

# 2021

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### LANDOWNER PERMISSION REQUIRED

Permission is required to hunt private land in South Dakota. Every year Game, Fish and Parks receives complaints from hunters who drew a license and couldn't get permission to hunt private land once the season opened. Do not apply just because licenses are available. Have permission to hunt before you apply. If you don't get permission before you apply, you may not be able to get permission during the season.

### APPLY ONLINE: [gfp.sd.gov](http://gfp.sd.gov)

Applying online is as easy as it has ever been for any type of big game hunting license in South Dakota. Simply visit [gfp.sd.gov](http://gfp.sd.gov) to apply online. You cannot miss the link from the homepage that says "Purchase/apply for a Hunting/Fishing License." From there, the system walks you through step by step. If you do not already have an account, you will be required to create one. You will begin by selecting a season to apply for and your first choice hunting unit. Please note that you are required to provide a credit or debit card number to finish the transaction. Upon completion and submission of your application, you are then placed directly into the drawing for the unit you selected. Preference points are automatically included if you had any from previous years. To learn more about applying online, a tutorial video is available and will walk you through the process step by step. So if you have 10 minutes, please take the time to watch this video online at [gfp.sd.gov](http://gfp.sd.gov).

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# APPLICATION INFORMATION

**Drawing Statistics:** Applicants may access last year's drawing results online [gfp.sd.gov](http://gfp.sd.gov). Drawing information will be available from 2020 seasons and 2021 information will be available when the drawing is complete.

**Elk Drawing Sequence:** The first drawing will be for all eligible applicants. See "License Eligibility" under each season section in the following application instructions. Only one choice may be made per season in the first drawing. You can apply for a second choice in the second drawing. If you draw your first choice on the first drawing, you will lose eligibility for the specified duration in future years.

## First Elk Drawing Rules:

1. Applicants may submit one choice for each of the five open elk seasons that they are eligible for. There will be no second choices processed for the first drawing.
2. A nonrefundable \$10 application fee must be submitted for each season applied for. For example, if you apply for four different elk seasons on this application form, you must submit \$40 with the form.
3. The elk drawings will be conducted in the following order: Custer State Park Firearms Any Elk, Custer State Park Archery Elk-Early Season, Black Hills Firearms Elk, Prairie Firearms Elk, and Archery Elk.
4. Once an applicant has drawn a permit, they are not eligible for subsequent drawings. However, the individual will continue to receive additional preference points for subsequent drawings as an unsuccessful applicant. Only one elk license is allowed per individual per year, and this will eliminate the possibility of any individual drawing two licenses.

5. Applicants will be notified if they were successful in the drawing. Those who applied online by credit/debit card will have the full license fee charged to their credit card. Those who applied by paper application will be given until June 18 to submit the full license fee to the South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks License Office.
6. Successful applicants will lose all preference for that particular season and eligibility for future drawings.

## Second Elk Drawing Rules (if required):

1. Anyone who does not have a 2021 elk license is eligible for the second drawing, including those individuals that were not eligible for the first drawing.
2. Applicants now have the option of using accumulated preference points during the second draw. Those applicants who choose to use their preference points in the second draw and are successful in the draw will lose any accumulated preference points and eligibility to apply for that season for 9 years.
3. Online application only. No paper applications will be accepted.
4. Applicants will be charged the \$10 nonrefundable fee to their credit/debit card, and if successful the full license fee will be added.
5. The drawing sequence will follow the same sequence as first elk drawing.

## Third Elk Drawing Rules (if required):

1. Anyone who does not have a 2021 elk license is eligible for the third drawing.
2. Online application only. No paper applications will be accepted.

# APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

## Residency

To apply for a resident license, a person must:

- Have a domicile (person's established, fixed, and permanent home to which the person, whenever absent, has the present intention of returning) within South Dakota for at least 90 consecutive days immediately preceding the date of application for purchasing, or attempting to purchase any hunting, fishing, or trapping license/permit;
- Make no claim of residency in any other state or foreign country for any purpose;
- Claim no resident hunting, fishing, or trapping privileges in any other state or foreign country;
- Prior to any application for any license, transfer to South Dakota the person's driver's license and motor vehicle registrations.  
*EXCEPTION: The following persons are eligible for resident licenses:*
- Any person who previously had a domicile in South Dakota who is absent due to business of the United States or South Dakota, or is serving in the armed forces of the US or the spouse of an active duty military person;
- Any person who previously had a domicile in this state who is absent due to the person's regular attendance at a post-high school institution as a full time student or in a medical or dental residency program;
- Any person in the active military of the U.S. or that person's spouse who is continuously stationed in South Dakota;
- Any patient in any war veterans' hospital within South Dakota;
- Any employee of the veterans' administration or any veterans' hospital in South Dakota;
- Any person residing on restricted military reservations in South Dakota;
- Any person attending regularly a post-high school institution in South Dakota as a full-time student for 30 days or more immediately preceding the application;
- Any foreign exchange student over 16 years of age attending a public or private high school who has resided in the state for 30 days or more preceding the application;
- Any foreign exchange student who is between the ages of 12 and 16 who has completed GFP's course of instruction in the safe handling of firearms and has been issued a certificate of competency upon

completion of instruction and who has resided in South Dakota for 30 days or more preceding application for a license;

- Any person who is a minor dependent of a resident of South Dakota.

## Termination of Residency

A person (*other than a person who fits into one of the previous EXCEPTIONS*) is deemed to have terminated their South Dakota resident hunting, fishing, and trapping status if the person does any of the following:

- Applies for, purchases, or accepts a resident hunting, fishing, or trapping license issued by another state or foreign country;
- Registers to vote in another state or foreign country;
- Accepts a driver's license issued by another state or foreign country;
- Moves to any other state or foreign country and makes it the person's domicile or makes any claim of residency for any purpose in the other state or foreign country.

*However, a person who has lawfully acquired a resident hunting, fishing, or trapping license and who leaves the state after acquiring the license to take up residency elsewhere may continue to exercise all the privileges granted by the license until the license expires if the person's respective privileges are not revoked or suspended.*

## Social Security Number

The last four digits of your Social Security Number are required. The Social Security Number information is required from all U.S. residents before this application will be processed [SDCL 25-7A-56.2]. This information will be kept confidential. The information is required to be in compliance with state law on collection of delinquent child support payments.

*South Dakota law prohibits the issuance or renewal of any hunting or fishing license if an individual owes \$1,000 or more in past-due child support unless the individual enters into a repayment agreement with the Dept. of Social Services for payment of the delinquent child support [SDCL 25-7A-56; 25-7A-1(28)].*

*There is a requirement to enter into a repayment agreement with the Department of Social Services even if the individual is presently making child support payments, or if child support is being withheld from wages or income. To enter into the required repayment agreement, individuals must contact the Dept. of Social Services - Office of Child Support Enforcement, 700 Governor's Drive - Kneip Building, Pierre SD 57501, or call 605.773.6456.*

### Age Eligibility

- Applicants must be 12 years old by Dec. 31, 2021 to hunt.
- Applicants under age 16 must successfully complete a HuntSAFE course.
- Applicants who have not completed the HuntSAFE course at the time of application must use a paper application in all draws and leave that information blank on the application form. If drawn, their license will be held until the GFP License Office is notified of the HuntSAFE card number once the course has been successfully completed.

### Application Rules

- Applications not properly filled out will be returned.
- Individuals may submit only one application per season for the first drawing and receive no more than one license. See “Application Deadlines” for rules allowing additional licenses.
- Licenses may not be transferred to another person.

### Group Applications

- Applications with matching choices, submitted in the same group, will be treated as a group application. All applicants will either be successful or unsuccessful in the drawings.
- Applications submitted in the same group with choices that do not match will be treated as individual applications in the drawings, not as a group application.
- An incomplete application voids all other applications in the group.
- Applicants with preference points should be aware when applying with applicants with fewer preference points: Doing so gives all applicants the lowest point represented in the group.
- No more than two applications may be submitted in the same group for the elk seasons. Group applications are not accepted for Black Hills Bighorn Sheep, Mountain Goat or Custer State Park Early Archery Elk.

### Submitting Fees

See the elk drawing sequence on the front page of the application for rules specific to the elk seasons. One check may be written to cover the cost of all seasons you apply for on this form. We recommend the fee be sent in the form of a personal check, but a cashier's check, money order or cash will be accepted. Cash is not recommended. Make checks payable to “South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks.” Payment for applications submitted online must be made with a valid credit/debit card (Visa, MasterCard or American Express). A \$10 nonrefundable fee will be charged at the time of application. Your credit/debit card will not be charged the full fee until, and only if you are successful in the drawing. Nonpayment in the form of a cancelled credit/debit card will result in your license being withheld and the blocking of any future license purchases until the unpaid fee, along with any penalties, is paid in full. A bad check will either void the license if the draw has not yet occurred; or if the drawing has been completed, it will result in the blocking of any future license purchases until the unpaid fee, along with any bad check fees and penalties are paid in full.

