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Game Regulations, 1949-50.

Section I.

The prohibitions declared by section 18 of the "Game Act," being chapter 135 of the "Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1948," as to the hunting, trapping, taking, wounding, and killing of game, are, subject to the provisions of sections 2 to 9, inclusive, of these regulations, hereby removed to the extent and within the period and limits and subject to the provisions hereinafter set out respectively, as follows:—

For the purpose of defining the open seasons for big game, game birds, and the trapping of fur-bearing animals, the Province shall be divided into two districts, to be known as the Western and Eastern Districts.

"WESTERN DISTRICT" shall mean and include all that portion of the Province situate and lying to the west of the summit of the Cascade Mountains and south of the Electoral District of Atlin, except that portion of the Electoral District of Skeena covered by the watershed of the Lakelse and Zymagotitz Rivers.

"EASTERN DISTRICT" shall mean and include all the remainder of the Province.

Provided, for the purpose of the open seasons on migratory game birds, that portion of the Electoral District of Lillooet situate and lying to the east of a line drawn north and south (astronomic) of Alta Lake Railway-station on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway and that portion of the Skeena River and its watershed situate and lying within the boundaries of the Electoral District of Skeena east of a line drawn north and south (astronomic) through the mouth of Kyhex River be construed and considered as lying within the Eastern District.

All dates mentioned in these regulations are inclusive and apply, unless otherwise noted, to the calendar year 1949. There is no open

season on any game other than in the open districts and during the period mentioned in these regulations.

The open seasons declared by these regulations shall cease to be in effect in any area covered by a closure order issued by the Forest Service of the Department of Lands and Forests, and shall continue to be ineffective during the period covered by such forest closure order.

All times mentioned in these regulations refer to Pacific Standard Time unless otherwise specifically mentioned.

The electoral districts mentioned in these regulations cover such districts as constituted at the time of the passing of these regulations. See "Prohibitions," sections 3 to 9, inclusive.

EASTERN DISTRICT (OPEN SEASONS).

BIG GAME.

(a) BEAR (except White or Kermodei Bear), open season on Grizzly Bear, from September 1st, 1949, to June 30th, 1950, and on Black or Brown Bear there shall be no close season.

(b) CARIBOU, of the male sex, over one year of age, in the Atlin, Fort George, Peace River, and Omineca Electoral Districts situate and lying north of the main line of the Canadian National Railway (Jasper to Prince Rupert), and in the Revelstoke Electoral District, open season from September 1st to December 15th.

In that portion of the district situate and lying south of the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway (except the Revelstoke Electoral District), open season from September 15th to October 31st.

(c) DEER (BUCKS ONLY), over one year of age (except White-tail Deer, in the North and South Okanagan and Similkameen Electoral Districts), open season from September 15th to November 30th.

(d) MOOSE, of the male sex, over one year of age, in the Atlin, Fort George, Peace River,

and Omineca Electoral Districts, and that portion of the Kootenay Electoral District situate and lying within the Eastern District, open season from September 1st to December 15th.

In those portions of the Lillooet Electoral District situate and lying to the west of the Fraser River and north of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, open season from September 23rd to November 30th.

In those portions of the Cariboo Electoral District situate and lying to the west of the Fraser River and in those further portions situate and lying to the east of the Fraser River and north of Quesnel Lake and the east arm thereof and Quesnel River, open season from September 23rd to November 30th.

In the remaining portions of the Lillooet Electoral District (except those portions thereof situate and lying west of the Fraser River and south of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway), and in the remaining portions of the Cariboo Electoral District situate and lying to the east of the Fraser River, open season from October 1st to November 30th.

In that portion of the Kamloops Electoral District situate and lying to the north of the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway and to the south and west of Mahood Lake and Clearwater River and south of a straight line running due east from the junction of the Clearwater and North Thompson Rivers, open season from October 1st to November 30th.

In that portion of the Kamloops Electoral District situate and lying north and east of Mahood Lake and Clearwater River and north of a straight line running east from the junction of the Clearwater and North Thompson Rivers to the eastern boundary of said electoral district, open season from September 23rd to November 30th.

In the Fernie and Columbia Electoral Districts and including that portion of the Cranbrook Electoral District that is bounded by the Kootenay River, the Skookumchuck River from its junction with the Kootenay River to the

mouth of Sandown (Copper) Creek, thence following said creek to Copper Lake, open season from September 15th to October 31st.

(e) MOUNTAIN-SHEEP, of the male sex, over one year of age, north of the 56th parallel of north latitude, open season from August 15th to November 15th.

In those portions situate and lying south of the 56th parallel of north latitude and north of the main line of the Canadian National Railway (Prince Rupert to Jasper), open season from September 1st to November 15th.

In those portions of the Cariboo and Lillooet Electoral Districts situate and lying to the south of the main Chilcotin and Chilanko Rivers and Tatla Lake and west of the Fraser River, open season from September 15th to November 15th.

In that portion of the Kamloops Electoral District situate and lying within that area bounded on the east by Adams Lake, on the south by Sinmax Creek, on the west and north by the westerly and northerly shore-line or boundaries of Johnson Creek and Lake and Sections 23, 24, and 19, in Township 25, Range 13, west of the 6th meridian, open season from October 8th to October 31st.

(f) MOUNTAIN-GOAT, over one year of age, north of the 56th parallel of north latitude, open season from August 15th to December 15th.

In the remainder of the district (except the South Okanagan, Grand Forks-Greenwood, and Similkameen Electoral Districts), open season from September 1st to November 30th.

(g) WAPITI (ELK), of the male sex, over one year of age, in the Fernie and Columbia Electoral Districts, open season from September 15th to November 30th.

In that portion of the Salmon Arm Electoral District situate and lying within the watershed of the Upper Adams River and Garnet Creek, both flowing into the north end of Adams Lake, open season from October 1st to November 15th.

In those portions of the Similkameen and South Okanagan Electoral Districts situate and lying to the east of Okanagan Lake and River, open season from September 15th to November 30th.

That portion of the Fort George Electoral District situate and lying east of a straight line running due north and south (astronomic) and passing through the Red Pass Railway-station, open season from October 1st to November 15th.

Note.—A combination bag-limit for Moose and Wapiti (Elk) is now in effect, and in this connection please carefully peruse the big-game bag-limits appearing in these regulations.

FUR-BEARING ANIMALS.

(h) **BEAVER, MUSKRATS, and OTTER** (except Sea-otter), north of the 51st parallel of north latitude and in the Yale and Kamloops Electoral Districts, open season from March 1st, 1950, to May 15th, 1950; provided that, in that portion situate and lying north of the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, Otter may be trapped from November 1st, 1949, to May 15th, 1950. Beaver, Muskrats, and Otter (except Sea-otter), in the remainder of the district, open season from March 1st, 1950, to April 30th, 1950.

There shall be no close season on **RACCOON, SKUNK, and WOLVERINE** anywhere in the district, and these animals may be killed by the use of firearms by the holder of any firearms licence issued under the provisions of the "Game Act."

ALL OTHER FUR-BEARING ANIMALS, open season from November 1st, 1949, to February 28th, 1950.

Notwithstanding anything contained in these regulations, Muskrats are only to be taken by the use of traps; provided these regulations shall not apply to areas of the Province enclosed by dykes.

No Beaver must be trapped or taken except under permit issued by the Game Commission

or its authorized agent and in accordance with all of the provisions of the "Regulations covering the Sealing of Beaver-pelts."

Note.—Squirrels are included in the definition of fur-bearing animals.

MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS.

Daily Hunting Time.—Sunrise to one hour after sunset.

(i-1) **DUCKS** (except Wood and Eider Ducks), **COOTS, GEESE**, in that portion of the district situate and lying north of the 56th parallel of north latitude, open season from September 1st to October 30th.

