	102	Hunt G1	39.2%	36.3%	21.8%	2.3%	344	Fundraising Tags**			83.3%	16.7%	6
Zone X3b	40.8%	26.1%	24.8%	6.0%	218	Hunt G3	3.8%	11.5%	69.2%	15.4%	26	STATEWIDE TOTALS:	48.7%	31.3%	16.5%	3.0%	15,757
Zone X4	32.4%	32.4%	29.4%	5.9%	136	Hunt G6	25.8%	41.9%	29.0%	3.2%	31						
Zone X5a	40.0%	26.7%	26.7%	6.7%	15	Hunt G7	44.4%		55.6%		9						
Zone X5b	7.9%	42.1%	47.4%	2.6%	38	Hunt G8	(Antlerless buck harvest)				1						
Zone X6a	38.8%	32.8%	21.6%	6.9%	116	Hunt G9	(Antlerless buck harvest)				2						
Zone X6b	41.9%	25.7%	24.3%	8.1%	74	Hunt G10	56.7%	30.0%			30						
Zone X7a	21.7%	41.7%	28.3%	8.3%	60	Hunt G11	38.5%	15.4%	7.7%		13						
Zone X7b	30.8%	38.5%	25.6%	5.1%	39	Hunt G12	50.0%	50.0%			4						

\* Table does not include percentages for unclassified and spike bucks, or Private Lands Management Area (PLM) deer kill, so percentages may not total 100%.

\*\* Archery Only and Fund-raising Tags are listed separately, and are not included within the individual zone or hunt of kill.

# DEER TAG DRAWING STATISTICS

2008

## PREFERENCE DRAWING

## RANDOM (DRAW BY CHOICE) DRAWING

2008	X - ZONE HUNTS	Area Specific Archery Hunts	Hunt Name	Total Quota	PREFERENCE DRAWING				RANDOM (DRAW BY CHOICE) DRAWING							
					Preference Quota	Total 1st Choice Applicants	1st Choice Max Pt Applicants	Tags Awarded	Highest Point Value Awarded tag	Lowest Point Value Awarded tag	Random 1st Choice Quota	Total Tags Awarded by Random Drawing	Tags Awarded to 1st Choice Applicants	Tags Awarded to 2nd Choice Applicants	Tags Awarded to 3rd Choice Applicants	Tags Leftover After the Drawing
			Zone X1	2,280	2,052	3,185	0	2,052	5	0	228	228	228	0	0	0
			Zone X2	180	162	1,151	5	162	6	4	18	18	18	0	0	0
			Zone X3a	250	225	2,099	13	225	6	4	25	25	25	0	0	0
			Zone X3b	845	761	3,167	2	761	6	2	84	84	84	0	0	0
			Zone X4	425	383	1,504	1	383	6	2	42	42	42	0	0	0
			Zone X5a	60	54	889	11	54	6	5	6	6	6	0	0	0
			Zone X5b	85	77	2,489	200	77	6	6	8	8	8	0	0	0
			Zone X6a	325	293	1,235	3	293	6	2	32	32	32	0	0	0
			Zone X6b	375	338	1,046	1	338	6	1	37	37	37	0	0	0
			Zone X7a	205	185	2,041	24	185	6	4	20	20	20	0	0	0
			Zone X7b	125	113	792	1	113	6	4	12	12	12	0	0	0
			Zone X8	230	207	746	2	207	6	1	23	23	23	0	0	0
			Zone X9a	775	698	2,792	3	698	6	2	77	77	77	0	0	0
			Zone X9b	325	293	463	0	293	5.5	0	32	32	32	0	0	0
			Zone X9c	325	293	409	1	293	6	0	32	32	32	0	0	0
			Zone X10	400	360	305	0	305	3	0	40	95	0	95	0	0
			Zone X12	850	765	3,607	10	765	6	2.2	85	85	85	0	0	0
			A1 Archery Hunt In C Zones	2,045	1,841	250	0	250	4	0	204	661	0	482	179	1,134
			A3 Archery Hunt In Zone X1	255	230	316	0	230	4	0	25	25	25	0	0	0
			A4 Archery Hunt In Zone X2	15	14	25	0	14	5	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
			A5 Archery Hunt In Zone X3a	35	32	109	0	32	5	1	3	3	3	0	0	0
			A6 Archery Hunt In Zone X3b	95	86	168	0	86	4	1	9	9	9	0	0	0
			A7 Archery Hunt In Zone X4	135	122	270	0	122	5	0	13	13	13	0	0	0
			A8 Archery Hunt In Zone X5a	25	23	24	0	23	2	0	2	2	1	1	0	0
			A9 Archery Hunt In Zone X5b	10	9	53	0	9	4	2	1	1	1	0	0	0
			A11 Archery Hunt In Zone X6a	55	50	197	0	50	4	1	5	5	5	0	0	0
			A12 Archery Hunt In Zone X6b	140	126	184	0	126	4	0	14	14	14	0	0	0
			A13 Archery Hunt In Zone X7a	60	54	114	0	54	5	1	6	6	6	0	0	0
			A14 Archery Hunt In Zone X7b	20	18	176	2	18	6	4	2	2	2	0	0	0
			A15 Archery Hunt In Zone X8	55	50	36	0	36	5	0	5	19	0	19	0	0
			A16 Archery Hunt In Zone X9a	150	135	339	0	135	5	1	15	15	15	0	0	0
			A17 Archery Hunt In Zone X9b	300	270	9	0	9	3	0	30	64	0	40	24	227
			A18 Archery Hunt In Zone X9c	350	315	1	0	1	0	0	35	35	0	20	15	314
			A19 Archery Hunt In Zone X10	120	108	1	0	1	0	0	12	11	0	6	5	108
			A20 Archery Hunt In Zone X12	200	180	275	0	180	5	0.25	20	20	20	0	0	0
			A21 Anderson Flat Hunt	25	23	115	0	23	5	3	2	2	2	0	0	0
			A22 San Diego Hunt	1,000	900	18	0	18	1	0	100	58	0	39	19	924
			A24 Monterey Hunt	100	90	153	0	90	5	0	10	10	10	0	0	0
			A25 Lake Sonoma Hunt	35	32	127	1	32	6	2	3	3	3	0	0	0
			A26 Bass Hill Hunt	30	27	431	3	27	6	5	3	3	3	0	0	0
			A27 Devils Garden Hunt	10	9	113	1	9	6	4	1	1	1	0	0	0
			A30 Covelo Hunt	40	36	205	0	36	5.5	3	4	4	4	0	0	0
			A31 Los Angeles Hunt	1,000	900	117	0	117	4	0	100	152	0	125	27	731
			A32 Ventura/Los Angeles Late Season	250	225	4	0	4	0	0	25	21	0	20	1	225
			A33 Fort Hunter Liggett (Late Season)	25	23	32	0	23	1	0	2	2	2	0	0	0

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	PREFERENCE DRAWING								RANDOM (DRAW BY CHOICE) DRAWING						
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ADDITIONAL HUNTS	G1 Late Season Hunt In C4	2,850	2,565	2,663	2	2,565	6	0	285	285	98	187	0	0	
	G3 Goodale Hunt	35	32	4,020	1,244	32	6	6	3	3	3	0	0	0	
	G6 Kern River Deer Herd Hunt	50	45	918	70	45	6	6	5	5	5	0	0	0	
	G8 Fort Hunter Liggett Hunt	10	9	151	2	9	6	5	1	1	1	0	0	0	
	G9 Camp Roberts Hunt	15	14	55	1	14	6	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	
	G12 Gray Lodge Hunt	30	27	164	0	27	5	3	3	3	3	0	0	0	
	G13 San Diego Hunt	300	270	400	0	270	4	0	30	30	30	0	0	0	
	G19 Sutter-Yuba Wildlife Areas Hunt	25	23	188	0	23	4	3	2	2	2	0	0	0	
	G21 Ventana Wilderness Hunt	25	23	125	1	23	6	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	
	G37 Anderson Flat Hunt	25	23	2,296	461	23	6	6	2	2	2	0	0	0	
G38 Late Season Hunt In X10	300	270	349	0	270	5	0	30	30	30	0	0	0		
G39 Round Valley Late Season	5	4	551	81	4	6	6	1	1	1	0	0	0		
APPRENTICE HUNTS	J1 Lake Sonoma Hunt	25	13	99	0	13	3	2	12	12	12	0	0	0	
	J3 Tehama Wildlife Area Hunt	15	8	204	0	8	4	3	7	7	7	0	0	0	
	J4 Shasta-Trinity Hunt	15	8	202	0	8	3	3	7	7	7	0	0	0	
	J7 Carson River Hunt-	15	8	34	0	8	2	1	7	7	7	0	0	0	
	J8 Daugherty Hill Wa Hunt	15	8	105	0	8	3	2	7	7	7	0	0	0	
	J9 Little Dry Creek Hunt	5	3	13	0	3	1.5	1	2	2	2	0	0	0	
	J10 Fort Hunter Liggett Hunt	75	38	205	0	38	3	1	37	37	37	0	0	0	
	J11 San Bernardino Hunt	40	20	68	0	20	3	0	20	20	20	0	0	0	
	J12 Round Valley Hunt	10	5	649	0	5	4	3	5	5	5	0	0	0	
	J13 Los Angeles Hunt	40	20	46	0	20	1	0	20	20	20	0	0	0	
	J14 Riverside Hunt	30	15	32	0	15	1	0	15	15	15	0	0	0	
	J15 Anderson Flat Hunt	10	5	241	0	5	4	3	5	5	5	0	0	0	
	J16 Bucks Mountain/Nevada City	75	38	46	0	38	1	0	37	37	8	29	0	0	
J17 Blue Canyon	25	13	40	0	13	2	0	12	12	12	0	0	0		
J18 Pacific/Grizzly Flat	75	38	75	0	38	1	0	37	37	37	0	0	0		
J19 Hunt In Zone X7a	25	13	147	0	13	3	2.333	12	12	12	0	0	0		
J20 Hunt In Zone X7b	20	10	78	0	10	3	2	10	10	10	0	0	0		
J21 East Tehama	50	25	103	0	25	3	1	25	25	25	0	0	0		
MUZZLELOADER HUNTS	M3 Doyle Hunt	20	18	1,033	252	18	6	6	2	2	2	0	0	0	
	M4 Horse Lake Hunt	10	9	57	4	9	6	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	
	M5 East Lassen Hunt	10	9	147	14	9	6	6	1	1	1	0	0	0	
	M6 San Diego Hunt	80	72	75	0	72	3	0	8	8	3	5	0	0	
	M7 Ventura Hunt	150	135	200	0	135	3.5	0	15	15	15	0	0	0	
	M8 Bass Hill Hunt	20	18	39	1	18	6	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	
	M9 Devil's Garden Hunt	15	14	592	126	14	6	6	1	1	1	0	0	0	
	Ma1 San Luis Obispo Hunt	150	135	150	0	135	5	0	15	15	15	0	0	0	
	Ma3 Santa Barbara Hunt	150	135	145	0	135	2	0	15	15	10	5	0	0	
	M11 Northwestern California Hunt	20	18	716	114	18	6	6	2	2	2	0	0	0	
	PD: Point Only - Deer				4,287	335									

# 2 PROPOSED\* 00 deer 9 HUNTS

## PREMIUM DEER ZONES AND HUNTS

Under proposed\* regulations, Premium Deer Hunt Tags include all deer tags for which the tag quota filled on or before the first business day after July 1 (July 2, 2008) in the immediately preceding license year. The deadline to apply for Premium Deer Hunt Tags through the Big Game Drawing is June 2, 2009. You must use your First-Deer Tag Application to apply for Premium Deer Hunt Tags. Exception: junior hunters may use a Second-Deer Tag Application to apply for Apprentice Hunts.

Under proposed\* regulations, Zones C, D12, and D17 will be drawing tags in 2009.

Zone	Hunt Title	2008 Estimated Hunter Success	2008 Tag Quota	Date Quota Filled	2009 Proposed Archery Season Dates	2009 Proposed General Season Dates	Information	
PD	Point Only	Enter this hunt code as your first choice to earn a point only.				To earn a point, applications must be received at the DFG's License and Revenue Branch by 5:00 PM, June 2, 2009.		
X ZONES	X1	19%	2,280	<input type="checkbox"/>	See Hunt A3	Oct 3-18	Good access on public lands administered by the Klamath National Forest (530) 842-6131, Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2500, Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811; no shooting within two-mile radius of Medicine Lake. Some Forest Service Roads may be closed to vehicles during the hunting season. Refer to National Forest maps or contact the Forest Service for details. DFG contact (530) 459-3164.	
	X2	37%	180	<input type="checkbox"/>	See Hunt A4	Oct 3-18	Good access on public lands, primarily administered by the Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811. DFG contact (530) 233-3581.	
	X3A	55%	250	<input type="checkbox"/>	See Hunt A5	Oct 3-18	Good access on Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811 and Alturas Field Office BLM lands (530) 233-4666. DFG contact (530) 233-3581.	
	X3B	35%	845	<input type="checkbox"/>	See Hunt A6	Oct 3-18	Good access on Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811, Alturas Field Office (530) 233-4666, and Surprise Field Office BLM lands (530) 279-6101. DFG contact (530) 233-3581.	
	X4	41%	425	<input type="checkbox"/>	See Hunt A7	Oct 3-18	Good access on public lands, primarily administered by the Lassen National Forest (530) 257-2151. Most private timberland open for public hunting. DFG contact (530) 254-6808.	
	X5A	25%	60	<input type="checkbox"/>	See Hunt A8	Oct 3-18	Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0456. DFG contact (530) 254-6808.	
	X5B	49%	85	<input type="checkbox"/>	See Hunt A9	Oct 3-18	Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0456. DFG contact (530) 254-6808.	
	X6A	48%	325	<input type="checkbox"/>	See Hunt A11	Oct 3-18	Road closures Diamond Mt. area; Mt. Hough and Smith Peak Game Refuges excluded. DFG Lassen County contact (530) 254-6808. DFG Plumas County contact (916) 358-2882.	
	X6B	21%	375	<input type="checkbox"/>	See Hunt A12	Oct 3-18	Good access on public lands; Dixie Mt. Game Refuge excluded. DFG Lassen County contact (530) 254-6808. DFG Plumas County contact (916) 358-2882.	
	X7A	35%	205	<input type="checkbox"/>	See Hunt A13	Oct 3-18	Good access on public lands (916) 358-2882.	
	X7B	37%	125	<input type="checkbox"/>	See Hunt A14	Oct 3-18	Good access on public lands (916) 358-2882.	
	X8	23%	230	<input type="checkbox"/>	See Hunt A15	Sep 26-Oct 11	Good access on public lands except two wilderness areas (916) 358-2882.	
	X9A	30%	775	<input type="checkbox"/>	See Hunt A16	Sep 19-Oct 12	Good access on public lands; carry chains and shovel; cold weather late in season (760) 872-1171.	
X9B	32%	325	<input type="checkbox"/>	See Hunt A17	Sep 19-Oct 12	Good access on public lands; carry chains and shovel; cold weather late in season (760) 872-1171.		
X9C	15%	325	<input type="checkbox"/>	See Hunt A18	Oct 17-Nov 8	Wilderness areas/Death Valley Park expansion severely restrict vehicle access and open hunting areas (760) 872-1171.		
X10	10%	400	<input type="checkbox"/>	See Hunt A19	Sep 26-Oct 11	Adequate access on public lands with steep, rough terrain. (559) 243-4005.		
X12	24%	850	<input type="checkbox"/>	See Hunt A20	Sep 19-Oct 12	Good access on public lands; carry chains and shovel; cold weather late in season (760) 872-1171.		

\*Subject to final approval by the California Fish and Game Commission on April 21, 2009. For information on approved tag quotas, please contact your nearest DFG office after April 27, 2009.

Filled in 2008 Premium Tag Drawing.

	Zone	Hunt Title	2008 Reported Hunter Success	2008 Tag Quota	Date Quota Filled	2009 Proposed Archery Season Dates	2009 Proposed General Season Dates	Information
GENERAL METHOD HUNTS	G1	Late Season Buck in zone C4	18%	2,850	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Oct 24-Nov 1	Good access in eastern portion on public lands; lower elevations mostly private. Tag holder drawing for Tehama Wildlife Area. DFG contact (530) 225-2300.
	G3	Goodale Buck	74%	35	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Dec 5-20	Good public access; unpredictable weather (760) 872-1171.
	G6	Kern River Deer Herd Buck	60%	50	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Dec 5-13	Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005.
	G8	Fort Hunter Liggett Antlerless	70%	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Oct 3,4,10,11 & 12	Access fee required; date subject to change (831) 386-2214.
	G9	Camp Roberts Antlerless	40%	15	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Aug 31-Sep 7	Access fee required; good prospect for success. (805) 238-8167
	G12	Gray Lodge Shotgun Either-sex	23%	30	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Sep 19-27	Gray Lodge Wildlife Area only; shotguns with solid slugs only (916) 358-2882.
	G13	San Diego Antlerless	16%	300	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Oct 24-Nov 15	Good access on public lands; rugged terrain at higher elevations (858) 467-4201.
	G19	Sutter-Yuba Wildlife Areas Either-sex	31%	25	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Sep 26-Dec 31	Archery-crossbow-shotguns with solid slugs only; all portions walk-in only (916) 358-2882.
	G21	Ventana Wilderness Buck	0%	25	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Nov 14-Dec 6	Open only on lands designated USFS Ventana Wilderness Area in Monterey County; steep, rugged, brushy; vehicle restrictions (831) 649-2870.
	G37	Anderson Flat Buck	48%	25	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Nov 28-Dec 6	Good access on National Forest Service lands (559) 243-4005.
	G38	Late season Buck in zone X10	8%	300	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Oct 17-Nov 1	Adequate access on public lands with steep, rough terrain (559) 243-4005.
G39	Round Valley Late Season Buck	60%	5	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Oct 24-Nov 8	Good access; 4 X 4 recommended; carry chains and shovel (760) 872-1171.	
MUZZLELOADING HUNTS	M3	Doyle Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	74%	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Nov 21-29	Good access on public lands. DFG contact (530) 254-6808.
	M4	Horse Lake Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	40%	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Oct 24-Nov 1	Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0456. DFG contact (530) 254-6808.
	M5	East Lassen Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	56%	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Oct 24-Nov 1	Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0456. DFG contact (530) 254-6808.
	M6	San Diego Muzzleloading Rifle Either-sex	6%	80	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Dec 19-31	Good access on public lands; rugged terrain at higher elevations (858) 467-4201.
	M7	Ventura Muzzleloading Rifle Either-sex	9%	150	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Nov 28-Dec 13	Good access; hunt on public lands (858) 467-4201.
	M8	Bass Hill Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	41%	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Oct 24-Nov 1	Much private land in hunt area, but good access on those lands that are public. DFG contact (530) 254-6808.
	M9	Devil's Garden Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	50%	15	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Oct 24-Nov 8	Good access on public lands managed by the Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811. DFG contact (530) 233-3581.
	M11	Northwestern California Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	45%	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Nov 14-29	Contact DFG Eureka office (707) 445-6493 or DFG Redding office (530) 225-2300.
	MA1	San Luis Obispo Muzzleloading Archery Either-sex	6%	150	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Nov 28-Dec 13	Open only on that portion of San Luis Obispo County lying within the Los Padres National Forest. Good access on public lands; rugged terrain (831) 649-2870.
	MA3	Santa Barbara Muzzleloading Archery Buck	11%	150	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Nov 28-Dec 13	Fair access on public lands. Vehicle use limited (858) 467-4201.
APPRENTICE HUNTS	J1	Lake Sonoma Apprentice Either-sex	24%	25	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Nov 7-8	Rugged oak/grassland habitat with good deer numbers. Boats required in two-thirds of area. No dogs allowed (707) 944-5500.
	J3	Tehama Wildlife Area Apprentice Buck	40%	15	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Nov 28-29	Good access - hunt area is DFG's Tehama Wildlife Area. DFG contact (530) 225-2300.
	J4	Shasta-Trinity Apprentice Buck	60%	15	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Nov 28-Dec 6	Good public access on Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2300 and Redding Field Office BLM lands (530) 224-2100. DFG Redding office (530) 225-2300.
	J7	Carson River Apprentice Either-sex	47%	15	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Oct 17-25	Good public access on National Forest lands (916) 358-2882.
	J8	Daugherty Hill Wildlife Area Apprentice Either-sex	27%	15	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Dec 5-31	Good access. Wildlife Area only (916) 358-2882.
	J9	Little Dry Creek Apprentice Shotgun Either-sex	80%	5	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Sep 19-27	Good access. Wildlife Area only. Shotguns using slugs only (916) 358-2882.
	J10	Fort Hunter Liggett Apprentice Either-sex	61%	75	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Oct 3,4,10,11 & 12	Season subject to change by Commanding Officer (831) 386-2214.

