

# STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE

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

Interested Publics

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

Title: Commission Regulation 19-06, 2020 Heritage Tag Seasons and Quotas

**Description:** The Commission will review, revise and adopt recommendations for the establishment of the

2020 Heritage Tag seasons and quotas.

Agenda No: 19-B

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### **Summary:**

This regulation is to establish the 2020 seasons and quotas for Heritage auction tags. The Department must mail, email and post Heritage tag vendor proposal packets by March 1, 2020. The Heritage Committee will review vendor proposal packets during their May meeting and provide recommendations to the County Advisory Boards and the Commission for review and adoption at the June meeting.

Combined Heritage and Silver State tag quotas may not exceed 15 big game tags and 5 wild turkey tags per Nevada Revised Statute 502.250.

#### **Brief Explanation of the Proposed Regulation**

The Department recommends no changes to the previous year's Heritage tag species or quotas, allowing two (2) mule deer tags, two (2) pronghorn antelope tags, two (2) elk tags, two (2) Nelson (desert) bighorn sheep tags, one (1) California bighorn sheep tag, and five (5) wild turkey tags. The Department recommends no changes to the previous year's Heritage tag seasons with the exception of wild turkey seasons to coincide with the 2020 spring wild turkey hunt seasons approved in CR 18-12.

The Department continues to recommend the closure of the hunt units where the Nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep Heritage Tag No. 1 and Heritage Tag No. 2 were filled in the prior year if the tag quota for those hunt units for that year was less than ten (10). The Department also continues to recommend the closure of the hunt unit where the California Bighorn Sheep Heritage Tag No. 1 was filled in the prior year if the tag quota for that hunt unit for that year was less than seven (7).

#### **Recommendation:**

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

## CR 19-06 2020 Wildlife Heritage Tag Seasons and Quotas

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

## 2020 Wildlife Heritage Tags

**Hunting Hours:** Big game mammals and wild turkey may be hunted from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset as listed on government sunrise-sunset tables.

Take Limit: One animal allowed per tag.

**Legal Weapon:** Any legal firearm or bow as described in NRS 503.150 and Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 503.141, 503.142, 503.143 and 503.144 may be used throughout the big game season. Additionally, any legal weapon or shotgun or bow as described in NAC 503.187 may be used throughout the wild turkey season.

Species	Class	Unit Group	Season	Quota	Organization
Mule Deer	Any mule deer	Any hunt unit with an antlered mule deer season.	August 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020	2	To be determined at June NBWC meeting
Pronghorn Antelope	Any pronghorn antelope	Any hunt unit with a pronghorn antelope with horns longer than ears season.	August 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020	2	To be determined at June NBWC meeting
Rocky Mountain Elk	Any elk with at least one antler	Any hunt unit with an antlered elk season except for unit 091.	August 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020	2	To be determined at June NBWC meeting
Nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep Heritage Tag No. 1	Any ram	Any hunt unit with a Nelson (desert) bighorn sheep open season except the unit where the Nelson Bighorn Sheep Heritage Tag No. 1 was filled in the prior year if the tag quota in the prior year for that unit is less than ten (10).	August 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020, except for units 252, 280, 281, 282 which will be established by the Commission for the resident Nelson (desert) bighorn sheep any ram hunt	1	To be determined at June NBWC meeting
Nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep Heritage Tag No. 2	Any ram	Any hunt unit with a Nelson (desert) bighorn sheep open season except the unit where the Nelson Bighorn Sheep Heritage Tag No. 2 was filled in the prior year if the tag quota in the prior year for that unit is less than ten (10).	August 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020, except for hunt units 252, 280, 281, 282 which will be established by the resident Nelson (desert) bighorn sheep any ram hunt	1	To be determined at June NBWC meeting
California Bighorn Sheep Heritage Tag No. 1	Any ram	Any hunt unit with a California bighorn sheep season except the unit where the California Bighorn Sheep Heritage Tag No. 1 was filled in the prior year if the tag quota in the prior year for that unit is less than seven (7) and unit 041.	Aug 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020	1	To be determined at June NBWC meeting

Wild Turkey	Any wild turkey	Any hunt unit with a wild turkey season.	March 21, 2020 through May 3, 2020	5	To be determined at June NBWC meeting
Total				14	