### Submitting Applications

Applications may be submitted online or on the forms provided in this pamphlet (the forms may be photocopied), and may be mailed in the self-addressed envelopes provided or in the applicant's envelope. Proper postage must be affixed to the envelope to ensure delivery. Paper applications will not be accepted for second or third draws.

**Mail to:** GFP License Office 20641 SD Hwy 1806 Fort Pierre, SD 57532

### Successful Applicants

Successful applicants for limited licenses are selected at random by computer lottery.

### Unsuccessful Applicants

Those who applied online using a credit card will be charged only if they are successful in the drawing. Those unsuccessful will not be charged and there will be no refund required.

### Preference Points

Elk, bighorn sheep and mountain goat seasons have a point system for applicants who are unsuccessful on their first choice in the first draw. One point is earned each year the applicant is unsuccessful. Preference is valid on first choices in the first drawing, and may be used in the second drawing. Preference points are automatically credited to an application by the computer system. Preference is maintained by the computer system even if you do not apply the following year. Preference cannot be transferred to another person. If you have any questions about your preference, please contact our Information Office. NOTE: *Applicants who draw a first-choice license and subsequently refuse to take the license will lose all accumulated preference and eligibility.*

### Resident Only Elk Landowner/Operator Preference

- Landowners applying for landowner/operator preference can apply by paper application or online.
- These requirements and restrictions apply to Black Hills elk, Archery elk, and the Prairie Elk hunting seasons:
  - Qualifying landowner-operation applicants may apply for this preference every year
  - Landowners Preference only applies to the first draw.
  - Fifty percent of the licenses are available to persons who qualify for landowner-operator preference. A minimum of 240 acres of land within an elk unit which has had at least 500 days of elk use since the last day of the previous application period is required to qualify. An elk use day is any day an elk feeds or waters on private land. For purposes of elk preference eligibility, members of the qualifying landowner-operator's family including grandparents, parents, spouse, children, children's spouse, or grandchildren who live on the ranch or in the closest community and have an active role in the ranch operation also qualify. Only one qualifying applicant per ranch unit per year may apply for a landowner-operator preference elk license in all elk seasons. A ranch unit is described as all private property owned and leased for agricultural purposes by written agreement by an individual qualifying landowner or a qualifying corporation, limited liability company, partnership or trust in the state. Only one shareholder, member, partner or trust beneficiary of a qualifying corporation, limited liability company, partnership or trust may apply under landowner-operator preference for each elk hunting season. A ranch unit may not be subdivided for the purpose of qualifying for more than one landowner-operator preference in a specific elk season.
  - A landowner or tenant, but not both, may claim landowner preference for the same qualifying property. Employment on a farm or ranch alone does not qualify an individual for landowner preference.
  - Restrictions on landowner preference for legal entities. Shareholders of a corporation, members of a limited liability company holding a membership interest in the company, partners in a partnership, and beneficiaries of a trust entitled to the current income and assets held in trust; all organized and in good standing under the laws of the State of South Dakota are eligible for landowner preference if:
    - (1) The entity holds title to no less than the minimum number of acres of private land located within the hunting unit applied for as established in rule;
    - (2) The shareholder, member, partner, or trust beneficiary applying for landowner preference is a resident; and
    - (3) The shareholder, member, partner, or trust beneficiary is responsible for making the day-to-day management decisions for agricultural purposes on the farm or ranch.

# SEASON APPLICATION INFORMATION

Use the entire 8-digit number when filling out “season-unit-type” on the application.

Example: 

B	H	E	1	H	1	A	2	1
Season			Unit			Type		

The season/unit/type designations apply to resident and nonresident licenses.

License fees for elk, bighorn sheep and mountain goat seasons include a \$6 surcharge established by the South Dakota Legislature.

Surcharge monies are divided between programs for wildlife damage management and public hunting land access, programs that benefit both landowners and hunters.

INDIAN TRUST LANDS. State licenses are valid on private, deeded lands within the exterior boundaries of Indian reservations. Persons planning to hunt on tribal lands should contact the appropriate tribal office concerning tribal hunting licenses.

## BLACK HILLS FIREARMS ELK

**License Eligibility:** SD residents who received any license for this season from 2012-2020 are NOT eligible – except those who received a second choice or leftover license – to apply in the first drawing. All SD residents without 2021 elk licenses are eligible to apply in leftover drawings.

**Preference Point Only Option:** Eligible applicants may apply for a designated unit (BHE-ZZ1-99) if they cannot hunt this year but wish to add preference for next year. \$10 nonrefundable fee required.

**Individual License Quota:** You may apply for any and all elk seasons for which you are eligible. However, you are only entitled to hold one elk permit per year, and the elk drawing sequence will limit you to drawing only one elk license.

**Application and License Fees:** Those applying online will be charged the \$10 nonrefundable fee to their credit/debit card. If successful the full license fee will be automatically applied to the card. Those applying by paper application must submit the \$10 nonrefundable fee. If successful, paper applicants will be notified and given until June 18 to submit the full license fee to the GFP License Office.

**Full license fees are:** (excludes \$10 application fee) Any Elk = \$175; Antlerless Elk = \$116

**Applications per Envelope:** 2 maximum.

**Special Requirements:** Successful hunters must have their elk checked by a conservation officer or designee within 24 hours of the kill.

### APPLICATION DEADLINES:

**First Deadline** - Paper applications must be postmarked by May 14 or apply online by 8 a.m. CDT by May 19. Eligible applicants may submit one application for this season. Results available online by June 4.

**Second Deadline** - (leftover licenses) Online applications only. Paper applications not accepted. Apply online by 8 a.m. CDT on June 16. Residents without a 2021 license may submit one application for this season. Results available online by June 18. Applicants have the option of using accumulated preference points during the second draw. Those applicants who choose to use their preference points in the second draw and are successful in the draw will lose any accumulated preference points and eligibility to apply for that season for 9 years.

**Third Deadline** - (leftover licenses) Online applications only. Paper applications not accepted. Apply online by 8 a.m. CDT on June 30. Residents without a 2021 elk license may submit one application for this season. Results available online by July 2.

### SEASON - UNIT - TYPE CHOICES:

**BHE-H1A**- Season Dates: Oct.1-31, 2021. LAWRENCE COUNTY within a line beginning at the SD-WY state line and I-90 junction; east on I-90 to the U.S. Hwy 85 and I-90 junction at exit 17; south and southwest on U.S. Hwy 85 to its SD-WY state line junction; then north on the SD-WY state line to I-90, the point of beginning. (See Figure 1)

**21:** Any Elk - 50 licenses available.

**BHE-H1B**- Season Dates: Oct. 15-31 and Dec. 1-16, 2021. Same area as BHE-H1A. (See Figure 2)

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 15 licenses available.

**BHE-H2A**- Season Dates: Oct.1-31, 2021. LAWRENCE, PENNINGTON and CUSTER counties within a line beginning at the SD-WY state line and U.S. Hwy 85 junction, then northeast on U.S. Hwy 85 to U.S. Hwy 385, then south on U.S. Hwy 385 to U.S. Hwy 16 at Custer, then west on U.S. 16 to the SD-WY state line, then north on the state line to the point of beginning. (See Figure 1) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**21:** Any Elk -240 licenses available.

**BHE-H2B**- Season Dates: Oct. 15-31 and Dec. 1-16, 2021.

LAWRENCE, PENNINGTON and CUSTER counties within a line beginning at the junction of the SD-WY state line and U.S. Hwy 85, then northeast along U.S. Hwy 85 to its junction with U.S. Hwy 385 at Deadwood, then south along U.S. Hwy 385 to its junction with Deerfield Road, then northwest on Deerfield Road to its junction with East Slate Road, the south on East Slate Road to its junction with Six Mile Road, then west along the Six Mile Road to its junction with the Boles Canyon Road at Moon, then south along the Boles Canyon Road to its junction with the Summit Ridge Road, then southwest along the Summit Ridge Road to the SD-WY state line, then north along the SD-WY border to its junction with U.S. Hwy 85, the point of beginning. (See Figure 2) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 25 licenses available.

