

The Exception To The Rule

Though in most cases we don't think Light Magnum and High Energy ammunitions are good buys, there is one exception where they might play a role in the coming big-game hunting seasons. If you're a deer hunter who was going to hunt elk this fall, but you don't want to move up to a .300 Winchester Magnum, they should be given consideration. In particular, either of the High Energy .30-06 loads shooting the Trophy Bonded Bear Claw or Nosler Partition bullets will give you a tiny edge over factory fodder in kinetic-energy transfer and penetration. But with tough game animals like elk, there is no such thing as too much power.

Of course, the rounds must shoot accurately in your rifle, or the extra pop is useless.