



# Algonquins of Ontario

2020/2021 - HARVEST UPDATE

## **BONNECHERE ALGONQUIN FIRST NATION**

**PLEASE NOTE: DATES AND CRITERIA MAY CHANGE DUE TO CONTINUED ONGOING NEGOTIATIONS. ANY CORRECTIONS MADE WILL BE SENT OUT WITH THE TAGS.**

### **MOOSE HARVEST**

The Algonquins of Ontario (AOO) as represented by the Algonquin Negotiation Representatives (ANRs) continue to work closely with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) to implement this year's harvest plan.

In keeping with last year, the 2020/2021 Moose Harvest will involve a draw system for both inside and outside Algonquin Park and the harvesting requirements will remain the same. **Due to COVID-19 Pandemic the Draw however will be conducted by Zoom. Please monitor our website for details.**

### **DEER HARVEST**

We request that you continue to report all deer harvest by WMU, so that the ANRs will have a better handle on what to do for future harvests to ensure sustainability. Limit is one deer per household. Remember, we need to look out for future generations. It's very important the harvester report the deer harvest in order to accomplish this.

### **ELK HARVEST**

The Algonquins of Ontario (AOO) are entering our ninth year of our trial Adult Elk Harvest from September 1, 2020 to December 21, 2020. In 2017-2018, the AOO harvested 9 Elk, specifically 8 cows and 1 bull. Based on the results from the 2017 aerial elk survey the population is stable however it is estimated to be below the current population objective. The calf and mature bull proportion of the population has been noted as a cause for concern. Allocations of tags recognize the need optimize proportions of bulls, cows and calves. Allocations for elk will remain the same for the 2020 season.

**Harvesters are to continue to report their harvest by WMU and Elk Harvest Area. In addition, harvesters are to report the bull elk antler class.** The antler class is determined by the number of points per side (e.g. 2x2, 3x3, 4x5 etc.) This information will assist the AOO in determining how many bulls are harvested each season.

As the last couple years, individuals are eligible to apply for both Elk Tags and Moose Tags. Individuals will also be allowed to hold both an Elk Tag and a Moose Tag.

There is no Elk Calf Harvest and there are no Bow Tags for Elk.

It is **mandatory to report your harvest, to harvest monitors/ANRs** even if it has been reported to the MNRF.

## **AVOID HARVESTING**

### **Mature Bull Elk**

The AOO are encouraging harvesters to avoid harvesting mature bull elk. As noted above, the ratio of mature bull elk to cow elk is a cause for concern. In order to protect the population and move towards maximum productivity, the mature bull elk require some assistance. It is recommended that **Algonquin harvesters avoid harvesting bull elk with an antler class greater than 3x3**. A 3x3 bull elk is described as having 3 points (tines) on both antlers (see image below). A bull elk with at least one side with 4 or more points should be avoided.



The image above depicts the antlers of a 3x3 bull elk.

### **Collared Elk**

Algonquin Harvesters should avoid harvesting elk that have been collared. These collared animals are an important component of ongoing elk research and monitoring programs. No replacement tags will be issued in these circumstances.

If you harvest an animal wearing an ear-tag or collar, this animal was chemically immobilized in the past using veterinary drugs. Health Canada has established recommended guidelines for consumption. Please contact the AOO Consultation Office at 613-735-3759 to report your harvest. The AOO will follow up with MNRF to obtain information on the length of time when the animal was chemically immobilized and advise the harvester accordingly.

## **HARVEST REQUIREMENTS**

### **Moose Harvest inside Algonquin Park**

- A minimum of six names to an Adult Tag and one name to a Calf Tag. The calf target and the number of Calf Tags available will be limited as in past years.
- Individual harvesters may request a Calf Tag from their ANR **if** they are not successful in the adult draw **by indicating an (X) on the application for the person(s) wanting a Calf Tag.**

### **Moose Harvest outside Algonquin Park**

- A minimum of six names to an Adult Tag and one name to a Calf Tag. The calf target and number of Calf Tags available will be limited, particularly in WMUs 48, 55A, 55B and 57, to continue to manage these herds sustainability.

- There will be a special Bow Harvest in some of the WMUs outside of Algonquin Park. This will require two names to an Adult Tag and one name to a Calf Tag.
- Individual harvesters may request a Calf Tag from their ANR **if** their group is not successful in the adult draw by **indicating an (X) on the app for the person(s) wanting a Calf Tag.**

### **Moose Harvest Dates inside Algonquin Park (Rifle)**

Cow Moose: October 13, 2020 – December 19, 2020  
 Bull Moose: October 13, 2020 – January 15, 2021  
 Calf Moose: October 13, 2020 – January 15, 2021 (or earlier if the target has been achieved)  
 Deer: October 13, 2020 – January 15, 2021

### **Moose Harvest Dates outside Algonquin Park (Rifle)**

Cow Moose: October 13, 2020 – December 19, 2020  
 Bull Moose: October 13, 2020 – January 15, 2021  
 Calf Moose: October 13, 2020 – January 15, 2021

**Note: WMU 41 begins on Sunday, October 6, 2020 for Cow, Bull and Calf Moose**

### **Moose Harvest Dates outside Algonquin Park (Bow Harvest)**

There will be a special Bow Harvest in some of the WMUs outside of Algonquin Park. Two names to an adult tag and one name to a calf tag. The Bow Harvest begins September 15, 2020 and ends on January 15, 2020.