**BHE-H2E**- Season Dates: Oct. 15-31 and Dec. 1-16, 2021.

PENNINGTON and CUSTER counties within a line beginning at the junction of the SD-WY state line and U.S. Hwy 16, then east along U.S. Hwy 16 to its junction with U.S. Hwy 385 at Custer, then north along U.S. Hwy 385 to its junction with Medicine Mountain Road, then north along Medicine Mountain Road to its junction with Six Mile Road, then west along Six Mile Road to its junction with Boles Canyon Road at Moon, then south along Boles Canyon Road to its junction with the Summit Ridge Road, then southwest along Summit Ridge Road to the SD-WY state line, then south along the SD-WY state line to its junction with U.S. Hwy 16, the point of beginning. (See Figure 2.) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 50 licenses available.

**BHE-H2H**- Season Dates: Oct. 15-31, 2021. PENNINGTON and CUSTER counties within a line beginning at the junction of U.S. Hwy 385 and Deerfield Road, then northwest on Deerfield Road to its junction with East Slate Road, then south on East Slate Road to its junction with Medicine Mountain Road, then southeast on Medicine Mountain Road to its junction with U.S. Hwy 385, then northeast on U.S. Hwy 385 to its junction with Deerfield Road, the point of beginning. (See Figure 2) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 5 licenses available.

**BHE-H2I**- Season Dates: Dec.1-16, 2021. Same area as BHE-H2H. (See Figure 2) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 15 licenses available.

**BHE-H2J**- Season Dates: Dec. 17-31, 2021. Same area as BHE-H2H. (See Figure 2) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 15 licenses available.

**BHE-H3A**- Season Dates: Oct.1-31, 2021. CUSTER and FALL RIVER counties within a line beginning at the junction of the SD-WY state line and U.S. Hwy 16, then east along U.S. Hwy 16 to the Custer State Park western boundary, then south along the Custer State Park western boundary and the Wind Cave National Park western boundary to U.S. Hwy 385, then south along U.S. Hwy 385 to SD Hwy 79, then south along State Highway 79 to the Cheyenne River, then west along the Cheyenne River to the SD-WY state line, then north along the SD-WY state line to the point of beginning. (See Figure 1) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**21:** Any Elk -100 licenses available.

## BLACK HILLS FIREARMS ELK (cont.)

**BHE-H3B-** Season Dates: Oct. 15-31, 2021. CUSTER county within a line beginning at the junction of the SD-WY state line and U.S. Hwy 16, then east along U.S. Hwy 16 to the Custer State Park western boundary, then south along the Custer State Park western boundary and the Wind Cave National Park western boundary to U.S. Hwy 385, then north and west along U.S. Hwy 385 to its junction with SD Hwy 89 at Pringle, then south along SD Hwy 89 to its junction with 18 Mile Road (Forest Service 316), then west along 18 Mile Road to its junction with Pleasant Valley Road (Forest Service 715), then west along Pleasant Valley Road to Dewey Road (Forest Service 769), then west along Dewey road to the SD-WY state line, then north along the SD-WY state line to the point of beginning. (See Figure 2) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 30 licenses available.

**BHE-H3C-** Season Dates: Dec.1-16, 2021. Same area as BHE-H3B. (See Figure 2) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 30 licenses available.

**BHE-H3D-** Season Dates: Dec. 17-31, 2021. Same area as BHE-H3B. (See Figure 2) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 30 licenses available.

**BHE-H3E-** Season Dates: Oct. 15-31, 2021. FALL RIVER and CUSTER counties within a line beginning at the junction of the Wind Cave National Park western boundary and U.S. Hwy 385, then south along U.S. Hwy 385 to SD Hwy 79, then south along SD Hwy 79 to the Cheyenne River, then west along the Cheyenne River to the SD-WY state line, then north along the SD-WY state line to its junction with Dewey Road (Forest Service 769), then east along Dewey Road to its junction with Pleasant Valley Road (Forest Service 715), then east along Pleasant Valley Road to its junction with 18 Mile Road (Forest Service 316), then east along 18 Mile Road to its junction with SD Hwy 89, then north along SD Hwy 89 to its junction with U.S. Hwy 385, then south and east along U.S. Hwy 385 to the point of beginning. (See Figure 2) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 60 licenses available.

**BHE-H3F-** Season Dates: Dec.1-16, 2021. Same area as BHE-H3E. (See Figure 2) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 60 licenses available.

**BHE-H3G-** Season Dates: Dec. 17-31, 2021. Same area as BHE-H3E. (See Figure 2) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 60 licenses available.

**BHE-H4A-** Season Dates: Oct. 1-31, 2021. CUSTER, FALL RIVER, and PENNINGTON Counties within a line beginning at the junction of U.S. Hwy 385 and the south boundary of Wind Cave National Park, then south along U.S. Hwy 385 through Hot Springs and Maverick Junction to the Cheyenne River, then northeast along the Cheyenne River to Fall River County Road 6291 (South Buffalo Gap Road), then north along Fall River County Road 6291 to Custer County Road 101, then north along Custer County Road 101 to Custer County Road 656 (River Side Road) at Buffalo Gap, then east along Custer County Road 656 to Custer County Road 17 (Beaver Valley Road), then northeast along Custer County Road 17 to Custer County Road 719 (South Fairburn Road), then north along Custer County Road 719 to Custer County Road 18 at Fairburn, then north along Custer County Road 18 to State Highway 79, then north along State Highway 79 to State Highway 40, then northwest along State Highway 40 to Pennington County Road 330 (Playhouse Road), then south along Pennington County Road 330 to U.S. Hwy 16A, then south along U.S. Hwy 16 to the Custer State Park northern boundary, then east along the Custer State Park northern boundary to the northeast corner of Custer State Park, then south along the Custer State Park eastern boundary and Wind Cave National Park eastern boundary to the southeast corner of Wind Cave National Park, then west along the south boundary of Wind Cave National Park to its junction with U.S.

Hwy 385, the point of beginning. (See Figure 1) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**21:** Any Elk - 20 licenses available.

**BHE-H4B-** Same area as BHE-H4A. Season date: Oct. 15-31 and Dec. 1-16, 2021. (See Figure 2) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 40 licenses.

**BHE-H5A-** Season Dates: Oct. 1-31, 2021. CUSTER and PENNINGTON counties within a line beginning at U.S. Hwy 16A and the Custer State park western boundary, then west on U.S. Hwy 16A to U.S. Hwy 385, then north on U.S. Hwy 385 to State Highway 44, then east on State Highway 44 to the Black Hills National Forest (BHNF) boundary, then south along BHNF boundary to U.S. Hwy 16, then west on U.S. Hwy 16 to South Rockerville Road, then south on South Rockerville Road to State Highway 40, then east on State Highway 40 to Playhouse Road, then south on Playhouse Road to U.S. Hwy 16A, then southeast on U.S. Hwy 16A to the Custer State Park northern boundary, then west and south along the Custer State Park boundary to its junction with U.S. Hwy 16A, the point of beginning. (See Figure 1) *Note: Unit H5 is mostly wilderness area. The potential exists for a good elk hunt, but there will be challenges and a possible low hunter success rate. Be prepared to walk extensively. This unit has few roads. In most areas motor vehicles, including ATVs, are not allowed. The elk population in this unit is lower than any other Black Hills unit. Chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**21:** Any Elk - 5 licenses available.

**BHE-H7A-** Season Dates: Oct. 1-31, 2021. LAWRENCE, MEADE and PENNINGTON counties within a line beginning at the U.S. Hwy 85 and Interstate 90 junction at Exit 17, then south on U.S. Hwy 85 to its U.S. Hwy 385 junction at Pluma, then south on U.S. Hwy 385 to SD Hwy 44 near Pactola, then east on SD Hwy 44 to SD Hwy 79 (Sturgis Road) in Rapid City, then north on SD Hwy 79 to I-90 at Black Hawk, then north on I-90 to U.S. Hwy 85 at Exit 17, the point of beginning. (See Figure 1) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**21:** Any Elk - 20 licenses available.

**BHE-H7B-** Season Dates: Oct. 15-31 and Dec. 1-16, 2021. Same area as BHE-H7A. (See Figure 2) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 15 licenses available.

**BHE-H9A-** Season Dates: Oct. 1-31, 2021. CUSTER and PENNINGTON counties within a line beginning at the junction of SD Hwy 40 and SD Hwy 79 at Hermosa, then north along SD Hwy 79 to SD Hwy 44 in Rapid City, then west along SD Hwy 44 to U.S. Hwy 16, then west along U.S. Hwy 16 to South Rockerville Road, then south along South Rockerville Road to SD Hwy 40, then east along SD Hwy 40 to SD Hwy 79 at Hermosa, the point of beginning. (See Figure 1) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**21:** Any Elk - 15 licenses available.

