NAVAJO NATION DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE 2013-2014

Non-Navajo Fall Big Game Hunt Proclamation

The following 2013-2014 Non-Navajo Big Game Permits are available beginning Friday, March 22, 2013 at 8:00 a.m. at the Navajo Nation Museum in conjunction with the 2013 Navajo Nation Sportsmen's Expo. The permits will be available until sold out or until the left-over permit sale day on July 13, 2013.

ARCHERY DEER HUNTS

HUNT	HUNT	HUNT DATES	OPEN	# OF PERMITS	COST	2012	1 ST	%
CODE	TYPE		UNITS			PERMITS	CHOICE	HUNT
						AVAILABLE	APPS.	SUCCESS
DA-1	Archery Deer	September 7-15, 2013	1	3 Antlered Deer	\$400	3	15	48
DA-2	Archery Deer	September 7-15, 2013	2	3 Antlered Deer	\$400	3	38	45
DA-3	Archery Deer	September 7-15, 2013	3	3 Antlered Deer	\$400	3	43	33
DA-4	Archery Deer	September 7-15, 2013	4	3 Antlered Deer	\$400	3	30	26
DA-5	Archery Deer	September 7-15, 2013	5	3 Antlered Deer	\$400	3	10	14
DA-6	Archery Deer	September 7-15, 2013	8-11	5 Antlered Deer	\$400	4	20	0
DA-7	Archery Deer	September 7-15, 2013	13-15	5 Antlered Deer	\$400	4	32	2
DA-12	Archery Deer	September 7-15, 2013	12	2 Antlered Deer	\$600	2	51	45
DAL-1	Archery Deer	January 4-8, 2014	1-4, 5B	10 Antlered Deer	\$900	10	68	33
DAL-2	Archery Deer	January 4-8, 2014	5A	2 Antlered Deer	\$800	2	7	33

Weapons: Any legal bow as defined in the Navajo Nation Hunting and Trapping Regulations.

^{*}See New Hunt Reporting Requirements

MUZZLELOADER DEER HUNTS

HUNT	HUNT TYPE	HUNT DATES	OPEN	# OF PERMITS	COST	2012	1^{ST}	%
CODE			UNITS			PERMITS	CHOICE	HUNT
						AVAILABLE	APPS.	SUCCESS
DM-1	Muzzleloader Deer	October 2-6, 2013	1	2 Antlered Deer	\$1,300	2	11	47
DM-2	Muzzleloader Deer	October 2-6, 2013	2	3 Antlered Deer	\$1,300	2	30	88
DM-3	Muzzleloader Deer	October 2-6, 2013	3	2 Antlered Deer	\$1,300	2	26	47

Weapons: Any legal bow or muzzleloader as defined in the Navajo Nation Hunting and Trapping Regulations. *See New Hunt Reporting Requirements

RIFLE DEER HUNTS

HUNT	HUNT	HUNT DATES	OPEN UNITS	# OF PERMITS	COST	2012	1 ST	%
CODE	TYPE					PERMITS	CHOICE	HUNT
						AVAILABLE	APPS.	SUCCESS
DY-2*	Youth Deer	October 25-27, 2013	2,3 AND 5	4 Any Deer	\$300	4	58	93
DG-1	Rifle Deer	November 2-10, 2013	1	5 Antlered Deer	\$1,400	4	61	40
DG-2	Rifle Deer	November 2-10, 2013	2	15 Antlered Deer	\$1,400	14	213	49
DG-3	Rifle Deer	November 2-10, 2013	3	13 Antlered Deer	\$1,400	12	189	60
DG-4	Rifle Deer	November 2-10, 2013	4	10 Antlered Deer	\$1,400	10	127	57
DG-5	Rifle Deer	November 2-10, 2013	5	15 Antlered Deer	\$1,400	14	179	49
DG-6	Rifle Deer	November 2-10, 2013	6	1 Antlered Deer	\$1,400	1	9	25
DG-8	Rifle Deer	November 2-10, 2013	8	2 Antlered Deer	\$1,400	2	14	40
DG-9	Rifle Deer	November 2-10, 2013	9	2 Antlered Deer	\$1,400	2	8	0
DG-10	Rifle Deer	November 2-10, 2013	10	2 Antlered Deer	\$1,400	2	17	12
DG-11	Rifle Deer	December 18-22, 2013	11	1 Antlered Deer	\$1,400	1	6	55
DG-13	Rifle Deer	November 2-10, 2013	13	2 Antlered Deer	\$1,400	2	74	19
DG-14	Rifle Deer	November 2-10, 2013	14	2 Antlered Deer	\$1,400	2	0	40
DG-15	Rifle Deer	November 2-10, 2013	15	1 Antlered Deer	\$1,400	1	23	17

Weapons: Any legal weapon as defined in the Navajo Nation hunting and Trapping Regulations.