In that portion of the district situate and lying south of the 56th parallel of north latitude and north of the main line of the Canadian National Railway (Hope to Jasper), open season from September 15th to November 13th.

Throughout the remainder of the district, open season from October 8th to December 6th.

(i-2) **WILSON'S SNIPE**, in that portion of the district situate and lying north of the 56th parallel of north latitude, open season from September 1st to September 30th.

In that portion of the district situate and lying south of the 56th parallel of north latitude and north of the main line of the Canadian National Railway (Hope to Jasper), open season from September 15th to October 15th.

Throughout the remainder of the district, open season from October 8th to November 6th.

UPLAND GAME BIRDS.

(j) **CALIFORNIA QUAIL**, in the South Okanagan Electoral District, and that portion of the Similkameen Electoral District situate and lying within the watershed of Okanagan Lake and River that is lying to the north of a straight line running east and west through Okanagan Falls, open season from October 15th to November 13th.

(k) **EUROPEAN PARTRIDGE**, in the Kamloops, Yale, and North Okanagan Electoral Districts, open season from October 15th to November 13th.

In that portion of the Grand Forks-Greenwood Electoral District situate and lying to the east of a line drawn north and south (astronomic) through the station of Eholt, on the Kettle Valley Railway, open season from October 15th to October 23rd.

Provided that the hunting or shooting of California Quail and European Partridge in the electoral districts mentioned in clauses (j) and (k) shall, on the first three days of the open season, be between the hours of 12 noon and 3.30 p.m., and during the remainder of the open season, on each day, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3.30 p.m.

(l) GROUSE (Blue and Franklin's only), in those portions of the Fort George, Omineca, and Atlin Electoral Districts situate and lying north of the 56th parallel of north latitude and in the Peace River Electoral District, open season from September 15th to October 31st.

In those portions of the Atlin, Skeena, Omineca, and Fort George Electoral Districts situate and lying south of the 56th parallel of north latitude, open season from September 15th to October 15th.

In the Grand Forks-Greenwood, Rossland-Trail, Kaslo-Slocan, Nelson-Creston, Columbia, and Fernie Electoral Districts, open season from September 15th to October 15th.

In the Yale, Kamloops, Salmon Arm, Revelstoke, North and South Okanagan, and Similkameen Electoral Districts, open season from October 1st to October 15th.

In the Lillooet and Cariboo Electoral Districts, open season from September 15th to September 30th.

GROUSE (Ruffed, commonly called Willow), in those portions of the Fort George, Omineca, and Atlin Electoral Districts situate and lying north of the 56th parallel of north latitude and in the Peace River Electoral District, open season from September 15th to October 31st.

In those portions of the Atlin, Skeena, Omineca, and Fort George Electoral Districts situate and lying to the south of the 56th parallel

of north latitude, open season from September 15th to October 15th.

In the Cariboo and Lillooet Electoral Districts, open season from September 15th to September 30th.

In the Yale, Kamloops, Salmon Arm, Revelstoke, North and South Okanagan, and Similkameen Electoral Districts, open season from October 1st to October 15th.

In the Columbia and Fernie Electoral Districts, open season from September 15th to September 30th.

GROUSE (Prairie-chicken or Sharp-tailed), in those portions of the Fort George, Omineca, and Atlin Electoral Districts situate and lying north of the 56th parallel of north latitude and in the Peace River Electoral District, open season from September 15th to October 31st.

In those portions of the Atlin, Skeena, Omineca, and Fort George Electoral Districts situate and lying to the south of the 56th parallel of north latitude, open season from September 15th to September 30th.

In the Cranbrook Electoral District, open season from September 15th to September 30th.

(m) PTARMIGAN, in those portions of the Fort George, Omineca, and Atlin Electoral Districts situate and lying north of the 56th parallel of north latitude and in the Peace River Electoral District, open season from September 1st to October 31st.

(n) PHEASANTS (COCK BIRDS ONLY), in those portions of the Cariboo and Lillooet Electoral Districts situate and lying along the Fraser River from Riske Creek and the 52nd parallel of north latitude on the north to the southern boundary of the Lillooet Electoral District on the south, extending a distance of ten miles on the west side of the Fraser River and on the east side of said river to the eastern boundaries of said electoral districts; in that portion of the Yale Electoral District situate and lying north of the 50th parallel of north latitude and in the Kamloops, Salmon Arm, North and South Okanagan Electoral Districts,

and in that portion of the Similkameen Electoral District situate and lying within the watershed of Okanagan Lake and River that is lying to the north of a straight line running east and west through Okanagan Falls, open season from October 15th to November 13th.

In the Grand Forks-Greenwood Electoral District and in that portion of the Kaslo-Slocan Electoral District situate and lying within a radius of five miles of the post-office of Nakusp, open season from October 15th to October 19th.

In that portion of the Nelson-Creston Electoral District situate and lying to the south of Lockhart Creek, open season from October 12th to October 16th.

Provided that the hunting or shooting of Pheasants in the Cariboo, Lillooet, Yale, Kamloops, Salmon Arm, North and South Okanagan Electoral Districts, and that portion of the Similkameen Electoral District provided with an open season shall, on the first three days of the open season, be between the hours of 12 noon and 3.30 p.m., and during the remaining days of the open season between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3.30 p.m. In those portions of the Grand Forks-Greenwood and Kaslo-Slocan Electoral Districts provided with an open season, the hunting or shooting of Pheasants shall, on the first two days of the open season, be between the hours of 12 noon and 3.30 p.m. and during the remaining days of the open season between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3.30 p.m., and in that portion of the Nelson-Creston Electoral District on the first two days of the open season between the hours of 12 noon and 4 p.m. and during the remaining days of the open season between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

WESTERN DISTRICT (OPEN SEASONS).

BIG GAME.

(o) BEAR (except White or Kermodei Bear), open season on Grizzly Bear from Sep-

tember 10th, 1949, to June 30th, 1950, and on Black or Brown Bear there shall be no close season.

(p) DEER (BUCKS ONLY), over one year of age, throughout the district (except Graham and Vancouver Islands), open season from September 10th to November 30th, and on Graham Island there shall be no close season on Deer of either sex that are over one year of age; provided that no Deer shot, killed, or taken on said Graham Island shall be exported or shipped from the said island during any other period than from September 10th to November 30th. There shall be no open season on Red Deer anywhere in the district.

On Vancouver Island (except that portion of the Electoral District of Comox described as follows: "Commencing at the mouth of Campbell River; thence northerly and westerly along the shore-line of Discovery Passage and Johnstone Strait to the mouth of the Salmon River at Sayward; thence southerly along the east bank of Salmon River to its intersection with White River; thence southerly along the east bank of White River to the north boundary of Strathcona Park; thence easterly along the north boundary of said park and the 50th parallel of north latitude to east bank of Campbell River; thence following said bank of said river in a northerly and easterly direction to Campbell Lake; thence following the south shore-line of said lake and Lower Campbell River to the point of commencement"—open season from September 10th to November 15th.

(q) MOOSE, of the male sex, over one year of age, in those portions of the Mackenzie and Cariboo Electoral Districts situate and lying north of the 51st parallel of north latitude, open season from September 23rd to November 30th.

(r) MOUNTAIN-GOAT, over one year of age, throughout the district (except on Vancouver Island), open season from September 10th to November 30th.

(s) WAPITI (ELK), of the male sex, over one year of age in the Queen Charlotte Islands only, open season from September 24th to October 2nd.

Note.—A combination bag-limit for Moose and Wapiti (Elk) is now in effect, and in this connection please carefully peruse the big-game bag-limits appearing in these regulations.

FUR-BEARING ANIMALS.

(t) BEAVER, MUSKRATS, and OTTER (except Sea-otter), in that portion of the Lillooet Electoral District that is in the Western District and is situate and lying to the east of a line drawn north and south (astronomic) of Alta Lake Railway-station on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway and including the watershed of the Upper Lillooet River, open season from December 1st, 1949, to April 30th, 1950.

