NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE

2012 SPRING WILD TURKEY

Application Instructions and Season Regulations

A TAG IS REQUIRED TO HUNT WILD TURKEY IN NEVADA

2012 Spring Turkey dates and limits are set by the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners in CR 07-07, CR 07-07 Amendment #2, Amendment #3, Amendment #5, Amendment #6 and Amendment #7.

Hunting Hours and Limits: Spring wild turkey hunting hours are one half hour before sunrise to 4 p.m. daily.

Limit: 1 Bearded Wild Turkey by tag only.

WILD TURKEY APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

PLEASE NOTE: As with other game species, applicants are advised that a significant portion of the turkey population occurs on **PRIVATE LANDS** and permission must be secured from the landowner before hunting on private lands. NDOW advises that permission be obtained prior to applying for a tag.

IMPORTANT: Hunters must have a valid license for March 1, 2011 - February 29, 2012 to apply, or they may purchase the 2012-13 license at the time of application online. Successful tagholders must have a valid license for March 1, 2012 - February 28, 2013 while hunting.

Applications/Forms

Applications for the spring Wild Turkey Tag Draw are available at Nevada Department of Wildlife regional offices, state headquarters and on the Internet at **www.ndow.org**. Interactive online applications are available at **www.huntnevada.com**. Tag applications must be completed in accordance with the instructions. Only one person may apply on an application.

Applicant Eligibility

Unless hunting privileges are limited or revoked, hunters may apply once during each draw period for one type of hunt (e.g. Hunt 0131 or Hunt 0135) for wild turkey. Applicants cannot apply for more than one type of hunt, but can apply for up to five hunter choice numbers within any one hunt. Hunters may only receive one turkey tag per calendar year. An application to obtain a tag may be submitted by a person under 12 as long as they will attain the age of 12 before the opening date of each season for which they will be applying.

Application Instructions for Residents and Nonresidents

Applications for the draw must be mailed to the address specified on the application through a postal service or submitted online through the Internet at **www.huntnevada.com**. **Applications will be accepted until 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 21, 2012.** Hand delivered applications will not be accepted. **Note:** Internet applications are **not** available for the hunts in Units 0135 and 0137.

Except for Junior Wild Turkey Hunt tags, any remaining tags will be available on a first come, first served basis through the Internet at **www.huntnevada.com**, or by mail, or over the counter during business hours, M-F, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at Wildlife Administrative Services (WAS), 185 N. Maine St., Fallon, NV 89407-1345. Remaining tags will be sold until seven weekdays prior to the close of the season. Only one wild turkey tag can be awarded to an individual during a calendar year.

Nonrefundable fees will be collected from any late applications. Draw results will be available at NDOW regional offices and online at **www.huntnevada.com** March 2, 2012. If you have any questions concerning your application, please contact WAS at 1-800-576-1020.

HUNTERS MAY ONLY RECEIVE ONE TURKEY TAG IN A CALENDAR YEAR

WILD TURKEY SEASON DATES

RESIDENT (Limited Entry) Spring Wild Turkey Hunt 0131

Bonus Point Code: **WBP**

Season Dates (Inclusive)	Open Counties	Hunter Choice Number	Quota	Special Regulations and Information
March 25 - May 5, 2012	Unit 091 of Elko County*	300	5	**Application Deadline:** 5 p.m., Feb. 21, 2012, by mail or Internet. **Limit:** One bearded wild turkey. **Shooting Hours:** One half hour before sunrise to 4 p.m. daily. **Note:** Notice of tag drawing results will be posted online on March 2, 2012, at www.huntnevada.com.
March 25 - May 5, 2012	Unit 101 of Elko County*	301	5	
March 25 - May 5, 2012	Units 102 and 065 of Elko County*	302	15	
March 25 - May 5, 2012	Units 151 and 152 of Lander County	303	3	
March 25 - April 3, 2012	Units 223, 231, 241, 242, 243 and 271 of Lincoln County**	304	10	
April 4 - April 13, 2012	Units 223, 231, 241, 242, 243 and 271 of Lincoln County**	305	10	
April 24 - May 3, 2012	Units 223, 231, 241, 242, 243 and 271 of Lincoln County**	306	10	
March 25 - April 8, 2012	Mason Valley Wildlife Mgmt. Area only of Unit 203	307	5	
April 9 - April 23, 2012	Mason Valley Wildlife Mgmt. Area only of Unit 203	308	5	
April 24 - May 8, 2012	Mason Valley Wildlife Mgmt. Area only of Unit 203	309	5	
March 25 - April 3, 2012	Moapa Valley portion of Units 243, 244, 268, 271 & 272 in Clark County*	310	3	
April 4 - April 13, 2012	Moapa Valley portion of Units 243, 244, 268, 271 & 272 in Clark County*	311	3	
April 14 - April 23, 2012	Moapa Valley portion of Units 243, 244, 268, 271 & 272 in Clark County*	312	3	
March 25 - April 13, 2012	Pershing County*	313	5	
April 14 - May 3, 2012	Pershing County*	314	5	
March 25 - May 5, 2012	Unit 115 of White Pine County***	315	14	

