

2005 Nevada Hunting Laws & Regulations

Resident and Nonresident Mule Deer - Antlered Muzzleloader Hunt 1371

Unit Group	2005 Season Dates	2005 Resident Quota	2005 Nonresident Quota
011 - 013	Sept 17 - Oct 2	9	2
014	Sept 17 - Oct 2	5	2
015	Dec 3 - Dec 11	5	2
021	Dec 3 - Dec 11	5	2
022	Sept 17 - Oct 2	5	2
031	Sept 17 - Oct 2	5	2
032	Sept 17 - Oct 2	3	2
033	Sept 17 - Oct 2	21	7
034	Sept 17 - Oct 2	3	2
035	Sept 17 - Oct 2	3	2
041, 042	Sept 17 - Oct 2	3	2
043 - 046	Sept 17 - Oct 2	24	4
051	Sept 17 - Oct 2	26	4
061, 062, 064, 066-068	Sept 17 - Oct 2	51	6
065	Sept 17 - Oct 2	3	2
071 - 079	Sept 17 - Oct 2	69	9
081	Sept 17 - Oct 2	5	2
101 - 108	Sept 10 - Sept 25	207	19
111 - 113	Sept 17 - Oct 2	50	5
114, 115	Nov 5 - Nov 27	54	7
121	Sept 17 - Oct 2	17	3
131 - 134	Sept 17 - Oct 2	26	4
141 - 145	Sept 17 - Oct 2	9	2
151, 152, 154, 155	Sept 17 - Oct 2	26	4
161 - 164	Sept 17 - Oct 2	31	5
171 - 173	Sept 17 - Oct 2	82	6
181 - 184	Sept 17 - Oct 2	7	2
192	Sept 17 - Oct 2	5	2
194, 196	Sept 17 - Oct 2	5	2
195	Sept 17 - Oct 2	2	2
201, 204	Dec 3 - Dec 11	5	2
202, 205, 206	Dec 3 - Dec 11	3	2
211, 212	Sept 17 - Oct 2	5	2
221 - 223	Sept 17 - Oct 2	20	2
231	Sept 17 - Oct 2	12	2
241 - 245	Sept 17 - Oct 2	5	2
251 - 253	Sept 17 - Oct 2	3	2
261 - 268	Sept 17 - Oct 2	4	2
271, 272	Sept 17 - Oct 2	3	2
291	Sept 17 - Oct 2	5	2
		Total 833	Total 132

NONRESIDENT HUNTS

Nonresident Antelope - Horns longer than ears Any Legal Weapon Hunt 2251

Unit Group	2005 Season Dates	2005 Quota
011	Aug 27 - Sept 5	9
012 - 014	Aug 27 - Sept 5	29
015	Aug 27 - Sept 5	12
021, 022	Aug 27 - Sept 5	3
031	Aug 27 - Sept 5	15
032, 034, 035	Aug 27 - Sept 5	21
033 Early	Aug 20 - Aug 26	4
033 Late	Aug 27 - Sept 5	4
041, 042	Aug 27 - Sept 5	12
051	Aug 27 - Sept 5	9
061, 062, 064, 071, 073	Aug 27 - Sept 5	25
065, 142, 144 ^A	Aug 27 - Sept 5	2
067, 068	Aug 27 - Sept 5	12
072, 074, 075	Aug 27 - Sept 5	9
076, 077, 079, 081	Aug 27 - Sept 5	4
078, 105 - 107, 121	Aug 27 - Sept 5	8
101 - 104, 108, 144 ^B	Aug 27 - Sept 5	6
111 - 114	Aug 27 - Sept 5	21
115, 231, 242	Aug 27 - Sept 5	5
131, 145, 163, 164, 221 ^C	Aug 27 - Sept 5	8
132 - 134, 245	Aug 27 - Sept 5	3
141, 143, 151, 152, 154, 155	Aug 27 - Sept 5	5
161, 162	Aug 27 - Sept 5	2
202, 204	Oct 15 - Oct 30	2
205, 206	Aug 27 - Sept 5	3
221 ^D - 223, 241	Aug 27 - Sept 5	2
251	Aug 27 - Sept 5	2
		Total 237

^A That portion of Unit 144 in Eureka County.
^B That portion of Unit 144 in White Pine County.
^C That portion of Unit 221 north and west of Highway 6.
^D That portion of Unit 221 south and east of Highway 6.

Nonresident Antelope - Horns longer than ears Archery Hunt 2261

Unit Group	2005 Season Dates	2005 Quota
012 - 014	Aug 6 - Aug 21	9
015	Aug 6 - Aug 21	6
031	Aug 6 - Aug 21	6
032, 034, 035	Aug 6 - Aug 21	8
033	Aug 6 - Aug 19	1
041, 042	Aug 6 - Aug 21	4
061, 062, 064, 071, 073	Aug 6 - Aug 21	6
067, 068	Aug 6 - Aug 21	8
101 - 104, 108, 144 ^A	Aug 6 - Aug 21	4
111 - 114	Aug 6 - Aug 21	4
131, 145, 163, 164, 221 ^B	Aug 6 - Aug 21	4
		Total 60



**Nonresident Elk - Antlered
Any Legal Weapon Hunt 4251**

Unit Group	2005 Season Dates	2005 Quota
061, 071	Oct 29 - Nov 13	9
072, 074	Oct 29 - Nov 13	7
076, 077, 081	Nov 12 - Nov 27	18
111 - 115, 221, 222 Early	Nov 12 - Nov 27	31
111 - 115, 221, 222 Late	Dec 3 - Dec 18	31
161 - 164 Early	Sept 24 - Sept 30	1
161 - 164 Late	Nov 12 - Nov 27	5
231, 241, 242	Nov 1 - Nov 18	12
		Total 114