BEAVER and MUSKRATS, in those portions of the district situate and lying south of the 51st parallel of north latitude, open season from December 1st, 1949, to February 28th, 1950, and in those portions of the district situate and lying north of the 51st parallel of north latitude (except Beaver on the Queen Charlotte Islands), open season from March 1st, 1950, to April 30th, 1950.

ALL OTHER FUR-BEARING ANIMALS (except Sea-otter), in those portions of the district situate and lying north of the 51st parallel of north latitude (except Squirrels on the Queen Charlotte Islands), open season from November 1st, 1949, to February 28th, 1950, and in those portions of the district situate and lying south of the 51st parallel of north latitude, open season from December 1st, 1949, to February 28th, 1950.

There shall be no close season on RACCOON, SKUNK, and WOLVERINE anywhere in the district, and these animals may be killed by the use of firearms by the holder of any firearms licence issued under the provisions of the "Game Act."

No Beaver must be trapped or taken except under permit issued by the Game Commission or its authorized agent and in accordance with all of the provisions of the "Regulations covering the Sealing of Beaver-pelts."

Notwithstanding anything contained in these regulations, Muskrats are only to be taken by the use of traps; provided these regulations shall not apply to areas of the Province enclosed by dykes.

Note.—Squirrels are included in the definition of fur-bearing animals.

MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS.

Daily Hunting Time.—Sunrise to one hour after sunset.

(u-1) DUCKS (except Wood and Eider Ducks), COOTS, and GEESE (except Black Brant and Snow Geese), in that portion of the district situate and lying north of the 51st parallel of north latitude, including all of the Queen Charlotte Islands, and in the Comox, Alberni, Cowichan-Newcastle, Esquimalt, Saanich, Victoria, and Nanaimo and The Islands Electoral Districts, open season from November 12th, 1949, to January 10th, 1950.

Throughout the remainder of the district, open season from October 15th to November 13th and from December 17th, 1949, to January 3rd, 1950.

(u-2) WILSON'S SNIPE, in that portion of the district situate and lying north of the 51st parallel of north latitude, including all of the Queen Charlotte Islands, and in the Comox, Alberni, Cowichan-Newcastle, Esquimalt, Saanich, Victoria, and Nanaimo and The Islands Electoral Districts, open season from November 12th to December 12th.

Throughout the remainder of the district, open season from October 15th to November 13th.

Provided that in those portions of the district known as the Dewdney, Chilliwack, Delta, North Vancouver, New Westminster, Vancouver-Point Grey, Vancouver East, and Burnaby

Electoral Districts, the hunting and shooting of migratory game birds shall cease on each day designated at or on the time mentioned hereunder:—

October 15th to October 31st.....6.10 p.m.
November 1st to November 14th.....5.45 p.m.
November 15th to December 31st.....5.20 p.m.
January 1st to January 14th.....5.30 p.m.
January 15th to January 31st.....5.50 p.m.
February 1st to February 14th.....6.20 p.m.
February 15th to February 28th.....6.30 p.m.

(u-3) PIGEONS (Band-tailed), throughout the district, open season from September 10th to September 30th.

(u-4) BLACK BRANT and SNOW GEESE, throughout the district, open season from December 17th, 1949, to February 28th, 1950.

Provided in that portion of the Lower Mainland known as Boundary and Mud Bays, in the Municipalities of Delta and Surrey, no one shall shoot or hunt Brant or use Brant decoys, guide or assist in any way to hunt Brant on more than two days (or part of two days) in succession, and in no case on more than two days in each week (and for the purpose of this regulation Sunday shall be considered as the first day of the week). No person shall set out more than one flock of Brant decoys, and no flock of such decoys shall consist of more than fifty, and no two flocks shall be placed nearer each other than two hundred (200) yards in the areas mentioned herein. Further, no more than one blind must be used for each set of Brant decoys, except that this prohibition shall not apply when blinds are constructed so that they are parallel to each other.

UPLAND GAME BIRDS.

(v) CALIFORNIA QUAIL, on Vancouver Island, in the Esquimalt and Saanich Electoral Districts, open season from October 15th to October 23rd.

Provided that the shooting of California Quail is prohibited in the North Saanich District, on Vancouver Island, on the following

days—namely, October 16th and October 23rd, 1949—and, further, that in the areas provided with an open season in this case, the hunting or shooting of California Quail shall be, on each and every day during such open season, from sunrise to one hour after sunset.

(w) EUROPEAN PARTRIDGE, no open season anywhere in the district.

(x) GROUSE (BLUE ONLY), throughout Vancouver Island, Nanaimo and The Islands Electoral District (except North and South Pender Islands), and those portions of the district situate and lying north of a straight line running from Oyster River, on Vancouver Island, to Sarah Point, on the Mainland, open season from September 10th to October 31st.

Throughout the remainder of the district (except Texada, North and South Pender Islands), open season from September 10th to September 30th.

GROUSE (Ruffed, commonly called Willow), throughout the district (except Vancouver, Saltspring, North and South Pender Islands, and in the Municipality of Matsqui), open season from October 15th to October 31st.

(y) PHEASANTS (COCK BIRDS ONLY), on Vancouver Island (except that portion situate and lying north of Oyster River and that portion of the Alberni Electoral District situate and lying to the west of the Beaufort Range), open season from October 15th to November 13th.

In that portion of the Alberni Electoral District situate and lying west of the Beaufort Range, open season from October 15th to October 23rd.

On Saltspring Island, Mayne Island, and that portion of the Prince Rupert Electoral District known as the Queen Charlotte Islands, open season from October 15th to October 31st.

On the Mainland (except those portions thereof known as the Squamish Valley, the Municipality of Matsqui, and that area situate and lying between Howe Sound and Toba Inlet, and that further portion known as the Skeena

Electoral District), open season from October 15th to November 13th.

In the Municipality of Matsqui, on the Mainland, open season from October 15th to October 23rd.

Provided that the shooting of Pheasants is prohibited in the North Saanich District, on Vancouver Island, on the following days, namely: October 16th, 23rd, 30th, and November 6th and 13th.

Provided that the hunting or shooting of Pheasants in the districts provided with an open season in this clause shall be on each and every day during such open season, from sunrise to one hour after sunset.

(2) **PTARMIGAN**, in the Prince Rupert Electoral District, open season from September 10th to October 15th.

BAG-LIMITS (EASTERN AND WESTERN DISTRICTS).

BIG GAME.

In respect of big game as defined in the "Game Act," no person shall, throughout the Province, at any time kill or take or have in his possession during the entire open season more than one **CARIBOU**, one **MOUNTAIN-SHEEP**, all of the male sex, over one year of age, and not more than two **MOUNTAIN-COATS** over one year of age, and, further, the combined or total seasonal bag-limit for **MOOSE** and **WAPITI (ELK)** shall be one, of the male sex, over one year of age.

Throughout the Province no person shall kill or take or have in his possession more than one **GRIZZLY BEAR**, except in that portion of the Province situate and lying north of the 57th parallel of north latitude and west of the Rocky Mountains wherein the bag-limit for the entire open season shall be two **GRIZZLY BEAR**, and, further, there shall be no bag-limit on **BLACK** or **BROWN BEAR**.

Throughout the Province no person shall at any time kill or take or have in his possession

during the entire open season more than two **DEER**, of the male sex, over one year of age, except that in the Salmon River, North and South Okanagan, Similkameen, and Yale Electoral Districts, and in that portion of the Kamloops Electoral District situate and lying to the south of the Thompson and South Thompson Rivers and Kamloops Lake the entire seasonal bag-limit shall be one, of the male sex, over one year of age. On Graham Island there shall be no bag-limit in so far as bona-fide residents of the said island are concerned, and, further, the Game-tag Regulations shall not apply to said residents in respect to any deer shot and consumed by them on Graham Island.

