

General Provisions

1. DEFINITIONS (As used in these regulations)

NAC 502.008 “Antlerless deer” defined. “Antlerless deer” means any deer without antlers.

NAC 502.0085 “Antlerless deer only” defined. “Antlerless deer only” means, in a designation of deer that may be taken during an open season, only deer without antlers.

NAC 502.009 “Antlerless elk” defined. “Antlerless elk” means any elk without antlers.

NAC 502.0095 “Antlerless elk only” defined. “Antlerless elk only” means, in a designation of elk that may be taken during an open season, only elk without antlers.

NAC 502.030 “Bucks only” defined. “Bucks only” means, in a designation of deer which may be taken during an open season, only deer having at least one antler.

NAC 502.031 “Bulls only” defined. “Bulls only” means, in a designation of elk that may be taken during an open season, only elk having at least one antler.

NAC 502.020 “Big game mammal” defined. “Big game mammal” means any:

1. Pronghorn antelope, black bear, mule deer, mountain goat, mountain lion, Rocky Mountain elk; or
2. Of the following subspecies of bighorn sheep:
 - (a) Nelson bighorn sheep;
 - (b) California bighorn sheep; or
 - (c) Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep.

NAC 502.050 “General hunt” defined. “General hunt” means any period within a season designated by the Commission for the taking of a game species with any weapon declared legal.

NAC 502.054 “Hunt number” defined. “Hunt number” means the number designated by the Commission for a particular hunt pursuant to a regulation of the Commission.

NAC 502.057 “Hunter choice number” defined. “Hunter choice number” means a number established by the Department that designates a choice of hunting area and season for which a quota of tags remains to be issued.

NAC 502.063 “Junior hunt” defined. “Junior hunt” means a hunt authorized by a regulation of the Commission which is limited to an applicant who:

1. Possesses a hunting license or a combined hunting and fishing license;
2. Will attain his 12th birthday before the first day of each hunting season to which his application relates; and
3. Will not attain his 17th birthday until after the last day of each hunting season to which his application relates.

Note: A person who is otherwise eligible to apply for a junior hunt may apply for a junior hunt not more than 4 years (NAC 502.333).

NAC 503.141 “Longbow” defined. As used in NAC 503.141 to 503.195, inclusive, “longbow” includes any recurved bow or compound bow.

2. LEGAL WEAPONS

NAC 503.142 Hunting big-game mammal with firearm. The Board of Wildlife Commissioners hereby establishes the following exceptions to paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 503.150:

1. During a type of hunt that is restricted to muzzle-loading firearms, a person may hunt a big game mammal only with a muzzle-loading rifle or muzzle-loading musket, and may use only a lead ball, a lead bullet, a semijacketed bullet or a metal alloy bullet that expands. The use of smokeless powder is prohibited. Only black powder or a black powder substitute such as Pyrodex or Triple 7 may be used as a propellant. A sabot round may be used. The muzzle-loading rifle or muzzle-loading musket must have the following characteristics:

- (a) A wheel lock, matchlock or flintlock ignition system, or a percussion ignition system that uses a primer or percussion cap;
- (b) A single barrel of caliber .45 or larger; and
- (c) Open sights or peep sights. The use of a sight that is operated or powered by a battery, electronics or a radioactive isotope such as tritium is prohibited.

The muzzle-loading rifle or the muzzle-loading musket is deemed to be not loaded if the priming compound or element, such as the priming powder or the unfired primer or percussion cap, is removed.

2. During a type of hunt that is restricted to muzzle-loading firearms, it is unlawful for a person hunting under the authority of a tag for such a hunt to carry in the field a firearm or longbow and arrow except for:

- (a) A muzzle-loading rifle or a muzzle-loading musket with the characteristics set forth in subsection 1; or
- (b) A flintlock or percussion handgun. However, it is unlawful to use such a handgun to hunt a big game mammal.

3. During a type of hunt in which the use of any legal weapon is authorized by a regulation of the Commission, a person may hunt a big game mammal with a muzzle-loading rifle or muzzle-loading musket only if:

- (a) The muzzle-loading rifle or muzzle-loading musket has:
 - (1) A single barrel of caliber .45 or larger; and
 - (2) Open sights, peep sights or a rifle scope.
- (b) The person uses a lead ball, a lead bullet, a semijacketed bullet or a metal alloy bullet that expands. A sabot round may be used.

The muzzle-loading rifle or muzzle-loading musket is deemed to be not loaded if the priming compound or element, such as the priming powder or the unfired primer or percussion cap, is removed.

4. A person may hunt big game mammals with a rifle if the rifle uses a centerfire cartridge of caliber .22 or larger.

5. A person may hunt big game mammals with a handgun if the handgun uses a centerfire cartridge, has a barrel length of 4 inches or more and:

- (a) Uses a cartridge of caliber .22 or larger with an overall loaded length of 2 inches or more; or
- (b) Uses a cartridge of caliber .24 or larger with a case of length no less than the length of the case of a cartridge for a Remington magnum of caliber .44.

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6. A person may hunt deer and mountain lion with a shotgun no larger than 10 gauge and no smaller than 20 gauge. Only rifled slugs or shotgun rounds with sabots that contain a single expanding projectile may be used when hunting deer. A shotgun that is used to hunt deer or mountain lion pursuant to this subsection may be equipped with a smoothbore barrel or a barrel that is partially or fully rifled.

