

2015 Landowner (LO) Eligibility Rules and Application

Landowner permits are available for all big game species. Landowner antelope and elk permits have a set quota. Landowner deer permits are not limited. Nebraska Revised Statute § 37-455 requires that residents have preference over nonresidents. NGPC meets those requirements with rules that favor residents with lower price permit fees, lower acreage requirements and differential preference points for landowner elk permits. Nonresident LO elk applicants earn lesser preference points (.9) vs (1.0) for Residents. For more information regarding landowner requirements please refer to Nebraska Revised Statutes §37-455 and Title 163, Chapter 4, § 001 of the Nebraska Administrative Code or call your local NGPC District Wildlife office for more information.

RULES:

1. A qualifying land owner (Owner) is defined as (1) a Nebraska resident or non-resident who, in their individual capacity, owns Nebraska land in fee simple, provided that a recorded deed or contract for ownership is recorded in the county in which the land is located; (2) a Nebraska resident or non-resident who owns land through a trust or corporate entity such as a partnership, limited liability company, or corporation, so long as the corporate entity owns the minimum required acreage required by law to apply for a permit.
2. The Spouse or Child of an Owner may also qualify for Landowner permits.
3. If land is **leased** by a Nebraska resident, the Leaseholder, Spouse or Child of leaseholder may also qualify for Landowner permits. *Nonresident leaseholders do **NOT** qualify.*
4. LO applicants are **NOT** required to live in the same household as the landowner.
5. Qualifying farm and ranch land **MUST** be used for agricultural purposes such as crop or livestock production. Land used solely for recreation does **NOT** qualify.
6. The maximum number of applicants allowed for one farm/ranch is determined by size of the property in total acres, divided by the minimum acreage requirement. Example: Resident Elk LO - 640 acres owned / 320 acres = 2 LO applications allowed.
7. Persons may have no more than 1 LO permit per species per year. Fall turkey and Spring turkey permits are treated as separately.
8. ELK: Owners or leaseholders applying for an elk permit are **NOT** required to live in an elk zone.
9. ELK: Persons who had LO bull elk permits in the previous two years are NOT eligible to apply for another LO bull permit.
10. ELK only: Landowner applications for elk permits must be submitted to the NGPC District Wildlife office which has authority for the elk management unit listed on the application form set out below:

Alliance office: Ash Creek, Bordeaux Creek, Hat Creek, North Platte River – 308 763 2940 / 299 Husker Road / Alliance, NE 69301
North Platte office: Box Elder – 308 535 8025 / 301 East State Farm Road / North Platte, NE 69101
Norfolk office: Boyd unit, Niobrara River unit – 402 370 3374 / 2201 N 13th / Norfolk NE, 68701

Table 1 - Landowner permit applicant Acreage Requirements:

	Resident rules	Non-Resident rules	Hunt Location
Elk	Own 320 acres in elk zone Own/Lease 640 acres in elk zone	Own 1280 acres in elk zone Not eligible on leased land	Any land in elk zone
Antelope, Deer, Turkey	Own or lease 80 acres	Own 320 acres	On owned or leased property as described

Table 2 - Acres, Price and Preference for LO Antelope (A), Deer (D), Elk, Spring Turkey (ST) and Fall Turkey (FT). (Residency of owner determines minimum acres. Residency of applicant determines price and preference.)

Owner / Applicant	Acre Rules	Price	Preference Points
Resident owner application: (includes owner, spouse, children)	Resident Acres: 80 acres Owned or Leased for A,D,FT,ST For elk, Own 320 acres in elk zone For elk, Own/Lease 640 acres in elk zone	Antelope = \$20.50 Deer = \$15.50 Elk = \$39.40 Turkey = \$12.50	Resident pref. assigned Elk = 1 point Pronghorn = 1 point
Nonresident owner application: (includes owner, spouse, children)	Nonresident Acres 320 acres Owned for A,D,FT,ST 1280 acres Owned for Elk	Antelope = \$79.75 Deer = \$105 Elk = \$458 Turkey = \$46	Nonresident pref. assigned Elk = 0.9 point Pronghorn = 0.9 point
Nonresident owner & Resident applicant: (i.e. resident children)	Nonresident Acres: 320 acres owned for A,D,FT,ST 1280 acres owned for Elk	Antelope = \$20.50 Deer = \$15.50 Elk = \$39.40 Turkey = \$12.50	Resident pref. assigned Elk = 1 point Pronghorn = 1 point
Resident owner & Nonresident applicant: (i.e. nonresident, children)	Resident Acres: 80 acres owned for A,D,FT,ST For elk, Own 320 acres in elk zone For elk, Own/Lease 640 acres in elk zone	Antelope = \$79.75 Deer = \$105 Elk = \$458 Turkey = \$46	Nonresident pref. assigned Elk = .9 point Pronghorn = 0.9 point