On Vancouver Island no person shall have in his possession at any one time more than one **DEER** when actually hunting or proceeding to or from any hunt.

Throughout the Province no person shall at any time kill or take or have in his possession during the entire open season more big-game animals than the maximum number permitted to be killed, taken, or had in possession in any district.

GAME BIRDS.

No person shall, in any district hereinafter designated, kill or take on any one day any greater number of game birds than the daily bag-limit hereinafter set out respectively, nor kill or take or have in his possession during the entire open season more game birds than the maximum number permitted to be killed, taken, or had in possession in any district.

MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS.

COOTS: Daily bag-limit, 25; season bag-limit, 150.

DUCKS (except Wood and Eider Ducks): Daily bag-limit, 8 in the aggregate of all kinds; season bag-limit, 100 in the aggregate.

GEESE and **BLACK BRANT**: Daily bag-limit, 5 in the aggregate of all kinds; season bag-limit, 25 in the aggregate. Except in the

Nelson-Creston Electoral District, wherein the daily bag-limit shall be 3 in the aggregate of all kinds and the season bag-limit shall be 18 Geese in the aggregate.

PIGEONS (Band-tailed) (Western District only): Daily bag-limit, 10; season bag-limit, 50.

WILSON'S SNIPE: Daily bag-limit, 8; season bag-limit, 50.

Provided, further, no one shall have in his possession at any time more than sixteen (16) Ducks or more than ten (10) Geese.

UPLAND GAME BIRDS.

Eastern District.

CALIFORNIA QUAIL: Daily bag-limit, 4; season bag-limit, 24.

EUROPEAN PARTRIDGE: Daily bag-limit, 2; season bag-limit, 10.

GROUSE and PTARMIGAN (except Prairie-chicken or Sharp-tailed Grouse): Daily bag-limit, 4 of one species or 8 of all species; season bag-limit, 24 in the aggregate.

PRAIRIE-CHICKEN or SHARP-TAILED GROUSE: In the Peace River Electoral District, daily bag-limit, 6; season bag-limit, 24. Throughout the remainder of the district provided with an open season, daily bag-limit, 4; season bag-limit, 24.

Western District.

GROUSE (BLUE ONLY): Daily bag-limit, 6; season bag-limit 24; provided that on Vancouver Island no person shall have in his possession at any one time more than two days' bag-limit.

GROUSE (RUFFED ONLY): Daily bag-limit, 2; season bag-limit, 10.

PTARMIGAN: Daily bag-limit, 4; season bag-limit, 24.

Throughout the Province.

PHEASANTS (COCK BIRDS ONLY): Daily bag-limit, 2; season bag-limit, 10; except in

that portion of the Kaslo-Slocan Electoral District provided with an open season wherein the total and season bag-limit shall be 2, and, further, in the Nelson-Creston Electoral District the season bag-limit shall be 6.

Section 2.

The prohibitions declared by subsection (1) of section 26 of the "Game Act" as to the buying, selling, and having in possession of big game, so far as same relate to game lawfully killed or taken, are hereby removed to the extent and within the periods and limits and subject to the provisions hereinafter set out, as follows:—

(a) **MOOSE and CARIBOU**, bulls over one year old, in the Atlin and Omineca Electoral Districts, north of the 57th parallel of north latitude, from September 1st to December 15th.

(b) **BEAR** (except White or Kermodei Bear), throughout the Province, at any time during the open season.

Provided that no other big game or portion thereof shall be sold in the Province.

PROHIBITIONS, CLOSED AREAS, ETC.

Section 3.

The open seasons declared by these regulations shall not apply to the following parts of the Province, namely:—

WESTERN DISTRICT.

(a) Kaien Island, in the Prince Rupert Electoral District.

(b) That portion of the Skeena Electoral District described as follows: "All that area in the vicinity of Terrace bounded on the north by the main line of the Canadian National Railway; on the south by the centre line of the Skeena River, including Lot 4355 (Braun's Island), Lot 5759 (an unnamed island), and Lot 6752 (Ferry Island); on the east by the bridge joining Lots 368 and 374; and on the west by a line running directly south of the

south-west corner of Lot 1705 to the centre line of the Skeena River."

(c) That portion of the Mackenzie Electoral District, in the vicinity of Ocean Falls, described as follows: "Commencing at the point of intersection of the southerly boundary of Lot 1153 and the west shore of Cousins Inlet; thence westerly 1,800 feet; thence northerly 3,000 feet; thence easterly 3,000 feet; thence northerly 1,500 feet; thence easterly 1,500 feet; thence northerly 1,500 feet; thence easterly 600 feet; thence northerly 4,400 feet; thence easterly 3,000 feet; thence southerly 2,500 feet; thence easterly 13,000 feet to the intersection of the northerly boundary of Lot 205 and the west shore of Link Lake; thence following the west shore of said lake in a south-westerly direction to its intersection with the south boundary of Lot 1151; thence westerly 7,300 feet; thence northerly 1,500 feet; thence westerly 2,500 feet; thence north-westerly 5,600 feet to a point on the west shore of Cousins Inlet at the mouth of Martin River; thence following the west shore of Cousins Inlet in a south-westerly direction to the point of commencement."

(d) That portion of Nanaimo Harbour and vicinity described as follows: "Between high-water mark on Vancouver Island and a line drawn as follows: Commencing at Brechin Point, Departure Bay, near the City of Nanaimo; thence in an easterly direction to the most westerly point of Newcastle Island; thence along the shore-line of Newcastle Island in a northerly, easterly, and southerly direction to the most easterly point of said island; thence to the most westerly point of Protection Island; thence south-easterly to Gallows Point on Protection Island; thence to Jacks Point on Vancouver Island; thence in a westerly direction to Stevens and Wright's shingle-mill on Vancouver Island."

(e) That portion of the Electoral District of Esquimalt as follows: "All that portion of Esquimalt Harbour and Royal Roads below high-water mark situate and lying north of a

straight line extending from the north-east end of Lagoon Spit and Macaul's Point."

(f) That portion of the Esquimalt Electoral District as follows: "Within one hundred (100) yards on either side of the Sooke Lake water-flow line lying between Sooke Lake and Humpback Reservoir. The discharge of firearms on or across this water-flow line for any purpose is prohibited. In that portion of said electoral district which is bounded on the west by Rithet Creek to its source, then in a straight line due north to the Canadian National Railway, and bounded on the north, east, and south by the said railway and Sooke Lake, wherein there shall be no open season for the hunting of any game."

(g) No person shall hunt or shoot migratory game birds below high-water mark in those waters of Vancouver Island known as Brentwood Bay and Tod Inlet extending south of a straight line running east and west from Sluggett Point to Willis Point and all that strip of land covered by water, in width one thousand (1,000) feet, measured seaward from high-water mark of the easterly shore of Vancouver Island, and which extends from the northerly extremity of the Esquimalt Spit to the Albert Head Lighthouse, Esquimalt Land District, as well as that strip of land three hundred (300) feet in width measured inland from said high-water mark, and which extends from the southerly extremity of said Esquimalt Spit to the said Albert Head Lighthouse.

(h) All that parcel or tract of land lying within the following described boundaries and being part of Esquimalt and Goldstream Land Districts: "Commencing at a point on the west side of the Island Highway, situated three hundred (300) yards northerly from the junction of said Island Highway with the Sooke and Metchosin Road; thence in a westerly direction parallel to and distant therefrom three hundred (300) yards from the northerly boundary of the Island Highway to the westerly boundary of the Esquimalt Land District; thence southerly along said boundary to the

shore of Langford Lake; thence westerly, southerly, and easterly along the said shore of Langford Lake to the said westerly boundary of Esquimalt Land District; thence southerly along said boundary to the southerly boundary of the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway right-of-way; thence easterly along the said southerly boundary to its intersection with Dunford Road; thence southerly at right angles to the said railway right-of-way a distance of three hundred (300) yards; thence in an easterly direction parallel to and distant therefrom three hundred (300) yards from the said railway right-of-way to the intersection of the said right-of-way with the Island Highway; thence in an easterly direction parallel to and distant therefrom three hundred (300) yards from said Island Highway to the westerly boundary of the Sooke and Metchosin Road; thence northerly along said westerly boundary of the Sooke and Metchosin Road and the Island Highway to the point of commencement."

