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Regulations Synopsis

A MESSAGE FROM THE MINISTER

Hunters in British Columbia have access to game species unsurpassed on this continent in variety and abundance. This province also boasts some of the most spectacular opportunities for experiencing nature and wildlife in its natural habitat.

The Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks is committed to maintaining British Columbia's wildlife and the public's opportunity to enjoy it. The conservation of wildlife and wildlife habitat is a key element in my Ministry's program to maintain this resource and provide sustainable-use opportunities.

The Ministry's Habitat Conservation Fund program, which is funded primarily by hunters and freshwater anglers through a surcharge on hunting and angling licence sales, plays an important part in providing for the protection and enhancement of wildlife and its habitat. The funding support for this year's HCF projects totalled \$3,100,000.

I am also pleased to report that several supplemental funding initiatives, recently approved for the 1994/95 fiscal year, will provide additional monies for wildlife management and resource inventory projects. This funding will also contribute to increased staffing in the Ministry's wildlife and enforcement programs.

Of further importance to wildlife management is the ongoing development of provincial timber harvesting standards. The recently-published Forest Practices Code and its resulting rules and standards will ensure that wildlife habitat concerns are recognized and addressed prior to the approval of logging plans. New appointments of Forest Ecosystem Specialists in various forest districts throughout the province, and the approval of a forest renewal accord will also result in increased monitoring of forest harvesting practices.

On behalf of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks and the Government of British Columbia, I invite you to share in the natural wonder which is British Columbia.

The Honourable Moe Sihota
Minister of Environment, Lands and Parks

MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

Provincial

- The bag limit for wolves will be reduced to 3 in all Regions and the season modified to provide protection to females with young pups.
- The regulation prohibiting the baiting of bears is expanded. See page 6, item 41, for details.
- The regulation concerning retrieval of edible portions of game is expanded. See page 6, item 33, for details.
- Band-tailed pigeons will be closed across the province due to concerns about their status in British Columbia.
- The bag limit for mourning doves will be reduced and the season shortened. These restrictions result from continued indications of a population decline.
- See "Highway No Shooting and No Hunting Areas", page 78.
- Discharge of a firearm near residences and buildings is permitted under special circumstances, page 78.

Major changes from last year's regulations are shown in coloured type throughout the Synopsis

ON THE COVER... The Canada goose is probably the most recognizable bird in all of North America. Its flights are the harbinger of spring and winter to many people, while it is prized by hunters for its wariness, size and table qualities. It is highly adaptable and can reproduce prolifically in close proximity to human communities. Canada geese are the only geese that nest naturally in British Columbia, where approximately 15,000 breeding pairs are estimated to produce about 42,000 young each year. Several hundred thousands of geese migrate through or over the province annually.

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HUNTING REGULATIONS

SECTION A



ALLOCATION OF THE ANNUAL ALLOWABLE HARVEST

In 1985, after extensive discussion with representatives of the B.C. Wildlife Federation, the Guide Outfitters of B.C. and the Federation of B.C. Naturalists, the BC Environment established a set of policies and procedures to guide ministry staff, representatives of guide outfitters and resident sportsmen in the allocation of the Annual Allowable Harvest of game animals.

POLICIES/PROCEDURES

There are several policies and procedures which relate to allocation of the allowable harvest of game animals. To completely understand the allocation process the following policies must be considered together:

- setting the "Allowable Harvest";
- establishing "Open Seasons";
- effecting the "Allocation of Hunting Privileges";
- issuing permits for residents to accompany non-residents through "Permit Allocation-Non-Resident (Canadian and alien) Hunting";
- setting non-resident hunter limits under "Quota Allocation - Guided Hunting";
- setting resident hunter limits under "Limited Entry Hunting"; and
- considerations for allocations which may result in harvest overruns or stockpiling of unharvested animals under the "Wildlife Harvest" policy.

Key factors in the application of these policies and procedures include:

- consultation with representatives of guide outfitters and resident sportsmen prior to a regional manager setting allocations for resident and non-resident hunters.
 - consideration of Aboriginal peoples' interest will be given within the context of government policies being developed.
 - no allowable harvest will exceed the level of harvest needed to ensure the conservation of the wildlife resource;
 - allowable harvests are set to meet wildlife objectives for hunting and non-hunting uses;
 - harvest allocations are only considered where the allowable harvest is reached or may soon be reached;
 - resident hunters are given priority over non-resident hunters; and
 - allocations are set for three (3) year periods where feasible.
6. to continue to hunt game species on a day in which the daily bag limit of that species has been taken, or, on the day or subsequent to the day on which the seasonal bag limit for that species of game has been taken.
 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 use a bore size of 20 gauge or larger and use shells of shot size 1 Buck 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.

IT IS UNLAWFUL

1. to enter, hunt over or trap in cultivated land, posted land or private property without the owner's permission.
2. to make a false statement to an Officer, Conservation Officer, or Constable.
3. to hunt at any time during the year except within the open season, or by authority of a permit issued under the *Wildlife Act*.
4. to use another person's licence or permit, or to loan or transfer any licence or permit under any circumstances.
5. to be in possession of a big game animal without a properly cancelled species licence or otherwise by licence, permit, or as provided by regulation.

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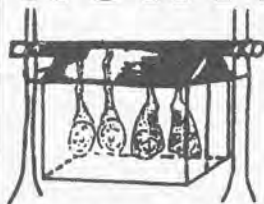
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HUNTING REGULATIONS • SECTION A



11. to hunt with a set gun, or to hunt wildlife 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 a 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 hunt wildlife by the use or with the aid of a light or an illuminating device.
19. to hunt or transport hunters or wildlife by helicopters.
20. to hunt wildlife from an aircraft.
21. to hunt game within six (6) hours of being airborne in an aircraft other than a regularly scheduled commercial aircraft.
22. to use a power boat, aircraft, or motor vehicle to disturb game for the purpose of driving them towards another hunter.
23. to hunt game, except migratory game birds, from one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise.
24. to hunt migratory game birds from 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour before sunrise.
25. to hunt, take, wound or kill big game while it is swimming unless it has been previously wounded.
26. to use poison for the taking or killing of any wildlife.
27. to use recorded or electronic calls to hunt wildlife (no exemption for trappers).
28. to possess or keep in captivity any wildlife without a permit.
29. to possess or wantonly take, injure or destroy a bird, egg, or the nest of a bird except those designated by regulations, (ie: crows, English sparrows, cowbirds, magpies, Rock doves or European starlings or their eggs or nests).
30. to buy or sell migratory birds (or their eggs or nests).
31. to offer for sale the pelt or skin from a furbearing animal taken under a hunting licence in a prescribed open season unless a royalty on the pelt or skin has been paid to the Province. (NOTE: See Royalty Fees section on page 84).
32. to traffic in wildlife meat or offer to do so except as authorized by permit.
33. to kill wildlife (with the exception of grizzly bears and furbearers other than black bear) 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. BC Environment regards "a place of consumption" as a person's permanent residence and not a hunting camp or other type of temporary camp. Of grizzly bear, the hide must be removed to a residence, a cold storage locker or a taxidermist. Effective immediately, the meat of the four quarters and the loins of deer, moose, elk, mountain sheep, mountain goat, caribou, cougar and black bear, are considered the "edible portions".
34. 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.
35. to use live birds as decoys or recorded bird calls to hunt game birds.
36. to discharge, dump, discard or dispose of litter.
37. to shoot at or capture any hawk, falcon, owl or eagle.
38. to deface any notice posted under authority of the *Wildlife Act*.
39. to damage or interfere with a lawfully set trap.
40. to act as, or offer to act as, a guide for fish or game for compensation or reward unless licenced to do so.
41. to hunt black bear or grizzly bear by placing bait or using dead wildlife or parts of it as bait.
42. to possess or transport a big game animal that was killed unintentionally by accident or collision, or was illegally killed.
43. to unintentionally kill a big game animal and fail to report promptly the kill to a Conservation Officer.
44. to possess, traffic in, import or export bear galls or genitalia separate from the carcass or hide; or traffic in, import or export bear paws separate from the carcass or hide.

LICENCE REQUIREMENTS

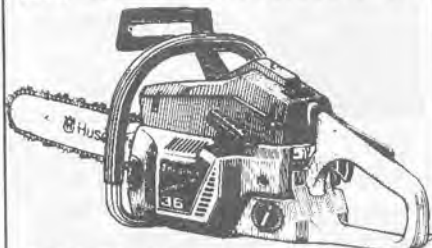
Anyone wishing to hunt or carry firearms in B.C. must obtain the required licence. To be eligible to obtain a resident hunting licence, a person must make his home in British Columbia and be present in the Province for six months in the 12 months immediately before applying for the licence. A member 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 30 days 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.

1. A Hunter Number Card may be obtained 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.

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- A Hunter Number Card can also be obtained by an applicant who produces a document issued by a province or state showing that the person has previously held a resident hunting licence legally issued to the person in British Columbia or another province of Canada or a state of the United States on or after their 10th birthday.
- A person 14 years of age and under 19 must apply for a hunting licence in person in the presence of a 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 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 but must be accompanied and supervised by a licensed adult. Wildlife taken by the junior under this licence is included in the bag limit of the accompanying licensed adult. No species licences may be purchased with the junior licence. However, during a hunting season, a licensed junior hunter may accompany and hunt with an adult holding a valid Limited Entry Hunting authorization and a valid species licence.

- Non-residents' qualifications for a Junior Hunting Licence are the same as in (4.) with the exception that they may not hunt for a species for which a Limited Entry Hunting authorization has been issued to the accompanying adult.

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 Compulsory Reporting/Inspection nor are they exempt from the requirements of the Limited Entry Hunting regulations.

FIREARMS ACQUISITION CERTIFICATE

All persons (except a juvenile accompanied by a licensed 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. For further information, consult the Criminal Code or local police.

BOWHUNTERS

Bowhunters are asked to ensure that the box on their resident hunting licence counter-

foil, indicating that they are bowhunters, is filled in at the time of issue.

MIGRATORY BIRDS

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.

HUNTING LICENCE FEES

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

- A person to carry a firearm (5 year) \$20.00
- A resident of British Columbia
 - 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 7.00*
- A resident of Canada (not British Columbia), or a Canadian citizen
 - to hunt all game and carry firearms 46.00*
- A person not a resident in Canada
 - to hunt all game and carry firearms 145.00*
- A person to hunt in the Fraser Valley Special Area
 - See Map B10 \$10.00
- A person to hunt in the Gulf Islands Special Area
 - All islands in MU 1-1 except Vancouver Island 2.00
- A junior hunting licence - to a person 10 years of age or older and under 14 7.00*
- Canada Migratory Game Bird Hunting Permit 12.00
- Duplicate Hunting and Species Licences
 - To a person who can satisfactorily prove his hunting and/or species licences have been lost or destroyed (a declaration (\$10) is required) For: Senior Citizens, Gulf Islands and Junior 2.00
 - All Others 4.00

* includes surcharge for the HABITAT CONSERVATION FUND.

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SPECIES LICENCE FEES

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

BIG GAME

	B.C. Resident	Non-B.C. Resident
Black Bear	15.00	100.00
Caribou*	20.00	150.00
Cougar*	30.00	150.00
Deer (mule and white tailed)	15.00	75.00
Elk	25.00	150.00
Grizzly Bear*	75.00	500.00
Moose	25.00	150.00
Mountain Goat*	30.00	200.00
Mountain Sheep*	50.00	400.00
Wolf	No Licence Required	25.00

Any person who kills any of the above big game species must immediately cancel the appropriate species licence.

SMALL GAME

	B.C. Resident	Non-B.C. Resident
Combined Bobcat/Lynx/Wolverine*†	8.00	25.00
Upland Game		
Bird	No Licence Required	25.00

* Resident licences for these species are not valid until the second day after the date of issue. All hunting and species licences expire March 31, 1995.

† Licence cancellation is not required for combined bobcat/lynx/wolverine licence.

LICENCE AVAILABILITY

Resident hunting licences are available at all Government Agents' offices, some BC Environment Offices and many sporting goods stores. Non-resident hunting licences are only available from some Regional BC Environment Offices, Government Agents, and Wildlife Branch, 3rd Floor - 780 Blanshard Street, Victoria, B.C. V8V 1X4, upon completion of an application form. Non-residents may also obtain their licences by mail. To obtain a copy of the latest Hunting and Trapping Regulations Synopsis, Guide Outfitters in British Columbia booklet, and general tourism information, please write to: Ministry of Tourism, 1117 Wharf Street, Victoria, British Columbia, V8V 1X4.

Duplicates for misplaced, lost, stolen or accidentally destroyed licences are only available from Government Agents' offices for a fee of \$10.00 for the declaration of lost licence, plus a duplicate licence fee. 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.



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ACCESS MANAGEMENT FOR WILDLIFE

Several laws govern public access to wildlife and several types of closures specifically limit access by licenced hunters or others. In brief the following laws apply:

1. *Trespass Act* - The provincial *Trespass Act* sets out strict limits on any public access to enclosed private land. Private property is considered enclosed if **any one** of the following conditions are met:
 - there are clearly visible signs prohibiting trespassing posted at each ordinary access point; **or**
 - the property is surrounded by a lawful fence; **or**
 - the property is surrounded by a natural boundary such as a river bank or a 4 1/2 foot hedge.
2. *Wildlife Act* (Section 40) - A person is not permitted to hunt on cultivated land or on Crown land which is subject to a grazing lease while the land is occupied by livestock, without the consent of the owners, lessee or occupant of the land. In the Fraser Valley, and to a lesser extent elsewhere in agricultural areas, local sporting groups (clubs) have made private arrangements with landowners to exclude other hunters. Such areas are frequently posted to no trespassing by these sporting groups.

In addition to the above there is authority under provisions of the *Wildlife Act* to limit access by hunters or other persons.

- A) *Road Closure* (Section 111(b.1), B.C. *Wildlife Act*) - BC Environment may choose to restrict the use of any vehicle on a given road surface for the protection and/or management of wildlife resources.
- B) *Vehicular Hunting Closure* (Section 110), B.C. *Wildlife Act*) - BC Environment may prohibit the use of a motorized vehicle for the purpose of hunting in a defined area for the management and/or protection of wildlife resources.
- C) *Area Closure* (Section 111(b), B.C. *Wildlife Act*) - BC Environment may close or restrict the use of any vehicle over a defined area for the protection and/or management of wildlife resources.

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Firearms are also not permitted outside of a vehicle, vessel or aircraft in a National Park unless they are being moved into, or out of, a person's premises, or with a permit issued by the park superintendent.

Provincial Parks and Recreation Areas

Hunting or the discharge of firearms, bows or crossbows is prohibited in the majority of Provincial Parks or Recreation Areas. Only those parks and recreation areas listed in the following regional schedules are open to hunting and/or the discharge of firearms, and only during the legal hunting season as described in the schedules.

When a park or recreation area is closed to hunting or there is no open season for any species, both the possession and discharge of the firearm, bow or crossbow are prohibited except when authorized by a park officer, or except when the such weapons are carried within a vehicle.

The use of horses, motor vehicles, motorcycles, snowmobiles, other self-propelled vehicles or cycles is generally prohibited in parks and Recreation Areas except where specifically authorized. All motor vehicles on park roads must be licenced. Use of aircraft to arrive at or depart from some parks is restricted.

It is prohibited to hunt or discharge a firearm, bow or crossbow in a Provincial Park or Recreation Area within 400 metres of either side of the centre line of any park road or highway except as authorized by a park officer, unless otherwise stated in the Hunting Regulations Synopsis for a specific road. Contact any district office of BC Parks for further information, or consult Schedule A of the Park and Recreation Regulations.

Individuals hunting in a Provincial Park or Recreation Area should be aware that the *Park Act* and Park Regulations apply.

Ecological Reserves

Hunting, trapping and fishing are prohibited in Ecological Reserves in British Columbia. The possession or discharge of a firearm, bow or crossbow is prohibited. A complete list of Ecological Reserves including detailed maps and legal descriptions is available from any regional office of BC Parks, or from Parks headquarters at 800 Johnston Street, Victoria, B.C. V8V 1X4.

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	Campbell River	101-370 S. Dogwood St., V9W 6Y7	286-7630		• •
	Duncan	5785 Duncan St., V9L 5G2	746-1236		•
	Port Alberni	4515 Elizabeth St., V9Y 6L5	724-9290		•
	Port Hardy	Bag 11000, 8755 Granville St, V0N 2P0	949-6272		•
	Victoria	Ste. 103 3179 Jacklin Rd., V8V 1X4	474-5544		•
LOWER MAINLAND	Surrey	10334 - 152A St., V3R 7P8	582-5200	•†	•
	Chilliwack	9365 Mill St., V2P 4N3	795-8422		• •
	Maple Ridge	20450 Dewdney Trunk Road., V2X 3E3	465-4011		•
	Powell River	125 - 6953 Alberni Street, V8A 2B8	485-2554		•
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	Dease Lake	General Delivery, V0C 1L0	771-3566		• •
	New Hazelton	Box 309, V0J 2J0	842-5319		•
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MUNICIPALITIES

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

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 (MUs) under B.C. Regulation 415/75. 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.

THERE IS NO OPEN SEASON ON ANY WILDLIFE UNLESS INDICATED.

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 sea-

sons 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 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.

NOTICE TO HUNTERS

Under the *Wildlife Act*, all wildlife, dead or alive, is owned by the provincial Crown except where a person lawfully kills the wildlife and complies with all provisions of the *Wildlife Act* regulations.

It is the hunter's responsibility to take only animals which meet the legal requirements. If you have any doubts about the legality of the animal, **DO NOT SHOOT!**

LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING

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.

Limited Entry Hunting seasons are open only 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.

Area maps showing LEH zones for seasons that coincide with general open seasons are included in the publication for reference. Hunters should refer to the 1994-95 Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis for specific LEH maps.

B.C.'s BEAR PARTS TRADE BAN

To protect grizzly and black bears, the B.C. government has imposed a ban on the commercial trade in certain bear parts effective February 1, 1993. The new regulation forbids the possession, trafficking, importing and exporting of bear galls and genitalia separated from the carcass or hide. It also bans trade in bear paws separated from the carcass or hide, although possession is still permitted to allow for personal use and for ceremonial use by aboriginal people.



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In May 1990, the Wildlife Branch enacted regulations to track the movement of bear parts from source to retailer or exporter. The regulations made it illegal to kill bears only for their parts. Since then, the branch has determined that such illegal kills are on the rise.

The reason for this can be traced to the extensive trade in bear parts in Asia. Bears in China, and in North and South Korea, are being farmed for their parts, thereby boosting demand. As demand increases, so does the price - documentation of international trade shows that some bear parts now sell for thousands of dollars per kilogram. If this escalation is allowed to go unchecked, it is only a matter of time before many more bear populations all over the world become seriously threatened, as some already are.

B.C.'s ban on the trade in bear parts represents an important step toward discouraging the illegal slaughter of these animals. Many jurisdictions in western North America have similar bans in place.

ABORIGINAL HUNTING

A priority of the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks is to ensure the long-term conservation of wildlife populations and their habitats. The Ministry also recognizes a duty to provide the aboriginal people of the province some priority, after conservation needs are met, in the use of wildlife for sustenance (food, societal and ceremonial purposes). Any uses of wildlife must be sustainable, and harvesting methods must not jeopardize safety or property. Any hunting for sale or barter of wildlife species, in whole or in part, is not sanctioned, except as authorized by regulation or specific provision in a treaty.

PROVINCE-WIDE BAN ON LEAD SHOT FOR WATERFOWL HUNTING SLATED FOR 1995/96 SEASON

The Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks (Wildlife Branch) and Environment Canada (Canadian Wildlife Service), have proposed to ban the use of lead shot for waterfowl hunting in British Columbia by the 1995/96 season. Some additional area

closures may be necessary before then, if ongoing research shows the need.

In 1986, the Royal Society of Canada's Commission on Lead in the Environment termed lead a "powerful toxin". Concerns over organic sources of lead brought restrictions on lead content in gasoline in Canada beginning in 1974. By 1989 legislation to virtually eliminate this source was completed. In addition, reductions have been placed on particulate lead sources near mines and in household paints, and lead is no longer used for pipes in household plumbing or municipal projects.

Inorganic sources of lead, such as lead shot, are largely inert unless they come in contact with an acidic environment. In the stomachs of waterfowl and raptors ingested lead becomes extremely toxic. Incidental mortality of waterfowl caused by ingestion of lead shot pellets has been known for over a century, but over the past 35 years, concern has risen that ingested lead shot could be threatening waterfowl and bald eagle populations.

In response to this concern, and with non-toxic alternatives now available, many jurisdictions have introduced legislation to ban lead shot for use in waterfowl hunting. A complete ban now exists for the entire United



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States, including Alaska. Bans in varying form and degree are in effect in Denmark, Netherlands, Norway and Australia. Other European and Asian countries are at the point of deciding what action to take, or gathering information on the magnitude of the problem. Some

local areas in the U.S. have banned lead shot for all recreational uses, and some European countries where it is already banned for waterfowl hunting have introduced surtaxes on lead shot used for other purposes.

Until now, British Columbia and the rest

of Canada have followed a "hot spot" approach, only banning lead shot where there was sufficient evidence of lead poisoning in waterfowl to warrant a ban. Initial efforts were directed at gizzard analysis, but lead shot dissolves rapidly in gizzards and may not

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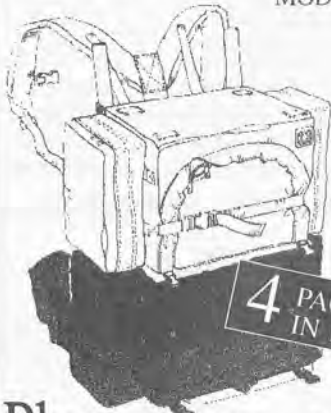
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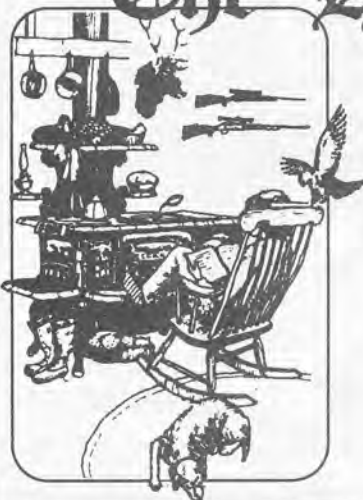
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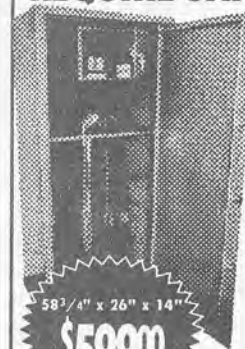
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Familiarize yourself with current regulations. Some common violations are:

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. Property damage (shooting powerline insulators, road signs, industrial equipment).
5. 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:

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1-800-465-4336 for offences involving salmon.

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

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be evident in birds that have, in fact, been poisoned. Lead levels in blood are more accurate determinants of lead poisoning, and are now being used to a greater extent. Recent bone lead levels in wings collected from ducks in British Columbia have shown the problem to be much more extensive than initially thought. Many areas in the Kootenays, South and Central Interior, and along the Southern Coast, show high levels of lead contamination - more than 10 parts per million in over 10% of the ducks checked. Records of wintering trumpeter swans dying from lead poisoning have been increasing as well.

In addition, a recent study indicated the first evidence of secondary poisoning in bald eagles in British Columbia. Eagles feeding on crippled waterfowl ingest lead shot from the muscle tissue of their prey. Lead contaminated eagles have been recorded from most areas of coastal British Columbia, as well as some interior locations.

At present we have no records of lead poisoning in the northern areas of the province, but no duck wings have been analyzed yet from these areas.

As managers of wildlife and champions of conservation we must do everything reasonable to reduce the unnecessary loss of wildlife attributable to poisoning from lead shot. In the United States, prior to the introduction of shot restrictions, 1.5 to 3 million waterfowl were estimated to die each year from lead poisoning. In some areas of North America as high as 30% of local duck populations have been affected.

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Steel shot is currently the only alternative to lead shot that is widely available, though bismuth may be in the near future. Recent studies have shown that almost all concerns regarding gun barrel damage from steel are unsubstantiated, or can be mitigated by changing chokes. Concerns about increased crippling loss are also unfounded. Potential problems with steel shot can be overcome through practice, and the sharpening of shooting skills to adapt to the different ballistic properties of steel.

Along with CWS, we will be promoting and advertising this change as widely and as quickly as possible. The two years notice being given will afford retailers sufficient time to adjust their shotshell stocks, and allow for continued hunter education programs. Attempts will be made to get the highly regarded Cooperative Non-toxic Shot Education Program (CONSEP) seminars to as many jurisdictions as possible in the next few years.

We know that hunters will see and accept the need to change to non-toxic shot, and will respond positively, as they have in the past whenever valid conservation issues have required their support. Many other segments of society have already removed lead from their products; now hunters can assist efforts to keep this toxic substance from harming our wildlife. One thing is sure: every bird that dies from lead poisoning in the winter is one less bird to nest in the spring, and that means fewer waterfowl for hunters and everyone else to enjoy.

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Location _____

Species taken _____

How taken _____

Location of carcass (if applicable) _____

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Description of violator

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Enhancement Activity	Expenditures	Percent
Prescribed Fires	\$3,119,400	29%
Vegetation Management	\$2,056,000	19%
Transplants	\$901,600	8%
Wetland Enhancement	\$1,063,700	10%
Planning & Feasibility	\$1,838,500	17%
Public Education & Information	\$237,500	2%
Ecosystem Management	\$1,319,400	12%
Protecting Habitats	\$281,400	3%
Total:	\$10,817,500	100%

What is "Vegetation Management"? — this category encompasses projects where vegetation is managed to enhance food or cover for wildlife. A variety of techniques can be used: mechanical treatment, slashing, thinning, spacing, planting, avalanche control, managed grazing, and weed control. An example of this type of project is this year's reseeded and fertilizing of old fields, marsh rehabilitation, wildlife hazard fence removal, and knapweed control in the East Kootenays to enhance habitat for elk, whitetail deer and waterfowl.

\$3.1 million for fish & wildlife this year - 57 wildlife enhancement projects have been approved for a total of \$1.3 million. Some of the activities include:

- prescribed fires near Ft. St. John, Chetwynd and Dawson Creek to improve mule deer, moose, elk and Rocky Mountain Bighorn and California Bighorn Sheep habitat and winter range.
- black bear study in the Nimpkish valley to determine denning requirements and to aid in the development of integrated management guidelines.
- grizzly study in Tweedsmuir/Atmarko area to determine habitat use and population.

Do you have questions about the Habitat Conservation Fund?

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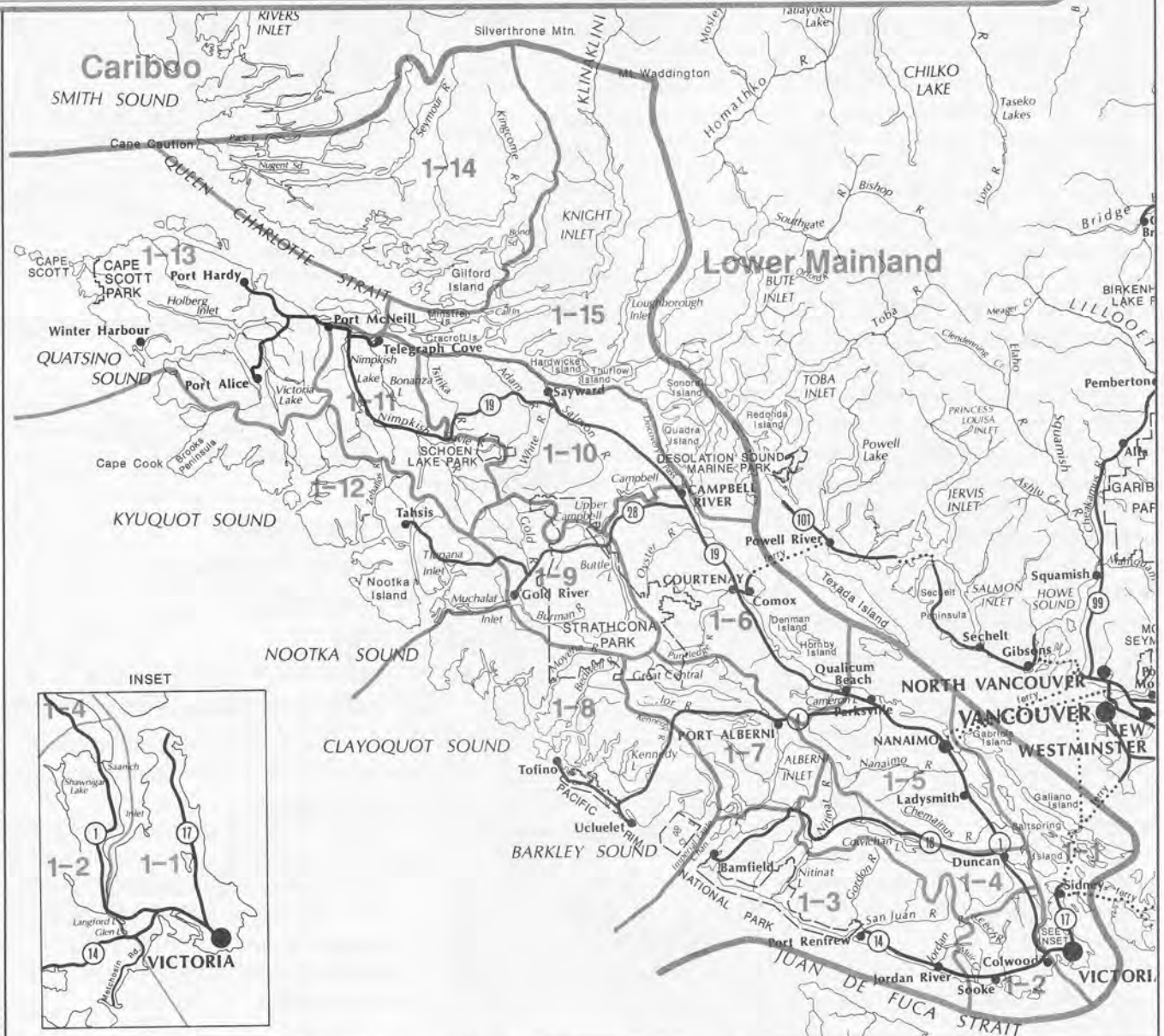
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MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- Firearms - It is unlawful to hunt with a firearm using, or containing, a single projectile in the breech or magazine in the former "Shotgun with Shot Only" areas on Maps A13, A14, A20 and A21.
- Canada geese - there is a new split season in MU 1-4.
- Deer - the antlerless deer season in MU 1-5 is restricted to persons under the age of 19 years on a trial basis.
- Hunting is prohibited in the following provincial parks: Chemainus River, Koksilah River, Morton Lake, and Mount Maxwell.
- Hunting is restricted to waterfowl only in four parks.
- Note new "No Shooting Area" in Comox Bay, new "No Hunting or Shooting Area" for DeCourcy Island, and other modifications to special area maps.



The boundaries indicated in these regional maps approximately represent regional management unit boundaries. For a more precise definition of MU boundaries, consult the B.C. Recreational Atlas, 3rd Edition, 1993.





LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING



There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting Seasons. See Limited Entry Hunting section on page 10.

BAG LIMITS

Deer: The bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer is three, one of which may be antlerless, in MU 1-1, 1-5, and 1-10, and in the Courtenay-Campbell River Special Area in MU 1-6 (See Map A21). The bag limit for buck mule (black-tailed) deer is three in MUs 1-2 to 1-4, 1-6 and 1-11. The bag limit for buck mule (black-tailed) deer is two in MUs 1-7 to 1-9, 1-12 to 1-15. The bag limit for black-tailed deer and fallow deer on Sidney Island is 3 in aggregate, of which 3 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, wolverine and all wolf taken in MUs 1-1 to 1-13 to be inspected. See Compulsory Reporting section on page 77.

NOTICE TO HUNTERS

- Convention on International Trade-Export (CITES) permits will be issued for grizzly bear, black bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf. See Convention on International Trade section on page 77.
- The prohibition on hunting and discharge of a firearm near buildings (page 78) is extended to Regional District Parks in Region 1.
- The use of rifles for hunting is prohibited in MU 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.
- No hunting or shooting of upland game birds (grouse, pheasant, quail) on Denman Island. (situate in MU 1-6).