Bull Moose: September 15, 2020 - January 15, 2021  
 Calf Moose: September 15, 2020 - January 15, 2021 (or earlier if the target has been achieved)  
 Cow Moose: September 15, 2020 - December 21, 2020

### **Deer Harvest Dates outside Algonquin Park (Rifle)**

Deer: September 1, 2020 – January 15, 2021 Ensure to report deer harvests.  
 WMU 41: September 1, 2020 to December 19, 2020 **(Please note, season has been reduced for deer harvest in WMU 41)**

### **Elk Harvest Dates outside Algonquin Park (Adult Elk Only, Rifle Only)**

Elk: September 1, 2020 – December 19, 2020 (Cow or Bull) **(Please note, season has been reduced for the elk harvest)**

**Note:** *Remember that the boundary for WMU 41 starts at the westernmost point of Trout Lake using Trout Lake North which becomes Hwy 63. The Boundary is then Hwy 63 (harvest southeast) through to the Quebec border bridge over the Ottawa River.*

### **Reporting and Enforcement:**

It is mandatory that you report your harvest to AOO harvest monitors and/or ANRs within 24 hours after your harvest. Reporting is essential to the conservation of moose within Algonquin territory. Please respect MNRF enforcement and other authorities encountered while harvesting.

# **Application Instructions for Moose and Elk Harvest**

1. This year again, groups of (6) are eligible to apply for both Elk Tags and Moose Tags and will be allowed to hold both tags.
2. **WMU Option 1** is the applicant's first choice for an area to harvest Moose. **WMU Option 2** is the applicant's second choice for an area to harvest Moose.
3. WMU Option 2 will only be used if no one applies for a certain WMU as their first choice. In past years, several of the WMU Option 1's were filled, so it is important to include a second option. See the attached Algonquin Harvest Map A (page 6) for Moose Harvest WMU selections.
4. For Elk Harvest there are no WMU selections (see map for Elk Harvest Areas on our website).
5. All applicants must be 16 years of age or older to apply for any draw, the **contact person must be 18 years of age or older**. Those who are successful this year will not be able to apply in next year's Adult Moose Tag draw.
6. If you received an Adult Moose Tag last year, you are not eligible for this year's moose draw but can still apply for an Elk Tag. Last year's Elk Tag holders can apply for an Adult Moose Tag. **To avoid disqualification, please ensure that no one on your application who received an Adult Tag last year is applying for the same category again this year.**
7. Tags will be drawn by alternating Bull, then Cow for both inside and outside Algonquin Park.
8. **Calf Tags provided by application only**. Unsuccessful Adult Moose Tag applicants will be eligible for a Moose Calf Tag. Place a **mark beside the name(s)** on the application wishing a calf tag. Calf Tags will be mailed to the contact person on the application except for single applicants.
9. Only those who apply and return this application (**with the current addresses including postal codes for each of the six applicants listed**) by the due date will be allowed to participate in this year's community Adult Tag Draw.
10. The Moose Harvest and Elk Harvest Draw will take place on **Saturday July 25, 2020 at 10 am by Zoom if unable to meet at the Pembroke Legion due to the COVID-19 restrictions**.
11. Applications should be mailed, faxed or e-mailed to:

**Bonnechere Algonquin First Nation**  
**57 Bonnechere St S**  
**Renfrew, ON K7V 1Z2**  
**T: 613-433-9085**  
**F: 613-432-5893**  
**E: [inspirit@nrtco.net](mailto:inspirit@nrtco.net)**

**APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED**  
**NO LATER THAN 5:00 PM Monday, June 22, 2020**

Go to [www.bafn.ca](http://www.bafn.ca) for Appendixes

**Map A1** – Algonquin Park Harvest Areas

**Map B** – Algonquin Elk Harvest Areas

# Moose Draw Application 2020 – 2021

Please see page 4 for instructions.

