



# 2019

## Wyoming Game and Fish Department Hunting License Application Information

### NEW FOR 2019

- **Mountain Goat** – The Department established a Type A license which any qualified applicant may apply for and receive each year. See page 12
- **Twelve (12) Month Licenses** – Effective January 1, 2019 all small game, game bird, small game/game bird combination, fishing, trapping and conservation stamps will be valid for twelve (12) months from the date of purchase or 12 months from the previous license expiration date. The expiration date will be printed on the license.
- **Credit Card Processing Fee** – Effective January 1, 2019 all applications, licenses and permits paid for with a credit card will incur a credit card processing fee.
- **Landowner License Applications** – Applicants qualified to submit landowner license applications can submit their applications online. Contact your local game warden or regional office for instructions to submit landowner license applications electronically.
- **Applications submitted in 2018** – Applicants can now see the applications they submitted in 2018 and quickly submit the same application(s) in 2019 if the specific license is offered.

For more information on hunting in Wyoming, please see the 2019 Wyoming Hunt Planner at <https://wgfd.wyo.gov/hunting/hunt-planner>.

### LEFTOVER LICENSES

The Department conducts a leftover drawing for full and reduced price elk, deer and antelope limited quota licenses remaining after the initial limited quota drawing.

- Application period for leftover elk, deer and antelope drawing – June 24 – June 28, 2019.
- Results of leftover drawing available – July 11, 2019.
- Licenses remaining after the initial drawing and the leftover drawing go on sale on a first come, first served basis – July 15, 2019.

### APPLICATION DATES AND DEADLINES

#### Online Applications

The Department shall begin accepting applications at 8:00 a.m. on the specified date listed in the application deadline charts below.

**Online applications must be completed and submitted by midnight mountain time on the deadline date.** Effective January 1, 2019 all applications, licenses and permits paid for with a credit card will incur a credit card processing fee. Fees must be paid in full by Visa, Mastercard or Discover when the application is submitted. **Unsuccessful applicants will no longer receive refund warrants, but will instead have a credit applied back to the credit**

**card that was used for the submission of the online application.** To assist in the refund process, please ensure that the credit card used has an expiration date valid through the time period in which the drawing will be conducted. The Department will issue refund warrants in all circumstances when the credit card is no longer valid for processing a credit back to the credit card. For instructions on how to apply online, please see page 17.

Customers who need assistance submitting their applications online may go to a Department Regional Office or the Cheyenne Headquarters Office to use a computer at the kiosk station and receive personal assistance from Department personnel.

**Resident Application Deadlines – online applications must be completed and submitted by midnight mountain time (MT) on the deadline date indicated below**

Resident Applications	Online Application Dates Midnight MT	Modify/Withdraw Deadline Date	Results Available	Amount to Remit (Doesn't include processing fee)
<b>Elk–Full Price</b> Elk Youth Elk **	Jan. 2 – May 31 Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31 May 31	June 20 June 20	\$62* \$30*
<b>Elk–Full Price Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage</b> Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage Elk***	Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31	June 20	\$10*/\$40*
<b>Elk–Reduced Price</b> Cow/Calf Elk Cow/Calf Youth Elk **	Jan. 2 – May 31 Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31 May 31	June 20 June 20	\$48* \$25*
<b>Elk–Reduced Price Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage</b> Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage Cow/Calf Elk***	Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31	June 20	\$10*/\$32*
<b>Deer–Full Price</b> Deer Youth Deer **	Jan. 2 – May 31 Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31 May 31	June 20 June 20	\$47* \$20*
<b>Deer–Full Price Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage</b> Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage Deer***	Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31	June 20	\$7*/\$31*
<b>Deer–Reduced Price</b> Doe/Fawn Deer Doe/Fawn Youth Deer**	Jan. 2 – May 31 Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31 May 31	June 20 June 20	\$27* \$19*
<b>Deer–Reduced Price Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage</b> Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage Doe/Fawn Deer***	Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31	June 20	\$7*/\$23*
<b>Antelope–Full Price</b> Antelope Youth Antelope**	Jan. 2 – May 31 Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31 May 31	June 20 June 20	\$42* \$20*
<b>Antelope–Full Price Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage</b> Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage Antelope***	Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31	June 20	\$7*/\$27*
<b>Antelope–Reduced Price</b> Doe/Fawn Antelope Doe/Fawn Youth Antelope**	Jan. 2 – May 31 Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31 May 31	June 20 June 20	\$27* \$19*
<b>Antelope–Reduced Price Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage</b> Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage Doe/Fawn Antelope***	Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31	June 20	\$7*/\$23*
<b>Moose**</b> License Preference Point Only**	Jan. 2 – Feb. 28 July 1 – Oct. 31	April 15 N/A	May 9	\$157* \$7
<b>Bighorn Sheep**</b> License Preference Point Only**	Jan. 2 – Feb. 28 July 1 – Oct. 31	April 15 N/A	May 9	\$157* \$7
<b>Bighorn Sheep–Reduced Price</b> Ewe/Lamb Bighorn Sheep Ewe/Lamb Youth Bighorn Sheep**	Jan. 2 – Feb. 28 Jan. 2 – Feb. 28	April 15 April 15	May 9 May 9	\$41* \$25*
<b>Mountain Goat**</b>	Jan. 2 – Feb. 28	April 15	May 9	\$157*
<b>Wild Turkey</b> Spring Wild Turkey Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage Spring Wild Turkey***	Jan. 2 – Jan. 31 Jan. 2 – Jan. 31	Feb. 4 Feb. 4	Feb. 21 Feb. 21	\$16 \$2/\$10
<b>Wild Bison**</b> Any Wild Bison Female or Calf Wild Bison	Feb. 1 – Feb. 28 Feb. 1 – Feb. 28	April 15 April 15	May 9 May 9	\$419* \$265*

Resident Applications	Online Application Dates Midnight MT	Modify/Withdraw Deadline Date	Results Available	Amount to Remit (Doesn't include processing fee)
<b>Competitive Raffle Chances**</b>				
Super Tag License	July 16, 2018 – July 1, 2019	NA	TBD	\$10
Super Tag Trifecta License	July 16, 2018 – July 1, 2019	NA	TBD	\$30

\* A nonrefundable application fee of \$5 for big game and wild bison is included in the amount to be remitted for each license applied for in the initial license drawing.

\*\* See Page 15 for Minimum Age to Hunt Big and Trophy Game, Wild Bison, Youth Licenses or apply for Big Game Preference Points on Page 13

\*\*\* See page 15 for Pioneer and Pioneer Heritage Licenses

**Nonresident Application Deadlines – online applications must be completed and submitted by midnight mountain time (MT) on the deadline date indicated below**

<b>Nonresident Applications</b>	<b>Online Application Dates Midnight MT</b>	<b>Modify/Withdraw Deadline Date</b>	<b>Results Available</b>	<b>Amount to Remit (Doesn't include processing fee)</b>
<b>Elk–Full Price</b>				
Elk and Fishing	Jan. 2 – Jan. 31	Feb. 4	Feb. 21	\$707*
Youth Elk and Fishing**	Jan. 2 – Jan. 31	Feb. 4	Feb. 21	\$290*
Special Elk and Fishing	Jan. 2 – Jan. 31	Feb. 4	Feb. 21	\$1,283*
Preference Point Only	July 1 – Oct. 31	N/A		\$52
Preference Point Only–Youth**	July 1 – Oct. 31	N/A		\$10
<b>Elk–Reduced Price</b>				
Cow/Calf Elk	Jan. 2 – Jan. 31	Feb. 4	Feb. 21	\$303*
Cow/Calf Youth Elk**	Jan. 2 – Jan. 31	Feb. 4	Feb. 21	\$115*
<b>Deer–Full Price</b>				
Deer	Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31	June 20	\$389*
Youth Deer**	Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31	June 20	\$125*
Special Deer	Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31	June 20	\$677*
Preference Point Only	July 1 – Oct. 31	N/A		\$41
Preference Point Only –Youth**	July 1 – Oct. 31	N/A		\$10
<b>Deer–Reduced Price</b>				
Doe/Fawn Deer	Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31	June 20	\$49*
Doe/Fawn Youth Deer**	Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31	June 20	\$34*
<b>Antelope–Full Price</b>				
Antelope	Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31	June 20	\$341*
Youth Antelope**	Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31	June 20	\$125*
Special Antelope	Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31	June 20	\$629*
Preference Point Only	July 1 – Oct. 31	N/A		\$31
Preference Point Only–Youth**	July 1 – Oct. 31	N/A		\$10
<b>Antelope–Reduced Price</b>				
Doe/Fawn Antelope	Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31	June 20	\$49*
Doe/Fawn Youth Antelope**	Jan. 2 – May 31	May 31	June 20	\$34*
<b>Moose**</b>				
License	Jan. 2 – Feb. 28	April 15	May 9	\$1,997*
Preference Point Only**	July 1 – Oct. 31	N/A		\$150
<b>Bighorn Sheep**</b>				
License	Jan. 2 – Feb. 28	April 15	May 9	\$2,335*
Preference Point Only**	July 1 – Oct. 31	N/A		\$150
<b>Bighorn Sheep–Reduced Price</b>				
Ewe/Lamb Bighorn Sheep	Jan. 2 – Feb. 28	April 15	May 9	\$255*
Ewe/Lamb Youth Bighorn Sheep**	Jan. 2 – Feb. 28	April 15	May 9	\$115*
<b>Mountain Goat**</b>	Jan. 2 – Feb. 28	April 15	May 9	\$2,177*
<b>Wild Turkey</b>				
Spring Wild Turkey	Jan. 2 – Jan. 31	Feb. 4	Feb. 21	\$74
<b>Wild Bison**</b>				
Any Wild Bison	Feb. 1 – Feb. 28	April 15	May 9	\$4,417*
Female or Calf Wild Bison	Feb. 1 – Feb. 28	April 15	May 9	\$2,767*
<b>Competitive Raffle Chances**</b>				
Super Tag License	July 16, 2018 – July 1, 2019	NA	TBD	\$10
Super Tag Trifecta License	July 16, 2018 – July 1, 2019	NA	TBD	\$30