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	Zone	Hunt Title	2008 Reported Hunter Success	2008 Tag Quota	Date Quota Filled	2009 Proposed Archery Season Dates	2009 Proposed General Season Dates	Information
APPRENTICE HUNTS CONT. APPLICANTS MUST POSSESS A JUNIOR HUNTING LICENSE. ADULT CHAPERONE REQUIRED.	J11	San Bernardino Apprentice Either-sex	10%	40	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Nov 21-29	Within D14 and San Bernardino County only. Fair access on public lands (909) 484-0167.
	J12	Round Valley Apprentice Buck	60%	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Dec 5-20	Good access; 4 X 4 recommended; carry chains and shovel (760) 872-1171.
	J13	Los Angeles Apprentice Either-sex	13%	40	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Nov 21-29	Mostly good access on public land except closures in Angeles National Forest. Call (626) 574-5200 for closure information (858) 467-4201.
	J14	Riverside Apprentice Either-sex	27%	30	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Nov 21-29	Within zone D19 and Riverside County only. Good access on public lands (909) 484-0167.
	J15	Anderson Flat Apprentice Buck	60%	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Nov 28-Dec 6	Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005.
	J16	Bucks Mountain/Nevada City Apprentice Either-sex**	23%	75	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Sep 26-Nov 1	Good access on National Forest lands; Mostly private at lower elevations (916) 358-2882. Please note: exclusion of Butte, Colusa and Glenn counties.
	J17	Blue Canyon Apprentice Either-sex**	20%	25	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Sep 26-Nov 1	Good access on National Forest lands; Mostly private at lower elevations. (916) 358-2882. Please note: exclusion of Colusa County.
	J18	Pacific/Grizzly Flat Apprentice Either-sex**	25%	75	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Sep 26-Nov 1	Good access on National Forest lands; Mostly private at lower elevations (916) 358-2882. Please note: exclusion of Amador, Calaveras and Tuolumne counties.
	J19	Zone X7A Apprentice Either-sex	36%	25	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Oct 3-18	Good access on public lands (916) 358-2882.
	J20	Zone X7B Apprentice Either-sex	65%	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Oct 3-18	Good access on public lands (916) 358-2882.
	J21	East Tehama Apprentice Either-sex	18%	50	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	Sep 19-Nov 1	Good access in eastern portion on public lands administered primarily by the Lassen National Forest (530) 257-2151. Fair access on private timberlands open to hunting. DFG contact (530) 225-2300.
AREA-SPECIFIC ARCHERY HUNTS	A3	Archery Buck in zone X1	16%	255	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aug 15-Sep 6	N/A	Good access on public lands administered by Klamath National Forest (530) 842-6131, Shasta Trinity N.F. (530) 226-2500, Modoc N.E. (530) 233-5811; no shooting within two-mile radius of Medicine Lake. Road management areas within zone - refer to National Forest maps for detail. DFG contact (530) 233-3581.
	A4	Archery Buck in zone X2	0%	15	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aug 15-Sep 6	N/A	Good access on public lands, primarily administered by Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811. DFG contact (530) 233-3581.
	A5	Archery Buck in zone X3a	47%	35	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aug 15-Sep 6	N/A	Good access on Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811 and Alturas Field Office BLM lands. (530) 233-4666 DFG contact (530) 233-3581.
	A6	Archery Buck in zone X3b	25%	95	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aug 15-Sep 6	N/A	Good access on Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811, Alturas Field Office BLM (530) 233-4666, and Surprise Field Office BLM lands (530) 279-6101. DFG contact (530) 233-3581.
	A7	Archery Buck in zone X4	16%	135	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aug 15-Sep 6	N/A	Good access on public lands, primarily administered by the Lassen National Forest (530) 257-2151. Most private timberland open for public hunting. DFG contact (530) 254-6808.
	A8	Archery Buck in zone X5a	0%	25	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aug 15-Sep 6	N/A	Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0456. DFG contact (530) 254-6808.
	A9	Archery Buck in zone X5b	45%	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aug 15-Sep 6	N/A	Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0456. DFG contact (530) 254-6808.
	A11	Archery Buck in zone X6a	55%	55	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aug 15-Sep 6	N/A	Road closures Diamond Mt. area; Mt. Hough and Smith Peak Game Refuges excluded. DFG Lassen County contact (530) 254-6808. DFG Plumas County contact (916) 358-2882.
	A12	Archery Buck in zone X6b	9%	140	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aug 15-Sep 6	N/A	Good access on public lands; Dixie Mt. Game Refuge excluded. DFG Lassen County contact (530) 254-6808. DFG Plumas County contact (916) 358-2882.
	A13	Archery Buck in zone X7a	12%	60	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aug 15-Sep 6	N/A	Good access on public lands (916) 358-2882.
	A14	Archery Buck in zone X7b	24%	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aug 15-Sep 6	N/A	Good access on public lands (916) 358-2882.
	A15	Archery Buck in zone X8	8%	55	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aug 15-Sep 6	N/A	Good access on public lands (916) 358-2882.

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\*\*Refer to the mammal hunting regulations for possible boundary modifications due to county veto authority over these hunts.

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	Zone	Hunt Title	2008 Reported Hunter Success	2008 Tag Quota	Date Quota Filled	2009 Proposed Archery Season Dates	2009 Proposed General Season Dates	Information
AREA-SPECIFIC ARCHERY HUNTS continued	A16	Archery Buck in zone X9a	11%	150	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aug 15-Sep 6	N/A	Good access on public lands (760) 872-1171.
	A20	Archery Buck in zone X12	9%	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aug 15-Sep 6	N/A	Good access on public lands (760) 872-1171.
	A21	Anderson Flat Archery Buck	6%	25	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nov 14-27	N/A	Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005.
	A24	Monterey Archery Either-sex	32%	100	<input type="checkbox"/>	Oct 10-Nov 8	N/A	Fair access on public land; steep terrain; possible fire closures on National Forest lands (831) 649-2870.
	A25	Lake Sonoma Archery Either-sex	6%	35	<input type="checkbox"/>	Oct 3-26	N/A	Sat-Sun-Mon only; rugged terrain, oak/grassland and chaparral habitat with good deer numbers (707) 944-5500.
	A26	Bass Hill Archery Buck	60%	30	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nov 21-Dec 13	N/A	Much private land in hunt area, but good access on those lands that are public. DFG contact (530) 254-6808.
	A27	Devils Garden Archery Buck	11%	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	Oct 24-Nov 8	N/A	Good access on public lands managed by the Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811. DFG contact (530) 233-3581.
	A30	Covelo Archery Buck	21%	40	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nov 14-29	N/A	Good public access to Mendocino National Forest (530) 934-3316, and Arcata Field Office BLM lands (707) 825-2300. DFG Eureka office (707) 445-6493, DFG Redding office (530) 225-2300.
	A33	Fort Hunter Liggett Archery Late Season Either-sex	18%	25	<input type="checkbox"/>	Oct 3-Nov 8	N/A	Saturdays, Sundays and holidays only; season subject to change by commanding officer. Access fee required (831) 386-2214.

## RESTRICTED DEER ZONES AND HUNTS

Under proposed\* regulations, Restricted Deer Hunt Tags shall include all non-Premium deer hunt tags where the tag quota filled on or before the first business day after August 1 (Aug. 4, 2008) in the immediately preceding license year. For tags to be issued before Aug. 3, 2009, you must use your First-Deer Tag Application to apply for Restricted Deer Tags. After Aug. 3, 2009, you may use your Second-Deer Tag Application to apply for any remaining Restricted Deer Hunt Tags.

GENERAL ZONES	C		18%	8,575	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hunt A1	See C Zone Below	Zone C Tag is valid in C1, C2, C3 and C4 General Seasons only
	C1					See Hunt A1	Sep 19-Oct 18	Large areas of private land where access restricted. Some private land owned by timber companies and open to hunting. Most public land is administered by Klamath National Forest; fair access (530) 842-6131. DFG contact (530) 459-3164.
	C2					See Hunt A1	Sep 19-Oct 25	Good access, mostly public land administered by the Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2500 and private timber companies open to hunting. DFG Redding office (530) 225-2300.
	C3					See Hunt A1	Sep 19-Oct 25	Good access in middle and higher elevations on Lassen National Forest (530) 257-2151, and fair access on private timberlands open to hunting. Lower elevations are largely private property where access is restricted. DFG Redding office (530) 225-2300.
	C4					See Hunt A1	Sep 19-Oct 4	Good access in eastern portion on public lands administered primarily by the Lassen National Forest (530) 257-2151. Fair access on private timberlands open to public. DFG contact (530) 225-2300.
	D6		9%	10,000	8/04/08	Aug 15-Sep 6	Sep 19-Nov 1	Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005.
	D12		9%	950	6/12/08	Oct 3-25	Nov 7-29	Extremely dry and hot desert deer zone. Wilderness areas severely restrict vehicle access; 4 X 4 recommended for entire zone (909) 484-0167.
	D17		20%	500	5/20/08	Sep 5-27	Oct 10-Nov 1	Access may be very limited due to an extensive burn in 2005. Wilderness Area and Mojave National Preserve restrict vehicle access (760) 240-1372.

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Filled in 2008 Premium Tag Drawing.

	Zone	Hunt Title	2008 Reported Hunter Success	2008 Tag Quota	Date Quota Filled	2009 Proposed Archery Season Dates	2009 Proposed General Season Dates	Information
AREA-SPECIFIC ARCHERY HUNTS	A1	Archery Buck in Zones C1 - C4	15%	2,045	7/07/08	See Zone Below	N/A	Hunt A1 tag is valid in C1, C2, C3 and C4 Archery Season only.
		C1				Aug 15-30	N/A	Fair access. Much private land, some owned by timber companies and open to hunting. Most public land is administered by Klamath National Forest; (530) 842-6131. DFG contact (530) 459-3164.
		C2				Aug 15-Sep 6	N/A	Good access, mostly public land administered by the Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2500 and private timber companies open to hunting. DFG contact (530) 225-2300.
		C3	(15%)	(2,045)	(7/07/08)	Aug 15-Sep 6	N/A	Good access in middle and higher elevations on Lassen National Forest (530) 257-2151, and fair access on private timberlands open to hunting. Lower elevations are largely private property where access is restricted. DFG Redding office (530) 225-2300.
		C4				Aug 15-30	N/A	Good access in eastern portion on public lands administered mainly by Lassen National Forest (530) 257-2151. Fair access on private timberlands open to hunting. DFG contact (530) 225-2300.

## UNRESTRICTED DEER ZONES AND HUNTS

Under proposed\* regulations, Unrestricted Deer Hunt Tags shall include all deer hunt tags where the tag quota did not fill on or before the first business day after Aug. 1 (Aug. 4, 2008) in the immediately preceding license year. Unrestricted Deer Hunt Tags are issued on request until tag quotas fill. You may use your First-Deer Tag Application and/or Second-Deer Tag Application to apply for Unrestricted Deer Hunt Tags.

GENERAL DEER ZONES	AO•		11%	N/A	N/A	See Zone	Archery Only See Season	Archery Only (AO) Tags are valid for archery equipment during the archery and general seasons in zones A, B, any D zone, hunt G10 (military personnel only).	
	A		26%	65,000	☆	Jul 11-Aug 2	Aug 8-Sep 20	Largely private; some public land in Colusa, Fresno, Lake, Mendocino, Monterey, Napa, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara and Yolo counties (707) 944-5500, (916) 358-2900, (559) 243-4005 or (858) 467-4201.	
	B (valid in Zones B1 - B6, below)		19%	55,500	☆	See B Zone Below	See B Zone Below	Zone B Tag is valid in Zones B1 - B6	
		B1				Aug 15-Sep 6	Sep 19-Oct 25	Good public access to Mendocino National Forest (530) 934-3316, Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2500, Six Rivers National Forest (707) 442-1721, Arcata Field Office BLM lands (707) 825-2300 DFG Eureka office (707) 445-6493.	
		B2				Aug 15-Sep 6	Sep 19-Oct 25	Good public access on Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 934-3316, Klamath National Forest (530) 842-6131, Six Rivers National Forest (707) 442-1721, and Redding Field Office BLM lands (530) 224-2100. DFG Redding office (530) 225-2300.	
		B3				Aug 15-Sep 6	Sep 19-Oct 25	Good public access to Mendocino National Forest lands in western part of hunt area (530) 934-3316 DFG Rancho Cordova office (916) 358-2882.	
		B4				Jul 25-Aug 16	Aug 22-Sep 27	Largely private, limited public access on King Range Conservation area, administered by Arcata Field Office BLM (707) 825-2300. DFG Eureka office (707) 445-6493.	
		B5				Aug 15-Sep 6	Sep 19-Oct 25	In the western portion of the zone, public access is good on Mendocino National Forest (530) 934-3316 and Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2500 DFG Redding office (530) 225-2300.	
		B6				Aug 15-Sep 6	Sep 19-Oct 18	Public access good in Klamath National Forest (530) 842-6131. Foothills of Scott and Shasta valleys are largely private. DFG contact (530) 459-3164.	
		D3-5		11%	33,000	☆	Aug 15-Sep 6	Sep 26-Nov 1	D3-5 Tag is valid in Zones D3, D4 and D5. Good public access on National Forest lands, mostly private at lower elevations (916) 358-2882.
		D7		6%	9,000	8/11/08	Aug 15-Sep 6	Sep 19-Nov 1	Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005.
		D8		7%	8,000	☆	Aug 15-Sep 6	Sep 26-Oct 25	Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005.

• Archery Only #1 and #2 tags have been combined, making the tag an Archery Only (AO) tag to be issued on either a First-Deer or Second-Deer Tag application.

□ Filled in 2008 Premium Tag Drawing.

☆ Did not fill in 2008.

Zone	Hunt Title	2008 Reported Hunter Success	2008 Tag Quota	Date Quota Filled	2009 Proposed Archery Season Dates	2009 Proposed General Season Dates	Information	
GENERAL DEER ZONES cont.	D9	9%	2,000	8/14/08	Aug 15-Sep 6	Sep 26-Oct 25	Good access on public land (559) 243-4005.	
	D10	10%	700	☆	Aug 15-Sep 6	Sep 26-Oct 25	No public land available; hunting normally restricted to landowners and permittees (559) 243-4005.	
	D11	7%	5,500	☆	Sep 5-27	Oct 10-Nov 8	Tag good for D11, D13 and D15, but not Camp Pendleton. Mostly good access on public land except closures in Angeles National Forest. Call (626) 574-5200 for closure information (858) 467-4201.	
	D13	11%	4,000	☆	Sep 5-27	Oct 10-Nov 8	Tag good for D11, D13 and D15, but not Camp Pendleton. Good access on public lands; portion of zone on private lands (858) 467-4201.	
	D14	8%	3,000	☆	Sep 5-27	Oct 10-Nov 8	Fair access on public lands (909) 484-0167.	
	D15	5%	1,500	☆	Sep 5-27	Oct 10-Nov 8	Tag good for D11, D13 and D15, but not Camp Pendleton. Good access on public lands. Written permission is required to hunt on Santa Catalina Island which is private property (858) 467-4201.	
	D16	17%	3,000	☆	Sep 5-27	Oct 24-Nov 22	Good access on public lands; higher elevations rugged (858) 467-4201.	
	D19	9%	72	☆	Sep 5-27	Oct 3-Nov 1	Good access on public lands; rugged terrain at higher elevations (909) 484-0167.	
AREA-SPECIFIC ARCHERY HUNTS***	A17	Archery Buck in zone X9b	6%	300	☆	Aug 15-Sep 6	N/A	Good access on public lands (760) 872-1171.
	A18	Archery Buck in zone X9c	4%	350	☆	Aug 15-Sep 6	N/A	Wilderness areas/Death Valley National Park severely restrict vehicle access and hunting areas (760) 872-1171.
	A19	Archery Buck in zone X10	3%	120	☆	Aug 15-30	N/A	Adequate public land access; steep, rough terrain (559)243-4005.
	A22	San Diego Archery Either-sex	5%	1,000	☆	Split Sep 5-Oct 18 & Nov 21-Dec 31	N/A	Split season. Good access on public lands; rugged at higher elevations (858) 467-4201.
	A31	Los Angeles Archery Late Season Either-sex	8%	1,000	9/10/08	Sep 26-Dec 31	N/A	Good access on public land except closures in Angeles National Forest (858) 467-4201. Closure information: (626) 574-5200.
	A32	Ventura/Los Angeles Late Season Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt	3%	250	☆	Nov 14-Dec 6	N/A	Mostly good access on public land except closures in Angeles National Forest (858) 467-4201. Closure information: (626) 574-5200.