NAC 503.143 Crossbows

1. A crossbow may be used to hunt a big game mammal in a type of hunt that allows the use of any legal weapon if the crossbow has:

- (a) A minimum draw weight of 125 pounds;
- (b) A minimum draw length of 14 inches from the front of the bow to the nocking point;
- (c) A stock that is at least 18 inches long; and
- (d) A positive mechanical safety mechanism.

2. Crossbow arrows or bolts used in hunting big game mammals must be at least 16 inches long and have:

- (a) Fixed broadheads that are at least 7/8 inch wide at the widest point; or
- (b) Expandable, mechanical broadheads that are at least 7/8 inch wide at the widest point when the broadhead is in the open position.

3. It is unlawful for any person to:

(a) Hunt a big game mammal with a crossbow during a type of hunt restricted to the use of archery or muzzle-loading firearms.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, carry a cocked crossbow containing an arrow or a bolt while in or on any motorized vehicle while the vehicle is on a public highway or other public right-of-way. The provisions of this paragraph do not apply to a person who is a paraplegic, has had one or both legs amputated or has suffered a paralysis of one or both legs which severely impedes his walking, if the motorized vehicle is not in motion.

(c) Hunt any wildlife with an arrow or bolt that has any chemical, explosive or electronic device attached.

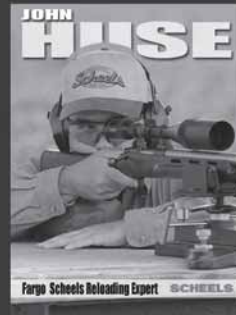
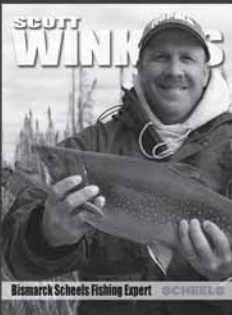
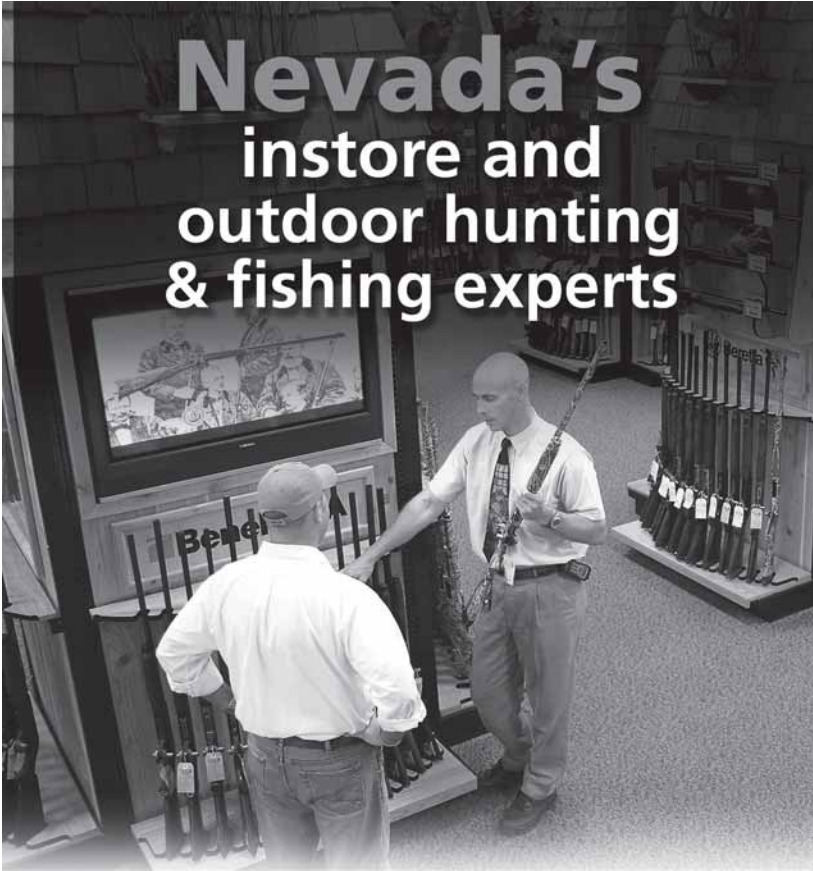
NAC 503.144 Hunting with longbow and arrow

1. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c) of subsection 3, the bowstring of a longbow used in hunting any game mammal or game bird must be moved or held entirely by the muscle power of the shooter through all points of the draw cycle until release and may only be released by direct and conscious action of the shooter, either by relaxing the tension of the fingers or by triggering the release action of a handheld release aid.

2. A longbow used in hunting a big game mammal must, in the hands of the user, be capable of throwing a 400 grain arrow 150 yards over level terrain. Arrows used in hunting big game mammals must be at least 24 inches long and have:

- (a) Fixed broadheads that are at least 7/8-inch wide at the widest point; or
- (b) Expandable, mechanical broadheads that are at least 7/8-inch wide at the widest point when the broadhead is in the open position.

