

# BRITISH COLUMBIA HUNTING AND TRAPPING REGULATIONS SYNOPSIS 1987-1988



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# GENERAL INFORMATION APPLYING TO ALL OF BRITISH COLUMBIA



## DEFINITIONS

**Antlered Animal** — means a member of the deer family over one year of age bearing visible bony antlers.

**Antlerless Animal** — means a member of the deer family bearing no visible bony antlers. The small skin- or hair-covered protuberances of fawns and calves do not constitute antlers.

**Arrow** — means a slender shaft, which may be pointed at one end and may be feathered at the opposite end, for shooting from a bow.

**Bait** — means anything, including meat, cereals, cultivated crops, restrained animal or any manufactured product or material, that may attract wildlife and includes plastic or other imitation foods but does not include a decoy as described under these regulations.

**B.C. Resident** — means a person who maintains a permanent residence in the Province, and who has been in actual residence therein for six (6) months in the previous twelve (12) months prior to any application under the Wildlife Act.

**Big Game** — means any mountain sheep, mountain goat, caribou, elk, moose, deer, grizzly bear, black bear, cougar, wolf or other mammal designated by regulation.

**Bolt** — means a shaft or missile designed to be shot from a crossbow or catapult.

**Bow** — means a longbow or a crossbow.

**Brow Tine** — means the first tine projecting forward in the lower 1/3 of the antler of a moose, caribou, elk or deer.

**Bucks and Bulls** — are males of the deer family over one year of age which bear visible bony antlers.

**Calf** — means a moose, elk or caribou less than twelve (12) months of age.

**Cancelled Species Licence** — means a Species Licence that has been cancelled as indicated on the licence. The Species Licence must be cancelled immediately upon killing the animal.

**Compound Crossbow** — means a crossbow on which the bow string runs through pulleys.

**Crossbow** — means a bow fixed across a stock with a groove for the arrow or bolt and a mechanism for holding and releasing the string. (Note: The use of crossbows is permitted during special Bow and Arrow seasons unless otherwise indicated under the regional schedules.)

**Decoy** — means any material or manufactured product that simulates the appearance or has the form of wildlife.

**Deer Family** — means moose, caribou, deer and elk.

**Firearm** — includes a device that propels a projectile by means of an explosion, compressed gas or spring and includes a rifle, shotgun, handgun or spring gun but does not include a bow.

**Full Curl Bighorn Ram** — means any male bighorn mountain sheep which has attained the age of eight (8) years as determined by the horn annuli or whose horn tip extends upwards beyond a straight line drawn between the centre of the nostril and the lowest hindmost portion of the base of the horn.

**Full Curl Bighorn Ram** — (Junction limited entry area and M.U. 5-3 only) means any male bighorn mountain sheep which has attained the age of six (6) years as determined by the horn annuli or whose horn tip extends upwards beyond a straight line drawn between the centre of the nostril and the lowest hindmost portion of the base of the horn.

**3/4 Curl Bighorn Ram** — means any male bighorn mountain sheep which has attained the age of six (6) years as determined by the horn annuli or whose horn tip, when viewed from the side extends beyond a straight line drawn through the centre of the eye and at right angles through a line drawn between the centre of the nostril and the lowest hindmost portion of the base of the horn.

**Full Curl Thinhorn Ram** — means any male thinhorn mountain sheep which has attained the age of eight (8) years as determined by yearly horn growth annuli or whose horn tip extends upwards beyond the forehead-nose bridge when viewed from the side.

**Fur-bearing Animal** — means a fox, badger, beaver, black bear, marten, fisher, Canada lynx, bobcat, mink, muskrat, land otter, raccoon, skunk, red squirrel, sea otter, weasel, wolverine, wolf or coyote.

**Game Bird** — means any grouse, partridge, quail, pheasant, ptarmigan, migratory game bird, or bird designated by regulation.

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## IMPORTANT REGULATION NOTICES 1987/88

This is not a resume of all changes in the regulations for this year. Major changes from last year's regulations are shown in coloured type, in the following pages.

- The 1987-88 Trapping Regulations are included in this Synopsis. There will be no separate publication for Trapping Regulations this year.
- Limited Entry Hunting maps and hunter information are not published in this Synopsis. Please consult the current Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for further details.

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**Game** — includes all big game, small game, game birds and fur-bearing animals.

**Hunt and Hunting** — includes shooting at, attracting, searching for, chasing, pursuing, following after or on the trail of, stalking, or lying in wait for wildlife or attempting to do any of those things, whether or not the wildlife is then or subsequently wounded, killed or captured;

- (a) with intention to capture the wildlife, or
- (b) while in possession of a firearm or other weapon.

**Licence Year** — means the period from April 1 to March 31 of the following year.

**Loaded Firearm** — means any firearm containing live ammunition in either the breech or the magazine. A clip containing live ammunition, when attached to the firearm, is considered as the magazine.

**Migratory Game Birds** — for which there is an open season in B.C. and for which a Canadian Migratory Bird hunting permit is required are waterfowl (ducks and geese, including brant), coot, common snipe, band-tailed pigeon and mourning dove.

**Mature Full Curl Bighorn Ram** — means any male bighorn ram mountain sheep which has attained the age of eight (8) years as determined by yearly horn growth annuli or whose horn tip extends upwards beyond the forehead-nose bridge when viewed from the side.

**No Hunting Area** — means a designated area in which hunting (see definition) is prohibited.

**No Shooting Area** — means a designated area in which the discharge of firearms is prohibited. NOTE: Shooting Areas as prescribed under the Wildlife Act are open to the use of bows and arrows and crossbows unless specifically restricted under hunting regulations.

**Power Boat** — means any boat, canoe or yacht powered by an electric, gasoline, oil or steam motor or by other mechanical means, but not a boat powered by oars or by an outboard motor which has been detached or removed from its operating position.

**Raptor** — means a bird of the order *falconiformes* known as vultures, eagles, falcons and hawks or the order *strigiformes* known as owls and includes the eggs of these birds.

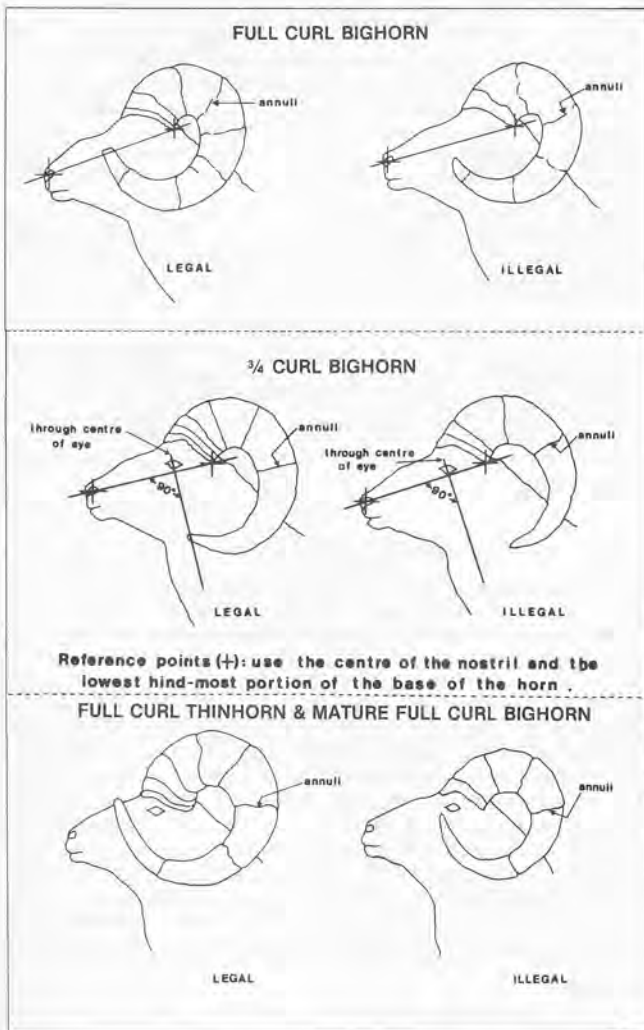
**Small Game** — includes fox, raccoon, lynx, bobcat, coyote, skunk, wolverine and game birds.

**Spike Buck** — means a male deer having antlers that are composed of a main beam from which there are no bony projections greater than 1 inch in length.

**Wildlife** — means raptors, threatened species, endangered species, game and other species of vertebrates prescribed as wildlife by regulation.

## IT IS UNLAWFUL

1. to hunt over or trap in enclosed land or private property without the owner's permission.
2. to make a false statement to an Officer, Conservation Officer, or Constable.
3. to hunt at any time during the year except within the open season, or by authority of a permit issued under the Wildlife Act.
4. to use another person's licence or permit, or to loan or transfer any licence or permit under any circumstances.
5. to be in possession of a big game animal without a properly cancelled species licence or otherwise by licence or permit.
6. for a hunter to continue to hunt game species on any day in which he has taken his daily or seasonal bag limit of that species of game.
7. to hunt moose, elk, mountain sheep, mountain goat, caribou or grizzly bear with a shotgun. (Shotguns may be used only for the hunting of deer, black bear, cougar, coyote, wolf, game birds and small game.) NOTE: A person using a shotgun for hunting deer, black bear, cougar and wolf must: (a) use a bore size of 20 gauge or larger; and (b) use shells of shot size SG, or larger.
8. to hunt game birds with a rifle, except grouse and ptarmigan.
9. to hunt migratory game birds using a rifle, or a shotgun loaded with a single bullet; or any other weapon except a bow and arrow or a shotgun not larger than number 10 gauge.
10. to use, while hunting migratory game birds, more than one shotgun, unless each shotgun in excess of one, is disassembled or unloaded and encased.
11. to hunt with a set gun, or a pump, repeating or auto-loading shotgun without a plugged magazine incapable of holding more than two shells.
12. to use full metal jacketed, non-expanding, tracers, incendiary or explosive bullets for hunting game.
13. to use rimfire cartridges for hunting big game.
14. to hunt migratory birds from a power boat.
15. to shoot wildlife from a motor vehicle or boat propelled by a motor.
16. to discharge, carry or have in possession a firearm containing live ammunition in its breech or in its magazine, in a railway car, motor vehicle, sleigh, aircraft, or bicycle.
17. to discharge a firearm on or across the travelled portions of an arterial or secondary highway.
18. to hunt or transport hunters or wildlife by helicopters.
19. to use a power boat, aircraft, or motor vehicle to disturb game for the purpose of driving them towards another hunter.
20. to hunt from one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise.
21. to hunt migratory game birds from ½ hour after sunset to ½ hour before sunrise.
22. to hunt, take, wound or kill big game while it is swimming unless it has been previously wounded.
23. to use poison for the taking or killing of any wildlife.
24. to possess or keep in captivity any wildlife without a permit.
25. to possess or wantonly take, injure or destroy a bird, egg, or the nest of a bird except the nests and eggs of crows, English sparrows, magpies, Rock doves or European starlings as designated by regulation.



Legal rams cannot be identified unless viewed at right angles from the side. Horn annuli do not constitute a good field guide for aging sheep. These field definitions adequately conform to legal definitions, copies of which are available at Ministry of Environment and Parks offices.



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26. to buy or sell migratory birds or their eggs or nests.
27. for a person who has taken a furbearing animal under a hunting licence, in a prescribed open season to offer for sale the pelt or skin from the animal unless he has paid a royalty to the Province on the skin or pelt. (NOTE: See Royalty Fees Section on page 5.)
28. to traffic or offer to do so in wildlife meat except as authorized by permit.
29. to kill wildlife (with the exception of grizzly bear, black bear, cougar and furbearers) and fail to remove the edible portions of the carcass to a place of consumption or to a cold storage locker or meat cutting plant. Of mountain sheep, mountain goat and caribou, no less than one hind quarter must be removed to a place of consumption, or to a cold storage locker or meat cutting plant.
30. to place bait for the purpose of attracting a migratory game bird, except under permit.
31. to use live birds as decoys, or recorded bird calls to hunt game birds.
32. to discharge, dump, discard or dispose of litter on any land or fresh water.
33. to enter onto private property without the owner's permission.
34. to shoot or capture any hawk, falcon, owl or eagle.
35. to deface any notice posted under authority of the Wildlife Act.
36. to damage or interfere with a lawfully set trap.
37. **to act as, or offer to act as, a guide for fish or game for compensation or reward unless licenced to do so.**

## PENALTIES

- (1) There is an automatic cancellation of a migratory game bird hunting permit upon conviction of an offence under the Migratory Birds Convention Act.
- (2) A person convicted of an offence under the Wildlife Act, the Migratory Birds Convention Act (Canada), the Fisheries Act (Canada) or the Criminal Code (respecting the possession or use of firearms while hunting) may automatically, or by order of the Director of Wildlife Branch, have his licence and all privileges granted under it cancelled and his eligibility to obtain a hunting, firearm or fishing licence suspended for a period of up to five years. A fine of \$10,000 and imprisonment for up to six months may be imposed for offences committed under the Wildlife Act.

## SPECIAL RESTRICTION

There is no open season on female or other grizzly bear in the company of two year old or younger grizzly bear or on two year old or younger grizzly bear.

Do not shoot any grizzly bear when observed in a family unit.

## SPECIAL REQUEST

Hunters are encouraged to select male mountain goat when hunting. Males tend to be larger than females. Females usually exhibit a noticeable curvature at the tip of the horns. In addition, males tend not to be found in nanny/kid groups.

## COLLARED WILDLIFE

Please avoid shooting collared moose, caribou, mountain goat, mountain sheep, black bear, and grizzly bear. Collared animals carry radio transmitters and are used for research purposes. The death of one of these animals represents a substantial loss in terms of time and money. If a radio-collared animal is inadvertently killed, please return the collar to an office of the Ministry of Environment and Parks.

## LICENCE REQUIREMENTS

Anyone wishing to hunt or carry firearms in B.C. must obtain the required licence.

To be eligible to obtain a resident hunting licence, a person must make his home in British Columbia and be present in the Province for 6 months in the 12 months immediately before applying for the licence.

A member of the R.C.M.P. or Canadian Armed Services enrolled in continuing full time military service is eligible to obtain a resident hunting licence after making his home in British Columbia for one month immediately before applying for the licence.

**A B.C. resident 14 or older must produce a B.C. Resident Hunter Number Card to purchase a Resident Hunting Licence.** A Hunter Number Card may be obtained in either of two ways:

1. By successfully completing a B.C. hunter training (Conservation & Outdoor Recreation Education — C.O.R.E.) course or other North American hunter safety training course.

For information on the C.O.R.E. course contact the Open Learning Institute, Box 94000, Richmond, B.C., V6Y 2A2, telephone 270-8021.

Note that the C.O.R.E. wallet card, formerly issued to C.O.R.E. graduates, has been discontinued and will not be accepted for purchase of a hunting licence. Residents who have only a C.O.R.E. card may obtain a B.C. Resident Hunter Number Card free of charge by presenting the C.O.R.E. card at any Government Agent's Office.

2. A Hunter Number Card can also be obtained by signing an affidavit that the applicant has previously held a hunting licence legally issued to him on or after his 14th birthday, from British Columbia or another province of Canada or a state of the United States.

A resident 14 years of age and under 19 must apply for a hunting licence in person in the presence of his parent or guardian, who must sign an "Acknowledgement of Responsibility" for his/her son, daughter or ward. Hunters under the age of 19 must be accompanied and closely supervised by a person who is 19 years of age or older and who holds a hunting licence.

No one under the age of 10 may hunt or carry a firearm.

A Junior Hunting Licence can only be issued to a parent or guardian on behalf of his/her child or ward, resident in B.C., who is 10 years of age or older and under the age of 14. The Junior Hunter need not complete a hunter training course. Wildlife taken by the Junior under this licence is included in the bag limit of the licenced adult who must accompany and supervise him while hunting. No species licences or Limited Entry Hunt applications may be purchased with this licence. (Non-resident qualifications for a Junior Licence differ. Consult a Government Agency or Ministry of Environment and Parks regional office).

**Indians** as defined under the Indian Act (Canada) who are residents of British Columbia are **not required** to obtain any type of hunting licence. Indians are not exempt from the requirements of the Limited Entry Hunting regulations.

## FIREARMS ACQUISITION CERTIFICATE

All persons (except a juvenile accompanied by a licenced adult) are required to obtain a Firearms Acquisition Certificate before taking possession of a gun whether you plan to buy, borrow or trade to obtain it. Application forms are available at firearms dealers or from local police. The price of a certificate is \$10.00. For further information, consult the Criminal Code.

## NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT HUNTERS

Non-residents of British Columbia hunting big game must be accompanied by a licenced B.C. guide. On the completion of the hunt non-residents must obtain a completed form of declaration from their guide. Failure to do so constitutes an offence on the part of the hunter and the guide. A non-resident of B.C. who is a resident of Canada may be accompanied by a resident of B.C. in place of a licenced B.C. guide, provided the B.C. resident is a Canadian citizen and has also obtained the required permit from the Regional Office of the Ministry of Environment and Parks of the Region in which he intends to hunt. A non-resident of Canada may also be eligible under this procedure providing that he qualifies under one of the required relationship categories (ie. if accompanied by a father, brother, son, uncle, nephew, grandson, grandfather, mother, sister, daughter, aunt, niece, granddaughter, grandmother, spouse, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law or sister-in-law). **Application for the permit must be made at least one month prior to hunting.**

## Handguns

There are special handgun restrictions in Canada. Please contact the R.C.M.P. for details before bringing a handgun into Canada.

## Small game

It is not necessary for a non-resident of British Columbia to be accompanied by a licenced guide when hunting for small game (including game birds).



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## HUNTING LICENCE FEES

The following fees apply province-wide. Additional licence requirements are indicated under certain regional schedules.

<b>A person to carry a firearm (5 year)</b>	\$ 5.00
<b>A resident of British Columbia</b> to hunt all game and carry firearms who is a Canadian citizen 65 years of age or over to hunt all game and carry firearms	17.00 1.00
<b>A resident of Canada (not British Columbia)</b> to hunt all game and carry firearms	17.00
<b>A non-resident</b> to a person not a resident in Canada to hunt small game and game birds only and carry firearms	43.00*
to a person not a resident in Canada to hunt all game and carry firearms	93.00*
<b>Duplicate Hunting and Species Licences</b> to a person who can satisfactorily prove his hunting and/or species licences have been lost or destroyed (an affidavit is required). For each:	4.00
<b>A person to hunt in the Fraser Valley Special Area</b> See Map B2.	10.00
<b>A person to hunt in the Gulf Islands Special Area</b> All islands in M.U. 1-1 except Vancouver Island	1.00
<b>Canadian Migratory Game Bird Hunting Permit</b>	7.50

When hunting or transporting migratory game birds, you must carry with you a valid Canadian Migratory Game Bird hunting permit in addition to any required provincial hunting licence. The permit is available at the Post Office.

\* Includes \$3.00 surcharge for the HABITAT CONSERVATION FUND.

## HABITAT CONSERVATION FUND

The \$3 surcharge on all hunting, angling, trapping and guiding licences provides revenue to be used for the enhancement of fish and wildlife. In 1986-87, this revenue amounted to 2.2 million dollars.

Since 1981, 336 projects for fish and wildlife totalling 7 million dollars have been completed or are underway in all regions of the Province. Enhancement projects for wildlife include use of prescribed fire to rejuvenate winter ranges for sheep, elk, deer and moose; wetland improvement to establish productive breeding and resting areas for waterfowl and other upland species; thinning and planting techniques to increase forage for elk and grizzly bear; and introduction of mountain goat, elk and burrowing owl to repopulate historic ranges.

These projects complement enhancement projects for fisheries and the acquisition of habitat for both fish and wildlife.

For further information please contact the nearest office of the Ministry of Environment and Parks or write:

Habitat Conservation Fund  
Wildlife Branch  
Ministry of Environment and Parks  
Parliament Buildings  
Victoria, B.C. V8V 1X5

## SPECIES LICENCE FEES

Species licences are required for the hunting of the following big game animals and are required in addition to the basic licences listed above.

Licences	B.C. Resident	Non-B.C. Resident
Black Bear	\$ 8.00	\$ 50.00
Caribou	20.00	120.00
Cougar	20.00*	120.00
Deer (mule and white-tailed)	8.00	60.00
Elk	20.00	120.00
Grizzly Bear	70.00*	320.00
Moose	20.00	120.00
Mountain Goat	30.00*	130.00
Mountain Sheep	50.00*	300.00
Wolf	No Licence Required	25.00

\* Resident licences for these species are not valid until the second day after the date of issue.

Any person who kills any of the above big game species must immediately cancel the appropriate species licence. All hunting and species licences expire March 31.

## LICENCE AVAILABILITY

Resident hunting licences are available at all Government Offices, some Ministry of Environment and Parks Offices and many sporting goods stores. Non-resident hunting licences are only available from Regional Ministry of Environment and Parks Offices, Government Agents, and Wildlife Branch, 780 Blanshard Street, Victoria, B.C., V8V 1X5. Non-residents may also obtain their licences by mail.

Duplicates for misplaced, lost, stolen or accidentally destroyed licences are available from Government Agent's offices, for a fee of \$4.00 each. DO NOT purchase another original licence from a sporting goods store or similar non-government licence issuer, as this will automatically show on our records that you have been issued more than the legal limit of current licences which is an offence under Wildlife Act regulations.

## ROYALTY FEES

Every holder of a valid hunting licence who kills a fur-bearing animal is exempt from paying the prescribed royalty fee unless he offers the pelt for sale. See current Trapping Regulations on page 60 for royalty fees. Payment of a royalty fee is required only upon the initial sale of the pelt. Fur-bearers may only be hunted where an open hunting season is declared.

## OPEN SEASONS

For the purpose of defining the open seasons for big game, small game and game birds, the province is divided into Management Units (M.U.'s) under B.C. Regulation 415/75. For the purpose of these hunting regulations, A and B parts of a Management Unit shall be considered as a single unit except for Units 6-17A and 6-17B which are considered as separate units. The open seasons for the hunting of each species of game are shown in regional schedules on the following pages. All dates mentioned therein are inclusive.

**UNLESS SEASONS ARE INDICATED, THERE ARE NO OPEN SEASONS ON ANY GAME ANIMAL.** Where open seasons do not apply to the entire Management Unit, reference is given to detailed maps showing the area and describing the pertinent 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 Ministry of Forests and Lands and shall continue to be ineffective during the period covered by such forest closure order. **Dates for hunting seasons may be changed by order of the Minister only in unusual circumstances. Such changes will be given local publicity.**

## BAG LIMITS AND POSSESSION LIMITS

Season bag limits for big and small game and daily bag limits for game birds for each Management Unit are shown in the regional schedules on the following pages directly following the date of the open season. Where special restrictions exist as to species, sex or age, they are shown on detailed maps.

These bag limits are printed in **bold type**, e.g. 3.

Where no bag limit is in effect, the abbreviation **NBL** appears.

An entry such as "**2(1)**" for ungulates in the schedules means the season bag limit is two animals of that species in the aggregate, one of which may be antlerless.

An entry such as "**2**" for big game (except ungulates) and small game in the schedules means the season bag limit and possession limit is two animals.

An entry such as "**10(20)**" for upland game birds and migratory game birds in the schedules means the daily bag limit is 10 while the possession limit is 20.

"Possession limit" means the maximum number of a species or type of wildlife a person may have in his possession while hunting or returning from hunting.

Subject to exceptions in the regional schedules below, the maximum number of each species of small game and big game which a hunter may take in the province during one licence year (the season bag limit) is **one**. The annual provincial bag limit for mountain sheep is **one in aggregate**. Provincial bag limits may be achieved by hunting in one or more regions provided the regional bag limits are not exceeded.



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- (1) **Deer:** The maximum number which a hunter may take in one licence year is two (2) of which one may be antlerless.  
NOTE: See regional summaries for regional bag limits.
- (2) **Black Bear:** The maximum number which a hunter may take in one licence year is two (2).  
NOTE: For black bear, the provincial bag limit may be exceeded in portions of Region 7.
- (3) **Cougar:** The maximum number which a hunter may take in one licence year is two (2).
- (4) **Wolf:** The maximum number which a hunter may take in one licence year is three (3).  
NOTE: For wolf, the provincial bag limit may be exceeded in Regions 6 and 7.
- (5) **Coyote, Raccoon, Skunk and Fox:** There is no maximum number which a hunter may take in one licence year. (No bag limit — NBL).
- (6) **Wolverine and Lynx:** The maximum number which a hunter may take in one licence year is one (1) of each species.
- (7) **Bobcat:** The maximum number which a hunter may take in one licence year (the season bag limit) is five (5).
- (8) **Game Birds:** No person, while in the field either actually hunting or returning from hunting, shall have in his possession upland game birds in excess of three times the daily limit. For possession limits on migratory game birds see regional schedules.  
The daily bag limit for all geese in aggregate is five (5), possession ten (10).

## RABBITS AND HARE

The white-tailed jackrabbit and the mountain cottontail which occur in the Okanagan Valley are protected year-round. The snowshoe hare, which occurs throughout British Columbia, and the Eastern cottontail, which has been introduced in the Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island, are not protected and may be taken year-round.

## PROTECTED MAMMALS

Sportsmen are reminded that the following mammals are protected by regulation under the Wildlife Act:

1. Badger,
2. Mountain Cottontail (found in the Similkameen and Okanagan Valleys),
3. White-tailed Jackrabbit (confined to the South Okanagan Valley).

## RARE AND ENDANGERED SPECIES

The following species are designated as endangered in B.C. and may not be killed for any reason:

1. Vancouver Island Marmot,
2. Sea Otter,
3. White Pelican,
4. Burrowing Owl.

## POSSESSION AND TRANSPORT

Detailed information is available at Ministry of Environment and Parks offices.

## Evidence of Species and Sex

### Big Game:

Anyone who possesses or transports the carcass or part of the carcass of **elk, moose, mule (black-tailed) deer, white-tailed deer or fallow deer** must leave attached to one portion of the carcass:

- to identify the species, a readily identifiable part of the hide which is not less than 6 square centimeters (1 inch by 1 inch) in size, and
- to identify the sex, either
  - a testicle or part of the penis
  - or
  - a portion of the udder or teats
  - or
  - the antlers

Anyone who possesses or transports the carcass or part of the carcass of caribou or grizzly bear must leave attached to one portion of the carcass:

- to identify the species, a readily identifiable part of the hide which is at least 6 square centimeters (1 inch by 1 inch) in size, and

- to identify the sex, either
  - a testicle or part of the penis
  - or
  - a portion of the udder or teats

Anyone who possesses or transports only the hide of **elk, moose, mule (black-tailed) deer, white-tailed deer, fallow deer, caribou or grizzly bear** must leave attached to the hide:

- a testicle or part of the penis
- or
- a portion of the udder or teats

### Game Birds:

Anyone who possesses or transports a **game bird** must leave attached to the carcass one wing and the plumage thereof.

### Note:

Leaving evidence of species and sex on the carcass will not spoil or in any way contaminate the meat. Evidence of species and sex may be removed from the carcass or the hide of game:

- when it is taken to a place of consumption,
- when it is taken to a cold storage locker or meat cutting plant, or
- after it has been inspected by an employee of the Ministry of Environment and Parks.

Anyone who possesses or transports big game within the Province of British Columbia must possess:

- the species licence under which the animal was taken
- or
- a record of receipt of the wildlife showing
  - the date and place of receipt,
  - the name and address of the person who killed the animal,
  - the B.C. Resident Hunter Number of the person who killed the animal,
  - the species licence number under which the animal was taken, and
  - the species and sex of the animal taken.

Anyone having a carcass butchered and packaged should obtain from the butcher a receipt which indicates:

- the hunter number,
- the species licence number,
- the species, and
- the sex of the animal taken.

## GAME CHECK

The Ministry of Environment and Parks operates numerous checking stations throughout the Province. **It is mandatory for all hunters to stop at all checking stations and report.**

## EXPORT PERMITS

All hunters (resident and non-resident), in order to export game from the Province, must obtain a permit for this purpose unless the export permit which is valid for 30 days is included in his species licence or his compulsory inspection data sheet.

## CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE

The "Convention on the International Trade of Endangered Species" (C.I.T.E.S.) requires that a special Convention export permit be obtained for the export from Canada of all grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf or parts of these animals. Such permits for animals or parts thereof, leaving Canada directly from British Columbia, may be obtained only at certain offices during normal working hours. Check the regional schedules for the location of these centres.

## COMPULSORY REPORTING

The following species of game must be reported at a designated compulsory reporting centre:

- caribou,
- grizzly bear,
- cougar,
- mountain sheep,
- mountain goat, and
- wolf taken in M.U.'s 1-1 to 1-13 and Kootenay Region,
- elk taken in the Okanagan Sub-region,
- bobcat,
- lynx, and
- wolverine.



# GENERAL INFORMATION APPLYING TO ALL OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Compulsory reporting centres are open during working hours (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.), Monday to Friday, unless otherwise specified. Designated centres are listed in the regional schedules on the following pages.

If two or more animals are to be checked, 24 hours notice (by phone) should be given to the staff of the centres.

All compulsory reported species must be submitted to an official of the Ministry of Environment and Parks for the purpose of taking measurements or parts of the animal required for management (i.e. tooth) within ten (10) days of the kill, except:

- (1) Persons who gain the written approval from a Conservation Officer, Wildlife Biologist, Wildlife Technician or Official at a game check station of the Ministry of Environment and Parks prior to hunting can submit such animals for inspection within ten (10) days after the last day of the hunt; or
- (2) Persons who use the services of a licenced guide for the purpose of killing a caribou, grizzly bear, mountain goat or mountain sheep can submit such animals for inspection within ten (10) days after the last day of the continuous season in which the animal was taken (i.e. fall killed grizzly bear must be submitted after the end of the fall season).

## Parts required for compulsory inspection include:

- for caribou:
  - the hide or part of it bearing a testicle or part of the penis
  - the lower jaw bearing the incisor teeth
  - the antlers for all caribou taken in Cariboo Sub-region and Omineca-Peace Sub-region.
- for grizzly bear:
  - the hide or part of it bearing; in the case of males, a testicle or part of the penis and in the case of females, a portion of the teats or mammary glands
  - the skull with the lower jaw (preferably skinned out).
- for cougar:
  - the skull with the lower jaw (preferably skinned out)
  - the hide or part of it bearing; in the case of males, a testicle or part of the penis and in the case of females, a portion of the teats or mammary glands.
- for mountain sheep (ie. Dall's, Stone's, California and Rocky Mountain):
  - the portion of the skull including nasal bones, the eyesocket, the horns and the associated connective bone structure.
- for mountain goat:
  - the horns and the jaw bearing the incisor teeth.
- for wolf taken in M.U.'s 1-1 to 1-13 and Kootenay Region:
  - the skull with the lower jaw,
  - the hide or part of it bearing (Kootenay Region only):
    - in the case of males, a testicle or part of the penis,
    - in the case of females, a portion of the teats or mammary glands.

The head portions required to be submitted for inspection are shaded gray in the diagram.

- for elk taken in the Okanagan and Omineca-Peace Sub-regions:
  - the lower jaw bearing the incisor (front) teeth,
  - for males, the antlers attached to a portion of the upper skull,
  - for females, the upper portion of the skull or a portion of the teats or mammary glands.
- for bobcat, lynx and wolverine:
  - a canine tooth (Kootenay Region only),
  - the hide.

Information required for compulsory inspection includes:

- (a) the location where the animal was killed,
- (b) the date the animal was killed,
- (c) the number of days the licensee hunted before killing the animal and
- (d) the sex of bobcat, lynx and wolverine.



## HUNTING METHODS

Specific restrictions on the use of firearms for a given management unit are outlined under the detailed maps on the following pages.

### Archery Hunting

Bows and arrows and crossbows and bolts (quarrels) may be used for hunting all big game, small game and game birds except a crossbow is prohibited to hunt migratory game birds. The following restrictions apply to the use of bows and crossbows province-wide. Check regional schedules for open seasons and additional restrictions.

