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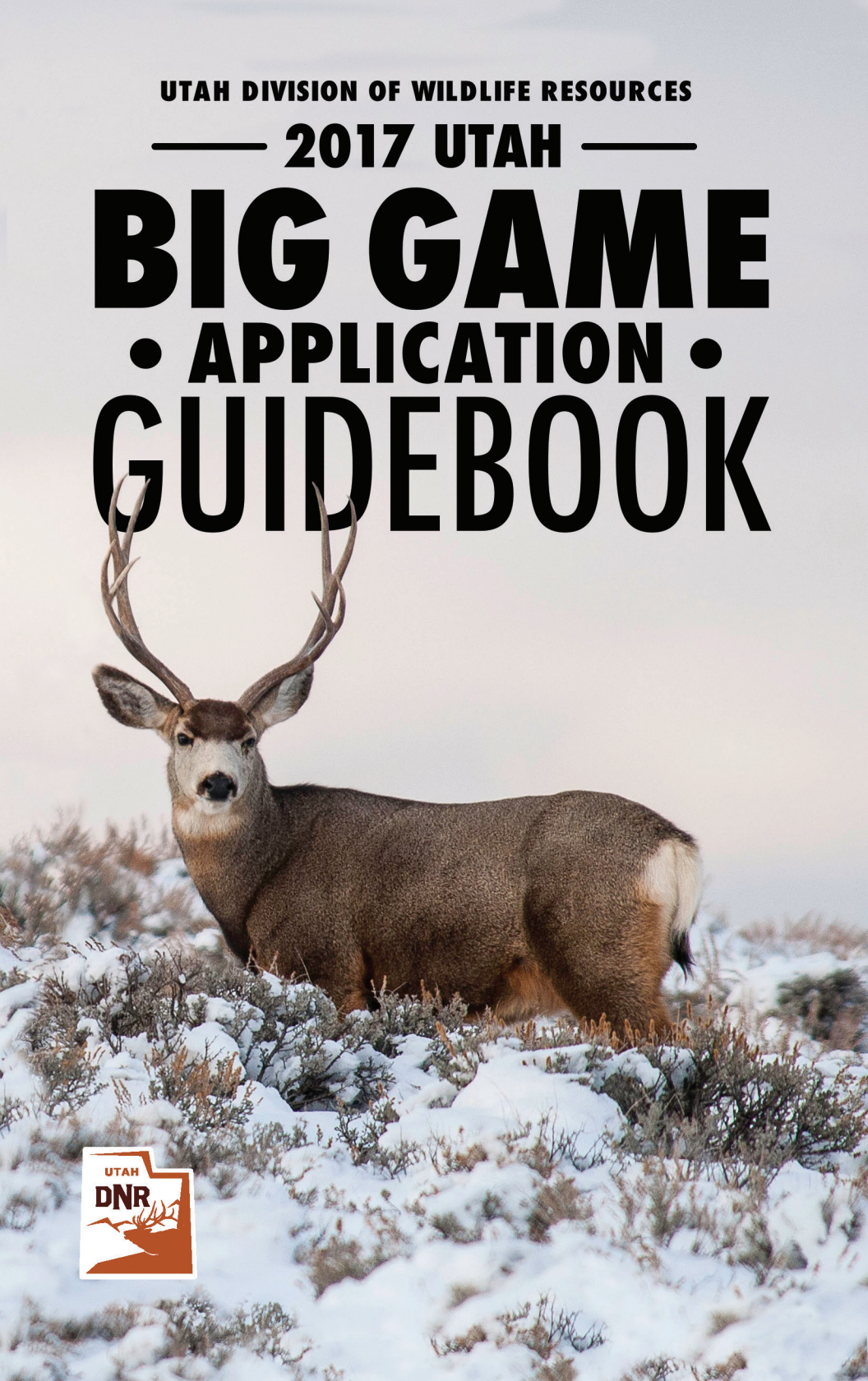
2017 UTAH BIG GAME • APPLICATION • GUIDEBOOK



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WHAT'S NEW?

Preference point changes: The Utah Wildlife Board has approved changes to the preference point system for general-season buck deer hunts. Starting this year, if you draw a general-season buck deer permit—even if it was your second through fifth choice—you will lose your preference points. For details, see the article on page 28.

Opening limited-entry hunts to younger applicants: In 2016, the Utah Legislature passed a law that allows younger hunters to apply for limited-entry and once-in-a-lifetime hunts. In order to apply for those hunts, the youth must turn 12 years old by Dec. 31, 2017. For detailed information about age requirements, see page 12.

Apply for hunts: You can apply for Utah's 2017 big game hunts from Jan. 26 to March 2, 2017. The results of the big game drawing will be available on or before May 31, 2017. For additional details, see page 21.

Updated hunt application page: When you go online to apply for a big game hunt, you may notice that the application page looks different. Recent changes to organization and design should make the page easier for hunters to use.

Boundaries no longer on permits: Starting this year, hunting unit boundary descriptions will no longer be printed on big game permits. Unit maps and boundary descriptions will be available at *wildlife.utah.gov/maps*.

New Utah Hunt Planner: The Utah Hunt Planner is a new online tool you can use to be better prepared for your next Utah hunt. The information in the hunt planner will be updated in June for the 2017 big game season, but you can use its historical data to research hunting units before you apply. To learn more, see page 15.

KNOW THE LAWS

This guidebook—along with the *2017 Utah Big Game Field Regulations* guidebook (available in June 2017)—summarizes the rules and laws that regulate big game hunting in Utah. Although these books are convenient quick-reference documents for Utah big game regulations, they are not all-encompassing resources.

For an in-depth look at the state's big game hunting laws and rules, visit *wildlife.utah.gov/rules*.

You can use the references in this guidebook—such as Utah Admin. Rule R657-5-24 and Utah Code § 23-20-25—to search the Division's website for the detailed statute or rule that underpins the guidebook summary.

If you have questions about a particular rule, call or visit the nearest Division office.

Who makes the rules?

The Utah Wildlife Board passes the rules and laws summarized in this guidebook.

There are seven board members, and each serves a six-year term. Appointed by the governor, board members are not Division employees.

The Division's director serves as the board's executive secretary but does not have a vote on wildlife policies.

Before board members make changes to wildlife rules, they listen to recommendations from Division biologists. They also receive input from the public and various interest groups via the regional advisory council (RAC) process.

If you have feedback or suggestions for board members, you can find their contact information online at *wildlife.utah.gov*.

Wildlife Board members

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Gregory Sheehan, *Division Director & Executive Secretary*

New hunts: Starting in 2017, there will be new hunts for bison, deer, elk, mountain goats and pronghorn. To see which hunts have been added, look for "new" next to a hunt in the tables that start on page 40.

New management buck deer hunts: Starting in 2017, there will be new archery and muzzleloader management buck deer hunts on the Henry Mtns unit. For details and season dates, see the hunt tables on page 46.

New limited-entry deer hunts on general-season units: The Utah Wildlife Board has approved three new limited-entry muzzleloader deer hunts on general-season units. For more information, see page 18.

New limited-entry elk hunts: In 2017, there will be new limited-entry bull elk hunts that overlap the general-season spike elk hunt on the Central Mtns, Manti and Wasatch Mtns hunting units. For details, see page 18.

New once-in-a-lifetime archery hunts: The Utah Wildlife Board has approved two new once-in-a-lifetime archery hunts for bison and mountain goat. For details, see the hunt tables on pages 57 and 59.

Discontinued hunts: A few hunts have been discontinued for 2017, including the bighorn sheep hunts on the Stansbury and Pilot Mtn units.

Unit boundary changes: Some hunt unit boundaries have changed this year, including the San Juan, South bighorn sheep boundary. To find maps and descriptions of the areas you want to hunt, visit *wildlife.utah.gov/maps*.

Season date changes: Season dates change every year, so please check them carefully before applying for hunts. You can find season dates in the hunt tables that begin on page 40.

Research antlerless hunts online: In the middle of May 2017, visit *wildlife.utah.gov/guidebooks* to find all of the information you'll need to research Utah's antlerless hunts. This information includes application dates, rules, hunt tables, boundaries and maps. The antlerless application period runs from May 25–June 15, 2017.

Permits for lifetime license holders: If you're a lifetime license holder, see the box on page 26 for more information about obtaining your general-season deer permit.

Important reminders

Field regulations available in June: The *2017 Utah Big Game Field Regulations Guidebook* will be available from license agents and Division offices in June 2017. It will include the rules for both big game and antlerless hunting.

Mentoring program for youth: Hunters can choose to share their big game permits with their children, stepchildren, grandchildren and legal wards—and with terminally ill youth—while mentoring them in the field. For details, see the information box on page 30 or visit *wildlife.utah.gov/mentoring*.

Download the app: To store your licenses on a phone or tablet, download the free Utah Hunting and Fishing app at *wildlife.utah.gov/mobileapp*.

Multi-season deer hunting for youth: In order to hunt all three general deer seasons (archery, muzzleloader and any legal weapon), a youth must obtain a general-season any legal weapon permit. For details, see the article on page 30.

Hunting license required: Before you can apply for a 2017 big game permit, bonus point or preference point, you must have a valid Utah hunting or combination license. Please see page 13 for more information.

Don't lose your hunting and fishing privileges

If you commit a wildlife violation, you could lose the privilege of hunting and fishing in Utah. The Utah Division of Wildlife Resources can suspend the license of anyone who knowingly, intentionally or recklessly violates wildlife laws. Your license can be suspended for a wildlife violation if:

- You are convicted.
- You plead guilty or no contest.
- You enter a plea in abeyance or diversion agreement.

Suspension proceedings are separate and independent from criminal prosecution. The Utah Division of Wildlife Resources may suspend your license privileges whether or not the court considers suspension in your criminal case. You will be notified of any action against your privilege after criminal proceedings conclude. And remember, if your license is suspended in Utah, you may not be permitted to hunt or fish in most other states. (Visit *wildlife.utah.gov/know-the-consequences.html* to see a map of participating states.)

Mandatory reporting: Many big game hunters must report hunt information within 30 calendar days after the end of the hunting season (even if they did not harvest an animal). To see if you are required to report—and to learn how to report—see page 20 or visit *wildlife.utah.gov/harvestreporting*.

Collecting shed antlers: If you want to collect shed antlers and horns from Feb. 1 to April 15, you must complete an online course. You will receive a course-completion certificate that you must carry on your person while collecting the antlers and horns. For more information, see page 9.

Guidebook correction: If errors are found in this guidebook after it is printed, the Division will correct them in the online copy. Visit *wildlife.utah.gov/guidebooks* to view digital versions of all the Division's guidebooks.

Protection from discrimination: The Division receives federal financial assistance from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the U.S. Department of the Interior and its bureaus prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability or sex. If you believe that you have been discriminated against in any program, activity or facility, or if you desire further information, please visit *www.doi.gov/pmb/eeo/public-civil-rights.cfm*.

Private lands: The Division cannot guarantee access to any private land. Under certain circumstances, you must obtain written permission from the landowner or the landowner's authorized representative before hunting or trapping on private lands. For more information, please see Utah Code §§ 23-20-14 and 23-20-3.5.

Division funding: The Division is mostly funded by the sale of hunting and fishing licenses and through federal aid made possible by an excise tax on the sale of firearms and other hunting- and fishing-related equipment.

2017 SEASON DATES

General-season dates

Hunt	Dates
General archery deer	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
General muzzleloader deer	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
General any legal weapon (rifle) deer	Oct. 21–29
General archery any bull elk	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
General archery spike elk	Aug. 19–Sept. 8
General any legal weapon (rifle) spike and any bull elk	Oct. 7–19
General muzzleloader elk	Nov. 1–Nov. 9
Youth general (rifle) any bull elk	Sept. 16–24

Depredation hunts

When big game animals cause damage to agricultural crops, the Division may hold hunts that are not listed in this guide. These hunts are called depredation hunts. They may occur on short notice, involve small areas and are often limited to only a few hunters.

To apply for the depredation hunter pool, visit *wildlife.utah.gov/depredation*.

Extended archery season dates

Utah Admin. Rule R657-5-23

You do not need to apply for an additional permit to hunt during the extended archery seasons. As long as you obtain an archery deer or elk permit in 2017—and you complete the required extended archery ethics course—you may also hunt any of Utah's extended archery areas during the seasons listed below.

Limited-entry deer and elk archery hunters who don't harvest during the limited-entry season will also be allowed to hunt extended archery areas.

The online archery ethics course is an annual requirement for all archers who want to hunt the extended areas and seasons. To take the course, visit *wildlife.utah.gov/extendedarchery* before the extended seasons begin. After you successfully complete the course, print your completion certificate and keep it with you while hunting.

To see maps and boundaries for all of the extended archery areas, visit *wildlife.utah.gov/maps*.

Hunt	Dates
Extended archery deer (either sex) in the Cache Laketown, Ogden, Uintah Basin, Wasatch Front and West Cache extended archery areas	Sept. 16–Nov. 30
Extended archery elk (either sex) in the Uintah Basin extended archery area	Sept. 16–Dec. 15
Extended archery elk (either sex) in the Wasatch Front extended archery area	Aug. 19–Dec. 15

Sportsman and statewide conservation permit season dates

Long season dates—and the ability to hunt almost every hunting unit in Utah—make sportsman permits the most prized permits offered to Utah's public hunters.

Only Utah residents can apply for sportsman permits. See the adjacent information box to learn more.

Hunt	Dates
Deer, elk and pronghorn on any open unit with archery equipment*‡	Aug. 19–31, 2017
Deer and elk on any open unit with any legal weapon*‡	Sept. 1, 2017–Jan. 15, 2018
Pronghorn and moose on any open unit with any legal weapon	Sept. 1–Nov. 15, 2017
Bighorn sheep, mountain goat and bison on any open unit with any legal weapon*‡#	Sept. 1–Dec. 31, 2017
Turkey on any open unit	April 1–May 31, 2017
Black bear on any open unit	During the season dates listed in the *2017 Utah Black Bear Guidebook* for that unit
Cougar on any open unit or any harvest-objective unit that has been closed after meeting its objective	During the season dates listed in the *2016–17 Utah Cougar Guidebook* for that unit

** You may not take an elk or Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep on the Pilot Mtn hunting unit.*

‡ Antelope Island is not an open unit. There are only a couple of permits that authorize hunting on the island. Those permits are listed in the hunt tables on page 45, page 57 and page 58.

2018 sportsman permits

Utah Admin. Rules R657-41 and R657-62-24

Next year, you could be the envy of every hunter you know. If you draw a 2018 Utah sportsman permit, you'll have one of the most exciting hunting permits the state offers. Hunters want these permits because:

- They typically have an extended hunting season.
- They allow you to hunt in just about any unit across the state. (See the three footnotes at the bottom of this page for additional information.)
- Only Utah residents can apply for them.

One sportsman permit is usually offered each year for each of the following species: buck deer, buck pronghorn, bull elk, bull moose, desert bighorn ram, Rocky Mountain bighorn ram, hunter's choice bison and hunter's choice mountain goat. Sportsman permits are also offered for black bear, cougar and wild turkey.

You can apply for a sportsman permit from Oct. 25 to Nov. 15, 2017. For more information about these permits, and the few restrictions that apply, please visit *wildlife.utah.gov* in late October 2017.

 # The Central Mtns, Nebo/Wasatch Mtns, West and Wasatch Mtns, Avintaquin bighorn sheep units are open to the sportsman permit holder on even-numbered years and open to the statewide conservation permit holder on odd-numbered years.

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CWMU season dates

The Wildlife Board has established the following timeframes for hunting bucks and bulls on Cooperative Wildlife Management Units (CWMUs). Hunters should expect to hunt at least five days within these timeframes, although the CWMU operator may allow you to hunt additional days.

Before you apply for a CWMU permit, please visit *wildlife.utah.gov/cwmu.* You'll find detailed information about season dates, CWMU rules, hunt success and how to contact the operator. If you draw a permit, you **must** contact the CWMU operator to confirm your season dates.

Keep your license on your phone or tablet

We've made it easier for you to keep track of your hunting or combination license and know when it's about to expire.

With our convenient mobile app, you can now download your license to a smartphone or tablet.

If a conservation officer asks to see your license, you can produce the digital copy, which is just as valid as a paper license.

If you use the app, you will be able to easily see when your license expires.

The app is available for both Apple and Android devices. You can download it at *wildlife.utah.gov/mobileapp*.

Please remember that licenses are different from permits. If your hunt requires a permit, you must carry it with you while hunting.

