

Department of Natural Resources

Chapters:

Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules:

6232

2015 ELK SEASON

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Please see the attachment for the language of this expedited emergency game and fish rules package relating to the 2015 elk season.

1.1 **Department of Natural Resources**

1.2 **Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules: 2015 Elk Season**

1.3 **6232.4300 SEASONS AND OPEN AREAS 2015 SEASON DATES 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. 2. **Open areas.**

1.8 A. ~~A license for the Grygla elk zones is valid for taking elk within the Primary~~
1.9 ~~Grygla Elk Zone prescribed in part 6232.4600, subpart 1, and the Secondary Grygla Elk~~
1.10 ~~Zone as described in part 6232.4600, subpart 2~~ The Primary Grygla Elk Zone described
1.11 in part 6232.4600, subpart 1, and the Secondary Grygla Elk Zone described in part
1.12 6232.4600, subpart 2, are closed for 2015.

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

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

1.17 Subp. 3. **Season dates.** In 2015, licensed hunters may take elk September 12 to 20.

1.18 Subp. 4. **Quotas.** The number of licenses available for the 2015 elk hunting season
1.19 is five licenses in the Kittson County Central Elk Zone, valid for legal antlered bull elk,
1.20 and two licenses in the Kittson County Northeast Elk Zone, valid for legal antlered bull
1.21 elk only. There are no licenses available in the Primary and Secondary Grygla Elk Zones.

1.22 **6232.4500 ELK LICENSE APPLICATION PROCEDURE.**

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

2.1 A. If the number of applications for any zone and season exceeds the quota, a
2.2 random selection will be conducted to determine the successful applicants.

2.3 [For text of items B and C, see M.R.]

2.4 D. The application deadline is the Friday nearest ~~July~~ June 15.

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

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

2.7 Subp. 3. **Drawing procedure.**

2.8 A. A random drawing from a pool consisting of general drawing applicants
2.9 must be used to distribute legal antlered bull licenses that are offered in the Kittson
2.10 County Northeast Elk Zone.

2.11 ~~A. B. If one or more than one qualified landowners landowner in either zone~~
2.12 ~~apply, a drawing to select one landowner in the Primary and Secondary Grygla Elk Zones,~~
2.13 ~~combined, and one landowner in the Kittson County Central Elk Zone shall occur first.~~
2.14 ~~The remaining parties shall then be selected in a general drawing to finalize successful~~
2.15 ~~parties. If no qualified landowners apply, all licenses shall be drawn from the general pool~~
2.16 ~~of applicants applies, a drawing to select one landowner licensee must occur first.~~

2.17 B. C. There shall also be alternate parties drawn from the pool of unsuccessful
2.18 parties. These parties would be offered the opportunity to purchase licenses that have
2.19 been offered to a successful party, but not purchased. The pool consists of the remaining
2.20 landowners, tenants, and parties from the general drawing. An alternate party shall only
2.21 be notified in the event that a successful party decides not to purchase a license.

2.22 **EFFECTIVE PERIOD.** The emergency amendments to Minnesota Rules, parts
2.23 6232.4300 and 6232.4500, expire February 28, 2016. After the emergency amendments
2.24 expire, the permanent rules as they read prior to the amendments again take effect, except
2.25 as they may be amended by permanent rule.