

Wildlife Management Areas

Licenses, applications, harvest reporting and general information: wildlife.dgf.nm.gov

New Mexico State Wildlife Commission Lands

The New Mexico State Wildlife Commission owns and manages lands across New Mexico for the benefit of fish, wildlife and their habitats. These lands include wildlife management areas (WMAs). All WMAs are closed to hunting unless specifically listed as open in this booklet.

Hunting on Wildlife Management Areas

- WMAs designated open to hunting are listed in this booklet by species and GMU.
- Only New Mexico residents may apply for big-game, upland-game or turkey draw hunts held exclusively on WMAs. Non-residents may apply only for draw hunts open concurrently on both a WMA and other public lands.
- WMA access is allowed by each properly-licensed hunter with up to three guests, during the hunt period on their license (includes scouting period for big-game and turkey hunters only).
- Individuals may not enter closed areas as posted on site.
- Vehicles may not be operated off established roads or on closed roads.
- Camping is restricted to designated areas. Individuals may not camp more than 14 consecutive days, unless the combined hunting and scouting periods for which the hunter is licensed exceeds the 14 days.
- Campfires must be safely contained.
- Dogs must remain on leash, except when being used for hunting purposes as allowed by rule.
- Domestic livestock feed must be pelleted grain feed or hay certified as weed free.
- Individuals may not deface or remove rocks, minerals, plants (including fruits, nuts, and berries), animals (except for legally harvested game), firewood or man-made features (including artifacts).
- Individuals may not violate access rules for specific WMAs posted on site or otherwise published by NMDOW.
- For information on hunting furbearers and nongame see page 133

For further rules and specific information about each WMA, visit Conservation/Wildlife Commission Lands at

<https://wildlife.dgf.nm.gov/conservation/state-game-commission-lands>.

Purchase or Collect Firewood Within New Mexico

Do not bring firewood into New Mexico from other states. The movement of firewood from one state to another has become the principal method of introducing new damaging insect pests and diseases to forests. Emerald ash borer, Sirex Woodwasps, Spongy moth (formerly Gypsy moth), Asian longhorn beetle, oak wilt disease and others can be transported in firewood and are the cause of significant damage to forests in other states. These pests are almost always fatal to trees and will decimate forested areas as well as riparian areas if they are allowed to get established. **If you inadvertently brought in firewood from another state, please burn all of it immediately.** Please purchase or collect firewood within New Mexico.

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For more information contact the New Mexico Department of Agriculture: **575-646-3207** or the U.S. Department of Agriculture—Plant Protection and Quarantine: **575-527-6985**.

Buy it local...Burn it local!

