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2026 Colorado Sheep & Goat

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Sheep & Goat Hunting Photos



▲ Brody Grebe on cloud nine after successfully filling a youth mountain goat tag.
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▲ "After 8 days of hunting, this Ram showed up looking for ewes in preparation for the rut. A clean shot put him down. I will be able to not only enjoy the meat with my family, but also present a very nice trophy in our home," said Jay Spitzer. © Jay Spitzer



▲ "This nanny was taken with a nanny only license during the third season of 2025 just outside of Breckenridge. It was a 220 yard shot on opening day. My childhood best friend Andrew Haessler (on right) was with me and my dad and sister watched the hunt from camp," said Ryan Phillips.
© Ryan Phillips



▲ "Excitement shifted to planning when I drew my either sex mountain goat tag," Josh Zorn said. "I found this billy the night before the season opened and after a restless sleep in the tent, the plan came together 45 minutes into the season the next day. Being a solo hunt resulted in lots of miles and lots of elevation gain in two days. Such an amazing, challenging, and rewarding experience!"
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'Livin' The Wildlife' Bighorn Sheep in Colorado



Mountain Goat Identification



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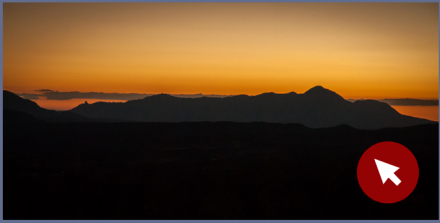
Bighorn Sheep Hunting Statistics

Colorado Parks and Wildlife
2024 Primary SHEEP Post Draw Report

Post Code	Area	Sex	Age	Year	License Type
1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000

Additional tables for 'Post Draw Statistics' and 'Post Draw Summary' are also present.

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Notice: Laws and regulations in this brochure are paraphrased for easier understanding and are intended only as a guide. Complete Colorado wildlife statutes and regulations are available at the CPW offices listed below and online: cpw.state.co.us/rules-and-regulations

CPW Administrative, Regional & Area Office Locations

Administration

6060 Broadway
Denver, 80216
303-297-1192 (M-F, 8 a.m.–5 p.m. MT)

Registration Office

Boat, Snowmobile, Off-Highway Vehicle
13787 US Hwy. 85 N
Littleton, 80125

Only the offices below can assist hunters with animal checks and taking samples that are related to hunting activities. See CPW's website for a complete list of our park locations that can also sell licenses, issue duplicate licenses and accept some licenses for refunds.

Brush

28167 County Rd. T
Brush, 80723
970-842-6300

Grand Junction

711 Independent Ave.
Grand Junction, 81505
970-255-6100

Monte Vista

0722 S. Rd. 1 E.
Monte Vista, 81144
719-587-6900

Colorado Springs

4255 Sinton Rd.
Colorado Springs, 80907
719-227-5200

Gunnison

200 S. Spruce St.
Gunnison, 81230
970-641-7060

Montrose

2300 S. Townsend Ave.
Montrose, 81401
970-252-6000

Denver

6060 Broadway
Denver, 80216
303-291-7227

Hot Sulphur Springs

346 Grand County Rd. 362
Hot Sulphur Springs, 80451
970-725-6200

Pueblo

600 Pueblo Reservoir Rd.
Pueblo, 81005
719-561-5300

Durango

415 Turner Dr.
Durango, 81303
970-247-0855

Lamar

2500 S. Main St.
Lamar, 81052
719-336-6600

Salida

7405 Hwy. 50
Salida, 81201
719-530-5520

Fort Collins

317 W. Prospect Rd.
Fort Collins, 80526
970-472-4300

Meeker

73485 Hwy. 64
Meeker, 81641
970-878-6090

Steamboat Springs

925 Weiss Dr.
Steamboat Springs, 80487
970-870-3333

Glenwood Springs

0088 Wildlife Way
Glenwood Springs, 81601
970-947-2920

What's New: 2026 Regulation Changes & New Information

- **Hunt code is guaranteed for hunters affected by the 2025 fires:** Sheep hunt code **S-M-559-01-R** has one or both licenses set aside for hunters who were affected by the 2025 fires. See page 8. **Note:** Unless you were contacted directly by CPW about this opportunity, any other 2025 sheep and goat licenses held are not eligible for a guaranteed 2026 license.
- **Early archery seasons added in S3; existing S3 rifle seasons reduced to 14 days:** A new ram archery license is available from Aug. 1–21 for residents and a new ewe archery license for residents and nonresidents is available from Aug. 8–21. The existing rifle seasons in S3 will be shortened to 14 days and shifted to begin after Labor Day. See page 7.
- **Ram and ewe rifle licenses in S1 & S18 combined into single either sex license:** Early season ram and ewe rifle licenses in units S1 and S18, and a late season ram license in unit S1, have been combined into a single either-sex hunt code for residents. See page 7.

- **Ram archery season changes in S34:** The first ram archery season for residents and nonresidents now starts four weeks later than in previous years, running from Nov. 15–30. The second ram archery season for residents now starts one week later, running from Dec. 7–21. See page 7.
- **Late archery season added in S23 & S27 for residents:** Nov. 1–30. See page 7.
- **S35 closed to hunting due to low population.**
- **Ram rifle seasons combined in S59 & S67 for residents:** Sept. 8–Oct. 8. See page 8.
- **Expanded lifetime bag limits for bighorn sheep and mountain goats:** Lifetime bag limits for bighorn sheep and mountain goats will exclude those harvested with a TIPs license and allow hunters to redeem a reward for their efforts to report wildlife crimes.
- **Backcountry Search and Rescue surcharge increased to \$1.25:** Learn more about BSAR at cpw.state.co.us/BSAR

License Information

License, Application Processing & Habitat Stamp Fees

Habitat Stamps	Fee
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 2026 Habitat Stamp (required and nonrefundable) <i>Only one is required per person, ages 18–64, per year buying or applying for a license.</i> 	\$12.76
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lifetime Habitat Stamp 	\$384.16
Qualifying Licenses — Resident (See page 2 for details.)	Fee
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Spring turkey 	\$38.49 <i>(youth: \$20.62)</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Annual small game (residents age 18-63) 	\$38.49 <i>(youth: \$2.53)</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Small game/fishing combo (residents age 18-63) 	\$64.02
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Senior small game/fishing combo (residents age 64+) 	\$38.03
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Annual small-game license for senior lifetime and senior low-income annual fishing license holders (residents age 64+) <i>(Senior Columbine or Centennial lifetime fishing license holders only)</i> 	\$27.82
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Veteran lifetime combo <i>(residents only, 50% disabled or Purple Heart recipient)</i> 	free
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ First responder lifetime combo <i>(residents only, permanent occupational disability)</i> 	free
Qualifying Licenses — Nonresident (See page 2 for details.)	Fee
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Spring turkey 	\$194.21 <i>(youth: \$130.39)</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Annual small game 	\$104.86 <i>(youth: \$2.53)</i>
Preference & Weighted Point Fee*	Fee
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Resident (age 18 or older) 	\$50
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nonresident (age 18 or older) <i>*Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep and mountain goat</i> 	\$100
Resident Licenses	Fee
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Resident application processing fee (per species & nonrefundable) 	\$8.93
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep 	\$385.66
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Desert bighorn sheep 	\$385.66
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mountain goat 	\$385.66
Nonresident Licenses	Fee
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nonresident application processing fee (per species & nonrefundable) 	\$11.49
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep/fishing combo* 	\$2,823.53
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Desert bighorn sheep/fishing combo* 	\$2,823.53
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mountain goat/fishing combo* 	\$2,823.53
<i>*Fishing portion of nonresident combo licenses is good through March 31, 2027.</i>	
All license fees include a New \$1.25 search-and-rescue fee and a \$1.50 fee for the Wildlife Education Fund, when applicable. Reminder: If you draw a sheep or goat license, your credit card or CPW gift certificate on file in your online account will be charged after the draw. See page 6 and back cover.	
Buy online, by phone or in person: Online: Go to cpw.state.co.us/buy-apply or call 1-800-244-5613 or in person at CPW offices and sales agents around the state.	

New Wild Bison is a Big-Game Species

CPW is not proposing regular bison hunting seasons at this time. However, special management licenses may be issued if necessary to manage bison that enter the state and move into undesirable areas or habitats. Hunters interested in a chance at randomly drawing one of these special management licenses may submit an application via cpw.state.co.us/bison-roster. (The 2026 application window closed Jan. 31, 2026.) Bison Roster applications are accepted Jan. 1–31, with one application allowed per individual. Season dates or whether or not a season will take place are unknown at this time.

What You Need to Buy a License

See page 2 for details. ▶

- 1 **Proper identification and proof** of residency (for Colorado residents).
- 2 **Proof** of hunter education.
- 3 **Habitat Stamp:** A 2026 or lifetime Habitat Stamp is required prior to buying a license or purchasing a qualifying license to apply for the draw for anyone ages 18–64.
- 4 **Qualifying License:** Required for participation in the big-game draw.
Note: A Social Security number or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number is required for hunters age 12 and older, per federal law.

License Requirements

1. Bighorn sheep and mountain goat licenses are limited, available only by draw for specific units. Licenses expire on the date printed on them and are not transferable.
2. You can apply for one bighorn sheep license and one mountain goat license each year. **You cannot apply for a Rocky Mountain bighorn and desert bighorn in the same year.** The purchasing system will not process more than one bighorn sheep license in the same year.
3. **Bighorn Sheep:** If you harvest a Rocky Mountain bighorn ram (must have a half-curl or more), you must wait five years (sixth year after harvest) before applying for another Rocky Mountain bighorn ram license. During the five-year waiting period, hunters may apply for ewe licenses, but cannot accrue preference points. *This rule does not apply if you harvest a ram with an auction, raffle, **New** a rewards program license or special sheep management license.*
4. **Desert Bighorn Sheep:** If you harvest a desert bighorn sheep, you cannot participate in future desert bighorn sheep drawings. It's once in a lifetime!
5. **Mountain Goat:** If you harvest a mountain goat, you must wait five years (sixth year after harvest) before applying for another mountain goat license. *This rule does not apply if you harvest a goat with an auction, raffle, **New** a rewards program license or special goat management license.*
6. **Youth ages 12–17** can hunt sheep and goat but must meet hunter education requirements. Youth may also apply for a sheep or goat license, or preference point at age 11 if they will turn 12 before the end of the season on the license.
Youth cannot hunt with the license until they turn 12. If a 17-year-old submits an application and then turns 18 prior to the start of the sheep or goat season for which they applied, they are still considered a youth and qualify for the youth license. Youth under 16 must hunt with a mentor. Mentors must be 18 or older and have a hunter education card if born on or after Jan. 1, 1949. Mentors do not have to hunt. Youth and mentors must be able to see and hear each other without binoculars, radios, other devices or aids while hunting.
7. **Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, desert bighorn sheep and mountain goat all require a mandatory in-person check within five business days of harvest.** All licensees (including those who did not hunt or harvest) must return their mandatory report within 30 days after a season ends. See page 4 for more.
8. 10 percent of limited licenses are allocated to nonresidents.
9. It is illegal to make false statements to obtain a license or alter a license. Doing so voids the license.
10. If you lose or destroy your license, a duplicate is available for half the price of the original license, not to exceed \$25. You can get a duplicate before the season opens from any sales agent. After the season begins, duplicate licenses are available only at CPW locations.

Fees adjusted annually with CPI

1 Residency Requirements

- The physical residence address you give to buy or apply for a license must be the same as the address given for Colorado state income tax purposes.
- You terminate your Colorado residency if you apply for, buy or accept a resident hunting, fishing or trapping license issued by another state or foreign country, register to vote outside Colorado or accept a driver's license that shows an address other than in Colorado.
- Go online for more information: cpw.state.co.us/colorado-residency

Residency types

1. Standard Colorado resident

- Requirements:** You must live in Colorado for at least six consecutive months immediately prior to buying or applying for any resident CPW product, have your primary residence in Colorado, and have not applied for or purchased a resident license or pass outside of Colorado in the last six months.
- Proof:** Current and valid Colorado driver's license/ID with a Colorado address issued six or more months prior. If the Colorado driver's license/ID is not six months old, you must provide at least two forms of additional residency proof, as outlined in "Additional Residency Proofs" below.

2. Student: Attending school full time in Colorado

- Requirements:** You must be attending school full time at an accredited Colorado school starting at least six months prior to buying or applying for any resident CPW product.
- Proof:** Student ID, name of institution, date you became a full-time student, and school transcript showing full-time status.

3. Student: Attending school full time outside of Colorado

- Requirements:** You must meet Colorado residency requirements and be attending an accredited school outside of Colorado, paying nonresident tuition.
- Proof:** Student ID, name of institution, date you became a full-time student, and proof of out-of-state tuition payment.

4. Military: Stationed in Colorado

- Requirements:** You must be active-duty military stationed in Colorado. Military member's spouse and/or dependents share the same residency status. Residency begins the date the orders begin.
- Proof:** Military ID and active orders.

5. Military: Colorado home of record

- Requirements:** You must be active-duty military stationed outside of Colorado, but with Colorado as your home of record, paying income tax as a Colorado resident. Military member's spouse and/or dependents share the same residency status.
- Proof:** Military ID and active orders.

6. Youth

Children under the age of 18 have the same residency status as their parent, legal guardian or person with whom they live the majority of the time per court order.

Other Residency Information

1. Additional residency proofs

If you otherwise meet residency requirements but your Colorado driver's license or ID was issued or renewed less than six months ago, or you have a CPW-approved religious exemption to photo identification on your record, you must provide at least two additional proofs of residency showing six consecutive months of Colorado residency immediately prior to buying or applying for a license.

Those proofs include: income sources (pay stubs), utility bills, state income tax documents (as a full-time resident), lease agreements/rent receipts, motor vehicle registration, voter registration.