### Crossbows

- (1) No person shall hunt big game, other than deer, with a crossbow (does not include compound crossbows) having a pull of less than 68 kg (150 lbs.) or a bolt (quarrel) weighing less than 16.2 grams (250 grains).
- (2) No person shall hunt deer, small game, or game birds with a crossbow (does not include compound crossbows) having a pull of less than 55 kg (120 lbs.) or a bolt (quarrel) weighing less than 16.2 grams (250 grains).
- (3) No person shall hunt wildlife with a compound crossbow having a pull of less than 45 kg (100 lbs.) at peak weight or a bolt weighing less than 16.2 grams (250 grains).
- (4) No person shall hunt big game with a crossbow having a bolt (quarrel) other than one having a broadhead of at least 2.22 centimeters (7/8 of an inch) at the widest point.

### Long Bow and Arrow

No person shall hunt big game with a long bow having a pull of less than 18 kg (40 lbs.) within the archer's draw length and an arrow other than one having a broadhead at least 2.22 centimeters (7/8 of an inch) at the widest point.

No person shall hunt small game with a long bow having a pull of less than 18 kg (40 lbs.) within the archer's draw length.

### Muzzle Loaders

A muzzle loader containing powder and shot in the barrel but UNPRIMED (i.e. no powder in the pan of a flint lock or no cap in the nipple of a percussion lock) does not constitute a loaded firearm.

### Dogs

The use of dogs is permitted in the hunting of all game except mountain sheep, mountain goat and caribou.

Dogs must be on leash when used to hunt mule deer, black-tailed deer, white-tailed deer, fallow deer, elk and moose.

Any person may train dogs by allowing them to pursue game birds under supervision from August 1 to April 30.



# GENERAL INFORMATION APPLYING TO ALL OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

## Falconry

Licensed falconers may hunt game birds (migratory and upland) by the use or with the aid of raptors throughout the Province during the regular open seasons subject to the applicable bag limits as indicated in the regional schedules.

## Baiting

Throughout the Province, the hunting of black bear and grizzly bear by the placing of bait is prohibited.

No person shall hunt migratory birds within 402 meters (one quarter mile) of any baited area where bait has been deposited solely to attract migratory game birds (see It is Unlawful . . . page 3).

## Shooting Hours

Shooting hours during which the hunting of game is permitted, except for migratory game birds, are from one hour before sunrise, to one hour after sunset. Exceptions are noted under the open season maps on the following pages. No person shall hunt migratory game birds earlier than one-half hour before sunrise or later than one-half hour after sunset.

## Retrieval

It is lawful for a person to retrieve a dead or injured game animal with the assistance of a power boat provided no person in the power boat is in possession of a loaded firearm. No person shall kill, cripple or wound game without making all reasonable effort to retrieve and include it in his bag limit. The retrieved game shall be killed immediately and included in the hunter's bag limit.

## TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS

Detailed maps of various parts of the Province may be purchased from a Government Agent or the Director, Surveys and Mapping Branch, Ministry of Environment and Parks, Victoria, B.C., V8V 1X5.

## BEAR MEAT

To prevent possible infection by trichinosis, bear meat should not be consumed unless it is thoroughly cooked (140°F minimum internal temperature).

## PARKS RESTRICTIONS

### National Parks

Hunting is prohibited in all National Parks. The law requires that all firearms transported in National Parks be dismantled, carried in a closed case or wrapped and tied securely in such a manner as not to expose any part of the firearm.

### Provincial Parks and Recreation Areas

Hunting and/or the discharge of firearms is not permitted in any Class "C" park or nature conservancy area, nor in the majority of Class "A" or "B" parks and recreation areas. Only those parks and recreation areas listed in the following regional summaries are open to hunting and/or the discharge of firearms. These parks and recreation areas are only open during the legal hunting season as described in the regional summaries.

When a park or recreation area is closed to hunting or there is no open season for any species, the possession, as well as the discharge of a firearm, is prohibited by Park Act Regulation, except by Letter of Authority, Park Use Permit, or when the firearm is carried unloaded in a vehicle that is in transit to or from a lawful hunting area.

### Ecological Reserves

Hunting, trapping or fishing is not permitted in any ecological reserve in British Columbia. A complete list of reserves is available from: Outdoor Recreation Division, Planning and Ecological Reserves, Ministry of Environment and Parks, 4600 Seymour Place, Victoria, B.C. V8V 1X4.

## MUNICIPALITIES

Most municipalities have local bylaws restricting and controlling the use of firearms within their boundaries. Consult municipal clerks for details of closures. The Ministry of Environment and Parks publishes the Fraser Valley Special Area brochure which depicts provincial and municipal firearm regulations in the Fraser Valley.

## LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING

The 1987-88 Hunting and Trapping Synopsis contains no information on Limited Entry Hunting. The 1987-88 Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis is currently available at Government Agents' offices and Ministry of Environment and Parks regional offices. **Hunters are reminded to retain their copy of the 1987-88 Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for hunt information, application procedures, and Limited Entry area maps.** Special restrictions apply within those areas designated as Limited Entry Hunting areas, and hunters should note that big game seasons in most parks are subject to Limited Entry hunting restrictions. **Consult the 1987-88 Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for those areas closed to general open season hunting.**

## HIGHWAY NO SHOOTING AREAS

The discharge of firearms is prohibited within 0.4 km (1/4 mile) of either side of the center line of the following highways:

Highway 3	between Manning Park and Princeton.
Highway 5	(Coquihalla Highway) between Hope and Merritt.
Highway 6	between Bench Creek and Banting Creek.
Highway 16	between Prince Rupert and British Columbia/Alberta border.
Highway 20	between Bella Coola and the easterly boundary of Tweedsmuir Park.
Highway 37	between Kitimat and Terrace.
Highway 29	between Chetwynd and Highway 97 (northeast of Fort St. John).
Highway 35	between Francois Lake and Burns Lake.
Highway 37	between Kitwanga and British Columbia/Yukon border.
Highway 37A	between the boundary of the District of Stewart at Bitter Creek and its intersection with Highway 37.
Highway 97	between the Cottonwood River and Lower Post.
Highway 99	between West Vancouver and Thistle Creek.



The discharge of firearms is prohibited within 50 meters of either side of the center line of the following highways on the Queen Charlotte Islands:

- #16 Yellowhead Highway between Skidegate and Masset.
- District Road 51: Tow Hill Road between Masset and Tow Hill.
- District Road 33: Queen Charlotte City and Skidegate Road between Queen Charlotte City and Skidegate.
- District Road 61: Alliford Bay Road, between Alliford Bay and Sandspit.
- District Road 44: Port Clements Street, between #16 Yellowhead Highway and Port Clements.



## GENERAL INFORMATION APPLYING TO ALL OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

The discharge of **all** firearms is prohibited within 50 meters and the discharge of firearms using a single projectile is prohibited within 150 meters of the following highways:

- Highway 1 between Chilliwack and Spuzzum.
- Highway 7 between Mission and Highway 1.
- Highway 3 between Hope and Manning Provincial Park.

The discharge of firearms is prohibited within .4 km west and 1 km east of the center line of Highway 99 between Thistle Creek and Squamish.

The discharge of firearms is prohibited within 150 meters of the travelled portion of Highway 99 between Squamish and Pemberton.

The discharge of firearms is prohibited within 25 meters of the travelled portion of any paved public road in Vancouver Island Region or Lower Mainland Region and paved and unpaved public roads on the Gulf Islands.

### HUNTERS, WATCH YOUR IMAGE

Your game will have less chance to spoil and your public image will suffer less if you remember to transport your game properly — and in good taste. Other hunters may be impressed, but openly displayed big game carcasses can be offensive to some people, so give some consideration to others, and watch your image!

Hunters are reminded that the onus is on them to clearly identify the species and sex of their target before shooting.

Every person who has a firearm in his possession or under his control shall exercise due care for the safety of other persons and property.

Point firearms at game only and never use a scope sighted rifle to observe another human being.

Please report any tagged or collared bird or mammal to the Wildlife Branch, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B.C., V8V 1X5.

A person commits an offence where he accidentally kills big game and does not report to a Conservation Officer.

### LOST!

Hunters, fishermen and other users of the outdoors can reduce their chances of getting lost, and increase their chances for being found if lost, by following a few simple rules:

- Let someone know where you are going and when you will be back.
- Go where you said you were going; return when you said you were.
- Have a map of the area and a compass and know how to use them.
- Scout the area beforehand; know what to expect.
- Dress for the weather and prepare for the unexpected.
- Take some emergency provisions, first aid supplies and a survival booklet.
- Matches and fire-lighting materials are a must.

### IF YOU DO GET LOST:

- Remember SST — stop, sit and think. Stay put; wait to be rescued.
- Take stock of your situation and your resources; don't panic.
- Priorities are first aid, fire, shelter, water and food in that order.
- Three fires is an internationally recognized and easily seen distress signal.
- If you must move, indicate your direction of travel so searchers can follow.
- Be prepared with an outdoor survival course or books.

There is no shame in getting lost in the woods; preparation and a cool head will prevent you from staying lost.

HELP MAINTAIN OUR WILDLIFE RESOURCES  
**OBSERVE, RECORD, REPORT**  
FISH & WILDLIFE VIOLATIONS  
**ZENITH 2235**

The unethical hunter is a threat to both wildlife and the hunting recreation. Regulations are set for the protection of wildlife populations, and those who violate these regulations damage the wildlife resources of our Province. The first result is a loss of game to the legitimate hunter. But other wildlife users suffer as well, and often tend to blame all hunters for the actions of a few. In this way, the unethical hunter can damage the public image of hunting, resulting in a loss as well of hunting opportunities.

The Conservation Officer is responsible for the enforcement of wildlife regulations, but the job is an enormous one. British Columbia is a large and rugged province, and many hunting activities take place in remote areas. This means that offences may be committed, and damage done, without the offenders always being apprehended. When this happens, both wildlife and the sport of hunting suffer the consequences.

An important goal of enforcement is the prevention of violations before the damage is done. This is where you can help. The watchful eyes of sportsmen throughout the Province can provide a strong deterrent to potential violators and stop wildlife offences before they happen.

What can you do?

### Observe, Record, Report

Remember: Do NOT confront a suspected violator. You cannot make a "citizen's arrest" or seize private property as evidence. Only a Conservation Officer or a constable is legally authorized to do this. Instead:

#### Observe:

Familiarize yourself with current regulations. Some common violations are:

- (1) Killing game during a closed season.
- (2) Killing female or young animals during a male only season.
- (3) Exceeding the daily bag limit.
- (4) Angling in closed areas.
- (5) Property damage (shooting powerline insulators, road signs, industrial equipment).
- (6) Night hunting or pitlamping.

#### Record:

Carry a pencil and record your observations in note form as soon as you can. Photographs provide an extremely useful addition to these observations if they can be taken without alarming the violator. Take note of any features that will be of use to the enforcement officer in his investigation. These include:

- (1) Time, date, location and weather conditions.
- (2) Identification or accurate description (size, clothing, hair colour, etc.) of the violator and his companions.
- (3) Vehicle licence and description.
- (4) Evidence at the scene (head or viscera of animal, empty cartridges, etc.).
- (5) Action of the violator(s) (number of shots, etc.).

#### Report:

Report as soon as possible to the nearest Conservation Officer, to police or the Department of Fisheries and Oceans or telephone **ZENITH 2235** toll-free. In areas where there is no toll charge to call **Vancouver**, please dial **666-2185**. The longer you wait, the more difficult it will be to investigate the violation.

Always give your name, address and phone number to verify that your intentions are serious.

**OBSERVE, RECORD, REPORT**  
has been developed in  
cooperation with the  
**B.C. WILDLIFE FEDERATION**

The B.C. Wildlife Federation pays rewards up to \$500 for information leading to the conviction of persons doing wanton damage to wildlife, wildlife habitat, or the property of companies or individuals who allow hunters and fishermen access to property they control.

**GAME CHECK STATIONS**

Each year the Ministry of Environment and Parks operates game check stations on well travelled roads in order to contact a large number of sportsmen returning from hunting. All hunters, with or without game, are required by law to stop and report. Sportsmen will be asked about their hunting activity, including the location and species hunted, time spent hunting, and success. Animals taken by hunters will be checked to determine sex, age and condition. Biological samples may be taken, i.e., a lower front tooth. The collected data are used to set hunting seasons and to effect good land management in cooperation with other private and government agencies.

Sportsmen are encouraged to ask questions about, or comment on, hunting regulations and wildlife management. We need to know your requirements. At certain locations, sportsmen are checked to determine their compliance with wildlife and firearms laws.

The game check usually takes only a few minutes, but provides valuable information that will be used for many years in developing better wildlife management. Please assist us in protecting your wildlife and your recreational opportunities.

**PUBLIC CONSERVATION ASSISTANCE FUND**

The Public Conservation Assistance Fund makes available more than \$50,000 per year for grants to clubs and other organizations wishing to implement conservation projects in their areas. Grants may be issued, in modest amounts, to cover up to one-half the initial capital expenses of approved projects. Conservation, as defined for the purposes of this fund, includes any activity which maintains or enhances fish and wildlife and their habitats, or contributes to public access or awareness of our natural resources.

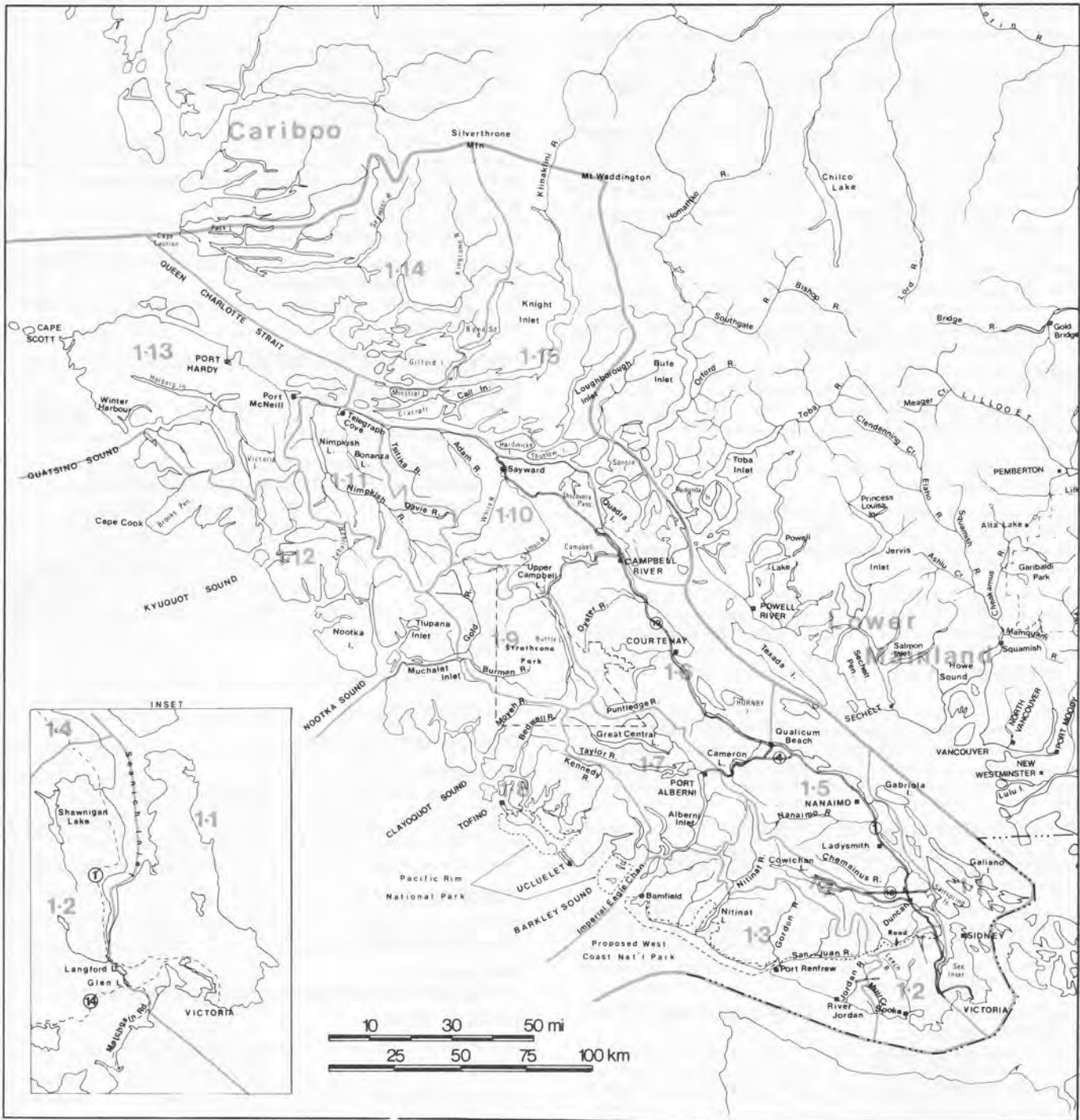
Applications and further information may be obtained by contacting your regional Ministry of Environment and Parks office or by writing to:

Public Conservation Assistance Fund  
Wildlife Branch  
Ministry of Environment and Parks  
Parliament Buildings  
Victoria, B.C. V8V 1X5





# VANCOUVER ISLAND REGION



## VANCOUVER ISLAND REGION

Regional Headquarters — 2569 Kenworth Road, Nanaimo, V9T 4P7  
 District Offices — Campbell River, Duncan, Port Alberni, Port Hardy

### MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- A new No Shooting area has been established at York Lake in M.U. 1-5.

### Limited Entry Hunting

There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting seasons. Please consult the current Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for details about Limited Entry hunts.

### Bag Limits

Deer: Unless otherwise indicated the bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer is three of which one may be antlerless.

Grouse: The daily aggregate bag limit for blue, spruce (Franklin) ruffed grouse is ten.

### Compulsory Reporting

It is mandatory for all mountain goat, grizzly bear, cougar, bobcat, lynx and wolverine to be inspected. It is also mandatory for all wolf (taken in M.U.'s 1-1 to 1-13) to be inspected. Designated compulsory check centre is Nanaimo. Animals may be checked at any Conservation Officer Service office by appointment only. See page 7 for those portions of an animal which are required.

## VANCOUVER ISLAND REGION — OPEN SEASONS

### Notice to Hunters

• Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf from the Nanaimo office of the Ministry of Environment and Parks. An appointment is necessary at the Campbell River district office. See Convention on International Trade section on page 6.

• In Region 1, hunting and the discharge of firearms are prohibited within 100 meters of a church, school building, school yard, playground, Regional District Park or dwelling house, farm building or ranch building that is occupied by persons or domestic animals (except by the owner or occupier of a dwelling house, ranch or farm, or his agent, for the protection of crops or domestic animals). For further details contact the Ministry of Environment and Parks office in Nanaimo.

• The use of rifles for hunting is prohibited in M.U. 1-1 except on Valdes Island, Sidney Island (outside the exterior boundaries of Sidney Spit Marine Park, and above the high water mark), James Island and except by permit elsewhere.

• Qualicum National Wildlife Area — Hunting, trapping, fishing and the possession of any firearm (Canada Wildlife Act) are prohibited in this area. For further details contact the Ministry of Environment and Parks in Nanaimo or the Canadian Wildlife Service office in Delta (Ph: 946-8546).

• The Vancouver Island Marmot is protected and should not be disturbed in its natural habitat.

• Nanaimo/Qualicum Bays — Waterfowl hunters will be required to obey special access restrictions while hunting in these areas. Additional enforcement will be carried out by the Conservation Officer Service during the open season.

• Big Game — All hunters are requested to note and report any abnormalities that may appear near the lips and mouth of any big game animal taken in Region 1. If abnormalities are noted on legally killed animals, hunters are asked to collect these abnormalities (freeze if possible) and deliver them to the nearest District Conservation Officer.

• Please avoid shooting collared elk, deer and wolf. Collared animals carry radio transmitters and are used for research purposes. The death of one of these animals represents a substantial loss in terms of time and money. If a radio-collared animal is inadvertently killed, please return the collar to an office of the Ministry of Environment and Parks.

• The use of falcons for hunting is permitted in Vancouver Island Region during all bow and arrow seasons. Licenced falconers may hunt waterfowl, pheasant and quail on the Saanich Peninsula during the regular open seasons for M.U. 1-1. See Map A9.

• On Sidney Island and James Island the open season for antlered and antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer and fallow deer is September 12 to December 13. The bag limit for deer is 3(3). *Hunters must obtain permission from landowners before hunting on private land on Sidney Island or James Island.*

• Deer hunting is prohibited within the exterior boundaries of Sidney Spit Marine Park.

• The discharge of a firearm using a single projectile is prohibited within the exterior boundaries of Sidney Spit Marine Park and between the mean high water mark and the mean low water mark of Sidney Island.

• **No Shooting Areas: Hunters should note the Highway No Shooting Areas as outlined on page 8 and 9.**

• Gulf Islands Special Licence Hunting Area: All persons hunting on an Island in M.U. 1-1 (except Vancouver Island) are required to purchase a Gulf Islands Special Licence. Evidence of \$100,000 Public Liability and Property Damage insurance valid while in the field for the regular hunting season will be required.

### PARK AND RECREATION AREAS

Hunters should note that big game seasons in most parks are under Limited Entry Hunting restrictions. Please consult the current Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for map details.

The following Parks and Recreation Areas are only open to the discharge of firearms from Sept. 2 to June 15 during a lawful game hunting season:

- Cape Scott Park (M.U. 1-13)
- Chemainus River Park (M.U. 1-5)
- Gibson Marine Park (shotguns only) (M.U. 1-8)

- Koksilah River Park (M.U. 1-4)
- Morton Lake Park (M.U. 1-10)
- Mount Maxwell Park (shotguns with shot only) (M.U. 1-1)
- Octopus Island Marine Park (shotguns only) (M.U. 1-15)
- Octopus Islands Recreation Area (shotguns only) (M.U. 1-15)
- Sandy Island Park (shotguns only) (M.U. 1-6)
- Schoen Lake Park (M.U. 1-10, 1-11)
- Sidney Spit Marine Park: closed to all hunting except for waterfowl using shotguns with shot only (M.U. 1-1) Hunting and the discharge of firearms are prohibited on Transport Canada lands located within the exterior boundaries of the park.
- Sooke Mountain Park (M.U. 1-2)
- Thurston Bay Marine Park (shotguns only) (M.U. 1-15)

Parks and recreation areas not listed above are closed to hunting and closed to the discharge of firearms.

All Regional District Parks are closed to hunting and closed to the discharge of firearms.

## VANCOUVER ISLAND REGION — OPEN SEASONS

### MULE (Black-tailed) DEER

- Bucks: Sept. 12–Nov. 29 **3(1)**  
Antlerless: Nov. 7–Nov. 11  
\*Bucks: Nov. 30–Dec. 13 **3**
- Bucks: Sept. 12–Nov. 29 **2**  
\*Bucks: Nov. 30–Dec. 13



\* Open only for deer having 2 or more points (tines) on one antler, each of which is at least 8 cm (3 in) in length.

The antlers must accompany the species licences.

See special area maps.

### Bow and Arrow Only Season

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-15  
Bucks: Aug. 29–Sept. 11 **2** (Bag Limit: 3 in M.U. 1-1)

*There is no bow and arrow only season on the Gulf Islands in M.U. 1-1 or in zone B of M.U. 1-5 (See map A20).*

### MOUNTAIN GOAT

Management Unit: 1-14, 1-15  
Sept. 12–Nov. 29 **1**

See map A7.

### GRIZZLY BEAR

Management Unit: 1-14  
April 1–May 31 **1**

Management Unit: 1-15  
April 1–May 1 **1**

See maps A8, A22 and A23.

### BLACK BEAR

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-15  
Sept. 12–June 15 **2**

### Bow and Arrow Only Season

\* Management Units: 1-1 to 1-15  
Aug. 29–Sept. 11 **2**

\* *There is no bow and arrow only season on the Gulf Islands in M.U. 1-1 or in zone B of M.U. 1-5 (See map A20).*

### COYOTE

Management Units: 1-14, 1-15  
No Closed Season **NBL**



# VANCOUVER ISLAND REGION — OPEN SEASONS

## RACCOON, SKUNK

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-15  
No Closed Season **NBL**

## COUGAR

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-7  
Dec. 14–Feb. 28 **1**  
\* March 1–May 31 **Pursuit only**  
Management Units: 1-8 to 1-15  
Dec. 14–Apr. 30 **1**  
May 1 to May 31 **Pursuit only**

\* *Shooting at or killing cougar is prohibited during the "Pursuit only" season.*

Hunters are requested not to shoot female cougar with kittens.

## WOLF

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-15  
No Closed Season **3**

*All wolf taken in M.U.'s 1-1 to 1-13 must be checked at a compulsory check centre within 10 days of the date of kill.*

## FOX

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-13  
No Closed Season **NBL**

## BOBCAT

Management Units: 1-14, 1-15  
Nov. 15–Feb. 15 **2**

## LYNX, WOLVERINE

No Open Season

## RAVEN

\* Management Unit: 1-1  
No Closed Season **5**

\* *Private lands on Saltspring Island only*

Please obtain permission from landowners before hunting on private land.

## GROUSE

### Blue, Spruce (Franklin) and Ruffed

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-15  
Sept. 5–Dec. 31 **10(30)**

### \* Bow and Arrow Only Season

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-15  
Aug. 29–Sept. 4 **10(30)**

\* *There is no bow and arrow only season on the Gulf Islands in M.U. 1-1 or in zone B of M.U. 1-5 (See map A20).*

## PTARMIGAN

Management Units: 1-14, 1-15  
Sept. 5–Dec. 31 **5(15)**

## CALIFORNIA QUAIL

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-5 Oct. 3–Nov. 15 **5(15)**  
*No open season on mountain quail.*

## PHEASANT (Cocks Only)

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-9 and 1-11 to 1-13  
Oct. 3–Nov. 15 **2(6)**

## DUCKS, COOTS, COMMON SNIPE, SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-13, 1-15  
Oct. 10–Jan. 24

Management Unit: 1-14  
Sept. 15–Dec. 15

Bag Limits: Ducks: **8(16)** Snow geese: **5(10)**  
Coots: **10(20)** Ross' geese: **5(10)**  
Common snipe: **10(20)**

*Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 6.*

## CANADA GEESE

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-10, 1-12, 1-13, 1-15  
Oct. 10–Jan. 24 **5(10)**

Management Unit: 1-14  
Sept. 15–Dec. 15 **5(10)**

*Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 6.*

## BLACK BRANT, WHITE-FRONTED GEESE

No Open Season

## BAND-TAILED PIGEONS

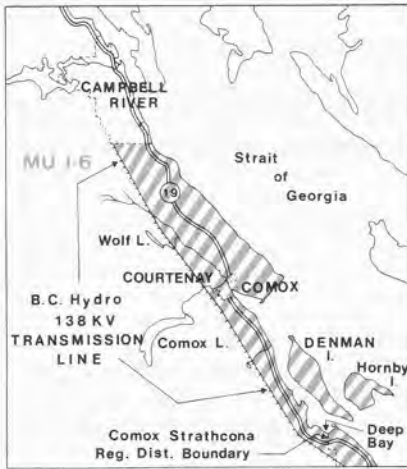
Management Units: 1-1 to 1-15  
Sept. 1–Oct. 31 **10(20)**

## VANCOUVER ISLAND SPECIAL AREAS, CLOSED AREAS, NO SHOOTING AREAS

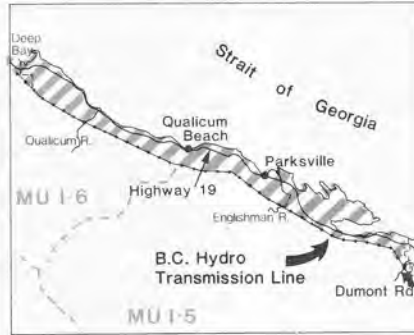


Map A1 Sooke — Metchosin Highlands — City of Colwood No Shooting Area and No Shooting or Hunting Areas (situate in M.U.'s 1-1, 1-2).

# VANCOUVER ISLAND SPECIAL AREAS, CLOSED AREAS, NO SHOOTING AREAS



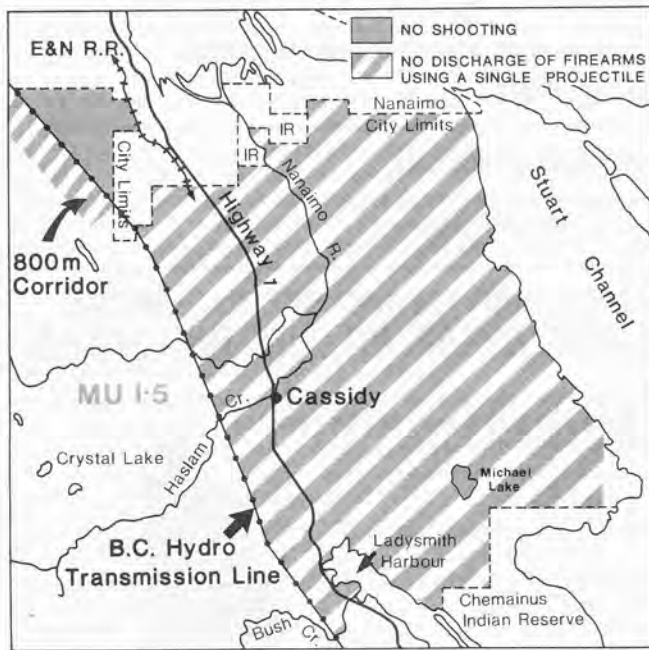
Map A2 Courtenay — Campbell River Special Area (situate in M.U. 1-6). The discharge of a rifle or a shotgun using a single projectile is prohibited, with the exception of those hunting under the authority of a Limited Entry Hunting Authorization during the lawful Limited Entry Elk hunting seasons. The special season for antlerless Mule (Black-tailed) Deer is from Nov. 1 to Nov. 15. Bag Limit: 3(1).



Map A3 Qualicum — Parkville Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in M.U.'s 1-5, 1-6). The discharge of rifles or a shotgun using a single projectile is prohibited.



Map A4 Nanaimo No Shooting and Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in M.U. 1-5).



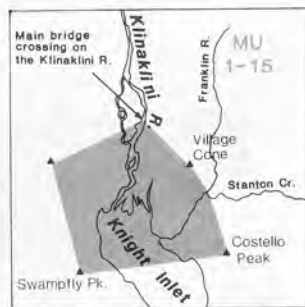
Map A5 Nanaimo — Ladysmith No Shooting and Shotguns with Shot Only Area. (Situate in M.U. 1-5). Michael Lake: No Shooting on Michael Lake to the high water mark.



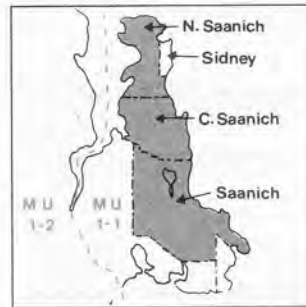
Map A6 Quadra Island Shotguns with Shot Only Area.



Map A7 Klinaklini Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 1-15).



Map A8 Knight Inlet Grizzly Bear Closed Area (situate in M.U. 1-15).



Map A9 Saanich No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 1-1). Bow hunting is by permit only.



Map A10 Decourcy and Mudge Islands No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 1-1).



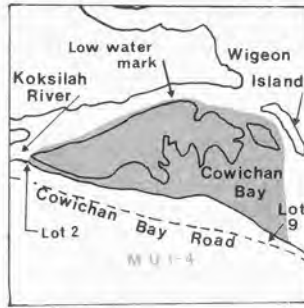
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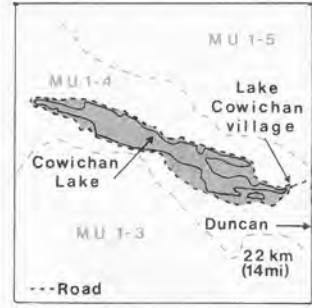
Map A11 Ganges No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 1-1).