(i) That portion of Ganges Harbour below high-water mark lying north of a straight line running from Scott Point due west to the nearest point on the west shore-line of said harbour.

(j) That portion of the Dewdney Electoral District known as the Colony Farm, and that further portion of said electoral district in the vicinity of Harrison Hot Springs more particularly described as follows: "Commencing at the mouth of an unnamed slough entering Harrison Lake west of the Harrison Hot Springs Hotel; thence along the south shore-line of said unnamed slough to the Agassiz-Harrison Highway; thence northerly along said highway to Harrison Lake; thence westerly along the shore-line of said lake to the point of commencement."

(k) That portion of the District Municipality of Burnaby known as Central Park.

(l) That portion of the Municipality of Matsqui consisting of approximately two hundred (200) acres of land bounded on the north by the Trans-Canada Highway, on the south

by Marshall Road, on the east by Ware Road, and on the west by Emerson Road.

(m) All and singular that area or tract of land, in or near the Village of Ladner, situate, lying, and being in the Municipality of Delta, and which may be more particularly described as follows: "Commencing at a point on the west boundary-line of Green Road at intersection of south boundary of District Lot 116, Group 2; thence westerly along the south boundary of District Lot 116 to Chilukthan Slough; thence southerly along the easterly bank of said slough to the intersection of north boundary of King Edward Street produced; thence westerly along north boundary of King Edward Street produced and continuing along north boundary of said street to east boundary of Fairview Road; thence northerly along the east boundary of said road to intersection of northerly boundary of Savoy Street produced; thence south-westerly along the northerly boundary of Savoy Street produced and continuing along the northerly boundary of said street to east boundary of Church Street; thence north-westerly along the easterly boundary of Church Street produced to the southerly bank of Fraser River; thence north-easterly following along the bank of said river to its intersection with the west bank of Chilukthan Slough; thence southerly along west bank of said slough produced to southerly boundary of River Dyke Road; thence north-westerly following along the south-easterly boundary of River Dyke Road to its intersection with the west bank of Crescent Slough; thence south-easterly following along the west bank of Crescent Slough to its intersection with the west boundary of Green Road; thence southerly along the west boundary of Green Road to point of commencement."

EASTERN DISTRICT.

(n) Those portions of the Yale and Similkameen Electoral Districts situate and lying within the boundaries of Manning Park extending a distance of one (1) mile on either

side of the Hope-Princeton Highway, from the westerly boundary of said park to Cambie Creek and Similkameen River and for a distance south and east of the said highway and the boundary of Three Brothers Mountain Game Reserve between the Hope-Princeton Highway and the Similkameen River from Copper Creek northerly to the junction of the Wigwam and Similkameen Rivers.

(o) That portion of the Yale Electoral District, in the vicinity of Minnie Lake, described as follows: "Commencing at the north-east corner of Lot 695; thence westerly along the northern boundary of said lot to the north-west corner of Lot 695; thence northerly to the north-east corner of Lot 1178; thence westerly along the northerly boundaries of Lots 1178 and 1177 to the north-west corner of Lot 1177; thence southerly along the boundary of Lot 1177 to the northern boundary of Lot 1133; thence westerly along the northern boundary of Lot 1138 to the east end of Lake of the Woods to the westerly boundary of Lot 1138; thence southerly along the western boundary of Lot 1138 to the northern boundary of Lot 1120; thence westerly along the northern boundary of Lot 1120 to the north-west corner of said lot; thence southerly along the western boundaries of Lots 1120, 887, and 606 to the south-west corner of Lot 606; thence easterly along the southern boundary of Lot 606 to the western boundary of Lot 447; thence southerly and easterly along the boundaries of Lot 447 to the northern bank of Quilchena Creek; thence northerly and easterly along the northern bank of said creek to the eastern boundary of Lot 490; thence northerly along the eastern boundary of Lot 490 to the southern boundary of Lot 695; thence easterly along the southern boundary of Lot 695 to the south-east corner of said lot; thence northerly along the eastern boundary of Lot 695 to the point of commencement, all lots mentioned herein being in the Kamloops Division of Yale District."

(p) That portion of the Kamloops Electoral District described as follows: "All waters of

the North Thompson, South Thompson, and Thompson Rivers bounded or north by the Canadian National Railway Bridge (main line) at Kamloops Junction and on the east by the Kamloops-Blue River Highway Bridge at Kamloops, and on the west by the Kamloops-Tranquille Highway Bridge."

Provided that the provisions of this clause shall apply only in respect to the hunting of game birds.

(q) That portion of the Kamloops Electoral District described as follows: "Commencing at the north-west corner of the Tranquille Game Reserve, situated at the junction of the southern boundary of the Canadian National Railway right-of-way and the west bank of Tranquille River or Creek; thence in a south-westerly direction along the west bank of Tranquille River or Creek, as well as the western boundary of the Tranquille Game Reserve, to the mouth of said river or creek; thence in an easterly direction along the shoreline of Kamloops Lake to a white marker, approximately one (1) mile east of the mouth of Tranquille River or Creek; thence in a north-easterly direction approximately thirty-five (35) chains to a white marker marked by a corner post; thence approximately thirty-five (35) chains north and east along a posted line to a corner post in a meadow; thence north twenty-five (25) chains to the southern boundary of the right-of-way of the Canadian National Railway; thence in a westerly direction along said southern boundary of said right-of-way to the point of commencement."

(r) That portion of the South Okanagan Electoral District, in the vicinity of Kelowna, known as Lot M, Plan 1920, Osoyoos Division of Yale District (comprising land surrounding trout-ponds near Kelowna).

(s) That portion of the Salmon Arm Electoral District described as follows: "Commencing at the mouth of Sicamous (Two Mile) Creek; thence following the east shore-line of Mara Lake, Sicamous Narrows, and Shuswap Lake in a north-westerly direction to Murdock

Point, which is approximately two (2) miles north-west of Sicamous; thence in a straight line in a south-easterly direction to Semaphore Point, one (1) mile west of Sicamous; thence easterly along the shore-line of Shuswap Lake to Sicamous Narrows; thence southerly following the west shore-line of Sicamous Narrows and Mara Lake to a point known as Carney's Pole-ward, approximately two (2) miles south of Sicamous; thence in a straight line in a north-easterly direction to the point of commencement."

That portion of Salmon Arm of Shuswap Lake within the boundaries of the Municipality of Salmon Arm lying south-easterly of a straight line of approximately one and one-quarter (1¼) miles in length, commencing at the outer end of the Salmon Arm Wharf; thence north-easterly to a white marker where the shore-line of said Salmon Arm of Shuswap Lake intersects with the northern boundary of the North-west Quarter of Section 24, Township 20, Range 10.

Provided that the provisions of this clause shall apply only in respect to the hunting of game birds.

(t) All that area below extreme high-water mark on Ellison or Duck Lake in the South Okanagan Electoral District.

(u) That portion of the Nelson-Creston Electoral District described as follows: "Commencing on the north shore of the West Arm of Kootenay Lake at Willow Point Wharf; thence following the Duhamel or Six Mile Creek Road to the intersection of the said Duhamel Creek Road with the First West Fork of Duhamel Creek; thence following the said West Fork to its source; thence in a southerly direction following the divide between Duhamel Creek and the West Arm of Kootenay Lake and Grohman Creek to the mouth of said Grohman Creek; thence across the West Arm of Kootenay Lake to the south shore of the said West Arm to a point known as the slaughter-house; thence following the south shore of the said West Arm in an easterly

direction to a point opposite Willow Point Wharf; thence across the said West Arm to the point of commencement."