2. Multiple homes

If you have a home in Colorado and another location, call 303-297-1192 to make sure you comply with Colorado residency requirements before obtaining a CPW license or state park pass

2 Hunter Education

Hunter Education (Safety) Requirements

1. Anyone born on or after January 1, 1949, must have a hunter education card to hunt in Colorado.
2. A hunter education card is needed to apply for/buy a license.
3. Your hunter education card must be carried while hunting, unless it is verified and your license is marked with a "V." To get your hunter education card verified, take your hunter education card to a CPW office (*see inside front cover*) or state park.
4. CPW honors hunter education cards from other states, provinces and countries.

Hunter Education Exemptions

1. Individuals over age 50 or active duty U.S. military and veterans can obtain a hunter education certificate by testing out of hunter education: cpw.state.co.us/hunter-education-test-out
 2. An apprentice certificate can be obtained for hunters who are at least 10 years old (age 12 for big game) and who must be accompanied by a mentor in the field. This hunter education waiver can be obtained twice in a lifetime: cpw.state.co.us/apprentice-certificate
- Go online for more information: cpw.state.co.us/education-outreach

3 Habitat Stamps

A Habitat Stamp is **required** for hunters and costs \$12.76; only one is required per person, per year for anyone ages 18–64. Habitat Stamps are valid March 1–March 31 of the following year (13 months).

- A lifetime stamp is also available for \$384.16.
- **One 2026 Habitat Stamp will automatically be added to your first hunting or fishing license purchase of each license year, if applicable, including qualifying licenses.** Habitat Stamps are nonrefundable, even if you are unsuccessful in the draw.
- Anyone who is approved in the Columbine, First Responder, Veteran and/or Big Game Mobility Impaired programs is exempt from the Habitat Stamp requirement. See cpw.state.co.us/park-specialty-passes.
- For more information, go to: cpw.state.co.us/habitat-stamp

4 Qualifying Licenses

A current-year qualifying license is required in order to apply for the big-game draw. Qualifying licenses for the primary draw are:

- annual resident and nonresident small game
 - annual resident combo small game/fishing
 - annual resident senior combo small game/fishing
 - resident and nonresident spring turkey
 - resident veteran lifetime combo small game/fishing
 - resident first responder lifetime combo small game/fishing
 - annual small-game license for resident senior lifetime fishing license holders
- For more information: cpw.state.co.us/qualifying-licenses

Restrictions

Child support delinquency: State law requires a Social Security number or Individual Taxpayer Identification number to buy a license. It is not displayed on the license but is provided, if requested, to Child Support Enforcement authorities. Hunting and fishing licenses are not issued to those suspended for noncompliance with child support. Any current licenses become invalid if held by an individual who is noncompliant with child support.

Weapons restrictions: Colorado and federal laws prohibit people convicted of certain crimes, including felony offenses and domestic violence-related offenses, from possessing weapons even for hunting. If you've been convicted of a crime, check with the appropriate Colorado and federal law enforcement authority to find out how these laws apply to you.

Special Opportunity Information

Bighorn Sheep Access Program

Bighorn Sheep Access Program (BSAP) licenses are available only to Colorado residents by draw. BSAP landowners must provide free access to hunters who draw a sheep license for the ranch. See the hunt code table on page 7 and: cpw.state.co.us/bighorn-sheep-access-program

Turn in Poachers (TIPs) Program

TIPs awards licenses and preference points to eligible persons that report the illegal take, possession or willful destruction of big game or turkey that results in a person being charged for the illegal take, possession or willful destruction of big game or turkey. Go to cpw.state.co.us/tips or call 303-297-1192 for details.

Special management licenses

CPW may issue special licenses to prevent the spread of disease and unplanned expansion of sheep and goats. Licenses are offered to unsuccessful applicants from nearby units for the same species. Season dates to be determined. These licenses do not use or generate preference points, and hunters do not lose preference points.

Auction & Raffle Licenses

Win the hunt of a lifetime!

Special auction and raffle licenses are available for Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep and mountain goat. Auction and raffle licenses allows one to hunt during extended seasons in any unit open to hunting a certain species. These licenses are offered by participating wildlife conservation organizations that return at least 75 percent of the proceeds to CPW for research, management and education.

Auction and raffle licenses are only valid between and including Aug. 1–Dec. 31 during the year they are issued. Actual dates can vary by unit and species. These licenses have extended seasons and are valid in any unit open to hunting for that species.

Special auction and raffle licenses are also available for deer, elk, pronghorn and moose. For more information, visit cpw.state.co.us/auction-and-raffle-licenses or see the Big Game brochure: cpw.state.co.us/big-game-brochure

CPW offers several programs for hunters and anglers with disabilities.

Go to cpw.state.co.us/hunters-with-disabilities for more program information and how to apply. These programs require advance legal paperwork submissions: Please apply at least 30 days prior to when you wish to use the permit or license. Due to volume, applications cannot be expedited.

Hunters with disabilities

Accommodation permits are available to hunters with disabilities. Hunters must have a temporary or permanent disability that significantly impairs major daily life functions and the ability to hunt.

Resident first responder lifetime combo license

Colorado resident first responders who have proof of a permanent occupational disability can qualify for the First Responder program to obtain a lifetime combo small game/fishing license.

Resident disabled veteran lifetime combo license

Purple Heart recipients or military veterans who have a service-connected disability with an overall combined rating of 50 percent or more by the Department of Veteran's Affairs and are residents of Colorado can obtain a lifetime combo small game/fishing license.

Auction and raffle hunters are restricted to weekdays only in mountain goat and bighorn sheep units that are only open to hunting "weekdays only". Weekdays only regulations are in place to reduce conflicts with other users.

For information on purchasing raffle tickets for licenses or participating in auctions, visit any of the following websites, or visit: cpw.state.co.us/auction-and-raffle-licenses

Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep

▪ Rocky Mountain Bighorn Society: bighornsheep.org — Auction and Raffle

Mountain Goat

▪ Rocky Mountain Goat Alliance: goatalliance.org — Auction

▪ Rocky Mountain Bighorn Society: bighornsheep.org — Raffle

Get The Lead Out

Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment and Colorado Parks and Wildlife

Go to cdphe.colorado.gov/lead-health and click "For the public" to see the factsheets on Lead in Harvested Wild Game and Lead in Indoor Shooting and Firing Ranges.



From the field to the table, ensuring your next harvest is safe for your family and nontarget wildlife is important. Health risks due to lead poisoning from consuming game meat are low for most people; however, switching to lead-free ammunition may be an option that's right for you. Science tells us that ingesting lead can cause potential human health problems over time.

Additionally, lead-based ammunition can cause adverse impacts on nontarget wildlife from lead ingestion while scavenging. Hunters themselves are conservationists, maintaining species populations and protecting habitats. By switching to lead-free ammunition, hunters can support wildlife by reducing the risk of lead poisoning to nontarget wildlife such as eagles and other raptors. For more information visit cpw.state.co.us/lead-free.

To help reduce human and wildlife health impacts, you can:

1. **Use lead-free shot or bullets.** There are many lead-free options now available.
2. **Hunters who use lead ammunition should choose quality hunting-grade ammunition with a "bonded" or "partition" construction.**
3. **Use careful shot selection.** Bullets that strike the lethal area (heart/lungs) are less likely to fragment than bullets that strike more heavily boned areas.
4. **Bury or pack out your lead-shot gut piles to avoid lead ingestion by nontarget wildlife.**
5. **Avoid eating game meat from animals harvested with lead bullets if you are pregnant.** Children younger than 6 should also avoid it.

General Information

Identification



1/2 curl
(at dotted line)

Bighorn sheep identification

▪ One-half-curl ram:

Male bighorn with a horn or horns having one or both tips grown at least through half (180 degrees) of a circle. This is measured by first establishing a reference line bisecting the eye and base of the ear. A half-curl ram has one or both horns that have grown at least as far as the reference line in the illustration.

▪ Ewe:

A female sheep with a horn or horns at least 5 inches long, measured on the outside curve.



5 inches

Mountain goat identification

▪ Billy (Male):

Horns have bases that are close together and larger than the eye. Horns are heavy and have more curvature. Males stand and stretch hind legs backwards, with a slight arch in the back, to urinate. The scrotum may be visible from the rear when goats have short summer coats.

▪ Nanny (Female):

Horns have bases that are smaller or equal to the eye size. Horns are often thinner and straighter, with a curve at the ends. Females squat to urinate. The dark vulva patch may be visible when the tail is raised.



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Land Use Restrictions & Closures

It's illegal to hunt on private land without permission of owner/person in charge. It's illegal to hunt or fish on State Land Board properties without permission unless they are leased by CPW; please check your map carefully, as these areas are marked differently than other private properties.

New Forest Service Closure (Unit 74): There will be a Forest Service closure on Hermosa Park Rd. (FS 578) from Sept. 8–Oct. 13, 2026, which will affect access to a major portion of GMU 74. Call the Columbine Ranger District at 970-501-5830 for more information.

Mt. Blue Sky Highway (Units S3 & G4): Hunting is prohibited on Mt. Blue Sky Summit Lake Cirque and within one-quarter mile of either side of the centerline of Mt. Blue Sky Hwy. (Colo. 5) while the road is open to vehicle traffic from the intersection with Colo. 103 to the summit. When Mt. Blue Sky Hwy. is closed to vehicle traffic at the entrance gates at the intersection of Colo. 5 and Colo. 103, this hunting closure is lifted. Hunting is prohibited within one-half mile of Colo. 5 at all times for ptarmigan hunting.

Kenosha Pass & Guanella Pass Rd. (Units S3, S4, S23, S39, G4, G7 & G16): Hunting is prohibited year round along Kenosha Pass within 1/4 mile of Hwy. 285, between mile markers 203 and 206 in Park Co., excluding private lands.

Hunting is also prohibited within 1/4 mile of Guanella Pass Rd. (Clear Creek CR 381 and Park CR 62) when the road is open to motor-vehicle traffic, from mile markers 12.5 to 19 (located at the intersection of Guanella Pass Rd. and the Clear Lake picnic area). Hunting is also prohibited within 1/4 mile around and including Deadman's Lake (E of Guanella Pass Rd., N of Mt. Bierstadt Trail [USFS trail 711]), excluding private lands. When Guanella Pass Rd. is closed to motor-vehicle traffic, the hunting closure is lifted.

Conundrum Hot Springs area of Maroon Bells-Snowmass Wilderness

(Units S13 & G12): Overnight camping permits required for some areas of the Maroon Bells-Snowmass Wilderness. Hunters who wish to hunt or scout in the Maroon Bells-Snowmass Wilderness portion of S13 and G12 should be aware that some areas require an overnight camping permit reserved in advance. A limited number of permits are available. More information: fs.usda.gov/whiteriver

Check Forest Closures



Projects on National Forest lands can impact access any time of the year. Closures of areas can change quickly and your hunting destination or access route may be affected. CPW is not responsible for Forest Service closures, and license refunds cannot be offered after the start of the season. Learn about closures and plan alternative routes and areas to hunt: Go to fs.usda.gov/about-agency/contact-us (to find regional offices) or to the main website, fs.usda.gov/r02.

Leave Your Pack Goats at Home

Diseases can be transmitted from goats to bighorns, even if your animals appear healthy. Some diseases can cause large-scale die-offs of wild bighorns. To prevent disease transmission, keep domestic goats out of areas occupied by bighorn sheep.

Evidence of Sex

- 1. Males:** head with horns attached, testicle, scrotum or penis.
Females: head, udder (mammary) or vulva.
- It is illegal to have or transport big game, or a considerable part of it, without evidence of sex naturally attached. Evidence of sex must be attached to carcass until it is cut into processed meat (commercially or otherwise), wrapped and frozen or stored at licensee's home.
- Head or intact skull of sheep and goats with horns naturally attached to skull plate must accompany the carcass.

Carcass Tags

You must attach a carcass tag to animals you take per instructions on the tag. The tag must stay on the carcass until the meat is processed, and it must remain with the meat until consumed.

It is illegal to sign or tear the tag before take. If you lose, accidentally destroy or detach the tag, you must get a duplicate from a CPW location before hunting and prove the loss, detachment or destruction was accidental. Do not remove other parts of a license except the carcass tag after take. Doing so voids the license and you must buy a duplicate.

Hunter Orientations

- 1. All sheep and goat hunters:** All hunter orientation information for successful sheep and goat applicants can be found online at cpw.state.co.us/big-game. Learn about hunting techniques, game care and how to identify the sex of the animal through videos and other resources.
- 2. Unit S42 mandatory orientation:** All bighorn sheep hunters that hunt in unit S42 near Waterton Canyon must attend a mandatory unit-specific hunter orientation prior to hunting. Other special restrictions may apply for hunting this unit. The S42 orientation will be held Oct. 14 at 9 a.m. in the Denver Metro area. Details on location and agenda will be sent to all S42 hunters by mid July.

Your report can help prevent the potential for pathogen transmission between bighorn and domestic sheep! If you see domestic sheep or goats near wild bighorn sheep, please immediately report the location to the nearest Colorado Parks and Wildlife office: cpw.state.co.us/contact-us. Your report can help prevent pathogen transmission between these species!

Legal Hunting Hours

Legal hunting hours for sheep and goat are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. Go to gml.noaa.gov/grad/solcalc to pinpoint the sunrise/sunset time for your hunting location.

Transporting Game Meat

- Sheep and goats must have carcass tags properly and securely attached to carcass (not horns), unless it is 20 pounds or less of meat that is accompanied by a donation certificate. If carcass is in pieces, tag must be attached to the piece with evidence of sex naturally attached.
- Harvested sheep or goats shipped by common carrier must be accompanied by either the license, a photocopy of license or carcass tag and (if less than 20 pounds of meat) a donation certificate.
- Processed big-game meat must be accompanied by carcass tag or, if donated, a certificate.
- If you transport someone else's game, animals must be properly tagged or you can be cited. The upper part of the license must be kept by whoever took the animal. Carry a list identifying each hunter and animal.
- Hunters transporting game through other states are encouraged to check with each state for specific carcass transportation regulations.

