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Title 163 - Nebraska Game and Parks Commission

Chapter 4 - Wildlife Regulations

003 Antelope, Deer, Elk

The following regulations are prescribed by the Game and Parks Commission, State of Nebraska in accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 37-301, 37-304, 37-308, 37-308.01, 37-314, 37-315, 37-317, 37-404, 37-406, 37-409, 37-447, 37-449, 37-450, 37-452, 37-453, 37-455, 37-455.01, 37-456, 37-529, 37-701, 37-706, 37-708. For purposes of these regulations, unless context otherwise requires, the definitions found in Chapter 37, sections 202 through 247 of the Game Law, are used. These regulations are effective following enactment by the Commission, approval by the Attorney General and Governor, and when five days have elapsed since filing with the Secretary of State.

003.01 Application Periods

003.01A Deer and Antelope

003.01A1 Permit Applications:

Period 1: Third Monday in May beginning at 1 p.m. CST through the first Friday in June. Mail applications must be received in the Lincoln office of the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission by 5 p.m. CST. Internet applications must be received by 11:59 p.m. CST. Residents may apply for one deer permit in the following draw units: DeSoto December Muzzleloader, ~~and~~ Republican Whitetail and Republican Mule Deer. Residents and eligible resident and nonresident landowners may apply for one antelope permit in the following draw units: Banner North, Banner South, Box Butte East, Box Butte West, Cherry, Cheyenne, Dismal, Eastern Sandhills, Garden and North Sioux.

Applicants that were not issued a permit for any unit designated as draw units in

the previous year will be given preference.

Period 2: Beginning the second Monday in July at 1 p.m. CST. Residents, nonresidents and eligible resident and nonresident landowners may purchase any remaining deer and antelope permits in any unit subject to availability and within permit limits described in 001.01B1.

003.01B Elk

003.01B1 Permit Applications for Residents (Other than Limited Landowner Permits):

Third Monday in May beginning at 1 p.m. CST through the first Friday in June. Mail applications must be received in the Lincoln office of the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission by 5 p.m. CST. Internet applications must be received by 11:59 p.m. CST. Residents may apply for one permit.

Period 2: Beginning the second Monday in July at 1 p.m., residents may purchase any remaining permits in any unit subject to availability and within permit limits described in 001.01B1.

An applicant shall not be issued an antlerless elk permit more than once every five (5) years.

003.01B2 Limited Landowner Permit Applications for Residents and Nonresidents

Landowner elk applications must be received by the local Nebraska Game and Parks Commission District Office as specified for each elk unit by 5 p.m. local time at the close of the application period.

NGPC District Office	Elk Units
Alliance	Ash Creek, Bordeaux Creek, Hat Creek, North Platte River
Bassett	Niobrara River

Norfolk Boyd
North Platte Box Elder

Period 1: Third Monday in May beginning at 1 p.m. CST through the first Friday in June. Eligible resident and nonresident landowners may apply for one elk permit.

Period 2: Beginning the second Monday in July at 1 p.m. CST. Remaining elk permits are available to eligible resident and nonresident landowners.

003.02 Antelope Rifle

003.02A Open Season:

003.02A1 October Season: Sixteen (16) consecutive days beginning the second Saturday in October in all units not specified in 003.02A2 or 003.02A3, and within unit boundaries described in 003.02F.

003.02A2 October Late Season: Beginning the second Saturday in October through the Friday before November Firearm deer season (003.05A) in Cherry Late and Dismal Late units as described in 003.02F.

003.02A3 December Late Season: Beginning December 1 through January 31 in Box Butte East Late and North Sioux Late units as described in 003.02F.

003.02B Area and Permits: Management Unit boundaries are described in 003.02F.

003.02B1 ~~October~~ Firearm Seasons:

Management Unit	Buck Only	Either Sex	Doe/ Fawn
Banner North	~~75~~ 0	~~0~~ 76	0
Banner South	~~35~~ 0	~~0~~ 40	0
Box Butte East	~~40~~ 0	~~0~~ 20	0
Box Butte East Late	0	0	26
Box Butte West	40	0	0
Cherry	0	90	0
Cherry Late	0	0	~~25~~ 26
Cheyenne	~~20~~ 0	~~0~~ 26	0

Dismal	0	~~15~~ 16	0
Dismal Late	0	0	20
Eastern Sandhills	20	0	0
Garden	35	0	0
North Sioux	0	100	0
North Sioux Late	0	0	46
~~Eastern Sandhills~~	~~20~~	~~0~~	~~0~~

003.02B2 Landowner Permits:
Landowner permits shall be either sex permits except that permits issued for units with a doe/fawn allocation shall be doe/fawn permits.

003.02B3 Permit Bag Limit: One antelope with horns longer than ears on permits designated as Buck Only; one antelope of either sex on permits so designated Either Sex; one female or fawn antelope on permits designated Doe Only.

003.02C Shooting hours: 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

003.02D Weapons Allowed: Firearms and archery equipment as specified in 001.01B2 and 001.01B3.

003.02E Area Open: Entire State except Federal or State sanctuaries and refuges, unless otherwise authorized.

003.02F Management Unit Boundaries

003.02F1 Banner North
Banner County and those parts of Cheyenne, Kimball, Morrill, and Scotts Bluff counties west of NE Hwy. 19 and U.S. Hwy. 385, south of the North Platte River, and north of I-80.

003.02F2 Banner South
Those parts of Cheyenne and Kimball counties south of I-80 and west of NE Hwy. 19.

003.02F3 Box Butte East
~~Box Butte County and those parts of Dawes, Morrill, Scotts Bluff, Sioux and Sheridan counties included within the following boundaries: from the junction of U.S. Hwy. 20 with the Nebraska-Wyoming state line, thence east on U.S. Hwy. 20 to Rushville, NE, thence~~

~~south on NE Hwy. 250 to NE Hwy. 2, thence west on NE Hwy. 2, to U.S. Hwy. 385, thence south on U.S. Hwy. 385 to the North Platte River, thence west along the North Platte River to the Nebraska-Wyoming state line, except that part of Dawes County which is south of U.S. Hwy. 20, east of NE Hwy. 2, west of U.S. Hwy. 385 and north of the Pine Ridge escarpment.~~

Those parts of Box Butte, Dawes and Sheridan counties enclosed by a line commencing at the junction of the Pine Ridge escarpments and U.S. Hwy. 20 (10 miles SE of Chadron), then west along the Pine Ridge escarpment to U.S. Hwy. 385, then south on U.S. Hwy. 385 to State Conn. Link L-7E, then east on State Conn. Link L-7E to NE Hwy. 87, then south on NE Hwy. 87 to NE Hwy. 2, then east on NE Hwy. 2 to NE Hwy. 250, then north on NE Hwy. 250 to U.S. Hwy. 20, then west on U.S. Hwy. 20 to the junction of the Pine Ridge escarpment and U.S. Hwy. 20 (10 miles SE of Chadron).

003.02F4 Box Butte East Late

Those parts of Box Butte and Sheridan counties enclosed by a line beginning at the junction of Dodge Road and NE Hwy. 87 ("16 mile corner"), then north to the Dawes county line, then due east on the Dawes/Box Butte county line to approximately 22 miles to NE Hwy. 250 at a trail junction 3.5 miles north of Smith Lake Wildlife Management Area, then south 11 miles on NE Hwy. 250 to a trail junction 7.5 miles south of Smith Lake Wildlife Management Area, then due west on a line to the junction of Dodge Road and NE Hwy. 87.

003.02F5 Box Butte West

Those parts of Box Butte, Dawes, Morrill, Scotts Bluff and Sioux counties included within the following boundaries: from the junction of U.S. Hwy. 20 with the Nebraska-Wyoming state line, then east on U.S. Hwy. 20 to U.S. Hwy 385, then south on U.S. Hwy. 385 to State Conn. Link L-7E, then east on State Conn. Link L-7E to NE Hwy. 87, then south on NE Hwy. 87 to NE Hwy. 2, then west on NE Hwy. 2 to U.S. Hwy. 385, then south on U.S. Hwy. 385 to the North Platte River, then west along the North Platte River to the Nebraska-Wyoming

state line, except that part of Dawes County south of U.S. Hwy. 20, east of NE Hwy. 2, west of U.S. Hwy. 385, and north of the Pine Ridge escarpment.

~~003.02F4~~ 003.02F6 Cherry
Those parts of Cherry, Grant, Hooker, Thomas, and Sheridan counties included within a line from the South Dakota border at NE Hwy. 87, thence south on NE Hwy. 87 to U.S. Hwy. 20, thence east on U.S. Hwy. 20 to NE Hwy. 250, thence south on NE Hwy. 250 and its connecting road to NE Hwy. 2, thence east on NE Hwy. 2 to U.S. Hwy. 83, thence north on U.S. Hwy. 83 to the South Dakota border.