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3. It is unlawful for any person to:

- (a) Carry any firearm in the field while hunting under archery regulations.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, carry a longbow with an arrow nocked on the bowstring while in or on any motorized vehicle while the vehicle is on a public highway or other public right-of-way. The provisions of this paragraph do not apply to a person who is a paraplegic, has had one or both legs amputated or has suffered a paralysis of one or both legs which severely impedes his walking, if the motorized vehicle is not in motion.
- (c) Hunt any game mammal or game bird with a longbow that uses any mechanical device that can anchor a nocked arrow at full draw or partial draw unless the person:
 - (1) Carries written documentation, signed and dated by a licensed physician, stating that the person has a permanent disability in the upper torso; or
 - (2) Has had one or both arms, or a part thereof, amputated, and the permanent disability or amputation prevents him from manually drawing and holding at full draw a longbow that meets the requirements of subsection 2.
- (d) Hunt any wildlife with an arrow that has any chemical, explosive or electronic device attached.

NAC 503.145 Sight attached to firearm or longbow.

The Board of Wildlife Commissioners hereby establishes the following exception to paragraph (f) of subsection 1 of NRS 503.150. Except as otherwise provided by paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of NAC 503.142, a sight attached to a firearm or longbow that is used to hunt a game mammal or game bird, or a sight attached to a crossbow that is used to hunt a big game mammal may be illuminated or powered by:

1. A battery contained within the sight;
2. Light-gathering fiber optics;
3. A radioactive isotope such as tritium; or
4. Iridescent or fluorescent paint.

It is unlawful for a person to hunt a big game mammal, a game mammal or a game bird with a weapon that is equipped with a sight that is capable of casting or projecting a beam of light from the sight to the animal.

3. LICENSE AND RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS

NRS 502.010 License or permit required for hunting or fishing; exceptions; limitations on hunting by minors

1. A person who hunts or fishes any wildlife without having first procured a license or permit to do so, as provided in this title, is guilty of a misdemeanor, except that:

(a) A license to hunt or fish is not required of a resident of this State who is under 12 years of age, unless required for the issuance of tags as prescribed in this title or by the regulations of the Commission.

(b) ***

(c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5 or 6 of NRS 202.300, it is unlawful for any child who is under 18 years of age to hunt any of the wild birds or mammals with any firearm, unless the child is

accompanied at all times by his parent or guardian or is accompanied at all times by an adult person authorized by his parent or guardian to have control or custody of the child to hunt if the authorized person is also licensed to hunt.

(d) A child under 12 years of age, whether accompanied by a qualified person or not, shall not hunt big game in the State of Nevada. This section does not prohibit any child from accompanying an adult licensed to hunt.

(e) The Commission may adopt regulations setting forth:

(1) The species of wild birds or mammals which may be hunted or trapped without a license or permit; or

(2)***

(f)***

2. This section does not apply to the protection of persons or property from unprotected wildlife on or in the immediate vicinity of home or ranch premises.

NRS 502.015 Qualifications for resident licenses, tags and permits

1. For the purpose of issuing and using resident licenses, tags or permits pursuant to this chapter, a person is considered to be a resident of the State of Nevada if:

(a) He is a citizen of, or is lawfully entitled to remain in, the United States; and

(b) During the 6 months next preceding his application to the Department for a license, tag or permit, he:

(1) Was domiciled in this State;

(2) Was physically present in this State, except for temporary absences; and

(3) Did not purchase or apply for any resident license, tag or permit to hunt, fish or trap in another state, country or province.

2. A person who is not domiciled in Nevada but who is attending an institution of higher learning in this State as a full-time student is eligible for a resident license, tag or permit if, during the 6 months next preceding his application to the Department for a license, tag or permit, he:

(a) Was physically present in Nevada, except for temporary trips outside of the State; and

(b) Did not purchase or apply for any resident license, tag or permit to hunt, fish or trap in another state, country or province.

3. A resident license, tag or permit issued by this State is void if the person to whom it was issued establishes his domicile in and obtains any privilege or entitlement conditional on residency from another state, country or province.

NRS 502.060 Information to be furnished by applicant; signature and statement of parent or guardian required for minors; penalties for false statements; use of invalid license unlawful

1. A person applying for and procuring a license, as provided in this chapter, shall give to the license agent his name and residence address, which must be entered by the license agent on the license and stub, together with the date of issuance and a description of the person. If a

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child under the age of 18 years is applying for a license to hunt, the child's parent or legal guardian must sign the application and an attached statement acknowledging that the parent or legal guardian has been advised of the provisions of NRS 41.472.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, any person who makes any false statement or furnishes false information to obtain any license, tag or permit issued pursuant to the provisions of this title is guilty of a misdemeanor.

3. Any person who makes any false statement or furnishes false information to obtain any big game tag issued pursuant to the provisions of this title is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

4. It is unlawful for any person to hunt, fish or trap using any hunting, fishing or trapping license which is invalid by reason of expiration or a false statement made to obtain the license.

5. As used in this section, "big game tag" means a tag permitting a person to hunt any species of pronghorn antelope, bear, deer, mountain goat, mountain lion, bighorn sheep or elk.

4. HUNTER SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

NRS 502.330 Safety for hunters: Requirements for license; completion of course in responsibilities of hunters

1. No hunting license may be obtained by any person born after January 1, 1960, unless he presents to the Department, or one of its authorized licensing agents:

(a) A certificate of successful completion of a course of instruction in the responsibilities of hunters as provided by NRS 502.340;

(b) An equivalent certificate of completion of a course in the responsibilities of hunters provided by a state or an agency of a Canadian province for the management of wildlife; or

(c) A hunting license issued to him in a previous year by the Department, a state or an agency of a Canadian province, which bears a number or other unique mark evidencing successful completion of a course of instruction in the responsibilities of hunters.