Donating Game Meat

Donation certificates are required for all donations. Certificates must contain names, addresses and telephone numbers of donor and recipient; donor's hunting license number; species and amounts donated; date the animal was taken; and donor's signature. The certificate can be a simple note; no special form is required. The certificate must stay with the meat until the meat is completely consumed. Donor and recipient are subject to all bag and possession limits.

Note: A "like license" is a license for exactly the same species, sex, season and method of take as a donor's license.

- You can donate to someone **with or without** a like license:
 - any amount of processed and packaged game meat, anywhere.
- You can donate to someone **without** a like license:
 - up to 20 pounds of unprocessed meat, anywhere;
 - more than 20 pounds of unprocessed meat, only at recipient's home.
- You can donate to someone **with** a like license:
 - up to 20 pounds of unprocessed meat, anywhere;
 - more than 20 pounds of unprocessed meat, anywhere, only if:
 - recipient's license is unfilled;
 - recipient's carcass tag is on the meat. This establishes recipient's claim to their portion of meat and voids their license. Donor's tag must remain with donor's portion.
 - the entire carcass, if:
 - recipient's license is unfilled, and
 - both the donor's carcass tag and recipient's like-license carcass tag is on meat, voiding both.

Mandatory Sheep & Goat Checks

Bighorn Sheep

- All bighorns, including ewes and desert bighorns, must be inspected by a CPW officer or at a CPW office (*listed on inside front cover*) during regular business hours within five working days of harvest. **License holders must personally present sheep with horns and skull intact (unfrozen at the time of check).** A mandatory report will be completed at that time. A permanent plug will be inserted into the horn of bighorn rams.
- All licensees (including those who did not hunt or harvest) **must** return a mandatory report within 30 days after a season ends. **Licensees who do not complete the report become ineligible for future sheep licenses.**
- It is illegal to trade, transfer or sell ram heads, capes, skulls or horns unless CPW inspects and permanently plugs the horns. CPW permanently plugs only legally hunter-harvested rams.

Mountain Goat

- All goats must be inspected by a CPW officer or at a CPW office (*listed on inside front cover*) during regular business hours within five working days of harvest. **License holders must personally present goats with horns and skull intact.** A mandatory report will be completed.
- All licensees (including those who did not hunt or harvest) **must** return a mandatory report within 30 days after a season ends. **Licensees who do not complete the report become ineligible for future goat licenses.**

Hunting Laws

Illegal Activities

The top 10 most common hunting violations in Colorado:

- 1. Trespassing.** Going onto private lands without getting permission first while hunting, fishing or performing any related activity is illegal. Private lands do not need to be posted or fenced, so it can be difficult to see boundaries. **Violators may be suspended for up to five years for trespassing.** This includes State Land Board properties not leased and signed by CPW, unless permission is given by the lessee. You must have permission from the landowner to enter private land to retrieve a harvested animal. First, you should try to contact the landowner on your own. If you cannot contact the landowner to retrieve the harvested animal, contact your local CPW office (*inside front cover*).
- 2. Failing to make a reasonable attempt to track and kill animals you shoot at, wound or may have wounded.** Including immediately going to the location where wildlife was located when it was fired upon. Remember that it's against the law to pursue wounded wildlife that goes on private property without first obtaining permission from the landowner or person in charge. You must still attempt to gain permission to enter and locate the animal.
- 3. Failing to reasonably dress, care for, prepare and provide edible wildlife meat for human consumption.** At a minimum, the four quarters, tenderloins and backstraps are edible meat. Internal organs are not considered edible meat.
- 4. Hunting without a proper license.** Anyone who hunts wildlife must have in their possession the appropriate and valid Colorado resident or nonresident license that includes their Customer Identification (CID) number, and must only harvest wildlife of the species and type indicated on the license.
- 5. Mistakenly killing wildlife.** You must field dress and report big-game animals unintentionally killed, not due to carelessness or negligence, to a CPW office (*inside front cover*) — or the local Sheriff's office after CPW regular hours — before continuing to hunt and as soon as practical. CPW evaluates the circumstances, including shots fired, species and number of animals present, firearms, ammunition, etc. Big game accidentally killed does not count toward annual bag limits.
- 6. Not showing evidence of sex.** Be sure to leave evidence of sex naturally attached to the carcass. Evidence includes the head, the vulva or the scrotum. See "Evidence of Sex" on page 4 for more details.
- 7. Carrying loaded firearms while in or on any motor vehicle.** Firearms must be unloaded in the chamber. Muzzle-loading rifles are considered unloaded if the percussion cap or shotshell primer is removed, or if the powder is removed from the flashpan. It is illegal for anyone to have a loaded electronic-ignition muzzle-loader in or on a motor vehicle; the chamber must be unloaded or the battery must be disconnected and removed from its compartment. **Most accidents involving firearms occur in or near vehicles.**
- 8. Carrying loaded firearms (except handguns) on an OHV during deer, elk, pronghorn and bear seasons.** Firearms (except handguns) must be unloaded in the chamber and magazine. Firearms (except handguns) and bows must be fully enclosed in a hard or soft case. Scabbards or cases with open ends or sides are prohibited. *This does not apply to landowners or their agents who carry a firearm on an OHV to take depredated wildlife on property they own or lease.*
- 9. Improperly voiding and/or attaching a carcass tag.** You must sign and detach the carcass tag from your hunting license immediately following taking your animal. It is illegal to sign the carcass tag before harvest. The tag must also be attached to the animal properly. See "Carcass Tags," page 4.
- 10. Hunting with rifles, handguns or shotguns firing a single slug, or archery equipment within an area 50 feet on each side of the center line of any state highway or municipal or county road,** as designated by the county. Before firing a shot, you must be at least 50 feet off a designated state or county road, and just off U.S. Forest Service or BLM roads. **You also cannot shoot across a road.**

It is also against the law to:

- Hunt carelessly or discharge a firearm or release an arrow disregarding human life or property.
- Hunt outside of legal hunting hours (one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset).
- Interfere with hunters. This includes distracting or frightening prey; causing prey to flee by using light or noise; chasing prey on foot or by vehicle; throwing objects; making movements; harassing hunters by using threats or actions; erecting barriers to deny access to hunting areas; intentionally injecting yourself into the line of fire. Violators face prosecution and may have to pay victim's damages and court costs.
- Hunt under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances.
- Operate or ride a snowmobile with a firearm unless it's completely unloaded and cased, or with a bow unless it's unstrung or cased. Compound bows must be cased, not unstrung.
- Shoot from or use a motor vehicle, motorcycle, off-highway vehicle, snowmobile or aircraft to hunt, intercept, chase, harass or drive wildlife.
- Use aircraft to hunt, to direct hunters on the ground or to hunt the same day or day after a flight was made to find wildlife.
- For two or more people on the ground, in a vehicle or vessel to use electronic devices to communicate information that violates any wildlife law or regulation.
- Use computer-assisted remote technology (any device, equipment or software used to remotely control a weapon, including the internet) to hunt or fish. Hunters and anglers must be physically present in the immediate vicinity while hunting/ fishing.
- Use unmanned or remote-control drones to look for, scout or detect wildlife.
- Use live-action game cameras to locate, surveil or aid/ assist in locating/surveiling game wildlife in order to take/try to take wildlife during the same or following day. "Live-action game camera" is any device capable of recording and transmitting photographic/video data *wirelessly* to a remote device (such as a computer or smart phone). This doesn't include game cameras that record photographic/video data and store such data for later use, *as long as the device cannot transmit data wirelessly*.
- Use artificial light as an aid in hunting.
- Use poison, drugs or explosives to hunt or harass wildlife.
- Fail to extinguish a campfire completely.
- Party hunt (i.e. harvest someone else's game or let someone harvest yours).
- Use dogs. A leashed dog may be used as an aid in locating/recovering wounded big-game animals, except for black bears, with purchase of annual tracking permit.
- Hunt big game over bait, whether or not the person hunting personally placed the bait. Bait means to put, expose, distribute or scatter salt, minerals, grain, animal parts or other food as an attraction for big game. Salt or mineral blocks used for normal agricultural purposes are not considered bait. Scent sticks that smell like food are illegal for bears.
- Post, sign or indicate that public lands, not under an exclusive-control lease, are private.
- Establish a permanent structure or plant vegetation on CPW-owned land or waters. Only portable blinds and tree stands for big-game hunting can be erected on CPW land, and no more than 30 days prior to the season during which they will be used. No nails can be driven into trees. Man-made materials for blinds or stands must be removed within 10 days after the season they are used in ends. The owner's CID number and dates of use must be visible on outside of portable blinds or underside of tree stands. Placement of blinds or stands does not reserve them for personal use: They may be used on first-come, first-served basis.

Legal Methods of Take

- 1. Hand-held bow:** a long bow, recurve bow or compound bow on which the string is not drawn mechanically or held mechanically under tension. String or mechanical releases are legal if they are hand-drawn or hand-held with no other attachments or connections to the bow (other than bowstring).
 - a. Hand-held bows, including compound bows, must use arrows with a broadhead having an outside diameter or minimum width of 7/8-inch, with a minimum of two steel cutting edges. Each cutting edge must be in same plane for entire length of cutting surface.
 - b. Only legal hand-held bows allowed during archery seasons.
 - c. Minimum draw weight of 35 pounds. No let-off maximum required.
 - d. No part of a bow's riser (handle) or track, trough, channel, arrow rest or other device (excluding cables and bowstring) that attaches to the riser can contact, support and/or guide the arrow from a point rearward of bow's brace height behind the undrawn string.
 - e. Bows can propel only one arrow at a time. No mechanisms that automatically load arrows are allowed.
 - f. Scopes and electronic or battery-powered devices cannot be incorporated into or attached to a bow or arrow, with the exception of lighted nocks on arrows. Recording devices such as cameras or video recorders attached to bows may be used as long as they do not cast light towards the target or aid in range finding, sighting or shooting the bow.
 - g. Hydraulic or pneumatic technology cannot be used to derive or store energy to propel arrows. Explosive arrows are prohibited.
- 2. Crossbows:**
 - a. Minimum draw weight: 125 pounds.
 - b. Minimum draw length: 14 inches from front of bow to nocking point of drawstring.
 - c. Positive mechanical safety device required.
 - d. Bolts must be a minimum of 16 inches long, have a broadhead a minimum of 7/8-inch wide and a minimum of two steel cutting edges. Each cutting edge must be in same plane for entire length of cutting surface.
 - e. Illegal in archery seasons.
- 3. Muzzleloading rifles and smoothbore muskets:**
 - a. In-line muzzleloaders are legal.
 - b. Must have a single barrel that fires a single round ball or conical projectile.
 - c. From .40 to .50 caliber, conical bullets must weigh at least 170 grains. Round-ball bullets must be .50 caliber.
 - d. If greater than .50 caliber, bullets must weigh at least 210 grains.
 - e. Shotshell primers are legal.
- 4. Rifles:** Must be a minimum .24 caliber (6 mm); have a minimum 16-inch barrel and be at least 26 inches long and fired from the shoulder. Must use expanding bullets that weigh a minimum of 70 grains and have an impact energy (at 100 yards) of 1,000 foot-pounds, as rated by the manufacturer. Semiautomatic rifles cannot hold more than six rounds in the magazine and chamber combined. Fully automatic rifles and smart files are prohibited.
- 5. Shotguns:** Must be a minimum 20 gauge and must fire a single slug. Barrel length: minimum 18 inches. Overall length: minimum 26 inches.
- 6. Handguns:** Must use a minimum .24 caliber (6 mm) diameter expanding bullet, with no shoulder stock or attachment. Must use only cartridge or load with a minimum energy of 550 foot-pounds at 50 yards. Barrel length a minimum of 4 inches.

Applications & Preference Points

For any account issues, please contact us at: 303-297-1192 (M-F, 8 a.m.– 5 p.m. MT) or 1-800-244-5613 (24/7)

Application Deadlines

March 1 Applications accepted starting on this date for the primary limited license draw.

April 7 Final day to submit applications for the primary limited license draw.
8 p.m. MT Application corrections must also be made by this date.

Note: You can check the status of your application(s) in your online CPW account throughout the application, draw and payment process: cpwshop.com

Draw Results: Posted to Your CPW Account

April 23 **Make sure your credit card and email/contact information is current both before and after the draws. CPW charges awarded license payments automatically and sends courtesy email confirmations that you do not want to miss.**

Once the draw is complete, CPW will send emails to customers who are successful in the draw and provide them with a short period when they can decide to surrender their license if they no longer want it, receiving preference point restoration to a pre-draw level, a refund of the license fee and removal of the license from the customer's account. **The deadline for this surrender period is April 27, at 11:59 p.m. MT. To surrender your license, go to your license draw results email receipt.**

Payment Deadline

May 7 License or preference point **must** be paid for by 11:59 p.m. MT on this date.

The payment deadline is final. If we're unable to charge the credit card on file in your account by the payment deadline, your license will be forfeited.

It is the customer's responsibility to know the payment deadlines and verify that their awarded licenses have been paid for prior to the payment deadlines.

All big-game license applications for the draw are only available **online** (go to cpw.state.co.us/buy-apply) or **by phone** (1-800-244-5613).