\* A nonrefundable application fee of \$15 for big game and wild bison is included in the amount to be remitted for each license applied for in the initial license drawing.

\*\* See Page 15 for Minimum Age to Hunt Big and Trophy Game, Wild Bison, Youth Licenses or apply for Big Game Preference Points on Page 13.

## Landowner Licenses

Individuals who qualify for landowner elk, deer, antelope or wild turkey licenses must apply within the landowner license application period. The Department developed an online portal for landowners to submit landowner license applications online. If an applicant wants to submit a paper landowner license application for 2019, the application and payment must be submitted to the game warden in the hunt area where the deeded lands are located. Anyone who applied as a landowner

the previous year will be mailed instructions on submitting applications using the online portal. Landowner license applications can be obtained from your local game warden, the Cheyenne Headquarters Office or Department Regional Offices.

Landowner licenses are applied for by a landowner applicant or a member of the landowner applicant’s immediate family. No more than two (2) landowner licenses for each big game species or spring or fall wild turkey will be issued for a parcel of deeded land meeting specified qualifications in a calendar year. In no case may an individual landowner applicant apply for or receive more than one (1) full price landowner elk license and one (1) reduced price landowner elk license or no more than one (1) full price landowner antelope license or up to two (2) limited quota reduced price landowner antelope or no more than one (1) full price landowner deer license or up to two (2) limited quota landowner reduced price deer licenses or one (1) landowner license for a spring wild turkey and one (1) landowner license for a fall wild turkey in a calendar year.

Minimum requirements are 160 acres of contiguous deeded land and 2,000 animal use days annually by each species for which applied. Nonresident landowners should contact their local game warden to determine eligibility for landowner licenses well before January 22 for elk and May 15 for deer and antelope. Resident landowners should contact their local game warden to determine eligibility for elk, deer or antelope landowner licenses well before May 15. If you do not know who your local game warden is, contact the Department Regional Office in your area.

**Landowner Application Deadlines – applications must be submitted by midnight mountain time (MT) on the deadline date to the local game warden in the hunt area where the deeded lands are located.**

<b>Resident and Nonresident Applications</b>	<b>Application Dates Midnight MT</b>	<b>Modify/Withdraw Deadline Date</b>	<b>Results Available</b>	<b>Amount to Remit (Doesn't include processing fee)</b>
<b>Elk–Full Price</b>				
Resident Landowner Elk	Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31	June 20	\$62*
Resident Landowner Youth Elk**	Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31	June 20	\$30*
Nonresident Landowner Elk & Fishing	Jan. 2 – Jan. 22	Feb. 4	Feb. 21	\$707*
Nonresident Landowner Youth Elk & Fishing**	Jan. 2 – Jan. 22	Feb. 4	Feb. 21	\$290*
<b>Elk–Full Price Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage</b>				
Resident Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage Landowner Elk***	Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31	June 20	\$10*/\$40*
<b>Elk–Reduced Price</b>				
Resident Landowner Cow/Calf Elk	Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31	June 20	\$48*
Resident Landowner Cow/Calf Youth Elk**	Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31	June 20	\$25*
Nonresident Landowner Cow/Calf Elk	Jan. 2 – Jan. 22	Feb. 4	Feb. 21	\$303*
Nonresident Landowner Cow/Calf Youth Elk**	Jan. 2 – Jan. 22	Feb. 4	Feb. 21	\$115*
<b>Elk–Reduced Price Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage</b>				
Resident Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage Landowner Cow/Calf Elk***	Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31	June 20	\$10*/\$32*
<b>Deer–Full Price</b>				
Resident Landowner Deer	Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31	June 20	\$47*
Resident Landowner Youth Deer**	Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31	June 20	\$20*
Nonresident Landowner Deer	Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31	June 20	\$389*
Nonresident Landowner Youth Deer**	Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31	June 20	\$125*
<b>Deer–Full Price Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage</b>				
Resident Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage Landowner Deer***	Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31	June 20	\$7*/\$31*
<b>Deer–Reduced Price</b>				
Resident Landowner Doe/Fawn Deer	Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31	June 20	\$27*
Resident Landowner Doe/Fawn Youth Deer**	Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31	June 20	\$19*
Nonresident Landowner Doe/Fawn Deer	Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31	June 20	\$49*
Nonresident Landowner Doe/Fawn Youth Deer**	Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31	June 20	\$34*
<b>Deer–Reduced Price Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage</b>				
Resident Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage Landowner Doe/Fawn Deer***	Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31	June 20	\$7*/\$23*

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<b>Antelope—Full Price</b> Resident Landowner Antelope Resident Landowner Youth Antelope** Nonresident Landowner Antelope Nonresident Landowner Youth Antelope**	Jan. 2 – May 15 Jan. 2 – May 15 Jan. 2 – May 15 Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31 May 31 May 31 May 31	June 20 June 20 June 20 June 20	\$42* \$20* \$341* \$125*
<b>Antelope—Full Price Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage</b> Resident Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage Landowner Antelope***	Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31	June 20	\$7*/\$27*
<b>Antelope—Reduced Price</b> Resident Landowner Doe/Fawn Antelope Resident Landowner Doe/Fawn Youth Antelope** Nonresident Landowner Doe/Fawn Antelope Nonresident Landowner Doe/Fawn Youth Antelope**	Jan. 2 – May 15 Jan. 2 – May 15 Jan. 2 – May 15 Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31 May 31 May 31 May 31	June 20 June 20 June 20 June 20	\$27* \$19* \$287* \$125*
<b>Antelope—Reduced Price Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage</b> Resident Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage Landowner Doe/Fawn Antelope***	Jan. 2 – May 15	May 31	June 20	\$7*/\$20*
<b>Wild Turkey</b> Resident Landowner Spring Wild Turkey Resident Landowner Spring Pioneer/Pioneer Heritage Wild Turkey*** Nonresident Landowner Spring Wild Turkey	Jan. 2 – Jan. 22 Jan. 2 – Jan. 22 Jan. 2 – Jan. 20	Feb. 4 Feb. 4 Feb. 4	Feb. 21 Feb. 21 Feb. 21	\$16 \$2/\$10 \$74

\* A nonrefundable application fee of \$5 for residents and \$15 for nonresidents is included in the amount to be remitted for each big game license applied for in the initial license drawing.

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\*\*\* See page 15 for Pioneer and Pioneer Heritage Licenses

## Multiple applications for licenses are prohibited

No person shall apply for or receive more than one (1) license for each big game or trophy game species during any one (1) calendar year, except as otherwise provided by law or regulation. No person shall apply for or receive more than one (1) spring wild turkey license and one (1) fall wild turkey license in any one (1) calendar year, except as otherwise provided by law or regulation.

