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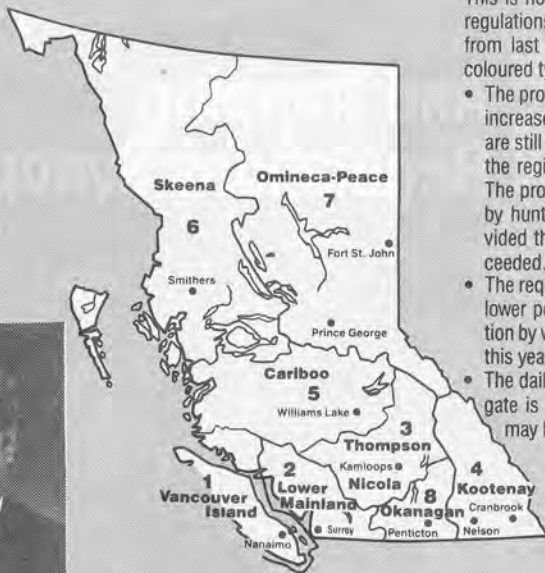


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IMPORTANT REGULATION NOTICES 1989-90



**A MESSAGE FROM BRUCE STRACHAN, MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT**

On behalf of the Government of British Columbia and Ministry of Environment, hearty greetings to all British Columbia hunters, guides and trappers.

The information contained in the Hunting and Trapping Regulations Synopsis is basic to the conservation of our wildlife resource. Please do your part to maintain the quality of your hunting, or the viability of your wildlife-related vocation, by conscientiously following the regulations.

There are always those who defy the law. To reduce the impact they could have through poaching and other illegal activities, the Ministry's enforcement arm has been granted a large increase in staff and a bigger budget, new strength to enforce regulations and limit losses of wildlife to lawbreakers.

You can magnify the effectiveness of the additional enforcement staff by actively supporting the Observe-Record-Report program, and by taking part in wildlife patrols. The more watchful eyes there are known to be in forest and field, the greater the deterrence to illegal acts.

Important as it is, curbing those who would abuse the wildlife resource directly is not complete insurance that we will continue to have thriving wildlife populations in British Columbia. Toxic discharges, chemical misuse, water and air pollution, poor resource management, can all result in destroyed habitat, reduced living space for wildlife and smaller game populations.

The government is committed to tougher standards of enforcement for abuses of the laws applying to toxic wastes and other pollutants, and is taking steps to maintain clean air, good water quality, and the general health of the land. Ultimately the success of these efforts to sustain the environment — to maintain wildlife's habitat and our own — is rooted in our individual actions. I know that hunters, guides and trappers, with their strong interest in our natural heritage, will want to do their part.

Bruce Strachan  
Minister of Environment

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 provincial bag limit for deer has been increased to three. Regional bag limits are still in effect and are contained within the regional schedules of this synopsis. The provincial bag limit may be achieved by hunting in one or more regions provided the regional bag limits are not exceeded.
- The requirement to submit the unskinned lower portion of caribou legs for inspection by wildlife staff has been removed for this year.
- The daily bag limit for all ducks in aggregate is eight (8), only one (1) of which may be a canvasback.

Canvasback populations are near an all time low level across North America. All jurisdictions have brought in severe harvest controls for this species. Seasons are closed in the U.S.A. Hunters are asked to voluntarily not shoot canvasbacks.

A bag limit of one (1) for the 1989-90 hunting season is intended to cover hunters who may mistakenly shoot a canvasback.

- Limited Entry Hunting Maps and hunter information is published in the 1989-90 Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis. Area maps showing Limited Entry Hunting zones for seasons that coincide with general open seasons are included in this publication for reference.

**Resource Management Regions**

The boundaries shown on this map delineate regions used by the Wildlife Branch in British Columbia for resource administration. Each region consists of a number of smaller management units (M.U.'s) which are referred to in these regulations.

HOW TO USE THIS SYNOPSIS

1. Read the "Province-Wide Regulations and Restrictions" on pages 2 to 15. This section summarizes licence requirements and general restrictions.
2. Refer to the Regional sections and maps beginning on page 16 and review the general restric-

tions applying in each region. Open season regulations and special areas restrictions are included in these sections.

**This synopsis is not the law, but only a summary of the regulations pertaining to recreational hunting and trapping in British Columbia.**

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**DEFINITIONS**

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

**Antlerless Animal** — means a female of the deer family or young animals of the deer family bearing no visible 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.

**Buck or Bull** — with reference to deer, moose or elk means one bearing visible bony antlers.

**Buck or Bull** — with reference to caribou means a male one year of age or over bearing 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.

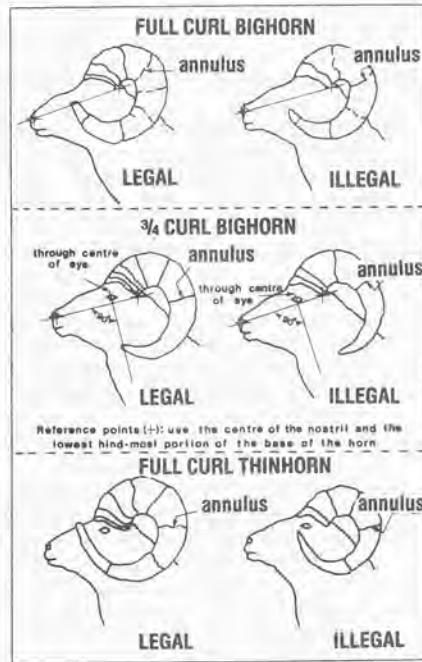
**Crossbow** — means a bow fixed across a stock with a groove for the arrow or bolt and a mechanism for holding and releasing the string. (NOTE: The use of crossbows is permitted during special Bow and Arrow seasons unless otherwise indicated under the regional schedules.)

**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



**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 conform to legal definitions.**

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.

**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 maga-

zine. 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.

**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: No 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.

**MOOSE HUNTERS**

Please note that at the time of Moose Licence purchase this year, hunters will be asked to indicate the Management Units in which they plan to hunt Moose. This in no way restricts hunters to hunt in these locations. Moose hunters may change plans and hunt elsewhere if they so wish. The information provided by hunters will be used to assist in post-hunting surveys of sportsmen.

Moose hunters may be contacted by telephone following the moose season to discuss their hunting activity. The Wildlife Branch is investigating the suitability of surveying hunters by telephone instead of the traditional mail questionnaire. Please keep a record of hunting locations, dates and success. Your cooperation is vital to the management of wildlife and the sport of hunting.

**B.C. RESIDENT HUNTER NUMBER**

It is important for the Wildlife Branch to have your current mailing address recorded with your Resident Hunter Number. To assist wildlife management programs, we contact you throughout the year to determine your hunting activity and success. Please inform us of any change in your address/telephone number or name. Write (quoting your Resident Hunter Number) to: Hunter Number, Wildlife Branch, Ministry of Environment, Parliament Buildings, 780 Blanshard Street, Victoria, B.C. V8V 1X5

**HUNTER TIP**

Be sure of your target and beyond.  
Stop and look again.

**IT IS UNLAWFUL**

1. to enter, 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. 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 bag limit of that species of game, or to continue to hunt game species subsequent to any day in which he has taken his seasonal bag limit for 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 to hunt migratory game birds with 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, tracer, 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 or on a railway car, motor vehicle, sleigh, aircraft, or bicycle.
17. to carry a cocked crossbow in or on a vehicle, or to discharge a bow from a vehicle of any kind.
18. to discharge a firearm on or across the travelled portions of an arterial or secondary highway.
19. to hunt or transport hunters or wildlife by helicopters.
20. to hunt wildlife from an aircraft.
21. to use a power boat, aircraft, or motor vehicle to disturb game for the purpose of driving them towards another hunter.
22. to hunt game from one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise.
23. to hunt migratory game birds from 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour before sunrise.
24. to hunt, take, wound or kill big game while it is swimming unless it has been previously

- wounded.
25. to use poison for the taking or killing of any wildlife.
  26. to possess or keep in captivity any wildlife without a permit.
  27. 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.
  28. to buy or sell migratory birds or their eggs or nests.
  29. 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 pelt or skin. (NOTE: See Royalty Fees section on page 6.)
  30. to traffic or offer to do so in wildlife meat except as authorized by permit.
  31. 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 a meat cutting plant. The Ministry of Environment regards "a place of consumption" as a person's permanent residence and not a hunting camp or other type of temporary camp. 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.
  32. to place bait for the purpose of attracting a migratory game bird, except under permit, or to hunt a migratory game bird within 402 metres (1/4 mile) of any baited area.
  33. to use live birds as decoys, or recorded bird calls to hunt game birds.
  34. to discharge, dump, discard or dispose of litter on any land or fresh water.
  35. to shoot or capture any hawk, falcon, owl or eagle.
  36. to deface any notice posted under authority of the Wildlife Act.
  37. to damage or interfere with a lawfully set trap.
  38. to act as, or offer to act as, a guide for fish or game for compensation or reward unless licensed to do so.
  39. to place bait for the purpose of attracting black bear or grizzly bear.
  40. to unintentionally kill a big game animal and fail to report the kill to a Conservation Officer.

**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. There are many offences under the Wildlife Act which result in automatic licence cancellations for minimums of one to five years.
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 RESTRICTIONS — GRIZZLY BEAR**

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 — MOUNTAIN GOAT**

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, elk, caribou, deer, mountain goat, mountain sheep, wolf, 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.

**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 six 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 years of age 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 the successful completion of the C.O.R.E. (Conservation and Outdoor Recreation Education) safe firearms handling test and written examination or other North American government sponsored hunter safety training program completed while resident in that state or province.

To obtain information concerning the availability of the C.O.R.E. textbook or C.O.R.E. examinations, contact the office of the Government Agent or the Ministry of Environment.

Although not compulsory, classroom instruction in C.O.R.E. is recommended and may be obtained through courses in adult education, community colleges, rod and gun clubs or advertisements in the local media.

Note that the C.O.R.E. graduate card issued to C.O.R.E. graduates will not be accepted for the 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 previ-

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ously held a resident hunting licence legally issued to him on or after his 14th birthday, in 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 while hunting 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.

When a B.C. resident 10, 11, 12, 13 or older completes C.O.R.E., he or she is entitled to a B.C. Resident Hunter Number Card, a bag limit, to purchase a hunting licence and to enter the limited entry hunting draw.

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 have completed a hunter training program. 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 Hunting applications may be purchased with the junior licence, however during a hunting season, a licenced junior hunter may accompany and hunt with an adult holder of a valid Limited Entry Hunting authorization and a valid species licence. Any big game animal taken by the junior hunter is included in the bag limit of the

accompanying adult. (Non-resident qualifications for a Junior Licence differ. Consult a Government Agency or Ministry of Environment 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 however 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 they 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 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 (i.e. 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). Permits to accompany may not be available for all species and areas, check with the appropriate regional office. **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).

### BOWHUNTERS

Bowhunters are reminded to fill in the box on their resident hunting licence counterfoil indicating that they are bowhunters.

### SUPPORT A CONSERVATION ORGANIZATION

You can contribute to the good management and future well-being of British Columbia's wildlife by joining an organization with a special interest in wildlife.

Your local fish and game club or similar group will welcome your participation.

# Wildfire!

A burnt forest can be a sorry sight. Uncontrolled fire can damage important wildlife habitat, destroy valuable timber and threaten people using the woods, like you.

So please, take care of your campfires. Be careful with cigarettes and matches. And if you spot a fire anywhere in our province, report it by getting to a phone fast. Dial Operator and ask for:

ZENITH 5555



Ministry of Forests and Lands

# GENERAL INFORMATION APPLYING TO ALL OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

## 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>	\$10.00
<b>A resident of British Columbia</b>	
— to hunt all game and carry firearms	21.00*
— who is a Canadian citizen 65 years of age or over to hunt all game and carry firearms	1.00
<b>A resident of Canada (not British Columbia)</b>	
— to hunt all game and carry firearms	46.00*
<b>A non-resident</b>	
— to a person not a resident in Canada to hunt small game and game birds only and carry firearms	80.00*
— to a person not a resident in Canada to hunt all game and carry firearms	145.00*
<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>A Junior Hunting Licence</b>	
— to a resident of B.C. 10 years of age or older and under 14	7.00
<b>Canadian Migratory Game Bird Hunting Permit</b>	10.00

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 surcharge for the HABITAT CONSERVATION FUND.

## 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.

## MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT REGIONAL OFFICES

Vancouver Island	2569 Kenworth Rd., Nanaimo, V9T 4P7, 758-3951	Skeena	Bag 5000, 3726 Alfred Ave., Smithers, V0J 2N0, 847-7303
Lower Mainland	10334-152A St., Surrey, V3R 7P8, 584-8822	Omineca-Peace	Plaza 400, 1011 Fourth Ave., Prince George, V2L 3H9, 565-6145
Thompson-Nicola	1259 Dalhousie Dr., Kamloops, V2C 5Z5, 374-9717	Okanagan	10142-101 Ave., Fort St. John, V1J 2B3, 787-3295
Kootenay	310 Ward St., Nelson, V1L 5S4, 354-6333		3547 Skaha Lake Rd., Penticton, V2A 7K2, 493-8261
	106-5th Ave. S., Cranbrook, V1C 2G2, 426-1450	<b>VICTORIA</b>	Wildlife Branch, 780 Blanshard St., V8V 1X5, 387-9737
Cariboo	540 Borland St., Williams Lake, V2G 1R8, 398-4530		

## LICENCE AVAILABILITY

Resident hunting licences are available at all Government Agents' Offices, some Ministry of Environment Offices and many sporting goods stores. Non-resident hunting licences are only available from some Regional Ministry of Environment 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 only available from Government Agents' 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. Furbearers 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 following, 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 (1). Provincial bag limits may be achieved by hunting in one or more regions provided the regional bag limits are not exceeded.

- Deer:** The maximum number which a hunter may take in one licence year is three (3). NOTE: See regional schedules for regional bag limits.
- Black Bear:** The maximum number which a hunter may take in one licence year is two (2). NOTE: See regional schedules for regional bag limits.
- Mountain Sheep:** The aggregate bag limit is one (1).
- Cougar:** The maximum number which a hunter may take in one licence year is two (2).
- Wolf:** The maximum number which a hunter may take in one licence year is three (3). NOTE: See regional schedules for regional bag limits.
- Coyote, Raccoon, Skunk and Fox:** There is no

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maximum number which a hunter may take in one licence year. (No bag limit — NBL).

7. **Wolverine and Lynx:** The maximum number which a hunter may take in one licence year is one (1) of each species.
8. **Bobcat:** The maximum number which a hunter may take in one licence year (the season bag limit) is five (5).
9. **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).

The bag limit for turkey is one (1) per year.

The daily bag limit for all ducks in aggregate is eight (8), only one (1) of which may be a canvasback. The possession limit for ducks is sixteen (16) only two (2) of which may be canvasback.

## PROTECTED ANIMALS

Sportsmen are reminded that the following mammals are protected by regulation under the Wildlife Act (hunting is prohibited):

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

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.

The Ministry of Environment is concerned about lead poisoning of birds and the broader question of environmental contamination caused by spent lead shotgun pellets. In light of strong concern expressed by hunters and other conservationists, the Ministry may recommend a partial or total ban on lead shot for hunting in B.C. in the future.

## POSSESSION AND TRANSPORTATION

Detailed information is available at Ministry of Environment offices.

## EVIDENCE OF SPECIES AND SEX

Evidence of species and sex may be removed from the carcass or the hide of game:

- after it arrives at a person's normal dwelling place and is butchered and stored there for consumption on the premises,
- after 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.

**NOTE:** Leaving evidence of species and sex on the carcass will not spoil or in any way contaminate the meat.

## 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 centimetres (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 centimetres (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
  - for a caribou which has an antler main beam length equal to or greater than 60 centimetres (24 inches) the antlers.

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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.

## TRANSPORTING BIG GAME

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

- the species licence under which the animal was taken, if the animal was taken by himself.
- Or, if the animal was taken by another person:
  - 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 operates several checking stations throughout the Province. All hunters, with or without game, are required by law to stop and report. At certain locations sportsmen are checked to determine their compliance with wildlife and firearms laws and encouraged to comment on or ask questions about hunting regulations and wildlife management.

## 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.

Hunters planning to hunt in M.U.'s 7-19 or 7-20 and accessing by way of the Alberta border should contact the local Conservation Officer Service in Fort St. John, Chetwynd or Dawson Creek to obtain export permits prior to starting their hunt.

## 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 leaving Canada directly from British Columbia, may be obtained by making an appointment during normal working hours at the Ministry of Environment offices in the following locations:

**Vancouver Island Region:** Nanaimo, Campbell River, Victoria (animals may be checked at any Conservation Officer Service by appointment only).  
**Lower Mainland Region:** Surrey, Chilliwack.

**Thompson-Nicola Sub-region:** Kamloops.

**Kootenay Region:** Castlegar, Cranbrook, Creston, Nelson.

**Cariboo Sub-region:** Bella Coola, Williams Lake.

**Skeena Region:** Smithers, Atlin, Burns Lake, Terrace, Dease Lake, and Watson Lake, Yukon.

**Omineca-Peace Sub-region:** Fort Nelson, Dawson Creek, Prince George, Fort St. John, and Watson Lake, Yukon.

**Okanagan Sub-region:** Penticton, Vernon.

## COMPULSORY REPORTING

The following species of game must be reported at the designated compulsory reporting centres for each region or sub-region:

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

## DESIGNATED COMPULSORY INSPECTION CENTRES

Compulsory reporting centres are open during working hours (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.), Monday to Friday, unless otherwise specified. If two or more animals are to be checked, 24 hours notice (by phone) should be given to the staff of the centres. Designated centres are listed below:

**Vancouver Island Region:** Nanaimo (animals may be checked at any Conservation Officer Service office by appointment only).

**Lower Mainland Region:** Surrey (office open for compulsory reporting registration mornings only, Monday to Friday), Powell River, Chilliwack (all other district offices by appointment only).

**Thompson-Nicola Sub-region:** Kamloops (all other district offices by appointment only).

**Kootenay Region:** Castlegar, Cranbrook (mornings only; all other district offices by appointment only).

**Cariboo Sub-region:** Williams Lake (all other district offices by appointment only).

**Skeena Region:** Smithers (all other district offices by appointment only). Hunters wishing to have their game inspected at Watson Lake, Yukon, may obtain a permit to do so from the Regional Manager at Smithers.

**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.

**Omineca-Peace Sub-region:** Prince George, Fort St. John (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. Hunters wishing to have their game inspected at Watson Lake, Yukon, may obtain a permit to do so from the Regional Manager at Prince George.

**Okanagan Sub-region:** Penticton (all other district offices by appointment only).

Compulsory inspection facilities in Victoria are very limited, and Victoria hunters are requested wherever possible to have their animals inspected at the Regional/Sub-regional office in the region of their hunt.

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

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 prior to hunting can submit such animals for inspection within 10 days after the last day of the hunt;
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 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); or
3. Persons who take a cougar or a wolf in the Kootenay Region. These two species must be submitted to an official of the Ministry of Environment in the Kootenay Region within 4 days of the kill.

## PARTS REQUIRED

Parts required for compulsory inspection include:

### • For caribou:

- for a caribou without at least one main beam measuring over 50 centimetres (24 inches) in length, the hide or part of it bearing a testicle or part of the penis,
- the lower jaw bearing the incisor teeth,
- the antlers.

### • 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 premolars from the upper jaw (Vancouver Island Region only),

- 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 the Kootenay Region:

- the skull with the lower jaw,



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— 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 (Kootenay Region only).

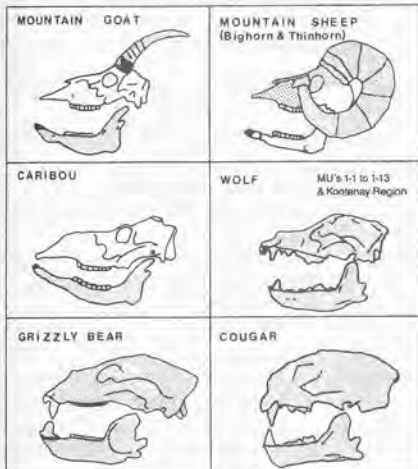
• **For elk taken in the Okanagan and Omineca-Peace Sub-regions:**

— 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.



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

Information required for compulsory inspection includes:

1. the location where the animal was killed,
2. the date the animal was killed,
3. the number of days the licensee hunted before killing the animal and
4. 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 centimetres (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 centimetres (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 (ie, 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.

### 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.

### 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, Victoria, B.C. V8V 1X5.

### BEAR MEAT

To prevent possible infection by trichinosis, bear meat should not be consumed unless it has been cooked at a temperature and for a time sufficient to allow all parts of the meat to reach a minimum internal temperature of 65.6°C (150°F).

### HUNTER TIP

Respect the sensibilities of others — don't make an unnecessary display of firearms or freshly killed game.

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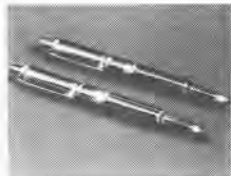
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To reduce the risk of accidental infection, it is recommended that you wear gloves when handling, skinning, or dressing animals, that you promptly wash skin contaminated with body fluids, and that you wash your hands immediately after removing gloves.

If you become ill after handling wild animals, contact your doctor.

**LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING**

Limited Entry Hunting seasons are only open to hunters who have drawn the appropriate Limited Entry authorization. Limited Entry Hunting seasons and general open seasons may coincide for some species in some management units if:

- a) the class of animal (sex, age, etc.) is different, or
- b) A portion of the management unit is available for LEH only.

In the following pages the "LEH" symbol is a caution to hunters that Limited Entry Hunting restrictions may apply to all or part of the indicated management units. Area maps showing LEH zones for seasons that coincide with general open seasons are included in this publication for reference. Hunters should refer to the 1989-90 Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for specific LEH maps. Note also that big game seasons in most parks are subject to LEH restrictions

**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 schedules 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 schedules.

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.

**A Letter of Authority, available from the nearest provincial parks office is required to use horses in any provincial park or recreation 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, 4000 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 publishes the Fraser Valley Special Area brochure which depicts provincial and municipal firearm regulations in the Fraser Valley.

**HIGHWAY NO SHOOTING AREAS**



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

- Highway 5 (Coquihalla Highway) between Hope and the junction of Highways 1 and 5 at Kamloops.
- 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.

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Hunting and the discharge of firearms is prohibited within 0.4 km (1/4 mile) either side of the centreline of the following highways:

Highway 3 between Hope and Manning Park, Manning Park and Princeton.

Coquihalla Phase III (Okanagan Connector) Highway between its junction with Highway 97 near Peachland and its junction with Highway 5 near Aspen Grove.

The discharge of firearms is prohibited within 50 metres of either side of the centreline of the following highways on the Queen Charlotte Islands:

#16 Yellowhead Highway District Road 51 between Skidegate and Masset. 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.

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

Highway 1 between Chilliwack and Spuzzum. Highway 7 between Mission and Highway 1.

The discharge of firearms is prohibited within 0.4 km west and 1 km east of the centreline of Highway 99 between West Vancouver and Squamish.

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

The discharge of firearms is prohibited within 25 metres 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 many 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, 780 Blanshard Street, Victoria, B.C. V8V 1X5.

## LOST!

To reduce your chances of getting lost, and increase your chances for being found if lost, follow these simple rules:

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

There is no shame in getting lost in the woods; preparation and a cool head will prevent you from staying lost. Be prepared ahead of time with an outdoor survival course or books.

## IF YOU DO GET LOST:

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

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.

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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, R.C.M. Police or the Department of Fisheries and Oceans or dial "0" and ask the telephone operator for 1-800-663-9453 (WILD). Your complaint will be registered and directed to the appropriate action centre. (In areas where there is no toll charge to call Vancouver, just dial 663-9453). 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.