Keep in mind that whether you draw or purchase a permit, you may not obtain more than one of each of the following permits during the 2017 big game season:

- Buck deer permit
- Bull elk permit
- Pronghorn permit (either buck or doe)

For example, if you draw a general-season buck deer permit—and then decide you want to hunt on a CWMU instead—you must surrender your general-season permit before the opening day of the season listed on your permit and before redeeming the CWMU voucher for a permit.

Important: Nonresidents may not apply for CWMU permits in the drawing. They can, however, obtain a permit voucher directly from the CWMU landowner or operator.

For more information on the CWMU program, see *wildlife.utah.gov/cwmu*.

Hunt	Dates
Archery hunts for buck deer, buck pronghorn and bull elk	Aug. 19–Oct. 31, 2017
Any legal weapon (rifle) hunts for buck deer, buck pronghorn, bull elk and bull moose	Sept. 1–Oct. 31, 2017
Muzzleloader hunts for buck deer	Sept. 1–Oct. 31, 2017
Muzzleloader hunts for bull elk	Sept. 1–Nov. 10, 2017

Some deer and elk CWMUs have hunting seasons outside of these timeframes. For all CWMU hunt season dates, operator names and contact numbers, visit *wildlife.utah.gov/cwmu*.

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Gathering shed antlers or horns

Utah Admin. Rule R657-5-21

You may gather shed antlers or horns—or parts of shed antlers or horns—statewide, but there is one seasonal requirement.

From Feb. 1 to April 15, 2017, you must have an antler-gathering certificate on your person while collecting shed antlers or horns. You can obtain this free certificate by visiting *wildlife.utah.gov* and completing an online course. You do not need an antler-gathering certificate at any other time of the year.

Important: The antler-gathering certificate does not authorize you to trepass on closed areas or private lands to collect shed antlers or horns.

Season dates

Online course completion certificate required*	Feb. 1–April 15

** You must complete this course every year.*

What if I find antlers or horns attached to a skull?

If you find a skull with the antlers or horns still attached, it's possible the animal was poached.

Do NOT pick up or move the skull, or disturb footprints or other evidence.

Instead, please take the following steps:

- Take photos from a couple of angles
- Pinpoint the location of the skull (preferably its GPS coordinates)
- Report your find to a Division office
- Provide key details in your report

The Division will send a conservation officer to investigate if the animal was poached. If it's clear that the animal died of natural causes, we may allow you to keep your find.

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LICENSE, PERMIT AND PROGRAM FEES

License fees

Resident license fees

License	Fee
365-day hunting license (age 13 and under)	$11
365-day hunting license (ages 14–17)	$16
365-day hunting license (ages 18–64)	$34
365-day hunting license (age 65 and older)	$25
Multi-year hunting license (age 18 and older)	$33 per year, up to five years
365-day combination* license (ages 14–17)	$20
365-day combination* license (ages 18–64)	$38
365-day combination* license (age 65 and older)	$29
Multi-year combination* license (age 18 and older)	$37 per year, up to five years

** A combination license allows you to hunt or fish in Utah and also allows you to fish with a second pole.*

Nonresident license fees

License	Fee
365-day hunting license (age 17 and younger)	$25
365-day hunting license (age 18 and older)	$65
Multi-year hunting license (up to five years) for age 18 and older	$64 per year, up to five years

Nonresident license fees (continued)

License	Fee
365-day combination* license (age 17 and younger)	$29
365-day combination* license (age 18 and older)	$85
Multi-year combination* license (age 18 and older)	$84 per year, up to five years

** A combination license allows you to hunt or fish in Utah and also allows you to fish with a second pole.*

Permit fees

Please keep in mind that if you participate in the hunt drawing, you will also be charged a $10 nonrefundable application fee for each species or bonus point you apply for. You will not be charged a permit fee unless you draw a permit.

Deer permit fees

Permit	Resident	Nonres.
General deer	$40	$268
CWMU	$40	$268
CWMU management buck deer	$80	$468
Premium CWMU	$168	$568
Limited entry	$80	$468
Multi-season limited entry	$80	$468
Premium limited entry	$168	$568

Deer permit fees (continued)

Permit	Resident	Nonres.
Multi-season premium limited entry	$168	$568
Management buck deer	$80	$468

Elk permit fees

Permit	Resident	Nonres.
General any bull or spike bull	$50	$393
Youth any bull	$50	$393
CWMU	$285	$800
Limited entry	$285	$800
Multi-season limited entry	$513	$1,505

Pronghorn permit fees

Permit	Resident	Nonres.
CWMU	$55	$293
Limited entry	$55	$293

Moose permit fees

Permit	Resident	Nonres.
Bull moose	$413	$1,518
CWMU bull moose	$413	$1,518

Bison permit fees

Permit	Resident	Nonres.
Bison (not on Antelope Island)	$413	$1,518
Bison on Antelope Island	$1,110	$2,615

Bighorn sheep permit fees

Permit	Resident	Nonres.
Desert bighorn	$513	$1,518
Rocky Mountain bighorn	$513	$1,518

Mountain goat permit fees

Permit	Resident	Nonres.
Mountain goat	$413	$1,518

Dedicated Hunter Program fees

Adult	
Residents	$195
Nonresidents	$1,047
Lifetime license holders	$75

Youth (12 to 17 years old)	
Residents	$120
Nonresidents	$814

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BASIC REQUIREMENTS

Are you planning to hunt big game in Utah this year? Before you apply for a permit, make sure you meet Utah's age, hunter education, license and permit requirements.

Are you old enough?

Utah Code § 23-19-22

To hunt big game in Utah, you must be at least 12 years old.

Utah passed a new law in 2016 that sets a minimum application age for all big game permits.

Starting this year, if you are least 11 years old, you can apply for or obtain any big game permits for which you are eligible, including limited-entry and once-in-a-lifetime permits. Any 11-year-olds who apply must be 12 by Dec. 31, 2017.

Remember, you cannot hunt until you are 12 years old.

If you're 12 to 17 years old, you can participate in the Utah Hunter Mentoring Program. For details on the program, see the information box on page 30.

If you're 12 years old or older, you can also participate in the Trial Hunting Program. For details, see the box on page 31.

Adults must accompany young hunters

Utah Code § 23-20-20

While hunting big game, a person under 16 years old must be accompanied by his or her parent, legal guardian or other responsible person who is 21 years of age or older and who has been approved by the parent or guardian.

The Division encourages adults to be familiar with hunter education guidelines or to complete the hunter education course before accompanying youth into the field.

While in the field, the youth and the adult must remain close enough for the adult to see and provide verbal assistance to the young hunter. Using electronic devices, such as walkie-talkies or cell phones, does not meet this requirement.

Have you passed hunter education?

Utah Code § 23-19-11 & Utah Admin. Rule R657-23

If you were born after Dec. 31, 1965, you must provide proof that you've passed a hunter education course approved by the Division before you can apply for or obtain a hunting license or a big game permit.

The only exception to this law is for individuals who are participating in the Division's Trial Hunting Program. You can find details about the program on page 31 or by visiting *wildlife.utah.gov/trial*.

Proof of hunter education

You can prove that you've completed hunter education by obtaining a hunter education card (called a "blue card" in Utah) or by using a hunting license from a previous year with your hunter education number noted on the license.

How to take hunter education

To get started, you should visit *wildlife.utah.gov/huntereducation*. You'll see links to a complete list of traditional or online hunter education courses. Follow the instructions on the website to sign up for a course.

If you need assistance, please contact your local Division office or call 801-538-4727.

When you complete the course, your instructor will sign your course certificate, which will then become your hunting license. With a valid hunting license, you can also apply for or obtain permits in the Division's hunt drawings.

Approximately four to six weeks after you complete the course, you will receive your blue card by mail.

You should also keep the following in mind:

- Hunters under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult while hunting.
- Regardless of when a student graduates, all hunting regulations (such as season dates and bag limits) will apply.
- Hunters who are planning to hunt out of state should allow enough time for their hunter education card to arrive in the mail.

New to Utah?

If you become a Utah resident, and you've completed a hunter education course in another state, province or country, you must obtain a Utah blue card before you can buy a resident hunting license. You can obtain a Utah blue card at any Division office by providing proof that you've completed a hunter education course approved by the Division.

Do you have a license?

Utah Code §§§ 23-19-1, 23-19-22 and 23-20-3

You must have a current Utah hunting or combination (hunting and fishing) license before you can apply for any big game permits, bonus points or preference points. Licenses are available at *wildlife.utah.gov* and from license agents and Division offices.

Be sure to take a look at the date on your license before you apply for any permits or points. As long as your license is valid on the date you submit your application, you don't have to purchase a new license for the actual hunt.

For example, assume that your license expires on June 21, 2017. If you apply before that date, you do not have to purchase a new license for your hunt in the fall. All hunting and combination licenses are valid for 365 days from the date of purchase.

Do you have a permit?

Utah Admin. Rule R657-62-18

To participate in any of Utah's big game hunts, you need to obtain a hunting permit. See page 14 to learn about the types of permits available in 2017.

Utah issues most of its big game permits through the big game hunt drawing. To apply for this drawing, visit *wildlife.utah.gov* between Jan. 26 and March 2, 2017. For additional details and important dates, see *Apply for big game permits* on page 21.

Carry your permit

If you are successful in obtaining a big game permit, you must have it on your person while hunting. You cannot alter your license or permit, nor can you sell, transfer or loan either of them to another person.

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PREPARE TO APPLY

Utah Admin. Rule R657-62-18

To participate in Utah's big game hunts, you need to obtain hunting permits. The Division distributes most of those permits through the big game hunt drawing. You can apply for the drawing from Jan. 26–March 2, 2017. It will be easier to apply if you are thoroughly prepared before you begin the application process. This part of the guidebook will help you find the information and resources you need in order to apply.

Residency and hunt options

Utah Code 23-13-2(37) and 23-13-2(13)

Before you apply for any big game hunts, it's important to know whether you are a legal resident of the state of Utah. Although residents and nonresidents can apply for many of the same types of permits, there are some differences. See the definition of residency on page 71 to determine whether you are a resident or a nonresident.

Residents

If you're a Utah resident, you can apply to hunt one of the following:

- Buck deer—multi-season premium limited-entry, premium limited-entry, multi-season limited-entry, limited-entry, management buck deer and CWMU hunts
- Bull elk—multi-season limited-entry, limited-entry and CWMU hunts
- Buck pronghorn—limited-entry and CWMU hunts

In addition to applying for a limited-entry permit for one of those three species, you can also apply for one once-in-a-lifetime permit.

You may draw only one of the above permits each year.

Nonresidents

If you're a nonresident, you can apply to hunt all of the following:

- Buck deer—multi-season premium limited-entry, premium limited-entry, multi-season limited-entry, limited-entry and management buck deer hunts
- Bull elk—multi-season limited-entry and limited-entry hunts
- Buck pronghorn—limited-entry hunts
- All once-in-a-lifetime species for which you are eligible

You may draw only one of the above permits each year.

Note: If you obtain a nonresident big game permit (not an antlerless permit), it also serves as a nonresident fishing license.

Both residents and nonresidents

There are additional hunting opportunities available to both residents and nonresidents. Even if you apply for one or more of the hunts listed above, you can also apply for one of the following general-season deer permits:

- An archery buck deer permit
- An any legal weapon (rifle) buck deer permit
- A muzzleloader buck deer permit

As you apply for various permits, please remember that you may not obtain more than one buck deer or one bull elk permit each year. For example, if you obtain a limited-entry deer permit, you may not buy a general-season deer permit.

You also may not obtain more than one pronghorn, moose, mountain goat, bison or bighorn sheep permit in the same year.

Do your research

It's important to nail down the details before applying for a hunt. You don't want to accidentally apply for the wrong hunting unit or season. We've provided information in this guidebook and links to online tools that can help you research your options.

Review the hunt tables

All of the big game hunts you can apply for are listed in the tables that begin on page 40. You will need to use the hunt numbers associated with the hunts in order to apply for permits. Please keep in mind that hunt names and boundaries may change from year to year.

See maps and boundaries online

You'll find detailed maps and boundary descriptions for all big game hunts at *wildlife.utah.gov/maps*.

Research past hunts on the Utah Hunt Planner (new)

In July 2016, the Division launched a new online tool to help you plan a successful, enjoyable hunt. The Utah Hunt Planner is located at *wildlife.utah.gov/huntplanner.*

During the application period (Jan. 26–March 2, 2017), you can research past hunts on the Utah Hunt Planner. You can find all kinds of in-depth information on Utah's big game hunting units, including notes from the managing biologists and details about the units' big game populations, accessibility, habitat, safety and weather.

Then, starting in June, you can visit *wildlife.utah.gov/huntplanner* to see updated information for the 2017 season. If you obtain a big game permit in 2017, this is a tool that can help you have a great experience during your hunt.

Obtain permission to hunt private property

The Division cannot guarantee access to private land, and the agency does not have the names of landowners who own property where hunts occur.

Under certain circumstances, you must obtain written permission from the landowner or the landowner's authorized representative before hunting or trapping on private lands. Ideally, you should have permission **before** you apply for a permit.

If you obtain written permission in advance, you know you'll be able to use the permit if you draw it.

You can download a landowner permission card at *https://wildlife.utah.gov/law/pdf/landowner_permission_card.pdf.*

Understand the drawing order

Utah Admin. Rule R657-62-18

A better understanding of the drawing order may affect which permits you decide to apply for. Big game permits are drawn in the following order:

- First—Buck deer (multi-season premium limited-entry, premium limited-entry, multi-season limited-entry, limited-entry, CWMU and management buck deer)
- Second—Bull elk (multi-season limited-entry, limited-entry and CWMU)
- Third—Buck pronghorn (limited-entry and CWMU)
- Fourth—Once-in-a-lifetime permits
- Fifth—General buck deer (Lifetime License holders)
- Sixth—General buck deer (Dedicated Hunters)
- Seventh—General buck deer (youth)
- Eighth—General buck deer
- Last—Youth any bull elk

Because of the order in which permits are drawn, you will **not** be included in the drawing for a once-in-a-lifetime permit if you draw any of the following permits:

- Buck deer (multi-season premium limited-entry, premium limited-entry, multi-season limited-entry, limited-entry, CWMU or management buck deer)

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- Bull elk (multi-season limited-entry, limited-entry or CWMU)
- Buck pronghorn (limited-entry or CWMU)

For more information, please visit *wildlife.utah.gov/huntingpermits*.

Know how to apply as a group

Utah Admin. Rule R657-62-7 and R657-62-18

If you want to apply with your friends and family as a group, there are some important things to consider before selecting your hunt choices.

Both residents and nonresidents can apply together. However, if you're a Utah resident and you decide to apply with a nonresident, make sure nonresident permits are available for each hunt your group is applying for. If nonresident permits are not available for a hunt your group is applying for, the nonresident and everyone else in the group—including the Utah residents—will not be allowed to draw for that hunt unit.

Up to **four hunters** can apply together for multi-season premium limited-entry, premium limited-entry, multi-season limited-entry, limited-entry, general-season deer and resident CWMU deer, elk or pronghorn permits. Group applications are not accepted for management buck deer hunts.

If your group is successful in the drawing, all of the applicants in your group who have valid applications will receive a permit.

Important: If you're a youth and you want an opportunity to draw one of the permits reserved for youth, do **not** apply in a group with an adult. Young hunters can apply as part of a youth-only group. Up to **two youth hunters** can apply together for the youth any bull elk hunts, and up to **four youth hunters** can apply together for general-season deer hunts. Please see page 30 for more information about Utah's youth hunting opportunities.

Why bonus points matter

Utah Admin. Rule R657-62-8

Utah's bonus point system has been put in place to increase your chance of drawing a big game permit. Knowing more about the points system may be helpful during the application process.

Every time you apply for a multi-season premium limited-entry, premium limited-entry, multi-season limited-entry, limited-entry, management buck deer, CWMU or once-in-a-lifetime permit, but you don't draw one, you receive a bonus point for that species.

Applying for a general buck deer permit will not affect your ability to obtain a bonus point for limited-entry deer. If you draw a general buck deer permit, you'll still receive a bonus point if you are unsuccessful in drawing a multi-season premium limited-entry, premium limited-entry, multi-season limited-entry, limited-entry, or CWMU deer permit.

Applying for a bonus point

Even if you're not going to hunt in 2017, you can still receive a bonus point by applying for one. To apply for a bonus point, select the appropriate bonus point code on your application and pay the $10 application fee. The 2017 bonus point application period is Jan. 26–March 16, 2017.

Because you apply for bonus points by species, instead of by hunt, you may apply for a bonus point even if a particular hunt isn't being offered in 2017.