~~003.02F5~~ 003.02F7 Cherry Late
Those parts of Cherry and Sheridan Counties east of NE Highway 87, west of US Highway 83 and north of the Niobrara River.

~~003.02F6~~ 003.02F8 Cheyenne
Those parts of Cheyenne, Deuel, Garden, Morrill, and Keith counties east of U.S. Hwy. 385 and NE Hwy. 19, south of the North Platte River, and west of a line commencing at the junction of NE Hwy. 61 with the North Platte River, thence south on NE Hwy. 61 to U.S. Hwy. 30, thence west on U.S. Hwy. 30 to U.S. Hwy. 138, thence southwest on U.S Hwy. 138 to the Nebraska-Colorado state line.

~~003.02F7~~ 003.02F9 Dismal and Dismal Late
McPherson County and those parts of Arthur, Custer, Dawson, Grant, Hooker, Keith, Lincoln, Logan, and Thomas counties enclosed within the following boundaries: from the junction of NE Hwy. 2 and NE Hwy. 61, thence south on NE Hwy. 61 to the North Platte River, thence east along the North Platte River and Platte River to NE Hwy. 47, thence north along NE Hwy. 47 and NE Hwy. 40 to NE Hwy. 92, thence west on NE Hwy. 92 to U.S. Hwy. 83, thence north on U.S. Hwy. 83 to NE Hwy. 2, thence west on NE Hwy. 2 to NE Hwy. 61.

~~003.02F8~~ 003.02F10 Garden
Those parts of Arthur, Box Butte, Garden, Grant, Keith, Morrill, and Sheridan counties south of NE Hwy. 2, west of NE Hwy. 61, north

of Lake McConaughy and the North Platte River, and east of U.S. Hwy. 385.

~~003.02F9~~ 003.02F11 North Sioux
Those parts of Dawes, Sioux, and Sheridan counties north ~~of U.S. Hwy. 20 and west of NE Hwy. 87, and that part of Dawes County south of U.S. Hwy. 20, east of NE Hwy. 2, west of U.S. Hwy. 385, and north of the Pine Ridge escarpment, except Fort Robinson State Park and Fort Robinson Wildlife Management Area.~~ and west of a line beginning at the junction of U.S. Hwy. 20 and the Nebraska/Wyoming state line, then east on U.S. Hwy. 20 to NE Hwy. 2, then south on NE Hwy. 2 to the Pine Ridge escarpment, then east along the Pine Ridge escarpment to U.S. Hwy. 20 (10 miles SE of Chadron), then east on U.S. Hwy. 20 to NE Hwy. 87, then north to the Nebraska/South Dakota border. Fort Robinson State Park and Fort Robinson Wildlife Management Area are excluded from this unit.

003.02F12 North Sioux Late
That portion of the North Sioux Unit within five (5) miles north and five (5) miles south of U.S. Hwy. 20, between the Dawes-Sioux county line on the west and the Davenport County Road on the east. Fort Robinson State Park, Fort Robinson Wildlife Management Area, and Bordeaux Creek Wildlife Management Area are excluded from this unit.

~~003.02F10~~ 003.02F13 Eastern Sandhills
Blaine, Brown, Keya Paha and Rock counties and those parts of Cherry, Thomas, Custer, Logan, Loup, Garfield and Holt counties enclosed within the following boundary: from the South Dakota border at NE Hwy. 83, thence south on NE Hwy. 83 to NE Hwy. 92, thence east on NE Hwy. 92 to U.S. Hwy 2, thence south on U.S. Hwy. 2 to NE Hwy. 70, thence east on NE Hwy. 70 to U.S. Hwy. 183, thence north on U.S. Hwy. 183 to NE Hwy. 91, thence east on NE Hwy. 91 to NE Hwy. 11, thence north on NE Hwy. 11 to the South Dakota border. The Bessey Division of the Nebraska National Forest in Blaine and Thomas counties shall be closed to hunting.

003.03 Antelope ~~Bow and Arrow~~ Archery

003.03A Open Season: August 20 through December 31.

003.03B Area Open: Entire State except Fort Robinson State Park, Fort Robinson Wildlife Management Area, Federal or State sanctuaries and refuges, unless otherwise authorized.

003.03C Number of Permits Authorized for Issuance: Unlimited. Personal limits apply, see 001.01B1.

003.03D Permit Bag Limit: One antelope of either sex, except, on the Bessey Division of the Nebraska National Forest, the limit shall be one antelope with horns longer than ears.

003.03E Shooting hours: 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

003.03F Weapons allowed: Archery equipment as specified in 001.01B2 and 001.01B3.

003.03G Youth Archery Permits

003.03G1 Eligibility: Resident and nonresident youth aged 12 through 15. Youth age 16 may hunt on youth antelope permits provided they are age 15 when they apply and provided they are age 15 on August 20 of the calendar year.

003.03G2 Regulations as specified for Antelope Archery (003.03) are in effect.

003.04 Antelope Muzzleloader

003.04A Open Season: Sixteen (16) consecutive days beginning the third Saturday in September.

003.04B Area Open:

003.04B1 North Sioux Muzzleloader

003.04B1a Management Unit as described in ~~003.02F9~~ 003.02F11 for the North Sioux Unit except Fort Robinson State Park, Fort Robinson Wildlife Management Area, Federal or State sanctuaries and refuges, unless otherwise authorized.

003.04B1b Number of Permits Authorized for Issuance: ~~28~~ 26 Either Sex. Personal limits apply, see 001.01B1.

003.04B2 Prairie Muzzleloader

003.04B2a Entire State excluding area as described in 003.04B1a except Federal or State sanctuaries and refuges, unless otherwise authorized. The Bessey Division of the Nebraska National Forest in Blaine and Thomas counties shall be closed to hunting.

003.04B2b Number of Permits Authorized for Issuance: ~~85~~ 90 Either Sex. Personal limits apply, see 001.01B1.

003.04C Permit Bag Limit: One antelope with horns longer than ears, except that one antelope of either sex may be taken on permits so designated. Land Owner permits shall be either sex.

003.04D Shooting hours: 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

003.04E Permit Application: For application purposes, muzzleloader permits shall be classed as firearm permits, and provisions for application for these permits shall be the same as prescribed in 001.01A. Unsold North Sioux muzzleloader Land Owner permits may be made available as North Sioux firearm Land Owner permits beginning in Period 2 003.01B.

003.04F Weapons Allowed: Muzzleloading equipment as specified in 001.01B2 and 001.01B3.

003.05 Deer November Firearm

003.05A Open Season: Nine (9) consecutive days beginning the Saturday closest to November 13, provided that Blue Northwest (003.05F1), Blue Southeast (003.05F2), Elkhorn (003.05F6), Missouri (003.05F11) and Wahoo (003.05F18) Units shall be eleven (11) consecutive days beginning the Saturday closest to November 13.

003.05B Areas and Permits: Management Unit boundaries are described in 003.05F. Statewide permits are valid for the entire state except Federal and State sanctuaries unless otherwise authorized.

Management Unit	PERMITS Number		Percentage Either Sex
Blue Northwest	2,700		100
Blue Southeast	3,900		100
Buffalo Whitetail	1,750		100
Calamus East	1,300		100
Calamus West	1,800		100
Elkhorn	3,600		100
Frenchman Whitetail	~~2,500~~	1,600	100
Keya Paha	2,300		100
Loup East	2,400		100
Loup West	1,700		100
Missouri	3,200		100
Pine Ridge	~~3,000~~	2,800	100
Plains	1,500		100
Platte Whitetail	1,600		100
Republican Whitetail	3,000		100
Sandhills	2,400		100
Upper Platte	1,200		100
Wahoo	4,500		100
Restricted Statewide Buck	Unlimited		0

003.05C Permit Bag Limit: Any reference to "buck" is defined as a deer having at least one antler six (6) inches or more in length. Any reference to "antlerless" is defined as a deer having no antlers or antlers no more than six (6) inches in length.

003.05C1 One whitetail or one mule deer: Blue Northwest, Blue Southeast, Calamus West, Elkhorn, Loup West, Pine Ridge, Plains, Sandhills, Upper Platte, and Wahoo.

003.05C2 One whitetail deer: Buffalo Whitetail, Frenchman Whitetail, Platte Whitetail, and Republican Whitetail.

003.05C3 One mule deer buck (003.05C); or one whitetail deer: Calamus East, Keya Paha, Loup East, Missouri.

003.05C4 Each person who obtains a permit for the Blue Northwest, Blue Southeast, Elkhorn or Wahoo units shall receive a special tag which entitles the permittee to take a bonus antlerless deer.

003.05C5 Each person who obtains a permit for the Missouri, Calamus East, Calamus West, Loup East, Loup West, Keya Paha, Frenchman Whitetail, Platte Whitetail, Republican Whitetail or Sandhills shall receive a special bonus tag which entitles the permittee to take a bonus antlerless whitetail deer.