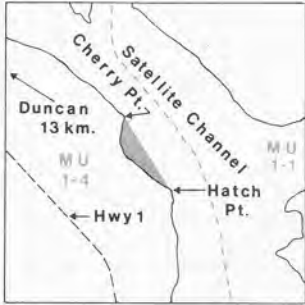
Map A12 Englishman River No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 1-5).



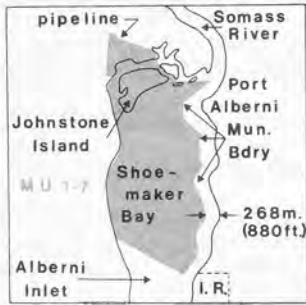
Map A13 Cowichan Bay No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 1-4).



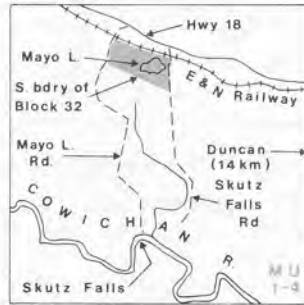
Map A14 Cowichan Lake No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 1-4).



Map A15 Cherry Point No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 1-4).



Map A16 Shoemaker Bay No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 1-7).



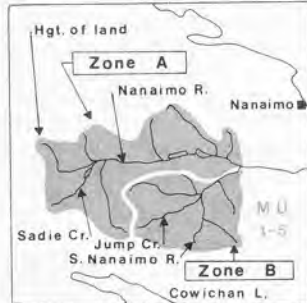
Map A17 Mayo Lake No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 1-4).



Map A18 West Coast National Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 1-3).



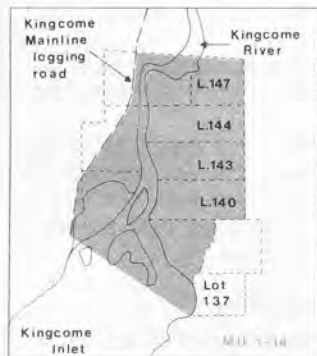
Map A19 Mayne Island No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 1-1).



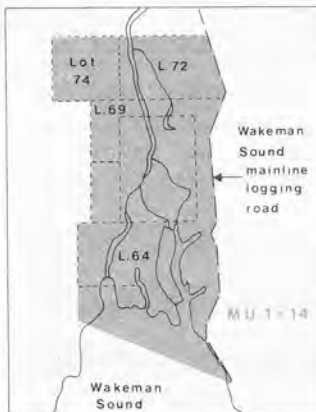
Map A20 Vancouver Island Grouse, Mule (Black-tailed) Deer bucks and Black Bear Bow and Arrow Closed Area (situate in M.U. 1-5).



Map A21 York Lake No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 1-5)

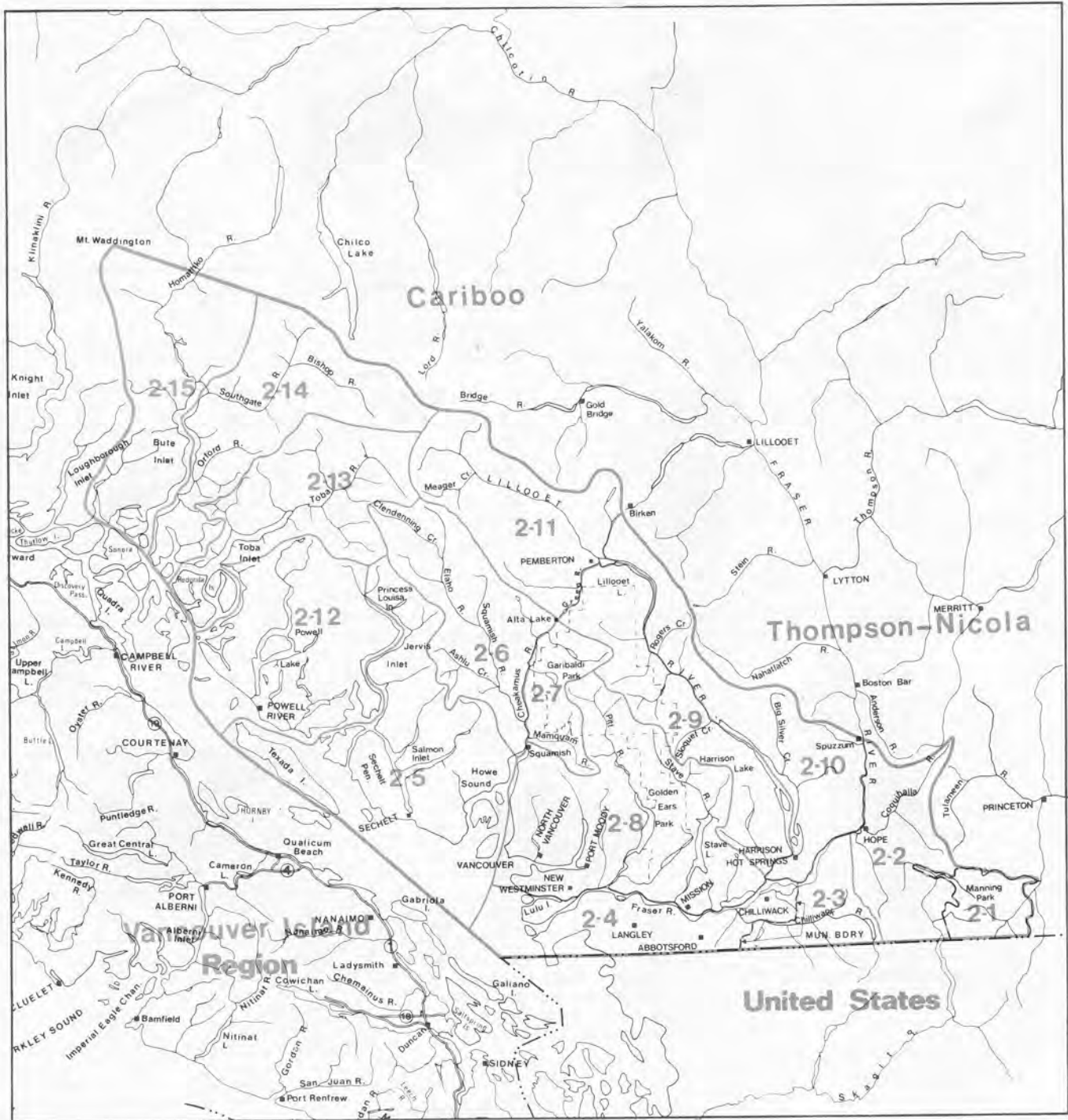


Map A22 Knight/Kingcome Inlet Grizzly Bear Closed Area (situate in M.U. 1-14).



Map A23 Knight/Kingcome Inlet Grizzly Bear Closed Area (situate in M.U. 1-14).

# LOWER MAINLAND REGION



## LOWER MAINLAND REGION

Regional Headquarters — 10334–152A Street, Surrey, V3R 7P8  
 District Offices — Chilliwack, Maple Ridge, Powell River, Sechelt, Squamish

### MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- The discharge of firearms is prohibited on Cultus Lake from Feb. 1 to Sept. 30.
- Special Weapons season has been extended to M.U.'s 2-2 to 2-15.

### Limited Entry Hunting

There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry

Hunting seasons. Please consult the current Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for details about Limited Entry hunts.

### Bag Limits

**Deer:** Unless otherwise indicated, the season bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer is two of which one may be antlerless.

**Grouse:** The daily aggregate bag limit for blue, spruce (Franklin) and ruffed grouse is ten.

### Compulsory Reporting

It is mandatory for all mountain goat, grizzly bear, cougar, bobcat, lynx and wolverine to be inspected. Designated compulsory check centres are Surrey, Powell River, and Chilliwack. These animals may be checked at all other district offices by appointment only. See page 7 for those portions of an animal which are required.



# LOWER MAINLAND REGION

## Notice to Hunters

● Fraser Valley Special Area — Hunters should take note of the special licence area in the Fraser Valley. Information is provided on detailed Map B2. A special Fraser Valley brochure with further information on open areas is available where licences are purchased. These special licences are available through the regional Ministry of Environment and Parks office, Government Agents and selected private outlets. For further information contact the Surrey office, Ministry of Environment and Parks, 8:30-4:30. Monday to Friday (Phone: 584-8822).

● Hunting and the discharge of firearms are prohibited in M.U. 2-1 (Manning Park).

● Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf from the Surrey Ministry of Environment and Parks office. An appointment is necessary at the Chilliwack district office. See Convention on International Trade section on page 6.

● BLACK BRANT REGULATIONS — In that portion of M.U. 2-4 lying west of a line drawn south from 72nd Street (Benson Road) to the permanent range marker in the International Boundary that is situated approximately 1260 meters (1400 yards) east of the shore at Boundary Bay, no person shall:

- place a flock or set of Brant decoys within 180 meters (200 yards) of any other flock or set of Brant decoys;
- set out a flock or set of Brant decoys that exceeds fifty (50) in number;
- use more than one blind for each flock or set of Brant decoys; such blind to contain no more than five persons at any one time, and
- set out more than one flock or set of Brant decoys.

### ● No Shooting Areas:

Hunters should note the Highway No Shooting Areas as outlined on page 8 and 9.

**Vancouver Harbour:** The discharge of firearms is prohibited in Burrard Inlet east of a straight line drawn from Point Grey to Point Atkinson (Lighthouse Park).

● In Lower Mainland Region, hunting and the discharge of firearms are prohibited within 100 meters of a church, school building, school yard, playground, Regional District park or dwelling house, farm or ranch building that is occupied by persons or domestic animals (except by the owner or occupier of a dwelling house, ranch or farm, or his agent, for the protection of crops or domestic animals). For further details, contact the Ministry of Environment and Parks office in Surrey.

## Parks and Recreation Areas

Hunters should note that big game seasons in most parks are under Limited Entry Hunting restrictions. Please consult the current Limited Entry Hunting Synopses for map details.

The following Parks and Recreation Areas are only open to the discharge of firearms from Sept. 2 to June 15 during a lawful game hunting season:

- Garibaldi Park (M.U. 2-7, 2-8, 2-9) See Map B38
- International Ridge Recreation Area (M.U. 2-3)
- Mount Judge Howay Recreation Area (M.U. 2-8) See Map B17
- Simson Park (M.U. 2-5)
- Skagit Valley Recreation Area (M.U. 2-2)

Parks and Recreation Areas not listed above are closed to hunting and closed to the discharge of firearms.

All Regional District Parks are closed to hunting and closed to the discharge of firearms.

## LOWER MAINLAND REGION — OPEN SEASONS

### MOUNTAIN GOAT

- Sept. 12–Oct. 12 1
- Sept. 12–Sept. 27 1
- ▨ Sept. 12–Oct. 25 1

See maps B14, B15, B16, B17, B18.



### MULE (Black-tailed) DEER

- Bucks: Sept. 12–Dec. 6 2
- \*Bucks: Sept. 12–Dec. 6 2
- \*\*Antlerless: Nov. 7–Nov. 22 1
- ▨ Bucks: Sept. 12–Dec. 13 2

\* In that portion of M.U. 2-5 being Texada Island, the bag limit for deer is 3(1)

\*\* No open season for antlerless deer on the mainland portion of M.U. 2-5.

See map B30.



### Special Weapons Seasons:

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-15  
Bucks: Sept. 5–Sept. 11 2

Open only for those using longbows, crossbows and muzzle loading weapons.

### BLACK BEAR

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-15  
Sept. 12–Dec. 31  
and 2  
April 1–June 15

### Special Weapons Seasons:

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-15  
Sept. 5–Sept. 11 2

Open only for those using longbows, crossbows and muzzle loading weapons.

### COUGAR

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-4, 2-6 to 2-15  
Dec. 1–Feb. 28 2

Management Unit: 2-5  
No Closed Season 3

### WOLF

Management Units: 2-5, 2-6, 2-11 to 2-15  
No Closed Season 3

### COYOTE, RACCOON, SKUNK

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-15  
No Closed Season NBL

### BOBCAT

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-15  
Nov. 1–March 31 5

### PHEASANT (Cocks Only)

Management Units: 2-4, 2-8  
Oct. 10–Nov. 11 2(6)

Hunting permitted from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

# LOWER MAINLAND REGION — OPEN SEASONS

## PTARMIGAN

Management Units: 2-2, 2-3, 2-11  
Sept. 12–Dec. 13 **5(15)**

Management Units: 2-5 to 2-10, 2-12 to 2-15  
Sept. 12–Dec. 6 **5(15)**

## GROUSE

### Blue, Spruce (Franklin) and Ruffed

Management Units: 2-2, 2-3, 2-11  
Sept. 12–Dec. 13 **10(30)**

Management Units: 2-4 to 2-10, 2-12 to 2-15  
Sept. 12–Dec. 6 **10(30)**

### Special Weapons Seasons:

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-15  
Sept. 5–Sept. 11 **10(30)**

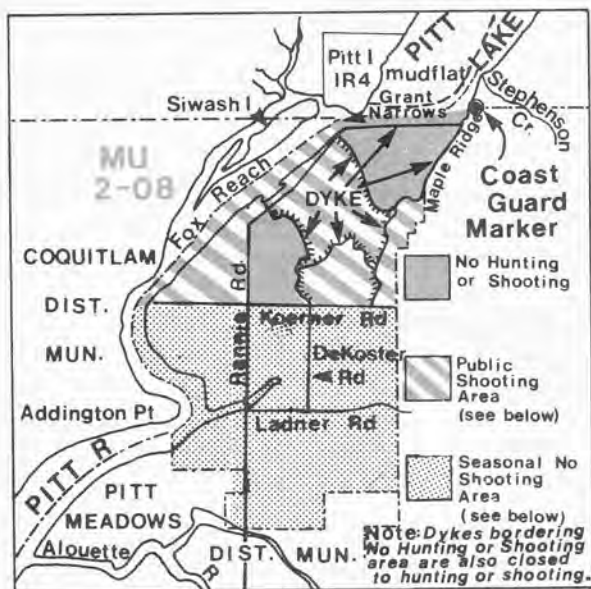
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## BLACK BRANT

Management Unit: 2-4  
March 1–March 10 **3(6)**

*Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 6.*

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Map B1 Pitt Wildlife Management Area (situate in M.U. 2-8). No Hunting or Shooting Area (year round closure).

**Public Shooting Area**  
Shotguns with shot only. Hunting permitted on Saturdays, Sundays and Wednesdays from Oct. 11 to Jan. 25 only.

**Seasonal No Shooting Area**  
Shotguns with shot only from Sept. 1–Jan. 31.

## DUCKS, COOTS, COMMON SNIFE

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-10, 2-12 to 2-15  
Oct. 10–Jan. 24

Management Unit: 2-11  
Sept. 22–Dec. 26

Bag Limits: Ducks: **8(16)**  
Coots: **10(20)**  
Common snipe: **10(20)**

*See special area maps.*

## CANADA GEESE

■ Sept. 22–Dec. 26 **5(10)**  
□ Oct. 10–Jan. 24 **5(10)**  
▨ Oct. 10–Jan. 24 **2(4)**

*Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 6.*

*See special area maps.*



## SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE

Management Units: 2-4, 2-5  
Oct. 10–Nov. 29  
and **5(10)**  
Jan. 16–March 10

*See the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 6.*

*See special area maps.*

## BAND-TAILED PIGEONS

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-15  
Sept. 1–Oct. 31 **10(20)**



Map B2 Fraser Valley Special Licence Hunting Area (situate in M.U.'s 2-4, 2-8).

All persons hunting within those portions of M.U.'s 2-4 and 2-8 known as the Municipalities of Richmond, Delta, Surrey (including offshore areas), Langley, Abbotsford, Matsqui, Chilliwack, Maple Ridge, Pitt Meadows, Mission, Coquitlam and Electoral Area A of the Central Fraser Valley Regional District (Sumas Mtn. and Huntingdon) are required to purchase a Fraser Valley Special Area Hunting Licence (\$10.00) in addition to other Provincial licences and for hunting migratory game birds, the Migratory Bird Licence. Evidence of \$1,000,000 Public Liability and Property Damage insurance valid while in the field for the regular hunting season will be required. Hunters are reminded to obtain a Fraser Valley Special Licence Hunting Area Brochure prior to entering the field. The brochure provides notification of closures, hunting boundaries, etc., not shown in this synopsis.



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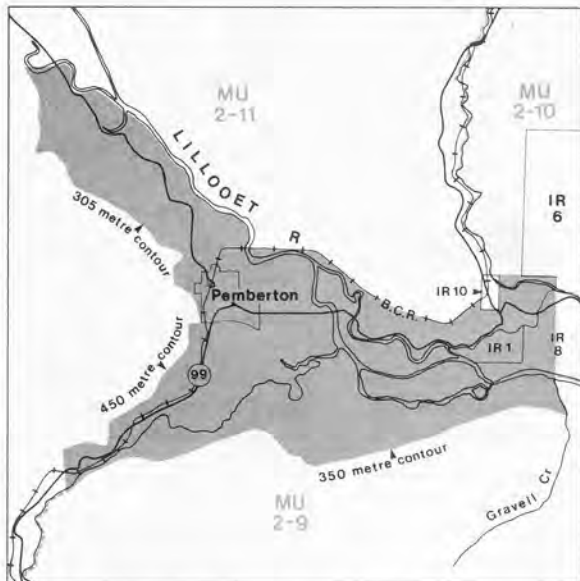
Map B3 Keats Island (situate in M.U. 2-5). Discharge of rifles is prohibited.



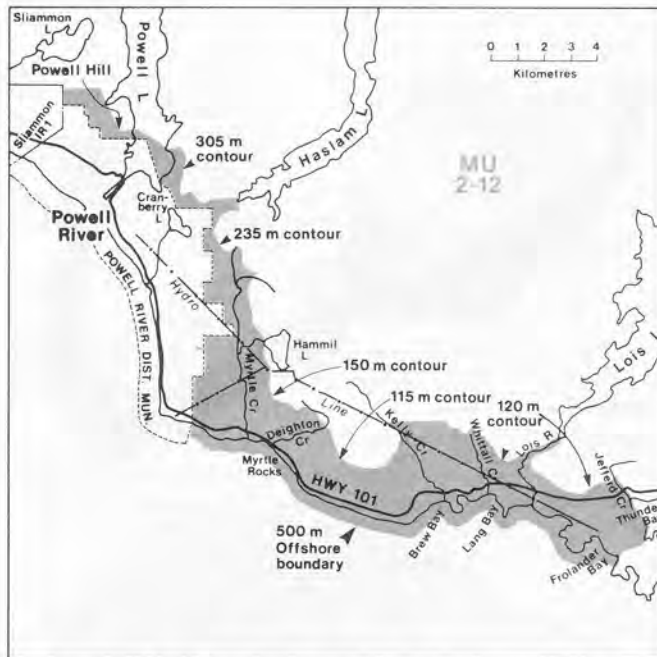
Map B4 Chilliwack Valley Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in M.U. 2-3). The discharge of firearms using a single projectile is prohibited.



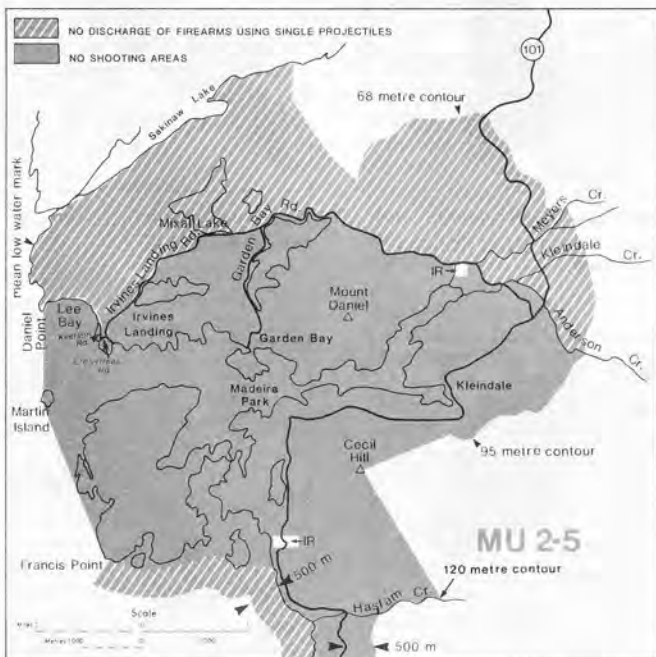
Map B5 Sumallo River Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in M.U. 2-2). The discharge of firearms using a single projectile is prohibited.



Map B6 Pemberton Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in M.U.'s 2-9, 2-10, 2-11). The discharge of firearms using a single projectile is prohibited.



Map B7 Powell River Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in M.U. 2-12). The discharge of firearms using a single projectile is prohibited.



Map B8 Sechelt No Shooting Area and Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in M.U. 2-5).



Map B9 Nicomen No Shooting Area, Shotguns with Shot Only Area and No Discharge of Rifles Area.

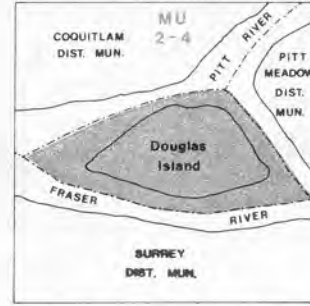
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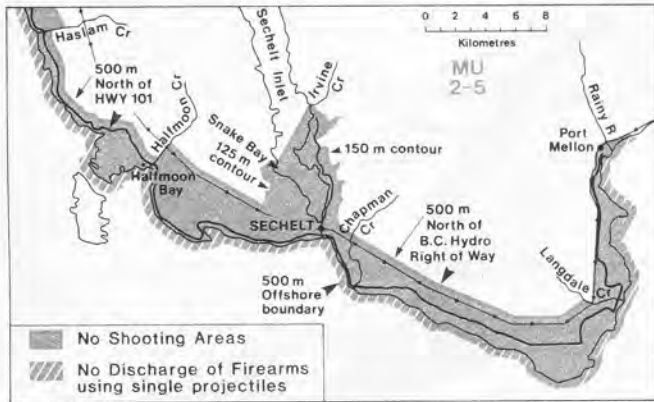
Map B10 Cultus Lake Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in M.U. 2-3). The discharge of firearms using a single projectile is prohibited. See also map B42.



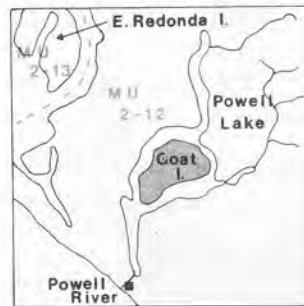
Map B11 Barnston Island Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in M.U. 2-4). The discharge of firearms using a single projectile is prohibited.



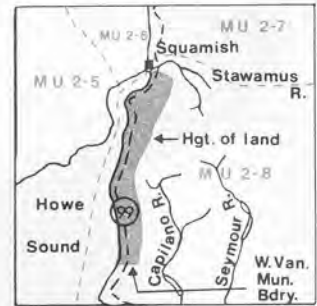
Map B12 Douglas Island Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in M.U. 2-4). The discharge of firearms using a single projectile is prohibited.



Map B13 Sechelt No Shooting Area and Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in M.U. 2-5).



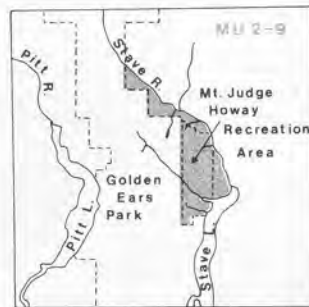
Map B14 Goat Island Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 2-12).



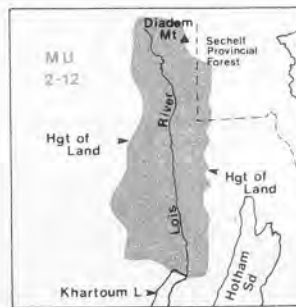
Map B15 Howe Sound Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 2-8).



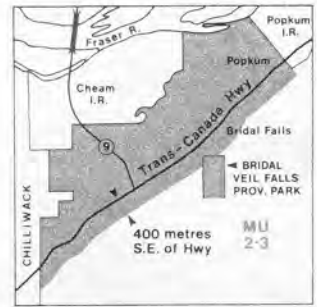
Map B16 Ashlu — Squamish Rivers Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 2-6).



Map B17 Stave — Mt. Judge Howay Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 2-8).



Map B18 Lois River Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 2-12).



Map B19 Popkum No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-3).



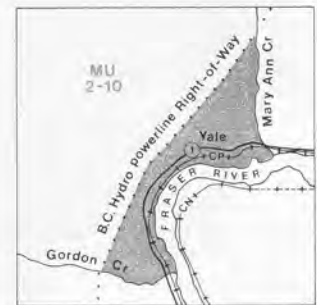
Map B20 Provincial Gaol Camp No. 1 No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-3).



Map B21 Buntzen Lake No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-8).



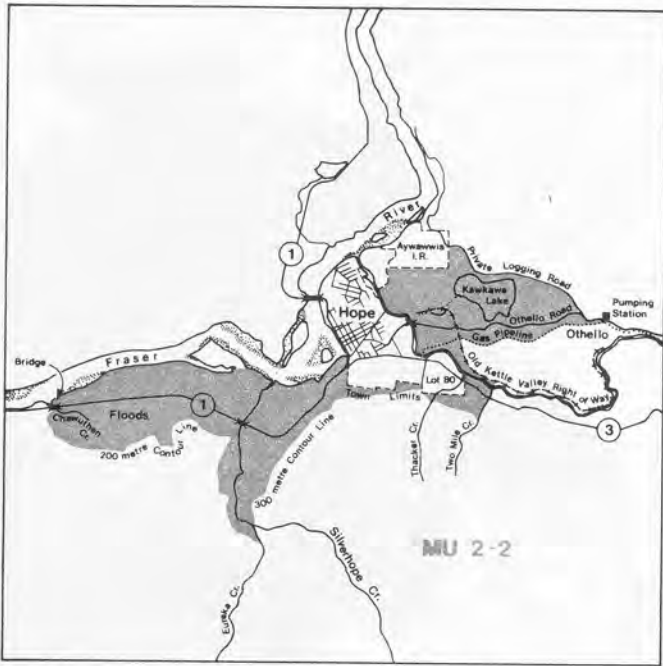
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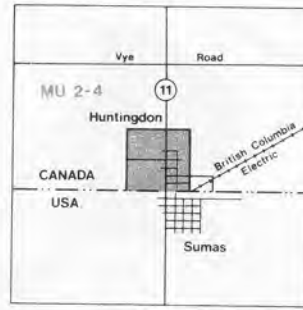
Map B23 Yale No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-10).



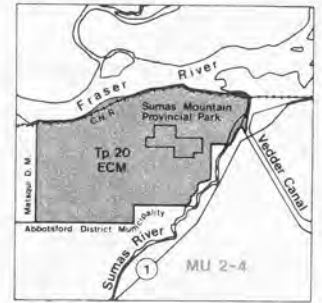
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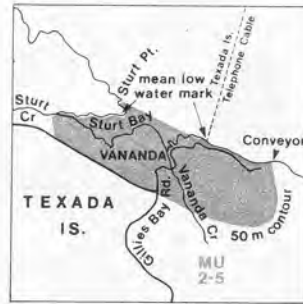
Map B24 Hope No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-2).



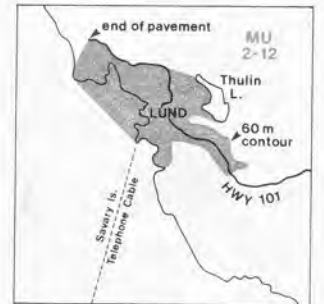
Map B25 Huntingdon No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-4).



Map B26 Sumas Mountain No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-4).



Map B27 Vananda No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-5).



Map B28 Lund No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-12).



Map B29 Blubber Bay No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-5).

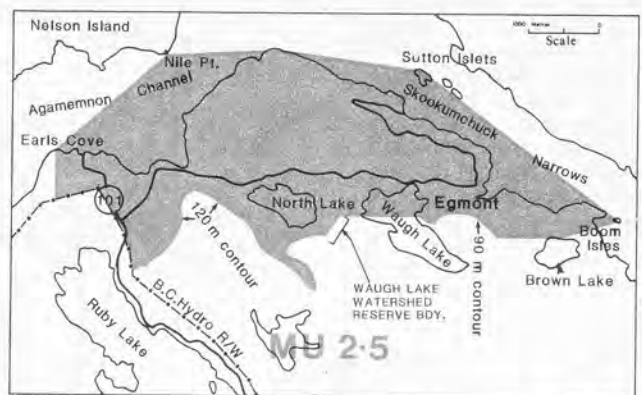


Map B30 Bowen Island No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-5).

Special Bow and Arrow Season (Crossbows prohibited).  
Bucks: Sept. 5 to Dec. 13; Jan. 4 to Jan. 17.  
Antlerless: Oct. 3 to Dec. 13;  
Jan. 4 to Jan. 17.

Bag Limit: 2(1).

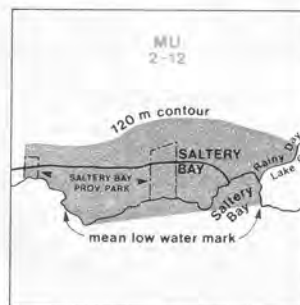
On Bowen Island hunting is prohibited within 150 meters of any public highway, school building, school yard, public park, playground, church, workshop, place of business, dwelling or farm building.



Map B31 Waugh Lake — Skookumchuck No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-5).



Map B32 Gillies Bay No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-5).



Map B33 Saltery Bay No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-12).

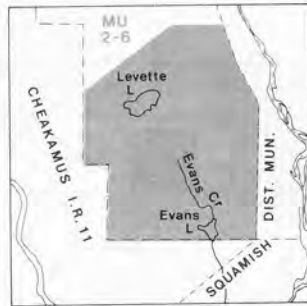


Map B34 Squamish No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-8).

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Map B35 Hemlock Valley No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-9).



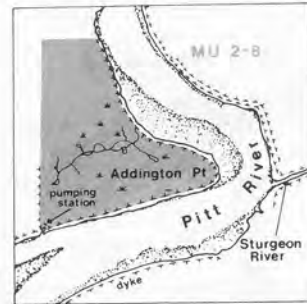
Map B36 Evans Lake No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-6).



Map B37 Whistler No Shooting Area (situate in M.U.'s 2-6, 2-7, 2-11).



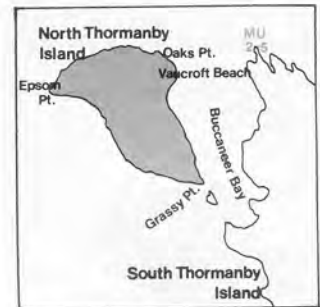
Map B38 Garibaldi Park (situate in M.U.'s 2-6, 2-7, 2-8, 2-9). Within the Park hunting and the discharge of firearms is prohibited within the watersheds of Green River (including Wedge Creek and Fitzsimmons Creek), Cheakamus River, Cheekye River and Mamquam River and within the Black Tusk Nature Conservancy Area. Within the remainder of the Park, the discharge of firearms is prohibited between January 1 and August 31.



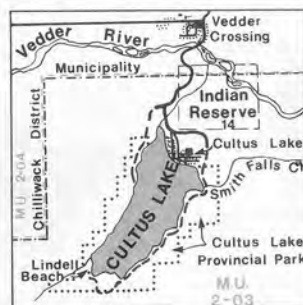
Map B39 Addington Marsh No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 2-8).



Map B40 Boundary Bay No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 2-4). Hunting and the discharge of firearms are prohibited from Nov. 7 to Feb. 28.



Map B41 North Thormanby Island No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 2-5).



Map B42 Cultus Lake Seasonal No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-3). The discharge of firearms is prohibited from February 1 to September 30.