**BHE-H9B-** Season Dates: Oct. 15-31 and Dec. 1-16, 2021. Same area as BHE-H9A. (See Figure 2) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 40 licenses available.

**BHE-ZZ1-** Preference point only. Use this unit designation if you wish to purchase a preference point this year for this season, but do not want to apply in the first draw. A \$10 nonrefundable fee is required and you will receive one additional preference point the following year. If you did not apply for a first draw license in this season, or if you did not receive a first draw license this year, or if you have not held a first draw license for this season in the previous nine years, you can purchase a preference point for this season until Dec. 15, 2021.

**99:** 0 licenses available.

## BLACK HILLS FIREARMS ELK (cont.)

Figure 1. Black Hills Any Elk Units

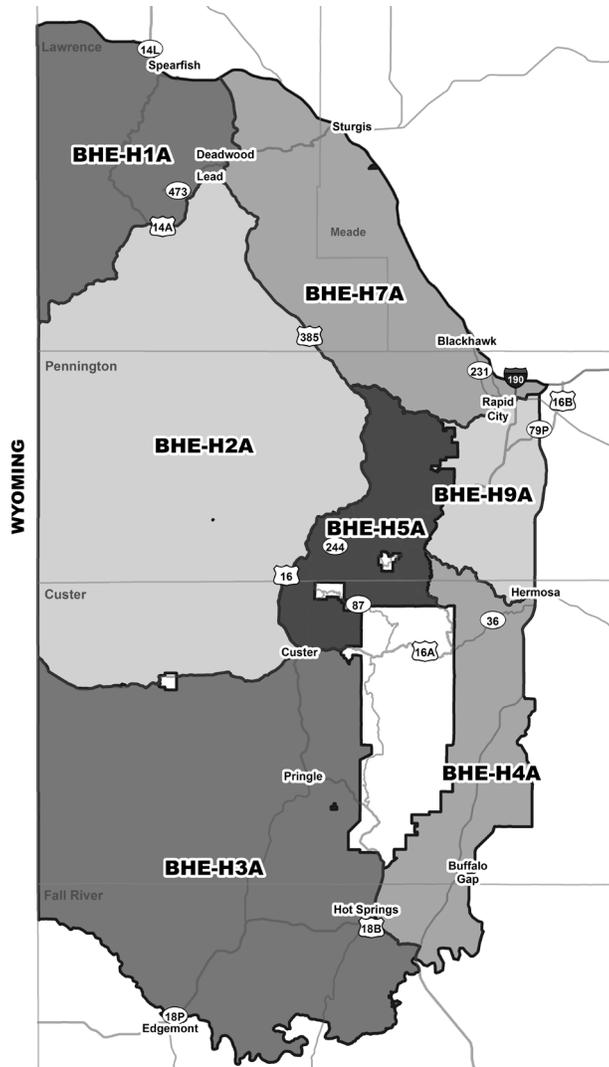
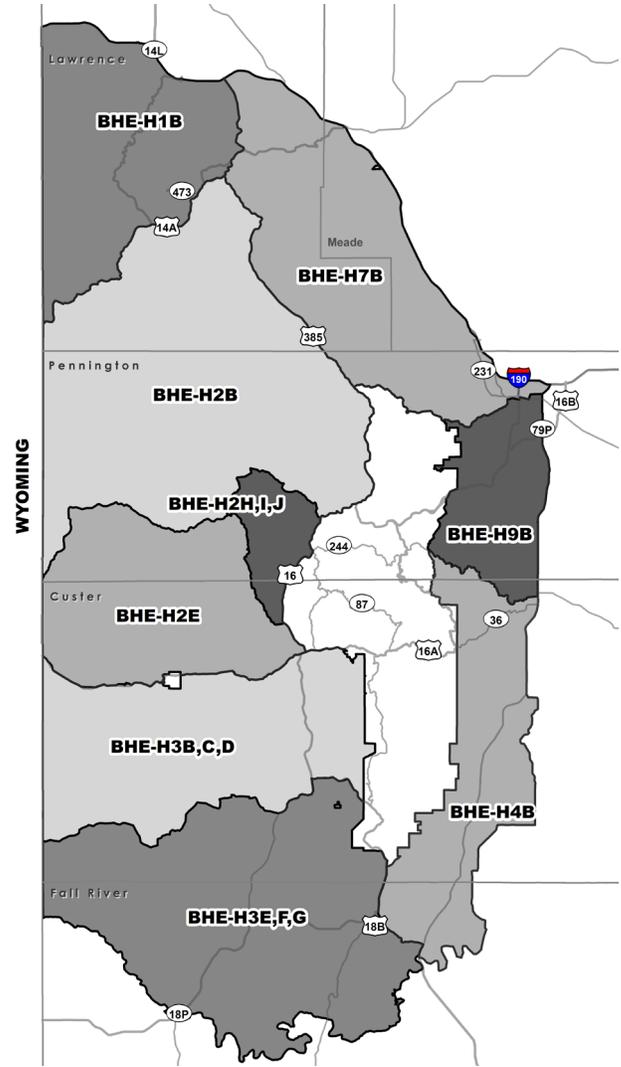


Figure 2. Black Hills Antlerless Elk Units



## CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) is a fatal disease of the central nervous system found in both captive and free-ranging deer and elk. The South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) has been conducting surveillance for CWD since 1997 to determine disease presence and prevalence across the state. CWD has been confirmed in Bennett, Butte, Corson, Custer, Fall River, Haakon, Harding, Jackson, Lawrence, Lyman, Meade, Mellette, Pennington, Sully, Tripp and Ziebach counties in central and western South Dakota.

Hunters are reminded of regulations for the transportation and disposal of deer and elk carcasses from other states and from hunting units within South Dakota's confirmed CWD endemic area. These regulations could change with the GFP Commission's current proposal that will be finalized in May, but currently include the following:

- Chronic Wasting Disease endemic area defined: Includes any firearm elk hunting unit that includes any portion of a county where chronic wasting disease has been confirmed. In addition, any elk harvested from Unit PRE-WRA within a county where chronic wasting disease has been confirmed would be subject to carcass transportation and disposal regulations.
- Interstate cervid carcass transportation restriction: Whole or partial cervid carcasses and head with antlers attached may not enter this state unless delivered to a licensed taxidermist, a game processor, or to the hunter's domicile. Cervid carcasses passing through the state are exempt from this section.
- Intrastate cervid carcass transportation restriction: Whole or partial cervid carcasses and head with antlers attached may not be transported from an endemic area unless delivered to a licensed taxidermist, a game processor, or to the hunter's domicile.

- Carcass disposal for hunter-harvested cervid: A person who transports cervid carcass parts from outside this state shall dispose of all remaining cervid carcass parts through a waste management provider or a permitted landfill. A person who transports cervid carcass parts from an endemic area in this state shall dispose of all remaining cervid carcass parts through a waste management provider or a permitted landfill. Cervid carcasses taken from an endemic area in this state that test negative for the disease are exempt from this section.

The goal of surveillance strategies in South Dakota is to determine the likely spread of CWD to new units where the disease has not been detected in wild, free-ranging deer and elk. Hunters who would like to get their deer tested for CWD can voluntarily submit a sample for testing. As a voluntary submission, hunters will be responsible for the cost of shipping and any professional sample collection costs unless the hunter delivers a sample to a GFP Office or sample collection area. GFP will pay for the testing cost of the sample at South Dakota State University Animal Disease and Research Diagnostics Lab (SDSU ADRDL). Results will be sent to both the hunter and GFP. These results will supplement GFP's surveillance effort across the state. The process for collecting samples from a harvested elk or deer (same process) and how to properly submit to SDSU ADRDL can be found at [gfp.sd.gov/cwd-testing](http://gfp.sd.gov/cwd-testing). More detailed information on hunter submissions for CWD testing and carcass transportation and disposal requirements can be found at [gfp.sd.gov/chronic-wasting-disease](http://gfp.sd.gov/chronic-wasting-disease).

# ARCHERY ELK

**License Eligibility:** SD residents who received any license for this season from 2012-2020 are NOT eligible – except those who received a second choice or leftover license – to apply in the first drawing. All SD residents without 2021 elk licenses are eligible to apply in leftover drawings.

**Preference Point Only Option:** Eligible applicants may apply for a designated unit (AEE-ZZ1-99) if they cannot hunt this year but wish to add preference for next year. \$10 nonrefundable fee required.