2. Any person who has been convicted of violating NRS 503.165 or 503.175 may not obtain a hunting license until he has successfully completed a course in the responsibilities of hunters conducted pursuant to NRS 502.340.

5. BONUS POINT INFORMATION AND REGULATIONS

Bonus Point Program Guidelines

Hunters will again have the option to apply for a bonus point without applying for a tag for a species. Participation requires a nonrefundable \$10 application fee for each bonus point only application, and the purchase of the hunting or combination hunting and fishing license. An applicant cannot receive a refund on their hunting license. There is a special bonus point code for each hunt and it is listed above the season table.

Resident and nonresident tag applicants receive a bonus point for each hunt that has a quota set by the Wildlife Commission when they are unsuccessful in drawing a tag through the computerized random draw system.

Bonus points are awarded by specific species categories, each encompassing all separate weapons hunts available in that category. Those categories are: antlered mule deer; antlerless mule deer; mule deer depredation; antelope horns longer than ears; antelope horns shorter than ears; bull elk; spike bull elk; cow elk; depredation elk; desert (Nelson) bighorn sheep; California bighorn sheep; Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep; mountain goat.

Those points cannot be transferred to another person, or into another species category. Applicants are only able to accumulate one bonus point per species category each year. So if you applied for an antlered deer any legal weapon tag and were unsuccessful, and then applied for an antlered deer archery tag in a separate drawing, and were unsuccessful, you still only accrue one point because these are both in the antlered deer category. However, if you apply for an antlered deer any legal weapon tag and are unsuccessful, and then apply for an antlerless tag and are unsuccessful, you would receive a bonus point for each because they are in two different categories-antlered deer and antlerless deer.

Any bonus points accrued in the junior hunt will automatically transfer to the antlered deer category at the time the junior hunter becomes ineligible for the junior hunt by either age, or after 4 years of application for the junior hunt. See details, page 16.

Those applying as a "party hunt" will have their points averaged (total points of all hunters in the party, divided by the number of hunters) and rounded to the closest whole number. Bonus points are squared by species category, resulting in the number of draw numbers that an individual hunter or hunt party will receive in that drawing. A hunter's bonus points revert to zero in a particular species category when he is successful at obtaining a tag or fails to apply for that species category for two consecutive years.

If a person requests a hunting license refund, they will not earn bonus points for the current year.

NAC 502.4188 Bonus points: Categories of species

1. ***Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2***, any bonus points awarded by the Department pursuant to the bonus point program must be awarded in one of the following categories of species:

- (a) Antlered mule deer;
- (b) Antlerless mule deer;
- (c) Mule deer, either antlered or antlerless;
- (d) Antlered Rocky Mountain elk;
- (e) Antlerless Rocky Mountain elk;
- (f) Rocky Mountain elk, either antlered or antlerless;
- (g) Spike Rocky Mountain elk;
- (h) Pronghorn antelope whose horns are longer than their ears;
- (i) Pronghorn antelope whose horns are shorter than their ears;
- (j) Rams, from one of the following subspecies:
 - (1) Nelson bighorn sheep;
 - (2) California bighorn sheep; or
 - (3) Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep; or
- (k) Mountain goats.

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2. Bonus points awarded by the Department pursuant to the bonus point program for wild turkey and depredation hunts must be awarded by hunt number.

NAC 502.4187 Bonus points: Award and accumulation; effect of refund

1. **Except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.416 to 502.4225**, inclusive, an applicant to obtain a tag for a season who is unsuccessful, or an applicant for a bonus point who does not wish to obtain a tag and is applying for the sole purpose of earning a bonus point, must be awarded a bonus point for:

(a) The hunt number of the species for which he applied if he applied for a:

- (1) Tag to hunt wild turkey;
- (2) Depredation hunt tag; or
- (3) Bonus point for a tag described in subparagraph (1), (2) or (3); or

(b) The category of the species for which he applied if he applied for a tag to hunt deer, elk, mountain goat, antelope or bighorn sheep, or for a bonus point for such a tag.

Regardless of the number of applications to obtain a tag or bonus point for a season submitted by a person, the Department shall not award him more than one bonus point per season for each species or category of a species for which the person applied.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the bonus points awarded to a person accumulate until he is successful in drawing a tag for a season for that species or category of a species or he fails to apply for a season for 2 consecutive calendar years during which that type of hunt for a season is open. If an applicant is successful in drawing a tag for a season for a species or category of a species or fails to apply for a season for 2 consecutive calendar years during which that type of hunt for a season is open, he loses all of his bonus points for that species or category of a species.

3. **Except as otherwise provided in 502.4189**, a person may not use any bonus points awarded to him for being unsuccessful in a junior hunt to apply for a drawing for a tag for any other type of hunt after the person is no longer eligible to participate in a junior hunt.

4. If an applicant requests and receives a refund for the value of his hunting license, the Department shall not award him a bonus point for any species or category of species applied for during the period that the applicant possessed the hunting license.

NAC 502.4177 Submission of application for sole purpose of obtaining bonus point

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a person who is at least 12 years of age and does not wish to obtain a tag may apply to the Department for the sole purpose of obtaining a bonus point for a tag other than a restricted nonresident deer tag. Such an application may be submitted by a person who is under 12 years of age if he will attain the age of 12 years before the commencement of the earliest season for the category of the species to which the application relates.

2. A person who is ineligible to apply for a tag for a category of species

may not apply for a bonus point for that category of species.