ARCHERY ELK HUNTS

HUNT	HUNT TYPE	HUNT DATES	OPEN	# OF	COST	2012	1 ST	%
CODE			UNITS	PERMITS		PERMITS	CHOICE	HUNT
						AVAILABLE	APPS.	SUCCESS
EA-1	Archery Elk	September 7-30, 2013	1-5, 12	20 Any Elk	\$600	20	100	4
EA-2	Archery Elk	September 7-30, 2013	13 & 14	20 Any Elk	\$600	20	43	18
EA-3	Archery Elk	September 7-30, 2013	7	5 Any Elk	\$600	5	40	13

Weapons: Any legal bow as defined in the Navajo Nation Hunting and Trapping Regulations.

MUZZLELOADER ELK HUNTS

HUNT	HUNT TYPE	HUNT DATES	OPEN	# OF	COST	2012	1^{ST}	%
CODE			UNITS	PERMITS		PERMITS	CHOICE	HUNT
						AVAILABLE	APPS.	SUCCESS
EM-1	Muzzleloader Elk	October 2-6, 2013	1-8	5 Any Elk	\$1,300	5	38	19
EM-2	Muzzleloader Elk	October 2-6, 2013	11-14	3 Any Elk	\$1,300	3	21	21

Weapons: Any legal bow or muzzleloader as defined in the Navajo Nation Hunting and Trapping Regulations.

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GENERAL ELK HUNTS

HUNT	HUNT TYPE	HUNT DATES	OPEN	# OF	COST	2012	1 ST	%
CODE			UNITS	PERMITS		PERMITS	CHOICE	HUNT
						AVAILABLE	APPS.	SUCCESS
EY-1*	Youth Elk	October 9-13, 2013	1-8	5 Any Elk	\$300	5	22	22
EY-2*	Youth Elk	October 9-13, 2013	11-14	5 Any Elk	\$300	5	60	60
EG-1	General Elk	October 16-20, 2013	1-8, 11-14	15 Any Elk	\$1,400	15	257	11
EG-2	General Elk	November 9-17, 2013	1-10	25 Antlerless	\$300	25	86	16
EG-3	General Elk	November 9-17, 2013	11-15	25 Antlerless	\$300	25	49	24
EG-4	General Elk	January 8-19, 2014	1-8	5 Any Elk	\$1,400	5	38	0
EG-5	General Elk	January 8-19, 2014	11-14	5 Any Elk	\$1,400	5	21	43
EG-6	General Elk	February 1-28, 2014	1-14	25 Antlerless	\$300	25	78	Pending
EG-7	General Elk	February 1-28, 2014	16	5 Antlerless	\$300	5	41	Pending

Weapons: Any legal weapon as defined in the Navajo Nation hunting and Trapping Regulations.

FALL TURKEY HUNT

HUNT	HUNT TYPE	HUNT DATES	OPEN	# OF	COST	2012	1 ST	%
CODE			UNITS	PERMITS		PERMITS	CHOICE	HUNT
						AVAILABLE	APPS.	SUCCESS
TF	Fall Turkey	Nov. 16-24, 2013	1-5, 15	2 Any Turkey	\$100	2	46	35

Weapons: Any legal bow or shotgun as defined in the Navajo Nation Hunting and Trapping Proclamation.

^{*}Youth Only Hunt must be 12-16 years old during the hunt

^{*}See New Hunt Reporting Requirements

BLACK BEAR HUNT

HUNT	HUNT TYPE	HUNT DATES	OPEN UNITS	# OF	COST	2012	1 ST	%
CODE				PERMITS		PERMITS	CHOICE	HUNT
						AVAILABLE	APPS.	SUCCESS
B-1	Black Bear	Aug. 31 – Oct. 24, 2013	1-5 and 12	5 Any Bear	\$1,000	5	40	24

Weapons: Any legal weapon for big game as defined in the Navajo Nation Hunting and Trapping Regulations. All hunters making a kill are required to submit teeth, a photo and check sheet along with the survey card by the survey card deadline. Failure to do so will result in the hunter being ineligible the following big game season. Baiting is not allowed. Dogs may be used as long as the permit holder is present. Sows with cubs may not be taken.