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**KEEPING OF LICENCES AND OTHER DOCUMENTS**

A question often asked is "How long should I keep my hunting licence?" The answer depends on what is done with the animal. Most commercial businesses dealing with animals are required to keep records for a minimum of two years, by law, but there is not similar requirement for hunters to do so. However, it is probably a good idea for hunters to keep all the documents under which an animal was

taken until the animal has been consumed. In the case of a mounted trophy of a tanned hide, the hunter should keep his or her licence and Compulsory Inspection Data Sheet indefinitely. Why? If a person wishes at some future date to transfer the trophy to someone else or requires an export permit to move it out of the province, the production of the original documentation makes the transfer or the issuance of a permit much easier. It will greatly assist Ministry staff, if, when a hunter disposes of a trophy, the licences and other documentation are transferred with the trophy, to the new owner. No, this is not compulsory, but it certainly makes the Ministry's administration much easier, and will save the owner considerable time. So, licences and other documentation for a trophy should be kept in a safe place, until it is disposed of.

**C.O.R.E.**

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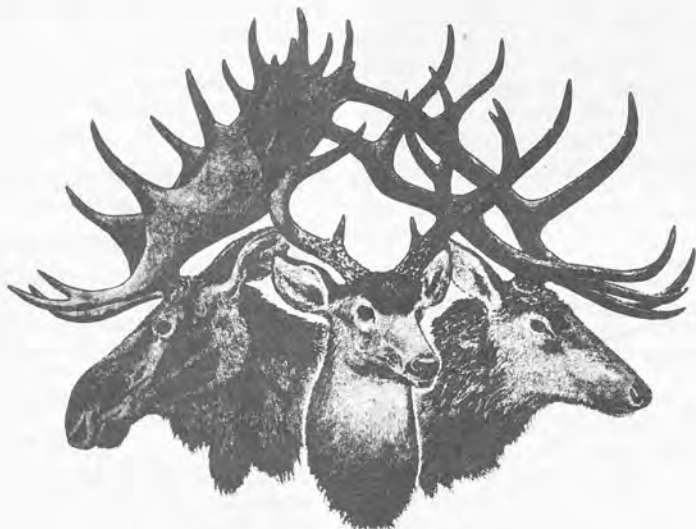
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## MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- A special Bow and Arrow only area for all big game with open seasons has been established in the Comuna watershed in M.U. 1-12. See Map A29.
- Cougar seasons in M.U.'s 1-1 to 1-7 open two weeks earlier this year. Seasons in M.U.'s 1-8 to 1-15 for cougar are open for an additional two months and bag limit increased to two (2).

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**LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING**

There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting seasons. See Limited Entry Hunting section on page 12.

**BAG LIMITS**

**Deer:** The bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer is **three, one of which may be antlerless**, in M.U. 1-1, 1-5 and 1-10, and in the Courtenay-Campbell River Special Area in M.U. 1-6 (see Map A2). The bag limit for buck mule (black-tailed) deer is **three** in M.U.'s 1-2 to 1-4, 1-6 and 1-11. The bag limit for buck mule (black-tailed) deer is **two** in M.U.'s 1-7 to 1-9, 1-12 to 1-15.

**Grouse:** The daily aggregate bag limit for blue, spruce (Franklin) and ruffed grouse is 10.

**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. See Compulsory Reporting section on page 10 for designated reporting centres and those portions of an animal which are required.

**NOTICE TO HUNTERS**

- Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf. See Convention on International Trade section on page 10.
- In Region 1, hunting and the discharge of firearms are prohibited within 100 metres 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 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), 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 Canadian Wildlife Service office in Delta (Phone: 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.
- Please avoid shooting **collared deer** in Vancouver Island Region. See Collared Wildlife section on page 4.
- 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 A7.
- On Sidney Island the open season for antlered and antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer and fallow deer is August 26 to December 24. The bag limit for each species is 3(3). Hunters must obtain permission from landowners before hunting on private land on Sidney 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. Hunters must obtain permission from landowners before hunting on private land on Sidney Island.

• **No Shooting Areas:** Hunters should note the **Highway No Shooting Areas as outlined on page 12.**

• 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.

**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 September 10 to June 15 during a lawful game hunting season: Brooks Recreation Area (M.U. 1-12) 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)

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## VANCOUVER ISLAND REGION — OPEN SEASONS

**MULE (Black-tailed) DEER**

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-6, 1-10, 1-11

Bucks: Sept. 9 — Nov. 26 3

\*Bucks: Nov. 27 — Dec. 10 3

Management Units: 1-7 to 1-9, 1-12 to 1-15

Bucks: Sept. 9 — Nov. 26 2

\*Bucks: Nov. 27 — Dec. 10

Management Units: 1-1, 1-5, 1-10

Antlerless: Nov. 4 — Nov. 13 1

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

The head and antlers of all mule (black-tailed) deer taken during the season Nov. 27 — Dec. 10 must remain attached to the carcass, and must accompany the species licence.

There is no open season for antlerless deer in zones A and B of M.U. 1-5. See Map A30. **LEH**

See special area maps.

**Bow and Arrow Only Season**

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-6, 1-10, 1-11

Bucks: Aug. 26 — Sept. 8 3

Management Units: 1-7 to 1-9, 1-12 to 1-15

Bucks: Aug. 26 — Sept. 8 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 A28).

**LEH** — See Map A30.

**MOUNTAIN GOAT**

Management Units: 1-14, 1-15

Sept. 9 — Nov. 26 1

See Map A25.

**HUNTER TIP**

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**GRIZZLY BEAR**

Management Unit: 1-14  
 Apr. 1 — May 31/90 1  
 Management Unit: 1-15  
 Apr. 1 — May 1/90 1  
 See Maps A21, A22, A23, A24.  
**LEH** — See Map A31.

**BLACK BEAR**

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-15  
 Sept. 9 — June 15 2  
**Bow and Arrow Only Season**  
 Management Units: 1-1 to 1-15  
 Aug. 26 — Sept. 8 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 A28).*

**COYOTE**

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

**RACCOON, SKUNK**

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

**COUGAR**

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-7  
 Dec. 1 — Feb. 28 1  
 \*Mar. 1 — May 31 **Pursuit only**  
 Management Units: 1-8 to 1-15  
 Nov. 15 — May 31 2  
*\*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*  
**Hunters must obtain permission from landowners before hunting on private land.**

**GROUSE**

**Blue, Spruce (Franklin) and Ruffed**  
 Management Units: 1-1 to 1-15  
 Sept. 2 — Dec. 31 10(30)  
**Bow and Arrow Only Season**  
 Management Units: 1-1 to 1-15  
 Aug. 26 — Sept. 1 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 A28).*

**PTARMIGAN**

Management Units: 1-14, 1-15  
 Sept. 2 — Dec. 31 5(15)

**CALIFORNIA QUAIL**

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-5  
 Sept. 30 — Nov. 13 5(15)  
*No open season on mountain quail.*

**PHEASANT (Cocks Only)**

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-9, 1-11 to 1-13  
 Sept. 30 — Nov. 13 2(6)

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

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-13, 1-15  
 Oct. 7 — Jan. 21  
 Management Unit: 1-14  
 Sept. 15 — Dec. 15  
 Bag Limits:  
 Ducks: 8(16)  
 Coots: 10(20)  
 Common snipe: 10(20)  
 Snow geese: 5(10)  
 Ross' geese: 5(10)  
*Please take note of the provincial daily bag limits for geese and ducks on page 7.*

**CANADA GEESE**

Management Unit: 1-5  
 Sept. 15 — Oct 29  
 Dec. 2 — Jan. 21 5(10)  
 Management Units: 1-1 to 1-4, 1-6 to 1-13, 1-15  
 Oct. 7 — Jan. 21 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 7.*  
**See Map A26.**

**BLACK BRANT, WHITE-FRONTED GEESE**

No Open Season

**BAND-TAILED PIGEONS**

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

**NOTICE TO HUNTERS: NON-GAME SPECIES**

Nearly all native species of mammals, reptiles and amphibians will probably be declared Wildlife and protected by the Wildlife Act and Regulations in the near future. Some species of small mammals, which have been traditionally hunted as pests or "varmints" will no longer be allowed to be taken on Crown land. When these animals are designated as "Wildlife," they may only be taken on private land where they may be doing damage to agricultural crops or private property. Which species will be afforded complete protection and which may be hunted are the subject of ongoing study. Hunters should be aware that the wildlife of the province must be protected and should treat it accordingly.

**BLACK OR GRIZZLY BEAR?**

**BLACK BEAR**

- Highest point of back is well back of shoulders. No prominent shoulder hump.
- In profile muzzle is long and straight.
- Front claws dark coloured, relatively short and well-curved.

**GRIZZLY BEAR**

- Highest point of back is muscular hump over front shoulders.
- In profile, brow gives "dished" look to face. Not as well defined in yearlings.
- Front claws up to 4" long or longer, slightly curved. Front claws light coloured and can sometimes be observed from great distances.

**COLOUR**

Colour and size are not good identifying characteristics. Colour of both species may range from light brown (blonde) to very dark black. Many grizzlies have light tipped hairs which give them a distinctive sheen.

**BE SURE BEFORE YOU SHOOT**

From: Final Programmatic E.I.S. on Grizzly Bears, Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks.



**BLACK BEAR**



**GRIZZLY BEAR**



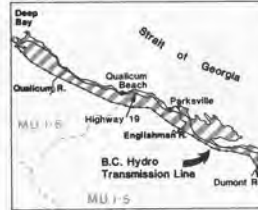
# VANCOUVER ISLAND SPECIAL AREAS, CLOSED AREAS, NO SHOOTING AREAS, LEH AREAS



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).



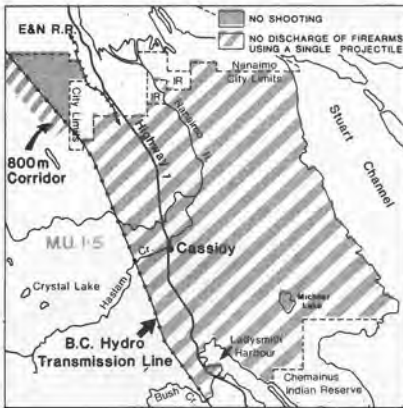
Map A2 Courtenay — Campbell River Special Area (situate in M.U. 1-6). The discharge of a rifle or a shotgun using a single projectile is prohibited, with the exception of those hunting under the authority of a Limited Entry Hunting Authorization during the lawful Limited Entry Elk hunting seasons. The special season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer only is from Sept. 9 to Nov. 26. A special bow and arrow season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Aug. 26 to Sept. 8. Bag limit = 3(1).



Map A3 Qualicum — Parksville 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. A special season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Sept. 9 to Nov. 26. A special bow and arrow only season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Aug. 26 to Sept. 8. Bag limit = 3(1).



Map A4 Nanaimo No Shooting and Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in M.U. 1-5). A special season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Sept. 9 to Nov. 26. A special bow and arrow only season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Aug. 26 to Sept. 8. Bag limit = 3(1).



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. A special season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Sept. 9 to Nov. 26. A special bow and arrow only season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Aug. 26 to Sept. 8. Bag limit = 3(1).



Map A6 Quadra Island Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in M.U. 1-15).



Map A7 Saanich No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 1-1). Bow hunting is by permit only. Licenced falconers may hunt waterfowl, pheasant and quail during the regular open season.



Map A8 West Coast National Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 1-3).



Map A9 Mayne Island No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 1-1).



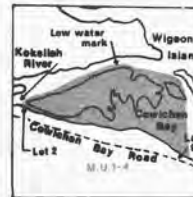
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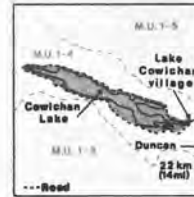
Map A11 Ganges No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 1-1).



Map A12 DeCourcy and Mudge Islands No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 1-1).



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).

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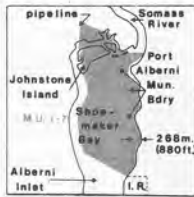
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Map A17 Englishman River No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 1-5).



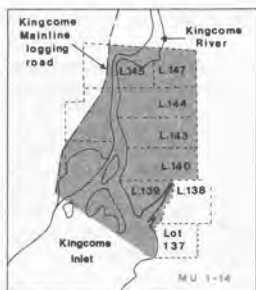
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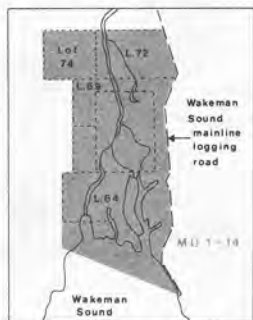
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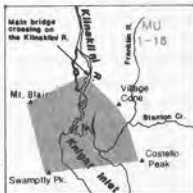
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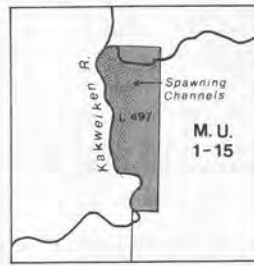
Map A21 Kingcome Inlet Grizzly Bear Closed Area (situate in M.U. 1-14).



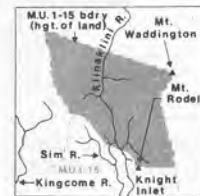
Map A22 Wakeman Sound Grizzly Bear Closed Area (situate in M.U. 1-14).



Map A23 Knight Inlet Grizzly Bear Closed Area (situate in M.U. 1-15).



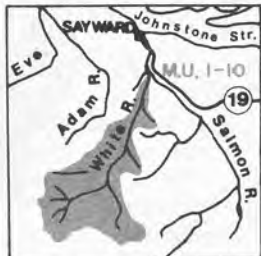
Map A24 Kakweiken River Grizzly Bear Closed Area (situate in M.U. 1-15).



Map A25 Klinaklini Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 1-15).



Map A26 Upper Nimpkish Canada Goose Closed Area (situate in M.U. 1-11).



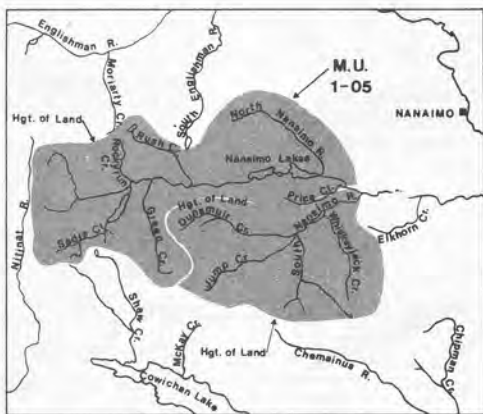
Map A27 White River Antlerless Deer Closed Area (situate in M.U. 1-10).



Map A28 Vancouver Island Grouse, Mule (Black-tailed) Deer bucks and Black Bear Bow and Arrow Only Closed Area (situate in M.U. 1-5).



Map A29 Conuma River Archery Only Area (situate in M.U. 1-12). Open for all big game with open seasons in M.U. 1-12.



Map A30 Vancouver Island Antlerless Deer Closed Area and Limited Entry Hunting Area.



Map A31 Knight/Kingcome Grizzly Bear Limited Entry Hunting Area.

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(M.U.'s 2-1 to 2-15)

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**MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES**

- The mule (black-tailed) deer buck season in M.U.'s 2-9 and 2-10 has been extended two weeks.
- Skagit Valley Recreation Area (M.U. 2-2) is only open to the discharge of firearms from September 10 to March 31.

**LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING**

There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting seasons. See Limited Entry Hunting section on page 12.

**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 10.

**COMPULSORY REPORTING**

It is mandatory for all mountain goat, grizzly bear, cougar, bobcat, lynx and wolverine to be inspected. See Compulsory Reporting section on page 10 for designated reporting centres and those portions of an animal which are required.

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### 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 office, Government Agents and selected private outlets. For further information contact the Surrey office, Ministry of Environment, 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. See Convention on International Trade section on page 10.
- 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 metres (1400 yards) east of the shore at Boundary Bay, no person shall:
  - place a flock or set of Brant decoys within 180 metres (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.
- The discharge of firearms toward shore is prohibited in that portion of the area lying east of the dyke between the eastward extension of 12th Avenue, Municipality of Delta, B.C., and Centennial Park, Municipality of Delta, B.C., to a point 1,200 feet east of the mean high tide line.
- No Shooting Areas: Hunters should note the Highway No Shooting Areas as outlined on page 12.
- 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).
- Sea Island: The discharge of firearms is prohibited in the area on the foreshore of Sea Island (Vancouver International Airport) within the Westminster Land District.
- In Lower Mainland Region, hunting and the discharge of firearms are prohibited within 100 metres 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 office in Surrey.

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### MOUNTAIN GOAT

Management Units: 2-12 to 2-15  
Sept. 9 — Oct. 22 1  
Management Units: 2-6 to 2-8  
Sept. 9 — Sept. 24 1  
Management Unit: 2-5  
Sept. 9 — Oct. 8 1

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

### MULE (Black-tailed) DEER

Management Units: 2-4, 2-6 to 2-8, 2-12 to 2-15  
Bucks: Sept. 9 — Dec. 3 2  
Management Units 2-2, 2-3, 2-9, 2-10, 2-11  
Bucks: Sept. 9 — Dec. 17 2  
Management Unit: 2-5  
\*Bucks: Sept. 9 — Dec. 3 2  
\*\*Antlerless: Nov. 4 — Nov. 19 1

\*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. 2 — Sept. 8 2

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

**LER** — M.U.'s 2-2, 2-3, 2-9, 2-10, 2-11.

### BLACK BEAR

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-15  
Sept. 9 — Dec. 31/89 2  
Apr. 1 — June 15/90

### Special Weapons Seasons:

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-15  
Sept. 2 — Sept. 8/89 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  
Nov. 1 — Mar. 31 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 — Mar. 31 5

### BOBWHITE QUAIL

Management Unit 2-4  
Oct. 7 — Nov. 12 5(15)

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## PHEASANT (Cocks Only)

Management Units: 2-4, 2-8  
Oct. 7 — Nov. 12 **2(6)**

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

## PTARMIGAN

Management Units: 2-2, 2-3, 2-9 to 2-11  
Sept. 9 — Dec. 17 **5(15)**  
Management Units: 2-5 to 2-8, 2-12 to 2-15  
Sept. 9 — Dec. 3 **5(15)**

## GROUSE

### Blue, Spruce (Franklin) and Ruffed

Management Units: 2-2, 2-3, 2-9 to 2-11  
Sept. 9 — Dec. 17 **10(30)**  
Management Units: 2-4 to 2-8, 2-12 to 2-15  
Sept. 9 — Dec. 3 **10(30)**

### Special Weapons Seasons:

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-15  
Sept. 2 — Sept. 8 **10(30)**

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

## BLACK BRANT

Management Unit: 2-4  
Mar. 1 — Mar. 10 **3(6)**

Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 7.

## SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE

Management Units: 2-4, 2-5  
Oct. 7 — Nov. 26  
and **5(10)**  
Jan. 13 — Mar. 10

See the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 7.

See special area maps.

## BAND-TAILED PIGEONS

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

## DUCKS, COOTS, COMMON SNIPE

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-10, 2-12 to 2-15  
Oct. 7 — Jan. 21

Management Unit: 2-11  
Sept. 20 — Dec. 26

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

Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for ducks on page 7.

See special area maps.

## CANADA GEESE

Management Unit: 2-11  
Sept. 23 — Dec. 24 **5(10)**

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-4, 2-8 to 2-10  
Oct. 7 — Jan. 21 **2(4)**

Management Units: 2-5 to 2-7, 2-12 to 2-15  
Oct. 7 — Jan. 21 **5(10)**

Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for geese and on page 7.

See special area maps.

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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. 7 to Jan. 21 only.

Seasonal No Shooting Area: Shotguns with shot only from Sept. 1 — Jan. 31.



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

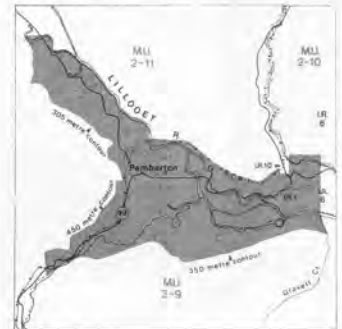
All persons hunting within those portions of M.U.'s 2-4 and 2-8 known as the Municipalities of Richmond, Delta, Surrey (including offshore areas), Langley, Abbotsford, Matsqui, Chilliwack, Maple Ridge, Pitt Meadows, Mission, Coquitlam and Electoral Area A of the Central Fraser Valley Regional District (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.



Map B3 Keats Island (situate in M.U. 2-5). The 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.

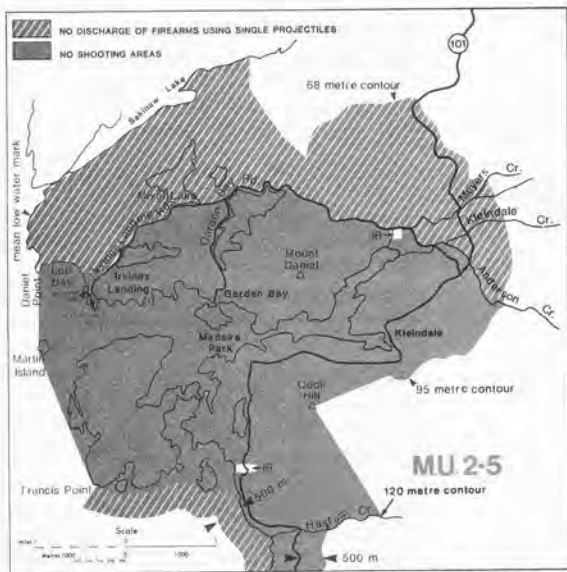


Map B6 Pemberton Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in M.U.'s 2-9, 2-10, 2-11). The discharge of firearms using a single projectile is prohibited.



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.

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



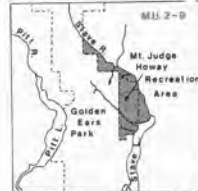
Map B14 Goat Island Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 2-12).



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



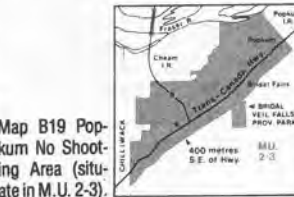
Map B16 Ashlu - Squamish Rivers Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 2-6).



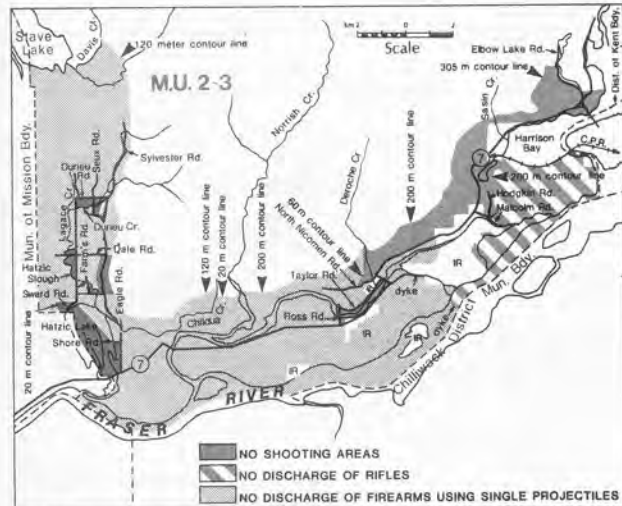
Map B17 Stave - Mt. Judge Howay Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 2-8).



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 B9 Nicomen No Shooting Area, Shotguns with Shot Only Area and No Discharge of Rifles Area (situate in M.U. 2-8).



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



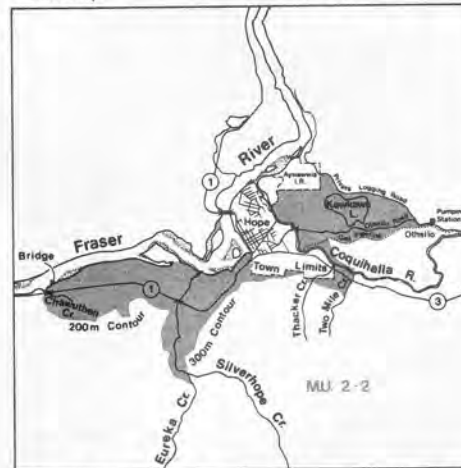
Map B21 Buntzen Lake No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-8).



Map B22 Elbow Lake No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-9).



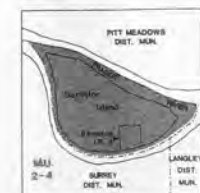
Map B23 Yale No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-10).



