

Navajo Nation
Department of Fish and Wildlife
2026-2027 Mountain Lion Proclamation

Hunt Code	Season	Open Units	Number of Permits	Cost Navajo/Navajo Spouse	Cost non-Navajo	Navajo Vets/Senior Citizens
MTL-1	Oct. 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027	1-16	Unlimited	\$26.00	\$250.00	\$13.00

Legal Method of Take: Any legal weapon for big game as defined in the Navajo Nation Hunting and Trapping Regulations. Spotted kittens and females with spotted kittens may not be taken.

The Department will be mountain lion applications via email, mail or at the main Fish and Wildlife Office. Fillable applications and Credit Card Authorization Forms are available on the Department web site, nndfw.org. Email applications and Credit Card Authorization Forms to hunt@nndfw.org. Incomplete applications or Credit Card Authorization Forms that are not signed will be rejected. A declined credit card payment will also result in an application being rejected.

Non-Navajo hunters using illegal guides or hounds-men who make a kill and subsequently remove the carcass from the Navajo Nation are in violation of both Navajo Nation and federal wildlife laws and will have their hunting privileges revoked. Non-Navajos accompanying big game hunters will be issued a citation for illegal guiding under this provision.

Non-Navajos lion hunters may only be accompanied by immediate family. Immediate family is defined as spouse, mother, father, son, daughter, brother, sister, grandfather, grandmother. Aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, are not considered immediate family. It is illegal to accompany a non-Navajo hunter in the field while hunting or scouting if that person is not an immediate family member.

It is a violation for any non-Navajo to guide or use their hounds to hunt game for any hunter unless they are immediate family.

Hunt Reporting: Survey Cards are no longer provided to hunters. Hunters are now required to complete the hunt survey on-line on the Department website, www.nndfw.org. When a hunt report is filled out correctly and completely, the hunter will receive an email receipt proving that the hunt report was completed. If the hunter does not receive a receipt, they should try again to complete the hunt report. If a hunter requires assistance to complete the hunt report, they can call the front office at Fish and Wildlife for assistance or come to the office for assistance. Failure to do so will result in the hunter being ineligible the following big game season.

Mountain Lion Permits sales will end on December 31, 2026. The Department will not accept post-dated mailed applications after December 31, 2026. Emailed applications will not be accepted after close of business (5:00 P.M. MST) on December 31, 2026.