

Zumwalt Prairie Preserve Hunting Rules - Seasons 258A4, 5, 6 & 7

Hunting is an important part of The Nature Conservancy's management of the Zumwalt Prairie Preserve. The hunting program is designed to benefit habitats as well as provide for exceptional hunting experiences. However, hunting on this private land is a privilege and **your permission may be withdrawn at any time. Violators of Nature Conservancy policies will immediately lose access privileges. Violators of state laws will face prosecution.**

- All hunters must have been **granted permission by the Nature Conservancy** to hunt on the Zumwalt Prairie Preserve through the online lottery.
- All hunters *must apply* for permission through the online lottery. In 2020, late additions/walk-ins will not be accepted. Apply at nature.org/zumwalthunt. Application period will be open from June 1 – July 31.
- Due to changing elk numbers, habits and distribution, TNC will be allowing **60** hunters per season for hunts 258A4 – 7.
- Hunters must **check-in at the Nature Conservancy Office in Enterprise** prior to hunting. The check station will be open daily **6am to 10 am** (Mon – Thur, Sat and Sun). **New for 2020, on Fridays the check-in tent will be open from 6 am – 10 am and AGAIN from 3 pm – 5 pm.** The first day the check in tent will be open is November 16th. You may check-in 2 days prior to your hunt season.
- **Discharge of a firearm is not allowed within 100 yards of a public road on the prairie or within 50 yards of a public road in the canyons.** For safety reasons, we require hunters to move away from public roads before firing.
- There is **no motorized access off public roads.**
- **Antlerless elk are the only animals to be harvested.** Shooting at any other animal or object is not allowed.
- **Hunt in a sportsmanlike manner.** Any wasteful or otherwise disrespectful activity towards elk or other hunters will result in loss of access.
- **Do not trespass on our neighbors.** Look for property boundary signs and metal flashing on fences indicating change in ownership.
- **Carry licenses and tags** while in the field and produce these documents if requested.
- **Do not enter the “Closed Areas”** as indicated on the maps provided. You may pack harvested elk out to the public road through the closed area in Camp Creek, but you are not allowed to travel from the public road to the north through the closed area in Camp Creek. See hunt map for “Closed Area” boundary and to determine access points.
- **Access to the preserve is by foot or horse/mule** with prior Conservancy approval (stock must be fed certified weed-free hay or pellets for at least 4 days prior to entry, and hunters must contact Conservancy staff at least one week prior to their hunt to obtain permission to use their animals).
- **Be sure of your target and beyond.** Cattle may be present throughout hunting seasons.
- **Do not remove anything** from the preserve other than the game you are hunting (this includes shed antlers and skulls).

- There is **no smoking or open flame** of any kind on the preserve.
- There is **no camping** on the preserve.
- Leave gates open or closed as you find them.
- Hunters may bring up to two guests onto the property to assist with their hunt. Only permitted hunters may carry a firearm.