Go online to find everything you need for detailed account, application and payment information: cpw.state.co.us/plan-your-hunt

- **How to set up an online account: Be sure to look up your account first!**
- **How to access your existing online account**
- **How to apply for the big-game draw**
- **How to apply for group hunts**
- **How to clear a failed payment**

Refunds, Reissues & Exchanges

cpw.state.co.us/refunds

- Sheep and goat hunters who need to return a license will have to do so **at least 30 days prior to the start of the season** for which the license is valid by turning in their license at a CPW location, or postmarked to CPW Refund Office, 6060 Broadway, Denver, CO 80216. **Note: If you drew a license you would like to return, payment for the license is still required first. You can then return it for a refund or preference point restoration.**
- Application fees, the \$12.76 Habitat Stamp fee, qualifying licenses, and the preference point and weighted preference point fees are nonrefundable.
- Any sheep or goat license returned will be manually reissued to one of the first five unsuccessful applicants on the primary draw list. If the next applicant in line on the primary draw list accepts one of the aforementioned first choice licenses that has been returned and reissued, all accumulated preference points for that species become void. If the license can not be manually reissued then it will be placed on the Reissue Preview List (Tues.) and released at 11 a.m. on Wed. Full details: cpw.state.co.us/refunds
- All license exchanges will be charged a fee of \$5.
- No refunds or preference point restorations are available on exchanged licenses.
- Exchanges can be completed at a CPW office or park up until the day before the season starts on the original license. Once a season starts, an exchange is no longer available.
- Exchanges cannot be completed until leftover licenses and OTC licenses go on sale.

Weighted Preference Points

Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, mountain goat and moose are the three species of big-game animals that use the weighted preference point system to award licenses in Colorado:

- Weighted preference increases your probability of drawing and applies to both male and female licenses.
- You can only accumulate up to three preference points for each of these three species. If you have three preference points and you fail to draw a first-choice license, you will receive weighted preference.
- Weighted preference is calculated by converting your application number into a different, random application number, then dividing that new application number by the number of weighted points you have, plus one. Individuals with three preference points and no weighted preference will have their application number divided by one.
- This generates a new application number. Applications are sorted by this new number from lowest to highest, and low numbers for each hunt code are awarded licenses.

Note: The preference point fee for Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, mountain goat and moose applies to preference points and weighted preference points.

Preference Points

- 1. One preference point is awarded per species applied for** to hunters who apply properly and are unsuccessful in drawing a license for a first-choice hunt code for Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep and mountain goat in the draw. You may apply for a preference point as your first-choice hunt code (*see below*). **Note that preference points don't apply to desert bighorn sheep.**
- 2. Youth ages 12–17** can apply for a point. Youth age 11 can also apply for a point provided they turn 12 in 2026.
- 3. Preference point hunt code:** You can gain a preference point as a first choice on your application to use another year; specific preference-point hunt codes are listed on pages 7 and 10. You can also choose other hunt codes as your second, third or fourth choices. *Do not submit a separate application for preference points, or both applications will be disqualified. Only one application per species per year is allowed.*
- 4. Preference Point Fee:**
 - If you apply for a preference point hunt code as your first choice or are unsuccessful in drawing your first choice hunt, you'll be charged a \$50 resident or \$100 nonresident preference point fee for Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep and mountain goat.
 - You'll have the option to **opt out** of paying the preference point fee while filling out your draw application(s). If you opt out, you will not be charged the fee and will **not** acquire a preference or weighted point for 2026. This includes if you apply for a preference point hunt code as your first choice.
 - *The fee is waived for youth and resident lifetime license holders. Residents who are in the military on active duty outside Colorado can request a preference point fee refund.*
- 5. If you are issued a first-choice license,** all accumulated preference points for that species become void and return to zero.
- 6. All accumulated preference points for a species become void** if you fail to apply for that species or have not purchased a license for that species during any given 10-year period.
- 7. Second-, third- and fourth-choice hunts** don't use or generate points.
- 8. The maximum preference points you can accumulate** for Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep or mountain goat is three. If you have three points for Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep or mountain goat, and you fail to draw a first-choice license, you will receive weighted preference for that species.
- 9. Weighted preference points:** *See above right.*
- 10. Preference points are not transferable between hunters.** Points are awarded for specific species, not for hunt codes, sex, unit(s), season(s) or method of take.
- 11. Group application priority is based on the member with fewest points.**
Go to cpw.state.co.us/apply-for-group-hunts.
- 12. You can apply for a bighorn ewe license** if you are waiting the five years to reapply for a bighorn ram license (sixth year after harvest), but you cannot accrue preference points.



Bighorn ram © Mike Dellivereri, CPW

Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep

Limited Licenses Only

Remember: Rams must have a half-curl or longer to be harvested. *See page 3.*
Remember: You cannot apply for a Rocky Mountain bighorn and desert bighorn in the same year.

Preference Point Hunt Code

To apply for a Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep preference point, enter hunt code **S-P-999-99-P** as your **first choice** hunt.

- You'll have the option to **opt in** or **opt out** of paying the preference point fee while filling out your draw application. If you **opt out**, you will not be charged the fee and will **not** acquire a preference or weighted point for the year. If you **opt in**, you will be charged the \$50 resident or \$100 nonresident preference point fee and acquire a point for the year.
- If you apply for a point as your first choice, you can use the second-, third- and fourth-choice hunt code spaces on the application to apply for a license.

Bighorn Sheep Access Program (BSAP) — Resident

Bighorn Sheep Access Program (BSAP) licenses are available **only to Colorado residents** by draw. BSAP landowners must provide free access to hunters who draw a sheep license for the ranch. A free guide must also be provided by the ranch to hunters who draw a ram license. Read ranch rules first, and see the maps and ranch contacts at: cpw.state.co.us/bighorn-sheep-access-program

Units	Dates	# Licenses and Sex	Hunt Code
S61 Purgatoire Ranch	Oct. 12–Nov. 15	1 Ram	S-M-S61-W1-R
	Jan. 4–14	2 Ewe	S-F-S61-W1-R
S61 Bader Ranch	Dec. 1–30	1 Ram	S-M-S61-W3-R
	Jan. 5–15	1 Ewe	S-F-S61-W3-R
S61 River Canyon Ranch	Nov. 1–30	1 Ram	S-M-S61-W4-R

Chancellor Ranch — Resident

Bighorn sheep hunting is available on Chancellor Ranch (on State Land Board property) for **Colorado residents only**. Get detailed information (terrain, access, camping, etc.) and find ranch contacts at: cpw.state.co.us/chancellor-ranch

Units	Dates	# Licenses and Sex	Hunt Code
S61 Chancellor Ranch <i>State Land Board land only</i>	Jan. 1–10	1 Ewe	S-F-S61-S1-R
	Sept. 1–20 Dec. 1–31	1 Ram	S-M-S61-S1-R

Archery — Resident Licenses

Units	Dates	# Licenses and Sex	Hunt Code
New -S3	Aug. 1–21	2 Ram	S-M-S03-O1-A
	Aug. 8–21	5 Ewe	S-F-S03-O1-A
	-S3 See "Land Use Restrictions & Closures," page 4.		
S6, S46	Nov. 10–30	1 Ram	S-M-S06-O1-A
S9	Aug. 1–31	8 Ram	S-M-S09-O1-A
S12, S78	Aug. 1–31	7 Ram	S-M-S12-O1-A
S20	Aug. 1–31	2 Ram	S-M-S20-O1-A
New -S23, S27	Nov. 1–30	1 Ram	S-M-S23-O1-A
	-S23 "Land Use Restrictions & Closures," page 4.		
S26	Aug. 1–31	2 Ram	S-M-S26-O1-A
S32 <i>No hunting within a quarter-mile N of I-70, or within a quarter-mile of U.S. 6 or U.S. 40.</i>	Aug. 1–19	3 Ram	S-M-S32-O1-A
	Aug. 20–Sept. 7	3 Ram	S-M-S32-O2-A
		1 Ewe	S-F-S32-O2-A
S34	New Nov. 15–30	1 Ram	S-M-S34-O1-A
	Oct. 1–15	2 Ewe	S-F-S34-O1-A
	New Dec. 7–21	3 Ram	S-M-S34-O2-A
S37 <i>Small population size</i>	Oct. 31–Nov. 30	1 Ram	S-M-S37-O1-A
S38	Dec. 1–31	1 Ram	S-M-S38-O1-A

Archery — Resident Licenses

Units	Dates	# Licenses and Sex	Hunt Code
-S39 <i>Small population size</i>	Aug. 1–Sept. 30	1 Ram	S-M-S39-O1-A
	-S39 See "Land Use Restrictions & Closures," page 4.		
S44	Sept. 11–Oct. 7	3 Ram	S-M-S44-O1-A
S49	Sept. 8–30	2 Ram	S-M-S49-O1-A
S51	Aug. 1–31	1 Ram	S-M-S51-O1-A
S54	Nov. 1–30	4 Ram	S-M-S54-O1-A
S57 <i>Small population size</i>	Dec. 1–31	1 Ram	S-M-S57-O1-A
	Dec. 8–31	1 Ewe	S-F-S57-O1-A
S66	Aug. 1–31	2 Ram	S-M-S66-O1-A
S69	Aug. 1–31	2 Ram	S-M-S69-O1-A
	Nov. 1–30	1 Ram	S-M-S69-O2-A
S71	Aug. 22–Oct. 1	1 Ram	S-M-S71-O1-A

Archery — Nonresident Licenses

Units	Dates	# Licenses and Sex	Hunt Code
New S3	Aug. 8–21	1 Ewe	S-F-S03-O1-A
	-S3 See "Land Use Restrictions & Closures," page 4.		
S9	Aug. 1–31	1 Ram	S-M-S09-O1-A
S12, S78	Aug. 1–31	1 Ram	S-M-S12-O1-A
New S34	Nov. 15–30	1 Ram	S-M-S34-O1-A
	S49	Sept. 8–30	1 Ram
S69	Nov. 1–30	1 Ram	S-M-S69-O2-A

Rifle — Resident Licenses

Units	Dates	# Licenses and Sex	Hunt Code
S1, S18 <i>Small population size</i>	Sept. 8–Oct. 11	New 1 Either	S-E-S01-O1-R
	S2 <i>No hunting within a half-mile N of I-70, from Bighorn Creek to Spraddle Creek.</i>		
-S3	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	1 Ram	S-M-S02-O1-R
	Sept. 8–22	3 Ram	S-M-S03-O1-R
	Sept. 28–Oct. 12	2 Ram 10 Ewe	S-M-S03-O2-R S-F-S03-O2-R
	-S3 See "Land Use Restrictions & Closures," page 4.		
-S4	Aug. 3–19	2 Ram	S-M-S04-O1-R
	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	1 Ram 2 Ewe	S-M-S04-O2-R S-F-S04-O2-R
	-S4 See "Land Use Restrictions & Closures," page 4.		
S5, -S60	Oct. 1–31	2 Ram	S-M-S05-O1-R
	-S60 <i>Sheep may be found on both public and private lands. Before accessing private property, landowner permission is required; a trespass fee may apply.</i>		
S6	Sept. 8–22	1 Ram	S-M-S06-O1-R
	Sept. 25–Oct. 9	1 Ram 2 Ewe	S-M-S06-O2-R S-F-S06-O2-R
S7	Oct. 1–31	2 Ram	S-M-S07-O1-R
S8	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	3 Ram	S-M-S08-O1-R
	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	8 Ram	S-M-S09-O1-R
S9	Sept. 15–Oct. 8	4 Ewe	S-F-S09-O1-R
	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	1 Ram	S-M-S10-O1-R
S10, S55	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	5 Ram	S-M-S11-O1-R
	Sept. 15–Oct. 8	2 Ewe	S-F-S11-O1-R
S11	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	5 Ram	S-M-S12-O1-R
	Sept. 15–Oct. 8	2 Ewe	S-F-S12-O1-R
S12, S78	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	2 Ram	S-M-S13-O1-R
	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	2 Ram	S-M-S13-O1-R
-S13	-S13 <i>Advance reservation camping permit required for some areas in the Maroon Bells-Snowmass Wilderness. fs.usda.gov/whiteriver</i>		