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RESIDENT General Spring Wild Turkey Hunt 0135

Bonus Point Code: **XBP**

Season Dates (Inclusive)	Open Counties	Hunter Choice Number	Quota	Special Regulations and Information
March 25 - May 5, 2012	Units 202, 203, 204 and 291 of Lyon County (except Mason Valley Wildlife Mgmt. Area)	316	Open	**Application Deadline:** 5 p.m., Feb. 21, 2012 by mail. **Limit:** One bearded wild turkey. **Shooting Hours:** One half hour before sunrise to 4 p.m. daily.
March 25 - May 5, 2012	Units 181 - 182 of Churchill County	317	Open	

A Lyon County or Churchill County application form is required. Hunters can obtain these forms from the participating landowners. A landowner must sign the application form. The form must be submitted through the mail or over the counter during business hours, M-F, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Wildlife Administrative Services, P.O. Box 1345, Fallon, NV 89407-1345. Tags will be available until the close of the season. Internet applications for the Lyon County and Churchill County hunt will **not** be available. Tags will be available until the close of the season. Only one person may apply on an application.

RESIDENT Paradise Valley of Humboldt County Wild Turkey Spring Hunt 0135

Bonus Point Code: **XBP**

Season Dates (Inclusive)	Open Counties	Hunter Choice Number	Quota	Special Regulations and Information
March 25 - May 5, 2012	Paradise Valley of Humboldt County	318	Open	**Application Deadline:** 5 p.m., Feb. 21, 2012 by mail. **Limit:** One bearded wild turkey. **Shooting Hours:** One half hour before sunrise to 4 p.m. daily.

A Paradise Valley of Humboldt County application form is required. Hunters can obtain these forms from the participating landowners. A landowner must sign the application form. The form must be submitted through the mail or over the counter during business hours, M-F, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Wildlife Administrative Services, P.O. Box 1345, Fallon, NV 89407-1345. Tags will be available until the close of the season. Internet applications for the Paradise Valley of Humboldt County hunt will **not** be available. Tags will be available until the close of the season. Only one person may apply on an application.

WILD TURKEY APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Tag Fees: Payable to NDOW. A guaranteed check, cashiers check, or money order is best. No out-of-state personal checks will be accepted. A $25 fee will be charged for any personal checks returned by the bank. If a check is returned, an applicant is ineligible until the outstanding fees have been satisfied.

Resident Fees: Tag fee $20, nonrefundable fees $13 ($10 application fee, $3 predator management fee), hunting license fee $33, or combo hunting and fishing license $54.

Nonresident Fees: Tag fee $50, nonrefundable fees $13 ($10 application fee, $3 predator management fee), hunting license fee $142, or combination hunting and fishing license $199.

Bonus Point Only Application Fee: $10

Internet Online Convenience fee: A nonrefundable $2 fee for each resident application submitted, $3.50 for non-resident applications submitted online.

RESIDENT Junior Spring Wild Turkey Hunt 0138

Bonus Point Code: **JWB**

Season Dates (Inclusive)	Open Counties	Hunter Choice Number	Quota	Special Regulations and Information
April 14 - April 23, 2012	Units 223, 231, 241, 242, 243 and 271 of Lincoln County*	319	Open	**Application Deadline**: 5 p.m., Feb. 21, 2012 by mail or Internet. **Limit:** One bearded wild turkey. **Shooting Hours:** One half hour before sunrise to 4 p.m. daily. **Note:** Notice of tag drawing results will be posted online on March 2, 2012.

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Youth must be 12 prior to the opening of the hunt season indicated and not attain their 17th birthday until after the last day of the hunt season indicated, pursuant to NAC 502.063.