**Individual License Quota:** You may apply for any and all elk seasons that you are eligible for. However, you are only entitled to hold one elk permit per year, and the elk drawing sequence will limit you to drawing only one elk license.

**Application and License Fees:** Those applying online will be charged the \$10 nonrefundable fee to their credit/debit card, and if successful the full license fee will be automatically applied to the card. Those applying by paper application must submit the \$10 nonrefundable fee. If successful, paper applicants will be notified and given until June 18 to submit the full license fee to the GFP License Office.

**Full license fees are:** (excluding \$10 application fee) Any Elk = \$175; Antlerless Elk = \$116

**Applications Per Envelope:** 2 maximum.

**Special Requirements:** Successful hunters must have their elk checked by a conservation officer or designee within 24 hours of the kill.

## APPLICATION DEADLINES:

**First Deadline** - Paper applications must be postmarked by May 14 or apply online by 8 a.m. CDT by May 19. Eligible applicants may submit one application for this season. Results available online by June 4.

**Second Deadline** - (leftover licenses) Online applications only. Paper applications not accepted. Apply online by 8 a.m. CDT on June 16. Residents without a 2021 license may submit one application for this season. Results available online by June 18. Applicants have the option of using accumulated preference points during the second draw. Those applicants who choose to use their preference points in the second draw and are successful in the draw will lose any accumulated preference points and eligibility to apply for that season for 9 years.

**Third Deadline** - (leftover licenses) Online applications only. Paper applications not accepted. Apply online by 8 a.m. CDT on June 30. Residents without a 2021 elk license may submit one application for this season. Results available online by July 2.

## SEASON - UNIT - TYPE CHOICES:

**AEE-H1A**- Season Dates: Sept. 1-30, 2021. LAWRENCE COUNTY within a line beginning at the junction of the SD-WY state line on I-90; then east on I-90 to U.S. Hwy 85 and I-90 at exit 17; then southwest on U.S. Hwy 85 to the SD-WY state line; then north on the SD-WY state line to I-90, the point of beginning. (See Figure 3)

**21:** Any Elk - 20 licenses.

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 10 licenses.

**AEE-H2A**- Season Dates: Sept. 1-30, 2021. LAWRENCE, PENNINGTON and CUSTER counties within a line beginning at the junction of the SD-WY state line and U.S. Hwy 85, then northeast on U.S. Hwy 85 to U.S. Hwy 385, then south on U.S. Hwy 385 to U.S. Hwy 16 at Custer, then west on U.S. Hwy 16 to the SD-WY state line, then north on the SD-WY state line to the point of beginning. (See Figure 3)  
*Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**21:** Any Elk - 80 licenses.

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 40 licenses.

**AEE-H3A**- Season Dates: Sept. 1-30, 2021. CUSTER and FALL RIVER counties within a line beginning at the junction of the SD-WY state line and U.S. Hwy 16, then east on U.S. Hwy 16 to the Custer State Park western boundary, then south on the Custer State Park western boundary and the Wind Cave National Park western boundary to U.S. Hwy 385, then south on U.S. Hwy 385 to SD Hwy 79, then south on SD Hwy 79 to the Cheyenne River, then west on the Cheyenne River to the SD-WY state line, then north on the SD-WY state line to the point of beginning. (See Figure 3) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**21:** Any Elk - 35 licenses.

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 20 licenses.

**AEE-H5A**- Season Dates: Sept. 1-30, 2021. CUSTER and PENNINGTON counties within a line beginning at U.S. Hwy 16A and the Custer State Park western boundary, then west on U.S. Hwy 16A to U.S. Hwy 385, then north to SD Hwy 44, then east on SD Hwy 44 to the Black Hills National Forest (BHNFB) boundary, then south along the BHNFB boundary to U.S. Hwy 16, then west on U.S. Hwy 16 to South Rockerville Road, then south on South Rockerville Road to SD Hwy 40, then east on SD Hwy 40 to Playhouse Road, then south on Playhouse Road to U.S. Hwy 16A, then southeast on U.S. Hwy 16A to Custer State Park northern boundary, then west and south along Custer State Park boundary to its junction with U.S. Hwy 16A, the point of beginning. (See Figure 3). *Note: Unit H5 is mostly wilderness area. The potential exists for a good elk hunt, but there will be challenges and a possible low hunter success rate. Be prepared to walk extensively. This unit has few roads. In most areas motor vehicles, including ATVs, are not allowed. The elk population in this unit is lower than any other Black Hills unit. Chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**21:** Any Elk - 2 licenses.

**AEE-H7A**- Season Dates: Sept. 1-30, 2021. LAWRENCE, MEADE and PENNINGTON counties within a line beginning at the junction of U.S. Hwy 85 and I-90 at Exit 17, then south along U.S. Hwy 85 to U.S. Hwy 385 at Pluma, then south along U.S. Hwy 385 to SD Hwy 44 near Pactola, then east along SD Hwy 44 to SD Hwy 79 (Sturgis Road) in Rapid City, then north along SD Hwy 79 to I-90 at Black Hawk, then north along I-90 to U.S. Hwy 85 at Exit 17, the point of beginning. (See Figure 3) *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

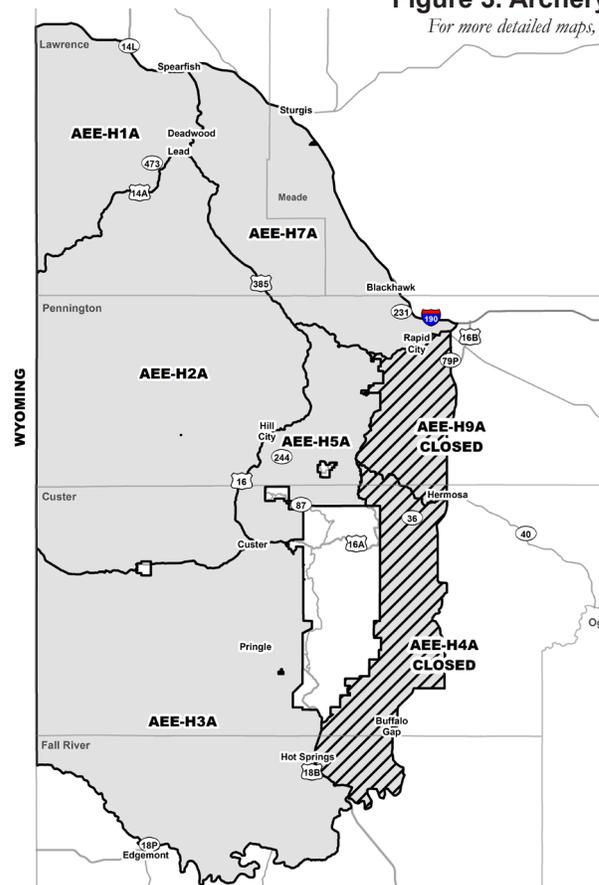
**21:** Any Elk - 10 licenses.

**AEE-ZZ1**- Preference point only. Use this unit designation if you wish to purchase a preference point this year for this season, but do not want to apply in the first draw. A \$10 nonrefundable fee is required and you will receive one additional preference point the following year. If you did not apply for a first draw license in this season, or if you did not receive a first draw license this year, or if you have not held a first draw license for this season in the previous nine years, you can purchase a preference point for this season until Dec.15, 2021.

**99:** 0 licenses.

**Figure 3. Archery Elk Units**

*For more detailed maps, visit [gfp.sd.gov](http://gfp.sd.gov)*



# PRAIRIE ELK

**License Eligibility:** SD residents who received any license for this season from 2012-2020 are NOT eligible - except those who received a second choice or leftover license - to apply in the first drawing. All SD residents without a 2021 elk license are eligible to apply in leftover drawings.

**Preference Point Only Option:** Eligible applicants may apply for a designated unit (PRE-ZZ1-99) if they cannot hunt this year but wish to add preference for next year. \$10 nonrefundable fee required.

**Individual License Quota:** You may apply for any/all elk seasons for which you are eligible. However, you are only entitled to hold one elk permit per year, and the drawing sequence limits you to drawing only one elk license.

**Application and License Fees:** Those applying online will be charged the \$10 nonrefundable fee to their credit/debit card, and if successful the full license fee will be automatically applied to the card. Those applying by paper application must submit the \$10 nonrefundable fee. If successful, paper applicants will be notified and given until June 18 to submit the full license fee to the GFP License Office.

**Full license fees are:** (excluding \$10 application fee) Any Elk = \$175; Antlerless Elk = \$116

**Applications Per Envelope:** 2 maximum.

**Special Requirements:** Successful hunters must have their elk checked by a conservation officer or designee within 24 hours of the kill.