3. The Department shall award a bonus point to a person described in subsection 1 if the person has complied with all applicable provisions of chapter 502 of NRS and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

NAC 502.4189 Bonus points: Use; transfer; applications by group for deer tags

1. Each applicant in a drawing for a tag for a season receives a number of additional draw numbers that is equal to the number of bonus points that he has accumulated squared, as expressed in the following equation: $n=b^2$ where "n" is the number of additional draw numbers and "b" is the number of bonus points. The number of additional draw numbers determines the number of draw numbers for the species or category of the species for which the application was submitted. The applicant's lowest randomly assigned draw number is the number used for the drawing.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, bonus points accumulated by a person for a season cannot be transferred to any other person or any other season unless:

(a) The applicant changes his state of residence;

(b) The applicant requests in writing that the Department transfer those bonus points; and

(c) The Department approves the request for the transfer.

Bonus points transferred pursuant to this subsection apply to the same type of hunt to which they applied before the transfer.

3. The number of bonus points applicable to applications submitted by a group pursuant to NAC 502.4185 for tags to hunt deer is the quotient of the total number of points held by the members of the group divided by the number of members in the group, rounded to the nearest whole number.

4. If a person has applied for a junior hunt for 4 years or becomes ineligible to participate in a junior hunt because of his age, each unused bonus point accumulated by that person for a junior hunt automatically transfers to the category for antlered mule deer. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to a bonus point accumulated by the person for a junior hunt in a year in which the person also accumulated a bonus point in the category for antlered mule deer.

6. APPLICATION PROCESS, PAYMENTS, REJECTION OF APPLICATIONS

NAC 502.331 Limitation on number of big game tags; application and fee for tag or bonus point

1. Unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, it is unlawful for any person to obtain more than one tag for an antelope, any subspecies of bighorn sheep, an elk or a mountain goat for a season.

2. An application for a tag or bonus point must be:

(a) Completed in accordance with the regulations of the Commission and the instructions on the application.

(b) Made for one applicant only. If two or more persons apply on one application, the application must be rejected.

3. The following nonrefundable fees must be charged for acting upon

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each application for a tag or bonus point:

- (a) Elk tag \$15
- (b) Any other tag, other than a mountain lion tag \$10
- (c) Bonus point \$10

NAC 502.4175 Application for tag or bonus point; fees

1. A person desiring to obtain a tag or a bonus point without the opportunity to obtain a tag must apply to the Department on a form provided by the Department that includes spaces for the applicant to:

- (a) Specify his name, address and date of birth;
- (b) Specify the species or category of species for which the applicant is applying;
- (c) If the applicant is applying for a tag to hunt deer, elk, antelope, bighorn sheep, **mountain goat** or wild turkey, select not more than five hunter choice numbers; **and**
- (d) Sign the application or, if the application is submitted electronically, acknowledge the affidavit that is included in the application provided by the Department.

2. If an applicant desiring to obtain a bonus point without the opportunity to obtain a tag specifies a hunter choice number on his application, the Department shall ignore the specification of the hunter choice number by the applicant and process the application for the bonus point.

3. An application must include the applicant's Social Security Number or a unique number will be assigned by the Department. The Commission will establish the seasons and quotas for a hunt, and the method for submission and deadline for receipt of applications.

4. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, an application may be withdrawn after it is received by the Department only if the applicant submits to the Department before the draw and with sufficient time for processing a written request that includes, without limitation, his client number. An application may not be withdrawn after the Department has rejected the application. The Department shall not consider a withdrawn application in the procedure for awarding tags or bonus points.

5. An applicant must obtain a valid hunting license before submitting his application for a tag or bonus point, except that an applicant may apply for a hunting license when he submits his application for a tag or bonus point if the applicant is:

- (a) A resident who submits his applications electronically pursuant to subsection 7; or
- (b) A nonresident who submits his applications pursuant to subsection 6 or 7.

6. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, an application for a tag or bonus point must be accompanied by:

- (a) The appropriate fee for the tag, as provided in NRS 502.250, if the application is for a tag;
- (b) The fee for a hunting license, as provided in NRS 502.240, if the applicant is a nonresident who submits his application for a tag or bonus point and has not obtained a hunting license;
- (c) The habitat conservation fee, as provided in NRS 502.242, if the applicant is a nonresident who submits his application for a tag or bonus

point and has not obtained a hunting license;

(d) The fee required pursuant to NRS 502.253 for the support of programs to control predators and protect wildlife habitat; and

(e) The applicable fee required pursuant to NAC 502.331 for the Department to act upon the application. The Department shall apply the proceeds of the fee to the cost of processing applications, conducting drawings for tags, awarding bonus points and performing such related activities as the Commission may direct.

7. If a resident or nonresident applicant submits his application for a tag or bonus point electronically, the application must be accompanied by:

(a) The fee required pursuant to NRS 502.253 for the support of programs to control predators and protect wildlife habitat;

(b) Any donation the applicant wishes to make to a program specified in paragraph (a) or any other program conducted by the Department;

(c) The fee for a hunting license, as provided in NRS 502.240, if the application is for:

(1) A tag and the applicant:

(I) Has not obtained a hunting license; and

(II) Indicates on his application that he wishes to purchase the hunting license regardless of whether his application is successfully drawn; or

(2) A bonus point and the applicant has not obtained a hunting license;

(d) The habitat conservation fee, as provided in NRS 502.242, if the application is for:

(1) A tag and the applicant:

(I) Has not obtained a hunting license; and

(II) Indicates on his application that he wishes to purchase the hunting license regardless of whether his application is successfully drawn; or

(2) A bonus point and the applicant has not obtained a hunting license;

(e) The applicable fee required pursuant to NAC 502.331 for the Department to act upon the application. The Department shall apply the proceeds of the fee to the cost of processing applications, conducting drawings for tags, awarding bonus points and performing such related activities as the Commission may direct.

