

Junior, Senior & Disabled

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Reduced-Fee Licenses for Juniors

Reduced-fee licenses for resident junior game hunting and fishing, junior deer, junior elk, junior trapper and junior game hunting (resident and non-resident) are available to individuals 17 years of age and younger at the time of purchase, on or after April 1, 2024. Resident junior licenses for hunting deer and/or elk on private land may be purchased at license vendors, NMDGF offices, by telephone or online.

Youth-Only Hunts

To qualify for youth-only hunts, applicants must be 17 years of age or younger on opening day of the hunt and must possess a Hunter Education number or mentor-youth number (page 20). The mentor-youth number is valid only for deer, pronghorn, turkey, javelina and small-game hunts.

Reduced-Fee Licenses for Resident Seniors

Reduced-fee licenses for senior game hunting and fishing, senior elk or senior deer are available to residents 65 years or older at the time of purchase, on or before April 1, 2024. Senior licenses for hunting deer and/or elk on private land can be purchased at NMDGF offices and license vendors, by telephone or online.

Off-Range Oryx Hunt for Seniors 70 Years and Older

To qualify for the off-range oryx senior hunt, applicants must be 70 years of age or older on the opening day of the hunt.

Reduced-Fee Licenses for Handicapped Residents

A reduced-fee, Game-Hunting & Fishing License is available to New Mexico residents with a permanent disability in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Applicants must attest that they have one or more disabilities that substantially limit major life activities.

Resident handicapped license holders must purchase and possess a Habitat Stamp and HMAV (page 10) as applicable. All other laws and rules must be followed.

Mobility-Impaired Certification (MI)

MI certification by NMDGF is required prior to submitting an application for MI-only pronghorn, oryx, elk or deer draw hunts. To qualify for MI Certification, an individual must have a permanent impairment that limits his/her mobility to a walker, wheelchair or crutches and/or have one or more permanent disabilities or conditions that substantially limit his/her ability to walk. The MI Certification form is available online or may be requested by telephone. This form must be signed by the applicant's physician and attest that one or more of the above mobility-impaired conditions apply.

The MI card is valid for 48 months from the date approved/issued by NMDGF. The MI card holder must purchase and possess a habitat stamp and HMAV (page 10) if applicable. All other laws and rules must be followed.

For further information call: **1-888-248-6866** or email: special.hunts@dgf.nm.gov

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Mobility-Impaired (MI) Hunters

A Mobility-Impaired Card allows a hunter to: 1) shoot from a stationary motor-driven vehicle only when it has been parked completely off of the established road surface and there is no right-of-way fence; 2) have one assistant to help track and kill big game that has been clearly wounded by the MI hunter. **The assistant must have written authorization from the MI hunter and must use the same sporting-arm type as the MI hunter;** 3) use a crossbow during a bow hunt.

Reasonable Accommodation Permits

Hunters with injuries or conditions that don't qualify for the Mobility Impaired certification may request specific disability accommodations on a case-by-case basis. For more information, call **1-888-248-6866**.

Title VI Funding

Certain programs of the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish receive federal funds from the U.S. Department of the Interior. These programs are therefore subject to requirements of the New Mexico Human Rights Act and Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, which prohibit discrimination because of ancestry, sex, race, color, religion, national origin, age or physical or mental handicap. If you believe you have been discriminated against in any program, activity or facility, please send a detailed description of the incident by certified mail to the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish. If you desire further information on Title VI, write: New Mexico Department of Game and Fish, ADA Coordinator, One Wildlife Way, Santa Fe, NM 87507 or Office of Equal Opportunity, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, Office of the Secretary, Washington, DC 20240. The Department of Game and Fish will schedule public meetings and operate facilities that are accessible to physically impaired persons. Reasonable accommodations will be made for other impairments, including hearing and sight. If special aids are required, call 505-476-8027 or write to One Wildlife Way, Santa Fe, NM 87507 at least three working days prior to the meeting date. To initiate a complaint, write to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Diversity and Inclusive Workforce Management, Public Civil Rights Accessibility & Disability Coordinator, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041; (703) 358-1724.