To apply for a bonus point, you must be eligible for the hunt the bonus point will be awarded for. For example, if you're eligible for a limited-entry buck deer permit, you're eligible to apply for a limited-entry buck deer bonus point.

Residents

If you're a resident, you may apply for one of the following:

- One limited-entry permit and one once-in-a-lifetime permit
- One limited-entry permit and one once-in-a-lifetime bonus point
- One limited-entry bonus point and one once-in-a-lifetime permit
- One limited-entry bonus point and one once-in-a-lifetime bonus point

You may NOT apply for the following:

- A permit and a bonus point for the same species
- More than one limited-entry bonus point
- More than one once-in-a-lifetime bonus point

Nonresidents

If you're a nonresident, you may apply for permits or bonus points for all limited-entry and once-in-a-lifetime species. However, you may not apply for a permit and a bonus point for the same species.

Please remember that you may draw only one limited-entry or once-in-a-lifetime permit each year.

How your bonus points work

For detailed information on how your bonus points work in the drawing, visit *wildlife.utah.gov/huntingpermits*.

Why preference points matter

Utah Admin. Rule R657-62-9

Utah's preference point system gives hunters who don't draw a general-season buck deer permit a better chance at drawing one the following year.

Each time you apply for a general-season buck deer permit and don't draw one, you'll receive a preference point. Please keep in mind that preference points are given for a species—deer, in this case—and not for a particular hunting unit.

The Utah Wildlife Board approved changes to the preference point system that will take effect in 2017. For details, see the article on page 28.

Applying for a preference point

Even if you won't be hunting general-season buck deer in 2017, you can still apply for a preference point by selecting code GDR on your application and paying a $10 application fee. The application period is Jan. 26–March 16, 2017.

If you draw a general-season deer permit, you will lose your preference points and not receive an additional preference point. This is a change from recent years, when you would still receive a preference point for drawing your second through fifth hunt choice. For more information, see the article on page 28.

How your preference points work in the drawing

For detailed information on how your preference points work in the drawing, visit *wildlife.utah.gov/huntingpermits*.

Hunts with special circumstances

Most of the permits you can draw through the big game hunt drawing are pretty self-explanatory. There are a couple of hunts, however, that require additional explanation.

Management buck deer hunt

Utah Admin. Rule R657-5-46

A "management buck" is a buck deer with three points or less on at least one antler, above and including the first fork, but not including the eye guard. The eye guard does not count as a point. A point is a projection that's

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longer than one inch, measured from its base to its tip, including damaged or broken antlers.

Starting in 2017, there will be new archery and muzzleloader management buck deer hunts on the Henry Mountains. For details, see the hunt tables on page 46.

Management buck deer permits are available through the Utah big game drawing. Thirty percent of the management buck deer permits are available to hunters who'll be 17 years of age or younger on July 31, 2017. Thirty percent are available to hunters who'll be 65 years of age or older on Aug. 19, 2017. The remaining 40 percent are available to hunters of all ages. Group applications are not accepted.

If you are successful in the drawing, you must complete an online orientation course before you will receive your permit.

Important: If you obtain a management buck deer permit, that is the **only** buck deer permit you may obtain for the 2017 season. You will lose your bonus points and incur a waiting period of two years.

Why a management buck deer hunt?

Removing excess bucks on the Paunsaugunt and Henry Mountains premium limited-entry units—while protecting the larger bucks in the herds—is the goal of the management buck deer hunt.

These two units have high buck-to-doe ratios. Harvesting smaller-antlered bucks will preserve trophy-class bucks and provide more room for does. Having more does in the herds will result in more fawns being born. Having more fawns will help ensure that these herds remain strong and healthy into the future.

How multi-season hunts work

Utah Admin Rules R657-5-26 and R657-5-32

Utah's multi-season hunts allow you to hunt deer or elk on select limited-entry or premium limited-entry units during all the seasons listed in the hunt tables of this guidebook. When hunting, you must use the appropriate weapon type for the season.

To learn which units offer multi-season hunts, see the hunt tables that begin on page 40.

Limited-entry deer hunts on general-season units

For 2017, the Utah Wildlife Board approved three new late-season, limited-entry muzzleloader deer hunts. These new hunts will be held on the following general-season hunting units, which have high buck-to-doe ratios:

- Mt Dutton
- Ogden
- Plateau, Fishlake

There are now 15 units that offer this type of hunting opportunity. These hunts are listed in the hunt tables starting on page 47.

These hunts will occur at the same time as the general muzzleloader elk hunt, running from Nov. 1–9, 2017.

Please keep in mind that if you are successful in obtaining a permit for one of these hunts, you will lose your bonus points and incur a waiting period of two years.

Limited-entry elk hunts during the spike bull hunt (new)

In 2017, there will be two new limited-entry bull elk hunts that overlap the general-season spike elk hunt. These hunts will be held on the following units:

- Central Mtns, Manti
- Wasatch Mtns

For a complete list of all the midseason limited-entry bull elk hunts that overlap the spike bull hunt, see the hunt tables starting on page 50.

The goal of these hunts is to move some permits out of the early rifle hunt, where demand for permits is highest, and place them in a hunt that might provide better drawing odds.

These hunts will occur at the same time as many antlerless elk hunts and the general-season spike bull elk hunt, which runs from Oct. 7–19, 2017 on some units.

Please keep in mind that if you are successful in obtaining a permit for one of these hunts, you will lose your bonus points and incur a waiting period of five years.

Are you eligible to apply?

Before you submit your application, make sure that you are eligible to participate in the big game drawing.

You may not apply if...

You may not apply for a hunting permit, a bonus point or a preference point if any of the following conditions apply:

- Your big game hunting privilege has been suspended.
- You're under a waiting period for the species you want to apply for.
- You've already obtained a permit for the once-in-a-lifetime species you want to apply for.
- You drew any type of limited-entry or once-in-a-lifetime permit in 2016, but you didn't submit a harvest report.
- You don't have a hunting or combination license.

Additionally, if you are a CWMU landowner association member or a spouse or dependent child, you cannot apply for your own CWMU permits in the big game drawing.

Waiting periods

Waiting periods keep successful applicants out of the drawing for a few years and give other hunters a better chance at drawing a permit.

Buck deer, buck pronghorn and bull elk permits

Utah Admin. Rule R657-62-18

The waiting period for buck deer and buck pronghorn is two years. The bull elk waiting period is five years. Waiting periods do not apply to general-season permits.

Note: A youth may draw only one youth any bull elk permit during his or her years as a youth.

Once-in-a-lifetime permits

Utah Admin. Rule R657-62-18

Bull moose, bison, Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, desert bighorn sheep and mountain goat permits are once-in-a-lifetime permits. If you obtain a once-in-a-lifetime permit for a particular species, such as a bull moose, you may not apply for that permit again in the drawing.

You can still apply for other once-in-a-lifetime species that you haven't drawn a permit for.

Also, if you've been convicted of unlawfully taking a once-in-a-lifetime species, you may

Obtain up to three elk permits

Utah Admin. Rule R657-5-33

In Utah, a hunter can obtain up to three elk permits each year:

- A maximum of one permit can be for a bull elk.
- A maximum of one antlerless elk permit can be obtained through the antlerless hunt drawing.
- A maximum of two antlerless elk permits can be obtained over the counter.

Even though you cannot obtain antlerless elk permits until the summer of 2017, knowing about this opportunity may affect which permits you apply for in the big game drawing.

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never apply for or obtain a permit for that species again.

Permits obtained after the drawing

Utah Admin. Rule R657-62-15

If you're under a waiting period for a certain species, you can still obtain any permit that remains for that species after the drawing, but your waiting period will start all over again.

For example, if you have two years left on your bull elk waiting period, and you buy a limited-entry bull elk permit that remains available after the drawing, you'll begin a new five-year waiting period that will prevent you from applying for a limited-entry bull elk permit for the next five years.

If you're not already under a waiting period—and you obtain a limited-entry or once-in-a-lifetime permit that remains available after the drawing—you will lose your bonus points for that species and incur a waiting period.

CWMU, conservation, expo and landowner permits

Utah Admin. Rule R657-62-18

If you obtain a CWMU, conservation, expo or landowner permit from a private individual or organization—for deer, elk or pronghorn—you won't be subject to a waiting period.

If you obtain a once-in-a-lifetime permit in the expo drawing or from a conservation organization, you may not apply for that species in any other public drawing.

The rules regarding CWMU and once-in-a-lifetime permits are as follows:

- If you have obtained a once-in-a-lifetime permit in the public drawing in the past, you may buy a once-in-a-lifetime permit from a landowner or a CWMU operator.
- If you have not obtained a once-in-a-lifetime permit in the public drawing—and you buy a once-in-a-lifetime permit from a landowner or a CWMU operator—you may not obtain a permit in the public drawing for that species in the future.

Keep in mind that whether you draw or purchase a permit, you may not obtain more than one of each of the following permits during the 2017 big game season:

- Buck deer permit
- Bull elk permit
- Pronghorn permit (either buck or doe)

For example, if you draw a general-season buck deer permit—and then decide you want to hunt on a CWMU instead—you must surrender your general-season permit before the opening day of the season listed on your permit and before redeeming the CWMU voucher for a permit.

Mandatory reporting

Reporting your hunt information is important—and required—even if you didn't harvest an animal. You must report your hunt information for any type of limited-entry or once-in-a-lifetime hunt within 30 days of the end of the hunt.

If you don't meet this requirement, you won't be allowed to apply the following year for once-in-a-lifetime, multi-season premium limited-entry, premium limited-entry, multi-season limited-entry, limited-entry, management buck deer or CWMU permits, or for bonus points.

If you didn't submit your 2016 harvest survey questionnaire by the deadline, you can restore your eligibility to apply for a 2017 permit by paying a $50 late fee. For more information, call 1-800-221-0659.

APPLY FOR BIG GAME PERMITS

Utah Admin. Rule R657-62-18

To participate in any of Utah's big game hunts, you need a hunting permit. Your first, and possibly only, chance to obtain one of these permits is through the state's big game drawing. You will avoid unnecessary stress if you plan ahead and apply for the drawing before the last day of the application period.

Important dates

If you are planning to apply for a 2017 big game permit, please be aware of the following dates and deadlines.

January 26: Apply online

Starting Jan. 26, 2017, you can visit *wildlife.utah.gov* to apply for the following items:

- Big game hunting permits
- Bonus points
- Preference points

You can also apply by calling any Division office.

To apply for a resident permit, you must be a resident on the date the permit is purchased. May 31, 2017 is considered the purchase date of the permit and the date by which you must establish residency in the state of Utah. Please see the resident definition on page 71 to learn whether you qualify as a resident.

American Express, Discover, MasterCard and VISA credit or debit cards may be used as payment, and they must be valid through June 2017. You can also use a pre-paid credit card.

Please keep in mind that the Division is not responsible for any bank charges incurred for the use of credit or debit cards. To change the credit or debit card associated with your application, call 1-800-221-0659.

When you submit your application, you'll be charged a $10 application fee for each species or point you applied for. If you haven't bought your license yet, you'll also be charged a license fee. You will not be charged a permit fee unless you draw a permit.

March 2: Deadline for permit applications

You must apply online or by phone no later than March 2, 2017. There's an 11 p.m. MST deadline for online applications and a 5 p.m. MST deadline for phone applications. To apply, simply visit *wildlife.utah.gov* or call any Division office.

Correcting and resubmitting your application

Did you make a mistake in your online permit application? Simply withdraw your original online application and submit a new,

Antlerless big game hunting

Antlerless hunting is the primary tool biologists use to control the size of big game herds.

This year, you can apply online for one or more antlerless big game permits from May 25–June 15, 2017. Plan on visiting *wildlife.utah.gov* in late May 2017 to see which permits are available.

Antlerless drawing results will be available on or before July 6. If any antlerless permits remain available after the drawing, you can purchase them beginning at 8 a.m. MDT on July 18.

The *2017 Utah Big Game Field Regulations Guidebook* will be available in June. That guidebook will contain information you can use in the field during your big game and antlerless hunts.

correct application before 11 p.m. MST on March 2, 2017.

You must have your confirmation number, your customer ID and your date of birth in order to withdraw your application. For each new application you submit, you will be charged a $10 nonrefundable application fee.

If you need help with your online application, please call any Division office before 5 p.m. MST on March 2. A Division employee will be available to assist you.

March 16: Deadline for bonus/preference points

If you plan to apply for bonus or preference points only, the deadline is March 16, 2017 at 11 p.m. MDT.

To apply for a bonus point, select the appropriate bonus point code on your application.

To apply for a preference point, select code GDR on your application.

There is a $10 application fee for each bonus/preference point you apply for.

For more information about bonus points, see page 16, and for more information about preference points, see page 28.

Visit *wildlife.utah.gov* to submit your application, and please remember that you must have a valid Utah hunting or combination license in order to apply for a point.

March 16: Deadline for withdrawing your application

If you decide not to hunt, you can withdraw your online permit application at no additional cost until 11 p.m. MDT on March 16, 2017.

Please remember that the $10 application fee is not refundable.

May 31: Drawing results available

You'll be emailed your drawing results on or before May 31, 2017. You can also learn your drawing results by visiting *wildlife.utah.gov* or by calling 1-800-221-0659. For more information about obtaining your results, see page 24.

To protect applicants' privacy—and to comply with changes in governmental records access laws—you'll receive access to only your own drawing results.

If you draw a permit, you'll receive your permit in the mail in July.

If your permit requires you to complete an online orientation course, you must first complete the course in order to receive your permit.

Please be aware that if you receive your permit, and then the credit card you used for payment is refused, your permit is not valid.

July 11: Remaining limited-entry permits available

Any limited-entry permits remaining after the big game drawing will be available beginning July 11, 2017 at 8 a.m. MDT. You can buy permits at *wildlife.utah.gov* and at license agent locations and Division offices.

Remaining permits are available on a first-come, first-served basis. You must have a valid hunting license or a combination license to buy one of these permits.

A license agent list is available at *wildlife.utah.gov/licenseagents.* Before you visit any of the agents, contact them to verify their hours of operation.

How many permits will be available in 2017?

The Utah Wildlife Board will set permit numbers for both the big game and antlerless hunts when it meets in late April 2017.

This meeting occurs after the big game application period and before the antlerless application period.

Division biologists will collect and analyze the most recent harvest and population data before making their recommendations to the Wildlife Board.

July 11: General-season bull elk permits available

General-season bull elk permits may be obtained beginning at 8 a.m. MDT on July 11, 2017 at *wildlife.utah.gov* and from license agents and Division offices. General-season bull elk permits (muzzleloader and any legal weapon) are available on a first-come, first-served basis. General-season bull elk archery permits are unlimited. You must have a valid hunting license or a combination license to buy a general-season bull elk permit.

You can see a list of license agents at *wildlife.utah.gov/licenseagents.* Before you visit any of the agents, contact them to verify their hours of operation.

July 13: Remaining general-season buck deer permits available (any legal weapon, archery and muzzleloader)

Any general-season buck deer permits remaining after the drawing may be obtained beginning at 8 a.m. MDT on July 13, 2017 at *wildlife.utah.gov* and from license agents and Division offices. Remaining permits are available on a first-come, first-served basis. You must have a valid hunting license or a combination license to buy one of these permits.

A license agent list is available at *wildlife.utah.gov/licenseagents.* Before you visit any of the agents, contact them to verify their hours of operation.

July 13: Additional youth archery deer permits available

Youth archery deer permits may be obtained beginning at 8 a.m. MDT on July 13, 2017 at *wildlife.utah.gov* and from license agents and Division offices. These permits are part of an additional opportunity available to youth hunters. For details, see page 30.

You must have a valid hunting license or a combination license to buy one of these permits.

A license agent list is available at *wildlife.utah.gov/licenseagents.* Before you visit any of the agents, contact them to verify their hours of operation.

AFTER YOU APPLY

Utah Admin. Rule R657-62-18

After the application period ends, the hunt drawing occurs. We appreciate your patience throughout the drawing process and in awaiting your results.

Updating your personal information

A lot of things can change while you're waiting to find out if you drew a permit. If you need to update your name (because of marriage or divorce), your address or the credit card number associated with your application, please call 1-800-221-0659.

Obtaining your drawing results

You will receive an email that contains your drawing results on or before May 31, 2017. You can also learn your drawing results by visiting *wildlife.utah.gov* or by calling 1-800-221-0659.

To protect applicants' privacy—and to comply with governmental records access laws—you'll receive access to only your own drawing results.

Obtaining permits

If you draw a permit, you'll receive your permit in the mail in July.