003.05C6 Restricted Statewide Buck
Persons who receive a Restricted Statewide Buck permit may take a buck statewide provided that a mule deer buck may not be taken in the Mule Deer Conservation Area (003.11J).

003.05D Shooting hours: 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

003.05E Weapons Allowed: Firearms and archery equipment as specified in 001.01B2 and 001.01B3.

003.05F Management Unit Boundaries. Federal and state sanctuaries and refuges are closed, unless otherwise authorized.

003.05F1 Blue Northwest
Saline County and those portions of Cass, Fillmore, Gage, Jefferson, Johnson, Lancaster, Otoe, Seward, Thayer and York counties which are enclosed by a line commencing at the junction of NE Hwy. 4 with U.S. Hwy. 81, thence eastward on NE Hwy. 4 to U.S. Hwy. 136, thence eastward on U.S. Hwy. 136 to NE Hwy. 50, thence north on NE Hwy. 50 to U.S. Hwy. 34, thence west on U.S. Hwy. 34 to U.S. Hwy. 81, thence south on U.S. Hwy. 81 to NE Hwy. 4.

003.05F2 Blue Southeast
Nemaha, Pawnee, and Richardson counties and those parts of Cass, Gage, Jefferson, Johnson, Otoe, and Thayer counties which are south and east of a line commencing at U.S. Hwy. 81 at the Kansas-Nebraska state line, thence north

on U.S. Hwy. 81 to NE Hwy. 4, thence eastward on NE Hwy. 4 to U.S. Hwy. 136, thence eastward on U.S. Hwy. 136 to NE Hwy. 50, thence north on NE Hwy. 50 to U.S. Hwy. 34, thence easterly on U.S. Hwy. 34 to the Nebraska-Iowa state line.

003.05F3 Buffalo
Those parts of Adams, Buffalo, Clay, Custer, Dawson, Frontier, Gosper, Hall, Hamilton, Kearney, Merrick, Phelps, and Sherman counties enclosed by the following boundaries: from the junction of NE Hwy. 40 with NE Hwy. 92, thence south on NE Hwy. 40 to NE Hwy. 47, thence south on NE Hwy. 47 to NE Hwy.23, thence east on NE Hwy. 23 to U.S. Hwy. 6, thence east on U.S. Hwy. 6 to NE Hwy. 14, thence north on NE Hwy. 14 to U.S. Hwy. 30, thence west on U.S. Hwy. 30 to NE Hwy. 2, thence west on NE Hwy. 2 to NE Hwy. 92, thence west on NE Hwy. 92 to NE Hwy. 40.

003.05F4 Calamus East
Those parts of Antelope, Boone, Garfield, Greeley, Holt, and Wheeler counties south of U.S. Hwy. 20, east of NE Hwy. 11, north of NE Hwy. 91, and west of NE Hwy. 14.

003.05F5 Calamus West
Those parts of Blaine, Brown, Cherry, Garfield, Holt, Loup, Rock, and Thomas counties enclosed by the following boundaries: from the junction of U.S. Hwy. 83 with U.S. Hwy. 20, thence south on U.S. Hwy. 83 to the Dismal River, thence east along the north side of the Dismal River to NE Hwy. 2, thence north on NE Hwy. 2 to NE Hwy. 91, thence east on NE Hwy. 91 to NE Hwy. 11, thence north on NE Hwy. 11 to U.S. Hwy. 20, thence west on U.S. Hwy. 20 to U.S. Hwy. 83, except that Valentine National Wildlife Refuge and Bessey Division of the Nebraska National Forest shall be closed to the use of bonus antlerless tags or bonus antlerless whitetail tags.

003.05F6 Elkhorn
Burt, Cuming, Madison, Stanton, Thurston, and Wayne counties and those parts of Antelope, Boone, Cedar, Colfax, Dakota, Dixon, Dodge,

Pierce, Platte, and Washington counties included within the following boundaries: from the junction of NE Hwy. 14 with U.S. Hwy. 20, thence south on NE Hwy. 14 to NE Hwy. 91, thence east on NE Hwy. 91 to U.S. Hwy. 81, thence south on U.S. Hwy. 81 to U.S. Hwy. 30, thence east on U.S. Hwy. 30 to the Nebraska-Iowa state line, thence north along said state line to U.S. Hwy. 20, thence west on U.S Hwy. 20 to NE Hwy. 14.

003.05F7 Frenchman
Chase, Dundy, Hayes, Hitchcock, and Red Willow counties and those parts of Dawson, Frontier, Furnas, Gosper, Lincoln, and Perkins counties south of NE Hwy. 23 and west of U.S. Hwy. 283.

003.05F8 Keya Paha
Keya Paha County and those parts of Boyd, Brown, Cherry, Holt, and Rock counties east of U.S. Hwy. 83, north of U.S. Hwy. 20, and west of U.S. Hwy. 281~~, except that the Fort Niobrara National Wildlife Refuge shall be closed to the use of bonus antlerless tags or bonus antlerless whitetail tags~~.

003.05F9 Loup East
Howard and Nance counties and those parts of Boone, Buffalo, Garfield, Greeley, Hall, Merrick, Platte, Sherman, Valley, and Wheeler counties included within the following boundaries: from the junction of NE Hwy. 70 with NE Hwy. 91 west of Ericson, thence south on NE Hwy. 70 to NE Hwy. 58, thence south on NE Hwy. 58 to NE Hwy. 10, thence south and west on NE Hwy. 10 to NE Hwy. 2, thence east on NE Hwy. 2 to U.S. Hwy. 30, thence east on U.S. Hwy. 30 to U.S. Hwy. 81, thence north on U.S. Hwy. 81 to NE Hwy. 91, thence west on NE Hwy. 91 to its junction with NE Hwy. 70 west of Ericson.

003.05F10 Loup West
Those parts of Blaine, Custer, Garfield, Logan, Loup, Sherman, Thomas, and Valley counties enclosed by the following boundaries: from the junction of U.S. Hwy. 83 with the Dismal River, thence south on U.S. Hwy. 83 to NE Hwy. 92, thence east on NE Hwy. 92 to NE

Hwy. 2, thence east on NE Hwy. 2 to NE Hwy. 10, thence east and north on NE Hwy. 10 to NE Hwy. 58, thence north on NE Hwy. 58 to NE Hwy. 70, thence north on NE Hwy. 70 to NE Hwy. 91, thence west on NE Hwy. 91 to NE Hwy. 2, thence south on NE Hwy. 2 to the Dismal River, thence west along the south side of the Dismal River to U.S. Hwy. 83.

003.05F11 Missouri
Knox County and those parts of Antelope, Boyd, Cedar, Dakota, Dixon, Holt, and Pierce counties north of U.S. Hwy. 20 and east of U.S. Hwy. 281.

003.05F12 Pine Ridge
Those parts of Box Butte, Dawes, Sheridan, and Sioux counties north of the Niobrara River and west of NE Hwy. 27.

003.05F13 Plains
Those parts of Arthur, Box Butte, Dawes, Garden, Grant, Keith, Morrill, Scotts Bluff, Sheridan, and Sioux counties included within the following boundaries: from the junction of U.S. Hwy. 26 with Nebraska-Wyoming state line, thence east on U.S. Hwy. 26 to State Link 62A, thence east on State Link 62A to U.S. Hwy. 385, thence south on U.S. Hwy. 385 to U.S. Hwy. 26, thence east on U.S. Hwy. 26 to NE Hwy. 92, thence east on NE Hwy. 92 to NE Hwy. 61, thence north on NE Hwy. 61 to NE Hwy. 2, thence west on NE Hwy. 2 to NE Hwy. 27, thence north on NE Hwy. 27 to the Niobrara River, thence west along the south side of the Niobrara River to the Nebraska-Wyoming state line.

003.05F14 Platte
Those parts of Arthur, Custer, Dawson, Deuel, Frontier, Garden, Keith, Lincoln, Logan, McPherson, and Perkins counties south of NE Hwy. 92, west of NE Hwys. 40 and 47, north of NE Hwy. 23, and east of a line commencing at the junction of NE Hwy. 27 and NE Hwy. 92, thence south on NE Hwy. 27 to U.S. Hwy. 30, thence west on U.S. Hwy. 30 to U.S. Hwy. 385, thence south on U.S. Hwy. 385 to the Nebraska-Colorado state line.

003.05F15 Republican
Franklin, Harlan, Nuckolls, and Webster counties and those parts of Adams, Clay, Fillmore, Furnas, Gosper, Hamilton, Kearney, Phelps, Thayer, and York counties east of U.S. Hwy. 283, west of U.S. Hwy. 81, and south of a line commencing at the junction of U.S. Hwy. 81 with U.S. Hwy. 34, thence west on U.S. Hwy. 34 to NE Hwy. 14, thence south on NE Hwy. 14 to U.S. Hwy. 6, thence west on U.S. Hwy. 6 to NE Hwy. 23, thence west on NE Hwy. 23 to U.S. Hwy. 283.

