

Nebraska Hunter Requirements



		Under Age 10						Age 10-11						Age 12-15						Age 16 and Up															
Residency	May Legally Take	Permit Type	Habitat Stamp	Neb. Waterfowl Stamp	Federal Duck Stamp	HIP Number	Hunter Education	⁴ Accompaniment	May Legally Take	Permit Type	Habitat Stamp	Neb. Waterfowl Stamp	Federal Duck Stamp	HIP Number	Hunter Education	^{4,5} Accompaniment	May Legally Take	Permit Type	Habitat Stamp	Neb. Waterfowl Stamp	Federal Duck Stamp	HIP Number	^{1,2,3} Hunter Education	^{5,6} Accompaniment	May Legally Take	Permit Type	Habitat Stamp	Neb. Waterfowl Stamp	Federal Duck Stamp	HIP Number	^{1,2,3} Hunter Education	⁶ Accompaniment (age 16-29)			
Deer	R							•	D						•	•	D						•	•	•	D	•				•	•			
	N							•	D	•					•	•	D	•					•	•	•	D	•				•	•			
Antelope	R														•	A							•	•	•	A	•				•	•			
	N														•	A	•						•	•	•	A	•				•	•			
Elk	R															E							•	•	•	E	•				•	•			
	N	LANDOWNER ONLY															•	E					•	•	•	•	•	•	•	E	•			•	•
Mountain Sheep (Bighorn)	R															•	S						•	•	•	S	•				•	•			
	N															•	S	•					•	•	•	S	•				•	•			
Turkey	R	•	T					•	•	T					•	•	T						•	•	•	T	•				•	•			
	N	•	T	•				•	•	T	•				•	•	T	•					•	•	•	T	•				•	•			
Mountain Lion	R															•	M						•	•	•	M	•				•	•			
	N															•	M	•					•	•	•	M	•				•	•			
Waterfowl	R	•						•	•						•	•							•	•	•	H	•	•	•	•	•	•			
	N	•	H	•	•			•	•	H	•	•			•	•	H	•	•				•	•	•	H	•	•	•	•	•	•			
Webless Migratory Birds	R	•						•	•						•	•							•	•	•	H	•				•	•			
	N	•	H	•				•	•	H	•				•	•	H	•					•	•	•	H	•				•	•			
Upland Game Birds/Other Small Game	R	•						•	•						•	•							•	•	•	H	•				•	•			
	N	•	H	•				•	•	H	•				•	•	H	•					•	•	•	H	•				•	•			
⁷ Furbearers — Hunt	R	•						•	•						•	•							•	•	•	F	•				•	•			
	N	•	F	•				•	•	F	•				•	•	F	•					•	•	•	F	•				•	•			
⁷ Furbearers — Trap	R	•						•							•								•		•	F	•								
	N	•	F	•				•		F	•				•		F	•					•		•	F	•								
Crow	R	•						•	•						•	•							•	•	•	H					•	•			
	N	•	H					•	•	H					•	•	H						•	•	•	H					•	•			
Coyote, Prairie Dog, Porcupine, Woodchuck	R	•						•	•						•	•							•	•	•						•	•			
	N	•	H					•	•	H					•	•	H						•	•	•	H					•	•			
Unprotected	A	•						•							•								•		•										
Protected	A	NO OPEN SEASON — MAY NOT HUNT																																	

Residency

R - Resident of Nebraska, N - Nonresident, A - All

Permits

H - Hunt (small game), T - Turkey, D - Deer, E - Elk, A - Antelope, S - Mountain (Bighorn) Sheep, F - Fur Harvest, M - Mountain Lion

Species

Upland Game Birds/Other Small Game – Pheasant, Quail, Prairie Grouse, Partridge, Squirrel, Cottontail, Jackrabbit

Webless Migratory Birds – Dove, Snipe, Rail, Woodcock

⁷ **Furbearers** – Trap only: Muskrat and Beaver; Hunt or trap: Bobcat, Mink, Raccoon, Badger, Red Fox, Gray Fox, Virginia Opossum, Long-tailed Weasel, Striped Skunk

Unprotected – Common Pigeon, European Starling, English Sparrow, Norway Rat, House Mouse

Protected – Bear, River Otter, Spotted Skunk, Canada Lynx, Black-footed Ferret, Moose, Swift Fox, Southern Flying Squirrel, and all migratory songbirds not specifically allowed by a small game or waterfowl permit.

Exceptions

- Residents age 69 and over and qualifying veterans age 64 and older may obtain a reduced-fee hunt permit, which includes Nebraska habitat and waterfowl stamps.
- A farmer or rancher and immediate family who actually live on the land they own or lease may hunt squirrel, cottontail, jackrabbit (west of U.S. 81), prairie grouse (special permit required east of U.S. 81), partridge, pheasant and quail without obtaining a Nebraska hunt (small game) permit or Habitat Stamp. Hunting seasons and regulations still apply.
- Lifetime permits do not allow for the hunting of deer, antelope, elk, mountain lion, mountain (bighorn) sheep or turkey, and do not include stamps.

Hunter Education

¹ Hunters ages 12 through 29 must have on their person proof of successful completion of firearm Hunter Education while hunting with a firearm or air gun.

² Hunters ages 12 through 29 must have on their person proof of successful completion of Bowhunter Education while hunting deer, antelope, elk, or mountain (bighorn) sheep with bow and arrow or crossbow.

³ Hunters ages 12 through 29 who have not completed firearm and/or bowhunter Hunter Education may obtain an Apprentice Hunter Education Exemption Certificate.

Accompaniment

⁴ Firearm hunters ages 11 or younger must be accompanied by a licensed person age 19 or older.

⁵ Any deer, elk, antelope, or bighorn sheep hunters ages 15 or younger must be accompanied by a licensed person age 19 and older.

⁶ Hunters holding an Apprentice Hunter Education Exemption Certificate must be accompanied by a licensed person age 19 or older.

Definitions

Accompanied – In the presence of a licensed hunter age 19 or older. The accompanying hunter may not accompany more than two hunters at a time using the Apprentice Hunter Education Exemption Certificate. The accompanying adult hunter must at all times be in unaided visual and verbal communication with the novice hunter.

Licensed – Has a valid Nebraska hunting permit.

Disclaimer

This is only intended to be a guide. Consult statutes and regulations.