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Rifle — Resident Licenses

Units	Dates	# Licenses and Sex	Hunt Code
S15	Aug. 22–Sept. 2	2 Ram	S-M-S15-O1-R
	Sept. 19–Oct. 4		
	Sept. 19–Oct. 4	1 Ewe	S-F-S15-O1-R
S16	Sept. 5–Oct. 4	2 Ram	S-M-S15-O2-R
	Aug. 22–Sept. 2	2 Ram	S-M-S16-O1-R
	Sept. 19–Oct. 4	2 Ewe	S-F-S16-O1-R
S17	Sept. 5–Oct. 4	2 Ram	S-M-S16-O2-R
	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	5 Ram	S-M-S17-O1-R
	Sept. 15–Oct. 8	2 Ewe	S-F-S17-O1-R
■S19	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	1 Either	S-E-S19-O1-R
	■S19 borders Rocky Mountain National Park; sheep may be in park during hunting season.		
S20	Sept. 8–Oct. 31	2 Ram	S-M-S20-O1-R
S21	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	7 Ram	S-M-S21-O1-R
S21 E of Hwy. 550 only	Sept. 12–Oct. 1	4 Ewe	S-F-S21-O1-R
S21 W of Hwy. 550 only	Sept. 12–Oct. 1	3 Ewe	S-F-S21-S1-R
S22	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	4 Ram	S-M-S22-O1-R
	Sept. 11–Oct. 1	2 Ewe	S-F-S22-O1-R
■S23, S27	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	2 Ram	S-M-S23-O1-R
	■S23 See "Land Use Restrictions & Closures," page 4.		
S24	Nov. 1–30	4 Ram	S-M-S24-O1-R
S25	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	1 Ram	S-M-S25-O1-R
S28	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	1 Ram	S-M-S28-O1-R
S29, S30	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	2 Ram	S-M-S29-O1-R
S29	Sept. 5–Nov. 25	1 Ewe	S-F-S29-O1-R
S31	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	4 Ram	S-M-S31-O1-R
S32 No hunting within a quarter-mile N of I-70 or within a quarter-mile of U.S. 6 or U.S. 40.	Sept. 12–Oct. 4	1 Ewe	S-F-S32-O1-R
S33	Sept. 1–17	6 Ram	S-M-S33-O1-R
	Sept. 18–Oct. 1	6 Ram	S-M-S33-O2-R
S33 N of Lake Fork River, Cottonwood Creek, Cuba Gulch, Minnie Gulch; W and N of Colo. 110.	Sept. 5–17	2 Ewe	S-F-S33-O1-R
S33 S of Lake Fork River, Cottonwood Creek, Cuba Gulch, Minnie Gulch; E and S of Colo. 110.	Sept. 5–17	2 Ewe	S-F-S33-S1-R
S36	Sept. 21–Oct. 1	2 Ewe	S-F-S33-S2-R
	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	2 Ram	S-M-S36-O1-R
S37 Small population size	Sept. 11–Oct. 1	2 Ewe	S-F-S36-O1-R
	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	1 Ram	S-M-S37-O1-R
S40, S58 Rams may be on private property during parts of the season.	Sept. 8–Oct. 11	1 Ram	S-M-S40-O1-R
		1 Ewe	S-F-S40-O1-R
	Oct. 17–Nov. 8	1 Ram	S-M-S40-O2-R
S41	Sept. 28–Nov. 15	1 Ram	S-M-S41-O1-R
	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	4 Ewe	S-F-S41-O1-R
■S42 Weekdays only		1 Ram	S-M-S42-O1-R
	Nov. 30–Dec. 4	1 Ewe	S-F-S42-O1-R
No hunting within 200 yards of Waterton Canyon Rd.	Dec. 7–11	2 Ewe	S-F-S42-O2-R
	■Attention Hunters: Sheep hunting requires completion of unit-specific hunter orientation; special restrictions may apply. See page 4.		
S44	Oct. 10–23	1 Ram	S-M-S44-O1-R
S47	Oct. 1–31	3 Ram	S-M-S47-O1-R
S49	Oct. 1–31	2 Ram	S-M-S49-O1-R
■S50	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	1 Ram	S-M-S50-O1-R
		■S50 Landowner permission is strongly advisable before applying. Public access is highly limited.	
S51	Sept. 12–Oct. 11	1 Ram	S-M-S51-O1-R
	Oct. 17–Nov. 4	1 Ram	S-M-S51-O2-R
S51 W of Hwy. 12 only	Aug. 22–31	1 Ewe	S-F-S51-O1-R
S53	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	2 Ram	S-M-S53-O1-R
	Sept. 11–Oct. 1	3 Ewe	S-F-S53-O1-R
■S54	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	3 Ram	S-M-S54-O1-R
		■S54 Sheep hunting is valid in this unit only within the West Elk Wilderness.	

Rifle — Resident Licenses

Units	Dates	# Licenses and Sex	Hunt Code
S59, New S67	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	2 Ram	S-M-S59-O1-R
■S61	Sept. 1–20	3 Ram	S-M-S61-O1-R
	Dec. 1–31		
	■S61 The Piñon Canyon Maneuver Site may be closed until October and hunting is allowed on weekends and some holidays only. For the latest information, go to fortcarson.isportsman.net/pcmsinfo.aspx		
S66	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	5 Ram	S-M-S66-O1-R
S68	Sept. 15–Oct. 8	2 Ewe	S-F-S66-O1-R
	Sept. 8–Oct. 31	1 Ram	S-M-S68-O1-R
S69	Sept. 1–Oct. 8	2 Ram	S-M-S69-O1-R
	Sept. 8–22	3 Ewe	S-F-S69-O1-R
S70	Oct. 8–22	3 Ewe	S-F-S69-O2-R
	Sept. 1–Nov. 8	1 Ram	S-M-S70-O1-R
S71	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	2 Ram	S-M-S71-O1-R
S73	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	3 Ram	S-M-S73-O1-R
	Oct. 11–24	4 Ewe	S-F-S73-O1-R
■S74	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	2 Ram	S-M-S74-O1-R
	■S74 Highway and trail closures in Glenwood Canyon may affect access.		
S75	Nov. 1–30	3 Ram	S-M-S75-O1-R
S77	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	1 Ram	S-M-S77-O1-R
S80	Dec. 1–31	1 Ram	S-M-S80-O1-R
		■S80 borders Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park; sheep may be in park during hunting season.	

Be aware that the hunt code shaded orange in the table above has one or both licenses set aside for hunters who were affected by the 2025 fires.

Rifle — Nonresident Licenses

Units	Dates	# Licenses and Sex	Hunt Code
New S2	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	1 Ram	S-M-S02-O1-R
	No hunting within a half-mile N of I-70, from Bighorn Creek to Spradde Creek.		
■S3	Sept. 8–22	1 Ram	S-M-S03-O1-R
	Sept. 28–Oct. 12	1 Ram	S-M-S03-O2-R
		2 Ewe	S-F-S03-O2-R
	■S3 See "Land Use Restrictions & Closures," page 4.		
S9	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	1 Ram	S-M-S09-O1-R
	Sept. 15–Oct. 8	1 Ewe	S-F-S09-O1-R
S11	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	1 Ram	S-M-S11-O1-R
S12, S78	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	1 Ram	S-M-S12-O1-R
S15	Aug. 22–Sept. 2	1 Ram	S-M-S15-O1-R
	Sept. 19–Oct. 4		
	Sept. 19–Oct. 4	1 Ewe	S-F-S15-O1-R
S17	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	1 Ram	S-M-S17-O1-R
S21	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	1 Ram	S-M-S21-O1-R
S21 E of Hwy. 550 only	Sept. 12–Oct. 1	1 Ewe	S-F-S21-O1-R
S22	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	1 Ram	S-M-S22-O1-R
New S25	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	1 Ram	S-M-S25-O1-R
S32 No hunting within a quarter-mile N of I-70 or within a quarter-mile of U.S. 6 or U.S. 40.	Sept. 12–Oct. 4	1 Ram	S-M-S32-O1-R
S33	Sept. 1–17	1 Ram	S-M-S33-O1-R
	Sept. 18–Oct. 1	1 Ram	S-M-S33-O2-R
S33 N of Lake Fork River, Cottonwood Creek, Cuba Gulch, Minnie Gulch; W and N of Colo. 110.	Sept. 21–Oct. 1	1 Ewe	S-F-S33-O2-R
S41	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	1 Ewe	S-F-S41-O1-R
	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	1 Ram	S-M-S54-O1-R
■S54	■S54 Sheep hunting is valid in this unit only within the West Elk Wilderness.		
New ■S61	Sept. 1–20	1 Ram	S-M-S61-O1-R
	Dec. 1–31		
	■S61 The Piñon Canyon Maneuver Site may be closed until October and hunting is allowed on weekends and some holidays only. For the latest information, go to fortcarson.isportsman.net/pcmsinfo.aspx		
S66	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	1 Ram	S-M-S66-O1-R

Desert Bighorn Sheep



Desert bighorn ram © Donald Jones

Limited Licenses Only

Remember: Rams must have a half-curl or longer to be harvested. See page 3. **Remember:** You cannot apply for a Rocky Mountain bighorn and desert bighorn in the same year.

Rifle — Resident Licenses

Units	Dates	# Licenses and Sex	Hunt Code
S56	Nov. 1–30	4 Ram	C-M-S56-O1-R
S62	Nov. 1–30	4 Ram	C-M-S62-O1-R
S63	Nov. 1–30	3 Ram	C-M-S63-O1-R
S64	Nov. 1–30	3 Ram	C-M-S64-O1-R

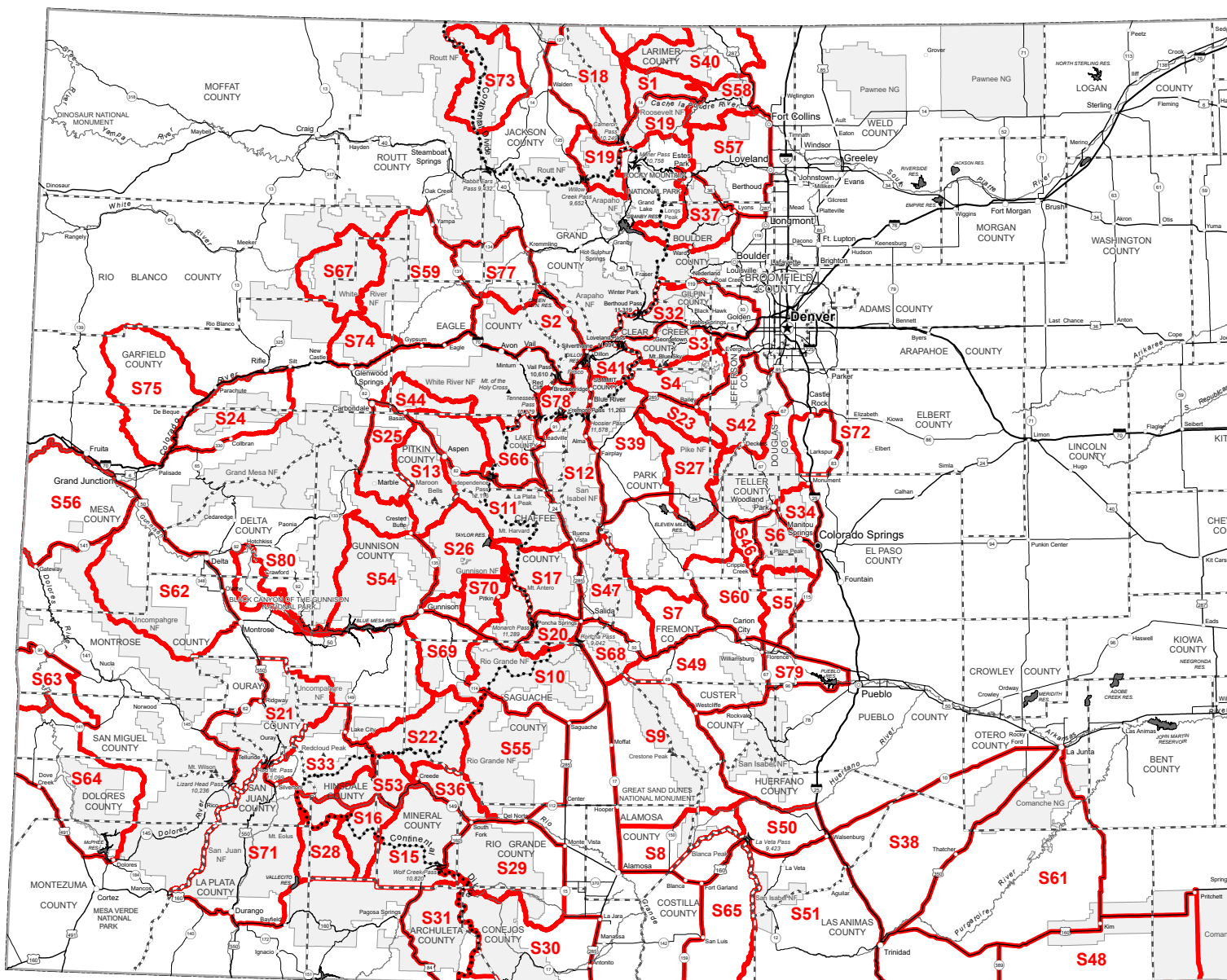
Rifle — Nonresident Licenses

Units	Dates	# Licenses and Sex	Hunt Code
S62	Nov. 1–30	1 Ram	C-M-S62-O1-R

Note: Preference points do not apply to desert bighorn sheep. The draw for desert bighorn sheep is random.

Bighorn Sheep Hunting Unit Map

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Mountain Goat

It's difficult to tell the difference between male and female mountain goats. Refresher tutorial and tips, page 3.

Mountain goat © Wayne Lewis, CPW



Limited Licenses Only

Preference Point Hunt Code

To apply for a mountain goat preference point, enter hunt code **G-P-999-99-P** as your **first choice** hunt.

- You'll have the option to **opt in** or **opt out** of paying the preference point fee while filling out your draw application. If you **opt out**, you will not be charged the fee and will **not** acquire a preference or weighted point for the year. If you **opt in**, you will be charged the \$50 resident or \$100 nonresident preference point fee and acquire a point for the year.
- If you apply for a point as your first choice, you can use the second-, third- and fourth-choice hunt code spaces on the application to apply for a license.