MOUNTAIN LION HUNT

HUNT	HUNT TYPE	HUNT DATES	OPEN	# OF	COST	2012	1 ST	%
CODE			UNITS	PERMITS		PERMITS	CHOICE	HUNT
						AVAILABLE	APPS.	SUCCESS
MTL-1	Mountain Lion	Oct. 1, 2013 – Mar. 31, 2014	1-16	10 Lion	\$250	10	77	Pending

All successful lion hunters are required to check their harvested animal out with the Management/Research Section within (5) five days of making a kill. Hunters will be required to provide a photo, a lion harvest check sheet and a tissue sample for genetic research. Failure to do so will result in the hunter being ineligible the following big game season. Legal Method of Take: Any legal weapon for big game as defined in the Navajo Nation Hunting and Trapping Regulations.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- All deer and elk hunters are now required to submit the 2 lower middle incisors (Teeth) along with a photograph of the animal they harvest with the survey card. Photos are not required for cow elk or doe harvests. Failure to do so will result in the hunter being ineligible to hunt big game the following season.
- Make Money Orders and Cashier's Checks Payable to THE NAVAJO NATION.
- Applications must contain the ORIGINAL signature of the applicant, the HUNT CODE, and the applicant's Social Security Number, HUNTER EDUCATION NUMBER, if required. If the applicant is under the age of 18, the parent/guardian may sign the application for the applicant. FAXED applications will not be accepted.
- A big game hunter may take COYOTES and WILD DOGS during any big game hunt they are permitted for, in the unit(s) they are permitted for until their big game permit is filled. Only weapons legal for that hunt may be used. A small game permit is <u>not</u> required.
- Any person 12 years of age or older, Navajo or Non-Navajo may hunt big game on the Navajo Nation when properly permitted. A person under the age of 12 may apply for big game hunts only if he/she turns 12 years of age before the beginning of the hunt(s) they are applying for and has successfully completed a Hunters Education Class.
- No one born after January 1, 1970, may take any game without having satisfactorily completed a certified Hunter Education Course. For those people born after January 1, 1970, proof of Hunter Education Certification (card) must be in possession when taking game animals.
- All permit sales are final, no refunds and PERMITS CANNOT BE TRANSFERRED.
- All big game permit holders must complete and return the big game hunt survey card provided with their permit to the Department of Fish and Wildlife, even if they did not hunt or make a kill. HUNT SURVEY CARDS ARE DUE WITHIN 30 CALENDAR DAYS AFTER THE END OF THE HUNT THE PERMIT WAS ISSUED FOR. Failure to return the required survey card by the due date will cause you to be ineligible for the following big game hunt draw.
- Camping is permitted while in possession of a valid hunting permit.
- It is unlawful to possess a firearm with live ammunition in the firing chamber in or on any motor vehicle.
- It is illegal for non-Navajos to accompany non-Navajo big game hunters in the field, including during scouting. Exceptions are only made for immediate family members. If encountered with a professional, non-Navajo guide, the permit will be confiscated and revoked. Immediate family members are guests on the Navajo Nation and can be asked to leave if warranted.
- HUNTER ORANGE REQUIREMENT: Any person (including hunt guides or others accompanying the hunter) in the act of

- taking big game is required to wear a minimum of 300 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange during any hunt allowing the use of any center-fire firearm.
- All Fish and Wildlife are property of the Navajo Nation. All game and fish are protected and may not be taken, possessed or transported unless specifically permitted. Hunting on the Navajo Nation is a privilege. The Navajo Nation reserves the right to refuse hunting privileges to anybody. All regulations in the Navajo Nation Hunting and Trapping Regulations apply and it is the hunter's responsibility to familiarize themselves with them.
- A person may not use any aircraft to locate or take any wildlife.
- ATV's are not allowed during the big game hunts, except by special permit. See Navajo Nation Hunting and Trapping Regulations.
- It is unlawful for anyone to intentionally interfere with a lawful hunt, including illegally denying access to trust lands.

** WIN A GENERAL DEER or GENERAL ELK PERMIT **

Two (2) separate random drawings will take place for eligible hunters.

1st DRAWING: Four (4) 2014-2015 general hunt permits will be given away as prizes for any eligible hunter who had their animals checked out during the 2013-2014 big game hunt season. Deer check stations will be operated both weekends of the General Deer Hunt and during the doe hunts. All other hunters can have their animal checked out at the Department of Fish and Wildlife Office in Window Rock, AZ, or in the field if a Department of Fish and Wildlife employee is available.

2nd DRAWING: One (1) 2014-2015 general hunt permit will be awarded to any eligible hunter who submits the head of their deer or elk for Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) testing. Tissue samples can be collected at deer check stations or you can bring the head to the Department of Fish and Wildlife Office in Window Rock, AZ.

These permits do not count against the one permit per species per person. However, an individual is still limited to one permit per hunt code.

A hunter having their deer/elk checked out <u>and</u> submitting tissue samples for CWD testing will be in <u>both</u> drawings. A hunter may receive only one prize permit/season. Department of Fish and Wildlife employees are not allowed to be in the drawings. For more information, call (928) 871-6450/6451/6452.