8. If an application for a tag specified in subsection 7 is:

(a) Successfully drawn, the Department shall collect from the applicant:

(1) The appropriate fee for the tag as provided in NRS 502.250;

(2) The fee for a hunting license, as provided in NRS 502.240, if the applicant:

(I) Has not obtained a hunting license; and

(II) Indicates on his application that he wishes to purchase the hunting license only if his application is successfully drawn; and

(3) The habitat conservation fee, as provided in NRS 502.242, if the applicant:

(I) Has not obtained a hunting license; and

(II) Indicates on his application that he wishes to purchase the hunting license only if his application is successfully drawn; or

(b) Not successfully drawn, the Department shall collect from the applicant the fee for participating in the Partnership in Wildlife Drawing, as provided in NAC 502.427, if the applicant has indicated on the

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application that he wishes to participate in that drawing.

9. An application to obtain a tag that is issued by random selection may be submitted by a person who is under 12 years of age if he will attain the age of 12 years before the commencement of each season to which the application relates. An application to obtain a tag that is issued on a first-come, first-served basis may not be submitted by a person who has not yet attained the age of 12 years.

10. The Department and its agents and employees shall not:

- (a) Amend or otherwise alter an application to obtain a tag or bonus point.
- (b) Issue a tag or award a bonus point to an applicant who fails to submit the fees required pursuant to this section.

NAC 502.4179 Restriction on applications

A person may not submit an application for a:

1. Tag and an application for a bonus point for the same category or species in the same drawing.
2. Bonus point in a subsequent drawing if a tag or bonus point was obtained for that category of species in a previous drawing that year unless authorized by the Commission.

NAC 502.418 Rejection of application

1. The Department shall reject an application to obtain a tag or bonus point if any of the following occurs:

(a) The applicant fails to specify his name, date of birth, city or state on the application, unless that information exists in the computer file of the Department, in which case the application must not be rejected if the applicant has specified his name and client number.

(b) The applicant fails to specify or incorrectly specifies on the application the number of his hunting license and the year the license was issued, unless that information exists in the computer file of the Department, in which case the application must not be rejected for that reason.

(c) The applicant fails to specify his Social Security Number on his application for a hunting license if:

(1) The application for a hunting license is included with his application for a tag or bonus point; and

(2) The Social Security Administration has issued a social security number to the applicant.

(d) An applicant who is at least 12 years of age but not more than 17 years of age fails to obtain the signature of his parent or legal guardian on his application for a hunting license.

(e) The applicant fails to specify on the application the species or the category of the species for which the application was submitted and, if the application is for a tag, a valid hunter choice number for that type of hunt. If the applicant specifies valid and invalid numbers, the Department shall accept the application for the valid numbers only.

(f) The applicant fails to complete the application in a legible manner.

(g) The applicant fails to sign the application.

(h) The applicant fails to submit the fees required pursuant to NAC 502.4175 or his bank fails to honor his check or draft for those fees.

(i) The applicant fails to comply with the provisions of NAC 502.405, unless, on or before the deadline set forth in that section for the year in which the application is submitted, he pays the applicable administrative fine and submits the properly completed questionnaire issued as part of the tag or the information required by the questionnaire.

(j) The applicant submits more than one application to hunt for the same species of wildlife during the same year, unless such an application is specifically authorized by the Commission. If such an application is not specifically authorized by the Commission, all applications submitted by the applicant to hunt for the same species must be rejected.

(k) The application is received after the deadline set by the Commission.

(l) The applicant fails to comply with the provisions of NRS 502.330.

(m) The applicant provides false information on the application.

(n) The applicant is otherwise ineligible to apply for the tag or bonus point.

2. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.419, 502.4195 and 502.4197, if an application is rejected by the Department pursuant to this section:

(a) The application must not be included in the procedure for awarding tags;

(b) The applicant must not be awarded a bonus point for the bonus point program for the species or the category of the species for which the application was submitted; and

(c) The nonrefundable application fee for acting upon each application for a tag or bonus point and, if the application is for a tag, the fee required pursuant to NRS 502.253 for the support of programs to control predators and protect wildlife habitat must be retained by the Department.

3. If the Department rejects an application pursuant to paragraph (h) of subsection 1 because the applicant failed to submit the fees required pursuant to NAC 502.4175 or the applicant's bank failed to honor his check or draft for the fees specified in that paragraph, the applicant is ineligible to receive or exercise any privilege conferred upon him pursuant to title 45 of NRS until the Department receives:

(a) The nonrefundable application fee for acting upon the application;

(b) The fee required pursuant to NRS 502.253 for the support of programs to control predators and protect wildlife habitat; and

(c) The fee for the returned check or draft specified in NAC 502.119, if the bank failed to honor his check or draft for the fees.

4. The Department shall indicate that the applicant owes a fee in the file of the applicant maintained by the Department until the applicant pays all fees owed to the Department.

NAC 502.4197 Correctable errors.