Archery — Resident Licenses

Units	Dates	# Licenses and Sex	Hunt Code
G1, G14	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	5 Either	G-E-G01-O1-A
G5	Sept. 8–Oct. 31	11 Either	G-E-G05-O1-A
G8	Sept. 1–Nov. 1	5 Either	G-E-G08-O1-A

Archery — Nonresident Licenses

Units	Dates	# Licenses and Sex	Hunt Code
G1, G14	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	1 Either	G-E-G01-O1-A
G5	Sept. 8–Oct. 31	1 Either	G-E-G05-O1-A

Rifle — Resident Licenses

Units	Dates	# Licenses and Sex	Hunt Code
G2	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	5 Either	G-E-G02-O1-R
G3	Sept. 8–22	18 Either	G-E-G03-O1-R
	Sept. 23–Oct. 8	18 Either	G-E-G03-O2-R
-G4 Weekdays only	Sept. 7–18	2 Either	G-E-G04-O1-R
	Sept. 21–Oct. 2	2 Either	G-E-G04-O2-R
	Oct. 5–16	1 Either	G-E-G04-O3-R
		-G4 See "Land Use Restrictions & Closures," page 4.	
-G5	Sept. 8–Oct. 31	2 Either	G-E-G05-O1-R
		-G5 From Sept. 8–25 rifle hunters must hunt area W of Animas River or N of Ten Mile and Trinity creeks. From Sept. 26–Oct. 31, all areas of G5 open to rifle hunters.	
G6	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	27 Either	G-E-G06-O1-R
	Sept. 1–11	2 Either	G-E-G07-O1-R
		1 Female	G-F-G07-O1-R
	Sept. 14–25	2 Either	G-E-G07-O2-R
		1 Female	G-F-G07-O2-R
	Sept. 28–Oct. 9	2 Either	G-E-G07-O3-R
		1 Female	G-F-G07-O3-R
Oct. 12–23	2 Either	G-E-G07-O4-R	
	1 Female	G-F-G07-O4-R	
		-G7 See "Land Use Restrictions & Closures," page 4.	
G10 Weekdays only	Sept. 1–11	4 Either	G-E-G10-O1-R
		3 Female	G-F-G10-O1-R
	Sept. 14–25	4 Either	G-E-G10-O2-R
		3 Female	G-F-G10-O2-R
	Sept. 28–Oct. 9	3 Either	G-E-G10-O3-R
Oct. 12–23	2 Female	G-F-G10-O3-R	
	4 Either	G-E-G10-O4-R	
	2 Female	G-F-G10-O4-R	
-G11	Sept. 1–Oct. 11	6 Either	G-E-G11-O1-R
		-G11 Portion of G11 bounded on N by Gunnison CR 3 (Crystal River Rd.); on E by Gunnison CR 3C (Marble Quarry Rd.) and USFS Trail 832; on S by Anthracite Creek to Gunnison CR 12 (Kebler Pass Rd.); on W by Colo. 133.	
-G11	Sept. 1–Oct. 11	7 Either	G-E-G11-S1-R
		-G11 Portion of G11 bounded on N by Gunnison CR 3 (Crystal River Rd.), USFS 314 and 317; on E by USFS 317; on S by Gunnison CR 12 (Kebler Pass Rd.) to Anthracite Creek; on W by Anthracite Creek, USFS Trail 832 and Gunnison CR 3C (Marble Quarry Rd.).	

Rifle — Resident Licenses

Units	Dates	# Licenses and Sex	Hunt Code	
-G12	Sept. 8–21	14 Either	G-E-G12-O1-R	
		1 Female	G-F-G12-O1-R	
	Sept. 22–Oct. 8	9 Either	G-E-G12-O2-R	
		1 Female	G-F-G12-O2-R	
		-G12 Advance reservation camping permit required for some areas in the Maroon Bells-Snowmass Wilderness. More information: fs.usda.gov/whiteriver		
G15 Weekdays only	Sept. 1–11	1 Either	G-E-G15-O1-R	
	Sept. 1–Oct. 23	1 Female	G-F-G15-O1-R	
	Sept. 14–25	1 Either	G-E-G15-O2-R	
	Sept. 28–Oct. 9	1 Either	G-E-G15-O3-R	
	Oct. 12–23	1 Either	G-E-G15-O4-R	
		<i>Managed for low population size: low harvest success.</i>		
-G16 Weekdays only	Sept. 1–11	2 Either	G-E-G16-O1-R	
		1 Female	G-F-G16-O1-R	
	Sept. 14–25	1 Either	G-E-G16-O2-R	
		1 Female	G-F-G16-O2-R	
	Sept. 28–Oct. 9	2 Either	G-E-G16-O3-R	
		1 Female	G-F-G16-O3-R	
	Oct. 12–23	2 Either	G-E-G16-O4-R	
		1 Female	G-F-G16-O4-R	
			-G16 See "Land Use Restrictions & Closures," page 4.	
	G17	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	5 Either	G-E-G17-O1-R
		<i>Managed for low population size.</i>		
G18	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	6 Either	G-E-G18-O1-R	
		<i>Managed for low population size.</i>		

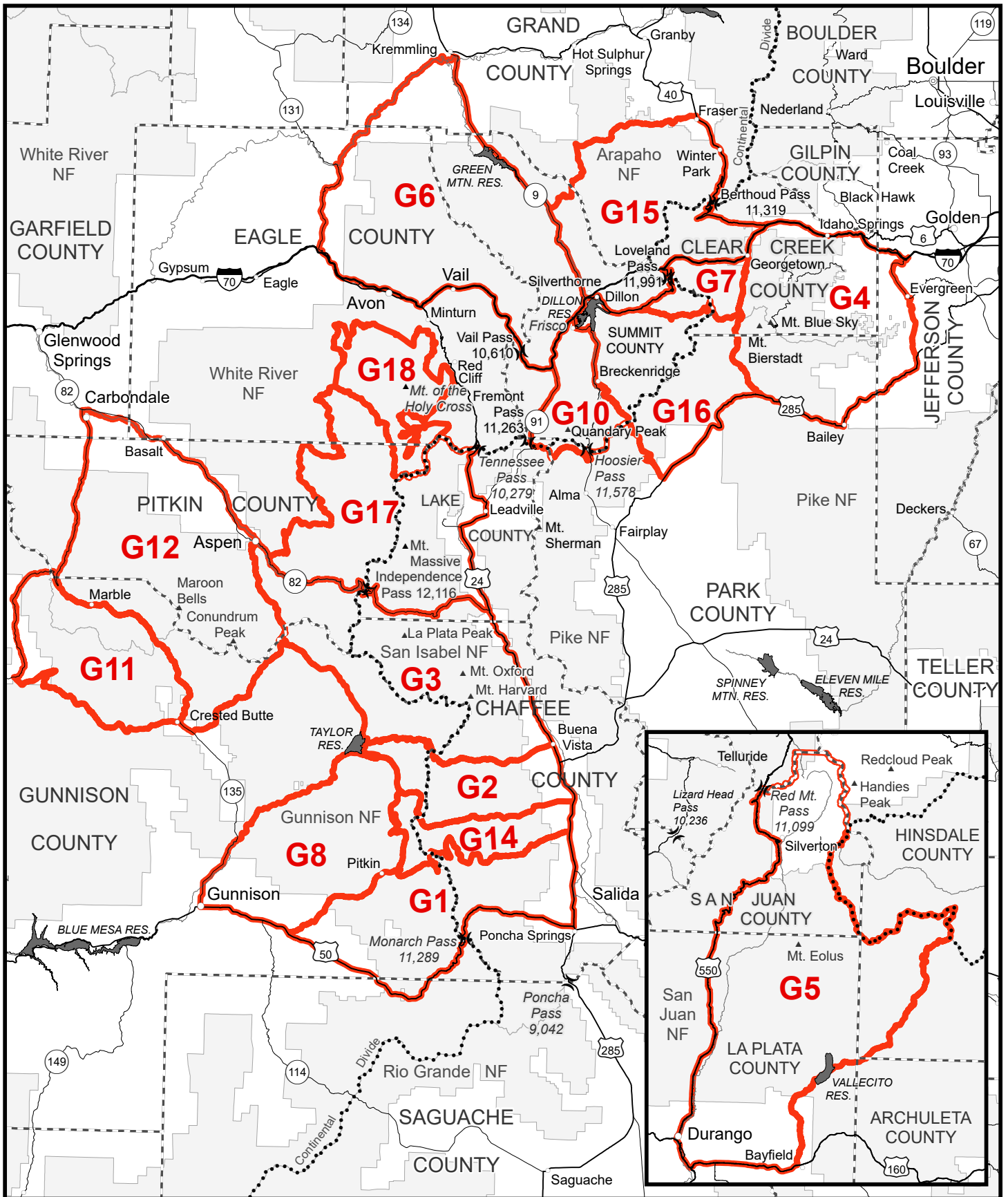
Rifle — Nonresident Licenses

Units	Dates	# Licenses and Sex	Hunt Code
G3	Sept. 8–22	2 Either	G-E-G03-O1-R
	Sept. 23–Oct. 8	2 Either	G-E-G03-O2-R
-G4 Weekdays only	Oct. 5–16	1 Either	G-E-G04-O3-R
		-G4 See "Land Use Restrictions & Closures," page 4.	
G6	Sept. 1–Oct. 1	3 Either	G-E-G06-O1-R
	Sept. 1–11	1 Either	G-E-G07-O1-R
-G7 Weekdays only	Sept. 14–25	1 Either	G-E-G07-O2-R
		-G7 See "Land Use Restrictions & Closures," page 4.	
G10 Weekdays only	Sept. 28–Oct. 9	1 Either	G-E-G10-O3-R
		1 Female	G-F-G10-O3-R
	Oct. 12–23	1 Female	G-F-G10-O4-R
-G11	Sept. 1–Oct. 11	1 Either	G-E-G11-S1-R
		-G11 Portion of G11 bounded on N by Gunnison CR 3 (Crystal River Rd.), USFS 314 and 317; on E by USFS 317; on S by Gunnison CR 12 (Kebler Pass Rd.) to Anthracite Creek; on W by Anthracite Creek, USFS Trail 832 and Gunnison CR 3C (Marble Quarry Rd.).	
-G12	Sept. 8–21	1 Either	G-E-G12-O1-R
	Sept. 22–Oct. 8	1 Either	G-E-G12-O2-R
		-G12 Advance reservation camping permit required for some areas in the Maroon Bells-Snowmass Wilderness. fs.usda.gov/whiteriver	
G16 Weekdays only	Sept. 14–25	1 Either	G-E-G16-O2-R
		-G16 See "Land Use Restrictions & Closures," page 4.	
G17	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	1 Either	G-E-G17-O1-R
		<i>Managed for low population size.</i>	
G18	Sept. 8–Oct. 8	1 Either	G-E-G18-O1-R

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Mountain Goat Hunting Unit Map

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Game Management Unit (GMU) Descriptions

These are the only units open to sheep and goat hunting.

Rocky Mountain & Desert Bighorn Sheep

S1 Poudre River (Larimer Co.)

bounded on N by CR 80C and Deadman-Red Feather Rd.; on E by CR 68C (Boy Scout Ranch Rd.) and Elkhorn Creek; on S by Colo. 14; on W by Laramie River Rd.

S2 Gore Eagles Nest (Eagle, Summit Cos.)

bounded on N by Elk Creek to Piney Ridge, Eagles Nest Wilderness boundary, Elliott Ridge/Arapaho/White River National Forest boundary, North Fork of Elliott Creek, Hoagland Reservoir and Elliott Creek; on E by Blue River; on S by I-70; on W by Colo. 131 and Colorado River from State Bridge to Elk Creek.

S3 Mount Blue Sky (Clear Creek, Jefferson, Park Cos.)

bounded on N by I-70; on E by Colo. 74; on S by Bear Creek, Beartrack Creek, Tumbling Creek, a line from head of Tumbling Creek to junction of USFS trails 603 and 602, USFS Trail 603 and Pike-Arapaho national forests boundary; on W by Continental Divide. See "Land Use Restrictions" on page 4 for hunting closure details.

S4 Grant (Clear Creek, Park, Jefferson Cos.)

bounded on N by N boundary of Pike National Forest, USFS Trail 603, a line from junctions of USFS trails 603 and 602 to head of Tumbling Creek, Tumbling Creek, Beartrack Creek and Bear Creek; on E by CR 73; on E and S by U.S. 285; on S by North Fork of South Platte River; on W by Continental Divide. See "Land Use Restrictions & Closures" on page 4.

S5 Beaver Creek (El Paso, Fremont, Teller Cos.)

bounded on N by Gold Camp Rd. and Rock Creek; on E by Colo. 115; on S by U.S. 50; on W by Fremont CR 67 and Teller CR 86 (Phantom Canyon Rd.), Teller CR 861 (Skaguay Rd.) and 81 (Lazy S Ranch Rd.).

S6 Pikes Peak (Teller, El Paso Cos.)

bounded on N by U.S. 24; on E by I-25 and Colo. 115; on S by Gold Camp Rd. and Rock Creek; on W by Colo. 67.

S7 Arkansas River (Fremont Co.)

bounded on N by Fremont CR 2; on E by Colo. 9; on S by U.S. 50; on W by CR 12.

S8 Huerfano (Huerfano, Alamosa Cos.)

bounded on N by Sixmile Lane, USFS Trail 883 and USFS Trail 583 (Mosca Pass) and Huerfano CRs 583, 581, 580 and 550; on E by Huerfano CRs 570 and 572 (Pass Creek Rd.); on S by Huerfano-Costilla and Costilla-Alamosa Co. lines and U.S. 160; on W by Colo. 17.

S9 Sangre De Cristo (Alamosa, Saguache, Custer, Huerfano Cos.)

bounded on N by Saguache CR LL 57, USFS 970 (Hayden Pass Rd.) and Fremont-Saguache and Fremont-Custer Co. lines; on E by Colo. 69; on S by Huerfano CRs 550, 580, 581 and 583, USFS 583 (Mosca Pass), USFS Trail 883 and Sixmile Lane; on W by Colo. 17 and U.S. 285.

S10 Trickle Mountain (Saguache, Chaffee, Gunnison Cos.)

bounded on N by U.S. 50 and Marshall Pass Rd. (USFS 243); on E by U.S. 285; on S by Colo. 114; on W by USFS 803 (Meyer's G. and Gismo Creek Rd.), Razor Creek and Saguache CR 14-PP and Gunnison CR 45 (Doyleville Cutoff Rd.).

S11 Collegiate North (Lake, Chaffee, Pitkin, Gunnison Cos.)

bounded on N by Colo. 82; on E by U.S. 24; on S by Chaffee CR 306 and Cottonwood Pass Rd. (USFS 209); on W by USFS Rds. 742, 761 (Taylor Pass Rd.) and 7761, and Pitkin CRs 15E (Richmond Hill Rd.) and 14 (Aspen Mtn. Summer Rd.).

S12 Buffalo Peaks (Lake, Chaffee, Park Cos.)

bounded on N by I-70; on E by Colo. 9 and U.S. 285; on S by U.S. 285; on W by U.S. 24, Colo. 91 and I-70.