# **SPECIES INFORMATION**

## **Big Game Limited Quota License Fee Types**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>License Fee Type</b>
Type 1 & 2	Antlered or Any	Full Price Fees
Type 3	Antlered or Any White-Tailed Deer Full Price Elk Full Price Antelope	Full Price Fees
Type 4 & 5	Antlerless	Full Price Fees
Type 6 & 7	Doe/Fawn, Cow/Calf or Ewe/Lamb	Reduced Price Fees
Type 8	Doe/Fawn White-Tailed Deer Reduced Price Cow/Calf Elk Reduced Price Doe/Fawn Antelope	Reduced Price Fees
Type 9	Archery Only	Full Price Fees
Type 0	Specialty Weapon Only (excluding archery)	Full Price Fees
Type A	Any Mountain Goat	Full Price Fees

Licenses are issued for a species by hunt areas, season dates and limitations as approved by the Commission. License Type indicates limitations such as sex of animal, length of season, type of weapon or the portion of the hunt area in which the license is valid. **Final license quotas, hunting season dates and limitations are set at the April Commission meeting. This information will be available on the Department’s website shortly afterward.** Applicants are encouraged to review the final information and alter their applications, if necessary. See the section titled *View and Modify Previously Submitted Applications* under *I’ve Submitted My Application – Now What?* on page 20.

### **What is the difference between a Full Price Antlerless License and a Reduced Price License?**

Price is the difference. A full price license is required if the applicant wishes to hunt an antlered animal. However, if the applicant only wishes to hunt an antlerless animal, it may be beneficial to determine if an area offers a reduced price license. Full price licenses include Types 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 0, and A. Reduced price licenses are Types 6, 7 and 8. Reduced price licenses are offered to encourage additional harvest in hunt areas where populations are above management objective.

### **Withdrawal Block**

The withdrawal block is your method of communicating to the license system that you do NOT want a reduced price license if you do NOT draw a full price license. The full price license drawing is conducted first. Before conducting the reduced price license drawing, the system will automatically review all reduced price license applications and remove any application from participating in the reduced price license drawing if the system does not find a full price license issued for the same species for the sportsman and the withdrawal block was checked.

The sportsman should understand that the system does not look for the hunt area in which the full price license was issued. It only looks for the existence of a full price license of the same species being issued. It is possible to draw your reduced price license and your full price license for different hunt areas. If you don’t want to draw a reduced price license in a hunt area that differs from the hunt area you are applying for your full price license, then you should list the same hunt area as your first choice on both applications, leave the other choices blank and check the withdrawal box. The result will be that, if you don’t draw your full price license, you will not participate in the reduced price license drawing. Keep in mind, the drawings are independent of each other. If you draw your full price license, you may not draw your reduced price license.

However, if the withdrawal block is checked and you don't draw your full price, you won't draw a reduced price license because you will not be in that drawing.

## Antelope

No general antelope licenses are offered. All antelope licenses are limited quota. Antelope licenses are valid only in the hunt area(s) for which they are issued.

Before applying for an antelope license, the applicant should review the [Hunt Planner](#) and the **tentative** antelope hunting season information, specifically the type and limitations columns, to determine the type of license that is valid in the specific hunt area for which you are applying.

In the initial license drawing, an applicant may apply for one (1) full price antelope license and up to two (2) reduced price doe/fawn antelope licenses. After the initial license drawing, an applicant may apply for and receive up to two (2) full price antelope licenses and up to four (4) reduced price doe/fawn antelope licenses in any area with leftover quotas. These limits include any licenses issued in the initial license drawing, the leftover drawing and any license issued on a first-come, first-served basis.

### Full Price Antelope License

The Wyoming Game and Fish Commission (Commission/WGFC) may authorize a sportsperson to possess more than one (1) limited quota any antelope license in certain antelope hunt areas. For those certain hunt areas, a sportsperson may possess a maximum of two (2) limited quota any antelope licenses. A second limited quota any antelope license shall only be available to residents and nonresidents through the leftover drawing and on a first-come, first-served basis after the initial license drawing is completed. The second any antelope license shall be sold for the full price. Refer to the section on *Issuing Licenses after the Initial and Leftover Limited Quota Drawings* on page 22 for further information.

### Nonresident Special Antelope License

Wyoming statute sets aside 40% of nonresident antelope licenses for applicants paying a higher fee. Applicants who pay the extra \$288 for a special full price antelope license will participate in a separate preference point and random computer drawing.

### Reduced Price Doe/Fawn Antelope License

Reduced price doe/fawn antelope licenses are limited quota only. These licenses are valid only for the hunt area(s) and limitations for which they are issued.

The Commission may authorize a sportsperson to possess more than two (2) reduced price doe/fawn antelope licenses in certain antelope hunt areas. The actual total number of reduced price doe/fawn antelope licenses a person may possess will be determined at the April Commission meeting each year. Regardless of the total number of reduced price doe/fawn antelope licenses any person can possess, a maximum of only two (2) reduced price doe/fawn antelope licenses can be applied for in the initial license drawing.

**Final license quotas, hunting season dates and limitations are set at the April Commission meeting. This information will be available on the Department's website shortly afterward.** Applicants are encouraged to review the final information and modify their applications, if necessary. See the section titled *View and Modify Previously Submitted Applications under I've Submitted My Application – Now What?* on page 20.

## Bighorn Sheep

Before applying for a bighorn sheep license, the applicant should review the [Hunt Planner](#) and the **tentative** bighorn sheep hunting season information, specifically the type and limitations columns, to determine the type of license that is valid in the specific hunt area(s) for which you are applying.

An individual may apply for and receive one (1) full price Type 1 bighorn sheep license and/or one (1) reduced price Type 6 bighorn sheep ewe/lamb license.



Wyoming statute provides that any successful full price bighorn sheep applicant must wait five (5) years to next apply for or receive another full price bighorn sheep license. For example, a full price bighorn sheep applicant successful in 2014 would not be eligible to apply for or receive another full price bighorn sheep license until 2019, nor would the applicant be eligible to purchase a bighorn sheep preference point during this same five (5) year period (until 2019).

#### Full Price Type 1 Bighorn Sheep License

Bighorn sheep licenses are issued for a specific hunt area(s), season dates and limitations.

An applicant may list only one (1) hunt area choice for a full price Type 1 bighorn sheep license.

According to Wyoming statute, 75% of Wyoming bighorn sheep hunting licenses must be issued to residents and 25% to nonresidents. Traditionally, these licenses have been issued in multiples of four (4) (3 residents: 1 nonresident) for each hunt area. There are several full price bighorn sheep hunt areas with populations too small to sustain at least four (4) total full price bighorn sheep hunting licenses. In order to provide additional hunting opportunity while complying with statutory provisions, for 2019 there are several bighorn sheep hunt areas (refer to the Hunt Planner for bighorn sheep **tentative** hunting season information) that will offer either one (1) or two (2) total hunting licenses. Applicants should verify whether a particular hunt area will offer only a resident or both a resident and a nonresident full price bighorn sheep hunting license before applying. Applicants should recognize that these license allocations are dynamic and will change each year to meet the statutory requirement.

#### Reduced Price Type 6 Bighorn Sheep Ewe/Lamb License

Reduced price Type 6 bighorn sheep ewe/lamb licenses are issued for a specific hunt area(s), season dates and limitations. These licenses may not be available every year.

The applicant may list only one (1) hunt area choice for a reduced price Type 6 bighorn sheep ewe/lamb license.

Reduced price Type 6 bighorn sheep ewe/lamb licenses are independent of the preference point system. Receiving only a bighorn sheep ewe/lamb license has no effect on the number of preference points an applicant has for a full price Type 1 bighorn sheep license.

## Deer

Before applying for a deer license, the applicant should review the [Hunt Planner](#) and **tentative** deer hunting season information, specifically the license type and limitations columns, to determine the species and sex of deer for which the license is valid in specific hunt area(s).

#### **Resident general deer licenses will be available for sale over-the-counter beginning July 15.**

Applicants for deer licenses should be aware both mule deer and white-tailed deer inhabit Wyoming. Deer licenses may be valid for either species, or licenses may be restricted to mule deer or white-tailed deer only.

In the initial license drawing, an applicant may apply for one (1) full price deer license and up to two (2) reduced price doe/fawn deer licenses.