Provided that the provisions of this clause shall apply only in respect to the hunting of game birds.

(v) That portion of the Fernie Electoral District described as follows: "Commencing at the junction of Bovine (Goat) Creek with the Elk River; thence in a south-easterly direction to the site of the East Kootenay Power and Light Company's water-gauge on the Fording River; thence along the west bank of the Fording River to the junction of the said river and the Elk River; thence along the east bank of the Elk River to the point of commencement."

Provided that the provisions of this clause shall not apply in respect to the trapping of fur-bearing animals.

(w) That portion of the Cariboo Electoral District within a radius of one (1) mile of the Townsite of Wells.

(x) Within one (1) mile on either side of the Alaska Highway, commencing at a point on said highway at Mile 72.3, where the road to the Beaton River Intermediate Landing-field joins the Alaska Highway, and covering the whole of the said highway from said Mile 72.3 north and situate and lying within the Province of British Columbia.

Provided that the provisions of this clause will not affect the trapping of fur-bearing animals in the said closed area.

(y) There shall be no open season on any member of the Deer Family in those portions of the Eastern District described as follows:—

In that portion of the Fernie Electoral District as follows: "Commencing at the junction of Morrissey Creek and Elk River; thence following the east and south banks of Elk River to a point one-half mile south of the junction of Wigwam and Elk Rivers; thence easterly following the summit of the watershed on the south side of Wigwam River to a point on the said river one-half mile south of the

junction of said river and Lodgepole Creek; thence in an easterly direction following the summit of the watershed on the south side of Lodgepole Creek to the summit at the headwaters of said creek; thence northerly following the summit of the said watershed and westerly along the summit on the north side of the said creek and Meadow Creek to a point on Morrissey Creek two (2) miles north-east from the mouth of said creek; thence along the south bank of said creek to the point of commencement."

In that portion of the Grand Forks-Greenwood Electoral District as follows: "Commencing at the junction of Williamson Creek and the Kettle River; thence following the east shore-line of said river in a northerly direction to the junction of Kettle River and Losthorse Creek; thence along said creek to its source; thence following the height of land in a southerly direction to a point directly east of an unnamed lake forming the source of Williamson Creek; thence westerly to the east shore-line of said unnamed lake; thence following the south shore-line of said lake and Williamson Creek to the point of commencement."

In that further portion of the Grand Forks-Greenwood Electoral District taking in all of the watershed of the Kettle River and Rendell Creek from their junction and thence in a northerly direction for a distance of approximately six (6) miles to the mouths of Damfino and Arthurs Creeks.

In that portion of the Lillooet Electoral District as follows: "Commencing at the junction of Gun Creek and the Bridge River; thence in an easterly direction following the north shore-line of Bridge River to the junction of said river and Tyaughton Creek; thence following the centre line of said creek in an easterly and north-westerly direction to the junction of an unnamed branch of Tyaughton Creek approximately one (1) mile south of the junction of Taylor Creek and Tyaughton Creek; thence along the south shore-line of this unnamed

creek in a south-westerly direction to the headwaters of Pearson Creek; thence along the east shore-line of Pearson Creek to the junction of said creek and Gun Creek; thence along the north shore-line of Gun Creek in a south-easterly direction to the point of commencement."

Note.—The closed areas mentioned in this section are not game reserves. Game reserves are set aside by separate order or regulation and consequently are not listed herein.

Section 4.

No person shall at any time kill or attempt to kill any Migratory Game Bird, Pheasant, Partridge, or Quail with a rifle, or hunt, as defined in section 2 of the "Game Act," any game birds in any field or on or over any cultivated land by using an automobile or other vehicle thereon.

No person shall discharge a firearm over, on, or across any travelled road or highway within the boundaries of any municipality, or within the boundaries of the Electoral Districts of Esquimalt, Cowichan-Newcastle, Dewdney, and Chilliwack, and in the North Saanich District, or any trunk and main highways anywhere in the Province.

No person shall hunt, kill, or attempt to kill any Migratory Game Bird by the use or aid of baiting, and no person shall hunt, kill, or attempt to kill any Migratory Game Bird within one-half mile of any place, reserved or otherwise, where baiting is being done or where it has been done less than fourteen (14) days before the first day of the open season for ducks or geese in the district in which the said place is situated; and in this section baiting means placing or exposing corn, wheat, oats, or other grain, or products thereof, or any food or other materials which may have the effect of attracting wild birds.

No person shall build or construct, at any place in the Province, before the day prior to the first day of the open season for Migratory

Game birds at that place, a blind of any kind that can be used in connection with the hunting of the said migratory game birds.
The use of live decoys in the hunting or taking of any Migratory Game Bird anywhere in the Province is prohibited.
The use of any shotgun equipped with a reflector sight of any kind in the hunting or shooting of game birds is prohibited.

Section 5.

The open seasons declared by these regulations shall not apply to the hunting, taking, or having in possession of Quail, Pheasant, Prairie-chicken (Sharp-tailed Grouse), or Partridge at any place when the surface of the ground at that place is covered with snow.

Section 6.

No person shall hunt, kill, or take any Moose, Caribou, Wapiti (Elk), or Deer while swimming, and the hunting, killing, or taking of any game by the use of tracer bullets, tracer-shot shells, and bow and arrow is prohibited.
In the hunting of big game the use of any rifle loaded with rim-fire shells, the use of full steel (hard point) metal-cased bullets, and the use of any firearm that can be or is classed as a machine gun or sub-machine gun is prohibited. This regulation is not intended to prohibit the use of arms of the self- or auto-loading types in which the recoil or force of the explosion is utilized to reload but not to fire the weapon.
The killing, trapping, or taking of any furbearing animals by the use of spring-pole traps anywhere in the Province is prohibited.

Section 7.

Every person shall, upon the request of any Game Warden or Constable, furnish satisfactory proof to him of the locality and date on which any game was by him killed, taken, or had in possession.

regulations, shall mean and include Moose, Caribou, Deer, and Wapiti (Elk).

No person shall have in his possession the carcass of any member of the Deer Family or Mountain-sheep from which all evidences sufficient to indicate conclusively the sex of the animal have been removed, unless the carcass has been transported to the place where it is proposed to consume the carcass. When head is removed from carcass, some other evidence of sex must be visible.

Section 8.

No Bear shall be trapped anywhere in the Province. The hunting or shooting of Deer by the use of a shotgun is prohibited throughout the Eastern District.

Section 9.

No guide shall guide more than two persons at any one time on any big-game hunting-trip.

A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE GAME DEPARTMENT.

PROTECT and respect the rights of others.
ASK for permission to hunt or travel over private lands.

REPORT those who damage any farm or private property.

REFRAIN from shooting too close to any building.

DON'T walk over or across seeded land or growing crops.

PROTECT a farmer's property at all times.

COMPLY with all regulations—REMEMBER the Game and Fish Laws are for the benefit of all, not a few.

PREVENT hunting accidents:

FOR better sport, obey the law—ALWAYS be a sportsman.

DON'T shoot unless you clearly see and are sure of what you are shooting at. It may be a doe, a cow, or a MAN.

DON'T shoot harmless wild life. Practise on crows, magpies, and that ilk.
DON'T go hunting until you obtain and read the Game Regulations.
DON'T enter a boat or a car with a loaded firearm.

DON'T discharge firearms from an automobile or other vehicle. It is dangerous and against the law.

LEAVE A CLEAN CAMP and a clean record. You may want to come back.
"Organized district" under the "Game Act" means all that portion of the Province south of the 53rd parallel of north latitude.
"Unorganized district" means any part of the Province north of the 53rd parallel of north latitude.

