

# **2024 NEW HAMPSHIRE**

# MOOSE HUNT\* LOTTERY

\*as proposed



Must be postmarked, or apply online, by midnight May 31, 2024 to be eligible for the June 21 drawing or to accrue a bonus point.

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#### **LICENSE AND PERMIT FEES**

RESIDEN	IT	NONRES	NONRESIDENT			
Hunting	\$32.00	Hunting	\$113.00			
Archery	\$32.00	Archery	\$83.00			
Moose*	\$150.00	Moose*	\$500.00			

Plus \$2.50 Wildlife Habitat Fee and electronic license transaction fees. \*Regular hunting or archery license also required. Permit fee applies to permittee only.

#### **PERMITS BY LOTTERY**

New Hampshire's moose hunt is 9 days, starting the third Saturday in October (October 19-27, 2024). Anyone who obtained a moose permit in 2021, 2022, or 2023 is not eligible to apply for a permit or accrue a bonus point in 2024.

Each permittee may select a subpermittee of any age to join him or her on the moose hunt. The limit is one moose per permit, which may be shot by either hunter. Those drawing an antlerless-only permit may take one antlerless moose. Either-sex permit holders may take either an antlered or antlerless moose. Hunters may hunt only in the unit assigned to them. See pages 4 and 7 for additional information to aid in determining your unit preferences.

Moose may be taken by firearm, bow and arrow, or muzzleloading rifle.

The percentage of permits issued to nonresidents shall not exceed the percentage of hunting licenses sold to nonresidents the previous year (approximately 15 to 17 percent). The overall odds of being drawn last year were 1 in 114 for residents and 1 in 477 for nonresidents.

You are encouraged to submit your application online via our website, **huntnh.com**. Online application gives you instant confirmation that your application has been received; it reduces the likelihood that your application will be returned due to illegibility or incompleteness; and it ensures that your application is in before the application deadline.

### **BONUS POINT SYSTEM**

Starting with the 2004 lottery, the Fish and Game Department instituted a bonus point system to aid repeat unsuccessful applicants in obtaining a permit. Unsuccessful applicants accrue one point for each consecutive year that they apply for the lottery. Each point translates to a chance in the drawing; i.e., the first year you apply, you have one chance in the lottery; in the second year, you have two chances; etc. Applicants lose all accrued points if they do not apply to the lottery for one year or if they accept a moose permit.

In order for points to be tracked accurately, applicants are required to

provide either their driver's license number or state-issued non-driver ID number. Bonus points will be assigned to this number on your application. You are also **required** to indicate on the application whether your driver's license number or state-issued non-driver ID number has changed. If your name or address has changed since you last applied, supply us with the old information where indicated on the application. This will assist us in properly applying points you may already have accrued. Any applicant wishing to accrue a point only (and not lose existing points) without being considered for this year's lottery must submit a completed application which indicates this. The non-refundable \$15 resident or \$25 nonresident application fee is required for the application to be processed. **Bonus points cannot be accrued during the 3-year waiting period after accepting a moose permit.** 

The deadline to submit an application for the lottery or to accrue a bonus point is midnight Eastern daylight time on May 31, 2024.

#### **LOTTERY DRAWING**

Permittees are selected through a computer-generated random number drawing. Winners will be announced on June 21, 2024.

Each applicant selected in the lottery drawing is assigned to hunt within a unit of his/her choice, except when the permit quota for that unit has already been filled. In cases where the quota in the applicant's first choice unit has been filled, the applicant will be assigned to the next unfilled unit of his/her choice as indicated on the application. **Applicants are considered for either-sex permits first and are only considered for antlerless-only permits if no either-sex permits are available and the application indicates the applicant is willing to accept an antlerless-only permit.** 

Units should be marked in order of hunting preference. Any unit not ranked on the application form indicates that the applicant does not wish to hunt in that unit, even if it is the only unit where a permit quota has not yet been filled. Alternate candidates are selected to fill any permits not taken by the original applicants selected.

#### **NOTIFICATION**

Successful applicants are notified by mail within 10 working days of the drawing.

If you are offered a permit, a payment of \$150 for residents or \$500 for nonresidents must be received at Fish and Game headquarters in Concord no later than July 31, 2024, or postmarked no later than midnight on July 19, 2024. Failure to submit payment by the deadline will result in disqualification of the applicant, and the permit will be offered to an alternate candidate.

If you choose to decline a permit, you will **NOT** lose any accrued bonus points and you will be able to apply next year.

#### **NEW HAMPSHIRE MOOSE HUNTING UNITS**

Hunting success rates are found on page 7.

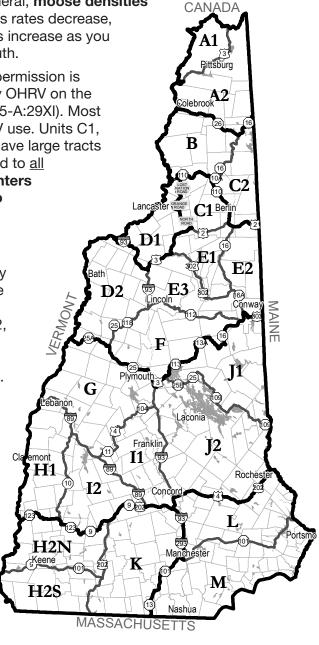
Units differ in three major ways: road access, human population density, and moose population density. All units have sufficient availability of services and lodging within easy

driving distance. In general, **moose densities decline**, hunter success rates decrease, and human populations increase as you travel from north to south.

