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License Sales

Hunting licenses are sold at the following DFG offices and at authorized license agents statewide. To find a license agent near you, visit the DFG Web site at: <http://dfginternal5.dfg.ca.gov/lasweb/>

License and Revenue Branch

1740 N. Market Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95834 (916) 928-5805

Northern Region

601 Locust Street, Redding, CA 96001 (530) 225-2300

Serving counties: Del Norte, Humboldt, Lassen, Mendocino, Modoc, Shasta, Siskiyou, Tehama, and Trinity

Eureka Field Office

619 Second Street, Eureka, CA 95501 (707) 445-6493

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Serving counties: Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego, Santa Barbara, and Ventura

Los Alamitos Field Office

4665 Lampson Ave. Suite C, Los Alamitos, CA 90720
(562) 342-7100

Marine Region

20 Lower Ragsdale Drive Suite 100, Monterey, CA 93940
(831) 649-2870

Hunter Education Information/Classes

To find a hunter education class in your area, call one of the numbers listed below:

Northern District - (530) 225-2003

North Central District - (916) 351-0833

Central Coast District Office - (707) 944-5548

South Central District - (559) 243-4005

Southern District - (760) 947-8859

Southern District Office - (562) 799-8381

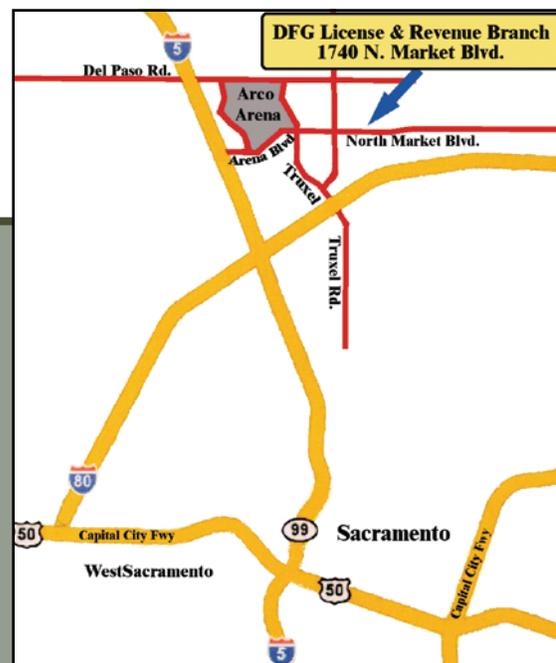
You can also take a hunter education course online! For more information, visit: www.dfg.ca.gov/huntered/.

Hunting Guide Services

For a list of licensed California hunting guides, visit: www.dfg.ca.gov/licensing/hunting/hunting.html. 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. Printed copies of the regulations are also available at DFG offices and license agents.



Warning – Traffic Delays Anticipated Along I-5

A major construction project on I-5 in Sacramento could cause delays for hunters traveling to the DFG's License and Revenue Branch to turn in their big game drawing applications. The project, scheduled to begin in May of 2008, will impact traffic along I-5 between Richards Boulevard and the I-5 – Hwy 50 connector.

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, 2008. To avoid being disqualified from the 2008 big game drawing, mail your application early or plan an alternative route and give yourself extra time to travel to the License and Revenue Branch.

To check current highway conditions on CalTrans Web site, visit <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/roadinfo>.

Directions from I-5: Exit at Arena Blvd; travel east, toward Arco Arena, approximately 1.5 miles. Arena Blvd. becomes N. Market Blvd. Turn right into the parking lot.



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~*Tule elk at East Park Reservoir; cover photo by Mike Peters*~

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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, Mammals and Furbearers*, available at any DFG office (see page 4 for phone numbers); online at www.dfg.ca.gov/regulations/index.html.

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What's New This Year

New Requirements for Hunting in Condor Range

Beginning July 1, 2008, it will be illegal to use lead ammunition for hunting deer, bear, wild pig, elk and pronghorn antelope in areas designated as California condor range. This area includes most of deer hunt Zone A, South Unit 110; and all of deer hunt zones A, D7, D8, D9, D10, D11 and D13, as well as the Fort Hunter Liggett, La Panza, and San Luis Reservoir tule elk hunts. For more information see page 11.



Validation Stamp No Longer Required for Hunter Education Certificates

As of Jan. 1, 2008, hunters are no longer required to purchase a Hunter Safety Validation Stamp and affix it to their Hunter Education Certificate.

In January 2005, the DFG implemented a new Hunter Education Certificate, which has a unique record number eliminating the need for a validation stamp. There are very few individuals who may still possess older Hunter Education Certificates, with no unique number that have not been validated. These individuals should contact their nearest DFG office to exchange the older Hunter Education Certificates with no unique number and no Hunter Safety Validation Stamp, for a new certificate with a unique number. If the Hunter Education Certificate has a Hunter Safety Validation Stamp, there is no need to exchange it for a new certificate with a unique number.

For information on Hunter Education, Hunting License requirements and a list of DFG offices, please visit DFG's Web site at www.dfg.ca.gov.



New Name, Same Great Hunts

The DFG has changed the name of its junior hunts and other hunts for beginners to better reflect the level of instruction and supervision they offer. Now called **Apprentice Hunts**, most of these hunts are still open only to hunters possessing a Junior Hunting License. Most include a pre-hunt safety orientation, and junior hunters typically must be accompanied by an adult.



New Definitions Proposed for Bull Elk, Antlerless Elk

The DFG is proposing a change to the definitions for Bull Elk and Antlerless Elk. Under field conditions it is very difficult to identify antlers above the hairline but less than four inches (which is included in the current definition for bull elk). The proposed definitions are as follows:

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

The Fish and Game Commission will consider the proposed changes at its May 9, 2008 meeting.



Additional Tags Proposed for Northwestern California Roosevelt Elk Hunt

The DFG offered a new elk hunt in Humboldt and Del Norte Counties in 2007 known as the Northwestern California Roosevelt Elk Hunt (#483). Overall success of the 2007 hunt was 90% and included animals harvested on both public and private land. The Fish and Game Commission may authorize 10 additional tags for this zone for 2008 for a total of 20 either-sex tags. Please contact the Eureka Field Office (707-445-6493) if you would like further information about this elk hunting opportunity.

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Hunting License Information

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 unique number imprinted on it (ex: AA00000) or a California Hunter Education Certificate with **no unique number** imprinted **and** a California Hunter Education Validation Stamp affixed.
- 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, 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

Hunting license fees are nonrefundable. Tag/application fees are nonrefundable unless stated otherwise. Refunds will not be issued for emergency 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. If you lose your hunting license, you must turn in your Application For Duplicate at a license agent or DFG of-

ice 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.

Hunting Licenses and Tag Fees

Includes five percent license agent handling fee and \$3.75 nonrefundable processing fee for deer and bear tag applications. License Year runs July 1, 2008–June 30, 2009.

Hunting Licenses

Resident, age 16 and over	\$38.85
Nonresident	\$134.95
Junior (resident/nonresident), under age 16	\$10.25
Disabled Veteran*	\$6.00

Hunting Tag Applications

First-Deer Tag Application

Resident	\$26.00
Nonresident	\$228.65

Second-Deer Tag Application

Resident	\$32.30
Nonresident	\$228.65

Bear Tag Application

Resident	\$38.05
Nonresident*	\$229.50

Wild Pig Hunting Tags

Resident	\$18.65
Nonresident	\$62.20

Big Game Drawing Applications

	One Person	Party of Two
Antelope	\$7.50	\$15.00
Elk	\$7.50	\$15.00
Bighorn Sheep	\$7.50	

Hunter Education

Hunter Education Equivalency Exam	\$44.25
Duplicate Hunter Education Certificate	\$5.00

Hunting Stamps

Upland Game Bird Stamp	\$7.90
California Duck Stamp	\$16.80

**Available from DFG offices only.*

Looking for a license agent in your area? Visit our Web site at www.dfg.ca.gov/licensing/index.html.

Hunting License Information

Disabled Archer Permit

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 each year rather than obtaining certification from a licensed physician again. Contact your nearest DFG office for an application.

Hunter Survey

License sales 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 Tom Blankinship of the DFG's Wildlife Branch at (916) 445-3615 or via email at tblankin@dfg.ca.gov.

Harvest Information Program (HIP) Stamp Requirement

If you plan to hunt migratory game birds in 2008/2009 (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 his/her 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, see page 4 or visit the DFG's Web site at: www.dfg.ca.gov/huntered/, where you can also take a hunter education course online.

Hunter Education Equivalency Exams

Hunter education equivalency exams are given by appointment at DFG regional offices for a fee of \$42.50. (California equivalency certificates may not be accepted as evidence of hunter education in some states.)

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. The fee for a duplicate certificate is \$5.00. 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 for information on class availability.

~ PROTECT OUR DEER & ELK ~

Chronic Wasting Disease: New Proposed Regulation

The DFG has been actively educating hunters about the dangers of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD), 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 have faced tight restrictions on the importation of hunter-harvested deer and elk into California.

Now, new proposed language would make it easier for hunters to comply with the law while still protecting the state's deer and elk herds. Animal parts that present a low risk of disease transmission will be allowed into California if the Fish and Game Commission adopts the new language at its May 9, 2008 meeting. These would 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, will still be 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.

Proposed 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.

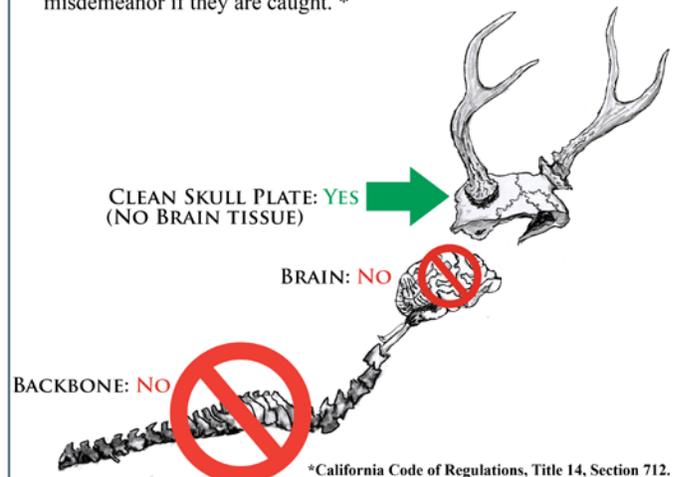
(d) antlers with no brain tissue attached (antlers in the velvet stage are allowed, if no brain tissue is attached).

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

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

DON'T RISK A TICKET!

Deer and elk hunters who bring brain or spinal tissue into California are putting our state's herds at risk. And they will be cited with a misdemeanor if they are caught. *



*California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 712.

Illustration by Warden Rick Fischer.

Get 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 beginning July 1, 2008. Lead projectiles are also banned in the same areas when hunting coyote, ground squirrels, and other nongame wildlife. The ban will encompass 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 will be 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. The Commission and the DFG will be working on a certification process, to be completed before summer 2008, to help hunters identify projectiles that will be legal.

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.

More information is available at <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/wildlife/hunting/condor/>.

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

General Information

All premium deer hunt tags and elk, antelope and 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 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, 2008.

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.
- 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 order (starting with lowest number), until all applications have been processed.
- After the preference point round is completed, unsuccessful applications are resorted by random number (starting with the lowest number), and the computer begins awarding tags based on applicant's first-choice without consideration of accumulated points, until all draw-by-choice quotas fill or all applications have been processed.
- All remaining unsuccessful applications are then sorted by second tag choice 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 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 25, 2008, 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

After notices are mailed to unsuccessful applicants, deer tags are sent to successful applicants in order of season openings. Successful applicants should receive their

tags by July 2, 2008. If you do not receive your tag by this date please contact your nearest DFG office.

Notifying Unsuccessful Applicants

After the drawings, notices will be mailed to unsuccessful drawing participants who did not check the refund box on their original applications. These applicants should receive a notice by July 2, 2008 that lists zones and available hunts as of that 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 12-16 weeks 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, 2008, should contact any DFG license sales office.

Deer Tag Quota Splits

These quota splits are set 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 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



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. To find an authorized license agent in your area visit our Web site at:

www.dfg.ca.gov/licensing/index.html.

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 on their 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 2007/2008 license year may not apply for deer tags in 2008/2009.

Deer Tag Exchanges

You may exchange an A, B, C, or D zone tag or an Archery-Only tag 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. Tags are still available for the zone or hunt requested; and
3. Payment of a nonrefundable \$8.25 exchange tag processing fee is received.

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.

You may not exchange an X zone, Additional Hunt or Area-Specific Archery Hunt tag.

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 of \$8.25.

Deer Tag Refund Policy

Refunds may be issued for **unissued deer tag applications or tags as defined below**. Refunds will not be issued for emergency 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 **2008/2009** license year.

Deer Tag Applications

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, 2009. 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 12-16 weeks after the State budget is signed for processing your refund.

Deer Tags

Deer tags for premium deer hunts (X zones, Additional Hunts, and Area-Specific Archery Hunts) are nonrefundable. Refunds for unused deer tags for zones A, B, C, D, AO#1, and AO#2, may only be requested prior to the opening of the archery season or the earliest season for which the tag is valid.

Suggestions for Applying for Deer Tags

. If you are applying for any of the following zones, use your First Deer Tag Application and apply early. In 2007 the tag quota for D17 filled before the big game drawing. The tag quotas for C and D12 filled during the big game drawing. The tag quota for D7 filled shortly after the big game drawing. The tag quota for D6 filled on August 2, when they became available on Second-Deer Tag Applications.