003.05F16 Sandhills
Hooker County and those parts of Arthur, Cherry, Grant, Logan, McPherson, Sheridan, and Thomas counties included within the following boundaries: from the junction of NE Hwy. 27 with the Nebraska-South Dakota state line, thence south on NE Hwy. 27 to NE Hwy. 2, thence east on NE Hwy. 2 to NE Hwy. 61, thence south on NE Hwy. 61 to NE Hwy. 92, thence east on NE Hwy. 92 to U.S. Hwy. 83, thence north on U.S. Hwy. 83 to the Nebraska-South Dakota state line, except that Valentine National Wildlife Refuge and Samuel McKelvie National Forest shall be closed to the use of bonus antlerless tags or bonus antlerless whitetail tags.

003.05F17 Upper Platte
Banner, Cheyenne, and Kimball counties and those parts of Deuel, Garden, Morrill, and Scotts Bluff counties south and west of a line commencing at the junction of U.S. Hwy. 26 with the Nebraska-Wyoming state line, thence east on U.S. Hwy. 26 to State Link 62A, thence east on State Link 62A to U.S. Hwy. 385, thence south on U.S. Hwy. 385 to U.S. Hwy. 26, thence east on U.S. Hwy. 26 to NE Hwy. 27, thence south on NE Hwy. 27 to U.S. Hwy. 30, thence west on U.S. Hwy. 30 to U.S. Hwy. 385, thence south on U.S. Hwy. 385 to the Nebraska-Colorado state line.

003.05F18 Wahoo
Butler, Douglas, Polk, Sarpy, and Saunders counties and those parts of Cass, Colfax,

Dodge, Hamilton, Lancaster, Merrick, Platte, Seward, Washington, and York counties south of U.S. Hwy. 30, east of NE Hwy. 14, and north of U.S. Hwy. 34 except for the Gifford tract which includes all land owned by the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission and the Educational Service Unit Number Three on Sec. 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21 in T14N R14E of the 6th P.M.

003.05G Check-in requirements for the Blue Northwest (003.05F1), Blue Southeast (003.05F2), Elkhorn (003.05F6), Missouri (003.05F11), and Wahoo (003.05F18) units shall be as specified in (001.01B16) provided that hunters are required to check an antlerless deer taken under authority of ~~an~~ a Blue Northwest, Blue Southeast, Elkhorn, Missouri or Wahoo permit before checking a buck on ~~an~~ a Blue Northwest, Blue Southeast, Elkhorn, Missouri or Wahoo permit in the same calendar year.

003.06 Deer - ~~Bow and Arrow~~ Archery

003.06A Open Season: September 15 through December 31 provided that special season dates apply to the Gifford Wildlife Management Area (003.11D1) and the DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge (003.11C1).

003.06B Area Open: Entire state except Federal or State sanctuaries and refuges, unless otherwise authorized.

003.06C Number of Permits Authorized for Issuance: Unlimited. Personal limits apply, see 001.01B1.

003.06D Permit Bag Limit: One deer of either sex and one antlerless whitetail deer, provided that a buck may not be taken in January. Any reference to "antlerless" is defined as a deer having no antlers or antlers no more than six (6) inches in length, provided that a mule deer may not be taken in the Mule Deer Conservation Area (003.11J).

003.06E Shooting hours: 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

003.06F Weapons Allowed: Archery equipment as specified in 001.01B2 and 001.01B3.

003.06G Hunter orange shall not be required of archers hunting deer with weapons described for archery hunting (001.01B2 and 001.01B3) during the October Antlerless Season (003.11I).

003.07 Deer Muzzleloading Season

003.07A Open Season: December 1 through December 31, inclusive.

003.07A1 Number of Permits Authorized for Issuance: Unlimited. Personal limits apply, see 001.01B1.

003.07A2 Permit Bag Limit: One deer of either sex and one antlerless whitetail deer. Any reference to "antlerless" is defined as a deer having no antlers or antlers no more than six (6) inches in length, provided that a mule deer may not be taken in the Mule Deer Conservation Area (003.11J).

003.07B Area Open: Entire State except Federal or State sanctuaries and refuges unless otherwise authorized.

003.07C Shooting Hours: 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

003.07D Weapons Allowed: Muzzleloading equipment as specified in 001.01B2 and 001.01B3.

003.08 Youth Deer Season

003.08A Eligibility: Youth aged 10 through 15. Youth age 16 may hunt on youth deer permits provided they are age 15 when they apply and provided they are age 15 on September 15 of the calendar year.

003.08B Open Season: Persons with youth deer permits may hunt with weapons legally prescribed for archery hunting (001.01B2 and 001.01B3) during the dates shown in 003.06A, and with weapons legally prescribed for muzzleloader hunting (001.01B2 and 001.01B3) during the dates shown in 003.07A, and with weapons legally prescribed for archery and firearm hunting (001.01B2 and 001.01B3) during the November firearm deer season (003.05A)

and for twenty-four (24) consecutive days beginning December 26. Persons with youth deer permits who hunt in areas described for the October Antlerless Season (003.11I) may hunt with weapons legally prescribed for firearm hunting season (001.01B2 and 001.01B3) during the October Antlerless Season.

003.08B1 Number of Permits Authorized for Issuance: Unlimited. Personal limits apply, see 001.01B1. No person may obtain more than one Youth permit that allows the take of a mule deer buck.

003.08B1a Youth Whitetail Permit Bag Limit: One whitetail deer and one antlerless whitetail deer provided that a buck may not be taken in January and provided that bucks taken December 26-31 may be taken only by archery or muzzleloader. Any reference to "antlerless" is defined as a deer having no antlers or antlers no more than six (6) inches in length.

003.08B1b Youth Deer Permit Bag Limit: One deer of either sex and one antlerless whitetail deer provided that a buck may not be taken in January and provided that bucks taken December 26-31 may be taken only by archery or muzzleloader. Any reference to "antlerless" is defined as a deer having no antlers or antlers no more than six (6) inches in length.

~~003.08B2 Permit Bag Limit: One deer of either sex and one antlerless whitetail deer provided that a buck may not be taken in January and provided that bucks taken December 26-31 may be taken only by archery or muzzleloader. Any reference to "antlerless" is defined as a deer having no antlers or antlers no more than six (6) inches in length.~~

003.08C Area Open: Entire state except Federal or State sanctuaries and refuges, unless otherwise authorized.

003.08D Shooting Hours: 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

003.09 Landowner Deer Season: No person may apply for or obtain more than one limited landowner permit per year ~~per species~~ for deer.

003.09A Open Season: Persons with landowner deer permits may hunt with weapons legally prescribed for archery hunting (001.01B2 and 001.01B3) during the dates shown in 003.06A, and with weapons legally prescribed for muzzleloader hunting (001.01B2 and 001.01B3) during the dates shown in 003.07A, and with weapons legally prescribed for archery and firearm hunting (001.01B2 and 001.01B3) during the November firearm deer season (003.05A) and for twenty-four (24) consecutive days beginning December 26. Persons with landowner deer permits who hunt in areas described for the October Antlerless Season (003.11I) may hunt with weapons legally prescribed for firearm hunting season (001.01B2 and 001.01B3) during the October Antlerless Season (003.11I).

003.09B Number of Permits Authorized for Issuance: Unlimited. Personal limits apply, see 001.01B1.

003.09C Permit Bag Limit: One deer of either sex and one antlerless deer, provided that a buck may not be taken in January and provided that bucks taken December 26-31 may be taken only by archery or muzzleloader.

003.09D Area Open: Entire state. Persons who obtain a limited landowner permit may hunt on lands described on their application.

003.09E Shooting Hours: 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

003.10 Statewide Whitetail Buck

003.10A Open Season: Persons with Statewide Whitetail Buck deer permits may hunt with weapons legally prescribed for archery hunting (001.01B2 and 001.01B3) during the dates shown in (003.06A), and with weapons legally prescribed for muzzleloader hunting (001.01B2 and 001.01B3) during

the dates shown in (003.07A), and with weapons legally prescribed for archery and firearm hunting season (001.01B2 and 001.01B3) during the November firearm deer season (003.05A).

003.10B Number of Permits Authorized for Issuance: Unlimited. Personal limits apply, see 001.01B1.

003.10C Permit Bag Limit: One whitetail buck and one antlerless whitetail deer. Any reference to "antlerless" is defined as a deer having no antlers or antlers no more than six (6) inches in length.

003.10D Area Open: Entire state except Federal or State sanctuaries and refuges, unless otherwise authorized.

003.10E Shooting Hours: 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

003.11 Deer - Special Area Provisions

Regulations pertaining to permit bag limits define a "buck" as a deer having at least one antler six (6) inches or more in length and an "antlerless" deer defined as a deer with no antlers or antlers no more than six (6) inches in length.