- Qualicum National Wildlife Area (situate in MU 1-6) - 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. In order to protect the habitat for the Vancouver Island marmots, motor vehicles are prohibited in Block 1392 of MU 1-5 on Green Mountain.
- Nanaimo/Qualicum Bays (situate in MUs 1-5 and 1-6) - 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.
- There is a cougar study underway in the Englishman River and Nanaimo River watersheds. Hunters are requested to avoid shooting collared cougars. See Collared Wildlife section on page 75.
- The use of raptors 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 MU 1-1. See Map A1.
- On Sidney Island the open season for antlered and antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer and fallow deer is August 27 to December 11. The bag limit 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. (situate in MU 1-1)
- 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.
- The discharge of firearms is prohibited within 25 metres on either side of the midline of Westcan Terminals Road east of Indian Reserve #9 and 25 m seaward from, and including the paved area of Westcan Terminals Port site (situate in MU 1-4).
- No shooting areas: Hunters should note the Highway No Shooting and No Hunting

Areas as outlined on page 78.

- Gulf Islands Special Licence Hunting Area: All persons hunting on an island in MU 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. **The Gulf Islands are largely comprised of private lands. Hunters are reminded that they must obtain consent from owners before hunting on private land.**

PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS

In keeping with Section 29 of the Park and Recreation Area Regulations, the following Parks and Recreation Areas are only open to the discharge of firearms, bows and crossbows from September 10 to June 15 during a lawful game hunting season:

- Brooks Recreation Area** (MU 1-12)
- Cape Scott Park** (waterfowl only) (MU 1-13)
- Gibson Marine Park** (waterfowl only) (shotguns only) (MU 1-8)
- Octopus Island Marine Park** (waterfowl only) (shotguns only) (MU 1-15)
- Sandy Island Park** (shotguns only) (MU 1-6)
- Schoen Lake Park** (MU 1-10, 1-11)
- Sidney Spit Marine Park** (waterfowl only) (shotguns with shot only) (MU 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** (MU 1-2)
- Thurston Bay Marine Park** (waterfowl only) (shotguns only) (MU 1-15)

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

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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 10- Nov 27 3
*Bucks: Nov 28 - Dec 11 3
Management Units: 1-7 to 1-9, 1-12
to 1-15***
Bucks: Sept 10 - Nov 27 2
*Bucks: Nov 28 - Dec 11 2
Management Units: 1-1, 1-5**, 1-10
Antlerless: Nov 5 - Nov 13 1
See special area maps.

* Open only for deer having two or more points (tines) above the brow tine area on one antler. The head and antlers of all mule (black-tailed) deer taken during the Nov 28 - Dec 11 season must remain attached to the carcass, and must accompany the species licence.

** MU 1-5 is open only to hunters under the age of 19.

*** See map A32.

Bow and Arrow Only Season

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-6, 1-10, 1-11
Bucks: Aug 27-Sept 9 3
Management Units: 1-7 to 1-9, 1-12 to 1-15
Bucks: Aug 27 -Sept 9 2

There is no bow and arrow only season on the Gulf Islands in MU 1-1 (except Gabriola Island) or Zone B of MU 1-5. (See Map A17).

MOUNTAIN GOAT

Management Units: 1-14, 1-15
Sept 10 - Nov 27

GRIZZLY BEAR

Management Unit: 1-14
Apr 1 - May 31/95
Management Unit: 1-15
Apr 1 - May 1995
See Maps A30, A31, A33, A34

LEH MUs 1-14, 1-15

BLACK BEAR

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-15
Sept 10 - Dec 11 2
Apr 1 - June 15/95

Bow and Arrow Only Season

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-15
Aug 27 - Sept 9 2
There is no bow and arrow only season on the Gulf Islands in MU 1-1 or in zone B of MU 1-5 (see Map A17). See page 75.

WOLF

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-15
Sept 1 - June 15 3
All wolf taken in MUs 1-1 to 1-13 must be checked at a compulsory reporting centre within 10 days of the date of kill.

COYOTE

Management Units: 1-14, 1-15
Sept 1 - Mar 31 10

COUGAR

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-7
Dec 1 - Apr 30 1
Management Units: 1-8 to 1-15
Nov 15 - Apr 30 2
Hunters are requested not to shoot female cougar with kittens.

BOBCAT

No open season

RACCOON

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-15
Apr 1 - Mar 31 10

SNOWSHOE HARE

Management Units: 1-14, 1-15
Aug 1 - Apr 30 10 (daily)

OPOSSUM, SKUNK

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-15
Apr 1 - Mar 31 NBL
A person who kills an opossum is requested to submit the carcass to an officer of the Wildlife Program at a regional or district office and provide the following information: location of the kill, date of kill and sex of animal.

**COLUMBIAN GROUND
SQUIRREL**

Management Units: 1-14, 1-15
No closed season NBL
The open season for Columbian Ground Squirrel is restricted to private land only. Hunters must obtain permission from landowners before hunting on private land.

GROUSE, BLUE AND RUFFED

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-15
Sept 3 - Dec 31 10(30)
Bow and Arrow Only Seasons
Management Units: 1-1 to 1-15
Aug 27 - Sept 2 10(30)
There is no bow and arrow only season on the Gulf Islands in MU 1-1 or in zone B of MU 1-5 (See Map A17).

PTARMIGAN

Management Units: 1-14, 1-15
Sept 3 - Dec 31 5(15)

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


Management Units: 1-1 to 1-13, 1-15
Oct 8 - Jan 22 1
Management Unit: 1-14
Sept 15 - Dec 15 2
Bag Limits: Ducks: 6(12)
Coots: 10(20)
Common snipe: 10(20)
Snow geese: 5(10)
Ross' Geese: 5(10)

No person shall use lead shot for the purpose of hunting waterfowl, coot or snipe in MUs 1-4, 1-5 and 1-6. Please take note of the provincial bag limits for geese and ducks on page 76.

BAND-TAILED PIGEONS

No open season.

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BLACK BRANT, WHITE-FRONTED GEESE

No open season.

CANADA GEESE

Management Units: 1-5, 1-6

Sept 10 - Oct 23, Nov 19 - Jan 22 **5(10)**

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-3, 1-7 to 1-13, 1-15

Oct 8 - Jan 22 **5(10)**

Management Unit: 1-4

Sept 24 - Oct 23 **5(10)**

Nov 19 - Jan 22

Management Unit: 1-14

Sept 15 - Dec 15 **5(10)**

Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 76. See Map A28.

CALIFORNIA QUAIL

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-5

Oct 1 - Nov 13 **5(15)**

No open season on mountain quail.

PHEASANT (COCKS ONLY)

Management Units: 1-1 to 1-9

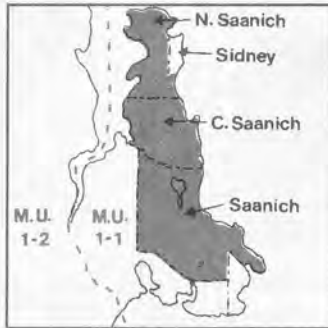
Oct 1 - Nov 13 **2(6)**

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.



Map A1 Saanich No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 1-1). Bow hunting is permitted in Central Saanich, by permit only from municipal office. Licenced falconers may hunt waterfowl, pheasant and quail during the regular open season.



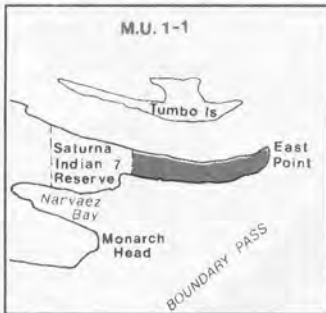
Map A2 Mayne Island No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 1-1).



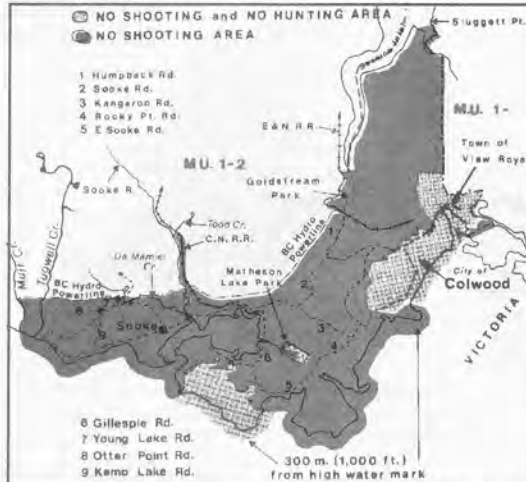
Map A3 Ganges No Shooting Area (situate in MU 1-1).



Map A4 Mudge and Link Islands No Shooting Area and DeCourcy Island No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 1-1).



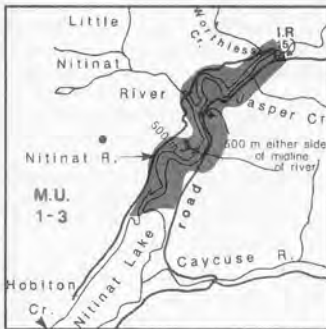
Map A5 Saturna Island No Shooting or Hunting Area (Situate in MU 1-1).



Map A6 Sooke - Metchosin Highlands - City of Colwood - Town of View Royal. No Shooting Area and No Shooting or Hunting Areas (situate in MUs 1-1, 1-2).



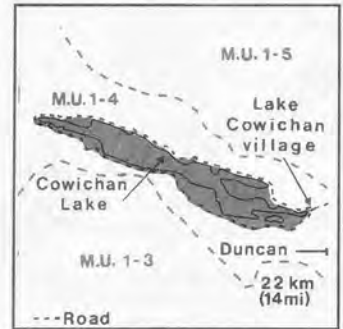
Map A7 Pacific Rim (West Coast) National Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MUs 1-3 and 1-8).



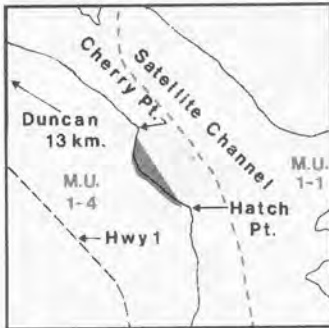
Map A8 Nitinat River No Shooting or Hunting Area. (situate in MU 1-3).



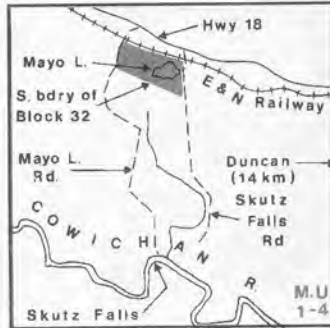
Map A9 Cowichan Bay No Shooting Area from Feb 1 to Sept 9 and Shotgun with Shot Only (non toxic shot) Area from Sept 10 to Jan 31 (situate in MU 1-4). Hunting by Permission Only Area; contact BC Environment, Duncan.



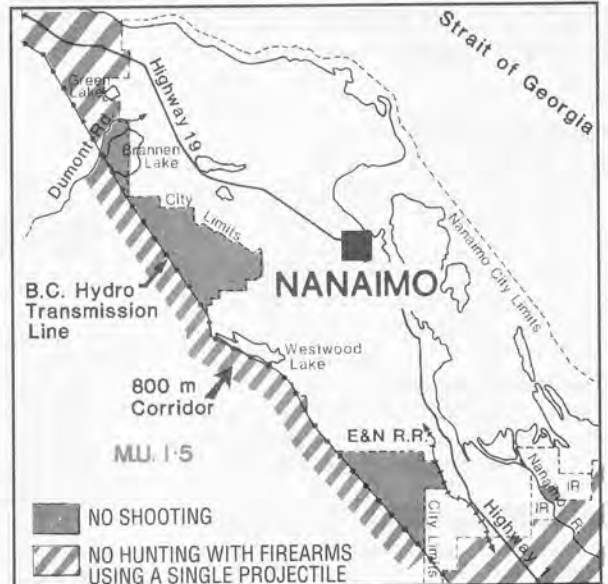
Map A10 Cowichan Lake No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 1-4).



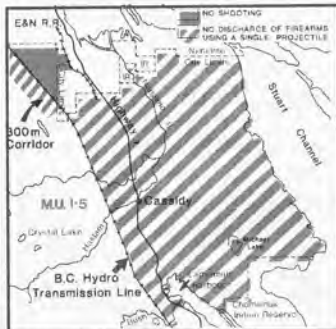
Map A11 Cherry Point No Shooting Area (situate in MU 1-4).



Map A12 Mayo Lake No Shooting Area (situate in MU 1-4).



Map A13 Nanaimo - No Shooting and Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 1-5). Hunting with, or the discharge of a rifle or shotgun using a single projectile is prohibited. A special season east of the powerline for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Sept 10 to Nov 27. A special bow and arrow only season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Aug 27 to Sept 9. Bag limit = 3(1). Muzzle loaded weapons may be used west of Hwy. 19 and Hwy. 1.



Map A14 Nanaimo-Ladysmith No Shooting and Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 1-5). Hunting with, or the discharge of a rifle or shotgun using a single projectile is prohibited. Muzzle loaded weapons may be used west of Hwy 1. Michael Lake: No Shooting on Michael Lake to the high water mark. A special season east of the powerline for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Sept 10 to Nov 27. A special bow and arrow only season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Aug 27 to Sept 9. Bag limit = 3(1).



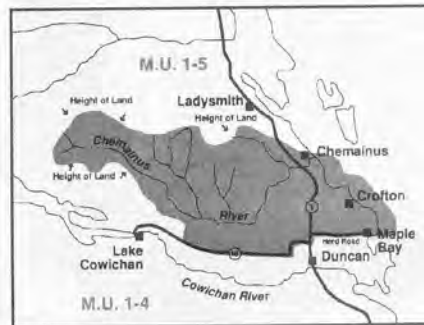
Map A15 Englishman River No Shooting Area (situate in MU 1-5).



Map A16 York Lake No Shooting Area (situate in MU 1-5).



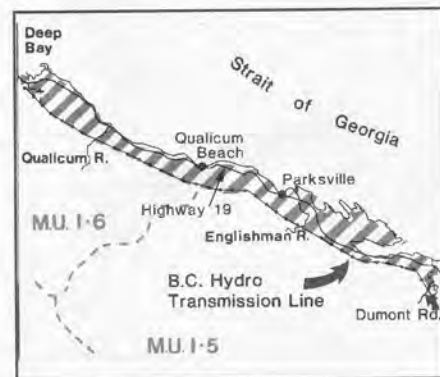
Map A17 Nanaimo River Closed area during bow and arrow only season for grouse, mule (black-tailed) deer bucks and black bear. Use of snowmobiles and ATV's prohibited from Sept 1 - Dec 31 (situate in MU 1-5).



Map A18 Chemainus River Antlerless Deer Closed Area (situate in MU 1-5).



Map A19 Cameron River Antlerless Deer Closed Area (situate in MU 1-5).



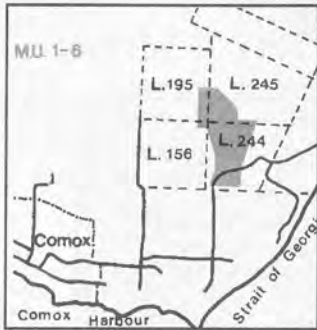
Map A20 Qualicum - Parksville Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MUs 1-5, 1-6). Hunting with, or the discharge of rifles or a shotgun using a single projectile is prohibited. Muzzle loaded weapons may be used west of Hwy 19. A special season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Sept 10 to Nov 27. A special bow and arrow only season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Aug 27 to Sept 9. Bag limit = 3(1).



Map A21 Courtenay - Campbell River Special Area (situate in MU 1-6). Muzzle loaded weapons may be used west of Hwy 19. Hunting with, or the discharge of a rifle or a shotgun using a single projectile is prohibited. The special season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Sept 10 to Nov 27. A special bow and arrow season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Aug 27 to Sept 9. Bag limit = 3(1).



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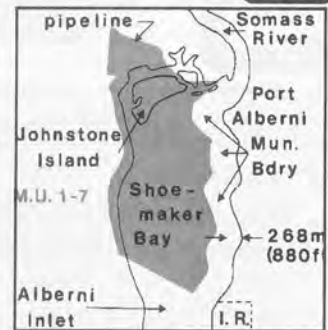
Map A22 Lazo Marsh No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 1-6).



Map A23 Comox Harbour No Shooting Area (situate in MU 1-6).



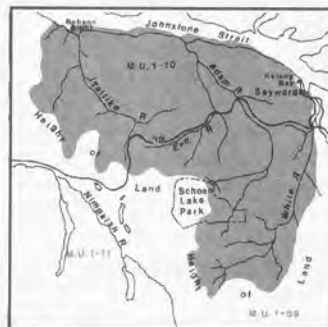
Map A24 Quinsam Coal Mine Site No Shooting Area (Situate MU 1-10).



Map A25 Shoemaker Bay No Shooting Area (situate in MU 1-7).



Map A26 Ucluelet Inlet No Shooting and No Hunting Area (situate in MU 1-8).



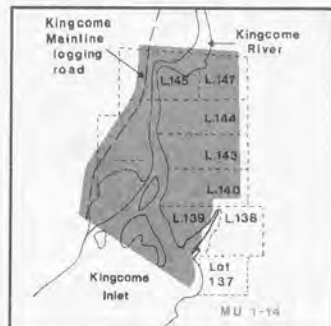
Map A27 White River/Adam River/Eve River/Tsitika River Antlerless Deer Closed area (situate in MU 1-10).



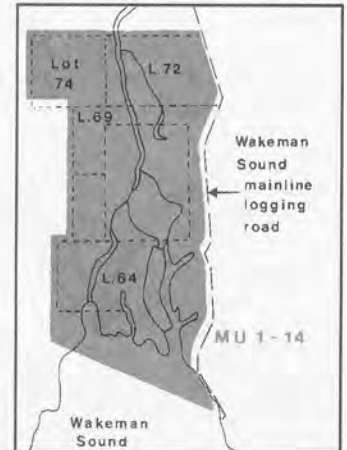
Map A28 Upper Nimpkish Canada Goose Closed Area (situate in MU 1-11).



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



Map A30 Kingcome Inlet Grizzly Bear Closed Area (situate in MU 1-14).



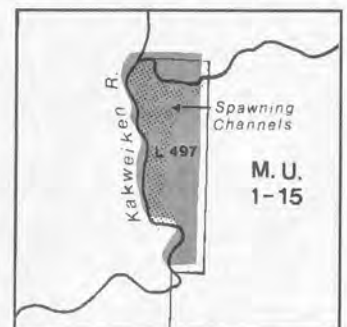
Map A31 Wakeman Sound Grizzly Bear Closed Area (situate in MU 1-14).



Map A32 Quadra Island Shotguns with Shotgun Only Area (situate in MU 1-15). Open for antlerless deer Sept 10 to Nov 27. Bag limit: 3(1).



Map A33 Knight Inlet Grizzly Bear Closed Area (situate in MU 1-15).



Map A34 Kakweiken River Grizzly Bear Closed Area (situate in MU 1-15).



LOWER MAINLAND REGION

SECTION B • REGION 2

LOWER MAINLAND REGION

(MUs 2-1 to 2-19)

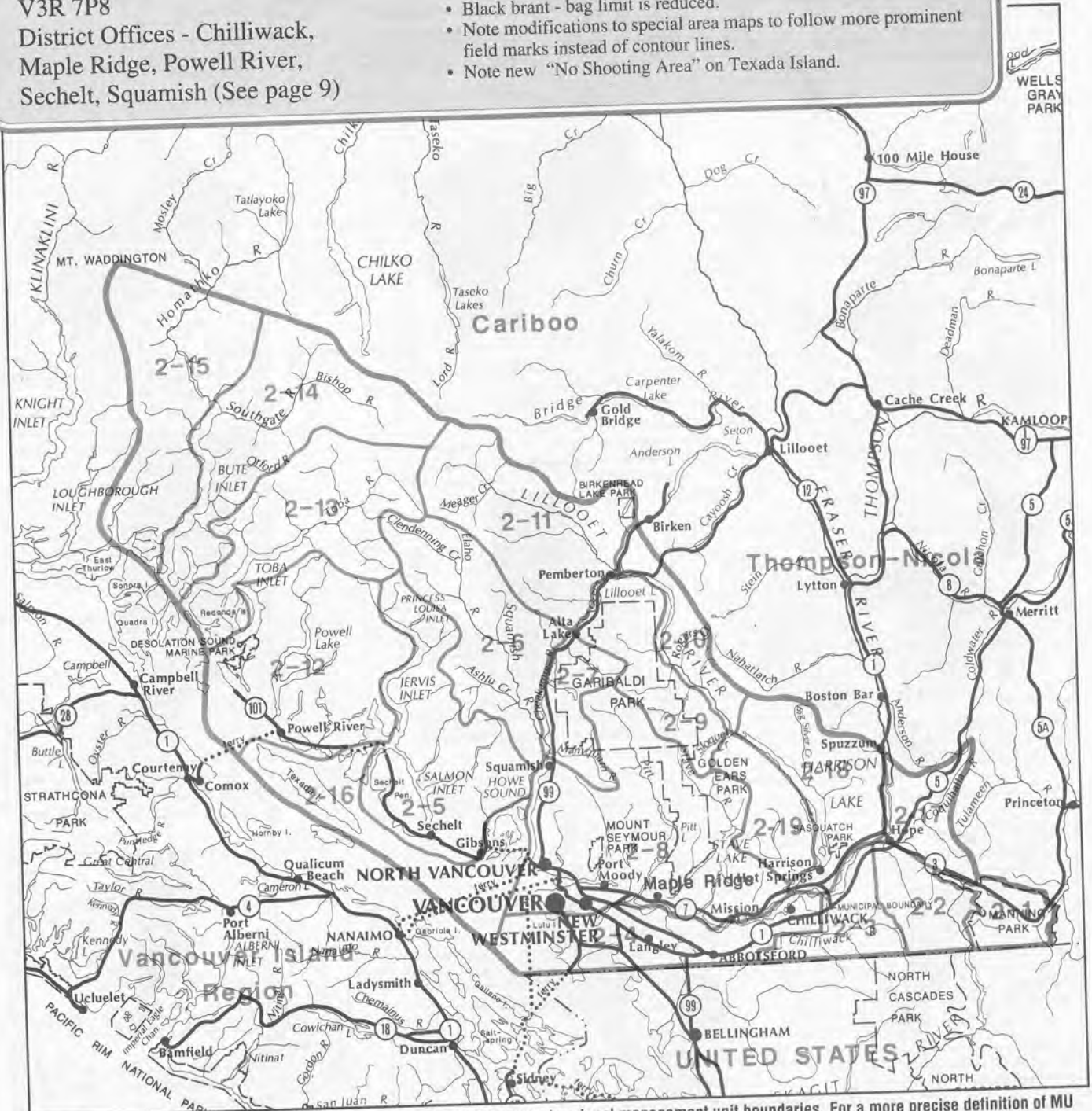
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MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- Cougar - season opening is delayed by two weeks.
- Bow and Arrow Only Season is opened one week earlier.
- Deer - a special 3 day "youth" (under 19 years of age) antlerless deer season has been established on Texada Island (MU 2-16).
- Canada geese - there is an extended, triple-split season for MU 2-4.
- Black brant - bag limit is reduced.
- Note modifications to special area maps to follow more prominent field marks instead of contour lines.
- Note new "No Shooting Area" on Texada Island.



The boundaries indicated in these regional maps approximately represent regional management unit boundaries. For a more precise definition of MU boundaries, consult the B.C. Recreational Atlas, 3rd Edition, 1993.



LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING

LEH There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting Seasons. See Limited Entry Hunting section on page 10.

BAG LIMITS

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

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

Black Bear: In MUs 2-2, 2-18, 2-19 the bag limit for black bear is one(1). In other MUs the bag limit is two(2).

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 77.

NOTICE TO HUNTERS

- No person shall use lead shot for the purpose of hunting waterfowl, coot or snipe in MUs 2-4 and 2-8.
- No person shall use lead shot for any purpose when discharging a firearm on any dyke or on the water side (seaward or river side) of any dyke in the municipality of Delta, or any on foreshore dyke facing Mud Bay in the municipality of Surrey.
- Fraser Valley Special Area - Hunters should take note of the special licence area in the Fraser Valley. Information is provided on detailed Map B10. 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, BC Environment, 8:30-4:30, Monday to Friday (Phone: 582-5200).

- Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for black bear, grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf. See Convention on International Trade section on page 77.
- No Shooting Areas: Hunters should note the Highway No Shooting and No Hunting Areas as outlined on page 78.
- 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 of the foreshore of Sea Island (Vancouver International Airport) within the Westminster Land District.
- In Lower Mainland Region, the prohibition on hunting and discharge of a firearm near buildings (page 78) is extended to Regional District Parks.

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**LOWER MAINLAND REGION
OPEN SEASONS**

MULE (BLACK-TAILED) DEER

Management Units: 2-4 to 2-8, 2-12 to 2-15, 2-17, 2-19

Bucks: Sept 10 - Dec 4 **2**

Management Units: 2-2, 2-3, 2-9 to 2-11, 2-18

Bucks: Sept 10 - Dec 11 **2**

Management Units: 2-16 **2**

*Bucks: Sept 10 - Dec 11 **2**

**In that portion of MU 2-16 being Texada Island, the bag limit for deer is 3(2). See Map B33 for special restrictions on Bowen Island.*

Management Unit: 2-16

Antlerless: Oct 29 - Oct 31 **2

Antlerless: Nov 5 - Nov 20 **1**

***Open only on Texada Island. Hunters must be under the age of 19.*

Bow and Arrow Only

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-19

Bucks: Aug 27 - Sept 9 **2**

Texada Island

Antlered or Antlerless: Dec 12 - Jan 15/95

LEH MUs 2-2, 2-3, 2-9, 2-10, 2-11, 2-18

MOUNTAIN GOAT

Management Units: 2-5

Sept 10 - Oct 10 **1**

Management Units: 2-6, 2-7

Sept 10 - Sept 25 **1**

Management Units: 2-12 to 2-15

Sept 10 - Oct 23 **1**

See Maps B14, B26, B27

BLACK BEAR

Management Units: 2-3 to 2-17

Sept 10 - Dec 31 **2**

Apr 1 - June 15/95

Management Units 2-2, 2-18, 2-19

Sept 10 - Dec 31 **1**

Apr 1 - June 15/95

Bow and Arrow Only Season:

Management Units: 2-3 to 2-17

Aug 27 - Sept 9 **2**

Management units: 2-2, 2-18, 2-19

Aug 27 - Sept 9 **1**

WOLF

Management Units: 2-5, 2-6, 2-11 to 2-16

Sept 1 - Mar 31 **3**

COYOTE

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-19

Sept 1 - Mar 31 **NBL**

RACCOON, SKUNK

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-19

Oct 1 - Mar 31 **NBL**

SNOWSHOE HARE

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-19

Aug 1 - Apr 30 **10 (daily)**



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Management Units: 2-2 to 2-19
Nov 15 - Feb 15/95

COUGAR

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-19
Nov 15 - Mar 31

GROUSE BLUE, SPRUCE (FRANKLIN) AND RUFFED

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-19
Sept 10 - Dec 11

Bow and Arrow Only Season:
Management Units: 2-2 to 2-19
Aug 27 - Sept 9

PTARMIGAN

Management Units: 2-2, 2-3, 2-5 to 2-19
Sept 10 - Dec 11

Bow and Arrow Only Season:
Management Units: 2-2, 2-3, 2-5 to 2-19
Aug 27 - Sept 9

DUCKS, COOTS, COMMON SNIPE

Management Units: 2-2 to 2-10, 2-12 to 2-19
Oct 8 - Jan 22

Management Unit: 2-11
Sept 20 - Dec 26

- 5 **Bag Limits:** Ducks 6(12)
Coots 10(20)
Common snipe 10(20)

Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for ducks on page 76. See special area maps. For ducks in MU 2-4, the daily aggregate bag limit on or after November 15 is 8 if 2 are wigeon, and the possession limit is 16 if 4 are wigeon.

BAND-TAILED PIGEONS

No open season.

CANADA GEESE

Management Units: 2-2, 2-3, 2-5 to 2-10, 2-12 to 2-19

- Oct 8 - Jan 22/95 5(10)

Management Unit: 2-4

- Oct 8 - Oct 30 and Dec 3 - Jan 22/95 and

- Feb 11 - Mar 10/95* 5(10)

Management Unit: 2-11

- Sept 20 - Dec 26 5(10)

Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 76. See special area maps.

* Open only in the Municipality of Delta

(except within 400m of any dyke) and the South Arm Marshes Wildlife Management Area (municipality of Richmond).

SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE

Management Units: 2-4, 2-5
Oct 8 - Nov 27 5(10)

Feb 11 - Mar 10/95
See the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 76. See special area maps.

BLACK BRANT

Management Unit: 2-4
Mar 1 - Mar 10/95 2(4)

Please take note of the provincial daily bag limit for geese on page 76. See special area map.

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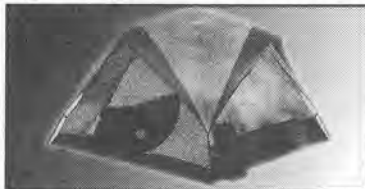
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BOBWHITE QUAIL

Management Unit: 2-4
Oct 8 - Nov 13

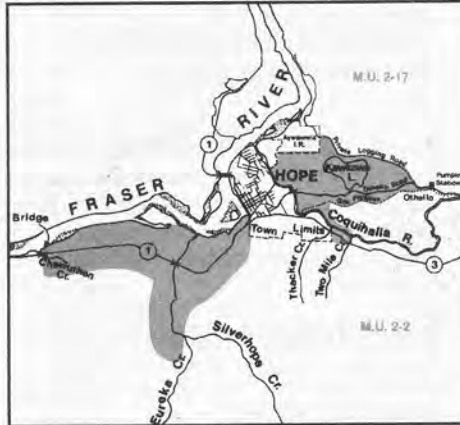
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PHEASANT (COCKS ONLY)

Management Units: 2-4, 2-8
Oct 8 - Nov 13

2(6)

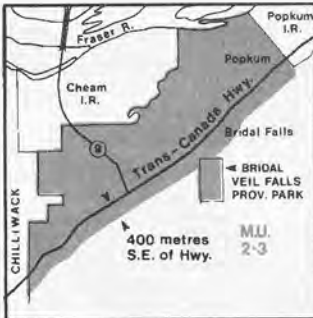
Hunting permitted from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.



Map B1 Hope No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-2, 2-17).



Map B2 Chilliwack Valley Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 2-3). The discharge of firearms using a single projectile is prohibited.



Map B3 Popkum No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-3).



Map B4 Provincial Goal Camp No. 1 No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-3).



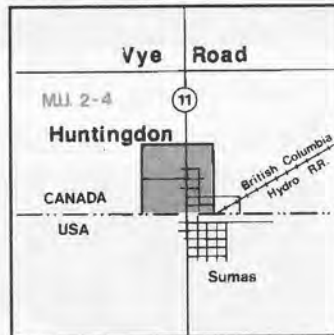
Map B5 Cultus Lake Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 2-3). The discharge of firearms using a single projectile is prohibited. See also Map B6.



Map B6 Cultus Lake Seasonal No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-3). The discharge of firearms is prohibited from Feb 1 to Sept 30.



Map B7 Barnston Island Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 2-4). The discharge of firearms using a single projectile is prohibited.



Map B8 Huntingdon No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-4).

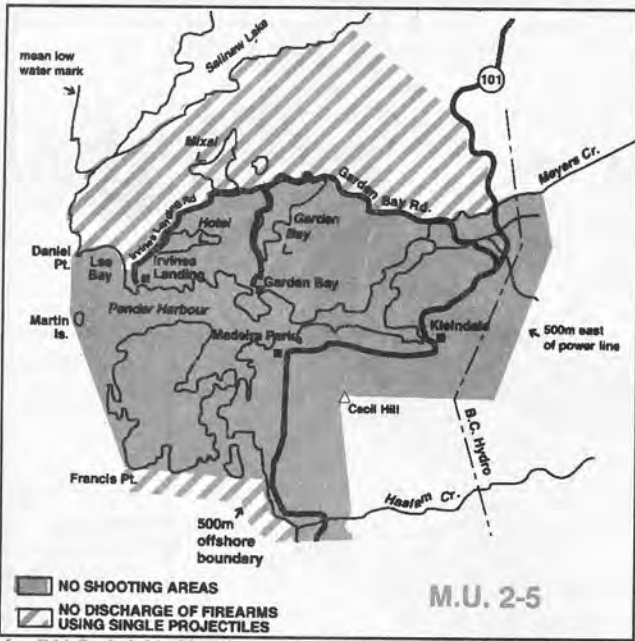


Map B9 Sumas Mountain No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-4).