. Second-Deer Tag Applications cannot be used to apply for X or C zone tags.

. Junior hunters may not apply for Apprentice Hunts on more than one deer tag application. Junior hunters who wish to apply for a C zone, D zone, or premium deer hunt (excluding Apprentice Hunts) should apply using a First-Deer Tag Application. Junior hunters must use a Second-Deer Tag Application to apply for Apprentice Hunts.

. Consulting the 2007 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, 2008**

1 First-Deer Tag Applications

A First-Deer Tag Application may be used to apply for the following hunts:

Premium Deer Tags

Tags are issued through the Big Game Drawing for X zones, Additional Hunts and Area-Specific Archery Hunts. 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 (see below).

X Zone 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.

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 2008/2009 California junior hunting license. Eligible junior license holders may use either a First-Deer or Second-Deer Tag Application to apply for apprentice deer hunts; however only one application may be submitted for apprentice hunts. (See pages 24-25 for Apprentice Deer Hunts.) Juniors receiving tags must be accompanied by an adult 18 years of age or older while hunting.

Military Lands Hunts: Additional hunts 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 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.

Deer Tags Issued On Request

Deer tags are issued on request for A, B, C, and D zones until tag quotas fill. You may apply by mail or in person at any DFG license sales office.

• **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**. To hunt with archery equipment during the archery season in any C zone you must apply for an A1 Area-Specific Archery Hunt tag.

• **Archery-Only #1 (AO#1) Deer Tags:** These tags allow hunting with archery equipment during the archery and general seasons in A, B, or D zones.

An AO#1 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.

Leftover Draw Tags Issued Beginning July 2, 2008

Persons with First-Deer Tag Applica-

tions or unsuccessful drawing notices may apply for leftover drawing tags. You must submit your application to the License and Revenue Branch in Sacramento before July 2, 2008 to be included in any additional drawings that may be required. (*If the number of applications received by 5:00 p.m., July 2, 2008 exceeds the number of tags available for a specific zone or hunt, a drawing may be held.*)

Any X zone or Additional Hunt tags remaining after the drawing will be issued on request by mail and in person from the DFG's License and Revenue Branch only.

Any Area-Specific Archery Hunt tags remaining after the drawing will be issued on request to any First- or Second-Deer Tag Application or unsuccessful drawing notice by mail and in person from the DFG's License and Revenue Branch only; with the exception of A1 (Archery Buck in the C zones), also available at the Redding office; and A22 (San Diego Archery Either-Sex), A31 (Los Angeles Archery Either-Sex), and A32 (Ventura/Los Angeles Archery Late Season Either-Sex), also available at the Los Alamitos and San Diego offices.

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 2008/2009 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. The application must be **received** by 5:00 p.m., June 2, 2008.

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

2 Second-Deer Tag Applications

After purchasing a First-Deer Tag Application, applicants may purchase a Second-Deer Tag Application to apply for the following:

Apprentice Deer Hunt Tags

Junior applicants 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 for Apprentice Deer Hunts; either a First-Deer Tag Application **or** a Second-Deer Tag Application.

Deer Tags Issued on Request

The following tags are issued immediately upon request until tag quotas fill. You may apply in person or by mail at any DFG license sales office.

- *A Zone and B Zone Deer Tags:* These tags allow hunting during the archery season with archery equipment and during the general season with a muzzle-loading or centerfire rifle, shotgun, authorized pistol or revolver, crossbow, or bow except as otherwise provided.

- *Archery-Only #2 (AO#2) Deer Tag:* These tags allow hunting with archery equipment during the archery and general seasons in A, B, or D zones.

An AO#2 tag may be used by military personnel 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 any rifle, shotgun, pistol, revolver, or crossbow when hunting with an Archery-Only deer tag, unless otherwise specified.

Leftover Draw Tags Issued Beginning July 2, 2008

- *Any Area-Specific Archery Hunt Tag Remaining After the Drawing:* Tags for these hunts allow archery hunting in designated areas throughout the state, including hunts within X zones.

Tags Issued

Beginning August 4, 2008

- *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 except as otherwise provided. Tags are valid for a specific zone except:

- 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.

- *Any Leftover Additional Hunt Tags:* Additional deer hunts include antlerless, either-sex, and buck hunting opportunities in a variety of locations throughout the state. They also include apprentice, military lands, and special equipment hunts.

On August 4, 2008, Second-Deer Tags for D zones will be issued at DFG offices upon request until quotas fill. Second-Deer Tags for unfilled Additional Hunts are issued only at the DFG's License and Revenue Branch. To receive any D zone or leftover Additional Hunt tag before August 4, 2008, you must use a First-Deer Tag Application.

Do You Hunt In Another State?

If you do, you must declare any legally taken and possessed game or fish brought back into California. For instructions and a printable copy of the Declaration For Entry form go the following Web address:

www.dfg.ca.gov/enforcement/entry-declaration.aspx

Important Things to Consider Regarding Second- Deer Tag Applications

- Second-Deer Tag Applications **cannot** be used to apply for C zone or any X zone Tags.
- 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.

Filling Out Your 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 office or license agent.
2. Write your 2008/2009 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 22-26). 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, 2008**. 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 2008/2009 hunting season and earning a preference point for the 2008 season.

Late applications will not be entered into the drawing and applicant 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.

2007 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 Feb. 13, 2008.

Zone/Hunt	3				Total Buck Harvest	Zone/Hunt	3				Total Buck Harvest
	2 Point Bucks	Point Bucks	4 Point Bucks	4+ Point Bucks			2 Point Bucks	Point Bucks	4 Point Bucks	4+ Point Bucks	
Archery Only 1*	62.2%	23.6%	10.2%	3.9%	127	Hunt A16	33.3%	41.7%	16.7%		12
Archery Only 2*	54.8%	23.7%	16.3%	5.2%	135	Hunt A17	66.7%	33.3%			3
A Zone (South)	73.8%	20.3%	4.8%	0.4%	1,878	Hunt A18	50.0%	50.0%			4
A Zone (North)	59.9%	30.0%	8.5%	1.0%	1,795	Hunt A19	(No buck harvest)				0
Zone B1	43.8%	35.5%	18.1%	2.3%	1,599	Hunt A20	54.5%	27.3%	18.2%		11
Zone B2	52.2%	31.3%	14.3%	1.9%	1,407	Hunt A21		50.0%	50.0%		2
Zone B3	53.3%	29.1%	15.5%	1.5%	330	Hunt A22	71.4%	21.4%			14
Zone B4	42.6%	33.8%	21.6%	2.0%	148	Hunt A24	42.9%	42.9%			7
Zone B5	53.0%	35.0%	9.7%	2.1%	474	Hunt A25	33.3%	50.0%	16.7%		6
Zone B6	47.6%	30.3%	18.0%	3.0%	607	Hunt A26	30.0%	30.0%	40.0%		10
Zone C1	38.8%	36.7%	21.0%	2.1%	281	Hunt A27		100.0%			1
Zone C2	41.2%	34.8%	17.1%	5.9%	187	Hunt A30		100.0%			4
Zone C3	41.3%	35.3%	17.8%	4.2%	286	Hunt A31	65.4%	11.5%	15.4%		26
Zone C4	54.7%	31.1%	12.9%	1.4%	512	Hunt A32	100.0%				1
Zone D3	53.0%	25.2%	19.3%	2.3%	774	Hunt A33	66.7%	33.3%			3
Zone D4	45.1%	32.4%	14.6%	7.0%	213	Hunt G1	37.2%	35.2%	23.0%	4.0%	500
Zone D5	48.5%	30.3%	16.1%	4.4%	1,071	Hunt G3		14.8%	74.1%	11.1%	27
Zone D6	49.8%	30.4%	16.0%	3.3%	582	Hunt G6	44.8%	37.9%	10.3%	6.9%	29
Zone D7	49.7%	27.9%	18.3%	4.1%	366	Hunt G7	57.1%	42.9%			7
Zone D8	51.7%	32.2%	11.8%	3.8%	416	Hunt G8	(Antlerless buck harvest)				1
Zone D9	54.4%	25.0%	16.9%	3.8%	160	Hunt G9	(No buck harvest)				0
Zone D10	65.2%	23.9%	10.9%		46	Hunt G10	48.8%	20.9%	2.3%		43
Zone D11	70.5%	20.8%	7.4%	0.7%	149	Hunt G11	75.0%	10.0%	10.0%		20
Zone D12	18.1%	47.2%	29.2%	5.6%	72	Hunt G12	33.3%	50.0%			6
Zone D13	67.8%	22.9%	6.3%	2.0%	205	Hunt G13	(Antlerless buck harvest)				4
Zone D14	56.5%	26.1%	13.9%	2.6%	115	Hunt G19	50.0%	25.0%			4
Zone D15	72.7%	27.3%			11	Hunt G21	90.0%	10.0%			10
Zone D16	58.5%	33.3%	6.4%	1.8%	171	Hunt G37	7.1%	14.3%	28.6%	50.0%	14
Zone D17	45.6%	35.1%	12.3%	7.0%	57	Hunt G38	37.0%	22.2%	22.2%	18.5%	27
Zone D19	62.0%	34.0%	4.0%		50	Hunt G39		50.0%	25.0%	25.0%	4
Zone X1	35.6%	34.9%	25.6%	3.3%	418	Hunt M3	13.3%	13.3%	46.7%	20.0%	15
Zone X2	17.1%	38.2%	38.2%	6.6%	76	Hunt M4	66.7%	33.3%			3
Zone X3a	21.2%	40.0%	31.8%	7.1%	170	Hunt M5		50.0%	50.0%		2
Zone X3b	36.7%	39.6%	20.8%	2.4%	245	Hunt M6	33.3%	66.7%			3
Zone X4	25.4%	37.0%	27.5%	9.4%	138	Hunt M7	83.3%	16.7%			6
Zone X5a	17.2%	24.1%	41.4%	13.8%	29	Hunt M8		100.0%			2
Zone X5b	10.9%	34.8%	47.8%	6.5%	46	Hunt M9		11.1%	77.8%	11.1%	9
Zone X6a	35.1%	25.2%	34.2%	5.4%	111	Hunt M11	14.3%	42.9%	28.6%	14.3%	7
Zone X6b	32.8%	35.9%	23.4%	6.3%	64	Hunt MA1	40.0%				5
Zone X7a	30.8%	26.9%	31.7%	10.6%	104	Hunt MA3	87.5%	12.5%			8
Zone X7b	20.9%	48.8%	25.6%	4.7%	43	Hunt J1	33.3%	33.3%	33.3%		3
Zone X8	39.5%	23.7%	28.9%	7.9%	38	Hunt J3	25.0%	50.0%		25.0%	4
Zone X9a	34.1%	38.8%	22.4%	4.7%	255	Hunt J4	55.6%	44.4%			9
Zone X9b	36.7%	46.7%	16.7%		60	Hunt J7		50.0%	50.0%		2
Zone X9c	48.0%	36.0%	16.0%		50	Hunt J8	33.3%	33.3%	33.3%		6
Zone X10	42.5%	35.0%	12.5%	10.0%	40	Hunt J9	(No buck harvest)				0
Zone X12	42.2%	35.7%	19.7%	2.0%	244	Hunt J10	57.9%	34.2%	2.6%		38
Hunt A1	60.1%	29.7%	9.5%	0.6%	158	Hunt J11	25.0%		25.0%		4
Hunt A3	38.9%	38.9%	19.4%	2.8%	36	Hunt J12			25.0%	75.0%	8
Hunt A4	50.0%	50.0%			2	Hunt J13	(No buck harvest)				0
Hunt A5	37.5%	37.5%	25.0%		8	Hunt J14	50.0%	16.7%	16.7%		6
Hunt A6	80.0%	10.0%	10.0%		10	Hunt J15		33.3%	50.0%	16.7%	6
Hunt A7	18.8%	43.8%	25.0%	12.5%	16	Hunt J16	66.7%	33.3%			3
Hunt A8	50.0%	50.0%			2	Hunt J17	(No buck harvest)				0
Hunt A9		100.0%			1	Hunt J18	(Antlerless buck harvest)				2
Hunt A11	31.6%	15.8%	47.4%	5.3%	19	Hunt J19	25.0%	37.5%	12.5%	12.5%	8
Hunt A12	47.1%	29.4%	23.5%		17	Hunt J20	20.0%	20.0%	40.0%	20.0%	5
Hunt A13		50.0%	50.0%		4	Hunt J21	20.0%	40.0%	20.0%		5
Hunt A14	12.5%	50.0%	25.0%	12.5%	8	Fundraising Tags*		11.1%	44.4%	44.4%	9
Hunt A15		(No buck harvest)			0	STATEWIDE:	51.2%	29.5%	15.1%	3.0%	14,959

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

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

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2007 Deer Tag Drawing Statistics