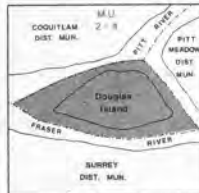
Map B24 Hope No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-2).



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.



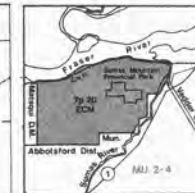
Map B12 Douglas Island Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in M.U. 2-4). The discharge of firearms using a single projectile is prohibited.



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



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



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

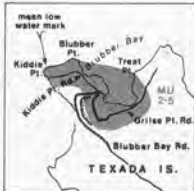
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Map B27 Vananda No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-5).



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 for mule (black-tailed) deer (black-tails) prohibited. Bucks: Sept. 2 to Dec. 17; Jan. 2 to Jan. 21. Antlerless: Oct. 7 to Dec. 17; Jan. 2 to Jan. 21. Bag Limit: 2(1). On Bowen Island hunting is prohibited within 150 metres 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).



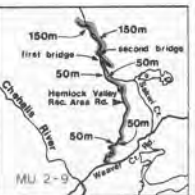
Map B32 Gillies Bay and Texada Junction No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 2-5).



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).



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 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.



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



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 Marmquam 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 B40 Boundary Bay Seasonal 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 B37 Whistler No Shooting Area (situate in M.U.'s 2-6, 2-7, 2-11).

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- Keep the meat free of hair, dirt and other contaminants.
- Cool the carcass out, and keep it cool. Don't expose it to heat from a car motor, fumes or road dust.

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(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

- There is no general open season for antlerless white-tailed deer. Please note changes in mule (black-tailed) deer and moose open seasons.
- The No Closed Seasons for black bear and cougar in the Thompson-Nicola Sub-region are being removed. Black bear seasons close December 15, 1989 with a scheduled spring and fall season planned for 1990. Cougar seasons close March 31, 1990. A fall opening is scheduled for this species.
- Please note changes in open seasons for wolf, coyote, fox and bobcat.
- A season for raccoon is opening in M.U.'s 3-26 and 3-27.

## LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING

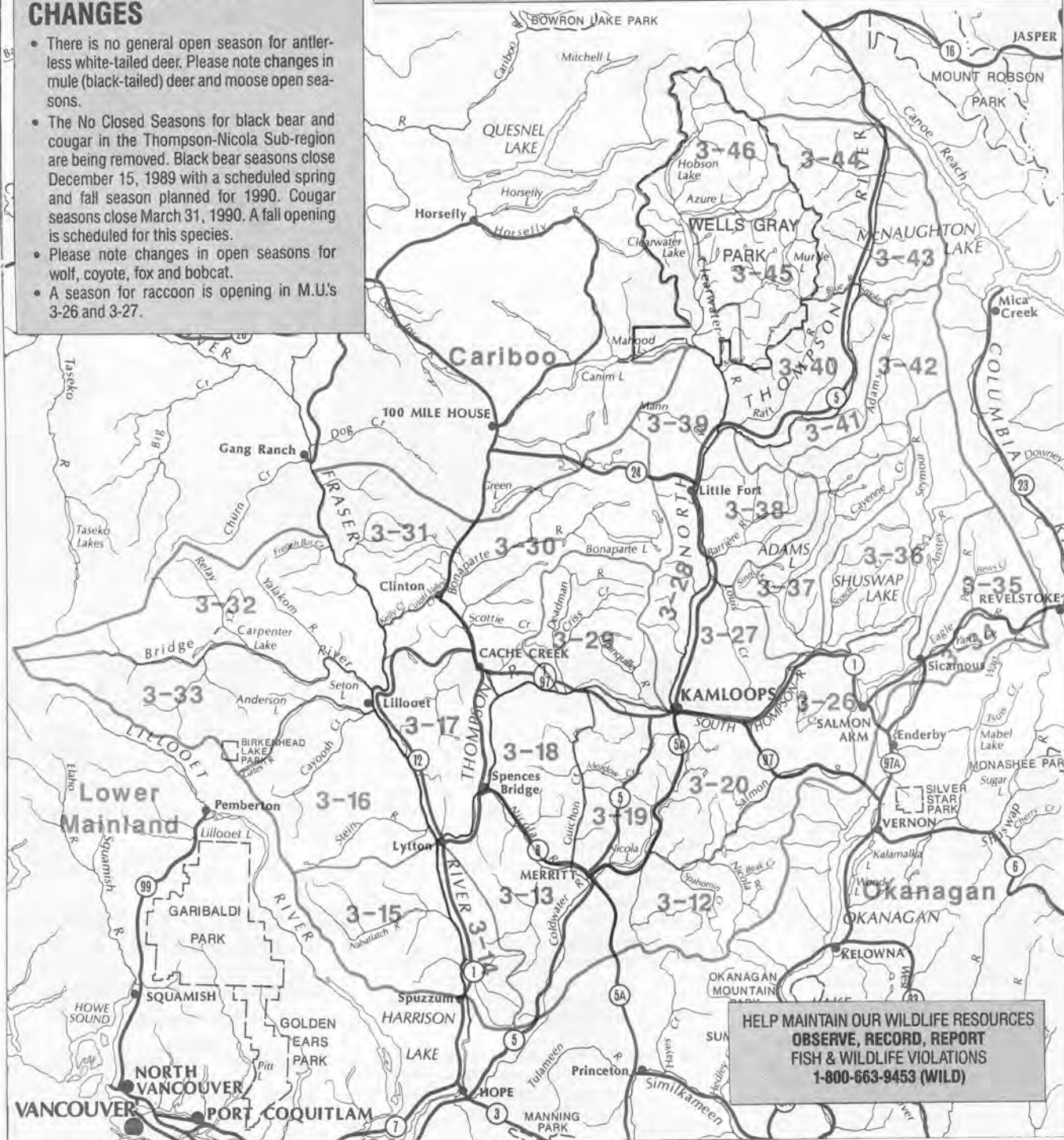
There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting seasons. See Limited Entry Hunting Section on page 12.

## BAG LIMITS

**Deer:** The aggregate bag limit for deer is two, one of which may be a mule (black-tailed) deer and one of which may be 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. See Compulsory Reporting section on page 10 for designated reporting centres and those portions of an animal which are required.





## SNOWMOBILE RESTRICTIONS

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

1. The operation of motor vehicles is prohibited or restricted in the following areas. Contact the Ministry of Environment 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. See Map C18 for snowmobile recreation area (open January 1 to April 30).
- Above the 1920 m elevation in M.U. 3-32 in the following areas:
  - China Head Mountain (excluding the Yalakom-Big Bar Road)
  - Nine Mile Ridge
  - Red Mountain — French Mountain
  - Hogback Mountain.
- Spruce Lake Closed Area in M.U. 3-32. See Map C19.

2. The operation of all motor vehicles to hunt wildlife, transport wildlife, transport firearms, or transport hunters to or from the location of wildlife is prohibited above the 1500 metre elevation on and about the Scarpent Range in M.U. 3-17.

## NOTICE TO HUNTERS

- **No Shooting Areas:** Hunters should note **Highway No Shooting Areas** as outlined on page 12.
- 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. See Convention on International Trade section on page 10.
- 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).

## 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 September 20 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)
- Stake-McConnell (M.U. 3-19).
- Wells Gray Park (M.U. 3-46): Open to the discharge of firearms from September 20 to May 31 during a lawful game hunting season.
- Wells Gray Recreation Area (M.U.'s 3-40, 3-46, 5-15).

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\*

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-14, 3-17 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-31, 3-34 to 3-41, 3-46

Bucks: Sept. 20 — Dec. 11 1

Management Units: 3-15, 3-16, 3-32, 3-33, 3-42 to 3-44

Bucks: Sept. 1 — Dec. 11 1

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44, 3-46

Antlerless: Oct. 21 — Oct. 29 1

\*Regional bag limit 1(1).

### WHITE-TAILED DEER

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44, 3-46

Bucks: Sept. 20 — Dec. 11 1

### MOOSE

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44, 3-46

Bulls: Oct. 10 — Oct. 31 1

### ELK (Bulls only)

Management Units: 3-13, 3-14, 3-37, 3-41, 3-42

Sept. 20 — Sept. 26 1

### BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP (Rams only)

Full curl or greater

Management Unit: 3-17

Sept. 20 — Oct. 4 1

3/4 curl or greater

Management Unit: 3-31

Sept. 20 — Oct. 4 1

Management Unit: 3-32

Sept. 1 — Oct. 15 1

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## GRIZZLY BEAR

Management Units: 3-16, 3-33

Apr. 1 — June 1/90

## BLACK BEAR

Management Units: 3-13 to 3-15, 3-18, 3-19, 3-28, 3-41, 3-46

Sept. 20 — Dec. 15/89 2

Apr. 1 — June 15/90

Management Units: 3-12, 3-16, 3-17, 3-20, 3-26, 3-27, 3-29 to 3-40, 3-43, 3-44

1989-90 Season closes Dec. 15/89

Season opens Apr. 1 — May 31/90 2

Management Unit: 3-42

Sept. 20 — Dec. 15/89 2

\*Apr. 1 — June 1/90

\*Bow and Arrow Only Season

## COUGAR

Management Units: 3-26, 3-27, 3-29, 3-34 to 3-36, 3-43, 3-44

1989-90 Season closes Mar. 31/90 1

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20, 3-28, 3-30 to 3-33, 3-38 to 3-41

1989-90 Season closes Mar. 31/90 2

Management Units: 3-37, 3-42

Sept. 20 — Mar. 31 2

## WOLF

Management Units: 3-16, 3-32, 3-33, 3-36, 3-40, 3-43, 3-44

Sept. 20 — Mar. 31 3

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-15, 3-17 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-31, 3-38, 3-39, 3-41

1989-90 Season closes Mar. 31/90 3

## COYOTE

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44

Sept. 20 — Mar. 31 NBL

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# THOMPSON-NICOLA SUB-REGION • OPEN SEASONS

## FOX

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-18, 3-26 to 3-28, 3-30 to 3-41  
Oct. 15 — Feb. 28 1

## SKUNK

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

## RACCOON

Management Units: 3-14 to 3-17, 3-26, 3-27, 3-32, 3-33  
No Closed Season **NBL**

## BOBCAT

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

## LYNX

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

## WOLVERINE

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

## PTARMIGAN

Management Units: 3-13 to 3-17, 3-31 to 3-39, 3-41 to 3-44  
Sept. 1 — Dec. 11 **5(15)**  
Management Unit: 3-46  
Sept. 20 — Dec. 11 **5(15)**

## GROUSE

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

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44  
Sept. 10 — Dec. 11 **5 of each (15 of each)**  
Management Unit: 3-46  
Sept. 20 — Dec. 11 **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, 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, 3-26 to 3-31  
Oct. 1 — Dec. 11 **3(9)**

## CHUKAR PARTRIDGE

Management Units: 3-12, 3-13, 3-16 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-33  
Oct. 1 — Dec. 11 **5(15)**

## BAND-TAILED PIGEONS

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

## 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. 20 — Dec. 26

### Bag Limits:

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

Please take note of the provincial daily bag limits for geese and ducks on page 7.

## MOURNING DOVES

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

## CONSERVATION OFFICER SERVICE DISTRICT OFFICES

### 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	Bag 4400, V0K 2B0, 378-9377

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



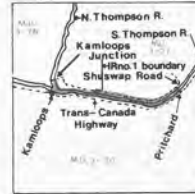
Map C1 Dewdrop/Mara Mountain Recreation Area (situate in M.U. 3-29). Mule (Black-tailed) Deer and White-tailed Deer Bucks Only Season: Sept. 20 to Oct. 21. Bag Limit: 1



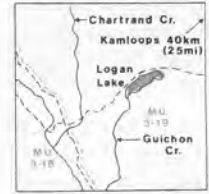
Map C2 Gun Lake Special Area (situate in M.U. 3-32). The open season for Antlered Mule (Black-tailed) Deer is Sept. 1 to Dec. 11, for Buck White-tailed Deer is Sept. 20 to Dec. 11. Bag Limit: 1. See No Shooting Area, Map C9.



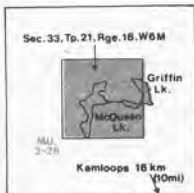
Map C3 Blind Bay No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 3-26).



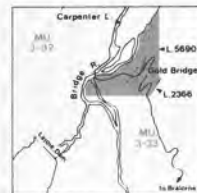
Map C4 Kamloops No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U.'s 3-19, 3-20, 3-27 and 3-28).



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).

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



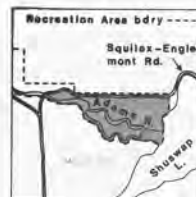
Map C11 Highland Valley No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 3-18).



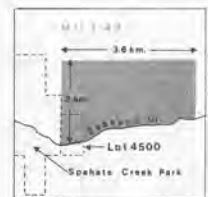
Map C12 Sicamous No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 3-26).



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



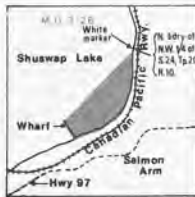
Map C14 Roderick Haig-Brown Recreation Area No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 3-37).



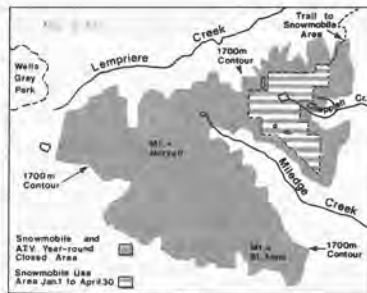
Map C15 Spahats Creek Camp No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 3-40).



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).



Map C18 Mileage, Chappell and Lempriere Creeks Vehicle Closed Area (situate in M.U. 3-44). Snowmobile recreation area open from Jan. 1 to Apr. 30.



Map C19 Spruce Lake Vehicle Closed Area (situate in M.U. 3-32). Closed from June 1 to Nov. 30 to the operation of all motor vehicles. Roads shown as dashed lines open year-round.

## HUNTING IS YOUR SPORT — HELP MANAGE IT!

To manage British Columbia's wildlife, the Ministry of Environment relies heavily upon information *only* the sportsmen and sportswomen of the province can supply. Because thousands of people must be contacted, and because this contact takes several forms, the process of gathering information is often supported by computer and special reporting procedures. The purpose of three of the major data collection procedures with which the B.C. hunter will come in contact is explained here.

### HUNTER SURVEYS

The single largest source of hunter activity and game harvest information is the annual **Hunter Sample Questionnaire**. Every January, a large portion of the B.C. residents who have purchased a hunting license in the previous year are sent a questionnaire. In 1987, some 83,500 questionnaires were mailed. Each questionnaire refers to the species for which a particular license was purchased and is designed for easy response. Hunters who have purchased several species licenses may receive questionnaires for more than one species.

All hunters receiving a questionnaire are asked to respond. Replies from sportsmen who did not get out hunting that season, or who were unsuccessful, are just as valuable to wildlife managers as the information from hunters who did bag an animal. Responses to those questionnaires are statistically expanded to represent the hunting activity of all licensed sportsmen for the past year. In addition to the standard questionnaire procedure, the Wildlife Branch will be testing telephone contact with some hunters this season.

### COMPULSORY INSPECTION

To manage wildlife we need population, age, sex, time and site specific information. Obtaining this information is critical for some species due to change in their populations, high public demand for their use and, in a few areas, their nuisance impact. Species of particular concern include those with low numbers relative to demand by hunters and those with a relatively low natural reproduction potential (e.g. grizzly bear, mountain goat, mountain sheep). The questionnaire can supply only part of the essential information. Local game checks can help, but are expensive to operate and have sampling limitations. The most efficient and effective way of getting needed information at the present time is a **compulsory inspection system**.

The associated tagging and registration system for all inspected hides, skulls or horns is required to facilitate verification of inspection of such animal parts in private or commercial (taxidermist) possession for enforcement purposes.

### TOOTH RETURN

Precise sex/age classification of the harvest is vital to good game management. In the past, game checks were the primary source of age information for deer, moose and elk. Age information is available for most other species from compulsory inspection. However, game checks do not provide for sufficient information to allow managing of populations on a watershed or herd basis in some areas. In addition, game checks are labour intensive and expensive, competing for limited available resources. To gain more information at less cost, the **voluntary tooth return program** is now operating on a province-wide basis.

### HOW INFORMATION IS USED

Information derived from contact with the sportsman through questionnaires, license purchase,

tooth returns and compulsory inspection is collated in numerous ways to provide a diagnosis of the status and health of animal herds.

The information tells the wildlife manager who is hunting, where they are hunting, how long they spend in the area, where animals are taken, and the age and sex as well as other biological information about the animal. In total the information tells the wildlife manager a lot about the population of animals in a given area of the province and also reveals hunters' habits and shows when periods of heavy harvest occur within a season in a given area. With this kind of information, managers can be very specific in plotting out hunting regulations for each year to reduce periods of heavy harvest in some areas, extend open seasons in other areas, and balance the needs of the animal population against the demand of the hunting public. The information may also point to areas where more investigation or more detailed monitoring is needed.

The Wildlife Program needs all the information it can obtain from sportsmen. The carefully designed mail-out surveys, compulsory inspection and voluntary tooth returns programs are critical to managing our game animals well. Failure of sportsmen to assist and cooperate leaves few alternatives for setting hunting season and bag limits. Without adequate data, managers have to set very conservative seasons to ensure an over-harvest will not occur. The manager's choices are then limited to restricting harvest by closing areas, reducing season lengths, or applying Limited Entry hunting. Allowing open hunting without sufficient information is unacceptable. It risks over-harvesting and jeopardizing the conservation of the resource.

Good information makes for good game management and good hunting!

### HUNTER TIP

Never assume a firearm is unloaded.

**KOOTENAY REGION**

(M.U.'s 4-1 to 4-9, 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.

**MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES**

- Black bear seasons are not open for female or other black bear in the company of two-year-old or younger black bear or for two-year-old or younger black bear.
- A season for wolf opens September 10 in M.U. 4-1.
- A number of minor amendments have been made to vehicle and road closures contained in this section.

**LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING**

There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting seasons. See Limited Entry Hunting seasons. See Limited Entry Hunting section on page 12.

**NOTE:** A bull moose Limited Entry Hunting season is being considered for 1990-91.

**BAG LIMITS**

**Deer:** The aggregate bag limit for deer is two in Kootenay Region. In M.U.'s 4-1 to 4-5, 4-20 to 4-26, 4-34 to 4-37, 4-40, the bag limit for white-tailed deer is one and the bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer is one. In M.U.'s 4-6 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-19, 4-27 to 4-33, 4-38 and 4-39, the aggregate bag limit for deer is two, only one of which may be a mule (black-tailed) deer. Both deer may be antlerless, but only one antlerless deer of each species may be taken under LEH.

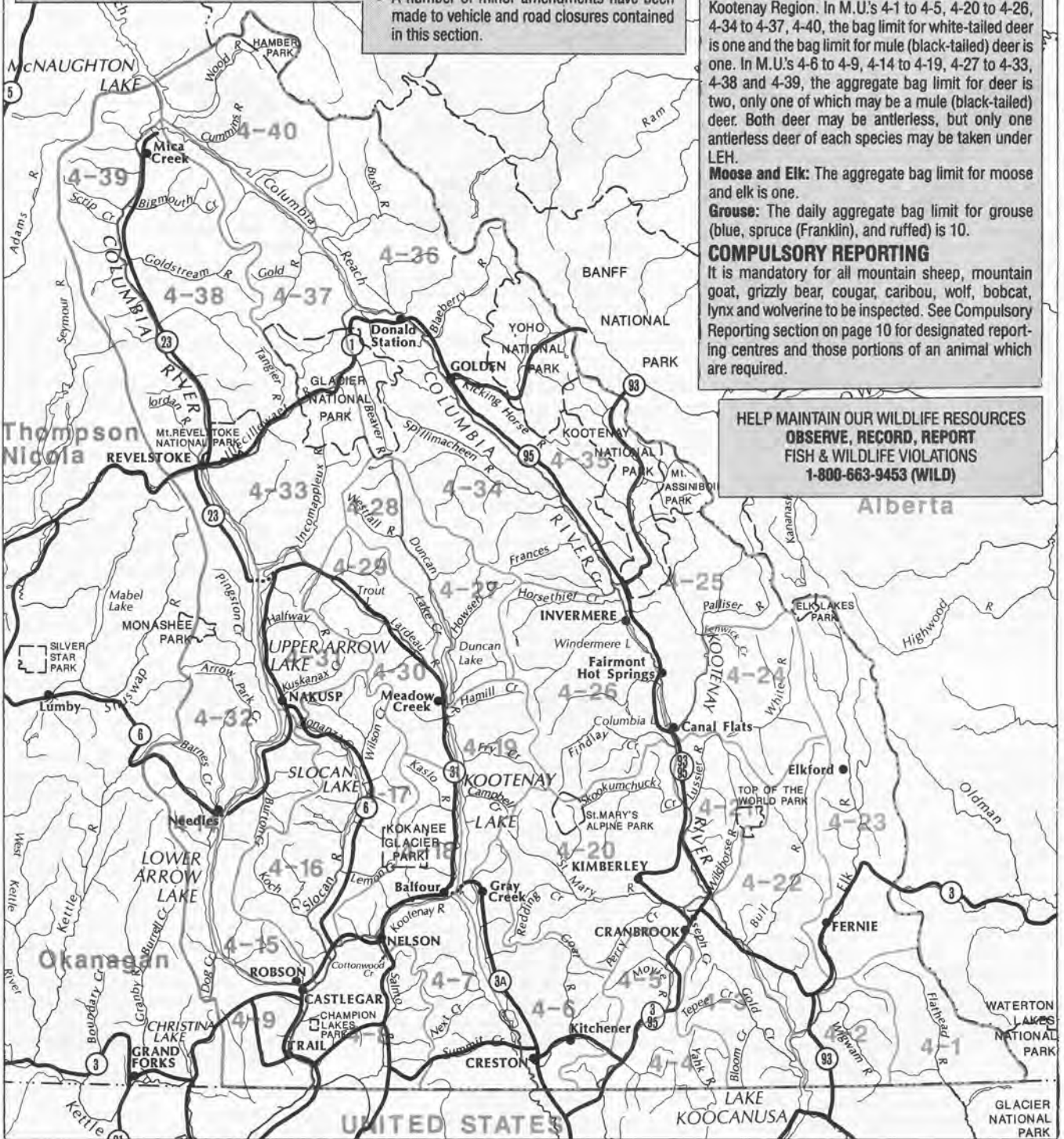
**Moose and Elk:** The aggregate bag limit for moose and elk is one.

**Grouse:** The daily aggregate bag limit for grouse (blue, spruce (Franklin), and ruffed) is 10.

**COMPULSORY REPORTING**

It is mandatory for all mountain sheep, mountain goat, grizzly bear, cougar, caribou, wolf, bobcat, lynx and wolverine to be inspected. See Compulsory Reporting section on page 10 for designated reporting centres and those portions of an animal which are required.

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## SNOWMOBILE AND VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS

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 offices for details.

- West of Canal Flats — prohibited from December 1 to April 30. (See Map D5).
- Premier Ridge — prohibited from December 1 to April 30 (See Map D4).
- Sportsman (Flathead) Ridge — year-round (See Map D30).
- Wigwam Flats — Mt. Broadwood — year-round (See Map D32).
- Powerplant area — year-round (See Map D31).
- Chauncey-Todhunter — year-round (See Map D29).
- That portion of the watershed of Goldie Creek upstream of the creek at the 5,000 foot (1525 metre) contour — year-round.
- Stoddart Creek — year-round
- Columbia Lake — year-round (See Map D14).
- 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 D2, D3, and D6. (year-round)

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 that portion of the Mutton Creek watershed upstream from the westerly boundary of Whiteswan Lake Provincial Park (M.U. 4-24), except for authorized industrial purposes.