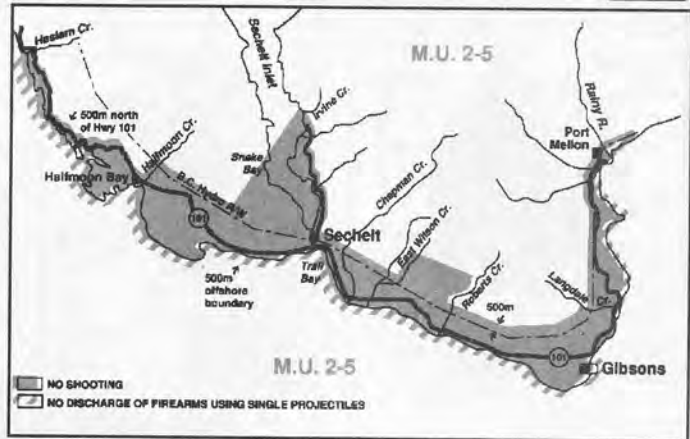


Map B10 Fraser Valley Special Licence Hunting Area (situate in MUs 2-4, 2-8). All persons hunting within those portions of MUs 2-4 and 2-8 known as the Municipalities of Richmond, Delta, Surrey (including offshore areas), Langley, Abbotsford, Matsqui, Chilliwack, Maple Ridge, Pitt Meadows, Mission, Coquitlam 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 \$1,000,000.00 Public Liability and Property Damage insurance valid while in the field for the regular hunting season will be required. Hunters are reminded to obtain a Fraser Valley Special Licence Hunting Area Brochure prior to entering the field. The brochure provides notification of closures, hunting boundaries, etc., not shown in this synopsis.

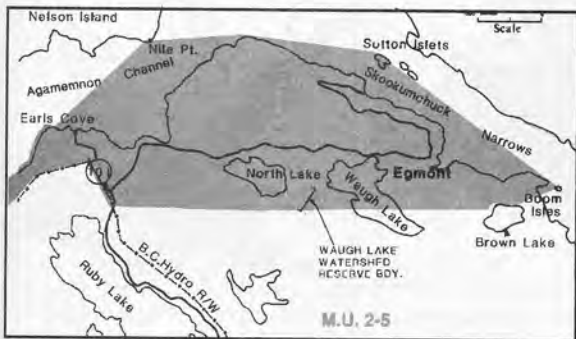
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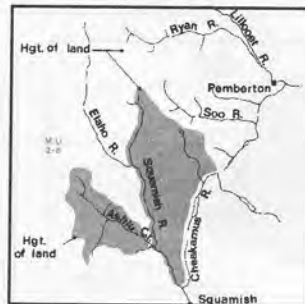
Map B11 Sechel No Shooting Area and Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 2-5).



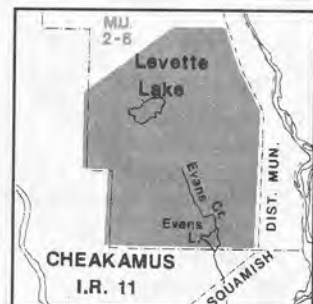
Map B12 Sechel/Gibsons No Shooting Area and Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 2-5).



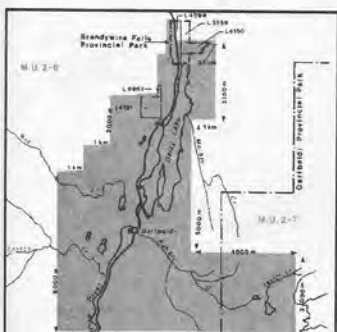
Map B13 Waugh Lake-Sk̓ōkumchuck No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-5).



Map B14 Ashlu-Squamish Rivers Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 2-6).



Map B15 Evans Lake No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-6).



Map B16 Garibaldi Hazard Zone. No Hunting Area (situate in MUs 2-6 and 2-7).



Map B17 Whistler No Shooting Area (situate in MUs 2-6, 2-7, 2-11).



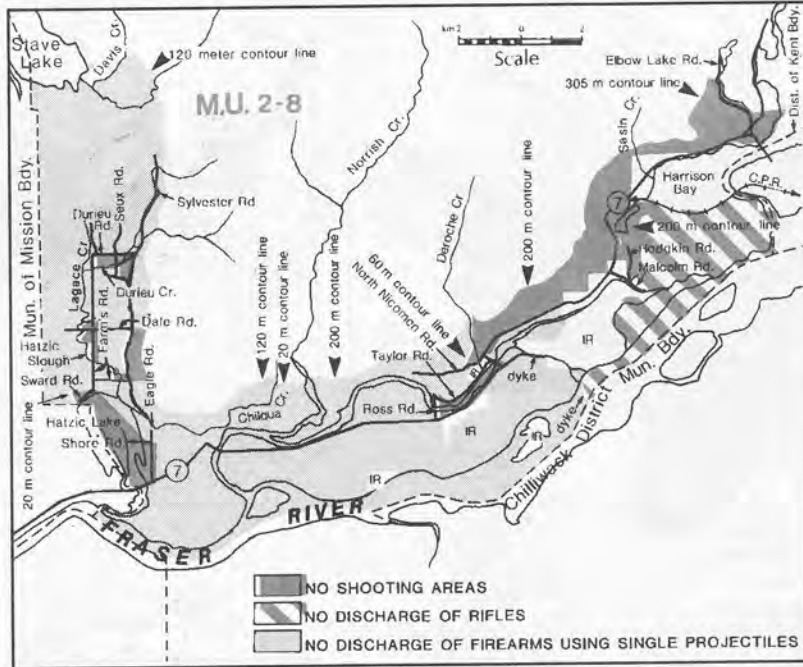
Map B18 Pitt Wildlife Management Area (situate in MU 2-8). No Hunting or Shooting Area (year-round closure). Public Shooting Area: Shotguns with shot only. Hunting permitted on Saturdays, Sundays and Wednesdays from Oct 8 to Jan 22 only. Seasonal No Shooting Area: Shotguns with shot only from Sept 1 to Jan 31/95.



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Map B19 Buntzen Lake No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-8).



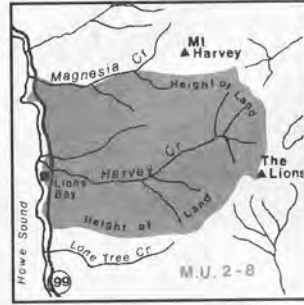
Map B20 Nicomen No Shooting Area, Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 2-8).



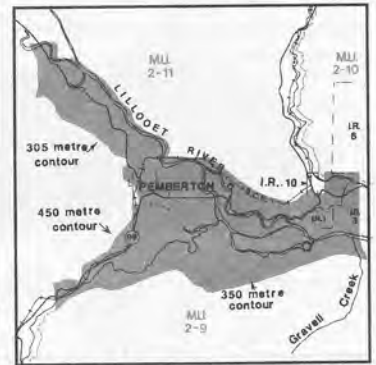
Map B21 Squamish No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-8).



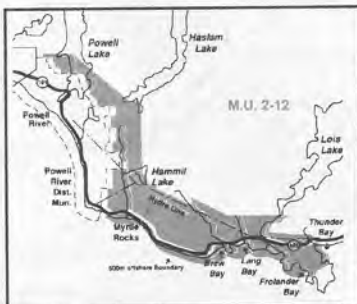
Map B22 Addington Marsh No shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 2-8).



Map B23 Lion's Bay No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-8).



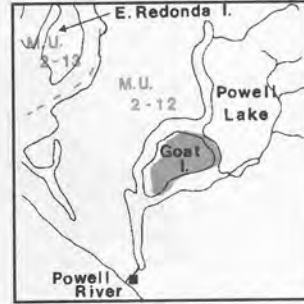
Map B24 Pemberton Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 2-9, 2-10, 2-11). The discharge of firearms using a single projectile is prohibited.



Map B25 Powell River Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 2-12). The discharge of firearms using a single projectile is prohibited.



Map B26 Lois River Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 2-12).



Map B27 Goat Island Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 2-12).



Map B28 Lund and Savary Island No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-12).



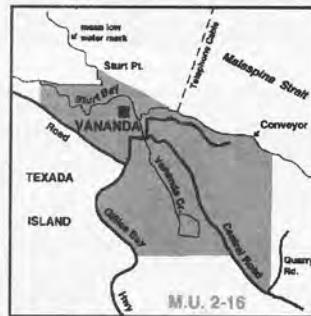
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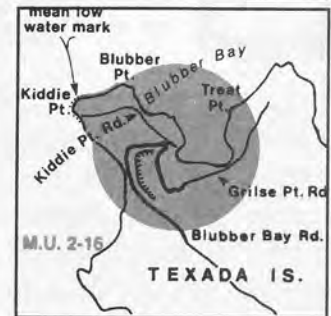
Map B29 Saltery Bay No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-12).



Map B30 Keats Island (situate in MU 2-16). The discharge of rifles is prohibited.



Map B31 Vananda No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-16).



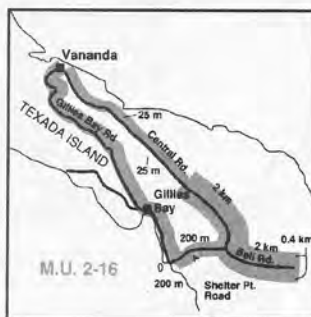
Map B32 Blubber Bay No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-16).



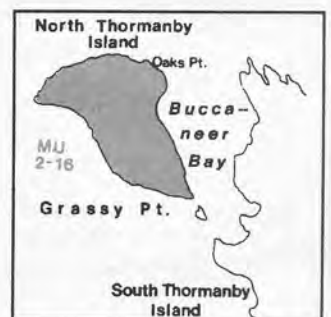
Map B33 Bowen Island No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-16). Special Bow and Arrow Season for mule (black-tailed) deer (cross-bows prohibited). Bucks: Aug 27 to Dec 11; Jan 1 to Jan 15. Antlerless: Nov 5 to Dec 11; Jan 1 to Jan 15. Bag Limit: 3(2). On Bowen Island hunting is prohibited within 150 metres of any public highway, school building, school yard, public park, playground, church, workshop, place of business, dwelling or farm building.



Map B34 Gillies Bay No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-16).



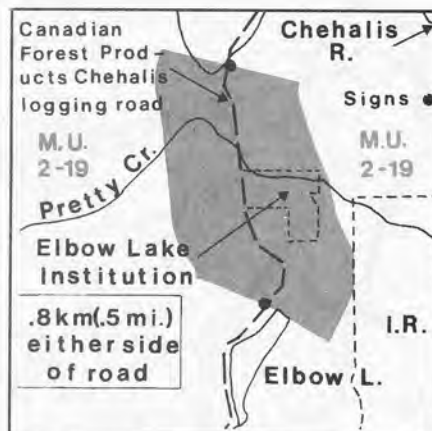
Map B35 Central Road/ Shelter Point Road No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-16).



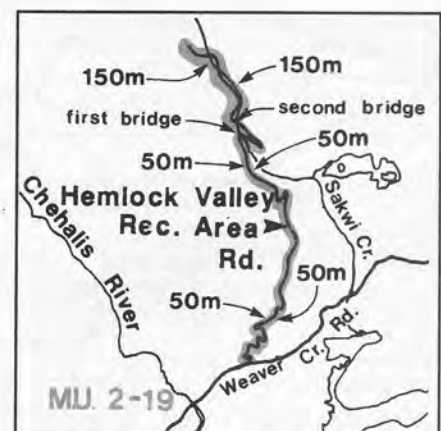
Map B36 North Thormanby Island No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 2-16).



Map B37 Yale No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-18).



Map B38 Elbow Lake No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-19).



Map B39 Hemlock Valley No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-19).





THOMPSON-NICOLA SUB-REGION

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THOMPSON-NICOLA SUB-REGION

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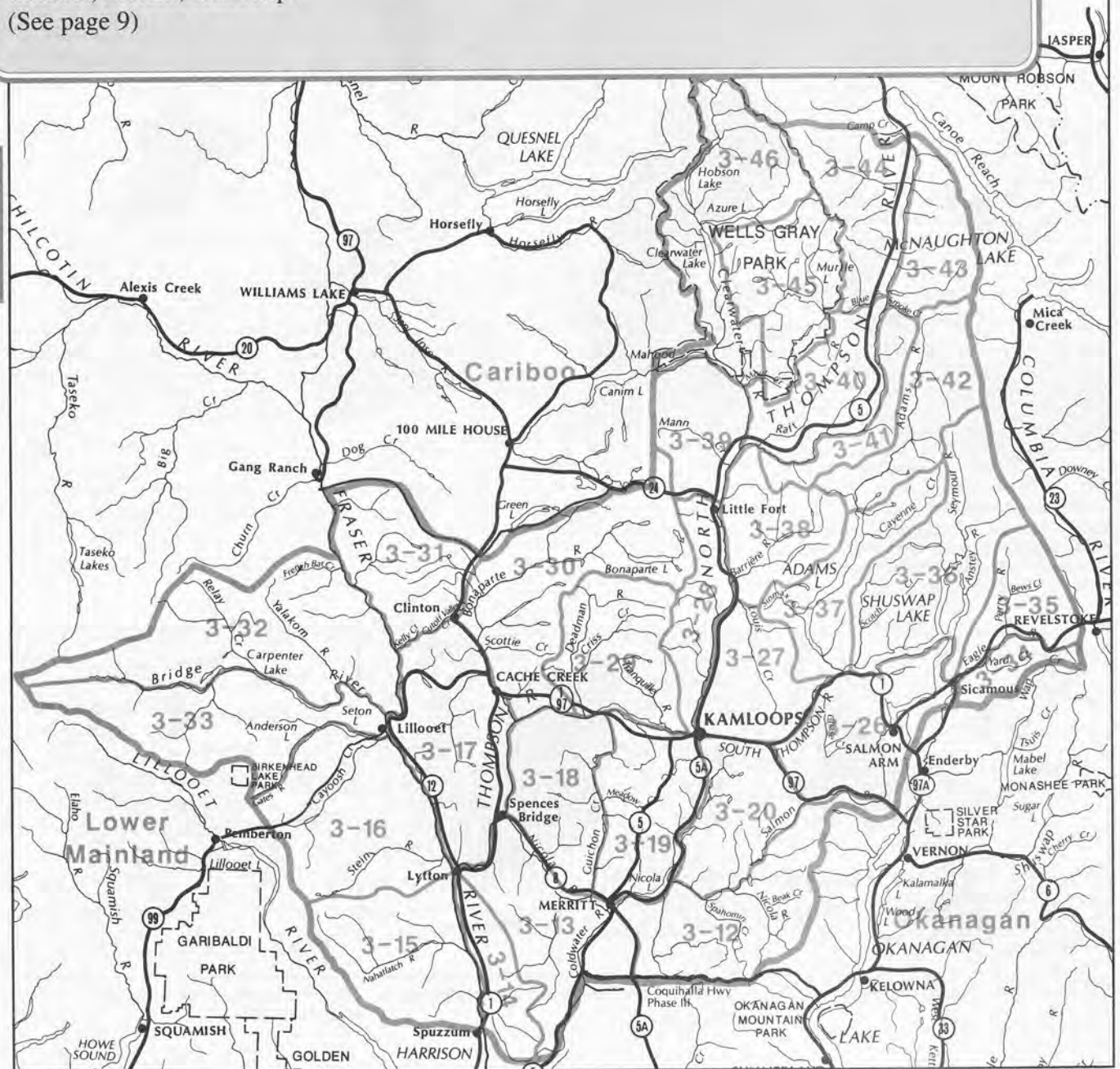
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MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- Sharp-tailed grouse - season closed in the southern interior grasslands to protect declining populations.
- Note modifications to special area maps: C3, C9 and C11.



The boundaries indicated in these regional maps approximately represent regional management unit boundaries. For a more precise definition of MU boundaries, consult the B.C. Recreational Atlas, 3rd Edition, 1993.





LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING



There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting Seasons. See Limited Entry Hunting section on page 10.

BAG LIMITS

Deer: The aggregate bag limit for deer in Thompson-Nicola is 3. The bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer is 2, but only one may be a buck. Antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer are under Limited Entry Hunting only. The bag limit for white-tailed deer is 1.

COMPULSORY REPORTING

It is mandatory for all moose, mountain goat, grizzly bear, mountain sheep, cougar, bobcat, lynx and wolverine to be inspected. See Compulsory Reporting section on page 77 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 MUs 3-28, 3-45 and 3-46.

An authorized trapper is exempt from this restriction with respect to the trapping of furbearing animals. The use of snowmobiles is restricted in the Chappell Creek area in MU 3-44. See Map C23.

VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS

- The operation of motor vehicles is prohibited or restricted in the following areas. Contact BC Environment in Kamloops for details.
 - Lac du Bois - Dewdrop in MU 3-29.
 - Watersheds of Mileage, Chappell and Lempriere Creeks above 1700 m in MU 3-44 between June 1 and November 30. See Map C22.
 - Above the 1920 m elevation in MU 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 MU 3-32. See Map C17.
 - Porcupine Ridge. See Map C12.
 - Bare Lake Recreation Trail Area. See Map C13.
- The operation of all motor vehicles to hunt wildlife, transport wildlife, transport equipment and supplies which are in-

tended for or in support of hunting, or transport hunters to and from the location of wildlife is prohibited:

- above the 1500 metre elevation on and about the Scarped Range of Botaine Creek in MU 3-17.
- in the watershed of Clinton Creek (See Map C14).

Information signs are posted at the points of closure for the benefit of hunters - but it is the hunter's responsibility to recognize the closures whether a sign is in place or not.

NOTICE TO HUNTERS

- No Shooting Areas: Hunters should note Highway No Shooting and No Hunting Areas as outlined on page 78.
- Hunting and the discharge of firearms are prohibited in MU 3-45 (Murtle Lake Nature Conservancy Area).
- Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for black bear, grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf. See Convention on International Trade section on page 77.
- 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 (MU 3-18).
- Please note that white-tailed deer are present throughout the Thompson-Nicola Sub-Region and a separate species licence is required. Be sure of the species before you shoot.

PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS

In keeping with Section 29 of the Park and Recreation Area Regulations, the following Parks and Recreation Areas are only open to the discharge of firearms, bows and crossbows from September 20 to April 15 during a lawful game hunting season:

- Cinnemousun Narrows Park** (MUs 3-26, 3-36)
- Niskonlith Lake Park** (MU 3-27)
- Roderick Haig-Brown Park** (MU 3-37) See Map C20.
- Shuswap Lake Marine Park** (MUs 3-36, 3-26)
- Spahats Creek Park** (MU 3-40) See Map C21.
- Stake-McConnell** (MU 3-19)
- Wells Gray Park** (MU 3-46); Open to the discharge of firearms from September 20 to May 31 during a lawful game hunting season.
- Wells Gray Recreation Area:** Flour Mills (MU 3-46), Clearwater River (MU

3-46) and McAndrew Lake (MU3-44).

Parks and Recreation Areas not listed above are closed to hunting and closed to the discharge of firearms, bows and crossbows. Park roads are also closed to the discharge of firearms, bows and crossbows within 400 metres of the centre line.

OPEN SEASONS

MULE (BLACK-TAILED) DEER*

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44	
Bucks: Sept 10 - Oct 31	1
<i>See Map C10</i>	
Management Unit: 3-46	
Bucks: Sept 20 - Oct 31	1
Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44, 3-46	
**Bucks: Nov 1 - Dec 10	1
Management Units: 3-15, 3-16, 3-32, 3-33	
**Bucks: Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
<i>See Map C15</i>	
*Regional bag limit	2(1)
<i>See "Bag Limits" on page 31</i>	
<i>**Open only for bucks with 4 or more points (tines) above the brow tine on one antler. See point definition on Page 74. The antlers must accompany the species licence.</i>	

WHITE-TAILED DEER

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44	
Bucks: Sept 10 - Oct 31	1
Management Unit: 3-46	
Bucks: Sept 20 - Oct 31	1
<i>See Maps C10 and C15.</i>	



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MOOSE (BULLS ONLY*)

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20, 3-26, 3-27, 3-29 to 3-44, 3-46

Oct 15 - Oct 31 1

Management Unit: 3-28

Oct 15 - Oct 20 1

*Open only for bull moose having no more than two points (tines) on one antler. Antlers must accompany the species licence. See diagram of Legal Immature Bull Moose on page 61. Successful hunters of any bull moose must submit a tooth and kill information. See Compulsory Reporting on page 77.

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

BLACK BEAR

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-41, 3-43, 3-44

Sept 10 - Dec 15 2

Apr 1 - June 15/95

Management Unit: 3-42

Sept 10 - Dec 15 2

Management Unit: 3-46

Sept 20 - Dec 15 2

Apr 1 - June 15/95

Bow and Arrow Only Season

Management Unit: 3-42

Apr 1 - June 15/95

See page 75.

WOLF

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

Sept 10 - Mar 31/95 3

COYOTE

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

Oct 15 - Mar 31/95 NBL

COUGAR

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

Sept 10 - Mar 31/95 2

BOBCAT

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

Nov 15 - Feb 15/95 1

LYNX

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

Nov 15 - Feb 15/95 1

RACCOON

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

Aug 1 - Apr 30/95 NBL

SNOWSHOE HARE

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

Aug 1 - Apr 30/95 10 (daily)

COLUMBIAN GROUND SQUIRREL

MU 3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-46

No Closed Season NBL

The open season for Columbian ground squirrel is restricted to private land only. Hunters must obtain permission from landowners before hunting on private land.

CHUKAR PARTRIDGE

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

Oct 1 - Nov 30 5(15)

GRAY (Hungarian) PARTRIDGE

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

Oct 1 - Nov 30 3(9)

GROUSE BLUE, SPRUCE (FRANKLIN) AND RUFFED

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

Sept 10 - Nov 30 5 of each(15 of each)

Management Unit: 3-46

Sept 20 - Nov 30 5 of each(15 of each)

SHARP-TAILED

Management Unit: 3-31

Sept 10 - Nov 30 5(10)

The daily aggregate bag limit for grouse (blue, spruce (Franklin), ruffed and sharp-tailed) is fifteen (15).

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

Sept 1 - Nov 30 5(15)

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

Management Units: 3-30, 3-31

Sept 15 - Dec 15

Management Units: 3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-29, 3-32 to 3-44

Sept 20 - Dec 26

Bag Limits: Ducks: 6(12)

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 76.

BAND-TAILED PIGEONS

No open season.

MOURNING DOVES

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

Sept 1 - Sept 30 5(10)

PHEASANT (COCKS ONLY)

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

Oct 1 - Nov 15 2(6)

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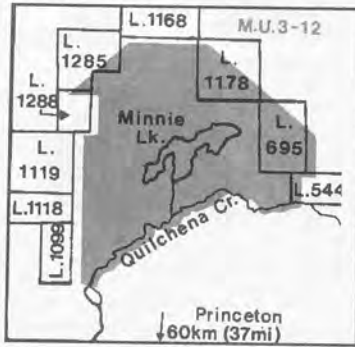
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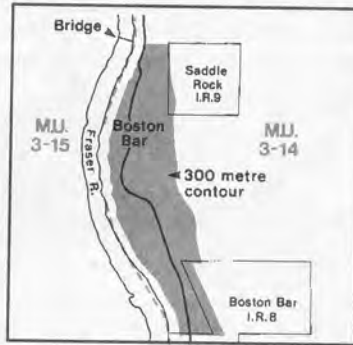
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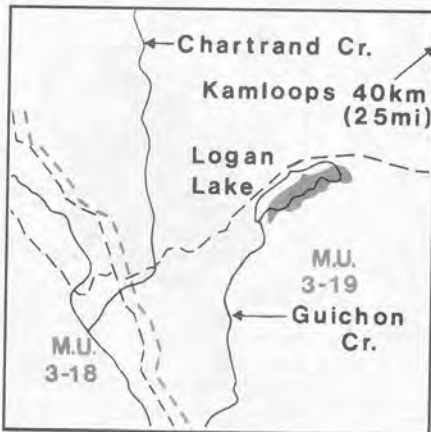
Map C1 Minnie Lake No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 3-12).



Map C2 Boston Bar No Shooting Area (situate in MU 3-14).



Map C3 Highland Valley No Shooting Area (situate in MU 3-18).



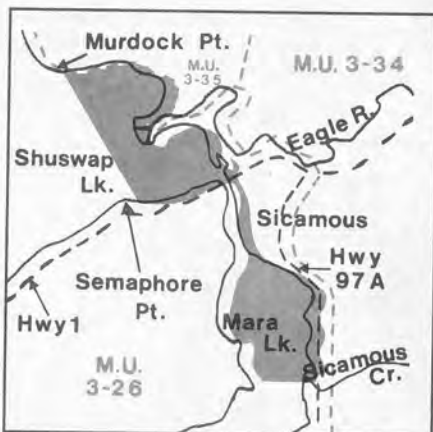
Map C4 Logan Lake No Shooting Area (situate in MU 3-19).



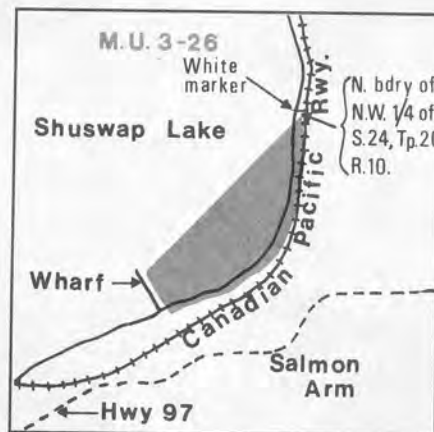
Map C5 Kamloops No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MUs 3-19, 3-20, 3-26, 3-27 and 3-28).



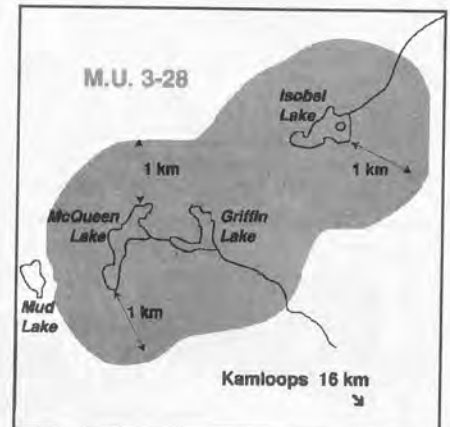
Map C6 Blind Bay No Shooting Area (situate in MU 3-26).



Map C7 Sicamous No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 3-26).

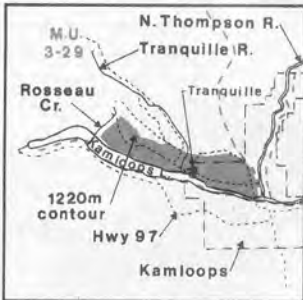


Map C8 Salmon Arm No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 3-26).

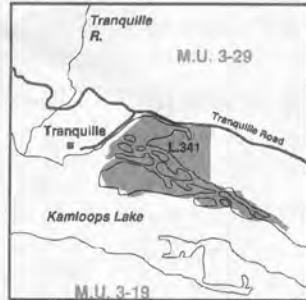


Map C9 McQueen Lake No Shooting Area (situate in MU 3-28).

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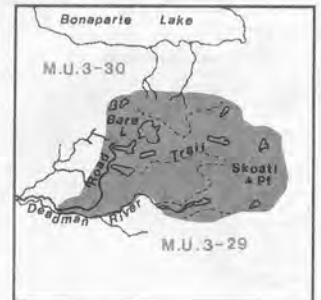
Map C10 Dewdrop/Mara Mountain Recreational Area (situate in MU 3-29). mule (black-tailed) deer and white-tailed deer bucks only season: Sept 10 to Oct 20. Bag Limit 1.



Map C11 Tranquille Wildlife Management Area No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 3-29).



Map C12 Porcupine Ridge Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situate in MU 3-29) closed from Apr 16 to Dec 14.



Map C13 Bare Lake Motor Vehicle Closed Area (except aircraft) (situate in MU 3-29 and 3-30)



Map C14 Clinton Creek Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situate MU 3-31).



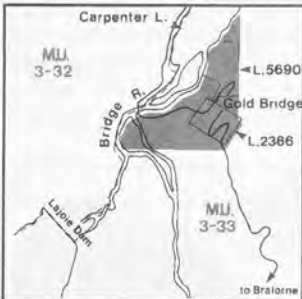
Map C15 Gun Lake Special Area (situate in MU 3-32). The opening date for antlered mule (black-tailed) deer and white-tailed deer bucks is Sept 10. See No Shooting Area, Map C16.



Map C16 Gun Lake No Shooting Area (situate in MU 3-32).



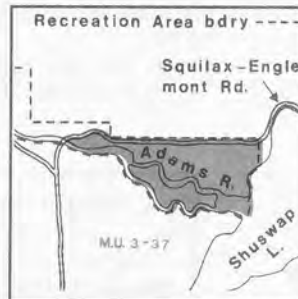
Map C17 Spruce Lake Vehicle Closed Area (situate in MU 3-32). Closed from June 1 to Nov 30 to the operation of all motor vehicles. Roads shown as dashed lines open year-round.



Map C18 Gold Bridge No Shooting Area (situate in MU 3-33).



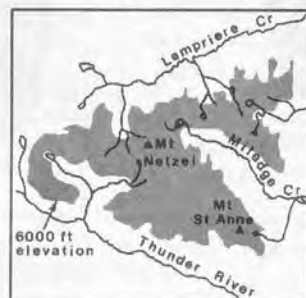
Map C19 Bralorne No Shooting Area (situate in MU 3-33).



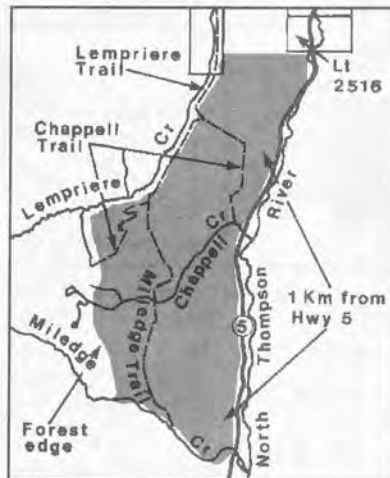
Map C20 Roderick Haig-Brown Recreation Area No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 3-37).



Map C21 Spahats Creek Camp No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 3-40).



Map C22 Mount Netzel and Mount St. Anne Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situate in MU 3-44) above 1700m elevation between June 1 and Nov 30.



Map C23 Chappell Creek Restricted Snowmobile Use Area (Feb 20 to May 31) (situate in MU 3-44) except on designated trails only.



KOOTENAY REGION

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KOOTENAY REGION

(MUs 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40)

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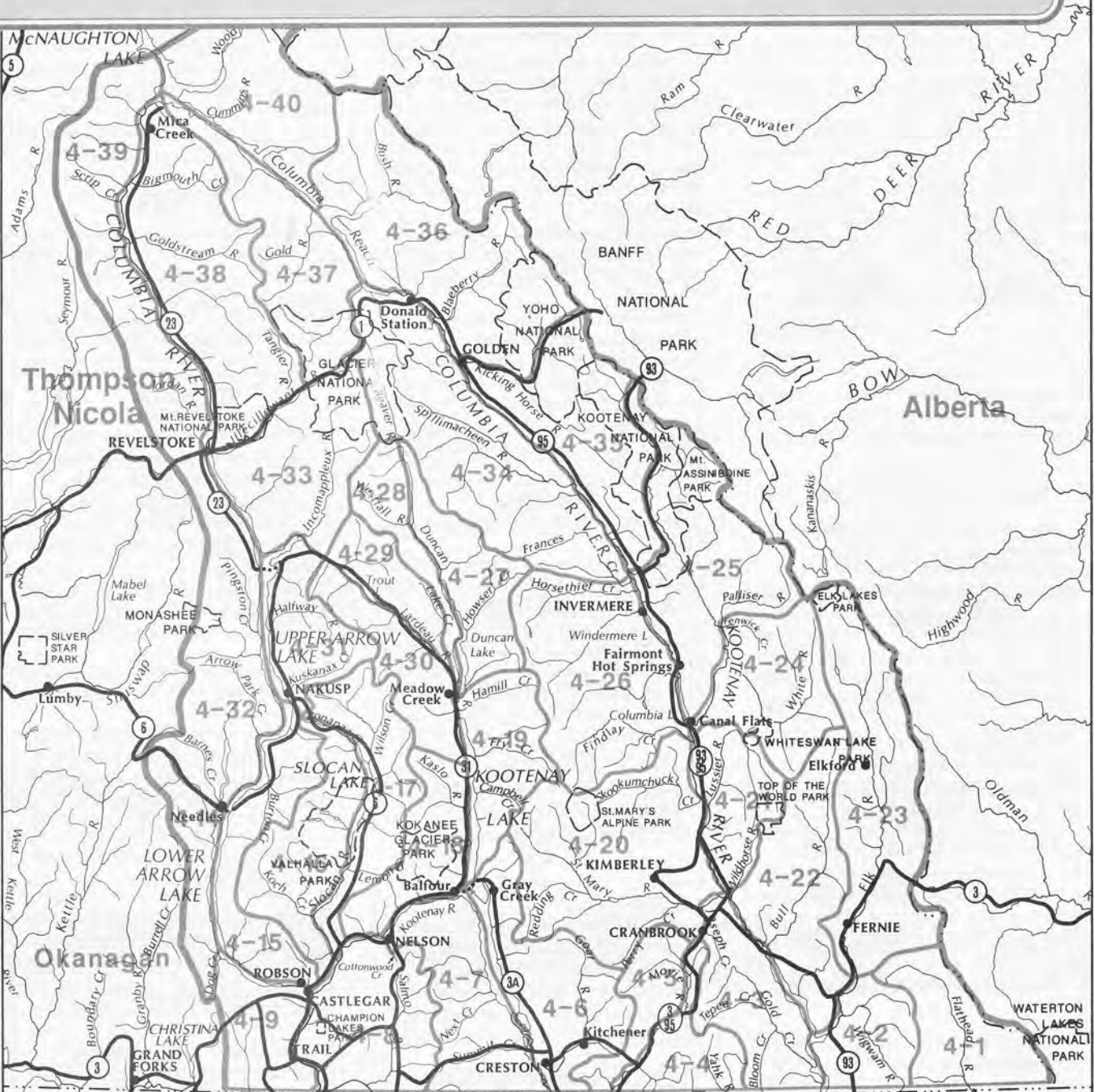
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District Offices - Castlegar, Cranbrook, Creston, Fernie, Golden, Invermere, Nakusp and Nelson. (See page 9)

MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- Note new vehicle access restrictions in green type.
- Black bear - bag limit of one in the spring and one in the fall is changed to two per licence year.