		Preference Point Drawing							Random (Draw-By-Choice) Drawing					
	Hunt Code	Total Quota	Preference Quota	Total 1st Choice Applicants	1st Choice, Max Point Applicants	Tags Awarded	Highest Point Value Awarded Tag	Lowest Point Value Awarded Tag	Random 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 Left Over After the Drawing
X Zones	X1	2230	2007	3279	4	2007	5	0	223	223	223	0	0	0
	X2	180	162	1192	13	162	5	4	18	18	18	0	0	0
	X3A	280	252	1907	24	252	5	3	28	28	28	0	0	0
	X3B	795	716	3318	6	716	5	2	79	79	79	0	0	0
	X4	415	374	1470	4	374	5	1.5	41	41	41	0	0	0
	X5A	55	50	815	20	50	5	4	5	5	5	0	0	0
	X5B	115	104	2930	315	104	5	5	11	11	11	0	0	0
	X6A	335	302	1235	0	302	4.8	2	33	33	33	0	0	0
	X6B	390	351	974	6	351	5	1	39	39	39	0	0	0
	X7A	250	225	1965	54	225	5	4	25	25	25	0	0	0
	X7B	120	108	897	13	108	5	4	12	12	12	0	0	0
	X8	250	225	776	2	225	5	1	25	25	25	0	0	0
X9A	750	675	2475	6	675	5	1.5	75	75	75	0	0	0	
X9B	325	293	490	2	293	5	0	32	32	32	0	0	0	
X9C	325	293	420	2	293	5	0	32	32	32	0	0	0	
X10	400	360	253	0	253	3	0	40	147	*	147	0	0	
X12	805	725	3555	8	725	5	2	80	80	80	0	0	0	
A1	2045	1841	234	0	234	3	0	204	558	*	404	154	1,253	
A3	265	239	295	0	239	3	0	26	26	26	0	0	0	
A4	5	4	33	0	4	3	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	
A5	30	27	95	0	27	3.5	2	3	3	3	0	0	0	
A6	75	68	216	1	68	5	1	7	7	7	0	0	0	
A7	100	90	179	0	90	4	0	10	10	10	0	0	0	
A8	15	14	45	0	14	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	
A9	15	14	35	2	14	5	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	
A11	90	81	156	1	81	5	1	9	9	9	0	0	0	
A12	110	99	180	0	99	4	0	11	11	11	0	0	0	
A13	40	36	107	1	36	5	2	4	4	4	0	0	0	
A14	20	18	176	0	18	4	4	2	2	2	0	0	0	
A15	30	27	47	2	27	5	0	3	3	3	0	0	0	
A16	130	117	323	0	117	3	1	13	13	13	0	0	0	
A17	300	270	22	0	22	1	0	30	92	*	56	36	186	
A18	350	315	2	0	2	2	0	35	33	*	12	21	315	
A19	120	108	3	0	3	0	0	12	8	*	7	1	109	
A20	115	104	303	0	104	3	1	11	11	11	0	0	0	
A21	25	23	110	1	23	5	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	
A22	1000	900	25	1	25	5	0	100	65	*	46	19	910	
A24	100	90	138	0	90	4	0	10	10	10	0	0	0	
A25	35	32	149	2	32	5	2	3	3	3	0	0	0	
A26	35	32	351	13	32	5	4	3	3	3	0	0	0	
A27	10	9	94	5	9	5	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	
A30	40	36	282	4	36	5	3	4	4	4	0	0	0	
A31	1000	900	92	0	92	1	0	100	141	*	116	25	767	
A32	250	225	4	0	4	0	0	25	9	*	5	4	237	
A33	25	23	58	0	23	3	0.5	2	2	2	0	0	0	
G1	2850	2565	2478	3	2478	5	0	285	372	*	372	0	0	
G3	35	32	4266	1368	32	5	5	3	3	3	0	0	0	
G6	50	45	1061	122	45	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	
G8	10	9	209	3	9	5	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	
G9	15	14	73	1	14	5	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	
G12	30	27	132	0	27	3	2	3	3	3	0	0	0	
G13	300	270	460	0	270	3	0	30	30	30	0	0	0	
G19	25	23	162	0	23	3	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	
G21	25	23	81	0	23	4	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	
G37	25	23	2357	515	23	5	5	2	2	2	0	0	0	
G38	300	270	366	0	270	4	0	30	30	30	0	0	0	
G39	5	4	473	0	4	5	5	1	1	1	0	0	0	

*All first choice applicants received a tag in the preference round of the drawing.

2007 Deer Tag Drawing Statistics

	Preference Point Drawing								Random (Draw-By-Choice) Drawing						
	Hunt Code	Total Quota	Preference Quota	Total 1st Choice Applicants	1st Choice Max Point Applicants	Tags Awarded	Highest Point Value Awarded Tag	Lowest Point Value Awarded Tag	Random 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 Left Over After the Drawing	
Apprentice Hunts	J1	25	13	108	0	13	3	2	12	12	12	0	0	0	
	J3	15	8	199	0	8	3	3	7	7	7	0	0	0	
	J4	15	8	282	0	8	4	3	7	7	7	0	0	0	
	J7	15	8	43	0	8	2	1	7	7	7	0	0	0	
	J8	15	8	68	0	8	2	1	7	7	7	0	0	0	
	J9	5	3	8	0	3	2	1	2	2	2	0	0	0	
	J10	75	38	207	0	38	3	1	37	37	37	0	0	0	
	J11	40	20	58	0	20	1	0	20	20	20	0	0	0	
	J12	10	5	621	0	5	3	3	5	5	5	0	0	0	
	J13	40	20	35	0	20	2	0	20	20	15	5	0	0	
	J14	30	15	32	0	15	1	0	15	15	15	0	0	0	
	J15	10	5	309	0	5	3	3	5	5	5	0	0	0	
	J16	75	38	43	0	38	2	0	37	37	5	32	0	0	
	J17	25	13	21	0	13	1	0	12	12	8	4	0	0	
	J18	75	38	65	0	38	1	0	37	37	27	10	0	0	
	J19	25	13	154	0	13	3	2	12	12	12	0	0	0	
	J20	20	10	82	0	10	3	2	10	10	10	0	0	0	
	J21	50	25	110	0	25	3	1	25	25	25	0	0	0	
	Muzzleloader Hunts	M3	20	18	1128	303	18	5	5	2	2	2	0	0	0
		M4	15	14	43	2	14	5	3.8	1	1	1	0	0	0
		M5	10	9	210	20	9	5	5	1	1	1	0	0	0
M6		80	72	77	0	72	1	0	8	8	5	3	0	0	
M7		150	135	200	0	135	2	0	15	15	15	0	0	0	
M8		10	9	80	1	9	5	3.5	1	1	1	0	0	0	
M9		15	14	552	129	14	5	5	1	1	1	0	0	0	
M11		20	18	733	173	18	5	5	2	2	2	0	0	0	
MA1	150	135	174	0	135	4	0	15	15	15	0	0	0		
MA3	150	135	137	0	135	4	0	15	15	2	13	0	0		

*All first choice applicants received a tag in the preference round of the drawing.



Russell Wong Foey,
Cache Creek



Broc Hayes,
Zone D5



Michael Clark, Hunt A1
Archery-only in Zone C4



Agustin Rodriguez,
Zone D8 Archery

Proposed* 2008 Deer Hunts

Hunt Zone	2007 Est. Hunter Success (%)	2007 Tag Quota	Date Quota Filled	2008 Proposed Archery Season Dates	2008 Proposed General Season Dates	Information
PD	Point Only	Enter this hunt code to earn a point without participating in the first choice drawing.				
Tags Issued on Request						
AO#1 }10 AO#2	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	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). (Apply for AO#1 on a First-Deer Tag Application and AO#2 on a Second-Deer Tag Application.)
A	26	65,000	●	Jul 12-Aug 3	Aug 9-Sept 21	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	24	55,500	●			Zone B Tag is valid in Zones B1 - B6
B1				Aug 16-Sept 7	Sept 20-Oct 26	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 16-Sept 7	Sept 20-Oct 26	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 16-Sept 7	Sept 20-Oct 26	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				July 26-Aug 17	Aug 23-Sept 28	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 16-Sept 7	Sept 20-Oct 26	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 16-Sept 7	Sept 20-Oct 19	Public access good in Klamath National Forest (530) 842-6131. Foot-hills of Scott and Shasta valleys are largely private. DFG contact (530) 459-3164.
C	22	8,575	■			Zone C Tag is valid in C1, C2, C3 and C4 General Seasons only
C1				See Hunt A1	Sept 20-Oct 19	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	Sept 20-Oct 26	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	Sept 20-Oct 26	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	Sept 20-Oct 5	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.
D3-5	11	33,000	●	Aug 16-Sept 7	Sept 27-Nov 2	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.
D6	9	10,000	8/02/07	Aug 16-Sept 7	Sept 20-Nov 2	Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005.
D7	6	9,000	7/27/07	Aug 16-Sept 7	Sept 20-Nov 2	Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005.
D8	9	8,000	●	Aug 16-Sept 7	Sept 27-Oct 26	Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005.
D9	12	2,000	8/09/07	Aug 16-Sept 7	Sept 27-Oct 26	Good access on public land (559) 243-4005.
D10	9	700	●	Aug 16-Sept 7	Sept 27-Oct 26	No public land available; hunting normally restricted to landowners and permittees (559) 243-4005.
D11	5	5,500	●	Sept 6-28	Oct 11-Nov 9	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.

● Did not fill in 2007.

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2007 Est. Hunter Zone	2007 Tag Quota (%)	Date Quota Filled	2008 Proposed Archery Season Dates	2008 Proposed General Season Dates	Information	
Tags Issued on Request (continued)						
D12	12	950	■	Oct 4-26	Nov 1-23	Wilderness areas severely restrict vehicle access; 4 X 4 recommended for entire zone (760) 922-4686.
D13	9	4,000	●	Sept 6-28	Oct 11-Nov 9	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	6	3,000	●	Sept 6-28	Oct 11-Nov 9	Fair access on public lands (909) 584-9671.
D15	3	1,500	●	Sept 6-28	Oct 11-Nov 9	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	12	3,000	●	Sept 6-28	Oct 25-Nov 23	Good access on public lands; higher elevations rugged (858) 467-4201.
D17	17	500 (Filled prior to drawing.)	●	6/08/07 Sept 6-28	Oct 11-Nov 2	Access may be very limited due to an extensive burn in 2005. Wilderness Area and Mojave National Preserve restrict vehicle access (760) 240-1372.
D19	6	1,500	●	Sept 6-28	Oct 4-Nov 2	Good access on public lands; rugged terrain at higher elevations (909) 484-0167.
Premium Deer Tags X Zones						
X1	26	2,230	■	See Hunt A3	Oct 4-19	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. Forest Service road management areas within zone. See National Forest maps for details. DFG contact (530) 233-3581.
X2	46	180	■	See Hunt A4	Oct 4-19	Good access on public lands, primarily administered by the Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811. DFG contact (530) 233-3581.
X3A	83	280	■	See Hunt A5	Oct 4-19	Good access on Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811 and Alturas Field Office BLM lands. (530) 233-4666 DFG contact (530) 233-3581.
X3B	43	795	■	See Hunt A6	Oct 4-19	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	42	415	■	See Hunt A7	Oct 4-19	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	53	55	■	See Hunt A8	Oct 4-19	Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0465. DFG contact (530) 254-6808.
X5B	45	115	■	See Hunt A9	Oct 4-19	Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0465. DFG contact (530) 254-6808.
X6A	44	335	■	See Hunt A11	Oct 4-19	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	30	390	■	See Hunt A12	Oct 4-19	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	49	250	■	See Hunt A13	Oct 4-19	Good access on public lands (916) 358-2882.
X7B	43	120	■	See Hunt A14	Oct 4-19	Good access on public lands (916) 358-2882.
X8	23	250	■	See Hunt A15	Sept 27-Oct 12	Good access on public lands except two wilderness areas (916) 358-2882.
X9A	47	750	■	See Hunt A16	Sept 20-Oct 13	Good access on public lands; carry chains and shovel; cold weather late in season (760) 872-1171.
X9B	27	325	■	See Hunt A17	Sept 20-Oct 13	Good access on public lands; carry chains and shovel; cold weather late in season (760) 872-1171.
X9C	20	325	■	See Hunt A18	Oct 18-Nov 9	Wilderness areas/Death Valley Park expansion severely restrict vehicle access and open hunting areas (760) 872-1171.
X10	14	400	■	See Hunt A19	Sept 27-Oct 12	Adequate access on public lands with steep, rough terrain. (559) 243-4005
X12	30	805	■	See Hunt A20	Sept 20-Oct 13	Good access on public lands; carry chains and shovel; cold weather late in season (760) 872-1171.