## APPLICATION DEADLINES:

**First Deadline** - Paper applications must be postmarked by May 14 or apply online by 8 a.m. CDT by May 19. Eligible applicants may submit one application for this season. Results available online by June 2.

**Second Deadline** - (leftover licenses) Online applications only. Paper applications not accepted. Apply online by 8 a.m. CDT on June 16. Residents without a 2021 license may submit one application for this season. Results available online by June 18. Applicants have the option of using accumulated preference points during the second draw. Those applicants who choose to use their preference points in the second draw and are successful in the draw will lose any accumulated preference points and eligibility to apply for that season for 9 years.

**Third Deadline** - (leftover licenses) Online applications only. Paper applications not accepted. Apply online by 8 a.m. CDT on July 1. Residents without a 2021 elk license may submit one application for this season. Results available online by July 2.

## SEASON - UNIT - TYPE CHOICES:

**PRE-09A**- Season Dates: Sept. 15-Oct. 31 and Dec. 1-31, 2021. LAWRENCE and BUTTE counties within a line beginning at the intersection of U.S. Highways 85 and 212, then east on Highway 212 to Whitewood Valley Road, then south on Whitewood Valley Road to Interstate 90, then west on Interstate 90 to U.S. Highway 85, then north on U.S. Highway 85 to point of beginning; and that portion of MEADE COUNTY within a line beginning at the junction of I-90 and Elk Creek Road, then east on Elk Creek Road to Ricard Road, then north on Ricard Road to Tilford Road, then east on Tilford Road to Middle Alkali Road, then north on Middle Alkali Road to Alkali Road, then west on Alkali Road to 133rd Avenue, then south on 133rd

Avenue to 206th Street, then west on 206th Street to Lazelle Street, then west on Lazelle Street to I-90 then south on I-90 to the point of beginning. (See Figure 4) Note: *chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**21:** Any Elk - 10 licenses.

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 15 licenses.

**PRE-11A**- Season Dates: July 15-Aug. 31, 2021. BENNETT COUNTY, that portion of JACKSON COUNTY south of State Highway 44 and Bureau of Indian Affairs Highway 2, that portion of MELLETTE COUNTY south of State Highway 44 and west of U.S. Hwy 83. (See Figure 4) Note: *This unit has a shared elk herd with the Rosebud Sioux Tribe. These elk may not be available to hunters during the season. This license is valid on private, deeded lands only and is not valid on tribal lands. It is recommended that you secure permission to hunt before applying. Chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 18 licenses available.

**PRE-11B**- Season Dates: Sept. 1-Oct. 15, 2021. Same area as PRE-11A.

**21:** Any Elk - 16 licenses available.

**PRE-11C**- Season Dates: Oct. 16-Nov. 30, 2021. Same area as PRE-11A.

**21:** Any Elk - 16 licenses available.

**PRE-11D**- Season Dates: Sept. 1-Oct. 31, 2021. Same area as PRE-11A.

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 30 licenses available.

**PRE-11E**- Season Dates: Nov. 1-Dec. 31, 2021. Same area as PRE-11A.

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 30 licenses available.

**PRE-11F**- Season Dates: Jan. 1-Feb. 28, 2022. Same area as PRE-11A.

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 30 licenses available.

**PRE-15A**- Season Dates: Sept. 1-Oct. 31 and Dec. 1-31, 2021. BUTTE and LAWRENCE counties within a line beginning at the junction of the South Dakota-Wyoming border, east on Sourdough Road to U.S. Highway 85, then south on U.S. Highway 85 to Interstate 90, then west on Interstate 90 to the South Dakota-Wyoming border, then north to the point of beginning. (See Figure 4) Note: *This unit has a shared elk herd with Wyoming. These animals may not be accessible during hunting season. All land in the unit is privately owned. It is recommended that you secure permission to hunt before applying.*

**21:** Any Elk - 8 licenses.

**PRE-15B**- Season Dates: Dec. 1, 2021- Jan. 31, 2022. Same area as PRE-15A.

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 5 licenses.

**PRE-27A**- Season Dates: Oct. 1-31, and Dec. 1-31, 2021. All of FALL RIVER COUNTY not included in BHE-H3. (See Figure 4) Note: *Familiarize yourself with this unit before applying. The boundaries were created due to lack of roads/geographic features to define the perimeter. Thus, many areas within this unit don't have elk present. The majority of the elk use is associated with the Cheyenne River and west of Angostura Reservoir. Elk in this unit may not be accessible during hunting season. Most land in this unit with elk activity is privately owned. It is recommended that you secure permission to hunt before applying. Chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**21:** Any Elk - 10 licenses

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 10 licenses

**PRE-35A**- Season Dates: Sept. 15-Oct. 31, and Dec. 1-31, 2021. That portion of HARDING COUNTY west of US Hwy 85. (See Figure 4)

**21:** Any Elk - 4 licenses

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 8 licenses

**PRE-35B**- Season Dates: Sept. 15-Oct. 31, and Dec. 1-31, 2021. That portion of HARDING COUNTY east of US Hwy 85. (See Figure 4) Note: *chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**21:** Any Elk - 4 licenses

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 12 licenses

**PRE-WRA**- Season Dates: Sept. 1 - Dec. 31, 2021. That portion of South Dakota west of the Missouri River not associated with Black Hills elk units or another prairie elk unit, excluding Corson, Dewey, Oglala Lakota, Todd and Ziebach counties and the boundary of the Lower Brule Indian Reservation. (See Figure 4) Note: *chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

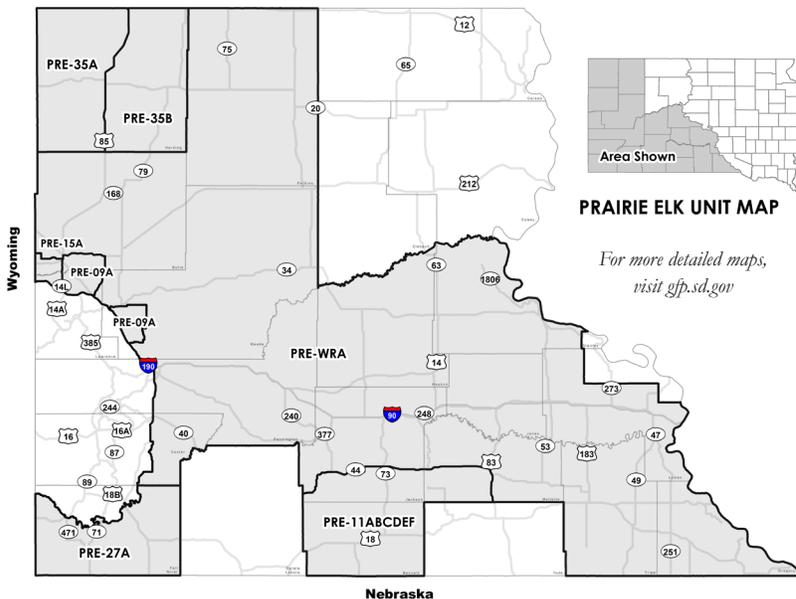
**21:** Any Elk - 10 licenses

**23:** Antlerless Elk - 20 licenses

**PRE-ZZ1**- Preference point only. Use this unit designation if you wish to purchase a preference point this year for this season, but do not want to apply in the first draw. A \$10 nonrefundable fee is required and you will receive one additional preference point the following year. If you did not apply for a first draw license in this season, or if you did not receive a first draw license this year, or if you have not held a first draw license for this season in the previous nine years, you can purchase a preference point for this season until Dec.15, 2021.

**99:** 0 licenses.

Figure 4. Prairie Elk Units



## CUSTER STATE PARK FIREARMS ELK

**Season Dates:** Oct. 1 - 31, 2021

**License Eligibility:** SD residents who have never received a license for this season are eligible to apply.

**Preference Point Only Option:** Eligible applicants may apply for a designated unit (CUE-ZZ1-99) if they cannot hunt this year but wish to add preference for next year. \$10 nonrefundable fee required.

**Individual License Quota:** You may apply for any/all elk seasons for which you are eligible. However, you are only entitled to hold one elk permit per year, and the elk drawing sequence limits you to drawing only one elk license.

**Application and License Fees:** Those applying online will be charged a \$10 nonrefundable fee to their credit/debit card. If successful the full license fee will be automatically applied to the card. Those applying by paper must submit the \$10 nonrefundable fee. If successful, paper applicants will be notified and given until June 18 to submit the full license fee to the GFP License Office. Full license fee is \$306 (*excludes \$10 application fee*).

