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Title 163 - Nebraska Game and Parks Commission

Chapter 4 - Wildlife Regulations

002 Wild Turkey

The following regulations are prescribed by the Game and Parks Commission, State of Nebraska in accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 37-314, 37-404, 37-414, 37-447, 37-452, 37-457, 37-502, 37-508, 37-527, 37-534, 37-701. 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.

002.01 Application Periods and Season Dates

002.01A Spring

002.01A1 Permit Application Periods: The second Monday in January at 1 p.m. CST until the end of the season.

002.01A2 Season Dates

002.01A2a Shotgun Season Dates: The Saturday closest to April 15 to May 31.

002.01A2b Archery Season Dates: March 25 through May 31.

002.01A3 Persons with this permit may hunt with weapons legally prescribed for archery turkey hunting (001.01B3) during the dates shown in 002.01A2b and with weapons legally prescribed for shotgun turkey hunting (001.01B2) during the dates shown in 002.01A2a.

002.01A4 Youth Spring Turkey

002.01A4a Season Dates: Persons with these permits may hunt with weapons legally prescribed for archery hunting (001.01B3) during the dates shown in 002.01A2b and with weapons prescribed for shotgun hunting season (001.01B2) during the dates shown in 002.01A2a and with weapons prescribed for shotgun hunting seasons (001.01B2) during the seven (7) days beginning on the Saturday closest to April 8.

002.01A4b Eligibility: Youth aged 15 and under. Youth age 16 may hunt on youth spring turkey permits provided they are age 15 when they apply and provided they are age 15 on the opening day of the archery season (002.01A2b) of the calendar year.

002.01B Fall

002.01B1 Permit Application Periods: The second Monday in August at 1 p.m. CST until the end of the season.

002.01B2 Season Dates for Archery and Shotgun:

002.01B2a September 15 through January 31.

002.01B3 Youth Fall Turkey

002.01B3a Season dates are the same as specified in 002.01B2.

002.01B3b Eligibility: Youth aged 15 and under. Youth age 16 may hunt on youth fall turkey permits provided they are age 15 when they apply and provided they are age 15 on the opening day of the season (002.01B2a) of the calendar year.

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001.01B4 during the November firearm deer season to hunt wildlife other than deer with a centerfire rifle or centerfire handgun, except that this shall not apply to a holder of a valid unfilled firearm deer permit while hunting in the unit for which the permit was issued or to a bona fide farmer or rancher who owns, or leases, or resides upon such farm or ranch land or a member of the immediate family of such farmer or rancher while hunting on such farm or ranch land.

002.02 Number of Permits Authorized for Issuance: Unlimited. Personal limits apply, see 001.01B1. Permits may be authorized to be included in species combination permits (003.12).

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

002.04 Permit Bag Limit:

002.04A Spring: One male or bearded female turkey.

002.04B Fall: Two (2) turkeys.

002.05 Shooting Hours: 30 minutes before sunrise to sunset.

002.06 Hunter Orange: Shall not be required during spring turkey season. Hunter orange shall not be required during fall turkey season, except that it shall be required during the November firearm deer season.