1. The Department shall allow an applicant to correct a correctable error in an application for a tag for the main draw if:

(a) The Department receives the application and enters the information on the application into the computer;

(b) The application contains an error that causes the computer to send to the applicant a letter of rejection and blank correction document; and

(c) The Department receives the completed correction document on or

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before the deadline set forth in the correction document.

2. If the Department receives the completed correction document on or before the deadline set forth in the correction document, the Department shall:

(a) Use the information contained in the correction document to update the applicant's file on the computer; and

(b) Consider the applicant in the procedure for awarding a tag.

3. The Department shall not consider an applicant in the procedure for awarding a tag if:

(a) The applicant submits a correction document that does not contain information sufficient to correct every error in the application; or

(b) The correction document is not received by the Department on or before the deadline set forth in the correction document.

4. As used in this section:

(a) "Correctable error" means:

(1) An incorrect or missing date of birth;

(2) An incorrect, invalid or missing number of a hunting license;

(3) An incorrect, invalid or missing hunter choice number;

(4) Failure to specify the species or the category of the species for which the application was submitted;

(5) Failure of the applicant to specify his Social Security Number on the application for a hunting license if:

(I) The application is included with his application for a tag or bonus point; and

(II) The Social Security Administration has issued a Social Security Number to the applicant;

(6) Failure to include the proper fee;

(7) Failure of the applicant to sign the application;

(8) If the applicant is less than 18 years of age, failure of his parent or legal guardian to sign the application; or

(9) Failure to complete a course in the responsibilities of hunters as required pursuant to NRS 502.330.

(b) "Main draw" means the draw pursuant to which the greatest number of big game tags are issued to residents and nonresidents.

NAC 502.118 Method of payment; fee for application submitted electronically.

1. A payment for any license, permit, tag, certificate of ownership, certificate of number or any other service provided by the Department must be:

(a) Made payable to the Department;

(b) The same method of payment for each transaction;

(c) In the form of:

(1) Cash;

(2) A personal check that is drawn by a drawer who is a resident of this State and that includes on the face of the check the address of the drawer in this State;

(3) If required by the Department, a cashier's check, certified check or money order; or

(4) If an application for the service is submitted electronically, an

- electronic method of payment that is specified by the Department; and
- (d) Paid in United States currency.
2. The Department shall not accept the following forms of payment:
- (a) A check or draft that does not comply with subparagraph (2) of paragraph (c) of subsection 1;
- (b) A check or draft that is endorsed to a third party; or
- (c) A check for a refund that is issued by the Department, if the check is endorsed for payment to the Department.
3. The Department may, in accordance with NRS 353.1465, charge and collect a fee:
- (a) Of \$2 for an application for a resident tag or bonus point;
- (b) Of \$3.50 for an application for a nonresident tag or bonus point; and
- (c) Of \$2 for any other application that is submitted to the Department electronically.

NAC 502.119 Dishonored checks or drafts; effect of dishonored payment or nonpayment.

1. If a person submits a check or draft to the Department and the check or draft is dishonored by the bank upon which the check or draft is drawn, the Department shall charge and collect a fee of \$25 from the person.
2. An application for a license, permit, tag, certificate of ownership, certificate of number or any other service provided by the Department shall be deemed invalid if any payment that is required to be included with the application is not received by the Department or if a check or draft for that payment is dishonored by the bank upon which the check or draft is drawn.
3. Any person who submits an application that is deemed invalid pursuant to subsection 2 is ineligible to receive or exercise any privilege conferred upon him pursuant to title 45 of NRS until:
- (a) The Department receives the payment specified in subsection 2; and
- (b) The person pays any costs incurred by the Department in collecting the payment.
4. The Department may require a person specified in subsection 3 to submit a payment in the form of a cashier's check, certified check or money order for:
- (a) Any license, permit, tag, certificate of ownership, certificate of number or any other service provided by the Department; and
- (b) Any delinquent fees associated with the original transaction for the license, permit, tag, certificate of ownership, certificate of number or service.

NAC 502.4185 Applications for deer tags by group of persons.

1. Residents and nonresidents may apply for tags as one party if they:
- (a) Submit individual applications to obtain tags;
- (b) Indicate the desire to hunt as a party on their applications; and
- (c) Select the corresponding valid hunter choice numbers for a species or category of species.
2. If the Department is required, pursuant to NAC 502.418, to reject an application submitted by one member of a party, the Department is not required to reject the applications of the remaining members unless the ground for rejecting the one application also applies to the other applications.

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3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if any member of a party specifies on his application a type of hunt different from that specified by any other member of that party, the applications of each member of that party will be considered solely with respect to the type of hunt and residency for which the Department will issue the most tags in the drawing for which the application is submitted. If any member of a party specifies a junior hunt on his application, the applications of each member of that party will be considered solely with respect to the type of hunt, other than a junior hunt, for which the Department will issue the most tags in the drawing for which the application is submitted.

4. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.4195, the Department shall not exceed its quotas for the respective resident and nonresident units of a season when issuing tags to a party.

5. As used in this section, "party" means two or more persons applying together as a group to obtain tags for a season to hunt deer.

7. APPLICATION FOR REMAINING TAGS NAC 502.4215

After tags have been issued for a season by using the computerized system of drawing and alternate list, the Department shall provide all eligible hunters with an opportunity to apply for any remaining tags by mail or electronically. The Department shall act upon applications for those tags in the order received. An applicant who is unsuccessful in obtaining a tag pursuant to this section must not be awarded a bonus point for use in any subsequent drawing to award tags.