\*\*\* In 2008 these zones were Premium Hunt Zones.

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## PRIVATE LANDS HUNTS

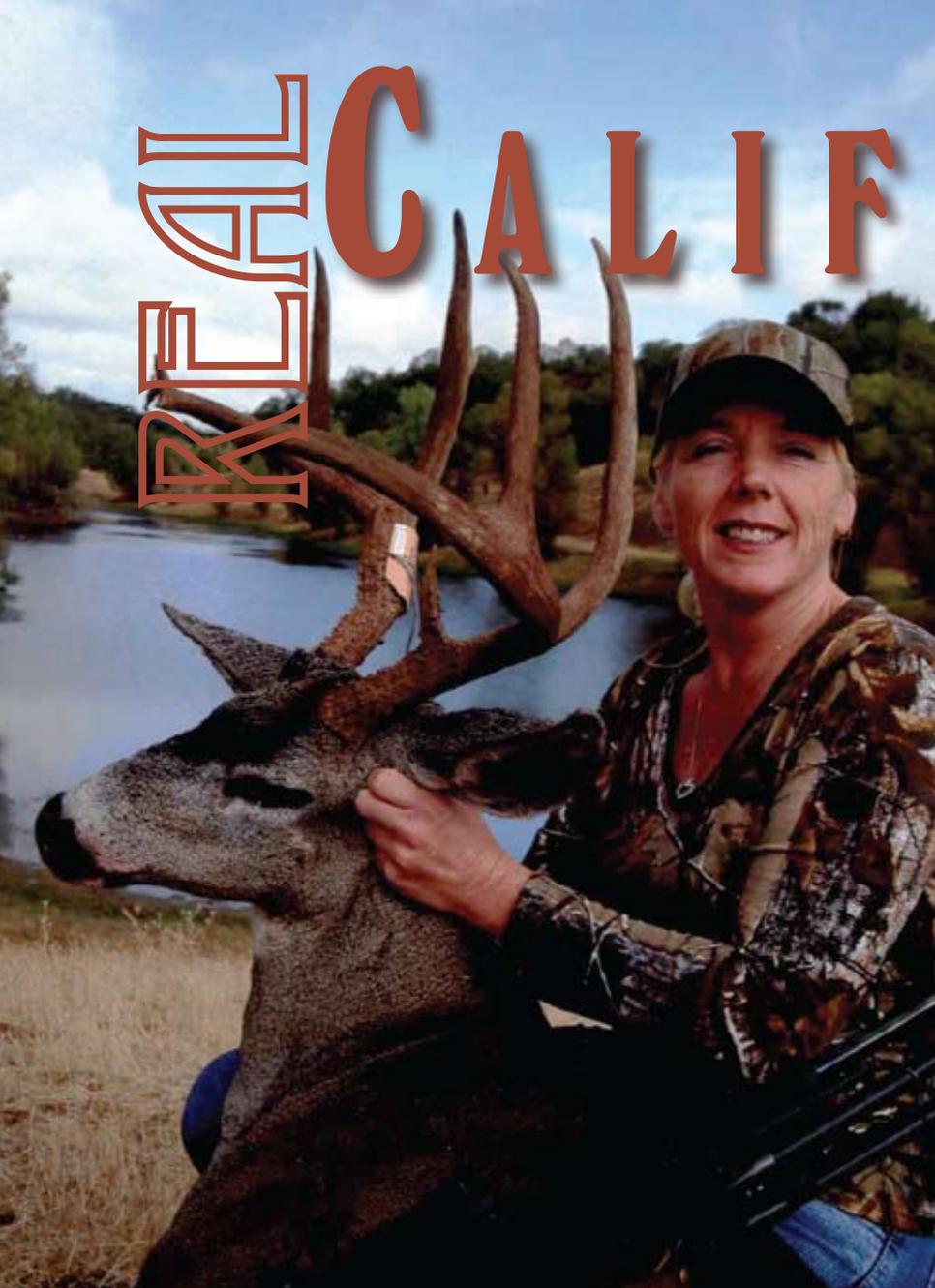
Landowners throughout the state offer hunting opportunities for big game species such as deer, antelope and elk under the DFG's Private Lands Wildlife Habitat Enhancement and Management (PLM) Program. Under the program, the Fish and Game Commission may authorize limited numbers of tags for certain species to landowners who agree to protect and improve valuable wildlife habitat in conformance with the DFG's management plans for those species.

Landowners may offset their costs for habitat work on their property by charging licensed hunters access and service fees. To ensure that no California hunter takes more than two deer in any license year, hunters must turn in a DFG deer tag application, unsuccessful draw notice or unfilled deer tag to obtain a PLM deer tag. For a list of participating landowners, contact DFG's Wildlife Branch in Sacramento at (916) 445-3564 or visit our Web site at: [www.dfg.ca.gov/wildlife/hunting/plm.html](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/wildlife/hunting/plm.html)

### FACTS ABOUT THE PLM PROGRAM

- There are currently 88 PLM properties.
- The program encompasses 890,634 acres of wildlife habitat.
- California has about 101 million acres of land, about half of which is privately owned.
- The largest PLM property is 270,000 acres; the smallest property is 540 acres.
- The average PLM size is about 10,121 acres; half have fewer than 5,000 acres.
- Many wildlife species benefit, including deer, elk, pronghorn antelope, wild turkey, quail and waterfowl, as well as threatened and endangered species like the bald eagle and red-legged frog.
- The program began in 1979 as a three-year pilot program with five ranches in five counties. In 1983, the California Legislature voted to make it a long term program.
- Participation in the program requires the submission and acceptance of a sound management plan. PLM areas are licensed for five-year periods; annual reviews ensure that agreed-upon habitat improvements have been made.
- Many PLM properties offer expanded hunting season dates and/or bag limits. Wherever possible, "parity hunts" with similar season dates are offered for people hunting on public lands adjacent to these properties.
- Wildlife do not recognize property boundaries between public and private lands, so improvements to a PLM property can benefit adjacent public land as well.

# REAL CALIFORNIA



UPPER LEFT

Julie Packard harvested this impressive Columbian black-tailed deer from one of California's B zones—otherwise known as the "deer factory."

LOWER LEFT

Dustin Holyoak took this tule elk during the Owens Valley Muzzleloader Bull hunt.

BELOW

Alyssa Goodwin took this black-tailed buck from Zone C1 near Copco Lake.



# GAME

This 6 x 7 bull was harvested by Ken Burke during the Northwestern California Either-Sex Roosevelt Elk Hunt.

UPPER RIGHT



Cindy Ronquist harvested this 6 x 6 Rocky Mountain elk during the Northeastern California Either-Sex hunt.

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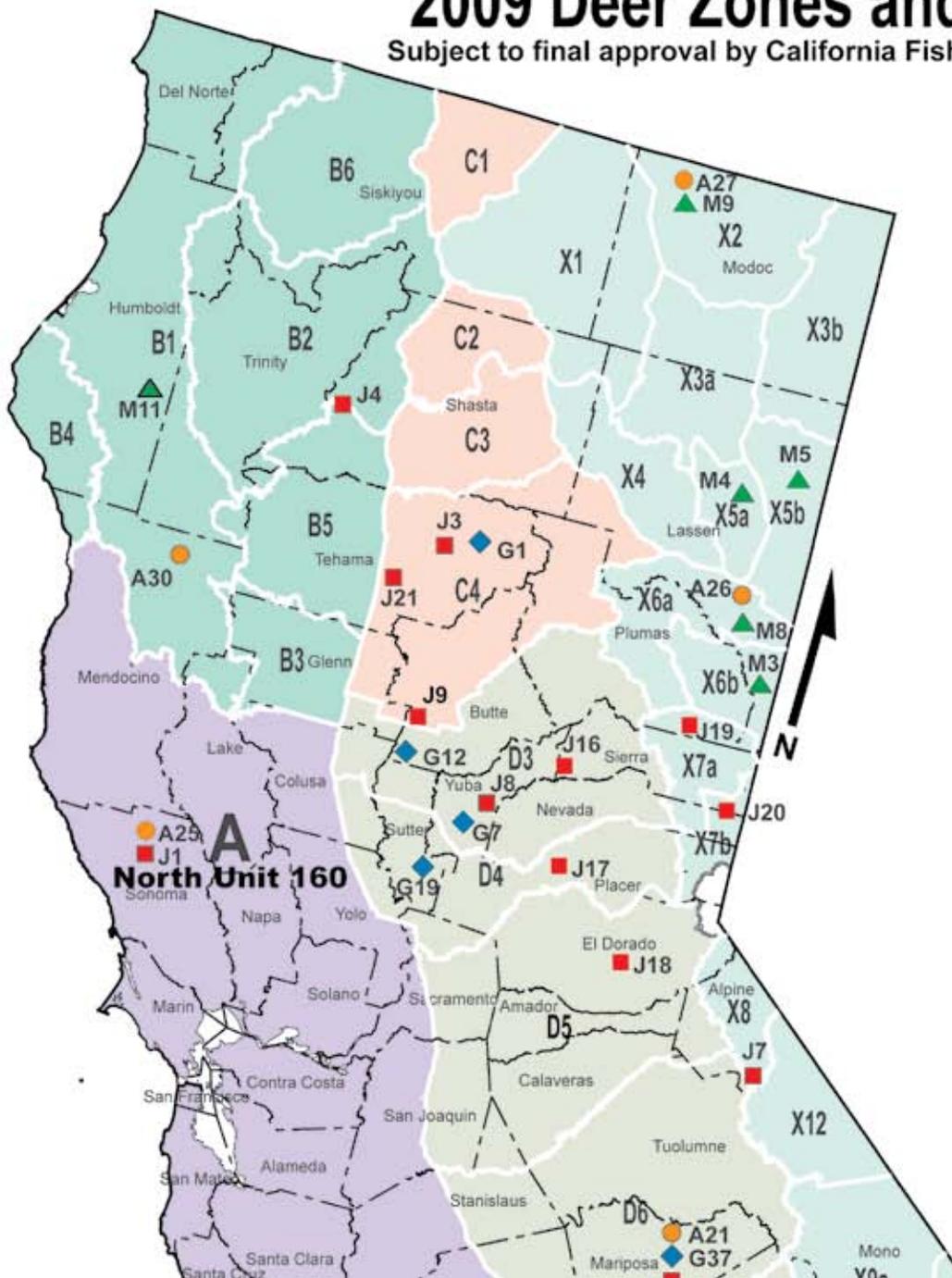
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# 2009 Deer Zones and Additional Hunts

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## Archery ●

- A1-A20 see Deer Hunts Table
- A21 Anderson Flat Archery Buck Hunt
- A22 San Diego Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- A24 Monterey Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- A25 Lake Sonoma Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- A26 Bass Hill Archery Buck Hunt
- A27 Devil's Garden Archery Buck Hunt
- A30 Covelo Archery Buck Hunt
- A31 Los Angeles Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- A32 Ventura/Los Angeles Archery Late Season Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- A33 Fort Hunter Liggett Archery Late Season Either-Sex Deer Hunt

## General ◆

- G1 Late Season Buck Hunt for Zone C4
- G3 Goodale Buck Hunt
- G6 Kern River Deer Herd Buck Hunt
- G7 Beale Either-Sex Deer Hunt (Military Only)
- G8 Fort Hunter Liggett Antlerless Deer Hunt
- G9 Camp Roberts Antlerless Deer Hunt
- G10 Camp Pendleton Either-Sex Deer Hunt (Military Only)
- G11 Vandenberg Either-Sex Deer Hunt (Military Only)
- G12 Gray Lodge Shotgun Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- G13 San Diego Antlerless Deer Hunt
- G19 Sutter-Yuba Wildlife Area Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- G21 Ventana Wilderness Buck Hunt
- G37 Anderson Flat Buck Hunt
- G38 Late Season Buck Hunt in Zone X10
- G39 Round Valley Late Season Buck Hunt

## Apprentice ■

- J1 Lake Sonoma Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J3 Tehama Wildlife Area Apprentice Buck Hunt
- J4 Shasta-Trinity Apprentice Buck Hunt
- J7 Carson River Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J8 Daugherty Hill Wildlife Area Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J9 Little Dry Creek Apprentice Shotgun Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J10 Fort Hunter Liggett Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J11 San Bernardino Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J12 Round Valley Apprentice Buck Hunt
- J13 Los Angeles Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J14 Riverside Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J15 Anderson Flat Apprentice Buck Hunt
- J16 Bucks Mountain/Nevada City Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J17 Blue Canyon Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J18 Pacific/Grizzly Flat Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J19 X7A Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J20 X7B Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- J21 East Tehama Apprentice Either-Sex Deer Hunt

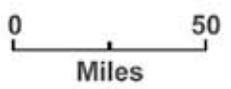
## Muzzleloading Rifle ▲

- M3 Doyle Muzzleloading Rifle Buck Hunt
- M4 Horse Lake Muzzleloading Rifle Buck Hunt
- M5 East Lassen Muzzleloading Rifle Buck Hunt
- M6 San Diego Muzzleloading Rifle Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- M7 Ventura Muzzleloading Rifle Either-Sex Deer Hunt
- M8 Bass Hill Muzzleloading Rifle Buck Hunt
- M9 Devil's Garden Muzzleloading Rifle Buck Hunt
- M11 Northwestern California Muzzleloading Rifle Buck Hunt
- MA1 San Luis Obispo Muzzle/Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt

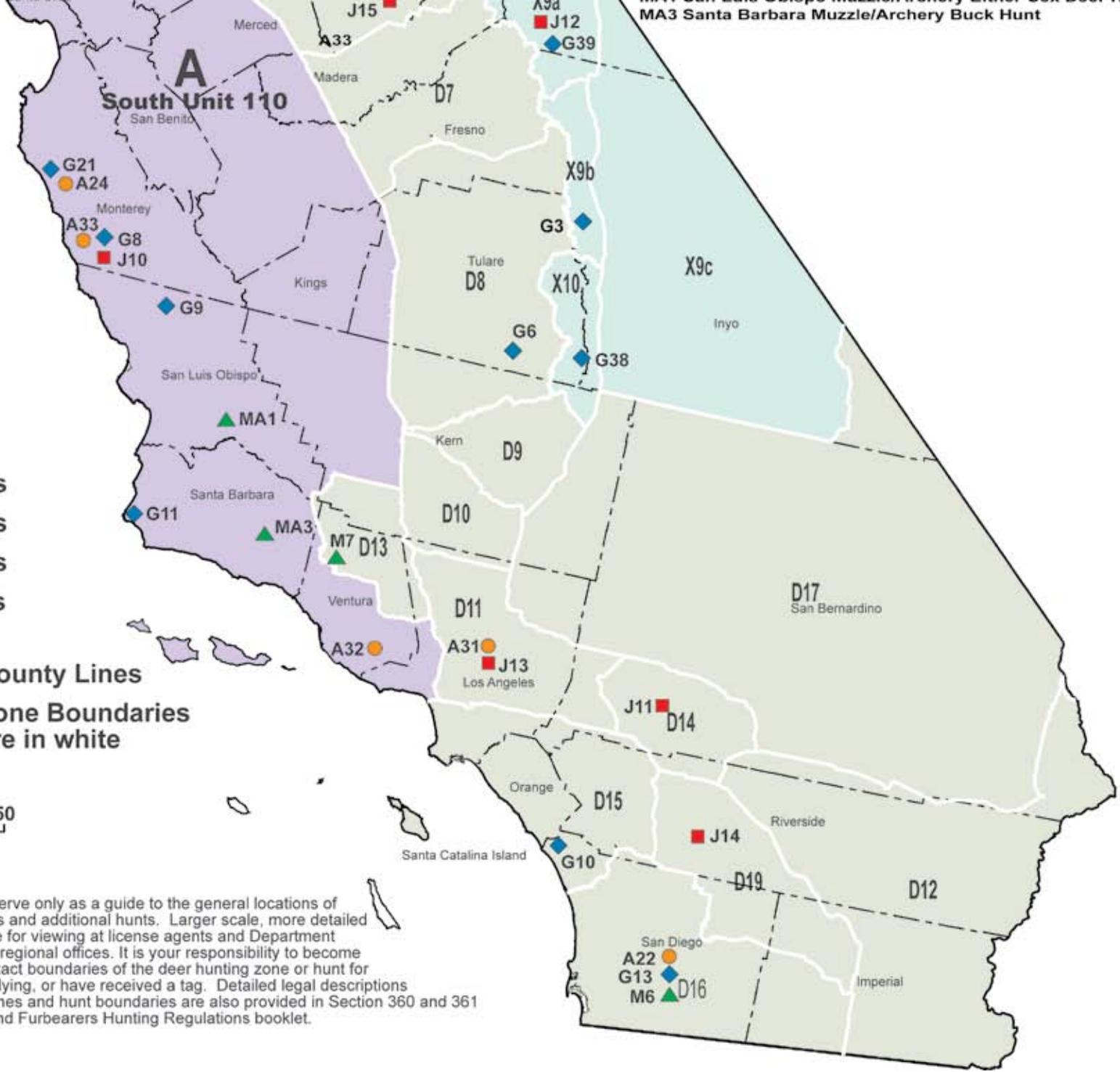
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- A Zone
- B Zones
- C Zones
- D Zones
- X Zones

--- County Lines  
 — Zone Boundaries are in white



This map should serve only as a guide to the general locations of deer hunting zones and additional hunts. Larger scale, more detailed maps are available for viewing at license agents and Department of Fish and Game regional offices. It is your responsibility to become familiar with the exact boundaries of the deer hunting zone or hunt for which you are applying, or have received a tag. Detailed legal descriptions of deer hunting zones and hunt boundaries are also provided in Section 360 and 361 of the Mammals and Furbearers Hunting Regulations booklet.



# ELK, ANTELOPE & BIGHORN SHEEP

## APPLICATION RESTRICTIONS

By law, you may only submit one application for each species. Any person submitting multiple applications for the same species will be rejected from the drawing and may be prosecuted.

