

DRAW RULES

Draws Available for Residents

The following table lists the draws available for Residents, maximum number of hunters per application, the restrictions on applying for these draws, and the number of applications that a Resident may submit. For a definition of "Resident," please refer to page 43.

Draw Code	Type of Special Licence Available	Max # of Hunters per application	Restrictions on Applying for These Draws	Maximum Applications Allowed
29	Non-trophy Sheep	4	None	1 application for each from this list of 8.
17	CFB Wainwright Deer	4		
13	Antlered Mule Deer	4		
14	Antlerless Mule Deer	4		
15	Antlered White-tailed Deer	4		
16	Antlerless White-tailed Deer	4		
32	Wild Turkey	4		
35	Goat	1	Drawn applicants may not reapply in future years.	
ANTELOPE RESTRICTIONS				
10	Antelope Archery	4	A Resident may apply for all 3 antelope licences, but they may only hold 1.	1 application each from this list of 3.
11	Non-trophy Antelope	4		
12	Trophy Antelope	4		
TROPHY SHEEP RESTRICTIONS				
30	WMU 410 Trophy Sheep	4	A Resident who killed a sheep, except a legal non-trophy sheep, in 2024 may not purchase a Trophy Sheep Licence in 2025. If you apply for a Trophy Sheep Special Licence, except Draw 38, you must use ‘priority only’ as your only draw choice for 2025.	1 application only from this list of 5.
34	WMU 437 Trophy Sheep	2		
36	WMU 408 Trophy Sheep	2		
37	WMU 444/446 Trophy Sheep	2		
38	WMU 438 Trophy Sheep	2		
ELK RESTRICTIONS				
18	Antlered Elk	4	A Resident may only apply for 1 Elk Licence from this list of 4.	1 application only from this list of 4.
19	Antlerless Elk	4		
41	Either Sex Elk	4		
21	WMU 300 Elk	4		
40	WMU 212 Antlerless Elk	4	None	1 application allowed.
MOOSE RESTRICTIONS				
33	Antlered Moose	4	A Resident may only apply for 1 Moose Licence from this list of 3.	1 application only from this list of 3.
27	Antlerless Moose	4		
28	Calf Moose	4		
MINISTER'S SPECIAL LICENCE (MSL) RESTRICTIONS				
50	MSL Trophy Antelope	1	None	10 Applications Allowed per species.
51	MSL Antlered Mule Deer	1		
52	MSL Antlered Elk	1		
53	MSL Antlered Moose	1		
54	MSL Trophy Sheep	1		
55	MSL Wild Turkey	1		

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56	MSL Antlered White-tailed Deer	1	None	10 Applications Allowed per species.
57	MSL Cougar	1		
58	MSL Mountain Goat	1		

RULES FOR APPLYING ON A DRAW

- **Deadlines:** Hunters may apply from **Tuesday, May 27, 2025** to **Thursday, June 19, 2025**. Draw applications for Wild Turkey must also be made at this time.
- An application made online or at a licence issuer is entered immediately into the draw database.
- There are certain **restrictions** and **maximums allowed** when applying for some draws.
- **Eligibility: Residents or Non-residents (Canadian) are not eligible to apply on a draw if: i) their hunting privileges are under a licence suspension/cancellation in Alberta (or elsewhere) or: ii) if they fail to pay their fine after being convicted of a provincial hunting or provincial sportfishing offence throughout the season.**
- If a person is convicted of a provincial fishing or hunting offence and fails to pay their fine, they will be suspended from purchasing or using a sportfishing licence, a hunting licence or applying on draws until that outstanding fine has been paid.
- Each applicant (Resident and Non-resident [Canadian]) must have a valid 10-digit **Wildlife Identification Number (WiN)**, **Wildlife Certificate**, and must be eligible to hold hunting licences.

Draws Available for Non-residents (Canadian)

The following table lists the draws available for Non-residents (Canadian), maximum number of hunters per application, the restrictions on applying for these draws, and the number of applications that a Non-resident (Canadian) may submit. For a definition of “Non-resident” (Canadian) refer to page 43. **A Non-resident (Canadian) must apply with a resident (maximum of 1 non-resident per resident), except for the Non-resident Trophy Sheep draw.** If successful in obtaining one of these special licences, the **Non-resident must be accompanied by a licenced Hunter Host while hunting.** A Hunter Host may not charge or accept remuneration for services provided either directly or indirectly. Please refer to the Outfitting and Guiding Requirements on page 47. **NOTE: Non-resident Aliens are not eligible for any draws.**