After the initial drawing, an applicant may apply for and receive up to two (2) full price deer licenses, provided that at least one (1) license is a limited quota Type 3 any white-tailed deer license. Applicants are encouraged to apply for a Type 3 license in the initial license drawing rather than waiting to see if any remain available in the leftover drawing or on a first-come, first-serve basis.

After the initial license drawing, an applicant may apply for and receive up to four (4) reduced price doe/fawn deer licenses. These limits include any licenses issued in the initial license drawing, the leftover drawing and any licenses issued on a first-come, first-served basis. In some hunt areas, after the initial drawing is complete, a person may purchase an unlimited number of reduced price doe/fawn white-tailed deer licenses.

#### Full Price Deer License

Nonresident deer licenses are either region general deer licenses or limited quota deer licenses valid in specific hunt area(s). Check the hunt area, license type and limitation columns to determine if the hunt area is a general or limited quota deer

area. For nonresident region general deer licenses, select the letter of the region you prefer to hunt. Nonresident deer regions and their hunt areas are listed around the border of the deer hunt area map.

Nonresident region general deer licenses are valid in any hunt area that is not totally limited in quota within that region. If you want to apply for a limited quota deer license, apply for the specific hunt area and license type.

A person may apply for and receive a maximum of one (1) limited quota Type 1, Type 2, Type 3 or general deer (resident) or region general deer (nonresident) license through the initial license drawing period. After the initial license drawing is completed, any person may apply for and receive a second full price deer license, provided that at least one (1) of the licenses is a limited quota Type 3 any white-tailed deer license in the leftover drawing or on a first-come, first-served basis. However, no person shall receive more than a total of two (2) deer licenses valid for the taking of antlered or any deer, of which not more than one (1) shall be valid for antlered or any mule deer in any one (1) calendar year.

A second limited quota any white-tailed deer licenses shall only be available to residents and nonresidents in the leftover drawing and on a first-come, first-served basis after the initial license drawing is completed. The second any white-tailed deer license shall be sold for the full price. Refer to the section on *Issuing Licenses after the Initial and Leftover Limited Quota Drawings* on page 22 for further information.

#### Nonresident Special Deer License

Wyoming statute sets aside 40% of nonresident deer licenses for applicants paying a higher fee. Applicants who pay the extra \$288 for a special full price deer license will participate in a separate preference point and random computer drawing.

#### Reduced Price Doe/Fawn Deer License

Reduced price licenses for doe/fawn deer are limited quota only. These licenses are valid only for the hunt areas and limitations for which they are issued.

The Commission may authorize a sportsperson to possess more than two (2) reduced price doe/fawn deer licenses in certain deer hunt areas. The actual total number of reduced price doe/fawn deer licenses a person may possess will be determined at the April Commission meeting each year. Regardless of the total number of reduced price doe/fawn deer licenses any person can possess, a maximum of only two (2) reduced price doe/fawn deer licenses can be applied for in the initial drawing.

**Final license quotas, hunting season dates and limitations are set at the April Commission meeting. This information will be available on the Department's website shortly afterward.** Applicants are encouraged to review the final information and modify their applications, if necessary. See the section titled *View and Modify Previously Submitted Applications under I've Submitted My Application – Now What?* on page 19.

## Elk

Before applying for an elk license, the applicant should review the [Hunt Planner](#) and the **tentative** elk hunting season information, specifically the type and limitations columns, to determine the type of license that is valid in the specific hunt area(s) for which you are applying.

#### **Resident general elk licenses will be available for sale over-the-counter beginning July 15.**

The total limit for elk licenses a person may possess differs from deer and antelope in that full price elk licenses and reduced price cow/calf elk licenses are combined together to calculate the total number of elk licenses allowed by any one person. An applicant shall apply for or receive no more than a total of three (3) elk licenses in any one (1) calendar year.

No person shall apply for and receive more than one (1) full price (General, Type 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 9) and one (1) reduced price (Type 6, 7 or 8) license through the initial drawing. After the initial drawing, a person may apply for and receive up to a total of three (3) elk licenses in the leftover drawing and first-come, first-serve basis, of which no more than one (1) shall be a General, Type 0, 1, 2, 3 or 9 license.

Potential purchasing options for elk licenses: (these are just examples of license options and do not reflect all possible combinations)

1. A General License, a Type 4 license and a Type 6 license.
2. A Type 1 license, a Type 4 license and a Type 5 license.
3. A General license and two Type 6 licenses.

**Final license quotas, hunting season dates and limitations are set at the April Commission meeting. This information will be available on the Department's website shortly afterward.** Applicants are encouraged to review the final information and modify their applications, if necessary. See the section titled *View and Modify Previously Submitted Applications* under *I've Submitted My Application – Now What?* on page 20.

A person may apply for a reduced price cow/calf elk license without applying for a full price elk license. However, no hunter may take more than one (1) elk in Grand Teton National Park (Elk Hunt Areas 75 and 79) regardless whether they possesses both a full price elk license and a reduced price cow/calf elk license valid for the hunt area in Grand Teton National Park. Applicants desiring to hunt within Grand Teton National Park must apply for Elk Hunt Area 75.

After the first week of the National Elk Refuge (Elk Hunt Area 77) season, all unused full price elk and reduced price cow/calf elk licenses, excluding limited quota archery only licenses, are eligible for the National Elk Refuge permit drawing in Elk Hunt Area 77.

A \$15.50 Elk Special Management Permit shall be required of any person who hunts elk in Elk Hunt Areas 70, 71, 75 and 77-98. The Elk Special Management Permit may be obtained from the Cheyenne Headquarters Office, Department Regional Offices, automated license selling agents or on the Department's website.

**The Department of the Interior requires hunter safety certification of all hunters, regardless of age, to hunt in Grand Teton National Park (Elk Hunt Areas 75 and 79). The Hunter Mentor Program and Hunter Safety Exemption are not valid in Grand Teton National Park.**

All nonresident full price elk licenses include an annual fishing privilege. Any nonresident hunter who is issued a full price elk license does not need to purchase an additional fishing license once their license is received in March. If you wish to fish prior to receiving your nonresident full price elk license, you must purchase a nonresident fishing license. Nonresident reduced price cow/calf elk licenses do not include fishing privileges.

#### Full Price Elk License

Limited quota full price elk licenses are valid only for a specified hunt area(s), season dates and sex limitations.

General elk licenses are valid in any hunt area or portion of a hunt area where the word "General" is listed under the limitations column.

#### Nonresident Special Elk License

Wyoming statute sets aside 40% of nonresident elk licenses for applicants paying a higher fee. Applicants who pay the extra \$576 for a special full price elk license will participate in a separate preference point and random computer drawing.

#### Reduced Price Cow/Calf Elk License

Reduced price licenses for cow/calf elk are limited quota only. These licenses are valid only for the hunt area(s) and limitations for which they are issued.

The Commission may authorize a sportsperson to possess more than two (2) reduced price cow/calf elk licenses in certain elk hunt areas. The actual total number of reduced price cow/calf elk licenses a person may possess will be determined at the April Commission meeting each year. Regardless of the total number of reduced price cow/calf elk licenses any person can possess, a maximum of only one (1) reduced price cow/calf elk license can be applied for in the initial drawing.

## Moose

Before applying for a moose license, the applicant should review the [Hunt Planner](#) and the **tentative** moose hunting season information, specifically the license type and limitations columns, to determine the type of license that is valid in the specific hunt area for which you are applying.

Moose licenses are issued for a specific hunt area(s), season dates and limitations. The applicant may list only one (1) hunt area choice for moose.

Wyoming statute provides that any successful moose applicant must wait five (5) years to next apply for or receive another moose license. For example, a moose applicant successful in 2014 would not be eligible to apply for or receive another moose license until 2019, nor would the applicant be eligible to purchase a moose preference point during this same five (5) year period (until 2019).

## Mountain Goat

Before applying for a mountain goat license, the applicant should review the [Hunt Planner](#) and the **tentative** mountain goat hunting season information, specifically the type and limitations columns, to determine the type of license that is valid in the specific hunt area for which you are applying.

Mountain goat licenses are issued for a specific hunt area, season dates and limitations.

A mountain goat type 1 license is an once-in-a-lifetime license. If you drew a mountain goat license after 1995, you may not apply again. Beginning in 2019 any person who has been issued a mountain goat Type 1 license in previous years may apply for and receive a mountain goat Type A license in any subsequent year.

An applicant may apply for and receive a mountain goat Type A license in any future year.