## APPLYING AS A PARTY (ANTELOPE AND ELK)

Nonresidents cannot apply as a party for an antelope or elk tag. Residents can have up to two persons apply as a party. You cannot apply as a party for a bighorn sheep tag.

To be considered as a party, applicants must apply together on the same application. If your party is drawn for the last available tag, the party leader will be awarded a tag and the party member will become the first alternate for that hunt. Parties drawn as alternates will be awarded unclaimed tags on an individual basis.

## FILLING OUT YOUR APPLICATION

1. Remove application(s) from booklet.
2. Enter party information.
3. Enter Hunt Code (see pages 38-41).
4. Write each applicant's 2009/2010 California hunting license number on the appropriate space on each application submitted.
5. If you or your party member applied for last year's big game drawing, you may have received hunter identification labels in the mail. If so, affix the party leader's and the party member's (if applicable) hunter identification labels on the application. If not, print all required information, including your permanent hunter ID number (driver license or DMV identification number) and your date of birth.
6. Include the nonrefundable processing fee for each applicant. If you are applying for more than one species you may submit all applications and one payment in the same envelope.
7. Mail your application to:  
Department of Fish and Game  
License and Revenue Branch  
P.O. Box 349021  
Sacramento, CA 95834-9021
8. Make sure your application is received (not postmarked) by 5:00 p.m., June 2, 2009.

## DRAWING RESULTS

Beginning June 24, 2009, drawing results will be available by phone during regular business hours from DFG license sales offices. On that date, applicants can also look up draw results by entering their last name and DFG ID number on the DFG's Web site at:

<http://biggame.dfg.ca.gov/biggame>.

## NOTIFYING APPLICANTS

Successful applicants and alternates should receive notices in the mail by July 2, 2009. Unsuccessful applicants will not be notified by mail.

## TAG FEES & PAYMENT DEADLINE

Fee payments from successful applicants for antelope, elk or bighorn sheep tags must be received by the DFG's License and Revenue Branch, 1740 N. Market Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95834 by 5:00 PM on July 13, 2009. Applicants drawn as an alternate for elk, antelope or bighorn sheep tags will be required to submit payment of tag fees only if they are awarded a tag.

### Elk Tag Fee:

Resident - \$376.00  
Nonresident - \$1,162.50

### Antelope Tag Fee:

Resident - \$125.25  
Nonresident - \$387.50

### Bighorn Sheep Tag Fee:

Resident - \$354.50  
Nonresident - \$500.00

## ELK

Applicants must be 12 years of age or older on or before July 1, 2009, and possess a 2009/2010 California hunting license. Only one nonresident can be drawn for an elk tag annually.

## APPRENTICE ELK HUNTS

Applicants must possess a 2009/2010 California Junior Hunting License. If drawn, junior hunters must be accompanied when hunting by a licensed adult chaperone at least 18 years of age.

## ANTELOPE

Applicants must be at least 12 years of age or older on or before July 1, 2009 and possess a 2009/2010 California hunting license. Only one nonresident can be drawn for an antelope tag annually.

## APPRENTICE ANTELOPE HUNTS

Applicants must possess a 2009/2010 California junior hunting license. If drawn, junior

## TOP REASONS WHY ANTELOPE, ELK, & SHEEP APPLICATIONS ARE REJECTED FROM THE DRAWING

1. Applications received after the deadline.
2. No hunting license or invalid hunting license entered on applications.
3. No payment received/ credit card declined.
4. Applicant is too young to apply.
5. Applicant submitted multiple applications for the same species.

hunters must be accompanied when hunting by a licensed adult chaperone at least 18 years of age.

## BIGHORN SHEEP

Applicants must be at least 16 years of age or older on or before July 1, 2009 and possess a 2009/2010 California hunting license and must not have received a California bighorn sheep tag in any prior year.

Only one nonresident may be drawn annually.

## PLEASE CHECK YOUR APPLICATION CAREFULLY!

You may not make changes to your application once it is received by the DFG.

The information you provide on your application is used to track your preference points for current and future drawings. Incomplete, ineligible, or late applications will prevent you from receiving a tag and earning a preference point for the 2009 season.

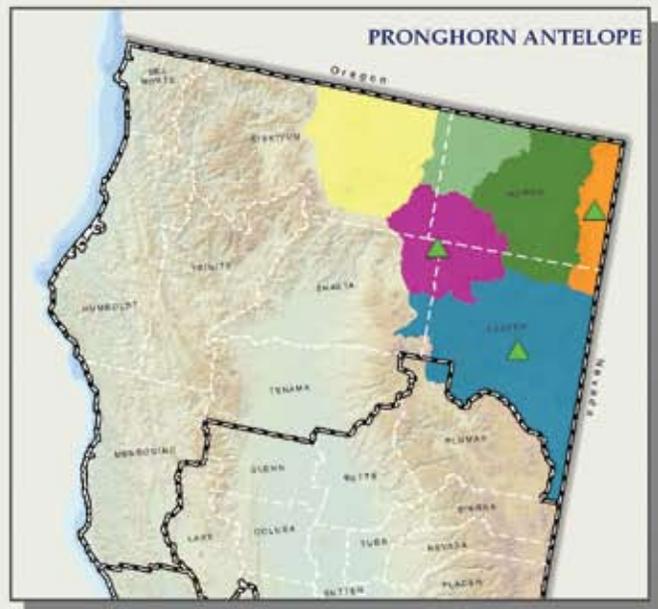
Applications must be **received** (not postmarked) by the DFG's License and Revenue Branch in Sacramento by 5:00 p.m., June 2, 2009.

# ELK, ANTELOPE & BIGHORN SHEEP



- REGIONAL ELK HUNTS**
- Northern Region**
    - Del Norte
    - Klamath
    - Big Lagoon
    - Northwestern
    - Marble Mountains
    - Siskiyou
    - Northeastern
  - North Central Region**
    - East Park Reservoir
    - Cache Creek
  - Bay Delta Region**
    - Grizzly Island
  - Central Region**
    - San Luis Reservoir
    - La Panza
    - Fort Hunter Liggett
  - Inland Deserts Region**
    - Bishop
    - West Tinemaha
    - Tinemaha
    - Independence
    - Lone Pine

Effective July 1, 2009, new regulations prohibit the use of lead projectiles for big game and nongame hunting in the range of the California Condor (the area of the map in yellow). Please refer to Section 253 of 'California Hunting Regulations' for a detailed explanation of the new regulations.



- PRONGHORN ANTELOPE HUNTS**
- Zone 1: Mount Dome
  - Zone 2: Clear Lake
  - Zone 3: Likely Tables
  - Zone 4: Lassen
  - Zone 5: Big Valley
  - Zone 6: Surprise Valley
- Lassen Apprentice ▲  
Big Valley Junior ▲  
Surprise Valley Apprentice ▲

- BIGHORN SHEEP ZONES**
- Marble/Clipper Mountains
  - Kelso Peaks - Old Dad Mountains
  - Clark Kingston Mountains
  - Orocopia Mountains
  - San Geronimo Mountains
  - Sheep Hole Mountains
  - White Mountains

**Big Game Drawing Deadline: June 2, 2009**



# 20 ELK 08 DRAWING STATISTICS

Hunt Code	Hunt Name	Total Quota	Preference Quota	Random Quota	Total Applicants	Maximum Point Applicants
<b>BULL AND EITHER-SEX</b>						
407	Big Lagoon Either-Sex General	10	8	2	238	58
487	Bishop Period 1 Bull Muzzleloader	1	0	1	133	49
490	Bishop Period 3 Bull General	1	0	1	274	78
406	Cache Creek Period 1 Bull General	2	1	1	775	216
414	Del Norte Bull General	5	4	1	1,070	466
461	East Park Reservoir Period 1 Bull General	2	1	1	740	264
449	Fort Hunter Liggett Either-Sex Archery	3	2	1	230	46
447	Fort Hunter Liggett Period 3 Bull General	7	6	1	1,111	273
438	Grizzly Island Period 2 Bull General	2	1	1	2,443	927
492	Independence Period 1 Bull Archery	1	0	1	58	9
405	Klamath Bull General	10	8	2	530	158
419	La Panza Period 1 Bull General	5	4	1	410	136
420	La Panza Period 2 Bull General	6	5	1	315	88
493	Lone Pine Period 1 Bull Muzzleloader	1	0	1	82	34
486	Lone Pine Period 2 Bull General	2	1	1	499	206
429	Lone Pine Period 4 Bull General	1	0	1	263	91
415	Marble Mountains Either-Sex General	40	30	10	1,829	443
410	Northeastern California Either-Sex General	10	8	2	2,730	938
411	Northeastern California Either-Sex Archery	9	7	2	512	142
483	Northwestern California Either-Sex General	20	15	5	721	153
422	Owens Valley Either-Sex Archery	5	4	1	566	206
497	San Luis Reservoir Either-Sex General	3	2	1	326	55
400	Siskiyou Either-Sex General	15	12	3	740	179
474	Tinemaha & West Tinemaha Period 1 Bull Archery	1	0	1	75	23
478	Tinemaha & West Tinemaha Period 3 Bull General	2	1	1	572	203
482	Tinemaha & West Tinemaha Period 5 Bull General	2	1	1	418	188
<b>ANTLERLESS</b>						
488	Bishop Period 1 Muzzleloader	4	3	1	64	14
485	Bishop Period 3 General	4	3	1	152	22
432	Bishop Period 4 General	4	3	1	159	22
491	Bishop Period 5 General	4	3	1	97	10
416	Cache Creek Period 2 General	2	1	1	91	10
413	Del Norte General	10	8	2	259	52
463	East Park Reservoir Period 3 General	5	4	1	139	20

# 20 ELK 08 DRAWING STATISTICS

Hunt Code	Hunt Name	Total Quota	Preference Quota	Random Quota	Total Applicants	Maximum Point Applicants
ANTLERLESS (continued)						
450	Fort Hunter Liggett Archery	5	4	1	44	2
444	Fort Hunter Liggett Period 1 General	7	6	1	57	5
448	Fort Hunter Liggett Period 2 General	8	6	2	285	22
433	Grizzly Island Period 1 General	3	2	1	511	138
436	Grizzly Island Period 2 General	2	1	1	260	52
404	Klamath General	10	8	2	96	6
417	La Panza Period 1 General	6	5	1	67	3
418	La Panza Period 2 General	6	5	1	72	1
494	Lone Pine Period 1 Muzzleloader	1	0	1	75	8
495	Lone Pine Period 2 General	2	1	1	41	10
459	Lone Pine Period 3 General	2	1	1	109	21
425	Lone Pine Period 4 General	2	1	1	53	15
498	Lone Pine Period 5 General	2	1	1	61	15
401	Siskiyou General	15	12	3	126	9
473	Tinemaha & West Tinemaha Period 1 Archery	6	5	1	51	3
475	Tinemaha & West Tinemaha Period 2 General	9	7	2	51	14
477	Tinemaha & West Tinemaha Period 3 General	9	7	2	160	17
479	Tinemaha & West Tinemaha Period 4 General	9	7	2	76	12
481	Tinemaha & West Tinemaha Period 5 General	9	7	2	157	35
APPRENTICE						
489	Bishop Period 2 Antlerless General	4	3	1	111	0
484	Cache Creek Period 1 Bull General	1	0	1	152	0
471	Ft Hunter Liggett Period 1 Antlerless General	2	1	1	45	0
472	Ft Hunter Liggett Period 2 Bull General	1	0	1	126	0
467	Grizzly Island Period 1 Spike Bull General	1	0	1	201	0
465	La Panza Period 1 Bull General	1	0	1	56	0
408	Marble Mountains Either-Sex General	2	1	1	117	0
409	Northeastern California Either-Sex General	2	1	1	291	0
499	Point Only - Elk	0	0	0	4,237	894

# 2 PROPOSED 00e1k 9 HUNTS

Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2008 Applicants/ Tags	2008 Hunter Success (%)	2009 Tag Quota	2009 Hunt Dates	Hunt Description
499	Point Only	Enter this hunt code to earn a point only.			To earn a point, applications must be received at the DFG's License and Revenue Branch by 5:00 PM, June 2, 2009.	
<b>APPRENTICE HUNTS -Applicants must possess a Junior Hunting License. Licensed adult chaperone required.</b>						
408	Apprentice Marble Mountains Either-Sex (Roosevelt Elk)	117/2	50	2	Sept. 9 - 20	Opportunity on public land; some on private land with restricted access. Deer and elk seasons partially overlap (530) 459-3164.
409	Apprentice Northeastern California Either-Sex (Rocky Mountain Elk)	291/2	50	2	Sept. 16 - 27	Opportunity for elk on public land; some on private land with restricted access. Deer and elk seasons partially overlap (530) 233-3581.
484	Apprentice Cache Creek Period 1 Bull (Tule Elk)	152/1	0	1	Oct. 10 - 25	Elk on public and private land. Significant numbers of elk on private land where access may be restricted. Mandatory hunter orientation by telephone prior to hunt day (530) 934-9309 or (916) 445-9992.
464	Apprentice La Panza Period 1 Antlerless (Tule Elk)	NEW	-	1	Oct. 10 - Nov. 1	Elk on public and private land (private land access may be restricted or access fee required). Low probability of hunter success. Off road travel is prohibited on Carrizo Plain National Monument. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day (831) 649-2870.
489	Apprentice Bishop Period 2 Antlerless (Tule Elk)	111/4	100	4	Oct. 3 - 11	Good access to public land (760) 872-1171.
467	Apprentice Grizzly Island Period 1 Spike Bull (Tule Elk)	201/1	100	1	Aug. 13 - 16	Hunt DFG land only. Hunters strongly encouraged to bring one non-hunting companion for assistance. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day (707) 425-3828 or (707) 944-5500.
471	Apprentice Fort Hunter Liggett Period 1 Antlerless (Tule Elk)	45/2	100	2	Oct. 8 - 12	Tag holders must purchase hunting pass from the base. Season dates and hunt areas subject to modification by Base Commander due to military training. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to each hunt (831) 386-2214.
472	Apprentice Fort Hunter Liggett Period 3 Bull (Tule Elk)	126/1	100	1	Dec. 30 - Jan. 3	
400	Siskiyou Either-Sex	740/15	67	15	Sept. 9 - 20	Limited opportunity on public land; elk present on private land with restricted access. Deer and elk seasons partially overlap (530) 459-3164.
401	Siskiyou Antlerless	126/15	40	15	Sept. 9 - 20	
407	Big Lagoon Either-Sex	238/10	90	10	Aug. 26 - Sept. 4	Private land. Controlled access provided. Difficult hunt with low probability of hunter success. Dense vegetation and steep terrain. Elk numbers in hunt area are variable. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day (707) 445-6493.
483	Northwestern California Either-Sex	721/20	85	20	Sept. 2 - 13	Limited opportunity on public land; elk present on private land with restricted access. Deer and elk seasons partially overlap (707) 445-6493.
404	Klamath Antlerless	96/10	10	10	Sept. 2 - 11	Private land. Controlled access provided. Dense vegetation and steep terrain. Difficult hunt; moderate probability of hunter success. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day (707) 445-6493.
405	Klamath Bull	530/10	60	10	Sept. 2 - 11	
413	Del Norte Antlerless	259/10	100	10	Aug. 26 - Sept. 4	Private land. Controlled access provided. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day (707) 445-6493.
414	Del Norte Bull	1070/5	100	5	Aug. 26 - Sept. 4	
415	Marble Mountains Either-Sex	1829/40	57	40	Sept. 9 - 20	Opportunity on public land; some on private land with restricted Either-sex access. Deer and elk seasons partially overlap (530) 459-3164.
410	Northeastern CA Either-Sex	2730/10	80	10	Sept. 16 - 27	Opportunity for elk on public land; some on private land with restricted access. Deer and elk seasons partially overlap (530) 233-3581.
411	Northeastern CA Archery Either-Sex	512/9	44	7	Sept. 2 - 13	
<b>CACHE CREEK</b>						
406	Cache Creek Period 1 Bull	775/2	100	2	Oct. 10 - 25	Elk on public and private land. Significant numbers of elk on private land where access may be restricted. Mandatory hunter orientation by telephone prior to hunt day (530) 934-9309 or (916) 445-9992.
416	Cache Creek Period 2 Antlerless	91/2	100	2	Oct. 17 - Nov. 1	
<b>LA PANZA</b>						
417	La Panza Period 1 Antlerless	67/6	33	5	Oct. 10 - Nov. 1	Elk on public and private land (private land access may be restricted or access fee required). Low probability of hunter success. Off road travel is prohibited on Carrizo Plain National Monument. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day (831) 649-2870.
419	La Panza Period 1 Bull	410/5	40	6	Oct. 10 - Nov. 1	
418	La Panza Period 2 Antlerless	72/6	66	6	Nov. 14 - Dec. 6	
420	La Panza Period 2 Bull	315/6	50	6	Nov. 14 - Dec. 6	
<b>OWENS VALLEY</b>						
422	Owens Valley Region Wide Archery Either-Sex	566/5	80	5	Aug. 8 - 16	Good access to public land (760) 872-1171.