**Applications per Envelope:** 2 maximum.

**Special Requirements:** Successful elk hunters must have their elk checked by a GFP official within 24 hours of kill.

### **APPLICATION DEADLINE:**

Paper applications must be postmarked no later than May 14 or apply online by 8 a.m. CDT on May 19. Eligible applicants may submit one application for this season. Results available online by June 2.

Season - Unit - Type Choices:

**CUE-CU1-** Custer State Park. *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**21:** Any Elk - 8 licenses.

**CUE-ZZ1-** Preference point only. Use this unit designation if you wish to purchase a preference point this year for this season, but do not want to apply in the first draw. A \$10 nonrefundable fee is required and you will receive one additional preference point the following year. If you did not apply for a first draw license in this season, or if you did not receive a first draw license this year, or if you have never held a license for this season, you can purchase a preference point for this season until Dec. 15, 2021.

**99:** 0 licenses.

## CUSTER STATE PARK EARLY ARCHERY ELK

**Season Dates:** Sept. 1-30, 2021

**License Eligibility:** SD residents who have never received a license for this season are eligible to apply.

**Preference Point Only Option:** Eligible applicants may apply for a designated unit (CEE-ZZ1-99) if they cannot hunt this year but wish to add preference for next year. A \$10 nonrefundable fee is required.

**Individual License Quota:** You may apply for any and all elk seasons that you are eligible for. However, you are only entitled to hold one elk permit per year, and the elk drawing sequence will limit you to drawing only one elk license.

**Application and License Fees:** Those applying online will be charged a \$10 nonrefundable fee to their credit/debit card, and if successful the full license fee will be automatically applied to the card. Those applying by paper must submit the \$10 nonrefundable fee. If successful, paper applicants will be notified and given until June 18 to submit the full license fee to the GFP License Office. Full license fee is \$306 (*excludes \$10 application fee*).

**Applications per Envelope:** 1 maximum.

**Special Requirements:** Successful elk hunters must have their elk checked by a GFP official within 24 hours of kill.

### **APPLICATION DEADLINE:**

Paper applications must be postmarked by May 14 or apply online by 8 a.m. CDT on May 19. Eligible applicants may submit one application for this season. Results available online by June 2.

### **SEASON - UNIT - TYPE CHOICES:**

**CEE-CU1-** Custer State Park. *Note: chronic wasting disease has been detected in this hunting unit.*

**21:** Any Elk - 3 licenses.

**CEE-ZZ1-** Preference point only. Use this unit designation if you wish to purchase a preference point this year for this season, but do not want to apply in the first draw. A \$10 nonrefundable fee is required and you will receive one additional preference point the following year. If you did not apply for a first draw license in this season, or if you did not receive a first draw license this year, or if you have never held a license for this season, you can purchase a preference point for this season until Dec. 15, 2021.

**99:** 0 licenses.

## BLACK HILLS MOUNTAIN GOAT

**Season Dates:** Sept. 1 – Dec. 31, 2021.

**License Eligibility:** The mountain goat season is considered a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. SD residents who have never received a license for any SD mountain goat season are eligible.

**Preference Point Only Option:** Eligible applicants may apply for a designated unit (BMG-ZZ1-99) if they cannot hunt this year but wish to add preference for next year. \$10 nonrefundable fee required.

**Application and License Fees:** Those applying online will be charged the \$10 nonrefundable fee to their credit card, and if successful the full license fee will be automatically added to the card. Those applying by paper application must submit the \$10 nonrefundable fee. If successful, paper applicants will be notified and given until June 18 to submit the full license fee to the GFP License Office.

**Full license fee:** \$280. This excludes a \$10 nonrefundable application fee.

**Applications Per Envelope:** 1 maximum.

**Special Requirements:** License holders must attend an orientation meeting at the Rapid City Wildlife Division office. Successful license holders will be notified of the time. Successful hunters must have their mountain goat checked by a GFP official within 24 hours of kill.

### **APPLICATION DEADLINE:**

Paper applications must be postmarked by May 14 or apply online by 8 a.m. CDT by May 19. Eligible applicants may submit one application for this season. Results available online by June 4.

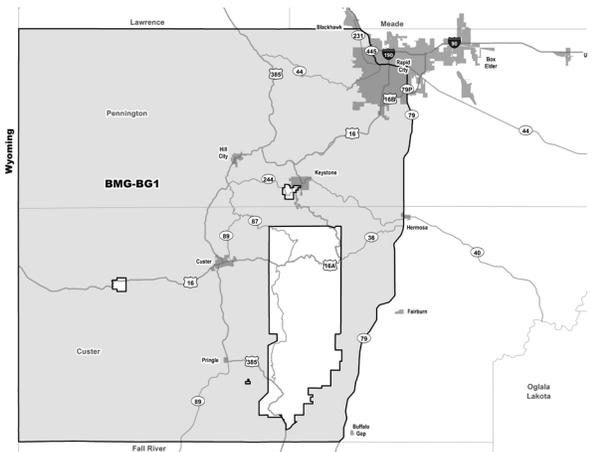
### **SEASON - UNIT - TYPE CHOICES:**

**BMG-BG1-** Those portions of Pennington and Custer counties west of Hwy 79 except Mount Rushmore National Memorial, Jewel Cave National Monument, and the fenced portions of Custer State Park and Wind Cave National Park.

**55:** Any Mountain Goat - 2 licenses

**BMG-ZZ1-** Preference point only. Use this unit designation if you wish to purchase a preference point this year for this season, but do not want to apply in the first draw. A \$10 nonrefundable fee is required and you will receive one additional preference point the following year. If you did not apply for a first draw license in this season, or if you did not receive a first draw license this year, or if you have never held a license for this season, you can purchase a preference point for this season until Dec. 15, 2021.

**99:** 0 licenses.



## CUSTER STATE PARK BIGHORN SHEEP

**Season Dates:** Sept. 1 – Dec. 31, 2021.

**License Eligibility:** All bighorn sheep seasons and units are considered as a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. SD residents who have never received a license for any SD bighorn sheep season are eligible.

**Preference Point Only Option:** Eligible applicants may apply for a designated unit (BHS-ZZ1-99) if they cannot hunt this year but wish to add preference for next year. \$10 nonrefundable fee required.

**Application and License Fees:** Those applying online will be charged the \$10 nonrefundable fee to their credit/debit card, and if successful the full license fee will be automatically added to the card. Those applying by paper application must submit the \$10 nonrefundable fee. If successful, paper applicants will be notified and given until June 18 to submit the full license fee to the GFP License Office.

**Full license fee:** \$280. This excludes a \$10 nonrefundable application fee.

**Applications Per Envelope:** 1 maximum.

**Special Requirements:** License holders must attend an orientation meeting at the Rapid City Wildlife Division office. Successful applicants will be notified of the time. Successful hunters must have their bighorn sheep inspected and legally marked by a GFP official within 24 hours of kill.

### APPLICATION DEADLINE:

Paper applications must be postmarked no later than May 14 or apply online by 8 a.m. CDT on May 19. Eligible applicants may submit one application for this season. Results available online by June 4.

### SEASON - UNIT - TYPE CHOICES:

**CBS-CU1-** Includes the fenced portion of Custer State Park.

**52:** Ram Only Bighorn Sheep - 1 license

**CBS-ZZ1-** Preference point only. Use this unit designation if you wish to purchase a preference point this year for this season, but do not want to apply in the first draw. A \$10 nonrefundable fee is required and you will receive one additional preference point the following year. If you did not apply for a first draw license in this season, or if you did not receive a first draw license this year, or if you have never held a license for this season, you can purchase a preference point for this season until Dec. 15, 2021.

**99:** 0 licenses.

## BIGHORN SHEEP

**Season Dates:** Sept. 1 – Dec. 31, 2021.

**License Eligibility:** All bighorn sheep seasons and units are considered as a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. SD residents who have never received a license for any SD bighorn sheep season are eligible.

**Preference Point Only Option:** Eligible applicants may apply for a designated unit (BHS-ZZ1-99) if they cannot hunt this year but wish to add preference for next year. \$10 nonrefundable fee required.

**Application and License Fees:** Those applying online will be charged the \$10 nonrefundable fee to their credit/debit card, and if successful the full license fee will be automatically added to the card. Those applying by paper application must submit the \$10 nonrefundable fee. If successful, paper applicants will be notified and given until June 18 to submit the full license fee to the GFP License Office.