Draw Code	Type of Special Licence Available	Max # of Hunters per application	Restrictions on Applying for These Draws	Maximum Applications Allowed
12	Trophy Antelope	4	Must apply with a resident (maximum of 1 non-resident per resident).	1 application for each licence from this list of 6.
31	Trophy Sheep	2 Non-residents	A non-resident who killed a sheep in 2024 may not apply for or purchase a Trophy Sheep Special Licence in 2025.	
13	Antlered Mule Deer	4	Must apply with a resident (maximum of 1 non-resident per resident).	
15	Antlered White-tailed Deer	4		
18	Antlered Elk	4		
33	Antlered Moose	4		

BOW HUNTERS

A bow hunter must possess a special licence to hunt the following big game animals during the archery only season:

- antelope
- antlerless and/or antlered moose in WMUs 102, 116, 118, 119, 124, 148, 150, 151, 152, 156-166, 200-210, 214-246, 250-260, 300-346, 348, 357, 400, 402, 429, 500-510.
- calf moose in WMUs 359, 360, 505, 510, 521, 522, 523, 526 and 527.
- elk and moose in WMU 936.
- antlered elk in WMUs 412-434.
- antlered mule deer in WMUs 104, 106, 108, 110, 112, 128, 130-140, 156, 206-210, 214, 216, 220-226, 242, 300-308, 314, 318-324, 332, 337-346, 357-360, 400, 402, 502, 504, 506, 509, 510, 511, 521-523, 526, 527 and 537.

PARTNER LICENCE

The following Partner Licences are available:

1. A resident holder of an Antlerless Moose Special Licence has the option of designating one eligible resident hunter (adult, youth or senior) to be a partner on the special licence, thereby allowing the designated hunter to obtain a **Special Antlerless Moose Partner Licence**.
2. A resident holder of an Antlered Moose Special Licence has the option of designating one eligible hunter, resident (adult, youth or senior) or a non-resident (Canadian) (adult or youth), to be a partner on the special licence, thereby allowing the designated hunter to obtain a **Special Antlered Moose Partner Licence**. To qualify for a Partner Licence in a particular WMU, the non-resident (Canadian) must have been eligible to apply for the special licence in that WMU.

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- A non-resident (Canadian) holder of an Antlered Moose Special Licence has the option of designating one eligible resident (adult, youth or senior) hunter to be a partner on the special licence, thereby allowing the designated hunter to obtain a **Special Antlered Moose Partner Licence**.
3. Resident hunters successful in drawing a Special Licence in any of the other Draws are allowed to designate one eligible resident youth (12 to 17 years of age or senior 65 and over) to be a partner on their special licence.
- The designated partner need not have applied on the applicable draw and his or her draw priority for the special licence will not be affected. Refer to pages 44-47 regarding licence combinations and restrictions. The designated partner hunts under the authority of the special licence and, while hunting, must be able to directly communicate with the special licence holder (without relying on a cell phone, walkie-talkie or other device) to ensure that both hunters stop hunting once the tag(s) are filled. In essence, the two hunters are hunting as one, and while the use of common electronic communication devices (i.e., walkie-talkies, cell phones, etc.) is not unlawful while hunting, the two hunters (partner and special licence holder) must be able to directly communicate while hunting without the need of using such devices.
- If the special licence holder or designated partner kills an animal, the special licence holder must tag the animal(s) with the tag(s) issued with the special licence. The holder of the special licence may hunt without the partner, but the partner may not hunt unless directly accompanied by the special licence holder. If the intended partner is a non-resident, they must be accompanied by a licensed Hunter Host while hunting. The cost of the Resident Partner Licence and the Resident Youth Partner Licence is \$12.00 (plus GST). The cost of the Non-resident Partner Licence is \$44.00 (plus GST). Partner Licences may be purchased at any licence issuer or online.

AGE REQUIREMENTS

- A person must be at least 10 years of age to hunt under the authority of a Youth Game Bird licence.
- A person must be at least 12 years of age to hunt under the authority of a Recreational licence.
- Before obtaining any licence, all first-time hunters must successfully complete the Alberta Conservation and Hunter Education course.
- Eleven-year-olds may apply in the draws if they meet the above requirements, and the season where the special licence may be used does not close before the applicant is 12 years old.
- All persons under 16 years of age must have the written permission of their parent or legal guardian to purchase a recreational hunting licence.
- To hunt with a firearm, a youth hunter (12 to 17 years of age) must be accompanied by a parent, legal guardian or by a person 18 years of age or older who has written permission of the parent or legal guardian. See Federal Firearms Regulations below for more requirements.
- If a youth who has purchased a youth licence turns 18 years of age after purchasing such a licence and hunting seasons are still open that year, they may still hunt under the youth licence for the remainder of the open season.