There will be no remaining tags allocated. **Hunt is closed to nonresidents.**

NONRESIDENT (Limited Entry) Spring Wild Turkey Hunt 0132

Bonus Point Code: **YBP**

Season Dates (Inclusive)	Open Counties	Hunter Choice Number	Quota	Special Regulations and Information
March 25 - May 5, 2012	Unit 102 & 065 of Elko County*	320	2	**Application Deadline:** 5 p.m., Feb. 21, 2012, by mail or Internet. **Limit:** One bearded wild turkey. **Shooting Hours:** One half hour before sunrise to 4 p.m. daily. **Note:** Notice of tag drawing results will be posted online on March 2, 2012.
March 25 - April 3, 2012	Units 223, 231, 241, 242, 243 and 271 of Lincoln County**	321	1	
April 4 - April 13, 2012	Units 223, 231, 241, 242, 243 and 271 of Lincoln County**	322	1	
April 24 - May 3, 2012	Units 223, 231, 241, 242, 243 and 271 of Lincoln County**	323	1	
March 25 - May 5, 2012	Unit 115 of White Pine County***	324	1	

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US Fish and Wildlife Service
Division of Federal Assistance
4401 North Fairfax Drive, Mailstop: MBSP-4020
Arlington, VA 22203

or

Director
Nevada Department of Wildlife
1100 Valley Rd.
Reno, NV 89512-2817

NONRESIDENT General Spring Wild Turkey Hunt 0137

Bonus Point Code: **ZBP**

Season Dates (Inclusive)	Open Counties	Hunter Choice Number	Quota	Special Regulations and Information
March 25 - May 5, 2012	Units 202, 203, 204 and 291 of Lyon County (except Mason Valley Wildlife Mgmt. Area)	325	Open	**Application Deadline:** 5 p.m., Feb. 21, 2012 by mail. **Limit:** One bearded wild turkey. **Shooting Hours:** One half hour before sunrise to 4 p.m. daily.
March 25 - May 5, 2012	Units 181 - 182 of Churchill County	326	Open	

A Lyon County or Churchill County application form is required. Hunters can obtain these forms from the participating landowners. A landowner must sign the application form. The form must be submitted through the mail or over the counter during business hours, M-F, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Wildlife Administrative Services, P.O. Box 1345, Fallon, NV 89407-1345. Tags will be available until the close of the season. Internet applications for the Lyon County and Churchill County hunt will **not** be available. Tags will be available until the close of the season. Only one person may apply on an application.

NONRESIDENT Paradise Valley of Humboldt County Wild Turkey Spring Hunt 0137

Bonus Point Code: **ZBP**

Season Dates (Inclusive)	Open Counties	Hunter Choice Number	Quota	Special Regulations and Information
March 25 - May 5, 2012	Paradise Valley of Humboldt County	327	Open	**Limit:** One bearded wild turkey. **Shooting Hours:** One half hour before sunrise to 4 p.m. daily.

A Paradise Valley of Humboldt County application form is required. Hunters can obtain these forms from the participating landowners. A landowner must sign the application form. The form must be submitted through the mail or over the counter during business hours, M-F, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Wildlife Administrative Services, P.O. Box 1345, Fallon, NV 89407-1345. Tags will be available until the close of the season. Internet applications for the Paradise Valley of Humboldt County hunt will **not** be available. Draw results will be available at NDOW regional offices and online at **www.huntnevada.com** on March 2, 2012. Tags will be available until the close of the season. Only one person may apply on an application.

Nevada Department of Wildlife Offices

Headquarters/ Western Region Office
1100 Valley Rd.
Reno, NV 89512
(775) 688-1500

Fallon Office
380 West B St.
Fallon, NV 89406
(775) 423-3171
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Eastern Region Office
60 Youth Center Rd.
Elko, NV 89801
(775) 777-2300

Southern Region Office
4747 Vegas Dr.
Las Vegas, NV 89108
(702) 486-5127

Henderson Office
744 S. Racetrack Rd.
Henderson, NV 89015
(702) 486-6742

Winnemucca Office
815 E. Fourth St.
Winnemucca, NV 89445
(775) 623-6565
Hours: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The following are only summaries of Nevada wildlife law. Consult the Nevada Hunt Book for more information. Complete text of Nevada wildlife law is located in the Nevada Revised Statutes and Nevada Administrative Code which are available from NDOW regional offices and on the agency website at: www.ndow.org.