(Rifle) Minimum 6 Applicants per Adult Tag and 1 Applicant per Calf Tag

(Bow) Minimum 2 Applicants per Adult Tag and 1 Applicant per Calf Tag

(Check off names below wanting a calf tag if unsuccessful in draw or complete for calf tag only)

Contact 1) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Community: \_\_\_\_\_ ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

2) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Community: \_\_\_\_\_ ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

3) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Community: \_\_\_\_\_ ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

4) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Community: \_\_\_\_\_ ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

5) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Community: \_\_\_\_\_ ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

6) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Community: \_\_\_\_\_ ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

WMUs 48, 51 (Algonquin Park), 55A, 55B, 57, 58, 59, 61, 62, 63 (A&B), 65 (Rifle areas)

WMUs 41, 48, 55A, 55B, 57, 58, 59, 61, 62, 63 (A&B), 64 (A&B), 65 (Bow only areas)

Note: Only portions of WMU's as reflected on the WMU map (back of this page)

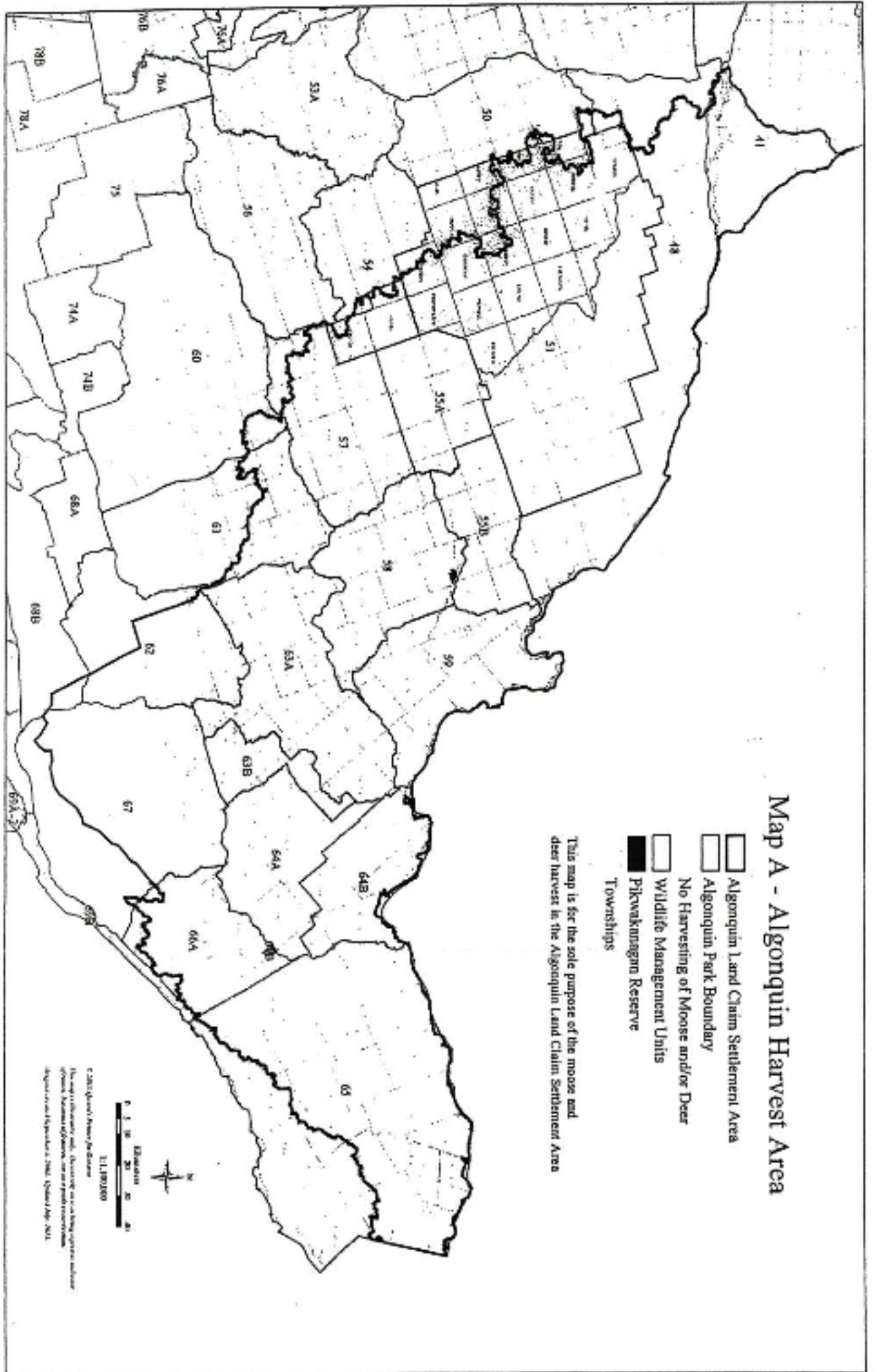
RIFLE – MOOSE \_\_\_\_ **OR** BOW – MOOSE \_\_\_\_ (Please check one only)

(Adult Moose Only) - WMU Option 1: \_\_\_\_\_ WMU Option 2: \_\_\_\_\_

# Map A - Algonquin Harvest Area

- Algonquin Land Claim Settlement Area
- Algonquin Park Boundary
- No Harvesting of Moose and/or Deer
- Wildlife Management Units
- Pikvakanagan Reserve
- Townships

This map is for the sole purpose of the moose and deer harvest in the Algonquin Land Claim Settlement Area



# Elk Draw Application 2020 – 2021

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(Rifle) Minimum 6 Applicants per Adult Tag

Contact 1) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Community: \_\_\_\_\_ ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

2) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Community: \_\_\_\_\_ ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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