



## 2026 DEER HUNT CLASSIFICATIONS

2026 Hunting Licenses, Deer Tag Drawing Applications and Deer Tags will be available for purchase beginning April 15, 2026.

### PREMIUM DEER TAGS - DEADLINE TO APPLY IS JUNE 2

Must apply on a 1<sup>st</sup> Deer Tag Drawing Application. 1<sup>st</sup> choice must be a Premium Deer Tag, the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> choice can be Premium, Restricted, Or Unrestricted.  
(On the CDFW sales terminal select 2026 Hunting then the Drawings tab)

Point Only: PD

General Zone Hunts: C, D12, D14, D17

X Zone Hunts: X1, X2, X3A, X3B, X4, X5A, X5B, X6A, X6B, X7A, X7B, X8, X9A, X9B, X9C, X10, X12

General Method Hunts: G1, G3, G6, G12, G13, G19, G21, G37, G38, G39, G40

Muzzleloader Hunts: M3, M4, M5, M6, M7, M8, M9, M11, MA1, MA3

Area-Specific Archery Hunts: A1, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A8, A9, A11, A12, A13, A14, A15, A16, A17, A20, A21, A24, A25, A26, A27, A30, A33

Apprentice Hunts (May Apply on 2<sup>nd</sup> Deer Tag Drawing Application): J1, J3, J4, J8, J9, J10, J11, J12, J13, J14, J15, J16, J17, J18, J19, J20, J21

### RESTRICTED DEER TAGS

Available as a 1<sup>st</sup> Deer Tag or 2<sup>nd</sup> Deer Tag (if no pending draw application)  
Available as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Deer Tag beginning August 2 at 8AM (if a premium or restricted tag was issued as 1<sup>st</sup> Deer Tag)  
(On the CDFW sales terminal select 2026 Hunting then the Tags tab)

Area-Specific Archery Hunts: A31

### UNRESTRICTED DEER TAGS

Available as a 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> Deer Tag

(On the CDFW sales terminal select 2026 Hunting then the Tags tab)

General Zone Hunts: A, B, D3-5, D6, D7, D8, D9, D10, D11, D13, D15, D16, D19

Archery Only Hunts: AO, A18, A19, A22, A32

### HELPFUL TIPS!

- ✓ ALWAYS PROCESS A CUSTOMER'S DEER TAG DRAWING APPLICATION BEFORE PROCESSING THE RESTRICTED OR UNRESTRICTED DEER TAG.
- ✓ CUSTOMERS MAY ENTER UP TO 3 CHOICES ON THEIR DRAWING APPLICATION FOR A CHANCE TO WIN 1 OF THOSE CHOICES. VERIFY HUNT CHOICES AND ORDER OF ENTRY BEFORE COMPLETING TRANSACTIONS.