**Nonresident Elk - Antlered - Muzzleloader
Hunt 4256**

Unit Group	2005 Season Dates	2005 Quota
111 - 115, 221, 222	Oct 29 - Nov 11	17

**Nonresident Elk - Antlered - Archery
Hunt 4261**

Unit Group	2005 Season Dates	2005 Quota
111 - 115, 221, 222	Aug 27 - Sept 16	7
161 - 164	Aug 27 - Sept 16	2
231, 241, 242	Aug 27 - Sept 16	4
		Total 13

**Nonresident Elk - Antlerless
Any Legal Weapon Hunt 4281**

Unit Group	2005 Season Dates	2005 Quota
075*	Nov 14 - Jan 1	12
076, 077, 081	Oct 1 - Oct 23	19
111	Oct 1 - Oct 23	32
222	Oct 1 - Oct 23	24
231, 241, 242 Early	Oct 1 - Oct 9	10
231, 241, 242 Late	Dec 5 - Jan 8	23
		Total 120

*Poor hunter success expected; difficult hunter access; low elk numbers in the area

**Nonresident Elk - Antlerless
Muzzleloader Hunt 4276**

Unit Group	2005 Season Dates	2005 Quota
111, 112, 221, 222	Sept 17 - Sept 30	11
231, 241, 242	Sept 17 - Sept 30	7
		Total 18

**Nonresident Elk - Antlerless
Archery Hunt 4211**

Unit Group	2005 Season Dates	2005 Quota
076, 077, 081	Aug 6 - Aug 26	4
111, 112, 221, 222	Aug 6 - Aug 26	14
231, 241, 242	Aug 6 - Aug 26	6
		Total 18

Information on 2005 Bighorn Sheep Indoctrination classes can be found on page 54.

**Nonresident Nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep
Any Ram - Any Legal Weapon Hunt 3251**

Unit Group	2005 Season Dates	2005 Quota
044, 182	Nov 12 - Dec 11	1
134	Nov 12 - Dec 11	2
161	Nov 12 - Dec 11	2
183	Nov 12 - Dec 11	1
205	Nov 12 - Dec 11	2
263	Nov 12 - Dec 11	2
266	Nov 12 - Dec 11	1
267	Nov 12 - Dec 11	2
268	Nov 12 - Dec 11	4
283, 284	Nov 12 - Dec 11	1
286	Nov 12 - Dec 11	1
		Total 19

**Nonresident California Bighorn Sheep Any
Ram - Any Legal Weapon Hunt 8251**

Unit Group	2005 Season Dates	2005 Quota
012	Aug 27 - Oct 30	2
032	Aug 27 - Oct 30	1
033	Aug 27 - Oct 30	1
035	Aug 27 - Oct 30	1
		Total 5

**Nonresident Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep
Any Ram - Any Legal Weapon Hunt 9251**

Unit Group	2005 Season Dates	2005 Quota
101	Aug 27 - Oct 30	1

**Nonresident Mountain Goat - Any Goat Any
Legal Weapon Hunt 7251**

Unit Group	2005 Season Dates	2005 Quota
101, 102	Aug 27 - Oct 30	4

**Aerial and Ground Surveys Being
Conducted by NDOW**

The Department of Wildlife conducts extensive big game aerial and ground surveys to collect data on herd status for season and tag quota determination and for herd management. **Due to the length of Nevada's numerous hunting seasons, and the extensive distribution of Nevada's big game animals, the optimal time period to conduct surveys is limited. On rare occasions hunters may encounter biologists performing either aerial or ground survey activities, but all efforts will be made to minimize the potential for conflict.**

If you are unsure whether or not an aircraft or ground vehicle is performing a legitimate herd status survey, please report the incident to a NDOW office with the time, date, location, and aircraft/vehicle description.

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Nonresident Guided Hunt Deer Tags

Attention Hunters:

There are 114 licensed master guides in Nevada that provide guide services for big game, game birds, game fish and unprotected wildlife. Different hunters often desire to hire a guide for different reasons, ranging from a novice hunter that is a little uncomfortable with trekking into the remote Nevada outback to an experienced hunter that draws the tag of a lifetime, like a desert bighorn or bull elk tag.

When booking a guided hunt be sure that the master guide you hire is licensed to provide guide service in Nevada and be sure that you are provided with a contract before services are provided. If you are a nonresident of Nevada you may participate in the nonresident restricted guided deer draw, a program that allots a number of tags specifically for a guided deer hunt.

If you would like to become a master guide or subguide in Nevada you can learn about experience requirements, licensing fees, laws and the application process at www.ndow.org and clicking on the guide section.

Many hunters may never use or even see a guide, but understanding the rules, who can guide and how the process works can save problems for those hunters who want to use this type of service.

Restricted Nonresident Deer Tags:

(NRS 502.147 In part)

- The Department shall make available restricted nonresident deer tags in an amount not to exceed the amount set forth in this section. If the number of persons who apply for restricted nonresident deer tags is greater than the number of tags to be issued, the Department shall conduct a drawing to determine the persons to whom to issue the tags.
- The number of restricted nonresident deer tags must:
 - Be subtracted from the quota of rifle deer tags for nonresidents; and
 - Not exceed 16 percent of the deer tags issued to nonresidents during the previous year or 400 tags, whichever is greater.
- The number of restricted nonresident deer tags issued for any management area or unit must not exceed 37.5 percent, rounded to the nearest whole number, of the rifle deer tags issued to nonresidents during the previous year for that management area or unit.
- The Department shall mail the tags to the successful applicants.

Restricted Nonresident Deer Tags: (NRS 502.149)

Guide to accompany hunter during hunt. A restricted nonresident deer hunter must be accompanied at all times during the restricted nonresident deer hunt by the licensed master guide who cosigned the application or one of his licensed subguides.