If your permit requires you to complete an online orientation course, you must first complete the course in order to receive your permit.

Please be aware that if you receive your permit, and then the credit card you used for payment is refused, your permit is not valid.

Surrendering permits

Utah Code § 23-19-38 and Utah Admin. Rule R657-42-4

What happens if you obtain a permit and then realize you won't be able to use it?

As long as your season hasn't started, you should consider surrendering the permit. It's an easy process, and it's important if you want to keep your bonus points or preference points and avoid a waiting period.

Depending on the type of permit you have, there are different rules for surrendering it. For more information on surrendering a permit, please see *wildlife.utah.gov/refund*.

Individuals

How permit surrender affects bonus points

If you draw a multi-season premium limited-entry, premium limited-entry, multi-season limited-entry, limited-entry or once-in-a-lifetime permit—and then you decide to surrender it—we strongly encourage you to return it to the Division before the season opens.

If you surrender it before the start of the season, you'll get all of your bonus points back, and you'll receive a bonus point for that year.

You'll also be eligible to purchase a reallocated permit or any other available permit you're eligible to obtain.

How permit surrender affects preference points

If you obtain a general-season buck deer permit, and then you find that you won't be able to use it, you can get your preference points back if you surrender the permit before the season begins. You'll also receive a preference point for that year and be eligible to purchase reallocated permits or permits that are still available after the drawing.

How permit surrender affects waiting periods

If you surrender your permit before the season begins, the waiting period will be waived. General-season permits are not subject to waiting periods.

Groups

How permit surrender affects bonus points

If you obtain a permit through a group application—and then you decide to surrender it—you will not have your bonus points reinstated or earn a new point unless your entire group meets the following conditions:

- All group members must surrender their permits
- Permit surrenders must occur more than 30 days before the start of the season

Members of the group may not surrender their permits individually unless the surrender occurs because of:

- Activation in the military
- An injury that will prevent the individual from hunting
- Death

For more information on surrendering a permit, please see *wildlife.utah.gov/refund*.

How permit surrender affects preference points

If you obtain a permit through a group application—and then you decide to surrender it—you will not have your preference points reinstated or earn a new point unless all group members surrender their permits before the season begins.

Members of the group may not surrender their permits individually unless the surrender occurs because of:

- Activation in the military
- An injury that will prevent the individual from hunting
- Death

How permit surrender affects waiting periods

If members of a group surrender their permits before the season begins, the waiting period will be waived. General-season permits are not subject to waiting periods.

Dedicated Hunters

If you're enrolled in the Dedicated Hunter program, and you decide to surrender your permit, you must return it to the Division before Aug. 19, 2017 (the day the general-season archery deer hunt opens).

Private landowner and CWMU permit holders

If you obtain a limited-entry landowner permit or a CWMU permit, you can surrender it.

Limited-entry private landowner permits must be surrendered before the season the permit was issued for opens.

To surrender a CWMU permit, there are two options. If possible, you should surrender your CWMU permit before the CWMU season opening dates listed on page 8.

To surrender your permit after the CWMU season has started, but before you hunt, you and the CWMU operator must both sign an affidavit stating that you did not hunt with the permit. Both of the signatures must be notarized.

After the signatures are notarized, submit the affidavit and the unused permit to the Division.

Permit refunds and exchanges

Utah Code § 23-19-38 & Utah Admin. Rule R657-42

The Division rarely issues refunds for permits, licenses or certificates of registration, but there are some exceptions. To see if you're eligible for a refund, visit *wildlife.utah.gov/refund*.

Permit exchanges

You may exchange your general-season deer or elk permit for one that's available in another unit, but it must be for the same species and sex. For example, you cannot exchange a buck deer permit for a bull elk permit. The exchange must occur before the season opening date on the permit you originally obtained.

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You must also pay a $10 handling fee to exchange a permit.

Duplicate licenses

Utah Code § 23-19-10 & Utah Admin. Rule R657-5-5

If your unexpired license or permit is destroyed, lost or stolen, you can obtain a duplicate from a Division office or a license agent for $10 or half of the price of the original license or permit, whichever is less.

To obtain a duplicate limited-entry or once-in-a-lifetime permit, you must visit a Division office.

If you drew a license or permit, but you never received it, the Division may waive the fee that you would normally have to pay to get a duplicate.

Keep in mind that you can also use the Utah Hunting and Fishing app to legally carry hunting or combination licenses on a phone or tablet for all the members of your family. To download the app, visit *wildlife.utah.gov/mobileapp*.

Lifetime license holders: Obtaining your permit in 2017

Utah Admin. Rule R657-17

Lifetime licenses were last sold in Utah in 1994. If you are one of the lucky hunters who has a lifetime license, the Division wants you to obtain your deer permit as quickly and smoothly as possible:

- To select the unit you want to hunt, you'll need to complete the online lifetime license questionnaire. The questionnaire is located in the 2017 big game application. Visit *wildlife.utah.gov* between Jan. 26 and March 2, 2017 to access the application, complete the questionnaire and select a unit.
- If you do not complete the lifetime license questionnaire by March 2, 2017, you will automatically receive a permit for the unit you selected in 2016.
- If you did not select a general-season unit in the past three years, and you do not complete your lifetime license questionnaire in 2017, you may obtain a remaining permit at a Division office, starting July 13.
- If your address changes, please notify the Division immediately.
- If you are already enrolled in the Dedicated Hunter program, you are not required to complete your lifetime license questionnaire.
- If you are planning to apply for the Dedicated Hunter program in 2017, you must complete your lifetime license questionnaire.

For more information about lifetime licenses, visit *wildlife.utah.gov/lifetime*.

DEDICATED HUNTER PROGRAM

Utah Admin. Rule R657-38

Enjoy more hunting opportunities and help Utah wildlife.

Want to spend more time hunting deer in Utah? You should consider applying for the Dedicated Hunter Program.

The Division holds an annual drawing to fill open spots in the three-year program.

If your name is drawn—and you meet the program requirements—you can expect great hunting opportunities and a chance to help Utah wildlife.

Benefits and requirements

As a Dedicated Hunter, you have the opportunity to obtain a deer permit every year for three years. Even better, you can hunt all three seasons—archery, muzzleloader and any legal weapon (rifle)—with your Dedicated Hunter permit. In exchange for this opportunity, you agree to complete the following requirements:

- Participate in all three years of the program
- Pass an online wildlife conservation and ethics course
- Complete a minimum of 32 service hours on Division-approved wildlife conservation projects during the three-year period
- Harvest only two deer during your three-year enrollment period

To learn more about the program, please visit *wildlife.utah.gov/dh*.

Joining the program

Online applications for the Dedicated Hunter Program will be accepted from Jan. 26–March 2, 2017 (as part of the 2017 big game application process). You may apply as an individual or in groups of up to four hunters.

Results of the drawing will be available no later than May 31, 2017.

To apply for the program, please visit *wildlife.utah.gov/dh* and click "How to apply" in the menu at the right of the page. The links will walk you through the program's online orientation course and lead you to the online application.

The orientation is easy, but you must complete it before you will be able to apply for the program. Do not wait until the last minute, or you might not have time to complete the course and submit your application before the deadline.

There is a $10 application fee to apply for the program. If your application is drawn, you will be charged the appropriate program fee. (Dedicated Hunter program fees are listed with license and permit fees on page 10.)

Dedicated Hunter preference points

If you apply for the Dedicated Hunter Program in 2017, and you aren't selected to participate, you'll receive a Dedicated Hunter preference point. These preference points give applicants a better chance at getting into the program in future years.

If you don't want to join the program this year—but you'd like a better chance at participating in the future—you can choose to apply for a Dedicated Hunter preference point.

PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEM CHANGES

Feedback from hunters drives new approach to preference points.

If you've applied for a general-season buck deer permit in Utah, you've probably heard of the preference point system.

It's a system that awards you a point every time you don't draw a general-season deer permit. The more points you have, the better your chance of drawing a permit in the future.

The biggest benefit of the preference point system is that it allows you to be successful in drawing a deer permit at least every few years.

The Division expects that benefit to continue, even though Utah's preference point system is changing for the first time since 2009.

Listening to public feedback

In the 2017 big game drawing, Utah's preference point system will work a bit differently than it has in the past.

The changes are the direct result of hunters' feedback about the system. Hunters had two main requests:

- They wanted all hunters' first choices to be considered before anyone's second, third, fourth and fifth choices.
- They wanted all hunters who were successful in drawing a permit to lose their preference points, no matter which hunt choice they were successful in drawing.

The Division and the Utah Wildlife Board listened to that feedback, and board members approved both changes in December 2016.

Considering hunters' first choices

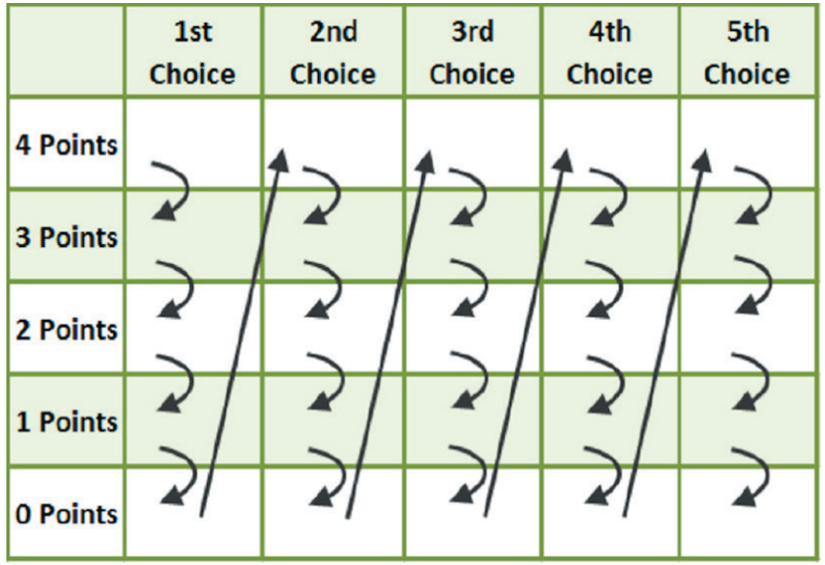
This change affects how Utah's big game drawing assesses applicants with preference points.

By looking at the chart below, you can see that the Division will evaluate the first choices of maximum preference point holders before those of any other applicants.

But now, instead of immediately looking at the second through fifth choices of the maximum point holders, the Division will look at the first hunt choices of applicants with the next-highest point levels.

After everyone's first choices have been considered, the Division will evaluate all applicants' second choices. The drawing sequence will continue in this order, all the way through the fifth choice.

This change should address concerns from hunters who wanted their first choice to be considered before someone else's fifth choice.



This chart illustrates how applicants' choices for general-season deer permits will now be assessed in the big game drawing.

Losing points if you draw a permit

Starting in 2017, you will lose **all** of your preference points if you draw a general-season deer permit, regardless of whether it was your first, second, third, fourth or fifth hunt choice.

This is a change from recent years, when hunters kept their points if they drew their second through fifth hunt choices.

With this change, hunters can no longer stockpile preference points while still drawing a permit.

Applying for multiple hunt choices

Despite these changes to the preference point system, the Division still encourages hunters to make the most of their general-season deer application and enter multiple hunt choices, if appropriate.

If fewer people apply for multiple hunt choices, fewer permits will be allocated through the big game drawing. That could result in an increase in the number of remaining permits available in July.

You have a better chance of obtaining a permit through the big game drawing than if you have to compete with other hunters for a leftover permit later in the year.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG HUNTERS

In 2017, there are many options for youth who want to hunt big game.

Hunting deer for multiple seasons

Twenty percent of Utah's general-season buck deer permits are allocated to youth in the big game drawing. For the purposes of big game hunting, you are a youth if you will be 17 years of age or younger on July 31.

If you are a youth who enjoys hunting big game species, you may have some extra hunting possibilities this fall. It all depends on what type of general-season deer permit you obtain.

Any legal weapon permits

If you obtain a general-season any legal weapon deer permit, you may use archery tackle to archery hunt the unit listed on your permit from Aug. 19–Sept. 15, 2017.

If you haven't harvested a deer by the time the archery season ends, you may hunt the same unit during the general muzzleloader and general any legal weapon deer seasons, using the appropriate equipment.

You also have the option of using archery tackle to hunt in the extended archery areas as soon as they are open to hunting. Just be sure to complete the archery ethics course available at *wildlife.utah.gov/extendedarchery*.

Muzzleloader permits

If you obtain a general-season muzzleloader deer permit, you may hunt *only* during the general muzzleloader season, which runs from Sept. 27–Oct. 5, 2017. You must use muzzleloader equipment and hunt the unit listed on your permit. You may not hunt during the general archery or any legal weapon seasons.

Utah Hunter Mentoring Program

Utah Admin. Rule R657-67

The Utah Hunter Mentoring program allows eligible adults to share their big game hunting permits with eligible minors. Acting as a mentor, the adult is required to accompany the youth into the field.

Here's a quick look at how the program works:

- All big game permits are eligible for sharing.
- To qualify for the program, a minor must be a Utah resident between the ages of 12 and 17; possess a Utah Hunter Education number or trial hunting authorization; and be either the child, stepchild, grandchild or legal ward of the mentor — or be suffering from a life-threatening medical condition.
- The mentor may be either a resident or a nonresident, but must be at least 21 years of age and able to legally possess a firearm.
- The mentor may not receive any form of compensation for participating in the program.
- Both the mentor and the participating minor can carry a firearm in the field. However, only one animal may be taken per permit.
- If a youth successfully obtains a permit, he or she may not participate in the mentoring program for the same species. For example, if 14-year-old Bailey draws a general-season buck deer permit, she cannot share her grandpa's limited-entry buck permit through the mentoring program.

For detailed program information, visit *wildlife.utah.gov/mentoring*.

Archery permits

If you obtain a general-season archery deer permit, you may hunt *only* during the general archery deer season and the extended archery deer season.

During the general season, you may hunt in the unit printed on your permit.

During the extended season, you may hunt in the extended archery areas after completing the archery ethics course available at *wildlife.utah.gov/extendedarchery*.

You may not hunt during the general muzzleloader or general any legal weapon seasons.

If you don't draw an archery permit in the big game drawing, you may be able to purchase one.

Additional youth archery permits will be available at 8 a.m. on July 13 at *wildlife.utah.gov* and from license agents and Division offices. The Utah Wildlife Board has approved additional permits specifically for young archers.

Youth-only groups

If you will be 17 years of age or younger on July 31, 2017, you can participate in the youth drawing for general-season deer permits. You can submit an application as an individual hunter or as a member of a youth-only group.

Youth deer permits

Up to four young hunters can apply to hunt together in a youth-only group. This allows youth to hunt buck deer in the same unit with siblings, friends and cousins.

When you apply in a youth-only group for the general-season deer hunt, all hunters must meet the age requirement or the application will not be processed with the other youth applications.

If you're successful in drawing permits, please remember that all hunters under the age of 16 must be accompanied in the field by a parent, legal guardian or responsible person 21 years of age or older. For details on this requirement, see page 12.

For more information on applying as a youth-only group, please visit *wildlife.utah.gov/huntingpermits*.

Youth elk permits

Up to two youths may apply together for youth any bull elk permits, but both individuals must be 17 years of age or younger on July 31, 2017. For information about season dates, see page 6.

Utah's Trial Hunting Program

Utah Admin. Rule R657-68

Have you ever wanted to bring your spouse, child or friend along on a hunt and give them a chance to try hunting? Now, they can join you on your next big game hunt.

Utah's Trial Hunting Program allows anyone over the age of 12 to try hunting for a few years—while accompanied by a licensed hunter over the age of 21—before taking a Hunter Education course.

The program applies to hunts for many different species, including general-season deer and elk. To sign up for the program or to learn more about it, visit *wildlife.utah.gov/trial*.