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Zone/ Hunt Code	Hunt Title	2007 Est. Hunter Success (%)	2007 Tag Quota	Date Quota Filled	2008 Proposed Season Dates	Information
Additional Deer Hunts						
General Methods Hunts						
G1	Late Season Buck in zone C4	26	2,850	■	Oct 25-Nov 2	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	77	35	■	Dec 6-21	Good public access; unpredictable weather (760) 872-1171.
G6	Kern River Deer Herd Buck	58	50	■	Dec 6-14	Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005.
G8	Fort Hunter Liggett Antlerless	80	10	■	Oct 4-5, 11-13	Access fee required; date subject to change (831) 386-2214.
G9	Camp Roberts Antlerless	33	10	■	Aug 25-Sept 1	Access fee required; good prospect for success. (805) 238-8167
G12	Gray Lodge Shotgun Either-sex	43	30	■	Sept 20-28	Gray Lodge Wildlife Area only; shotguns with solid slugs only (916) 358-2882.
G13	San Diego Antlerless	8	300	■	Oct 25-Nov 16	Good access on public lands; rugged terrain at higher elevations (858) 467-4201.
G19	Sutter-Yuba Wildlife Areas Either-sex	37	25	■	Sept 27-Dec 31	Archery-crossbow-shotguns with solid slugs only; all portions walk-in only (916) 358-2882.
G21	Ventana Wilderness Buck	91	25	■	Nov 8-30	Open only on lands designated USFS Ventana Wilderness Area in Monterey County; steep, rugged, brushy; vehicle restrictions (831) 649-2870.
G37	Anderson Flat Buck	56	25	■	Nov 22-30	Good access on National Forest Service lands (559) 243-4005.
G38	Late season Buck in zone X10	13	300	■	Oct 18-Nov 2	Adequate access on public lands with steep, rough terrain (559) 243-4005.
G39	Round Valley Late Season Buck	80	5	■	Oct 25-Nov 9	Good access; 4 X 4 recommended; carry chains and shovel (760) 872-1171.
Muzzleloading Rifle Hunts						
M3	Doyle Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	79	20	■	Nov 15-23	Good access on public lands. DFG contact (530) 254-6808.
M4	Horse Lake Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	20	15	■	Oct 25-Nov 2	Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0465. DFG contact (530) 254-6808.
M5	East Lassen Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	22	10	■	Oct 25-Nov 2	Good access on public lands administered by the Eagle Lake Field Office BLM (530) 257-0465. DFG contact (530) 254-6808.
M6	San Diego Muzzleloading Rifle Either-sex	14	80	■	Dec 20-31	Good access on public lands; rugged terrain at higher elevations (858) 467-4201.
M7	Ventura Muzzleloading Rifle Either-sex	13	150	■	Nov 29-Dec 14	Good access; hunt on public lands (858) 467-4201.
M8	Bass Hill Muzzleloading Rifle Buck	28	10	■	Oct 25-Nov 2	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	64	15	■	Oct 25-Nov 9	Good access on public lands managed by the Modoc National Forest (530) 233-5811. DFG contact (530) 233-3581.
M11	Northwestern California	35	20	■	Nov 8-23	Good public access to Mendocino National Forest (530) 934-3316, Shasta Trinity National Forest (530) 226-2500, Six Rivers National Forest (707) 442-1721 and Arcata Field Office BLM lands (707) 825-2300 DFG Eureka office (707) 445-6493, DFG Redding office (530) 225-2300.
MA1	San Luis Obispo Muzzleloading Archery Either-sex	27	150	■	Nov 29-Dec 14	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	12	150	■	Nov 29-Dec 14	Fair access on public lands. Vehicle use limited (858) 467-4201.
Apprentice Hunts ◆						
J1	Lake Sonoma Apprentice Either-sex	20	25	■	Nov 1-2	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	27	15	■	Nov 29-30	Good access - hunt area is DFG's Tehama Wildlife Area. DFG contact (530) 225-2300.

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Apprentice Hunts ♦ continued						
J4	Shasta-Trinity Apprentice Buck	60	15	■	Nov 22-30	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	53	15	■	Oct 18-26	Good public access on National Forest lands (916) 358-2882.
J8	Daugherty Hill Wildlife Area Apprentice Either-sex	40	15	■	Dec 6-31	Good access. Wildlife Area only (916) 358-2882.
J9	Little Dry Creek Apprentice Shotgun Either-sex	0	5	■	Sept 20-28	Good access. Wildlife Area only. Shotguns using slugs only (916) 358-2882.
J10	Fort Hunter Liggett Apprentice Either-sex	74	75	■	Oct 4-5, 11-13	Season subject to change by Commanding Officer (831) 386-2214.
J11	San Bernardino Apprentice Either-sex	28	40	■	Nov 15-23	Within D14 and San Bernardino County only. Fair access on public lands (909) 584-9671.
J12	Round Valley Apprentice Buck	80	10	■	Dec 6-21	Good access; 4 X 4 recommended; carry chains and shovel (760) 872-1171.
J13	Los Angeles Apprentice Either-sex	13	40	■	Nov 15-23	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	■	Nov 15-23	Within zone D19 and Riverside County only. Good access on public lands (909) 484-0167.
J15	Anderson Flat Apprentice Buck	60	10	■	Nov 22-30	Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005.
J16	Bucks Mountain/Nevada City** Apprentice	28	75	■	Sept 27-Nov 2	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	16	25	■	Sept 27-Nov 2	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	28	75	■	Sept 27-Nov 2	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	44	25	■	Oct 4-19	Good access on public lands (916) 358-2882.
J20	Zone X7B Apprentice Either-sex	30	20	■	Oct 4-19	Good access on public lands (916) 358-2882.
J21	East Tehama Apprentice Either-sex	28	50	■	Sept 20-Nov 2	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						
A1	Archery Buck in C zones	11	2,045	7/11/07		Hunt A1 tag is valid in C1, C2, C3 and C4 Archery Season only.
	C1				Aug 16-31	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 16-Sept 7	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				Aug 16-Sept 7	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 16-31	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.

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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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Area-Specific Archery Hunts continued						
A3	Archery Buck in zone X1	19	265	■	Aug 16-Sept 7	Good access on public lands administered by Klamath National Forest (530) 842-6131, Shasta Trinity N.F. (530) 226-2500, Modoc N.F. (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	43	5	■	Aug 16-Sept 7	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	36	30	■	Aug 16-Sept 7	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	18	75	■	Aug 16-Sept 7	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	20	100	■	Aug 16-Sept 7	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	13	15	■	Aug 16-Sept 7	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	8	15	■	Aug 16-Sept 7	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	29	90	■	Aug 16-Sept 7	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	16	110	■	Aug 16-Sept 7	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	40	■	Aug 16-Sept 7	Good access on public lands (916) 358-2882.
A14	Archery Buck in zone X7b	48	20	■	Aug 16-Sept 7	Good access on public lands (916) 358-2882.
A15	Archery Buck in zone X8	0	30	■	Aug 16-Sept 7	Good access on public lands (916) 358-2882.
A16	Archery Buck in zone X9a	13	130	■	Aug 16-Sept 7	Good access on public lands (760) 872-1171.
A17	Archery Buck in zone X9b	2	300	●	Aug 16-Sept 7	Good access on public lands (760) 872-1171.
A18	Archery Buck in zone X9c	5	350	●	Aug 16-Sept 7	Wilderness areas/Death Valley National Park severely restrict vehicle access and hunting areas (760) 872-1171.
A19	Archery Buck in zone X10	0	120	●	Aug 16-31	Adequate public land access; steep, rough terrain (559)243-4005.
A20	Archery Buck in zone X12	10	115	■	Aug 16-Sept 7	Good access on public lands (760) 872-1171.
A21	Anderson Flat Archery Buck	12	25	■	Nov 8-21	Good public access on National Forest lands (559) 243-4005.
A22	San Diego Archery Either-Sex	6	1,000	●	Sept 6-Oct 19 Nov 15-Dec 31	Split season. Good access on public lands; rugged at higher elevations (858) 467-4201.
A24	Monterey Archery Either-Sex	25	100	■	Oct 11-Nov 9	Fair access on public land; steep terrain; possible fire closures on National Forest lands (831) 649-2870.
A25	Lake Sonoma Archery Either-Sex	17	35	■	Oct 4-27 See Note	Sat-Sun-Mon only; rugged terrain, oak/grassland and chaparral habitat with good deer numbers (707) 944-5500.
A26	Bass Hill Archery Buck	39	35	■	Nov 15-Dec 7	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	21	10	■	Oct 25-Nov 9	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	■	Nov 8-23	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.
A31	Los Angeles Archery Either-Sex	7	1,000	10/9/07	Sept 27-Dec 31	Good access on public land except closures in Angeles National Forest (858) 467-4201. Closure information: (626) 574-5200.
A32	Ventura/Los Angeles Archery Late Season Either-sex	7	250	●	Nov 8-30	Mostly good access on public land except closures in Angeles National Forest (858) 467-4201. Closure information: (626) 574-5200.
A33	Fort Hunter Liggett Archery Late Season Either-sex	14	25	25	Oct 4 - Nov 9	Saturdays, Sundays and holidays only; season subject to change by commanding officer. Access fee required (831) 386-2214.

HUNT CODES: A=Archery; G=General Equipment; J=Junior Hunting License only; M=Muzzleloading Rifle; MA=Muzzleloading Rifle & Archery
 ● Did not fill in 2007. ■ Filled in 2007 Premium Tag Drawing.

* Information subject to final approval by the California Fish and Game Commission on May 9, 2008. For information on approved tag quotas, please contact your nearest DFG office after May 15, 2008.

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

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 340 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.

Fund-Raising Big Game Tags

In addition to the big game hunting tags available to the public, the DFG makes a limited number of tags available for sale through fund-raising auctions conducted by our partners in wildlife conservation. All proceeds go directly to the DFG's management programs for those species.

For dates and locations of the upcoming fund-raising tag auction banquets, contact Craig Stowers at (916) 445-3553 or via email at cstowers@dfg.ca.gov.

Tag Sale Prices in 2007

Pronghorn Antelope	\$ 3,600
Pronghorn Antelope	5,000
Open Deer Zone	13,000
Open Deer Zone	13,500
Open Deer Zone	14,000
Open Deer Zone	14,500
Open Deer Zone	15,000
Golden Opportunity Deer	27,500
Golden Opportunity Deer	30,000
Golden Opportunity Deer	31,000
Golden Opportunity Deer	35,000
Golden Opportunity Deer	41,000
Owens Valley Elk	7,000
Grizzly Island Elk	24,000
Grizzly Island Elk	27,000
Desert Bighorn Sheep	62,500
Desert Bighorn Sheep	70,000
Total	\$433,600

Fund-raising tags available for the 2008/2009 hunting season

5 Golden Opportunity Deer	Hunt statewide (any zone) from Jul. 12–Dec. 31, 2008 using any authorized methods of take.
5 Open Zone Deer	Hunt during the authorized season dates of any hunt or zone, using the specified method of take for that hunt or zone.
2 Grizzly Island Elk	Hunt at the Grizzly Island Wildlife Area (Solano County) from Aug. 2–31, 2008.
1 Owens Valley Elk	Hunt from July 26–Aug. 24, 2008 in any open tule elk zone in the Owens Valley (Bishop, Lone Pine, Independence, and Tinemaha zones).
2 Pronghorn Antelope	Hunt from Aug. 2–Sept. 21, 2008 in any of the six pronghorn antelope public hunt zones in north-eastern California.
3 Desert Bighorn Sheep	Hunt in zones 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 from Nov. 1, 2008–Feb. 1, 2009; hunt in Zone 5 from Nov. 15, 2008–Feb. 15, 2009; and Zone 7 from Aug. 16–Sept. 28, 2008.