Restricted Nonresident Deer Tags: Application; Fees; Eligibility For Other Tags

(NRS 502.148)

- Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, any person who wishes to apply for a restricted nonresident deer tag pursuant to NRS 502.147 must complete an application on a form prescribed and furnished by the Department. A licensed master guide may complete the application for an applicant. The application must be signed by the applicant and the master guide who will be responsible for conducting the restricted nonresident deer hunt.
- The application must be accompanied by a fee for the tag of \$300, plus any other fees which the Department may require. The Commission shall establish the time limits and acceptable methods for submitting such applications to the Department.
- Any application for a restricted nonresident deer tag which contains an error or omission must be rejected and the fee for the tag returned to the applicant.
- A person who is issued a restricted nonresident deer tag is not eligible to apply for any other deer tag issued in this state for the same hunting season as that restricted nonresident deer hunt.
- All fees collected pursuant to this section must be deposited with the state treasurer for credit to the wildlife account in the state general fund.

Restricted Nonresident Mule Deer - Antlered Any Legal Weapon Hunt 1235

Unit Group	2005 Season Dates	2005 Quota
011 – 013	Oct 8 - Nov 6	4
014	Oct 8 - Nov 6	1
015	Dec 12 - Jan 1	1
021	Dec 12 - Jan 1	1
022	Oct 8 - Nov 6	1
031	Oct 8 - Nov 6	3
032	Oct 8 - Nov 6	3
033 Early	Oct 8 - Oct 23	3
033 Late	Oct 24 - Nov 6	3
034	Oct 8 - Nov 6	1
035	Oct 8 - Nov 6	1
041, 042	Oct 8 - Nov 6	1
043 - 046	Oct 8 - Nov 6	4
051	Oct 8 - Nov 6	14
061 - 064, 066 - 068 Early	Oct 8 - Oct 23	16
061 - 064, 066 - 068 Late	Oct 22 - Nov 6	2
065	Oct 8 - Nov 6	1
071 – 079	Oct 8 - Nov 6	29
081	Oct 8 - Nov 6	1
101 - 108 Early	Oct 8 - Oct 23	83
101 - 108 Late	Oct 22 - Nov 6	21
111 - 113 Early	Oct 8 - Oct 23	28
111 - 113 Late	Oct 22 - Nov 6	2
114, 115	Oct 8 - Oct 30	9
121	Oct 8 - Nov 6	6
131 – 134	Oct 8 - Nov 6	6
141 – 145	Oct 8 - Nov 6	20
151 - 155	Oct 8 - Nov 6	7
161 – 164	Oct 8 - Nov 6	10
171 – 173	Oct 8 - Nov 6	18
181 - 184	Oct 8 - Nov 6	6
192	Nov 5 - Dec 2	1
194, 196	Nov 5 - Dec 2	1
195	Nov 5 - Dec 2	1
201, 204	Nov 5 - Dec 2	3
202, 205, 206	Nov 5 - Dec 2	2
203 ^A	Nov 5 - Dec 2	1
211, 212	Nov 5 - Dec 2	1
221 - 223	Oct 8 - Nov 6	9
231	Oct 8 - Nov 6	4
241 - 245	Oct 15 - Nov 6	3
251 - 253	Oct 8 - Nov 6	1
261 – 268	Nov 5 - Dec 2	1
271, 272	Nov 5 - Dec 2	1
291	Nov 5 - Dec 2	1
	Total	336

^ASpecial regulations apply see NAC 503.170 on page 44.

2005 Partnership in Wildlife (PIW) Hunts

Legal Weapon: Archery when the season for that species and management unit is restricted to archery. Muzzleloader when the season for that species and management unit is restricted to muzzleloader. Any legal weapon when the season for that species and management unit allows any legal weapon.

Limit: One.

Hours: One-half hour before sunrise to sunset.

Resident Mule Deer Hunt 1000

Category: Antlered only

Unit Group: Any management unit where there is an open season for antlered deer.

Season Dates: In compliance with the season dates set for each management unit or unit-group for hunts 1331, 1341, and 1371.

Quota: 22

Nonresident Mule Deer Hunt 1200

Category: Antlered only

Unit Group: Any management unit where there is an open season for antlered deer.

Season Dates: In compliance with the season dates set for each management unit or unit-group for hunts 1331, 1341, and 1371.

Quota: 3

Resident Antelope Hunt 2000

Category: Antelope with horns longer than ears

Unit Group: Any management unit where there is an open season for antelope with horns longer than the ears.

Season Dates: In compliance with the season dates set for each management unit or unit-group for hunts 2151 and 2161.

Quota: 5

*Resident Nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep Hunt 3000

Category: Any Ram

Unit Group: *Any management unit where there is an open season for Nelson (desert) bighorn sheep.

Season Dates: In compliance with the season dates set for each management unit or unit-group for hunt 3151

Quota: 3

***In 2005:** In Units 181, 252, 280, 281 and 282, a Department of Defense briefing is **required**. There are access restrictions in all these units. In some units there will likely be adjustments to season dates to accommodate Department of Defense operations.

Resident Rocky Mountain Elk Hunt 4000

Category: Elk with at least one antler

Unit Group: Any management unit where there is an open season for antlered elk.

Season Dates: In compliance with the season dates set for each management unit or unit-group for hunts 4151, 4156, 4161.

Quota: 3

Resident Rocky Mountain Goat Hunt 7000

Category: Any Goat

Legal Weapon: Any legal weapon when the season for that species and management unit allows any legal weapon.

Unit Group: Any management unit where there is an open season for mountain goat.

Season Dates: In compliance with the season dates set for each management unit or unit-group for hunt 7151.

Quota: 1

Resident California Bighorn Sheep Hunt 8000

Category: Any Ram

Legal Weapon: Any legal weapon when the season for that species and management unit allows any legal weapon.

Unit Group: Any management unit where there is an open season for California Bighorn sheep.

Season Dates: In compliance with the season dates set for each management unit or unit-group for hunt 8151.