5. The operation of all motor vehicles to hunt wildlife, transport wildlife, transport equipment and supplies which are intended for, or in support of hunting, except during the period between March 1 and March 31 and between July 1 and August 31, 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:

- Akamina Creek in M.U. 4-1,
- 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, Little Tower, Swanson and Haynes Creeks in M.U. 4-22,
- Blackfoot Creek in M.U. 4-24.
- Bloom Creek in M.U. 4-3,
- Bradford Creek in M.U. 4-20,
- Brewer Creek upstream from a point immediately downstream of its confluence with Thorald Creek in M.U. 4-26,
- Buhl Creek upstream from a point 0.5 km upstream of the Skookumchuck Creek bridge crossing near the confluence of Buhl Creek with Skookumchuck Creek,
- Burton Creek in M.U. 4-22,
- Caven Creek in M.U. 4-3,
- Copper Creek upstream of the Skookumchuck 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,
- Dainard Creek in M.U. 4-35,
- 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 in M.U. 4-38,
- Dutch Creek upstream of its confluence with Whitetail Creek,
- Elk Creek upstream from Whiterock Forestry Access road in M.U. 4-24,
- Fenwick Creek in M.U. 4-24,
- Haller Creek — Cherry Lake in M.U. 4-3,
- Irishman Creek west of Highway 3/95 in M.U. 4-5,
- Iron Creek in M.U. 4-22,
- Kishinena Creek in M.U. 4-1,
- Lavington Creek upstream of the 1110 metres elevation in M.U. 4-26,
- Leadville Creek in M.U. 4-6
- Little Sand Creek above the Galloway Road and Big Sand Creek upstream of its confluence with Whipster Creek in M.U. 4-22,
- Malde, Goodeve, Morris and Shepard Creeks in M.U. 4-9,
- McDermid Creek in M.U. 4-22
- Middlepass Creek in M.U. 4-1,
- Moose Creek in M.U. 4-35,
- Nilksuka Creek upstream from the North White River haul road in M.U. 4-24,
- Nine Mile Creek upstream of the 1300 metre elevation in M.U. 4-24,
- Patrick Creek flowing into Dewar Creek between Mt. Patrick and Mt. Manson upstream of the Dewar Creek access road in M.U. 4-20,
- Pedley Creek in M.U. 4-25,
- Quinn Creek upstream of its confluence with Alpine Creek in M.U. 4-22,
- Rialto Creek upstream from 7 km on the Keenlyside Dam Haul road,
- Skookumchuck Creek upstream from a point downstream 1 km from 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,
  - Tiger Creek upstream of the Gopher Creek crossing in M.U. 4-09,
  - Tunnel Creek upstream of Hwy #3 in M.U. 4-22,
  - Upper Beaverfoot River in M.U. 4-35,
  - the middle fork of White River in M.U. 4-24.
6. A person authorized to trap is exempt from the restrictions outlined in sections one and four with respect to the trapping of furbearing animals.
7. Forest Service Coordinated Access Plans are in effect in the following watersheds and Management Units. To determine which roads are physically closed please consult with the Cranbrook or Invermere Ministry of Environment office or Forest Service office.
- Flathead River, M.U. 4-1
  - St. Mary's River, M.U. 4-20
  - Bull River, M.U. 4-22
  - White River, M.U. 4-25
  - Findlay-Skookumchuck, M.U. 4-20, 4-26
  - Beaverfoot River, M.U. 4-35

## NOTICE TO HUNTERS

• Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf. See Convention on International Trade section on page 10.

• 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, and holders of a Limited Entry Hunting Authorization for moose are prohibited from taking any other moose 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.

• No Shooting Areas: Please take note of the Highway No Shooting Areas as outlined on page 12.

• Columbia Lake Park (M.U. 4-25) is closed to hunting. Hunters are permitted to carry firearms or bows only when in transit to an open area outside the park between September 10 and June 15.

## 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 September 10 to June 15 during a lawful game hunting season: Akamina-Kishinena Recreation Area (M.U. 4-1) 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)



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# KOOTENAY REGION • OPEN SEASONS

Elk Lakes Park (M.U. 4-23)  
 Elk Lakes Recreation Area (M.U. 4-23)  
 Elk Valley Park (M.U. 4-23)  
 Fry Creek Canyon Recreational Area (M.U. 4-19)  
 Hamber Park (M.U. 4-40)  
 Kikomun Creek Park (M.U. 4-22) See Map D19.  
 Marl Creek Park (M.U. 4-36)  
 McDonald Creek Park (M.U. 4-32) See Map D23.  
 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 D20.  
 Pilot Bay Park (M.U. 4-6)  
 Premier Lake Park (M.U. 4-21) See Map D21.  
 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)  
 Texas Creek (M.U. 4-10)  
 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 Galbraith and North Galbraith Creek drainage is prohibited.**

Valhalla Park (M.U. 4-16)  
 Whiteswan Lake Park (M.U. 4-24)  
 Kokanee Glacier Park and Kokanee Glacier Recreation Area (M.U.'s 4-17, 4-18) are 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

Management Units 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40  
 Bucks: Sept. 10 — Nov. 15 1

#### Bow and Arrow Only Season

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

See regional bag limit for deer on page 6.

**LEH** — M.U.'s 4-1 to 4-8, 4-14, 4-16 to 4-39.

### 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. 20

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

Bucks: Sept. 10 — Nov. 30

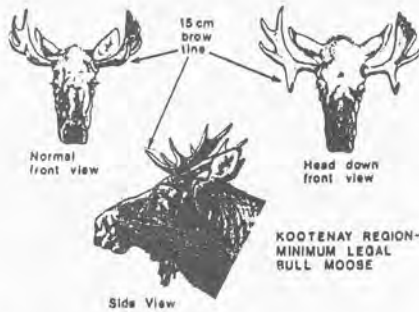
See regional bag limit for deer on page 6.

#### Bow and Arrow Only Season

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

See Map D1.

**LEH** — M.U.'s 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-36, 4-38, 4-39.



### MOOSE

Management Units: 4-38, 4-39

\*Bulls: Oct. 15 — Nov. 5 1

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

\*Bulls: Oct. 25 — Nov. 5 1

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

See Notice to Hunters on page 31.

See the regional bag limit for moose and elk on page 30.

### CARIBOU

Management Units: 4-37 to 4-40

Bulls: Sept. 10 — Oct. 5 1

See page 10 for the change in compulsory reporting requirements.

See Map D8.

### 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 — Nov. 30.

**LEH** — M.U. 4-37

### BLACK BEAR

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

Sept. 10 — Nov. 30/89 2

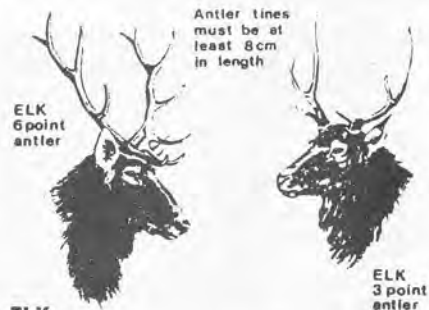
Apr. 1 — June 30/90

#### Bow and Arrow Only Season

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

Sept. 1 — Sept. 9/89 2

*There is no open season on female or other black bear in the company of two-year-old or younger black bear or on two-year-old or younger black bear. Do not shoot any black bear when observed in a family unit.*



### ELK

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

\*Bulls: Sept. 10 — Oct. 20 1

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

\*\*Bulls: Oct. 21 — Nov. 5 1

Management Unit: 4-18

\*\*Bulls: Sept. 10 — Nov. 5 1

Management Units: 4-6, 4-7, 4-19, 4-27 to 4-30

Bulls: Sept. 10 — Nov. 5 1

#### Bow and Arrow Only Season

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

\*Bulls: Sept. 5 — Sept. 9

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

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

*The antlers of bull elk must accompany the species licence.*

*Hunters are required to submit the antlers and the lower jaw or incisor tooth of any archery-killed elk within 10 days of the kill.*

See Notice to Hunters on page 29.

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

**LEH** — See Maps D33, D34, D35, D36, Also M.U.'s 4-1 to 4-7, 4-20 to 4-30, 4-34 to 4-36.

### BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP (Rams only)

#### Full curl or greater

Management Units: 4-1, 4-21 to 4-24, 4-35

Sept. 10 — Oct. 25 1

Management Units: 4-2, 4-25\*

Sept. 10 — Oct. 20 1

*\*In those portions of M.U. 4-25 east of the Kootenay River including that portion of Mt. Assiniboine Park (outside of LEH zone), the season is from Sept. 10 — Oct. 25.*

**LEH** — See Maps D37, D38, D39.

## CONSERVATION OFFICER SERVICE DISTRICT OFFICES

**Kootenay**  
 Castlegar 2205-14th Ave., V1N 3M7,  
 365-8522  
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 489-4225)

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 428-3220  
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 423-7551  
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 Box 1313, V0A 1H0,  
 344-7101

**Invermere**  
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**Nakusp**  
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**Nelson**  
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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 — Mar. 10 1

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

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

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

**WOLF**

Management Units: 4-1\*, 4-2\* to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40  
Sept. 10 — Feb. 28 2

\*When the harvest of two adult females (older than 12 months) or the maximum allowable harvest (determined after this season's breeding success) have been reached, the season in M.U. 4-1 or M.U. 4-2 will be closed.

In those portions of M.U.'s 4-2, 4-3, 4-20 to 4-22, 4-24 to 4-26, 4-34 to 4-37 and 4-40 in the East Kootenay Trench, below 1100 metres in elevation, there is no closed season.

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

**COYOTE**

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

**RACCOON, SKUNK**

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

**BOBCAT**

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40  
Nov. 15 — Feb. 28 3

**LYNX**

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40  
Nov. 15 — Feb. 28 1

**WOLVERINE**

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

**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.

**PHEASANT (Cocks Only)**

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

Daily Limit: 3

Possession Limit: 6

Season Limit: 12

**GROUSE**

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

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

**PTARMIGAN**

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

**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 7.

See Map D7.

**MOURNING DOVES**

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40  
Sept. 1 — Nov. 30 10(20)

**DUCKS, COOTS, COMMON SNIPE, 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. 15

Bag Limits:

Ducks: 8(16)

Coots: 10(20)

Common snipe: 10(20)

Snow geese: 5(10)

Ross' geese: 5(10)

Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 7.

**QUALITY HUNTING DOES NOT HAPPEN BY CHANCE**

With increasing demands on our resources by all users, major strategy plans have been implemented in the Kootenay Region.

**Resource Management Planning**

Integrated planning with other resource users:

- protects the land base
- provides for public involvement
- increases joint venture habitat enhancement
- improves wildlife habitat

**Selective Hunting Strategies**

Limited entry hunting and trophy regulations

- improve big game populations
- restore sex and age ratios
- increase hunter success
- involve hunters in wildlife management

**Access Management**

Selected roads have been closed to:

- provide for recreational diversity
- prevent vehicular harassment
- regulate wildlife population numbers
- restore wildlife habitat

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**KOOTENAY SPECIAL AREAS, CLOSED AREAS, NO SHOOTING AREAS, LEH 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 Pickering Hills Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 4-22).



Map D3 Duncan — Lardeau Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 4-30). The operation of motor vehicles is prohibited except on Highway 31.

# KOOTENAY SPECIAL AREAS, CLOSED AREAS, NO SHOOTING AREAS, LEH AREAS



Map D4 Premier Ridge Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 4-21). Roads shown as dashed lines are open May 1 to Nov. 30.



Map D6 Sheep Mountain Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 4-22). Highlighted dashed roads are open year-round.



Map D10 Freeman Creek No Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-4).



Map D13 Whiteswan Park No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 4-24).



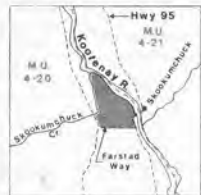
Map D16 Selkirk No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-7 and 4-8). This closure has been established to protect endangered mountain caribou. Incorporates Stagleap Park.



Map D5 Dutch-Findlay Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 4-26). Roads shown as solid lines are open year-round; roads shown as dashed lines are open May 1 to Nov. 30.



Map D7 Kootenay River Canada Goose Closed Area (situate in M.U.'s 4-3, 4-20, 4-21, 4-22).



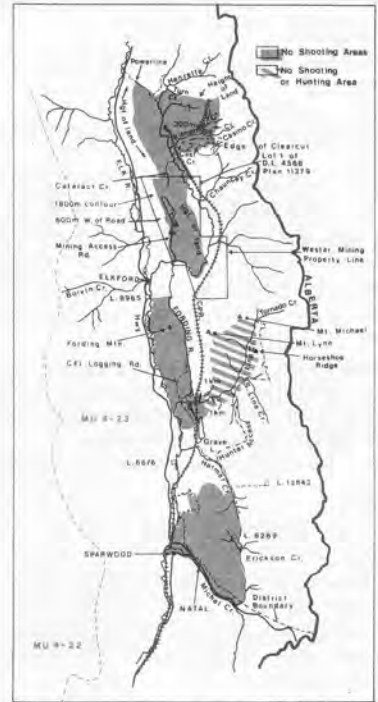
Map D11 Skookumchuck Pulp Mill No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 4-20).



Map D8 Jordan River Caribou Closed Area (situate in M.U. 4-39).



Map D12 Elizabeth Lake No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 4-3).



Map D9 Crows Nest Resources, Forging Coal, Westar Mining, Greenhills and Forging Mountain No Shooting Areas and Line Creek No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-23). Mine No Shooting Areas and No Shooting or Hunting Area are situated on private property and permission from companies is required prior to entry.

**The operation of motor vehicles is prohibited except on roads shown as open on Maps D2, D4, D5 and D6.**



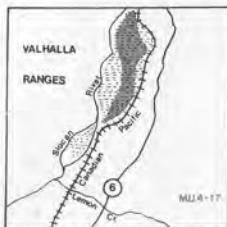
Map D14 Columbia Lake Vehicle Closed Area (situate in M.U. 4-25). Closed year-round to the operation of all motor vehicles. Roads shown as dashed lines are open May 1 to Nov. 30.



Map D15 Byron Creek Collieries No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 4-23).



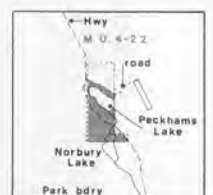
Map D19 Kikumun Creek Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-22). Closed area is portion inside internal range fence.



Map D17 Walter Clough Wildlife Management Area No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-17).



Map D18 Argenta Marsh Wildlife Management Area No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-19).



Map D20 Norbury Lakes Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-22).



# KOOTENAY SPECIAL AREAS, CLOSED AREAS, NO SHOOTING AREAS, LEH AREAS



Map D21 Premier Lake Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-21).



Map D22 Mount Assiniboine Park No Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-25).



Map D23 McDonald Creek Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-15).



Map D24 Columbia Lake and River Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in M.U.'s 4-25, 4-26). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.



Map D25 Shaw Creek Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in M.U. 4-7). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.



Map D26 McDougall Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in M.U. 4-1). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms or operation of motor vehicles.



Map D27 Bergenham and Moberly Marsh Wildlife Sanctuaries (situate in M.U. 4-36). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.



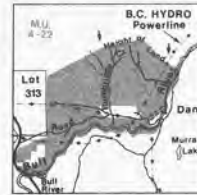
Map D28 Wasa Slough Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in M.U. 4-21). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.



Map D29 Chauncey-Todhunter Vehicle Closed Area (situate in M.U. 4-23). Closed year-round to the operation of all vehicles. Roads shown as dashed lines are open June 16 to Aug. 31; roads shown as solid lines are open year-round.



Map D30 Sportsman (Flathead) Ridge Vehicle Closed Area (situate in M.U. 4-2). Closed year-round to the operation of all vehicles. Road shown in white open year-round.



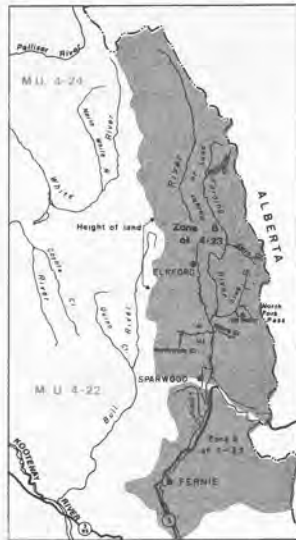
Map D31 Powerplant Vehicle Closed Area (situate in M.U. 4-22). Closed year-round to the operation of all vehicles. Roads shown as solid lines are open year-round; roads shown as dashed lines are open May 1 to Nov. 30.



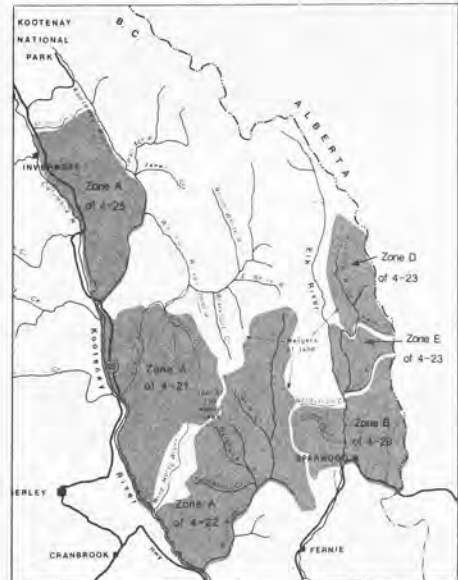
Map D32 Wigwam Flats - Mt. Broadwood Vehicle Closed Area (situate in M.U. 4-2). Closed year-round to the operation of all vehicles. Roads shown in white open June 15 to July 15. River Road is open year-round.



Map D33 Kootenay Elk Early Season Limited Entry Hunting Areas (situate in M.U.'s 4-2, 4-3, 4-20 to 4-22, 4-25).



Map D36 Kootenay Elk Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-23).



Map D39 Kootenay Mountain Sheep Limited Entry Hunting Areas (situate in M.U.'s 4-21, 4-22, 4-23, 4-25).



Map D34 Kootenay Elk Limited Entry Hunting Areas (situate in M.U.'s 4-6, 4-7).



Map D35 Kootenay Elk Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-17).



Map D37 Phillips Creek Mountain Sheep Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-2).



Map D38 Mt. Assiniboine Park Mountain Sheep Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 4-25).

**CARIBOO SUB-REGION**

(M.U.'s 5-1 to 5-16)

Regional Headquarters — Plaza 400-1011-4th Avenue, Prince George, V2L 3H9

Sub-regional Office — 540 Borland Street, Williams Lake, V2G 1R8

District Offices — Alexis Creek, Quesnel, Hagensborg, 100 Mile House, Williams Lake

**MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES**

- A number of vehicle and road closure restrictions have been removed for the Cariboo Sub-region.
- Please note the introduction of No Shooting Areas in M.U.'s 5-2 and 5-3. See Maps E11 and E26.

**LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING**

There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting seasons. See Limited Entry Hunting section on page 12.

**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. See Compulsory Reporting Section on page 10 for designated reporting centres and those portions of an animal which are required.

**BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP**

**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.

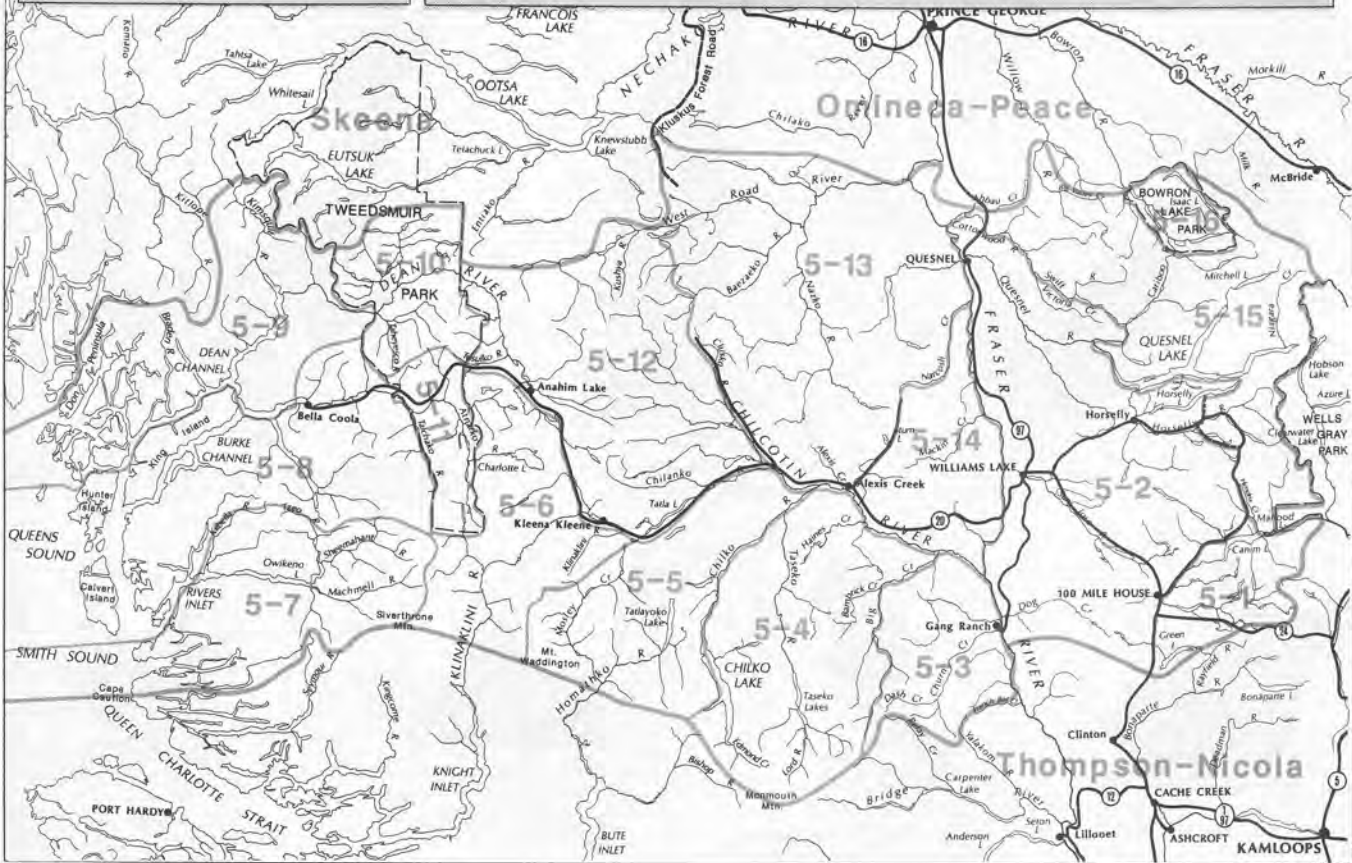
**VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS**

- The operation of all motor vehicles for the purpose of hunting, to transport wildlife, to transport equipment and supplies which are intended for, or in support of hunting, or to transport hunters to or from the location of wildlife is prohibited on the following roads:
  - Clusko-Tzazati Forest Service Road from its intersection with the southerly boundary of D.L. 3431 (situate in M.U. 5-13). Vehicular access sign is posted.
  - Clusko-Thunder Mountain Forest Service Road (No. 7365) from a point 5 km (3 miles) north of the junction of the Clusko-Thunder Mountain For-

est Service Road and the Clusko River (situate in M.U. 5-12).

- The Nusatsum-Noeick 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 Forest Service Road (Ministry of Forests Project 7672) westerly from km 50 (situate in M.U. 5-12 and 5-13).
- Roaring River Road (situate in M.U. 5-12) from April 15 to June 15.
- the Neechanz Forestry Development Road (situate in M.U. 5-7).
- Clusko-Aneko Forest Service Road commencing at km 71 (situate in M.U. 5-13).
- Red Mountain Mining Road and Battlement Ridge Mining Road from September 1 to October 15 (situate in M.U. 5-4).
- All areas above the 1520 metres elevation in the area shown on Map E7.
- 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 September 1 to November 27.
- The operation of all motor vehicles is prohibited year-round in the area shown on Map E3.

