

# Hunting and Trapping

## Emergency Order

Alaska Department  
of Fish and Game

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

**Emergency Order No.** 04-10-22

**Issued at:** Dillingham, Alaska  
November 18, 2022

**Effective Date:** 12:00 a.m.  
December 1, 2022

**Expiration Date:** June 30, 2022  
unless superseded by  
subsequent emergency order

### EXPLANATION:

This emergency order opens the State of Alaska winter antlered-bull moose hunting season in Game Management Unit 17B only under registration permit (RM585). There will be no winter season in Unit 17C this December. The hunting season will open at 12:00 am on December 1, 2022. This season will close on December 20, 2022 at 11:59 pm. . To participate, hunters must possess a valid 2022 Alaska state hunting license and the state registration permit (RM585) available in person at the Dillingham Fish & Game office, and Nushagak River villages. Hunters will be allowed to shoot one antlered bull if they have registration permit RM585 in their possession.

This emergency order does not affect any other moose hunting regulations in Unit 17.

### REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.045(15), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Moose**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

<b>Units and Bag Limits</b>	<b>Resident Open Season (Subsistence General Hunts)</b>	<b>Nonresident Open Season</b>
(15)		
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Unit 17(B), that portion in the Unit 17(B) nonresident closed area		

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull by registration permit only; however, during the period Sept. 1 – Sept. 15, spike-fork bulls and bulls with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 3 or more brow tines on one side may be taken with a harvest ticket; or

Aug. 20 – Sept. 15  
[Dec. 1 – Dec. 31]

1 antlered bull by registration permit only

**Dec. 1 – Dec. 20**

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Remainder of Unit 17(B)

1 bull by registration permit only; however, during the period Sept. 1 – Sept. 15, spike-fork bulls and bulls with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 3 or more brow tines on one side may be taken with a harvest ticket; or

Aug. 20 – Sept. 15  
[Dec. 1 – Dec. 31]

1 antlered bull moose by registration permit only;

**Dec. 1 – Dec. 20**

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Unit 17 (C)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

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1 antlered bull moose by registration permit only

**No open season.**  
[Dec. 1 – Dec. 31]

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All other moose regulations remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

Doug Vincent-Lang  
Commissioner

By delegation to:




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 John H. Landsiedel  
 Dillingham Area Wildlife Biologist
**JUSTIFICATION:**

The *may be announced* winter registration moose hunt RM585 in Game Management Unit 17B will open on December 1, 2022. The Unit 17C portion of RM585 will not open this December due to continued conservation concerns. Moose populations in Units 17C are currently under population objectives with low bull-to-cow and calf-to-cow ratios. Information on moose calf survival obtained through on-going department research in Unit 17C continues to document good calf productivity but relatively low calf survival through the first year of life.

Registration moose hunt RM585 was designed to supplement fall moose hunting opportunity by providing a limited number of bull moose permits in years when the population allows. Resident fall moose hunters in Units 17B were successful during the fall under the general season and RM583 reporting 65 bulls harvested. The additional opportunity of a 20-day winter season in 17B is warranted given the limited number of available bull moose to remain within harvest limits.

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