



# Moose Hunting Checklist

## Build your moose hunting team

- Consider your zone, time of year, logistics, transportation, and accommodations.
- If you need to hire a guide or outfitter, prepare your questions and start researching options.

## Prepare a moose hunting plan

- Download the most recent hunting law book at [mefishwildlife.com](http://mefishwildlife.com).
- Research access options with Google Earth, onX app, Maine Atlas + Gazetteer, MDIFW website.
- Research hunting methods: waterways, walk and stalk, by blind, by stand.
- Know what you'll do if you harvest a moose.
- Contact a meat cutter nearest your zone and know the most direct route.

## Gear up

- Pack field butchering, packing, and transport supplies.
- Pack maps and spare vehicle parts.
- Be comfortable, safe, and proficient with your firearm and your sub-permittee's firearm.
- Research call types, when to use them, and when to hold off; then practice.

## Scout your zone

- Look for areas moose frequent in search of food, water, and bedding.
- Know your access points and when you need landowner permission.
- Research moose behavior, food sources.

## Know how to place a shot + what comes next

- Know where to aim on the moose and avoid a double kill.
- Approach animal from back side and be sure it's dead.
- Rotate legs and tag moose with transportation tag.
- Moose can weigh nearly 1,000 pounds: research field dressing, butchering, and freezing techniques for the best quality moose meat with little waste.