

Tag Designation Calculation

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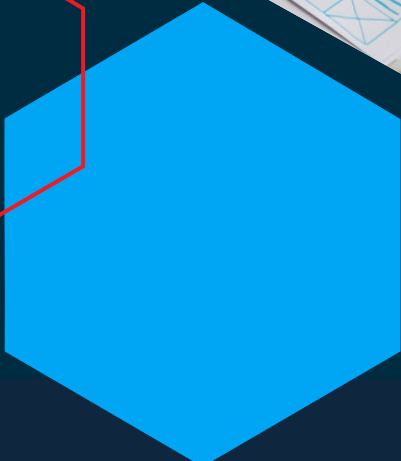

Designation Program Coordinator



Deer and Elk Hunt Allocation

- General Season Deer & Uncapped Elk
 - Deer
 - Regular Deer (RD)
 - White-tailed Deer (WTD)
 - Elk
 - Uncapped Elk Zone
- General Season Capped Elk & Controlled Hunts
 - Capped Elk Zones
 - Controlled Hunts
 - Deer
 - Elk

Allocation Designation Calculation



Allocated Use		Non-Allocated		Designation 1	Designation 2		Total Desig	Tie Breaker		
2023	2024	23	24	Rounded Avg Allocated Use	Avg Non-Allo Use	Truncated * Remaining	Des 1 +2	% no trunc	Dist to .6	Final
				0	0	0	0	0.0000	0.6000	0

Allocation

- Refers to the number of tags set aside for outfitter use
- Is set by IDFG
- Use is certified/verified through IDFG

Designation

- The distribution of allocated tags
- Based on the outfitter's historical use
- Certified use=Allocated tags
- Verified use=Non-allocated tags

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02. Outfitter Hunter Tag Use History

03. New Hunt Allocated Tag Designation

04. Use of Previously Designated Allocated Tags

05. Remaining or Additional Allocated Tags

06. Rounding

07. Tie-breaker

02. Outfitter Hunter Tag Use History

- Each outfitter's hunter tag use history will be determined from the use recorded by IFGC (Idaho Fish & Game Commission) pursuant to Section 36-408(4), Idaho Code, and may be adjusted as a result of a tag transfer or hardship request that is approved by the Board.
- The first two steps of the calculation are based on outfitter tag use for both allocated and non-allocated tags.
- Use is entered in their respective types from the previous two years of use.

Allocated Use		Non-Allocated	
2023	2024	23	24

02. Outfitter Hunter Tag Use History (Cont.)

- Transfers. An outfitting operation is credited for use of an allocated tag that it transfers to another outfitting operation for use that year in the same hunt. The receiving outfitting operation is not credited for using the transferred tag.
 - Tag transfers must be submitted via a board-approved form before the tags are picked up
- Surrenders. An outfitting operation may surrender a designated allocated tag(s) to the undesignated tag pool for use by any outfitting operation in the same hunt. The surrendering outfitting operation is not credited for use of the surrendered tag unless it later uses the tag from the pool.

04. Use of Previously Designated Allocated Tags

- For established capped or controlled hunts, allocated tags will first be designated to each outfitting operation in an amount equal to the outfitting operation's use of the allocated tags previously designated to it for the same hunt.
- a. In a capped hunt, the use of previously designated allocated tags is the average use of allocated tags in the preceding two (2) years; in the event that IFGC adjusts the number of allocated tags in a hunt where there is only one (1) year of allocation, the Board will not average the use.
- b. In a controlled hunt, the use of previously designated allocated tags is the highest year of use of allocated tags in the preceding two (2) years.

Allocated Use		Non-Allocated		Designation 1
2023	2024	23	24	Rounded Avg Allocated Use
				0

06. Rounding

- If allocated tag designation results in a partial tag, the calculation will be rounded up when a decimal equals or exceeds six tenths (0.6) and rounded down when a decimal is less than six tenths (0.6). When calculating after a reduction of allocated tags pursuant to Section 36-2120(4), Idaho Code, the calculation will be rounded up when a decimal equals or exceeds five tenths (0.5) and rounded down when a decimal is less than five tenths (0.5).