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OWENS VALLEY - BISHOP						
487	Bishop Period 1 Muzzleloader Bull	133/1	100	1	Sept. 12 - 27	Good access to public land (760) 872-1171.
488	Bishop Period 1 Muzzleloader Antlerless	64/4	100	4	Sept. 12 - 27	
485	Bishop Period 3 Antlerless	152/4	75	4	Oct. 17 - 25	
490	Bishop Period 3 Bull	274/1	100	1	Oct. 17 - 25	
432	Bishop Period 4 Antlerless	159/4	100	4	Nov. 7 - 15	
491	Bishop Period 5 Antlerless	97/4	100	4	Dec. 5 - 13	
OWENS VALLEY - INDEPENDENCE						
492	Independence Period 1 Archery Bull	58/1	0	1	Sept. 12 - 27	Good access to public land (760) 872-1171.
OWENS VALLEY - LONE PINE						
493	Lone Pine Period 1 Muzzleloader Bull	82/1	100	1	Sept. 12 - 27	Good access to public land (760) 872-1171.
494	Lone Pine Period 1 Muzzleloader Antlerless	75/1	100	1	Sept. 12 - 27	
495	Lone Pine Period 2 Antlerless	41/2	50	2	Oct. 3 - 11	
486	Lone Pine Period 2 Bull	499/2	100	2	Oct. 3 - 11	
459	Lone Pine Period 3 Antlerless	109/2	0	2	Oct. 17 - 25	
425	Lone Pine Period 4 Antlerless	53/2	100	2	Nov. 7 - 15	
429	Lone Pine Period 4 Bull	263/1	100	1	Nov. 7 - 15	
498	Lone Pine Period 5 Antlerless	61/2	100	2	Dec. 5 - 13	
OWENS VALLEY - TINEMAHA AND WEST TINEMAHA						
473	Tinemaha and West Tinemaha Period 1 Archery-Only Antlerless	51/6	33	6	Sept. 12 - 27	Good access to public land (760) 872-1171.
474	Tinemaha and West Tinemaha Period 1 Archery-Only Bull	75/1	100	1	Sept. 12 - 27	
475	Tinemaha and West Tinemaha Period 2 Antlerless	51/9	67	9	Oct. 3 - 11	
477	Tinemaha and West Tinemaha Period 3 Antlerless	160/9	89	9	Oct. 17 - 25	
478	Tinemaha and West Tinemaha Period 3 Bull	572/2	100	2	Oct. 17 - 25	
479	Tinemaha and West Tinemaha Period 4 Antlerless	76/9	89	9	Nov. 7 - 15	
481	Tinemaha and West Tinemaha Period 5 Antlerless	157/9	67	9	Dec. 5 - 13	
482	Tinemaha and West Tinemaha Period 5 Bull	418/2	100	2	Dec. 5 - 13	
GRIZZLY ISLAND						
433	Grizzly Island Period 1 Antlerless	511/3	100	2	Aug. 11 - 14	Hunt DFG land only. Hunters strongly encouraged to bring one non-hunting companion for assistance. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day (707) 425-3828 or (707) 944-5500.
436	Grizzly Island Period 2 Antlerless	260/2	100	2	Aug. 18 - 21	
438	Grizzly Island Period 2 Bull	2443/2	100	2	Aug. 20 - 23	
437	Grizzly Island Period 2 Spike Bull	New	-	1	Aug. 20 - 23	
441	Grizzly Island Period 3 Bull	New	-	1	Sept. 10 - 13	
FORT HUNTER LIGGETT						
449	Fort Hunter Liggett Archery-Only Either-Sex	230/3	100	3	Sept. 3-7	Tag holders must purchase hunting pass from the base. Season dates and hunt areas subject to modification by Base Commander due to military training. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to each hunt (831) 386-2214.
450	Fort Hunter Liggett Archery-Only Antlerless	44/5	20	5	Oct. 8 - 12	
444	Fort Hunter Liggett Period 1 Antlerless	57/7	29	7	Oct. 8 - 12	
448	Fort Hunter Liggett Period 2 Antlerless	285/8	25	8	Nov. 25 - 29	
447	Fort Hunter Liggett Period 3 Bull	1111/7	0	7	Dec. 30 - Jan. 3	
EAST PARK RESERVOIR						
461	East Park Reservoir Period 1 Bull	740/2	100	2	Sept. 5 - Oct. 1	Colusa County Ordinance prohibits firearms (including archery equipment) on East Park Reservoir (Bureau of Reclamation, BOR) property. A variance allows the use of muzzleloaders (as defined in Section 353, Title 14, CCR). East Park Reservoir (BOR) property will be open to bull hunting Sept 14 - 17; and antlerless hunting Sept 21 - 24 and Sept 28 - Oct 1 only. Other restrictions apply. Mandatory orientation prior to hunt day (916) 445-9992 or (530) 934-9309.
463	East Park Reservoir Period 3 Antlerless	139/5	100	4	Sept. 5 - Oct. 1	
SAN LUIS RESERVOIR						
497	San Luis Reservoir Either-Sex	326/3	100	3	Oct. 3 - 25	Limited opportunity on public land. State Park property not open to hunting. Public land method restricted to archery and shotgun. Private land access may be restricted or access fee required. Low probability of hunter success (916) 445-9992.

# 2009 PROPOSED antelope HUNTS

Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2008 Applicants/ Tags	2008 Hunter Success (%)	2009 Quota	2009 Hunt Dates	Hunt Description
799	Point Only	Enter this hunt code to earn a point only.			To earn a point, applications must be received at the DFG's License and Revenue Branch by 5:00 PM, June 2, 2009.	
APPRENTICE HUNTS - Applicants must possess a Junior Hunting License. A licensed adult chaperone is required.						
790	Apprentice Zone 4 - Lassen Period 1 Either-Sex	483/5	100	1-15	Aug. 22 - 30	To hunt Ash Creek Wildlife Area call (530) 294-5824. To hunt the wildlife area a mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day is required.
780	Apprentice Zone 5 - Big Valley Either-Sex	88/1	100	1-15	Aug. 22 - 30	
766	Apprentice Zone 6 - Surprise Valley	225/4	100	1-4	Aug. 22 - 30	
ZONE 1 - MOUNT DOME						
710	General Buck	561/8	75	3-60	Aug. 22 - 30	Antelope on public and private land. Public lands managed by Klamath NF - (530) 824-6131; Shasta Trinity NF - (530) 226-2500; Alturas Field Office BLM - (530) 233-4666, and Redding Field Office BLM (530) 224-2100. Private access may be restricted or fee required. DFG contact: (530) 459-3164.
712	Archery Buck	29/1	100	1-10	Aug. 8 - 16	
ZONE 2 - CLEAR LAKE						
720	General Buck	898/15	73	5-80	Aug. 22 - 30	Antelope on public and private land. Public land managed by Modoc NF - (530) 233-5811; and Alturas Field Office BLM - (530) 233-4666. Private access may be restricted or fee required. Tag holders may submit an application for hunting access to Peninsula "U" portion of Clear Lake NWR. DFG contact: (530) 233-3581.
728	Archery Buck	78/1	0	1-10	Aug. 8 - 16	
ZONE 3 - LIKELY TABLES						
730	Period 1 General Buck	3846/40	88	25-150	Aug. 22 - 30	Antelope on public and private land. Public land managed by Modoc NF - (530) 233-5811; and Alturas Field Office BLM - (530) 233-4666. Private access may be restricted or fee required.
732	Period 2 General Buck	1163/40	78	25-130	Sept. 5 - 13	
738	Archery Buck	240/9	56	2-20	Aug. 8 - 16	
ZONE 4 - LASSEN						
740	Period 1 General Buck	2666/40	85	25-150	Aug. 22 - 30	Antelope on public and private land. Public land managed by Lassen NF - (530) 257-2151; and Eagle Lake Field Office BLM - (530) 257-0456. Private access may be restricted or fee required. DFG contact: (530) 254-6808.
742	Period 2 General Buck	3333/40	93	25-150	Sept. 5 - 13	
745	Archery Buck	279/7	86	2-20	Aug. 8 - 16	
ZONE 5 - BIG VALLEY						
750	General Buck	665/3	100	3-150	Aug. 22 - 30	Antelope on public and private land. Public land managed by Modoc NF - (530) 233-5811; Lassen NF - (530) 257-2151; and Alturas Field Office BLM - (530) 233-4666. Private access may be restricted or fee required. DFG contact: (530) 254-6808.
755	Archery Buck	64/1	0	1-15	Aug. 8 - 16	
ZONE 6 - SURPRISE VALLEY						
760	General Buck	907/10	60	3-25	Aug. 22 - 30	Antelope on public and private land. Public land managed by Modoc NF - (530) 233-5811; and Surprise Valley Field Office BLM - (530) 279-6101. Private access may be restricted or fee required. DFG contact: (530) 233-3581.
765	Archery Buck	38/1	0	1-10	Aug. 8 - 16	

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Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2008 Applicants/Tags	2008 Hunter Success (%)	2009 Tag Quota	2009 Hunt Dates	Hunt Description
599	Point Only	Enter this hunt code to earn a point only.			To earn a point, applications must be received at the DFG's License and Revenue Branch by 5:00 PM, June 2, 2009.	
501	Zone 1 - Marble/Clipper Mountains	5	100%	4	Dec 5 - Feb 7	Vehicle access limited to designated routes (760) 240-1372.
502	Zone 2 - Kelso Peak/Old Dad Mountains	6	100%	6	Dec 5 - Feb 7	Vehicle access limited to designated routes (760) 240-1372.
503	Zone 3 - Clark/Kingston Mountain Ranges	3	100%	2	Dec 5 - Feb 7	Vehicle access limited to designated routes (760) 240-1372.
504	Zone 4 - Orocopia Mountains	1	100%	0	Dec 5 - Feb 7	Vehicle access limited to designated routes (760) 922-4686
505	Zone 5 - San Gorgonio Wilderness	1	100%	1	Dec 19 - Feb 21	Access extremely difficult. Travel by horseback recommended. Access fees may be required on private land (760) 240-1372.
506	Zone 6 - Sheep Hole Mountains	1	100%	1	Dec 5 - Feb 7	Extremely rugged terrain. Vehicle access very limited (760) 240-1372.
507	Zone 7 - White Mountains	4	50%	3	Aug 15 - Sept 27	Extremely rugged terrain at very high elevations. Altitude sickness has affected previous hunters. Physical condition should be above average. Vehicle access limited to none (760) 872-6585.



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**D**on Stowe has been a hunter most of his life but suffered a tragic accident in the late 1990s that seemed to put an end to his hunting pursuits. After years of physical therapy, and with the help of family and friends, Don made it back into the field. Just five days into the 2008 Zone D5 archery season, he harvested this beautiful buck. Don says he “owes a debt of gratitude” to the folks who helped him bring hunting back into his life.

## 20 ANTELOPE 08 DRAWING STATISTICS

Hunt Code	Hunt Area	Total Quota	Preference Quota	Random Quota	Total Applicants	Maximum Point Applicants
710	Zone 1 - Mount Dome Buck General	8	6	2	561	103
712	Zone 1 - Mount Dome Buck Archery	1	0	1	29	1
720	Zone 2 - Clear Lake Buck General	15	12	3	898	194
728	Zone 2 - Clear Lake Buck Archery	1	0	1	78	11
730	Zone 3 - Likely Tables Per 1 Buck General	40	30	10	3,846	977
732	Zone 3 - Likely Tables Per 2 Buck General	40	30	10	1,163	260
738	Zone 3 - Likely Tables Buck Archery	9	7	2	240	28
740	Zone 4 - Lassen Per 1 Buck General	40	30	10	2,666	638
742	Zone 4 - Lassen Per 2 Buck General	40	30	10	3,333	643
745	Zone 4 - Lassen Buck Archery	7	6	1	279	43
750	Zone 5 - Big Valley Buck General	3	2	1	665	128
755	Zone 5 - Big Valley Buck Archery	1	0	1	64	1
760	Zone 6 - Surprise Valley Buck General	10	8	2	907	231
765	Zone 6 - Surprise Valley Buck Archery	1	0	1	38	6
APPRENTICE						
790	Zone 4 - Lassen Either-Sex General	5	4	1	483	0
780	Zone 5 - Big Valley Either-Sex General	1	0	1	88	0
766	Zone 6 - Surprise Valley Either-Sex General	4	3	1	225	0
799	Point Only - Antelope	0	0	0	4,423	821

## 20 BIGHORN SHEEP 08 DRAWING STATISTICS

Hunt Code	Hunt Area	Total Quota	Preference Quota	Random Quota	Total Applicants	Maximum Point Applicants
501	Zone 1 - Marble/Clipper Mtns. Ram General	5	4	1	1,730	579
502	Zone 2 - Kelso Peak/Old Dad Mts Ram General	6	5	1	2,597	1,119
503	Zone 3 - Clark/Kingston Mt Rngs Ram General	3	2	1	1,351	501
504	Zone 4 - Orocopia Mountains Ram General	1	0	1	306	87
505	Zone 5 - San Gorgonio Mtns. Ram General	1	0	1	729	183
506	Zone 6 - Sheep Hole Mountains Ram General	1	0	1	175	38
507	Zone 7 - White Mountains Ram General	4	3	1	1,418	342
599	Point Only - Bighorn Sheep	0	0	0	2,491	418



## Wild Pig Tags

Resident and nonresident hunters, 12 years of age and older, with a 2009/2010 California hunting license, may purchase wild pig hunting tags from designated license agents and some DFG offices. There is no limit on the number of wild pig tags one person may purchase; however, tags are nonrefundable and cannot be transferred from one person to another.

## Wild Pig Hunting Season

Tags are valid throughout the 2009/2010 license year (July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010). There is no bag or possession limit for wild pig.

### East Park Reservoir Wild Pig Hunt 2009

The California Department of Fish and Game (DFG) is permitted by the United States Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) to conduct a limited public entry, permit-only pig hunt to control a small population of wild pigs on a portion of East Park Reservoir in western Colusa County. The area consists of grassland, oak woodland, brush and some wetland areas.

Individual hunters may be accompanied by not more than one non-hunter. No more than three hunters will be allowed to hunt at any given time.

Only muzzleloading rifles as described in Section 353, Title 14 (CCR) may be used. No dogs may be used. A pre-hunt orientation is required, and all hunters are required to check in and check out of the hunt area. DFG personnel will be onsite during the hunts.

Two-day pig hunt permits will be issued to hunters by drawing only for all pig hunt periods. Each hunter may apply only one time and for only one hunt period. No party applications will be accepted. Incomplete applications (cards) and multiple entries will not be accepted. There is no fee to apply.

#### How to Apply For a Permit:

Send a standard U.S. Postal Service post-card (available at local post offices), with the following information:

- Hunter name (junior hunters must also provide name of adult chaperone)
- Valid hunting license number
- Address
- City, state, zip
- Telephone number
- Hunt period and date desired.
- Mail application card to:  
East Park Reservoir Pig Hunt  
Department of Fish and Game  
1812 9th Street  
Sacramento, CA 95811

#### Fall Hunts:

- Period 6 – Oct. 5 & 6, 2009
- Period 7 – Oct. 7 & 8, 2009
- Period 8 – Oct. 12 & 13, 2009
- Period 9 – Oct. 14 & 15, 2009
- Period 10 – Oct. 19 & 20, 2009
- Period 11 – Oct. 21 & 22, 2009
- Period 12 – Oct. 26 & 27, 2009
- Period 13 – Oct. 28 & 29, 2009

Application Deadline: Application cards must be received by close of business, Wednesday, Aug. 26, 2009. Permits with maps and additional information will be mailed to successful applicants on Thursday, Aug. 27, 2009.

*DFG or USBR reserve the right to cancel this hunt and close the area to all public users without prior notification due to unforeseen circumstances or emergency situations.*

## REPORTED WILD PIG TAKE 2003-2008 REPRESENTED IN PERCENTAGES

County	03/04	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08
Northern Region					
Del Norte	0	0	0	0	0
Humboldt	1	1	1	2	1
Lassen	0	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	5	5	5	5	5
Modoc	0	0	0	0	0
Shasta	1	1	1	2	1
Siskiyou	<1	<1	<1	0	<1
Tehama	6	5	6	6	6
Trinity	1	2	1	<1	1
Statewide %	14	14	14	16	14
North Central Region					
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	<1	0	0	0	0
Butte	<1	0	<1	0	0
Calaveras	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Colusa	1	2	2	6	3
El Dorado	0	0	0	0	0
Glenn	2	1	2	6	3
Lake	2	4	5	5	5
Nevada	1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Placer	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Plumas	0	0	0	0	0
Sacramento *	0	0	0	0	0
San Joaquin	<1	<1	<1	0	1
Sierra	0	0	0	0	0
Sutter	1	<1	1	<1	1
Yolo *	1	<1	<1	1	1
Yuba	6	5	<1	0	1
Statewide %	14	13	11	19	15
Bay Delta Region					
Alameda	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Contra Costa	<1	<1	<1	1	1
Marin	0	0	0	0	0
Napa	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
San Mateo	7	<1	<1	<1	<1
Santa Clara	4	5	4	6	5
Santa Cruz	1	<1	<1	<1	<1
San Francisco	0	0	0	0	0
San Joaquin	<1	<1	<1	0	0
Solano	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Sonoma	4	5	7	6	6
Statewide %	17	12	12	14	12
Central Region					
Fresno	3	2	3	3	3
Kern	16	11	14	7	16
Kings	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Madera	1	1	<1	1	1
Mariposa	1	1	1	<1	1
Merced	2	1	1	2	<1
Monterey	22	28	24	20	23
San Benito	7	7	7	8	6
San Luis Obispo	7	7	6	5	5
Stanislaus	1	1	<1	1	<1
Tulare	2	2	1	1	<1
Tuolumne	0	0	0	0	0
Statewide %	63	61	58	49	55
South Coast Region					
Los Angeles	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Orange	0	0	0	0	0
San Diego	0	0	<1	0	0
Santa Barbara	5	4	3	2	3
Ventura	<1	<1	<1	1	<1
Statewide %	5	4	4	3	3
Inland Deserts Region					
Imperial	0	0	0	0	0
Inyo	0	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0
Riverside	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
San Bernardino	2	0	<1	<1	<1
Unknown	<1	<1	<1	0	0
Statewide %	2	<1	<1	<1	<1

\* Split between two regions: Sacramento & Yolo: NC and BDR

# Bear Hunting



## Application Requirements

To hunt bear in California, all residents and nonresidents must be age 12 or older and have both a valid hunting license and a bear tag.

Resident bear tag applications are sold at license agents and some DFG offices. Nonresident bear tag applications are available from DFG offices only. Tags are issued in person or by mail at DFG offices.

## Bear Tag Refund Policy

You may request a refund for an **unused bear tag application**. The deadline for requesting a refund is Jan. 31, 2010. Please allow 3-6 months for processing your refund. Refunds are not issued for unsuccessful bear tags.

## Bear Hunting Season

Archery bear season opens **Aug. 15, 2009** and runs through **Sept. 6, 2009**. The general season for black bears opens with the general deer hunting seasons in deer zones A, B, C, D, X8, X9A, X9B, X10, and X12, and extends through **Dec. 27, 2009**. In the remaining X zones, the season opens **Oct. 10, 2009** and extends through **Dec. 27, 2009**.

## Bag and Possession Limit

One adult bear per season. Cubs and female accompanied by cubs may not be taken. (Cubs are defined as bears less than one year of age or bears weighing less than 50 pounds.)

## Regulations

Any bear hunter who utilizes the services of a guide must verify that the guide has valid guide's license and must write the guide's license number on the bear tag in the space provided.

Any bear hunter who utilizes dogs to take bear must so indicate on the bear tag in the space provided.

Only DFG employees may validate bear tags. Bear tags must be validated before the bear can be transported except for the purpose of taking it directly to the nearest person authorized to validate the tag.

