

# 2025 Free-earned Landowner Elk Harvest Reporting Form

*Form must be received by 5 p.m. Feb. 21, 2025, at Nebraska Game and Parks*

**RULES:**

1. Following the verification of 10 general antlerless or depredation season elk harvests, a qualifying landowner who owns or leases at least 80 acres of agricultural land or their immediate family shall qualify for an either sex elk permit. The free-earned permit must be designated to the qualifying landowner or their immediate family on a form provided to the landowner by the Commission by the last Friday in March. Harvest will be limited to 1 elk of either sex and is limited to the lands owned or leased by the qualifying landowner during any open elk season provided weapons legal for that season are used. Only antlerless elk may be taken during antlerless-only seasons. The permit must be designated for the next elk season following the 10th qualifying antlerless harvest.
2. Immediate family includes the landowner’s spouse, child, stepchild, spouse of child or stepchild, sibling sharing ownership or spouse of sibling.
3. Qualifying farm and ranchland **MUST** be used for agricultural purposes such as crop or livestock production. Land used solely for recreation does **NOT** qualify. **Hunting leases do not qualify.**
4. The number of antlerless elk harvested to qualify accumulates each year until such time as a free-earned landowner elk permit is awarded. It is unlawful to falsely report antlerless harvests.
5. Only general antlerless or depredation season harvests are eligible. Antlerless elk harvested on landowner elk permits are not eligible for this program. Only harvests that occur during the most recent early- and late-antlerless season will be allowed on the form. Special depredation season antlerless harvests will be recorded within one month of the close of the elk season.
6. Owners or leaseholders applying for the free-earned elk permit are **NOT** required to live in a Landowner Elk Zone.
7. Important Dates:
  - a. Harvest Reporting Form (this form) Due: Third Friday in February (2/21/2025)
  - b. Permit Designation Form Due: Last Friday in March (3/28/2025)
8. Forms must be submitted to the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission District Wildlife Office which has authority for the elk management unit listed on the application form set out below:
  - **Alliance office: Units 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10 and 11**
    - o 308 763 2940 / 299 Husker Road / Alliance, NE 69301
  - **North Platte office: Units 5, 12 and 13**
    - o 308 535 8025 / 301 East State Farm Road / North Platte, NE 69101
  - **Bassett Customer Service Center: Units 6, 7 and 14**
    - o 402 684 2921 / 524 Panzer / PO Box 508 / Bassett NE, 68714

## Qualifying Landowner Information

First Name	M.I.	Last Name	Last 4 SSN	Phone
Mailing Address	City	State	ZIP	Email address
Total Acres Owned or Leased for Agricultural Purposes				

**Qualifying Harvests** *(duplicate this page if necessary)*

	Hunter Name	Seal Number		Hunter Name	Seal Number
1			6		
2			7		
3			8		
4			9		
5			10		

***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 and that all elk reported were harvested on said land.***

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

LEGAL DESCRIPTION SUPPLEMENT *(duplicate this page if necessary)*

Qualifying Property – Legal description and ownership

	Quarters: Examples: SE ¼ W1/2 of SE ¼	Sect.	Tship	Range	County	# of Acres	Owner Name	Owner Address City, State	Owner Phone	Owned or Leased? <i>(Circle 1)</i>	Agricultural purpose of land? Example: <i>Row crop production</i>
1										Owned Leased	
2										Owned Leased	
3										Owned Leased	
4										Owned Leased	
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