003.11A The Dodge-Saunders County Game Refuge, described in section 37-706 and the North Platte River Refuge, described in section 37-706, shall be open to hunting deer during all established deer seasons.

003.11B The Garden County Game Refuge. Archery hunting for deer shall be permitted on the Garden County Game Refuge, as described in section 37-706, from September 15 through October 31. Firearm hunting for deer shall be permitted on that portion of the Garden County Refuge located within the Clear Creek Refuge (022.02A) during the October Antlerless season (003.11I), in accordance with 022.02A1 and 022.02A2.

003.11C DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge
Those lands within and designated as open by the DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge.

003.11C1 Archery: Those lands within and designated as open by the DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge shall be open to archery deer hunting in accordance with all pertinent state regulations except that season dates shall be September 15 through December 31. See 003.06A.

003.11C2 Muzzleloader Seasons: Shooting hours and application procedures are the same as those prescribed for the regular firearm season. Legal weapons as specified for statewide muzzleloader hunting (001.01B2 and 001.01B3).

003.11C2a DeSoto October Early: October ~~16 and 17~~ 1 and 2. ~~One hundred forty (140)~~ Eighty (80) permits with a bag limit of two antlerless deer.

003.11C2b DeSoto October Late: October ~~30 and 31~~ 15 and 16. One hundred forty (140) permits with a bag limit of two antlerless deer.

003.11C2c DeSoto December: December ~~11 and 12~~ 10 and 11. One hundred (100) permits with a bag limit of one either sex deer and one antlerless deer.

003.11C2d DeSoto January: January 7 and 8 ~~and 9~~. One hundred sixty (160) permits with a bag limit of two antlerless deer.

003.11D Gifford Wildlife Management Area: Special deer hunting regulations shall be in effect on the Gifford Wildlife Management Area in Sarpy County, which includes all land owned by the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission and the Educational Service Unit Number Three on Sec. 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21 in T14N R14E of the 6th P.M.

003.11D1 Archery: Hunting is permitted in accordance with all applicable state regulations except that season dates shall be September 15 through December 31. See 003.06A.

003.11D2 Muzzleloader: Hunting is permitted in accordance with all applicable state

regulations for muzzleloader (001.01B2 and 001.01B3) hunting during the statewide muzzleloader season (003.07A) and the January portion (003.11G) of Season Choice Area 21 (003.11G16).

003.11E Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuge

003.11E1 Area Open: Special deer hunting regulations shall be in effect on lands within and designated as open by the Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuge.

003.11E2 Seasons

003.11E2a Boyer Chute October: October 22 and 23 ~~and 24~~. Seventy (70) permits with a bag limit of two (2) antlerless deer are available. Legal weapons as specified for muzzleloader hunting (001.01B2 and 001.01B3).

003.11E2b Boyer Chute November: November ~~20 and 21~~ 5 and 6. Seventy (70) permits available with a bag limit of two (2) antlerless deer. Legal weapons as specified for muzzleloader hunting (001.01B2 and 001.01B3).

003.11E2c Boyer Chute December: December 17 and 18 ~~and 19~~. Seventy (70) permits available with a bag limit of two (2) antlerless deer. Legal weapons as specified for muzzleloader hunting (001.01B2 and 001.01B3).

003.11F Pine Ridge Special Areas

003.11F1 Special deer hunting regulations shall be in effect for ~~Fort Robinson State Park, Fort Robinson Wildlife Management Area, Soldier Creek Wilderness Area and Peterson Wildlife Management Area~~ all federal and state-owned lands open to public hunting within the Pine Ridge Unit as described in (003.05F12).

003.11F2 Harvest of antlerless mule deer is prohibited.

003.11G Season Choice Areas: Persons with permits for the following areas may hunt with weapons legally prescribed for archery hunting (001.01B2 and 001.01B3) during the dates shown in 003.06A, and with weapons legally prescribed for muzzleloader hunting (001.01B2 and 001.01B3) during the dates shown in 003.07A, and with weapons legally prescribed for archery and firearm hunting season (001.01B2 and 001.01B3) during the November firearm deer season (003.05A) and for twenty-four (24) consecutive days beginning December 26. Shooting hours and application procedures are the same as those prescribed for the regular firearm season. An antlerless deer is one which has no antlers or with antlers less than six (6) inches in length. Federal or state sanctuaries and refuges are closed unless otherwise authorized.

003.11G1 Season Choice Area 1: Within three (3) miles of the landward banks of the Platte River between NE Hwy. 47 and NE Hwy. 14. Two thousand (2,000) permits for two (2) whitetail antlerless deer.

003.11G2 Season Choice Area 2: Area included within a line commencing on U.S. Hwy. 283 at the Kansas-Nebraska state line, thence north on U.S. Hwy. 283 to U.S. Hwy. 34, thence east on U.S. Hwy. 34 to NE Hwy. 4, thence east on NE Hwy. 4 to NE Hwy. 81, thence south on NE Hwy. 81 to the Kansas-Nebraska state line, except that land owned by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Harlan County shall be excluded from this area. Two thousand (2,000) permits for two (2) antlerless whitetail deer.

003.11G3 Season Choice Area 3: Area as described for the Calamus East Unit (003.05F4). Four hundred (400) permits for two (2) antlerless whitetail deer.

003.11G4 Season Choice Area 4: Area as described for the Calamus West Unit (003.05F5). Three hundred (300) permits for ~~two (2)~~ one (1) antlerless deer and one (1) antlerless whitetail deer. Valentine National Wildlife Refuge and Bessey National Forest shall be excluded from this area.

003.11G5 Season Choice Area 5: Area as described for the Loup East Unit (003.05F9). One thousand (1,000) permits for two (2) antlerless whitetail deer.

003.11G6 Season Choice Area 6: Area as described for the Loup West Unit (003.05F10). ~~Four~~ Five hundred (~~400~~ 500) permits for ~~two (2)~~ one (1) antlerless whitetail deer and one (1) antlerless deer.

003.11G7 Season Choice Area 8: Area as prescribed for the Frenchman Unit (003.05F7). One thousand four hundred (~~1,000~~ 1,400) permits for two (2) antlerless whitetail deer.

003.11G7a Season Choice Area 8 West: That portion of the Frenchman Unit (003.05F7) north of US Highway 34 and west of US Highway 83. ~~Two~~ Three hundred (~~200~~ 300) permits for ~~two (2)~~ one (1) antlerless deer, but not valid on the Red Willow SRA/WMA.

003.11G8 Season Choice Area 9: Area as prescribed for the Platte Unit (003.05F14). One thousand two hundred (1,200) permits for two (2) antlerless whitetail deer.

003.11G8a Season Choice Area 9 North: That portion of the Platte Unit (003.05F14) north of the Platte River and North Platte River. Three hundred (300) permits for two (2) antlerless deer.

003.11G8b Season Choice Area 9 River: That portion of the Platte Unit (003.05F14) within three miles of the landward banks of the Platte River, South Platte River and North Platte River. No permits are authorized, except as provided in the October Antlerless Season (003.11I).

003.11G9 Season Choice Area 11: Area as described for the Keya Paha Unit (003.05F8). ~~Four~~ Five hundred (~~400~~ 500) permits for one (1) antlerless whitetail deer and one (1) antlerless deer. ~~Ft. Niobrara National Wildlife Refuge shall be excluded from this area.~~

003.11G10 Season Choice Area 12: Area as described for the Missouri Unit (003.05F11). One thousand five hundred (1,500) permits for two (2) antlerless whitetail deer.

003.11G11 Season Choice Area 13: Area included commencing with the junction of U.S. Hwy. 283 and U.S. Hwy. 6/34, thence north on U. S. Hwy. 283 to NE Hwy. 23, thence east on NE Hwy. 23 to U.S. Hwy. 6/34, thence east on U.S. Hwy. 6 to NE Hwy. 14, thence north on NE Hwy. 14 to U.S. Hwy. 34, thence east on U.S. Hwy. 34 to U.S. Hwy. 81, thence south on U.S. Hwy. 81 to NE Hwy 4, thence west on NE Hwy. 4 to U.S. Hwy. 6/34, thence west on U.S. Hwy 6/34 to U.S. Hwy 283. Four hundred (400) permits for one (1) antlerless whitetail deer.

003.11G12 Season Choice Area 17: Area as described for the Pine Ridge Unit (003.05F12). Eight hundred (800) permits for one(1) antlerless deer and one (1) antlerless whitetail deer.

003.11G12a Season Choice Area 17 White River: That portion of the Pine Ridge Unit (003.05F12) within ~~two (2)~~ three (3) miles of the landward banks of the White River, between the intersection of the White River and NE Highway 71 northeasterly to the intersection of the White River and the Nebraska/South Dakota state line. Four hundred (400) permits for two (2) antlerless whitetail deer.