**Full license fee:** \$280. This excludes a \$10 nonrefundable application fee.

**Applications Per Envelope:** 1 maximum.

**Special Requirements:** License holders must attend an orientation meeting at the Rapid City Wildlife Division office. Successful applicants will be notified of the time. Successful hunters must have their bighorn sheep inspected and legally marked by a GFP official within 24 hours of kill.

### APPLICATION DEADLINE:

Paper applications must be postmarked no later than May 14 or apply online by 8 a.m. CDT on May 19. Eligible applicants may submit one application for this season. Results available online by June 4.

### SEASON - UNIT - TYPE CHOICES:

**BHS-BH2-** Includes that portion of CUSTER and FALL RIVER counties within a line beginning at the junction of SD Hwy 16 and the WY state line, east on SD Hwy 16 to the intersection of SD Hwy 16 and Mann Rd (USFS Rd 270) then south along the Mann Rd to Pass Creek Rd (USFS Rd 272) then south on Pass Creek to Richardson Cutoff (USFS Rd 276) then east on Richardson Cutoff to Pleasant Valley Rd (USFS Rd 715) then south on Pleasant Valley Rd to Pilger Mountain Rd (USFS 317) then south on Pilger Mountain Rd to County Rd 15 then south on County Rd 15 to SD Hwy 18 then west on SD Hwy 18 to County Rd 16 then north on County Rd 16 to Dewey Rd (USFS Rd 769) then north and west on Dewey Rd to the Custer County line then west on the Custer county line to the WY state line then north on the WY state line to the point of beginning.

**52:** Ram Only Bighorn Sheep - 3 licenses

**BHS-BH3-** That portion of PENNINGTON COUNTY east of the Cheyenne River and north of Hwy 44 and that portion of JACKSON COUNTY north of the White River, excluding the Badlands National Park.

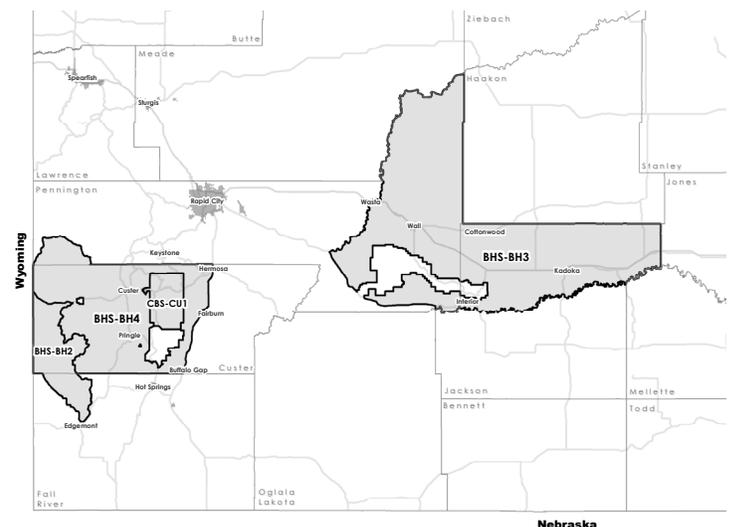
**52:** Ram Only Bighorn Sheep - 1 license

**BHS-BH4-** Includes those portions of CUSTER and PENNINGTON counties beginning at the junction of the WY state line and Summit Ridge Rd (USFS Rd 265) then north on Summit Ridge Rd to Boles Canyon Rd (USFS 117) then north on Boles Canyon Rd to Six-Mile Rd (USFS 301) the east on Six-Mile Rd to Ditch Creek Rd (USFS Rd 291) then south on Ditch Creek Rd to the Custer/Pennington county line then east on the Custer/ Pennington county line to SD Hwy 79 then south on SD Hwy 79 to the Custer/Fall River county line then west on the Custer/Fall River county line to Pilger Mountain Rd (USFS Rd 317) then north on Pilger Mountain Rd to Pleasant Valley Rd (USFS Rd 715) then north and east on Pleasant Valley Rd to Richardson Cutoff (USFS Rd 276) then north on Richardson Cutoff to Pass Creek Rd (USFS Rd 272) then west and north on Pass Creek Rd to Mann Rd (USFS Rd 270) then north on Mann Rd to SD Hwy 16 then west on SD Hwy 16 to the WY state line then north on the WY state line to the point of beginning, excluding Jewel Cave National Park.

**52:** Ram Only Bighorn Sheep - 2 licenses

**BHS-ZZ1-** Preference point only. Use this unit designation if you wish to purchase a preference point this year for this season, but do not want to apply in the first draw. A \$10 nonrefundable fee is required and you will receive one additional preference point the following year. If you did not apply for a first draw license in this season, or if you did not receive a first draw license this year, or if you have never held a license for this season, you can purchase a preference point for this season until Dec. 15, 2021.

**99:** 0 licenses.



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# APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Season/Unit/Type Choices:** Fill in your unit-type choice from the choices provided with each season. Check the box next to the season in which you are claiming landowner/operator preference. You may apply for multiple seasons with this form. You would only need to fill out one form and provide one check to cover the cost of all applications. Please remember, if you are applying together in the same envelope with other individuals, all unit choices must be identical or the application will be rejected.  
The **habitat stamp** is required anyone 18 or older applying for or purchasing a hunting or fishing license. If you have not already purchased a habitat stamp, please include the \$10/resident or \$25/nonresident fee in addition to your application fee. Applicants who have not purchased a habitat stamp and do not include the fee for the habitat stamp will have their application returned.
- 2. Land Operator Preference:** If you qualify for and want landowner/operator preference, you must provide the legal description of the land that qualifies you. By completing the land descriptions below, you are declaring that you qualify for landowner/operator preference as explained under APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS of this document and are applying for a license using that requirement. Nonresidents do not qualify for landowner/operator preference. Landowner preference applies to first choice in the first drawing only for a specific season.
- 3. Residency:** Check the box to indicate that you qualify and are applying as a resident.
- 4. Social Security Number:** Last four digits only. This information is required by state law and applications that do not include the SSN will be rejected. See information under "application requirements."
- 5. Date of Birth:** Enter your date of birth, month first, followed by day and year. For example, a birth date of March 8, 1971, would be entered 03-08-1971.
- 6. Driver License or Identification Card Number:** If you possess one, please enter your driver's license number, even if it duplicates your Social Security Number. Residents over age 16 without a driver's license must enter your state-issued and expiration-dated South Dakota ID card number. Include the two-letter abbreviation for the state or province your driver's license was issued from. Youth without a driver's license or ID card number, see instruction No. 8.
- 7. Print Name:** Print your complete name, with FIRST NAME first, followed by middle initial and last name. Leave a space between each.
- 8. HuntSAFE Card Number:** This number must be entered for resident youth ages 12-15. Nonresident youth are required to use their hunter safety card number or the number of a current or previous hunting license issued to them from any state. If the hunter safety course has not been taken at the time of application, but will be completed before the hunt, leave this blank. If drawn, the license will be held until the License Office is notified of the HuntSAFE card number after the course has been successfully completed.
- 9. Mailing Address:** Licenses and refunds will be mailed to the address provided on the application. Those returned as "undeliverable" will be held in the License Office until a correct address is provided.
- 10. Phone Number:** Enter your daytime phone number. This information is kept confidential and is used only for contacting and/or surveying hunters.
- 11. E-mail Address:** This information is optional, but is helpful if there is a need to contact or send updates on information. We request that you fill this out if you have a personal e-mail address.
- 12. Gender:** Check the appropriate box.
- 13. Mailing List Opt-Out:** Applications are considered "public record" and from time to time the Game, Fish and Parks Commission receives requests from groups and businesses for these names and addresses. If you wish to keep your name from appearing on these lists, you may check this box. You will still be included in official GFP mailings such as season surveys.
- 14. Suspended Privileges:** Any person who has had hunting, fishing or trapping privileges revoked or suspended in any state or country may not purchase a license for or exercise that same privilege in South Dakota during the period of the revocation or suspension.
- 15. Donate To Second Century Habitat Fund, TIPS, or SAH:** You may make a donation to the Second Century Habitat Fund, Turn In Poachers (TIPS) or Sportsmen Against Hunger (SAH) programs by checking one of the blanks at the bottom of the application and including an amount greater than the license fee in your payment. Any amount over the license fee will be donated to the selected program when one of the boxes is checked. If neither of the boxes is checked, the overpayment will be refunded. Your contributions are tax deductible.
- 16. Sign Application:** This application must be signed to be valid. A parent or guardian must sign the application for youth under age 16. Applications that are not signed will not be processed for a license.

*Review your application form to make certain all required information is completed and accurate.  
Carefully tear or cut the one page form from this pamphlet, and mail the application to:*

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