S13 Snowmass East (Pitkin Co.)

bounded on N and E by Roaring Fork River, Colo. 82, Pitkin CRs 14 (Aspen Mtn. Summer Rd.) and 15 E (Richmond Hill Rd.) and USFS 7761; on S by Taylor River Head Rd. (USFS 761.1D), Brush Creek Trail (USFS Trail 400), E. Brush Creek Rd. (USFS 738.2B) and Brush Creek Rd. (USFS/Gunnison CR 738); on W by Colo. 135, Gothic Rd. (Gunnison CR 317), Crystal River-Gunnison River divide, Roaring Fork River-Crystal River divide and Capitol Creek.

S15 Sheep Mountain (Hinsdale, Mineral, Rio Grande Cos.)

bounded on N by Rio Grande River; on E by Colo. 149, U.S. 160 and Continental Divide; on S by USFS 667, Mineral-Archuleta and Hinsdale-Archuleta Co. lines; on W by Piedra River, Middle Fork of Piedra River, Middle Trout Creek, West Trout Creek and Trout Creek.

S16 Cimarron Peak (Hinsdale, Mineral Cos.)

bounded on N by Rio Grande River; on E by Trout Creek, West Trout Creek, Middle Fork of Trout Creek, Middle Fork of Piedra River and Piedra River; on S by Hinsdale-Archuleta Co. line; on W by Weminuche Creek, USFS Trail 539, Los Pinos River, North Fork Pinos River and Rio Grande Res.-Grizzly Creek divide.

S17 Collegiate South (Chaffee, Gunnison Cos.)

bounded on N by Cottonwood Pass Rd. (USFS 209) and Chaffee CR 306 (Cottonwood Creek Rd.); on E by U.S. 24 and 285; on S by U.S. 50; on W by Gunnison-Chaffee Co. line, Middle Willow Creek and Willow Creek; on W by USFS 742.

S18 Rawah (Larimer, Jackson Cos.)

bounded on N by WY; on E by Larimer CR 103 (Laramie River Rd.); on S by Colo. 14; on W by Colo. 125 and 127.

S19 Never Summer Range (Larimer, Jackson, Grand Cos.)

bounded on N by Colo. 14; on E by Larimer CR 63E (Pingree Park Rd.), Larimer CR 44H (Buckhorn Rd.), Pennock Creek-Elk Creek divide, USFS trails 928 (Signal Mountain Trail) and 980 (Stormy Peaks Trail); on S by RMNP boundary, USFS 120.4 (North Supply Jeep Rd.) and 120 (Kawuneechee Rd.), North Supply Trail, USFS Trail 118 (Blue Ridge Trail), Lost Lake Trail, USFS 107 (Lost Lake Rd.); on W by Colo. 125 and Jackson CR 27 (Rand-Gould Rd.).

S20 Marshall Pass (Gunnison, Chaffee, Saguache Cos.)

bounded on N by U.S. 50; on E by U.S. 285; on S by Marshall Pass Rd.; on W by U.S. 50.

S21 Cow Creek, Wetterhorn Peak

(Ouray, Gunnison, San Miguel, Hinsdale Cos.)

bounded on N by Colo. 62, U.S. 550, Ouray-Montrose and Ouray-Gunnison Co. lines, to Uncompahgre National Forest line, and there to Big Blue Creek; on E and S by Big Blue Creek to Uncompahgre Peak, Uncompahgre-Animas River divide, Ouray-Hinsdale Co. line, Engineer Mountain, Uncompahgre-Lake Fork-Animas River divide, San Miguel-San Juan and San Miguel-Dolores Co. lines and Lizard Head Pass; on W by Colo. 145 and U.S. 62.

S22 San Luis Peak (Hinsdale, Mineral, Saguache Cos.)

bounded on N by USFS 788, Hinsdale CRs 5, 15 and 45, Saguache CR KK-14 and NN-14; on E by Continental Divide, USFS 787 and La Garita Wilderness boundary; on S by USFS Trail 787 (La Garita Stock Driveway), USFS 504 and Colo. 149; on W by USFS 507, USFS trails 803, 787 and 473 and Colo. 149.

S23 Kenosha (Park, Jefferson Cos.)

bounded on N by U.S. 285; on N and E by Park CR 68, USFS 543 and 560; on S by USFS 545, USFS Trail 609, Park CR 56 and USFS 56 (Lost Park Rd.); on W by U.S. 285. See "Land Use Restrictions & Closures" on page 4.

S24 Battlement Mesa (Garfield, Mesa Cos.)

bounded on N by Colorado River and I-70; on E and S by Garfield CRs 331 and 342, Mesa CR 330E, Colo. 330 and 65; on W by Colorado River.

S25 Snowmass West (Pitkin, Gunnison, Eagle Cos.)

bounded on N by Roaring Fork River; on E by Capitol Creek and Roaring Fork River-Crystal River divide; on S by Crystal River-Gunnison River divide; on W by Crystal River-Gunnison River divide and Colo. 133.

S26 Taylor River (Gunnison Co.)

bounded on N by USFS/Gunnison CR 738 (Brush Creek Rd.), USFS 738.2B (East Brush Creek Rd.), USFS Trail 400 (Brush Creek Trail), 761.1D (Taylor River Head Rd.); on E by USFS Rds. 761 (Taylor Pass Rd.) and 742, and Willow Creek, Middle Willow Creek and Cumberland Pass Rd.; on S by New Mexico Principal Meridian/6th Principal Meridian divide, western Fossil Ridge Wilderness boundary and Lost Canyon Rd.; on W by Colo. 135.

S27 Tarryall (Park, Jefferson Cos.)

bounded on N by Park CR 56, USFS 56 (Lost Park Rd.), USFS Trail 609 and USFS 560; on E by USFS 211 (Matukat Rd.), Park CR 77 and U.S. 24; on S by South Platte River, Park CRs 59, 592 and 23, USFS 234 and Park CR 77; on W by U.S. 285.

S28 Vallecito (Hinsdale, La Plata, San Juan Cos.)

bounded on N by Continental Divide; on E by North Fork Los Pinos River, Los Pinos River, USFS Trail 539 from Divide Lakes and Weminuche Creek; on S by Hinsdale-Archuleta Co. line, East Creek and Los Pinos River; on W by Vallecito Reservoir (east shoreline) and Vallecito Creek.

Abbreviations:

U.S.	U.S. highway	RD.	road	BLM	Bureau of Land Management
COlo.	Colorado highway	S	south	RMNP	Rocky Mountain National Park
Co.	county	SE	southwest	NM	New Mexico
CR	county road	SW	southeast	UT	Utah
Res.	reservoir	E	east	WY	Wyoming
N	north	W	west		
NW	northwest	USFS	U.S. Forest Service		
NE	northeast	FS	Forest Service		

S29 Alamosa Canyon (Conejos, Mineral, Rio Grande Cos.)

bounded on N by U.S. 160; on E by Colo. 15; on S by USFS 255, 240 and 259, USFS Trail 706, USFS 260, 250 and 380; on W by Continental Divide.

S30 Conejos River (Conejos, Archuleta, Mineral, Rio Grande Cos.)

bounded on N by USFS 380, 250 and 260, USFS Trail 706, USFS 259, 240 and 255 and Colo. 15; on E by U.S. 285; on S by NM and USFS Rio Grande National Forest boundary; on W by Continental Divide.

S31 Blanca River (Archuleta, Conejos, Rio Grande Cos.)

bounded on N by Mineral-Archuleta Co. line and USFS 667; on E by Continental Divide; on S by NM; on W by U.S. 84 and U.S. 160.

S32 Georgetown (Clear Creek, Jefferson, Gilpin, Boulder Cos.)

bounded on N and E by USFS 149 (Rollins Pass Rd.), Gilpin CR 16 (Tolland Rd.), Colo. 119 and Colo. 72; on S by I-70; on W by Continental Divide.

S33 Lake Fork/Pole Mountain (Hinsdale, San Juan Cos.)

bounded on N by Gunnison-Hinsdale Co. line; on E by Colo. 149; on S by North Clear Creek, USFS Trail 821 from North Clear Creek to Lost Trail Creek and Lost Trail Creek; on S by Rio Grande River, Stoney Gulch, Cunningham Creek and Colo. 110; on W by U.S. 550, Ouray-San Juan Co. line, Uncompahgre-Upper Gunnison River divide and Big Blue Creek.

S34 Rampart Range (El Paso, Teller Cos.)

bounded on N by USFS 393, 300 and 320; on E by I-25; on S and W by U.S. 24 to Woodland Park.

S35 Greenhorns (Pueblo, Huerfano, Custer Cos.)

bounded on N by Colo. 96; on E by I-25; on S by Huerfano River; on S and W by Colo. 69.

S36 Bellows Creek (Mineral, Rio Grande, Saguache Cos.)

bounded on N by USFS Trail 787; on E by Mineral/Saguache Co. line and ATV trail also known as La Garita Stock Driveway, USFS 630, Rio Grande CRs 15 and 18; on S by U.S. 160 and Rio Grande River; on W by Colo. 149 and USFS 504.

S37 St. Vrain (Boulder, Grand, Larimer Cos.)

bounded on N and E by RMNP boundary and U.S. 36; on S by Boulder CRs 94, 81, 106 and 95 (Lefthand Canyon Drive), Colo. 72 (Peak to Peak Highway), Boulder CR 102 (Brainard Lake Rd.), USFS Trail 907 (Pawnee Pass Trail) and USFS Trail 1 (Cascade Creek Trail); on W by USFS 125, USFS Trail 102 (Knight Ridge Trail) and RMNP boundary.

S38 Apishapa (Huerfano, Pueblo, Otero, Las Animas Cos.)

bounded on N by Colo. 10 and U.S. 50; on E and S by U.S. 350; on W by I-25.

S39 Mount Silverheels (Park, Summit Cos.)

bounded on N by Swan River Rd. (Summit CR 6), USFS 6, Continental Divide and North Fork of South Platte River; on E by U.S. 285, Park CRs 77 and 23 (Turner Gulch Rd. or USFS 234); on S by U.S. 24; on W by U.S. 285 and Colo. 9. See "Land Use Restrictions & Closures" on page 4.

S40 Lone Pine (Larimer Co.)

bounded on N by CRs 80C and 59 (Cherokee Park Rd.) and WY; on E by CR 37, South Branch Boxelder Creek, Boxelder Creek, CR 19; on S by CR 80 and U.S. 287; on S and W by CRs 74E and 162 (Red Feather Lakes-Deadman Rd.).

S41 Peru Creek (Summit Co.)

bounded on N by I-70; on E by Continental Divide; on S by Swan River Rd. (CR 6) and USFS 6; on W by Colo. 9 and U.S. 6.

S44 Basalt (Garfield, Eagle, Pitkin Cos.)

bounded on N by USFS Trail 514 (Red Tables Divide Rd.) and USFS Trail 1870; on E by Crooked Creek Pass Rd. (USFS 400); on S by Frypan River and Roaring Fork River; on W by Garfield CR 100 and Cottonwood Pass Rd.

S46 Dome Rock (Teller Co.)

bounded on N by U.S. 24; on E and S by Colo. 67; on W by CR 1.

S47 Browns Canyon (Chaffee, Fremont, Park Cos.)

bounded on N by U.S. 24; on E by Kaufman Ridge, Badger Creek and Fremont CRs 2 and 12; on S by Arkansas River and South Arkansas River; on W by U.S. 285 and 24.

S48 Carrizo Canyon (Baca, Las Animas Cos.)

bounded on N by U.S. 160; on E by Baca CR 13 (Pritchett Grade Rd.); on S by NM; on W by Colo. 389.

S49 Grape Creek/Copper Ridge (*Custer, Fremont Cos.*)

bounded on N by Arkansas River, Fremont CR 12 bridge and U.S. 50; on E by Colo. 67; on S by Colo. 96; on W by Colo. 69, Fremont Co. lines, USFS 6 (Hayden Pass Rd.) and Fremont CR 6.

S50 Mount Mestas (*Huerfano, Costilla Cos.*)

bounded on N by Huerfano CR 550, Colo. 69 and Huerfano River; on E by I-25; on S by U.S. 160; on W by Pass Creek Rd.

S51 Spanish Peaks (*Huerfano, Costilla, Las Animas Cos.*)

bounded on N by U.S. 160; on E by I-25; on S by NM; on W by Huerfano-Costilla Co. line and farther south by southern Sangre de Cristo divide (Culebra range).

S53 Bristol Head (*Mineral, Hinsdale Cos.*)

bounded on N by North Clear Creek, Colo. 149 and USFS trails 473 and 787; on E by USFS Trail 803 and USFS 507; on S by Colo. 149 and Rio Grande River; on W by Lost Trail Creek.

S54 Dillon Mesa (*Gunnison Co.*)

bounded on N by CR 12; on E by Colo. 135; on S by U.S. 50, Gunnison River, Blue Mesa Reservoir and Colo. 92; on W by Curecanti Creek, Curecanti Pass and Coal Creek.

S55 Natural Arch/Carnero Creek (*Rio Grande, Saguache Cos.*)

bounded on N by Colo. 114; on E by U.S. 285; on S by Colo. 112 and U.S. 160; on W by Rio Grande CRs 18 and 15, USFS 630 and USFS Trail 787, ATV trail also known as La Garita Driveaway, La Garita Wilderness Area boundary, USFS 787 and Continental Divide.

S56 Black Ridge (*Mesa Co.*)

bounded on N by Colorado River and U.S. 50; on E by U.S. 50; on E and S by Colo. 141 and Dolores River; on W by UT.

S57 Big Thompson (*Larimer, Boulder Cos.*)

bounded on N by Larimer CR 44H (Buckhorn Rd.), Stove Prairie Rd. (Larimer CR 27), Larimer CRs 52E (Rist Canyon Rd.) and 54G; on E by U.S. 287; on S by Colo. 66 and U.S. 36; on W by RMNP boundary, USFS trails 980 (Stormy Peaks Trail) and 928 (Signal Mountain Trail) and Penneck Creek-Elk Creek divide.

