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**MEMORANDUM**

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**To:** Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners, County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife, and Interested Publics

**From:** Chet Van Dellen, Data and Technology Services Division Administrator

**Title:** **Commission Regulation 19-11, 2019 Big Game Application Eligibility and Tag Limits**

**Description:** The Commission will review, revise and adopt recommendations for the establishment of the 2019 big game application eligibility and tag limits.

**Agenda No:** 19-G

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**Summary:**

This regulation is to establish 2019 big game application eligibility and tag limits.

**Brief Explanation of the Proposed Regulation**

The Department recommends no changes to the previous year's big game application eligibility and tag limit formats. The Department revised the proposed regulation to remove the language pertaining to the Antlerless Depredation Mule Deer Hunt tag limit exemption because this hunt is no longer offered. The Department also revised the proposed regulation to include application eligibility for emergency hunts.

**Recommendation:**

The Department recommends that the Commission review and adopt the proposed regulation as presented.

## CR 19-11 2019 Big Game Tag Application Eligibility and Tag Limits

The Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners, under the authority of Section 501.181, 502.140, 502.250 and 503.140 of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS), does hereby adopt the following regulation for the management of wildlife resources in the State of Nevada.

### Big Game Tag Application Eligibility

Except as otherwise provided by regulation, a person may only **apply** for one (1) big game tag per species or subspecies per draw application period, with the following exceptions:

- An eligible person may submit one (1) application for antlered elk and one (1) application for spike elk and one (1) application for each type of antlerless elk, including antlerless elk, antlerless management elk, and antlerless depredation elk, per draw application period;
- An eligible person may submit one (1) application for ram bighorn sheep per subspecies and one (1) application for ewe bighorn sheep per subspecies per draw application period;
- An eligible person may submit one (1) application for antlered mule deer and one (1) application for antlerless mule deer per **emergency hunt** application period; and
- An eligible person may submit one (1) application for pronghorn antelope horns longer than ears and one (1) application for pronghorn antelope horns shorter than ears per **emergency hunt** application period.

### Big Game Tag Limits

Except as otherwise provided by regulation, a person may only **obtain** one (1) big game tag per species or subspecies per year, with the following exceptions:

- An eligible person may obtain one (1) antlered or spike elk tag and one (1) antlerless elk tag per year;
- An eligible person may obtain one (1) bighorn sheep tag per subspecies per year;
- An eligible person may obtain Heritage tags, Mule Deer or Pronghorn Antelope Landowner Damage Compensation tags, Elk Incentive tags, and Antlerless Elk Landowner tags in addition to any tags obtained through a draw process.

### Big Game Second Draw Eligibility

A second drawing will be held for all mule deer, pronghorn antelope, black bear, elk, mountain goat and bighorn sheep tags that remain after the completion of the big game main draw process. Eligible residents and nonresidents may apply for **any** remaining tags during the big game second draw application period, with the exception of the junior mule deer and antlerless mule deer hunt tags, which will only be available to eligible resident applicants.

### First-Come, First-Served Remaining Big Game Tag Eligibility

Any mule deer, pronghorn antelope, elk, mountain goat or bighorn sheep tags remaining after the completion of the big game second draw process will be available to eligible resident and nonresident applicants through a first-come, first-served process, with the exception of the junior mule deer and antlerless mule deer hunt tags, which will only be available to eligible resident applicants. Applicants must be at least 12 years old at the time the application for a first-come, first-served tag is submitted for a hunt season that is already in progress.