003.11G13 Season Choice Area 18: Area included commencing with Iowa/Nebraska border at U.S. Hwy. 77, proceeding south on U.S. Hwy. 77 to U.S. Hwy. 30, thence east on U.S. Hwy. 30 to the Iowa/Nebraska border. One thousand six hundred (1,600) permits for two (2) antlerless deer.

003.11G14 Season Choice Area 19: Area included commencing with the junction of U.S. Hwy. 20 and NE Hwy. 14, thence east on U.S. Hwy. 20 to U.S. Hwy. 77, thence south on U.S. Hwy. 77 to the northernmost landward bank of the Platte

River, thence west along the northernmost landward bank of the Platte River to U.S. Hwy. 81, thence north on U.S. Hwy. 81 to NE Hwy. 91, thence west on NE Hwy. 91 to NE Hwy. 14, thence north on NE Hwy. 14 to U.S. Hwy. 20. Two thousand (2,000) permits for two (2) antlerless deer.

003.11G15 Season Choice Area 20: Within three (3) miles of the landward banks of that portion of the Platte River east of NE Hwy. 14 to NE Hwy. 50; and all land within a line commencing on U.S. Hwy. 81 at the Nebraska-Kansas state line, thence north on U.S. Hwy. 81 to U.S. Hwy. 34, thence west on U.S. Hwy. 34 to NE Hwy. 14, thence north on NE Hwy. 14 to the Platte River, thence east along the Platte River to NE Hwy. 50, thence south on NE Hwy. 50 to the Nebraska-Kansas state line. ~~Six~~ Five thousand eight hundred (~~6,000~~ 5,800) permits for two (2) antlerless whitetail deer.

003.11G16 Season Choice Area 21: Within three (3) miles of the landward banks of that portion of the Platte River east of NE Hwy. 14 to NE Hwy. 50; all land east of NE Hwy. 50 to the Nebraska-Kansas state line; Douglas and Sarpy Counties; and those portions of Dodge and Washington Counties south of U.S. Hwy. 30. Eight thousand(8,000) permits for two (2) antlerless deer.

003.11G17 Season Choice Area 22: Area as prescribed for the Sandhills Unit (003.05F16) except that the Valentine National Wildlife Refuge and Samuel McKelvie National Forest shall be excluded from the open area. Seven hundred (700) permits for two (2) antlerless deer.

003.11G18 Season Choice Area 23: Area as described for the Plains Unit (003.05F13). ~~Five~~ Six hundred (~~500~~ 600) permits for two (2) antlerless deer.

003.11G19 Season Choice Area 24: Area as described for the Upper Platte Unit (003.05F17). Three hundred (300) permits for one (1) antlerless deer.

003.11G19a Season Choice Area 24 River: That portion of the Upper Platte (003.05F17) and Plains (003.05F13) units within three (3) miles of the landward banks of the North Platte River. Three hundred (300) permits for ~~one (1)~~ two (2) antlerless whitetail deer.

003.11G20 Season Choice Area 25: Area as described for the Buffalo Unit (003.05F3). Four hundred (400) permits for one (1) antlerless whitetail deer.

003.11G20a Season Choice Area 25 North: That portion of the Buffalo Unit (003.05F3) which is north of US Highway 30 and west of NE Highway 21. One hundred fifty (150) permits for one (1) antlerless deer.

003.11H Platte Municipal Units: Persons with permits for these units may hunt with muzzleloading weapons as specified in 001.01B2 and 001.01B3; or shotguns of 20 gauge or larger firing a single slug. The bag limit for each permit shall be two antlerless deer. An antlerless deer is one which has no antlers or with antlers less than six (6) inches in length. Permits shall be valid for one of two separate seasons on National Guard property. Shooting hours are the same as those prescribed for the regular firearm season. Only National Guard permits will be valid on the area during designated firearm season dates.

003.11H1 Water System: Area shall include land in Sec. 32 and 33, T13N, R10E of the 6th P.M. and Sec. 4 and 5, T12N, R10E of the 6th P.M. in Sarpy County, which is owned or operated by the Lincoln Water System as shown on information provided to each permittee.

003.11H2 National Guard: Area shall include land in Sec. 17, 18, 19 and 20 of T13N, R10E of the 6th P.M. in Sarpy County, which is owned or operated by the State of Nebraska, National Guard, as shown on information provided to each permittee.

003.11I October Antlerless

003.11I1 Open Season: October ~~2-11~~ 1-10.

003.11I2 Number of Permits Authorized for Issuance: Unlimited.

003.11I3 Permit Bag Limit: Two (2) antlerless whitetail deer.

003.11I4 Areas Open as described for the following Season Choice Areas:

003.11I4a Season Choice Area 1 as described in (003.11G1).

003.11I4b Season Choice Area 3 as described in (003.11G3)

003.11I4c Season Choice Area 4 as described in (003.11G4).

003.11I4d Season Choice Area 5 as described in (003.11G5).

003.11I4e Season Choice Area 6 as described in (003.11G6).

003.11I4f Season Choice Area 9 River as described in (003.11G8b).

003.11I4g Season Choice Area 11 as described in (003.11G9).

003.11I4h Season Choice Area 12 as described in (003.11G10).

003.11I4i Season Choice Area 18 as described in (003.11G13).

003.11I4j Season Choice Area 19 as described in (003.11G14).

003.11I4k Season Choice Area 20 as described in (003.11G15).

003.11I4l Season Choice Area 21 as described in (003.11G16).

003.11I4m Season Choice Area 22 as described in (003.11G17).

003.11I5 Shooting Hours: 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

003.11I6 Weapons Allowed: As specified for archery and firearm in 001.01B2 and 001.01B3.

003.11I7 Other Eligible Permits: Persons with Season Choice Area permits valid for areas described in (003.11I4) may hunt during the October Antlerless Season with weapons allowed for this season (003.11I6).

003.11J Mule Deer Conservation Units
Persons with permits for the following areas may hunt with weapons legally prescribed for archery hunting (001.01B2 and 001.01B3) during dates shown in (003.06A) and with weapons legally prescribed for muzzleloader hunting (001.01B2 and 001.01B3) during the dates shown in (003.07A) and with weapons legally prescribed for archery and firearm hunting (001.01B2 and 001.01B3) during the dates shown in (003.05A).

003.11J1 Frenchman: Area as described for the Frenchman Unit (003.05F7). One thousand ~~two~~ six hundred (~~1,200~~ 1,600) permits for one (1) deer, either sex and one (1) antlerless whitetail deer. No person may obtain more than one Frenchman permit that allows the take of a mule deer buck.

003.11J2 Platte: Area as described for the Platte Unit (003.05F14). One thousand two hundred (1,200) permits for one (1) deer, either sex and one (1) antlerless whitetail deer. No person may obtain more than one Platte permit that allows the take of a mule deer buck.

003.11J3 Buffalo: Area as described for the Buffalo Unit (003.05F3). One thousand seven hundred (1,700) permits for one (1) deer, either sex. No person may obtain more than one Buffalo permit that allows the take of a mule deer buck.

003.11J4 Republican Mule Deer Buck: Area as described for the Republican Unit (003.05F15). One hundred (100) permits for one (1) mule deer buck. No person may obtain more than one Republican permit that allows the take of a mule deer buck.

003.12 Elk

003.12A Open Season: Bull
All units, except Boyd, thirty (30) consecutive days beginning the last Saturday in September.

003.12B Open Season: Cow
All units, except Boyd, thirty (30) consecutive days beginning the last Saturday in September and December 1 through December 21.

003.12C Boyd Season
Season beginning August 15 through the Friday closest to November 12 and the Monday closest to November 22 through December 31.

003.12D Areas as described in 003.12H and Permits:
Ash Creek Antlerless: 14
Ash Creek Bull: ~~8~~ 10
Bordeaux Antlerless: 34
Bordeaux Bull: ~~16~~ 18
Box Elder Antlerless: ~~10~~ 14
Box Elder Bull: ~~2~~ 4
Boyd Antlerless: 4
Boyd Bull: 2
Hat Creek Antlerless: 34
Hat Creek Bull: ~~18~~ 20
Niobrara River Antlerless: 6
Niobrara River Bull: 6
North Platte River Antlerless: 14
North Platte River Bull: ~~12~~ 14

003.12E Reciprocal agreement with South Dakota involving Boyd Unit: pursuant to section 37-315, persons who obtain South Dakota elk permits for a designated portion of Gregory County shall be permitted to hunt in the Boyd Unit, under regulations applicable to Nebraska permittees.

003.12F Permit Bag Limit: One elk as specified on permit. Antlerless shall mean an elk with no antlers

or with antlers less than six (6) inches in length. Bull shall mean a male elk with antlers six (6) inches or more in length.