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**NOTICE TO HUNTERS**

- The hunting of big game (see definition) is prohibited within .4 km (1/4 mile) of either side of the centre line of the following roads:
  - Tatlayoko Road and any side roads to Tatlayoko Road southerly from the north end of Tatlayoko Lake (situate in M.U. 5-5).
  - "J" Road and all branch roads from its intersection with the Nyland-Sundberg Forest Service Road (situate in M.U. 5-2).
  - West Fraser Road (No. 32, Ministry of Transportation and Highways) from the City of Quesnel city limits southerly to the Marguerite Ferry turn-off (situate in M.U.'s 5-13, 5-14).
  - Horn-Bluff Lakes Road (situate in M.U. 5-5). See Map E25.
  - Holtry Creek Forest Service Road (Morrison Meadow Road) easterly of the west boundary of Lot 1677, Range 3, Coast Land District (situate in M.U. 5-12). Vehicular access sign posted.
- There are special vehicle restrictions in the Junction Mountain Sheep area in M.U. 5-14. See Map E27.
- Hunting is prohibited in M.U. 5-16 (Bowron Lake Provincial Park).
- Hunting is prohibited in portions of Tweedsmuir Park. See Map F17, page 45.
- Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf. See Convention on International Trade section on page 10.
- Between March 1 and August 31, hunting, trapping and the discharge of firearms are prohibited within the Stum (Pelican) Lake Provincial Park. The area includes all of Stum Lake below the high water mark and all of the islands (M.U. 5-13).
- Please avoid shooting collared big game animals in the Cariboo Sub-region. See Collared Wildlife section on page 4.
- 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.

- **Fire!** While prescribed burns benefit wildlife, uncontrolled fires have adverse effects on wildlife. As the Chilcotin Forest District has experienced an increasing drought situation for the past seven years, caution with fires is required. During the hunting season, the nights may be cool but conditions are drier than they have been in the past. Extra precautions with campfires are necessary, not only to protect our forests but also your safety and personal belongings. **Please be careful to extinguish your campfire completely before leaving camp.** Copies of the official campfire regulations are available from the nearest Forest Service office.

- **No Shooting Areas: Hunters should note the Highway No Shooting Areas as outlined on page 12.**

- Hunting and the discharge of firearms is prohibited within 100 metres of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans spawning channel on the Nekite River in M.U. 5-7.

- The discharge of firearms is prohibited on Lot 8125, Cariboo District on which Big Lake School is located.

- The discharge of firearms is prohibited in Snootli Creek Park in M.U. 5-8.

**PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS**

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

- Fiordland Recreation Area (M.U. 5-9)
- Hakai Recreation Area (M.U. 5-8)
- Stum (Pelican) Lake Provincial Park (M.U. 5-13)
- Tweedsmuir Park and Recreation Area (M.U.'s 5-10, 5-11, 6-1, 6-2) See Map F17, page 45.

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

**HUNTER TIP**

Store firearms and ammunition securely and separately.

**CARIBOO SUB-REGION — OPEN SEASONS**

**MOOSE**

Management Unit: 5-1  
 Bulls: Sept. 10 — Sept. 26 1  
 Oct. 4 — Oct. 15  
 Management Unit: 5-11  
 Bulls: Sept. 10 — Oct. 22 1  
 Management Units: 5-2 to 5-4, 5-13 to 5-15  
 Bulls: Sept. 10 — Sept. 26 1  
 Oct. 4 — Nov. 19  
 Management Units: 5-5, 5-6, 5-10, 5-12  
 Bulls: Sept. 10 — Nov. 19 1(1)  
 Antlerless: Nov. 1 — Nov. 3  
 See special area maps, E28.

**LEH** — See Maps E32, E33, Also M.U.'s 5-1, 5-3, 5-14, 5-15.

**BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP (Rams Only)**

Full curl or greater  
 Management Unit: 5-3  
 Sept. 1 — Oct. 15 1  
 3/4 curl or greater  
 Management Unit: 5-4\*  
 Sept. 1 — Oct. 15 1

\*Hunters should note that the mountain sheep season on Nemaia Mountain in M.U. 5-4 may be closed if the resident harvest level exceeds five rams.

**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. 23 1  
 Management Unit: 5-15  
 Sept. 1 — Sept. 25 1

See Maps E2, E4, E5, E6, E7, E8.

**LEH** — See Maps E33, E34, E35, E36.

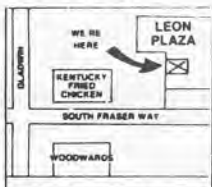
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**MULE (Black-tailed) DEER**

Management Units 5-1, 5-2, 5-12 to 5-14  
 Bucks: Sept. 20 — Nov. 26 2  
 Management Units: 5-10, 5-11  
 Bucks: Sept. 10 — Nov. 26 2  
 Management Units 5-3, 5-6, 5-15  
 Bucks: Sept. 1 — Nov. 26 2  
 Management Units 5-7 to 5-9  
 Bucks: Sept. 10 — Nov. 5 2  
 Management Units 5-1 to 5-6, 5-13 to 5-15  
 \*Bucks: Dec. 2 — Dec. 8 2  
 Management Unit: 5-8  
 \*\*Bucks: Dec 15 — Dec. 31 2  
 Management Units: 5-1 to 5-6, 5-10 to 5-15  
 Antlerless: Oct. 21 — Oct. 29 1

\*Open only for bucks with four or more points (tines) on one antler. Antler points (tines) must be at least 8 cm (3 inches) in length. The antlers must accompany the species licence.

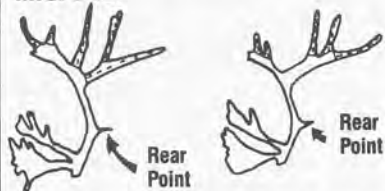
\*\*Open only for bucks with three or more points (tines) on one antler. Antler points (tines) must be at least 8 cm (3 inches) in length. The antlers must accompany the species licence.

Please take note of the regional bag limit for deer on page 36.

See Map E1 for open seasons in M.U.'s 5-4 and 5-5. See special area maps.

LEH — M.U. 5-5.

**MATURE BULL CARIBOU**  
 M.U. 5-12



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

**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. 16 1

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

Management Unit: 5-15  
 Bulls: Sept. 1 — Oct. 10 1

LEH — M.U. 5-12.

**GRIZZLY BEAR**

Management Unit: 5-7  
 Oct. 1 — Oct. 31 1  
 Apr. 1 — May 31/90  
 Management Units: 5-8 to 5-9  
 Sept. 10 — Dec. 4/89 1  
 Apr. 1 — May 31/90  
 Management Units: 5-3 to 5-6, 5-12, 5-13, 5-15  
 Apr. 15 — June 15/90 1

See Maps E9, E10.  
 LEH — See Map E31.

**BLACK BEAR**

Management Units: 5-3 to 5-6, 5-10 to 5-13, 5-15  
 Sept. 1 — Nov. 27/89 2  
 Apr. 15 — June 30/90  
 Management Units: 5-7 to 5-9  
 Sept. 1 — Dec. 4/89 2  
 Apr. 15 — June 30/90  
 Management Units: 5-1, 5-2, 5-14  
 No Closed Season 2

**WOLF**

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15  
 No Closed Season 10  
 Management Units: 5-10, 5-11  
 Sept. 1 — Mar. 31 3

**COUGAR**

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15  
 Nov. 15 — May 31 2  
 Hunters are requested not to shoot lactating cougar, cougar in the company of lactating cougar, or cougar kittens. Should the total resident harvest of female and young cougar exceed 10, the season may be closed.  
 See Map E30.

**COYOTE**

Management Units: 5-2, 5-3, 5-14  
 No Closed Season NBL  
 Management Units: 5-1, 5-4 to 5-12, 5-13, 5-15  
 Sept. 10 — Feb. 28 NBL

**FOX**

Management Unit: 5-8  
 Oct. 15 — Feb. 28 NBL

**BOBCAT**

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-15  
 Nov. 15 — Feb. 15 2

**GROUSE**

**Blue, Spruce (Franklin) and Ruffed**  
 Management Units: 5-1 to 5-15  
 Sept. 10 — Nov. 27 10 of each (30 of each)

**SHARP-TAILED GROUSE**

Management Units: 5-2 to 5-6, 5-12 to 5-14  
 Sept. 10 — Nov. 27 8(16)

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

## 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. 27  
Daily Limit: **3(only 1 hen)**  
Possession Limit: **9(only 3 hens)**

## CHUKAR PARTRIDGE

Management Unit: 5-3  
Sept. 10 — Nov. 27 **8(24)**

## RAVEN

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-15  
Mar. 1 — May 31 **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)**

## HUNTER TIP

Always take a first aid survival kit and compass with you.

## 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: **8(16)**  
Coots: **10(20)**  
Snow geese: **5(10)**  
Ross' geese: **5(10)**  
White-fronted geese: **5(10)**  
Canada geese: **5(10)**  
Common snipe: **10(20)**  
*Please take note of the provincial daily bag limits for geese and ducks on page 7.*

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



Map E1 Cariboo Mule (Black-tailed) Deer Sub-unit Divisions (situate in M.U.'s 5-4 and 5-5).  
5-4A and 5-5A  
Bucks: Sept. 1 — Nov. 26 **2(1)**  
Antlerless: Oct. 21 — Oct. 29  
5-4B and 5-5B  
Bucks: Sept. 20 — Nov. 26 **2(1)**  
Antlerless: Oct. 21 — Oct. 29



Map E7 Potato Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 5-5). For vehicle restriction, see page 36.



Map E12 Highway 20 No Shooting area (situate in M.U.'s 5-10, 5-11) extends 0.4 km either side of the centreline from Bella Coola to the easterly boundary of Tweedsmuir Park. The hunting of all wildlife species is prohibited.



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**



Map E8 Mt. Spranger Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 5-15).



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



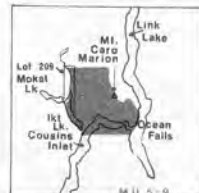
Map E16 Gibraltar Mines No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 5-2).



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



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



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



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



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



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



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



Map E5 Goose Range and Eureka-Deception Mountain Goat Closed Areas (situate in M.U. 5-15).



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



Map E11 100 Mile House No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 5-2).

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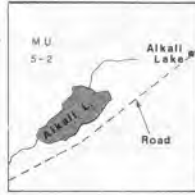
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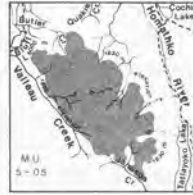
Map E18 Tibbles Road No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 5-13).



Map E19 Williams Lake River 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 Valieu Creek Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 5-5).



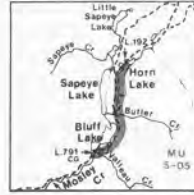
Map E22 Churn Creek Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 5-3).



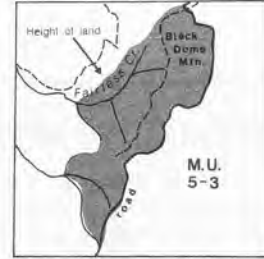
Map E23 Ghost Lake Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 5-15).



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



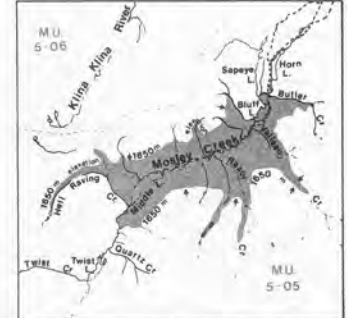
Map E25 Horn-Bluff Lakes Road Restriction (situate in M.U. 5-5). The hunting of big game is prohibited.



Map E26 Blackdome Mtn No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 5-3).



Map E27 Junction Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 5-14). Closed year-round to the operation of all motor vehicles. Road shown in white open Apr. 1 to Nov. 30.



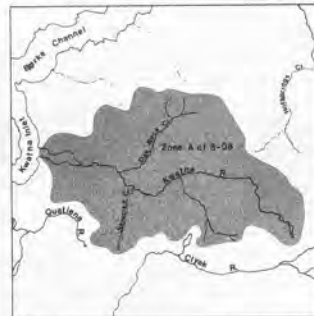
Map E28 Bluff-Middle Lake Moose Closed Area (situate in M.U. 5-5).



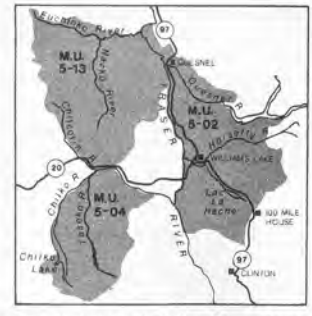
Map E29 Junction Hound Closed Area (situate in M.U. 5-14). The use of dogs to hunt all wildlife except game birds is prohibited.



Map E30 Riske Creek Cougar Closed Area (situate in M.U.'s 5-3, 5-4, 5-14).



Map E31 Kwatna Grizzly Bear Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 5-8).



Map E32 Cariboo Antlerless Moose Limited Entry Hunting Areas (situate in M.U.'s 5-2, 5-4, 5-13).



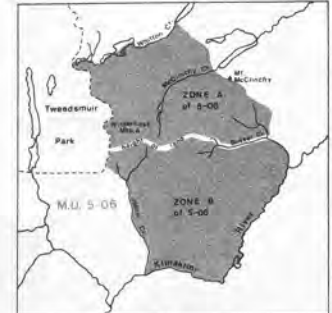
Map E33 Yohetta Mountain Goat and Bull Moose Limited Entry Hunting Areas (for Mountain Goat M.U. 5-4, zones A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, J; for Moose M.U. 5-4, zones B, C, D, E, F, G, H).



Map E34 Eureka/Boss Deception Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 5-15).



Map E35 Cherry Creek Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 5-6).



Map E36 Jobin-McClinchy Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 5-16).

**MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES**

- A calf season for moose has been opened in M.U.'s 6-4 to 6-6, 6-8 and 6-9.
- Several new No Shooting areas have been established for the 1989-90 season. See special area maps.

**LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING**

There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting seasons. Portions of some M.U.'s are under LEH only. See Limited Entry Hunting section on page 12.

**BAG LIMITS**

**Deer:** The bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer is one, except in M.U.'s 6-12 and 6-13 where the season bag limit is 10.

**Grouse:** The daily aggregate bag limit for grouse (blue, spruce (Franklin), ruffed and sharp-tailed) is 10.

**SNOWMOBILE AND SHOW VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS**

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 6-4, 6-5, 6-6, 6-8, 6-9, 6-15 and 6-17B, except as authorized by permit by the Ministry of Environment.

**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 (1/4 mile) from any ferry landing site within M.U. 6-2 from October 18 to December 1.
- 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 F14.

**COMPULSORY REPORTING**

It is mandatory for all mountain sheep, mountain goat, grizzly bear, cougar, caribou, bobcat, lynx and wolverine to be inspected. See Compulsory Reporting section on page 10 for designated reporting centres and those portions of an animal which are required.

**NOTICE TO HUNTERS**

- The hunting of big game (see definition) is prohibited within .4 km (1/4 mile) of either side of the centreline of the following roads:
  - Equity Mine Road southerly and easterly from Houston to the Equity Mine site; and
  - Topley — Babine Lake Road northerly from Topley to Babine Lake at Topley Landing.
- The hunting of big game is prohibited within 2 km of either side of the Muddy Lake/Golden Bear Access Road.
- White (Kermode) and blue (Glacier) colour phases of the black bear are closed to hunting throughout the Skeena Region. Note that these animals are rarely pure in colour, and are usually somewhat dirty. Hunters should pass up any very

light-coloured black bear.

- 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 for further details.
- Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf. See Convention on International Trade section on page 10.
- 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 or grizzly bear. See Collared Wildlife Section on page 4.
- **No Shooting Areas: Hunters should note the Highway No Shooting Areas as outlined on page 12.**
  - Hunters, while returning from hunting, are required to keep the lower jaw, including the incisor teeth, of a calf moose taken in the Skeena Region, and the species licence under which the moose was taken together and available for inspection by an officer of the Ministry of Environment.

**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, F16.

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

Fiordland Recreation Area (M.U.'s 6-3, 5-9).

Gitnadoix Recreation Area (M.U. 6-10).

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

Spatsizi Plateau Wilderness Park (M.U. 6-20). See Maps F7, F11.

Stikine River Recreation Area (M.U.'s 6-19, 6-20, 6-21, 6-22).

Tweedsmuir Park and Recreation Area (M.U.'s 5-10, 5-11, 6-1, 6-2, 6-4) See Map F17.

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

Map F15.

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 REGION — OPEN SEASONS**

**MULE (Black-tailed) DEER**

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-11, 6-14 to 6-18

Bucks: Sept. 10 — Oct. 31 1

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-11, 6-14 to 6-18

\*Bucks: Nov. 1 — Nov. 15 1

Management Units: 6-12, 6-13

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, 6-15

Bucks: Sept. 1 — Sept. 9 1

\*Nov. 16 — Nov. 30

\*Open only for bucks that have four or more points (tines) on one antler. Each point (tine) must be at least 8 cm (3 inches) 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.

**LEH** — M.U.'s 6-4, 6-8, 6-9.

**ELK**

Management Unit: 6-13

Bulls: 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 F16.

**LEH** — See Maps F32, F39, F40, F41.

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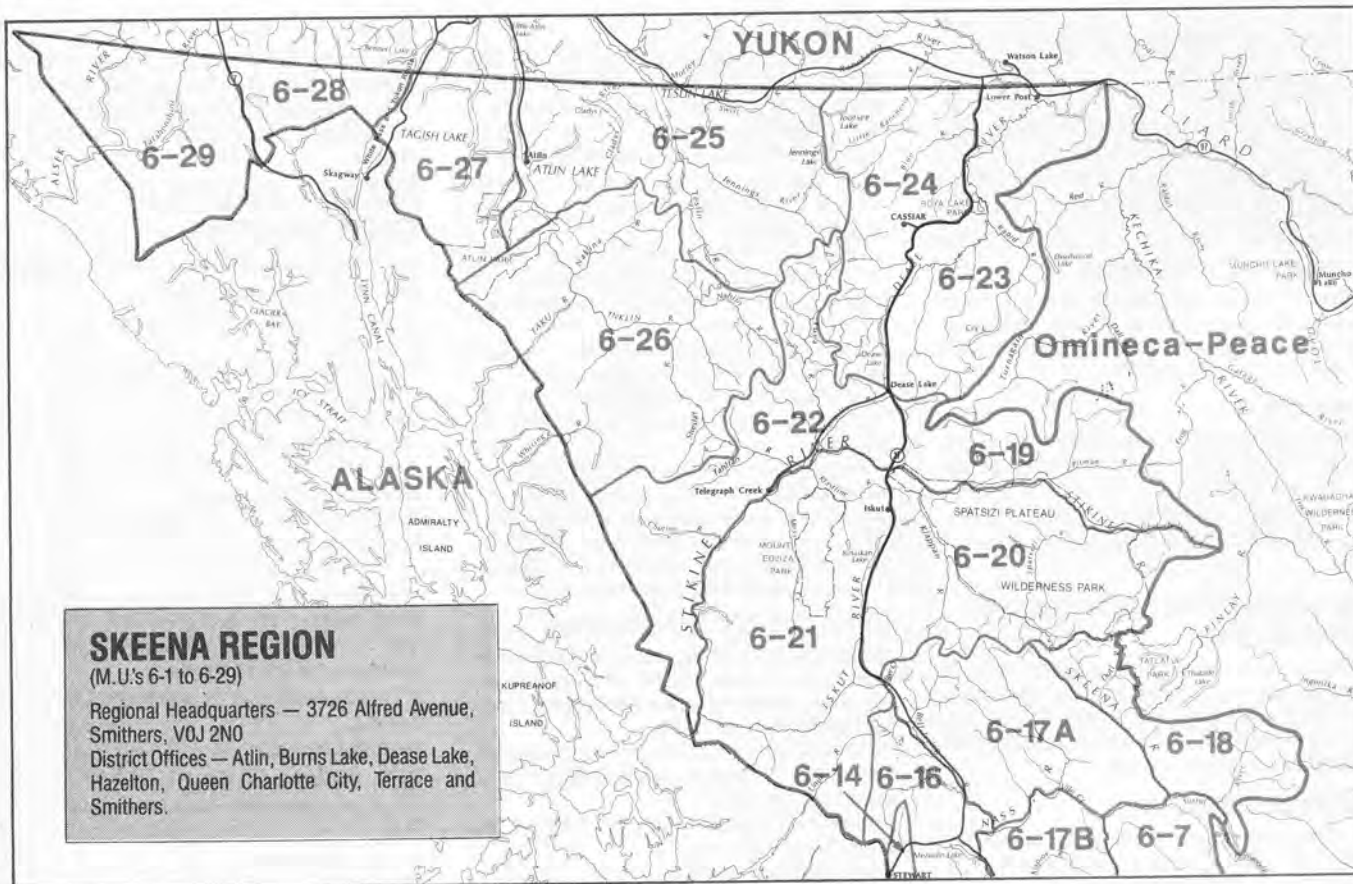
Days or Evenings **635-5777**

**HUNTER TIPS**

Permission is required to hunt or travel on private land.

Don't be mistaken for game — be safe, be seen.

Carry with you only the ammunition appropriate for your firearm.



**MOUNTAIN GOAT**

Management Units: 6-3, 6-7, 6-11, 6-14 to 6-16, 6-17A, 6-18 to 6-29  
Aug. 1 — Oct. 15 1  
See Notice to Hunters.  
See special area maps.

**Special Bow and Arrow Only Season: See Map F2.**

**LEH** — See Maps F33, F34, F35, F36, F37, F38, F39.

**CARIBOU**

Management Units: 6-17A, 6-18, 6-22, 6-24 to 6-28  
\*Trophy Bulls: Sept. 1 — Oct. 10 1  
Management Units: 6-19, 6-23  
\*Trophy Bulls: Aug. 23 — Sept. 30 1  
Management Unit 6-20  
\*Trophy Bulls: Aug. 23 — Oct. 15 1

\*Open only for bulls with one antler bearing at least five points (a point being an antler projection whose length exceeds the breadth of its base) above the rear point. See diagram on page 49.

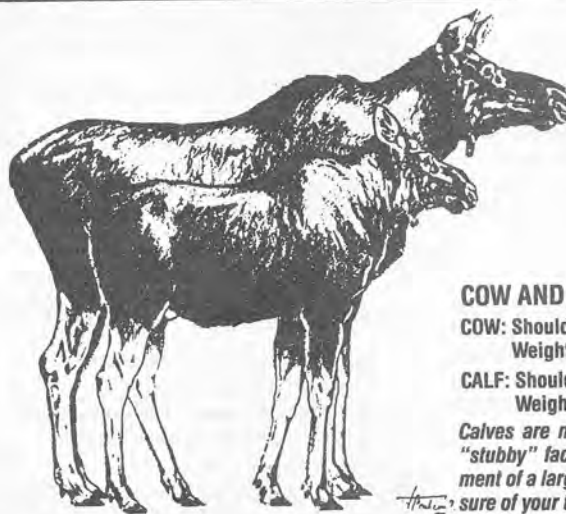
See page 10 for the change in compulsory reporting requirements.

See special area maps.

**LEH** — See Maps F32, F43.

**HUNTER TIP**

Carry everything out of camp that you carried in.