05. Remaining or Additional Allocated Tags

- If any tags remain to be designated after the first step, then we designate the remaining tags based on the historical use of non-allocated tags.
- a. Subtract each outfitting operation's use of previously designated allocated tags from Subsection 257.04 from its base allocation number to determine the number of non-allocated tags it used for a capped hunt or the matching hunt with non-allocated tags for a controlled hunt, when necessary to determine non-allocated tag use; then
- b. Divide the result by the total number of non-allocated tags used by all outfitting operations, resulting in a percentage of the total non-allocated tags used by outfitting operations in that hunt. Truncate the decimal at the hundredths place; and finally
- c. Multiply the percentage of total use from Subsection 257.05.b. by the number of allocated tags yet to be designated, which determines the number of allocated tags designated to the outfitting operation.

Designation 2		Total Desig
Avg Non-Allo Use	Truncated * Remaining	Des 1 +2
0	0	0

07. Tie-breaker

- If, after applying Subsections 257.03 through 06, there is a surplus or deficit of allocated tags to be designated, the unrounded proportion from Subsection 257.05, with as many decimal places as necessary, will be used, and then as follows:
 - a. After a reduction in allocated tags, surplus tags will first be designated in amounts to restore outfitter operations to the number of tags that would have otherwise been designated pursuant to Subsection 257.04 or as close thereto as practicable.
 - b. If a surplus, the outfitting operation whose unrounded proportion is the greatest will be designated one (1) tag, and if there are additional surplus tags, the outfitter with the next greatest unrounded proportion will be designated one (1) allocated tag and repeated in descending unrounded proportions until all surplus tags are designated. In the event there is more than one outfitting operation with the same unrounded proportion and there are insufficient undesignated tags to designate to each outfitter, the undesignated tag will be designated based on a random drawing between those outfitting operations.
 - c. A deficit will be resolved from the outfitting operation whose unrounded proportion is closest to six tenths (0.6), and then next closest to six tenths (0.6) when there is a deficit of more than one (1) allocated tag. If there is more than one (1) outfitting operation with the same unrounded proportion, a random drawing will be held between those outfitters.

03. New Hunt Allocated Tag Designation

- When the IFGC allocates tags for a newly limited, capped or controlled hunt, the allocated tags will be designated proportionately as follows:
- a. Divide each outfitting operation's base allocation by the total of all base allocations in the hunt, resulting in a percentage of total use.
- b. Multiply the percentage of total use from Subsection 257.03.a. of these rules by the total number of allocated tags for the hunt, which determines the number of allocated tags designated to the outfitting operation.

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01. Notification

08. Stipulation By Outfitters

09. Undesignated Tag Pool

10. Objection to Calculation

11. Hardship Request

12. Change in Operating Area or Owner of Business

01. Notification

- Tag Use Verification Letter
- Tag Designation Letter
 - Once every other year during the spring
 - Once every year in September
- Hardship Notices
- Undesignated Tag Pool
- Transfers

10. Objection to Calculation

- If an outfitting operation believes the calculation is incorrect, it may object by filing a petition with the Board within fourteen (14) days from the date the notification was sent and in accordance with the Idaho Administrative Procedures Act. The petition will include any supporting information or documentation.
- a. All outfitting operations in the hunt in question will be notified of the petition.
- b. The outfitting operation bears the burden of establishing that the calculation was incorrect.

11. Hardship Request

- An outfitting operation may submit a written hardship request to maintain all or a portion of previous outfitted hunter tag use history when the outfitting operation shows good cause that its use of allocated designated tags was impacted by circumstances beyond the outfitting operation's control. The request must be submitted on or before a deadline set by the Board. The outfitting operation must provide information or documentation as requested by the Board to substantiate the request.