LOADED FIREARMS: ANY FIREARM HAVING LIVE AMMUNITION in the magazine or breech is considered as being loaded under the "Game Act."

FIREARMS or FISHING TACKLE should not be carried when a licence so to do is required under the provisions of the "Game Act." If you are in doubt, consult your nearest Game Warden.

After careful consideration it has been decided to ask the co-operation of all hunters to adopt a uniform DISTRESS SIGNAL, as follows: "Any hunter in the field, in case of accident, distress, or otherwise, should, as a signal, fire three shots, allowing a space of five seconds between each shot, and should anyone hear this signal he should reply by firing one shot. DISTRESS SIGNAL to be given, if possible, until replied to. If after a signal has been replied to, the party in need of assistance should repeat his first signal, but if not in need of assistance it will not be necessary to repeat signal.

NOTICE TO PROSPECTORS.

A prospector as defined under the "Game Act" is as follows:—
"Prospector" means a person who is the holder of a free miner's certificate under

the 'Mineral Act' or the 'Placer-mining Act' and only while he is actually engaged personally in placer-mining or prospecting."

Any bona-fide prospector who is the holder of any licence to carry firearms under section 34 of the "Game Act" may, during the open or close season in any unorganized district as defined above, hunt and kill and retain in his possession any game for his own use when in actual need of same for food.

Any bona-fide prospector in an organized district as defined above may hunt and kill and retain in his possession any game during the open season when in actual need of same for food, and in an organized district during the close season hunt and kill and retain in his possession any animals of the deer family, other than wapiti, of the male sex, over one year of age, after having obtained a permit therefor.

NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT BIG-GAME HUNTERS.

"ANY NON-RESIDENT HUNTER, in order to export trophies secured, must obtain a permit for this purpose from any Game Warden, Provincial Constable, or Government Agent. This permit will be issued upon payment of the fees due on trophies being exported as set forth in the regulations.

"NON-RESIDENTS of the Province hunting big game must be accompanied by a British Columbia licensed guide, or a resident under special permit from the Game Commission."

Hunters who wish to ship their trophies from the Province must comply with the provisions of the "Game Act" and the Dominion Customs Regulations in that regard.

The following is a summary of the Customs and Game Regulations, which are being furnished for the convenience of non-resident big-game hunters:—

CUSTOMS REGULATIONS.

"Declaration Form in connection with the Export of Moose and Deer (copy of which form can be secured from any Express Agent) must be duly completed. With this declaration the hunter must personally appear before a Canadian Collector of Customs, and only when approved by him and form returned to the Express Company will shipment be permitted to leave Canada.

"Customs invoices and Export Entry Forms must also be tendered with the shipment.

"NOTE.—Should there not be a Customs Officer at point of shipment, consign trophies to yourself at nearest Customs export point, have form completed on your arrival there, and deliver to the Depot Agent of the Express Company with request to reforward shipment to destination."

NOTICE TO SPORTSMEN.

All sportsmen are asked to co-operate by obtaining their firearms licences early in order to assist in eliminating the usual last-minute rush.

Any resident firearms licence-holder must, in hunting deer, moose, or wapiti (elk), be in possession of the required tags for tagging any such animals shot in accordance with the Game-tagging Regulations.

No credit can be given for unused deer, moose, or wapiti (elk) tags.

Fees: Deer-tag, 25 cents each; Moose-Elk tag, \$1.

THE GAME-TAGGING REGULATIONS APPLY TO RESIDENT AND TO NON-RESIDENT HUNTERS.

Hunters are requested by the Game Commission to refrain from killing female bear when it is known they are accompanied by cubs. Do not shoot, take, or molest bear cubs.

From now on, if at all possible, fishermen obtaining resident anglers' licences will be supplied with copy of the British Columbia

Special Fishery Regulations showing open seasons, etc.

LICENCE-HOLDERS HUNTING IN A MUNICIPALITY ARE ADVISED TO ACQUAINT THEMSELVES WITH ANY BY-LAWS COVERING THE DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS THAT MAY BE IN EFFECT THEREIN.

A SPECIAL MESSAGE TO TRAPPERS.

The Game Department is extremely anxious to impress upon all trappers the necessity of preserving their fur-bearing animals, especially beaver. Trappers should refrain from trapping these animals unless they have sufficient number on their trap-line to warrant trapping. Beaver must not be trapped unless the Beaver-tagging Regulations set forth herein are fully complied with.

The Game Department will give trappers who try to conserve their beaver, as well as other fur-bearing animals, all the assistance in its power to protect their lines from poachers, but, on the other hand, will cancel the lines of those trappers who wilfully overtrap.

Registered trappers are particularly requested to adhere to the following:—

- (1) Do not overtrap; conserve the fur-bearing animals on your trap-line.
- (2) Plainly mark your trap-line and refrain from trespassing on any other trapper's line or private land.
- (3) Please make your application for renewal of your registered line and your return of catch covering the past season's operations after the expiration of your Special Firearms Licence, or at least before September 30th, as failure to renew or submit your return of catch may place your application for registration in line for cancellation. Trappers must surrender their Resident Special Firearms Licences upon expiration,

- showing on the back thereof correct information of big-game and fur-bearing animals.
- (4) Report every violation of the "Game Act" or regulations immediately to the nearest Game Warden or Provincial Constable.
 - (5) Suggestions for improvement of the Trapping Laws will gladly be received at all times and given careful consideration by the Game Department.
 - (6) Remember that the use of poison or pit-lamps in taking fur is prohibited.
 - (7) Sale or transfer of any registered trap-lines is prohibited except under certain conditions, and only on permission of the Game Commission.
 - (8) White men and Indians are urgently requested to co-operate in conserving fur-bearing animals.
 - (9) **PREVENT FOREST FIRES.** Report any forest fire immediately to the nearest Fire Warden, Game Warden, or Provincial Constable.
 - (10) Under 1931 amendments to the "Land Act," it is provided that where any land described in any application for pre-emption record comprises an area situate within the limits of a trap-line registered under the "Game Act," the Minister of Lands and Forests may direct that the pre-emption record shall be granted subject to the continued exercise by the registered holder of the trap-line of all its rights thereto or thereunder, including the exclusive rights of trapping over that area, for a period of not exceeding two years from the date of the pre-emption record, in which case the Minister of Lands and Forests shall cause a notation to be made on the certificate of pre-emption record for entry in the Land Office register and notice thereof to be given to the pre-emptor.

FUR SALES.

- (11) Every fur-trader, in chasing fur, must insert in his record-book the number of the licence of the person by whom the pelts or skins of fur-bearing animals were trapped.

FUR SHIPMENTS.

- (12) No person shall make any shipment of any game, or any part thereof, or the eggs of any game bird, whether for export or to a destination within the Province, by any railway, steamship, or express company, or other common carrier, without first preparing the shipment so that the package or receptacle used for purposes of the shipment may be easily opened for examination of the contents, or else by preparing the shipment by plainly marking on the outside of the package or receptacle, or on a label securely attached thereto, a full description in detail of the contents; and no person shall make any shipment of any game, or any part thereof, or the eggs of any game bird, whether for export or to a destination within the Province, without first plainly marking on the package or receptacle used for purposes of the shipment, or on a label securely attached thereto, the names and addresses of the consignor and consignee of the shipment respectively, and also the number of any licence issued under the "Game Act" to the consignor.

REGULATIONS COVERING THE SEALING OF BEAVER-PELTS.

(Order in Council No. 1639, approved July 16th, 1948.)