Resident Youth Hunting Licences. Subject to the age limitations and conditions above, a resident 10 to 17 years of age may purchase a Resident Youth Wildlife Certificate, including a Game Bird Licence, for \$12.00. The holder of a valid Resident Youth Wildlife Certificate who is not yet 18 years old may also purchase a Youth White-tailed Deer Licence and a Youth Mule Deer Licence, each for \$12.00. **These licences are valid during the seasons that do not require one of the special licences obtained through a draw.** This person may also purchase an Antlerless Mule Deer Special Licence (available through a draw) for \$12.00. Partner Licences are also available to resident youths if designated by the holder of any special licence (see Partner Licence on page 10).

WHAT IF I'M A FIRST-TIME HUNTER?

First-time hunters in Alberta may apply for draws provided they comply with the licensing requirements outlined below. Hunters should also be aware of federal regulations pertaining to possession and use of firearms. All hunters must have a Wildlife Identification Number (WiN) and Wildlife Certificate as a prerequisite to applying for or purchasing any hunting licence.

NOTE: All new first-time hunters who have qualified for obtaining recreational hunting licences by successfully completing the Alberta Conservation and Hunter Education course, will be required to provide their hunter certificate number that is issued to each course graduate, in order to be eligible to purchase a hunting licence, either online or at a licence issuer. For more information visit: <http://www.ahea.com>.

Licensing Requirements for First-time Hunters

A first-time hunter is a hunter who:

- has not previously held a hunting licence in Alberta or elsewhere, or
- has not successfully completed a hunter education course in Alberta or elsewhere.

First-time hunters must pass the Alberta Conservation and Hunter Education course. **Non-resident and non-resident alien** hunters (12 years of age and older) are exempt from the first-time hunter eligibility requirement if they are accompanied by a Hunter Host or a Designated Guide while hunting in Alberta. **Youth first-time hunters** (12 to 17 years of age) are further restricted (see Age Requirements, above).

Federal Firearms Regulations

All hunters should be aware of federal laws surrounding the acquisition, possession, transportation and use of weapons and ammunition. For further information contact your local police service or the Canadian Firearms Centre at 1-800-731-4000 or visit the Centre's website at: <http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/cfp-pcaf/index-eng.htm>.

MOBILITY-IMPAIRED HUNTERS

Eligible individuals may apply to obtain a special permit or licence relating to off-highway vehicle use, bow and arrow equipment and using a weapon on a vehicle. Visit MyWildAlberta.ca for more information.

UNDERSUBSCRIBED SPECIAL LICENCES

AVAILABLE STARTING FRIDAY, AUGUST 1, 2025 9:00 A.M.

Two options available - Online or Licence Issuer

When too few people apply for special licences in some WMUs, the Undersubscribed Special Licences are made available for sale to eligible hunters. To determine which special licences are available, you can go online at albertarelm.com starting July 15, 2025.

Undersubscribed licences will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis either online or at a licence issuer starting August 1. Licences will be on sale until quota has been depleted.

To purchase your special undersubscribed licence online, you must have a pre-numbered Government of Alberta tag and wire before you begin your purchase. Order early to obtain tags.

- ✓ Order tags on the AlbertaReLM.com contact us page.
- ✓ Calling the AlbertaReLM.com Help Desk at 1-888-944-5494.

Note: Tags are not valid until linked to purchased licence.

Purchase Undersubscribed special licences in just 2 easy steps!

1. Plan ahead, licence availability can be viewed online prior to purchase date at albertarelm.com.
2. Purchase an undersubscribed special licence.

Online: albertarelm.com

- You will need your WiN, a credit card and a pre-numbered tag
- Click on “Purchase hunting licences”
- Select Species
- Select WMU/Season

Licence Issuer

- You will need your WiN
- The species
- WMU/Season

Holders of a Resident Elk (General) Licence may now purchase an undersubscribed Antlerless Elk Special Licence.

Normal licence restrictions apply regarding licence combinations and eligibility. For example, if you were drawn for an Antlerless Mule Deer Special Licence, you cannot obtain another Antlerless Mule Deer Special Licence through the undersubscribed process.

A hunter does not have to apply in the draw in order to be eligible to obtain an undersubscribed licence. Draw priorities are not affected by the acquisition of an undersubscribed licence.

If you have any questions contact the RELM Help Desk 1-888-944-5494

IMPORTANT!

Once an undersubscribed licence has been purchased, it will not be cancelled. It may affect your ability to purchase other licences for that species. Please see page 44 – Licences and Combinations before making your purchase.

REMEMBER!

You will need to have a tag on hand to make an online undersubscribed purchase. Please order tags early at AlbertaReLM.com or make your purchase at one of the more than 300 Licence Issuer locations near you.