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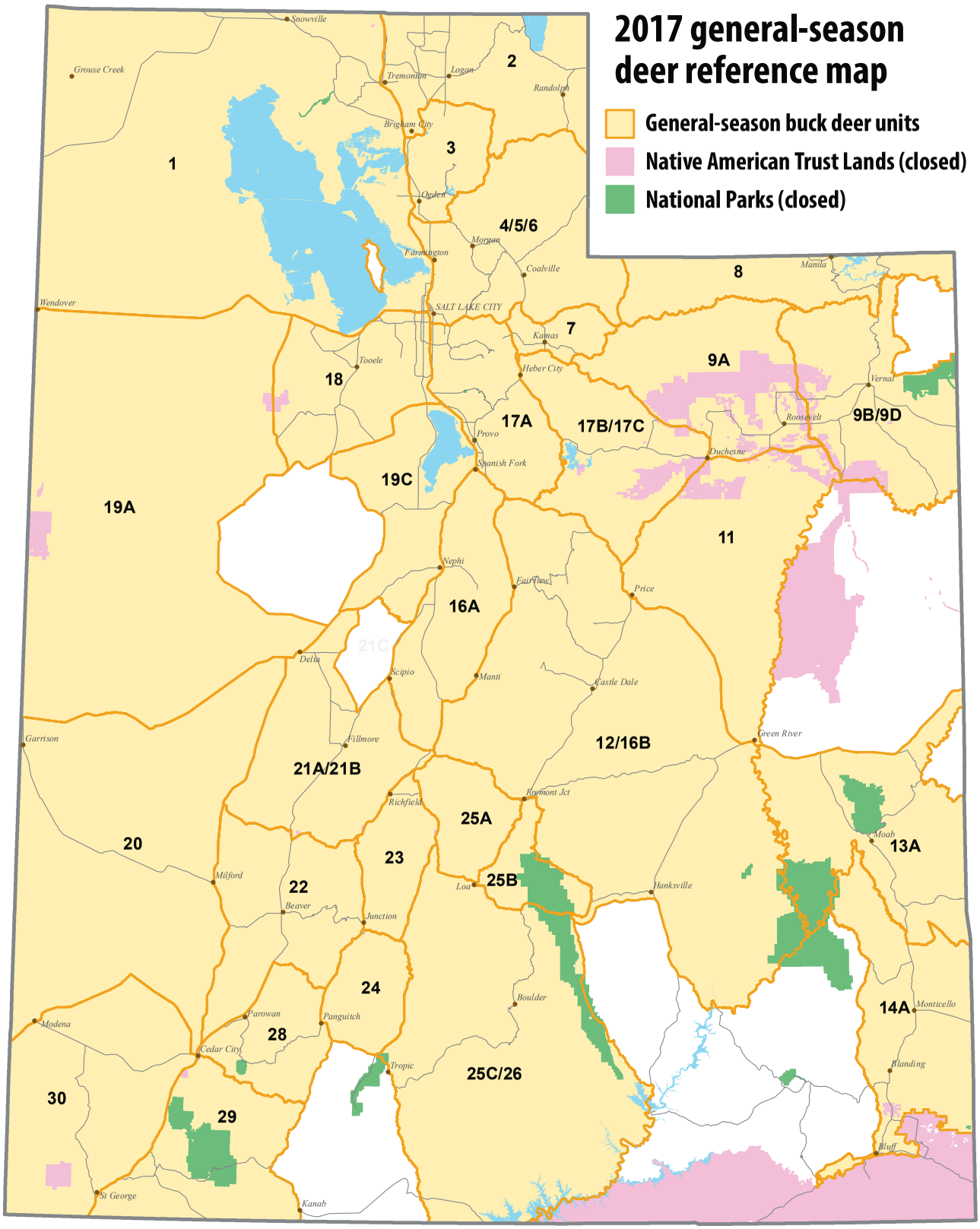
2017 general-season deer reference map

General-season buck deer units
Native American Trust Lands (closed)
National Parks (closed)



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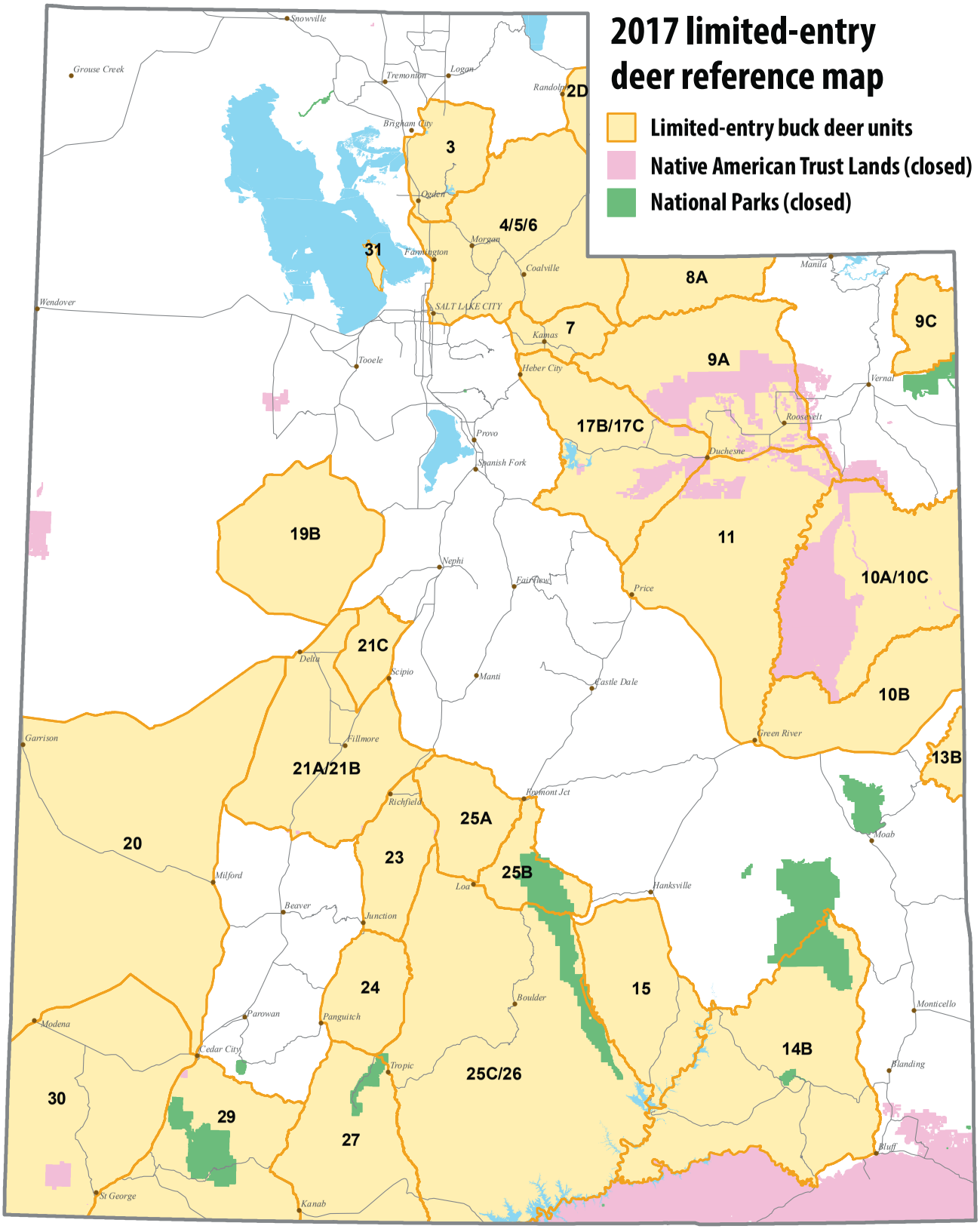

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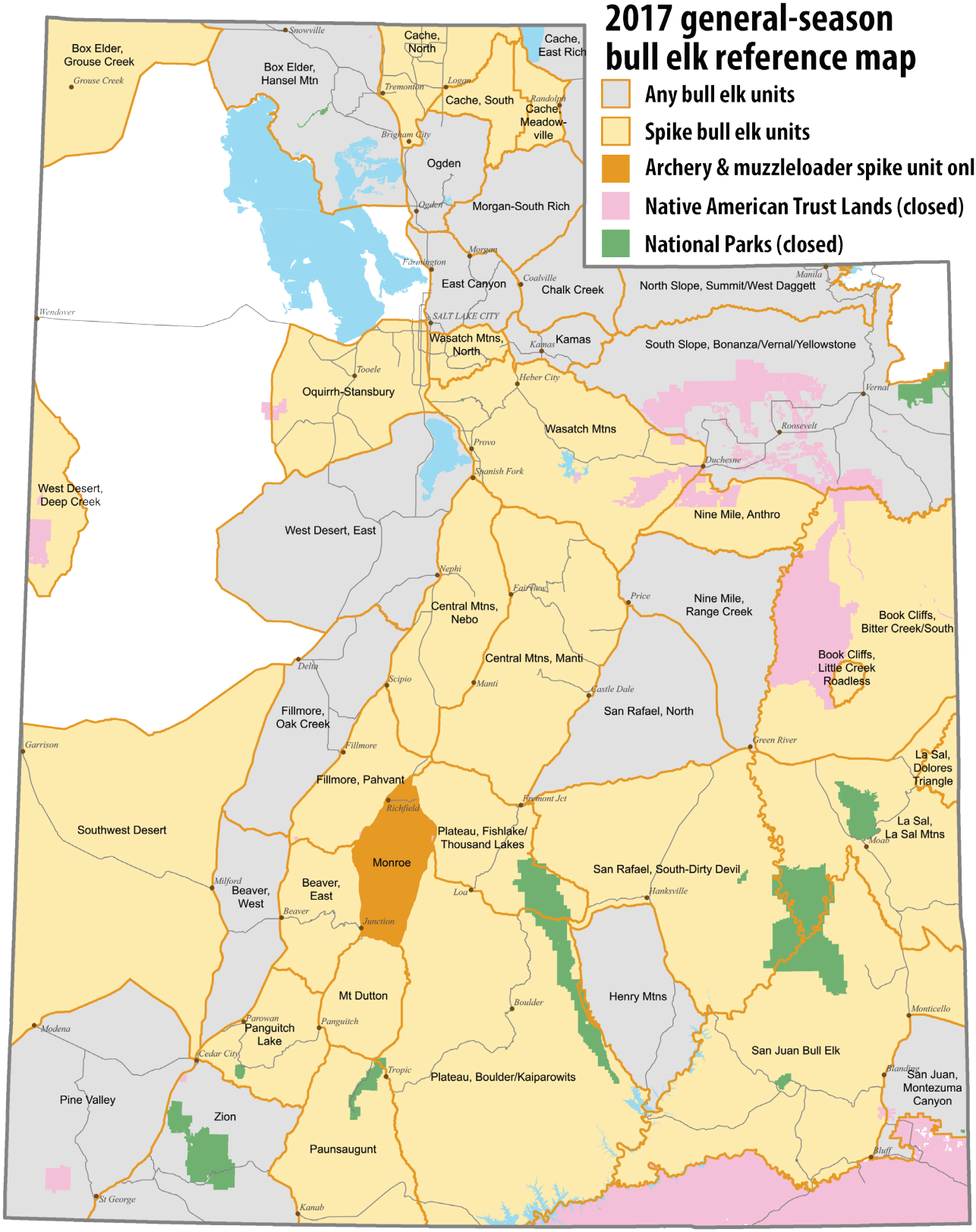
2017 general-season bull elk reference map

- Any bull elk units
- Spike bull elk units
- Archery & muzzleloader spike unit only
- Native American Trust Lands (closed)
- National Parks (closed)



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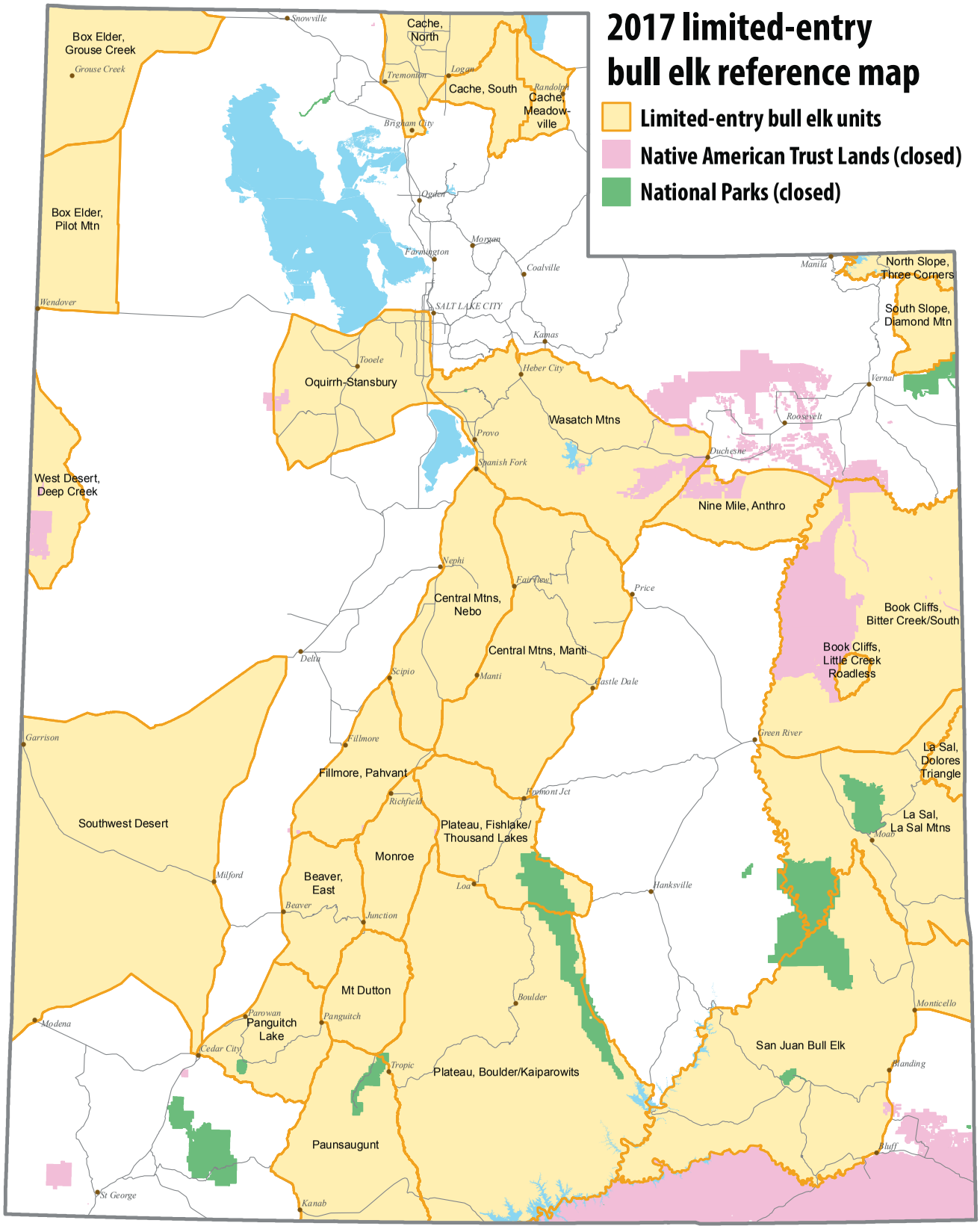

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General-season buck deer

Permit fee: Resident $40, Nonresident $268

Use the hunt number to apply. Deer preference point code: GDR

Archery hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Unit #	Season dates
Beaver	DB1500	22	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Box Elder	DB1501	1	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Cache	DB1502	2	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Central Mtns, Manti/San Rafael	DB1503	12/16B	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Central Mtns, Nebo	DB1504	16A	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Chalk Creek/East Canyon/Morgan-South Rich	DB1505	4/5/6	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Fillmore	DB1506	21A/21B	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Kamas	DB1508	7	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
La Sal, La Sal Mtns	DB1509	13A	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Monroe	DB1510	23	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Mt Dutton	DB1511	24	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Nine Mile	DB1512	11	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
North Slope	DB1513	8	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Ogden	DB1514	3	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Oquirrh-Stansbury	DB1515	18	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Panguitch Lake	DB1516	28	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Pine Valley	DB1517	30	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Plateau, Boulder/Kaiparowits	DB1518	25C/26	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Plateau, Fishlake	DB1519	25A	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Plateau, Thousand Lakes	DB1520	25B	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
San Juan, Abajo Mtns	DB1521	14A	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
South Slope, Bonanza/Vernal	DB1522	9B/9D	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
South Slope, Yellowstone	DB1523	9A	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Southwest Desert	DB1524	20	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Wasatch Mtns, East	DB1525	17B/17C	Aug. 19–Sept. 15

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General-season buck deer (continued)

Archery hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Unit #	Season dates
Wasatch Mtns, West	DB1526	17A	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
West Desert, Tintic	DB1527	19C	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
West Desert, West	DB1528	19A	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Zion	DB1529	29	Aug. 19–Sept. 15