## Wild Bison

Before applying for a wild bison license, the applicant should review the [Hunt Planner](#) and the **tentative** wild bison hunting season information, specifically the type and limitations columns, to determine the type of license you can legally apply for. Licenses are issued for a specific hunt area, season dates and sex limitations. In 2013, Wyoming Statute § 23-2-107 was amended so that any person who is issued an “any wild bison” license (Type 1) and **harvests** a bull wild bison shall be ineligible to apply for or receive an “any wild bison” license in any future year, but shall be eligible to apply for and receive a “female or calf wild bison” license in the immediately following season. In addition, any person who is issued an “any wild bison” license and **harvests** a female or calf wild bison shall be ineligible to apply for or receive a “female or calf wild bison” license in the immediately following five (5) years, but shall be eligible to apply for and receive an “any wild bison” license in the immediately following season. Any person who is issued a “female or calf wild bison” license (Type 4) and **harvests** a female or calf wild bison shall be ineligible to apply for or receive an “any wild bison” license or a “female or calf wild bison” license in the immediately following five (5) years.

Applicants successful in drawing a wild bison license can apply for a permit to hunt the National Elk Refuge. The application process for National Elk Refuge wild bison hunting permits is conducted in cooperation with the National Elk Refuge prior to the start of the hunting season. Applications are available through the Department’s website, [Access Yes Program](#). Alternate permits will also be available during each hunt period through the Department’s website.

## Wild Turkey

Before applying for a wild turkey license, the applicant should review the [Hunt Planner](#) and the **tentative** wild turkey hunting season information, specifically the type and limitations columns, to determine the type of license that is valid in the specific hunt area(s) for which you are applying.

An applicant may apply for or receive no more than one (1) fall wild turkey license and one (1) spring wild turkey license in the initial drawing. After the initial license drawing is completed, an applicant may apply for and receive up to three (3) wild turkey licenses valid for each season, provided that at least two (2) of those licenses are limited quota Type 3 licenses.

However, no applicant shall apply for and receive more than a total of three (3) wild turkey licenses valid for the spring season and no more than a total of three (3) wild turkey licenses valid for the fall season.

## **Big Game Preference Points**

The preference point system is designed to improve an applicant's odds of eventually drawing a license in a hard-to-draw hunt area. Preference points are utilized in conducting the resident and nonresident moose, resident and nonresident full price bighorn sheep, nonresident elk, nonresident deer and nonresident antelope drawings. Seventy-five percent (75%) of available licenses in each hunt area and license type will be allocated to the preference point drawing. Applicants with the highest preference point ranking will receive priority in the preference point drawing. The remaining twenty-five percent (25%) of available licenses will be allocated in a random drawing regardless of preference points. The random drawing is intended to provide everyone who applies a chance of drawing a license, regardless of their preference point total.

All applicants will participate in the preference point drawing even if they have no preference points. After the preference point drawing is completed, all unsuccessful applicants will then participate in the random drawing.

A youth applicant wanting to be awarded preference points must be at least eleven (11) years old at the time of submitting an application for a big game limited quota license in the initial drawing and must be at least twelve (12) years old when in the field hunting.

A youth applicant wanting to purchase preference points only must be at least eleven (11) years old at the time of submitting a preference point only application and must be at least twelve (12) years old by December 31 of that year.

Preference points are assigned to the person's sportsperson identification number and are tied to a species, but not to a specific hunt area. You are allowed to apply for different hunt areas from one year to the next.

**Preference points shall not be restored when an applicant causes more than one customer record to be generated due to using a different last name, first name, date of birth or last four of their social security number. Such circumstances cause preference points to be accumulated under different sportsperson identification numbers and ultimately deleted for failure to apply under the same sportsperson identification number.** Exceptions may be made for a name change because of marriage or divorce.

Any preference points awarded in 2019 will be available for use in the 2020 initial drawings.

No person may apply for, or be awarded, more than one (1) preference point per species in the same calendar year.

If you were successful in drawing your first choice in the initial draw, you are not eligible to purchase a preference point during the preference point application period.

Please refer to the Department's website for the application period to apply online for the purchase of a preference point. There is no application fee to purchase a preference point only.

**If a person fails to either apply for a drawing for moose or full price bighorn sheep or purchase a preference point during the preference point application period for two (2) consecutive years, all accumulated points for that species will be lost.**

### Moose and Full Price Bighorn Sheep Preference Points (Residents and Nonresidents)

For moose and full price bighorn sheep, preference points can be accumulated either by submitting an application for the limited quota drawings or by purchasing a preference point during the preference point application period using the online system as per the dates on pages 2-3.

All applicants who are unsuccessful drawing a moose or full price bighorn sheep license will automatically be awarded a preference point each year they participate in the limited quota drawing.

Nonresidents will have the applicable moose (\$150) and/or full price bighorn sheep (\$150) preference point fees deducted from their license refund. Residents will receive a full refund of their license fee.

If you don't participate in the limited quota drawing for moose or full price bighorn sheep, you may purchase a preference point during the preference point application period using the online system as per the dates on pages 2-3. The resident fee to purchase a moose or full price bighorn sheep preference point is \$7. The nonresident fee to purchase a moose preference point is \$150 and the nonresident fee to purchase a full price bighorn sheep preference point is \$150.

A successful applicant for moose or full price bighorn sheep must wait five (5) years before they will become eligible to participate in either the limited quota drawing or purchase preference points.

#### Full Price Elk, Full Price Deer and Full Price Antelope Preference Points (Nonresidents Only)

For nonresident full price elk, full price deer and full price antelope, preference points can be accumulated by purchasing a preference point during the preference point application period as per the dates on page 4.

For nonresident full price elk, full price deer and full price antelope, an individual's accumulated preference points are only considered in the initial drawing for the applicant's first choice in the preference point drawing.

Drawing a license for your second or third choice does not cause preference points to be deleted and the applicant will still be awarded a preference point for the year.

For nonresident full price elk, full price deer and full price antelope, an applicant will lose all accumulated preference points if they draw their first choice license in the initial limited quota drawing or if they fail to purchase a preference point during the appropriate application period for two (2) consecutive years.

For party applications, all of the applicants' preference point totals will be averaged to the 4<sup>th</sup> decimal point to determine the preference point ranking used in the initial preference point drawing.

There are no preference points for reduced price cow/calf or reduced price doe/fawn licenses. Applicants for reduced price licenses do not lose their preference points if successful in the reduced price license drawing, nor do they accumulate preference points if they are unsuccessful drawing these license types.

Some suggestions when applying for licenses: to maintain your preference points, do not apply for an easy-to-draw area as your first choice. If you do and are successful, then all of your accumulated points will be deleted and the odds of drawing a license in a hard-to-draw area will be diminished for several years until you build up preference points again. If you desire to hunt more often without sacrificing your preference points, continue to apply for your preferred (hard-to-draw) hunt area as a first choice and apply for easy-to-draw hunt areas as your second choice. By reviewing the random drawing odds from previous years, you can find hunt areas with good odds of drawing a license as a second and possibly a third choice. On the other hand, it is nearly certain you will draw a license in a hunt area with 100% odds listed for the second choice drawing. However, be advised that drawing odds can and do change from year to year as applicants shift their preferences for specific hunt areas. The prior year's drawing odds are a useful indicator of relative odds, but provide no absolute guarantees.

## **SUPER TAG, SUPER TAG TRIFECTA RAFFLE**

Wyoming statutes provide for the issuance of big game, trophy game and wild bison licenses through a competitive raffle process. A Super Tag raffle chance provides an individual the opportunity to draw a bighorn sheep, moose, mountain goat, wild bison, elk, deer, antelope, black bear, mountain lion or gray wolf license. One license will be issued to the winner of the raffle drawing for each species upon submission of the appropriate license fees. A Super Tag Trifecta raffle allows one winner to obtain up to three different licenses for three different species from the preceding list of species upon submission of the appropriate license fees. Winners of the Super Tag and Super Tag Trifecta raffles may hunt in any open hunting season in the state for the species for which their license(s) are valid, and during an established hunting season with one exception – the Super Tag and Super Tag Trifecta licenses shall not be valid in any moose hunt area with a total quota of ten (10) or fewer antlered or any moose licenses, or any full price bighorn sheep hunt area with a total quota of eight (8) or fewer full price bighorn sheep licenses, or in any wild bison hunt area which has a total quota of ten (10) or less any wild bison licenses. Winners of either raffle will not be subject to lifetime restrictions for mountain goat and wild bison licenses, or the five (5) year waiting period for bighorn sheep and moose. Also, preference points will not be lost for any species when the hunting license was acquired through winning either of the raffles. Application for licenses through the regular

drawing process is independent of the raffle drawings and any license obtained through the raffles may be exercised in addition to a license for the same species issued through the regular license drawings.