**COW AND CALF MOOSE**

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

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

*Calves are much smaller and show a distinctly "stubby" face. Not all moose in the accompaniment of a larger moose are necessarily calves. Be sure of your target.*

**MOOSE**

Management Units: 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-10, 6-15, 6-17B

Bulls: Oct. 18 — Nov. 15 1

Management Units: 6-4 to 6-6, 6-8, 6-9

Calves: Oct 14 — Oct 26 1

Management Units: 6-3, 6-11, 6-14, 6-16

Bulls: Sept. 10 — Nov. 15 1

Management Units: 6-17A, 6-18 to 6-29  
Bulls: Aug. 15 — Nov. 15 1

**Bow and Arrow Only Season**

Management Units: 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-9, 6-15, 6-17B  
Bulls: Sept. 1 — Sept. 9 1

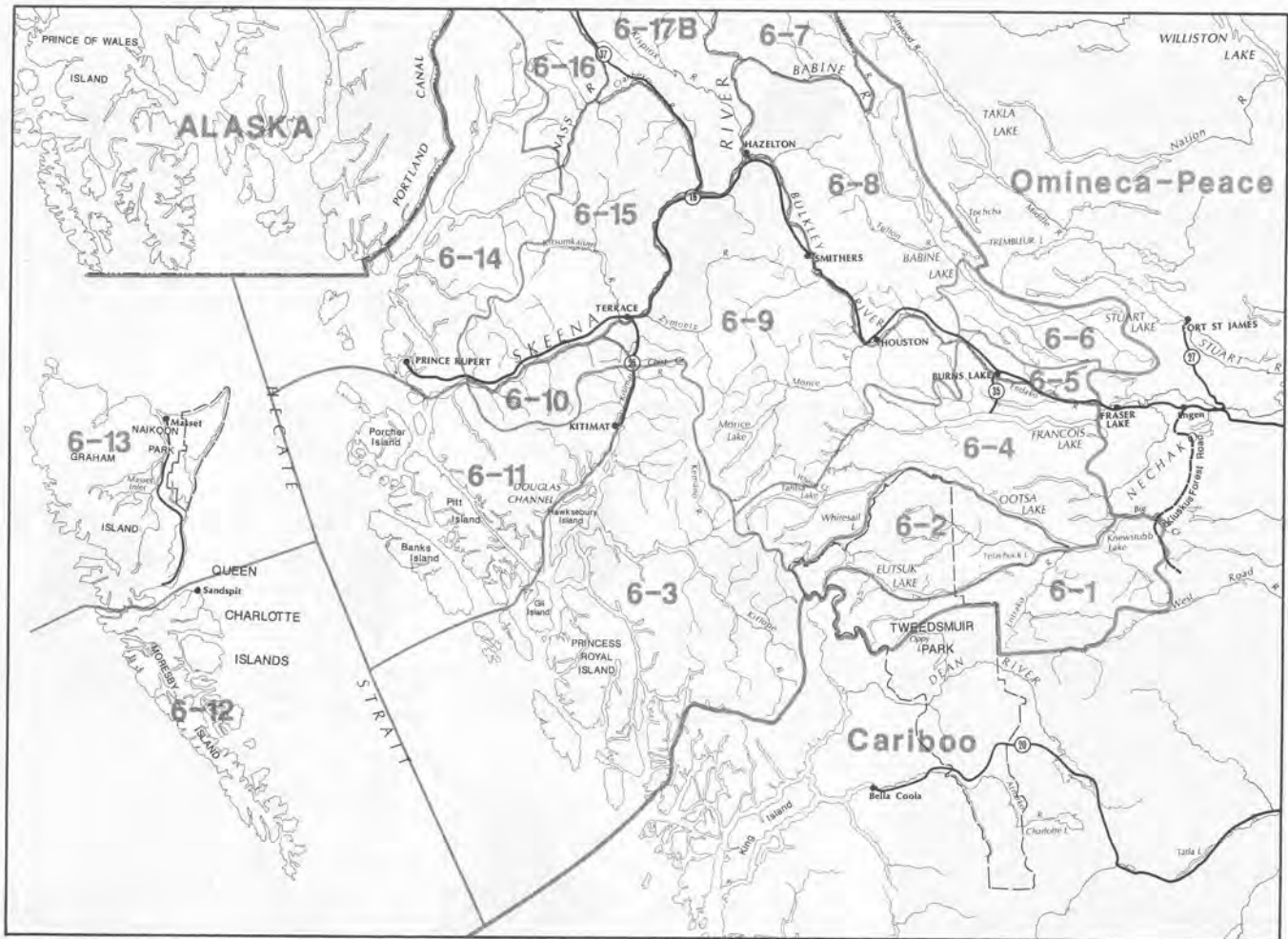
Nov. 16 — Nov. 20

See Maps F1 and F10.

**LEH** — See Map F32,  
Also M.U.'s 6-5, 6-6, 6-8, 6-9.



# SKEENA REGION • OPEN SEASONS



## GRIZZLY BEAR

Management Units: 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-9, 6-17B  
 Sept. 15 — Oct. 26/89 **1**  
 Apr. 15 — June 15/90  
 Management Units: 6-3, 6-10, 6-11, 6-14, 6-15  
 Sept. 15 — Oct. 26/89 **1**  
 Apr. 1 — June 1/90  
 Management Units: 6-18 to 6-29  
 Sept. 1 — Oct. 26/89 **1**  
 Apr. 15 — June 15/90  
 Management Units: 6-16, 6-17A  
 Sept. 1 — Oct. 26/89 **1**

See Map F9.

**LEH** — See Maps F32, F39, F43.

## BLACK BEAR

Management Units: 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-6, 6-8, 6-9  
 Apr. 15 — Nov. 15 **2**  
 Management Units: 6-7, 6-16 to 6-29  
 Sept. 1 — Nov. 15/89 **2**  
 Apr. 15 — June 15/90  
 Management Units: 6-3, 6-10 to 6-15  
 Apr. 1 — Nov. 15 **2**

See Notice to Hunters.

## COYOTE

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-11, 6-14 to 6-29  
 Sept. 1 — Mar. 31 **NBL**

## 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 to Mar. 31.  
 Bag Limit: **10**

## 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.

## 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.

## 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)**

## HUNTER TIP

Open the action of any firearm as soon as you pick it up. Look to see that it is unloaded.

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

Management Units: 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-10, 6-15 to 6-29

Sept. 1 — Nov. 30

Management Units: 6-3, 6-11, 6-14

Oct. 2 — Jan. 2

Management Units: 6-12, 6-13

Oct. 2 — Jan. 16

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 limits for geese and ducks on page 7.

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



Map F1 Babine Special Moose Hunting Area (situate in M.U.'s 6-6, 6-8). Open season for hunting bull moose is Oct. 24 to Nov. 3, open season for calf moose is Oct. 4 to Oct. 26. Bag Limit: 1.



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 Shotgun With Shot Only Area (situate in M.U. 6-9).



Map F4 Cameron Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 6-27).



Map F5 Atlin Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 6-25).



Map F6 Atlin Mountain Mtn Goat Closed Area.



Map F7 Spatsizi Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 6-20).

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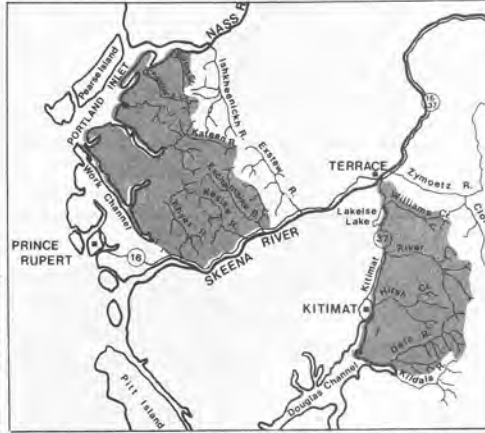
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Map F8 Atlin Park Mountain Sheep and Caribou Closed Area (situate in M.U.'s 6-25, 6-26 and 6-27).



Map F9 Transition and Coastal Grizzly Bear Closed Areas (situate in M.U.'s 6-3, 6-9, 6-14, 6-15).



Map F10 Mosquito Hills Moose Closed Area (situate in M.U. 6-4). Closed to general open season moose hunting.



Map F11 Spatsizi Cold Fish-Gladys 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 F12 Delkatla Slough Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in M.U. 6-13). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.



Map F13 North Kitsumkalum Lake No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 6-15).

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



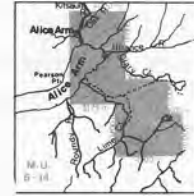
Map F14 British Columbia Railway Corridor No Hunting Area (situate in M.U.'s 6-17A, 6-18, 6-19, 6-20). British Columbia Railway Corridor Vehicle Closed Area. See Vehicle Restrictions, page 41.



Map F18 Grantham Road Subdivision No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-9).



Map F23 Equity Mine Property No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-9).



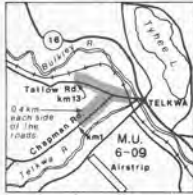
Map F30 Alice Arm No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-14).



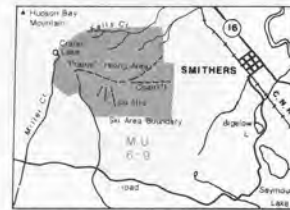
Map F31 Todagin Mountain No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-20).



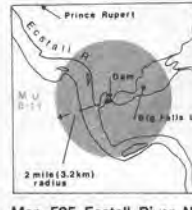
Map F15 Naikoon Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 6-13). Hunters should note the 50 metre strips along the banks of the Tiell River are open for Shotguns with Shot only as indicated on map.



Map F19 Tallow Road No Shooting Area.



Map F24 Hudson Bay Mtn No Shooting Area.



Map F25 Ecstall River No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-11).



Map F32 Spatsizi Grizzly Bear, Caribou, Mountain Sheep and Moose Limited Entry Hunting Areas (situate in M.U. 6-20).



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



Map F16 Atlin Park No Hunting Area (situate in M.U.'s 6-25, 6-27).



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



Map F26 Sandspit No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-12).



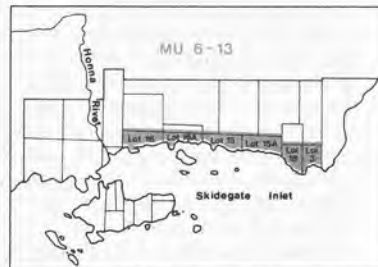
Map F33 Spatsizi Mountain goat Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 6-20).



Map F17 Tweedsmuir Park No Hunting Areas (situate in M.U.'s 5-10, 5-11, 6-1, 6-2).



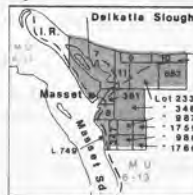
Map F22 Driftwood No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-8).



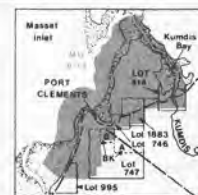
Map F27 Queen Charlotte City No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-13).



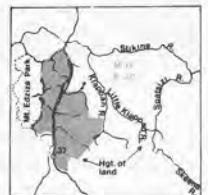
Map F34 Bear Pass Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 6-14).



Map F28 Masset No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-13).



Map F29 Port Clements No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 6-13).



Map F35 Iskut Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 6-20).



Map F36 Atlin Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in M.U.'s 6-25, 6-26, 6-27, 6-28).



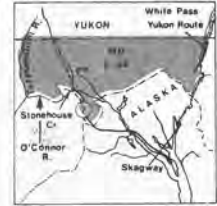
Map F37 Tagish Highlands Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Areas (situate in M.U.'s 6-27, 6-28).



Map F39 Mt. Edziza Park Grizzly Bear, Mountain Sheep and Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Areas (situate in M.U. 6-21).



Map F40 Atlin Mountain Sheep Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 6-25).



Map F41 Tatshensini Mountain Sheep Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 6-29).



Map F38 Skeena and Babine Mtn. Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Areas (situate in M.U.'s 6-3, 6-4, 6-8, 6-9, 6-10, 6-11, 6-15, 6-17B).



Map F42 Kadowy Caribou Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 6-26).



Map F43 Meziadin Grizzly Bear Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 6-16).

## TAXIDERMY, TANNING AND MEATCUTTING

Many hunters wish to have their trophies mounted for display in their homes, or to have the hides tanned for leather and other articles, while an even larger number use the services of a professional meatcutter. These businesses are required under the Wildlife Act (1982) and the regulations to keep records of their transactions.

The regulations state that the following information must be recorded:

- the total number of wildlife or parts of them of each species acquired,
- the date of receipt of the wildlife or parts of them,
- the name and address of the person from whom wildlife or parts of them were acquired, and
- the serial number, date and type of license under which the wildlife or part of it was taken.

In order to fulfill these requirements the hunter, when he takes the parts of the animal he wishes processed to the business concerned, must take with him the following documentation:

- His hunting license.
- The species license booklet with the appropriately canceled species license.
- Limited Entry Hunting Authorization, if such is required in order to hunt the animal.

- Compulsory Inspection Data Sheet, which confirms that the animal has been inspected by an officer of the Ministry of Environment, where such an inspection is required.

- His trapping license, if the animal was taken under that authority.

- The valid permit that allows possession of the animal if a permit is required in exceptional circumstances.

Normally a hunter would not be required to have either a trapping license or a permit for a big game animal, in addition to items 1 to 4.

The question is frequently asked "Why do I need this documentation?" The answer is simply that presentation of the documentation helps to protect the recipient, i.e. the taxidermist, tanner or meatcutter, from prosecution for illegal possession; it is required by law, and a "paper trail" exists should an investigation be required. In addition, some taxidermists act as agents for their clients and present the necessary parts of game animals for compulsory inspection by an officer of the Ministry, where the hunter is unable to do so personally. In such cases it is mandatory that the hunter provide the taxidermist with all the information required for the inspection, including the location of the kill. If such information cannot be produced by the agent, who may also be a guide outfitter in the case of a non-resident, then the animal may be seized by the Ministry until all the documentation is complete. Difficulties in such situations occur often enough that hunters should take

special care to ensure all information is available to an inspecting officer.

### Export from the Province

When a big game animal has been processed by a taxidermist, a tanner or a meatcutter, it may be exported to the hunter who lives in another province or in another country. An export permit is required if the animal is exported more than 30 days from the date of kill. If exported less than 30 days from the date of kill, either the species license or (where compulsory inspection is required) the Compulsory Inspection Data Sheet may serve as an export permit. In the case of an animal requiring a C.I.T.E.S. (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Fauna and Flora) permit, this permit may also be required for grizzly bear, cougar, lynx or bobcat.

British Columbia is part of a North American system of recording wild sheep identification and hence all sheep horns that are taken in the province by a taxidermist, must be inspected by an officer of the Ministry and a numbered plug inserted in one of the horns before the animal can be exported, or re-exported here if the animal originated outside the province.

Where a hunter or taxidermist, tanner or meatcutter has any doubt or questions about how to proceed under any circumstances which are not covered in the foregoing, he or she should contact the Ministry of Environment as soon as possible.

## MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- The bull moose season in M.U.'s 7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30 and 7-38 has been extended one week.
- Black bear seasons are not open for female for black bear in the company of two-year-old or younger black bear or for two-year-old or younger black bear.
- New mountain goat closed areas have been introduced in M.U.'s 7-18 and 7-37. See special area maps.

### LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING

There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting seasons. See Limited Entry Hunting section on page 12.

### BAG LIMITS

**Deer:** The bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer is one, except where a person takes a fawn mule (black-tailed) deer under a Limited Entry Hunting authorization for the antlerless season (September 24 to October 16) and submits the fawn to an officer for inspection, at which time his licence will be endorsed to enable him to take a second mule (black-tailed) deer during the general open season for four-point mule (black-tail) deer bucks (October 29 to November 20). 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 10 of each species.

### COMPULSORY REPORTING

It is mandatory for all elk, mountain sheep, mountain goat, grizzly bear, cougar, caribou, bobcat, lynx and wolverine to be inspected. See Compulsory Reporting section on page 10 for designated reporting centres and 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 prohibited in M.U.'s 7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30 and 7-37 to 7-39 from March 31 to December 15.
- The use of motorcycles and all terrain vehicles to hunt wildlife, transport wildlife or transport hunters to or from the location of wildlife is prohibited in M.U.'s 7-38 and 7-39.
- The use of snowmobiles or all terrain vehicles is prohibited on Mt. Le Hudette Ridge above the 1524 metre elevation contour in M.U. 7-22.
- 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.
  - on all side roads to the Finlay Russel Forest Road which head in a direction towards the Russel Range in M.U. 7-40.
  - in that portion of M.U. 7-3 being the Morkill Forest Road from its crossing of the Fraser River.
  - in the Quintette Mountain vehicle restricted area above the 1200 metre elevation contour.

Transport of firearms is prohibited. See Map G11.

- on the Shell Canada Lease Road from its junction with Hasler Creek Forestry Road in M.U. 7-22.

### NOTICE TO HUNTERS

• **No Shooting Areas:** Please note the Highway No Shooting Areas outlined on page 12.

• 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.

• The discharge of firearms is prohibited within 3.0 km both sides of the centreline of the Omineca Mining Road extension in M.U.'s 6-18 and 7-39. See Map G9.

• The discharge of firearms is prohibited within 0.4 km (1/4 mile) of either side of:

— Road 520 between Hudson's Hope and the W.A.C. Bennett Dam.

— Road 190 between Road 520 and Dunlevy Creek.

• The discharge of firearms is prohibited between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. daily in the Dawson Creek Environmental Demonstration Areas.

• Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf. See Notice to Non-Resident Hunters section on page 5, and Convention on International Trade section on page 10.

• Export Permits — Hunters planning to hunt in M.U.'s 7-19 or 7-20 and accessing by way of the Alberta border should note special recommendation in Export Permits section on page 10.

• The North Peace Rod and Gun Club, in conjunction with the Ministry of Environment, is involved in an ongoing project of ear tagging, radio collaring and monitoring mule deer in the Peace River area. We would like to encourage the public to notify the Ministry of Environment in Fort St. John (787-3295) of any sightings of ear tagged mule deer, including ear tag colour and number if possible.

• Hunters, while returning from hunting, are required to keep the lower jaw, including the incisor teeth, of a calf moose taken in the Omineca-Peace Sub-region, and the species licence under which the moose was taken together and available for inspection by an officer of the Ministry of Environment.

### 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.
- Eskers (M.U. 7-15).
- Kwadacha Recreation Area (M.U. 7-41).
- 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).
- Wokkpush Recreation Area (M.U. 7-51).

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

## OMINECA-PEACE SUB-REGION — OPEN SEASONS



### LEGAL IMMATURE BULL MOOSE

Management Units: 7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-38.

### MOOSE

Management Units: 7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-38

\*\*Calves: Oct. 4 — Oct. 26 1

Bulls: Oct. 20 — Nov. 5 1

\*Bulls: Sept. 10 — Nov. 5 1

Management Units: 7-39 to 7-41

Bulls: Aug. 15 — Nov. 15 1(1)

Antlerless: Oct. 1 — Oct. 31

Management Unit: 7-37

Bulls: Aug. 15 — Nov. 3 1(1)

Antlerless: Oct. 1 — Oct. 18

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

7-42 to 7-49, 7-55, 7-56

Bulls: Aug. 15 — Sept. 30 1

Oct. 16 — Oct. 31

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

7-43 to 7-47

\*\*Calves: Oct. 4 — Oct. 15 1

Management Units: 7-50 to 7-54

Bulls: Aug. 15 — Oct. 31 1

### Bow and Arrow Only Season

Management Units: 7-42 to 7-44, 7-48, 7-49,

7-55, 7-56

Bulls: Oct. 2 — Oct. 15 1

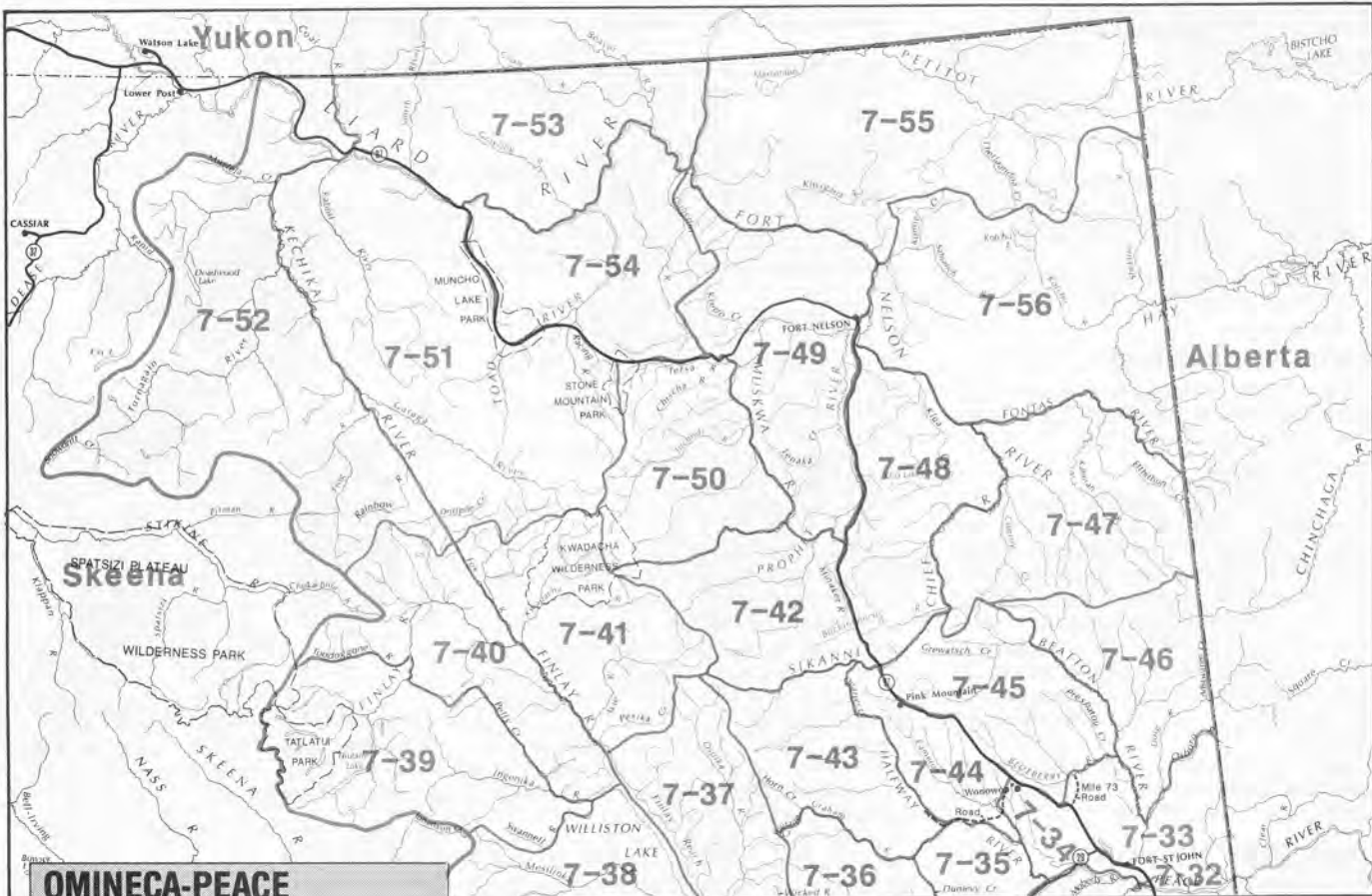
\*Open only for bull moose having no more than two points (tines) on one antler. Antlers must accompany the species licence.

\*\*Open only for calf moose less than 12 months of age. Calf moose are not open to hunt in Upper Halfway and Pink Mountain Special Areas. See Maps G40 and G43.

See special area maps.

Hunters are requested to select the calf when encountering a cow-calf pair. See illustration on page 42.

**LEH** — See Map G49, Also M.U.'s 7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-38.



**OMINECA-PEACE SUB-REGION**

(M.U.'s 7-1 to 7-56)

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 Sub-regional Office — 10142 - 101st Ave., Fort St. John, V1J 2B3  
 District Offices — Dawson Creek, Fort Nelson, Valemount, Vanderhoof, Chetwynd, Fort St. John

**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. 15 1

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

Aug. 1 — Oct. 20 1

See special area maps.

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

Management Unit: 7-15

\*Bucks: Sept. 1 — Sept. 9 1

Bulls: Sept. 1 — Sept. 9 1

\*Open only to bull moose having no more than two tines on one antler. The antlers must accompany the species licence.

**MULE (Black-tailed) DEER**

Management Units: 7-6 to 7-15

Bucks: Sept. 10 — Nov. 15 1(1)

\*Bucks: Nov. 24 — Dec. 3 1

Antlerless: Oct. 14 — Oct. 17

Management Units: 7-2 to 7-5

Bucks: Sept. 10 — Nov. 3 1

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

\*Bucks: Sept. 1 — Sept. 21 1

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

\*Bucks: Oct. 28 — Nov. 20 1

Management Units: 7-42, 7-48 to 7-52, 7-54

\*Bucks: Oct. 9 — Nov. 5 1

\*Open only for bucks with four or more points (tines) on one antler. Antler points (tines) must be at least 8 cm (3 inches) in length. The antlers must accompany the species licence. In Upper Halfway and Pink Mountain special areas, the open season for four point buck mule (black-tailed) deer is Oct. 9 to Nov. 5 only. (See Maps G40 and G43.)