The boundaries indicated in these regional maps approximately represent regional management unit boundaries. For a more precise definition of MU boundaries, consult the B.C. Recreational Atlas, 3rd Edition, 1993.

LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING



There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting Seasons. See Limited Entry Hunting section on page 10.

BAG LIMITS

Deer: The aggregate bag limit in the Kootenay Region is two (2) deer. The bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer is one (1). The bag limit for white-tailed deer in MUs 4-1 to 4-5, 4-20 to 4-26, 4-34 to 4-37 and 4-40 is one (1). The bag limit for white-tailed deer in MUs 4-6 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-19, 4-27 to 4-33, 4-38 and 4-39, is two (2).

Moose and Elk: The aggregate bag limit for moose and elk is one (1).

Grouse: The daily aggregate bag limit for grouse (blue, spruce (Franklin), and ruffed) is five (5).

Cougar: The regional bag limit in the Kootenay Region for cougar is one (1).

Black Bear: The annual bag limit in the Kootenay Region for black bear is two (2).

COMPULSORY REPORTING

It is mandatory for all moose, mountain sheep, mountain goat, grizzly bear, cougar, caribou, wolf, bobcat, lynx and wolverine to be inspected or reported. See Compulsory Reporting section on page 77 for designated reporting centres and page 78 for those portions of an animal which are required.

VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS

There are a number of restrictions and prohibitions in this Region.

■ All Motor Vehicles

◆ All Motor Vehicles to hunt, transport wildlife, transport equipment and supplies which are intended for or in support of hunting, or to transport hunters to or from the location of wildlife (except between Mar 1-31, July 1-Aug 31). Trappers are exempt.

▲ The use of snowmobiles to hunt, to transport wildlife, or to transport hunters to or from the location of wildlife, is prohibited in the entire Kootenay Region.

Information signs are posted at the points of closure for road and vehicle restrictions. These signs are for the benefit of hunters but it is the hunters' responsibility to recognize closures whether a sign is in place or not. Contact local BC Environment offices for details.

▲ **ALL MUs: Trappers are exempt MU 4-1**

■ McDougall Wildlife Sanctuary. See Map D1
 ◆ Akamina and Kishinena Creek watersheds upstream from the 94 km marker on the Akamina/Kishinena Road

- ◆ Middlepass Creek watershed
- ◆ Sage Creek watershed from 2.5 km upstream of Roche Creek

MU 4-2

- Galion Range (Map D2)
- Wigwam Flats-Mt. Broadwood/Sportsman Ridge (Map D3)
- ◆ Windfall Creek watershed upstream of Lodgepole Creek

MU 4-3

- ◆ Bloom Creek watershed upstream from 49.2 km on the Bloom Creek Road and 52.3 km on the Larch Creek Road
- ◆ Caven Creek watershed upstream from 46 km on the Lower Caven Creek Road and 45.3 km on the Upper Caven Creek Road
- ◆ Haller Creek/Cherry Lake watershed upstream of the junction of the Cherry Lake Main Road with the Haller Creek Main Road (on the Cherry Lake Main Road) and upstream from 42.2 km on the Haller Creek Main Road
- ◆ Jake Creek watershed upstream 0.2 km from the junction of Teepee Creek and the East Yahk River Road on the East Yahk River Road
- ◆ Purcell Creek watershed upstream of the Linklater Creek Bypass Road
- ◆ Teepee Creek southerly watershed between Jim Creek and Gold Creek and the westerly watershed of Gold Creek between Teepee Creek and the intersection of Gold Creek with the southerly boundary of Lot 8282

MU 4-4

- ◆ Yahk River watershed upstream of Norge Creek
- ◆ Sundown Creek westerly watershed and watershed of Stone Creek between the Gas Pipeline and the 1310 metre contour
- ◆ the northerly watershed above Hawkins Creek Road west of an unnamed stream flowing southwesterly into Hawkins Creek from Mt. Mahon approximately 2 km northwest of the confluence of Canuck Creek and Hawkins Creek

MU 4-5

- ◆ Irishman Creek watershed upstream 0.7 km from Hwy 3/95
- Elizabeth Lake (Map D4)

MU 4-6

- ◆ Leadville Creek watershed upstream of 8 km on the Leadville Creek Road
- ◆ watersheds of 4 unnamed creeks (upstream of the Sanca Creek Road) flowing south into Sanca Creek from Sherman Mtn.
- ◆ Pilot Peninsula Forest Service Road beyond the intersection with branch 5 road; and on branch 2 road starting at the 2 km point
- ◆ North Basin Creek Watershed upstream of the 1500 m (4900 ft) contour

MU 4-7

- ◆ Topaz Creek watershed upstream of Midgley Mountain Road at the 1425m (4700 ft) elevation

MU 4-8

- ◆ Blizzard Mountain Road (and all side roads) from its intersection with Nine Mile Creek Road (Fruitvale side only)

MU 4-9

- ◆ the watersheds of Malde, Goodeve, Morris and Shepard Creeks
- ◆ Tiger Creek watershed upstream of the Gopher Creek Crossing

MU 4-15

- ◆ the watershed of Rialto Creek upstream of kilometre 7 on the Keenlyside Dam haul road
- ◆ Deer Creek Road (both East Fork and West Fork) from approximately 8.8 km point (on each).

MU 4-18

- ◆ the watersheds of Smallwood & Garry Creeks from a point 20 metres southeast of the intersection of the Smallwood Creek and Garry Creek roads
- ◆ Kokanee Creek Road between northern boundary of L 11144 and southerly boundary of Kokanee Glacier Park (closed Apr 1 to June 30)

MU 4-20

- ◆ Baribeau Creek watershed upstream from 0.1 km on the Baribeau Creek Road
- ◆ the watershed of Bradford Creek
- ◆ the watershed of Patrick Creek flowing into Dewar Creek between Mt. Patrick and Mt. Manson upstream of the Dewar Creek access road
- ◆ the watershed of Skookumchuck Creek upstream from a point downstream 1 kilometre from its confluence with Greenland Creek
- ◆ the watershed of Copper Creek upstream of the Skookumchuck Forest Access Road crossing
- ◆ the watershed of Buhl Creek from 0.5 kilometre upstream of the Skookumchuck Creek Bridge crossing near the confluence of Buhl Creek with Skookumchuck Creek

MU 4-21

- ◆ the watershed of the easterly headwaters of Coyote Creek



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■ Premier Ridge (Map D18) from Dec 11 to April 30

MU 4-22

- Powerplant area (Map D23)
- the Pickering Hills and Sheep Mtn. areas shown on Maps D21 and D22
- the watershed of North Galbraith Creek and of that portion of the watershed of Galbraith Creek south and east of their confluence
- ◆ the watershed of Big Tower, Little Tower, Swanson Creek and Haynes Creeks
- ◆ the watershed of Iron Creek
- ◆ the watershed of Burton Creek
- ◆ the watershed of McDermid Creek
- ◆ the watershed of Dibble Creek upstream of the Bull River Forestry Access Road crossing
- ◆ the watersheds of Little Sand Creek above the Galloway Road and of Big Sand Creek upstream of its confluence with Whimpster Creek
- ◆ the watershed of Quinn Creek upstream of its confluence with Alpine Creek, including the watershed of Alpine Creek
- ◆ the watershed of Tunnel Creek upstream of Highway #3

MU 4-23

- Chauncey-Tod-Hunter area (Map D26)
- Ridgemont area (Map D28)
- Grave Prairie area (Map D29)
- Corbin Creek (Map D30)
- (except snowmobiles) on the seismic exploration roads along Bingay, Forsythe, Cadorna, Aldridge, Henretta and Kilmarnock Creeks
- Weigert Creek (Map D25)
- ◆ the watershed of Alexander Creek upstream of a point 100 metres south of an unnamed stream flowing westerly into Alexander Creek from Mt. Domke

MU 4-24

- (except for authorized industrial purposes or trappers) that portion of the Mutton Creek watershed upstream of the westerly boundary of Whiteswan Lake Provincial Park
- ◆ Blackfoot Creek watershed upstream from 38 km on the Blackfoot Creek Road
- ◆ Fenwick Creek watershed upstream from 50 km on the Fenwick Creek Road
- ◆ Elk Creek watershed upstream from 43.6 km on the Elk Creek Road
- ◆ the watershed of Nilksuka Creek upstream of the North White River haul road
- ◆ Grave Creek watershed upstream from 48 km on the Main Grave Creek Road
- ◆ the watershed of Nine Mile Creek upstream of 1300 metre elevation
- ◆ the watershed of the middle fork of White River upstream of the first bridge crossing

MU 4-25

- Columbia Lake area (Map D31)

- Stoddart Creek area (Map D33)
- ◆ Albert River watershed upstream from 52.5 km on the Albert River Road
- ◆ Cross River watershed upstream from 20.4 km on the Cross River Road
- ◆ the watershed of Pedley Creek
- ◆ North fork of Dry Creek watershed upstream from 19.6 km on Dry Creek Road
- ◆ Madias Creek watershed above 1100m (3600 ft) elevation
- ◆ Tatley Creek watershed above 1100m (3600 ft) elevation

MU 4-26

- that portion of the watershed of Goldie Creek upstream of 1525 metre elevation
- Dutch-Findlay Flats. See Map D41
- ◆ the watershed of Brewer Creek upstream of and including the watershed of Thorald Creek
- ◆ the watershed of Lavington Creek upstream of 1100 metre elevation
- ◆ the watershed of Dutch Creek upstream of its confluence with Whitetail Creek

MU 4-30

- the Duncan-Lardeau area shown on Map D42

MU 4-32

- ◆ the watershed of Barnes Creek upstream of the 30 kilometre marker

MU 4-35

- ◆ the watersheds of Moose Creek, Dainard Creek, Ice River, and the Beaverfoot River upstream of its confluence with Ice River

MU 4-38

- ◆ the watershed of Downie Creek upstream of Highway #23

NOTICE TO HUNTERS

- Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for black bear, grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf. See Convention on International Trade section on page 77.
- Creston Archery Season Special Area for either sex white-tailed deer - See Map D7.
- Holders of "Cow or Calf only" or "Calf Only" elk Limited Entry Hunting Authorizations are prohibited from taking any other elk in Region 4.

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- Columbia Lake Park (MU 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.
- Hunters are requested to avoid shooting collared bobcats. See Collared Wildlife section on page 75.

PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS

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Recreation Area Regulations, the following Parks and Recreation Areas are only open to the discharge of firearms, bows and crossbows from September 10 to June 15 during a lawful game hunting season:

- Akamina-Kishinena Recreation Area (MU 4-1)
- Bugaboo Glacier Park (MU 4-34)
- Bugaboo Alpine Recreation Area (MUs 4-27, 4-34)
- Elk Lakes Park (MU 4-23)
- Elk Lakes Recreation Area (MU 4-23)
- Elk Valley Park (MU 4-23)
- Fry Creek Canyon Recreation Area (MU 4-19)
- Hamber Park (MU 4-40)
- Kikomon Creek Park (MU 4-22)
- Marl Creek Park (MU 4-36)
- McDonald Creek Park (MU 4-32). *open*

only on west side

Mount Assiniboine Park (MU 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). See Map D32.

Nancy Greene Recreation Area (MU 4-9)
Pilot Bay Park (MU 4-6)

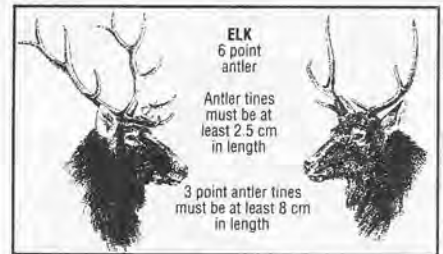
Premier Lake Park (MU 4-21).
Purcell Wilderness Conservancy (MUs 4-19, 4-20, 4-26). The Purcell Wilderness Conservancy (B.C. Parks) is closed to the use of snowmobiles and motor vehicles.

St. Mary's Alpine Park (MU 4-20)
Top of the World Park (MU 4-21, 4-22)
 Camping and the use of horses in that portion of the park in the Galbraith and North Galbraith Creek drainage is prohibited.

Valhalla Park (MU 4-16)
Whiteswan Lake Park (MU 4-24)

Kokanee Glacier Park and Kokanee Glacier Recreation Area (MUs 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 the discharge of firearms, bows and crossbows.



Bucks: Sept 1 - Sept 9 **1**
 Management Units: 4-1 to 4-5, 4-20 to 4-26, 4-34 to 4-37, 4-40

*Bucks: Nov 21 - Nov 25 **1**
See regional bag limit for deer on page 36.

*Hunters are required to submit the antlers and the lower jaw or one of the incisor teeth within 10 days of the kill.
See Map D7.

LEH MUs 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14, 4-15, 4-18 to 4-30, 4-32, 4-34 to 4-36.

ELK

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-7, 4-19 to 4-30, 4-34 to 4-37, 4-40

*Bulls: Sept 10 - Sept 20 **1**
 **Bulls: Sept 21 - Oct 20

Management Unit: 4-18
 *Bulls: Sept 10 - Oct 20 **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 (See Map D9)

Bulls: Sept 1 - Sept 9 **1

*Bulls with at least one six-point antler, each point (tine) being at least 2.5cm (1 inch) in length.

**Bulls with one antler with at least three points (tines), each each point (tine) being at least 8cm (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 also Notice to Hunters on page 37.

See the regional bag limit for elk and moose on page 36.

The head of any calf elk taken in the Kootenay Region must accompany the carcass and species licence until it arrives at a permanent place of consumption or at a butcher.

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MULE (Black-tailed) DEER

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

Bucks: Sept 10 - Oct 31 **1**
 *Bucks: Nov 1 - Nov 15

Management Units: 4-6 to 4-9, 4-14, 4-15, 4-32

Bucks: Sept 10 - Nov 15 **1**
 Management Units: 4-16 to 4-19, 4-27 to 4-31, 4-33, 4-38, 4-39

Bucks: Sept 10 - Nov 25 **1**

Bow and Arrow Only Season

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

Bucks: Sept 1 - Sept 9 **1**

*Bucks with at least one antler bearing at least 4 points (tines), not including the brow tine, each point being at least 2.5 cm (1 inch) in length.

See provincial bag limit for deer on page 76. See regional bag limit on page 36.

LEH MUs 4-1 to 4-8, 4-14, 4-15, 4-32, 4-34, 4-35, 4-18 to 4-30.

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 **1**
 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 **2**

Bow and Arrow Only Season

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

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BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP

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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**

*There is no open season for Mountain Sheep in that portion of MU 4-35 north of Kicking Horse River between Golden and Yoho National Park Boundary.

**In those portions of MU 4-25 east of the Kootenay River excluding Mt. Assiniboine Park (outside of LEH zone), the season is from Sept 10 - Oct 25.

LEH MU 4-25 (See Map D35)

MOUNTAIN GOAT

Management Unit: 4-40
Sept 10 - Nov 30 **1**
In that portion of MU 4-37 north and west of Windy Creek, the season is Sept 10 - Nov 30.
In that portion of MU 4-39 north of Seymour Creek, the season is Sept 10 - Nov 30.

LEH MU 4-37, 4-39.

CARIBOU

Management Units: 4-37 to 4-39
Bulls: Sept 10 - Oct 5 **1**
See page 77 for compulsory reporting requirements. See Map D44.

BLACK BEAR

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40
Sept 10 - Nov 30 **2**
Apr 1 - June 30/95
Bow and Arrow Only Season
Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40
Sept 1 - Sept 9 **2**
See page 75 for restrictions on bears.

WOLF

Management Units: 4-2 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40
Sept 10 - Mar 31/95 **2**
In those portions of MUs 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 reporting centre in the Kootenay Region within four days of the kill. Should the harvest of female wolves reach two (2) in MU 4-2, the season may be closed.

COYOTE

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40
Sept 10 - Mar 31/95 **10**

WOLVERINE

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40
Nov 1 - Jan 31/95 **1**

LYNX

No open Season

COUGAR

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-7, 4-18 to 4-30, 4-33 to 4-37, 4-40
Dec 1 - Feb 28/95 **1**
Management Units: 4-8, 4-9, 4-14 to 4-17, 4-31, 4-32
Dec 1 - Mar 10/95 **1**
Pursuit Only
Management Units: 4-1 to 4-7, 4-18 to 4-30, 4-33 to 4-37, 4-40
Dec 1 - Feb 28/95

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 reporting centre in the region within four days of the kill.

Hunters are advised to avoid taking female cougar. Should the harvest of females exceed 20 in the East Kootenays, or 15 in the West Kootenays, the season may be closed.

Persons participating in the Pursuit Only season are reminded that they must have a hunting licence, they may not carry a firearm, and it is an offence to capture or kill a cougar during a Pursuit Only season.

BOBCAT

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40
Nov 15 - Feb 15/95 **2**

COLUMBIAN GROUND SQUIRREL

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40
No closed season **NBL**
The open season for Columbian ground squirrel is restricted to private land only. Hunters must obtain permission from landowners before hunting on private land.

SNOWSHOE HARE

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40
Aug 1 - Apr 30/95 **10 (daily)**

RACCOON

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40
Oct 1 - Mar 31/95 **NBL**

SKUNK

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40
Sept 1 - Mar 31/95 **NBL**

GROUSE Blue, Spruce (Franklin) and Ruffed

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40
Sept 10 - Nov 30 **5(15)**

PTARMIGAN

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

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: **6(12)**
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 76.

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 76.
See Map D5.

MOURNING DOVES

Management Units: 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40
Sept 1 - Sept 30 **5(10)**

PHEASANT (COCKS ONLY)

Management Units: 4-6, 4-7
Oct 15 - Nov 15
Daily Limit: **3**
Possession Limit: **6**
Season Limit: **12**

RAVEN

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

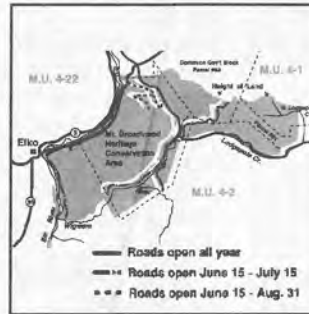
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Map D1 McDougall Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in MU 4-1). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms or operation of motor vehicles.



Map D2 Galton Range Vehicle Closed Area (situate in MU 4-2). Closed year-round to the operation of all vehicles. Road shown in white open year-round.



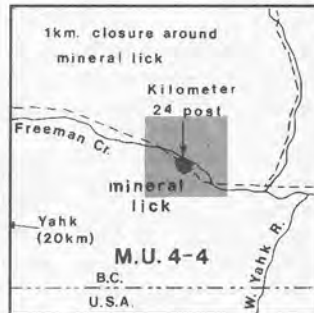
Map D3 Wigwam Flats - Mt. Broadwood/Sportsman Ridge Vehicle Closed Area (situate in MU 4-2). Closed year-round to the operation of all vehicles. Highlighted roads open as noted on the map.



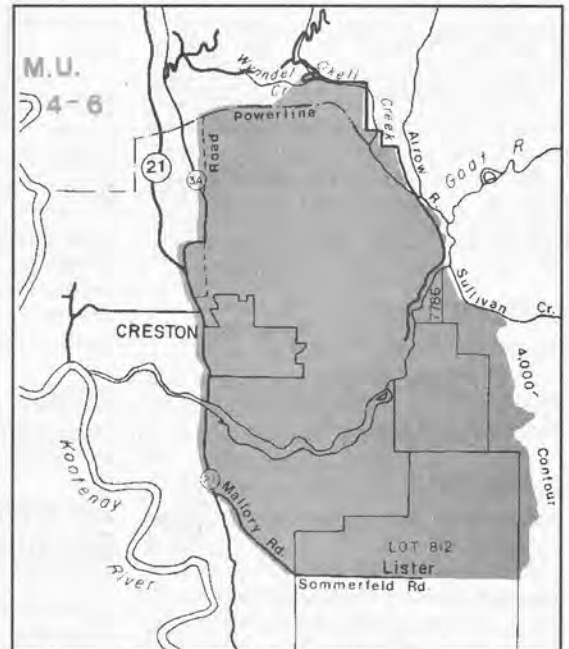
Map D4 Elizabeth Lake No Hunting, No Shooting, No Trapping Area, No Motorized Vehicles (situate in MU 4-3).



Map D5 Kootenay River Canada Goose Closed Area (situate in MUs 4-3, 4-20, 4-21, 4-22).



Map D6 Freeman Creek No Hunting Area (situate in MU 4-4).



Map D7 Creston Archery Season Special Area for either sex white-tailed deer (situate in MU 4-6). Bow and arrow only season from Dec 1 to Dec 31.



Map D8 Crawford Bay shotgun with shot only (situate in MU 4-6)



Map D9 Creston Elk bow and arrow only area. (situate in MU 4-6)



Map D10 Shaw Creek Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in MU 4-7). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.



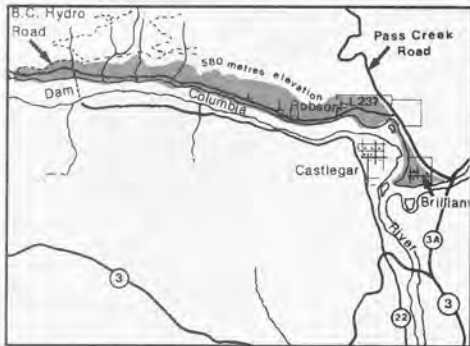
Map D11 Summit Creek Campground and Recreation Area and Corn Creek Marsh No Hunting Areas (situate in MU 4-7).



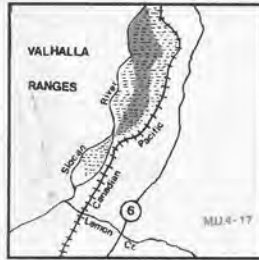
Map D12 Selkirk No Shooting Area (situate in MUs 4-7, 4-8). Watch for mountain caribou. Incorporates Stag Leap Park.



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Map D13 Robson No Shooting Area. (situate in MU 4-15)



Map D14 Walter Clough Wildlife Management Area No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 4-17).



Map D15 Argenta Marsh Wildlife Management Area No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 4-19).



Map D16 Fry Creek No Shooting Area (situate in MU 4-19).



Map D17 Skookumchuck Pulp Mill No Shooting Area (situate in MU 4-20).



Map D18 Premier Ridge Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in MU 4-21). Roads shown highlighted are open May 1 to Dec 10.



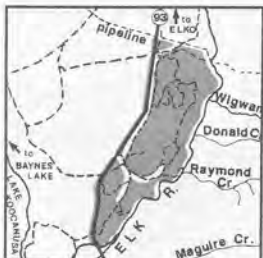
Map D19 Wasa Slough Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in MU 4-21). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.



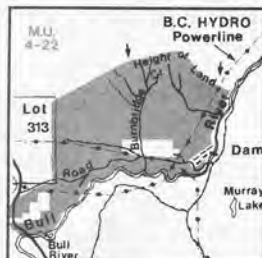
Map D20 Cherry Creek/Bummers Flats Motor vehicle restricted area. Roads highlighted in white are open year round (situate in MUs 4-20, 4-21)



Map D21 Pickering Hills Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in MU 4-22).



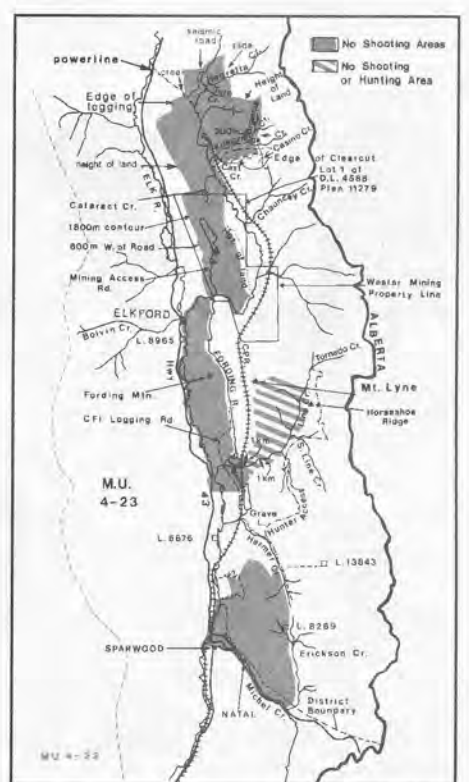
Map D22 Sheep Mountain Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in MU 4-22). Highlighted dashed roads are open year-round.



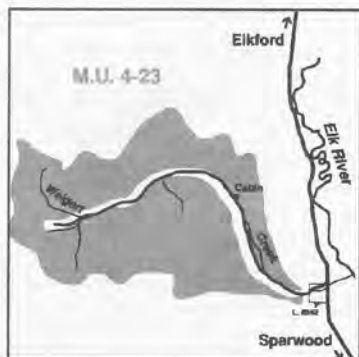
Map D23 Powerplant Vehicle Closed Area (situate in MU 4-22). Closed year-round to the operation of all vehicles. Roads shown as solid lines are open year-round; roads shown as dashed lines are open May 1 to Dec 10.



Map D24 Byron Creek Collieries No Shooting Area (situate in MU 4-23).



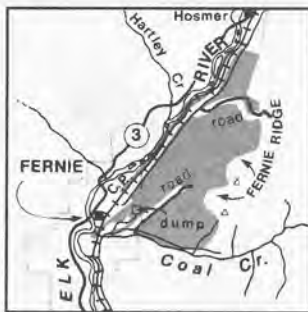
Map D27 Crows Nest Resources, Forcing Coal, Westar Mining, Greenhills and Forcing Mountain No Shooting Areas and Line Creek No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 4-23). Mine No Shooting Areas and No Shooting or Hunting Area are situated on private property and permission from companies is required prior to entry.



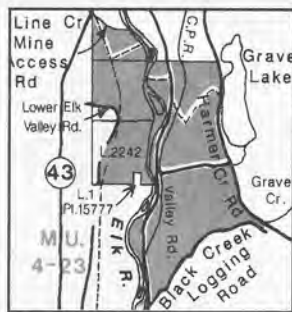
Map D25 Weigert Creek Vehicle Closed Area (situate in MU 4-23). Closed year-round to the operation of all vehicles. Highlighted road is open year-round.

Map D26 Chauncey-Tod-Hunter Vehicle Closed Area (situate in MU 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 D28 Ridgemont Vehicle Closed Area (situate in MU 4-23). Roads shown as solid lines open year-round.



Map D29 Grave Prairie Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situate in MU 4-23). Roads shown as solid lines are open year-round; roads shown as dashed lines are open May 15 to Sept 30.



Map D30 Corbin Creek Vehicle Closed Area (situate in MU 4-23). Roads shown as dashed lines and highlighted white are open year round.



Map D31 Columbia Lake Vehicle Closed Area (situate in MU 4-25). Closed year-round to the operation of all motor vehicles. Roads shown as dashed lines are open May 1 to Dec 10, roads shown as solid lines are open year-round.



Map D32 Mount Assiniboine Park No Hunting Area (situate in MU 4-25).



Map D33 Stoddart Creek Vehicle Closed Area (situate in MU 4-25). Road shown as solid line and highlighted in white is open year-round.



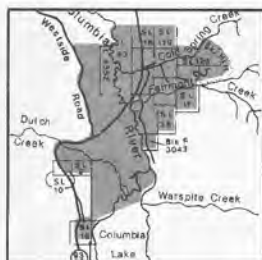
Map D34 Canal Flats Shotgun with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 4-25).



Map D35 Mt. Assiniboine Park Mountain Sheep Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in MU 4-25). See Maps D32, D38.



Map D36 Windermere No Shooting Area (situate in MU 4-25)



Map D37 Fairmont No Shooting Area (situate in MU 4-25)



Map D38 Sunshine Meadows No Hunting Area (situate in MU 25).



Map D39 Columbia Lake and River Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in MUs 4-25, 4-26). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.



Map D40 Radium No Shooting Area (situate in MU 4-25 and 4-35)



Map D41 Dutch Creek-Findlay Flats Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in MU 4-26). Roads shown as solid lines and highlighted in white are open year-round; roads shown as dashed lines are open May 1 to Dec 10.



Map D42 Duncan -Lardeau Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in MU 4-30). The operation of motor vehicles is prohibited except on Highway 31.



Map D43 Bergenham and Moberly Marsh Wildlife Sanctuaries (situate in MU 4-36). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.



Map D44 Jordan River Caribou Closed Area (situate in MU 4-39).





CARIBOO SUB-REGION

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CARIBOO SUB-REGION

(MUs 5-1 to 5-16)

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District Offices:

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MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- Note new vehicle access restrictions in green type.
- Grouse - bag limits are reduced.
- Wolf - season shortened.
- Mule deer - the bow hunting season in MU 5-11 is extended and the bag limit for bucks in MU 5-4 has been reduced to one.
- The new Ts'yl-os Provincial Park (MU 5-4, 5-5) is open to hunting.
- A large portion of MU 5-4 is closed to general open season goat hunting. See Map E9 (page 48).



The boundaries indicated in these regional maps approximately represent regional management unit boundaries. For a more precise definition of MU boundaries, consult the B.C. Recreational Atlas, 3rd Edition, 1993.

LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING



There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting Seasons. See Limited Entry Hunting section on page 10.

BAG LIMITS

Deer: The bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer is 2, one of which may be antlerless but only available under Limited Entry Hunting.

Wolf: The bag limit for wolf is 3.

Bobcat: The bag limit for bobcat is 1.

COMPULSORY REPORTING

It is mandatory for all mountain sheep, mountain goat, grizzly bear, cougar, caribou, bobcat and lynx to be inspected. See Compulsory Reporting section on page 77 for designated reporting centres and those portions of an animal which are required.

HIGHWAY RESTRICTIONS

- No shooting Areas: Please take note of the Highway No Shooting Areas outlined on page 78.
- The discharge of firearms and hunting is prohibited on or across the travelled portion and road allowance of all numbered highways and any 2 lane or greater public road that is maintained by the Ministry of Transportation and Highways (see page 78).

ROAD AND VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS and NO SHOOTING AREAS

Information signs are posted at the points of closure for most road and vehicle restrictions. These signs are for the benefit of hunters but it is the hunters' responsibility to recognize closures whether a sign is in place or not.

Motor Vehicle Restricted Roads and Areas ■

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 and from the location of wildlife is prohibited on these roads. **In areas where it is specially noted, the motor vehicle restriction applies to all persons at all times and not just hunters.**

Unlicensed Motor Vehicle Restricted Areas ◆

The operation of unlicensed motor vehicles (including ATVs) for the purpose of hunting, to transport wildlife or to transport a hunter to or from the location of wildlife is prohibited in these areas.

ATV Restricted Areas ▲

The operation of snowmobiles or ATVs (including motorcycles) at any time is prohibited in these areas.

One Quarter Mile Single Projectile Prohibition ▼

Single projectiles prohibited within 400 metres on either side of the road allowance. Only shotguns with shot permitted.

No Shooting Areas ●

The discharge of firearms is prohibited in these areas.

MU 5-2

- ▼ Robertson Road and any side roads - 0.4 km restriction, from its intersection with Hwy 97 at D.L. 61 (Cariboo Land District) north to its intersection with Hwy 97 at the village of McLeese Lake.
- Wilcox-Westman Creek Forest Service Road and any side road from its point of commencement to its end.
- 100 Mile House No Shooting Area - see Map E1.
- Rose Lake No Shooting Area - see Map E2.
- Williams Lake No Shooting Area - see Map E3.
- Gibraltar Mines No Shooting Area - see Map E4.
- Reidemann Wildlife Sanctuary (Alkali Lake) - no hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms. (See Map E6).
- Williams Lake River No Shooting Area - see Map E5.
- Big Lake School - the discharge of firearms is prohibited in Lot 8125, Cariboo District in which Big Lake School is located.

