



2009 BOBCAT HARVEST DRAW



Bobcats are at the northern extent of their range in New Brunswick, and the harvest of this species is regulated through a quota system. Residents who want the opportunity to hunt, trap or snare bobcats must enter the Bobcat Harvest Draw. Validation stickers and lock-seal tags will be allocated by Wildlife Management Zone (WMZ) through the random, computerized draw system. **Only legally tagged bobcat can be possessed or sold.**

APPLICATION TO THE DRAW

In order to enter the bobcat draw, fur harvesters must first purchase a 2009-10 Fur Harvester's Licence or a 2009-10 Minor Fur Harvester's Licence. Please see the back of this sheet and the "2009 Hunt & Trap" booklet for information on purchasing either of these licenses.

Application cards are available at DNR and Service New Brunswick offices. Applicants are required to provide their name, mailing address, date of birth, trapper identification number (the permanent identification number assigned to each fur harvester) and the WMZ(s) in which they would like to harvest bobcats.

Applicants may select up to two zones indicating their first and second choices in the draw. Selecting the same WMZ for both choices does not increase the chances of receiving tags in that particular zone. Please ensure that the zone indicated as your first choice is the zone in which you would most prefer to receive tags.

NOTE: The table on the back of this sheet indicates the number of tags available in the WMZ's that are open for harvesting bobcats in 2009. **No tags are available in zones 1 through 6, 9, 26 and 27.** Booklets outlining the boundaries of all 27 WMZ's are available wherever fur harvesting and hunting licences are sold.

Completed and signed applications must be **received** at the address indicated on the card by **5:00 p.m., Friday, September 25, 2009.** Only applications that are complete and signed will be entered into the draw.

HOW THE DRAW WORKS

All correctly completed applications received by the application deadline will be entered into the computerized draw to be held at the Fish and Wildlife Branch in late October. Each WMZ has its own separate draw. Applicants' first choices will be selected at random and successful applicants will receive one (1) tag. Once all first choices have been reviewed, unsuccessful applicants may be eligible to receive tags based on their second choice of WMZ if any tags are still available in that zone. The draw system will then randomly select applications based on second choices and allocate 1 tag to each application that is drawn. Remaining tags will be allocated by repeating random draws based on first choice and second choice until all tags have been allocated in each WMZ.

SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS

Each successful applicant will be forwarded a validation sticker and bobcat harvest tag(s) in the mail. The tag(s) will identify the WMZ and year and will be individually numbered. The tag numbers will be listed on the validation sticker, which must be affixed to the back of his/her licence. **Only persons with validation stickers on their licences and corresponding tags may legally harvest bobcat.**

TRAPPER AND HUNTER EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

- All trappers born on or after January 1, 1981 and all first-time trappers acquiring a Fur Harvester's Licence must first complete a Firearm Safety / Hunter Education course and Trapper Education course.
- Individuals acquiring a Minor Fur Harvester's Licence do not require a Trapper Education Course. Minor fur harvesters are not permitted to carry a firearm unless they are 14 or 15 years of age, have passed the Firearm Safety / Hunter Education course, and are accompanied by a person 19 years of age or older.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information on the draw and fur harvesting seasons, please check the 2009 Hunt & Trap booklet or contact your local DNR District office. You may also visit us on-line at www.gnb.ca keyword Natural Resources.

Bobcat Harvest Summary and Tag Quota

WMZ	2008-09 Tag Quota	2008-09 Harvest	2009-10 Tag Quota	WMZ	2008-09 Tag Quota	2008-09 Harvest	2009-10 Tag Quota
1	0	0	0	15	155	48	150
2	0	0	0	16	255	95	235
3	0	0	0	17	92	36	80
4	0	0	0	18	78	52	54
5	0	0	0	19	50	48	28
6	0	0	0	20	307	151	248
7	10	2	8	21	145	43	139
8	10	4	8	22	157	73	127
9	0	0	0	23	157	63	130
10	61	17	62	24	119	62	90
11	72	24	69	25	88	66	54
12	97	23	95	26	0	0	0
13	70	31	51	27	0	0	0
14	57	23	42				

Wildlife Management Zones