Every licensed bear hunter who takes a bear must immediately return the validated report card portion of the bear tag. The tag may be presented to a DFG office/officer or returned via mail.

Every licensed bear hunter who is unsuccessful in taking bear must return the report card portion of the bear tag by Feb. 1 of the current license year. The tag may be presented to a DFG office/officer or returned via mail.

Any person who takes a bear shall present the skull (even if damaged) to a DFG office/officer within 10 days of taking the bear. The skull shall become property of the DFG. That portion of the skull not needed for scientific purposes will be returned.

It is illegal to feed or bait bears for the purpose of hunting them. It is illegal to hunt bear over bait or within a 400 yard radius of a garbage dump or bait.

It is illegal to sell bear parts in California. However, you have the right to retain any and all parts of the bear you take, except the skull which becomes the property of the DFG.

The use of dogs is prohibited during the archery season for bear.

It is illegal to use more than one dog per licensed hunter for bear hunting in areas when the general deer season is open. After the close of the general deer season an unlimited number of dogs may be used.

You cannot pursue bears with dogs unless you have a valid, unused bear tag in your possession. However, a hunter who does not have a bear tag may be in the field with a hunter who does have a valid bear tag in possession. The hunter possessing the tag may use your dogs. If you do not have a valid, unused, bear tag you may not possess a firearm, archery gear, crossbow, or other weapon capable of killing or capturing a bear while accompanying a hunter in the act of taking a bear.

The use of dog retrieval collars equipped with functioning treeing switches is prohibited. Treeing switches change transmitted signals from the radio collar when a dog raises its head to a treed animal.

# New Black Bear Hunting Opportunity Proposed

The DFG has proposed two changes to California's bear hunting regulations that would provide expanded hunting opportunity in San Luis Obispo County and eliminate the quota that sometimes brings the statewide bear season to an early close.

## ***Black Bears in San Luis Obispo County***

In response to public input at the Fish and Game Commission's February 2007 meeting, the DFG began conducting field surveys to gather data on bear distribution and abundance in San Luis Obispo County.

The results of those surveys support the conclusion that bear numbers and densities are adequate in San Luis Obispo County to allow bear hunting without adversely affecting the bear population in the county.

If approved by the Fish and Game Commission at its April 21 meeting, black bear hunting will be allowed in San Luis Obispo County beginning with the 2009 hunting season.

## ***In-Season Closure Quota***

Existing regulations requires the general bear season to close early when the DFG receives notification that 1,700 bears have been taken by hunters. When this early closure occurs, the DFG is required to send a notification letter to each bear tag holder. This has occurred only twice in the past six years. The DFG has proposed to the Fish and Game Commission that the in-season closure quota be eliminated because it provides no significant benefit to the bear population. As a result, the cost of notifying all hunters by mail is an unnecessary expense.

If the Commission adopts the proposal at its April 21 meeting, the 2009 bear hunting season would run through Dec. 27, 2009 with no expectation that it could close early.

10 - YEAR BEAR TAKE										
COUNTY	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Alpine	26	19	5	5	8	9	11	23	17	16
Amador	3	0	0	0	1	2	5	5	9	3
Butte	48	38	39	51	45	30	47	45	61	59
Calaveras	12	19	17	19	20	36	9	12	33	30
Colusa	2	0	2	2	1	4	8	2	4	2
Del Norte	53	32	18	28	22	30	18	27	29	20
El Dorado	29	61	61	61	61	63	47	62	69	61
Fresno	70	94	78	78	86	99	59	79	77	63
Glenn	27	33	18	25	27	31	33	35	26	54
Humboldt	164	130	110	147	113	154	98	140	117	157
Inyo	3	5	2	5	2	2	1	4	4	2
Kern	32	79	85	76	68	59	18	40	33	74
Lake	7	8	27	11	5	10	9	17	12	16
Lassen	30	19	13	8	26	18	18	20	18	13
Los Angeles	13	13	16	2	9	13	18	22	12	21
Madera	41	41	46	53	43	47	40	50	36	58
Mariposa	30	20	35	27	24	34	24	17	42	18
Mendocino	91	93	122	78	74	85	56	112	66	67
Merced	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Modoc	6	6	3	4	3	0	2	4	4	2
Mono	4	10	10	9	2	11	12	11	21	57
Napa	0	2	0	2	4	1	2	1	3	1
Nevada	15	20	17	14	15	19	18	29	25	22
Placer	32	38	37	34	38	49	30	41	41	31
Plumas	71	49	82	75	61	79	85	73	85	98
Riverside	2	4	2	5	3	2	0	2	0	0
San Bernardino	17	14	23	25	30	14	11	8	21	23
San Joaquin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Barbara	18	14	16	12	8	24	9	9	5	9
Santa Clara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Shasta	208	179	104	178	142	199	167	158	212	155
Sierra	33	31	34	28	16	19	33	25	31	38
Siskiyou	260	181	104	199	190	209	121	229	211	216
Sonoma	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Stanislaus	4	6	1	2	3	0	2	5	1	7
Tehama	86	65	79	81	67	67	63	63	71	104
Trinity	242	190	198	179	201	224	185	237	169	174
Tulare	75	133	130	138	158	88	62	87	143	141
Tuolumne	46	103	66	60	66	73	57	71	104	110
Ventura	20	27	21	26	14	24	16	12	24	15
Yolo	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	1	0
Yuba	13	17	8	17	12	19	20	33	20	18
Total Harvest	1,836	1,796	1,633	1,768	1,670	1,848	1,418	1,822	1,861	2,028
Total Tags Sold	18,321	20,620	19,796	22,157	22,331	21,000	23,160	24,076	25,087	25,631

# Frequently Asked Questions...

**Q. Why is the DFG proposing to change C, D12, and D17 to premium deer hunt tags which are issued through the drawing?**

A. The demand for C, D12 and D17 tags is high. In 2008, the tag quota for D12 and D17 filled before the big game drawing was conducted and the tag quota for C tags filled before the second round of the drawing was completed. The most equitable method to distribute tags for zones in which the demand exceeds supply is to issue them by drawing.

**Q. Will my chance of getting a C, D12 or D17 tag be reduced if the proposed regulations are adopted Making these zones are drawing tags?**

A. The proposed quota for these zones has not changed. Your best opportunity to get a C, D12 or D17 tag is to apply for one of these zones as your first tag choice on your First-Deer Tag Application and submit your application so that it reaches the DFG's License and Revenue Branch by the big game drawing deadline (5:00 PM, June 2, 2009).

**Q. What is a Modified Preference Point System Drawing?**

A. Under a Modified Preference Point System drawing, tag quotas for each hunt are split into two portions: one portion awarded by preference point drawings; the other portion awarded in draw-by-choice drawings. Quota splits vary, depending on the species, total number of available tags, or other special criteria (such as those for apprentice deer hunts).

**Q. How do I earn preference points?**

A. You may earn one preference point per year, per species, as follows:

Deer - Earn one preference point if you apply for the premium deer

tag drawing but are not drawn for your first tag choice.

Elk, Pronghorn Antelope and Bighorn Sheep - Earn one preference point for each species if you apply for the drawing for that species but do not receive a tag.

**Q. When do I lose preference points?**

A. You lose all accumulated preference points for a species, as follows:

Deer - You lose all accumulated preference points when you are drawn for a premium tag as your first choice.

Elk, Pronghorn Antelope and Bighorn Sheep - You lose all accumulated preference points for a species if you receive a tag for that species.

You also lose all accumulated preference points for any species if you do not participate in the drawing for that species for five (5) consecutive years.

**Q. How will the DFG track my preference points?**

A. The DFG tracks preference points for current and future drawings using the information you provide on your drawing applications, including name, date of birth, and permanent hunter identification number (driver license number, DMV identification number or hunter identification number assigned by the DFG).

For the DFG to accurately track your preference points, you must provide the same personal information and hunter identification number on your drawing applications each year. If you have changes or corrections to your name, mailing address, date of birth or hunter identification number, you must notify the DFG in writing at:

License and Revenue Branch  
1740 N. Market Blvd.  
Sacramento, CA 95834  
email: [point@dfg.ca.gov](mailto:point@dfg.ca.gov)

**Q. I'm a hunter without a DMV ID number. How do I get a DFG ID number?**

A. Hunters are automatically assigned a DFG ID number by our drawing system. If you applied in last year's drawing, your DFG ID number is printed on your mailing labels.

**Q. I do not wish to apply for a premium deer hunt this year. How can I earn a preference point?**

A. You must first purchase a 2009/2010 California hunting license and First-Deer Tag Application. On your application, write the point code (PD) as your first tag choice and mail to the DFG's License and Revenue Branch. Important! Your application must be received by 5:00 p.m., June 2, 2009.

**Q. If I am successful in the premium deer drawing for my second or third choice, do I earn a preference point?**

A. Yes. If you are not drawn for your first choice premium tag, you earn one preference point, even if you are drawn for a premium tag as your second or third choice.

**Q. I am unable to hunt this year. Can I still earn a preference point for elk, pronghorn antelope or bighorn sheep?**

A. Yes, you must first purchase a 2009/2010 California hunting license. Complete the appropriate application for that species, write the "Point Only" code in the hunt choice box and mail your application(s) with the appropriate nonrefundable processing fees to the DFG's License and Revenue Branch. Your application(s) and fees must be received by 5:00 p.m., June 2, 2009.

# ...About the Big Game Drawing

**Q. Do I earn a preference point if my application is received after the deadline?**

A. No. Your application will be disqualified and no preference point will be earned if your application is late, incomplete, ineligible or received without proper processing fees.

**Q. If I apply and am unsuccessful in receiving my first tag choice and I request a refund of my tag fee, do I still earn a preference point?**

A. Yes. You can receive a refund of your tag fee and still earn a preference point. Hunting license, application processing fees, and license agent fees are non-refundable.

**Q. If I am drawn for my first choice tag for a premium zone or hunt that does not fill in the drawing, do I still lose my preference points?**

A. Yes. If you are drawn for your first choice premium tag, you lose all your points for deer, whether or not the tag quota fills for that zone or hunt.

**Q. If I am successful in the premium deer tag drawing for my first choice and I am unable to hunt, can I return my tag and have my preference point reinstated?**

A. No. Once you are drawn for your first choice in the premium deer tag drawing all of your deer preference points are lost and can not be reinstated.

**Q. If I am drawn for an elk, pronghorn antelope or bighorn sheep tag, pay for the tag but I am unable to hunt, what happens to my preference points?**

A. Once you purchase the tag, whether or not you use it, you lose all preference points for that species.

**Q. If I am drawn for an elk, pronghorn antelope, or bighorn sheep tag but do not purchase the tag, do I lose my preference points for that species?**

A. No. If you do not purchase the tag, you will not lose your preference points for that species.

**Q. I have been unsuccessful in the draw for the last eight years. I only have seven points. When did the DFG start tracking points?**

A. The DFG started tracking points in 2002.

**Q. I am applying in the deer drawing and have the maximum number of points (which is seven as of 2009). If I apply as a party with my hunting partner who does not have any points, are my chances of getting a tag less than if I applied alone?**

A. Yes, the preference point value for party applications entered in the Big Game Drawing is determined by averaging all party members' points (total preference points of the party divided by the number of party members). Your party's preference point value will be 3.5 (seven total points divided by two party members). If you applied alone, your preference point value would be seven (seven total points divided by one party member). If you apply as a party with a hunter with 0 points, your application will not be processed in the preference round of the drawing until all applications with greater than 3.5 points have been processed. For many hunts, there are more maximum point applicants than there are preference tags, so your odds of drawing a preference tag would be very low. However, there is always a chance your party could get drawn in the random portion of the drawing where success is determined strictly by your random number and the number of available tags.

**Q. Can a member of my party be a junior hunter?**

A. Yes, as long as they possess a valid junior hunting license and are at least 12 years of age as of July 1 of the license year for which they are applying, or at the time of application if they are applying after July 1.

**Q. Can a member of my party be a nonresident?**

A. Nonresidents may apply in a party for deer, but not for elk, antelope or bighorn sheep.

**Q. Can one of our party members choose a different zone or hunt as their second or third tag choice?**

A. No. All party members' tag choices must be the same.

**Q. The 2008 deer drawing statistics indicate that a hunter with one preference point was drawn for a X8 tag. I applied as a party and our point total was 1.67. Why didn't we receive a tag?**

A. Party applications are not split when there are fewer tags available than the number of members in a party. Therefore, there may be party applications with a higher point value that did not receive a tag. For example, when the final X8 tag was awarded, there were several party applications with greater than one point. However, since there was only one available tag, these applications were bypassed.

**Q. My application for a premium deer tag was received after the drawing deadline. I will not receive a preference point for this year. Will I lose my points from previous years because my application was not received on time?**

A. No; however, a hunter's points are reduced to zero when they have not applied for five (5) consecutive years. Applying late is considered the same as not applying.

# Summary of Hunting Regulations & Laws

The laws and regulations on the following pages are summarized from the California Fish and Game Code (FGC), the California Penal Code (PC) and Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (T14). The summaries are intended only as a guide and not a replacement for the complete laws and regulations. To access the entire California Fish and Game Code and Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, visit the DFG Web site at [www.dfg.ca.gov/enforcement](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/enforcement). For the complete California Penal Code, go to [www.leginfo.ca.gov](http://www.leginfo.ca.gov).

## GENERAL TERMINOLOGY

### Bag Limit

The maximum limit, in number or amount, of birds, mammals, fish, reptiles, or amphibians that may lawfully be taken by any one person during a specified period of time.

### Possession Limit

The maximum, in number or amount, of birds, mammals, fish, reptiles, or amphibians that may be lawfully possessed by one person.

### Big Game

Deer (genus *Odocoileus*), elk (genus *Cervus*), pronghorn antelope (genus *Antilocapra*), wild pig (feral pigs, European wild pigs and their hybrids [genus *Sus*]), black bear (genus *Ursus*) and Nelson bighorn sheep (subspecies *Ovis canadensis nelsoni*). T14-350.

### Condor Range

The geographic area where lead is prohibited is exactly the same area described in the recently enacted AB 821- Ridley-Tree Condor Preservation Act (Nava) and entered into the Fish and Game Code as section 3004.5. To assist hunters in understanding and visualizing affected areas, the lead prohibition area is also known as deer hunt zones D7, D8, D9, D10, D11, D13, and most (but not all) of the South A zone.

### Drawing Types:

#### Modified Preference Point Drawing System

A drawing system which utilizes both a Draw-By-Choice drawing and a Preference Point drawing for awarding hunting tags to drawing applicants. T14-708(g).

#### Draw-by-choice Drawing

A drawing in which tags are awarded according to an applicant's hunt choice and computer-generated random number (lowest to highest), without consideration of accumulated points. T14-708(g).

#### Preference Point Drawing

A drawing in which tags are awarded

based on the following order of priority: an applicant's hunt choice (first choice only for deer), accumulated point totals by species (highest to lowest), and computer-generated random number (lowest to highest). Applicants who are unsuccessful in receiving a tag for premium deer (based on first choice selection), bighorn sheep, elk or pronghorn antelope hunts shall receive one preference point for use in future Big Game Drawings. T14-708(g).

#### Junior Hunting License

A reduced-fee license for hunters under age 16. FGC 3031.

#### License Year

A 12-month period beginning July 1 and ending June 30. FGC 3037.

#### Projectile

Defined as any bullet, ball, sabot, slug, buckshot or other device which is expelled from a firearm through a barrel by force. T14-353.

#### Resident

Any person who has resided continuously in California for six months immediately before the date of application for a license, tag or permit; persons on active duty with the armed forces of the United States or an auxiliary branch; or Job Corps enrollees. FGC 70.

#### Season

That period of time during which game mammals may be taken. All dates are inclusive. T14-258.

#### Shooting Time

Legal California time for the date specified. For example: during the days when California is on Pacific Daylight Saving Time, Pacific Daylight Saving Time is intended; when California is legally on Pacific Standard Time, Pacific Standard Time is intended. When reference is made to sunrise or sunset time, such reference is to the sunrise or sunset time at the location of the hunter. T14-250.5.

#### Shooting Hours on Big Game

Hunting and shooting hours for big game, including but not limited to deer, antelope, elk, bear, and wild pig shall be from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. T14-352.

#### Take

Hunt, pursue, catch, capture or kill or attempt to hunt, pursue, catch, capture or kill. FGC 86.

## BIG GAME DEFINITIONS

### Antlerless Deer

Female deer, fawns of either sex other than spotted fawns, and male deer with an unbranched antler on one or both sides which is not more than three inches in length. T14-351(b).

### Either-sex Deer

Antlerless deer, or legal bucks that have two or more points in the upper two-thirds of either antler. T14-351(c).

### Forked-horn Buck

A male deer having a branched antler on either side with the branch in the upper two-thirds of the antler. Eyeguards or other bony projections on the lower one-third of the antler shall not be considered as points or branches. T14-351(a).

### Spike Buck Deer

A male deer with unbranched antlers on both sides which are more than 3 inches in length. FGC 204(d).

### Antlerless Elk

Any elk, with the exception of spotted calves, with antlers less than four inches in length as measured from the top of the skull.

### Bull Elk

Any elk having an antler or antlers at least four inches in length as measured from the top of the skull.

### Either-Sex Elk

Bull elk or antlerless elk. T14-364(m)(4).

### Spike Bull Elk

A bull elk having no more than one point

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on each antler. An antler point is a projection of the antler at least one inch long and longer than the width of its base. T14-364(m)(2).

## **Buck Pronghorn Antelope**

Pronghorn antelope with horns longer than the ears. T14-363 (k)(2).

## **Doe Pronghorn Antelope**

Pronghorn antelope with horns shorter than the ears. T14-363 (k)(2).

## **Either-Sex Pronghorn Antelope**

Buck or doe pronghorn antelope. T14-363 (k)(2).

## **HUNT TYPES**

### **Archery Seasons and Archery-Only Hunt**

A season or hunt in which the only legal method of take is a bow and arrow. T14-354 and 361. You may not possess a firearm while hunting in the field during any archery season, Area-Specific Archery Hunt, or while hunting during the general season with an Archery-Only tag. T-14-354(h).

### **Apprentice Hunt**

Hunts open only to hunters with a valid Junior Hunting License. In T14-360(c), 363, and 364; deer, pronghorn antelope and elk, respectively.

### **Muzzleloading Rifle Only Hunt**

A hunt in which only muzzleloading rifles equipped with open or "peep" type sights may be used. Scopes are not permitted. T14-353(f)

### **Premium Deer Hunt\***

Any hunt that filled on or before the first business day after July 1 in the immediately preceding license year. T14-708(a)(2)(A)1.