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MU 5-3

- Gaspard-West Churn Forest Service (3200) Road - restricted south of the junction of this road and Stobart Creek (bridge).
- Gaspard Churn Creek Forest Service (2800) Road (including any side roads) - restricted south of Kilometre 35 of this Road.
- ▲ Gaspard-Churn Creek ATV Restricted Area, except for commercial activities other than hunting; and snowmobiles allowed Dec 10 to May 1 - see Map E8.

MU 5-4

- Red Mountain Mining Road - entire road, Sept 1 to Oct 15 only.
- Battlement Ridge Mining Road - entire road, Sept 1 to Oct 15 only.

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- ▲ Taseko-Chilko ATV and Snowmobile Restricted Area for the purposes of hunting, to transport anyone to or from wildlife or to transport wildlife - see Map E10.

MU 5-5

- ▼ Tatlayoko Road and any side roads - 1/4 mile either side of the mid-line south from Eagle Lake Road to its end.
- ▼ Horn-Bluff Lakes Road - 1/4 mile restriction: see Map E14.
- ▼ Eagle Main (Carrier Lumber) Road and any side roads - 1/4 mile restriction, south from Hwy 20.
- Valleau Creek Motor Vehicle Restricted Area - see Map E13.
- Potato Mountain Vehicle Restricted Area - this restriction applies to the operation of all motor vehicles for any purpose; see Map E12.



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MU 5-7

- Nekite River Spawning Channel - Hunting and the discharge of firearms is prohibited with 100m of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans spawning channel.

MU 5-8

- Nusatsum-Noeick Forest Service Road and any side roads -southerly and westerly from Kilometre 15 to South Bentinck Arm
- Snootli Creek Park - The discharge of firearms is prohibited.

MU 5-9

- Ocean Falls No Shooting Area - see Map E22.

MU 5-10, 5-11

- ▼ Hwy 20 - Between Bella Coola and the westerly boundary of Tweedsmuir Park.

MU 5-12

- Clusko-Thunder Mountain Forest Service Road and any side roads -restricted north-westerly from a point 5 km north of the junction of this road and the Clusko River.
- Michelle-Baezaeko Forest Service Road and any side roads -westerly from Kilometre 66 of this road (66 km past the junction with the Nazko Road).
- "P" (or Punky) Road (Jacobson Bros. Forest Products) and any side roads - restricted north from Kilometre 43 of this road (this road runs north of Hwy 20 from Chilanko Forks).
- ◆ MU 5-12 (entire management unit) Unlicensed Motor Vehicle Restricted Area - restricted for hunting purposes, transporting a firearm is prohibited Sept 1 to Dec 5.

MU 5-13

- Clusko-Tzazati Forest Service Road - from its intersection with the southern boundary of DL 3431 (sign posted at start of Restricted Area).
- Michelle-Baezaeko Forest Service Road and any side roads - see description under MU 5-12.
- Clusko-Aneko Forest Service Road and any side roads - restricted (north) from Kilometre 71 of this road.

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- ▼ West Fraser Road - 1/4 mile restriction, south from the City of Quesnel limits to the intersection of this road and Grouse Road (located just north west of Rudy Johnson Bridge).
- Stum Lake - Between March 1 and Aug 31, hunting, trapping and the discharge of firearms is 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.
- ▼ Tibbles Road Single projectiles prohibited - see Map E25.

MU 5-14

- Junction Wildlife Management Area Motor Vehicle Restricted Area - this restriction applies to the operation of all motor vehicles for any purpose; see Map E27.
- Doc English Vehicle Restricted Area - access is restricted to designated roads; see Map E28.
- ▼ West Fraser Road - 1/4 mile restriction; see description under MU 5-13.

MU 5-15

- Roaring River Road - entire road, April 15 to June 15 only.
- Ghost Lake Motor Vehicle Restricted Area - see Map E32.
- Eureka Peak Motor Vehicle Restricted Area - this restriction applies to the operation of all motor vehicles for any purpose; see Map E29.
- Spanish No-Name Lake Forest Service Road - northerly and easterly from the No-Name Lake Forest Service Recreational Site.
- Wells No Shooting Area - see Map E31.

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.

In keeping with Section 29 of the Park and Recreation Area Regulations, the following Parks and Recreation Areas are only open to the discharge of firearms, bows and crossbows from September 1 to June 30 during a lawful game hunting season:

Fiordland Recreation Area (MU 5-9)

Hakai Recreation Area (MU 5-8)
Stum (Pelican) Lake Provincial Park (MU 5-13)
 Ts'yl-os Provincial Park (MU 5-4, 5-5)
Tweedsmuir Park And Recreation Area (MU 5-10, 5-11, 5-12, 6-1, 6-2)
 See Map E23, E24.

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

CARIBOO SUB-REGION OPEN SEASONS

MULE (Black-tailed) DEER

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-6***, 5-10 to 5-15	Bucks: Sept 10 - Nov 20	2
Management Units: 5-7 to 5-9	Bucks: Sept 10 - Nov 3	2
Management Units: 5-3, 5-4A†***, 5-5A†, 5-6, 5-15	*Bucks: Sept 1 - Sept 9	2
Management Units: 5-1 to 5-6***, 5-13 to 5-15	*Bucks: Nov 27 - Dec 4	2
Management Unit: 5-8	**Bucks: Dec 15 - Dec 24	2
Bow and Arrow Only		
Management Units: 5-1, 5-2, 5-4B†***, 5-5B†, 5-7 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-14	Bucks: Sept 1 - Sept 9	2
See Map E11		
Management Unit: 5-8	Bucks: Dec 1 - Dec 14	2
Management Unit: 5-11††	Bucks: Dec 1 - Dec 24	2
<i>*Open only for bucks with four or more points (tines) above the brow tine on one antler. See point definition on page 74. The antlers must</i>		

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accompany the species licence.

** Only open for bucks with three or more points (tines) above the brow tine on one antler. See Point definition on page 74. The antlers must accompany the species licence.

*** No more than one buck may be taken in MU 5-4. Antlerless Authorization Holders can take an antlerless deer in MU 5-4 in addition to the one buck.

Please take note of the regional bag limit for deer on page 43.

† See Map E11 for subdivisions of MUs 5-4 and 5-5.

†† A portion of 5-11 only. See Map E23.

See special area maps.

LEH - MU 5-1 to 5-5

MOOSE

* Management Unit: 5-2 to 5-6, 5-10, 5-12 to 5-15

Bulls: Oct 15 - Oct 31

1

* It is mandatory for successful moose hunters to report their kill by submitting one of the incisor teeth (including crown and root) to an official of BC Environment, or by mailing the tooth in a Harvest Data Card "Tooth Return" envelope. Hunters are reminded to obtain a Tooth Return envelope when buying their moose licence from a licence issuer. Tooth envelopes may also be obtained from Government Agents or BC Environment Offices.

See special area map, E15.

LEH - Persons who were drawn for antlerless or bull moose limited entry authorization for the Cariboo Region are not permitted to hunt for or take any other moose during the general open season for the moose in the Cariboo Region.

BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP (RAMS ONLY)

Full curl or greater

Management Unit: 5-3

Sept 1 - Oct 15

1

MOUNTAIN GOAT

Mountain goat populations 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 21

1

Management Unit: 5-15

Sept 1 - Sept 23

1

See Maps E7, E9*, E12, E16, E20, E30

LEH - See Maps E10, E17, E18, E33

CARIBOU

Management Unit: 5-12

*Mature Bulls: Sept 1 - Oct 14

1

Management Unit: 5-15

*Mature Bulls: Sept 1 - Sept 7

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 on page 81) or having a main beam of at least 75 cm (30 inches) in length.

LEH - MU 5-12.

GRIZZLY BEAR

Limited Entry Hunting Only

1

See Maps E19 and E21 for areas closed to all grizzly bear hunting.

BLACK BEAR

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-6, 5-10 to 5-15

Sept 1 - Nov 25

2

Apr 15 - June 30/95

Management Units: 5-7 to 5-9

Sept 1 - Dec 2

2

Apr 15 - June 30/95

See page 75.

WOLF

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

Sept 1 - May 31/95

3

Management Units: 5-10, 5-11

Sept 1 - Mar 31/95

3

COYOTE

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-15

Sept 1 - Mar 31/95

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FOX

No Open Season

LYNX

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15
Dec 1 - Dec 31 **1**

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.

BOBCAT

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15
Dec 1 - Dec 31 **1**

SNOWSHOE HARE

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15
Aug 1 - Apr 30 **10(daily)**

COLUMBIAN GROUND SQUIRREL

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15
No Closed Season **NBL**
The open season for Columbian ground squirrel is restricted to private land only. Hunters must obtain permission from landowners before hunting on private land.

GROUSE BLUE, SPRUCE (FRANKLIN) AND RUFFED

Management Units: 5-1 to 5-15
Sept 10 - Nov 25 **10(30)**

SHARP-TAILED GROUSE

Management Units: 5-2 to 5-6, 5-12 to 5-14
Sept 10 - Nov 25 **5(10)**

PTARMIGAN

Management Units: 5-3 to 5-6,
5-10 to 5-12, 5-15
Sept 1 - Nov 1 **5(15)**

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:	6(12)
	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 76.

BAND-TAILED PIGEONS

No open season

CHUKAR PARTRIDGE

Management Unit: 5-3
Sept 10 - Nov 25 **5(15)**

PHEASANT

Management Unit: 5-3
Sept 10 - Nov 25
Daily Limit: **3 (only 1 hen)**
Possession Limit: **9 (only 3 hens)**



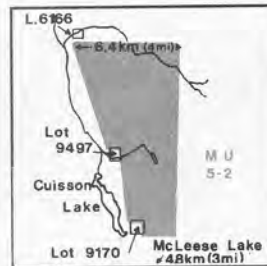
Map E1 100 Mile House No Shooting Area (situate in MU 5-2).



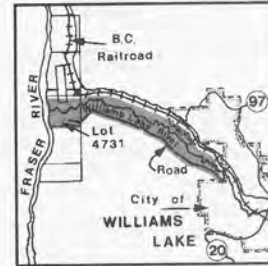
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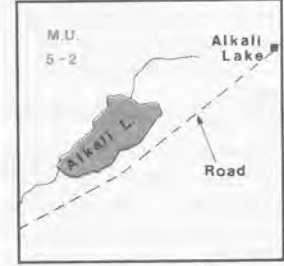
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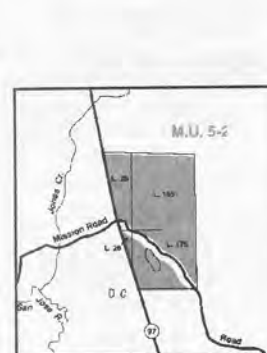
Map E4 Gibraltar Mines No Shooting Area (situate in MU 5-2).



Map E5 Williams Lake River No Shooting Area (situate in MU 5-2).



Map E6 Reidemann Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in MU 5-2). No Hunting, Trapping or Discharge of Firearms.



Map E7 Knife Creek Motor Vehicle Restricted Area closed year round (situate in MU 5-2). Road highlighted in white is open.



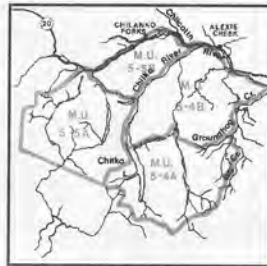
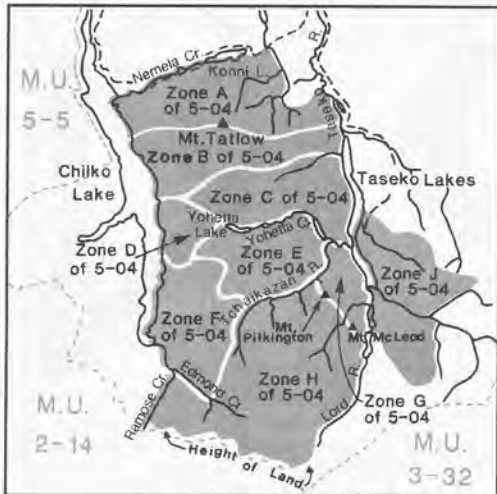
Map E8 Gaspard - Churn Creek ATV Restricted Area (situate in MU 5-3).



Map E9 Chilko Lake Goat Open Area. General open season goat hunting in MU 5-4 is restricted to this area only.



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• NO SHOOTING AREAS • LEH AREAS •



Map E11 Cariboo Mule (Black-tailed) Deer Sub-unit Divisions (situate in MUs 5-4 and 5-5).



Map E12 Potato Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 5-5). Vehicle restriction includes all areas above 1520m elevation in this area, year round.

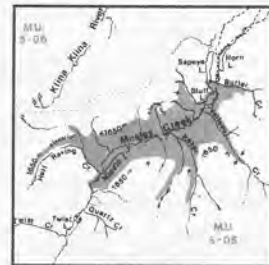
Map E10 Yohetta Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Areas for Mountain Goat MU 5-4, zones A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, J. The operation of all terrain vehicles for the purpose of hunting, to transport wildlife or to transport hunters to or from the location of wildlife is prohibited in the Yohetta LEH area.



Map E13 Valleau Creek Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in MU 5-5).



Map E14 Horn-Bluff Lakes 1/4 Mile Road Restriction (situate in MU 5-5). The discharge of single projectiles is prohibited.



Map E15 Bluff-Middle Lake Moose Closed Area (situate in MU 5-5).



Map E16 Perkins Peak - Kappan Mtn Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MUs 5-5, 5-6).



Map E17 Cherry Creek Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in MU 5-6).



Map E18 Jobin-McClinchy Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in MU 5-6).



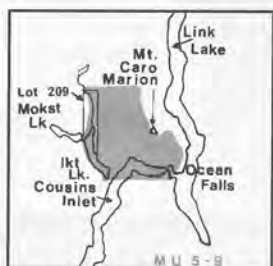
Map E19 Genesee Grizzly Bear Closed Area (situate in MUs 5-7, 5-8).



Map E20 Bella Cooola Mountain Goat Special Season (situate in MUs 5-8, 5-9). Special Season: Sept 1 - Sept 17. Bag Limit 1.



Map E21 Dean-Kimsquit Grizzly Bear Closed Area (situate in MU 5-9).



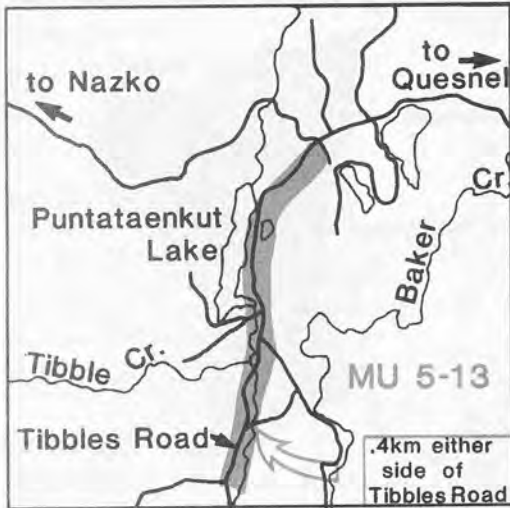
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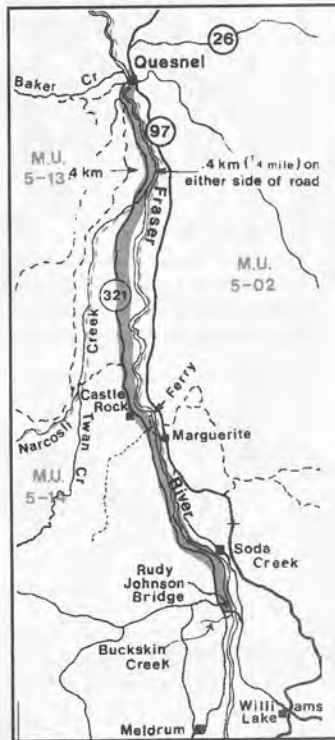
Map E23 Tweedsmuir Park Bow Only Area. The bow and arrow only season for mule (black tailed) deer bucks is Dec 1 - Dec 24 (situate in MU 5-11). See Map E24 for Tweedsmuir Park No Hunting Areas.



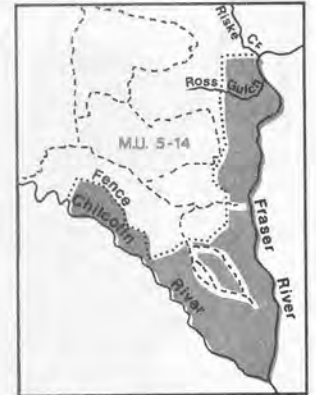
Map E24 Tweedsmuir Park No Hunting Areas (situate in MUs 5-10, 5-11, 6-1, 6-2).



Map E25 Tibbles Road single projectiles prohibited (situate in MU 5-13).



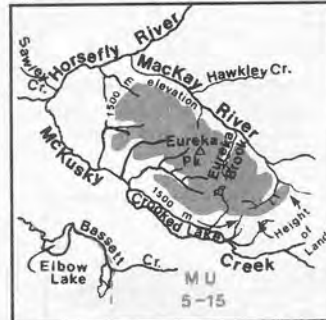
Map E26 West Fraser Road Restricted Area (situate in MUs 5-13, 5-14). The discharge of single projectiles prohibited.



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



Map E28 Doc English Gulch Motor Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in MU 5-14). Roads highlighted in white are open. Permission is required to use private road.



Map E29 Eureka Peak Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in MU 5-15). Closed year-round to the operation of all vehicles.



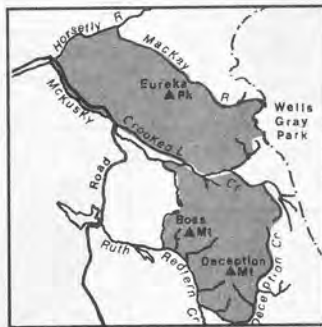
Map E30 Mt. Spranger Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 5-15).



Map E31 Wells No Shooting Area (situate in MU 5-15).



Map E32 Ghost Lake Vehicle Restricted Areas (situate in MU 5-15). Dashed line road is open.



Map E33 Eureka/Boss Deception Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in MU 5-15).



Map E34 Goose Range and Eureka-Deception Mountain Goat Closed Areas (situate in MU 5-15).

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SKEENA REGION

(MUs 6-1 to 6-30)

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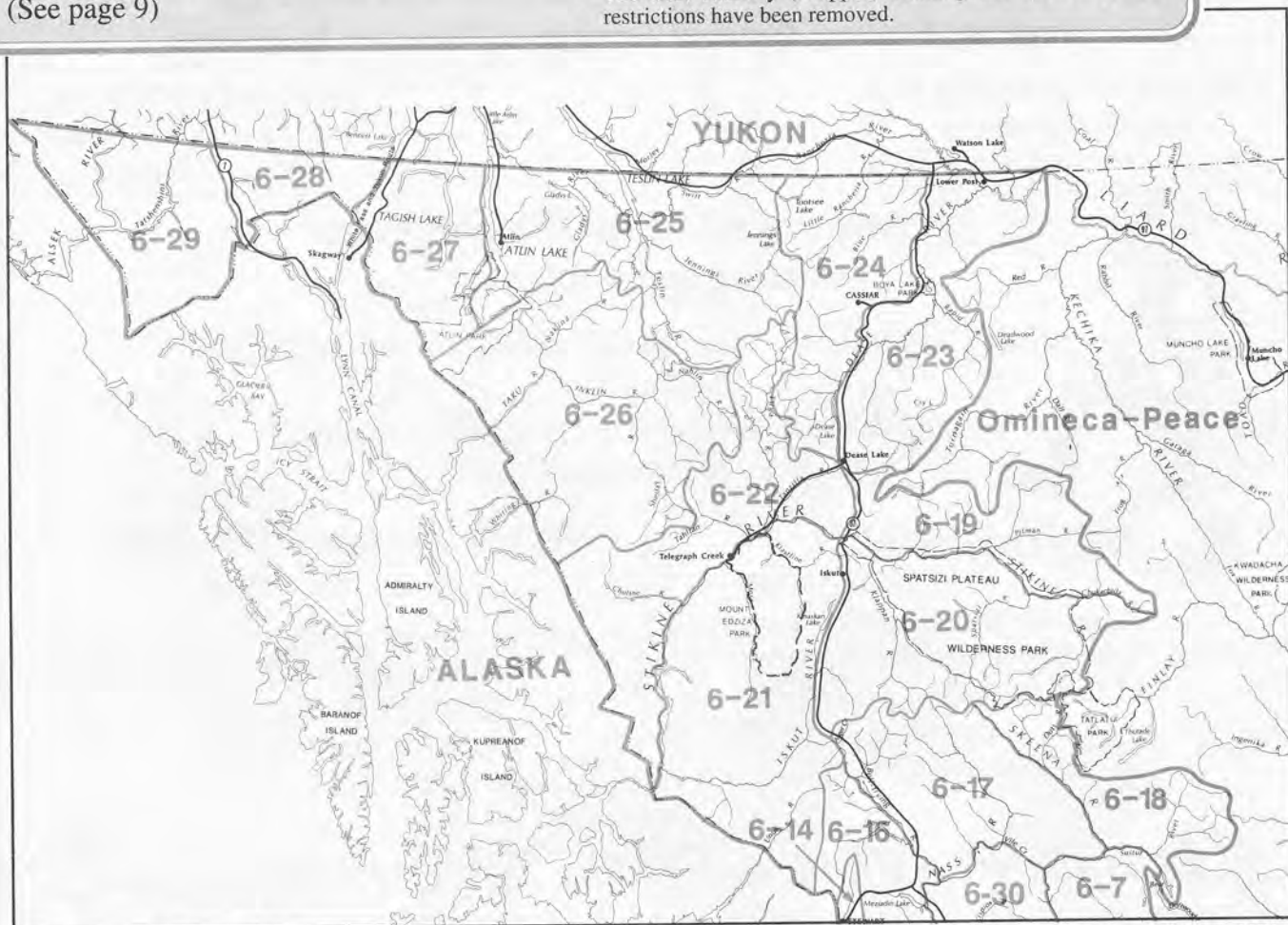
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(See page 9)

MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- Wolf - changes to season and bag limit.
- Caribou - the season is closed in MU 6-28 to protect a declining herd.
- Tatshenshini-Atsek Wilderness Park (MU 6-29) is open to hunting.
- The Minister has closed grizzly bear hunting in the Kitlope Greater Ecoregion for the fall of 1994 (See Map F5). For a fact sheet, contact the Wildlife Branch.
- The B.C. Railway (Klappan) Hunting and Use of Vehicle restrictions have been removed.



The boundaries indicated in these regional maps approximately represent regional management unit boundaries. For a more precise definition of MU boundaries, consult the B.C. Recreational Atlas, 3rd Edition, 1993.

LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING



Within an LEH area, during the time when a species or class of species is on LEH, there is no general open season on that species or class of species.

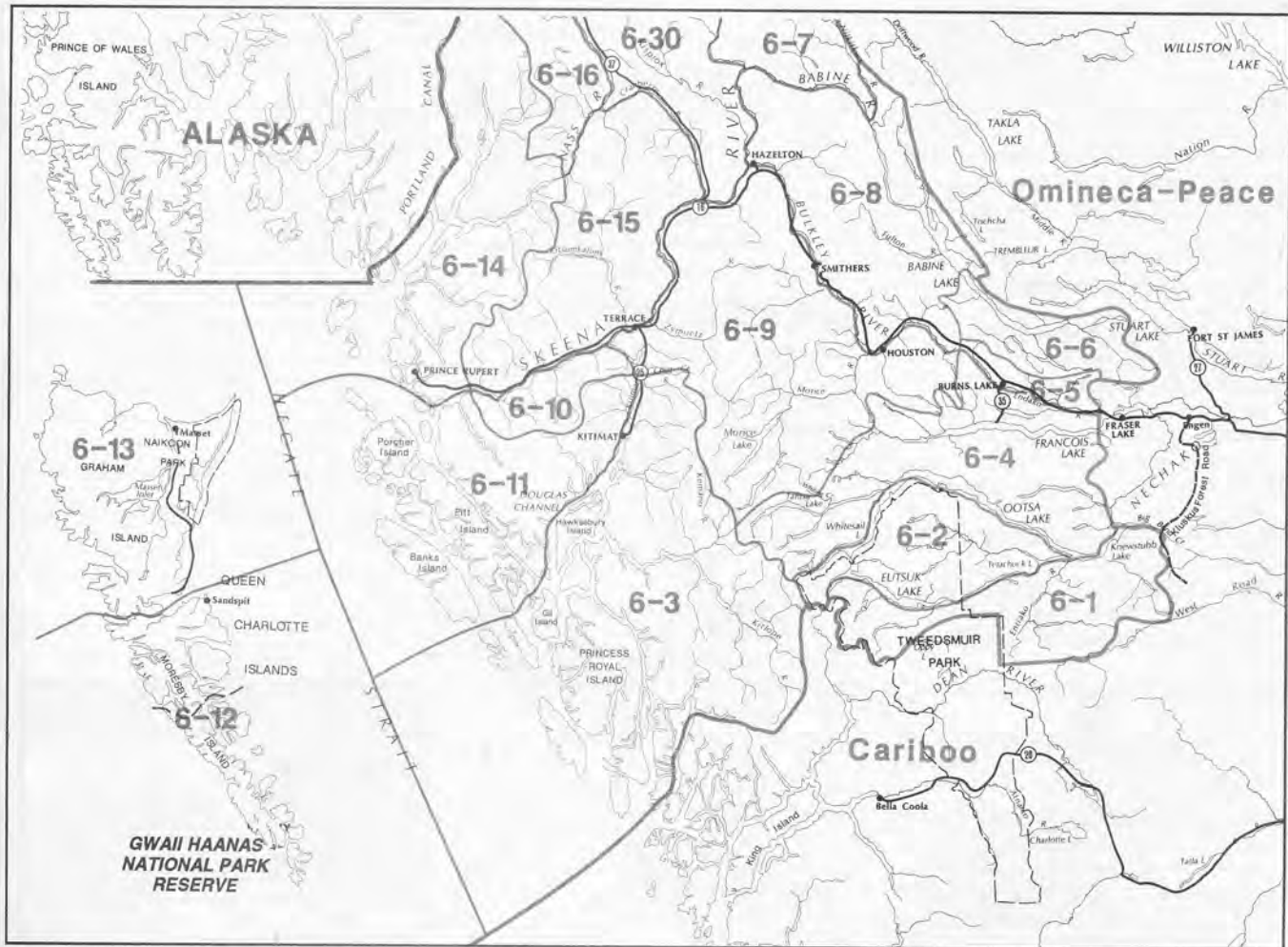
Special restrictions regarding hunting bull moose in the southeast portion of the Skeena Region apply to holders of an Antlerless or Calf Moose Limited Entry Hunting authorization. Consult the 1994/95 Limited Entry Hunting brochure.

BAG LIMITS

Deer: The bag limit for deer is one (either one mule (black-tailed) deer or one white-tailed deer), except in MUs 6-12 and 6-13 where the season bag limit is 10.

Grouse: The bag limit for blue, spruce (Franklin) ruffed and sharp-tailed grouse is 10(30).





SNOWMOBILE AND SNOW VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS

The use of snowmobiles to hunt wildlife is prohibited in MUs 6-4, 6-5, 6-6, 6-8, 6-9, 6-15 and 6-30, except as authorized by permit by BC Environment.

The use of snowmobiles for the purpose of transporting wildlife or to transport a hunter to or from the location of wildlife is prohibited in MUs 6-4, 6-5, 6-6, 6-8, 6-9, 6-15 and 6-30, from April 1 to Dec 15.

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 77 for designated reporting centres and those portions of an animal which are required.

NOTICE TO HUNTERS

- No Shooting Areas: Hunters should note the Highway No Shooting and No Hunting Areas as outlined on page 78.
- The hunting of big game (see definition) is prohibited within 400 m (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 (MU 6-9); and
 - Topley - Babine Lake Road northerly from Topley to Babine Lake at Topley Landing (MU 6-8).
- Hunting, trapping and the discharge of firearms is prohibited within Gwaii Haanas National Park Reserve (MU 6-12).
- The hunting of all wildlife is prohibited within 2 km of either side of the Muddy Lake/Golden Bear Access Road (MUs 6-22, 6-26).
- 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 BC Environment for further details.
- Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for black bear, grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf. See Convention on International Trade section on page 77.
- 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 (MU 6-13).
- Please avoid shooting collared caribou or grizzly bear. See Collared Wildlife Section on page 75.

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. In keeping with Section 29 of the Park and Recreation Area Regulations, the following Parks and Recreation Areas are only open to the discharge of firearms, bows and cross-bows during a lawful game hunting season:

Atlin Park and Recreation Area (MUs 6-25, 6-26, 6-27). See Maps F35, F36 and F37.

Babine Mountains Recreation Area (MU 6-8) See Map F2.

Fiordland Recreation Area (MUs 6-3, 5-9)

Gitnadoix Recreation Area (MU 6-10). See Maps F2 and F4.

Mount Edziza Park and Recreation Area (MU 6-21) See Map F33.

Nisga'a Memorial Lava Bed Park (MU 6-15). See Map F2.

Spatsizi Plateau Wilderness Park (MUs 6-19, 6-20). (Avoid shooting collared wildlife.) See Maps F28, F29, F30, F31.

Stikine River Recreation Area (MUs 6-19, 6-20, 6-21, 6-22).

Tweedsmuir Park and Recreation Area (MUs 5-10, 5-11, 6-1, 6-2, 6-4). See Map F1.

Naikoon Park (MU 6-13). No person shall hunt or discharge firearms from April 1 to September 14. See Map F19.

Boya Lake Park (MU 6-23). No person shall hunt or discharge firearms from April 1 to September 30.

Tatshenshini-Alsek Wilderness Park (MU 6-29)

Parks and recreation areas not listed above are closed to hunting and closed to the discharge of firearms. All individuals hunting in a provincial park or recreation area should be aware that the Park Act and Park Act regulations apply.

SKEENA REGION OPEN SEASONS

MULE (Black-tailed) DEER

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-11, 6-14, 6-15, 6-30

Bucks: Sept 10 - Oct 31

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-11, 6-14, 6-15, 6-30

*Bucks: Nov 1 - Nov 20

Management Units: 6-12, 6-13

Bucks: June 1 - Feb 28/95

Antlerless: Oct 4 - Feb 28/95

**10(10)

Bow and Arrow Only Season

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-11, 6-14, 6-15, 6-30

Bucks: Sept 1 - Sept 9

*Bucks: Nov 21 - Nov 30

*Open only for bucks that have four or more points (tines) above the brow tine on one antler. The antlers must accompany the species licence.

** The possession limit for deer in MUs 6-12 and 6-13 is 3. (See Queen Charlotte Islands Deer licence information on page 75). See Notice to Hunters.

WHITE-TAILED DEER

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-11, 6-14, 6-15, 6-30

Bucks: Sept 10 - Nov 20

Bow and Arrow Only Season

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-11, 6-14, 6-15, 6-30

Bucks: Sept 1 - Sept 9

Bucks: Nov 21 - Nov 30

MOOSE

Management Units: 6-1*, 6-2*, 6-4 to 6-10, 6-15, 6-30

Bulls: Oct 24 - Nov 4

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

Bulls: Sept 10 - Nov 15

Management Units: 6-17 to 6-29

Bulls: Aug 15 - Nov 15

Bow and Arrow Only Season

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-11, 6-14, 6-15, 6-30

Bulls: Sept 1 - Sept 9

Bulls: Nov 16 - Nov 20

*See Map F1

LEH - Parts of MUs 6-3, 6-11 and 6-20 have special regulations. See Maps F4 and F28.

ELK

Management Unit: 6-13

Bulls: Sept 15 - Nov 15

THINHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP (RAMS ONLY) Full curl or greater

Management Units: 6-17, 6-18 to 6-26, 6-29 Aug 1 - Oct 20

See Maps F35 and F36.

LEH - MUs 6-20, 6-21, 6-25, 6-29 (see Maps F28, F33, F35, F37, F39).

MOUNTAIN GOAT

Management Units: 6-3, 6-7, 6-11, 6-17 to 6-30

Aug 1 - Oct 15

Management Units: 6-14 to 6-16

Aug 1 - Nov 15

See Notice to Hunters. See special area maps. Special Bow and Arrow Only Season: see

Maps F2, F6, F32.

LEH - MUs 6-3, 6-11, 6-30. Parts of several MUs are open by LEH authorization only. See maps F2, F24, F29, F33, F35, F38.

CARIBOU

Management Units: 6-17, 6-18, 6-22, 6-24 to 6-27

*5-point Bulls: Sept 1 - Oct 10

Management Units: 6-19, 6-23

*5-point Bulls: Aug 23 - Sept 30

Management Unit: 6-20

*5-point Bulls: Aug 23 - Oct 15

*Only open for bulls with one antler bearing at least five points (tines), including the tip of the main beam above the rear point. (See illustration on page 81.)

See special area maps.

