FIRST TIME YOUTH FAQ

1. Is there anything a youth hunter needs to do other than send in the Youth “First Time” Hunt application form?

The youth must apply for a controlled hunt application by the Controlled Hunt deadline of May 15 AND BE UNSUCCESSFUL. The youth must also never been successful in previous years for the hunt series they are applying for, this includes sixth choice LOP and all hunt choices 1-5.

2. If the youth purchases a general season tag do they lose their eligibility?

No, a youth can purchase a general season big game tag one year and follow the instruction in question one to apply for the first time youth in another year. They cannot do both in the same year.

3. If the youth turns 18 before the hunt actually starts would he/she be eligible?

No, youths may not hunt with “First Time” tags once they turn age 18, see page 86 of the big game regulations.

4. Does the 1st Time Youth Hunt application have to reflect the same hunt choice as the application applied for in May?

No, any qualifying hunt of the same hunt series that meets all the requirements will be accepted.

5. Do you have to apply for youth hunts only?

No, you can apply for any hunt that meets all the requirements.

6. Is there an application deadline.

Yes, May 15th for the controlled hunt application and a Youth “First Time” Hunt application must be submitted between July 1 – September 1 (or before the hunt begins for hunts opening before Sept. 1)

7. Do I lose my preference points if awarded a First Time Youth Hunt?

No, preference points will not be lost if participating in the “First Time” program.

8. What species can a youth apply for?

Each hunt must meet a minimum tag allocation to be available to “First Time” hunters, in the following hunt series: Buck Deer (100 series) minimum tag level of at least 201 tags, Elk (200 series) – antlerless only bag limit, minimum tag level of at least 51 tags, Antlerless deer (600 Series) minimum tag level of at least 51 tags.

9. Can a youth submit a Youth “First Time” Hunt application if they applied for a point savor?

No, youth that has applied for Point Savors in the same hunt series for the same year are NOT eligible for a guaranteed “First Time” tag.