8. HUNTING TAG REFUND

NAC 502.422 Cancellation of tag issued in error; provision of refund. (LCB File R068-08)

1. The Department may cancel a tag and provide a refund if the Department issues the tag in error.

2. The Department shall provide a refund if the holder of a tag:

(a) Or a person to whom he is related within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity dies, as verified by a certificate of death;

(b) Or a person to whom he is related within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity incurs a disability, as verified in writing by a physician, which prevents him from hunting during the season for which the tag was issued; or

(c) Is serving in the Armed Forces of the United States and is transferred, as verified by a copy of his orders or other proof satisfactory to the Department, to a location which makes it impracticable for him to hunt in the area for which the tag was issued, and, except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.336, his tag is returned to the Department before the opening day of the season for which the tag was issued. If the holder obtained his hunting license with his tag, the hunting license may be returned with the tag.

3. If a refund is provided pursuant to subsection **1 or 2**, the Department shall:

(a) Return all the fees submitted with the application for the tag except the fees required pursuant to NRS 502.253 and NAC 502.331; and

(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NAC 502.4225,

treat the recipient of the refund, with respect to his eligibility to obtain a tag and to be awarded a bonus point, as if the tag had not been issued and the applicant was unsuccessful.

4. If a tag for any subspecies of bighorn sheep or mountain goat is returned for a reason other than the reasons set forth in subsection 1 or 2, the Department shall:

(a) If the tag is received not later than July 15, return all the fees submitted with the application for the tag except the fees required pursuant to NRS 502.253 and NAC 502.331; and

(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NAC 502.4225, treat the recipient of the refund, with respect to his eligibility to obtain a tag and to be awarded a bonus point, as if the tag had not been issued and the applicant was unsuccessful.

5. If a tag for antelope, deer or elk is returned for a reason other than the reasons set forth in subsection 1 or 2, and if the tag is received at least 1 day before the opening day of the season for which the tag was issued, the Department:

(a) Shall, except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NAC 502.4225, treat the applicant, with respect to his eligibility to obtain a tag and to be awarded a bonus point, as if the tag had not been issued and the applicant was unsuccessful; and

(b) Shall not:

(1) Return any fee paid for the tag; or

(2) Reissue the tag to a person who is selected for an alternate list pursuant to NAC 502.421.

6. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.421, the Department is not required to refill a quota for the issuance of tags if the application of this section reduces the number of tags issued to less than a quota.

9. HUNTING LICENSE REFUND

NAC 502.4225 Refund of fee for hunting license.

1. An applicant who fails to obtain a tag may obtain a refund of the fee for his hunting license if the license is not a combined hunting and fishing license and he:

(a) Purchased the license solely to apply for a tag;

(b) Does no hunting under the authority of the license; and

(c) Submits the license to the headquarters of the Department on or before the last weekday of August of the year in which the license was valid. The Department shall accept the license only if it is received on or before that date.

2. If an applicant obtains a refund pursuant to the provisions of subsection 1, the applicant will not be awarded any bonus points as provided in NAC 502.4187.

NAC 502.405 Harvest Questionnaire

1. Unless otherwise provided by an annual regulation of the Commission, the properly completed questionnaire issued as part of a big game tag or the information required by the questionnaire must be received by the independent contractor designated by the Department not later than 5 p.m. January 31 or the next business day should January 31 fall on a

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weekend or holiday following the close of the season for which the tag was issued.

2. The Department shall annually designate and publish the name and address of an independent contractor who will receive the questionnaire and the information required by the questionnaire pursuant to subsection 1.

3. A person who fails to return the questionnaire or the information required by the questionnaire within the period specified or who submits incomplete or false information on the questionnaire will be denied all big game tags for 1 year. A person who has been denied a tag pursuant to this subsection may have those privileges reinstated if he:

(a) Using a postal service:

(1) Pays to the Department an administrative fine of \$50; and

(2) Submits to the independent contractor designated by the Department the properly completed questionnaire issued as part of the tag or the information required by the questionnaire by the third Friday in March, or

(b) While applying electronically for a big game tag in the main draw

(1) Pays to the Department an administrative fine of \$50; and

(2) Submits to the independent contractor designated by the Department the properly completed questionnaire issued as part of the tag or the information required by the questionnaire by the application deadline for the main draw.

4. The Department shall allow an applicant to correct a questionnaire if:

(a) The independent contractor receives the questionnaire and enters the information on the questionnaire into the computer;

(b) The questionnaire contains an error that causes the computer to send to the applicant a letter of rejection and blank correction document; and

(c) The independent contractor receives the completed correction document on or before the deadline set forth in the correction document.

5. If the independent contractor receives the completed correction document on or before the deadline set forth in the correction document, the independent contractor shall use the information contained in the correction document to update the applicant's file on the computer.

6. If the applicant submits a correction document that does not contain information sufficient to correct every error in the questionnaire or the correction document is not received by the independent contractor on or before the deadline set forth in the correction document, the questionnaire will be considered incomplete pursuant to subsection 3.

Special Regulations

Antelope Special Regulations NAC 502.341 (LCB File No. R066-88)

1. Unless his privilege is limited or revoked pursuant to law, any resident of Nevada or nonresident is eligible to apply in any year for ***a tag to hunt antelope.***

2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 502.215 and NAC 502.321, any person who harvests an antelope ***with horns longer than its ears using a tag specified in subsection 1*** is not eligible to apply for another tag ***to hunt antelope with horns longer than its ears during the next 5 years.***