003.12G Shooting Hours - 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

003.12H Elk Management Unit Boundaries

003.12H1 Ash Creek - Area included within a line commencing with NE Hwy. 2 from the South Dakota line south and east to L7E Spur, thence east on L7E Spur to U.S. Hwy. 385, thence north on U.S. Hwy. 385 to the South Dakota state line, thence west along the South Dakota line to NE Hwy. 2. This area includes portions of Sioux, Dawes, and Box Butte counties.

003.12H2 Bordeaux - Area included within a line commencing with U.S. Hwy. 385 from the South Dakota state line south to NE Hwy. 2, thence east on NE Hwy. 2 to NE Hwy. 27, thence north on NE Hwy. 27 to the South Dakota state line, thence west along the South Dakota state line to U.S. Hwy. 385. This area includes portions of Dawes, Box Butte, and Sheridan counties.

003.12H3 Box Elder - That area included within a line commencing with U.S. Hwy. 183 on the Nebraska-Kansas state line, thence north on U.S. Hwy. 183 to NE Hwy. 91, thence west on NE Hwy. 91 to NE Hwy. 2, thence west on NE Hwy. 2 to NE Hwy. 61, thence south on NE Hwy. 61 to I-80, thence west on I-80 to I-76, thence west on I-76 to the Nebraska-Colorado state line.

003.12H4 Boyd - That portion of Boyd County east of U.S. Hwy. 281 and north of NE Hwy. 12.

003.12H5 Hat Creek - Area included within a line commencing with U.S. Hwy. 26 from the Wyoming state line east to the junction of U.S. Hwy. 26 and NE Hwy. 71, thence north and east on NE Hwy. 71 to NE Hwy. 2, thence north on NE Hwy. 2 to the South Dakota state line, thence west along the South Dakota line to the Wyoming state line, thence south along the Wyoming state line to U.S. Hwy. 26. This area includes portions of Scotts Bluff, Sioux, Dawes, and Box Butte counties.

003.12H6 North Platte River - Area included within a line commencing with U.S. Hwy. 26 from the Wyoming state line east to the junction of U.S. Hwy. 26 and NE Hwy. 71, thence north and east on NE Hwy. 71 to NE Hwy. 2, thence east on NE Hwy. 2 to the junction of NE Hwy. 2 and L7E Spur, thence east on L7E Spur to U.S. Hwy. 385, thence south on U.S. Hwy. 385 to NE Hwy. 2, thence east on NE Hwy. 2 to NE Hwy. 61, thence south on NE Hwy. 61 to U.S. Hwy. 26, progressing south on U.S. Hwy. 26 to the I-80 junction south of Ogallala, thence west on I-80 from Exit 126 to I-76, thence south on I-76 to the Colorado state line, thence west along the Colorado state line to the Wyoming state line, thence north along the Wyoming state line to U.S. Hwy. 26. This area includes all of Banner, Cheyenne, Garden, Kimball, and Morrill counties and portions of Scotts Bluff, Sioux, Box Butte, Sheridan, Grant, Arthur, Keith, and Deuel counties.

003.12H7 Niobrara River Unit - Area included within a line commencing with NE Hwy. 27 on the Nebraska-South Dakota state line, thence south on NE Hwy. 27 to NE Hwy. 2, thence east on NE Hwy. 2 to NE Hwy. 91, thence east on NE Hwy. 91 to U.S. Hwy. 183, thence south on U.S. Hwy. 183 to NE Hwy. 91, thence east on NE Hwy. 91 to NE Hwy. 70, thence east on NE Hwy. 70 to U.S. Hwy. 281, thence north on U.S. Hwy. 281 to the Nebraska-South Dakota state line.

003.12H8 Statewide Unit - Any portion of Nebraska open to elk hunting as described in 003.12H.

003.12I Elk Management Zones

003.12I1 Ash Creek - The following lands in Dawes County: Sec. 1, 12, 13, and 24 and those portions of Sec. 2, 11, 14, 23, 25, 26, and 36 that lie east of NE Hwy. 2, all in T30N R52W; that portion of Sec. 1 that lies east of NE Hwy. 2 in T29N R52W; Sec. 13 through 17, both inclusive, 20 through 29, both inclusive, 32 through 36, both inclusive, all in T31N R51W; Sec. 1 through 36, both inclusive, all in T30N

R51W; Sec. 1 through 5, both inclusive, 8 through 12, both inclusive, and those portions of Sec. 6 and 7 that lie east of NE Hwy. 2, all in T29N R51W; Sec. 11 through 36, both inclusive, all in T31N R50W; Sec. 1 through 11, both inclusive, 14 through 22, both inclusive, 27 through 34, both inclusive, all in T30N R50W; Sec. 3, through 7 all in T29N R50W; Sec. 9 through 16, both inclusive, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 31 through 35, both inclusive, and those portions of Sec. 24, 25 and 36 that lie west of U.S. Hwy. 385, all in T32N R49W; Sec. 1 through 24, both inclusive, 28 through 33, both inclusive, and those portions of Sec. 26 and 27 that lie north of Table Road, all in T31N R49W; Sec. 18, 19, and 20 and portions of Sec. 6, 7, 8, and 17 that lie west of U.S. Hwy. 385, all in T31N R48W; Sec. 4, 5 and 6, all in T30N R49W; except any lands owned by the Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, or the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission shall not be included in the zone.

<u>003.12I2</u> Bordeaux - The following lands in Dawes and Sheridan counties: Sec. 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, and 12, N1/2 Sec. 13, W1/2 Sec. 16, all in T31N R48W; Sec. 5, 6, and 7, S1/2 Sec. 18, all in T31N R47W; Sec. 1, 2, 3, 9 through 14, both inclusive, 22 through 26, both inclusive, and 36, all in T32N R48W; Sec. 35 and 36, all in T33N R48W; Sec. 1 through 32, both inclusive, all in T32N R47W; Sec. 21 through 36, both inclusive, all in T33N R47W; Sec. 3, through 9, both inclusive, and 17 through 19, both inclusive, all in T32N R46W; Sec. 1, 2, 10 through 35, both inclusive, all in T33N R46W; Sec. 1, 2, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 23 through 26, both inclusive, and 35 and 36, all in T34N R46W; Sec. 4 through 9, both inclusive, 17 through 20, both inclusive, 27 through 33, both inclusive, all in T33N R45W; Sec. 2, 7 through 10, both inclusive, N1/2 of Sec. 11, S1/2 of Sec. 14, 15 through 22, both inclusive, E1/2 of Sec. 23 28 through 33, both inclusive, all in T34N R45W; Sec. 26, N1/2 of Sec. 27, 28 through 33, 35, both inclusive, all in T35N R46W; E1/2 of Sec. 27, W1/2 of Sec. 32, E1/2 of Sec. 34, Sec. 25, 26 and 35 all in T35N, R44W. S1/2 of

Sec. 8 and S1/2 of Sec. 9 and N1/2 of 15 and W1/2 of 29 and W1/2 of 32 and E1/2 of 33 and Sec. 1, 2, 3, and 4, 10 through 14, 16, 17, 19 through 30, both inclusive, Sec. 34 through 36, all in T34N R44W. SW1/4 of 9 and N1/2 of 17 and NE 1/4 of 18, W1/2 of 19, NE 1/4 of 30, Sec. 1, 2, and 3, SE1/4 of Sec. 8, 11, 12, 14, 16 and 22, all in T33N R44W. Sec. 29 through 33, all in T35N R43W. Sec. 4 through 8, Sec. 18 and 30, all in T34N R43W. Sec. 25 and 36 in T35N R47W; except that any lands owned by the Forest Service, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture or the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission shall not be included in the zone.

003.12I3 Box Elder - The following lands in Lincoln County: Sec. 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 17, and 18 all in T13N, R34W, Sec. 9 through 16, 21 through 29, 32 through 36, all in T12N R29W; Sec. 17 through 21, 26 through 36, all in T12N R28W; Sec. 1 through 5, 8 through 36, all in T11N R29W; Sec. 1 through 36, all in T11N R28W; Sec. 1 through 5, 9 through 16, 21 through 28, 33 through 36, all in T10N R29W; Sec. 1 through 36, all in T10N R28W; Sec. 1 through 4, both inclusive, 9 through 15, both inclusive, 22 through 27, both inclusive, and 34 through 36, both inclusive, all in T9N R29W; Sec. 3 through 10, both inclusive, 15 through 22, both inclusive, and 27 through 34, both inclusive, all in T9N R28W.

003.12I4 Boyd - That part of Boyd County east of U.S. Hwy. 281 including the following lands: Sec. 22 through 27, both inclusive, 35 and 36, all in T35N R12W; Sec. 19 through 36, both inclusive, all in T35N R11W; Sec. 1, 2, 12 and 13, all in T34N R11W; Sec. 19, 20, 21, 28 through 34, both inclusive, all in T35N R10W; Sec. 3 through 11, both inclusive, 14 through 18, both inclusive, all in T34N R10W.