Any legal weapon hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Unit #	Season dates
Beaver	DB1530	22	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Box Elder	DB1531	1	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Cache	DB1532	2	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Central Mtns, Manti/San Rafael	DB1533	12/16B	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Central Mtns, Nebo	DB1534	16A	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Chalk Creek/East Canyon/Morgan-South Rich	DB1535	4/5/6	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Fillmore	DB1536	21A/21B	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Kamas	DB1538	7	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
La Sal, La Sal Mtns	DB1539	13A	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Monroe	DB1540	23	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Mt Dutton	DB1541	24	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Nine Mile	DB1542	11	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
North Slope	DB1543	8	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Ogden	DB1544	3	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Oquirrh-Stansbury	DB1545	18	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Panguitch Lake	DB1546	28	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Pine Valley	DB1547	30	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Plateau, Boulder/Kaiparowits	DB1548	25C/26	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Plateau, Fishlake	DB1549	25A	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Plateau, Thousand Lakes	DB1550	25B	Oct. 21–Oct. 29

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General-season buck deer (continued)

Any legal weapon hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Unit #	Season dates
San Juan, Abajo Mtns	DB1551	14A	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
South Slope, Bonanza/Vernal	DB1552	9B/9D	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
South Slope, Yellowstone	DB1553	9A	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Southwest Desert	DB1554	20	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Wasatch Mtns, East	DB1555	17B/17C	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Wasatch Mtns, West	DB1556	17A	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
West Desert, Tintic	DB1557	19C	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
West Desert, West	DB1558	19A	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Zion	DB1559	29	Oct. 21–Oct. 29

Muzzleloader hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Unit #	Season dates
Beaver	DB1560	22	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Box Elder	DB1561	1	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Cache	DB1562	2	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Central Mtns, Manti/San Rafael	DB1563	12/16B	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Central Mtns, Nebo	DB1564	16A	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Chalk Creek/East Canyon/Morgan-South Rich	DB1565	4/5/6	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Fillmore	DB1566	21A/21B	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Kamas	DB1568	7	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
La Sal, La Sal Mtns	DB1569	13A	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Monroe	DB1570	23	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Mt Dutton	DB1571	24	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Nine Mile	DB1572	11	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
North Slope	DB1573	8	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Ogden	DB1574	3	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Oquirrh-Stansbury	DB1575	18	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Panguitch Lake	DB1576	28	Sept. 27–Oct. 5

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General-season buck deer (continued)

Muzzleloader hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Unit #	Season dates
Pine Valley	DB1577	30	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Plateau, Boulder/Kaiparowits	DB1578	25C/26	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Plateau, Fishlake	DB1579	25A	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Plateau, Thousand Lakes	DB1580	25B	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
San Juan, Abajo Mtns	DB1581	14A	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
South Slope, Bonanza/Vernal	DB1582	9B/9D	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
South Slope, Yellowstone	DB1583	9A	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Southwest Desert	DB1584	20	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Wasatch Mtns, East	DB1585	17B/17C	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Wasatch Mtns, West	DB1586	17A	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
West Desert, Tintic	DB1587	19C	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
West Desert, West	DB1588	19A	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Zion	DB1589	29	Sept. 27–Oct. 5

Dedicated Hunter buck deer

Permit fees: Resident Adult $195, Resident Youth $120,
Nonresident Adult $1,047, Nonresident Youth $814

Use the hunt number to apply. Dedicated Hunter point code: DHL

Hunt name	Hunt #	Unit #
Beaver	DB1769	22
Box Elder	DB1770	1
Cache	DB1771	2
Central Mtns, Manti/San Rafael	DB1772	12/16B
Central Mtns, Nebo	DB1773	16A
Chalk Creek/East Canyon/Morgan-South Rich	DB1774	4/5/6
Fillmore	DB1775	21A/21B
Kamas	DB1777	7
La Sal, La Sal Mtns	DB1778	13A

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Dedicated Hunter buck deer (continued)

Hunt name	Hunt #	Unit #
Monroe	DB1779	23
Mt Dutton	DB1780	24
Nine Mile	DB1781	11
North Slope	DB1782	8
Ogden	DB1783	3
Oquirrh-Stansbury	DB1784	18
Panguitch Lake	DB1785	28
Pine Valley	DB1786	30
Plateau, Boulder/Kaiparowits	DB1787	25C/26
Plateau, Fishlake	DB1788	25A
Plateau, Thousand Lakes	DB1789	25B
San Juan, Abajo Mtns	DB1790	14A
South Slope, Bonanza/Vernal	DB1791	9B/9D
South Slope, Yellowstone	DB1792	9A
Southwest Desert	DB1793	20
Wasatch Mtns, East	DB1794	17B/17C
Wasatch Mtns, West	DB1795	17A
West Desert, Tintic	DB1796	19C
West Desert, West	DB1797	19A
Zion	DB1798	29

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Premium limited-entry buck deer

Permit fee: Resident $168, Nonresident $568

Use the hunt number to apply. Deer bonus point code: DEE

Archery hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Unit #	Season dates
Henry Mtns*	DB1000	15	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Paunsaugunt	DB1001	27	Aug. 19–Sept. 15

Any legal weapon (rifle) hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Unit #	Season dates
Antelope Island	DB1002	31	Nov. 15–Nov. 22
Henry Mtns	DB1003	15	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Paunsaugunt	DB1004	27	Oct. 21–Oct. 29

Muzzleloader hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Unit #	Season dates
Henry Mtns *	DB1005	15	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Paunsaugunt	DB1006	27	Sept. 27–Oct. 5

Multi-season hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Unit #	Season dates
Henry Mtns*	DB1007	15	All Limited Entry Seasons
Paunsaugunt	DB1008	27	All Limited Entry Seasons

** A management buck hunt will occur during a portion of this premium limited-entry hunt. See page 46 for a list of all management buck deer hunts and season dates.*

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Management buck deer

Permit fee: Resident $80, Nonresident $468

Use the hunt number to apply. Use bonus point code: DEE

Hunt name	Hunt #	Unit #	Season dates
Henry Mtns (archery, new hunt)	DB1051	15	Aug. 26–Sept. 15
Henry Mtns (muzzleloader, new hunt)	DB1052	15	Sept. 30–Oct. 5
Henry Mtns (any legal weapon)	DB1009	15	Oct. 30–Nov. 3
Paunsaugunt (any legal weapon)	DB1010	27	Nov. 1–Nov. 5

Limited-entry buck deer

Permit fee: Resident $80, Nonresident $468

Use the hunt number to apply. Use bonus point code: DEE

Archery hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Unit #	Season dates
Book Cliffs	DB1011	10A/10B/10C	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Fillmore, Oak Creek LE	DB1012	21C	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
La Sal, Dolores Triangle	DB1013	13B	Nov. 4–Nov. 17
San Juan, Elk Ridge	DB1014	14B	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
South Slope, Diamond Mtn	DB1015	9C	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
West Desert, Vernon	DB1016	19B	Aug. 19–Sept. 15

Any legal weapon (rifle) hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Unit #	Season dates
Book Cliffs, North	DB1017	10A/10C	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Book Cliffs, South	DB1018	10B	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
Fillmore, Oak Creek LE	DB1019	21C	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
La Sal, Dolores Triangle	DB1020	13B	Nov. 18–Nov. 26
North Slope, Summit	DB1021	8A	Oct. 7–Oct. 19
San Juan, Elk Ridge	DB1022	14B	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
South Slope, Diamond Mtn	DB1023	9C	Oct. 21–Oct. 29
West Desert, Vernon	DB1024	19B	Oct. 21–Oct. 29

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Limited-entry buck deer (continued)

Muzzleloader hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Unit #	Season dates
Book Cliffs	DB1025	10A/10B/10C	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Cache, Crawford Mtn	DB1026	2D	Nov. 18–Dec. 3
Chalk Creek/East Canyon/Morgan-South Rich	DB1027	4/5/6	Nov. 1–Nov. 9
Fillmore	DB1028	21A/21B	Nov. 1–Nov. 9
Fillmore, Oak Creek LE	DB1029	21C	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Kamas	DB1030	7	Nov. 1–Nov. 9
La Sal, Dolores Triangle	DB1031	13B	Nov. 29–Dec. 7
Monroe	DB1032	23	Nov. 1–Nov. 9
Mt Dutton (new hunt)	DB1053	24	Nov. 1–Nov. 9
Nine Mile	DB1033	11	Nov. 1–Nov. 9
Ogden (new hunt)	DB1054	3	Nov. 1–Nov. 9
Pine Valley	DB1034	30	Nov. 1–Nov. 9
Plateau, Boulder/Kaiparowits	DB1035	25C/26	Nov. 1–Nov. 9
Plateau, Fishlake (new hunt)	DB1055	25A	Nov. 1–Nov. 9
Plateau, Thousand Lakes	DB1036	25B	Nov. 1–Nov. 9
San Juan, Elk Ridge	DB1037	14B	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
South Slope, Diamond Mtn	DB1038	9C	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
South Slope, Yellowstone	DB1039	9A	Nov. 1–Nov. 9
Southwest Desert	DB1040	20	Nov. 1–Nov. 9
Wasatch Mtns, East	DB1041	17B/17C	Nov. 1–Nov. 9
West Desert, Vernon	DB1042	19B	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Zion	DB1043	29	Nov. 1–Nov. 9

Multi-season hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Unit #	Season dates
Book Cliffs	DB1044	10A/10B/10C	All Limited Entry Seasons
Fillmore, Oak Creek LE	DB1045	21C	All Limited Entry Seasons

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Limited-entry buck deer (continued)

Multi-season hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Unit #	Season dates
San Juan, Elk Ridge	DB1046	14B	All Limited Entry Seasons
South Slope, Diamond Mtn	DB1047	9C	All Limited Entry Seasons
West Desert, Vernon	DB1048	19B	All Limited Entry Seasons

Youth any bull elk hunts

Permit fee: Resident $50, Nonresident $393

Hunt name	Hunt #	Season dates
Youth General Any Bull Elk	EB1007	Sept. 16–Sept. 24

Limited-entry bull elk

Permit fee: Resident $285, Nonresident $800

Use the hunt number to apply. Elk bonus point code: ELK

Archery hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Season dates
Beaver, East	EB3000	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Book Cliffs, Bitter Creek/South	EB3001	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Book Cliffs, Little Creek Roadless	EB3002	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Cache, Meadowville†	EB3003	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Cache, North	EB3004	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Cache, South	EB3005	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Central Mtns, Manti	EB3006	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Central Mtns, Nebo	EB3007	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Fillmore, Pahvant	EB3008	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
La Sal, La Sal Mtns	EB3009	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Monroe	EB3010	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Mt Dutton	EB3011	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Nine Mile, Anthro	EB3012	Aug. 19–Sept. 15

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Limited-entry bull elk (continued)

Archery hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Season dates
North Slope, Three Corners	EB3013	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Oquirrh-Stansbury	EB3014	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Panguitch Lake	EB3015	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Paunsaugunt	EB3016	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Plateau, Boulder/Kaiparowits	EB3017	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Plateau, Fishlake/Thousand Lakes	EB3018	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
San Juan Bull Elk	EB3019	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
South Slope, Diamond Mtn	EB3020	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Southwest Desert	EB3021	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Wasatch Mtns	EB3022	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
West Desert, Deep Creek	EB3023	Aug. 19–Sept. 15

Any legal weapon (rifle) — early hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Season dates
Beaver, East	EB3024	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Book Cliffs, Bitter Creek/South	EB3026	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Book Cliffs, Little Creek Roadless	EB3028	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Box Elder, Grouse Creek	EB3029	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Box Elder, Pilot Mtn	EB3031	Sept. 9–Sept. 29
Cache, Meadowville†	EB3032	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Cache, North	EB3034	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Cache, South	EB3036	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Central Mtns, Manti	EB3038	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Central Mtns, Nebo	EB3040	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Fillmore, Pahvant	EB3042	Sept. 16–Sept. 24

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Limited-entry bull elk (continued)

Any legal weapon (rifle) — early hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Season dates
La Sal, La Sal Mtns	EB3045	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Monroe	EB3047	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Mt Dutton	EB3049	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Nine Mile, Anthro	EB3051	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Oquirrh-Stansbury	EB3054	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Panguitch Lake	EB3056	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Paunsaugunt	EB3058	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Plateau, Boulder/Kaiparowits	EB3061	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Plateau, Fishlake/Thousand Lakes	EB3063	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
San Juan Bull Elk	EB3066	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
South Slope, Diamond Mtn	EB3068	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Southwest Desert	EB3070	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Wasatch Mtns	EB3072	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
West Desert, Deep Creek	EB3074	Sept. 16–Sept. 24

Any legal weapon (rifle) — midseason hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Season dates
Box Elder, Grouse Creek	EB3030	Oct. 7–Oct. 29
Central Mtns, Manti (new hunt)	EB3126	Oct. 7–Oct. 19
North Slope, Three Corners	EB3053	Oct. 7–Oct. 19
Paunsaugunt	EB3059	Oct. 7–Oct. 19
Plateau, Fishlake/Thousand Lakes	EB3064	Oct. 7–Oct. 19
South Slope, Diamond Mtn	EB3069	Oct. 7–Oct. 19
Wasatch Mtns (new hunt)	EB3127	Oct. 7–Oct. 19
West Desert, Deep Creek	EB3075	Oct. 7–Oct. 19

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Limited-entry bull elk (continued)

Any legal weapon (rifle) — late hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Season dates
Beaver, East	EB3025	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
Book Cliffs, Bitter Creek/South	EB3027	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
Cache, Meadowville†	EB3033	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
Cache, North	EB3035	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
Cache, South	EB3037	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
Central Mtns, Manti	EB3039	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
Central Mtns, Nebo	EB3041	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
Fillmore, Pahvant	EB3043	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
La Sal, Dolores Triangle	EB3044	Dec. 9, 2017–Jan. 31, 2018
La Sal, La Sal Mtns	EB3046	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
Monroe	EB3048	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
Mt Dutton	EB3050	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
Nine Mile, Anthro	EB3052	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
Oquirrh-Stansbury	EB3055	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
Panguitch Lake	EB3057	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
Paunsaugunt	EB3060	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
Plateau, Boulder/Kaiparowits	EB3062	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
Plateau, Fishlake/Thousand Lakes	EB3065	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
San Juan Bull Elk	EB3067	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
Southwest Desert	EB3071	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
Wasatch Mtns	EB3073	Nov. 11–Nov. 19
West Desert, Deep Creek	EB3076	Nov. 11–Nov. 19

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Limited-entry bull elk (continued)

Muzzleloader hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Season dates
Beaver, East	EB3077	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
Book Cliffs, Bitter Creek/South	EB3078	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
Book Cliffs, Little Creek Roadless	EB3079	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
Box Elder, Grouse Creek	EB3080	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
Cache, Meadowville†	EB3081	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
Cache, North	EB3082	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
Cache, South	EB3083	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
Central Mtns, Manti	EB3084	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
Central Mtns, Nebo	EB3085	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
Fillmore, Pahvant	EB3086	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
La Sal, La Sal Mtns	EB3087	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
Monroe	EB3088	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
Mt Dutton	EB3089	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
Nine Mile, Anthro	EB3090	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
North Slope, Three Corners	EB3091	Nov. 1–Nov. 9
Oquirrh-Stansbury	EB3092	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
Panguitch Lake	EB3093	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
Paunsaugunt	EB3094	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
Plateau, Boulder/Kaiparowits	EB3095	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
Plateau, Fishlake/Thousand Lakes	EB3096	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
San Juan Bull Elk	EB3097	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
South Slope, Diamond Mtn	EB3098	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
Southwest Desert	EB3099	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
Wasatch Mtns	EB3100	Sept. 25–Oct. 6
West Desert, Deep Creek	EB3101	Sept. 25–Oct. 6

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Limited-entry bull elk (continued)

Multi-season hunts

Permit fee: Resident $513, Nonresident $1,505

Hunt name	Hunt #	Season dates
Beaver, East	EB3102	All Limited Entry Seasons
Book Cliffs, Bitter Creek/South	EB3103	All Limited Entry Seasons
Book Cliffs, Little Creek Roadless	EB3104	All Limited Entry Seasons
Cache, Meadowville†	EB3105	All Limited Entry Seasons
Cache, North	EB3106	All Limited Entry Seasons
Cache, South	EB3107	All Limited Entry Seasons
Central Mtns, Manti	EB3108	All Limited Entry Seasons
Central Mtns, Nebo	EB3109	All Limited Entry Seasons
Fillmore, Pahvant	EB3110	All Limited Entry Seasons
La Sal, La Sal Mtns	EB3111	All Limited Entry Seasons
Monroe	EB3112	All Limited Entry Seasons
Mt Dutton	EB3113	All Limited Entry Seasons
Nine Mile, Anthro	EB3114	All Limited Entry Seasons
North Slope, Three Corners	EB3115	All Limited Entry Seasons
Oquirrh-Stansbury	EB3116	All Limited Entry Seasons
Panguitch Lake	EB3117	All Limited Entry Seasons
Paunsaugunt	EB3118	All Limited Entry Seasons
Plateau, Boulder/Kaiparowits	EB3119	All Limited Entry Seasons
Plateau, Fishlake/Thousand Lakes	EB3120	All Limited Entry Seasons
San Juan Bull Elk	EB3121	All Limited Entry Seasons
South Slope, Diamond Mtn	EB3122	All Limited Entry Seasons
Southwest Desert	EB3123	All Limited Entry Seasons
Wasatch Mtns	EB3124	All Limited Entry Seasons
West Desert, Deep Creek	EB3125	All Limited Entry Seasons