Real California



Brian McClintock, Clark/Kingston
Mountain Ranges



Tony Satamian, Kern County



Michael Quizley,
Lassen



Kyle Trevino, Jr.,
Cache Creek



Dan Morefield,
East Park Reservoir

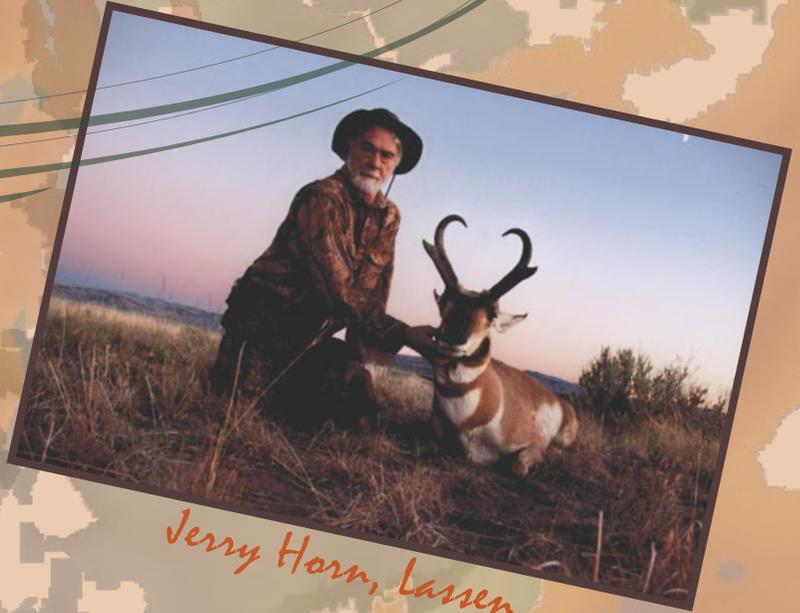


Shaun Ayers,
Owens Valley



Collin Burnett, Zone X7a

Game



Jerry Horn, Lassen



*Chris Holland, X56
Muzzleloader Hunt*



*Hailey Tabarez,
Zone A*



*John Ryzuidlo,
Zone D16*



*Parrey Cremeans,
Zone C3*



*Jacob Parkinson,
Round Valley*



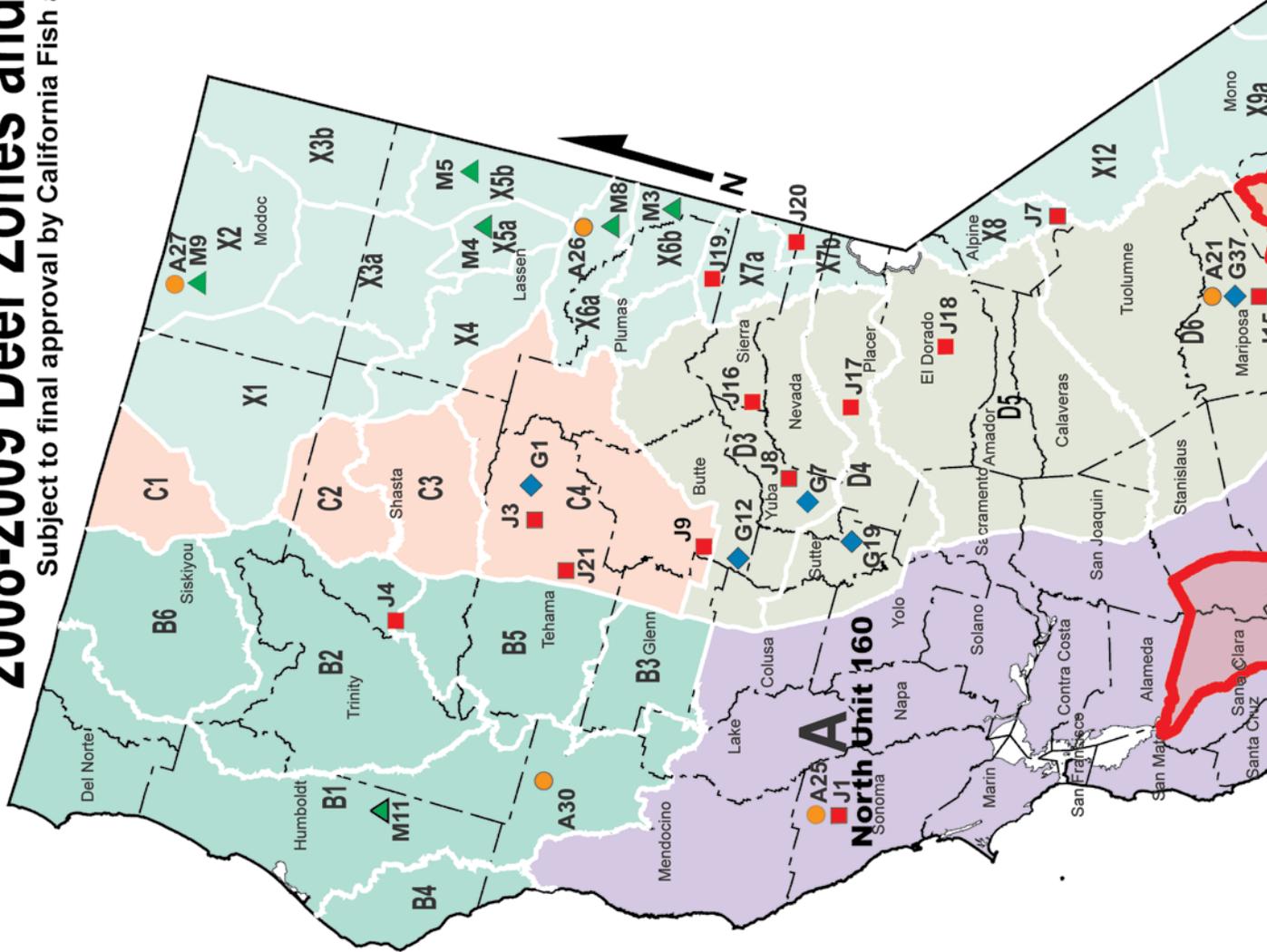
Brad Rowan, Zone X9A

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2008-2009 Deer Zones and Additional Hunts

Subject to final approval by California Fish and Game Commission in May 2008



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 ◆

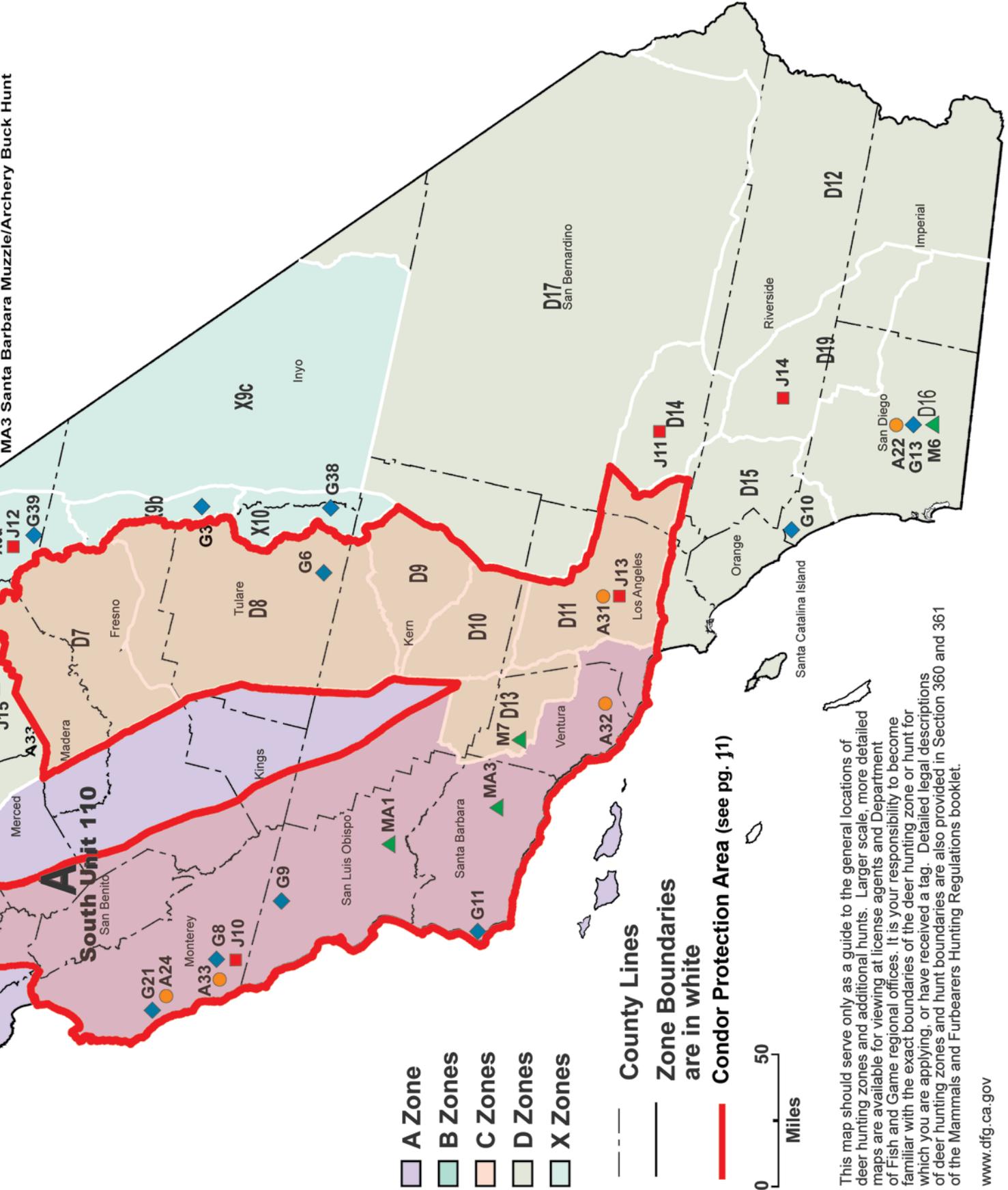
- G1 Late Season Buck Hunt for Zone C4
- G3 Goodale Buck Hunt
- G6 Kern River Herd Buck Hunt
- G7 Beale Either-Sex Deer Hunt (Military Only)
- G8 Fort Hunter Liggett Antlerless Deer Hunt
- G9 Camp Roberts Antlerless Deer Hunt
- G10 Camp Pendleton Either-Sex Deer Hunt (Military Only)
- G11 Vandenberg 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



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 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 antelope and elk. Not more than one elk and not more than one antelope tag can be issued to a nonresident hunter annually. Residents can have up to two persons apply as a party. You cannot apply as a party for bighorn sheep.

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 2008/2009 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 your payment. 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, 2008.

Drawing Results

Beginning June 25, 2008, draw 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:

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

Notifying Applicants

Successful applicants and alternates should receive notices in the mail by July 2, 2008. Unsuccessful applicants will not be notified by mail.

Payment of Tag Fees

Successful applicants for antelope, elk or sheep tags must submit payment to the DFG's License and Revenue Branch, 1740 N. Market Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95834 by July 14, 2008. Applicants drawn as an alternate for elk, antelope or sheep will be required to submit payment of tag fees only if they are awarded a tag.

ELK

To apply for Roosevelt, Rocky Mountain and tule elk, applicants must be 12 years of age or older on or before July 1, 2008, and possess a 2008/2009 California hunting license. Only one nonresident can be drawn for an elk tag annually.

Apprentice Elk Hunts

Applicants must possess a 2008/2009 California junior hunting license. If drawn, junior hunters must be accompanied when hunting by an adult at least 18 years of age.

Elk Tag Fee: Resident - \$354.00

Nonresident - \$1,094.75

ANTELOPE

Applicants must be at least 12 years of age or older on or before July 1, 2008 and possess a 2008/2009 California hunting license. Only one nonresident can be drawn for an antelope tag annually.

Apprentice Antelope Hunts

Applicants must possess a 2008/2009 California junior hunting license. If drawn, junior hunters must be accompanied when hunting by an adult at least 18 years of age.

Antelope Tag Fee: Resident - \$118.00

Nonresident - \$365.00

BIGHORN SHEEP

Applicants must be at least 16 years of age or older on or before July 1, 2008 and possess a 2008/2009 California hunting license and must not have received a California bighorn sheep tag in any prior year.

Both residents and nonresidents may apply but only one nonresident may be drawn.

Bighorn Sheep Tag Fee:

Resident - \$333.75

Nonresident - \$500.00

Please Check Your Application Carefully!

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

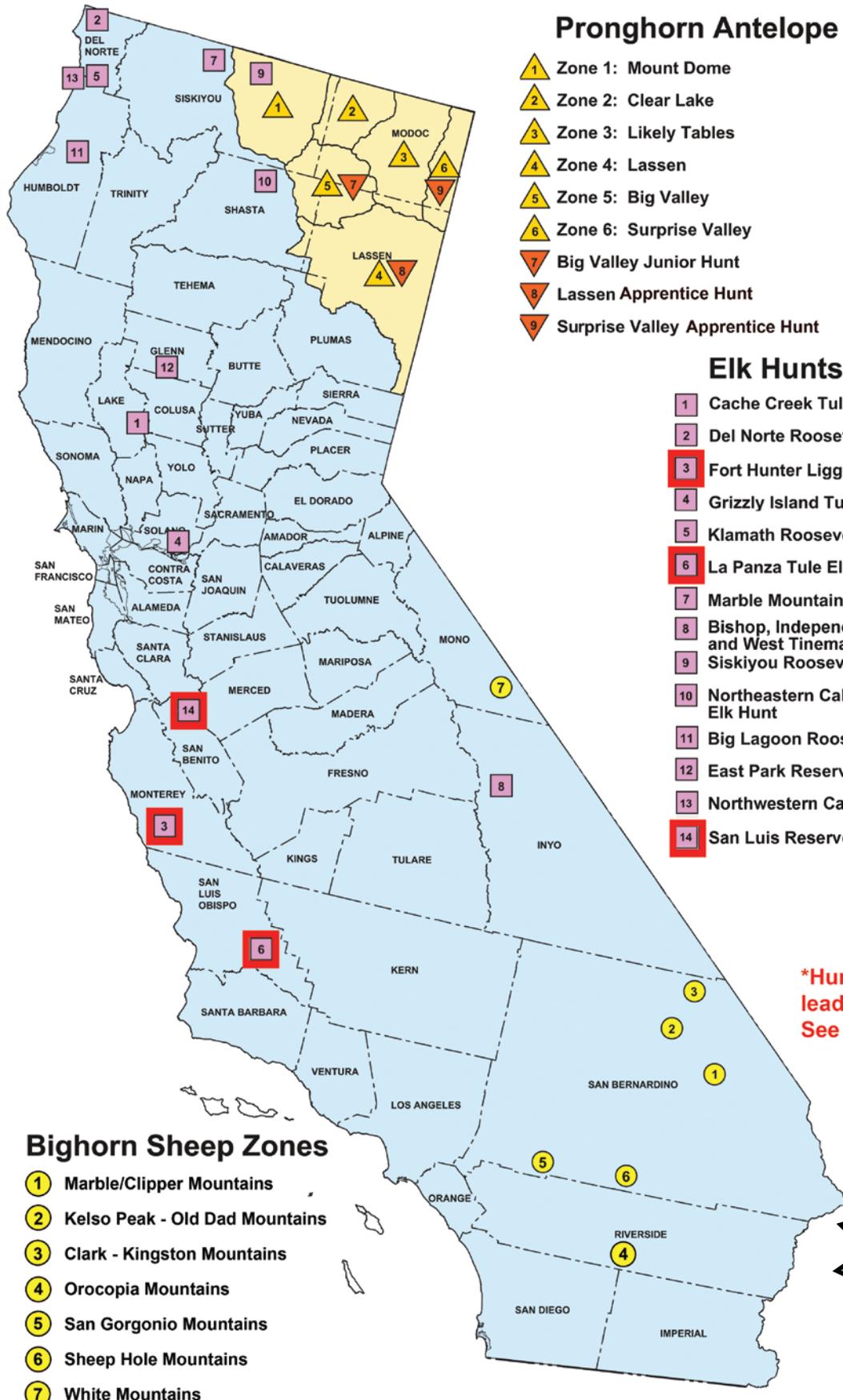
The information you provide on your application is used to track your preference points for current and future drawings. Incomplete, ineligible, or late applications will prevent you from receiving a tag and earning a preference point for the 2008 season.

Applications must be **received** (not postmarked) by the DFG's License and Revenue Branch in Sacramento by 5:00 p.m., June 2, 2008.

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.