003.12I5 Hat Creek - The following lands in Sioux County: Sec. 1, 2, 7, 8, 10-12, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, E1/2 Sec. 3 and S1/2 Sec. 14 and and W1/2 Sec. 24 and E1/2 Sec. 28 and Sec. 21, 22, and 23, and 34, all in T30N R53W; Sec. 6, 7, and that portion of 18 that lies north of U.S. Hwy. 20, E1/2 of Sec. 19, E1/2 of Sec. 30,

20, 28, and 29 ~~that lies north of U.S. Hwy 20~~, all in T31N R53W; Sec. 1, 2, W1/2 of Sec. 3, N1/2 Sec. 5, 4, ~~and~~ 9, S1/2 Sec. 21, 22, W1/2 Sec. 23, N1/2 Sec. 27, N1/2 Sec. 28 all in T30N R54W; Sec. 1, W1/2 of Sec. 4, E1/2 of Sec. 5, N1/2, SE1/4 of Sec. 7, W1/2 of Sec. 9, 12, 18, 32-35, and that portion of 13 that lies north of U.S. Hwy 20, all in T31N R54W; Sec. SW1/4 of Sec. 1, N1/2 of Sec. 12, 6, 7, 8, 9, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 28, 29, 30, and 31, all in T32N R53W; Sec. 1 through 36, both inclusive, all in T32N R54W; Sec. 32 in T33N, R53W, Sec. 13, 24, 25, and 36, all in T33N R54W; Sec. 1, 2, 3 and Sec. 7 through 36, both inclusive, all in T32N R55W; Sec. 5 through 18, both inclusive, and Sec. 23, 24, 25, and 36, all in T32N R56W; Sec. 19, in T33N R56W; Sec. 14, 15, 16, 22, 23, 25, 26, 35 and 36, in T33N R57W; and Sec. 1, 2, SE1/4 of Sec. 9, SW1/4 of Sec. 10, 11 and 12, in T32N R57W; Sec. 31 and 32 in T30N R52W, except that any lands owned by the Forest Service, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture or the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission shall not be included in the zone.

003.12I6 North Platte River - The following lands in Scotts Bluff and Banner counties: Sec. 33, 34, and 35, all in T21N R57W; Sec. 4, 5, 8, and 9, all in T20N R57W; Sec. 14, W1/2 of Sec. 15, 17, 20, 29, and the W1/2, and NE1/4 of Sec. 21, and N1/2 of Sec. 22, all in T20N R56W; N1/2, SW1/4, W1/2 of SE1/4, all in Sec. 19, and Sec. 24, all in T20N R56W; the following lands in Banner and Morrill counties: Sec. 13, 14, 23, and 24, all in T18N R54W; Sec. 13 through ~~17~~ 19, both inclusive, 20 through 29, both inclusive, 32 through 36, both inclusive, all in T18N R53W; Sec. 1 through 5, both inclusive, 8 through 17, both inclusive, all in T17N R53W; Sec. 6 all in T17N, R53W; Sec. 13 through 36, both inclusive, T18N R52W; Sec. 30 and 31, all in T18N, R47W; Sec. 1 through 12, both inclusive, 14 through 18, both inclusive, all in T17N R52W; ~~South half~~ S1/2 of Sec. 9, 15 through 21, both inclusive, 28 through 33, both inclusive, all in T18N R51W; Sec. 4 through 10, both inclusive, all in T17N R51W; Sec. 1, 11, 12, N1/2 13, N1/2 14 all in T17N, R48W; the following lands in Garden County: Sec. 14

south of U.S. Hwy. 26, 15, 23, 25, 26, 27, 34, 35, and 36, all in T16N R43W; Sec. 1 in T15N R43W; Sec. SW1/4 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 in T16N R42W; Sec. 5, 6, N1/2 of 7, and 8, all in T15N R42W; except that any lands owned by the Forest Service, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture or the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission shall not be included in the zone.

003.12I7 Niobrara River - The following lands in Cherry and Keya Paha County: Sec. 23 through 26, 35 and 36 all in T34N R32W; Sec. 1, 2, 11 through 14, 23 through 26, 32 through 36, all in T33N R32W; Sec. 17 through 21, 25 through 36 all in T33N R31W; Sec. 29 through 32 all in T33N R30W; those portions of Sec. 6 that lie north of the Samuel R. McKelvie National Forest all in T32N R30W; those portions of Sec. 1 through 6 that lie north of Samuel R. McKelvie National Forest all in T32N R31W; Sec. 9 through 16, 21 through 24 all in T34N R26W; Sec. 7, 18 and 19 all in T34N R25W; Sec. 28, 29, 32 and 33 all in T33N R18W; Sec. 5 through 8 all in T32N R18W; Sec. 1 through 18, 21 and 22 all in T32N R19W; except any lands owned by the Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, or the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission shall not be included in the zone.

003.12J Weapons allowed: Archery, firearm and muzzleloader as specified in 001.01B2 and 001.01B3.

003.13 Lottery and Auction Permits
Persons selected to receive an auction permit shall be determined by the highest bid. Persons selected to receive a lottery permit shall be determined by random drawing.

003.13A Combination Antelope, Deer, Turkey Permit

The Commission may authorize permit(s) which allow the harvest of one antelope, one deer, and two turkeys (two in the fall season, two in the spring season, or one in each season) taken in any open area during any Commission authorized seasons corresponding for each species with weapons legal for that season. The Combination Permit is valid until filled during hunting seasons beginning in the year of

issuance and seasons beginning in the subsequent calendar year. The following provisions apply:

003.13A1 Antelope
One antelope of either sex, in total, may be taken statewide during any open antelope season provided weapons legal for that season are used.

003.13A2 Deer
One deer of either sex, in total, may be taken statewide during any open deer season provided weapons legal for that season are used.

003.13A3 Turkey
Two turkeys, in total, may be taken statewide during any open turkey seasons provided weapons legal for that season are used. Only toms and bearded hens may be taken in the spring season.

003.13A4 Four (4) shared-revenue auction permits are authorized for residents and non-residents.

003.13B Season Choice Statewide Buck Permit

The Commission may authorize permit(s) which allow for the harvest of one deer of either sex, in total, to be taken statewide during any open deer season provided weapons legal for that season are used.

003.13B1 No Commission lottery permits are authorized for residents only.

003.13B2 Applications shall be accepted from the third Monday in April beginning at 1 p.m. CST through the first Friday in July (receipt date at Game and Parks Commission office in Lincoln) during years when at least one lottery Season Choice Statewide Buck permit is authorized under 003.13B1. All valid applications accompanied by the required fee (Chapter 1, Section 006; Administration Regulations) shall be considered equally in one drawing. It is unlawful to submit more than one application per calendar year for a lottery Season Choice Statewide Buck permit. If more

than one such application is submitted by or for any person, all of his/her applications shall be excluded from the drawing and accompanying lottery fees shall be forfeited.

003.13C Combination Antelope, Deer, Elk, Turkey Permit

The Commission may authorize permit(s) which allow the harvest of one antelope, one deer, one elk and two turkeys (two in the fall season, two in the spring season, or one in each season) taken in any open area during any Commission authorized seasons corresponding for each species with weapons legal for that season. The Combination Permit is valid until filled during hunting seasons beginning in the year of issuance and seasons beginning in the subsequent calendar year. The following provisions apply:

003.13C1 Antelope
One antelope of either sex, in total, may be taken statewide during any open antelope season provided weapons legal for that season are used.

003.13C2 Deer
One deer of either sex, in total, may be taken statewide during any open deer season provided weapons legal for that season are used.

003.13C3 Elk
One elk of either sex, in total, may be taken statewide during any open elk season provided weapons legal for that season are used.

003.13C4 Turkey
Two turkeys, in total, may be taken statewide during any open turkey seasons provided weapons legal for that season are used. Only toms and bearded hens may be taken in the spring season.

003.13C5 One (1) Commission lottery permit is authorized for residents only.

003.13C6 Applications shall be accepted from the third Monday in April beginning at 1 p.m. CST through the first Friday in July (receipt

date at Game and Parks Commission office in Lincoln) during years when at least one lottery Combination Antelope, Deer, Elk, Turkey permit is authorized under 003.13C5. All valid applications accompanied by the required fee (Chapter 1, Section 006; Administration Regulations) shall be considered equally in one drawing. It is unlawful to submit more than one application per calendar year for a lottery Combination Antelope, Deer, Elk, Turkey permit. If more than one such application is submitted by or for any person, all of his/her applications shall be excluded from the drawing and accompanying lottery fees shall be forfeited.

003.13D Statewide Elk

The Commission may authorize permit(s) which allow the harvest of one bull elk taken in any open area during any Commission authorized bull elk season.

003.13D1 One (1) shared-revenue auction permit is authorized for residents only.

003.13D2 One (1) shared-revenue auction permit is authorized for residents or non-residents.