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First Name _____ Middle Initial _____ Last Name _____ Last 4 SSN _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Hair color _____ Eye color _____ Height _____ Weight _____ Sex _____ DOB: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ Daytime Phone Number _____

CCard # (Visa or MasterCard Only) _____ MO: _____ YR: _____ / _____ Email Address: _____
 CC Expiration Date _____ 3 digit code _____

Unit 1st Choice: _____ Bull or Cow (*circle one*) Unit 2nd Choice: _____ Bull or Cow (*circle one*)

Firearm Hunter Education Number – State Certified: _____

Qualifying Property – Legal description and ownership *(properties listed below cannot be used by other applicants)*

#	Quarters	Section	Township	Range	County	# of Acres	Owner Name	Owner Address City, State	Owner Phone	Owned or Leased? (Circle 1)	Agricultural purpose of land? Example. Row crop production
1										Owned Leased	
2										Owned Leased	
3										Owned Leased	
4										Owned Leased	

Does applicant qualify as: 1) Spouse or child of the Owner? (*circle one*) No Yes
 If YES, circle: **Spouse or Child** and provide Owner Name: _____
 2) Spouse or child of Leaseholder? (*circle one*) No Yes
 If YES, circle: **Spouse or Child** and provide: Leaseholder Name: _____
 Leaseholder: _____ / _____ / _____ / _____
Address City State Phone

Land owners who own land through a corporate structure such as Trusts, Corporations, LLC, etc. qualify under the elk zone landownership guidelines.

For property listed above and leased by the applicant or (parent/spouse of applicant) provide the following:

1. Lease dates: Start Date: _____ Stop Date: _____
 Legal Description: _____ Agricultural purpose: _____
 Leaseholder Name: _____ Owner Name: _____
2. Lease dates: Start Date: _____ Stop Date: _____
 Legal Description: _____ Agricultural purpose: _____
 Leaseholder Name: _____ Owner Name: _____

NOTE: Landowner support for elk is a critical element of the success of the program. Fair distribution of landowner permits to those who legitimately qualify is necessary to maintain landowner support. The purpose of this detailed application form is to allow NPGC to verify the validity of ownership, leases, family relationship and agricultural use of the land.

Failure to provide complete and accurate information may result in disqualification.

1. Qualifying land MUST be leased or owned for legitimate agricultural production for the current year.
 2. Land listed on this application **may not** be used by other applicants to qualify for an elk permit.
- Applicant must sign and date the following statement when submitting their application for a LO elk permit if the requirement is met.
I attest that all leased land listed on this application is being operated primarily for agricultural production of hay, crops, grain or livestock production for the current year and the entire growing season by the owner or lessee named on this application.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

LEGAL DESCRIPTION SUPPLEMENT: *use if more space is required.*

Properties listed below cannot be used by other Landowner elk permit applicants

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6										Owned Leased	
7										Owned Leased	
8										Owned Leased	
9										Owned Leased	
10										Owned Leased	

Proof of land ownership for **ALL** applications may be established by submitting a copy of:

1. A copy of a recorded property deed;
2. and **for corporate entities including trusts, partnerships, corporations, or Limited Liability Companies** proof of ownership must be provided to NGPC. Ownership can be proved through: (A) copy of ownership interest in a for-profit corporation including proof of Bona Fide Equity Shareholder with a fully-executed stock certificate, and articles of incorporation; (B) a copy of the LLCs articles of organization or the operating agreement identifying the applicant as a bona fide equity member who became a member upon the formation of the LLC or has purchased a distributional interest in a Nebraska limited liability company for a value equal to the percentage of the appraised value of the LLC assets represented by the distributional interest in the LLC; (C) partnership agreement or certificate or partnership; and (D) Trust applicants must submit a copy of a trust agreement, which must indicate that the trust owns the minimum required acreage to apply for the permit and the applicant must be listed by name as a current income beneficiary of the trust. A representative of the Commission may call the Landowner if further proof of ownership is required. **If there are more shareholders or members of a company then available land required to apply, then the president or managing member must designate what members or shareholders can apply for a permit this year. Failure to designate the proper qualifying land owners will result in disqualification.** For questions, please call the District Wildlife Offices in Alliance, Norfolk or North Platte.