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February 2022 Hunting Calendar

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Make sure you don't miss an opportunity to hunt! Keep an eye on the Arizona Game and Fish website at azgfd.gov so you know when the latest regulation booklets are available. Applications are only online now. Don't miss out!

YOU CAN APPLY FOR 2022 ELK AND PRONGHORN UNTIL FEBRU-ARY 8, 2022, 11:59:59 PM MST. AP-PLY ONLINE. YOU MUST HAVE A LICENSE THAT IS VALID ON **DEADLINE DAY - FEB 8.**

Draw deadlines for deer, fall turkey, fall javelina, bighorn sheep, fall bison, and sandhill crane will be the second Tuesday in June, pending commission ap-

Draw deadlines for spring javelina, spring bear, spring turkey, and spring bison will be the second Tuesday in October pending commission approval.

You can buy tickets for the Big Game Raffle now at www.arizonabiggamesuperraffle.com

Tickets range in price from \$10-\$25. Winners of the AZ Special Tags have the opportunity to hunt year-round for the species they won. There are many other great prizes as well, so be sure to check it out.

2021-22 Fees

General Hunting, resident: \$37; Nonresident: not available see combination

Combination Hunt and fish, resident: \$57; Non-resident: \$160

Youth combination hunt and fish (ages 10-17), resident: \$5 Non-resident: \$5

Short-term combination license, resident: \$15/day, Non-resident: \$20/day

There are also fees for permit-tags and

nonpermit-tags. See the 2021-2022 Hunting Regulations at www.azgfd.com for details. Watch for the 2022-2023 regulations to come out in early summer/late spring.

Report Vandalism: 1-800-VANDALS Report poachers: Operation Game Thief 800-352-0700 rewards for information that results in an arrest.

Be sure to check the hunting regulations carefully before you hunt. Many of the following hunts have notes and legal requirements listed. You must check the regulations. Pick up a paper copy at outdoor stores, Game and Fish offices, or go online at www.azgfd.com and click on regulations to download the booklet. "Open areas" have restrictions beyond what is listed here. ALL HUNTS require a valid hunting license or combination license. Hunters under 10 need a license or they must be accompanied by an adult who possesses a valid license. Falconryonly hunts require a Sport Falconry License. See regulations for daily limits and bag limits. This calendar is for convenience only. You must read and follow the hunting regulations found in the booklets and pamphlets available at www.azgfd.com and at retailers where licenses are sold.

Mountain Lion: Aug 21,2021 – May 31, 2022 This hunt is held by zone, with zones having annual harvest limits. Seasons vary by zone. When the limit is reached, the hunt is over in that zone. You must call to report kills or check hunts before going hunting. There are also archery and pursuit-only tags available. See regulations for details on weapons, fees, zones, etc.

Small Game

Tassel-eared tree squirrel Unit 31: vear-round.

Cottontail Rabbityear-round. Open areas statewide except National Wildlife Refuges, and 11M, 25M, 26M, and 38M. Any cottontail.

Cottontail rabbit in Buenos Aires, and Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife **Refuges:**Jul 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (year-round) any cottontail rabbit.

Cottontail rabbit in Cibola, Havasu, and Imperial National Wildlife Refuges: Sept 1, 2021 - Feb 6, 2022 any cottontail rabbit.

Cottontail rabbit in Kofa National Wildlife Refuge: Oct 15, 2021 – Feb 6,

2022 any cottontail rabbit.

Cottontail rabbit in Leslie Canyon National Wildlife Refuge: Oct 15, 2021 - Feb 24, 2022. Any cottontail rabbit.

Cottontail rabbit limited weapon (shotgun shooting shot):year-round. Open areas except National Wildlife Refuges) any cottontail rabbit.

Cottontail rabbit limited weapon shotgun shooting shot San Bernardino National Wildlife Refuge and Bill Williams River National Wildlife Refuge: Sept 1, 2021 – Feb 6, 2022

Falconry-only cottontail rabbit: year-round. Open areas except National

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