Quota: 1

Funds Benefit Wildlife Heritage Trust

The funds donated through PIW are placed in the Wildlife Heritage Trust account. Only the interest generated from these funds will be used each year for special projects benefiting game species. We hope that the Wildlife Heritage Trust account will one day become a stable, long-term source of revenue for game management. PIW promises to benefit both Nevada's wildlife and the sportsmen by providing voluntary support of game management programs and providing a hunting opportunity that would not otherwise be available to most sportsmen in Nevada.

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2005 Wildlife Heritage Tags

The Board of Wildlife Commissioners under the authority of sections 501.181, 502.140, 502.250, 503.120 and 503.140 of the Nevada Revised Statutes, does hereby adopt the following regulation for the management of the big game resource.

The successful bidder may hunt statewide during the 2005 season, except those areas closed to hunting in NAC 504.340. (See page 18)

HUNTING HOURS: One-half hour before sunrise to sunset, the same to be considered according to government sunrise-sunset tables. (See pages 55-58)

LEGAL WEAPON: Any legal weapon may be used throughout the season.

LIMIT: One.

2005 Wildlife Heritage Mule Deer Tag

Tag Type: Wildlife Heritage Mule Deer.

Sex/Age Class: Any Mule Deer.

Season Dates: Aug. 6, 2005 through Dec. 31, 2005.

Quota: 2

2005 Wildlife Heritage Pronghorn Antelope Tag

Tag Type: Wildlife Heritage Antelope.

Sex/Age Class: Any pronghorn antelope.

Season Dates: July 15, 2005 through October 31, 2005.

Quota: 2

2005 Wildlife Heritage Rocky Mountain Elk Tag

Tag Type: Wildlife Heritage Rocky Mountain Elk.

Sex/Age Class: Elk with at least one antler.

Season Dates: September 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005.

Quota: 2

2005 Wildlife Heritage Nelson (Desert)

Bighorn Sheep Tag

Tag Type: Wildlife Heritage (Desert) Bighorn Sheep.

Sex/Age Class: Any ram.

Season Dates: September 1, 2005 through January 15, 2006.

Quota: 2

2005 Wildlife Heritage California Bighorn Tag

Tag Type: Wildlife Heritage California Bighorn Sheep.

Sex/Age Class: Any ram.

Season Dates: August 1, 2005 through November 15, 2005.

Quota: 1

2005 Wildlife Heritage Wild Turkey Tag

Tag Type: Wildlife Heritage Wild Turkey.

Sex/Age Class: Any Wild Turkey.

Season Dates: March 26, 2005 through May 1, 2005.

Quota: 5

2005 Emergency Depredation Hunts

Applications: For all emergency depredation hunts, prospective emergency depredation hunt participants will be selected from the unit group alternate list established for the nearest similar hunt. If an emergency depredation problem occurs on a geographic area where a mule deer hunting season is not established, the alternate list from the closest unit group will be used to select hunters.

In the event the quota for the emergency depredation hunt cannot be filled from the selected hunt unit group alternate list, the next closest hunt unit group alternate list will be used. Eligibility restrictions concerning successive years' hunts as in Nevada Administrative Code 502.341 do not apply to this hunt.

Resident Mule Deer Emergency Depredation Hunt

Legal Weapon: To be determined by hunt.

Class of Animal: To be determined by the Department for each designated emergency depredation hunt. Hunt number #1104 for antlerless mule deer, hunt number #1105 for antlered mule deer, and hunt number #1106 for either class of mule deer.

Open Season: Individual designated emergency depredation hunts may occur between July 1 and February 28 of the following year.

Tag Quota: Not to exceed 500 tags statewide for all designated emergency depredation mule deer hunts.

Resident Antelope Emergency Depredation Hunt

Legal Weapon: To be determined by hunt.

Class of Animal: To be determined by the Department for each designated emergency depredation hunt. Hunt number #2104 for antelope with horns shorter than ears, hunt number #2105 for antelope with horns longer than ears, and hunt number #2106 for either class of antelope.

Open Season: Individual designated emergency depredation hunts may occur between July 1 and February 28 of the following year.

Tag Quota: Not to exceed 500 tags statewide for all designated emergency depredation antelope hunts.

Resident Elk Emergency Depredation Hunt

Legal Weapon: To be determined by hunt.

Class of Animal: To be determined by the Department for each designated emergency depredation hunt. Hunt number #4104 for antlerless elk, hunt number #4105 for antlered elk, and hunt number #4106 for either class of elk.

Open Season: Individual designated emergency depredation hunts may occur between July 1 and February 28 of the following year.

Tag Quota: Not to exceed 500 tags statewide for all designated emergency depredation elk hunts.

Mountain Lion Regulations

Mountain lion tags are available over the counter at all license agents statewide. Please call the Harvest Information Hotline at 1-800-800-1667 to determine which units remain open.

Mountain lion tags: Eligibility; expiration; duties upon harvesting; restrictions; report of accidental trapping or killing. (NAC 502.370)

1. Unless otherwise specified by regulation of the Commission or Title 45 of NRS, any resident of Nevada or nonresident is eligible to obtain not more than two mountain lion tags in any year. A mountain lion tag:

- (a) May be purchased from the Department or a license agent;
- (b) May be used in any management unit or group of management units in Nevada during any open season established for the management unit or group of management units pursuant to subsection 2; and
- (c) Expires upon the termination of all the open seasons established pursuant to subsection 2 for the year for which the tag is issued.

2. The Commission will annually specify the number of mountain lions it determines to be appropriate for harvesting in a management unit or group of management units. The open season for mountain lions in each such management unit or group of management units begins on March 1 and ends on:

- (a) The last day of the next succeeding February; or
- (b) The day the Department determines that the number of mountain lions harvested in that management unit or group of management units is equal to or greater than the number specified by the Commission pursuant to this subsection, whichever occurs earlier. The Department shall maintain and annually publish a toll-free telephone number for ascertaining whether the Department has determined that the number of mountain lions harvested in a management unit or group of management units is equal to or greater than the number specified by the commission pursuant to this subsection. The Department is not required to provide any other notice of the termination of an open season for mountain lions in a management unit or group of management units.