# THOMPSON-NICOLA SUB-REGION



## THOMPSON-NICOLA (M.U.'s 3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-46)

Regional Headquarters — 1259 Dalhousie Drive, Kamloops, V2C 5Z5  
 District Offices — Clearwater, Clinton, Lillooet, Merritt.

### MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- Please take note of the new vehicle restricted areas in M.U. 3-32. (See Notice to Hunters, page 24).
- The bag limit for chukar partridge is reduced to 5(15).
- There are changes to antlerless deer seasons and bull, cow or calf moose seasons.

### Limited Entry Hunting

There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting seasons. Please consult the current Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for details about Limited Entry Hunts.

### Bag Limits

**Deer:** The bag limit for buck deer is one (either a mule (black-tailed) deer or a white-tailed deer). The bag limit for antlerless deer is one (either a mule (black-tailed) deer or a white-tailed deer).

### Compulsory Reporting

It is mandatory for all mountain sheep, mountain goat, grizzly bear, cougar, caribou, bobcat, lynx and wolverine to be inspected. Designated compulsory check centre is Kamloops. These animals may be checked at all other district offices by appointment only.

# THOMPSON-NICOLA SUB-REGION — OPEN SEASONS

## Snowmobile Restriction

The use of snowmobiles to hunt wildlife, transport wildlife or transport hunters to or from the location of wildlife is prohibited in M.U.'s 3-28 and 3-46.

An authorized trapper is exempt from this restriction with respect to the trapping of furbearing animals.

## Vehicle Restrictions

The operation of motor vehicles is prohibited or restricted in the following areas. Contact the Ministry of Environment and Parks in Kamloops for details.

- Lac du Bois — Dewdrop in M.U. 3-29.
- Watersheds of Mileedge, Chappell and Lempriere Creeks above 1700 m in M.U. 3-44.
- Above the 1920 m elevation in M.U. 3-32 in the following areas:
  - China Head Mountain (excluding the Yalakop-Big Bar Road)
  - Nine Mile Ridge
  - Red Mountain — French Mountain
  - Hogback Mountain

## Notice to Hunters

- Hunting and the discharge of firearms are prohibited in M.U. 3-45 (Murtle Lake Nature Conservancy Area).
- Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf from the Kamloops Ministry of Environment and Parks office. See Convention on International Trade section on page 6.
- Hunting, trapping and the discharge of firearms are prohibited within the Tunkwa Lake Wildlife Sanctuary. The area designated is the largest island in Tunkwa Lake (M.U. 3-18).
- The badger is protected under the authority of the Wildlife Act. Hunting is prohibited.

## Parks and Recreation Areas

Hunters should note that big game seasons in most parks are under Limited Entry Hunting restrictions. Please consult the current Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for map details.

The following Parks and Recreation Areas are only open to the discharge of firearms from Sept. 22 to April 15 during a lawful game hunting season:

- Cinnemousun Narrows Park (M.U.'s 3-26, 3-36)
- Niskonlith Lake Recreation Area (M.U. 3-27)
- Pennask Recreation Area (M.U. 3-12)
- Roderick Haig-Brown Recreation Area (M.U. 3-37). See Map C14
- Shuswap Lake Marine Park (M.U.'s 3-36, 3-26)
- Spahats Creek Park (M.U. 3-40)

Wells Gray Park (M.U. 3-46): Open to the discharge of firearms from Sept. 22 to May 31 during a lawful game hunting season.

Parks and recreation areas not listed above are closed to hunting and closed to the discharge of firearms.

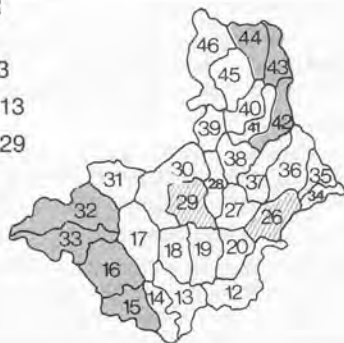
# THOMPSON-NICOLA SUB-REGION — OPEN SEASONS

## MULE (Black-tailed) DEER and WHITE-TAILED DEER Bucks

- Bucks: Sept. 1–Dec. 13
- Bucks: Sept. 22–Dec. 13
- ▨ Bucks: Sept. 22–Nov. 29

See regional bag limit for deer.

See maps C1 and C2.

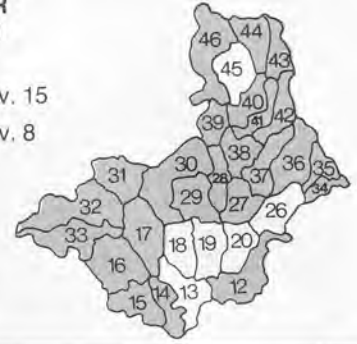


## MULE (Black-tailed) DEER and WHITE-TAILED DEER Antlerless

- \*Antlerless: Oct. 31–Nov. 15
- Antlerless: Oct. 31–Nov. 8

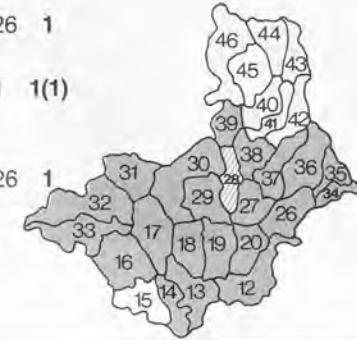
\* No Open Season for antlerless deer in that portion of M.U. 3-29 as shown on map C1.

See regional bag limit for deer.



## MOOSE

- Bulls: Sept. 22–Sept. 26 1  
Oct. 10–Oct. 31
- Bulls: Sept. 22–Oct. 31 1(1)  
Bull, Cow or Calf:  
Nov. 23–Nov. 29
- ▨ Bulls: Sept. 22–Sept. 26 1



## ELK (Bulls only)

Management Units: 3-13, 3-14, 3-37, 3-41, 3-42  
Sept. 22–Sept. 26 1

## BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP (Rams only)

<b>Full curl or greater</b>	<b>¾ curl or greater</b>
Management Units: 3-17	Management Unit: 3-31
Sept. 22–Oct. 4 1	Sept. 22–Oct. 4 1
	Management Unit: 3-32
	Sept. 1–Oct. 15 1

## GRIZZLY BEAR

Management Units: 3-16, 3-33  
April 1–June 1

## BLACK BEAR

- Sept. 1–Dec. 31 2  
April 1–June 15
- Sept. 1–Dec. 31 2
- ▨ Sept. 22–Dec. 1 2  
April 1–May 31
- No Closed Season 2



## COUGAR


Management Units: 3-26, 3-27, 3-29, 3-34 to 3-36, 3-43, 3-44  
No Closed Season 1

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20, 3-28, 3-30 to 3-33, 3-38 to 3-41  
No Closed Season 2



# THOMPSON-NICOLA SUB-REGION — OPEN SEASONS

## WOLF

-  No Closed Season 3
-  Sept. 22–Feb. 28 1
-  Sept. 1–Feb. 28 3



## COYOTE

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20 and 3-26 to 3-44  
Nov. 1–Feb. 15 **NBL**

## FOX

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-18, 3-26 to 3-28 and 3-30 to 3-41  
Nov. 1–Feb. 15 1

## SKUNK

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20 and 3-26 to 3-44  
No Closed Season **NBL**

## RACCOON

Management Units: 3-14 to 3-17, 3-32 and 3-33  
No Closed Season **NBL**

## BOBCAT

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44  
Nov. 1–Feb. 15 1

## LYNX

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20 and 3-26 to 3-44  
Nov. 15–Feb. 15 1

## WOLVERINE

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20 and 3-26 to 3-44  
Nov. 1–Feb. 15 1

## GROUSE

### Blue, Spruce (Franklin), Ruffed and Sharp-tailed

Management Units: 3-15, 3-16, 3-32, 3-33  
Sept. 10–Dec. 13 **5 of each (15 of each)**

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-14, 3-17 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-31, 3-34 to 3-44  
Sept. 15–Dec. 13 **5 of each (15 of each)**

Management Unit: 3-46  
Sept. 22–Dec. 13 **5 of each (15 of each)**

## PHEASANT (Cocks only)

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-15, 3-17 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-31 and 3-34 to 3-37  
Oct. 7–Nov. 15 **2(6)**

*Hunting of pheasant is permitted only between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.*

## HUNGARIAN PARTRIDGE

Management Units: 3-12, 3-13, 3-17 to 3-20 and 3-26 to 3-31  
Oct. 3–Dec. 6 **3(9)**

## CHUKAR PARTRIDGE

Management Units: 3-12, 3-13, 3-17 to 3-20 and 3-26 to 3-31  
Oct. 3–Dec. 6 **5(15)**

## PTARMIGAN

Management Units: 3-13 to 3-17, 3-31 to 3-39 and 3-41 to 3-44  
Sept. 1–Dec. 13 **5(15)**

Management Unit: 3-46  
Sept. 22–Dec. 13 **5(15)**

## DUCKS, COOTS, WHITE-FRONTED GEESE, SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE, CANADA GEESE, COMMON SNIPE

Management Units: 3-30, 3-31 Sept. 15–Dec. 15

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-29, 3-32 to 3-44, 3-46 Sept. 22–Dec. 26

### Bag Limits:

Ducks:	<b>8(16)</b>	Ross' geese:	<b>5(10)</b>
Coots:	<b>10(20)</b>	Canada geese:	<b>5(10)</b>
White-fronted geese:	<b>5(10)</b>	Common snipe:	<b>10(20)</b>
Snow geese:	<b>5(10)</b>		

*Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 6.*

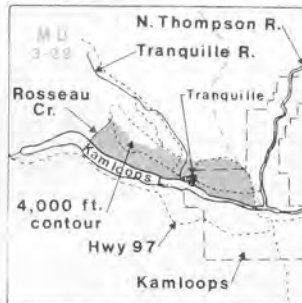
## MOURNING DOVES

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20 and 3-26 to 3-44  
Sept. 1–Nov. 30 **10(20)**

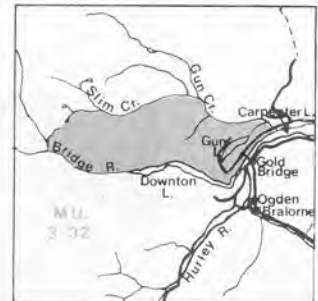
## BAND-TAILED PIGEONS

Management Units: 3-13 to 3-17  
Sept. 1–Oct. 31 **10(20)**

## THOMPSON-NICOLA SPECIAL AREAS, CLOSED AREAS, NO SHOOTING AREAS



Map C1 Dewdrop/Mara Mountain Recreation Area (situate in M.U. 3-29). Mule (Black-tailed) Deer and White-tailed Deer Bucks Only Season: Sept. 22 to Oct. 31 Bag Limit: 1



Map C2 Gun Lake Special Area (situate in M.U. 3-32). The open season for Antlered Mule (Black-tailed) Deer and White-tailed Deer is Sept. 22 to Dec. 14. See No Shooting Area, Map C9.

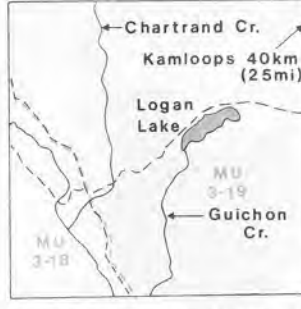
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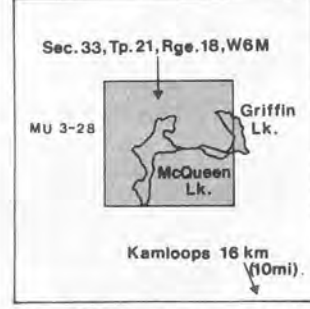
Map C3 Blind Bay No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 3-26).



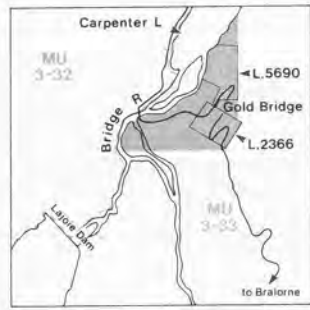
Map C4 Kamloops No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U.'s 3-19, 3-20, 3-27 and 3-28).



Map C5 Logan Lake No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 3-19).



Map C6 McQueen Lake No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 3-28).



Map C7 Gold Bridge No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 3-33).



Map C8 Boston Bar No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 3-14).



Map C9 Gun Lake No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 3-32).



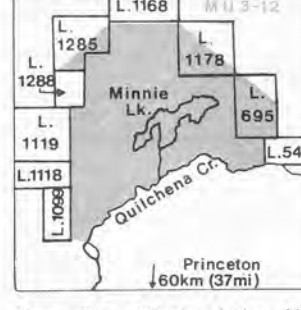
Map C10 Bralorne No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 3-33).



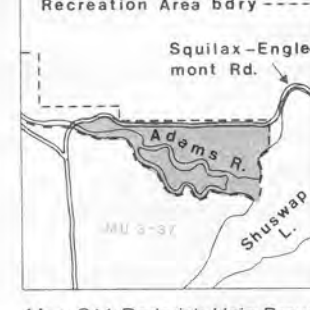
Map C11 Highland Valley No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 3-18).



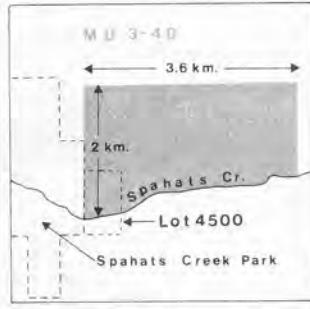
Map C12 Sicamous No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 3-26).



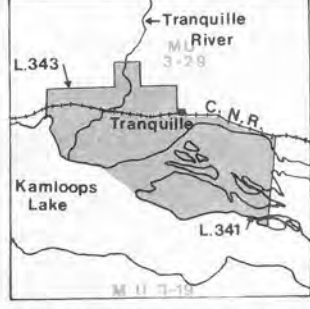
Map C13 Minnie Lake No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 3-12).



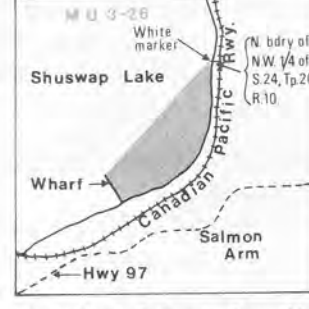
Map C14 Roderick Haig-Brown Recreation Area No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 3-37).



Map C15 Spahats Creek Camp No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 3-40).

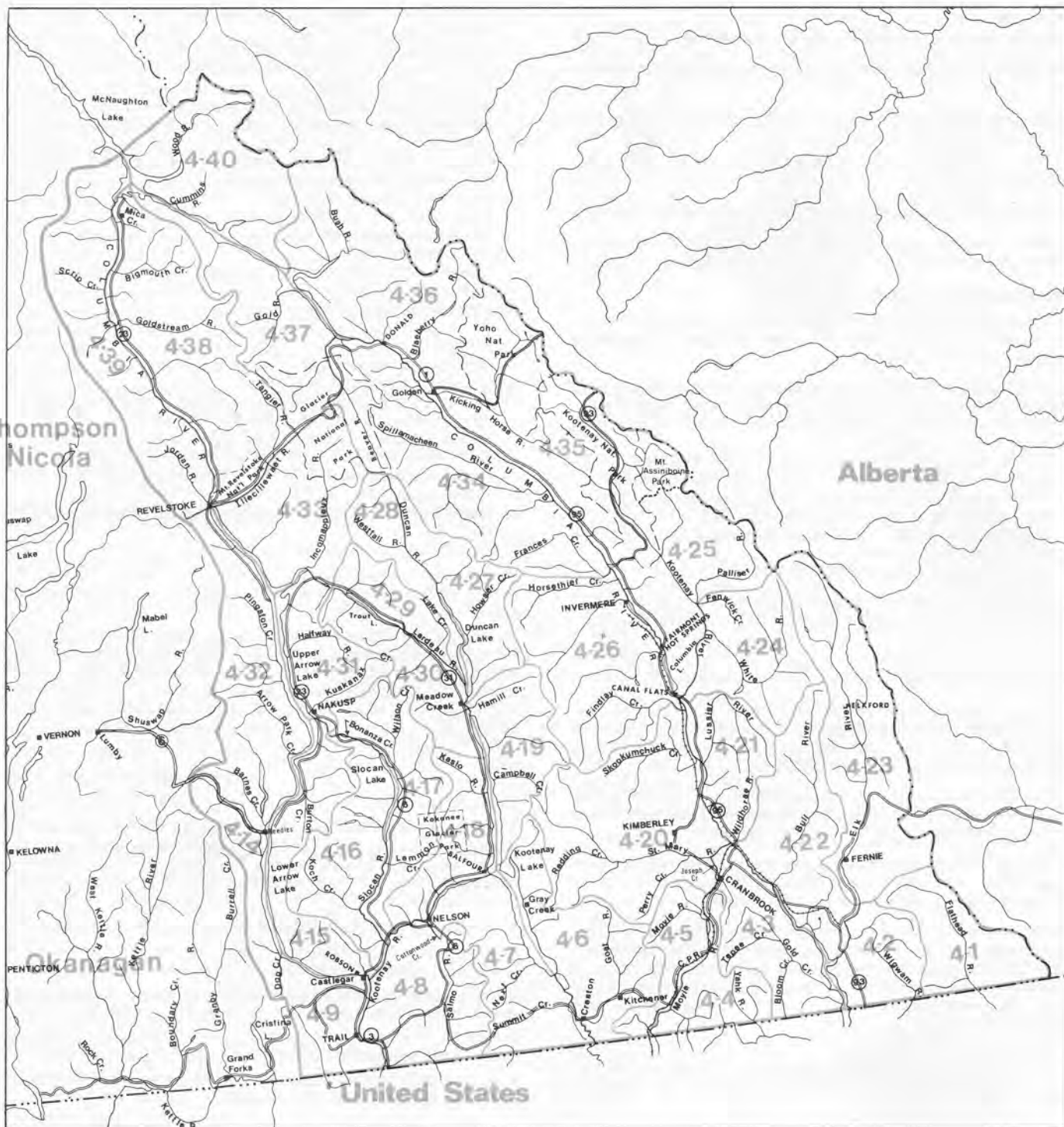


Map C16 Tranquille Farms No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 3-29).



Map C17 Salmon Arm No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 3-26).

# KOOTENAY REGION



## KOOTENAY (M.U.'s 4-1 to 4-9 and 4-14 to 4-40)

Regional Headquarters — 310 Ward Street, Nelson, V1L 5S4  
 Sub-regional office — 106-5th Ave. S., Cranbrook, V1C 2G2  
 District Offices — Castlegar, Cranbrook, Creston, Fernie, Golden, Invermere, Nakusp and Nelson.

### Limited Entry Hunting

There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting seasons. Please consult the current Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for details about Limited Entry hunts.

### Compulsory Reporting

It is mandatory for all mountain sheep, mountain goat, grizzly bear, cougar, caribou, wolf, bobcat, lynx and wolverine to be inspected.

Designated compulsory check centres are Castlegar and Cranbrook (mornings only). These animals may be checked at all other district offices by appointment only. See page 7 for those portions of an animal which are required.

### MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- Please take note of new vehicle restricted areas.
- Note also extension of wolf season.
- Bull moose season in M.U.'s 4-38 and 4-39 is shortened by two weeks to close on October 15.
- The hunting of raven is no longer restricted to private land in some M.U.'s. See page 30 for details.



## Bag Limits

**Deer:** The aggregate bag limit for deer is two in Kootenay Region.

**Mule (black-tailed) Deer:** The bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer is one.

**White-tailed Deer:** In M.U.'s 4-1 to 4-5, 4-20 to 4-26, 4-34 to 4-37 and 4-40 the bag limit for white-tailed deer is one.

In M.U.'s 4-6 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-19 and 4-27 to 4-33 the bag limit for white-tailed deer is two.

**Moose and Elk:** The aggregate bag limit for moose and elk is one.

**Grouse:** The daily aggregate bag limit for grouse (blue, spruce (Franklin), and ruffed) is ten.

## Snowmobile and Vehicle Restriction:

(1) The use of snowmobiles or snow vehicles to hunt wildlife, transport wildlife, or transport hunters to or from the location of wildlife is prohibited in Kootenay Region.

(2) The operation of all vehicles is prohibited in the following areas: Contact local Ministry of Environment and Parks offices for details.

- West of Canal Flats — prohibited from Dec. 1 to April 30. (See map D6)
- Premier Ridge — prohibited from Dec. 1 to April 30 (See map D5)
- Sportsman (Flathead) Ridge — year-round (See map D32).
- Wigwam Flats-Mt. Broadwood — year-round (See map D34).
- Powerplant area — year-round (See map D33).
- Chauncey-Todhunter — year-round (See map D31).
- Stoddard Creek — year-round
- Columbia Lake — year-round (See map D16)

(3) The operation of all vehicles except snowmobiles is prohibited on the following seismic exploration roads in the Elk Valley near Elkford:

- Bingay Creek Road
- Forsythe Creek Road
- Cadorna Creek Road
- Aldridge Creek Road
- Henretta Creek Road
- Kilmarnock Creek Road

(4) The operation of motor vehicles is prohibited in the watershed of North Galbraith Creek and that portion of Galbraith Creek south and east of the confluence of North Galbraith Creek and Galbraith Creek and the areas shown on Maps D3, D4, D5, D6, D7 and D29.

(5) The operation of motor vehicles is prohibited in Coal Licences 500 to 506, 4188 and 4189 in M.U. 4-2, southeast of Fernie. Contact the Ministry of Environment and Parks in Cranbrook for details.

(6) The operation of motor vehicles is prohibited on the Mutton Creek Forest Service Road which passes through Whiteswan Lake Provincial Park (except for authorized industrial purposes).

(7) The operation of all motor vehicles to hunt wildlife, transport wildlife or transport hunters to or from the location of wildlife is prohibited in the following areas. Information signs are posted at the points of closure for the benefit of hunters — but it is the hunters' responsibility to recognize the closures whether a sign is in place or not. The watershed of:

- Albert River in M.U. 4-25,
- Alexander Creek upstream of a point 30 m south of an unnamed creek flowing westerly into Alexander Creek from Mt. Domke in M.U. 4-23,
- Baribeau Creek in M.U. 4-20,
- Big Tower Creek in M.U. 4-22,
- Bloom Creek in M.U. 4-3,
- Burton Creek in M.U. 4-22,
- Caven Creek in M.U. 4-3,
- Copper Creek upstream of the Crestbrook Forest Access Road crossing in M.U. 4-20,
- the easterly headwaters of Coyote Creek in M.U. 4-21,
- Cross River in M.U. 4-25,
- the unnamed creek flowing into Dewar Creek between Mt. Patrick and Mt. Manson in M.U. 4-20,
- Dibble Creek upstream of the Bull River Forestry Access Road crossing in M.U. 4-22,
- Downie Creek upstream from the point of intersection with Highway 23
- Dutch Creek (Including Brewer Creek) in M.U. 4-26,
- Elk Creek in M.U. 4-24,
- Goodeve Creek in M.U. 4-9,

- Haller Creek — Cherry Lake in M.U. 4-3,
- Haynes Creek in M.U. 4-22,
- Inlet and Blackfoot Creeks in M.U. 4-24,
- Irishman Creek west of Highway 3/95 in M.U. 4-5,
- Iron Creek in M.U. 4-22,
- Kishinena Creek and Akamina Creek in M.U. 4-1,
- Lavington Creek upstream of the 1110 metres elevation in M.U. 4-26,
- Little Sand Creek above the Galloway Road and Big Sand Creek above Whimpster Creek in M.U. 4-22,
- Little Tower Creek in M.U. 4-22,
- Malde Creek in M.U. 4-9,
- Middlepass Creek in M.U. 4-1,
- Morris Creek in M.U. 4-9,
- Nilksuka Creek upstream from the North White River haul road in M.U. 4-24,
- Pedley Creek in M.U. 4-25,
- Pedro Creek upstream from the south boundary of Lot 7702 in M.U. 4-17,
- Quinn Creek in M.U. 4-22,
- Shepard Creek in M.U. 4-9,
- Skookumchuck Creek upstream of a point 1 mile easterly of its confluence with Greenland Creek in M.U. 4-20,
- Smallwood Creek upstream from the western boundary of Lot 6875 in M.U. 4-18,
- Swanson Creek in M.U. 4-22,
- Tunnel Creek in M.U. 4-22,
- Upper Beaverfoot River, Dainard Creek and Moose Creek in M.U. 4-35,
- the middle fork of White River in M.U. 4-24,

(8) A person authorized to trap is exempt from the restrictions outlined in sections (1) and (6) with respect to the trapping of furbearing animals.

(9) Coordinated Access Plans are in effect in the following watersheds and Management Units. To determine which roads are physically closed please consult with the NEAREST Ministry of Environment and Parks or Forest Service Office.

- Flathead River, M.U. 4-1
- White River, M.U. 4-25
- Bull River, M.U. 4-22
- Beaverfoot River, M.U. 4-35
- St. Mary's River, M.U. 4-20
- Findlay-Skookumchuck, M.U. 4-20, 4-26

## Notice to Hunters

● Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf from the Cranbrook and Nelson Ministry of Environment and Parks offices. An appointment is necessary at the Creston district office. See Convention on International Trade section on page 6.

- Creston Special White-tailed Deer Season Area — See Map D1.
- Holders of a "Cow or Calf only" elk Limited Entry Hunting Authorization **are prohibited** from taking any other elk in Region 4.
- Holders of a "Calf only" elk Limited Entry Hunting Authorization **are permitted** to hunt for bull elk during the regular open season.
- Holders of a Limited Entry Hunting Authorization for moose in Region 4 **are prohibited** from taking any other moose in Region 4.
- **No Shooting Areas: Please take note of the Highway No Shooting Areas as outlined on page 8 and 9.**
- A person commits an offence where he kills a collared elk in M.U. 4-6 or 4-7.

## Parks and Recreation Areas

Hunters should note that big game seasons in most parks are under Limited Entry Hunting restrictions. Consult the current Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for map details.

The following Parks and Recreation Areas are only open to the discharge of firearms from Sept. 10 to June 15 during a lawful game hunting season:

- Brilliant Terrace Park (M.U. 4-15)
- Bugaboo Glacier Park (M.U. 4-34)
- Bugaboo Alpine Recreation Area (M.U.'s 4-27, 4-34)
- Cody Coves Park (M.U. 4-18)
- Drewery Point Park (M.U. 4-7)
- Elk Lakes Park (M.U. 4-23)
- Elk Valley Park (M.U. 4-23)

## KOOTENAY REGION — OPEN SEASONS

Fry Creek Canyon Recreational Area (M.U. 4-19)  
 Hamber Park (M.U. 4-40)  
 Kikomun Creek Park (M.U. 4-22) See Map D21.  
 Marl Creek Park (M.U. 4-36)  
 McDonald Creek Park (M.U. 4-32) See Map D25.  
 Mount Assiniboine Park (M.U. 4-25). **All persons using horses in this park are required to obtain a Letter of Authority from the E. Kootenay District Park office, Box 118, Wasa, B.C. (Ph. 422-3212).**  
 Nancy Greene Recreation Area (M.U. 4-9)  
 Norbury Lakes Park (M.U. 4-22) See Map D22.  
 Pilot Bay Park (M.U. 4-6)  
 Premier Lake Park (M.U. 4-21) See Map D23.  
 Purcell Wilderness Conservancy (M.U.'s 4-19, 4-20, 4-26)  
 Ryan Park (M.U. 4-4)  
 St. Mary's Alpine Park (M.U. 4-20)  
 Top of the World Park (M.U. 4-21, 4-22) Camping and the use of horses in the portion of the park in the North Galbraith Creek drainage is prohibited.  
 Valhalla Park (M.U. 4-16)  
 Whiteswan Lake Park (M.U. 4-24)

Kokanee Glacier Park (M.U.'s 4-17, 4-18) is only open to the discharge of firearms from November 1 to November 30 during a lawful game hunting season.

Parks and recreation areas not listed above are closed to hunting and closed to the discharge of firearms.

## KOOTENAY REGION — OPEN SEASONS

### MULE (Black-tailed) DEER

- Bucks: Sept. 10–Oct. 31
- \* Bucks: Nov. 1–Nov. 15
- Bucks: Sept. 10–Nov. 15

\* Open only for deer having 4 or more points (tines) on one antler, each of which is at least 8 cm (3 in.) in length. The antlers must accompany the species licence.



### Bow and Arrow Only Season

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-37, 4-40  
 Sept. 1–Sept. 9

See regional bag limit for deer on page 28.

### WHITE-TAILED DEER

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-5, 4-20 to 4-26, 4-34 to 4-37, 4-40

Bucks: Sept. 10–Nov. 15

Management Units: 4-6 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-19, 4-27 to 4-33  
 Bucks: Sept. 10–Nov. 30

See regional bag limit for deer on page 28.

### Bow and Arrow Only Season

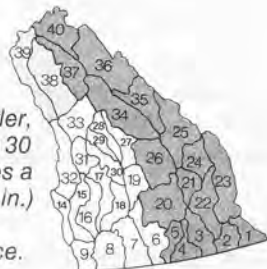
Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-37, 4-40  
 Bucks: Sept. 1–Sept. 9

See map D1.

### MOOSE

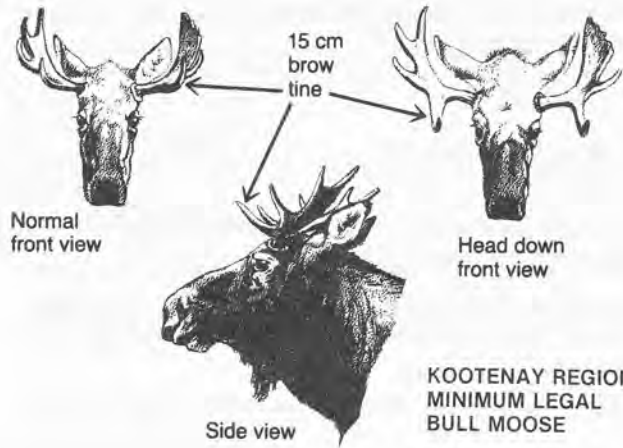
- \* Bulls: Oct. 25–Nov. 5
- \* Bulls: Sept. 10–Oct. 15

\* Bulls with at least one palmated antler, the longest antler being longer than 30 cm (12 in.) and from which protrudes a brow tine which is at least 15 cm (6 in.) in length. The antlers of bull moose must accompany the species licence.



See Notice to Hunters on page 28.

See the regional bag limit for moose and elk on page 28.



KOOTENAY REGION —  
 MINIMUM LEGAL  
 BULL MOOSE

### ELK

- \* Bulls: Sept. 10–Oct. 20
- \*\* Bulls: Oct. 21–Nov. 5
- Bulls: Sept. 10–Nov. 5
- \*\* Bulls: Sept. 10–Nov. 5

\* Bulls with at least one branched antler. A branched antler is one with at least 3 points (tines) each of which is at least 8 cm (3 in.) in length.

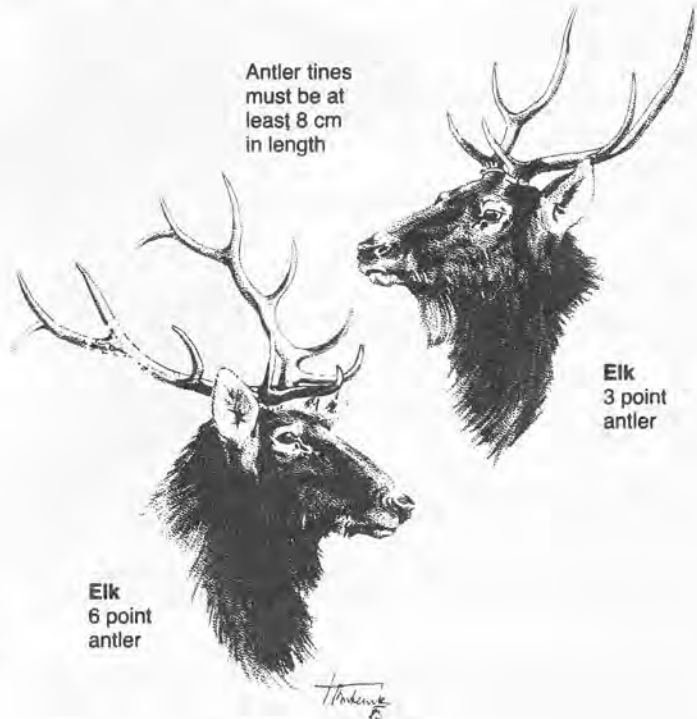
\*\* Bulls with at least one 6 point antler, each point (tine) being at least 8 cm (3 in.) in length.