ELK, ANTELOPE & BIGHORN SHEEP



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
- ▼ Big Valley Junior Hunt
- ▼ Lassen Apprentice Hunt
- ▼ Surprise Valley Apprentice Hunt

Elk Hunts

- 1 Cache Creek Tule Elk Hunt
- 2 Del Norte Roosevelt Elk Hunt
- 3 Fort Hunter Liggett Tule Elk Hunt *
- 4 Grizzly Island Tule Elk Hunt
- 5 Klamath Roosevelt Elk Hunt
- 6 La Panza Tule Elk Hunt *
- 7 Marble Mountains Roosevelt Elk Hunt
- 8 Bishop, Independence, Lone Pine, Tinemaha and West Tinemaha Hunts
- 9 Siskiyou Roosevelt Elk Hunt
- 10 Northeastern California Rocky Mountain Elk Hunt
- 11 Big Lagoon Roosevelt Elk Hunt
- 12 East Park Reservoir Tule Elk Hunt
- 13 Northwestern California Roosevelt Elk Hunt
- 14 San Luis Reservoir Tule Elk Hunt *

*Hunt occurs in condor range where lead ammunition is prohibited. See page 11 for details.

Bighorn Sheep Zones

- 1 Marble/Clipper Mountains
- 2 Kelso Peak - Old Dad Mountains
- 3 Clark - Kingston Mountains
- 4 Orocopia Mountains
- 5 San Geronio Mountains
- 6 Sheep Hole Mountains
- 7 White Mountains



2007 ELK DRAWING STATISTICS

Hunt Code	Hunt Name	Total Quota	Preference Point Quota	Random Quota	Total Applicants	Maximum Point Applicants
400	Siskiyou Either Sex	15	12	3	699	184
401	Siskiyou Antlerless	15	12	3	129	16
404	Klamath Antlerless	10	8	2	98	9
405	Klamath Bull	10	8	2	434	150
406	Cache Creek Period 1 Bull	2	1	1	870	313
407	Big Lagoon Either Sex	5	4	1	207	52
408	Marble Mountains - Apprentice Either Sex	2	1	1	110	0
409	Northeastern California - Apprentice Either Sex	2	1	1	262	0
410	Northeastern California Either Sex	10	8	2	2775	982
411	Northeastern California Either Sex Archery	9	7	2	542	178
413	Del Norte Antlerless	15	12	3	194	57
414	Del Norte Bull	5	4	1	1025	468
415	Marble Mountains Either Sex	40	30	10	2058	596
416	Cache Creek Period 2 Antlerless	2	1	1	119	21
417	La Panza Period 1 Antlerless	6	5	1	52	3
418	La Panza Period 2 Antlerless	6	5	1	61	5
419	La Panza Period 1 Bull	5	4	1	296	100
420	La Panza Period 2 Bull	6	5	1	454	144
422	Owens Valley Either Sex Archery	5	4	1	313	124
425	Lone Pine Period 4 Antlerless	2	1	1	80	26
429	Lone Pine Period 4 Bull	1	0	1	421	162
432	Bishop Period 4 Antlerless	4	3	1	53	14
433	Grizzly Island Period 1 Antlerless	1	0	1	278	82
436	Grizzly Island Period 2 Antlerless	2	1	1	331	94
438	Grizzly Island Period 2 Bull	1	0	1	840	397
439	Grizzly Island Period 3 Antlerless	2	1	1	383	106
441	Grizzly Island Period 3 Bull	1	0	1	1228	467
444	Fort Hunter Liggett Period 1 Antlerless	7	6	1	235	19
447	Fort Hunter Liggett Period 3 Bull	7	6	1	2027	630
448	Fort Hunter Liggett Period 2 Antlerless	8	6	2	130	20
449	Fort Hunter Liggett Either Sex Archery	3	2	1	287	82
450	Fort Hunter Liggett Antlerless Archery	5	4	1	56	4
459	Lone Pine Period 3 Antlerless	2	1	1	17	4
461	East Park Reservoir Period 1 Bull	1	0	1	318	126



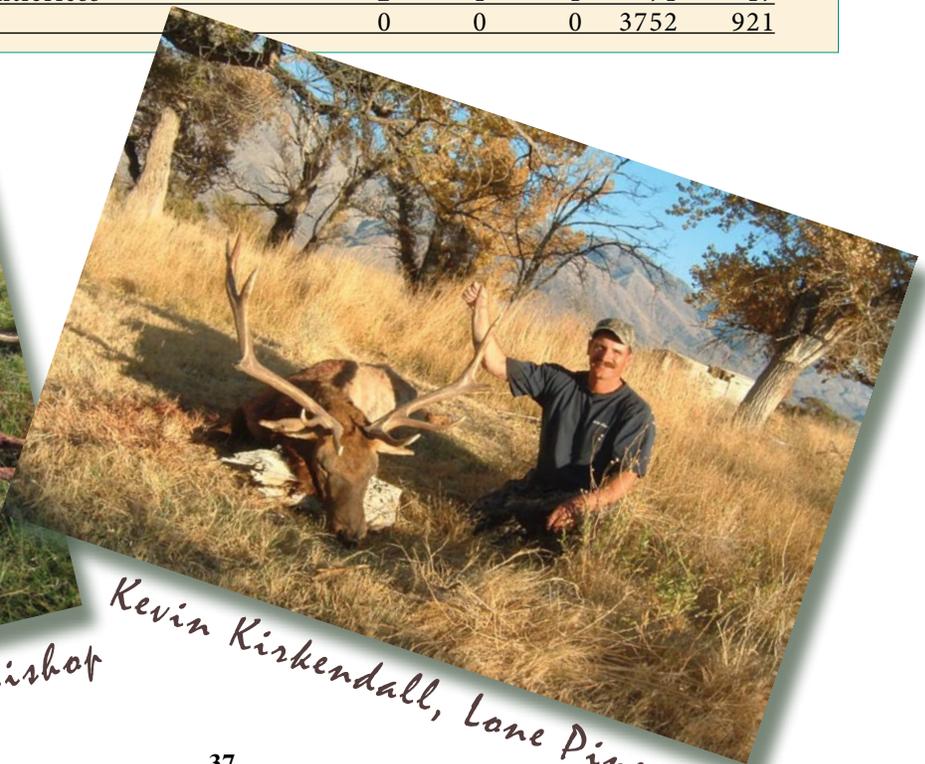
Trisha Juvenal, Klamath

2007 ELK DRAWING STATISTICS

Hunt Code	Hunt Name	Total Quota	Preference Point Quota	Random Quota	Total Applicants	Maximum Point Applicants
462	East Park Reservoir Period 2 Bull	1	0	1	468	188
463	East Park Reservoir Period 3 Antlerless	5	4	1	170	35
465	La Panza Period 1 - Apprentice Bull	1	0	1	70	0
466	Grizzly Island Period 1 - Apprentice Antlerless	1	0	1	63	0
467	Grizzly Island Period 1 - Apprentice Spike Bull	1	0	1	102	0
471	Fort Hunter Liggett Period 1 - Apprentice Antlerless	2	1	1	74	0
472	Fort Hunter Liggett Period 3 - Apprentice Bull	1	0	1	219	0
473	Tinemaha & W. Tinemaha Per. 1 Antlerless Archery	6	5	1	54	9
474	Tinemaha & W. Tinemaha Per. 1 Bull Archery	1	0	1	109	30
475	Tinemaha & W. Tinemaha Per. 2 Antlerless	9	7	2	143	33
476	Tinemaha & W. Tinemaha Per. 2 Bull	1	0	1	128	60
477	Tinemaha & W. Tinemaha Per. 3 Antlerless	9	7	2	65	20
478	Tinemaha & W. Tinemaha Per. 3 Bull	1	0	1	53	23
479	Tinemaha & W. Tinemaha Per. 4 Antlerless	9	7	2	149	39
480	Tinemaha & W. Tinemaha Per. 4 Bull	1	0	1	107	43
481	Tinemaha & W. Tinemaha Per. 5 Antlerless	9	7	2	253	47
482	Tinemaha & W. Tinemaha Per. 5 Bull	1	0	1	264	109
483	Northwestern California Either Sex	10	8	2	314	78
484	Cache Creek Period 1 - Apprentice Bull	1	0	1	215	0
485	Bishop Period 3 Antlerless	4	3	1	40	6
486	Lone Pine Period 2 Bull	1	0	1	275	143
487	Bishop Period 1 Muzzleloader Bull	1	0	1	146	59
488	Bishop Period 1 Muzzleloader Antlerless	4	3	1	50	11
489	Bishop Period 2 - Apprentice Antlerless	4	3	1	93	0
490	Bishop Period 3 Bull	1	0	1	233	71
491	Bishop Period 5 Antlerless	4	3	1	67	11
492	Independence Period 1 Bull Archery	1	0	1	106	35
493	Lone Pine Period 1 Muzzleloader Bull	1	0	1	228	92
494	Lone Pine Period 1 Muzzleloader Antlerless	1	0	1	7	0
495	Lone Pine Period 2 Antlerless	2	1	1	58	18
496	Lone Pine Period 3 Bull	1	0	1	121	51
497	San Luis Reservoir Either Sex	2	1	1	275	58
498	Lone Pine Period 5 Antlerless	2	1	1	71	17
499	Point Only - Elk	0	0	0	3752	921



Blake Hubbard, Bishop



Kevin Kirkendall, Lone Pine

PROPOSED* 2008 ELK HUNTS

Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2007 Applicants/Tags	2007 Hunter Success (%)	2008 Tag Quota*	2008 Season	Information
ROOSEVELT						
499	POINT ONLY	Enter this hunt code to earn a point without participating in the drawing.				
400	Siskiyou Either-sex	699/15	73	15	Sept. 10 - 21	Limited opportunity on public land; significant elk numbers on private land with restricted access. Deer and elk seasons partially overlap (530) 459-3164.
401	Siskiyou Antlerless	129/15	40	15	Sept. 10 - 21	Limited opportunity on public land; significant elk numbers on private land with restricted access. Deer and elk seasons partially overlap (530) 459-3164.
407	Big Lagoon Either-sex	207/5	60	10	Aug. 27 - Sept. 5	Private land. Controlled access provided. Difficult hunt with low probability of hunter success. Dense vegetation and steep terrain. Elk numbers in hunt area variable. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day (707) 445-6493.
483	Northwestern California Either-sex	314/10	90	20	Sept. 3 - 14	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	98/10	70	10	Sept. 3 - 12	Private land. Dense vegetation and steep terrain. Difficult hunt; moderate probability of hunter success. Limited, controlled road access. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day (707) 445-6493.
405	Klamath Bull	434/10	60	10	Sept. 3 - 12	Private land. Dense vegetation and steep terrain. Difficult hunt; moderate probability of hunter success. Limited, controlled road access. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day (707) 445-6493.
408	Marble Mountains Apprentice Hunt (Either-sex)◆	110/2	50	2	Sept. 10 - 21	Opportunity on public land; some on private land with restricted access. Deer and elk seasons partially overlap (530) 459-3164.
415	Marble Mountains Either-sex	2058/40	63	40	Sept. 10 - 21	Opportunity on public land; some on private land with restricted access. Deer and elk seasons partially overlap (530) 459-3164.
413	Del Norte Antlerless	194/15	93	10	Aug. 27 - Sept. 5	Private land. Controlled access provided. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day (707) 445-6493.
414	Del Norte Bull	1025/5	80	5	Aug. 27 - Sept. 5	Private land. Controlled access provided. Mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day (707) 445-6493.
ROCKY MOUNTAIN						
409	Northeastern California Apprentice Hunt (Either-sex)◆	262/2	100	2	Sept. 17-28	Opportunity for elk on public land; some on private land with restricted access. Deer and elk seasons partially overlap (530) 233-3581.
410	Northeastern California Either-sex	2775/10	90	10	Sept. 17-28	Opportunity for elk on public land; some on private land with restricted access. Deer and elk seasons partially overlap (530) 233-3581.
411	Northeastern California Archery Either-sex	542/9	33	9	Sept. 3-14	Opportunity on public land; some on private land with restricted access. Deer and elk seasons partially overlap (530) 233-3581.
TULE						
Cache Creek						
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 (916) 445-9992 or (530) 934-9309.						
406	Period 1 Bull	870/2	100	2	Oct. 11 - 26	
484	Period 1 Apprentice Bull◆	215/1	100	1	Oct. 11 - 26	
416	Period 2 Antlerless	119/2	50	2	Oct. 18 - Nov. 2	
La Panza						
Elk on public and private land (private land access may be restricted or access fee required). Mandatory hunter orientation prior to hunt day (831) 649-2870.						
417	Period 1 Antlerless	52/6	83	6	Oct. 11 - Nov. 2	Low probability of hunter success. Off road travel is prohibited on Carrizo Plain National Monument.
419	Period 1 Bull	296/5	100	5	Oct. 11 - Nov. 2	
418	Period 2 Antlerless	61/6	67	6	Nov. 8 - Nov. 30	Low probability of hunter success. Off road travel is prohibited on Carrizo Plain National Monument.
420	Period 2 Bull	454/6	100	6	Nov. 8 - Nov. 30	
465	Period 1 Apprentice Bull◆	70/1	0	1	Oct. 11 - Nov. 2	
Owens Valley						
422	Owens Valley Region Wide Archery Either-sex	313/5	80	5	Aug. 9 - 17	Good access on public land.
Bishop						
Good access to public land (760) 872-1171.						
487	Period 1 Muzzleloader Bull	146/1	100	1	Sept. 13 - 28	
488	Period 1 Muzzleloader Antlerless	50/4	100	4	Sept. 13 - 28	
489	Period 2 Apprentice Antlerless◆	93/4	100	4	Oct. 4 - 12	
485	Period 3 Antlerless	40/4	100	4	Oct. 18 - 26	
490	Period 3 Bull	233/1	100	1	Oct. 18 - 26	
432	Period 4 Antlerless	53/4	100	4	Nov. 1 - 9	
491	Period 5 Antlerless	67/4	75	4	Dec. 6 - 14	

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◆ Previously called Junior Hunts. Must possess a Junior Hunting License to apply for these hunts. Licensed adult chaperone required.