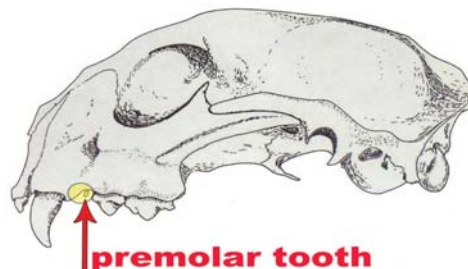
3. A person who harvests a mountain lion shall, within 72 hours after harvesting it, **personally** present the skull and hide to a representative of the Department for inspection. The representative shall affix the seal of the Department permanently to the hide.

4. It is unlawful for any person to:

- (a) Transport the hide of a mountain lion from this state without a seal permanently affixed to the hide.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, possess the hide of a mountain lion without a seal permanently attached to it.
- (c) Kill a female mountain lion which is accompanied by a spotted kitten.
- (d) Kill or possess a spotted mountain lion kitten.
- 5. If a mountain lion is accidentally trapped or killed, the person trapping or killing it shall report the trapping or killing within 48 hours to a representative of the Department. The animal must be disposed of in accordance with the instructions of the representative.



Attention: Mountain Lion Hunters



The Nevada Department of Wildlife is requesting that hunters allow for the removal and retention of one premolar tooth from each harvested mountain lion when presenting the skull and hide to NDOW for sealing. Please present the skull, unfrozen, or with the mouth fixed open. The premolar tooth will be used to accurately age harvested mountain lions. NDOW is also asking that a one-inch-square piece of tongue, or other muscle tissue from each lion to be turned in at the same time for future DNA testing.

Teeth and skulls can be presented at any NDOW regional office. Please call first to confirm biologist availability.

Thank you for your cooperation!

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Resident 5132 and Nonresident 5232
Mountain Lion - Either Sex -
Any Legal Weapon Hunt^A

Limit: 1 animal per tag, 2 tag maximum per person
Hours: Any time of the day or night

Unit Group	2005-2006 Season Dates	Harvest Objectives
011-015, 021, 022, 031, 032, 034, 035, 041-046, 051, 181-184, 192, 194-196, 201-206, 291	March 1, 2005 - Feb 28, 2006 - or earlier if harvest objective met.	114
033	Closed	0
061-068, 071-078, 081, 101-108, 111-115, 121, 131-134, 141-145, 151-155	March 1, 2005 - Feb 28, 2006 - or earlier if harvest objective met.	163
079 ^B	March 1, 2005 - Feb 28, 2006 - or earlier if harvest objective met.	4
161-164, 171-173, 211, 212, 221-223, 231, 241-244, 251-253, 261-268, 271-272	March 1, 2005 - Feb 28, 2006 - or earlier if harvest objective met.	68
280-284, 286	Closed	0

Harvest Information Hotline
1-800-800-1667

Tagholders must call the Mountain Lion Harvest Information Hotline at any time to determine if a unit or unit group has been closed due to the harvest objective being reached. The hotline number is 1-800-800-1667, and is accessible 24 hours a day. Tagholders may also obtain information on the status of a unit or unit group by contacting Department offices in Fallon, Reno, Winnemucca, Elko, Ely, Las Vegas, and Henderson, or online at www.ndow.org.

When contacting the hotline, the automated phone offers a choice of Western, Eastern and Southern regions. The Western Region is comprised of the counties of Washoe, Humboldt, Pershing, Churchill, Mineral, Lyon, Douglas, Carson City and Storey. The Eastern Region is comprised of Elko, Lander, Eureka, and White Pine. The Southern area includes Nye, Esmeralda, Lincoln and Clark counties. Hunt areas listed on the Information Hotline correspond to the first two digits of the hunt unit groups listed here: Area 1 = Units 011-015, Area 2 = Units 021 and 022, and Area 19 = Units 192, 194, 195, and 196.


^A**SPECIAL REGULATION:** A hunter, or their licensed guide if applicable, must call the mountain lion hotline at 1-800-800-1667 prior to hunting to determine if a unit group is open or closed.

^BInterstate hunt with Utah. Nevada and Utah hunters may hunt within open units in both states. (Nevada unit 079, Utah unit 1c). Nevada hunters hunting in Utah must abide by Utah regulations and season dates on the Utah portion of the hunt area.

Note: Spotted kittens, and females with spotted kittens, prohibited. See NAC 502.370

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IN YOUR SIGHTS.

The desert bighorn sheep face growing obstacles concerning population and environment. Help support the continuing efforts to protect Nevada's native wildlife and their natural habitat. Join the Fraternity of the Desert Bighorn and the Nevada Bighorns Unlimited, dedicated to the conservation and welfare of the desert bighorn sheep. The responsibility is ours.



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 Nevada Bighorns Unlimited: www.nevadabighorns.org

Mountain Lion Hunts/Season Dates & Quotas

Furbearer/Trapping Laws

Trapping licenses/fees are listed on page 13

License Requirements

Furbearer seasons are established for beaver, muskrat, mink; otter; bobcat, gray fox; and kit fox. Furbearers may only be taken with a trap, gun, or bow and arrow.

Note: The following species can be hunted without a hunting license in Nevada, but a trapping license is required to trap them: Coyote, black-tailed jackrabbit, badger, weasel, spotted skunk, striped skunk, raccoon, and ring-tailed cat. Any person of any age who sells raw furs of any kind, whether taken by trap or by firearm, is required to purchase a trapping license.



Manner of Hunting Furbearing Mammals

(NRS 503.450)

It is unlawful for any person at any time to hunt any furbearing mammal in any manner other than by trap, gun or bow and arrow.