The antlers of bull elk must accompany the species licence.

See Notice to Hunters on page 28.

See maps D2 and D35.

See the regional bag limit for elk and moose on page 28.



## KOOTENAY REGION — OPEN SEASONS

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### BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP (Rams only)

#### Full curl or greater

Management Units: 4-1, 4-21, 4-22, 4-23\*\*, 4-24, 4-35  
Sept. 10–Oct. 25 1

Management Units: 4-2, 4-25  
\*Sept. 10–Oct. 20 1

\* In that portion of M.U. 4-25 east of the Kootenay River, the season is from Sept. 10–Oct. 25.

\*\* The harvest of mountain sheep in M.U. 4-23 is limited to "mature full curl bighorn rams." See diagram on page 3.

See map D8.

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### CARIBOU

Management Units: 4-37 to 4-40  
Bulls: Sept. 10–Oct. 5 1

See Map D10.

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### MOUNTAIN GOAT

Management Unit: 4-40  
Sept. 10–Nov. 30 1

In that portion of M.U. 4-37 north and west of Windy Creek, the season is from Sept. 10–Oct. 31.

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### BLACK BEAR

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-5, 4-19 to 4-30, 4-34 to 4-37, 4-40

Sept. 10–Nov. 30 2  
April 1–June 30

Management Units: 4-6 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-18, 4-31 to 4-33, 4-38, 4-39

No Closed Season 2

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### Bow and Arrow Only Season

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40  
Sept. 1–Sept. 9 2

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### COUGAR

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-7, 4-18 to 4-30, 4-33 to 4-37, 4-40

Dec. 1–Feb. 28 1

Management Units: 4-8, 4-9, 4-14 to 4-17, 4-31, 4-32  
Dec. 1–March 10 1

Hunters are requested not to shoot lactating cougar, cougar in the company of lactating cougar or cougar kittens.

All cougar taken in Kootenay Region must be checked at a compulsory check centre in Kootenay Region within 4 days of the kill.

Hunters are advised to avoid taking female cougar. Should the harvest of females exceed 10 in the East Kootenay (2 in M.U. 4-23), or 5 in the West Kootenay, the season will be closed.

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### WOLF

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-6, 4-20 to 4-40  
Sept. 10–Feb. 28 1

All wolves harvested in Kootenay Region must be checked at a compulsory check centre in Kootenay Region within 10 days of the kill.

See map D35.

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### COYOTE

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40  
Oct. 15–Feb. 28 10

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### RACCOON, SKUNK

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40  
No Closed Season NBL

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### BOBCAT

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40  
Nov. 1–Feb. 28 3

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### LYNX

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40  
Nov. 15–Feb. 15 1

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### WOLVERINE

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40  
Nov. 1–Feb. 28 1

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### RAVEN

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40  
No Closed Season 5

Hunting of raven is limited to private land only in M.U.'s 4-1, 4-4, 4-5, 4-8, 4-9, 4-14 to 4-19, 4-23, 4-27 to 4-33 and 4-37 to 4-40.

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### PHEASANT (Cocks Only)

Management Units: 4-6, 4-7  
Oct. 15–Nov. 15

Daily Limit: 3  
Possession Limit: 6  
Season Limit: 12

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### GROUSE

#### Blue, Spruce (Franklin) and Ruffed

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40  
Sept. 10–Nov. 30 10(30)

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## KOOTENAY REGION — OPEN SEASONS

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### PTARMIGAN

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40  
Sept. 10–Nov. 30 **10(30)**

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### DUCKS, COOTS, COMMON SNIBE, SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE

Management Units: 4-6 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-19, 4-27 to 4-33,  
4-38, 4-39

Oct. 1–Dec. 31

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-5, 4-20 to 4-26, 4-34 to 4-37,  
4-40

Sept. 10–Dec. 31

Bag Limits:

Ducks:	<b>8(16)</b>	Snow geese:	<b>5(10)</b>
Coots:	<b>10(20)</b>	Ross' geese:	<b>5(10)</b>
Common snipe:	<b>10(20)</b>		

*Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 6.*

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### CANADA GEESE, WHITE-FRONTED GEESE

Management units: 4-6 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-19, 4-27 to 4-33,  
4-38, 4-39

Oct. 1–Dec. 31 **5(10)**

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-5, 4-20 to 4-26, 4-34 to 4-37,  
4-40

Sept. 1–Nov. 30 **5(10)**

*Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 6.*

*See map D9.*

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### MOURNING DOVES

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40

Sept. 1–Nov. 30 **10(20)**

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# KOOTENAY SPECIAL AREAS, CLOSED AREAS, NO SHOOTING AREAS



Map D1 Creston Special White-tailed Deer Season Area (situate in M.U. 4-6). White-tailed deer bow and arrow only season: Dec. 1-Dec. 31 1



Map D2 Kootenay Special Elk Archery Area (situate in M.U. 4-2). See also Map D35. Either sex elk bow and arrow only season: August 20 to August 31 1(1).



Map D3 Pickering Hills Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 4-22).

The operation of motor vehicles is prohibited except on roads shown as open on Maps D3, D5, D6 and D7.



Map D4 Duncan - Lardeau Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 4-30). The operation of motor vehicles is prohibited except on Highway 31.



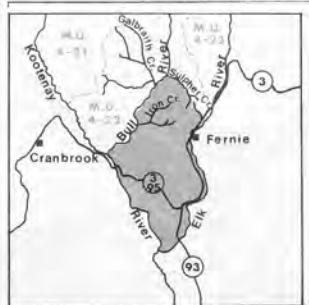
Map D5 Premier Ridge Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 4-21).



Map D6 Dutch-Findlay Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 4-26).



Map D7 Sheep Mountain Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 4-22).



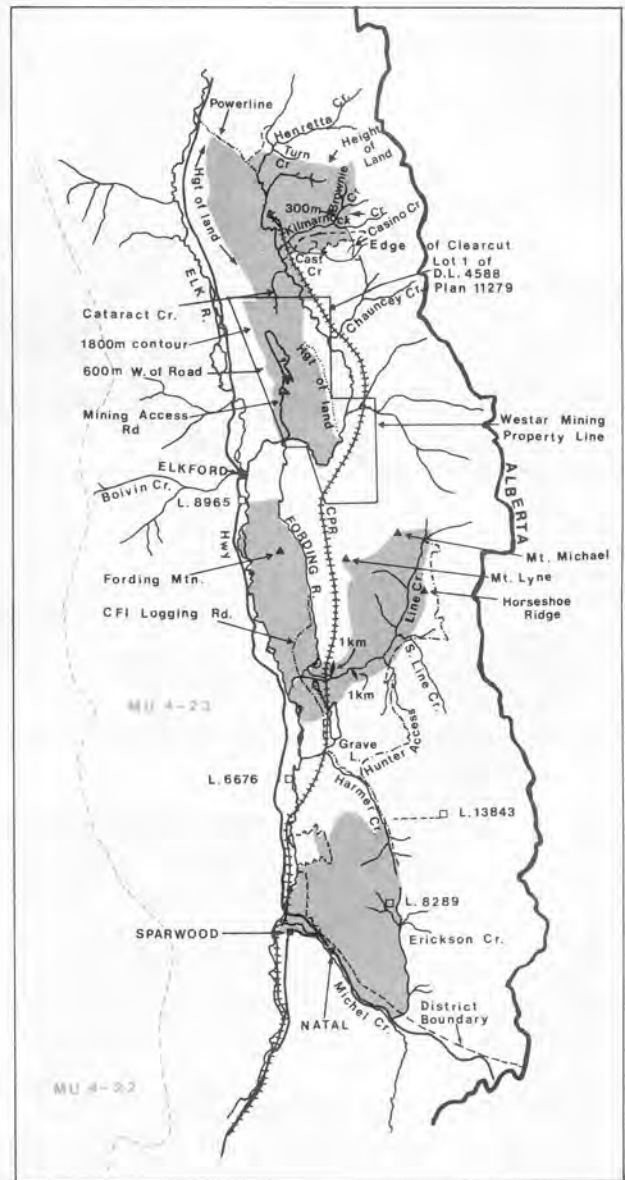
Map D8 Sulphur Creek Mountain Sheep Closed Area (situate in M.U. 4-22).



Map D9 Kootenay River Canada Goose Closed Area (situate in M.U.'s 4-3, 4-20, 4-21, 4-22).

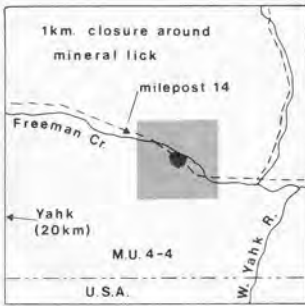


Map D10 Jordan River Caribou Closed Area (situate in M.U. 4-39).



Map D11: Crows Nest Resources, Fording Coal, Westar Mining, Greenhills and Fording Mountain No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 4-23). Mine No Shooting Areas are situated on private property and permission from companies is required prior to entry.

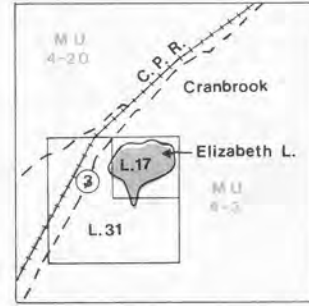
# KOOTENAY SPECIAL AREAS, CLOSED AREAS, NO SHOOTING AREAS



Map D12 Freeman Creek No Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-4).



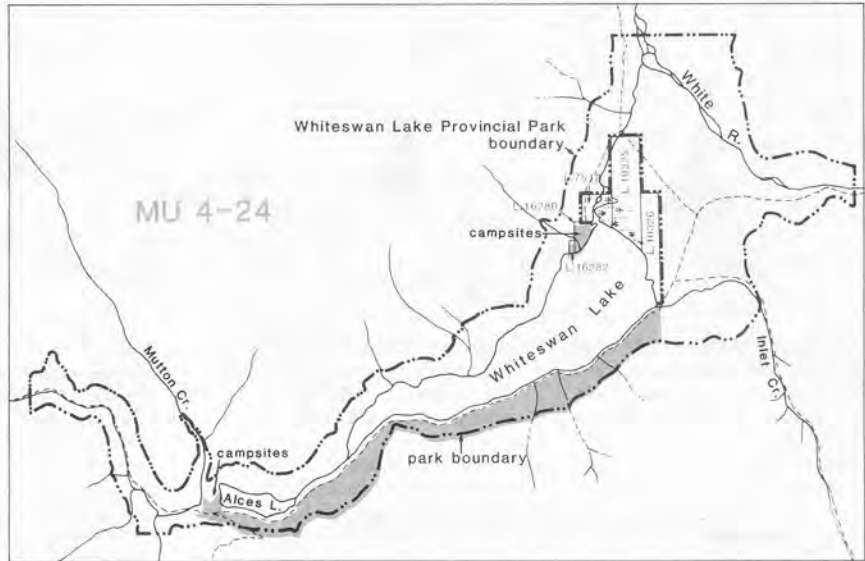
Map D13 Skookumchuck Pulp Mill No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 4-20).



Map D14 Elizabeth Lake No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 4-3).



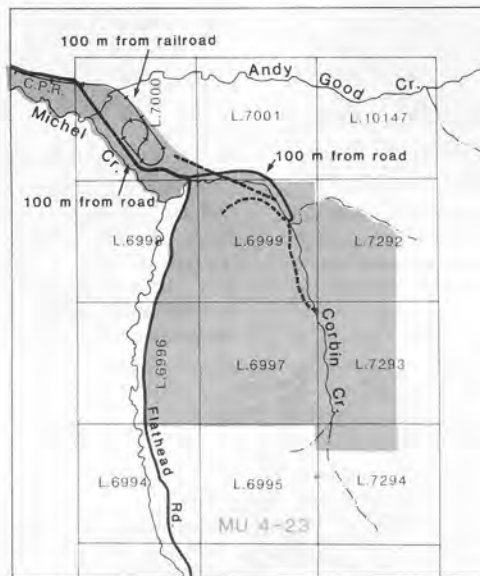
Map D15 Columbia Lake Vehicle Closed Area (situate in M.U. 4-25). Roads coloured white are open May 1 to November 30.



Map D15 Whiteswan Park No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 4-24).



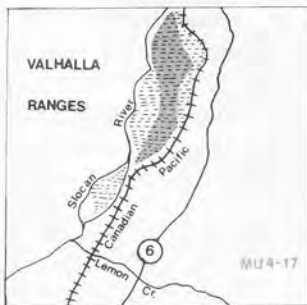
Map D18 Selkirk No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-7 and 4-8). This closure has been established to protect endangered mountain caribou. Incorporates Stagleap Park.



Map D17 Byron Creek Collieries No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 4-23).

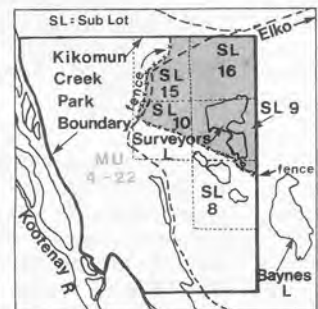


Map D20 Argenta Marsh Wildlife Management Area No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-19).



Map D19 Walter Clough Wildlife Management Area No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-17).

Map D21 Kikomun Creek Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-22). Closed area is portion inside internal range fence.





# KOOTENAY SPECIAL AREAS, CLOSED AREAS, NO SHOOTING AREAS



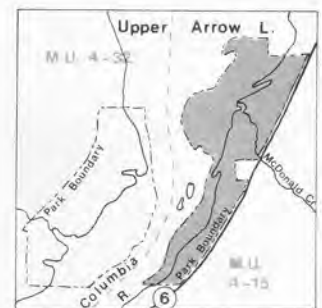
Map D22 Norbury Lakes Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-22).



Map D23 Premier Lake Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-21).



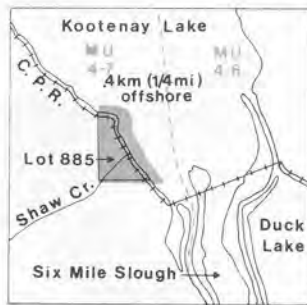
Map D24 Mount Assiniboine Park No Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-25).



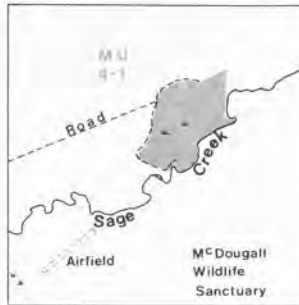
Map D25 McDonald Creek Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-15).



Map D26 Columbia Lake and River Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in M.U.'s 4-25, 4-26). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.



Map D27 Shaw Creek Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in M.U. 4-7). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.



Map D28 McDougall Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in M.U. 4-1). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms or operation of motor vehicles.



Map D29 Bergenham and Moberly Marsh Wildlife Sanctuaries (situate in M.U. 4-36). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.



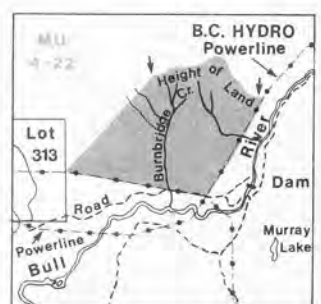
Map D30 Wasa Slough Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in M.U. 4-21). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.



Map D31 Chauncey-Todhunter Vehicle Closed Area (situate in M.U. 4-23). Closed year round to the operation of all vehicles.



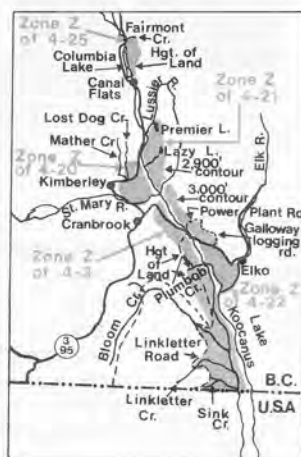
Map D32 Sportsman (Flathead) Ridge Vehicle Closed Area (situate in M.U. 4-2). Closed year round to the operation of all vehicles. Road coloured white open year-round.



Map D33 Powerplant Vehicle Closed Area (situate in M.U. 4-22). Closed year round to the operation of all vehicles.



Map D34 Wigwam Flats — Mt. Broadwood Vehicle Closed Area (situate in M.U. 4-2). Closed year round to the operation of all vehicles. Roads coloured white open June 15 to August 31.



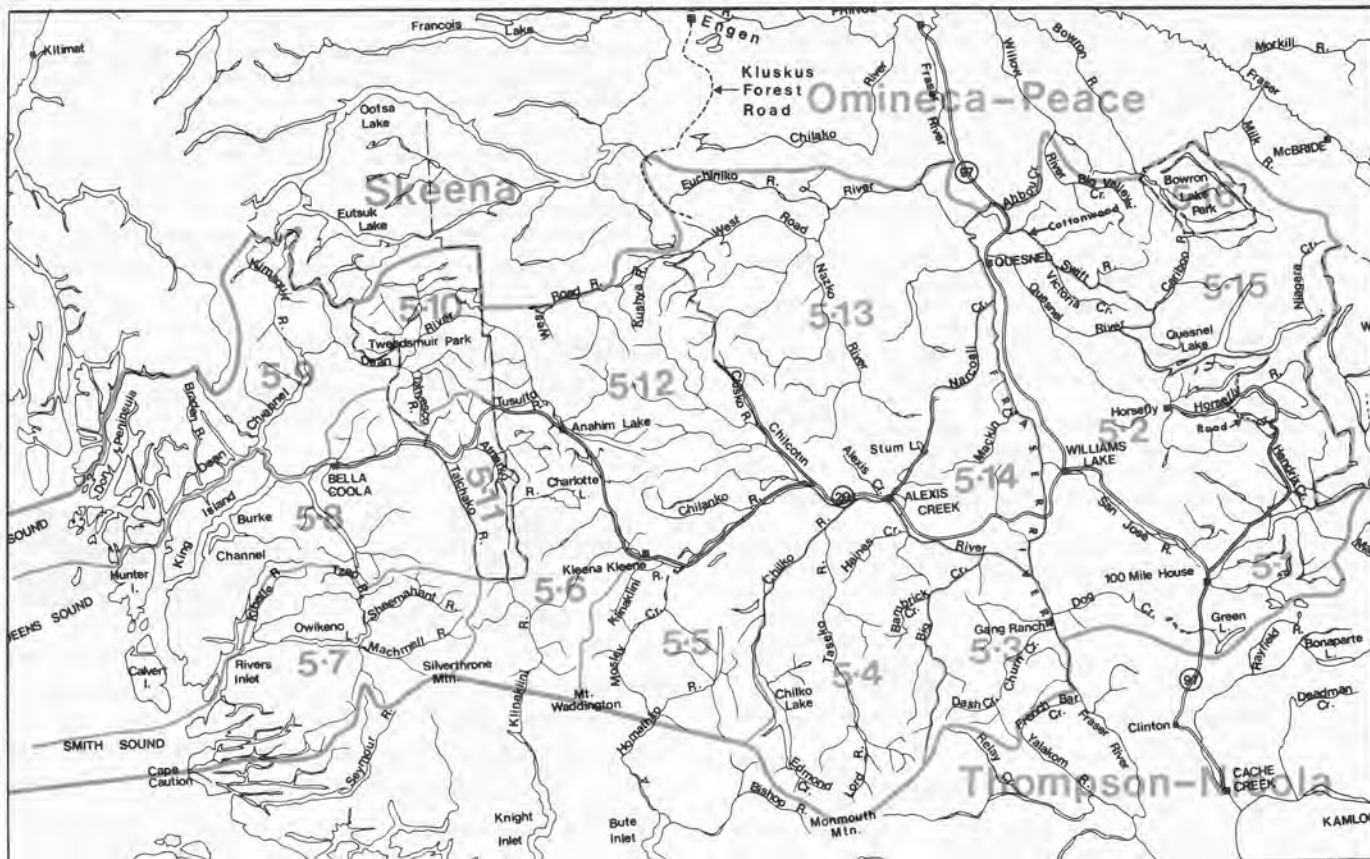
Map D35 Kootenay Elk Archery Areas and Wolf Special Area (Zones Z in M.U.'s 4-3, 4-20, 4-21, 4-22, 4-25).

**Wolf:** There is no closed season for wolf in these zones. Bag Limit: 1

**Archery:** The open season for hunting elk of either sex or age with a bow only is August 20–August 31. Bag Limit: 1(1). See also Map D2.

**Hunters must obtain permission before hunting on private land.**

## CARIBOO SUB-REGION



### CARIBOO SUB-REGION

Regional Headquarters — 1259 Dalhousie Drive, Kamloops, V2C 5Z5  
 Sub-regional Office — 540 Borland Street, Williams Lake, V2G 1R8  
 District Offices — Alexis Creek, Quesnel, Bella Coola, 100 Mile House, Williams Lake

#### MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- Mule (black-tailed) deer buck season is extended 7 days and antlerless season 3 days. The bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer is two, one of which may be antlerless.
- Note the extension of caribou trophy bull season in M.U. 5-12.
- Cougar season is reduced to run from Dec. 1 to March 31.
- Please note the large number of new vehicle restricted areas listed on this page.

#### Limited Entry Hunting

There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting seasons. Please consult the current Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for details about Limited Entry hunts.

#### Bag Limits

Deer: The bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer is two, one of which may be antlerless.

#### Compulsory Reporting

It is mandatory for all mountain sheep, mountain goat, grizzly bear, cougar, caribou, bobcat, lynx and wolverine to be inspected. The designated compulsory check centre is Williams Lake. These animals may be checked at all district offices by appointment only. See page 7 for those portions of an animal which are required. Special Note: All hunters must present the antlers of caribou harvested within Cariboo Sub-region to the Ministry of Environment and Parks in Williams Lake.

#### Vehicle Restrictions

- The operation of all motor vehicles for the purpose of hunting, to transport wildlife or to transport hunters to or from the location of wildlife is prohibited on the following roads:

- Clusko-Thunder Mountain Forest Road (No. 7365) from a point 5 km (3 miles) north of the junction of the Clusko-Thunder Mountain Forest Road and the Clusko River (situate in M.U. 5-13).
- All of the side roads to the Lord River mining development road (situate in M.U. 5-4).
- Nusatsum-Neieck Forest Service Road (B.C. Forest Service Project No. 942-8130) southerly and westerly from km 5 to South Bentick Arm (situate in M.U. 5-8).
- Talchako Forest Service Road southerly and easterly from km 3 (situate in M.U. 5-8).
- Michelle-Baezaeko Road (Ministry of Forests Project 7672) westerly from km 50 (situate in M.U. 5-13).
- Roaring River Road (situate in M.U. 5-15).
- Neechanz Forestry Development Road (situate in M.U. 5-7).
- 9700 Forestry Development Road (vicinity of Harvey's Creek, situate in M.U. 5-15).
- Aneko Creek Forestry Development Road commencing at km 18 (situate in M.U. 5-13).
- All areas above the 1520 metres elevation in the area shown on map E8.
- The operation of all motor vehicles for the purpose of hunting, to transport wildlife, or to transport hunters to or from the location of wildlife is prohibited in those areas shown on maps E21, E22 and E23.
- The operation of unlicensed motorized vehicles for the purpose of hunting, to transport wildlife, or to transport hunters to or from the location of wildlife is prohibited in M.U.'s 5-12 and 5-13 from Sept. 10 to Nov. 17.
- The operation of unlicensed motor vehicles is prohibited year-round in that portion of M.U. 5-2 shown on Map E11.
- The operation of all motor vehicles is prohibited year-round in the area shown on Map E3.

#### Notice to Hunters

- The hunting of big game (see definition) is prohibited within .4 km (¼ mile) of either side of the centre line of the following roads:
  - Cariboo River Forest Development Road (B.C. Forest Service Project No. 6142): Northerly and easterly from the junction of the Cariboo River Development Road and Ladies Creek, and all branch roads leading from said Development Road (situate in M.U. 5-15).

## CARIBOO SUB-REGION — OPEN SEASONS

- Spanish Lake Road: Northerly and easterly from the junction of the Spanish Lake Road and an unnamed creek which flows westerly into the eastern end of Spanish Lake, and all branch roads leading from said road (situate in M.U. 5-15).
- Michelle Creek, Michelle-Baezaeko (to 50 km) and Michelle-Coglistiko Roads (B.C. Forest Service Project No. 7672): Southerly and westerly from the junction of the Michelle Creek Road and Michelle Creek, and all branch roads leading from the Michelle, Michelle-Baezaeko and Michelle-Coglistiko roads (situate in M.U. 5-13 and 5-14).
- Alex Graham-Palmer Lake Road (B.C. Forest Service Project No. 5265): Northerly and westerly from kilometre 46.
- Clusko-Thunder Mountain Road (B.C. Forest Service Project No. 7356): westerly and northerly from the junction of the Clusko-Thunder Mountain Road and the Alex Graham-Palmer Lake Road, to the junction of the Clusko-Thunder Mountain Road and the Clusko River (situate in M.U. 5-13).
- Cunningham Pass Forest Road: easterly and southerly from Tinsdale Creek and all side roads to it (situate in M.U. 5-15).
- Rosita-Meldrum Forest Service Road (B.C. Forest Service Project No. 6426) northerly and westerly from Beaverdam Creek (situate in M.U. 5-13 and 5-14).
- Tatlayoko Road and any side roads to Tatlayoko Road southerly from the north end of Tatlayoko Lake (situate in M.U. 5-5).
- Nyland-Sundberg Road (B.C. Forest Development Project 5464) westerly, southerly and easterly from the junction of Nyland Lake Forestry Development Road, Sundberg Forestry Development Road and "J" Road, and all branch roads (situate in M.U. 5-15).
- Brown Creek Forestry Development Road and all side roads adjacent to and south of the intersection of Brown Creek Road and Naska River (situate in M.U. 5-13).
- West Fraser Road (No. 32, Ministry of Transportation and Highways) from the City of Quesnel city limits southerly to the Marguerite Ferry turnoff (situate in M.U.'s 5-13, 5-14).
- Horn-Bluff Lakes Road (situate in M.U. 5-5). See map E25.
- Holly Creek (Morrison Meadow Forestry Development Road) easterly of the west boundary of Lot 1677, Range 3, Coast Land District (situate in M.U. 5-12).
- Groundhog Creek Forestry Development Road southerly from its intersection with Willan Creek, and all branch roads (situate in M.U. 5-4).
- Moffat Creek Forestry Development Road easterly from its intersection with the outlet stream of McIntosh Lakes, and all branch roads (situate in M.U. 5-12).

• There are special vehicle restrictions in the Junction Mountain Sheep area in M.U. 5-14. Please contact the Ministry of Environment and Parks office in Williams Lake for details.

• Hunting is prohibited in M.U. 5-16 (Bowron Lake Provincial Park).

• Hunting is prohibited in the Rainbow Nature Conservancy Area. See Map E12.

• Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf from the Williams Lake Ministry of Environment and Parks office. See Convention on International Trade section on page 6.

• Between March 1 and August 31, hunting, trapping and the discharge of firearms are prohibited within the Stum (Pelican) Lake Wildlife Sanctuary. The area includes all of Stum Lake below the high water mark including all of the islands (M.U. 5-13).

• Please avoid shooting collared animals. Collared animals carry radio transmitters and are used for research purposes. The death of one of these animals represents a substantial loss in terms of time and money. If a radio-collared animal is inadvertently killed, please return the collar to an office of the Ministry of Environment and Parks.

• Please note that both elk and white-tailed deer are present in Cariboo Sub-region but there is **no season** on either. Be sure of the species before you shoot.

• The use of dogs to hunt all wildlife except game birds is prohibited in that part of M.U. 5-14 shown on map E29.

### • No Shooting Areas:

Hunters should note the Highway No Shooting Areas as outlined on page 8 and 9.

• The discharge of firearms is prohibited on Lot 8284, Cariboo District on which Big Lake School is located.

### Parks and Recreation Areas

Hunters should note that big game seasons in most parks are under Limited Entry Hunting restrictions. Consult the current Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for map details.

The following Parks and Recreation Areas are only open to the discharge of firearms from Sept. 1–June 30 during a lawful game hunting season:

White Pelican Park (M.U. 5-13)

Tweedsmuir Park (M.U.'s 5-10, 5-11, 6-1, 6-2) See Map E12.

Parks and recreation areas not listed above are closed to hunting and closed to the discharge of firearms.

## CARIBOO SUB-REGION — OPEN SEASONS

### MULE (Black-tailed) DEER

- Bucks: Sept. 22–Nov. 22  
Antlerless: Oct. 17–Oct. 23
- Bucks: Sept. 10–Nov. 22  
Antlerless: Oct. 17–Oct. 23
- ▨ Bucks: Sept. 10–Nov. 1
- Bucks: Sept. 10–Nov. 16
- ▨ Bucks: Sept. 1–Nov. 22  
Antlerless: Oct. 17–Oct. 23



Please take note of the regional bag limit for deer on page 35.

See map E1 for open seasons in M.U.'s 5-4 and 5-5.

See special area maps.

### MOOSE

- Bulls: Sept. 10–Sept. 25 1  
Oct. 3–Oct. 12
- Bulls: Sept. 10–Sept. 25 1  
Oct. 3–Nov. 15
- ▨ Bulls: Sept. 10–Nov. 15 1(1)  
Antlerless: Oct. 23–Oct. 25
- Bulls: Sept. 10–Oct. 18 1



See special area maps.

Hunters must consult the current Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for a map of those areas in M.U. 5-4 closed to general open season moose hunting.

### BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP (Rams Only)

Full curl or greater

¾ curl or greater

Management Unit: 5-3

Management Unit: 5-4

Sept. 1–Oct. 15 1

Sept. 1–Oct. 15 1

### MOUNTAIN GOAT

Mountain goat are sensitive to harvest. Hunters are requested to select male mountain goat when hunting.

Management Units: 5-4 to 5-9, 5-11

Sept. 1–Oct. 26 1

Management Unit: 5-15

Sept. 1–Sept. 29 1

See maps E2, E4, E5, E6, E7, E8, E27.

Hunters must consult the current Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for maps of those areas in M.U.'s 5-4, 5-5 and 5-15 closed to general open season hunting for mountain goat.



## CARIBOO SUB-REGION — OPEN SEASONS

### CARIBOU

Caribou are being managed as a trophy species. Hunters are requested to select large male caribou when hunting.

Management Unit: 5-12

\* Mature Bulls: Sept. 1–Oct. 18 1

\* Open only to bulls with one antler bearing at least 5 points, each of which is at least 8 cm (3 in.) in length, above the rear point (see diagram) or having a main beam of at least 75 cm (30 in.) in length.

Management Unit: 5-15

Bulls: Sept. 1–Oct. 11 1

The antlers and lower jaw of all caribou taken in Cariboo Sub-region must be submitted to a Ministry of Environment and Parks office in Cariboo Sub-region.

### GRIZZLY BEAR

■ April 15–June 15, 1988 1

□ Sept. 10–Nov. 15, 1987 1  
April 1–May 31, 1988



See maps E9, E10.

Hunters must consult the current Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for maps of those areas in M.U. 5-8 closed to general open season hunting for grizzly bear.