Hunters are requested 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, 7-22, 7-31, 7-36, 7-43\*

Bucks: Sept. 1 — Sept. 21 1

Management Units: 7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-43 to 7-46\*

Bucks: Oct. 28 — Nov. 20 1

cont. ▷

Management Units: 7-42

Bucks: Oct. 9 — Nov. 5 1

\*In Upper Halfway and Pink Mountain special areas, the open season for buck white-tailed deer is Oct. 9 to Nov. 5 only. (See Maps G40 and G43.)

Hunters are requested 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.

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

Management Units: 7-19, 7-21, 7-22, 7-31, 7-36, 7-43

Bulls: Aug. 23 — Sept. 22 1

Management Units: 7-30, 7-37

Bulls: Aug. 23 — Oct. 15 1

Management Units: 7-38 to 7-41

Bulls: Aug. 15 — Oct. 15 1

Management Units: 7-42, 7-48, 7-49, 7-55, 7-56

Bulls: Oct. 2 — Oct. 7 1

Management Units: 7-50 to 7-53

Bulls: Aug. 23 — Sept. 30 1

**Bow and Arrow Only Season**

Management Unit: 7-44

\*\*Bulls: Aug. 23 — Sept. 22 1

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

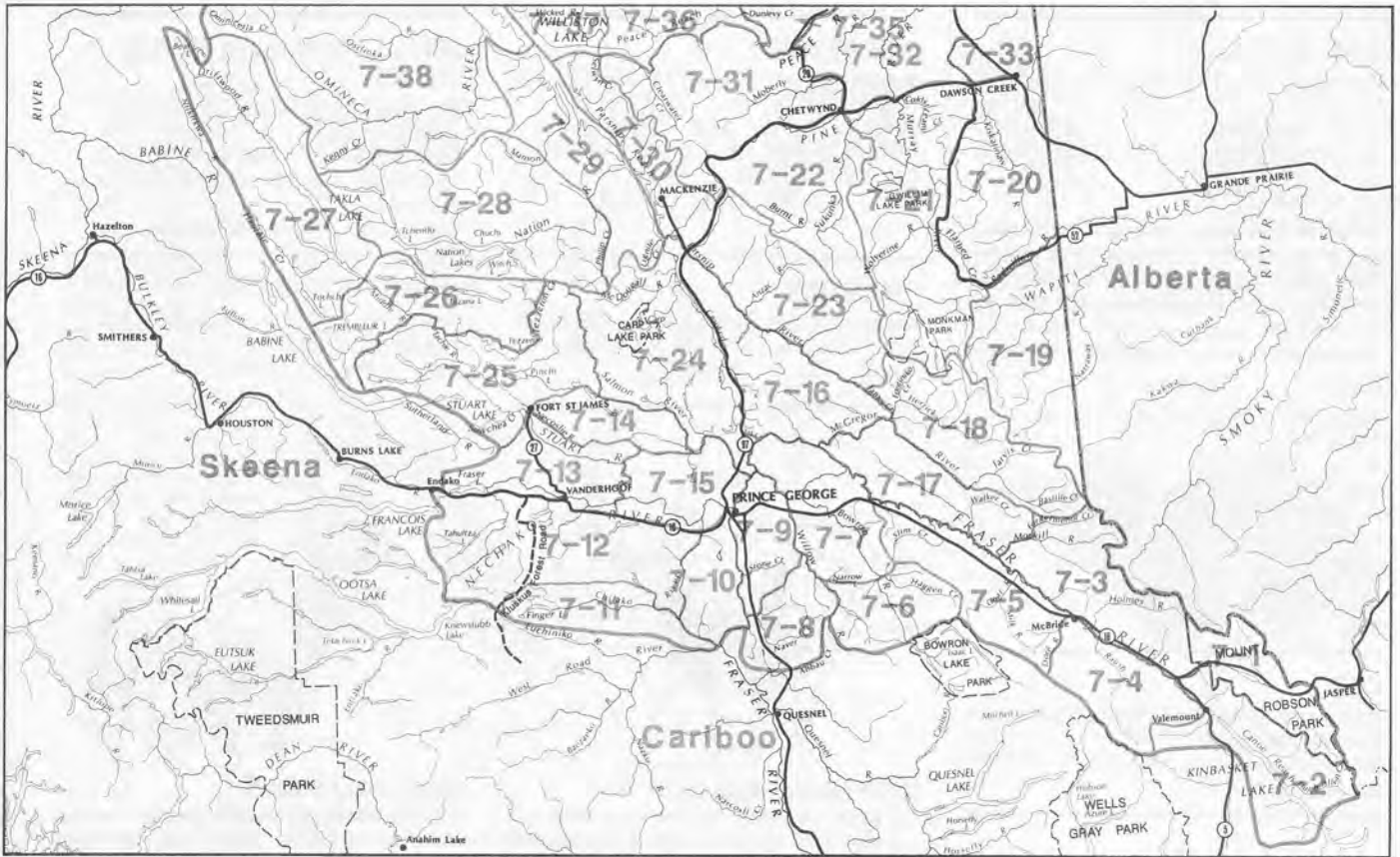
\*\*Open only in the Pink Mountain special areas portion of M.U. 7-44. (See Map G43.)

See page 10 for compulsory inspection requirements.

See special area maps.

LEH — See Map G49.

# OMINECA-PEACE SUB-REGION • OPEN SEASONS



## ELK

Management Units: 7-41, 7-42

\*\*Bulls: Aug. 15 — Oct. 31 1

Management Units: 7-49, 7-50

\*Bulls: Aug. 15 — Sept. 10 1

\*\*Bulls: Sept. 11 — Oct. 31 1

Management Units: 7-48, 7-51, 7-53, 7-54

\*\*Bulls: Sept. 1 — Sept. 10 1

Management Units: 7-19 to 7-22, 7-31, 7-33 to 7-36, 7-43 to 7-46

\*Bulls: Sept. 1 — Sept. 10 1

\*\*Bulls: Sept. 11 - Oct. 31 1

\*Open only for bulls with at least one branched antler. A branched antler is one with at least three points (tines), each of which is at least 8 cm (3 inches) in length. Antlers must accompany the species licence. In Upper Halfway and Pink Mountain special areas, open for six-point or greater elk from Sept. 1 to Sept. 10. (See Maps G40 and G43.)

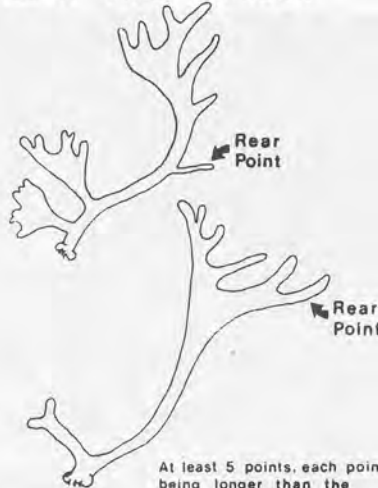
\*\*Open only for bulls with at least one six-point antler, each point (tine) being at least 8 cm (3 inches) in length. Antlers must accompany the species licence. In Upper Halfway and Pink Mountain special areas there is no open season for elk during this period (See Maps G40 and G43.)

See diagram on page 32.

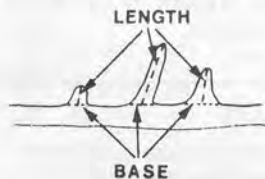
See page 10 for compulsory inspection details.

The Wildlife Branch is investigating the occurrence of giant liver flukes in all harvested elk in the Omineca-Peace Sub-region. Successful elk hunters in the region are requested to supply elk livers, and the location of the kill, at the time of the Compulsory Reporting of other elk harvest data.

## TROPHY BULL CARIBOU



At least 5 points, each point being longer than the breadth of its base, above the rear point.



## GRIZZLY BEAR

Management Units: 7-19, 7-21, 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-42 to 7-56

Sept. 1 — Oct. 26/89 1

Management Units: 7-37 to 7-41

Sept. 1 — Nov. 15/89 1

Management Units: 7-25 to 7-30

Sept. 10 — Nov. 15/89 1

Apr. 15 — June 15/90

Management Units: 7-34 to 7-56

Apr. 15 — June 15/90 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.

**(LEH)** — See Map G50.

## BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP

(Rams Only)

Full curl or greater

Management Units: 7-18, 7-19

Aug. 15 — Sept. 30 1

See special area maps.

## OMINECA-PEACE SUB-REGION

### BLACK BEAR

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

Apr. 15 — Nov. 15 **2**

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

Apr. 15 — Nov. 15 **5**

*There is no open season on female or other black bear in the company of two-year-old or younger black bear or on two-year-old or younger black bear. Do not shoot any black bear while observed in a family unit.*

### WOLF

Management units: 7-2 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-42 to 7-56

No Closed Season **10**

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

No Closed Season **3**

### COYOTE

Management Units: 7-2 to 7-56

Sept. 1 — Mar. 31 **NBL**

### 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 — Feb. 15 **1**

### 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)**

Coots: **10(20)**

Canada geese: **5(10)**

White-fronted geese: **5(10)**

Snow geese: **5(10)**

Ross' geese: **5(10)**

Common snipe: **10(20)**

**See Map G25.**

*Please take note of the provincial daily bag limits for geese and ducks on page 7.*

### BLUE GROUSE

Management Units: 7-2 to 7-7, 7-17, 7-18, 7-23, 7-27, 7-28, 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41

Sept. 10 — Nov. 15 **10(30)**

Management Units: 7-21, 7-22, 7-31, 7-36, 7-42, 7-43, 7-50 to 7-52, 7-54

Sept. 1 — Nov. 15 **10(30)**

### 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)**



### 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.

### 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, 7-52 to 7-56

Sept. 1 — Nov. 15 **10(30)**



### 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.



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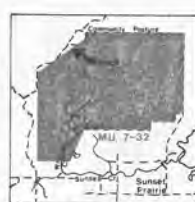
Map G1 Stewart Lake Special Weapons Area (situate in M.U. 7-32). Muzzle loaders, longbows and crossbows only are permitted for the hunting of Bull Moose during the special season. Special Season: Nov. 21 - Dec. 15. Bag Limit: Bull Moose 1. All participants of this hunt **must report to a Ministry of Environment office in Fort St. John, Chetwynd or Dawson Creek before hunting.**



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



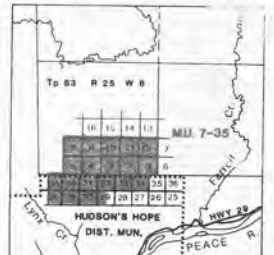
Map G3 Goodlow Restricted Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 7-33). From June 1 to October 15 hunting is prohibited.



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 G6 Farrell Creek Restricted Firearms 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 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 October 31.



Map G9 Omineca Mining Road Extension No Shooting Area (situate in M.U.'s 6-18, 7-39).



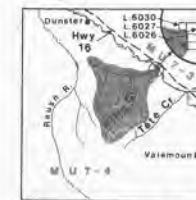
Map G10 Frog River Special Mountain Goat Hunting Area (situate in M.U.'s 7-51, 7-52). The open season for mountain goat is August 25 to October 5.



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



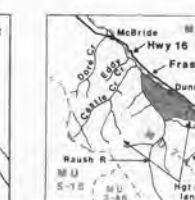
Map G12 East Twin Creek Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 7-3). See Vehicle Restrictions, page 47.



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



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



Map G15 Dunster 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 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).



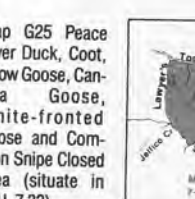
Map G23 Dunedin River Mountain Sheep Closed Area (situate in M.U. 7-54).



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 Edozadelly No Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 7-39). Hunting of all wildlife species except caribou and moose (limited entry hunting only) is prohibited.

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



Map G27 McConnell Creek No Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 7-39).



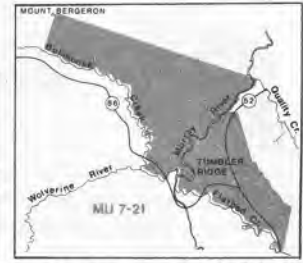
Map G28 Lay Creek Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 7-38).



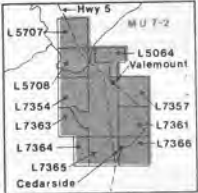
Map G29 Bullmoose Mine No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 7-21).



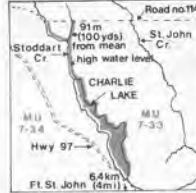
Map G30 Quintette Coal No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 7-21).



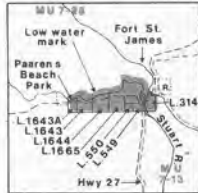
Map G31 Mt. Bergeron-Tumbler Ridge No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 7-21).



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).



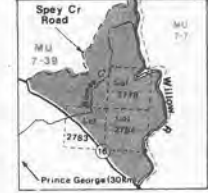
Map G34 Paaren's Beach No Shooting Area (situate in M.U.'s 7-13, 7-25).



Map G35 Red Rock Seed Orchard No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 7-10).



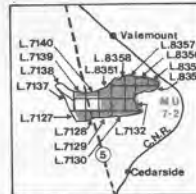
Map G36 Stone Mountain Provincial Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U.'s 7-50, 7-51, 7-54).



Map G37 Tabor Mountain No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 7-9).



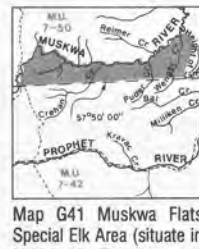
Map G38 Carp Lake Park (situate in M.U. 7-24). Hunting and the discharge of firearms is prohibited.



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 Area (situate in M.U. 7-43).



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 Oct. 31. Bag limit: 1



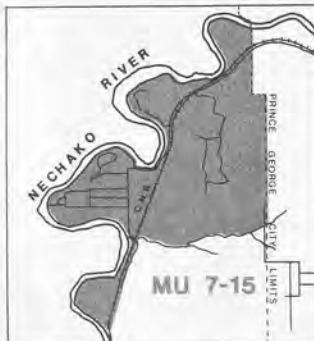
Map G42 Hornline Creek Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in M.U. 7-51).



Map G43 Pink Mountain Special Area (situate in M.U. 7-44).



Map G44 Kinuseo Falls No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 7-21).



Map G46 Miworth No Shooting Area (situate in M.U. 7-15).



Map G49 Edozadely Caribou and Black Lake Moose Limited Entry Areas.



Dawson Creek Environmental Demonstration Areas (situate in M.U.'s 7-20, 7-33). The discharge of firearms is prohibited between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. daily.

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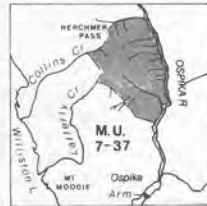
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Map G47 Gleason Creek Mtn Goat Closed Area.



Map G48 Ospika River Mtn Goat Closed Area.



Map G50 Holmes River and Castle Creek Mtn Goat Limited Entry Areas.

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## 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, V2A 7K2

District Offices — Vernon, Princeton, Kelowna, Grand Forks

## MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- A new season for four-point mule (black-tailed) deer and white-tailed deer opens September 1 in M.U. 8-14.
- There is no open season for fox and ptarmigan in the Okanagan Sub-region for 1989-90.
- In addition to the motor vehicle restrictions in the Osoyoos Oxbows Fish and Wildlife Management Reserve (situate in M.U. 8-1), shooting and hunting is prohibited from March 1 to September 30

## LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING

There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting seasons. See Limited Entry Hunting section on page 12.

## BAG LIMITS

**Deer:** The season limit for deer is two, only one of which may be a mule (black-tailed) deer. Both deer may be antlerless, but only one antlerless deer of each species may be taken.

**Mountain sheep:** Persons who have been successful in taking a mountain sheep in the Okanagan Sub-region since January 1, 1985 are **not eligible** to hunt for mountain sheep in the Okanagan Sub-region during the 1989-90 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. See Compulsory Reporting section on page 10 for designated reporting centres and those portions of an animal which are required.

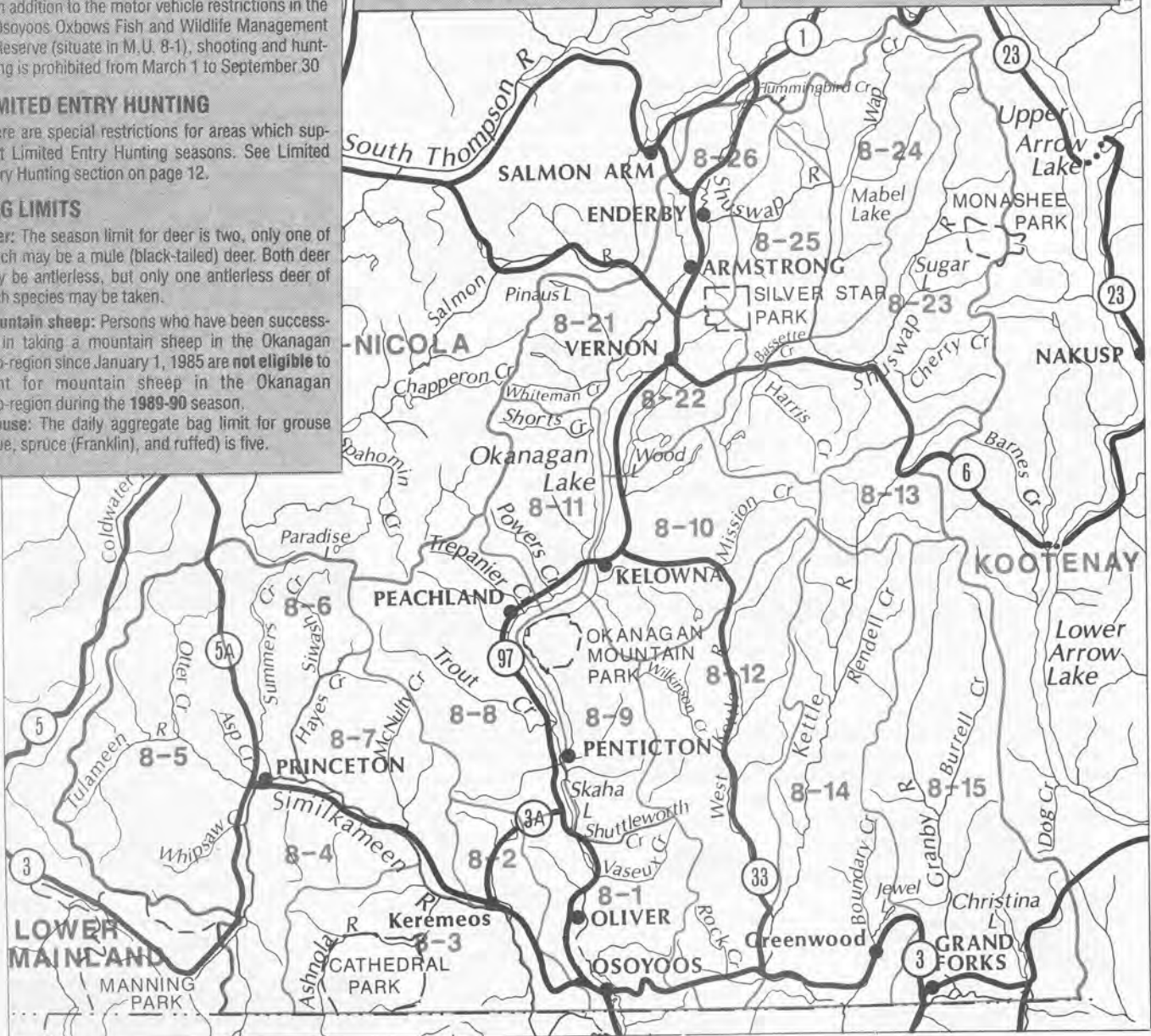
## SNOWMOBILE RESTRICTION

The use of snowmobiles to hunt wildlife is prohibited in the Okanagan Sub-region from April 1 to November 30.

## VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS

- The operation of all motor vehicles is prohibited from June 1 to October 31 in the Galloping Hills Area except for the primary roads leading to Lightning Peak and the peak of Mt. Scaia. 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 operation of motor vehicles is restricted to established roadways in the Osoyoos Oxbows motor vehicle restricted area. See Map H1.
- The operation of all motor vehicles is prohibited within the Underdown Creek area of M.U. 8-1. See Map H14.

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**NOTICE TO HUNTERS**

- Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf. See Convention on International Trade section on page 10.
- 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 12.** Note also that the closures for Highway 3 between Manning Park and Princeton and for the Coquihalla Phase III (Okanagan Connector) Highway are No Shooting and No Hunting closures.

**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 September 1 to April 15 during the lawful game hunting season: Cascade Recreation Area (M.U. 8-5) 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. The core area of Cathedral Park is closed to the discharge of firearms. Contact Park Branch staff for details.

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**

Management Units: 8-1, 8-2, 8-4 to 8-15, 8-21, 8-23 to 8-26  
 Either Sex: Sept. 1 — Sept. 9  
 Management Unit: 8-22  
 Either Sex: Sept. 1 — Sept. 9  
 Either Sex: Nov. 16 — Nov. 30  
 Management Units: 8-1, 8-2, 8-8 to 8-11, 8-21, 8-24 to 8-26  
 Bucks: Nov. 16 — Nov. 30  
 Management Units: 8-12 to 8-15, 8-23  
 White-tailed Bucks Only: Nov. 26 — Nov. 30  
 See regional bag limit for deer.

**WHITE-TAILED DEER**

Management Units: 8-12 to 8-15, 8-23  
 Bucks: Nov. 7 — Nov. 25  
 See regional bag limit for deer.

**LEH** — M.U.'s 8-12, 8-14, 8-15.

**MOOSE**

Management Units: 8-4 to 8-8, 8-11  
 Bulls: Oct. 10 — Oct. 31 1

**MULE (Black-tailed) DEER and WHITE-TAILED DEER**

Management Units: 8-1, 8-2, 8-8 to 8-11, 8-21, 8-22, 8-24 to 8-26  
 Bucks: Sept. 10 — Nov. 15  
 Management Unit: 8-3  
 \*Bucks: Sept. 10 — Oct. 31  
 Management Units: 8-12 to 8-15, 8-23  
 Bucks: Sept. 10 — Oct. 31  
 Management Units: 8-4 to 8-7  
 Bucks: Sept. 10 — Nov. 9  
 Management Unit: 8-14, 8-15  
 \*Bucks: Sept. 1 — Sept. 9

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

See regional bag limit for deer.

**LEH** — M.U.'s 8-1, 8-2, 8-8 to 8-10, 8-12, 8-14, 8-15, 8-22.

Antler tines must be at least 8 cm in length.



**ELK**  
3-point antler

**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 three points (tines) each of which is at least 8 cm (3 inches) in length. The antlers must accompany the species licence.

All elk taken in the Okanagan Sub-region must be inspected. Portions required for compulsory inspection are described on page 10.

See Map H2, H16, for open seasons in M.U.'s 8-14 and 8-15.

**LEH** — M.U.'s 8-4, 8-5, 8-14, 8-15.

**BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP (Rams Only) 3/4 curl or greater**

Management Units: 8-1, 8-9  
 Sept. 16 — Sept. 24  
 See regional bag limit for mountain sheep.

**BLACK BEAR**

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26  
 Sept. 1 — Nov. 30/89 2  
 Apr. 1 — June 15/90

**BOBCAT**

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26  
 Nov. 1 — Feb. 15 2

**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 — Mar. 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**

**LYNX**

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26  
 Nov. 15 — Feb. 15 1

**MOURNING DOVES**

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26  
 Sept. 1 — Nov. 30 **10(20)**

**GROUSE**

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

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26  
 Sept. 10 — Nov. 15 **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, 8-21 to 8-26  
 Cocks only: Oct. 4 — Nov. 15 **2(6)**  
 Management Units: 8-21, 8-22

Hens only: 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.

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**HUNGARIAN PARTRIDGE**

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-10, 8-22, 8-26  
 Oct. 4 — Nov. 22 **3(9)**

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. 4 — Nov. 22 **10(30)**

Hunting is permitted only between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

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

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26  
 Oct. 1 — Dec. 31

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

Please take note of the provincial daily bag limits for geese and ducks on page 7.

**CHUKAR PARTRIDGE**

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-9  
 Oct. 4 — Nov. 22 **5(15)**

Hunting is permitted only between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

**CANADA GEESE**

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26  
 Oct. 1 — Dec. 31 **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 7.