1. For the purpose of these regulations, the words "pelt" or "pelts" when used herein shall mean a beaver pelt or pelts.

2. Any pelt or pelts trapped, taken, or in possession of any person in the Province must be sealed with a seal prescribed and supplied by the Game Commission, and such seals must remain on the pelt until the pelt is manufactured.
3. (a) Upon application, the Game Commission or its authorized agent shall issue or cause to be issued, provided the applicant is qualified to trap, a permit and the number of beaver seals deemed to be sufficient to ensure the proper harvesting of beaver in any trapping area or on any lands whatsoever, and the Game Commission shall have power under these regulations to appoint any person to issue permits and beaver-seals.
(b) No permit or seal is to be issued unless the issuer has proof that beaver are established on the trapping area or lands for which application is being made to trap beaver.
4. Each applicant for permit to trap beaver shall on issuance of permit be supplied with the required number of seals.
5. Each applicant for beaver-seals and permit shall, when requested so to do, furnish satisfactory proof to the Game Commission or its authorized agent as to the trapping area where it is proposed to trap the beaver.
6. One of the seals supplied must be securely affixed to the forepart or head of the pelt by the person trapping or taking the beaver immediately the pelt has been stretched or prepared for sale.
7. Each person to whom beaver-seals have been issued shall return any unused seals forthwith after the close of the authorized trapping period to the nearest Game Warden or Constable.
8. The transfer of any beaver seal, seals, or permit from one person to another is prohibited, and no person shall have in his possession any beaver seal or seals or permit not issued in his name.
9. No trapper, fur-trader, or any other person shall buy, sell, or offer to buy or sell, possess, bargain, or trade in any pelt that has

not been sealed in accordance with the provisions of these regulations.

10. All imported pelts shall be sealed with a seal designated by the Game Commission; provided that the onus of proof that such pelts have been legally imported shall at all times be the responsibility of the persons found in possession thereof, and no pelts shall be sealed until such proof is produced.

11. No common or private carrier or transportation company or person shall carry or cause to be carried, shipped, or transported within the Province any pelt that has not been sealed in accordance with the provisions of these regulations, except in a case where a pelt or pelts have been confiscated to the Crown.

HELP PREVENT FOREST FIRES.

It is unlawful:

To use any swivel, set-gun, machine gun, or battery, or any gun larger than a 10-gauge, or a pump or automatic shotgun without a permanent plug—magazine to hold two shells.

To hunt any game birds between one hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise, or during the prohibited time or period mentioned in the Game Regulations.

To carry loaded firearms in or on or discharge same from an automobile or any other vehicle either on or off a highway.

To carry firearms in an automobile, launch, sailboat, or power-boat during the close season on game without a permit issued by the Game Commission.

To have in possession, place, or set poison for the taking or killing of any game.

To use pit-lamps or lights of any description at any time for the purpose of hunting game birds or animals.

To remove all evidence as to sex from any member of the deer family or mountain-sheep which have been killed until the carcass or carcasses of said animals have been taken to place of consumption.

To hunt game from any sailboat, power-boat, aeroplane, or open punt.

To use any other person's licence or permit or to loan or transfer any licence or permit under any circumstances.

To allow any dog to hunt or run any caribou, moose, wapiti, or deer at any time, or to run at large hunting game birds between April 1 and July 31st, both dates inclusive.

To angle for fish in non-tidal waters without a licence.

To kill a deer and retain same in possession before taken to place of consumption without first tagging the carcass of the deer by inserting the tag through the flesh or skin of the animal in accordance with the Game-tagging Regulations, and this rule also applies to moose and elk.

To frighten or disturb any game birds in the waters of any game reserve by the discharging of any rifle or firearm, or by the firing of shots from a rifle or other firearm, upon or over, or across any game reserve.

Full co-operation is respectfully requested of all licence-holders in submitting their game returns on form supplied by the British Columbia Game Commission.

PREPARATION OR CARE OF GAME MEAT.

BIG GAME.

1. Go prepared. The following equipment is either essential or desirable in the care of a big-game carcass: Hunting knife, belt axe, 30 feet of 1/4-inch rope, some twine, several pieces of clean wiping cloth, four (4) muslin or cloth sacks, each large enough to hold a quarter of the animal, and several pieces of old but clean canvas for use when carrying the meat on pack-horses.
2. As soon as possible after the animal is shot insert the knife at the point of the brisket with back of the blade against the breastbone, point the tip toward the backbone at the top

of the shoulders just under the windpipe, and cut diagonally forward toward the head to sever the large blood-vessels in the neck. If possible, first turn the animal with its head down-hill so that it will bleed freely. Coast deer may be draped across several logs to provide the same effect.

3. After the animal has bled well, turn the carcass with head up-hill and open it from the vent to the throat. Use the hand axe to break the pelvic bone and breastbone. Be careful not to puncture the intestine or paunch. If the animal is first placed on an incline, the paunch and intestines will roll out more freely. Slip your knife forward between the ribs and the paunch (stomach) and cut the muscular diaphragm loose. Cut the windpipe and gullet free as far forward as possible. Take the windpipe and gullet in the left hand and pull backward, at the same time cutting free from the carcass that portion which tends to hold.

4. In the case of deer, place the carcass in position to drain. Wipe the inside of the carcass dry with clean cloth. Do not wash with water. Remove the dark tufts of hair on the hind legs. These are glandular areas which secrete a foul-smelling material that may contaminate the meat. Before using your knife again, you should carefully wipe it clean. The testes left on the carcass will cause no harm.

5. In case the carcass cannot be hung up or is not removed to camp immediately spread it open with a short spreader-stick across the chest to cool as rapidly as possible and prevent meat from spoiling. Do not leave a carcass exposed to the sun; drag it to a shady place. Certain additional precautions are necessary in the treatment of moose or elk. The carcass must be propped open in several places to permit rapid cooling. Make sure that the pelvis also has been split and propped open to allow the large mass of meat in the hindquarters to cool as rapidly as possible. Roll the animal on its back so that the warm air and steam which rises from the body cavity may escape and speed up the cooling process and that the

maximum area may be exposed to the air. Never leave warm meat in the cloth or canvas containers. Repack the meat from the cloth or muslin sacks each night and allow it to hang in a cool, dry place. When horses are used for packing, the meat should be wrapped in clean canvas with the hair side toward the horse. Packing should be done only after the meat has become cooled.

6. When the entire carcass is to be transported, leave the hide on the animal to prevent the meat from becoming soiled and drying out.

7. If it is desired to save the head and scalp for mounting, do not stick the animal in the throat. Open the skin squarely on the side of each shoulder, skin down to the leg on one side, cut across to the other leg, preserving the brisket skin intact. Roll the animal over and skin down from the shoulder in the same manner until the cuts meet. Then, starting on top of the animal and between the shoulders, open the skin at the back of the neck almost to the antlers. Pull the skin free from neck and shoulders and up to the head. Then, and not until then, open the animal's throat and bleed in the usual manner. A neck skin cut where the usual inexperienced hunter thinks is proper will be eight to twelve inches too short for good mounting.

UPLAND GAME BIRDS.

Grouse often require particular attention, as they are killed early in the season when the weather is still warm. Special treatment is also necessary due to the berry juices that leak from shot-holes in the intestines and stain the meat, often imparting a strong flavour to the flesh. For this reason it is advisable to remove the viscera from grouse (particularly blue grouse) as soon as they are killed. Make a small incision near the vent large enough to insert two fingers, and pull out the contents. When the birds are prepared in this way, it will be necessary to make doubly sure that flies do not gain access to the incision. Do not leave

birds in a hunting coat or piled in a car trunk. Hang them in a cool place, enclosed in a muslin sack to keep out the flies. It is advisable to clean all game birds, including water-fowl, soon after they are shot, or removed to a place of residence in order to prevent the intestines from leaking and the juices tainting the meat.

For full information in regard to the Game Laws and Regulations, write to the Game Commission, 567 Burrard Street, Vancouver, B.C.

OBTAIN YOUR GAME RETURN FORM. COMPLETE AND SUBMIT IT PROMPTLY BEFORE DATE MENTIONED THEREON. PLEASE CO-OPERATE, as the information taken from these returns forms valuable scientific data.

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