

ALBERTA MINISTER'S SPECIAL LICENCE (MSL) – PRONGHORN ANTELOPE

When most hunters think about trophy antelope, Alberta rarely comes to mind. That makes the province the best kept secret in the antelope hunting world! Alberta represents the extreme northern range of this iconic North American species and thus the body size and trophy quality of the mature bucks tend to compare favorably to specimens found elsewhere.

The provincial record of 90" was taken in 2013 and several other entries that exceed the 82" Boone and Crockett minimum have been taken in over the years. Recent successive mild winters have currently resulted in a steady increase in the population and relatively low harvest levels have ensured that there are a good number of mature bucks 6-9 years of age, the optimum ages for trophy quality, on the landscape.

Mature bucks start to gather does in mid July, and by late August are jealously defending their home territories against other bucks intent on supplanting them for their breeding rights. Whether you're a rifle hunter or an archer looking for some fast action decoying, the antelope rut in Alberta is the time to harvest your dream buck of a lifetime!!

Disclaimer: The purchaser of this licence will be authorized to hunt one (1) pronghorn antelope anytime between September 1, 2023, and August 31, 2024. This license is valid in Alberta, in any Wildlife Management Unit where a pronghorn antelope hunting season is identified in the 2023 Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations. This licence does not authorize hunting in any location where hunting is prohibited as outlined in the Wildlife Regulation and the Alberta Guide to Hunting Regulations. This licence does not authorize hunting on Sunday in Wildlife Management Units where the Sunday hunting of big game is prohibited.

Funds derived from the sale of this licence will be used to supporting Alberta's understanding of its wildlife resources, building up foundational management data through various wildlife inventory efforts.

LICENCE CONDITIONS

The licence cannot be resold or transferred. The buyer can be an Alberta resident, a non-resident, or non-resident alien. If the licence holder is a non-resident or non-resident alien, they will be required to hire a licensed Alberta outfitter and be accompanied by a designated guide. To find an outfitter, the purchaser should visit the APOS website at apos.ab.ca. The cost for hiring the outfitter is not included in the sale price of the licence.

NOTE

A 10% buyer's premium will be added to the final bid price of this special Licence, which will be dedicated to the Western Hunting and Conservation Expo. If the winner of this item refuses to pay the premiums required, the licence shall be offered to the next highest bidder for the price they bid.