**OKANAGAN SPECIAL AREAS, CLOSED AREAS, NO SHOOTING AREAS**



Map H1 Osoyoos Oxbows Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 8-1). The operation of motor vehicles is restricted to established roadways. Hunting and the discharge of firearms are prohibited from Mar. 1 to Sept. 30 throughout the restricted area including the roadways.



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).



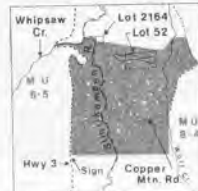
Map H4 Silver Star Recreation Area No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U.'s 8-22, 8-25, 8-26). Contact Ministry of Environment offices in Vernon and Penticton for details.



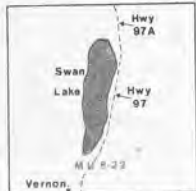
Map H5 Okanagan Landing No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 8-22).



Map H6 Kaleden, Penticton 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).



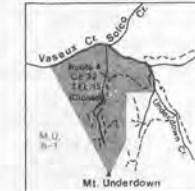
Map H7 Similkameen Mining Co. Ltd. No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U.'s 8-4, 8-5).



Map H8 Swan Lake No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 8-22).



Map H13 Galloping Hills Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 8-15).



Map H14 Underdown Creek Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in M.U. 8-1). Closed year-round to the operation of all motor vehicles.



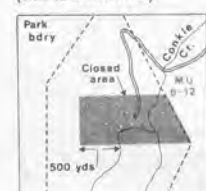
Map H15 Vaseux Lake Migratory Bird Sanctuary (situate in M.U. 8-1).



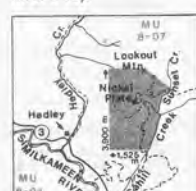
Map H9 Brenda Mines No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 8-8).



Map H11 Ward Lake No Hunting, No Shooting and No Trapping Area (situate in M.U. 8-15).



Map H10 Conkle Lake Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 8-12).



Map H12 Mascot Gold Mines No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in M.U. 8-7).

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Map H16 Christian Valley Elk Special Area (situate in M.U. 8-14) open season for 3 pt. bull elk. See definition on page 55. Sept. 10 — Oct. 31 (1).

## THE ECONOMICS OF TRAPPING IN B.C.

The main source of revenue for trappers is the sale of pelts. The vast majority of pelts are sold directly by British Columbia trappers to the auction houses, with a relatively small number of pelts being sold to fur traders and taxidermists. For the 1986-87 season, the sale of marten represented over 50% of the gross revenue from pelt sales. Beaver and lynx pelts were the most important sources of revenue.

Trappers also earned almost \$150,000 in revenue from the sale of beaver castors which are used in making perfumes, bear galls used in eastern natural medicine and bear claws used to make jewellery and ornaments. Frequently, trappers use furbearers such as beaver, lynx and muskrat for human and animal consumption. The total estimated replacement value of furbearers used by trappers for food approaches \$200,000. Trappers who used furbearers for human consumption reduced their outlays for meat by an average of over \$130 each while trappers feeding furbearers to dogs saved an average of almost \$180 on dog food.

The licensed trappers of British Columbia are estimated to have spent over \$5.3 million on the purchase of capital items to be used directly in trapping during the 1986-87 season. The largest capital expenditures were for snowmobiles, vehicles and boats, and the purchase of traplines, which respectively made up 27%, 26% and 23% of total capital costs. In addition, provincial trappers incurred annual operating costs for the 1986-87 season for almost \$3.3 million. This includes the costs of travel, working and maintaining the trapline and the selling costs of pelts.

People engage in trapping for many reasons other than the income to be earned from it — recreation, tradition, animal control. Among those who do trap for a livelihood, there appears to be a good deal of variation in the amount of effort devoted to trapping and dependence on trapping as a source of income. Nevertheless, it is estimated that licensed trappers in British Columbia earned a total net revenue after costs of almost \$3.5 million during the 1986-87 season. This represents an average net revenue of over \$1,500 per active licensed trapper in the province. Since the vast majority of trapping takes place outside the Lower Mainland, the employment and economic activity supported by these expenditures are spread throughout many rural parts of the province where job opportunities are often limited.

## ROLE OF THE TRAPPER IN FUR MANAGEMENT

If trapping is to be maintained as a viable industry in B.C., trappers must play a central role in the management of the province's fur resources. Following is a list of areas where trappers can and should contribute.

### FURBEARER RESEARCH

To properly manage the fur resource it is essential to have knowledge of the animals and their habitat, and the interrelationships between the two.

The types of information required are such things as: how long each species lives, the number of young they have, their food habits and movement patterns. As well, it is important to know if popula-

tions are increasing, stable or decreasing. In regard to habitat, we need to know which habitats are important and whether general habitat conditions are improving or deteriorating.

Furbearer research is designed to gather this information. Trappers can play a central role in research programs by submitting carcasses for analysis when requested, answering and promptly returning research questionnaires and lending volunteer assistance on field projects whenever possible.

By assisting researchers, trappers not only help advance the knowledge and understanding of furbearers, but also assist in refining fur management strategies for the benefit of the fur resource and, consequently, themselves.

### TRAPPER EDUCATION

The technical aspects of trapping are undergoing rapid change. A comparison of the regulations governing trapping in B.C. from 10 years ago to today proves this point very well. As more advancements are made in humane harvesting systems these too will have to be implemented.

Fur management involves taking the most current biological information on the furbearers, and their habitat and using it to develop harvest and habitat strategies. Strategies that are biologically sound.

The responsibility for managing the fur resources of B.C. is shared between the B.C. Wildlife Branch and licensed trappers. Harvest strategies for furbearers that move between and among traplines such as lynx, wolverine and fisher, are developed by regional wildlife staff, with input from local trappers. Provincial management strategies have recently been prepared for lynx, wolverine and fisher and these documents will guide the harvest and habitat management for these species. This year similar strategies will be completed for bobcat and otter.

Harvest strategies for furbearers that are present in manageable numbers on individual traplines are developed by trappers. The Branch provides trappers with management guidelines to assist in the development of these strategies. To date, management guidelines for beaver, marten and muskrat have been published.

Trapper education teaches trappers the technical and management aspects of trapping, and also keeps them informed of advancements in these fields. Novice trappers have been legally required to attend a trapper education course in B.C. since 1983. This course provides beginners with the fundamentals required to become a good trapper. However, there is also an urgent need to inform experienced, licensed trappers of recent advances. This course will eventually become a legal requirement for all licensed trappers.

Trappers have a responsibility to keep themselves informed of advances in this industry and to know what the current issues are affecting their profession. Attending trapper education courses is the best way.

### TRAPPER ASSOCIATIONS

If trappers are going to interact effectively with Government or industry they must be organized, well informed and have committed leadership.

Well organized associations can play two important roles.

First, they are a contact point for government agencies for a host of issues ranging from problem wildlife controls to developing trapping regulations.

A successful fur management program depends on a close working relationship between trappers and the wildlife management staff. Second, it is a fact of life today that those making decisions affecting land use are under siege from a host of lobby groups with conflicting interests. Your best bet if you want your interests considered is to have a strong association lobbying for trappers.

The BCTA represents approximately 30 percent of the licensed trappers in the province. This group would be even more effective with greater membership.

The following points summarize the role that trappers can play in fur management.

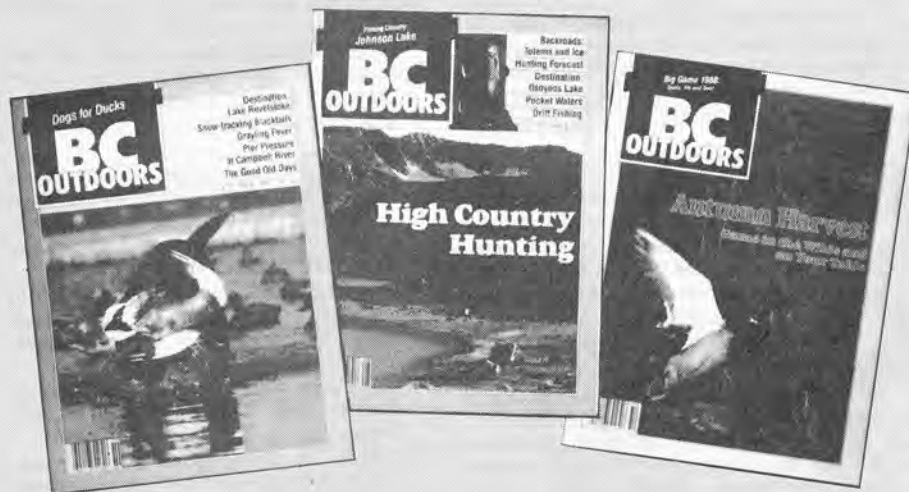
1. Trappers can assist biologists in their fur research projects. Everybody wins when this happens.
2. Trappers can keep themselves informed of recent advances in humane trapping techniques and fur management. This is best accomplished by requesting a trapper education course in their area and convincing all to attend.
3. Trappers can work closely with Regional Wildlife staff. Wildlife Branch staff are a tremendous resource to trappers, as trappers are to Wildlife staff.
4. Trappers can play a more active role in supporting their trapper locals and the B.C. Trapper's Association.
5. Trappers can become advocates for the protection of critical furbearer habitat. Alliances can be formed with organizations with similar interests to become more effective in lobbying for the maintenance and enhancement of key furbearer habitat.
6. Finally and most importantly, trappers need to become more effective at policing themselves. Make no mistake the trapper, who traps inhumanely or overharvests is your worst enemy. The future of your profession may lie largely with the uninformed or uncaring trapper. These people have to be brought "onside" or the whistle has to be blown on them.

## WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS

Wildlife Management Areas are areas of special importance to fish or wildlife, administered for the purposes of conservation and intensive management. On June 8, 1987, the first six Wildlife Management Areas were designated to commemorate the Wildlife Centennial. The areas are:

1. **Junction Wildlife Management Area**, 5,300 hectares of grassland at the confluence of the Fraser and Chilcotin Rivers, provides year-round habitat for the world's largest population of non-migratory California Bighorn Sheep. The area supports 2,000 to 3,000 visitor days annually, for limited-entry hunts, seasonal hunts and wildlife viewing.
2. **Pitt-Addington Marsh**, 2,921 hectares in the lower Pitt River Valley about 60 km east of Vancouver, is comprised of wetlands in close association with agricultural land and forest habitat. The area attracts a wide range of wetland wildlife species, in large numbers and diversity. Extensive enhancement work has been done to encourage public use.
3. **Upper Cariboo River**, 3,000 hectares 100 km northeast of Williams Lake in the upper Cariboo River Valley, provides the best moose winter range in the region, and habitat for other wildlife and fish

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species. There are numerous recreational opportunities, including hunting, trapping and guiding.

4. **Chilanko Marsh**, 883 hectares, located near Puntzi Lake about 135 km west of Williams Lake, is important to waterfowl as well as other wildlife species associated with productive wetland areas. The area will be developed for public viewing and hunting will be allowed.

5. **Dewdrop-Rosseau Creek**, on the north side of Kamloops Lake, is excellent range for mule deer and California bighorn sheep, and supports a wide variety of other wildlife species. It is popular with naturalists in the spring and hunters in the fall.

6. **Tranquille**, 253 hectares on the floodplain of the Thompson River at the head of Kamloops Lake, lies within the Kamloops city boundaries. The area provides excellent wetland habitat for abundant migratory waterfowl, song birds, and other wildlife species. Easily accessible by Kamloops residents, it is a popular area for bird-watching. Hunting is prohibited.

## KNAPWEED ALERT TO HUNTERS

Over 100,000 acres of provincial rangeland are infested with **diffuse knapweed** or **spotted knapweed**. While travelling in B.C., watch out for knapweed infestations on rangeland. **People** are the major source of knapweed spread.

- Learn to identify both species of knapweed.
- Don't drive through infested areas or across grasslands. Stay on established roads.
- Check your vehicle and remove attached knapweed **before** leaving infested areas. Knapweed is easily caught up in the undercarriage and doors of vehicles and spread for great distances.

For more information on how you can help control the spread of knapweed, call your local office of the B.C. Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.



### Diffuse Knapweed

- white flowers (sometimes purple)
- short rigid spines on flower heads



### Spotted Knapweed

- purple flowers
- black-tipped fringe on flower head bracts



# 1989-90 TRAPPING REGULATIONS

## MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- It is unlawful to possess live wildlife except under a licence or permit or as provided by regulation. Note: A trapping licence does not authorize the possession of live wildlife.
- If a fur-bearing animal is alive when the trap is checked, it must be immediately released or killed.

## DEFINITIONS

**trapping** — means the act of setting or placing a trap in an operative condition, or killing by the use of a firearm.

**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 the 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 two 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.
  8. A licenced person trapping on private property outside the boundaries of a registered trap-line does **not** require a permit.
  9. A person commits an offence where he has live wildlife in his personal possession except under a licence or permit or as provided by

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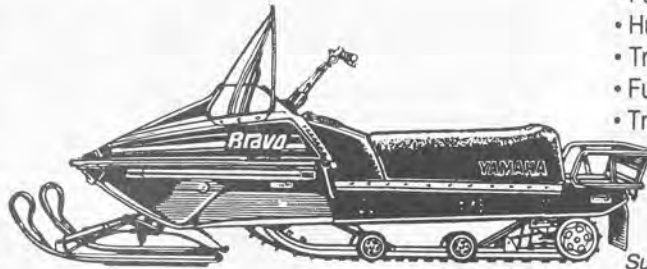
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# 1989-90 TRAPPING REGULATIONS

regulation. (Note: A trapping licence does not authorize the possession of live wildlife.)

## TRAPPING REGULATIONS

- A person commits an offence where he traps unless he
  - has held a trapping licence prior to August 1, 1983,
  - is authorized to trap, or
  - has completed a trapper education course which is approved by the Director.
- A person commits an offence where he
  - 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,
  - 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,
  - traps beaver, otter, mink or muskrat on land by means of a leg-hold trap, unless the trap is equipped with a submerging device,
  - uses a leg-hold trap which has teeth or other projections on the jaws of the trap,
  - uses a killing snare on land unless the snare is
    - equipped with a locking device, or
    - designed to catch squirrels,
  - traps a wolverine, marten, fisher, weasel, skunk, squirrel or raccoon except by means of a killing trap or a live box trap,
  - sets spring poles or running poles unless they are equipped with a killing trap,
  - uses a trap equipped with a spearing device,
  - traps, hunts, kills or takes a black bear, except by the use of a rifle, shotgun, or bow,
  - 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,
  - uses a snare made of wire heavier than 20 gauge unless licenced or authorized to trap,
  - uses a snare made of braided wire unless licenced or authorized to trap, or
  - uses any Conibear trap larger than, but not including, #220 for land sets within any municipality in Region 2.
  - traps a fur-bearing animal and if the animal is alive when he checks the trap, does not immediately release or kill the animal.
- 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.
  - 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.
- A person commits an offence unless he uses
  - if trapping on land, a live box trap, or
  - if trapping on or in water,
    - a Conibear trap not larger than size No. 330, or equivalent,
    - leg-hold traps not larger than size No. 2, or
    - submarine traps,
      - \*when trapping within 200 m of a dwelling.

- A person commits an offence where he traps on private property without a trapping licence and the written permission of the property owner.

## 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:

- The jaws must be modified to allow a minimum of 5 mm or 3/16 inch space between the jaws when closed, or
- 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 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.

## LICENCE FEES

The fees payable for the issuance of a trapping licence shall be:

- For a trapping licence issued to a resident in the Province to trap game ..... 17.00\*
- 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 impost for Habitat Conservation Fund.

## COMPULSORY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Any wolf taken by trapping on Vancouver Island or in the Kootenay Region and any bobcat, lynx and wolverine taken by trapping in the Kootenay Region must be submitted for inspection to an official of the Ministry of Environment 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 the Kootenay Region
- the skull from all wolf taken in the Kootenay Region and on Vancouver Island.

Note: Gloves should be worn while handling wolf carcasses as a precaution against contracting hydatid disease.

## PROVINCIAL PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS

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 or Re-

source Use Permit to trap that part of their trap-line occurring within a provincial park or recreation area. The permit can be obtained by contacting the nearest provincial parks office. The permit fee is \$100.

## TRAP-LINE CABINS

Trappers should register their trap-line cabins on Crown land. Contact the Wildlife Branch of the Ministry of Environment for further information.

## FUR TRADING REGULATIONS

- Licensed 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.
- 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.
- 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

- 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 a royalty on each pelt or skin in his possession, as prescribed by regulation, he commits an offence.
- 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.
- 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 .....	0.88
(b) On each bobcat .....	4.55
(c) On each coyote .....	1.73
(d) On each fisher .....	5.37
(e) On each fox .....	1.40
(f) On each lynx .....	14.20
(g) On each marten .....	1.79
(h) On each mink .....	0.97
(i) On each muskrat .....	0.12
(j) On each otter .....	1.55
(k) On each raccoon .....	0.61
(l) On each skunk .....	0.08
(m) On each squirrel .....	0.03
(n) On each weasel .....	0.07
(o) On each wolf .....	3.38
(p) On each wolverine .....	6.39
(q) On each black bear .....	1.54

## A MESSAGE TO THE TRAPPER

- 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

## TRAPPING OPEN SEASONS

returns to you.

**Fur traders cannot ship or sell your fur without recording your Assigned Trapper Number.**

2. The 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 willfully 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 Office.

### 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

#### WOLVERINE

Management Units: 1-14, 1-15

Nov. 15 — Feb. 15

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-13

No Open Season

#### MARTEN, FISHER, MINK, WEASEL, BOBCAT, SKUNK, FOX, COYOTE, LYNX

Nov. 15 — Feb. 15

#### BLACK BEAR

No Open Season

#### WOLF

Nov. 1 — Apr. 30

#### HUNTER TIP

Store firearms and ammunition securely and separately.

### LOWER MAINLAND REGION

**Management Units: 2-1 to 2-15**

#### BEAVER, LAND OTTER, MUSKRAT, MINK

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-15

Nov. 15 — Feb. 28

#### WEASEL, BOBCAT, RACCOON, SKUNK, FOX, COYOTE, LYNX, WOLVERINE, MARTEN, FISHER, SQUIRREL

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-15

Nov. 15 — Feb. 15

#### BLACK BEAR

No Open Season

#### WOLF

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-4, 2-7 to 2-10

No Open Season

Management Units: 2-5, 2-6, 2-11 to 2-15

Nov. 1 — Feb. 15

### THOMPSON-NICOLA SUB-REGION

**Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-46**

#### BEAVER, LAND OTTER, MUSKRAT

Management Units: 3-16, 3-17, 3-27 to 3-46

Oct. 15 — Apr. 30

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-15, 3-18 to 3-20, 3-26

Nov. 1 — Apr. 15

#### SQUIRREL

Nov. 1 — March 15

#### WOLVERINE, MARTEN, FISHER, MINK, WEASEL, BOBCAT, RACCOON, SKUNK

Nov. 1 — Feb. 15

#### FOX, COYOTE

Oct. 15 — Feb. 28

#### LYNX

Nov. 15 — Feb. 15

#### BLACK BEAR

No Open Season

#### WOLF

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44

Oct. 15 — Feb. 28

Management Units: 3-45, 3-46

No Open Season

#### HUNTER TIP

Carry with you only the ammunition appropriate for your firearm.

### KOOTENAY REGION

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

#### BEAVER, LAND OTTER, MUSKRAT

Oct. 15 — Apr. 15

#### SQUIRREL

Nov. 1 — Mar. 15

#### MARTEN, MINK, WEASEL, RACCOON, SKUNK, FOX

Nov. 1 — Feb. 15

#### FISHER

No Open Season

#### LYNX, BOBCAT

Nov. 15 — Feb. 28

#### 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 Unit: 4-1

No Open Season

Management Units: 4-2\*, 4-3 to 4-9, 4-20 to 4-40

Nov. 1 — Feb. 28

*\*When the harvest of 2 adult females (older than 12 months) or the maximum allowable harvest (determined after this season's breeding success) have been reached, the season in M.U. 4-2 will be closed.*

#### WOLVERINE

Nov. 15 — Feb. 15

### CARIBOO SUB-REGION

**Management Units: 5-1 to 5-16**

#### 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, MINK, WEASEL, BOBCAT, RACCOON, SKUNK

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

## TRAPPING OPEN SEASONS

### FISHER

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-15  
Nov. 15 — Feb. 15

### COYOTE, WOLF, FOX

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-15  
Oct. 15 — Feb. 28

### LYNX

Management Units: 5-1, 5-2, 5-15  
Nov. 15 — Feb. 15  
Management Units: 5-3 to 5-14  
Dec. 15 — Jan. 15

### BLACK BEAR

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-15  
Oct. 15 — May 15

## SKEENA REGION

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-29

### 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  
Oct. 15 — Mar. 31  
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 — Apr. 30  
Management Units: 6-19 to 6-29  
Oct. 1 — May 31  
Management Units: 6-3, 6-11, 6-14  
Oct. 15 — Mar. 31  
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: 6-12, 6-13  
No Open Season  
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  
6-29  
Nov. 1 — Feb. 28

### BOBCAT, RACCOON, SKUNK, FOX, COYOTE

Management Units: 6-3, 6-11 to 6-14  
Nov. 15 — Feb. 15  
Management Units: 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-10, 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 to 6-14  
Oct. 15 — May 15  
Management Units: 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-10, 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

## OMINECA-PEACE SUB-REGION

Management Units: 7-1 to 7-56

### 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, FISHER, MINK, WEASEL, BOBCAT, RACCOON, SKUNK, FOX

Nov. 1 — Feb. 28

### MARTEN

Management Units: 7-1 to 7-48, 7-55, 7-56  
Nov. 1 — Feb. 28  
Management Units: 7-49 to 7-54  
Nov. 1 — Mar. 15

### WOLF

Management Units: 7-1 to 7-41, 7-43\* to 7-47  
Nov. 1 — Feb. 28  
Management Units: 7-42, 7-48 to 7-56  
Oct. 15 — May 31

*\*In the Upper Halfway and Pink Mountain special  
areas, the open season for wolf is Oct. 15 to May 31.  
See Maps G40 and G43 on page 53.*

### BLACK BEAR

Oct. 15 — May 31

### COYOTE

Management Units: 7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-43\*  
to 7-47  
Oct. 15 — Feb. 28

*\*In the Upper Halfway and Pink Mountain special  
areas, the open season for coyote is Oct. 15 to Feb.  
15. See Maps G40 and G43 on page 53.*

### 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

## OKANAGAN SUB-REGION

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to  
8-26

### BEAVER, LAND OTTER, MUSKRAT

Nov. 1 — Apr. 15

### SQUIRREL

Nov. 1 — Mar. 15

### WOLVERINE, MARTEN, FISHER, MINK, WEASEL, BOBCAT, RACCOON, SKUNK, COYOTE

Nov. 1 — Feb. 15

### LYNX

Nov. 15 — Feb. 15

### BLACK BEAR

Oct. 15 — May 15

### WOLF

No Open Season

## WATCHABLE WILDLIFE

Over 300 potential wildlife viewing sites in British Columbia have been inventoried as part of a study commissioned by the governments of Canada and B.C. and documented in a recent report entitled, "Wildlife Viewing in B.C.: The Tourism Potential." Up to 51 of these sites will be developed for public viewing over the next five years under the auspices of a committee representing the Ministries of Environment and Tourism, the Federation of B.C. Naturalists, the B.C. Wildlife Federation and the Guide Outfitters Association of B.C.

The study showed that wildlife viewing has a tremendous potential in B.C., as a recreational activity and as part of the adventure travel industry, particularly considering the province's world-class wildlife resource.

The wildlife viewing initiative is a direct response to growing public interest in wildlife, and it is consistent with one of the stated goals of the wildlife program of the Ministry of Environment: "To maintain, enhance and promote viewing, appreciation and study of wildlife in its habitat."

Look for wildlife viewing areas in provincial parks and at wildlife sites across the province.

For further information, contact: Nancy Wilkin, Tourism and Parks/Planning Coordinator, Wildlife Branch, Victoria, 387-9785.