

## **ADOPTED Mexico Hunt Donation Policy**

## **Purpose**

The purpose of this policy is to establish an equitable system for Mexico landowner auction tag splits that provides important funding for landowner programs in Mexico while supporting the Wild Sheep Foundation (WSF) Mission & Purpose.

## **Background**

WSF recognizes the vital role of private landowners in the conservation and management of wild sheep in Mexico and understands the financial investment required. Likewise, WSF funds our Mission and Purpose of "Putting and Keeping Wild Sheep on the Mountain®" primarily through the generosity of our donors, exhibitors and members. WSF strives to generate maximum values for auction tags with a goal of benefitting landowners and helping achieve the WSF mission. Fully-donated items generate the most revenue for WSF, and are strongly encouraged.

The guidelines that follow were developed and unanimously approved by the WSF "Mexico Council for the Conservation and Sustainability of Desert Bighorn Sheep" (Mexico Council). Supply and demand, marketing, and auction event timing influence auction tag values, and thus, form the basis for these guidelines. A total of 10-15 Mexico and U.S. desert bighorn sheep auction tags are sold annually at the WSF Convention.

## Guidelines

- <u>6-7</u> Cap of total number of Mexico auction tags sold annually during the WSF Convention (based on 2019 WSF Convention numbers/cap will be re-evaluated annually)
- No more than 1 auction tag per Mexico landowner will be sold at the annual WSF Convention
- No more than 2 auction tags per Mexico state will be sold at the annual WSF Convention
- New landowners will be recruited when total Mexico desert bighorn sheep auction tag numbers fall below the designated cap and/or below < 1 auction tag per Mexico state
- Auction tag splits:

Split to Donor	Split to WSF	WSF Auction Event Timing
0-50%	50-100%	Saturday Evening
60%	40%	Friday Evening
70%	30%	Wednesday or Thursday Evening

<sup>\*</sup> All landowner tags (revenue/benefits returned to landowner) are considered as donations rather than jurisdictional permits (revenue returned to state government to operate wildlife management programs).

• Raffle tag donations do not impact auction tag values and thus are strongly encouraged