### **Restricted Deer Hunt\***

Any hunt that filled on or before the first business day after Aug. 1 of the immediately preceding license year.

### **Unrestricted Deer Hunt\***

Any hunt that did not fill on or before the first business day after Aug. 1 in the immediately preceding license year.

## **METHOD OF TAKE DEFINITIONS FOR BIG GAME**

### **Legal Methods of Take for Big Game**

- Rifles using centerfire cartridges with softnose or expanding projectiles, bow and arrow, or muzzleloading rifles may be used to take big game. A projectile is defined as any bullet, ball, sabot, slug, buckshot

or other device which is expelled from a firearm through a barrel by force. T14-353(a).

- Shotguns capable of holding not more than three shells firing single slugs may be used for the taking of deer, bear and wild pigs. In areas where the discharge of rifles or shotguns with slugs is prohibited by county ordinance, shotguns capable of holding not more than three shells firing size 0 or 00 buckshot may be used for the taking of deer only. T14-353(b).

- Pistols and revolvers using centerfire cartridges with softnose or expanding projectiles may be used to take deer, bear, and wild pigs. T14-353(c).

- Pistols and revolvers with minimum barrel lengths of 4 inches, using centerfire cartridges with softnose or expanding projectiles may be used to take elk and bighorn sheep. T14-353(d).

- Crossbows may be used to take deer and wild pigs only during the regular seasons. T14-353(e).

- Within the Condor Range, only projectiles certified by the Commission as non-lead may be used or possessed while taking big game. T14-353(h).

### **Bow and Arrow Defined**

A bow is any device consisting of a flexible material having a string connecting its two ends and used to propel an arrow held in a firing position by hand only. Bow includes long bow, recurve or compound bow. A legal arrow is a broad head type blade which will not pass through a hole seven-eighths inch in diameter. Mechanical/retractable broad heads shall be measured in the open position. No arrow with an explosive head or with any substance which would tranquilize or poison any animal may be used. T14-354.

### **Crossbow Defined and Restrictions**

Any device consisting of a bow or cured latex band or other flexible material (commonly referred to as a linear bow) affixed to a stock, or any bow that utilizes any device attached directly or indirectly to the bow for the purpose of keeping a crossbow bolt, an arrow or the string in a firing position. A crossbow is not archery equipment and cannot be used during the archery deer season. Crossbow bolts with a broad head type blade which will not pass through a hole seven-eighths inch in diameter shall be used. No bolt with an explosive head or

with any substance which would tranquilize or poison any animal may be used. T14-354.

### **Muzzleloading Rifle Defined**

Rifle in which the charge and projectile are loaded from the muzzle. This includes wheellock, matchlock, flintlock or percussion type, including "in-line" muzzleloading rifles using black powder or equivalent black powder substitute, including pellets, with single projectile loaded from the muzzle and at least .40 caliber in designation. T14-353(a).

## **RELATED TERMS AND DEFINITIONS**

### **Bait Related to Bears**

Any material capable of attracting a bear. T14-365(e).

### **Baited Area**

Any area where shelled, shucked or unshucked corn, wheat or other grains, salt, or other feed whatsoever capable of luring, attracting, or enticing such birds or mammals is directly or indirectly placed, exposed, deposited, distributed, or scattered, and such area shall remain a baited area for ten days following complete removal of all such corn, wheat or other grains, salt, or other feed. T14-257.5.

### **Harass Defined**

An intentional act which disrupts an animal's normal behavior patterns, which includes, but is not limited to, breeding, feeding or sheltering. T14-251.1.

### **Use of Dogs for Hunting Big Game Dog Training Defined**

The education of dogs through "breaking" or "practicing" under strict provisions that preclude the injuring or take of animals. Training is distinguished from "pursuit", in that the animal being chased shall not be killed, captured, or injured. T14-265.

### **Treeing Switch**

Device on a dog collar consisting of a switch mechanism that results in a change in the transmitted signals when the dog raises its head to a treed animal. T14-265(d)(1).

### **Public Road or Other Way Open**

This includes any roads, dirt or otherwise, trails, open fields, parking lots, etc., open to public access. FGC 2006.

\* The Fish and Game Commission will consider this definition at its April 21, 2009 meeting.

# Summary of Hunting Regulations & Laws

## IT IS ILLEGAL TO:

- Take game mammals except as permitted by regulations. T14-250.
- Hunt big game without a valid hunting license and tag. FGC 1054.2.
- Hunt with a crossbow during archery season (except with a Disabled Archer Permit). T14-354(g).
- Possess a firearm while hunting during archery season or while hunting during the general season with an archery-only tag. T14-354(h).
- Take spike bucks. FGC 204(d).
- Pursue, drive, herd, or take any bird or mammal from any type of motor-driven air or land vehicles, motorboat, airboat, sailboat, or snowmobile, except when the motor is off and/or the sails furled and it is drifting, beached, moored, resting at anchor, or is being propelled by paddle, oar or pole. T14-251.
- Harass, herd or drive any game or nongame mammal or furbearing mammal. T14-251.1.
- Knowingly feed big game mammals. T14-251.3.
- Take mammals within 400 yards of any baited area. This does not apply to the taking of mammals on or over standing crops, croplands, or grains found scattered solely as the result of normal agricultural operations or procedures. T14-257.5.
- Take bears within 400 yards of any garbage dump or bait. T14-365(e).
- Take more than two deer per license year. T14-708(a)(1).
- Intentionally discharge a firearm or release an arrow or crossbow bolt from a bow or crossbow upon or across any highway, road or other way open to vehicular traffic. T14-354(e), FGC 3004(b).
- Nock or fit the notch in the end of an arrow to a bowstring or crossbow string in a ready-to-fire position while in or on any vehicle. T14-354(i).
- Hunt with bow or crossbow that will not cast a legal hunting arrow, except flu-flu arrows, a horizontal distance of 130 yards. T14-354(f).
- Hunt big game from one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise. T14-352.
- Use dogs for pursuit/take, or for dog training, during the archery seasons for deer or bear. T14-265(a)(1).
- Use dogs to take elk, bighorn sheep and antelope. T14-265(a)(2).
- Use dogs for pursuit/take of, or for dog training on, mountain lions (except under authority of a depredation permit). T14-265(a)(3).
- Use an artificial light to assist in taking any game bird or game mammal. FGC 2005.
- To deposit, permit to pass into, or place where it can pass into the waters of the state, or to abandon, dispose of, or throw away, within 150 feet of the high water mark of the waters of the state, any cans, bottles, garbage, rubbish, or the viscera or carcass of any dead mammal, or the carcass of any dead bird. FGC 5652.
- Fail to send a complete written report to the Department within 48 hours after killing or wounding while hunting, any human being, or domestic animal belonging to another, or after witnessing such killing or wounding. FGC 12151.5.
- Use a shotgun larger than 10 gauge for the taking of any game bird or game mammal, a shotgun capable of holding more than three shells in the magazine and chamber combined. FGC 2010; T14-311 and 353(b).
- Possess a machine gun, silencer, shotgun with barrel less than 18 inches in length, or rifle with barrel less than 16 inches in length. PC 12020.
- Possess in any State Game Refuge any bird or mammal or part thereof, or any weapon capable of taking any bird. FGC 10500. However, possession of firearms or bows and arrows by persons traveling through game refuges on a public highway or other public thoroughfare or right of way is permitted when the firearms are taken apart or encased and unloaded, and the bows are unstrung. FGC 10506. (National Parks and Monuments have special regulations regarding the possession of weapons, game and the running of hunting dogs. Check with federal officials before entering these areas.)
- Hunt any game bird or mammal without having the required licenses,

tags and/or stamps in possession; FGC 1054.2. Change, mutilate, or transfer any license, tag, or stamp; Have in possession while hunting any license belonging to another person. FGC 1052.

- Damage other's property while hunting. FGC 2004.
- Sell or barter game taken under authority of a hunting license. FGC 3039.

## DOG CONTROL ZONES

The use of dogs for pursuit, take, or for dog training is restricted in Dog Control Zones, as shown on the map on page 51. (For physical boundary descriptions of all Dog Control Zones, consult the California Hunting Regulations, Mammals and Furbearers.

The use of dogs for the pursuit/take of mammals or for dog training is prohibited in Dog Control Zones from the first Saturday in April through the day preceding the opening of the general deer season. T14-265(a)(4).

The use of dogs for the pursuit/take of mammals or for dog training is allowed in Dog Control Zones from the opening day of the general deer season through the first Friday in April. T14-265(b)(1).

Pursuits or dog training may not be started within 400 yards of a baited area. T14-265(b)(5).

## DOG TRAINING

No person shall kill, capture or injure any mammal, nor shall any person's dog be allowed to kill, capture or injure any mammal during dog training. T14-265(b)(6)(B).

No firearm, archery gear, crossbow or other instrument capable of killing, injuring or capturing any animal may be possessed by any person while training dogs. However, such equipment may be transported to or from a campsite, transported to or from a residence or lawfully possessed by a person at a campsite provided all dogs are secured and under control. T14-265(b)(6)(C).



# Summary of Hunting Regulations & Laws

## SAFETY ISSUES

It is always unlawful to: Place on, or carry or possess a loaded rifle or shotgun in a vehicle or conveyance or its attachments on any public road or other way open to the public; FGC 2006. Hunt while intoxicated; FGC 3001. Shoot at any game bird from a powerboat, sailboat, motor vehicle, or aircraft while under power or still moving from use of sail or motor; T14 251(a). Shoot any firearm from or upon a public road or highway; PC374(c).

It is unlawful to possess a loaded rifle or shotgun in any vehicle or conveyance or its attachments which is standing on or along or is being driven on or along any public highway or other way open to the public. A rifle or shotgun shall be deemed to be loaded for the purposes of this section when there is an unexpended cartridge or shell in the firing chamber but not when the only cartridges or shells are in the magazine. The provisions of this section shall not apply to peace officers or members of the armed forces of this state or the United States, while on duty or going to or returning from duty. FGC 2006.

Except as provided in subdivision (b), (c) or (d), every person who carries a loaded firearm on his or her person or in a vehicle while in any public place or on any public street in an incorporated city or in any public place or on any public street in a prohibited area of unincorporated territory is guilty of a misdemeanor. A firearm shall be deemed to be loaded for the purposes of this section when there is an unexpended cartridge or shell, consisting of a case which holds a charge of powder and a bullet or shot, in, or attached in any manner to, the firearm, including, but not limited to, in the firing chamber, magazine, or clip thereof attached to the firearm; except that a muzzle-loader firearm shall be deemed to be loaded when it is capped or primed and has a powder charge and ball or shot in the barrel or cylinder. PC 12031.

It is unlawful for any person, other than the owner, person in possession of the premises, or a person having the express permission of the owner or person in possession of the premises, to hunt or to discharge while hunting, any firearm or other deadly weapon within 150 yards of any occupied dwelling house, residence, or other building or any barn or other outbuilding used in connection therewith. The 150-yard area is a "safety zone." FGC 3004(a).

## TRESPASSING ISSUES

If the land you hunt on is not your own, it belongs to someone else. Make sure you have a legal right to be there. Contact the owner or person who administers the property, and secure written permission to hunt. A hunting license does not entitle you to enter private property.

"It is unlawful to enter any lands under cultivation or enclosed by a fence, belonging to, or occupied by, another, or to enter any uncultivated or unenclosed lands, including lands temporarily inundated by waters flowing outside the established banks of a river, stream, slough, or other waterway, where signs forbidding trespass are displayed at intervals not less than three to the mile along all exterior boundaries and at all roads and trails entering such lands, for the purpose of discharging any firearm or taking or destroying any mammal or bird, including any waterfowl, on such lands without having first obtained written permission from the owner of such lands, or his agent, or the person in lawful possession thereof. Such signs may be of any size and wording, other than the wording required for signs under Section 2017, which will fairly advise persons about to enter the land that the use of such land is so restricted." FGC 2016.

## Harassment of Hunters

The Fish and Game Code outlaws "hunter harassment" or interfering with another person who is lawfully hunting, trapping, shooting, fishing or engaging in falconry. The first offense is an infraction; the second offense within a two-year period is a misdemeanor. Interference means any action which physically impedes, hinders, or obstructs the lawful pursuit of any of the above-mentioned activities, including, but not limited to, actions taken for the purpose of frightening away animals from the location where the lawful activity is taking place. FGC 2009.

## LACEY ACT

Transporting illegally taken game across state lines is a violation of the federal Lacey Act (T16, US Code 1406). Such transport, if done in connection with commercial activity, may be classified as a felony.

# Summary of Hunting Regulations & Laws

## Persons Authorized to Validate or Countersign Deer and Elk Tags (T14-708)\*

### STATE

1. Fish and Game Commissioners
2. Employees of the Department of Fish and Game
3. Deputy Foresters
4. Assistant Deputy Foresters
5. Forest Rangers
6. Park Rangers—Grades 1, 2, 3, and 4
7. Supervising Plant Quarantine Inspectors
8. Junior, Intermediate and Senior Plant Quarantine Inspectors
9. Foresters
10. Fire Prevention Officers—Grades 1, 2, 3, and 4
11. Fire Captains
12. Fire Apparatus Engineers

### FEDERAL (FS = U.S. Forest Service, FWS = U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, BLM = Bureau of Land Management)

1. Range Technicians (BLM)
2. Forest Supervisors (FS)
3. Assistant Forest Supervisors (FS)
4. District Forest Rangers (FS)
5. Foresters (FS, BLM)
6. Range Conservationists (FS, BLM)
7. Forest Engineers (FS, BLM)
8. Forestry Aides (FS)
9. Fire Control Officers or Aides (FS, BLM)
10. Clerks (FS, FWS, BLM) while on duty at their headquarters
11. Game Management Agents (FWS)
12. Wildlife Management Biologists (FS, FWS, BLM)
13. District Managers (BLM)
14. Information Specialists (BLM)
15. Area Managers (BLM)
16. Realty Specialists (BLM)
17. Natural Resource Specialists (BLM)
18. Engineers (BLM)
19. Engineering Technicians (BLM)
20. Recreation Resource Specialists (BLM)
21. Geologists (BLM)
22. Recreation Aides (BLM)
23. All Uniformed Personnel of the National Park Service
24. Commanding officers of any United States military installation or their designated personnel for deer taken on their reservation.
25. Postmasters
26. Post Office Station or Branch Manager for deer brought to their post office.

### MISCELLANEOUS

1. County firemen at and above the class of foreman for deer brought into their station.
2. Judges or Justices of all state and United States courts.
3. Notaries Public
4. Peace Officers
5. Nonsalaried police officers or deputy sheriffs while on scheduled duty in a city or county of appointment for deer brought to a police station or sheriff's office
6. Officers authorized to administer oaths
7. Owners, corporate officers, managers or operators of lockers or cold storage plants for deer brought to their place of business.

\*No person may validate or countersign their own tag.

# OUTDOOR OPPORTUNITIES



## 2009 Advanced Hunting Clinics

DFG's advanced hunting clinics focus on the basics of hunting. The series includes sessions on how to hunt turkey, upland game, waterfowl, and big game. Topics covered in each clinic include type of firearm, ammunition, importance of sighting in the firearm, gauging distance, scouting, tracking, field dressing, shoot/don't shoot scenarios, hunter ethics, landowner-hunter relationships, conservation, and safety. The goal of this series of hunting clinics is to develop ethical, conservation-minded, successful hunters through education...taking the hunter a step beyond the basic Hunter Education course.

The cost of each class is \$40 unless otherwise indicated. Youth ages 16 and under are free but must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Space is limited.

To register, visit the DFG Web site at: <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/huntered/advanced/big-game.aspx> or contact Lt. Dan Lehman: 916-358-4356 or [DLEHMAN@dfg.ca.gov](mailto:DLEHMAN@dfg.ca.gov).

**Big Game Hunting Clinic**  
May 16-17, 2009  
Williams, Colusa County

**Wild Pig Hunting Clinic**  
June 6, 2009  
Sonoma, Sonoma County  
Cost \$40 for class + \$10 for lunch

**Land Navigation and Wilderness Survival**  
June 20-21, 2009  
Eldorado National Forest, El Dorado County

**Land Navigation**  
June 27-28, 2009  
Tejon Ranch, Kern County

**Wild Pig Hunting Clinic**  
Aug. 1, 2009  
Tejon Ranch, Kern County  
Cost \$40 for class + \$10 for lunch

**Waterfowl Hunting Clinic**  
Aug. 15, 2009  
Williams, Colusa County

**Upland Game Hunting Clinic**  
Sept. 26, 2009  
Williams, Colusa County

**Upland Game Hunting Clinic**  
Sept. 26, 2009  
Peace Valley, Lebec, Kern County

**Waterfowl Hunting Clinic**  
Oct. 3, 2009  
San Jacinto Wildlife Area, Riverside County



### **California Waterfowl**

#### **Youth Summer Shooting Program**

Dates: April 11, 2009; 9am-Noon  
June 13, 2009; 9am-Noon  
Aug. 22, 2009; 9am-Noon  
Sept. 19, 2009; 9am-Noon

Location: Grizzly Island Ranch, So-  
lano County

Contact for more information: [www.  
calwaterfowl.org](http://www.calwaterfowl.org) or (916) 275-0961

Get ready for the 2009-10 hunt-  
ing seasons by participating in the  
California Waterfowl Association's  
Youth Summer Shooting program.  
Shotgun practice, shotgun patterning  
and archery shooting will get you on  
target for this fall. There will be four  
shooting days starting in April and  
leading up to hunting season. The  
shooting days will cost \$20 with all  
targets, shells and guns provided.

### **California Waterfowl Hunters Camps**

Date: July 17 – 19

Location: Mandeville Island, San  
Joaquin County

Contact for more information: [www.  
calwaterfowl.org](http://www.calwaterfowl.org) or (916) 275-0961

Get ready for the 2009-10 hunting  
seasons by participating in the CWA  
Hunters Camps. The 2½-day camp  
includes Hunter Education, shotgun  
and rifle practice, shotgun pattern-  
ing and archery shooting. Mandeville  
Island is an exciting outdoor location  
where youths will also participate  
in hunting skills development and  
duck banding with CWA biologists.  
The Hunter camps costs \$175 with  
all meals, lodging, targets, shells and  
guns provided.