A person may purchase competitive raffle chances for multiple species and can submit an unlimited number of chances for both the Super Tag and the Super Tag Trifecta raffles. For the Super Tag Trifecta raffle, a person does not need to select the individual species at the time they purchase a raffle chance. Super Tag and Super Tag Trifecta competitive raffle chances for the 2019 hunt season are available from July 16, 2018 – July 1, 2019. A competitive drawing will be conducted to determine the winners of the individual species Super Tag licenses and the Super Tag Trifecta license. Licenses will be issued by the Cheyenne Headquarters Office to successful raffle winners after the respective license fees are remitted. No preference will be given to residents or nonresidents in the drawings. **Licenses obtained from the Super Tag and Super Tag Trifecta raffles are not transferrable to persons other than the person named on the entry form.** Youths who purchase competitive raffle chances must meet the age requirements to apply for big game, trophy game and wild bison licenses as specified by Wyoming statute –see page 15. **Super Tag and Super Tag Trifecta raffle ticket purchases are not refundable. Refunds will not be issued to unsuccessful applicants.**

## **OTHER IMPORTANT APPLICATION INFORMATION**

### **Draw Selection**

In an attempt to assure fairness, all limited quota licenses are initially allocated to applicants on the basis of randomly generated numbers through a computerized drawing system. A computerized, random selection process will determine successful applicants.

Each drawing is independent of all other drawings. The drawing for each species is conducted independently and the result of one drawing has no effect upon other drawings. Therefore, success in the drawing for one species does not guarantee success for another.

### **Minimum Age to Hunt Big and Trophy Game, Wild Bison, Youth Licenses**

The minimum age to take any big game or trophy game animal is twelve (12) years of age. An applicant may apply for any big game or trophy game license if he/she is eleven (11) years of age, but must be at least twelve (12) years of age when hunting. Applicants less than eighteen (18) years of age and at least eleven (11) years of age at the time of application may apply for a youth license and remit youth fees. Applicants must be at least fourteen (14) years of age prior to September 15 of the application year in order to hunt wild bison.

### **Personal Data Confidentiality**

A license applicant's personal information including the applicant's email address, date of birth and telephone number is confidential. An applicant can opt-in to have this personal information released through a public information request. Social security number, sportsman's identification number, driver's license number and tax identification number are protected information through the public records law. Upon request, the Department releases mailing address, personal data elements and application history to include hunt area/type selections. The Department utilizes email to contact customers regarding their applications, licenses and harvest surveys.

### **Pioneer and Pioneer Heritage Licenses**

The Department and automated license selling agents issue a pioneer elk license for a fee of \$5 and a pioneer deer, antelope or spring/fall wild turkey license for a fee of \$2. If these licenses are applied for through the initial drawing process, a nonrefundable \$5 application fee is required in addition to the license fee, except for wild turkey. Eligibility requirements for these licenses are: any Wyoming resident who is at least seventy-five (75) years of age and has continuously resided in Wyoming for at least fifty (50) years immediately preceding date of application.

The Department and automated license selling agents also issue a pioneer heritage elk license for a fee of \$35, a pioneer heritage deer license for a fee of \$26, a pioneer heritage antelope license for a fee of \$22 and a pioneer heritage spring/fall wild turkey license for a fee of \$10. If these licenses are applied for through the initial drawing process, a nonrefundable \$5 application fee is required in addition to the license fee, except for wild turkey. Eligibility requirements for these licenses

are: any Wyoming resident who is at least seventy (70) years of age and has continuously resided in Wyoming for at least fifty (50) years immediately preceding date of application.

Big game pioneer and pioneer heritage applicants must meet the above criteria by June 20<sup>th</sup> to participate in the initial drawing. Pioneer and pioneer heritage individuals applying for limited quota elk, deer or antelope licenses must compete in the initial drawing to determine successful applicants and pay the applicable nonrefundable \$5 application fee.

Pioneer and pioneer heritage general elk, general deer and general wild turkey licenses are issued from the Cheyenne Headquarters Office, Department Regional Offices, automated license selling agents and on the Department's website without paying the \$5 application fee. If you just want a general pioneer or pioneer heritage deer, elk or wild turkey license, do not apply in the initial drawing.

Pioneer and Pioneer Heritage applicants desiring to purchase leftover licenses may do so at the Cheyenne Headquarters Office, Department Regional Offices, automated license selling agents and on the Department's website.

## Refunds, Cancellation of Licenses, Reservation of Licenses or Unable to Use the License for Good Cause

Each applicant assumes an inherent risk when applying for a license to be used in the future. **License fees are generally nonrefundable once a license has been issued and licenses are nontransferable.** Please consider the risk when applying.

Refer to the Department's website under Regulations, [License Information Chapter 44](#) for information on license refunds, cancellation of licenses, reservation of a license and unable to use a license for good cause.

## Residency Requirements

To qualify for a resident license, preference point, permit or tag, a person shall be domiciled and physically reside in Wyoming for not less than one (1) year immediately preceding the date the person applies for a license, preference point, permit or tag. Additionally, the person shall not claim residency elsewhere for any purpose during the previous one (1) year period. Each person, other than minor dependents or spouses and dependents of qualified military residents, must establish their residency independently. A person is considered "domiciled" if he: (a) physically resides in Wyoming, (b) has made his permanent home in Wyoming, (c) is not residing in Wyoming for a special or temporary purpose and (d) has abandoned domicile in all other states.

Neither ownership of property nor a Wyoming mailing address alone is sufficient evidence of domicile. Domicile is established and maintained by the total intent and actions of a person.

A person shall lose his residency in Wyoming if they reside in any other state, territory or country for an aggregate of one hundred eighty (180) days or more in a calendar year, except minor dependents, students, active duty military personnel, hospitalized patients and those individuals identified below.

A resident is also any active member or the spouse or minor dependent of any active member of the Armed Forces of the United States who has been stationed in Wyoming for ninety (90) days, so long as the member remains stationed in Wyoming. A Wyoming resident who enters the military from Wyoming maintains resident status if they declare Wyoming as their home of record, maintains Wyoming voting registration, is on active duty and does not claim residency elsewhere.

Active duty military applicants must complete the Wyoming Proof of Residency Affidavit for themselves, their spouse and their minor children.

A person qualifying as a Wyoming resident in accordance with Wyoming Statute § 23-1-107(c) shall not gain or lose residency for the purpose of serving full time for a period not to exceed four (4) years in an established volunteer service program for charitable, humanitarian or religious purposes. A letter signed and notarized by the volunteer service program's director that describes the services provided (including that they were provided without remuneration), the duration of service and the hours served may be used to establish compliance with Wyoming Statute § 23-1-107(c).



## **APPLYING ONLINE** – <https://wgfd.wyo.gov>

**Please note: once you have added applications to your shopping cart and you are ready to pay for your purchases, you will be redirected to our credit card vendor's site to enter your payment information. If the settings on your computer, phone or tablet does not allow you to redirect to another website (which many work computers do not allow) do not attempt to enter applications. You will need to be on a computer that allows you to leave the Department's website and be redirected to the credit card vendor's website to complete your applications.**

### **Step 1: Click on Red "Apply or Buy" Button**

### **Step 2: Click on Red "Apply for Licenses" Button on the left side of the screen**

### **Step 3: Welcome Page**

Read the "Welcome" page and click on any links you need to get all of your information gathered and organized. At a minimum, you will need to know:

- Your sportsperson ID number and date of birth (DOB) OR last name, DOB, mailing zip code and the last four (4) digits of one of the following items:
  1. social security number
  2. tax identification number (United States legal aliens)
  3. passport number (foreign visitors)
- If you are a resident or a nonresident.
- Which drawing you are applying for. If you are a nonresident and applying for elk, deer or antelope, decide whether you are applying for a special drawing and whether you want to apply with the preference point option.
- What hunt area and type is your first choice, second choice and third choice, if applicable.
- If you are planning on donating to Search & Rescue and/or Access Yes.
- Your credit card number and other card information that may be required.
- If applying as a party member, your party ID number.