Steel Leg Hold Traps: Definitions (NAC 503.153)

As used in NAC 503.155 and 503.157, inclusive, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "Bait" means the flesh, fur, hide, viscera or feathers of any animal.
2. "Exposed bait" means bait, any portion of which is visible from any angle.
3. "Trap" means any device designed, built or made to close upon or hold fast any wild animal or wild bird.

Steel Leg Hold Traps: Distance from Exposed Bait (NAC 503.157)

1. A person shall not place, set or maintain a steel leg hold trap **within 30 feet of exposed bait**.
2. A person using bait is responsible if it becomes exposed for any reason.
3. A person shall not use any part of a game animal, game bird, game fish, game amphibian or protected species of wildlife for bait.

Steel Leg Hold Traps: Spacers (NAC 503.155)

All steel leg hold traps of size number 2 or larger or with an outside jaw spread of 5 1/2 inches or larger used in the taking of any wildlife must have lugs, spacers or similar devices permanently attached so as to maintain a minimum trap opening of three-sixteenths (3/16") of an inch.

Minimum Visitation of Traps (NRS 503.570)

1. A person taking or causing to be taken wild mammals by means of traps, snares or any other devices which do not, or are not designed to, cause immediate death to the mammals, shall, when the traps, snares or devices are placed or set for the purpose of taking mammals, visit or cause to be visited at least once **each 96 hours** each trap, snare or other device during all of the time the trap, snare or device is placed, set or used in the taking of wild mammals, **and remove therefrom any mammals caught therein**.

Trappers Please Note These Common Violations:

- Failing to visit each trap, snare, or device each 96 hours and failing to remove mammals caught therein.
- Setting a steel leg hold trap within 30 feet of exposed bait.
- Using parts of game for bait.
- Trappers are cautioned against relying upon signaling devices to alert them from a distance that an animal is caught in a trap. The devices can fail to work, putting the trapper in jeopardy of violating the law.

2. The provisions in subsection 1 do not apply to employees of the Division of Agriculture of the Department of Business and Industry or the United States Department of Agriculture when acting in their official capacities.

Trapping license required; unlawful to remove or disturb trap of licensee (NRS 503.454)

1. Every person who takes fur-bearing mammals by any legal method or unprotected mammals by trapping or sells raw furs for profit shall procure a trapping license.
2. It is unlawful to remove or disturb the trap of any holder of a trapping license while the trap is being legally used by him on public land or on land where he has permission to trap.

Exceptions to Trapping License Requirement

(NAC 503.193)

1. A person is not required to obtain a hunting license or permit to hunt unprotected wild birds or mammals.
2. A person is not required to obtain a hunting license or permit or a trapping license to hunt or trap wildlife which are authorized to be taken in accordance with a (*depredation*) permit issued pursuant to NAC 503.710 to 503.740, inclusive.
3. A person who holds a trapping license issued by the Department is not required to obtain a hunting license to hunt coyotes, badgers, skunks, raccoons, weasels, ring-tailed cats or fur-bearing mammals.

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Furbearer/Trapping Laws

Registration/Marking of Traps (NRS 503.452)

Each trap, snare or similar device used in the taking of wild mammals may bear a number registered with the Department or be permanently marked with the name and address of the owner or trapper using it. If a trap is registered, the registration is permanent. A registration fee of \$10 for each registrant is payable only once, at the time the first trap, snare or similar device is registered.

Trap Registration (NAC 503.150)

1. A person may obtain an application form for registering a trap from any office of the Department. The forms must be completed in accordance with the instructions thereon.
2. The Department shall issue registration numbers beginning with NV 0001. The number must be clearly stamped on the trap or on a metal tag that is attached to the trap.
3. The person shall enter the appropriate registration number on his trapping license.

Trapping Within 200 Feet of Public Road/ Highway (NRS 503.580)

1. For the purposes of this section, "public road or highway" means:
 - (a) A highway designated as a United States highway.
 - (b) A highway designated as a state highway pursuant to the provisions of NRS 408.285.
 - (c) A main or general county road as defined by NRS 403.170.
2. It is unlawful for any person, company or corporation to place or set any steel trap, used for the purpose of trapping mammals, larger than a No. 1 Newhouse trap, within 200 feet of any public road or highway within this state.
3. This section does not prevent the placing or setting of any steel trap inside, along or near a fence which may be situated less than 200 feet from any public road or highway upon privately owned lands.

Bobcats: Pelt Inspection/Fees (NAC 502.347)

1. Any person who kills a bobcat shall, within 10 days after the close of the season, personally:
 - (a) Present its pelt for inspection by and give its lower jaw to a representative of the Department;
 - (b) Have the Department's seal affixed to the pelt; and
 - (c) Complete a report of the killing in accordance with the Department's instructions.
2. A person shall not sell, offer for sale, barter, trade, purchase or transport from the state any pelt of a bobcat unless the Department has affixed its seal to the pelt.
3. A person shall not possess a raw pelt of a bobcat 10 days or more after the close of the season unless the Department's seal is permanently attached to the pelt.
4. A resident of Nevada must pay the Department \$5 for such a seal.

Data from Trappers/Penalty (NAC 503.160)

1. The Department may determine methods of obtaining necessary data from trappers relative to their activities and success.
2. It is unlawful for any trapper to fail to return any reporting form or questionnaire of the Department or to falsify any information



Trapping on State and Federal Lands

Trapping on Specific Wildlife Management Areas is Allowed Only as Follows:

Persons having permits to do so may trap on the Overton, Key Pittman, W.E. Kirch, Scripps, Humboldt, Fernley, Mason Valley, Alkali Lake, Steptoe Valley and Franklin Lake Wildlife Management Areas. Permits will be issued through a drawing process and may contain designations of specific trapping areas, dates or other restrictions to ensure compatibility with other public activities. (NAC 504.170).