LEH Parts of MUs 6-19, 6-20, 6-25 and 6-26 are open by LEH authorization only. See Maps F28, F34.

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GRIZZLY BEAR

Management Units: 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-9
6-30

Sept 15 - Oct 26/94
Apr 15 - June 15/95

1

Management Units: 6-3, 6-10, 6-11,
6-14, 6-15

Sept 15 - Oct 26/94
Apr 1 - June 1/95

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Management Units: 6-18 to 6-29
Sept 1 - Oct 26/94

Apr 15 - June 15/95

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Management Units: 6-16, 6-17
Sept 1 - Oct 26/94

See Map F3, F5

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LEH - MUs 6-16, 6-17, 6-20, 6-21, parts of
6-19. (See Maps F27, F28, F33.)

rel is restricted to private land only. Hunters must obtain permission from landowners before hunting on private land.

BLUE, SPRUCE (FRANKLIN) and RUFFED GROUSE

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

SHARP-TAILED GROUSE

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

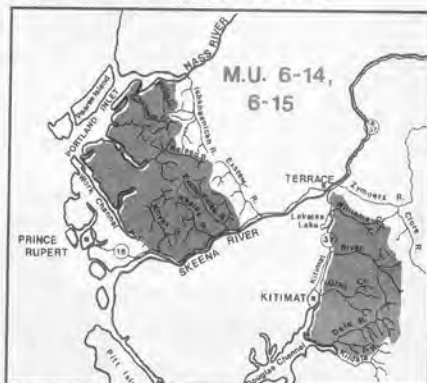
Hunters are reminded that the daily aggregate bag limit for all grouse is 10.

PTARMIGAN

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-11, 6-14 to 6-30
Aug 15 - Feb 28/95 10(30)



Map F1 Tweedsmuir Park No Hunting Areas (situate in MUs 5-10, 5-11, 6-1, 6-2). The general open hunting season for bull moose in MU 6-2 in Tweedsmuir Park is Oct 18 to Nov 15.



Map F3 Transition and Coastal Grizzly Bear Closed Areas (situate in MUs 6-3, 6-9, 6-14, 6-15).

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 6-30

Sept 1 - Nov 30

Management Units: 6-3, 6-11 to 6-14
Oct 2 - Jan 16/95

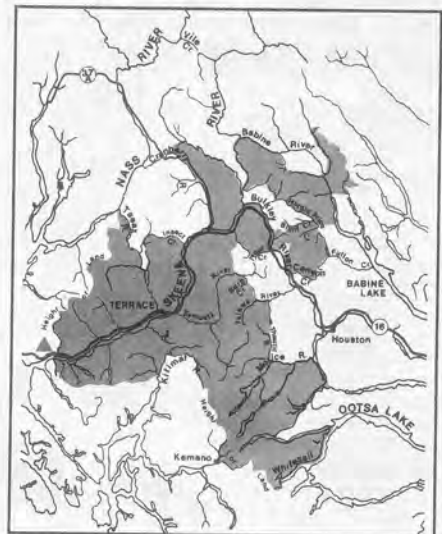
Bag Limits: Ducks:	6(12)
Coots:	10(20)
Common Snipe:	10(20)
Canada Geese:	5(10)
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Snow geese:	5(10)
Ross' geese:	5(10)

Please take note of the provincial daily bag limits for geese and ducks on page 76.

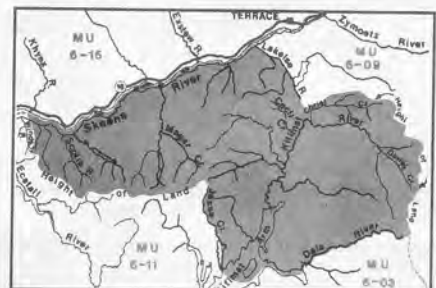
There is no open season for black brant in Region 6.

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No open season.



Map F2 Skeena and Babine Mtn. Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Areas (situate in MUs 6-3, 6-4, 6-8, 6-9, 6-10, 6-11, 6-15, 6-30). Note: no open season for mountain goats on Skip Mountain (situate in MU 6-15 at ▲ symbol) above 300 m contour.



Map F4 Smithers Bull Moose Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in MU 6-10 and portions of 6-3 and 6-11). The general open hunting season for bull moose in this area is from Oct 24 to Nov 4 only.

BLACK BEAR

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-30
Sept 1 - Nov 15/94

Apr 1 - June 30/95

2

See Notice to Hunters page 53 and page 75.

WOLF

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-30
Aug 1 - June 15

3

In that portion of MUs 6-1 and 6-2 being Tweedsmuir Park, the open season for wolf is Sept 1 - Mar 31

3

COYOTE

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-11, 6-14 to 6-30
Sept 1 - Mar 31/95 NBL

FOX

No Open Season

WOLVERINE

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-11,
6-14 to 6-30
Oct 15 - Nov 15

1

LYNX

Management Units: 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to
6-9, 6-16 to 6-30
Nov 15 - Feb 15/95

1

RACCOON

Management Units: 6-12, 6-13
No closed season

NBL

SNOWSHOE HARE

Management Units: 6-1 to 6-30
Aug 1 - Apr 30/95

10 (daily)

COLUMBIAN GROUND SQUIRREL

Management Units 6-1 to 6-30.
No closed season.

NBL

The open season for Columbian ground squirrel



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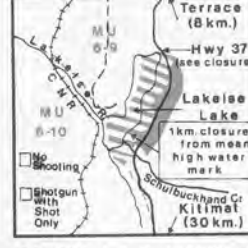
Map F5 Kidope Grizzly Bear Closure. The hunting of grizzly bear is prohibited in the area shown until Mar. 31/95 (situate in MU 6-3).



Map F6 Blunt Mountain Special Area (situate in MU 6-8). The open season for bow hunting of mountain goat is Aug 15 to Oct 19.



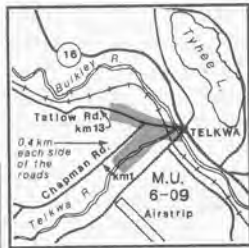
Map F7 Babine River No Shooting Area, 1 km on either side of river (situate in MU 6-8).



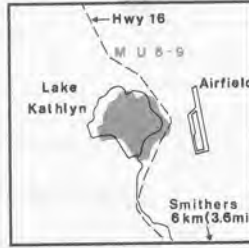
Map F8 Lakelse Lake No Shooting Area and Shotguns Only Area (situate in MU 6-9).



Map F9 Grantham Road Sub-division No Shooting Area (situate in MU 6-9).



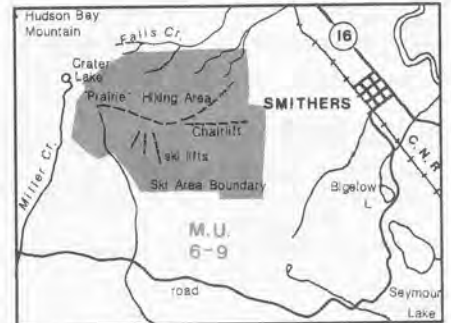
Map F10 Tatlow Road No Shooting Area 0.4 km either side of road (situate in MU 6-9).



Map F11 Kathlyn Lake No Shooting Area (situate in MU 6-9).



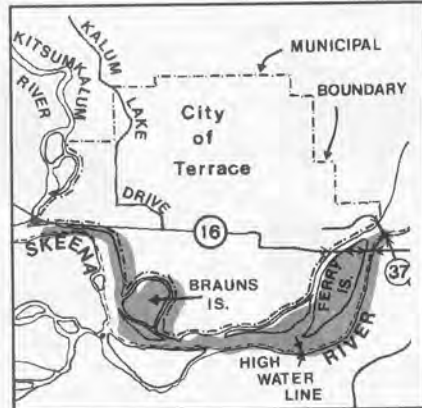
Map F12 Equity Mine Property No Shooting Area (situate in MU 6-9).



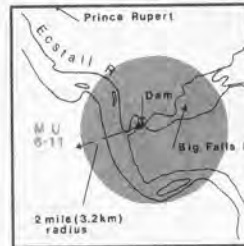
Map F13 Hudson Bay Mountain No Shooting Area (situate in MU 6-9).



Map F14 Smithers Community Forest No Shooting Area (situate in MU 6-9).



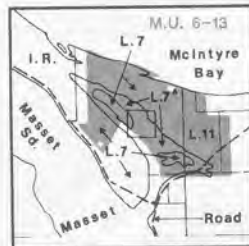
Map F15 City of Terrace No Shooting Area (situate in MUs 6-9, 6-15).



Map F16 Ecstall River No Shooting Area (situate in MU 6-11).



Map F17 Sandspit No Shooting Area (situate in MU 6-12).



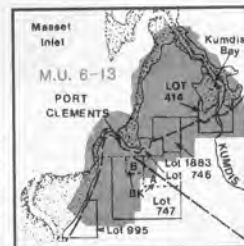
Map F18 Delkatla Slough Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in MU 6-13). No Hunting, Trapping or Discharge of Firearms.



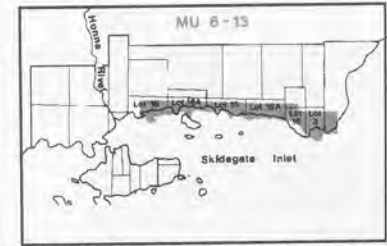
Map F19 Naikoon Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 6-13). Hunters should note the 50 metre strips along the banks of the Tiell are open for Shotguns with Shot Only as indicated on map.



Map F20 Tow Hill No Hunting Area (situate in MU 6-13).

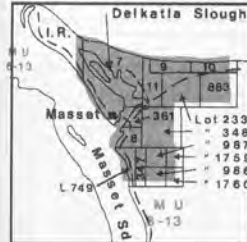


Map F21 Port Clements No Shooting Area (situate in MU 6-13).



Map F22 Queen Charlotte City No Shooting Area (situate in MU 6-13).

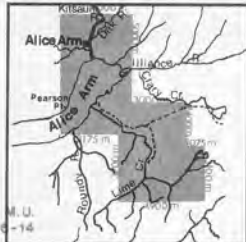
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Map F23 Masset No Shooting Area (situate in MU 6-13).



Map F24 Bear Pass Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in MU 6-14).



Map F25 Alice Arm No Shooting Area (situate in MU 6-14).



Map F26 North Kitsumkalum Lake No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 6-15).



Map F27 Meziadin Grizzly Bear Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in MU 6-16).



Map F28 Spatsizi Grizzly Bear, Caribou, Mountain Sheep and Moose Limited Entry Hunting Areas (situate in MU 6-19, 6-20).



Map F29 Spatsizi Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in MU 6-19, 6-20).



Map F30 Spatsizi Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 6-20).



Map F31 Spatsizi (Cold Fish Lake) Ecological Reserve No Hunting Area (situate in MU 6-20). Cold Fish Lake Camp No Shooting Area: The discharge of firearms is prohibited within 1 km of Cold Fish Lake Camp.



Map F32 Todagin Mountain Goat No Shooting Area and Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 6-20).



Map F33 Mt. Edziza Park Grizzly Bear, Mountain Sheep and Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Areas (situate in MU 6-21).



Map F34 Kawdy Caribou Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in MU 6-25 and 6-26). Caribou hunting is by LEH only.



Map F35 Atlin Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Area and Atlin Park Mountain Sheep and Caribou Closed Area (situate in MUs 6-25, 6-26, 6-27).



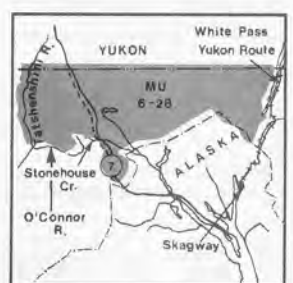
Map F36 Atlin Park Mountain Goat Closed and No Hunting Area (situate in MUs 6-25, 6-27).



Map F37 Atlin Mountain Sheep Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in MU 6-25, 6-27).



Map F38 Tagish Highlands Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in MUs 6-27, 6-28).



Map F39 Tatshensini Mountain Sheep Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in MU 6-28, 6-29).

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OMINECA-PEACE SUB-REGION

(MUs 7-1 to 7-58)

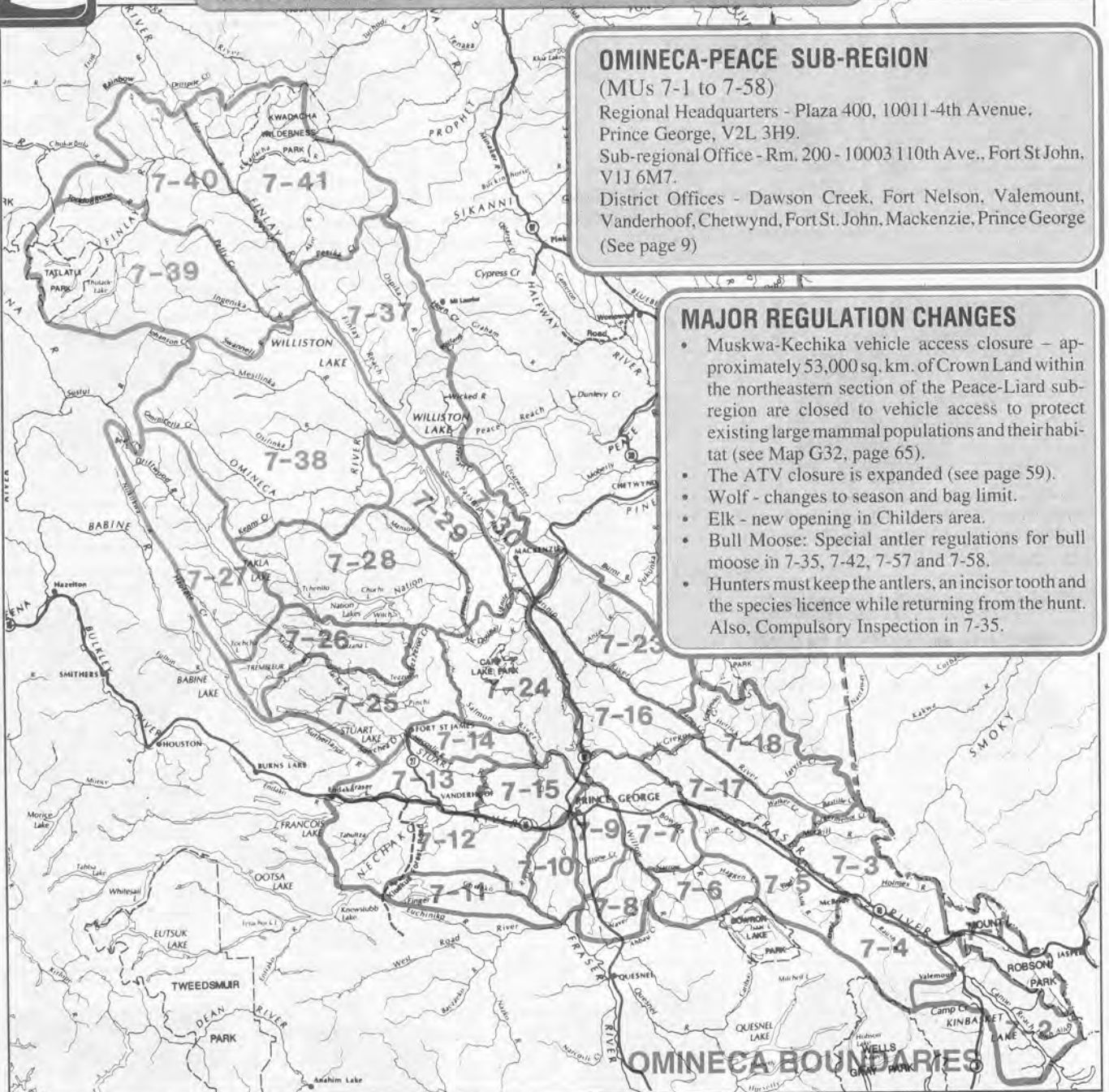
Regional Headquarters - Plaza 400, 10011-4th Avenue, Prince George, V2L 3H9.

Sub-regional Office - Rm. 200 - 10003 110th Ave., Fort St John, V1J 6M7.

District Offices - Dawson Creek, Fort Nelson, Valemount, Vanderhoof, Chetwynd, Fort St. John, Mackenzie, Prince George (See page 9)

MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- Muskwa-Kechika vehicle access closure – approximately 53,000 sq. km. of Crown Land within the northeastern section of the Peace-Liard sub-region are closed to vehicle access to protect existing large mammal populations and their habitat (see Map G32, page 65).
- The ATV closure is expanded (see page 59).
- Wolf - changes to season and bag limit.
- Elk - new opening in Childers area.
- Bull Moose: Special antler regulations for bull moose in 7-35, 7-42, 7-57 and 7-58.
- Hunters must keep the antlers, an incisor tooth and the species licence while returning from the hunt. Also, Compulsory Inspection in 7-35.



The boundaries indicated in these regional maps approximately represent regional management unit boundaries. For a more precise definition of MU boundaries, consult the B.C. Recreational Atlas, 3rd Edition, 1993.

LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING



There are special restrictions for areas which support Limited Entry Hunting seasons. See Limited Entry Hunting section on page 10.

COMPULSORY REPORTING

It is mandatory for bull moose in 7-35 and all elk, mountain sheep, mountain goat, grizzly bear, cougar, caribou, bobcat, lynx and wolverine to be inspected. See Compulsory Reporting section on page 77 for designated reporting centres and those portions of an animal which are required.

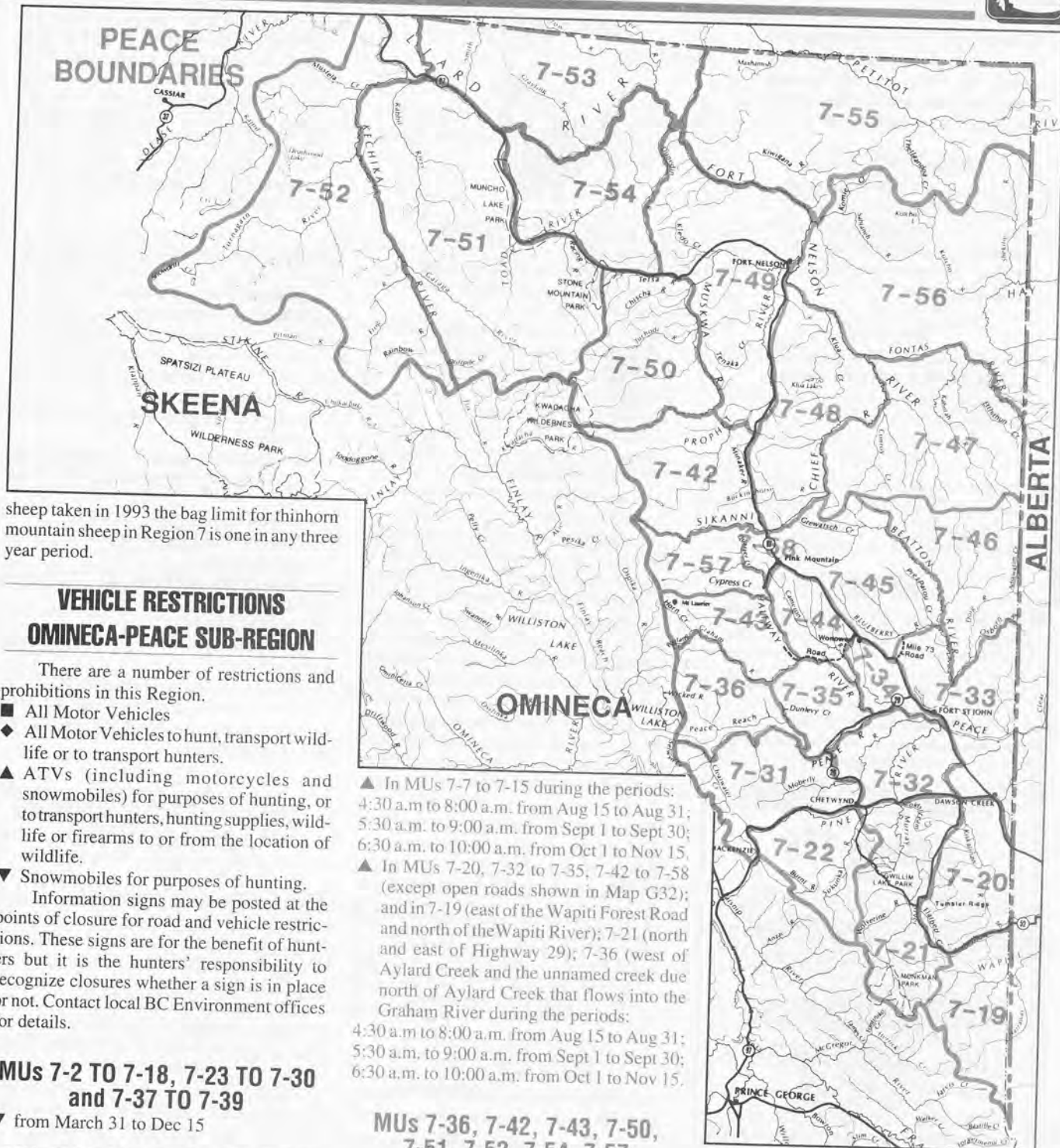
BAG LIMITS

Deer: The bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer is two; only one may be a buck and one may be antlerless. The bag limit for white-tailed deer is one.

Grouse: The regional daily bag limit for grouse (blue, spruce (Franklin), ruffed and ptarmigan) is 10 of each species.

Thinhorn Mountain Sheep: Beginning with





sheep taken in 1993 the bag limit for thinhorn mountain sheep in Region 7 is one in any three year period.

VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS OMINECA-PEACE SUB-REGION

There are a number of restrictions and prohibitions in this Region.

- All Motor Vehicles
- ◆ All Motor Vehicles to hunt, transport wildlife or to transport hunters.
- ▲ ATVs (including motorcycles and snowmobiles) for purposes of hunting, or to transport hunters, hunting supplies, wildlife or firearms to or from the location of wildlife.
- ▼ Snowmobiles for purposes of hunting.

Information signs may be posted at the points of closure for road and vehicle restrictions. These signs are for the benefit of hunters but it is the hunters' responsibility to recognize closures whether a sign is in place or not. Contact local BC Environment offices for details.

MUs 7-2 TO 7-18, 7-23 TO 7-30 and 7-37 TO 7-39

▼ from March 31 to Dec 15

MUs 7-7 to 7-15, 7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-42 to 7-58

- ▲ from Aug 15 to Oct 31: in MUs 7-31; 7-19 (west of the Wapiti Forest Road or south of the Wapiti River); 7-21 and 7-22 (south and west of Highway 29); 7-36 (east of Aylard Creek and the unnamed creek due north of Aylard Creek that flows into the Graham River).

- ▲ In MUs 7-7 to 7-15 during the periods:
4:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. from Aug 15 to Aug 31;
5:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. from Sept 1 to Sept 30;
6:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. from Oct 1 to Nov 15.
- ▲ In MUs 7-20, 7-32 to 7-35, 7-42 to 7-58 (except open roads shown in Map G32); and in 7-19 (east of the Wapiti Forest Road and north of the Wapiti River); 7-21 (north and east of Highway 29); 7-36 (west of Aylard Creek and the unnamed creek due north of Aylard Creek that flows into the Graham River during the periods:
4:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. from Aug 15 to Aug 31;
5:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. from Sept 1 to Sept 30;
6:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. from Oct 1 to Nov 15.

MUs 7-36, 7-42, 7-43, 7-50, 7-51, 7-52, 7-54, 7-57

- Muskwa-Kechika Access Management Area: restriction applies to vehicles other than aircraft in portions of these MUs. Use of a motor vehicle is only permitted within 400m on either side of the centre line of designated access routes. Use of a snowmobile is allowed anywhere in the area from Nov.1 to Mar. 31 (Map G32).

MU 7-3

- ◆ Morkill Forest Road northerly of its crossing Fraser River

MUs 7-19, 7-21

- above the 1372 metre elevation in the vicinity of Onion Lake and Bone Mt. excepting the historical ATV Trail from

Wapiti Forest Road to Onion Lake
MU 7-21

- ◆ above the 1200 metre elevation in the vicinity of Quintette Mt. Transport of firearms is prohibited. (Map G21)

MUs 7-21, 7-22

- ◆ BP Canada/Ocelot Petroleum West Bullmoose Road
- above the 1524 metre elevation in the Bullmoose Chamberlain Mt. area, excepting BP Canada/Ocelot Petroleum West Bullmoose Road

MU 7-22

- ◆ Shell Canada Lease Road from its junction with Hasler Creek Forestry Road
- ▲ above the 1525 metre elevation on Mt. Le Hudette Ridge

MU 7-31

- the watersheds of McNairn and Doonan Creeks above a point approximately 4 km downstream of their confluence between May 1 and Oct 31. See Map G26

MU 7-35

- above the 1372 metre elevation on Butler Ridge

MUs 7-38, 7-39

- ▲ the entire area

MU 7-40

- ◆ on all side roads of the Finlay Russel Forest Road leading towards the Russel Range

NOTICE TO HUNTERS

- No Shooting Areas: Please note the Highway No Shooting and No Hunting Areas outlined on page 78.
- the discharge of firearms is prohibited on the west half of Lot 1323, Peace River District, in which Halfway Elementary School is located. See Map G42.
- The discharge of firearms is prohibited within 400 m (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. See Map G19.
- The discharge of firearms is prohibited on Fort St John's sewage lagoons, that is the Northeast 1/4 of Section 19, Township 83, Range 18, West of the 6th Meridian; and Southwest 1/4 of Section 30, Township 83, Range 18, West of the 6th Meridian.
- There is no shooting or hunting within 200m of the high water mark of Radar Lake in the vicinity of the City of Dawson Creek.
- Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for black bear, grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf. See Notice to Non-Resident Hunters section on page 74, and Convention on International Trade section on page 77.
- Export Permits: hunters planning to hunt in MUs 7-19 or 7-20 and accessing by way of the Alberta border should note special recommendation in Export Permits section on page 77.
- Hunters, while returning from hunting, are required to keep (a) the lower jaw, including the incisor teeth, of a calf moose, and (b) the antlers and an incisor tooth of

a bull 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 BC Environment.

- A few white moose have been noticed in MU 7-13. Hunters are requested to not shoot a white moose due to their uniqueness and viewing value to all people who enjoy wildlife.

PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS

In keeping with Section 29 of the Park and Recreation Area Regulations, the following Parks and Recreation Areas are only open to the discharge of firearms, bows and crossbows during a lawful game hunting season:

- **Carp Lake Park** (MU 7-24)
- **Kakwa Recreation Area** (MU 7-19). See Map G16.
- **Kwadacha Recreation Area** (MU 7-41).
- **Kwadacha Wilderness Park** (MU 7-41, 7-42, 7-50).
- **Monkman Park** (MU 7-21).
- **Muncho Lake Park** (MUs 7-51, 7-54). See map G47.
- **Stone Mountain Park** (MUs 7-50, 7-51, 7-54) See Map G44.
- **Stuart Lake Park** (MU 7-25).
- **Tatlatui Park** (No open season for mountain sheep) (MU 7-39).
- **Wokkpush Recreation Area** (MU 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**

MULE (Black-tailed) DEER

Management Units: 7-2 to 7-5	
Bucks: Sept 10 - Nov 3	1
Management Units: 7-6 to 7-15	
Bucks: Sept 10 - Nov 15	1
*Bucks: Nov 24 - Dec 4	1
Antlerless: Oct 14 - Oct 17	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 7-47	
*Bucks: Oct 28 - Nov 20	1
Management Units: 7-42, 7-48 to 7-52, 7-54, 7-57, 7-58	
*Bucks: Oct 9 - Nov 4	1
<i>*Open only for bucks with four or more points (tines) not including the brow tine on one antler. The antlers must accompany the species licence.</i>	
Bow and Arrow Only Season	
Management Unit: 7-15	

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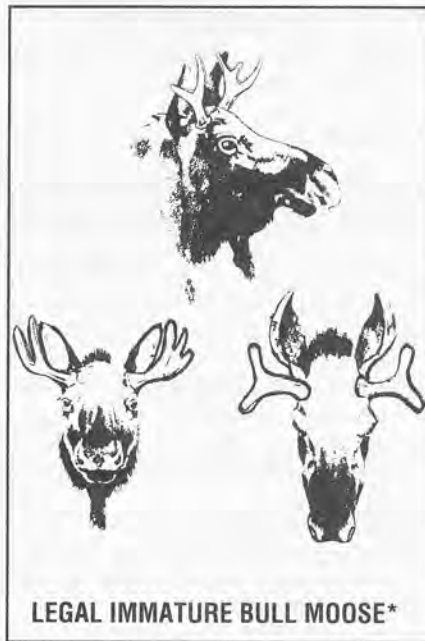
*Bucks: Sept 1 - Sept 9 1
Management Units: 7-20, 7-21, 7-32 to 7-35,
7-44 to 7-47
Bucks: Sept 1 - Sept 21 1

WHITE-TAILED DEER

Management Units: 7-2, 7-3, 7-4, 7-11 to
7-13, 7-15
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
Management Units: 7-42, 7-57, 7-58
Bucks: Oct 9 - Nov 4 1
Bow and Arrow only Season
Management Units: 7-20, 7-21, 7-32 to 7-35,
7-44 to 7-47
Bucks: Sept 1 to Sept 21 1

MOOSE

Management Units: 7-2 to 7-18,
7-23 to 7-30, 7-38
**Calves: Oct 7 - Oct 23 1
*Bulls: Sept 10 - Nov 3 1
Management Units: 7-39 to 7-41 1
Bulls: Aug 15 - Nov 15 1
Management Unit: 7-37
Bulls: Aug 15 - Nov 3 1
Management Units: 7-19 to 7-22,
7-31, 7-36, 7-43, 7-46
Bulls: Aug 15 - Sept 21 1
Bulls: Oct 16 - Oct 31
Management Units 7-32, 7-33, 7-34, 7-44,
7-45
Bulls: Aug 15 - Sept 21 1
Management Unit: 7-35
Bulls: Sept 1 - Sept 21*** 1
Management Units: 7-47 to 7-49, 7-55, 7-56
Bulls: Aug 15 - Sept 30 1
Oct 16 - Oct 31
Management Units: 7-50 to 7-54
Bulls: Aug 15 - Oct 31 1
Management Units: 7-42, 7-57, 7-58
Bulls: Aug 15 - Aug 31 1
Bulls: Sept 1 - Sept 30***
Bulls: Oct 16 - Oct 31***
Management Units: 7-32 to 7-34, 7-44 to 7-45
**Calves: Oct 4 - Oct 11 1
Bow and Arrow Only Season
Management Unit: 7-15



*Bulls: Sept 1 - Sept 9 1
Management Units: 7-42 to 7-44,
7-48, 7-49, 7-55 to 7-58
Bulls: Oct 2 - Oct 15 1
Special Weapons Season****
Management Unit: 7-32
Bulls: Nov 21 - Dec 3 1
*Open only for bull moose having no more
than two points (tines) on one antler.
**Open only for calf moose less than 12
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See special area maps.
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for definition.

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Management units 7-35, 7-42, 7-57
and 7-58 (Note: includes those parts of
Sikanni-Muskwa Foothills Moose
Special Area within MUs 7-42 and 7-
57 from Sept 1 to Oct 31)

LEGAL MATURE BULL MOOSE
Maim Palm
Brow Palm
at least 3 points on brow palm

ILLEGAL MATURE BULL MOOSE
Brow palm only 2 points

****Muzzle loaders, longbows and cross-
bows only permitted during the special sea-
son.
Note: for all bull moose taken in Region 7, the
antlers and an incisor tooth must accompany
the species licence.

LEH Please note concurrent LEH only season
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MUs 7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-38.

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ELK

Management Units: 7-41, 7-42, 7-57, 7-58
 **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
 to 7-36, 7-43 to 7-46
 *Bulls: Sept 1 - Sept 10 1
 **Bulls: Sept 11 - Oct 31 1
 Management Unit: 7-50***
 Antlerless: Aug 20 - Aug 25
 *Open only for bulls with at least one branched antler. A branched antler is one with at least three points (tines). Antlers must accompany the species licence.
 ** Open only for bulls with at least one six point antler. Antlers must accompany the species licence. Note that minimum point length for elk taken in Omineca-Peace Sub Region is 2.5 cm. See page 77 for compulsory inspection details.
 *** Open only in that part of the Tuchodi River watershed above Childers Creek and below the creek located on the north side of Tuchodi River, 2,500 metres east of Margison Creek plus the Gathto Creek watershed above Marten Creek and below Gary Powell Creek.

BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP (RAMS ONLY) Full Curl or Greater

Management Units: 7-18, 7-19
 Aug 15 - Sept 30 1
 See special area maps.

THINHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP (RAMS ONLY) Full Curl or Greater

Management Units: 7-36, 7-42, 7-43, 7-50 to 7-52, 7-54, 7-57
 Aug 1 - Oct 15 1*
 Management Units: 7-37, 7-39† to 7-41
 Aug 1 - Oct 20 1*
 †Tailatui Provincial Park in MU 7-39 is closed to mountain sheep hunting.
 See special area maps.
 * See regional bag limit on page 58.

MOUNTAIN GOAT

Mountain goat are sensitive to harvest. Hunters are requested to select male mountain goat when hunting.
 Management Units: 7-3 to 7-5, 7-17, 7-18, 7-27 to 7-30, 7-36 to 7-41, 7-43
 Aug 15 - Oct 15 1
 Management Units: 7-50 to 7-52, 7-57
 Sept 1 - Sept 30 1
 See special area maps.

LEH MUs 7-3, 7-4. (See Map G7.)

CARIBOU

Management Units: 7-19, 7-21, 7-22, 7-30, 7-31, 7-36 to 7-41, 7-43
 *5 Point Bulls: Aug 15 - Oct 15 1
 Management Units: 7-42, 7-48, 7-49, 7-55, 7-56
 *5 Point Bulls: Oct 1 - Oct 6 1
 Management Units: 7-50 to 7-54
 *5 Point Bulls: Aug 23 - Sept 30 1
 Management Unit: 7-57
 *5 Point Bulls: Aug 23 - Sept 22 1
Bow and Arrow Only Season
 Management Unit: 7-58
 *5 Point Bulls: Aug 23 - Sept 22 1
 * Open only for bulls with one antler bearing at least five points on the main beam beyond the rear point. See diagram on page 81. See page 77 for compulsory inspection requirements. See special area maps.

LEH MU 7-39. (See Map G39)

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Management Units: 7-25 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41
 Sept 1 - Nov 15 1
 Apr 15 - June 15/95 1
 Management Units: 7-42, 7-47 to 7-58
 Sept 1 - Oct 26 1
 Apr 15 - June 15/95 1

BLACK BEAR

Management Units: 7-18 to 7-23, 7-31 to 7-58
 Aug 15 - Nov 15 2
 Apr 15 - June 15/95
 Management Units: 7-2 to 7-17, 7-24 to 7-30
 Sept 1 - Nov 15 2
 Apr 15 - June 15/95
 See page 75.

WOLF

Management Units: 7-2 to 7-58
 Aug 1 - May 31/95 3

COYOTE

Management Units: 7-2 to 7-58
 Sept 1 - Mar 31/95 NBL

WOLVERINE

Management Units: 7-3, 7-17 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-43, 7-47 to 7-58
 Oct 15 - Jan 15/95 1

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Management Units: 7-2 to 7-58
No Closed Season **NBL**
The open season for Columbian ground squirrel is restricted to private land only. Hunters must obtain permission from landowners before hunting on private land.

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 to 7-22, 7-31, 7-36, 7-42, 7-43, 7-50 to 7-52, 7-54, 7-57, 7-58
Sept 1 - Nov 15 **10(30)**

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, 7-58
Sept 1 - Nov 15 **3(9)**

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 7-58
Sept 1 - Nov 15 **10 of each (30 of each)**

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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, 7-57
Aug 15 - Feb 28/95 **10(30)**

RAVEN

Management Units: 7-20, 7-21, 7-32 to 7-35, 7-45, 7-46
No Closed Season **5**
Hunting of raven is limited to private land only.

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

Management Units: 7-2 to 7-58
Sept 1 - Nov 30
Bag Limits: Ducks: **6(12)**
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 G29.
Please take note of the provincial bag limits for geese and ducks on page 76.

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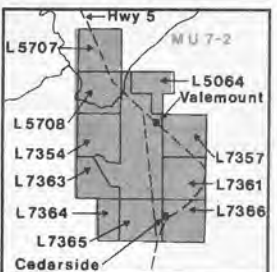
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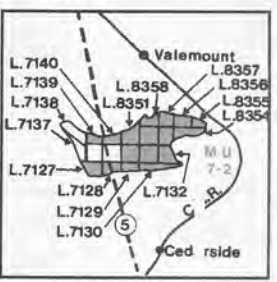
Map G1 Mount Thompson Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-2).



Map G2 Canoe Reach Grizzly Bear Closed Area (situate in MU 7-2).



Map G3 Valemount No Shooting Area (situate in MU 7-2).



Map G4 Robert W. Starratt Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in MU 7-2). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.

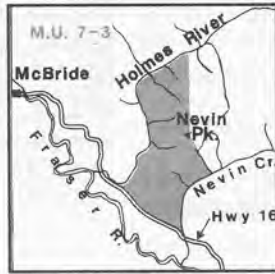
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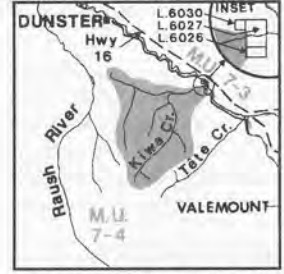
Map G5 East Twin Creek Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-3).



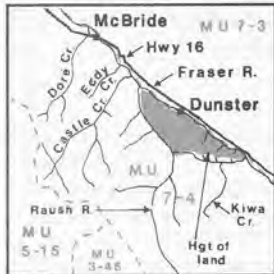
Map G6 Holmes River Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-3).



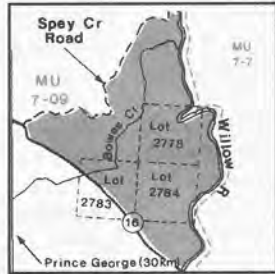
Map G7 Holmes River and Castle Creek Mtn Goat Limited Entry Areas (situate in MU 7-3 and MU 7-4).



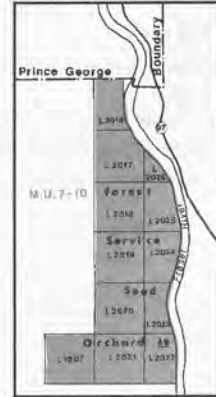
Map G8 Kiwa Creek Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-4).



Map G9 Dunster Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-3).



Map G10 Tabor Mountain No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MUs 7-9).



Map G11 Red Rock Seed Orchard No Shooting Area (situate in MU 7-10).



Map G12 Prince George Moose Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in MU 7-12).



Map G13 Paaren's Beach No Shooting Area (situate in MUs 7-13, 7-25).

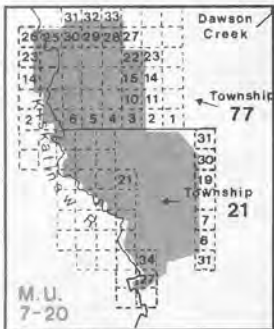
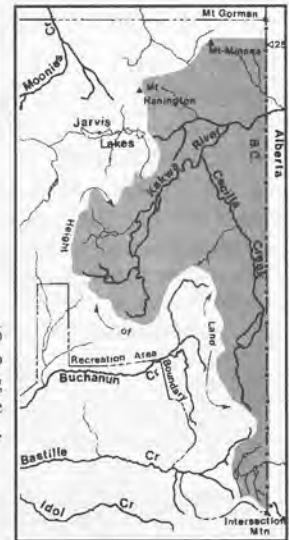


Map G14 Miworth No Shooting Area (situate in MU 7-15).

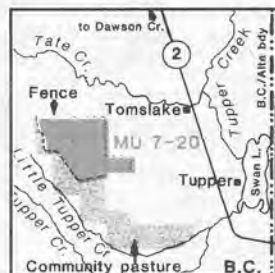


Map G15 Gleason Creek Mtn Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-18).

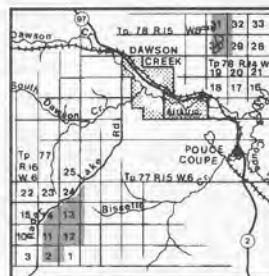
Map G16 Kakwa No Hunting Area (situate in MU 7-19).



Map G17 Bear Mountain Area (situate in MU 7-20). From June 1 to Oct 15 hunting is prohibited.



Map G18 One Island Restricted Firearms Area (situate in MU 7-20). Shotguns with shot only from June 1 to Oct 15.

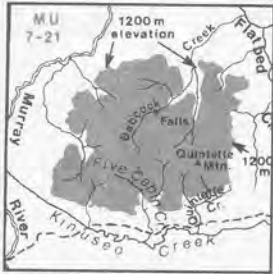


Map G19 Dawson Creek Environmental Demonstration Areas (situate in MUs 7-20, 7-33). The discharge of firearms is prohibited between 9:30 and 3:30 p.m. daily.



Map G20 Groundbirch Restricted Firearms Area (situate in MU 7-21). Shotguns with shot only from June 1 to Oct 31.

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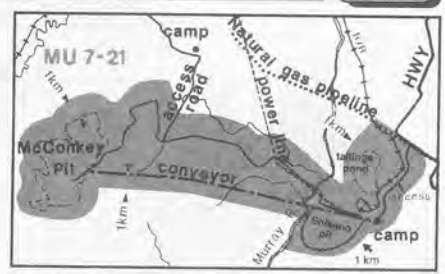
Map G21 Quintette Mountain Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in MU 7-21). See Vehicle Restrictions, page 59.



Map G22 Kinuseo Falls No Shooting No Hunting Area (situate in MU 7-21).



Map G23 Bullmoose Mine No Shooting Area (situate in MU 7-21).



Map G24 Quintette Coal No Shooting Area (situate in MU 7-21).



Map G25 Mt. Bergeron-Tumbler Ridge No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 7-21).



Map G26 McNairn Creek and Doonan Creek Motor Vehicle Closed Area between May 1 and Oct 31 (situate MU 7-31).



Map G27 Sunset Prairie Restricted Hunting Area (situate in MU 7-32). From June 1 to Oct 31 hunting is prohibited.



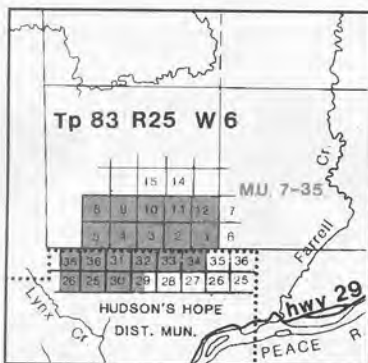
Map G28 Goodlow Restricted Hunting Area (situate in MU 7-33). From June 1 to Oct 15 hunting is prohibited.



Map G29 Peace River Duck, Coot, Snow Goose, Canada Goose, White-fronted Goose and Common Snipe Closed Area (situate in MU 7-33).



Map G30 Charlie Lake No Shooting Area (situate in MU 7-33).



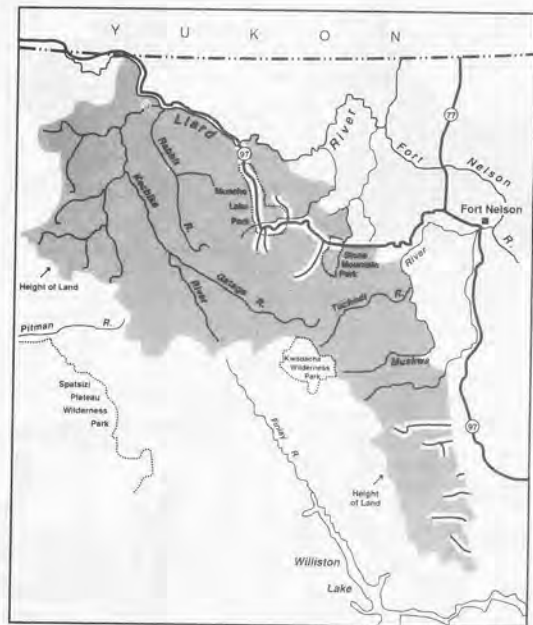
Map G31 Farrell Creek Restricted Firearms Area (situate in MU 7-35). Shotguns with shot only from June 1 to Oct 15.



Map G33 Sikanni-Muskwa Foothills Moose Special Area (situate in MUs 7-36, 7-42, 7-43, 7-57). The open season for bull moose is Aug 15 to Oct 31.



Map G34 Ospika River Mtn Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-37).

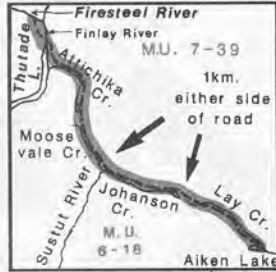


Map G32 Muskwa-Kechika Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in MU 7-36, 7-42, 7-43, 7-50, 7-52, 7-54, 7-57). See vehicle restrictions on page 59. Closed to all motor vehicles (other than aircraft) except those roads/trails shown highlighted in white (including 400m on either side). Snowmobiles permitted Nov. 1 to Mar. 31. Detailed maps of this closure are available for inspection at all Omineca-Peace BC Environment offices and all regional offices.

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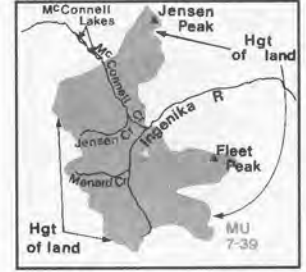
Map G35 Mt. Ogden Mountain Goat and Caribou Closed Area (situate in MU 7-38).



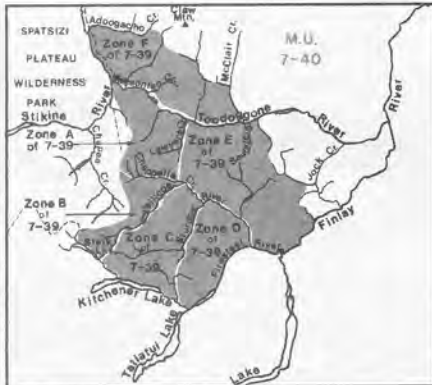
Map G36 Omineca Mining Road Extension No Shooting Area (situate in MUs 6-18, 7-39).



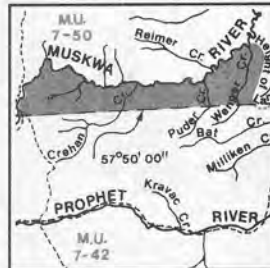
Map G37 Edozadelly No Hunting Area (situate in MU 7-39). Hunting of all wildlife species except caribou and moose (limited entry hunting only) is prohibited.



Map G38 McConnell Creek No Hunting Area (situate in MU 7-39).



Map G39 Edozadelly Caribou and Black Lake Moose Limited Entry Areas.



Map G40 Muskwa Flats Special Elk Area (situate in MU 7-42). The open season for hunting three-point elk is from Aug 15 to Sept 10 and six-point elk from Sept 11 to Oct 31; Bag limit: 1



Map G41 Sikanni-Muskwa Foothills Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-43 and 7-57).



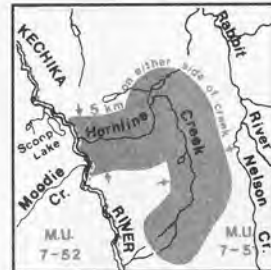
Map G42 Upper Halfway No Shooting Area (situate in MU 7-44).



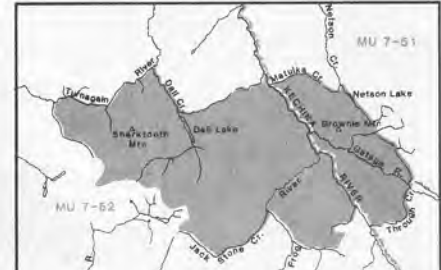
Map G43 Kluachesi Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-50).



Map G44 Stone Mountain Provincial Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MUs 7-50, 7-51, 7-54).



Map G45 Hornline Creek Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-51).



Map G46 Frog River Special Mountain Goat Hunting Area (situate in MUs 7-51, 7-52). The open season for mountain goat is Aug 25 to Oct 5.



Map G47 Muncho Park Mountain Sheep and Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MUs 7-51, 7-54).



USE RESPECT PROGRAM

The USE RESPECT program is unique to the Peace area of the province. This program is designed to reduce trespass problems and improve land user-landowner relations. There are approximately 750-800 landowners on this program at the present time. USE RESPECT signs are posted throughout the Peace and they make it easy for the landowner to tell the public that they can use his or her land under certain conditions. The signs indicate if access is permitted without permission, access is permitted with permission, and vehicle access is permitted

with permission. In the case of vehicle access without permission, the "designated route" system is used. Each orange (permission needed) or green (no permission required) sign also has the landowner's name, location and telephone number on it. This will make it easier for potential land users to contact landowners. Dash cards will also be issued by landowners to those persons who have permission for access in those areas where permission is required.

Consult the BC Environment offices in Fort St. John, Dawson Creek or Chetwynd for further details. REMEMBER THAT ACCESS TO PRIVATE PROPERTY IS A PRIVILEGE. DON'T ABUSE IT.





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(MUs 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26)

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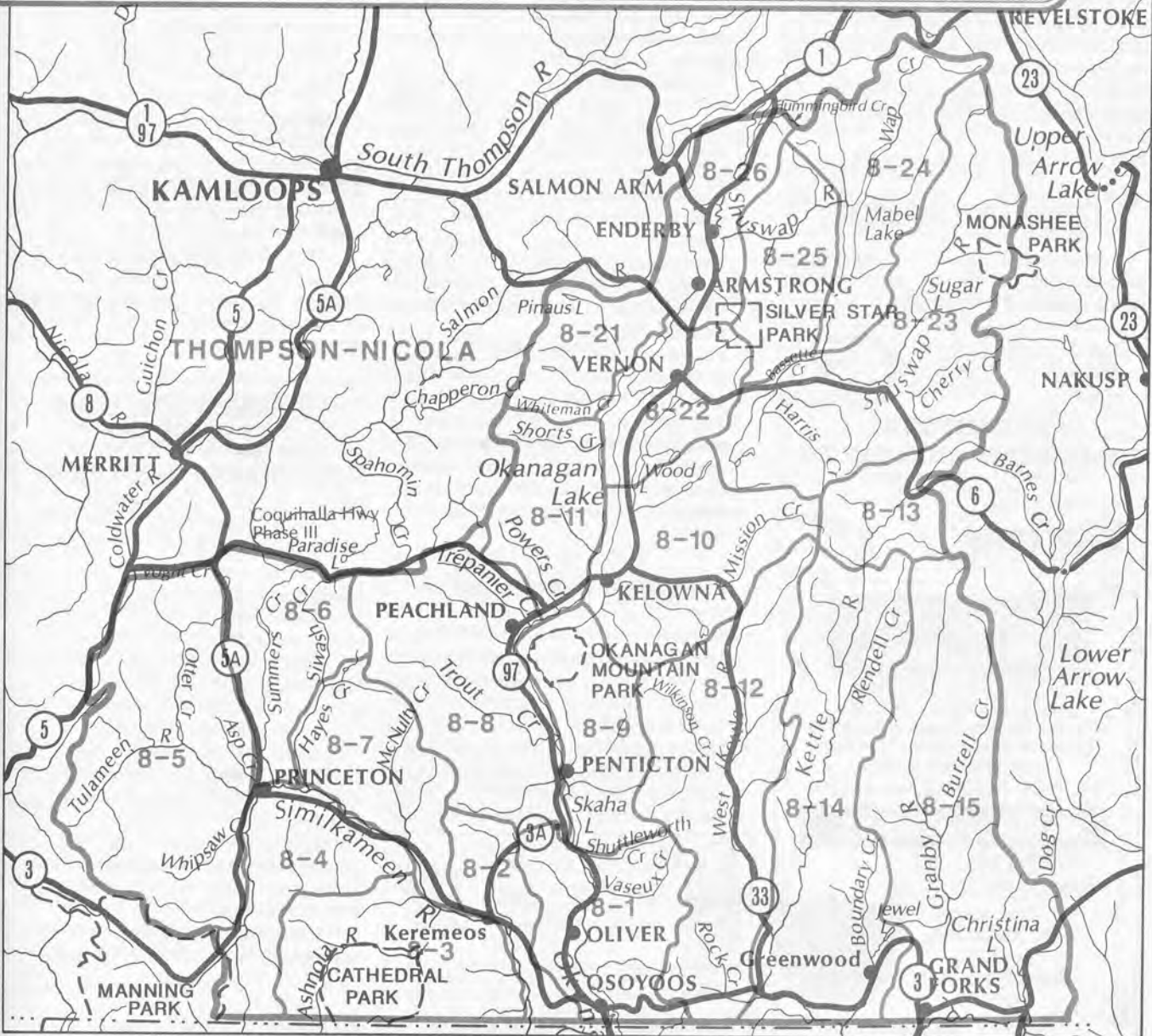
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(See page 9)

MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

- The Okanagan Landing "No Shooting and Hunting" area has been removed. This area has been annexed by the City of Vernon. Municipal regulations prohibiting discharge of firearms will be in force.
- Mourning Doves: the season is shortened by two months and the bag limit is reduced provincially to 5, possession limit of 10.

Toll-free number to report violations in Okanagan Sub-region only: 1-800-461-1127



The boundaries indicated in these regional maps approximately represent regional management unit boundaries. For a more precise definition of MU boundaries, consult the B.C. Recreational Atlas, 3rd Edition, 1993.



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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 10.

BAG LIMITS

Deer: The 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. Antlerless deer may only be taken in Bow and Arrow Only or LEH seasons.

Mountain Sheep: A person who kills a male mountain sheep greater than one year of age in the Okanagan Sub-Region since January 1, 1990, may not hunt or kill another male mountain sheep greater than one year of age during the 1994/95 season.

Grouse: The daily aggregate bag limit for grouse (blue, spruce (Franklin), and ruffed) is five (5).

Elk: The bag limit for elk is one (1).

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See Compulsory Reporting section on page 77 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 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 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 MU 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 MU 8-1. See Map H2.
- The operation of all motor vehicles is prohibited in that portion of MU 8-9 described as Lot A and Lot B of Sublot 48, District Lot 2710, Plan 27801, SDYD, and Sublot 48, District Lot 2710, Plan 1189, SDYD.

NOTICE TO HUNTERS

- Convention on International Trade-Export permits will be issued for black bear, grizzly bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf. See Convention on International Trade section on page 77.
- White-tailed jackrabbit, mountain cottontail and badger and other species are protected under the authority of the Wildlife Act (hunting is prohibited). See page

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- No Shooting Areas: Hunters should note the Highway No Shooting Areas as outlined on page 78. Note also that the closures for Highway 3 between Manning Park and Princeton and for the Coquihalla Phase III (Okanagan Connector) Highway 97C are No Shooting and No Hunting Closures.

PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS

In keeping with Section 29 of the Park and Recreation Area Regulations, the following Parks and Recreation Areas are only open to the discharge of firearms, bows and crossbows from September 1 to April 15 during the lawful game hunting season:

Cascade Recreation Area (MU 8-5)

Darke Lake Park (MU 8-8)

Eneas Lake Park (MU 8-8)

Keremeos Columns Park (MU 8-2)

Nickel Plate Park (MU 8-7)

Okanagan Mountain Park (MU 8-9)

Cathedral Park (MU 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.

Silver Star Park (MUs 8-22, 8-25, 8-26). No Hunting Area. See Map H16.

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

Management Units: 8-14, 8-15, 8-23	
*Bucks: Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
Management Unit: 8-3	
*Bucks: Sept 10 - Oct 31	1
Management Units: 8-12 to 8-15, 8-23	
Bucks: Sept 10 - Oct 31	1
Management Units: 8-4 to 8-7	
Bucks: Sept 10 - Nov 9	1
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	1
<i>* Open only for bucks having four or more points (tines) above the brow tine on at least one antler. The antlers must accompany the species licence.</i>	
<i>See regional bag limit for deer.</i>	
Bow and Arrow Only Seasons	
Management Units: 8-1, 8-2, 8-4 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	
Bucks: Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
Management Units: 8-1, 8-2, 8-8 to 8-11, 8-21, 8-22, 8-24 to 8-26	
Bucks: Nov 16 - Dec 10	1
<i>See regional bag limit for deer.</i>	
MUs 8-1, 8-2, 8-8 to 8-10, 8-22	



WHITE-TAILED DEER

Management Units: 8-14, 8-15, 8-23
 *Bucks: Sept 1 - Sept 9
 Management Unit: 8-3
 Bucks: Sept 10 - Oct 31
 Management Units: 8-12 to 8-15, 8-23
 Bucks: Sept 10 - Oct 31
 Bucks: Nov 7 - Nov 25
 Management Units: 8-4 to 8-7
 Bucks: Sept 10 - Nov 9
 Management Units: 8-1, 8-2, 8-8 to 8-11,
 8-21, 8-22, 8-24 to 8-26
 Bucks: Sept 10 - Nov 25
 *Open only for bucks having four or more
 points (tines) above the brow tine on at least
 one antler. The antlers must accompany the
 species licence.

See regional bag limit for deer.

Bow and Arrow Only Season

Management Units: 8-1, 8-2, 8-4 to
 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26
 Bucks: Sept 1 - Sept 9
 Management Units: 8-1, 8-2, 8-8 to 8-15,
 8-21 to 8-26
 Either Sex: Nov 26 - Dec 10
 See regional bag limit for deer.

LEH MUs 8-1, 8-2, 8-8 to 8-10,
 8-12 to 8-15, 8-22 to 8-24

MOOSE (BULLS ONLY)*

Management Units: 8-4 to 8-8, 8-11
 Oct 15 - Oct 31
 *Open only for bull moose having no more
 than two points (tines) on one antler. Antlers
 must accompany the species licence.
 Successful hunters who kill a bull moose in the
 Okanagan Sub-Region are required to submit
 within 10 days of the kill, one of the incisor
 teeth (including crown and root). See Com-
 pulsory Reporting and Inspection on page 77.

ELK

Management Units: 8-1, 8-9, 8-10, 8-12
 *Bulls: Sept 10 - Nov 15
 Management Units: 8-4 to 8-7
 *Bulls: Sept 10 - Oct 31
 Management Units: 8-14†, 8-15††
 †See Map H10 for open season.
 ††See Map H11 for open season
 *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. See illustration
 page 38.
 All elk taken in the Okanagan Sub-region
 must be inspected. Portions required for com-
 pulsory inspection are described on page 77.

LEH MUs 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 10 - Sept 18
 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
 Apr 1 - June 15/95
 See page 75.

COYOTE, SKUNK, RACCOON

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26
 No Closed Season NBL

LYNX AND BOBCAT

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26
 Dec 1 - Feb 28/95 1(of each)

COUGAR

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26
 Dec 1 - Feb 28/95 1
 Hunters are requested not to shoot lactating
 cougar, or cougar kittens.

SNOWSHOE HARE

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26
 Aug 1 - Apr 30/95 10 (daily)

COLUMBIAN GROUND SQUIRREL

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26
 No Closed Season NBL
 The open season for Columbian ground squir-
 rel is restricted to private land only. Hunters
 must obtain permission from landowners be-
 fore hunting on private land.

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 68 for the regional daily aggregate
 bag limit for grouse.

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: 6(12)
 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 76.

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 28/95 5(10)
 Please take note of the provincial daily bag
 limit for geese on page 76.

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.

GRAY (HUNGARIAN) PARTRIDGE

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-10,
 8-15, 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.

MOURNING DOVES

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26
 Sept 1 - Sept 30 5(10)

PHEASANT

Management Units: 8-1 to 8-3, 8-8 to 8-12,
 8-14, 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26
 Cocks: Oct 4 - Nov 15 2(6)
 Management Units: 8-21, 8-22
 Hens: Nov 6 - Nov 15
 Daily Limit: 2(only 1 hen)
 Possession Limit: 6(only 3 hens)
 Hunting is permitted only between the hours
 of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

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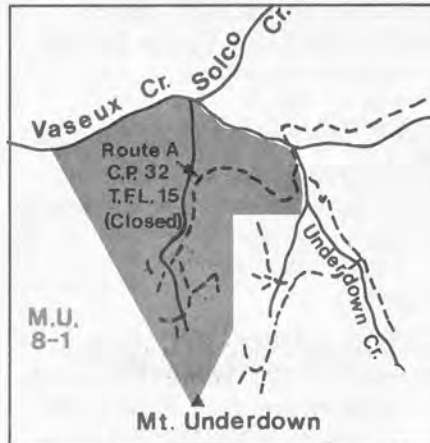
Management Units: 8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-11
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 Oct 4 - Nov 22 10(30)
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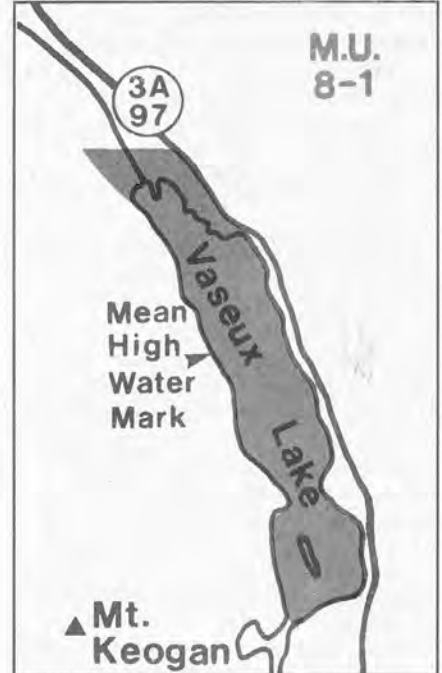
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Map H1 Osoyoos Oxbows Restricted Area (situate in MU 8-1). The operation of motor vehicles is restricted to established roadways. Hunting and the discharge of firearms are prohibited from Mar 1 to Sept 30 throughout the restricted area including the roadways.



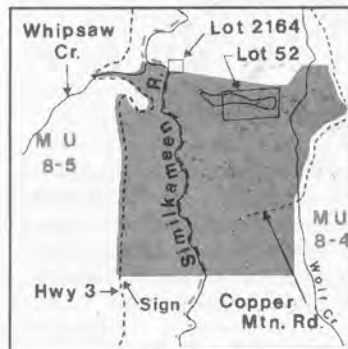
Map H2 Underdown Creek Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in MU 8-1). Closed year-round to the operation of all motor vehicles.



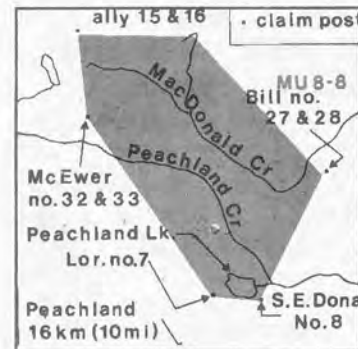
Map H3 Vaseux Lake Migratory Bird Sanctuary (situate in MU 8-1).



Map H4 Kaleden, Penticton and Okanagan Falls No Shooting Areas and Skaha Lake Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MUs 8-1, 8-8, 8-9).

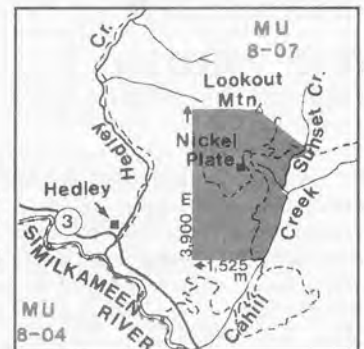


Map H5 Similkameen Mining Co. Ltd. No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MUs 8-4, 8-5).

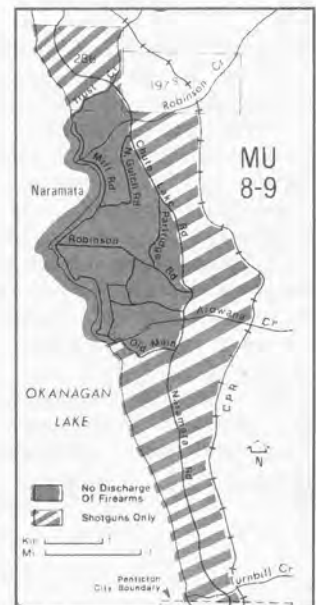


Map H7 Brenda Mines No Shooting Area (situate in MU 8-8).

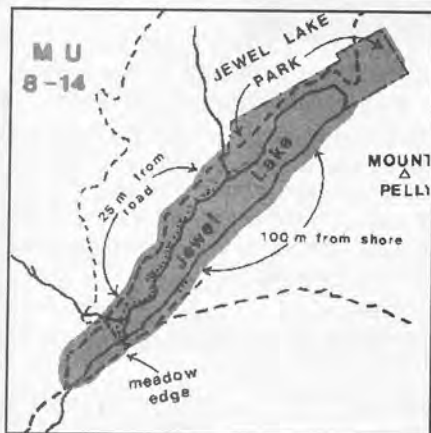
Map H6 Mascot Gold Mines No Shooting Area (situate in MU 8-7).



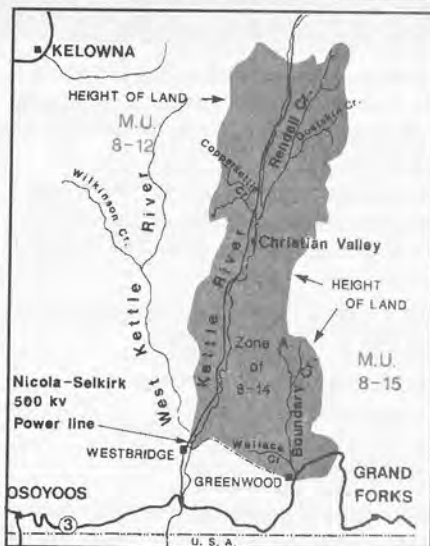
Map H8 Naramata No Shooting Area and Shotguns with shot only (situate in MU 8-9).