### BLACK BEAR

Management Units: 5-1, 5-2

No Closed Season 2

Management Units: 5-3 to 5-15

Sept. 1–Nov. 16, 1987 2

April 15–June 30, 1988

### WOLF

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15

No Closed Season 3

Management Units: 5-10, 5-11

Sept. 1–March 31 3

### COUGAR

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15

Dec. 1–March 31 2

### COYOTE

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15

No Closed Season NBL

Management Units: 5-10, 5-11

Sept. 2–March 31 NBL

### FOX

Management Unit: 5-8

Oct. 25–Nov. 16 NBL

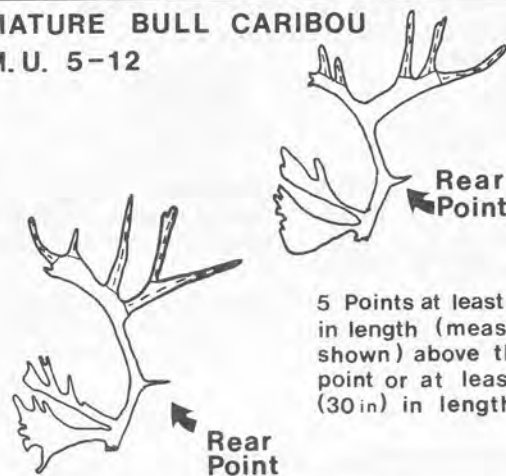
### BOBCAT

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-15

Nov. 15–Feb. 15 2

### MATURE BULL CARIBOU

M.U. 5-12



5 Points at least 8cm (3in) in length (measured as shown) above the rear point or at least 75cm (30in) in length.

### LYNX

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-15

Nov. 15–Feb 15 1

### GROUSE

Blue, Spruce (Franklin) and Ruffed

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-15

Sept. 10–Nov. 22 10 of each (30 of each)

### SHARP-TAILED GROUSE

Management Units: 5-3 to 5-6, 5-12 to 5-14

Sept. 10–Nov. 22 8(16)

### PTARMIGAN

Management Units: 5-3 to 5-6, 5-10 to 5-12, 5-15

Sept. 1–Nov. 1 10(30)

### PHEASANT

Management Unit: 5-3

Sept. 10–Nov. 22

Daily Limit: 3(only 1 hen)

Possession Limit: 9(only 3 hens)

### CHUKAR PARTRIDGE

Management Unit: 5-3

Sept. 10–Nov. 22 8(24)

### RAVEN

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-15

March 1–May 31, 1987 5

Hunting of raven is limited to private land only.

### BAND-TAILED PIGEONS

Management Units: 5-7 to 5-9

Sept. 1–Oct. 31 10(20)

# CARIBOO SUB-REGION — OPEN SEASONS

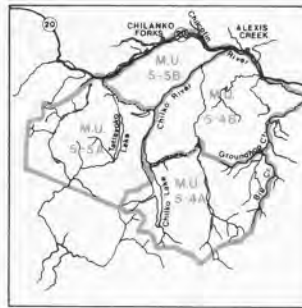
DUCKS, COOTS, SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE, WHITE-FRONTED GEESE, CANADA GEESE, COMMON SNIPE

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-15  
Sept. 15–Dec. 15

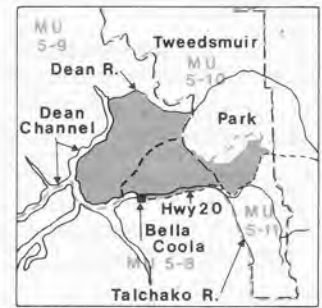
Bag Limits:

Ducks:	<b>8(16)</b>	White-fronted geese:	<b>5(10)</b>
Coots:	<b>10(20)</b>	Canada geese:	<b>5(10)</b>
Snow geese:	<b>5(10)</b>	Common snipe:	<b>10(20)</b>
Ross' geese:	<b>5(10)</b>		

Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 6.



Map E1 Cariboo Deer Sub-unit Divisions (situate in M.U.'s 5-4 and 5-5).  
5-4A and 5-5A  
Bucks: Sept. 1–Nov. 22 2(1)  
Antlerless: Oct. 17–Oct. 23 5-4B and 5-5B  
Bucks: Sept. 22–Nov. 22 2(1)  
Antlerless: Oct. 17–Oct. 23

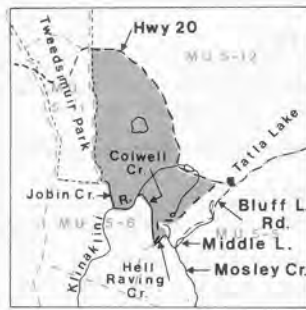


Map E2 Bella Coola Mountain Goat Special Season Area (situate in M.U.'s 5-8, 5-9).  
Special Season: Sept. 1–Sept. 17  
Bag Limit: 1.

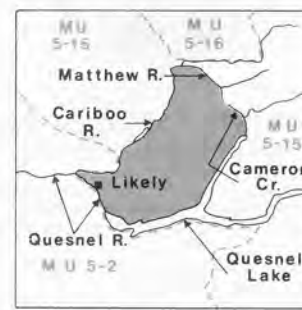
## CARIBOO SPECIAL AREAS, CLOSED AREAS, NO SHOOTING AREAS



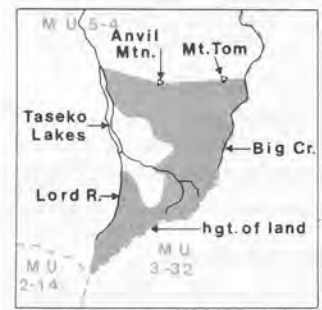
Map E3 Eureka Park Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 5-15). Closed year round to the operation of all vehicles.



Map E4 Perkins Peak Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U.'s 5-5, 5-6).



Map E5 Goose Range Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 5-15).



Map E6 Taseko Lakes Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 5-4).



Map E7 Eureka-Deception Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 5-15).



Map E8 Potato Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 5-5). For vehicle restriction, see page 35.



Map E9 Genesee Grizzly Bear Closed Area (situate in M.U. 5-7).



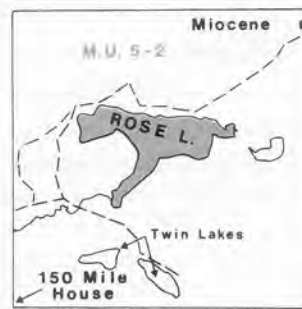
Map E10 Dean-Kimsquit Grizzly Bear Closed Area (situate in M.U. 5-9).



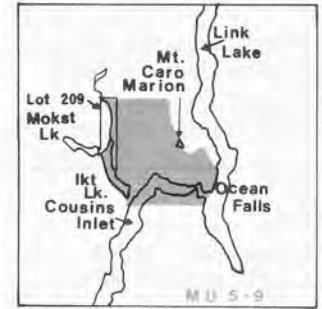
Map E11 Sundberg Hill Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 5-2, 5-15). Closed year round to the operation of unlicensed motor vehicles for hunting.



Map E12 Rainbow Nature Conservancy Area (situate in M.U.'s 5-10, 5-11). The hunting of all wildlife species is prohibited.

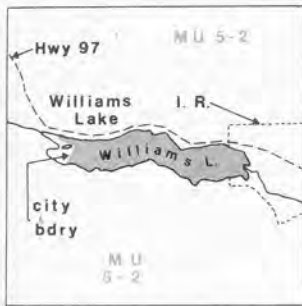


Map E13 Rose Lake No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 5-2).



Map E14 Ocean Falls No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 5-9).

# CARIBOO SPECIAL AREAS, CLOSED AREAS, NO SHOOTING AREAS



Map E15 Williams Lake No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 5-2).



Map E16 Gibraltar Mines No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 5-2).



Map E17 Wells No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 5-15).



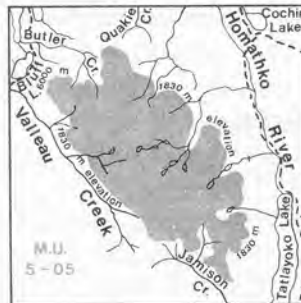
Map E18 Tibbles Road No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 5-13).



Map E19 Williams Creek No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 5-2).



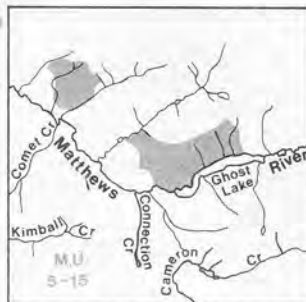
Map E20 Reidemann Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in M.U. 5-2). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.



Map E21 Valleau Creek Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 5-5).



Map E22 Churn Creek Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 5-3).



Map E23 Ghost Lake Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 5-15).



Map E24 West Fraser Road Restriction (situate in M.U.'s 5-13, 5-14). The hunting of big game is prohibited.



Map E25 Horn-Bluff Lakes Road Restriction (situate in M.U. 5-5). The hunting of big game is prohibited.



Map E26 Bluff-Middle Lake Moose Closed Area (situate in M.U. 5-5).



Map E27 Mt. Spranger Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 5-15).



Map E28 Riske Creek Cougar Closed Area (situate in M.U.'s 5-3, 5-4, 5-14).



Map E29 Junction Hound Closed Area (situate in M.U. 5-14). The use of dogs to hunt big game is prohibited.





## SKEENA SUB-REGION — OPEN SEASONS

### Vehicle Restrictions

- The use of motorized vehicles to hunt wildlife, transport wildlife or transport hunters to or from the location of wildlife is prohibited beyond .4 km (¼ mile) from **any ferry landing** site within M.U. 6-2.
- B.C. Railway Corridor Vehicle Closed Area — The use of motor vehicles to transport wildlife or hunters to or from the location of wildlife is prohibited in the area parallel to and 2 km perpendicularly distant from the midline of the B.C. Railway right-of-way from the confluence of the Skeena River and Chipmunk Creek in the south to the intersection of the B.C. Railway right-of-way with Highway 37 in the north. See Map F11.

### Compulsory Reporting

It is mandatory for all mountain sheep, mountain goat, grizzly bear, cougar, caribou, bobcat, lynx and wolverine to be inspected. The designated compulsory check centre in Region 6 is Smithers. Persons wishing to have their game inspected at Watson Lake, Yukon may obtain a permit to do so from the Regional Manager at Prince George. Compulsory checks may be carried out at all district offices by appointment only. See page 7 for those portions of an animal which are required.

Special note: A person who has legally killed a grizzly bear, mountain sheep, cougar, caribou or mountain goat and transports it (or part of it) in Haines Junction, Yukon Territory or on the following highways:

- Highway 3 Haines Road
- Highway 2 Klondike Highway
- Highway 8
- Highway 7

Highway 37 between the British Columbia-Yukon Territory border and Highway 1 Alaska Highway, or Highway 1 Alaska Highway between Haines Junction, Yukon Territory and Fireside, British Columbia,

while travelling to a compulsory reporting centre to report the animal is exempt from holding an export permit during the time allowed for compulsory reporting.

### Notice to Hunters

- The hunting of big game (see definition) is prohibited within .4 km (¼ mile) of either side of the centreline of the following roads:
  - Equity Mine Road southerly and easterly from Houston to the Equity Mine site.
  - Topley-Babine Lake Road northerly from Topley to Babine lake at Topley Landing.
  - Burns Lake-Babine Road northerly from Topley to Babine Lake at Pandelton Bay.
- White (Kermode) and blue (Glacier) colour phases of the black bear are closed to hunting throughout Skeena Sub-region.
- Hunters should take note of the NO HUNTING AREA in the vicinity of Sewell near Port Clements on the Queen Charlotte Islands. Contact the Ministry of Environment and Parks for further details.
- Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf from the Smithers, Atlin, Burns Lake, Terrace and Dease Lake Ministry of Environment and Parks offices and at Watson Lake, Yukon. An appointment is necessary at Atlin and Dease Lake. See Convention on International Trade section on page 6.
- Lucy Island (in the vicinity of Langara Island, Queen Charlotte Islands) is a Wildlife Sanctuary and hunting, trapping and the discharge of firearms are prohibited (M.U. 6-13).
- Please avoid shooting collared caribou and grizzly bear. Collared animals carry radio transmitters and are used for research purposes. The death of one of these animals represents a substantial loss in terms of time and money. If a radio-collared animal is inadvertently killed, please return the collar to an office of the Ministry of Environment and Parks.
- **No Shooting Areas:**  
Hunters should note the Highway No Shooting Areas as outlined on page 8 and 9.

### Parks and Recreation Areas

Hunters should note that big game seasons in most parks are under Limited Entry Hunting restrictions. Consult the current Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for map details.

The following Parks and Recreation Areas are only open to the discharge of firearms during a lawful game hunting season:

Atlin Park and Recreation Area (M.U.'s 6-25, 6-26, 6-27). See Maps F8, F12.

Babine Mountains Recreation Area (M.U. 6-8)

Gitnadoix Recreation Area (M.U. 5-10)

Mount Edziza Park and Recreation Area (M.U. 6-21).

Spatsizi Plateau Wilderness Park (M.U. 6-20). See Maps F9, F23.

Tweedsmuir Park (M.U. 6-1, 6-2, 6-4). See Map F10.

Naikoon Park (M.U. 6-13). No person shall hunt or discharge firearms from April 1 to September 1.

Boya Lake Park (M.U. 6-23). No person shall hunt or discharge firearms from May 1 to September 1.

Parks and recreation areas not listed above are closed to hunting and closed to the discharge of firearms.

## SKEENA SUB-REGION — OPEN SEASONS

### MULE (Black-tailed) DEER

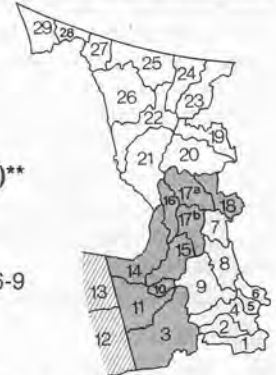
- Bucks: Sept. 10–Oct. 31 1
- Bucks: Sept. 10–Oct. 31 1
- \* Bucks: Nov. 1–Nov. 15
- ▨ Bucks: June 1–Feb. 28 10(10)\*\*
- Antlerless: Oct. 4–Feb. 28

### Bow and Arrow Only Season

Management Units: 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-9

Bucks: Sept. 5–Sept. 9

\* Nov. 16–Nov. 30



\* Open only for bucks have 4 or more points (tines) on one antler. Each point (tine) must be at least 8 cm (3 in.) in length. The antlers must accompany the species licence.

\*\* The possession limit for deer in M.U.'s 6-12 and 6-13 is 3.

See Notice to Hunters on this page.

### MOOSE

- Bulls: Aug. 15–Nov. 15 1
- Bulls: Sept. 15–Nov. 15 1
- ▨ Bulls: Oct. 18–Nov. 15 1

### Bow and Arrow Only Season

Management Units: 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-9, 6-17B

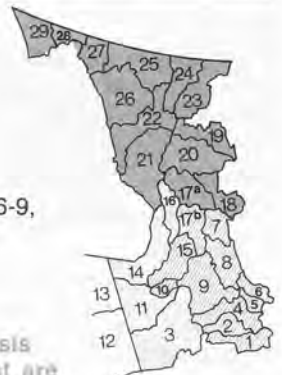
Bulls: Sept. 5–Sept. 9

and 1

Bulls: Nov. 16–Nov. 20

See Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for those areas in M.U. 6-20 that are closed to general open season moose hunting.

See maps F25 and F26.



### ELK (Bulls Only)

Management Unit: 6-13

Sept. 15–Nov. 15 1

### THINHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP (Rams Only)

Full curl or greater

Management Units: 6-17A, 6-18 to 6-26, 6-29

Aug. 1–Oct. 20 1

See maps F8 and F12.

See Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for those areas in M.U.'s 6-20, 6-21, 6-25 and 6-29 that are closed to general open season sheep hunting.

# SKEENA SUB-REGION — OPEN SEASONS

## MOUNTAIN GOAT

Management Units: 6-3, 6-11, 6-14, 6-16, 6-17A, 6-18 to 6-29  
 Aug. 1–Oct. 15 1

See Notice to Hunters on page 41.

See special area maps.

Special Bow and Arrow Only Season: See map F2.

See Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for those areas in M.U.'s 6-3, 6-11, 6-14, 6-20, 6-21, 6-25, 6-27, 6-28 that are closed to general open season goat hunting.

## CARIBOU

Management Units: 6-17A, 6-18, 6-19, 6-20, 6-23  
 \*Trophy Bulls: Aug. 23–Sept. 30 1

Management Units: 6-22, 6-24 to 6-28  
 \*Trophy Bulls: Sept. 1–Oct. 4 1

\* Open only for bulls with one antler bearing at least 5 points (a point being an antler projection whose length exceeds the breadth of its base) above the rear point. See diagram on page 48. The antlers must accompany the species licence.

See special area maps.

See Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for those areas in M.U.'s 6-20 and 6-25 closed to general open season caribou hunting.

## GRIZZLY BEAR

- Sept. 15–Oct. 26 1  
 April 1–June 1
- Sept. 15–Oct. 26 1  
 April 15–June 15
- ▨ Sept. 1–Oct. 26 1  
 April 15–June 15
- Sept. 1–Oct. 26

See map F7.

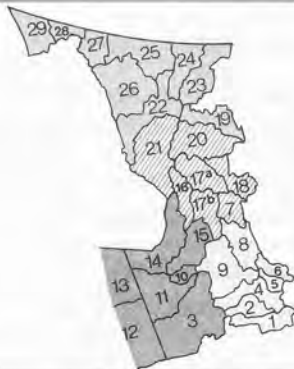
The Meziadin area in M.U. 6-16 and 6-17A is critical to grizzly bear management. Spring hunting in these M.U.'s is by Limited Entry hunting only (to be announced).

See map F7.



## BLACK BEAR

- April 1–Nov. 15 2
- April 15–Nov. 15 2
- ▨ Sept. 1–Nov. 15 2  
 April 15–June 15
- Sept. 1–Nov. 15 1  
 April 15–June 15



Open seasons for black bear have been liberalized in several areas. Sportsmen are encouraged to utilize this animal as a meat source. An adult black bear will yield 35 to 45 kg of safe nutritious meat with a flavour resembling pork and venison combined. **Always use a meat thermometer when cooking.** Bear meat is safe for consumption when the internal temperature reaches 140°F. If salmon runs occur in your area, take a midsummer or spring bear; otherwise take one during the berry season for best flavour.

## WOLF

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-29  
 No Closed Season 10

In that portion of M.U.'s 6-1 and 6-2 being Tweedsmuir Park, the open season for wolf is Sept. 1–March 31.

Bag Limit: 10

## COYOTE

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-11, 6-14 to 6-29  
 Sept. 1–March 31 NBL

## RACCOON

Management Units: 6-12, 6-13  
 No Closed Season NBL

## LYNX

Management Units: 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-9, 6-16 to 6-18  
 Nov. 15–Feb. 15 1

Management Units: 6-19 to 6-29  
 Nov. 1–Feb. 28 1

Hunters are reminded that lynx must be compulsory inspected.

## WOLVERINE

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-11, 6-14 to 6-29  
 Oct. 15–Nov. 15 1

Hunters are reminded that wolverine must be compulsory inspected.

## DUCKS, COOTS, COMMON SNIPE, CANADA GEESE, WHITE-FRONTED GEESE, SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE

- Sept. 1–Nov. 30
- Oct. 2–Jan. 16
- ▨ Oct. 2–Jan. 2

Bag Limits:

- Ducks: 8(16)
- Coots: 10(20)
- Common snipe: 10(20)
- Canada geese: 5(10)
- White-fronted geese: 5(10)
- Snow geese: 5(10)
- Ross' geese: 5(10)



Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 6.

There is no open season for black brant in Region 6.

## BLUE, SPRUCE (Franklin) and RUFFED GROUSE

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-29  
 Sept. 10–Nov. 15 10(30)

## SHARP-TAILED GROUSE

Management Units: 6-19 to 6-29  
 Sept. 10–Nov. 15 10(30)

Hunters are reminded that the daily aggregate bag limit for all grouse is 10.



# SKENA SUB-REGION — OPEN SEASONS

## PTARMIGAN

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-11, 6-14 to 6-29  
 Aug. 15–Feb. 28 10(30)

## BAND-TAILED PIGEONS

Management Units: 6-3, 6-11 to 6-14  
 Sept. 1–Oct. 31 10(20)

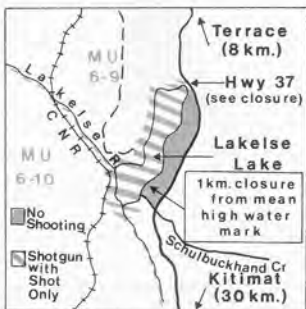
## SKENA SPECIAL AREAS, CLOSED AREAS, NO SHOOTING AREAS



Map F1 Grantham Road Sub-division No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-9).



Map F2 Blunt Mountain Special Area (situate in M.U. 6-8). The open season for bow hunting of mountain goat is August 15 to October 19.



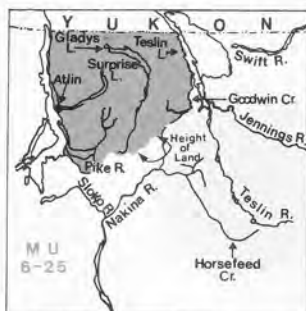
Map F3 Lakelse Lake No Shooting Area and Shotguns With Shot Only Area (situate in M.U. 6-9).



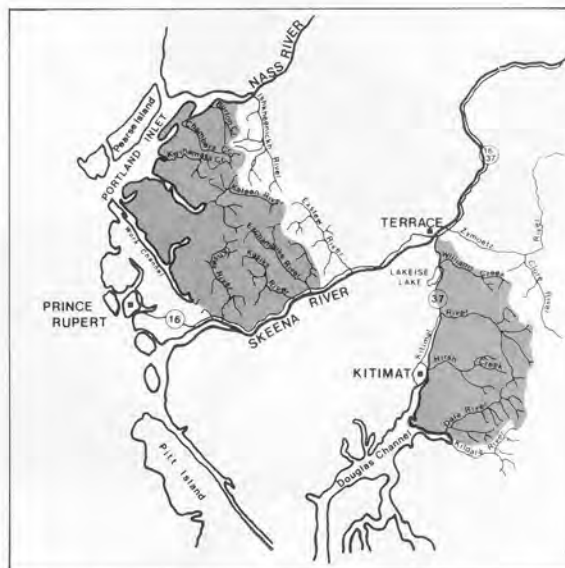
Map F4 North Kitsumkalum Lake No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 6-15).



Map F5 Cameron Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 6-27).



Map F6 Atlin Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 6-25).



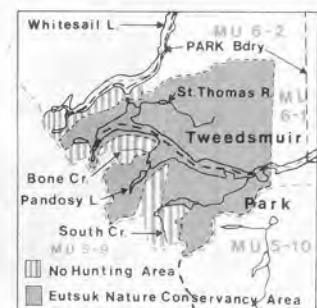
Map F7 Transition and Coastal Grizzly Bear Closed Areas (situate in M.U.'s 6-3, 6-9, 6-4, 6-15).



Map F8 Atlin Park Mountain Sheep and Caribou Closed Area (situate in M.U.'s 6-25, 6-26 and 6-27).



Map F9 Spatsizi Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 6-20).



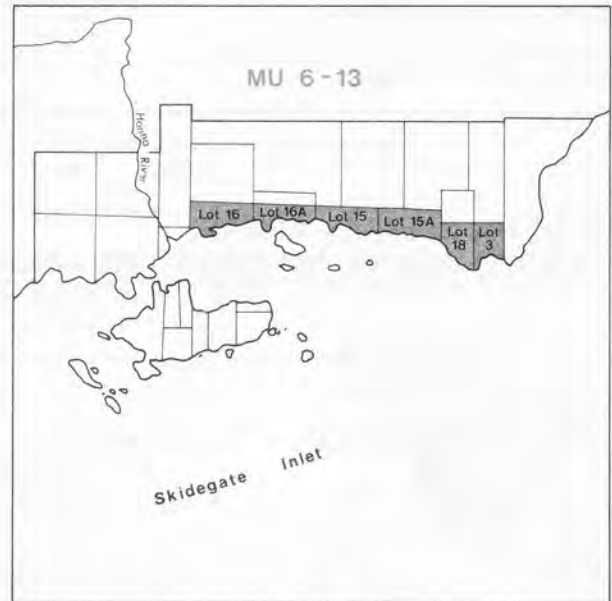
Map F10 Tweedsmuir Park and Eutsuk Nature Conservancy No Hunting Area (situate in M.U.'s 6-1, 6-2, 6-4).



Map F11 British Columbia Railway Corridor No Hunting Area (situate in M.U.'s 6-17A, 6-18, 6-19, 6-20). British Columbia Railway Corridor Vehicle Closed Area. See Vehicle Restrictions, page 41.



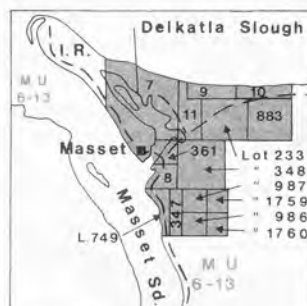
Map F12 Atlin Park No Hunting Area (situate in M.U.'s 6-25, 6-27).



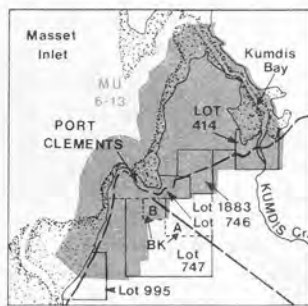
Map F13 Queen Charlotte City No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-13).



Map F14 Sandspit No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-12).



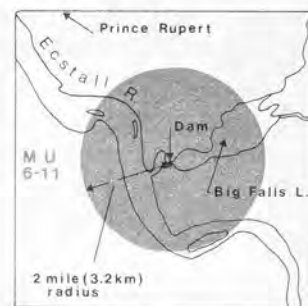
Map F15 Masset No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-13).



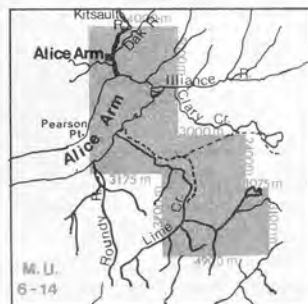
Map F16 Port Clements No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-13).



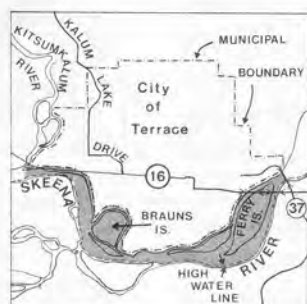
Map F17 Todagin Mountain No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-20).



Map F18 Ecstall River No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-11).



Map F19 Alice Arm No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-14).



Map F20 City of Terrace No Shooting Area (situate in M.U.'s 6-9, 6-15).

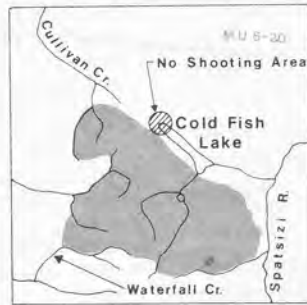


Map F21 Kathlyn Lake No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-9).

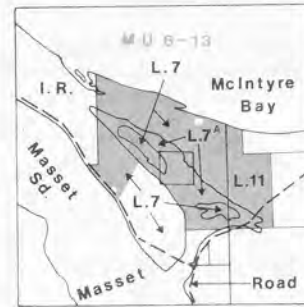
# SKEENA SPECIAL AREAS, CLOSED AREAS, NO SHOOTING AREAS



Map F22 Driftwood No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-8).



Map F23 Spatsizi (Cold Fish Lake) Ecological Reserve No Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 6-20). Cold Fish Lake Camp No Shooting Area: The discharge of firearms is prohibited within 1 km of Cold Fish Lake Camp.



Map F24 Delkatla Slough Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in M.U. 6-13). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.



Map F25 Babine Moose Closed Area (situate in M.U.'s 6-6, 6-8). Closed to general open season moose hunting.



Map F26 Mosquito Hills Moose Closed Area (situate in M.U. 6-4). Closed to general open season moose hunting.





# OMINECA-PEACE SUB-REGION



## OMINECA-PEACE SUB-REGION

Regional Headquarters — Plaza 400, 1011-4th Avenue, Prince George, V2L 3H9  
 Sub-regional Office — 10142-101st Ave., Fort St. John  
 District Offices — Dawson Creek, Fort Nelson, Valemount and Vanderhoof

### MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- Please note the reduction of mule (black-tailed) deer seasons in M.U.'s 7-2, 7-3, 7-4 and 7-5.
- Note also the changes to moose seasons.
- There are new 6 point bull elk hunts in M.U.'s 7-41, 7-42, 7-49 and 7-50.
- See new Special Area maps G40, G41 and G43.
- Region 7 Elk require compulsory inspection.

### Limited Entry Hunting

There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting seasons. Please consult the current Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for details about Limited Entry hunts.

### Bag Limits

**Deer:** The bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer is one. The bag limit for white-tailed deer is one.

**Grouse:** The regional daily bag limit for grouse (blue, spruce (Franklin), ruffed, sharp-tailed and ptarmigan) is ten of each species.

### Notice to Hunters

- **No Shooting Areas:** Please note the Highway No Shooting Areas outlined on page 8 and 9.
- The discharge of firearms is prohibited on the west half of Lot 1323, Peace River District, on which Halfway Elementary School is located. See map G22.

## OMINECA-PEACE SUB-REGION — OPEN SEASONS

- Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf from Fort Nelson, Dawson Creek, Prince George and Fort St. John Ministry of Environment and Parks offices and at Watson Lake, Yukon. An appointment is necessary at Fort Nelson. See Notice to Non-Resident Hunters section on page 4.

### Compulsory Reporting

It is mandatory for all mountain sheep, mountain goat, grizzly bear, cougar, caribou, bobcat, lynx and wolverine to be inspected. Designated compulsory check centres are Prince George and Fort St. John. Persons wishing to have their game inspected at Watson Lake, Yukon may obtain a permit to do so from the Regional Manager at Prince George. Animals may be checked at all other district offices by appointment only. An appointment must be made to have grizzly bear taken during the spring season inspected at the Prince George office. See page 7 for those portions of an animal which are required.

### Snowmobile and Vehicle Restrictions

- The use of snowmobiles to hunt wildlife, transport wildlife, or transport hunters to or from the location of wildlife is permitted in M.U.'s 7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 and 7-39 from Dec. 15 to March 31.
- The operation of all vehicles to hunt wildlife, transport wildlife or transport hunters to or from the location of wildlife is prohibited:
  - in that portion of M.U. 7-3 being the drainages between East Twin and Fleet Creeks (see Map G12). (Vehicular access boundary signs will be posted.)
  - in the Quintette Mountain vehicle restricted area above the 1200 metre elevational contour. Transport of firearms prohibited. See map G11.

### Parks and Recreation Areas

Hunters should note that big game seasons in most parks are under Limited Entry Hunting restrictions. Consult the current Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for map details.

The following Parks and Recreation Areas are only open to the discharge of firearms during a lawful game hunting season:

- Carp Lake Park (M.U. 7-24). See Map G38.
- Kwadacha Wilderness Park (M.U.'s 7-41, 7-42, 7-50).
- Monkman Park (M.U. 7-21). See Kinuseo Falls map G44.
- Muncho Lake Park (M.U.'s 7-51, 7-54). See Map G24.
- Stone Mountain Park (M.U.'s 7-50, 7-51, 7-54). See Map G36.
- Stuart Lake Park (M.U. 7-25).
- Tatlatui Park (No open season for mountain sheep) (M.U. 7-39).
- Wokkash Recreation Area (M.U. 7-51).
- Kakwa Recreation Area (M.U.'s 7-18, 7-19).

Parks and Recreation Areas not listed above are closed to hunting and closed to the discharge of firearms.

## OMINECA-PEACE SUB-REGION — OPEN SEASONS

### MULE (Black-tailed) DEER and MOOSE Bow and Arrow Only Season

Management Unit: 7-15  
 \*Bulls: Sept. 1—Sept. 9 1  
 Bucks: Sept. 1—Sept. 9 1

\* Open only to bull moose having no more than 2 tines on one antler.