License and Tag Requirements

A tag is required to hunt wild turkey. A person, while hunting wild turkey, shall have in his possession:
(a) A valid hunting license; and
(b) A valid tag to hunt wild turkey issued to him...

Tag & Validation Requirements - NAC 502.378

After killing a wild turkey and taking it into his possession, the hunter shall immediately punch the tag, month and day, and attach it to the turkey's body.

Use Of Tag - NAC 502.385

Each hunter must carry his/her own tag while hunting. It is unlawful for any person to use or possess a tag issued to any other person or to transfer or give a tag issued to him to any other person. It is unlawful for a person to use any tag in a management area or unit for which it is not intended or to use a tag at any time other than at the time intended. After it has been issued, a tag may not be exchanged or a refund made except in accordance with the policies and regulations of the Wildlife Commission.

Legal Weapons and Ammunition for Hunting Wild Turkey - NAC 503.187

No weapon other than a (a) shotgun which is no larger than 10 gauge nor smaller than 20 gauge and uses a shot size no larger than a number 2 pellet; or (b) longbow and arrow, may be used to hunt wild turkey. Shot used to hunt wild turkey on a wildlife management area must be (a) nontoxic shot; and (b) not larger than standard-size T. "Nontoxic shot" means any shot that has been approved by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service pursuant to 50 C.F.R. § 20.134.

Loaded Rifle/Shotgun in or on Vehicle Prohibited - NRS 503.165

It is unlawful to carry a loaded rifle or loaded shotgun in or on any vehicle standing on or driven along any public highway or any other way open to the public. A rifle or shotgun is considered loaded when there is an unexpended (live) cartridge or shell in the firing chamber. The provisions of this section do not apply to paraplegics, persons with one or both legs amputated or who have suffered a paralysis of one or both legs which severely impedes walking, or peace officers and members of the armed forces of this state or the United States while on duty or going to or returning from duty.

Discharging Firearm From, Over Road Unlawful - NRS 503.175

...a person who discharges a firearm from, upon, over or across any federal highway, state highway as designated in NRS 408.285, or main or general county road as designated in NRS 403.170, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Wildlife Management Area Regulations (in part)

Restrictions on use of firearms - NAC 504.135

The discharging of a rifle or pistol is prohibited on the following Wildlife Management Areas: Overton in Clark County; Mason Valley in Lyon County...

The use of shotguns capable of holding more than three shells is prohibited on all wildlife management areas owned or managed by this state unless the shotgun is plugged with a one-piece filler, incapable of removal without disassembling the gun, so that the total capacity of the shotgun does not exceed three shells.

The use or possession of shells for a shotgun containing shot that is toxic or larger than standard-size T is prohibited on the following wildlife management areas: Overton in Clark County; Mason Valley in Lyon County... The use or possession of shotgun rounds with sabots that contain other than rifled slugs of conventional design is prohibited on all wildlife management areas owned or managed by this state.

Manner of Hunting - NRS 503.150

It is unlawful to hunt any game bird or mammal with any gun capable of firing more than one round with one continuous pull of the trigger, or with any full steel, full steel core, full metal jacket, tracer or incendiary bullet or shell, or any shotgun larger than number 10 gauge.

It is unlawful to hunt game birds with any rifle or handgun, with the aid of any artificial light, or in any manner other than with a shotgun held in the hand, with a longbow and arrow or by means of falconry.

Areas Closed to Hunting (in part) - NAC 504.340

Those portions of the Lake Mead National Recreation Area which are within: a 1-mile radius of Overton Landing, Willow Beach, Rogers Spring, the area for cabins at Stewart's Point, Echo Bay, Eldorado Canyon, Cottonwood Cove and the petroglyphs of Grapevine Canyon.

All portions of the Stillwater National Wildlife Refuge in Churchill County south of Division Road...

All portions of Clark, Lincoln and Nye Counties within the boundaries of the Nellis Air Force Range, the Nevada Test Site and the Desert National Wildlife Refuge are closed.

Harvest Return Card - NAC 502.407

IMPORTANT: Harvest Return Card Questionnaires are required for turkey. Regardless of harvest, the questionnaire must be received by May 31, 2012. Any person who fails to return the questionnaire by this date will be denied all turkey tags for one year. Go online to www.huntnevada.com to report results.

Use of Dogs

It is unlawful to hunt, chase or pursue any wild turkey with a dog from March 1 through June 30 of any year.