PROPOSED* 2008 ELK HUNTS

Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2007 Applicants/Tags	2007 Hunter Success (%)	2008 Tag Quota	2008 Season	Information	
492	Independence Period 1 Archery Bull	106/1	0	1	Sept. 13 - 28	Good access to public land (760) 872-1171.	
493	Lone Pine Period 1 Muzzleloader Bull	228/1	100	1	Sept. 13 - 28	Good access to public land (760) 872-1171.	
494	Period 1 Muzzleloader Antlerless	7/1	100	1	Sept. 13 - 28		
495	Period 2 Antlerless	58/2	50	2	Oct. 4 - 12		
486	Period 2 Bull	275/1	100	2	Oct. 4 - 12		
459	Period 3 Antlerless	17/2	100	2	Oct. 18 - 26		
425	Period 4 Antlerless	80/2	100	2	Nov. 1 - 9		
429	Period 4 Bull	421/1	100	1	Nov. 1 - 9		
498	Period 5 Antlerless	71/2	100	2	Dec. 6 - 14		
473	Tinemaha & West Tinemaha Period 1 Archery Only Antlerless	54/6	67	6	Sept. 13 - 28		Good access to public land (760) 872-1171.
474	Period 1 Archery Only Bull	109/1	100	1	Sept. 13 - 28		
475	Period 2 Antlerless	143/9	89	9	Oct. 4 - 12		
477	Period 3 Antlerless	65/9	67	9	Oct. 18 - 26		
478	Period 3 Bull	53/1	100	2	Oct. 18 - 26		
479	Period 4 Antlerless	149/9	67	9	Nov. 1 - 9		
481	Period 5 Antlerless	253/9	100	9	Dec. 6 - 14		
482	Period 5 Bull	264/1	100	2	Dec. 6 - 14		
433	Grizzly Island Period 1 Antlerless	278/1	100	3	Aug. 12 - 15	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	Period 2 Antlerless	331/2	100	2	Aug. 19 - 22		
438	Period 2 Bull	840/1	100	2	Aug. 21 - 24		
467	Grizzly Island Apprentice Hunts ◆ Period 1 Spike Bull	102/1	100	1	Aug. 14 - 17	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.	
449	Fort Hunter Liggett Archery Only Either-sex	287/3	67	3	Aug. 30 - Sept. 3		
450	Archery Only Antlerless	56/5	0	5	Oct. 9 - 13		
444	Period 1 Antlerless	235/7	0	7	Oct. 9 - 13		
448	Period 2 Antlerless	130/8	50	8	Nov. 26 - 30		
447	Period 3 Bull	2027/7	43	7	Dec. 27 - 31		
471	Fort Hunter Liggett Apprentice Hunts ◆ Period 1 Antlerless	74/2	50	2	Oct. 9 - 13		
472	Period 2 Bull	219/1	0	1	Dec. 27 - 31		
461	East Park Reservoir Period 1 Bull	318/1	100	2	Sept. 8 - 11		Colusa County Ordinance prohibits firearms (including archery equipment) on East Park Reservoir property. A variance allows the use of muzzleloaders (as defined in Section 353, Title 14, CCR). East Park Reservoir property will be open to antlerless hunting Sept 15-18 and open Sept 22-25 only. Other restrictions apply. Mandatory orientation prior to hunt day (916) 445-9992 or (530) 934-9309.
463	Period 3 Antlerless	170/5	100	5	Sept. 6 - Oct. 2		
497	San Luis Reservoir Either-sex	275/2	100	3	Oct. 4 - 26	Limited opportunity on public land. 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.	

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◆ Previously called Junior Hunts. Must possess a Junior Hunting License to apply for these hunts. Licensed adult chaperone required.

PROPOSED* 2008 ANTELOPE HUNTS

Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2007 Applicants/Tags	2007 Hunter Success (%)	2008 Tag Quota*	2008 Season	Information
799	Point Only	Enter this hunt code to earn a point without participating in the drawing.				
Zone 1 - Mount Dome						
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.						
710	General Buck	623/8	88	3-60	Aug. 23 - 31	
712	Archery Buck	52/1	0	1-10	Aug. 9 - 17	
Zone 2 - Clear Lake						
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.						
720	General Buck	935/15	73	15-80	Aug. 23 - 31	
728	Archery Buck	39/1	100	1-10	Aug. 9 - 17	
Zone 3 - Likely Tables						
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. DFG contact (530) 233-3581.						
730	Period 1 General Buck	2482/40	95	25-150	Aug. 23 - 31	
732	Period 2 General Buck	3457/40	70	25-130	Sept. 6 - 14	
738	Archery Buck	210/8	25	2-20	Aug. 9 - 17	
Zone 4 - Lassen						
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						
740	Period 1 General Buck	3774/40	80	25-150	Aug. 23 - 31	
742	Period 2 General Buck	1378/40	83	25-150	Sept. 6 - 14	
745	Archery Buck	328/7	57	2-20	Aug. 9 - 17	
790	Apprentice Hunt (Either-sex)◆	420/5	100	1-15	Aug. 23 - 31	Licensed adult chaperone required
Zone 5 - Big Valley						
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. (530) 254-6808.						
750	General Buck	443/3	100	3-150	Aug. 23 - 31	
755	Archery Buck	25/1	0	1-15	Aug. 9 - 17	
780	Apprentice Hunt (Either-sex)◆	110/1	100	1-15	Aug. 23 - 31	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. Licensed adult chaperone required.
Zone 6 - Surprise Valley						
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.						
760	General Buck	969/9	78	3-20	Aug. 23 - 31	
765	Archery Buck	43/1	0	1-5	Aug. 9 - 17	
766	Apprentice Hunt (Either-sex)◆	259/4	100	1-4	Aug. 23 - 31	Licensed adult chaperone required.

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◆ Tag ranges used until population survey data is analyzed. For final tag quotas, please contact DFG after May 15, 2008.

◆ Previously called Junior Hunts. Must possess a Junior Hunting License to apply for these hunts. Licensed adult chaperone required.

QUOTA SPLITS FOR ELK, PRONGHORN ANTELOPE AND BIGHORN SHEEP TAGS

These quota splits are set 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 for information on how to play a role in the regulation-setting process.

- For quotas of one (1), the tag shall be awarded using a Draw-By-Choice drawing.
- For quotas of two (2), one (1) tag shall be awarded using a Preference Point drawing, and one (1) tag shall be awarded using a Draw-By-Choice drawing.
- For quotas of three (3), two (2) tags shall be awarded using a Preference Point drawing, and one (1) tag shall be awarded using a Draw-By-Choice drawing.
- For quotas of four (4) or more, seventy-five percent (75%) of the quota shall be awarded using a Preference Point drawing. The remaining portion of the quota shall be awarded using a Draw-By-Choice drawing.

PROPOSED* 2008 BIGHORN SHEEP HUNTS

Hunt Code	Hunt Name	2007 Applicants/Tags	2007 Hunter Success (%)	2008 Tag Quota	2008 Season	Information
599 Point Only Enter this hunt code to earn a point without participating in the drawing.						
501*	Zone 1 - Marble Mountains	1,564/4	100	5	Dec 6-Feb 1	Vehicle access limited to designated routes (760) 240-1372.
502*	Zone 2 - Kelso Peak Old Dad Mtns.	2,775/5	100	6	Dec 6-Feb 1	Vehicle access limited to designated routes (760) 240-1372.
503*	Zone 3 - Clark & Kingston Mtn. Ranges	889/2	100	3	Dec 6-Feb 1	Vehicle access limited to designated routes (760) 240-1372.
504*	Zone 4 - Orocopia Mountains			1	Dec 6-Feb 1	Vehicle access limited to designated routes (760) 922-4686.
505*	Zone 5 - San Gorgonio Mountains	515/1	100	1	Dec 20-Feb 15	Access extremely difficult. Travel by horseback recommended. Access fees may be required on private land (760) 240-1372.
506	Zone 6 - Sheep Hole Mountains	1,119/2	100	1	Dec 6-Feb 1	Extremely rugged terrain. Vehicle access very limited (760) 240-1372.
507	Zone 7 - White Mountains	1,096/5	100	3	Aug 16-Sept 28	Extremely rugged terrain at high elevations. Vehicle access limited to none (760) 872-1173.

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Tim Silva, Clark/Kingston Mountain Ranges

2007 ANTELOPE DRAWING STATISTICS

Hunt Code	Hunt Name	Total Quota	Preference Point Quota	Random Quota	Total Applicants	Maximum Point Applicants
710	ZONE 1 - Mount Dome Buck	8	6	2	623	138
712	ZONE 1 - Mount Dome Archery	1	0	1	52	12
720	ZONE 2 - Clear Lake Buck	15	12	3	935	228
728	ZONE 2 - Clear Lake Buck Archery	1	0	1	39	7
730	ZONE 3 - Likely Tables Period 1 Buck	40	30	10	2482	738
732	ZONE 3 - Likely Tables Period 2 Buck	40	30	10	3457	851
738	ZONE 3 - Likely Tables Buck Archery	8	6	2	210	35
740	ZONE 4 - Lassen Period 1 Buck	40	30	10	3774	966
742	ZONE 4 - Lassen Period 2 Buck	40	30	10	1378	327
745	ZONE 4 - Lassen Buck Archery	7	6	1	328	63
750	ZONE 5 - Big Valley Buck	3	2	1	443	100
755	ZONE 5 - Big Valley Buck Archery	1	0	1	25	1
760	ZONE 6 - Surprise Valley Buck	9	7	2	969	270
765	ZONE 6 - Surprise Valley Buck Archery	1	0	1	43	4
766	ZONE 6 - Surprise Valley - Apprentice Either Sex	4	3	1	259	0
780	ZONE 5 - Big Valley - Apprentice Either Sex	1	0	1	110	0
790	ZONE 4 - Lassen - Apprentice Either Sex	5	4	1	420	0
799	Point Only - Antelope	0	0	0	4085	833



Lanny Bush, Lassen



Jeff Rameriz, Lassen

2007 BIGHORN SHEEP DRAWING STATISTICS

Hunt Code	Hunt Name	Total Quota	Preference Point Quota	Random Quota	Total Applicants	Maximum Point Applicants
501	ZONE 1 - Marble/Clipper Mountains Ram	4	3	1	2250	888
502	ZONE 2 - Kelso Peak/Old Dad Mountains Ram	5	4	1	2449	1094
503	ZONE 3 - Clark/Kingston Mountain Ranges Ram	2	1	1	610	207
504	ZONE 4 - Orocopia Mountains	(No Hunting Season in 2007)				
505	ZONE 5 - San Gorgonio Mountains Ram	1	0	1	731	233
506	ZONE 6 - Sheep Hole Mountain Ram	2	1	1	221	71
507	ZONE 7 - White Mountains Ram	5	4	1	1849	577
599	Point Only - Bighorn Sheep	0	0	0	2288	445



Wild Pig Tags

Resident and nonresident hunters, 12 years of age and older, with a 2008/2009 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 2008/2009 license year (July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009). There is no bag or possession limit for wild pig.

East Park Reservoir Wild Pig Hunt 2008

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 postcard (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 5 – Oct. 1 & 2, 2008
- Period 6 – Oct. 6 & 7, 2008
- Period 7 – Oct. 8 & 9, 2008
- Period 8 – Oct. 13 & 14, 2008
- Period 9 – Oct. 15 & 16, 2008
- Period 10 – Oct. 20 & 21, 2008
- Period 11 – Oct. 22 & 23, 2008
- Period 12 – Oct. 27 & 28, 2008
- Period 13 – Oct. 29 & 30, 2008

Application Deadline: Application cards must be received by close of business, Wednesday, Aug. 27, 2008. Permits with maps and additional information will be mailed to successful applicants on Thursday, Aug. 28, 2008.

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 2002-2007

Represented in Percentages

County	02/03	03/04	04/05	05/06	06/07
Northern Region					
Del Norte	0	0	0	0	0
Humboldt	1	1	1	1	2
Lassen	0	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	5	5	5	5	5
Modoc	<1	0	0	0	0
Shasta	<1	1	1	1	2
Siskiyou	<1	<1	<1	<1	0
Tehama	5	6	5	6	6
Trinity	1	1	2	1	<1
Statewide %	13	14	14	14	16
North Central Region					
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	<1	<1	0	0	0
Butte	<1	<1	0	<1	0
Calaveras	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Colusa	2	1	2	2	6
El Dorado	0	0	0	0	0
Glenn	3	2	1	2	6
Lake	1	2	4	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	<1	0
Sierra	0	0	0	0	0
Sutter	1	1	<1	1	<1
Yolo *	<1	1	<1	<1	1
Yuba	<1	6	5	<1	0
Statewide %	8	14	13	11	19
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	<1	7	<1	<1	<1
Santa Clara	4	4	5	4	6
Santa Cruz	1	1	<1	<1	<1
San Francisco	0	0	0	0	0
San Joaquin	<1	<1	<1	<1	0
Solano	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Sonoma	7	4	5	7	6
Statewide %	14	17	12	12	14
Central Region					
Fresno	3	3	2	3	3
Kern	17	16	11	14	7
Kings	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Madera	1	1	1	<1	1
Mariposa	1	1	1	1	<1
Merced	1	2	1	1	2
Monterey	21	22	28	24	20
San Benito	6	7	7	7	8
San Luis Obispo	6	7	7	6	5
Stanislaus	1	1	1	<1	1
Tulare	1	2	2	1	1
Tuolumne	0	0	0	0	0
Statewide %	59	63	61	58	49
South Coast Region					
Los Angeles	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Orange	0	0	0	0	0
San Diego	0	0	0	<1	0
Santa Barbara	4	5	4	3	2
Ventura	<1	<1	<1	<1	1
Statewide %	4	5	4	4	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	0	2	0	<1	<1
Unknown	<1	<1	<1	<1	0
Statewide %	<1	2	<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 **unissued bear tag application**. The deadline for requesting a refund is Jan. 31, 2009. Please allow 12-16 weeks for processing your refund. Refunds are not issued for unsuccessful bear tags.