The antlers must accompany the species licence.

### MULE (Black-tailed) DEER

- Bucks: Sept. 10—Nov. 15 1(1)  
 \* Bucks: Nov. 24—Dec. 3 1  
 Antlerless: Oct. 17—Oct. 19
- Bucks: Sept. 10—Nov. 3 1
- ▨ \* Bucks: Oct. 24—Nov. 15 1
- \* Bucks: Oct. 24—Nov. 8 1



\* Open only for bucks with 4 or more points (tines) on one antler. Antler points (tines) must be at least 8 cm (3 in.) in length.

The antlers must accompany the species licence.

Hunters are required to submit the antlers of all deer taken in M.U.'s 7-2, 7-3 or 7-4, to the Conservation Officer Service in Valemount while returning from hunting.

### WHITE-TAILED DEER

Management Units: 7-2, 7-3, 7-4  
 Bucks: Sept. 10—Nov. 15 1

Management Units: 7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-43 to 7-46  
 Bucks: Oct. 24—Nov. 15 1

Hunters are required to submit the antlers of all deer taken in M.U.'s 7-2, 7-3 or 7-4, to the Conservation Officer Service in Valemount while returning from hunting.

### MOOSE

- \* Immature Bulls:  
 Sept. 10—Nov. 3 1(1)
- \*\* Calves: Oct. 4—Oct. 22
- + Bulls: Oct. 24—Nov. 3
- Bulls: Aug. 15—Nov. 3 1(1)  
 Antlerless: Oct. 1—Oct. 18
- ▨ Bulls: Aug. 15—Nov. 1
- Immature Bulls:  
 Sept. 10—Nov. 3 1
- ▨ Bulls: Aug. 15—Oct. 1 1  
 Oct. 16—Nov. 1
- Bulls: Aug. 15—Nov. 15 1(1)  
 Antlerless: Oct. 1—Oct. 31



\* Open only for bull moose having no more than 2 points (tines) on one antler. Antlers must accompany the species licence.

\*\* Open only for calf moose less than 12 months of age.

+ Hunters are requested to submit antlers of bull moose taken in M.U.'s 7-7, 7-9, 7-10, 7-12A and B, 7-15 and 7-16 for inspection within 10 days of the kill to an official of the Ministry of Environment and Parks.

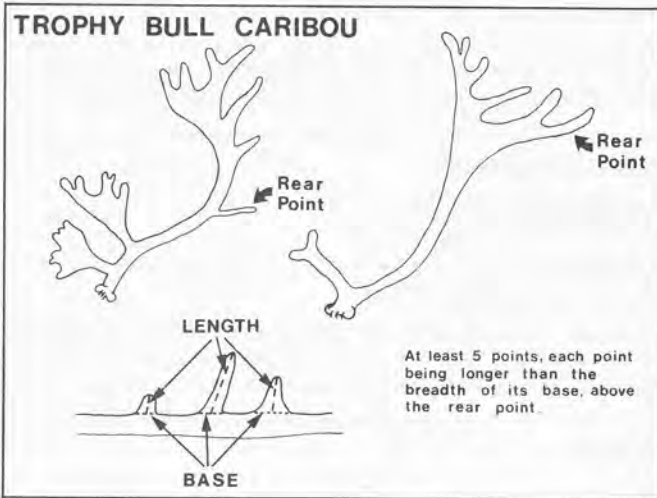
See special area maps.

See Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for those areas in M.U. 7-39 which are closed to general open season moose hunting.



**LEGAL IMMATURE BULL MOOSE**  
 Management Units: 7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-38.

**TROPHY BULL CARIBOU**



**ELK**

Management Units: 7-41, 7-42

\*\*Bulls: Aug. 15–Nov. 1 1

Management Units: 7-49, 7-50

\*\*Bulls: Sept. 11–Nov. 1 1

\*Bulls: Aug. 15–Sept. 10 1

Management Unit: 7-54

\*\*Bulls: Sept. 1–Sept. 10 1

Management Units: 7-19, 7-21

\*Bulls: Sept. 1–Nov. 1 1

\* Open only for bulls with at least one branched antler. A branched antler is one with at least 3 points (tines), each of which is at least 8 cm (3 in.) in length. Antlers must accompany the species licence.

\*\* Bulls with at least one 6-point antler, each point (tine) being at least 8 cm (3 in.) in length.

See diagram on page 29.

See page 7 for compulsory inspection details.

**BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP (Rams Only)**

Full curl or greater

Management Units: 7-18, 7-19

Aug. 15–Sept. 30 1

See special area maps.

**THINHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP (Rams Only)**

Full curl or greater

Management Units: 7-36, 7-42, 7-43, 7-50 to 7-52, 7-54

Aug. 1–Oct. 18 1

Management Units: 7-37, 7-39 to 7-41

Aug. 1–Oct. 20 1

See special area maps.

**MOUNTAIN GOAT**

Mountain goat are sensitive to harvest. Hunters are requested to select male mountain goat when hunting.

Management Units: 7-2 to 7-5, 7-17, 7-18, 7-27 to 7-30, 7-36 to 7-41

Aug. 15–Oct. 15 1

Management Units: 7-43, 7-50 to 7-52

Sept. 1–Sept. 30 1

See special area maps.

See Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for those areas in M.U. 7-3 that are closed to general open season mountain goat hunting.

**CARIBOU (\*Trophy Bulls Only)**

■ Aug. 23–Sept. 30 1

□ Oct. 5–Oct. 11 1

▨ Aug. 15–Oct. 15 1

■ Aug. 23–Oct. 15 1

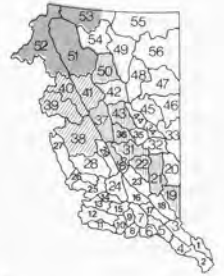
■ Aug. 23–Sept. 22 1

\* Open only for bulls with one antler bearing at least 5 points (a point being an antler projection whose length exceeds the breadth of its base) above the rear point.

See diagram.

See special area maps.

See Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for those areas in M.U. 7-39 that are closed to general open season caribou hunting.



**GRIZZLY BEAR**

■ Sept. 10–Nov. 15 1  
Spring season to be announced

□ Sept. 1–Nov. 15 1  
April 15–June 15

▨ Sept. 1–Oct. 26 1  
April 15–June 15

■ Spring season to be announced

■ Sept. 1–Oct. 26 1

See special area maps.



**BLACK BEAR**

■ April 15–Nov. 15 2

□ April 15–Nov. 15 5



**WOLF**

■ No Closed Season 3

□ No Closed Season 10



**COYOTE**

Management Units: 7-2 to 7-56  
Sept. 1–March 31 **NBL**



# OMINECA-PEACE SPECIAL AREAS, CLOSED AREAS, NO SHOOTING AREAS

## LYNX

Management Units: 7-2 to 7-41, 7-43 to 7-47

Nov. 15–Feb. 15 1

Management Units: 7-42, 7-48 to 7-56

Nov. 1–Feb. 28 1

## WOLVERINE

Management Units: 7-3, 7-17, 7-18, 7-37 to 7-42, 7-48 to 7-56

Oct. 15–Jan. 15 1

Management Units: 7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-43 to 7-47

Nov. 1 to Feb. 15 1

## BLUE GROUSE

Management Units: 7-2 to 7-7, 7-17, 7-18, 7-21 to 7-23, 7-27,

7-28, 7-30, 7-31, 7-36 to 7-43, 7-50 to 7-52, 7-54

Sept. 10–Nov. 15 10(30)

## SPRUCE (Franklin) and RUFFED GROUSE

Management Units: 7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41

Sept. 10–Nov. 15 10 of each (30 of each)

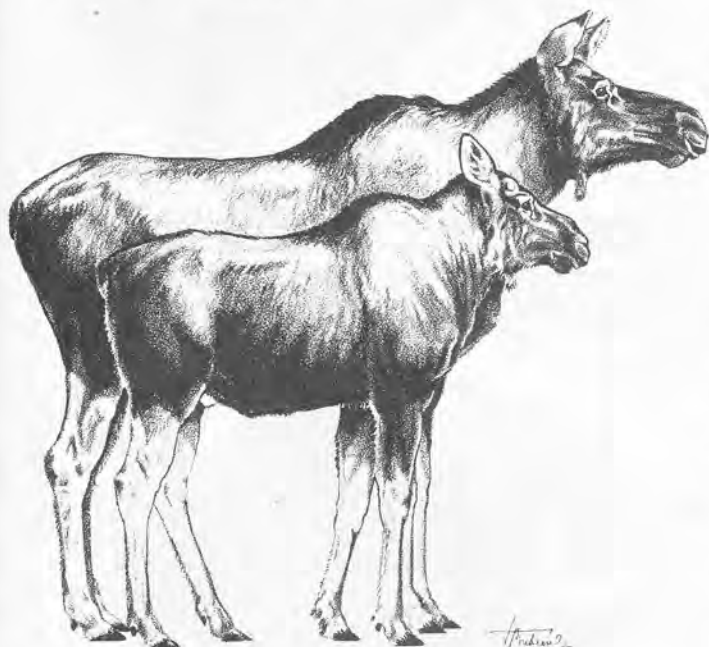
Management Units: 7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-42 to 7-56

Sept. 1–Nov. 15 10 of each (30 of each)

## SHARP-TAILED GROUSE

Management Units: 7-20 to 7-22, 7-32 to 7-35, 7-44 to 7-49 and 7-52 to 7-56

Sept. 1–Nov. 15 10(30)



### COW AND CALF MOOSE

COW: Shoulder Height: 6 feet  
Weight: 600 lbs.

CALF: Shoulder Height: 5 feet  
Weight: 150 — 250 lbs.

Hunters are requested to select the calf when encountering a cow-calf pair.

## PTARMIGAN

Management Units: 7-2 to 7-6, 7-17 to 7-19, 7-21 to 7-23, 7-27 to 7-31, 7-36 to 7-43, 7-50 to 7-55

Aug. 15–Feb. 28 10(30)

## RAVEN

Management Units: 7-20, 7-21, 7-32 to 7-35, 7-45, 7-46

No Closed Season 5

Hunting of raven is limited to private land only.

## DUCKS, COOTS, CANADA GEESE, WHITE-FRONTED GEESE, SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE, COMMON SNIPE

Management Units: 7-2 to 7-56

Sept. 1–Nov. 30

Bag Limits:

Ducks:	8(16)	White-fronted geese:	5(10)
Coots:	10(20)	Canada geese:	5(10)
Snow geese:	5(10)	Common snipe:	10(20)
Ross' geese:	5(10)		

See map G25.

Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 6.

# OMINECA-PEACE SPECIAL AREAS, CLOSED AREAS, NO SHOOTING AREAS



Map G1 Stewart Lake Special Weapons Area (situate in M.U. 7-32).

Muzzle loaders, longbows and crossbows only are permitted for the hunting of Bull Moose during the special season.

Special Season: Nov. 21–Dec. 15.

Bag Limit: Bull Moose 1. All participants of this hunt must report to a Ministry of Environment and Parks office in Fort St. John, Chetwynd or Dawson Creek before hunting and after hunting if successful.



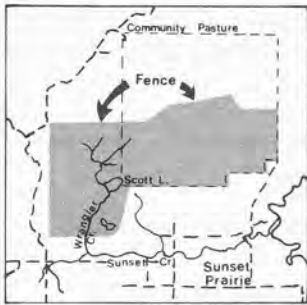
Map G2 Groundbirch Restricted Firearms Area (situate in M.U. 7-21). Shotguns with shot only from June 1 to October 31.



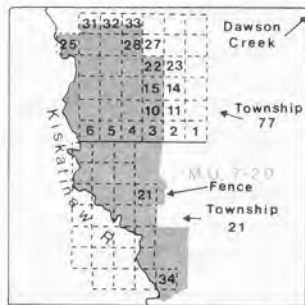
Map G3 Goodlow Restricted Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 7-33).

From June 1 to October 15 hunting is prohibited.

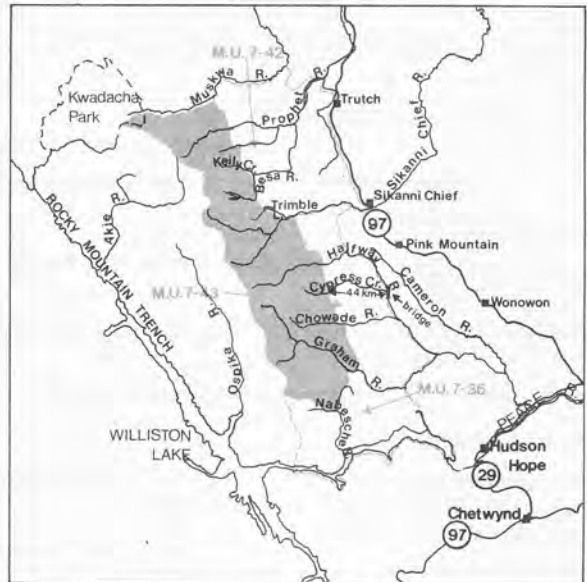
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Map G4 Sunset Prairie Restricted Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 7-32). From June 1 to October 31 hunting is prohibited.



Map G5 Bear Mountain Restricted Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 7-20). From June 1 to October 15 hunting is prohibited.



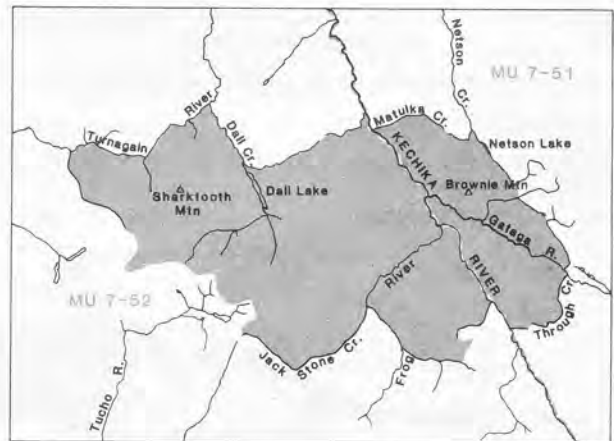
Map G8 Sikanni-Muskwa Foothills Moose Special Area (situate in M.U.'s 7-36, 7-42, 7-43). The open season for bull moose is August 15 to November 2.



Map G6 Farrell Creek Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 7-35). Shotguns with shot only from June 1 to October 15.



Map G7 One Island Restricted Firearms Area (situate in M.U. 7-20). Shotguns with shot only from June 1 to October 15.



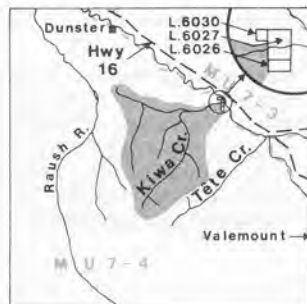
Map G10 Frog River Special Mountain Goat Hunting Area. The open season for mountain goat is August 25 to October 5.



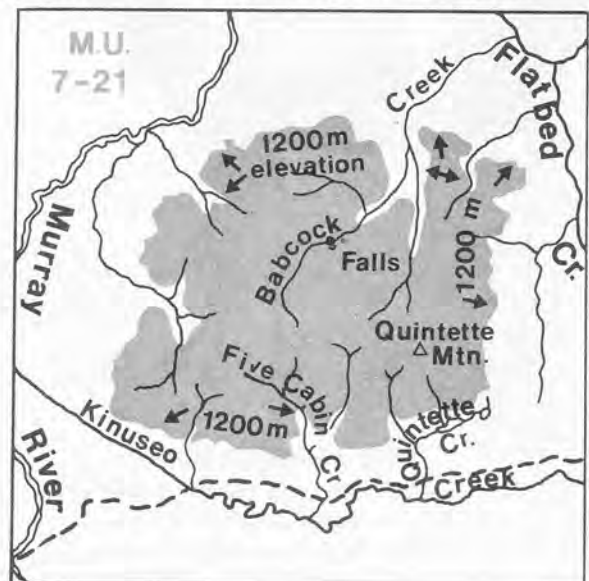
Map G9 Beaver Creek Moose Special Archery Area (situate in M.U.'s 7-48 and 7-49). The open season for hunting bull moose with a bow only is October 2 to October 15.



Map G12 East Twin Creek Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 7-3). See Vehicle Restrictions, page 47.



Map G13 Kiwa Creek Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 7-4).

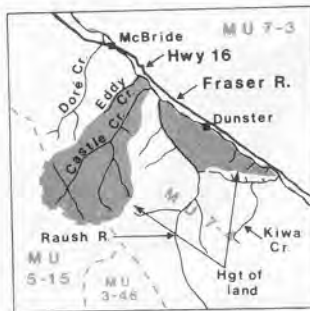


Map G11 Quintette Mountain Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 7-21). See Vehicle Restrictions, page 47.

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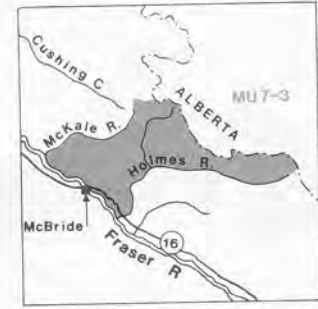
Map G14 Mount Thompson Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 7-2).



Map G15 Dunster-Castle River Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 7-4).



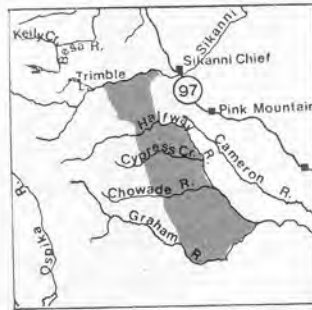
Map G16 Holmes River Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 7-3).



Map G17 Chalco Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 7-3).



Map G18 Mt. Ogden Mountain Goat and Caribou Closed Area (situate in M.U. 7-38).



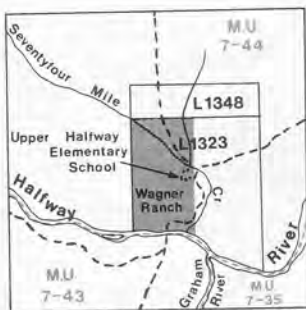
Map G19 Sikanni-Muskwa Foothills Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 7-43).



Map G20 Canoe Reach Grizzly Bear Closed Area (situate in M.U. 7-2).



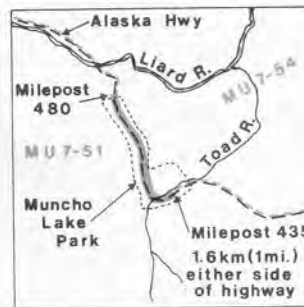
Map G21 Kluachesi Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 7-50).



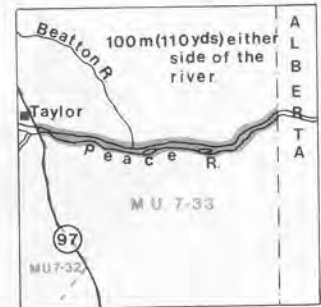
Map G22 Upper Halfway No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 7-44).



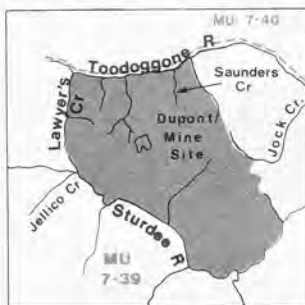
Map G23 Dunedin River Mountain Sheep Closed Area (situate in M.U. 7-54).



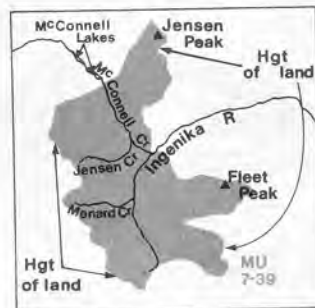
Map G24 Muncho Park Mountain Sheep and Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U.'s 7-51, 7-54).



Map G25 Peace River Duck, Coot, Snow Goose, Canada Goose, White-fronted Goose and Common Snipe Closed Area (situate in M.U. 7-33).



Map G26 Edozadely No Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 7-39). Hunting of all wildlife species except caribou and moose (limited entry hunting only) is prohibited.



Map G27 McConnell Creek No Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 7-39).



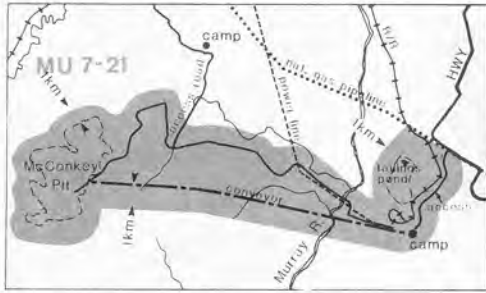
Map G28 Lay Creek Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 7-38).



Map G29 Bullmoose Mine No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 7-21).



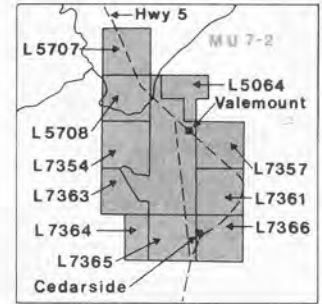
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Map G30 Quintette Coal No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 7-21).



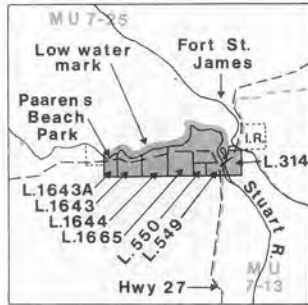
Map G31 Mt. Bergeron-Tumbler Ridge No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 7-21).



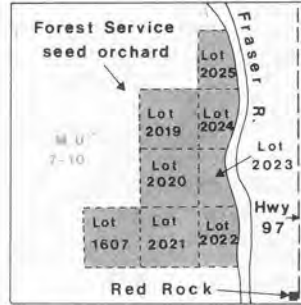
Map G32 Valemount No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 7-2).



Map G33 Charlie Lake No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 7-33).



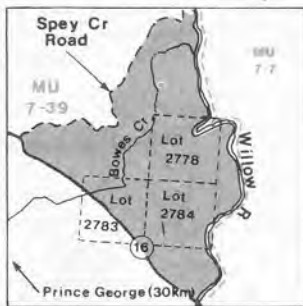
Map G34 Paaren's Beach No Shooting Area (situate in M.U.'s 7-13, 7-25).



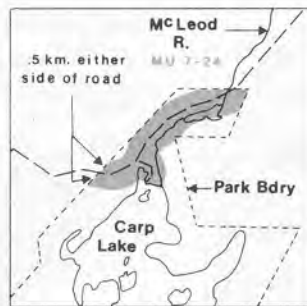
Map G35 Red Rock Seed Orchard No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 7-10).



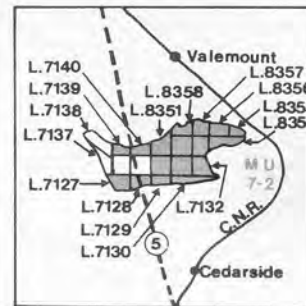
Map G36 Stone Mountain Provincial Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U.'s 7-50, 7-51, 7-54).



Map G37 Tabor Mountain No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 7-9).



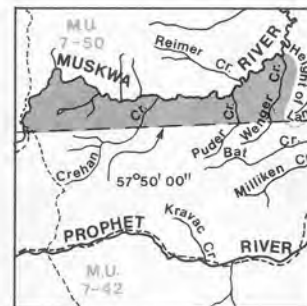
Map G38 Carp Lake Park (situate in M.U. 7-24). Hunting and the discharge of firearms is prohibited.



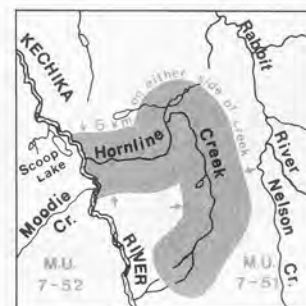
Map G39 Robert W. Starratt Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in M.U. 7-2). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.



Map G40 Upper Halfway Special Elk Area (situate in M.U. 7-43). The open season for hunting 6 point elk is from Sept. 1 to Sept. 10.



Map G41 Muskwa Flats Special Elk Area (situate in M.U. 7-42). The open season for hunting 3 point elk is from Aug. 15 to Sept. 10 and 6 point elk from Sept. 11 to Nov. 1. Bag limit: (1)



Map G42 Hornline Creek Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 7-51).

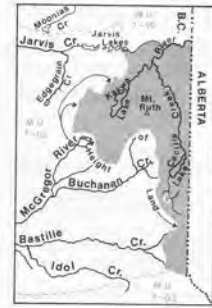
# OMINECA-PEACE SPECIAL AREAS, CLOSED AREAS, NO SHOOTING AREAS



Map G43 Pink Mountain Special Archery Area (situate in M.U. 7-44). The open season for trophy bull caribou is from Aug. 23 to Sept. 22 with a bow and arrow only.

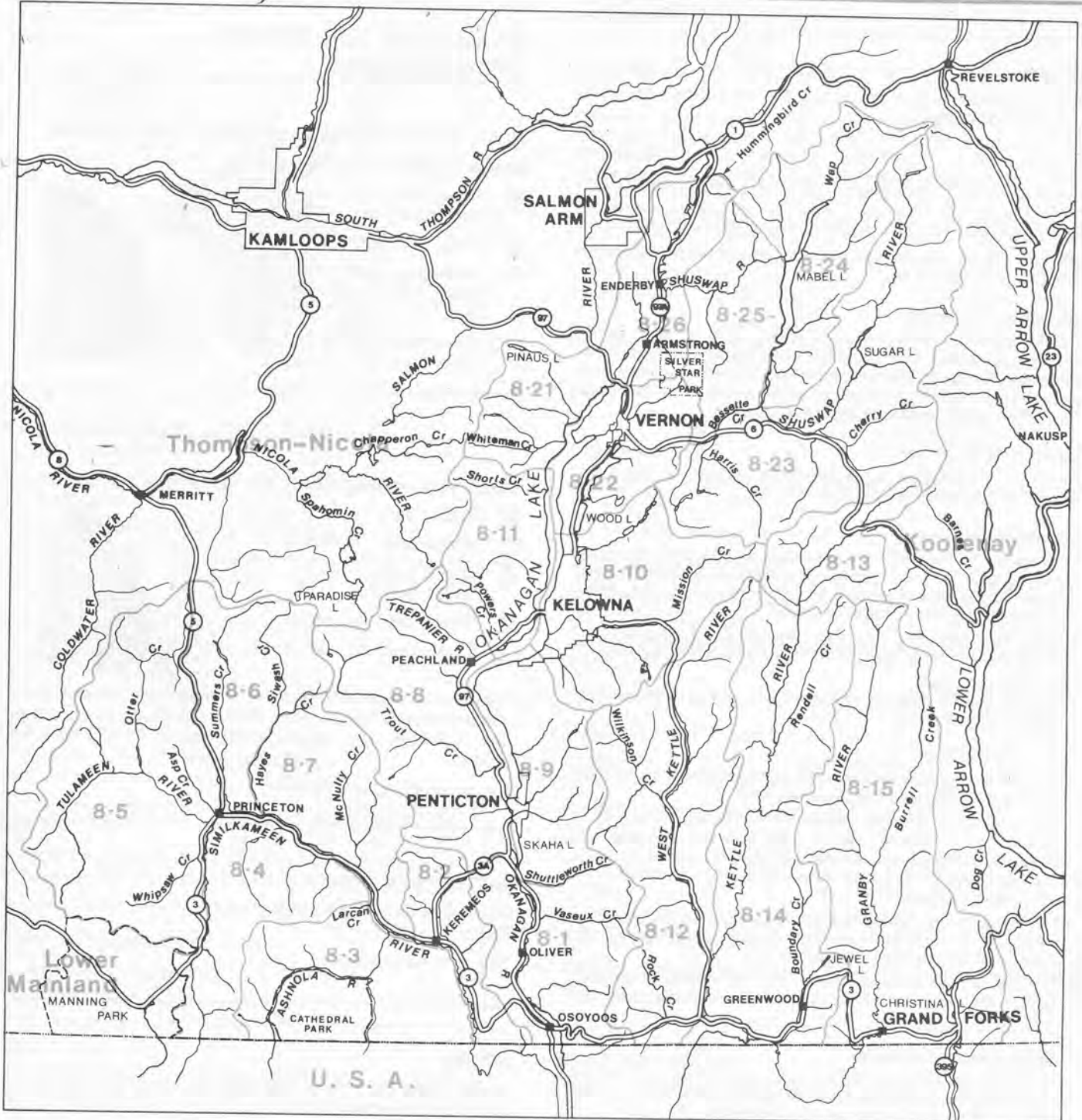


Map G44 Kinuseo Falls No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 7-21).



Map G45 Kakwa Caribou Closed Area (situate in M.U. 7-19).

## OKANAGAN SUB-REGION



## OKANAGAN SUB-REGION — OPEN SEASONS

### OKANAGAN SUB-REGION (M.U.'s 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26)

Regional Headquarters — 1259 Dalhousie Drive, Kamloops, V2C 5Z5  
 Sub-regional Office — 3547 Skaha Lake Road, Penticton  
 District Offices — Vernon, **Princeton**

#### MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- There is no general open season for grizzly bear for 1987–88.
- Open seasons for white-tailed deer are extended to M.U.'s 8-13, 8-15 and 8-23.
- Please note changes to the deer bow and arrow seasons.

#### Limited Entry Hunting

There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting seasons. Please consult the current Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for details about Limited Entry hunts.

#### Bag Limits

**Deer:** The season limit for deer is two, only one of which may be a mule (black-tailed) deer.

**Mountain sheep:** No person shall hunt for or take more than one mountain sheep in any five year period commencing on January 1 of the year of his last Okanagan Sub-region mountain sheep kill. Persons who have been successful in taking a mountain sheep in Okanagan Sub-region since January 1, 1983 are not eligible to hunt for mountain sheep in Okanagan Sub-region during the 1987–88 season.

**Grouse:** The daily aggregate bag limit for grouse (blue, spruce (Franklin), and ruffed) is five.

#### Compulsory Reporting

It is mandatory for all elk, mountain sheep, mountain goat, grizzly bear, cougar, caribou, lynx, bobcat and wolverine to be inspected. The designated compulsory check centre is Penticton. These animals may be checked at all other district offices by appointment only. See page 7 for detailed compulsory inspection requirements.

#### Snowmobile Restriction

The use of snowmobiles to hunt wildlife is prohibited in Okanagan Sub-region from April 1 to November 30.

#### Notice to Hunters

- Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf from the Penticton and Vernon Ministry of Environment and Parks offices. See Convention on International Trade section on page 6.
- White-tailed jackrabbit, mountain cottontail and badger are protected under the authority of the Wildlife Act (hunting is prohibited).
- **No Shooting Areas:**  
**Hunters should note the Highway No Shooting Areas as outlined on page 8 and 9.**

#### Vehicle Restrictions

- The operation of all motor vehicles is prohibited from June 1 to Oct. 31 in the Galloping Hills Area. See map H13.
- The operation of all motor vehicles for the purpose of hunting, to transport wildlife or to transport hunters to or from the location of wildlife is prohibited in that portion of M.U. 8-5 on the Lawless-Jacobson Lake Forest Service Road (Project 5104-05) south of the point where it crosses Vuich Creek.
- The transport of firearms in a motorized vehicle for the purpose of hunting on the Kobau Mountain Road from its junction with Highway 3 to Mile 12 at the summit is prohibited.
- The operation of motor vehicles is restricted to established roadways in the Osoyoos Oxbows motor vehicle restricted area. See map H1.

#### Parks and Recreation Areas

Hunters should note that big game seasons in most parks are under Limited Entry Hunting restrictions. Consult the current Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for map details.

The following Parks and Recreation Areas are only open to the discharge of firearms from Sept. 2 to April 15 during a lawful game hunting season:

- Conkle Lake Park (M.U. 8-12). See Map H10.
  - Darke Lake Park (M.U. 8-8)
  - Eneas Lake Park (M.U. 8-8)
  - Keremeos Columns Park (M.U. 8-2)
  - Nickel Plate Park (M.U. 8-7)
  - Okanagan Mountain Park (M.U. 8-9)
  - Silver Star Recreation Area (M.U.'s 8-22, 8-25, 8-26). See Map H4.
- Cathedral Park (M.U. 8-3) is open to the discharge of firearms from August 25 to April 15.