Now click on the "Continue" button.

### **Step 4: Notice - Refund Policy and Credit Card Charges**

Fully read and understand the refund policy by clicking **Refund Policy** at the bottom of the page and click on "ACCEPT" at the bottom of the box to acknowledge that we will immediately charge your credit card for the full amount of the license, the application fee, the credit card processing fee and any donations.

### **Step 5: Sportsperson Login**

All applicants are required to provide the last four (4) digits of their social security number to apply for a license or participate in limited quota drawings.

Section 466(13)(A) of the Social Security Act mandates states have in effect a requirement for the social security number of any applicant for a recreational license to be recorded on the application. The Act does not require the social security number be printed on the face of the license, but does require the number be kept on file at the agency. This provision of the act is to allow for the matching of child support obligors with license holders.

The Department of Health and Human Services has approved an exemption that allows the Department to only capture the last four (4) digits of the social security number, instead of the entire number, to comply with the federal requirements to provide the social security number of a hunting or fishing license purchaser. This exemption is valid until December 31, 2020.

The Department will not print the social security number on any license document. It will not be accessible on any Department internet license application or sale system. Any uses of the social security number will be limited to the last four (4) digits. The Department will not disclose the social security number to any entity, except to the Department of Family Services, as required for child support enforcement. The sportsperson identification number will continue to be the number printed on licenses, not the social security number.

Individuals who do not have a social security number will be required to provide one of the following alternate identification numbers:

1. Resident aliens will be required to provide their Tax Identification Number (TIN). This means a person who is not a U.S. citizen who is in our country on a VISA working for a company earning a paycheck or attending college (also known as Resident Alien Card, Green card or Student VISA).
2. International foreign visitors will be required to provide their Passport Identification Number.

If you have preference points or have applied before, you should be in our customer database. Simply enter your sportsperson ID and date of birth (DOB). If you do not know your sportsperson ID or are a new customer, select the "I have forgotten my sportsperson ID" button. You will be provided with an input screen to enter your last name, DOB, and the zip code (the last mailing zip code we would have on file for you) and the last four (4) digits of your social security number, tax identification number or passport number.

If you are a current customer in our database but have not provided your social security number in the past, you will be provided with an input screen to enter the last four (4) digits of your social security number, tax identification number or passport number.

If you are certain that you have previously submitted applications or purchased licenses and cannot login to our system, please contact the Department at 307-777-4600 for further assistance. **DO NOT create a new customer record.**

## Step 6: Add, Review, and Update Personal Information

If you are a returning sportsperson, please review and update your address and your personal data elements on your customer record.

All customer information can be updated with the exception of your name and date of birth. If either of these is incorrect, please contact the Department at 307-777-4600 for further instructions.

If you are a new sportsperson, please fill out the required information on the screen.

### Are You a Wyoming Resident?

Using the drop down button located on the top left of the screen, choose the appropriate response as per Wyoming Statute § 23-1-102(a)(ix) and Wyoming Statute § 23-1-107.

If you are a Wyoming Resident, you are required to comply with Wyoming Statute § 23-1-102(a)(ix) Wyoming Statute § 23-1-107 by:

1. Reading the Wyoming state statutes listed in the box.
2. Check the box to confirm **"I swear, under penalty of prosecution, that I am a Wyoming resident as defined by Wyoming Statute § 23-1-102(a)(ix) and Wyoming Statute § 23-1-107"** check box.
3. Providing either your continuous years of residency or days active duty military as defined in Wyoming state statutes.
4. Providing your current Wyoming driver's license, Wyoming state ID or complete the online affidavit, all in accordance with Wyoming state statutes.
5. Active duty military applicants must complete the Wyoming Proof of Residency Affidavit for themselves, their spouse and their minor children.

## Step 7: Hunting Applications Selection

Choose the drawing and species from the list available to you. The list is displayed based on your age, residency, open application dates, and applicable waiting period limitations on moose and full price bighorn sheep and restrictions for mountain goat and wild bison.

## Step 8: Application Type Selection

At this point you must choose whether you want to apply as an “**individual**,” a “**party organizer**” (meaning you are the first applicant to submit an application for the party) or as a “**party member**” (meaning you want to join an existing online party).

A party is a group of hunters who **APPLY** for hunting licenses for the same species, hunt area and type, with the expectation of receiving the same drawing results. All applicants in a party are assigned the same random number; therefore, they receive the same drawing results. Applicants who do not apply as a party are assigned individual random numbers. Applying as a party does not increase the drawing odds. The maximum party size is six (6).

Party applications will be accepted for all big game licenses, except moose, bighorn sheep or mountain goat.

Residents and nonresidents MAY NOT apply together as a party.

- Individual – simply click individual, go to step 9 and fill out the application.
- Party Organizer – Choose party organizer and click “**enter**.” The next screen will show you your party ID. The party ID includes the last name of the organizer AND the six digit assigned number. You will have to give this party ID to the members of your party. It is required that they know and use the party ID when they apply to successfully join your party. After you write down the party ID, click “**enter**” to go to step 9 and fill out the application.
- Party Member – If you choose “**party member**,” you must enter in the party ID previously created by the party organizer. Party IDs have no spaces or special characters. Once you enter the party ID, you will be taken to the application screen, but will not be able to change the hunt area or type since party applications are required to have the same species, drawing (special vs. regular), hunt area and type as the party organizer.

## Step 9: Fill Out the Application (select hunt area and type, if applicable)

After choosing the drawing and species, you will need to provide specific information, including hunt area, type, preference point purchase (if applicable), withdrawal block (if applicable) and quantity (if applicable). If you applied as a “**party member**,” you will NOT be allowed to change the species, drawing, hunt area or type.

## Step 10: Voluntary Access Yes Program Donation

Access Yes is a program created to maintain and enhance public access for hunting and fishing. Access Yes is funded by voluntary contributions from hunters and anglers dedicated exclusively for improving public hunting and fishing opportunities in the state. Access Yes donations are only used to provide hunting and fishing access onto private and landlocked public lands. The Access Yes program is in response to numerous requests that the Department address the difficulties of finding places to hunt and fish.

The online transaction provides the opportunity for you to designate any whole dollar amount you wish to contribute when applying for a license.

Donating to the program does not provide or imply access will be granted to any private land that is not enrolled in the Department’s Access Yes Program. If you would like more information on this program, please call (307) 777-4600.

## Step 11: Voluntary Search and Rescue Donation

Wyoming statutes provide for a voluntary donation to be utilized for Search and Rescue activities in the state. This donation will be used solely to defray costs of search and rescue operations. These funds are transferred to the Wyoming Emergency Management Agency for search and rescue operations. As these activities benefit hunters and anglers, the Department encourages your participation in this program. This donation is in addition to other license fees.

The online transaction provides the opportunity for you to designate any whole dollar amount of \$2 or more that you wish to contribute when applying for a license.

## Step 12: Application Review

CAREFULLY read the application review screen to ensure that your choices match what you had intended to apply for. If the information is accurate, choose **“Add to Shopping Cart.”** If you need to make changes or do not wish to complete the application at this time, you must select **“Cancel”** and **start over.**

## Step 13: Shopping Cart

The first step to completing the application process is to CAREFULLY REVIEW ALL INFORMATION ON THE SHOPPING CART SCREEN. You may choose to hit the **“Delete”** button on any application you choose not to apply and pay for at this time. You may choose **“Checkout Now”** to pay for your selections, or **“Add an Application for this Sportsperson”** or **“Switch to Another Sportsperson,”** to submit an additional application in this transaction.

By clicking **“Checkout Now,”** you are swearing **“Under penalty of prosecution, I swear or affirm that the information given by me on this application is true and correct.”**

When you click on the **“Checkout Now”** button, you will be directed to a page that explains the method of refunding license fees to unsuccessful applicants. After reading and understanding the information, click on **“I Understand – Continue”** to proceed to the payment page. You will then be redirected to our credit card vendor’s website. **If your computer settings do not allow you to be redirected to another website, you will not be able to continue.**

## Step 14: Billing Information

Verify the application total listed at the top of the page matches the total amount you are authorizing to be charged to your credit card.