Bear Hunting Season

Archery bear season opens **Aug. 16, 2008** and runs through **Sept. 7, 2008**. 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. 28, 2008**. In the remaining X zones, the season opens **Oct. 11, 2008** and extends through **Dec. 28, 2008**. When hunters report harvesting 1,700 bears, regulations require the DFG to close the season early.

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.

2007 Bear Harvest

In contrast to the 2006 black bear hunting season, which ran its entirety that year, the 2007 black bear hunting season closed early—on Dec. 18, 2007 when the DFG received notification that 1,700 black bears had been harvested. The early closure is in accordance with the regulation change that increased the tag quota from 1,500 to 1,700 bears harvested. The DFG's License and Revenue Branch reported a total of 25,087 bear tags sold in 2007, the highest number of tags sold since 1999. The 25,087 tags sold included 24,839 resident tags and 248 non-resident tags. Non-resident tag sales increased by 0.3 percent over last year's reported sales. In total, 1,861 black bears were reported taken this year and overall hunter success was 7.4 percent, a slight decrease of 0.2 percent when compared to last year's success rate of 7.6 percent.

The success rates for particular hunting methods are as follows: hunters using trailing hounds were most successful, accounting for 47 percent of the total take reported—an increase of more than one percent over last year. The second-highest method of success arose from hunters who reported taking a bear while deer hunting; 31 percent of the total harvest represents a minor decrease of six percent from last year's totals. Archery hunters reported taking 8 percent of the total harvest, illustrating an increase of nearly one percent above last year's rate of seven percent.

On average, successful hunters spent four days in the field and 21 percent of these hunters took a bear on private land. This percentage

10-Year Bear Take Data

County	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Alpine	10	26	19	5	5	8	9	11	23	17
Amador	1	3	0	0	0	1	2	5	5	9
Butte	28	48	38	39	51	45	30	47	45	61
Calaveras	13	12	19	17	19	20	36	9	12	33
Colusa	6	2	0	2	2	1	4	8	2	4
Del Norte	51	53	32	18	28	22	30	18	27	29
El Dorado	44	29	61	61	61	61	63	47	62	69
Fresno	62	70	94	78	78	86	99	59	79	77
Glenn	22	27	33	18	25	27	31	33	35	26
Humboldt	142	164	130	110	147	113	154	98	140	117
Inyo	1	3	5	2	5	2	2	1	4	4
Kern	34	32	79	85	76	68	59	18	40	33
Lake	16	7	8	27	11	5	10	9	17	12
Lassen	22	30	19	13	8	26	18	18	20	18
Los Angeles	6	13	13	16	2	9	13	18	22	12
Madera	50	41	41	46	53	43	47	40	50	36
Mariposa	15	30	20	35	27	24	34	24	17	42
Mendocino	102	91	93	122	78	74	85	56	112	66
Merced	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Modoc	0	6	6	3	4	3	0	2	4	4
Mono	6	4	10	10	9	2	11	12	11	21
Napa	0	0	2	0	2	4	1	2	1	3
Nevada	9	15	20	17	14	15	19	18	29	25
Placer	36	32	38	37	34	38	49	30	41	41
Plumas	96	71	49	82	75	61	79	85	73	85
Riverside	2	2	4	2	5	3	2	0	2	0
San Bernardino	17	17	14	23	25	30	14	11	8	21
San Joaquin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Barbara	20	18	14	16	12	8	24	9	9	5
Santa Clara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Shasta	185	208	179	104	178	142	199	167	158	212
Sierra	12	33	31	34	28	16	19	33	25	31
Siskiyou	205	260	181	104	199	190	209	121	229	211
Sonoma	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
Stanislaus	5	4	6	1	2	3	0	2	5	1
Tehama	75	86	65	79	81	67	67	63	63	71
Trinity	186	242	190	198	179	201	224	185	237	169
Tulare	103	75	133	130	138	158	88	62	87	143
Tuolumne	60	46	103	66	60	66	73	57	71	104
Ventura	24	20	27	21	26	14	24	16	12	24
Yolo	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	1
Yuba	6	13	17	8	17	12	19	20	33	20
Total Harvest	1,676	1,836	1,796	1,633	1,768	1,670	1,848	1,418	1,822	1,861
Total Tags Sold	18,475	18,321	20,620	19,796	22,157	22,331	21,000	23,160	24,076	25,087

demonstrates an upward trend as it is nearly one percent higher than last year's reported success rate of 21 percent. Unsuccessful hunters spent more time hunting and averaged a total of eight days attempting to harvest a bear, a figure consistent with last year's report.

General bear season opened concurrently with the general deer sea-

son in the A, B, C, D, X8, X9A, X9B, X10 and X12 deer hunting zones. In the remaining deer hunting X zones, bear season commenced Oct. 13, 2007. During the general deer season hunters were limited to one dog per hunter.

Frequently Asked Questions...

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. Can I transfer my preference points from one species to another?

A. No. Preference points are earned for a particular species and cannot be transferred to any other species.

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

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 2008/2009 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, 2008.

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 2008/2009 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, 2008.

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

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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. I was drawn for a buck antelope tag two years ago. Can I apply for a buck antelope tag this year?

A. Yes. There is no longer a 10-year waiting period for buck antelope tags.

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 seven years. I only have six 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 six as of 2008). 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 three (six total points divided by two party members). If you applied alone, your preference point value would be six (six 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 three 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 2007 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.

Q. How will the DFG notify applicants if they earned a preference point?

A. Individual preference point information will be included in Big Game Drawing information packets mailed to drawing participants each April. If you have questions regarding your preference point totals you must contact the License and Revenue Branch, 1740 N. Market Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95834 in writing or visit our Web site at <https://biggame.dfg.ca.gov/bgpoints> after September 2008 to view your most current Preference Point totals.

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. For the complete California Penal Code, go to 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. T-14 708(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.

* The Fish and Game Commission will consider this definition at its May 9, 2008 meeting. See page 6 for details.

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Either-Sex Elk

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

Spike Bull Elk

A bull elk having no more than one point 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

Deer hunts, including X zones, Additional Hunts and Area-Specific Archery Hunts, which are issued through the Big Game Drawing. Typically these hunts are in high demand and have lower tag quotas. T14-708(a)(2)(A)1.

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. T14-354(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.

Treering Switch

Device on a dog collar consisting of a mercury 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.

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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 pro-

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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

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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)

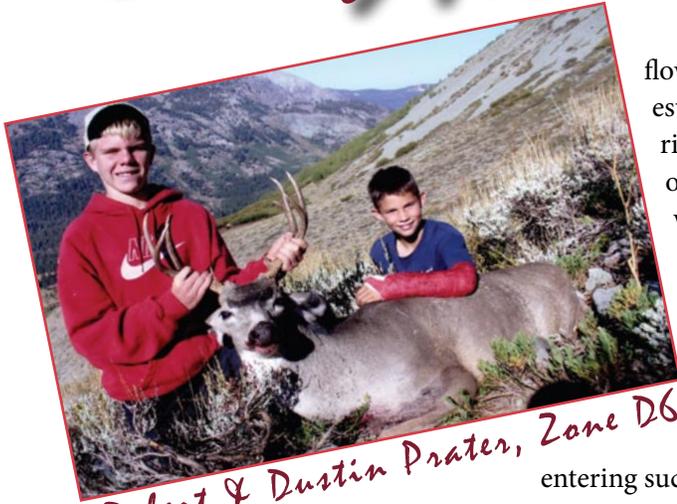
1. Range Technicians (BLM)
2. Forest Supervisors (FS)
3. Assistant Forest Supervisors (FS)
4. District Forest Rangers (FS)
5. Foresters (FS, BLM)
6. Range Conservationists (FS, BLM)
7. Forest Engineers (FS, BLM)
8. Forestry Aides (FS)
9. Fire Control Officers or Aides (FS, BLM)
10. Clerks (FS, FWS, BLM) 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.

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Robert & Dustin Prater, Zone D6

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



Lauren Kincheloe, Monterey County

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



Mike Lewis, Mendocino National Forest Archery



Renee Tompkins, AZ6 Late Season Archery



Mason Cooper, Zone B

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.

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Hunting in California

Plan Your Hunt - Map Availability

To aid in planning your hunt, the DFG's Wildlife Management Program has developed a Big Game Hunting Web site at <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/hunting/biggame.html>. This Web site contains general and specific information related to hunting big game species including: zone/hunt information and general maps, harvest summaries, tag quota and season information, outside agency contacts, regulation summaries, DFG publications, and more. Just follow the species links you're interested in to the information.

For legal descriptions of zone/hunts, boundaries, seasons, bag and possession limits and special conditions, see sections 360 and 361 (deer); 362 (bighorn sheep); 363 (pronghorn antelope); 364 (elk); 365 and 366 (bear); and 368 (wild pig) in the *2008 California Hunting Regulations for Mammals and Furbearers Booklet*, available in late May and at the following Web site: www.dfg.ca.gov/regulations/index.html

More detailed maps are available free of charge or at a nominal fee from the following:

- 1) U.S. Forest Service maps provide detailed information about each national forest in the state. For information and prices contact: U.S. Forest Service, 1323 Club Drive, Vallejo, CA 94592; or call (707) 562-8737.
- 2) Bureau of Land Management (BLM) maps show state, federal or private land. For information and prices contact: Bureau of Land Management, Federal Office Building, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA 95825; or call (916) 978-4400.
- 3) Topographic maps are available from U.S. Geological Survey. For information and prices contact: U.S. Geological Survey Distribution Center, Denver Federal Center, Building 810, Box 25286, Denver, CO 80225; or call (303) 202-4700.

California Deer Hunters Invest in Wildlife

The DFG's Deer Program activities are 100 percent funded by deer hunters' money. Of every public deer tag sold in California, 54 percent of the sales price is "reinvested" in the deer resource—about \$2 million annually. Without adequate funding and resources it would be difficult, if not impossible, to sustain California's deer hunting heritage. And, of course, management activities that benefit deer also benefit a host of other wildlife species.

The following activities are funded by deer tag dollars:

- **Population Monitoring:** helicopter and spotlight surveys; capture and radio-collaring of deer; computer population modeling and harvest database management.
- **Habitat Monitoring and Improvement:** control burns and crushing/chaining decadent brush-fields; re-seeding for fire rehabilitation; improvements to/creation of, water sources; wildlife captures to identify migration routes, fawning areas, and summer/winter ranges.
- **Disease Monitoring:** includes testing for Chronic Wasting Disease and other deer diseases.
- **Hunting Regulations:** the Environmental Document for Deer Hunting is the foundation for California's deer hunting program and requires

extensive updating to support the DFG's annual deer hunting proposals and regulations.

- **Hunter/Public Outreach:** coordinating with various interest groups; maintaining deer information on the DFG Web site; producing this booklet and other deer publications; responding to phone calls and e-mails from the public.



Ira Alexander, Zone B

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING ELK 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, 2008, with a 2008/2009 California or junior hunting license. Each person may submit only one elk 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 2008 California Hunting Digest. 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 2008/2009 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 2008/2009 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 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, 2008.**

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 applications. All mail received at this P. O. Box after 5:00 p.m. on June 2, 2008 will be returned to the sender unopened. Late elk, antelope and bighorn sheep 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 \$354.00 (residents) or \$1,094.75 (nonresidents).

REFUND POLICY: Processing fees for elk 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 2008 California Hunting Digest. For final tag quotas and zone or hunt boundaries, contact your nearest DFG office after May 15, 2008, or visit the DFG's Web site at www.dfg.ca.gov.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING ANTELOPE 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, 2008 with a 2008/2009 California or junior 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 2008 California Hunting Digest. 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 2008/2009 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 2008/2009 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 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.
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TAG FEE: If successful in the drawing, you will be notified by mail to submit the tag fee of \$118.00 (residents) or \$365.00 (nonresidents).

REFUND POLICY: Processing fees for antelope 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 2008 California Hunting Digest. For final tag quotas and zone or hunt boundaries, contact your nearest DFG office after May 15, 2008, or visit the DFG's Web site at www.dfg.ca.gov.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING SHEEP 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, 2008, with a 2008/2009 California hunting license. The drawing is open to residents and nonresidents; however, only one (1) nonresident may be drawn to receive a tag. Applicants can not apply if they have previously been issued a sheep tag in California. Each person may submit only one sheep 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 2008 California Hunting Digest. If you are applying for a point only enter Code 599.

Section 2 - Hunter Information

1. Enter your 2008/2009 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 2008. 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.)

Section 3 - Payment

Enclose ONE payment for all elk, antelope and bighorn sheep 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.
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TAG FEE: If successful in the drawing, you will be notified by mail to submit the tag fee of \$333.75 (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 2008 California Hunting Digest. For final tag quotas and zone or hunt boundaries, contact your nearest DFG office after May 15, 2008, or visit the DFG's Web site at www.dfg.ca.gov.

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