S58 Lower Poudre (*Larimer Co.*)

bounded on N by CR 74E (Red Feather Lakes Rd.); on E by U.S. 287 and CR 54G; on S by Rist Canyon Rd. (CR 52E), Stove Prairie Rd. (CR 27) and Buckhorn Rd. (CR 44H); on W by Pingree Park Rd. (CR 63E), Colo. 14, Elkhorn Creek and Boy Scout Ranch Rd. (CR 68).

S59 Derby Creek (*Rio Blanco, Routt, Eagle, Garfield Cos.*)

bounded on N by USFS trails 1103, 1116 and 1117, USFS 959 and 16, Routt CRs 132 and 15; on E by Colo. 131; on S by Eagle River, Colorado River and Deep Creek; on W by Colorado River-White River divide and White River-Yampa River divide.

Mountain Goats**G1 Mt. Shavano** (*Chaffee, Gunnison, Saguache Cos.*)

bounded on N by USFS 839, USFS 1451 (Alpine Tunnel), USFS 295, Pomeroy Gulch, Grizzly Mountain and Brown's Creek; on E by U.S. 285; on S by U.S. 50; on W by Gunnison CR 76 (Quartz Creek Rd.) and USFS 765 (North Quartz Creek Rd.).

G2 Mt. Princeton (*Chaffee, Gunnison Cos.*)

bounded on N by Cottonwood Pass Rd. (USFS 209, USFS 306 and Chaffee CR 306); on E by U.S. 24 and U.S. 285; on S by Colo. 162, USFS 211 and USFS 267; on W by USFS 765 and USFS 742.

G3 Mt. Harvard (*Lake, Chaffee, Pitkin, Gunnison Cos.*)

bounded on N by Colo. 82; on E by U.S. 24; on S by Chaffee CR 306 and Cottonwood Pass Rd. (USFS 209); on W by USFS 742, 761 (Taylor Pass Rd.) and 7761, and Pitkin CRs 15E (Richmond Hill Rd.) and 14 (Aspen Mtn. Summer Rd.).

G4 Mount Blue Sky (*Clear Creek, Jefferson, Park Cos.*)

bounded on N by I-70; on E by W side of Colo. 74 and Jefferson CR 73; on S and SW by U.S. 285; on W by Guanella Pass Rd. (USFS 118 and USFS 381). See "Land Use Restrictions & Closures" on page 4.

G5 West Needles (*La Plata, San Juan, Hinsdale, Archuleta Cos.*)

bounded on N by San Juan-Ouray Co. line and Continental Divide; on E by Los Pinos River-Piedra River divide, East Creek and Los Pinos River; on S by U.S. 160; on W by U.S. 550.

G6 Gore Range (*Grand, Eagle, Summit Cos.*)

bounded on N by Colorado River; on E by Colo. 9; on S by I-70; on W by Colo. 131.

S60 Shelf Rd. (*Teller, Fremont, Park Cos.*)

bounded on N by Park CRs 59 and 102 and Teller CRs 112, 11 and 1; on E by Colo. 67, Teller CR 86 and Fremont CR 67; on S by U.S. 50; on W by Colo. 9.

S61 Purgatory Canyon (*Otero, Bent, Las Animas Cos.*)

bounded on N by U.S. 50; on E by Colo. 109; on S by U.S. 160; on W by U.S. 350.

S62 Dominguez Creek (*Delta, Mesa, Montrose, Ouray Cos.*)

bounded on N by Colo. 141; on E by Colo. 50; on S by Colo. 90; on W by USFS 402 (Divide Rd.).

S63 Middle Dolores River (*Montrose, San Miguel Cos.*)

bounded on N by Colo. 90; on E by Monogram Mesa Rd. (Montrose CR DD 19 and San Miguel CRs 18Y, U29 and 25R); on S by Colo. 141 and Big Gypsum Valley Rd. (San Miguel CR 20R, Dolores River and McIntyre Canyon); on W by UT.

S64 Upper Dolores River (*San Miguel, Dolores, Montezuma Cos.*)

bounded on N by McIntyre Canyon, Dolores River, San Miguel CR 20.R (Big Gypsum Valley Rd.), Colo. 141 and Disappointment Valley Rd. (San Miguel CR 19.Q and Dolores CR D.00); on E by USFS 526 (Norwood-Dolores Rd.) and Colo. 145; on S by Colo. 184 and U.S. 491; on W by UT.

S65 Costilla (*Costilla Co.*)

bounded on N by Alamosa-Costilla and Huerfano-Costilla Co. lines; on E by Huerfano-Costilla Co. line and farther S by southern Sangre de Cristo divide (Culebra range); on S by NM; on W by Colo. 159 and U.S. 160.

S66 Mount Elbert (*Lake, Pitkin Cos.*)

bounded on N by North Fork Fryngpan River, Mormon Creek and Continental Divide; on E by U.S. 24; on S by Colo. 82; on W by Lost Man Creek, over ridge from Lost Man Creek to South Fork Fryngpan River and Fryngpan River.

S67 Flattops (*Rio Blanco, Garfield Cos.*)

bounded on N by Williams Fork River-White River divide; on E by White River-Yampa River divide and White River-Colorado River divide; on S by South Fork of White River-Colorado River divide; on W by USFS 245, Rio Blanco CRs 17 (Buford-Newcastle Rd.) and 8 and USFS 250.

S68 Northern Sangre De Cristos (*Chaffee, Fremont, Saguache Cos.*)

bounded on N by South Arkansas River and Arkansas River; on E by Fremont CR 6, USFS 6 (Hayden Pass Rd.); on S by Fremont Co. lines, USFS 970 (Hayden Pass Rd.) and Saguache CR LL 57; on W by U.S. 285.

S69 Cochetopa (*Gunnison, Saguache Cos.*)

bounded on N by Gunnison River and U.S. 50; on E by Gunnison CR 45 and Saguache CR 14-PP (Doyleville Cutoff Rd.), Razor Creek and USFS 803 (Gismo Creek and Meyer's Gulch Rd.), Colo. 114 and Continental Divide; on S by Saguache CRs NN-14 and KK-14; on W by USFS 806 and South Beaver Creek.

G7 Grays Peak (*Summit, Clear Creek Cos.*)

bounded on N by U.S. 6/I-70; on E by Guanella Pass Rd. (USFS 381); on S by Pike-Arapaho National Forest boundary, Continental Divide, Argentine Pass trail, USFS 260 and 5; on W by U.S. 6. See "Land Use Restrictions" on page 4 for hunting closure details.

G8 Fossil Ridge (*Gunnison Co.*)

bounded on N by USFS 742 (Taylor River Rd.); on E by USFS 765 (Cumberland Pass Rd. and North Quartz Creek Rd.); on S by Quartz Creek Rd. (CR 76) and U.S. 50; on W by Colo. 135.

G10 Tenmile (*Summit, Park, Lake Cos.*)

bounded on N by I-70; on E by Colo. 9 and Boreas Pass Rd. (USFS 404 and Summit CR 10); on S by Continental Divide, Colo. 9, Scott Gulch, Middle Fork of South Platte River and Platte Gulch to Lake-Park Co. line; on W by Lake-Park Co. line, Continental Divide, Colo. 91 and I-70.

G11 The Raggeds (*Gunnison, Pitkin Cos.*)

bounded on N by CR 3 (Marble Rd.), USFS 314 (Crystal River Rd.) and USFS 317 (Schofield Pass Rd.); on E by USFS 317 (Gothic Rd.) and Gunnison CR 317 (Crested Butte Rd.); on S by Gunnison CR 12 (Kebler Pass Rd.); on W by Colo. 133.

G12 Maroon Bells (*Garfield, Eagle, Gunnison, Pitkin Cos.*)

bounded on N and E by Roaring Fork River, Colo. 82, Pitkin CRs 14 (Aspen Mtn. Summer Rd.) and 15 E (Richmond Hill Rd.), and USFS 7761; on S by 761.1D (Taylor River Head Rd.), USFS Trail 400 (Brush Creek Trail), USFS Rd. 738.2B (East Brush Creek Rd.) and USFS/Gunnison CR 738 (Brush Creek Rd.); on W by Colo. 135, Gunnison CR 317 (Gothic Rd.), USFS 317 (Schofield Pass Rd.), USFS 314 (Crystal River Rd.) and Colo. 133.

S70 Fossil Ridge (*Gunnison Co.*)

bounded on N by New Mexico Principal Meridian/6th Principal Meridian divide; on E by USFS 765, CR 76, USFS 763 (Waunita Pass Rd.) and CR 887 (Waunita Hot Springs Rd.); on S by U.S. 50; on W by CR 76, BLM Rd. 3103 (North Parlin Flats), USFS 583 and western Fossil Ridge Wilderness boundary.

S71 West Needles (*San Juan, La Plata Cos.*)

bounded on N by San Miguel-Ouray Co. line, U.S. 550, Colo. 110, Cunningham Gulch and Continental Divide; on E by Vallecito Creek and Los Pinos River; on S by U.S. 160; on W by Montezuma-La Plata and Montezuma-Dolores Co. lines.

S72 Greenland (*Douglas Co.*)

bounded on N by Wolfensberger Rd., Wilcox St. and Colo. 86; on E by Colo. 83; on S by Palmer Divide Rd.; on W by Colo. 105.

S73 Mount Zirkel (*Jackson, Routt Cos.*)

bounded on N by Mount Zirkel Wilderness boundary, USFS Trail 1125, USFS 660 and Big Creek Rd. (USFS 600); on E by Jackson CRs 6W, 7, 12W, 18 and 5; on S by Jackson CR 24 and Buffalo Pass Rd. (USFS 60); on W by Mount Zirkel Wilderness Area boundary.

S74 Glenwood Canyon (*Garfield, Eagle Cos.*)

bounded on N by South Fork of White River-Colorado River divide and Deep Creek; on E and S by Colorado River; on W by Canyon Creek.

S75 Main Canyon (*Mesa, Garfield, Rio Blanco Cos.*)

bounded on N by Colorado River-White River divide; on E by Roan Creek-Parachute Creek divide and Kelly Gulch; on S by Colorado River; on W by Bookcliffs, Little Salt Wash-Roan Creek divide, Big Salt Wash-Roan Creek divide and East Salt Creek-Roan Creek divide.

S77 Gore Canyon (*Grand, Eagle, Summit, Routt Cos.*)

bounded on N by Colo. 134; on E by U.S. 40, Colo. 9 and Blue River; on S by Elliott Creek, Hoagland Reservoir, North Fork of Elliott Creek, Elliott Ridge/Arapaho/White River National Forest boundary, Eagles Nest Wilderness boundary, Piney Ridge, Elk Creek and Colorado River to State Bridge; on W by Colo. 131.

S78 Ten Mile (*Eagle, Summit Cos.*)

bounded on N by Resolution Creek Rd. (USFS 702), Resolution Creek, Ptarmigan Pass, Wilder Gulch and I-70; on E by Colo. 91; on S and W by U.S. 24.

S79 Pueblo West (*Pueblo, Fremont Cos.*)

bounded on N by U.S. 50; on E by Colo. 45; on S by Colo. 96; on W by Colo. 67.

S80 Black Canyon (*Delta, Gunnison, Montrose Cos.*)

bounded by the Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area, Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park, and Curecanti National Recreation Area S and W of Colo. 92.

G14 Antero (*Chaffee, Gunnison Cos.*)

bounded on N by USFS 267, USFS 211 and Colo. 162; on E by U.S. 285; on S by Brown's Creek, Grizzly Mountain, Pomeroy Gulch, USFS 295, 1451 and 839; on W by USFS 765.

G15 Jones Pass (*Summit, Grand, Clear Creek Cos.*)

bounded on N by USFS 132 (Ute Pass Rd.), 138, 139 (Crooked Creek Rd.) and Grand CR 50; on E by U.S. 40 and I-70/U.S. 6; on S by U.S. 6/I-70 and U.S. 6 over Loveland Pass; on W by U.S. 6 and Colo. 9.

G16 Mt. Guyot (*Summit, Clear Creek, Park Cos.*)

bounded on N by U.S. 6, USFS 5 and 260, Argentine Pass trail, Continental Divide and Pike-Arapaho National Forest boundary; on E by Guanella Pass Rd.; on S by U.S. 285; on W by Boreas Pass Rd. (USFS 404 and Summit CR 10), Colo. 9 and U.S. 6. See "Land Use Restrictions & Closures" on page 4.

G17 Independence Pass (*Lake, Pitkin, Eagle Cos.*)

bounded on N by Eagle River-Fryngpan River watershed divide and Continental Divide; on E by U.S. 24; on S by Colo. 82; on W by Warren Creek, USFS 131, Hunter-Fryngpan Wilderness Area boundary, Deadman Creek and USFS 105, 501, 506, 507 and 400.

G18 Holy Cross (*Eagle, Pitkin Cos.*)

bounded on N by Holy Cross Wilderness boundary, on E by Holy Cross Wilderness boundary and Continental Divide; on S by Continental Divide; on the W by the Eagle River-Fryngpan River watershed divide and Holy Cross Wilderness boundary.



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- April 7** Application & correction deadline, **8 p.m. MT**
- April 23** Draw results posted online by this date (*check your online account*)
- April 27** **Surrender period deadline, 11:59 p.m. MT**
- May 7** **License payment deadline, 11:59 p.m. MT**
- May 9** Licenses in the mail by this date

Season dates

- Aug. 1–Dec. 31*** **Rocky Mtn. Bighorn Sheep**
- Nov. 1–30** **Desert Bighorn Sheep**
- Sept. 1–Nov. 1*** **Mountain Goat**

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