Complete the information as requested. **By clicking “Submit Payment” you authorize full payment of the application total above.**

## Step 15: Receipt

At the conclusion of your transaction, you will see a receipt detailing information about your transaction. You should print this and keep it for your records. If you ever have a question about your credit card charge, the receipt number will be important for reference. **Your receipt is NOT a valid license.**

The party ID is also printed on the receipt along with a recap of your application information.

Note: If you did not receive a receipt confirmation, your application may not have been submitted. Please contact the Department at 307-777-4600 if this occurs.

## I’VE SUBMITTED MY APPLICATION – NOW WHAT?

After you have applied, you can log back into the online system and:

- **View and modify previously submitted applications.** After the Commission meeting in late April, you are encouraged to check the [Department’s website](#) to verify that your season dates have not changed. If you need to modify your application, go to the [Department’s website](#) and log in as you did to enter the drawing. When you get to the **“Hunting Applications Available”** page, click on **“View Previously Submitted Applications”** and then the **“Modify”** button and select the **“Continue to Update Areas and Types”** button. You will not be able to modify the fee type for which you have submitted your application. For example, you can’t change from a regular to a special or a reduced price to a full price or vice versa. The party organizer must make the modifications to party applications.
- **Withdraw your application from the drawing (see applicable deadline dates for withdrawing applications).**

For deadlines for withdrawing applications using the [Department's website](#), please review the application deadline chart on pages 2-6 above. The refund will be issued upon completion of the drawing. Applicants may not withdraw from the Super Tag or Super Tag Trifecta drawing or a preference point only purchase. If you withdraw your application(s) from the drawing, your license fee(s) will not be refunded until after the drawing.

To withdraw an application, go to the Department's website and log in as you did to enter the drawing. Select "**View Previously Submitted Applications**" and then the "**Modify**" button and the "**Remove Application from Drawing**" button.

- **View results after the drawings are held.** Go to the [Department's website](#) and click on the "**Hunting in Wyoming**" button, scroll down to "**Application Quick Links**" and choose "**Draw Results.**" Enter your first name, last name, mailing zip code and date of birth to see if you were successful in the drawing.

Successful applicants will be mailed their license within thirty (30) days of the drawing date. Elk, deer and antelope regulations have been combined into one brochure, which will be mailed in August. Applicants who do not receive a license or refund within thirty (30) days following the drawing result date should notify the Department. Unsuccessful applicants will no longer receive refund warrants, but will instead have a credit applied back to their credit card. License fees are returned to unsuccessful applicants. Applicants who wish to obtain results prior to receiving their license(s) in the mail may access this information at the [Department's website](#) or by calling 307-777-4600.

## **OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

### **Conservation Stamp Requirements**

**Each person licensed to hunt or fish in Wyoming shall purchase one (1) conservation stamp for \$12.50, valid for twelve (12) months from the date of purchase or (12) months from the previous conservation stamp expiration date.** The stamp shall be in the possession of the person while hunting or fishing. If a physical paper stamp is purchased, it shall be signed in ink. Hunters or anglers who acquire a lifetime conservation stamp or a conservation stamp authorization from the Department's electronic license service system shall not be required to meet the signature provision on a physical stamp as no physical stamp will be issued.

Conservation stamps may be purchased from the Cheyenne Headquarters Office, Department Regional Offices, license selling agents and on the Department's website. A lifetime conservation stamp may be purchased by residents and nonresidents for \$185.50 from the Cheyenne Headquarters Office or Department Regional Offices.

### **Conservation Stamp Exemptions for Certain Hunting Licenses**

Conservation stamps are not required with the following licenses: daily hunting licenses; ; any Wyoming pioneer or pioneer hunting or fishing license; Wyoming 100% disabled veteran game bird, small game and fishing license; United States military purple heart medal game bird, small game and fish license; military combat general elk, general deer or game bird or small game license.

### **Hunter Mentor Program**

Any person born on or after January 1, 1966, who has not received a certificate of competency and safety in the use and handling of firearms, may apply to the Department for a special authorization to take wildlife with the use of a firearm while being accompanied by a mentor. A special authorization issued to an individual shall be valid for one (1) year from the date of issue and shall be in the possession of the recipient at all times while in the field. The application may be obtained from the Department's website. Any person acting as a mentor to a mentee with a special authorization shall not provide supervision for more than one (1) mentee at a time in the field, other than immediate family members, and shall accompany the mentee at all times to provide constant supervision. **The Hunter Mentor Program is not valid in Grand Teton National Park (Elk Hunt Areas 75 and 79), but is valid on the National Elk Refuge (Elk Hunt Area 77).**

## Hunter Safety Requirements

No person born on or after January 1, 1966, may take any wildlife by the use of firearms on land other than that of his own family, unless the person possesses or can demonstrate they have obtained a certificate of competency and safety in the use and handling of firearms. **All Elk Hunt Area 75 and 79 (Grand Teton National Park) hunters, regardless of age, must possess and exhibit a valid hunter safety certificate. Compliance will be checked in the field.**

## Hunter Safety Exemption

Any active member, honorably discharged past member, or veteran of the armed forces of the United States and any active or retired Wyoming peace officer who has qualified pursuant to Wyoming Statute § 9-1-701 through 9-1-707 are exempt from the hunter safety certificate requirement. Hunter Safety Exemption Certificates may be applied for at Department Regional Offices or from the Cheyenne Headquarters Office. **Hunter Safety Exemptions are not valid for those hunting elk within Grand Teton National Park (Elk Hunt Areas 75 and 79), and are also not valid for use by a mentor participating in the Hunter Mentor Program.**

## Issuing Licenses after the Initial and Leftover Limited Quota Drawings

**A sportsperson should understand that the majority of leftover licenses are in hunt areas with limited public access. Applicants are reminded about having permission to hunt on private land before applying for a license. Otherwise, you may end up with a license and no place to hunt and these licenses are nonrefundable.**

All full price limited quota and reduced price limited quota licenses remaining after the initial drawing and leftover drawing will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis through the Department's Electronic License Service (ELS) via the Department's website, at Department offices or automated license selling agents.

## Permission for Access

Approximately half of Wyoming is private land. Some of the public lands can only be reached by crossing private land. To cross private lands, permission must be obtained from landowners. Landowners have the right to control access to their lands or charge a fee for access. Written permission or other proof of permission for access is required before one can hunt on private land. The following tips should help minimize access problems:

1. Be familiar with the land ownership before applying for a license.
2. Make hunting arrangements with the landowner in advance of applying for a license.
3. Avoid the season opening day. Many landowners are full on opening day, but have vacancies later in the season.
4. Carry a good map and/or a GPS with landownership information. Maps showing public and private lands are available. It is a good idea to check with local land management agencies to see if land sales have changed the status of lands in your hunt area.
5. **Know where you are. Wyoming law does not require landowners to post their property. It is the hunter's responsibility to know if the land is public or private.**
6. Some county assessor's offices have landownership information on their county websites and chambers of commerce may be able to advise you of landowner names in surrounding hunt areas.
7. Some private land is open for public access through either Walk-in Area or Hunter Management Area programs. Information about Walk-in Areas and applying for Hunter Management Area permits can be obtained from the Department's website under [Public Access](#).

## Special Archery Seasons

Special archery seasons for big game are established by the Commission in late April. Information on special archery seasons will be available in early May. Traditionally, antelope special archery seasons for most hunt areas open August 15 and close the day the regular season opens. For elk and deer, the special archery seasons in most hunt areas traditionally open September 1 and close September 30 or earlier in September when the regular seasons open.

Hunters holding general or limited quota hunting licenses may hunt with archery equipment during special archery seasons if they first obtain an archery license in addition to their valid hunting license. Only one archery license is required to archery

hunt all big game and trophy game animals during the special archery season. Archery licenses are available at the Cheyenne Headquarters Office, Department Regional Offices and automated license selling agents and on the Department's website. Do not purchase an archery license until you have received notification of drawing results.

Some elk hunt areas offer hunting licenses for **archery only** and these licenses are designated as **Type 9 licenses** in the *Tentative Hunting Season Information*. Type 9 elk licenses are often available in the leftover drawing, but not as a first-come, first serve license. Holders of Type 9 licenses are not required to obtain an archery license in addition to the limited quota archery only Type 9 license, but are restricted to hunting only in the hunt area(s) and during the season specified for the Type 9 license. **In elk hunt areas that have Type 9 archery only licenses, the special archery season may or may not be open when the Type 9 license season is open or there may not be a special archery season offered for firearm hunters.**

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