### **California Waterfowl Advanced Hunters Camp**

Date: July 24 – 26

Location: Mandeville Island, San  
Joaquin County

Contact for more information: [www.  
calwaterfowl.org](http://www.calwaterfowl.org) or (916) 275-0961

This 2½-day camp is geared for  
those young hunters (age 11-16) who  
have a Hunter Education certificate.  
Activities include shotgun and rifle  
practice, archery shooting along  
with fishing, duck banding and a  
multitude of other exciting outdoor  
skills development, all in an exciting  
outdoor location. The Hunter Camp  
costs \$175 with all meals, lodging,  
targets, shells and guns provided.

### **California Waterfowl Hunters Camps**

Date: July 31 – Aug. 2

Location: Conaway Ranch, Yolo  
County

Cost is \$175 per camp

Contact for more information: [www.  
calwaterfowl.org](http://www.calwaterfowl.org) or (916) 275-0961

Get ready for the 2009-10 hunt-  
ing seasons by participating in the  
CWA Hunters Camps. 2½-day camp  
includes Hunter Education, shotgun  
and rifle practice, shotgun pattern-  
ing and archery shooting. Conaway  
Ranch is an exciting outdoor location  
where youths will also participate  
in hunting skills development and  
duck banding with CWA biologists.  
The Hunter camps costs \$175 with  
all meals, lodging, targets, shells and  
guns provided.

### **California Waterfowl Hunters Camps**

Date: September 12 – 13

Location: Black Point Sports Club,  
Marin County

Contact for more information: [www.  
calwaterfowl.org](http://www.calwaterfowl.org) or (916) 275-0961

Two-day camp includes Hunter  
Education, shotgun and rifle prac-  
tice, shotgun patterning and archery  
shooting. Black Point Sports Club is  
an exciting outdoor location where  
youths will also participate in hunt-  
ing skills development. The Hunter  
camps costs \$150 with all meals,  
lodging, targets, shells and guns pro-  
vided.

### **California Waterfowl Hunters Camps**

Dates: Sept. 26 – 27

Oct. 3 – 4

Location: Grizzly Island Ranch, So-  
lano County

Contact for more information: [www.  
calwaterfowl.org](http://www.calwaterfowl.org) or (916) 275-0961

Get ready for the 2009/10 hunting  
seasons by participating in the CWA  
Hunters Camps. Hunter Education,  
shotgun practice, shotgun pattern-  
ing and archery shooting. There will  
be two separate 2-day hunter camps  
in late September and early October  
leading up to hunting season. The  
Hunter camps will cost \$100 with  
all meals, lodging, targets, shells and  
guns provided.



### **California Waterfowl Youth Hunt Program**

Projected Dates: (Exact season dates  
will be determined in August.)

Oct. 17, 2009

Oct. 24, 2009

Oct. 31, 2009

Nov. 6, 2009

Nov. 13, 2009

Nov. 20, 2009

Dec. 4, 2009

Dec. 11, 2009

Dec. 18, 2009

Jan. 8, 2010

Jan. 15, 2010

Jan. 22, 2010

Jan. 29, 2010

Jan. 31, 2010

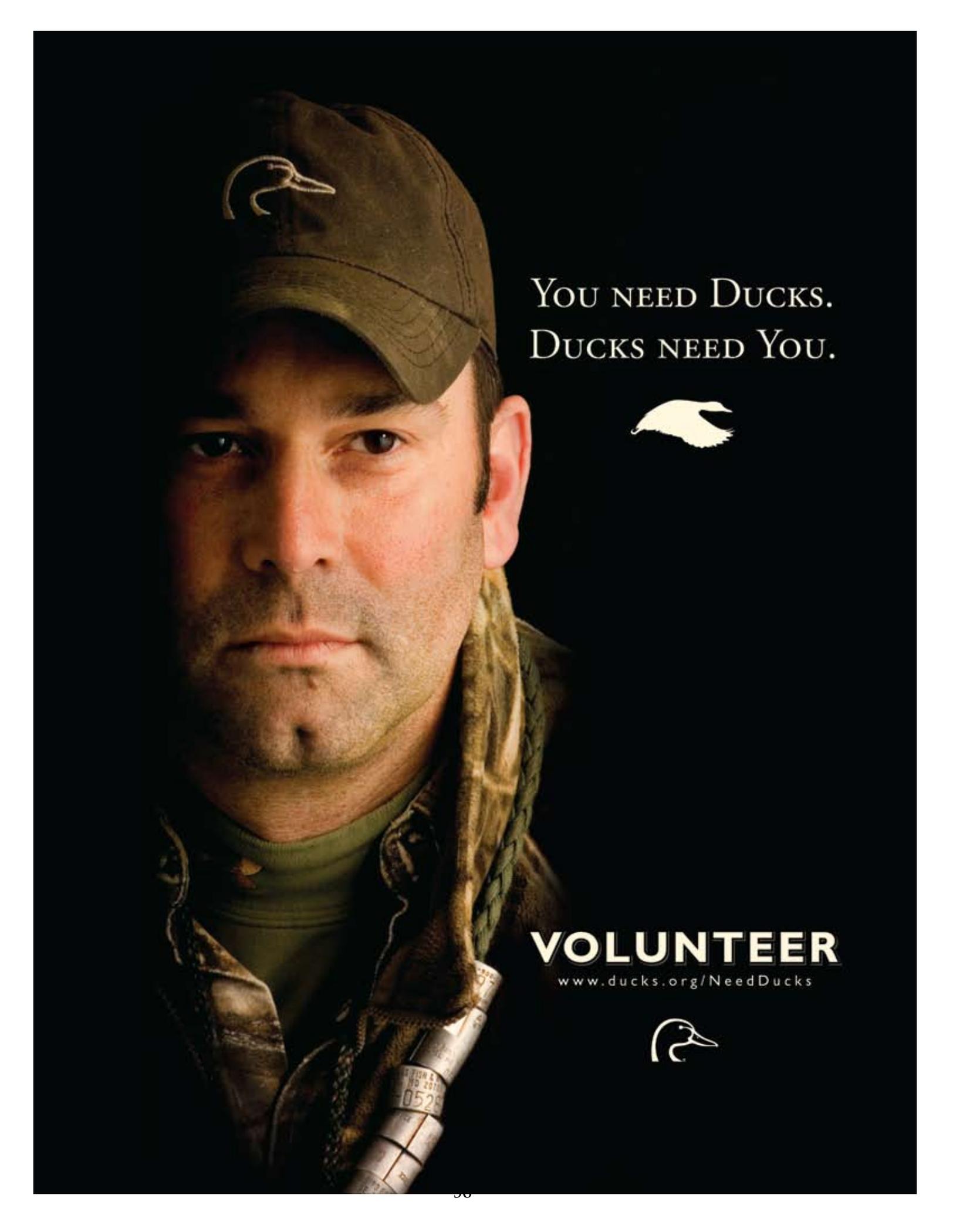
Location: Grizzly Island Ranch, So-  
lano County

\$40 cost includes overnight lodging,  
hunt, breakfast and lunch.

Must have a valid Junior Hunting  
License to be eligible.

Contact for more information: [www.  
calwaterfowl.org](http://www.calwaterfowl.org)

During the 2009/10 hunting sea-  
son youth participants are given the  
opportunity to hunt on an exclusive  
hunting club located in the Suisun  
Marsh at Grizzly Island Ranch. All  
participants must have a valid Junior  
Hunting License. Hunters and adult  
chaperones will meet the night before  
the hunt at Grizzly Island Ranch  
and the next day they will be given a  
morning hunt. There will be guided  
and unguided opportunities but adult  
chaperones must attend either way.

A close-up portrait of a man wearing a brown duck cap with a duck head logo, a green turtleneck, and a brown scarf. He is holding a shotgun. The background is dark.

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DUCKS NEED YOU.



**VOLUNTEER**

[www.ducks.org/NeedDucks](http://www.ducks.org/NeedDucks)





## INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING ELK TAG DRAWING APPLICATION

**IMPORTANT:** Check your application carefully! You may not make changes to party members or hunt codes after submitting your application. Incomplete, illegible or late applications will be rejected and NO preference point will be earned. You must submit a \$7.50 nonrefundable processing fee for each single application submitted or a \$15.00 processing fee for party applications. Applications received without payment or incorrect payment will be rejected and NO preference point will be earned.

**APPLICATION RESTRICTIONS:** You must be at least 12 years of age on or before July 1, 2009, with a 2009/2010 California hunting license. Each person may submit only one elk tag drawing application each year. Persons who submit more than one application may be prosecuted.

**HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION:** Complete Sections 1, 2 and 3 on the front of the application as follows:

### Section 1 - Party Information and Hunt Choice

#### Party Information

Nonresidents cannot apply as a party. Residents may apply alone or as a party. Not more than two persons may apply together as a party. If you are applying alone enter "1" in the appropriate space on the front of the application. If you are applying as a party enter "2" in the appropriate space. **NOTE:** Party applications shall be split to fill the last tag available through the Preference Point portion of the drawing. In that event, the tag will be awarded to the party leader, and the party member will become the first alternate. Party applications shall not be split to fill the last tag available through the Draw-By-Choice portion of the drawing.

#### Hunt Choice

Enter the Hunt Code from pages 38-39 of the 2009 California Hunting Digest-Big Game. If you are applying for a point only enter Code 499.

### Section 2 - Hunter Information

#### Party Leader *(if you are applying alone you are the party leader)*

1. Enter the party leader's 2009/2010 California hunting license number.
2. If you or your party member applied for last year's Big Game Drawing, you may have received hunter identification labels in the mail. If so, AFFIX the party leader's hunter identification label on the application. If you did not receive hunter identification labels, clearly PRINT ALL information requested.

#### Party Member *(if applicable)*

1. Enter the party member's 2009/2010 California hunting license number.
2. If applying as a party, both applicants must apply on the same application.
3. AFFIX the party member's hunter identification label on the application or clearly PRINT ALL information requested.

**IMPORTANT:** Your driver license or DMV ID number is required as a permanent hunter identification number. (The Department will assign a temporary ID number for persons without a driver license/DMV number.)

### Section 3 - Payment

Enclose ONE payment for all elk, antelope and bighorn sheep tag applications submitted in the same envelope. DO NOT SUBMIT CASH.

1. Check the box for type of payment submitted.
2. If paying by check (must be preprinted with name and address) or money order make payable to the Department of Fish and Game.
3. If paying by Visa or MasterCard clearly PRINT ALL credit card numbers shown on the card, the card expiration date and the card holder's name. The card holder's signature is required to authorize the charge.
4. Write the number of applications submitted in the envelope.
5. Write the total amount enclosed or authorized to charge.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** Applications must be **received** by the License and Revenue Branch in Sacramento no later than **5:00 p.m., June 2, 2009.**

#### MAIL APPLICATION AND PAYMENT TO:

Department of Fish and Game  
License and Revenue Branch  
P. O. Box 349021  
Sacramento, CA 95834-9021

*Do not mail deer or bear tag applications to this P.O. Box. This P.O. Box is only for elk, antelope and bighorn sheep tag applications. All mail received at this P.O. Box after 5:00 p.m. on June 2, 2009 will be returned to the sender unopened. Late elk, antelope and bighorn sheep tag applications received at any address other than this P.O. Box will be opened and the non-refundable application fee processed. Processing fees will not be refunded. Late applications will not be included in the drawing. A preference point will not be awarded for late applications.*

**TAG FEE:** If successful in the drawing, you will be notified by mail to submit the tag fee of \$376.00 (residents) or \$1,162.50 (nonresidents).

**REFUND POLICY:** Processing fees for elk tag drawing applications and California hunting license fees are nonrefundable.

**DRAWING METHOD:** A Modified Preference Point System (MPPS) drawing will be used. Additional information about the MPPS can be found in the 2009 California Hunting Digest-Big Game. For final tag quotas and zone or hunt boundaries, contact your nearest DFG office after May 27, 2009, or visit the DFG's Web site at [www.dfg.ca.gov](http://www.dfg.ca.gov).



## INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING ANTELOPE TAG DRAWING APPLICATION

**IMPORTANT:** Check your application carefully! You may not make changes to party members or hunt codes after submitting your application. Incomplete, illegible or late applications will be rejected and NO preference point will be earned. You must submit a \$7.50 nonrefundable processing fee for each single application submitted or a \$15.00 processing fee for party applications. Applications received without payment or incorrect payment will be rejected and NO preference point will be earned.

**APPLICATION RESTRICTIONS:** You must be at least 12 years of age on or before July 1, 2009 with a 2009/2010 California hunting license. Each person may submit only one antelope drawing application each year. Persons who submit more than one application may be prosecuted.

**HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION:** Complete Sections 1, 2 and 3 on the front of the application as follows:

### Section 1 - Party Information and Hunt Choice

#### Party Information

Nonresidents cannot apply as a party. Residents may apply alone or as a party. Not more than two persons may apply together as a party. If you are applying alone enter "1" in the appropriate space on the front of the application. If you are applying as a Party enter "2" in the appropriate space. **NOTE:** Party applications shall be split to fill the last tag available through the Preference Point portion of the drawing. In that event, the tag will be awarded to the party leader, and the party member will become the first alternate. Party applications shall not be split to fill the last tag available through the Draw-By-Choice portion of the drawing.

#### Hunt Choice

Enter the Hunt Code from page 40 of the 2009 California Hunting Digest-Big Game. If you are applying for a point only enter Code 799.

### Section 2 - Hunter Information

#### Party Leader *(if you are applying alone you are the party leader)*

1. Enter the party leader's 2009/2010 California hunting license number.
2. If you or your party member applied for last year's Big Game Drawing, you may have received hunter identification labels in the mail. If so, AFFIX the party leader's hunter identification label on the application. If you did not receive hunter identification labels, clearly PRINT ALL information requested.

#### Party Member *(if applicable)*

1. Enter the party member's 2009/2010 California hunting license number.
2. If applying as a party, both applicants must apply on the same application.
3. AFFIX the party member's hunter identification label on the application or clearly PRINT ALL information requested.

**IMPORTANT:** Your driver license or DMV ID number is required as a permanent hunter identification number. (The Department will assign a temporary ID number for persons without a driver license/DMV number.)

### Section 3 - Payment

Enclose ONE payment for all elk, antelope and bighorn sheep tag applications submitted in the same envelope. DO NOT SUBMIT CASH.

1. Check the box for type of payment submitted.
2. If paying by check (must be preprinted with name and address) or money order make payable to the Department of Fish and Game.
3. If paying by Visa or MasterCard clearly PRINT ALL credit card numbers shown on the card, the card expiration date and the card holder's name. The card holder's signature is required to authorize the charge.
4. Write the number of applications submitted in the envelope.
5. Write the total amount enclosed or authorized to charge.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** Applications must be **received** by the License and Revenue Branch in Sacramento no later than **5:00 p.m., June 2, 2009.**

#### MAIL APPLICATION AND PAYMENT TO:

Department of Fish and Game  
License and Revenue Branch  
P.O. Box 349021  
Sacramento, CA 95834-9021

*Do not mail deer or bear tag applications to this P.O. Box. This P.O. Box is only for elk, antelope and bighorn sheep tag applications. All mail received at this P.O. Box after 5:00 p.m. on June 2, 2009 will be returned to the sender unopened. Late elk, antelope and bighorn sheep tag applications received at any address other than this P.O. Box will be opened and the non-refundable application fee processed. Processing fees will not be refunded. Late applications will not be included in the drawing. A preference point will not be awarded for late applications.*

**TAG FEE:** If successful in the drawing, you will be notified by mail to submit the tag fee of \$125.25 (residents) or \$387.50 (nonresidents).

**REFUND POLICY:** Processing fees for antelope tag drawing applications and California hunting license fees are nonrefundable.

**DRAWING METHOD:** A Modified Preference Point System (MPPS) drawing will be used. Additional information about the MPPS can be found in the 2009 California Hunting Digest-Big Game. For final tag quotas and zone or hunt boundaries, contact your nearest DFG office after May 27, 2009, or visit the DFG's Web site at [www.dfg.ca.gov](http://www.dfg.ca.gov).



## INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING SHEEP TAG DRAWING APPLICATION

**IMPORTANT:** Check your application carefully! You may not make changes to hunt codes after submitting your application. Incomplete, illegible or late applications will be rejected and NO preference point will be earned. You must submit a \$7.50 nonrefundable processing fee for each application submitted. Applications received without payment or incorrect payment will be rejected and NO preference point will be earned.

**APPLICATION RESTRICTIONS:** You must be at least 16 years of age on or before July 1, 2009, with a 2009/2010 California hunting license. Each person may submit only one bighorn sheep tag drawing application each year. Persons who submit more than one application may be prosecuted.

**HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION:** Complete Sections 1, 2 and 3 on the front of the application as follows:

### Section 1 - Hunt Choice

#### Hunt Choice

Enter the Hunt Code from page 41 of the 2009 California Hunting Digest-Big Game. If you are applying for a point only enter Code 599.

### Section 2 - Hunter Information

1. Enter your 2009/2010 California hunting license number.
2. If you applied for last year's Big Game Drawing, you may have received hunter identification labels in the mail for 2009. If so, AFFIX your hunter identification label on the application. If you did not receive hunter identification labels, clearly PRINT ALL information requested.

**IMPORTANT:** Your driver license or DMV ID number is required as a permanent hunter identification number. (The Department will assign a temporary ID number for persons without a driver license/DMV number.)

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**TAG FEE:** If successful in the drawing, you will be notified by mail to submit the tag fee of \$354.50 (resident) or \$500.00 (nonresident).

**REFUND POLICY:** Processing fees for sheep drawing applications and California hunting license fees are nonrefundable.

**DRAWING METHOD:** A Modified Preference Point System (MPPS) drawing will be used. Additional information about the MPPS can be found in the 2009 California Hunting Digest-Big Game. For final tag quotas and zone or hunt boundaries, contact your nearest DFG office after May 27, 2009, or visit the DFG's Web site at [www.dfg.ca.gov](http://www.dfg.ca.gov).



**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
 California Natural Resources Agency  
 DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME



***DECLARATION FOR ENTRY INTO CALIFORNIA  
 OF GAME, FISH, BIRDS OR ANIMALS***

Description	Number	Pounds
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The above species of fish and/or game were legally taken and possessed by \_\_\_\_\_ in the County of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_. It is illegal to import any animal for commercial purposes prohibited by California law or regulation.

**Hunting License Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Angling License Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Vehicle License Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Game Tag Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_

**Entry into California via Highway** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Entry** \_\_\_\_\_



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