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Limited-entry pronghorn

Permit fee: Resident $55, Nonresident $293

Use the hunt number to apply. Pronghorn bonus point code: PRO

Archery hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Season dates
Beaver	PB5000	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Book Cliffs, Bitter Creek	PB5001	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Book Cliffs, South	PB5002	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Box Elder, Promontory	PB5003	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Box Elder, Puddle Valley	PB5004	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Box Elder, Snowville	PB5005	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Box Elder, West	PB5006	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Cache/Morgan-South Rich/Ogden	PB5007	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Fillmore, Oak Creek	PB5008	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
La Sal, Potash/South Cisco	PB5009	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Mt Dutton/Paunsaugunt, Johns Valley	PB5010	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Nine Mile, Anthro-Myton Bench	PB5011	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Nine Mile, Range Creek (new hunt)	PB5053	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
North Slope, Three Corners/West Daggett	PB5012	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Panguitch Lake/Zion, North (new hunt)	PB5054	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Pine Valley	PB5013	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Plateau, Parker Mtn	PB5014	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
San Rafael, Desert (new hunt)	PB5055	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
San Rafael, North	PB5015	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
South Slope, Bonanza/Diamond Mtn	PB5016	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
South Slope, Vernal	PB5017	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
Southwest Desert	PB5018	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
West Desert, Riverbed	PB5019	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
West Desert, Rush Valley	PB5020	Aug. 19–Sept. 15
West Desert, Snake Valley	PB5021	Aug. 19–Sept. 15

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Limited-entry pronghorn (continued)

Muzzleloader hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Season dates
Cache/Morgan-South Rich/Ogden	PB5022	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Plateau, Parker Mtn	PB5023	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
San Rafael, North (new hunt)	PB5056	Sept. 27–Oct. 5
Southwest Desert	PB5024	Sept. 27–Oct. 5

Any legal weapon (rifle) hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Season dates
Beaver	PB5025	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Book Cliffs, Bitter Creek	PB5026	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Book Cliffs, South	PB5027	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Box Elder, Promontory	PB5028	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Box Elder, Puddle Valley	PB5029	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Box Elder, Snowville	PB5030	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Box Elder, West	PB5031	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Cache/Morgan-South Rich/Ogden	PB5032	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Fillmore, Oak Creek	PB5033	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Kaiparowits	PB5034	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
La Sal, Potash/South Cisco	PB5035	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Mt Dutton/Paunsaugunt, Johns Valley	PB5036	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Nine Mile, Anthro-Myton Bench	PB5037	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Nine Mile, Range Creek	PB5038	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
North Slope, Summit	PB5039	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
North Slope, Three Corners/West Daggett	PB5040	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Panguitch Lake/Zion, North	PB5041	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Pine Valley	PB5042	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Plateau, Parker Mtn	PB5043	Sept. 16–Sept. 24

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Limited-entry pronghorn (continued)

Any legal weapon (rifle) hunts

Hunt name	Hunt #	Season dates
San Juan, Hatch Point	PB5044	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
San Rafael, Desert	PB5045	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
San Rafael, North	PB5046	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
South Slope, Bonanza/Diamond Mtn	PB5047	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
South Slope, Vernal	PB5048	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
Southwest Desert	PB5049	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
West Desert, Riverbed	PB5050	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
West Desert, Rush Valley	PB5051	Sept. 16–Sept. 24
West Desert, Snake Valley	PB5052	Sept. 16–Sept. 24

Once-in-a-lifetime bull moose hunts

Permit fee: Resident $413, Nonresident $1,518
Use the hunt number to apply. Moose bonus point code: MOO

Hunt name	Hunt #	Season dates
Cache	MB6000	Sept. 16–Oct. 19
Chalk Creek†	MB6001	Sept. 16–Oct. 19
East Canyon†	MB6002	Sept. 16–Oct. 19
East Canyon, Morgan-Summit†	MB6003	Sept. 16–Oct. 19
Kamas	MB6004	Sept. 16–Oct. 19
Morgan-South Rich†	MB6005	Sept. 16–Oct. 19
North Slope, Summit	MB6006	Sept. 16–Oct. 19
North Slope, Three Corners/West Daggett	MB6007	Sept. 16–Oct. 19
Ogden†	MB6008	Sept. 16–Oct. 19
South Slope, Diamond Mtn/Vernal	MB6009	Sept. 16–Oct. 19
South Slope, Yellowstone	MB6010	Sept. 16–Oct. 19
Wasatch Mtns/Central Mtns	MB6011	Sept. 16–Oct. 19

† Mostly private lands
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Once-in-a-lifetime bison hunts

Permit fee (except Antelope Island): Resident $413, Nonresident $1,518
Antelope Island permit fee: Resident $1,110, Nonresident $2,615
Use the hunt number to apply. Bison bonus point code: BIS

Hunt name	Hunt #	Season dates
Antelope Island	BI6500	Dec. 4–Dec. 6
Book Cliffs (hunter's choice)	BI6501	Oct. 14–Dec. 1
Book Cliffs, Wild Horse Bench/Nine Mile (hunter's choice)	BI6507	Aug. 1, 2017–Jan. 31, 2018
Book Cliffs (cow only, new hunt)	BI6508	Nov. 11–Dec. 1
Henry Mtns (archery, hunter's choice, new hunt)	BI6509	Oct. 6–Oct. 20
Henry Mtns (hunter's choice)	BI6503	Nov. 4–Nov. 16
Henry Mtns (hunter's choice)	BI6504	Nov. 18–Nov. 30
Henry Mtns (cow only)	BI6505	Dec. 2–Dec. 15
Henry Mtns (cow only)	BI6506	Dec. 16–Dec. 31

Once-in-a-lifetime desert bighorn sheep hunts

Permit fee: Resident $513, Nonresident $1,518
Use the hunt number to apply. Desert bighorn sheep bonus point code: DBS

Hunt name	Hunt #	Season dates
Henry Mtns	DS6600	Sept. 16–Nov.10
Kaiparowits, East*	DS6601	Sept. 16–Nov.10
Kaiparowits, Escalante	DS6602	Sept. 16–Nov.10
Kaiparowits, West	DS6603	Sept. 16–Nov.10
La Sal, Potash/South Cisco	DS6604	Sept. 16–Nov.10
Pine Valley	DS6605	Oct. 28–Dec. 30
San Juan, Lockhart	DS6606	Sept. 16–Nov.10
San Juan, South	DS6607	Sept. 16–Nov.10
San Rafael, Dirty Devil	DS6608	Sept. 16–Nov.10

** Nonresidents may hunt both the Kaiparowits East and Escalante subunits—Apply for hunt DS6601*
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Once-in-a-lifetime desert bighorn sheep hunts (continued)

Hunt name	Hunt #	Season dates
San Rafael, North	DS6609	Sept. 16–Nov.10
San Rafael, South†	DS6610	Sept. 16–Nov.10
Zion^	DS6611	Sept. 16–Oct. 13
Zion	DS6612	Oct. 14–Nov. 10

Once-in-a-lifetime Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep hunts

Permit fee: Resident $513, Nonresident $1,518

Use the hunt number to apply. Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep bonus point code: RMB

Hunt name	Hunt #	Season dates
Antelope Island	RS6700	Nov. 15–Nov. 22
Book Cliffs, South	RS6701	Nov. 1–Nov. 30
Box Elder, Newfoundland Mtn	RS6703	Oct. 28–Nov. 17
Box Elder, Newfoundland Mtn	RS6704	Nov. 18–Dec. 10
Central Mtns, Nebo/Wasatch Mtns, West*	RS6705	Nov. 1–Nov. 30
Nine Mile, Gray Canyon (new hunt)	RS6712	Nov. 1–Nov. 30
Nine Mile, Jack Creek (new hunt)	RS6713	Nov. 1–Nov. 30
North Slope, Bare Top/West Daggett (new hunt)	RS6714	Nov. 1–Nov. 30
Wasatch Mtns, Avintaquin*	RS6711	Nov. 1–Nov. 30

† Nonresidents may hunt both the San Rafael, North and San Rafael, South subunits—Apply for hunt DS6610
^ Nonresidents may hunt both the early and late seasons of the Zion unit—Apply for hunt DS6611
**The sportsman permit holder may only hunt these units during even-numbered years, and the statewide conservation permit holder may only hunt these units during odd-numbered years*
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Once-in-a-lifetime mountain goat hunts

Permit fee: Resident $413, Nonresident $1,518

Use the hunt number to apply. Mountain goat bonus point code: GOA

Hunt name	Hunt #	Season dates
Beaver	GO6800	Sept. 9–Sept. 24
Beaver	GO6801	Sept. 25–Nov. 15
Central Mtns, Nebo	GO6803	Sept. 11–Nov. 30
Chalk Creek/Kamas, Uintas	GO6804	Sept. 16–Oct. 31
Mt Dutton (new hunt)	GO6814	Sept 11–Nov. 30
North Slope/South Slope, High Uintas Central (archery, new hunt)	GO6815	Aug. 19–Sept. 10
North Slope/South Slope, High Uintas Central	GO6805	Sept. 11–Oct. 31
North Slope/South Slope, High Uintas East	GO6806	Sept. 11–Oct. 31
North Slope/South Slope, High Uintas Leidy Peak	GO6807	Sept. 11–Oct. 31
North Slope/South Slope, High Uintas West	GO6808	Sept. 11–Oct. 31
Ogden, Willard Peak	GO6809	Sept. 11–Sept. 24
Ogden, Willard Peak	GO6810	Sept. 25–Nov. 15
Ogden, Willard Peak (female goat only)	GO6811	Oct. 9–Nov. 15
Wasatch Mtns, Box Elder Peak/Lone Peak/Timpanogos*	GO6812	Sept. 11–Nov. 30
Wasatch Mtns, Provo Peak	GO6813	Sept. 11–Nov. 30

** Nonresidents may hunt all Wasatch Mtns subunits—Apply for hunt GO6812*
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Cooperative Wildlife Management Units

Utah Admin. Rule R657-37

Utah's Cooperative Wildlife Management Unit (CWMU) program provides landowners with an economic incentive to keep their private range and forest lands as productive wildlife habitat.

The landowners receive vouchers for hunting permits, which they can sell for profit, as long as they also allow a percentage of public hunters on their lands.

If you're a Utah resident, there are two ways to obtain a CWMU permit: you can apply for one in the state's big game drawing, or you can obtain a permit voucher from the landowner or operator of the CWMU you want to hunt.

If you're not a resident of Utah, you cannot apply for a CWMU permit in the public drawing. You can, however, obtain a permit voucher directly from the CWMU landowner or operator.

Keep in mind that whether you draw or purchase a permit, you may not obtain more than one of each of the following permits during the 2017 big game season:

- Buck deer permit
- Bull elk permit
- Pronghorn permit (either buck or doe)

For example, if you draw a general-season buck deer permit—and then decide you want to hunt on a CWMU instead—you must surrender your general-season permit before the opening day of the season listed on your permit and before redeeming the CWMU voucher for a permit.

For more information on Utah's CWMU program, including details about individual properties, please visit *wildlife.utah.gov/cwmu.*

CWMU premium buck deer hunts

Permit fee: Resident $168, Use the hunt number to apply.
Nonresidents may only obtain a CWMU permit directly through the operator.

Hunt name	Hunt #	County	Public permits
Alton	DB 1200	Kane	5

CWMU management buck deer hunts

Permit fee: Resident $80, use the hunt number to apply.
Nonresidents may only obtain a CWMU permit directly through the operator.

Hunt name	Hunt #	County	Public permits
Alton	DB 1201	Kane	1

For more details about individual properties, including public-hunt dates and contact information, please visit wildlife.utah.gov/cwmu.

CWMU buck deer hunts

Permit fee: Resident $40, use the hunt number to apply.
Nonresidents may only obtain a CWMU permit directly through the operator.
For detailed information on public hunt-date options, visit *wildlife.utah.gov/cwmu* or contact the CWMU operator. For more information on the CWMU Program, see page 60.

Hunt name	Hunt #	County	Public permits
Antelope Creek	DB1202	Duchesne	1
Avintaquin Canyon	DB1203	Duchesne	1
Bally Watts	DB1204	Morgan/Weber	2
Bar J Ranch	DB1205	Sevier	2
Bear Mountain	DB1206	Sanpete	1
Bear Springs	DB1207	Morgan/Weber	2
Black Hawk	DB1208	Carbon	1
Blind Spring	DB1209	Box Elder	1
Blue Creek	DB1210	Box Elder	1
Blue Spring Hills	DB1211	Box Elder	2
Bluebell	DB1212	Cache/Weber	1
Boobe Hole	DB1213	Sevier	2
Bootjack	DB1214	Box Elder	1
Buckhorn Ranch	DB1215	Duchesne/Wasatch	1
Castle Valley Outdoors	DB1216	Emery	1
Causey Spring	DB1217	Weber	1
Cedar Canyon	DB1218	Morgan	1
Chimney Rock	DB1219	Summit	1
Chrises Creek	DB1220	Juab	1
Clear Valley Ranch	DB1221	Box Elder	1
Coldwater Ranch	DB1222	Cache	1
Conover-Jensen	DB1223	Carbon	3
Cotton Thomas	DB1224	Box Elder	1
Coyote Little Pole	DB1225	Wasatch	2
Deer Creek (new hunt)	DB1320	Wasatch	1
Deer Haven	DB1227	San Juan	2

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CWMU buck deer hunts (continued)

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Hunt name	Hunt #	County	Public permits
Deseret	DB1228	Morgan/Rich/Weber	15
Dilly Ranch	DB1229	Box Elder	1
Double R Ranch	DB1230	Wasatch	2
Dove Creek	DB1231	Box Elder	2
Durst Mountain	DB1232	Morgan	2
East Fork Chalk Creek	DB1233	Summit	3
East Zion	DB1234	Kane	2
Emma Park	DB1235	Carbon/Duchesne	2
Engineer Springs	DB1236	Box Elder	1
Ensign Ranches	DB1237	Morgan/Rich/Weber	4
Folley Ridge	DB1238	Morgan	3
Fort Ranch	DB1239	Box Elder	1
George Creek	DB1240	Box Elder	1
Golden Spike	DB1241	Box Elder	1
Grass Valley/Clark Canyon	DB1242	Summit	15
Grazing Pasture	DB1243	Sevier	1
Green Canyon	DB1244	Cache	1
Guildersleeve	DB1245	Morgan	2
Hardscrabble	DB1246	Davis/Morgan/Salt Lake	2
Heartland West	DB1247	Juab/Sanpete	2
Heaston East	DB1248	Salt Lake	2
Hiawatha	DB1249	Carbon/Emery	1
Indian Creek	DB1250	Box Elder	2
Indian Head	DB1251	Utah	1
Ingham Peak	DB1252	Box Elder	10
J.B. Ranch	DB1253	Grand/San Juan	2
Johnson Mountain Ranch	DB1255	Sevier	1

HUNT TABLES

CWMU buck deer hunts (continued)

For more details about individual properties, including public-hunt dates and contact information, please visit wildlife.utah.gov/cwmu.

