Hunter Education COVID-19 Update

To ensure the safety of our students, volunteers and staff, many Hunter Education classroom courses, field days and bonus point field tests have been postponed. A limited number of small field days and bonus point field tests that adhere to CDC guidelines may be held, based on volunteer instructor availability. Should classes become available, they will be posted to the Department’s Hunter Education page at www.azgfd.com/Education/Hunting and further information will be provided to previously registered students.

As a reminder, Hunter Education is not required for anyone 14 years of age or older to hunt in Arizona. If you have a Hunter Education certification from another state, your certification meets Arizona Hunter Education requirements.

I am a youth hunter (10 through 13 years old) and need to complete Hunter Education before my upcoming hunt. What should I do?

The Department’s goal is to ensure that every youth that has a big game tag for the upcoming season will have the opportunity to participate in that hunt.

To ensure youth, ages 10 through 13 years old who have big game tags for the upcoming season are able to participate in that hunt, AZGFD will allow them to defer completion of the required, in-person field portion of Hunter Education for up to one year from the online certification date. Once the student successfully completes the field day, he or she will be issued a Hunter Education card and receive an Arizona Bonus Point.

To be eligible for the deferment, they must meet the following criteria:

1. The youth hunter is 10 through 13 years old and has completed the AZGFD online Hunter Education course.
2. The youth hunter has a 2020 big game hunt tag.
3. The youth hunter will be accompanied by a licensed adult on the hunt.
4. The youth hunter must carry a copy of his or her online certification (AZ Field Day Qualification Exam Certificate) during the hunt.

For any youth ages 10 through 13 that are currently registered for a classroom course that was postponed that need to complete Hunter Education for an upcoming hunt, please contact the
Department by email at azhuntereducation@azgfd.gov and provide the following information:

1. Full name
2. Email address
3. Tag number

We will provide you with a link to complete the online course along with further details on how you can legally participate in your upcoming hunt.

**I have an upcoming out-of-state hunt and need to complete Hunter Education, what are my options?**

Please email azhuntereducation@azgfd.gov and provide the following information:

1. Full name
2. Date of birth
3. Start date for the hunt
4. State where the hunt is located

We will provide you with further information on options that will allow you to participate in your out-of-state upcoming hunt.

**I am seeking an Arizona Bonus Point and was registered for a field day or Bonus Point Field test, what are my options?**

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**I want to take Hunter Education but I don’t see any classes available on the website, when will they become available?**

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**I took the online course and wasn’t able to register for a field day, will my online certification expire?**

For students that completed the online Hunter Education course and their online certificate (AZ Field Day Qualification Exam Certificate) is going to expire, the Department will extend the expiration of the certificate to be valid for one year from the date of completion, which should allow time to complete a field day. Please ensure that you review all Hunter Education content prior to the field day or bonus point field test.