08. Stipulation By Outfitters

- Outfitting operations in a hunt may submit to the Board a written stipulation determining the number of allocated tags designated to each outfitting operation in that hunt. The stipulation must be signed by all eligible outfitting operations for the hunt; however, under special circumstances, the Board may waive the requirement of approval from all other outfitting operations. If the Board approves the stipulation, the stipulation will be effective until the next designation of allocated tags for the hunt. On or before November 1 preceding the hunt, any outfitting operation may petition the Board to vacate the stipulation for good cause that would make it unconscionable or unjust to enforce the stipulation. If the Board vacates the stipulation, the allocated tags in that hunt will be designated pursuant to Section 36-2120, Idaho Code, and this rule.

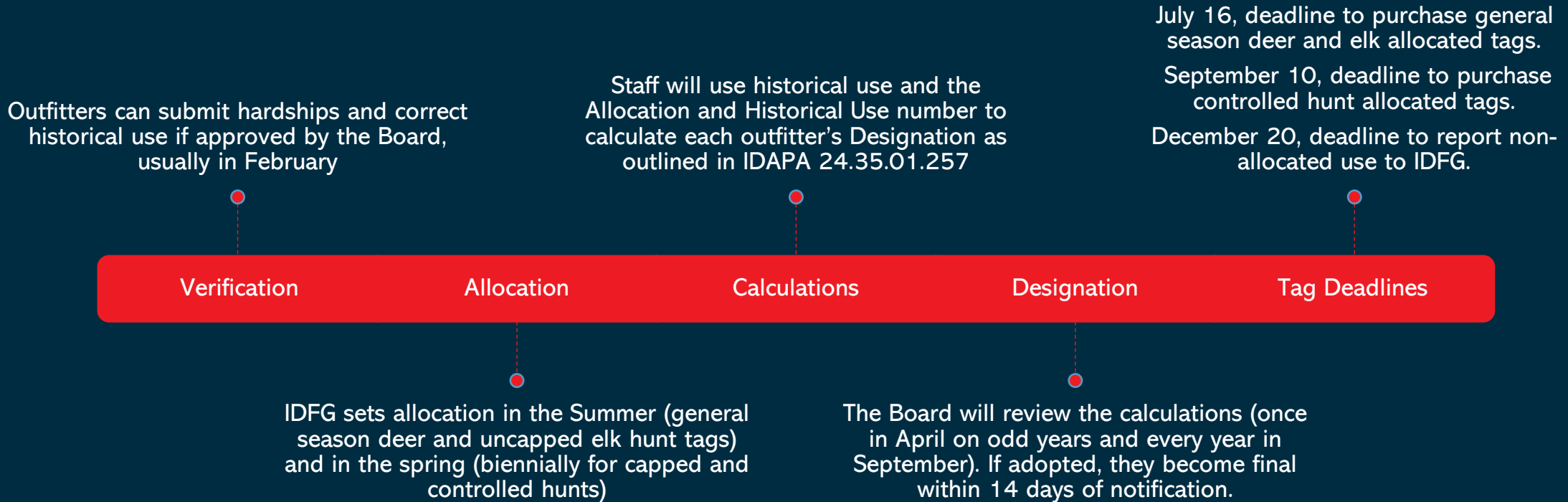
09. Undesignated Tag Pool

- Requests open April 10, staff can start designating from the pool on April 20
- July 16 deadline to use the initial designation, unused tags after this date return to the pool
- July 31 deadline to pick up tags from the pool before they go back to IDFG for sale

12. Change in Operating Area or Owner of Business

- When an outfitting operation is sold or when an operating area is adjusted through a sale and designated allocated tags are associated with the affected operating area, the associated designated allocated tags and tag use history will transfer to the new owner.

Tag Allocation & Designation Timeline



Questions?