Hunt name	Hunt #	County	Public permits
Junction Valley	DB1256	Box Elder	5
Lazy H Ranch	DB1257	Morgan	1
Little Red Creek	DB1258	Wasatch	2
Lone Tree Taylor Hollow	DB1259	Morgan/Summit	5
Mecham Ridge (new hunt)	DB1321	Rich	1
Middle Ridge	DB1260	Rich	3
Minnie Maud Ridge	DB1261	Carbon/Duchesne	5
Moon Ranch	DB1263	Duchesne	1
Mountain Meadow	DB1264	Box Elder	2
Mountain Top	DB1265	Morgan/Summit	2
Mt Carmel	DB1266	Kane	2
Neil Creek	DB1267	Summit	2
North Peaks (previously Twin Peaks)	DB1303	Box Elder	2
North Promontory	DB1269	Box Elder	2
Nucor West	DB1270	Box Elder	1
Oak Ranch	DB1271	Sevier	3
Old Woman Plateau	DB1272	Sevier	3
Pahvant Ensign (new hunt, combines the Missouri Flat and Black Point CWMUs)	DB1322	Millard/Sevier	1
Park Valley Hereford	DB1273	Box Elder	14
Patmos Ridge	DB1274	Carbon	1
Pine Canyon	DB1275	Morgan	3
Pisgah Mountain (previously Sardine Canyon)	DB1286	Box Elder/Cache	2
Plymouth Peak	DB1276	Box Elder	1
Pocatello Valley	DB1277	Box Elder	1
Powder Mountain	DB1278	Cache/Weber	1
Preston Nutter Ranch	DB1279	Carbon	1
Promontory Point	DB1280	Box Elder	1

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Hunt name	Hunt #	County	Public permits
Rattlesnake Pass	DB1281	Box Elder	3
Redd Ranches	DB1282	Grand/San Juan	2
Roan Cliffs	DB1283	Carbon	4
Rock House (new hunt)	DB1323	Juab	1
Round Valley	DB1284	Millard	1
Royal Ivory Outfitters (new hunt)	DB1324	Summit	1
Sand Creek	DB1285	Duchesne	1
Scofield Canyons	DB1287	Carbon/Utah	2
Scofield West	DB1288	Carbon/Utah	2
Sharp Mountain	DB1289	Cache/Weber	2
Skull Crack	DB1290	Morgan/Weber	1
Skull Valley South	DB1291	Tooele	1
Soldier Summit	DB1292	Carbon/Utah/Wasatch	1
South Canyon	DB1293	Box Elder/Cache	1
Spring Creek Acres	DB1294	Cache	1
Spring Creek/Dodge	DB1295	San Juan	6
State Corner	DB1296	Summit	3
Stillman Creek Ranch	DB1297	Summit	4
Strawberry Ridge	DB1298	Cache/Rich	2
Summit Point	DB1299	San Juan	3
Thatcher Mountain	DB1300	Box Elder	1
Three C	DB1301	Wasatch	2
TJ Cattle Company	DB1302	Morgan	1
Two Bear	DB1304	Summit	2
Wallsburg	DB1305	Wasatch	1
Washakie	DB1306	Box Elder	1
Weber Florence Creek	DB1307	Summit	8
West Hills	DB1308	Box Elder	4

Hunt name	Hunt #	County	Public permits
West Willow Creek Ranch	DB1309	Uintah	3
Whites Valley	DB1310	Box Elder	2
Woodruff Creek South	DB1312	Rich	3

CWMU any bull elk hunts

Permit fee: Resident $285, use the hunt number to apply.
Nonresidents may only obtain a CWMU permit directly through the operator.
For detailed information on public hunt-date options, visit *wildlife.utah.gov/cwmu* or contact the CWMU operator. For more information on the CWMU Program, see page 60.

Hunt name	Hunt #	County	Public permits
Alton	EB3500	Kane	1
Bar J Ranch	EB3501	Sevier	2
Bear Mountain	EB3502	Sanpete	1
Bear Springs	EB3503	Morgan/Weber	1
Black Hawk	EB3504	Carbon	1
Boobe Hole	EB3505	Sevier	1
Causey Spring	EB3506	Weber	1
Cedar Canyon	EB3507	Morgan	1
Chimney Rock	EB3508	Summit	1
Coldwater Ranch	EB3509	Cache	1
Conover-Jensen	EB3510	Carbon	1
Cotton Thomas	EB3511	Box Elder	1
Coyote Little Pole	EB3512	Wasatch	2
Deseret	EB3514	Morgan/Rich/Weber	17
Double Cone	EB3515	Box Elder	1
Durst Mountain	EB3516	Morgan	3
East Fork Chalk Creek	EB3517	Summit	2
Emma Park	EB3518	Carbon/Duchesne	1
Ensign Ranches	EB3519	Morgan/Rich/Weber	3
Folley Ridge	EB3520	Morgan	2

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Hunt name	Hunt #	County	Public permits
Grass Valley/Clark Canyon	EB3521	Summit	10
Grazing Pasture	EB3522	Sevier	1
Guildersleeve	EB3523	Morgan	1
Hardscrabble	EB3524	Davis/Morgan/Salt Lake	2
Heaston East	EB3525	Salt Lake	3
Hiawatha	EB3526	Carbon/Emery	1
Indian Head	EB3527	Utah	1
Ingham Peak	EB3528	Box Elder	2
J.B. Ranch	EB3529	Grand/San Juan	1
Johnson Mountain Ranch	EB3531	Sevier	2
Jump Creek	EB3523	Carbon	1
Junction Valley	EB3533	Box Elder	1
Little Red Creek	EB3534	Wasatch	2
Lone Tree Taylor Hollow	EB3535	Morgan/Summit	3
Minnie Maud Ridge	EB3536	Carbon/Duchesne	4
Moon Ranch	EB3538	Duchesne	2
Mountain Top	EB3539	Morgan/Summit	2
North Peaks (previously Twin Peaks)	EB3565	Box Elder	1
Old Woman Plateau	EB3540	Sevier	2
Pahvant Ensign (new hunt, combines the Missouri Flat and Black Point CWMUs)	EB3603	Millard/Sevier	1
Patmos Ridge	EB3541	Carbon	1
Powder Mountain	EB3542	Cache/Weber	1
Preston Nutter Ranch	EB3543	Carbon	2
Redd Ranches	EB3544	Grand/San Juan	2
Riverview Ranch LLC	EB3545	Box Elder	2
Roan Cliffs	EB3546	Carbon	2
Sand Creek	EB3547	Duchesne	1

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CWMU any bull elk hunts (continued)

For more details about individual properties, including public-hunt dates and contact information, please visit wildlife.utah.gov/cwmu.

Hunt name	Hunt #	County	Public permits
Scofield Canyons	EB3548	Carbon/Utah	1
Scofield East	EB3549	Carbon	1
Scofield West	EB3550	Carbon/Utah	1
SJ Ranch	EB3551	Cache	1
Skull Crack	EB3552	Morgan/Weber	1
Soldier Summit	EB3553	Carbon/Utah/Wasatch	2
South Canyon	EB3554	Box Elder/Cache	1
Spring Creek/Dodge	EB3555	San Juan	2
State Corner	EB3556	Summit	3
Strawberry Ridge	EB3557	Cache/Rich	2
Summit Point	EB3558	San Juan	1
Three C	EB3559	Wasatch	2
Twin Peaks/Goose Creek	EB3560	Box Elder	3
Two Bear	EB3561	Summit	3
Wallsburg	EB3562	Wasatch	1
Weber Florence Creek	EB3563	Summit	7
Woodruff Creek South	EB3564	Rich	3

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CWMU pronghorn hunts

Permit fee: Resident $55, use the hunt number to apply.
Nonresidents may only obtain a CWMU permit directly through the operator.
For detailed information on public hunt-date options, visit *wildlife.utah.gov/cwmu* or contact the CWMU operator. For more information on the CWMU Program, see page 60.

Hunt name	Hunt #	County	Public permits
Allen Ranch (new hunt)	PB5325	Utah	1
Antelope Creek	PB5300	Duchesne	3
Cedar Springs (new hunt)	PB5326	Box Elder	1
Cottonwood Ridge (new hunt)	PB5327	Duchesne	2
Deseret	PB5302	Morgan/Rich/Weber	34
Ensign Ranches	PB5303	Morgan/Rich/Weber	1
George Creek (new hunt)	PB5330	Box Elder	1
Middle Ridge	PB5304	Rich	5
Pahvant Ensign (new hunt, combines the Missouri Flat and Black Point CWMUs)	PB5328	Millard/Sevier	2
Park Valley	PB5305	Box Elder	1
Rabbit Creek	PB5306	Rich	2
RLF Deep Creek	PB5307	Box Elder	2
SJ Ranch	PB5308	Cache	2
Skull Valley South	PB5309	Tooele	1
Snowville Flat (new hunt)	PB5329	Box Elder	1
Strawberry Ridge	PB5310	Cache/Rich	2
The Rose of Snowville	PB5311	Box Elder	2
TL Bar Ranch	PB5312	Box Elder/Tooele	1
West Willow Creek Ranch	PB5313	Uintah	1
Westlake	PB5314	Utah	1
Zane	PB5315	Iron	2

CWMU bull moose hunts

Permit fee: Resident $413, Use the hunt number to apply.
Nonresidents may only obtain a CWMU permit directly through the operator.
For detailed information on public hunt-date options, visit *wildlife.utah.gov/cwmu* or contact the CWMU operator. For more information on the CWMU Program, see page 60.

Hunt name	Hunt #	County	Public permits
Beaver Hollow	MB6201	Morgan	1
Causey Spring	MB6202	Weber	1
Cedar Canyon	MB6250	Morgan	1
Chimney Rock	MB6204	Summit	1
Coyote Little Pole	MB6205	Wasatch	1
Deseret	MB6206	Morgan/Rich/Weber	3
Durst Mountain	MB6207	Morgan	1
East Fork Chalk Creek	MB6208	Summit	1
Ensign Ranches	MB6209	Morgan/Rich/Weber	1
Folley Ridge	MB6210	Morgan	1
Grass Valley/Clark Canyon	MB6211	Summit	5
Hardscrabble	MB6251	Davis/Morgan/Salt Lake	2
Ingham Peak (new hunt)	MB6257	Box Elder	1
Jacob's Creek (new hunt)	MB6258	Davis/Morgan	1
Lone Tree Taylor Hollow	MB6215	Morgan/Summit	1
Royal Ivory Outfitters (new hunt)	MB6259	Summit	2
SJ Ranch	MB6254	Cache	1
Skull Crack	MB6219	Morgan/Weber	2
State Corner	MB6221	Summit	1
Strawberry Ridge	MB6222	Cache/Rich	1
Two Bear	MB6224	Summit	1
Wallsburg	MB6255	Wasatch	1
Weber Florence Creek	MB6226	Summit	3
Woodruff Creek South	MB6256	Morgan/Rich	1

DEFINITIONS

Utah Code § 23-13-2 and Utah Admin. Rule R657-5-2 & R657-37

The following definitions explain terms used in this guidebook. The *2017 Utah Big Game Field Regulations* (available in June 2017) will contain additional definitions that focus on hunting, harvesting and possessing big game.

Any legal weapon means any weapon listed at *wildlife.utah.gov/R657-05* (see R657-5-8 through R657-5-12) or in the Firearms and Archery Equipment section of the *2017 Utah Big Game Field Regulations Guidebook* (available in June 2017).

Big game means species of hoofed protected wildlife.

Buck deer means a deer with antlers longer than five inches.

Buck pronghorn means a pronghorn with horns longer than five inches.

Bull elk means an elk with antlers longer than five inches.

Bull moose means a moose with antlers longer than its ears.

Certificate of registration means a document issued under any rule or proclamation of the Wildlife Board granting authority to engage in activities not covered by a license, permit or tag.

CWMU means Cooperative Wildlife Management Unit.

Domicile means the place where an individual has a fixed permanent home and principal establishment. It is also the place to which the individual, if absent, intends to return; and in which the individual, and the individual's family voluntarily reside, not for a special or temporary purpose, but with the intention of making a permanent home. To create a new domicile, an individual shall abandon the old domicile and be able to prove that a new domicile has been established.

Draw lock means a mechanical device used to hold and support the draw weight of a conventional or compound bow at any increment of draw, until released by the archer using a trigger mechanism and safety attached to the device.

Hunter's choice means either sex may be taken.

Hunting means to take or pursue a reptile, amphibian, bird or mammal by any means.

Limited-entry hunt means any hunt that is identified as limited-entry and listed in the hunt table of this guidebook, and that does not include general or once-in-a-lifetime hunts.

Limited-entry permit means any permit obtained for a limited-entry hunt by any means, including multi-season permits, conservation permits, expo permits, sportsman permits, CWMU permits and limited-entry landowner permits.

Nonresident means a person who does not qualify as a resident.

Once-in-a-lifetime hunt means any hunt that is identified as once-in-a-lifetime and listed in the hunt table of this guidebook, and that does not include general or limited-entry hunts.

Once-in-a-lifetime permit means any permit obtained for a once-in-a-lifetime hunt by any means, including conservation permits, expo permits, sportsman permits, CWMU permits and limited-entry landowner permits.

Permit means a document, including a stamp, which grants authority to engage in specific activities under the Wildlife Resources Code or a rule or proclamation of the Wildlife Board.

Possession means actual or constructive possession.

Resident means a person who has a domicile (fixed permanent home and principal establishment) in Utah for six consecutive months immediately preceding the purchase of a license or permit, AND DOES NOT claim residency for hunting, fishing or trapping in any other state or country.

An individual retains Utah residency if he or she leaves Utah to serve in the armed forces of the United States, or for religious or educational purposes, and does NOT claim residency for hunting, fishing or trapping in any other state or country.

Members of the armed forces of the United States and dependents are residents as of the date the member reports for duty under assigned orders in Utah, if:

- the member is NOT on temporary duty in Utah and does NOT claim residency for hunting, fishing or trapping in any other state or country.
- the member presents a copy of his or her assignment orders to a Division office to verify the member's qualification as a resident.

A nonresident attending an institution of higher learning in Utah as a full-time student may qualify as a resident if the student has been present in Utah for 60 consecutive days immediately preceding the purchase of the license or permit and does NOT claim residency for hunting, fishing or trapping in any other state or country.

A Utah resident license or permit is invalid if a resident license for hunting, fishing or trapping is purchased in any other state or country.

An individual DOES NOT qualify as a resident if he or she is an absentee landowner paying property tax on land in Utah.

Ram means a male desert bighorn sheep or Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep.

Shed antlers are antlers that a big game animal has dropped naturally as part of its annual lifecycle.

Shed horns are the sheaths from the horns of a pronghorn that the animal has dropped naturally as part of its annual lifecycle. Pronghorn are the only big game animals that shed their horns.

Sell means to offer or possess for sale, barter, exchange or trade, or the act of selling, bartering, exchanging or trading.

Spike bull means a bull elk which has at least one antler beam with no branching above the ears. Branched means a projection on an antler longer than one inch, measured from its base to its tip.

Tag means a card, label or other identification device issued for attachment to the carcass of protected wildlife.

Take means to:

- hunt, pursue, harass, catch, capture, possess, angle, seine, trap or kill any protected wildlife; or
- attempt any of the above actions.

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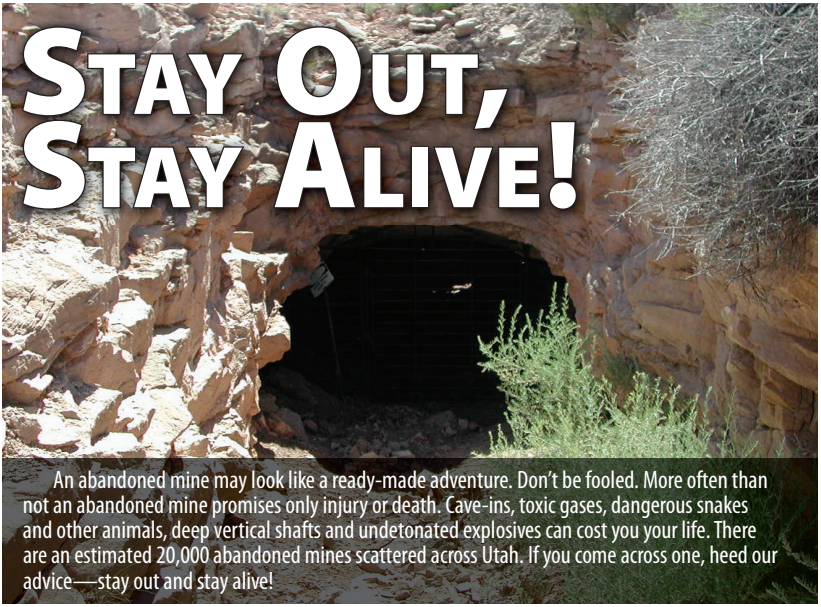

An abandoned mine may look like a ready-made adventure. Don't be fooled. More often than not an abandoned mine promises only injury or death. Cave-ins, toxic gases, dangerous snakes and other animals, deep vertical shafts and undetonated explosives can cost you your life. There are an estimated 20,000 abandoned mines scattered across Utah. If you come across one, heed our advice—stay out and stay alive!