Written landowner permission is required to operate any OHRV on the property of another (215-A:29XI). Most areas are closed to ATV use. Units C1, D2, E1, E2, E3, and F have large tracts of land which are closed to all vehicular traffic. All hunters should be prepared to remove their moose carcass from the woods on foot.

All units are primarily forested and most have mountainous terrain. Units A1, A2, B, C1, C2, D2, E1, E2, E3, and F have large tracts of uninhabited wilderness.

Check the
Fish and Game
website at
huntnh.com
for more
information on
moose hunting
and scouting.



## **2024 Moose Lottery Application**

ALL INFORMATION REQUIRED UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.

INCOMPLETE OR ILLEGIBLE APPLICATIONS SHALL BE RETURNED AND NOT CONSIDERED.

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name will not be entered in the lottery for a 2024 moose permit, but you will get a bonus point and will retain your past points.) <i>Do not rank units (below) if you check this box.</i>							
<b>HUNTING UNIT PREFERENCES:</b> There are 22 units (see map for unit locations). Rank the units by your hunting preferences: first choice = 01, second choice = 02, etc. Any unit not ranked will indicate you do not wish to hunt in that unit, even if it is the only unit left with unfilled permits.							
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Check here if you will accept an antlerless-only permit. (See page 3 for more information)

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ATTENTION: Due to moose population declines in parts of the state, some units may see reductions in permits or see permit issuance suspended. Permit allocations will not be finalized until late May 2024. For the best chance of being offered a permit, you should rank all units. You will have the option to decline a permit if drawn for a unit you prefer not to hunt.

APPLICATION FEES (non-refundable)

RESIDENT \$15.00 NONRESIDENT \$25.00

Make checks payable to:

N.H. Fish and Game Dept., Moose Application

TURN OVER AND COMPLETE BOTH SIDES

## **MOOSE LOTTERY APPLICATION RECEIPT**

To receive notification that your application has been received by the N.H. Fish and Game Department, **you must** fill out your name and address on the other side of this receipt, and return it with your completed application, application fee, and a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Winners will be announced on June 21, 2024. You will be notified **only if you are drawn**.

Results of the drawing will be posted on our website, **huntnh.com**, on lottery day.

OFFICE USE ONLY	
	Points in the 2024 lottery:

#### **MOOSE HUNT INFORMATION**

UNIT	3-YEAR AVERAGE HUNTING SUCCESS RATE*	PERMIT ISSUEI 2023
A1	83%	2
A2	83%	8
В	94%	7
C1	78%	3
C2	94%	5
D1	27%	3
D2*	25%	0
E1*	0%	0
E2*	100%	0
E3*	0%	0
F*	25%	0
G**	0%	0
H1**	0%	0
H2N**	0%	0
H2S**	0%	0
I1**	0%	0
12**	0%	0
J1**	0%	0
J2**	0%	0
K**	0%	0
L	33%	3
M	17%	2

\*No permits issued in 2023.

\*\*Permits suspended past 3 years.

Moose population density and sightings of moose by hunters generally decline as you go from north to south. Select units with which you are familiar to increase your possibility of success. Preseason scouting and hiking to optimal moose habitat will increase both the quality of your hunt and your chance for success. To learn more about success rates for your unit, visit www.wildlife.nh.gov/hunting-nh/moose-hunting-new-hampshire.

#### **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

Complete all requested information. Send your completed application, along with a \$15 resident or \$25 nonresident fee to: NH Fish and Game Dept., Moose Application, 11 Hazen Dr., Concord, NH 03301. **The application fee is not refundable.** Possession of a hunting license is not required to apply. To receive notification that your application has been received, you must stamp, address, and include the attached Moose Lottery Application Receipt along with your application.

Any application which is not filled out in a complete, accurate and legible manner, including driver's license or non-driver ID number as explained on page 3, will be returned and not considered for the drawing. Corrected applications may be resubmitted before the deadline. If your check is returned by the bank, you will be charged a returned check fee.

Applications submitted by mail must be postmarked no later than midnight, May 31, 2024, to be eligible for the June 21 drawing or to accrue a point. They may be delivered in person to Concord headquarters no later than 4:00 p.m. on May 31, 2024. You may also apply online at: huntnh.com prior to midnight Eastern Time on May 31, 2024.

Only one application per person will be considered for the lottery. Duplicate applications will not be refunded. Any person filing incorrect residency information will be disqualified. A driver's license or non-driver's I.D. is required. Applicants must be 16 years of age by the application deadline.

Any eligible applicant who will be unable to participate in the hunt for 2024 may accrue a point without being considered for the lottery by submitting a completed application with a \$15 resident or \$25 nonresident fee **prior to the deadline** and checking the appropriate box on the application.

#### **NEW HAMPSHIRE RESIDENCY**

To apply for a moose permit as a New Hampshire resident, you **MUST** possess a valid N.H. Driver's License or non-driver's identification card issued by the N.H. Dept. of Safety, Div. of Motor Vehicles by the application deadline.

Residents are persons who reside in New Hampshire and do not claim residence in any other state for any purpose.