Trapping on National Wildlife Refuges:

The following National Wildlife Refuges are closed to trapping and furbearer harvest:

Moapa Valley National Wildlife Refuge, Ash Meadows National Wildlife Refuge, Desert National Wildlife Range, Pahrangat National Wildlife Refuge, and Sheldon National Wildlife Refuge.

Ruby Lake National Wildlife Refuge and Stillwater National Wildlife Refuge are closed to trapping with the exception that muskrat trapping is allowed by special permit from U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

requested. Failure to return such a form or questionnaire within 10 days after the close of the season or the submission of any false statement thereon may be cause to deny the person the right to acquire any trapping license for a period of 2 years.

Migratory Bird Laws and Regulations

In Nevada, **migratory game bird seasons are established for** ducks and mergansers, coots and moorhens (gallinules), common snipe, Canada and white fronted geese, snow geese and Ross' geese, tundra and trumpeter swans, and mourning dove. **Migratory waterfowl** are a subgroup of migratory game birds, and include ducks, mergansers, geese and swans.

Stamp Requirements

(Required regardless of residency)

Federal Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp **15.00**

Any person 16 or older who hunts any migratory waterfowl is required to purchase a federal migratory bird hunting stamp. The stamp must be carried on the person and signed in ink across its face.

State Duck Stamp **\$10.00**

Any person 12-64 years old who hunts any migratory bird EXCEPT mourning or white-winged dove, snipe, coot or moorhen (gallinule) is required to purchase a state duck stamp that must be carried on the person, and signed in ink across its face, or a state duck stamp privilege as printed on the face of license issued from a NDOW office.

Swan Tags **\$10.00**

Persons with a Nevada annual hunting license and possessing both a 2005 Federal Migratory Game Bird Hunting Stamp if required, and a 2005 Nevada Duck Stamp, may apply for one of the 650 swan tags. Application forms will be available in August at license agents, Department offices, or on the agency website. The application form must be completed in accordance with the instructions thereon. **In general, swan tag applications must be received by the third Friday in September. Results are generally available by the first Friday in October.** No hand delivered applications are accepted for the drawing. Any remaining tags will be available on a first-come, first-served basis through the mail, Internet, or over the counter during normal business hours at the Wildlife Administrative Services Office, P.O. Box 1345, 185 N. Maine, Fallon, NV 89406.

Note: Successful swan hunters must punch their swan tags at the time of harvest. Swan hunters must present the head and neck of their harvested swan to a Department representative within 5 days of harvest. If the entire swan is brought in by the hunter, the tag must be attached. Validation requirements will be provided with swan tags. Once five trumpeter swan are taken the season is closed to all swan hunting.

Hunting Hours

Hunting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to sunset: all migratory bird seasons are open to nonresidents. Consult sunrise/sunset tables on pages 55-58.

Shotguns Limited to Three Shells

When hunting for migratory game birds the use of shotguns capable of holding more than three shells is prohibited, unless the shotgun is plugged with a one-piece filler, incapable of removal without disassembling the gun so that the total capacity of the shotgun does not exceed three shells.

PLEASE CALL TO REPORT ALL WATERFOWL AND DOVE BANDS: 1-800-327-2263

Youth Waterfowl Hunt

One-day youth waterfowl hunts are generally scheduled as part of the waterfowl season setting process. In the southern part of the state the youth hunt usually occurs one week after the close of the general duck season; in the north, the duck hunt usually occurs one week prior to the opening of the regular waterfowl season. Species in the hunt usually include ducks, Canada and white-fronted geese, snow and Ross geese, and coots and moorhens. The Youth Waterfowl Hunt is open to both nonresident and resident hunters 15 years of age and younger, anyone 12 or older must take a hunter education course prior to buying a license. Youth hunters must be accompanied by an adult who is at least 18 years old. Adults are not allowed to hunt during the Youth Waterfowl Hunt. Any youth age 12 or older is required to purchase a State Duck Stamp prior to waterfowl hunting. In addition, anyone 12 or older who plans to hunt migratory birds is required to obtain a HIP validation number.



Migratory Bird Hunters Get HIP Annually

Any person 12 years or older who plans to hunt any kind of migratory game bird, including ducks, geese, swans, coot, doves, snipe, or moorhen (gallinules) in Nevada, is required ANNUALLY to obtain a Harvest Information Program (HIP) validation number and write it on their hunting license before entering the field. The validation number is free, and is available by logging on to www.ndowlicensing.com and completing a simple survey, or by calling 1-866-703-4605. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is conducting the nationwide harvest survey to better understand the impact of hunting on these wildlife resources. Tribal members on Federal Indian Reservations or tribal members hunting on ceded lands are exempt from the requirements. Migratory bird hunters will be surveyed at season's end to collect harvest information.

Nontoxic Shot Requirements (NAC 503.183)

1. A hunter of ducks, mergansers, geese, swans, coots, moorhen (gallinules) or snipe shall use nontoxic shot in muzzleloaders or in shells for a shotgun when hunting in this state.
2. The possession of shells for a shotgun which contain other than nontoxic shot is prohibited while hunting any birds designated in subsection 1.
3. The possession of shot for a muzzleloading shotgun other than nontoxic shot is prohibited while hunting any birds designated in subsection 1.
4. As used in this section, "nontoxic shot" means any shot which has been approved by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service pursuant to 50 C.F.R. Part 20.134. (see Sec 20.21). See page 38.

