

2017 Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism Commission Big Game Permit Application Guidelines

Pursuant to K.S.A. 32-970, the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism Commission is authorized to issue up to seven Commission Big Game Permits per calendar year. Of the seven Commission Big Game Permits, up to one may be an elk permit, up to one may be an antelope permit, and the remaining balance may be any deer permits. Such permits are only available to nonprofit organizations that actively promote wildlife conservation and the hunting and fishing heritage. Only one Commission Big Game Permit may be issued to a qualified organization, but this limitation does not preclude individual chapters of the same organization from being issued permits. Organizations are not eligible to receive a Commission Big Game Permit more than once in a three-year period. Organizations that oppose hunting and fishing shall not be eligible for award of a Commission Big Game Permit.

Organizations must provide, with their application, **a copy of their 501(c)(3) nonprofit status, articles of incorporation, and their mission statement. Further documentation may be required to confirm qualifying status.**

Organizations receiving Commission Big Game Permits must market the permit to the public in order to receive the maximum financial benefit available to both the organization and the department. Organizations awarded Commission Big Game Permits by random draw must pay to the department the price established by rules and regulations for the highest value for the type of permit awarded. If the organization is Kansas Farmers and Hunters Feeding the Hungry, not less than 15 percent of the amount retained by the organization must be remitted to the department for use on jointly approved projects. For any other organization, not less than 85 percent must be remitted to the department for use on jointly approved projects. The remainder may be spent at the organizations' discretion.

The completed application shall be submitted no later than January 1, 2017 to:

Sheila Kemmis, Commission Secretary
Kansas Dept. of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism
512 SE 25th Ave.
Pratt, KS 67124

The Commission shall conduct a random drawing from the pool of eligible organizations to award Commission Big Game Permits at the January 5, 2017, KDWPT Commission meeting held at Emporia, Flint Hills Technical College.

Upon receipt of payment for the Commission Big Game Permit by the organization, the department's licensing section will issue a voucher signifying the type of permit awarded. Once the voucher is obtained by the final recipient, the final recipient shall return the voucher to the Licensing Section of the Department and a permit shall be issued in the final recipient's name. After a Commission Big Game Permit is issued in the name of the final recipient, it shall not be transferred to any other individual for any reason. Any Commission Big Game Permit shall be subject to the restrictions of the season, sex, equipment type or hunt units as issued on the permit by the department.

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Nonprofit Organization Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Name of Individual Making Application _____

Position of Individual Making Application _____

Telephone (_____) _____ Email _____

Address of individual making application (if different than above) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

The following permits are available as Commission Big Game Permits. List your 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice to the left of the type of permit.

_____ Deer - One Any Deer permit; available to resident or nonresident; valid statewide during any season with legal equipment. Cost of permit is \$427.50.

_____ Elk - One Any Elk permit; available to resident or nonresident; good anywhere within elk management units during any season with legal equipment. This permit would be valid on Fort Riley during seasons and restrictions established by Fort Riley. Cost of permit is \$302.50.

_____ Antelope - One Any Antelope permit; available to resident or nonresident; good anywhere in antelope management units during any season with legal equipment. Cost of permit is \$302.50.

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