Parks and Recreation Areas not listed above are closed to hunting and closed to the discharge of firearms.

## OKANAGAN SUB-REGION — OPEN SEASONS

### MULE (Black-tailed) DEER and WHITE-TAILED DEER

#### Bow and Arrow Only Season

- Either Sex: Sept. 1–Sept. 9  
Bucks Only: Nov. 16–Nov. 30
- Either Sex: Sept. 1–Sept. 9
- Either Sex: Sept. 1–Sept. 9  
White-tailed Bucks only:  
Nov. 22–Nov. 30
- Either Sex: Sept. 1–Sept. 9  
Either Sex: Nov. 16–Nov. 30



See regional bag limit for deer.

### MULE (Black-tailed) DEER and WHITE-TAILED DEER

- Bucks: Sept. 10–Nov. 15
- Bucks: Sept. 10–Nov. 9
- \* Bucks: Sept. 1–Sept. 9  
Bucks: Sept. 10–Oct. 31
- \* Bucks: Sept. 1–Oct. 18
- Bucks: Sept. 10–Oct. 31



\* Open only for bucks having 4 or more points (tines) on at least one antler. Each point (tine) must be at least 8 cm (3 in.) in length. The antlers must accompany the species licence.

See regional bag limit for deer.

### WHITE-TAILED DEER

Management Units: 8-12 to 8-15, 8-23  
 Bucks: Nov. 7–Nov. 21

See regional bag limit for deer.

### MOOSE

Management Units: 8-4 to 8-8, 8-11  
 Bulls: Sept. 10–Sept. 26 1



## OKANAGAN SUB-REGION — OPEN SEASONS

### ELK

Management Units: 8-1, 8-9, 8-10, 8-12

Bulls: Sept. 10–Nov. 15 1

Management Units: 8-4 to 8-7

Bulls: Sept. 10–Oct. 31 1

\* Open only for bulls with at least one branched antler. A branched antler is one with at least 3 points (tines) each of which is at least 8 cm (3 in.) in length. The antlers must accompany the species licence. See diagram.

All elk taken in Okanagan Sub-region must be inspected. Portions required for compulsory inspection are described on page 7.

See map H2.

Antler tines  
must be at  
least 8 cm  
in length



Elk  
3 point  
antler

### BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP (Rams Only)

¾ curl or greater

Management Units: 8-1, 8-9

Sept. 12–Sept. 20

See regional bag limit for mountain sheep.

### BLACK BEAR

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Sept. 1–Nov. 30 2

April 1–June 15

### COUGAR

Management Units: 8-1, 8-2, 8-8 to 8-10

Dec. 1–Feb. 28 1

Management Units: 8-3 to 8-7, 8-11 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Dec. 1–March 31 1

Hunters are requested not to shoot lactating cougar, cougar in the company of lactating cougar or cougar kittens.

### COYOTE, SKUNK, RACCOON

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

No Closed Season **NBL**

### FOX

Management Units: 8-21 to 8-26

Nov. 1–Feb. 15 1

### LYNX

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Nov. 15–Feb. 15 1

### BOBCAT

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Nov. 1–Feb. 15 2

### GROUSE

#### Blue, Spruce (Franklin) and Ruffed

Management Units: 8-1, 8-2, 8-8 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Sept. 10–Nov. 15 5(15)

Management Units: 8-3 to 8-7

Sept. 10–Oct. 31 5(15)

See page 54 for the regional daily aggregate bag limit for grouse.

### PHEASANT

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-3, 8-8 to 8-12, 8-14, 8-15, 8-23 to 8-26

Cocks only: Oct. 7–Nov. 15 2(6)

Management Units: 8-4, 8-7, 8-21, 8-22

Cocks: Oct. 7–Nov. 15

Hens: Nov. 6–Nov. 15

Daily Limit: 2(only 1 hen)

Possession Limit: 6(only 3 hens)

Hunting is permitted only between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

### PTARMIGAN

Management Units: 8-3 to 8-5, 8-12 to 8-15, 8-23 to 8-25

Sept. 10–Nov. 15 5(15)

### HUNGARIAN PARTRIDGE

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-10, 8-22, 8-26

Oct. 7–Nov. 22 3(9)

Hunting is permitted only between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

### CHUKAR PARTRIDGE

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-9

Oct. 7–Nov. 22 5(15)

Hunting is permitted only between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

### QUAIL

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-11, 8-21, 8-22

Oct. 7–Nov. 22 10(30)

Hunting is permitted only between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

### MOURNING DOVES

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Sept. 1–Nov. 30 10(20)

## OKANAGAN SUB-REGION — OPEN SEASONS

### DUCKS, COOTS, WHITE-FRONTED GEESE, SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE, COMMON SNIPE

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26  
Sept. 22–Dec. 26

Bag Limits:

Ducks:	8(16)	Snow geese:	5(10)
Coots:	10(20)	Ross' geese:	5(10)
White-fronted geese:	5(10)	Common snipe:	10(20)

Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 6.

### CANADA GEESE

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26  
Sept. 22–Dec. 26 5(10)

Management Units: 8-1, 8-8 to 8-11, 8-21, 8-22  
Feb. 20–Feb. 28 5(10)

Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 6.



#### Mule (black-tailed) Deer

Tail small, not bushy, but with some white trim and surrounded by a large white rump patch. NOT HELD ERECT when animal runs. ANTLERS BRANCHED UPWARD INTO ONE OR MORE FORKS. Body colour grey to brown grey. Gait: a series of stiff four-legged bounds or a trotting walk.



#### White-tailed Deer

Tail large, bushy with white underside on a small white rump patch. Tail HELD ERECT or "FLAGGED" when animal runs. ANTLERS WITH INDIVIDUAL TINES UPWARD OFF FORWARD FACING MAIN BEAM. Body colour grey to reddish brown. Gait: a series of short, running dashes and bounds.

# OKANAGAN SPECIAL AREAS, CLOSED, NO SHOOTING AREAS



Map H1 Osoyoos Oxbows Motor Vehicle Restricted Area. The operation of motor vehicles is restricted to established roadways (situate in M.U. 8-1).



Map H2 Overton-Moody Elk Special Area (situate in M.U. 8-15). Open season for either sex, any age elk: Nov. 7 to Nov. 15 1(1). Hunter success is expected to be low in this area.



Map H3 Naramata No Shooting Area and Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in M.U. 8-9).



Map H6 Kaleden, Pentiction and Okanagan Falls No Shooting Areas and Skaha Lake Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in M.U.'s 8-1, 8-8, 8-9).



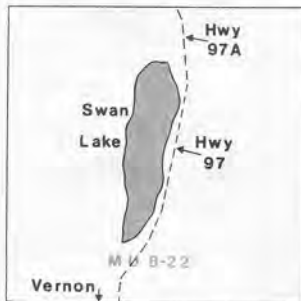
Map H4 Silver Star Recreation Area No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U.'s 8-22, 8-25, 8-26). Contact Ministry of Environment and Parks offices in Vernon and Pentiction for details.



Map H5 Okanagan Landing No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 8-22).



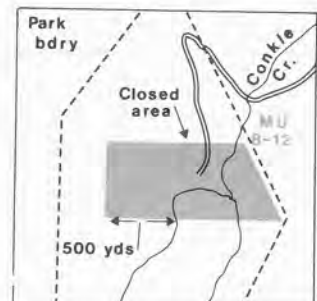
Map H7 Similkameen Mining Co. Ltd. No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U.'s 8-4, 8-5).



Map H8 Swan Lake No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 8-22).



Map H9 Brenda Mines No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 8-8).



Map H10 Conkile Lake Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 8-12).



Map H11 Ward Lake No Hunting, No Shooting and No Trapping Area (situate in M.U. 8-15).



Map H12 Mascot Gold Mines No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 8-7).



Map H13 Galloping Hills Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 8-15).



**1987-88  
TRAPPING REGULATIONS**



## MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- A minimum space of **5 mm** is now required to be set between the jaws of a modified leg-hold trap when in a closed position.
- It is unlawful to use a snare made of **braided wire** unless licenced or authorized to trap.
- It is unlawful to use any Conibear trap larger than, but not including, #220 for land sets within any municipality in Region 2.
- All licenced fur traders are now required to measure any **lynx pelt** acquired by them at the end of every calendar month and to submit all measurements on prescribed forms.

## DEFINITIONS

**leg-hold trap** — means a trap or device, other than a snare, which is set in such a way as to capture the animal for which it is set by the leg or foot.

**fur-bearer** — means any fox, badger, beaver, marten, fisher, Canada lynx, bobcat, mink, muskrat, land otter, sea otter, raccoon, skunk, red squirrel, weasel (ermine), wolverine, wolf, coyote and black bear.

**killing trap** — means any trap or trapset that is designed to kill an animal.

**modified leg-hold trap** — means a trap which has a minimum space of 5 mm between the jaws of the trap when in a closed position or has manufactured pads made of a rubber-like substance fastened to the trap jaws.

**killing snare** — means a snare that is designed to capture the animal for which it is set by the neck.

**foot snare** — means a snare that is designed to capture the animal for which it is set by the foot or leg.

## GENERAL REGULATIONS

These regulations apply to all ungranted Crown land in the Province.

1. A person commits an offence where he sets a trap for, hunts, kills, takes or captures a fur-bearing animal in any area of the Province unless he is:
  - (a) the registered holder of the trap-line for that area, or
  - (b) authorized by the regulations or a permit.
2. Registration of a trap-line on Crown land may only be granted to a person 19 years of age or older who is a citizen of Canada or has the status of a permanent resident of Canada.
 

No more than one trap-line shall be registered to a person. Registration of a trap-line does not

  - (a) give the holder of a trap-line any proprietary rights in wildlife, or
  - (b) restrict the rights of another person
    - (i) to hunt, or
    - (ii) to capture wildlife where authorized by regulations or a permit.
3. The boundaries of a registered trap-line are defined by the Regional Manager. The relinquishment or transfer of a trap-line must be approved by Regional Manager.
4. No person shall continue to hold a registered trap-line unless he is in possession of a valid licence to trap and either
  - (a) carries on active trapping on his registered trap-line to the satisfaction of the Regional Manager, or
  - (b) obtains permission from the Regional Manager to temporarily discontinue the active use or partially discontinue the use of his registered trap-line for a period not exceeding 2 years.
5. Where the holder of a registered trap-line fails to
  - (a) renew his licence annually, or
  - (b) use his trap-line,
 the Regional Manager shall cancel the registration of his trap-line.
 

A person fails to use his trap-line, where within a year he fails to take from the trap-line

  - (a) fur-bearing animals of a value of \$200, or
  - (b) 50 pelts,
 except where it is unreasonable to expect that value of animals or pelts to be harvested from the trap-line.

6. A person who knowingly damages or interferes with a lawfully set trap commits an offence.
7. A person who leaves a trap set after the last day of the open season for the trapping of fur-bearing animals commits an offence.

## TRAPPING REGULATIONS

1. A person commits an offence where he traps unless he
  - (a) has held a trapping licence prior to August 1, 1983,
  - (b) is authorized to trap, or
  - (c) has completed a trapper education course which is approved by the Director.
2. A person commits an offence where he
  - (a) uses a leg-hold trap (except a leg-hold trap designed for wolves) which is fastened solidly, if there is more than 30 cm of chain between the trap and the point to which it is fastened,
  - (b) uses a leg-hold trap designed to trap wolves which is fastened solidly, if there is more than 60 cm of chain between the trap and the point to which it is fastened,
  - (c) traps beaver, otter, mink or muskrat on land by means of a leg-hold trap, unless the trap is equipped with a submerging device,
  - (d) uses a leg-hold trap which has teeth or other projections on the jaws of the trap,
  - (e) uses a killing snare on land unless the snare is
    - (i) equipped with a locking device, or
    - (ii) designed to catch squirrels,
  - (f) traps a wolverine, marten, fisher, weasel, skunk, squirrel or raccoon except by means of a killing trap or a live box trap,
  - (g) sets spring poles or running poles unless they are equipped with a killing trap,
  - (h) uses a trap equipped with a spearing device,
  - (i) traps, hunts, kills or takes a black bear, except by the use of a rifle, shotgun, or bow,
  - (j) traps a wolf, fox, coyote, lynx or bobcat, except by means of a killing trap, a modified leg-hold trap, a live box trap or a foot snare,
  - (k) uses a snare made of wire heavier than 20 gauge unless licenced or authorized to trap,
    - (i) uses a snare made of braided wire unless licenced or authorized to trap, or
    - (m) uses any Conibear trap larger than, but not including, #220 for land sets within any municipality in Region 2
3. (1) A holder of a licence, permit or other authorization to trap commits an offence unless he examines the holding or non-killing traps he has set on his trap-line at least once every 72 hours.
  - (2) A holder of a licence, permit or other authorization to trap on private property commits an offence unless he examines the holding or non-killing traps he has set on private property at least once every 24 hours.
4. A person commits an offence unless he uses
  - (a) if trapping on land, a live box trap, or
  - (b) if trapping on or in water,
    - (i) a Conibear trap not larger than size No. 330, or equivalent,
    - (ii) leg-hold traps not larger than size No. 2, or
    - (iii) submarine traps,
 when trapping within 200 m of a dwelling.

## MODIFICATION OF LEG-HOLD TRAPS

A modified leg-hold trap is a leg-hold trap with padded or offset jaws. Trappers can modify existing leg-hold traps to comply with the trapping regulations. Standard coil spring or long-spring can be modified by the following methods:

1. The jaws must be modified to allow a minimum of 5 mm or  $\frac{3}{16}$  inch space between the jaws when closed, or
2. A type of shim may be fastened between the jaws (near the sides of the jaws) causing the trap to remain open a minimum of 5 mm or  $\frac{3}{16}$  inch when in the "closed" position.

Various wolf trapping sets are illustrated in the Canadian Trappers' Manual on pages 7, 7A and 7B.

Some existing leg-hold traps may be modified by replacing standard jaws with offset jaws or padded jaws and replacement lever. Replacement levers are required with padded jaws as standard levers will not close the trap properly.

# 1987-88 TRAPPING REGULATIONS

## LICENCE FEES

The fees payable for the issuance of a trapping licence shall be:

- (1) For a trapping licence issued to a resident in the Province to trap game ..... 13.00\*
- (2) For a duplicate licence issued to a person who, upon satisfactory proof, shows that his trapping licence has been lost or destroyed ..... 4.00

Trapping licences shall be valid from the date of issuance to June 30 following.

\* Includes \$3.00 impost for Habitat Conservation Fund.

## COMPULSORY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Any wolf taken by trapping on Vancouver Island or Kootenay Region and any bobcat, lynx and wolverine taken by trapping in Kootenay Region must be submitted for inspection to an official of the Ministry of Environment and Parks for the purpose of collecting information required for management of these species.

Reporting must occur on a monthly basis (by the end of each calendar month).

Information required for compulsory inspection includes:

- the location where the animal was trapped
- the date the animal was killed
- the number of traps used and days set before the animal was killed
- the sex of the animal
- a tooth from all bobcat and lynx taken in Kootenay Region
- the skull from all wolf taken in Kootenay Region.

Note: Gloves should be worn while handling wolf carcasses as a precaution against contracting hydatid disease.

## TRAPPING IN PROVINCIAL PARKS

Registered trap-line tenure within Provincial parks is subject to the provisions of the Park Act and Park Regulations.

Trappers are required to obtain a Park Use Permit to trap that part of their trap-line occurring within a Provincial Park. The permit can be obtained for a fee of \$12.

Trappers should contact the Wildlife Branch of the Ministry of Environment and Parks for cabin licencing requirements on Crown land.

## TRAP-LINE CABINS

Trappers are responsible for identifying trap-line cabin location on the largest available scale. The area under application must be tied to a geographic feature or mapped location. Information packages are available from the Regional Manager, Ministry of Environment and Parks.

## FUR TRADING REGULATIONS

1. Licenced fur traders must submit a full and complete return of all wildlife that has been or is in his possession for each calendar month, within 30 days of the last day of the month to which the report relates. A Fur Trader's Return Form is provided for that purpose.
2. The **Assigned Trapper Number** of every trapper from whom furs are received (except furs taken under a hunting licence, permit or on a reserve) must be recorded on the monthly return beginning October 1, 1985.
3. All licenced fur traders are now required to measure any lynx pelt acquired by them at the end of every calendar month and to submit all measurements on prescribed forms.

## FUR ROYALTIES

1. Where a person in possession of a pelt or skin of a fur-bearing animal not raised in captivity on which a royalty has not already been paid under this section, fails to pay to the Minister of Finance royalty on each pelt or skin in his possession, as prescribed by regulation, he commits an offence.
2. Section (1) above does not apply to the holder of a trapping licence, or a person exempted from holding a trapping licence when selling pelts, lawfully taken by him, to the holder of a fur trader's licence.
3. A person who kills a fur-bearing animal under the authority of a licence to hunt wildlife is exempt from paying a royalty in relation to the pelt or skin of that animal, unless he intends to offer the pelt or skin for sale.

## Schedule of Royalties

(a) On each beaver .....	0.77
(b) On each bobcat .....	4.11
(c) On each coyote .....	1.74
(d) On each fisher .....	4.86
(e) On each fox .....	1.56
(f) On each lynx .....	12.61
(g) On each marten .....	1.42
(h) On each mink .....	0.89
(i) On each muskrat .....	0.12
(j) On each otter .....	1.59
(k) On each raccoon .....	0.64
(l) On each skunk .....	0.09
(m) On each squirrel .....	0.03
(n) On each weasel .....	0.06
(o) On each wolf .....	3.18
(p) On each wolverine .....	6.32
(q) On each black bear .....	1.46

## A MESSAGE TO THE TRAPPER

1. Beginning October 1, 1985, the ASSIGNED TRAPPER NUMBER (A.T.N.) is required by the Fur Trader when exporting fur, selling fur, and paying fur royalties.

Please remember to write your Assigned Trapper Number on a slip of paper or letter when shipping your fur to a fur trader. This will prevent delays in getting your furs to market and cash returns to you.

If you lose the ASSIGNED TRAPPER NUMBER CARD, please contact the address below for a duplicate:

FUR SECTION  
Wildlife Branch  
Parliament Buildings  
Victoria, B.C.  
V8V 1X5

## Fur traders cannot ship or sell your fur without recording your Assigned Trapper Number.

2. Wildlife Branch reserves the right to remove nuisance animals from Crown land, whether or not the Crown land in question is under a trap-line registration.
3. Trapping within ecological reserves is prohibited.
4. You are reminded that under Sections 231 and 402 of the **Criminal Code** of Canada it is an offence for anyone to wilfully cause or permit to be caused unnecessary pain, suffering, or injury to an animal or injury to any person.
5. **As approved humane traps become available, trapping regulations restricting or prohibiting the use of certain other traps in the capture of various animals, will be brought into effect.**
6. Any raw pelt or skin of a fur-bearing animal shipped out of the Province must be accompanied by a **Royalty Fur Export Permit**.
7. Any trapper accidentally capturing a weasel on the Queen Charlotte Islands (M.U.'s 6-12 and 6-13) is requested to forward the animal to the Ministry of Environment and Parks Office.
8. The Wildlife Branch is concerned about the status of wolverines in B.C. No additional harvest restrictions have been imposed this year, but if harvest pressure increases further restrictions may be required.

## OPEN SEASONS

**NOTE: UNLESS SPECIFIC MANAGEMENT UNITS ARE STATED, THE FOLLOWING OPEN SEASONS APPLY TO THE ENTIRE REGION.**

## VANCOUVER ISLAND REGION

Management Units 1-1 to 1-15

### BEAVER, LAND OTTER, RACCOON, SQUIRREL

Nov. 15-Feb. 28

### MUSKRAT

Oct. 15-Feb. 28



## TRAPPING OPEN SEASONS

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### WOLVERINE

Management Units 1-14, 1-15:  
Nov. 15–Feb. 15

### MARTEN, FISHER, MINK, WEASEL, BOBCAT, SKUNK, FOX, COYOTE, LYNX

Nov. 15–Feb. 15

### BLACK BEAR

No Open Season

### WOLF

Nov. 1–April 30

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## LOWER MAINLAND REGION

Management Units 2-1 to 2-15

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### BEAVER, LAND OTTER, MUSKRAT, SQUIRREL

Nov. 15–Feb. 28

### MINK

Management Units 2-2 to 2-15:  
Nov. 15–Feb. 28

### WEASEL, BOBCAT, RACCOON, SKUNK, FOX, COYOTE, LYNX, WOLVERINE, MARTEN, FISHER

Nov. 15–Feb. 15

### BLACK BEAR

No Open Season

### WOLF

Management Units 2-1 to 2-4, 2-6 to 2-11:  
No Open Season

Management Units 2-5, 2-12 to 2-15:  
Nov. 1–Feb. 15

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## THOMPSON-NICOLA SUB-REGION

Management Units 3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-46

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### BEAVER, LAND OTTER, MUSKRAT

Management Units 3-16, 3-17, 3-27 to 3-46:  
Oct. 15–April 30

Management Units 3-12 to 3-15, 3-18 to 3-20, 3-26:  
Nov. 1–April 15

### SQUIRREL

Nov. 1–March 15

### WOLVERINE, MARTEN, FISHER, MINK, WEASEL, BOBCAT, RACCOON, SKUNK, FOX, COYOTE

Nov. 1–Feb. 15

### LYNX

Nov. 15–Feb. 15

### BLACK BEAR

No Open Season

### WOLF

Management Units 3-28 to 3-31, 3-38 to 3-41:  
Nov. 1 to Feb. 15

Management Units 3-12 to 3-20, 3-26, 3-27, 3-32 to 3-37,  
3-42 to 3-46:

No Open Season

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## KOOTENAY REGION

Management Units 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40

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### BEAVER, LAND OTTER, MUSKRAT

Oct. 15 to April 15

### SQUIRREL

Nov. 1–Mar. 15

### WOLVERINE, MARTEN, MINK, WEASEL, RACCOON, SKUNK, FOX

Nov. 1–Feb. 15

### FISHER

No Open Season

### BOBCAT

Nov. 1–Feb. 28

### LYNX

Nov. 15–Feb. 15

### COYOTE

Oct. 15–Feb. 28

### BLACK BEAR

Management Units 4-36 to 4-40:  
Oct. 15–May 15

Management Units 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-35:  
No Open Season

### WOLF

Management Units 4-7 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-19:  
No Open Season

Management Units 4-1 to 4-6, 4-20 to 4-40:  
Nov. 1–Feb. 28

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## CARIBOO SUB-REGION

Management Units 5-1 to 5-16

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### BEAVER, LAND OTTER, MUSKRAT

Management Units 5-7 to 5-9, 5-11:  
Nov. 15–Feb. 28

Management Units 5-1 to 5-6, 5-10, 5-12 to 5-15:  
Oct. 15–Apr. 30

### SQUIRREL

Management Units 5-7 to 5-9, 5-11:  
Nov. 15–Feb. 28

Management Units 5-1 to 5-6, 5-10, 5-12 to 5-15:  
Nov. 1–Mar. 15

### WOLVERINE, MARTEN, FISHER, MINK, WEASEL, BOBCAT, RACCOON, SKUNK, FOX

Management Units 5-7 to 5-9, 5-11:  
Nov. 15–Feb. 15

Management Units 5-1 to 5-6, 5-10, 5-12 to 5-15:  
Nov. 1–Feb. 15

### COYOTE, WOLF

Nov. 1 to Feb. 15

### LYNX

Nov. 15–Feb. 15

### BLACK BEAR

Oct. 15–May 15

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# TRAPPING OPEN SEASONS

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## SKEENA SUB-REGION

Management Units 6-1 to 6-29

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### BEAVER, MUSKRAT

Management Units 6-12, 6-13:

Nov. 15–Apr. 30

Management Units 6-19 to 6-29:

Oct. 1–May 31

Management Units 6-3, 6-11, 6-14:

Nov. 15–Feb. 15

Management Units 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-10, 6-15 to 6-18:

Oct. 15–May 24

### LAND OTTER

Management Units 6-12, 6-13:

Nov. 15–Feb. 28

Management Units 6-19 to 6-29:

Oct. 1–May 31

Management Units 6-3, 6-11, 6-14:

Nov. 15–Feb. 15

Management Units 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-10, 6-15 to 6-18:

Oct. 15–May 24

### SQUIRREL

Management Units 6-3, 6-11, 6-14:

Nov. 15–Feb. 28

Management Units 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-10, 6-12, 6-13, 6-15 to 6-29:

Nov. 1–Mar. 31

### WOLVERINE, MARTEN, FISHER, MINK

Management Units 6-3, 6-11, 6-14:

Nov. 15–Feb. 15

Management Units 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-10, 6-12, 6-13, 6-15 to 6-29:

Nov. 1–Feb. 28

### WEASEL

Management Units 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-10, 6-15 to 6-29

Nov. 1–Feb. 28

Management Units 6-12, 6-13:

No Open Season

Management Units 6-3, 6-11, 6-14:

Nov. 15–Feb. 15

### BOBCAT, RACCOON, SKUNK, FOX, COYOTE

Management Units 6-3, 6-11, 6-14:

Nov. 15–Feb. 15

Management Units 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-10, 6-12, 6-13, 6-15 to 6-29:

Nov. 1–Feb. 28

### LYNX

Management Units 6-19 to 6-29:

Nov. 1–Feb. 28

Management Units 6-1 to 6-18:

Nov. 15–Feb. 15

### BLACK BEAR

Management Units 6-3, 6-11, 6-14:

Oct. 15–May 15

Management Units 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-10, 6-12, 6-13, 6-15 to 6-29:

Oct. 15–May 31

*There is no open season on the white (Kermode) or blue (Glacier) colour phases of black bear.*

### WOLF

Management Units 6-3, 6-11, 6-14:

Nov. 15–Feb. 15

Management Units 6-12, 6-13:

No Open Season

Management Units 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-10, 6-15 to 6-29:

Nov. 1–Feb. 28

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## OMINECA-PEACE SUB-REGION

Management Units 7-1 to 7-56

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### BEAVER, LAND OTTER, MUSKRAT

Management Units 7-42, 7-47 to 7-56:

Oct. 1–May 31

Management Units 7-1 to 7-41, 7-43 to 7-46:

Oct. 15–May 24

### SQUIRREL

Nov. 1–Mar. 31

### WOLVERINE, MARTEN, FISHER, MINK, WEASEL BOBCAT, RACCOON, SKUNK, FOX, COYOTE, WOLF

Nov. 1–Feb. 28

### LYNX

Management Units 7-42, 7-47 to 7-56:

Nov. 1–Feb. 28

Management Units 7-1 to 7-41, 7-43 to 7-46:

Nov. 15–Feb. 15

### BLACK BEAR

Oct. 15–May 31

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## OKANAGAN SUB-REGION

Management Units 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

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### BEAVER, LAND OTTER, MUSKRAT

Nov. 1–Apr. 15

### SQUIRREL

Nov. 1–Mar. 15

### WOLVERINE, MARTEN, FISHER, MINK, WEASEL BOBCAT, RACCOON, SKUNK, FOX, COYOTE

Nov. 1–Feb. 15

### LYNX

Nov. 15–Feb. 15

### BLACK BEAR

Oct. 15–May 15

### WOLF

No Open Season

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Vancouver Island	2569 Kenworth Rd., Nanaimo, V9T 4P7, 758-3951
Lower Mainland	10334-152A St., Surrey, V3R 7P8, 584-8822
Thompson-Nicola	1259 Dalhousie Dr., Kamloops, V2C 5Z5, 374-9717
Kootenay	310 Ward St., Nelson, V1L 5S4, 352-2211, 354-6333 106-5th Ave. S., Cranbrook, V1C 2G2, 489-1450
Cariboo	540 Borland St., Williams Lake, V2G 1R8, 398-4530
Skeena	Bag 5000, 3726 Alfred Ave., Smithers, V0J 2N0, 847-7303
Omineca-Peace	Plaza 400, 1011 Fourth Ave., Prince George, V2L 3H9, 565-6145 10142-101 Ave., Fort St. John, V1J 2B3, 787-3295
Okanagan	3547 Skaha Lake Rd., Penticton, V2A 7K2, 493-8261
<b>VICTORIA</b>	Wildlife Branch, 780 Blanshard St., V8V 1X5, 387-9737

## CONSERVATION OFFICER SERVICE DISTRICT OFFICES

### Vancouver Island

Campbell River	#101-370 S. Dogwood St., V9W 6Y7, 286-7630
Duncan	238 Government St., V9L 1A5, 746-1236
Nanaimo	2569 Kenworth Rd., V9T 4P7, 758-3951
Port Alberni	4515 Elizabeth St., V9Y 6L5, 724-9290
Port Hardy	Box 1290, V0N 2P0, 949-6272

### Lower Mainland

Chilliwack	9365 Mill St., V2P 4N3, 795-8422
Maple Ridge	20450 Dewdney Trunk Rd., V2X 3E3, 465-4011
Powell River	16-6953 Alberni St., V8A 2B8, 485-2554
Sechelt	Box 535, V0N 3A0, 885-2004
Squamish	Box 187, V0N 3G0, 892-5971
Surrey	10334-152A St., V3R 7P8, 584-8822

### Thompson-Nicola

Clearwater	Box 490, V0E 1N0, 674-3722
Clinton	Box 220, V0K 1K0, 459-2341
Kamloops	1259 Dalhousie Dr., V2C 5Z5, 374-9717
Lillooet	Bag 700, V0K 1V0, 256-4636
Merritt	Box 1126, V0K 2B0, 378-9377

### Kootenay

Castlegar	2205-14th Ave., V1N 3M7, 365-8522
Cranbrook	106-5th Ave. S., V1C 2G2, 426-1450 (or call collect 489-4225)
Creston	Box 1550, V0B 1G0, 428-3220
Fernie	Bag 1000, V0B 1M0, 423-7551
Golden	Box 1313, V0A 1H0, 344-7101
Invermere	Box 233, V0A 1K0, 342-4266
Nakusp	Box 183, V0G 1R0, 265-3522
Nelson	310 Ward St., V1L 5S4, 354-6397

### Cariboo

Alexis Creek	V0L 1A0, 394-4343
Hagensborg	Box 190, V0T 1H0, 982-2626
100 Mile House	Box 187, V0K 2E0, 395-5511
Quesnel	350 Barlow St., V2J 2C1, 992-4244
Williams Lake	540 Borland St., V2G 1R8, 398-4569

### Skeena

Atlin	Box 180, V0W 1A0, 651-7501
Burns Lake	Box 285, V0J 1E0, 692-7777
Dease Lake	General Delivery, V0C 1L0, 771-3566
New Hazelton	Box 309, V0J 2J0, 842-5319
Queen Charlotte City	Box 370, V0T 1S0, 559-8431
Smithers	Bag 5000, 3726 Alfred St., V0J 2N0, 847-7303
Terrace	4825 Keith Ave., V8G 1K7, 638-3279

### Omineca-Peace

Chetwynd	Bag 105, 4729-51st St., V0C 1J0, 788-3611
Dawson Creek	1201-103rd Ave., V1G 4J2, 784-2304
Fort Nelson	Box 247, V0C 1R0, 774-3547
Fort St. John	10142-101st Ave., V1J 2B3, 787-3295
Prince George	1011 Fourth Ave., V2L 3H9, 565-6145
Valemount	Box 39, V0E 2Z0, 566-4398
Vanderhoof	Box 980, V0J 3A0, 567-6304

### Okanagan

Penticton	3547 Skaha Lake Rd., V2A 7K2, 493-8261
Vernon	5-4320 29th St., V1T 5B8, 549-5558
Princeton	Box 1000, 151 Vermilion St., V0X 1W0, 295-6343

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