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Federal Migratory Bird Regulations

The following Federal regulations, adopted by the Board of Wildlife Commissioners pursuant to NAC 503.180, apply to the taking, possession, shipping, transporting, and storing of migratory game birds. Consult the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 50, Part 20 for additional information. **Migratory game birds are: ducks (including mergansers), geese, swans, coot, moorhens (gallinules), snipe, dove, (both white-winged and mourning) and band-tailed pigeon.**

Sec. 20.21 Hunting methods

Migratory birds on which open seasons are prescribed in this part may be taken by any method except those prohibited in this section. No persons shall take migratory game birds:

(a) With a trap, snare, net, rifle, pistol, swivel gun, shotgun larger than 10 gauge, punt gun, battery gun, machine gun, fish hook, poison, drug, explosive, or stupefying substance;

(b) With a shotgun of any description capable of holding more than three shells, unless it is plugged with a one-piece filler, incapable of removal without disassembling the gun, so its total capacity does not exceed three shells;

(c) From or by means, aid, or use of a sinkbox or any other type of low floating device, having a depression affording the hunter a means of concealment beneath the surface of the water;

(d) From or by means, aid, or use of any motor vehicle, motor-driven land conveyance, or aircraft of any kind, except that paraplegics and persons missing one or both legs may take from any stationary motor vehicle or stationary motor-driven land conveyance;

(e) From or by means of any motorboat or other craft having a motor attached, or any sailboat, unless the motor has been completely shut off and/or the sails furled, and its progress therefrom has ceased...;

(f) By the use or aid of live birds as decoys; although not limited to, it shall be a violation of this paragraph for any person to take migratory waterfowl on an area where tame or captive live ducks or geese are present unless such birds are and have been for a period of 10 consecutive days prior to such taking, confined within an enclosure which substantially reduces the audibility of their calls and totally conceals such birds from the sight of wild migratory waterfowl;

(g) By the use or aid of recorded or electrically amplified bird calls or sounds, or recorded or electrically amplified imitations of bird calls or sounds;

(h) By means or aid of any motordriven land, water, or air conveyance, or any sailboat used for the purpose of or resulting in the concentrating, driving, rallying, or stirring up of any migratory bird;

(i) By the aid of baiting, or on or over any baited area, where a person knows or reasonably should know that the areas is or has been baited. However, nothing in this paragraph prohibits:

(1) the taking of any migratory game bird, including waterfowl, coots, and cranes, on or over the following lands or areas that are not otherwise baited areas--

(i) Standing crops of flooded standing crops (including aquatics); standing, flooded, or manipulated natural vegetation; flooded harvested croplands; or lands or areas where seeds or grains have been scattered solely as the result of a normal agricultural planting, harvesting, post-harvest manipulation or normal soil stabilization practice;

(ii) From a blind or other place of concealment camouflaged with vegetation from agricultural crops, as long as such camouflaging does not result in the exposing, depositing, distributing or scattering of grain or other feed; or

(iii) Standing or flooded standing agricultural crops where grain is inadvertently scattered solely as a result of a hunter entering or exiting a hunting area, placing decoys, or retrieving downed birds.

(2) The taking of any migratory game bird, except waterfowl, coots and cranes, on or over lands or areas that are not otherwise baited areas, and where grain or other feed has been distributed or scattered solely as the result of manipulation of an agricultural crop or other feed on the land where grown, or solely as the result of a normal agricultural operation.

(j) While possessing shot (either in shotshells or as loose shot for muzzleloading) other than steel shot, or bismuth-tin (97 parts bismuth: 3 parts tin with 1 percent residual lead) shot, or tungsten-iron (nominally 40 parts tungsten: 60 parts iron with 1 percent residual lead) shot or such shot approved as nontoxic by the Director pursuant to procedures set forth in Sec. 20.134, provided that: (1) This restriction applies only to the

taking of Anatidae (ducks, geese [including brant] and swans), coots (*Fulica americana*) and any species that make up aggregate bag limits during concurrent seasons with the former in areas described in Sec. 20.108 as nontoxic shot zones...

Sec. 20.25 Wanton waste of migratory game birds

No person shall kill or cripple any migratory game bird pursuant to this part without making a reasonable effort to retrieve the bird, and retain it in his actual custody...

Sec. 20.35 Field possession limit

No person shall possess, have in custody, or transport more than the daily bag limit or aggregate daily bag limit, whichever applies, of migratory game birds, tagged or not tagged, at or between the place where taken and either (a) his automobile or principal means of land transportation; or (b) his personal abode or temporary or transient place of lodging; or (c) a migratory bird preservation facility; or (d) a post office; or (e) a common carrier facility.

Sec. 20.36 Tagging requirement

No person shall put or leave any migratory game birds at any place (other than at his personal abode), or in the custody of another person for picking, cleaning, processing, shipping, transportation, or storage (including temporary storage), or for the purpose of having taxidermy services performed, unless such birds have a tag attached, signed by the hunter, stating his address, the total number and species of birds, and the date such birds were killed. Migratory game birds being transported in any vehicle as the personal baggage of the possessor shall not be considered as being in storage or temporary storage.

Sec. 20.37 Custody of birds of another

No person shall receive or have in custody any migratory game birds belonging to another person unless such birds are tagged as required by Sec. 20.36.

Sec. 20.38 Possession of live birds

Every migratory game bird wounded by hunting and reduced to possession by the hunter shall be immediately killed and become a part of the daily bag limit...

Sec. 20.43 Species identification requirement

No person shall transport within the United States any migratory game birds, except doves and band-tailed pigeons (*Columba fasciata*), unless the head or one fully feathered wing remains attached to each such bird at all times while being transported from the place where taken until they have arrived at the personal abode of the possessor or a migratory bird preservation facility. **The head or a fully feathered wing must remain attached while in transit from the field for ducks, mergansers, coots and moorhens (gallinules), snipe, geese and swan.**

Sec. 20.44 Marking package or container

No person shall transport by the Postal Service or a common carrier migratory game birds unless the package or container in which such birds are transported has the name and address of the shipper and the consignee and an accurate statement of the numbers of each species of birds therein contained clearly and conspicuously marked on the outside thereof.

**ADDITIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE INFO
PROVIDED ON PAGES 39 & 49.**