

Department of Natural Resources

Chapters:

Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules:

6232

2012 ELK SEASON

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Please see enclosure for text of the expedited emergency game and fish rules package relating to the 2012 elk season.

1.1 **Department of Natural Resources**

1.2 **Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules: 2012 Elk Season**

1.3 **6232.4300 SEASONS AND 2012 SEASON DATES, OPEN AREAS, AND QUOTAS**
1.4 **FOR TAKING ELK.**

1.5 Subpart 1. **Taking elk.** Elk may be taken by a licensed hunter using a legal firearm or
1.6 a legal bow and arrow during seasons authorized by the commissioner.

1.7 Subp. 1a. **Season dates.** Licensed hunters may take elk during the following 2012
1.8 seasons:

1.9 A. **Season A: September 15 to 23;**

1.10 B. **Season B: December 1 to 9; and**

1.11 C. **Season C: December 15 to 23.**

1.12 Subp. 1b. **Quotas.** The number of available licenses for the 2012 elk hunting season
1.13 is five in the Primary and Secondary Grygla Elk Zones, combined, 16 in the Kittson
1.14 County Central Elk Zone, and two in the Kittson County Northeast Elk Zone, distributed
1.15 as follows:

1.16 A. **Season A: two licenses in the Grygla elk zones and one license in the Kittson**
1.17 **County Central Elk Zone valid for either-sex elk, five licenses in the Kittson County**
1.18 **Central Elk Zone valid for legal antlerless elk only, and two licenses in the Kittson County**
1.19 **Northeast Elk Zone valid for legal antlered bull elk only;**

1.20 B. **Season B: one license in the Kittson County Central Elk Zone valid for**
1.21 **either-sex elk, three licenses in the Grygla elk zones valid for legal antlerless elk only, and**
1.22 **four licenses in the Kittson County Central Elk Zone valid for legal antlerless elk only; and**

1.23 C. **Season C: one license in the Kittson County Central Elk Zone valid for**
1.24 **either-sex elk and four licenses in the Kittson County Central Elk Zone valid for legal**
1.25 **antlerless elk only.**

2.1 Subp. 2. **Open areas.**

2.2 A. A license for the Grygla elk zones is valid for taking elk within the Primary
2.3 Grygla Elk Zone prescribed in part 6232.4600, subpart 1, and the Secondary Grygla Elk
2.4 Zone as described in part 6232.4600, subpart 2.

2.5 B. A license for the Kittson County Central Elk Zone is valid for taking elk
2.6 within the elk zone prescribed in part 6232.4600, subpart 3.

2.7 C. A license for the Kittson County Northeast Elk Zone is valid for taking elk
2.8 within the elk zone prescribed in part 6232.4600, subpart 4.

2.9 Subp. 3. **Extension of hunt.** If the harvest is not sufficient to lower elk populations,
2.10 the commissioner may reopen any elk zone to elk hunting from January 12 to 20, 2013,
2.11 by notifying individuals who purchased a 2012 elk license but have not tagged an elk or
2.12 individuals who unsuccessfully applied for an elk license.

2.13 **6232.4500 ELK LICENSE APPLICATION PROCEDURE.**

2.14 Subpart 1. **General provisions.** The provisions in this part apply to the elk license
2.15 application process.

2.16 [For text of items A to C, see M.R.]

2.17 D. The application deadline is the Friday nearest ~~July 15~~ May 31.

2.18 [For text of items E and F, see M.R.]

2.19 [For text of subp 2, see M.R.]

2.20 Subp. 3. **Drawing procedure.**

2.21 A. If one or more qualified landowners in ~~either zone~~ the Grygla elk zones or
2.22 the Kittson County Central Elk Zone apply, a drawing to select one landowner in the
2.23 Primary and Secondary Grygla Elk Zones, combined, and one landowner in the Kittson
2.24 County Central Elk Zone shall occur first. The remaining parties shall then be selected

3.1 in a general drawing to finalize successful parties. If no qualified landowners apply, all
 3.2 licenses shall be drawn from the general pool of applicants.

3.3 [For text of item B, see M.R.]

3.4 **6232.4600 ELK ZONES.**

3.5 [For text of subs 1 and 2, see M.R.]

3.6 Subp. 3. **Kittson County Central Elk Zone.** The Kittson County Central Elk Zone
 3.7 consists of that portion of the state lying within the following described boundary:

3.8 Beginning at the intersection of County State-Aid Highway (CSAH) 1 and State
 3.9 Trunk Highway (STH) 175; thence north along CSAH 1 to County Road (CR) 51;
 3.10 thence along CR 51 to CSAH 4; thence along CSAH 4 to State Ditch 85 (330th
 3.11 Street); thence along State Ditch 85 to State Ditch 72 (310th Street); thence along
 3.12 State Ditch 72 to 480th Avenue; thence along 480th Avenue 380th Street; thence
 3.13 east to 250th Avenue; thence north along 250th Avenue to the section line between
 3.14 Sections 29 and 30, Township 164 North, Range 48 West; thence north on the section
 3.15 line between Sections 29 and 30, Township 164 North, Range 48 West, to the United
 3.16 States/Canadian border; thence east along the United States/Canadian border to the
 3.17 northeast corner of Section 30, Township 164 North, Range 46 West; thence south
 3.18 along the east section line of Section 30, Township 164 North, Range 46 West to
 3.19 370th Avenue; thence south along 370th Avenue to County Road (CR) 51; thence
 3.20 south along CR 51 to CSAH 4; thence west along CSAH 4 to State Ditch 85 (330th
 3.21 Street); thence east long State Ditch 85 to State Ditch 72; thence east along State
 3.22 Ditch 72 to 480th Avenue (county line); thence south along 480th Avenue to 220th
 3.23 Street; thence west along 220th Street to CSAH 10; thence west along CSAH 10 to
 3.24 U.S. Highway 59; thence north along U.S. Highway 59 to STH 175; thence west
 3.25 along STH 175 to the point of beginning.

3.26 Subp. 4. **Kittson County Northeast Elk Zone.** The Kittson County Northeast Elk
 3.27 Zone consists of that portion of the state lying within the following described boundary:

3.28 Beginning at the intersection of County State-Aid Highway (CSAH) 4 and County
 3.29 Road (CR) 51; thence north along CR 51 to 370th Avenue; thence north along 370th
 3.30 Avenue to the west section line of Section 29, Township 164 North, Range 46
 3.31 West; thence north along the west section line of Section 29, Township 164 North,
 3.32 Range 46 West, to the United States/Canadian border; thence east along the United
 3.33 States/Canadian border to the northeast corner of Section 25, Township 164 North,

4.1 Range 45 West; thence south along the eastern section line of Section 25, Township
4.2 164 North, Range 45 West, to 480th Avenue; thence south along 480th Avenue to
4.3 State Ditch 72 (310th Street); thence west along State Ditch 72 to State Ditch 85
4.4 (330th Street); thence west along State Ditch 85 to CSAH 4; thence north along
4.5 CSAH 4 to the point of beginning.

4.6 **EFFECTIVE PERIOD.** The emergency amendments to Minnesota Rules, parts
4.7 6232.4300, 6232.4500, and 6232.4600, are effective through February 28, 2013. After the
4.8 emergency amendments expire, the permanent rules as they read prior to the amendments
4.9 again take effect, except as they may be amended by permanent rule.