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Map H9 Jewel Lake No Shooting and No Hunting Area (situate in MU 8-14).



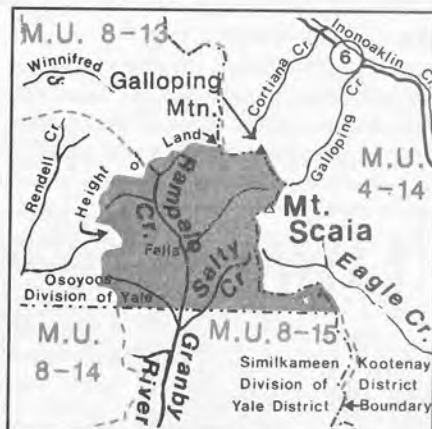
Map H10 Christian Valley Elk Special Area (situate in MU 8-14) open season for 3 pt. bull elk or better Sept 10 -Oct 31 (1). See definition on page 81.



Map H11 Overton-Moody Elk Special Area (situate in MU 8-15). Open season for either sex, any age elk: Nov 7 to Nov 15 (1). Hunter success is expected to be low in this area.



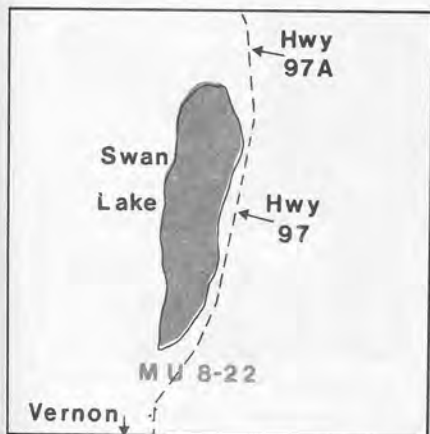
Map H12 Ward Lake No Hunting, No Shooting and No Trapping Area (situate in MU 8-15).



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



Map H14 Grand Forks Shotgun Only Area (situate in MU 8-15).



Map H15 Swan Lake No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 8-22).



Map H16 Silver Star Park No Hunting Area (situate in MUs 8-22, 8-25, 8-26). Contact BC Environment offices in Vernon and Penticton for details.



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HUNTING GENERAL INFORMATION

SECTION C

DEFINITIONS

ALL TERRAIN VEHICLE - Means a wheeled vehicle or tracked vehicle propelled by motorized power, and capable of travel off a highway, including motor cycles but not including other vehicles licenced for highway travel under the Motor Vehicle Act.

ANTLERED ANIMAL - means a member of the deer family over one year of age bearing visible bony antlers.

ANTLERLESS ANIMAL - means a member of the deer family 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 home 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 animal designated by regulation.

BOLT - means a shaft or missile designed to be shot from a crossbow or catapult.

BOW - means a longbow or crossbow.

BROW TINE - means the first tine projecting forward or upward 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 1 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, pelletgun, "BB" gun or spring gun but does not include a bow.

FULL CURL BIGHORN RAM - means any male bighorn mountain sheep, the head of which, when viewed squarely from the side, has at least one horn tip extending upwards beyond a straight line drawn through the centre of the nostril and the lowest hindmost portion of the horn base. If the skull and horns are presented for examination, when viewed squarely from the side with both

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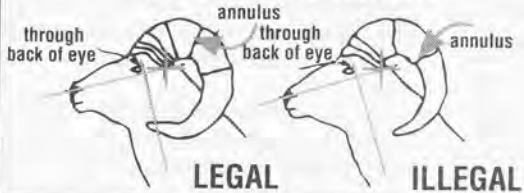


FULL CURL BIGHORN



Reference points (+): use centre of the nostril and the lowest hindmost portion of the base of the horn.

3/4 CURL BIGHORN



FULL CURL THINHORN



upward beyond a straight line drawn through the lowest hindmost portion of the horn base and the lowermost edge of the eye socket.

3/4 CURL BIGHORN RAM - means any male bighorn mountain sheep, the head of which, when viewed squarely from the side, has at least one horn tip extending beyond a straight line drawn through the back of the eye opening and at right angles to a line drawn between the centre of the nostril and the lowest hindmost portion of the horn base. If the skull and horns are presented for examination, when viewed squarely from the side with both horns in alignment, at least one

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

horn tip extends beyond a straight line through the back edge of the eye socket and at right angles to a line drawn through the lowest hindmost portion of the horn base and the lowermost edge of the eye socket.

FULL CURL THINHORN RAM - means any male thinhorn mountain sheep which has attained the age of eight (8) years as evidenced by yearly horn growth annuli as determined by the Regional Manager or his designate, 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 and Douglas's 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.

LEGAL MATURE BULL MOOSE - (for MUs 7-35, 7-42, 7-57 and 7-58) means a bull moose having at least one antler with a brow palm bearing three or more points (tines). The brow palm is separated from the main palm by the deepest antler bay. The deepest bay is the bay whose vertex (deepest location) is the shortest distance from the antler base, when measured along the surface of the antler (see page 81).

LICENCE YEAR - means the period from April 1 to March 31 of the following year.

LOADED FIREARM - means any firearm containing live ammunition in either the breech or the magazine. A clip containing live ammunition, when attached to the firearm, is considered as the magazine.

MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS - for which there is an open season in B.C. and for which a Canadian Migratory Bird hunting permit is required are: waterfowl (ducks and geese, including brant); coot; common snipe; 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.



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POINT - or "tine" means a branch of an antler which is longer than the breadth of its base and is at least 2.5 cm (1 inch) in length. For the purpose of determining the length of a point;

- (a) the length of the point shall be measured from the centre of its base to the tip end, and
- (b) the base of the point shall be measured along the nearest edge of the part of the antler commonly known as the main beam.

POWER BOAT - means a boat, canoe or yacht powered by electric, gasoline, oil, steam or other mechanical means, but does not include a boat powered manually nor a boat with an outboard motor provided the motor is tilted or otherwise disengaged so as not to be ready for immediate use.

RAPTOR - means a bird of the order Falconiformes known as vultures, eagles, falcons and hawks or of the order Strigiformes known as owls and includes the eggs of these birds.

ROAD ALLOWANCE - see definition, page 78.

SMALL GAME - includes fox, raccoon, lynx, bobcat, coyote, skunk, wolverine, snowshoe hare 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.

NOTICE

Hunting License Fees for the 1994-95 Season

In 1991/92, the Wildlife Branch completed a detailed review of the fees that it charges for licenses and permits. In setting new fees, the main goals were to restrict any increases to modest amounts and to adjust species license fees to reflect their relative values. The cost of hunting licenses should continue to represent a minor share of total hunting costs.

Based on this review, the fees for resident black bear and deer licenses increase from \$12 to \$15 for the 1994/95 season. The fee for a basic hunting license will increase only for senior citizens (from \$5 to \$7).

HOW LONG SHOULD I KEEP MY HUNTING LICENCE?

It is probably a good idea for hunters to keep all documents under which an animal was taken until the animal has been consumed. In the case of a mounted trophy or a tanned hide, the licence and Compulsory Inspection Data Sheet should be kept in a safe place indefinitely. If a person wishes to transfer the trophy to someone else or requires an export permit to move it out of the province, 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.

VIOLATORS BE WARNED!

We will be tough with violators of our conservation laws and invaluable wildlife resource!

Be aware that if you are careless, or reckless, or dangerous, ignorant, or uninformed, or unsafe or greedy in other words, if you are convicted of an offence under the *Wildlife Act* of British Columbia or the regulations, or the *Migratory Birds Convention Act* (Canada), or the *Criminal Code* (respecting the possession or use of firearms while hunting), you may:

- have your hunting and/or firearm licence(s) cancelled for an automatic minimum period that can range from one to five years and, that, upon consideration by the Director, Wildlife Branch, may be extended to up to ten years;
- upon consideration by the Director, Wildlife Branch, for offences that do not carry an automatic licence cancellation, have your hunting/firearm licence(s) cancelled for a period of from one to ten years;

- be liable to a fine which for certain offences will range between \$200 and \$10,000, rising to between \$1,000 and \$50,000 for repeats of these offences, and for other offences to a fine of not more than \$5,000, rising to between \$500 and \$10,000 for repeats of these offences;
- be liable to a term of imprisonment of up to six months.

You should also be aware that:

- if you are convicted of an offence under the *Migratory Birds Convention Act* (Canada), you will have your migratory game bird permit cancelled automatically;
- if you are convicted of two wildlife or firearm offences within a period of two years, your hunting licence will be cancelled for an automatic minimum period of one year;
- if you do not pay any fine(s) imposed for wildlife offence(s), all licences, permits and limited entry hunting authorizations issued to you under the *Wildlife Act* will be cancelled and will remain cancelled until the fine(s) is/are paid.

BE WARNED!

KNOW THE LAW AND OBEY IT!

Hunters should be aware of the following

5 most frequent convictions:

1. Unlawful possession of dead wildlife.
2. Hunting or carrying firearms without a license.
3. Failure to produce a license or permit on request.
4. Failure to immediately cancel species license.
5. Hunting wildlife not within an open season.

NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT HUNTERS

BIG GAME GUIDED HUNTS

Non-residents of British Columbia hunting big game must be accompanied by a licenced B.C. guide. When purchasing big game species licences, non-residents must provide the licensing office with the name of the guide outfitter, the guide's licence number, the management unit(s) in which the hunt will take place and the dates of the hunt. On 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.

Big Game Accompanied Hunts

A non-resident of B.C. who is a resident of Canada or a Canadian citizen may be accompanied by a resident of B.C. who holds a Permit to Accompany (\$25). Only one Permit to Accompany will be issued to a person in a calendar year.

The B.C. resident applying for this permit must be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada who has held a hunting licence and a big game species licence for 3 of the 5 years preceding application. This person must obtain the required permit from the Regional Office of BC Environment of the region in which the hunt is intended. Application for the permit must be made on the

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proper form (available from BC Environment Offices) at least one month prior to hunting. Only one Permit to Accompany will be issued to a person in a calendar year.

The non-residents must show the Permit to Accompany or a copy indicating the name of the permittee and the permit number when purchasing their big game species licence. A non-resident who is not a resident of Canada and is not a Canadian citizen, may also be eligible under this procedure providing that he qualifies under one of the required relationship categories (ie. if accompanied by a father, brother, son, uncle, nephew, grandson, grandfather, mother, sister, daughter, aunt, niece, granddaughter, grandmother, spouse, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law). Permits to Accompany may not be available for all species and areas. Check with the appropriate regional office.

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).

Queen Charlotte Islands Deer Licence:

These special deer tags allow hunters to exceed the 1 deer bag limit for the Skeena Region and the 3 deer

provincial bag limit up to a maximum of 10 deer when hunting on the Queen Charlotte Islands (MUs 6-12, 6-13). Up to 3 regular mule deer licences can be used on the Queen Charlottes but they will count toward the regional and provincial bag limits. (For example, if a mule deer licence is used in MU 6-12 or 6-13 a hunter will be prevented from pursuing deer elsewhere in the Skeena Region and it will count towards the 3-deer provincial bag limit).

Deer Licence Entitlement

A person may not possess more than 10 of any current deer licences. The combination of deer licenses may include a maximum of 3 mule deer and/or 3 white-tailed deer licences.

WATERFOWL HUNTERS

Waterfowl die of lead poisoning when they ingest lead shot deposited by waterfowl hunters. Alternative non-toxic shot is available. Waterfowl hunters are encouraged to use steel shot for waterfowl hunting, especially over water. Hunters are reminded that steel shot two sizes larger, fired through a shotgun with a choke one stop more open than normally used for lead shot, will produce similar energy and pattern.

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 84 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.

SPECIAL NOTICE - GRIZZLY BEAR OR BLACK BEAR

There is no open season on any two year old or younger bear (grizzly bear or black bear) or any bear in its company. Do not shoot any grizzly bear or black bear when observed in a family unit.

There is no open season on white (Kermode) or blue (Glacier) color phases of the black bear.

If you shoot an ear-tagged black bear, contact a BC Environment Office as soon as possible for important information.

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.

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PAY HUNTING

A) Hunting Operations on Private Land

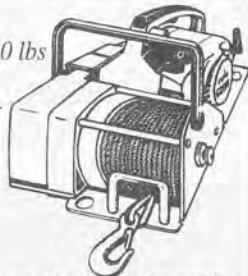
By special permit [Wildlife Act Permit Regulations 1(t)], a person or association can be authorized to carry on an operation for the purpose of hunting wildlife on property owned or controlled by that person or association. Such operations are primarily for the purpose of hunting game birds for which the hunter pays a prearranged user fee.

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B) Trespass Fee

Some private landowners charge an access fee for the right of an individual or group to trespass on the landowner's property for the purpose of hunting or for other activities. Trespass fees have been paid by individuals or local sportsmen groups to access farmland open to bird hunting in the Fraser Valley for many years, but is seldomly used elsewhere in B.C.

BAG LIMITS AND POSSESSION LIMITS

Season bag limits for big game and small game and daily bag limits for game birds are shown in the regional schedules following the date of the open season for the species.

The bag limits are printed in **bold type**, e.g. "2." "NBL" means No Bag Limit. An entry such as "2(1)" used for ungulates means the season bag limit is two animals of that species, one of which may be antlerless. An entry such as "10(20)" for game birds means the daily bag limit is 10 and the possession limit while hunting or returning from hunting is 20.

The following list indicates the maximum number of species which a hunter may take in the province in one licence year. Exceptions to the Provincial bag limits may apply to some species in some regions. Provincial bag limits may be achieved by hunting in one or more regions provided the regional bag limits are not exceeded.

SPECIES	BAG LIMIT
Deer	3*
Moose	1*
Elk	1*
Black Bear	2*
Grizzly Bear	1
Mountain Sheep	1
Mountain Goat	1
Cougar	2*
Wolf	3
Other Big Game	1*
Coyote	NBL*
Raccoon, Skunk and Fox	NBL*
Wolverine	1
Lynx	1*
Bobcat	5*
Snowshoe Hare	10 per day
Turkey	1

* see regional schedules for regional bag limits.

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 5, possession 10.

The bag limit for **turkey** is 1 per year.

The daily bag limit for **ducks** in aggregate is 6, only 1 of which may be a canvasback, 1 northern pintail, 2 goldeneyes and 4 mallards. The possession limit for ducks is 12, only 2 of which may be canvasback, 2

northern pintails, 4 goldeneyes and 8 mallards.

PROTECTED ANIMALS

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.

POSSESSION AND TRANSPORTATION

BIG GAME

Anyone who possesses or transports the carcass of big game must leave attached to the carcass:

- to identify the sex, either
 - a) a testicle or part of the penis, or
 - b) a portion of the udder or teats, or that portion of the head which normally bears the antlers.

Anyone who possesses or transports only the hide of 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 feathered wing.

EVIDENCE OF SEX

Evidence of sex may be removed from the carcass of game or the hide of grizzly bear:

- 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 meatcutting plant, or
- after it has been inspected by an employee of BC Environment.

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

TRANSPORTING WILDLIFE

Anyone who possesses, transports or ships wildlife or parts of wildlife within the Province of British Columbia must have with them:

- the species licence under which 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, or from whom it was acquired.
 - the B.C. Resident Hunter Number or permit 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 wildlife butchered and packaged is required to 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

All hunters, with or without game, when encountering temporary checking stations operated by BC Environment, are required by law to stop and report. Their compliance with wildlife and firearms laws will be determined.

Comments on or questions about hunting regulations and wildlife management are encouraged.

EXPORT PERMITS

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

Hunters planning to hunt in MUs 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.

Hunters possessing a mountain goat, mountain sheep, caribou or grizzly bear harvested in B.C., who must drive through the Yukon and back into B.C. in order to submit the animal for compulsory inspection, are exempt from obtaining an export permit.

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, black bear, cougar, lynx, bobcat and wolf or parts of these animals. Such permits, for game leaving Canada directly from British Columbia, may be obtained by making an appointment during normal working hours at BC Environment offices. See page 9.

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.

Omineca-Peace Sub-region: Fort Nelson, Dawson Creek, Prince George, Fort St. John.

Okanagan Sub-region: Penticton, Vernon.

PUBLIC CONSERVATION ASSISTANCE FUND

The Public Conservation Assistance Fund makes available more than \$50,000 per year for grants to clubs or other organizations wishing to implement conserva-

tion projects in their areas. Grants may be issued, in modest amounts, to cover up to one-half of the initial capital expenses of approved projects. Conservation, as defined for the purposes of this fund, includes any activity which maintains or enhances fish and wildlife and their habitats, or contributes to public access or awareness of our natural resources.

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

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COMPULSORY REPORTING & INSPECTION

COMPULSORY REPORTING

To manage wildlife we need population, age, sex, time and site specific information. The most efficient and effective way of getting needed information at the present time is a compulsory inspection system.

The harvest of the following species of game must be reported to a regional or sub-regional compulsory reporting centre and the required parts submitted for compulsory inspection (page 78):


- 1) bull moose taken in Thompson-Nicola Sub-region, in Cariboo Sub-region and in Okanagan Sub-region and all moose taken the Kootenay Region
- 2) bull moose taken in MU 7-35
- 3) elk taken in the Okanagan and Omineca-Peace Sub-regions.
- 4) caribou
- 5) grizzly bear
- 6) mountain sheep
- 7) mountain goat
- 8) cougar
- 9) wolf taken in MUs 1-1 to 1-13 and the Kootenay Region
- 10) bobcat, lynx, and wolverine.

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.

Information required for compulsory reporting includes:

1. the location where the animal was killed,
2. the date the animal was killed,

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3. the number of days the licensee hunted before killing the animal.
4. the sex of the animal taken, and
5. the licences under which the animal was taken.

FOR DESIGNATED COMPULSORY INSPECTION CENTRES SEE PAGE 9

The required parts of all compulsory reported species must be submitted to an official of BC Environment within 10 days of the kill, except:

1. Persons who gain the written approval from a Conservation Officer, Wildlife Biologist, Wildlife Technician or Official of BC 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 BC Environment in the Kootenay Region within 4 days of the kill.



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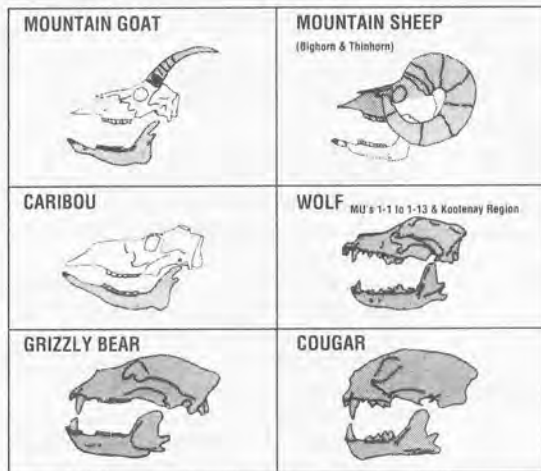
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COMPULSORY INSPECTION

Parts Required

Parts required for compulsory inspection include:

- 1) For a **bull moose** taken in the Thompson-Nicola Sub-region, in Cariboo Sub-region and the Okanagan Sub-region; and all moose taken in the Kootenay Region;
 - an incisor tooth, (including crown and root). The tooth may be delivered in person to a BC Environment Office, or it may be mailed in a Harvest Data Card Tooth "Return" envelope, available from licence issuers, Government Agents or BC Environment offices.
- 2) For a **bull moose** taken in MU 7-35:
 - the antlers and an incisor tooth.
- 3) 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.
- 4) For **caribou**;
 - the lower jaw bearing the incisor teeth,
 - the antlers.
 - for a caribou without at least one main beam measuring over 60 centimetres (24 inches) in length, the hide or part of it bearing a testicle or part of the penis,
- 5) For **grizzly bear**;
 - the entire hide 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).
- 6) For **mountain sheep** (ie. Dall's, Stone's, California and Rocky Mountain);
 - the portion of the skull including nasal bones, the eye-socket, the horns and the associated connective bone structure.
- 7) For **mountain goat**;
 - the horns and the jaw bearing the incisor teeth.
 - For mountain goat in the Kootenay Region, compulsory reporting requirements for those hunters with an LEH authorization will be met by providing

the information and the tooth required as per instructions included with the LEH authorization by mail within 10 days of the kill.

- 8) For **cougar**;
 - the skull with the lower jaw (preferably skinned out).
 - the premolars from the upper jaw (Vancouver Island Region and Kootenay Region only).
 - the entire hide 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.
- 9) For **wolf** taken in MUs 1-1 to 1-13 and the Kootenay Region;
 - the skull with the lower jaw,
 - the hide 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).
- 11) For **bobcat, lynx and wolverine**;
 - a canine tooth (Kootenay Region only), and
 - the entire hide.

HUNTING METHODS

ARCHERY HUNTING

Bows and arrows and crossbows and bolts (quarrels) may be used for hunting all big game, small game and game birds except that 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 a peak weight or 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 under the *Wildlife Act* but is a loaded firearm under the *Criminal Code of Canada*.

DOGS

The use of dogs is permitted in the hunting of all game, but dogs must be on a leash when used to hunt mule deer, black-tailed deer, white-tailed deer, fallow deer, elk, moose, wolf, mountain sheep, mountain goat and caribou. Dogs may be used to hunt small game, grizzly bear, black bear or cougar. Any person may train dogs by allowing them, under supervision, to pursue game birds 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 season 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.

HIGHWAY NO SHOOTING and NO HUNTING AREAS

It is unlawful to discharge a firearm or hunt within the road allowances of all numbered highways and any two lane or greater public road that is maintained by the Ministry of Transportation and Highways. The road allowance extends (a) 15 metres on either side of the middle of a road with less than three lanes, or (b) 15 metres from the edge of the paved surface of a highway with three lanes or more, or (c) to the boundary of private or cultivated land, whichever comes first.

In addition to the above universal restriction, several major or heavily populated routes in the province have an additional 400 m area bordering the road allowance in which the discharge of a firearm using a single projectile is prohibited. The discharge of a shotgun using shot only is permitted. These areas are listed below under the heading **400 m Single Projectile Prohibited Areas**.

It is unlawful to hunt or discharge a firearm within 100 metres of a church, school building, school yard, playground, dwelling house, or farm or ranch building that is occupied by persons or domestic animals. Owners and occupiers or persons who have the permission of the owner or occupier, are exempted near dwelling houses or farm or ranch buildings, provided they are at least 100m from a neighbour's residence or buildings.

The major purpose of these restrictions attacks the





problems associated with increasing public pressure for more and more closures near rural roads, where the urban public is expanding residential properties, often at considerable distances from main urban centres. The above restrictions, although perhaps initially are more than required for some parts of the province, will be universal and, more importantly, universally understood.

It is unlikely that these changes will reduce any hunter's chances for a successful or fulfilling hunting experience. These changes will address the safety concerns that have been expressed by many residents living in previously unrestricted rural areas. We hope that common sense will prevail, and - if in doubt, don't shoot!

NOTES: 1. A person who has a loaded magazine in a motor vehicle on a highway, whether or not the magazine is attached to a firearm, commits an offence under the *Criminal Code of Canada*, because he/she has a "loaded magazine" in possession in an area where the discharge of a firearm is prohibited "... by federal, provincial or municipal law", i.e., within the "no-hunting area" of the highway.

2. Other closures that may be more restrictive on some highways or roads are listed below or under the Regional Schedules.

400M SINGLE PROJECTILE PROHIBITED AREAS

The discharge of a firearm using a single projectile is prohibited within 400m (0.25 mile) of either side of the road allowance of following portions of the highways and roads in British Columbia listed below:

- 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 the boundary of the City of Prince Rupert and the British Columbia - Alberta interprovincial boundary;
- Highway 20 between Bella Coola and the westerly boundary of Tweedsmuir Park;
- Highway 27 from the junction with Route 16 (Yellowhead) west of Vanderhoof to Fort St. James;
- Highway 29 between the intersection of Highway 29 with Highway 97 in the vicinity of the Village of Chetwynd and the intersection of Highway 29 with Highway 97 in the vicinity of Charlie Lake, Peace River Land District;
- Highway 35 between Francois Lake and Burns Lake;
- Highway 37 between the intersection of highway 37 with Highway 16 and the boundary of the District of Kitimat;
- Highway 37 between the Skeena River Bridge at Kitwanga Post Office, Cassiar Land District, and the intersection of said highway with Highway 37A at Meziadin Junction;
- Highway 37A between the intersection of said highway and Highway 37 at Meziadin Junction and the bound-

ary of the District of Stewart at Bitter Creek;

Highway 39 from the junction with Highway 97 north of McLeod Lake to its intercept with the municipal boundaries of the City of Mackenzie;

Highway 97 including those portions of the Cariboo Highway from Cottonwood River to Prince George, the John Hart Highway from Prince George to Dawson Creek, and the Alaska Highway from Dawson Creek to Lower Post;

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

Road 190 between Road 520 and Dunlevy Creek;

400M HUNTING AND THE DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS PROHIBITED AREAS

Hunting and the discharge of firearms is prohibited within 400m (.25 mile) of the road allowance of the following highways:

- Highway 3 between Hope and Manning Park, Manning Park and Princeton.
- Coquihalla Hwy. (Okanagan Connector Phase III) between its junction with Highway 97 near Peachland and its junction with Highway 5 near Aspen Grove.

HIGHWAY 99 DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS PROHIBITED AREA

The discharge of firearms is prohibited within 400m west of the road allowance and 1 km east of the road allowance of Highway 99 between the northern boundary of the District Municipality of West Vancouver and the southern boundary of the District Municipality of Squamish.

C.O.R.E.

C.O.R.E. is an educational program designed to ensure that prospective new hunters meet acceptable standards of knowledge and skill for safe and ethical participation in hunting.

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. The written examination is based on: Ethics, Firearms Safety, Regulations, First Aid and Survival, and Animal and Bird Identification. There is a \$7.00 fee for each of the written and practical examinations payable to the examiner.

To prepare at home for the C.O.R.E. exams, the course requires about 21 hours of self study and practice using the C.O.R.E. text. Information on how to obtain the C.O.R.E. text and lists of volunteer C.O.R.E. examiners are available from the offices of the Government Agent or BC Environment.

ILLEGAL GUIDING

DON'T SUPPORT ILLEGAL GUIDING

The *Wildlife Act* defines "guide" as; "a person who

for compensation or reward received or promised, accompanies and assists another person to hunt wildlife".

A person must possess a valid British Columbia Guide Outfitter Licence or Assistant Guide Licence in order to legally guide hunters. The government licences guides to ensure that their activities can be closely monitored and regulated.

BC Environment intends to increase its enforcement efforts to stop illegal guiding. A person who guides without the proper licence commits an offence. A person who uses the services of an illegal guide may, as a party to the offence, be charged and convicted of the same offence.

DESIGNATED WILDLIFE

All native species of animals in the province excluding invertebrates and fish have been designated as wildlife, giving them full protection under provisions of the *Wildlife Act*, SBC 1982, chapter 57. These species may not be hunted, killed, captured, kept as pets or used for commercial purposes unless specifically allowed by regulation or by authority of a permit from BC Environment. The accompanying two schedules list the wildlife that may be considered as nuisances or pests.

Schedule "B" lists animals that may be captured or killed only for the specific purpose of protecting property unless an open season is designated by regulation (see Regional Schedules of open seasons).

Schedule "C" contains animals that may be captured or killed anywhere and at any time in the province. These mostly introduced species are detrimental to property and native wildlife.

SCHEDULE B

- (a) *Taricha granulosa* - rough-skinned newt
- (b) *Scapanus townsendii* - Townsend's mole
- (c) *Scapanus orarius* - coast mole
- (d) *Lepus americanus* - snowshoe hare
- (e) all of the species of the family Arvicolidae - voles and lemmings, except *Ondonatra zibethicus* - muskrat.
- (f) *Neotoma cinerea* - bushy-tailed woodrat
- (g) all species of the genus *Peromyscus* - deer mice
- (h) *Erethizon dorsatum* - porcupine
- (i) *Thomomys talpoides* - northern pocket gopher
- (j) *Marmota flaviventris* - yellow-bellied marmot
- (k) *Marmota monax* - woodchuck

- (l) *Spermophilus columbianus* - Columbian ground squirrel
- (m) *Mephitis mephitis* - striped skunk
- (n) *Procyon lotor* - raccoon
- (o) *Spilogale putorius* - spotted skunk

SCHEDULE C

- (a) *Rana catesbeiana* - American bullfrog
- (b) all species of the family Chelydridae - snapping turtles
- (c) *Didelphis virginiana* - North American opossum
- (d) *Sylvilagus floridanus* - eastern cottontail
- (e) *Oryctolagus cuniculus* - European rabbit
- (f) *Myocastor coypus* - nutria
- (g) all species of the genus *Sciurus* - grey squirrels
- (h) all species of the genus *Corvus* - crows, except *Corvus corax* - common raven
- (i) *Pica pica* - black-billed magpie
- (j) *Passer domesticus* - house sparrow

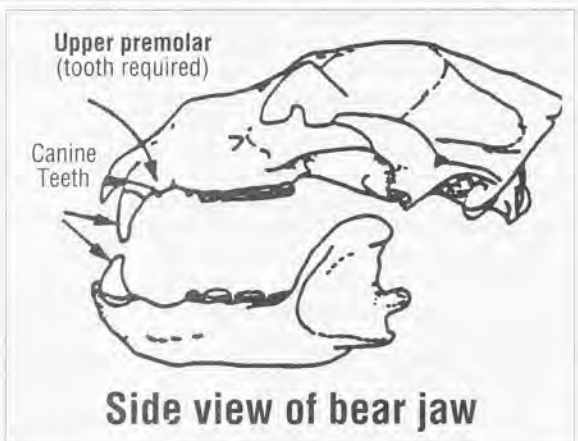


- (k) *Sturnus vulgaris* - European starling
 - (l) *Columbia livia* - rock dove
 - (m) *Molothrus ater* - brownheaded cowbird
- or the nests or eggs of these bird species may be destroyed.

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 visitors 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 north-east 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 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.
7. Skedans Islands, 25 hectares;
8. Limestone Islands, 50 hectares; and
9. Reef Island, 250 hectares. 7, 8 and 9 are located midway on the east coast of the Queen Charlotte Islands; these three Wildlife Management Areas were established to protect seabird nesting colonies and provide accessible low impact viewing of seabird and marine wildlife, as part of wilderness tourism.
10. Green Mountain, 300 hectares of alpine and sub-alpine area about 32 km southwest of Nanaimo, on Vancouver Island, provides critical habitat for the Vancouver Island marmot, an endangered species which occurs only on Vancouver Island.
11. South Arm Marshes, 850 hectares in the South Arm of Fraser River are important waterfowl/fisheries areas and are among the last of the natural islands and habitat in the midst of massive urban concentration. The area includes Duck, Barber, Woodland and Rose and Kirkland Islands.
12. Englishman River Estuary Wildlife Management Area, 873 hectares of largely foreshore habitat located near Parksville on the eastern side of Vancouver Island. The area provides internationally significant habitat for waterfowl, including critical staging habitat for black brant.
13. South Okanagan, 434 hectares located at the north end of Osoyoos Lake. About 33 percent of B.C.'s endangered or threatened species are found in this area.



Side view of bear jaw

send you a "Management Participant" jacket crest as a token of our appreciation for your help. At certain times, because of the volume of teeth sent in for aging, some delays in handling and processing may be experienced. Special Harvest Data Card envelopes (postage paid) will be provided at the time of your licence purchase, or will be mailed with Limited Entry Hunting authorizations. If a Harvest Data Card return envelope is not provided for you at the time of your licence purchase, please contact your nearest Wildlife Office or licence sub-issuer for a postage paid return envelope. For each tooth you submit for aging please indicate clearly your hunter number, name, and complete mailing address. This information will ensure that further processing delays are avoided.

Ungulate's Teeth: A lower front tooth complete with root from your moose, elk, or deer is required for accurate aging. The tooth is most easily removed by making cuts as deeply as possible on both sides of the tooth, hooking thumb over the top of the tooth and rotating the tooth forward, then cutting the root free. See the back side of the Harvest Card return envelope. Please do not submit a tooth for a deer taken on Vancouver Island.

Black Bears Teeth: It is very important to the wildlife biologists of BC Environment to know the range of ages of black bears that are hunted.

It will be some time before information about black bears can be printed on the orange Harvest Data Card envelopes, however, these envelopes should be used for the return of black bear teeth.

The tooth required is one of the upper premolars. The premolars are the small teeth directly behind the large canines. They are not readily noticeable and their removal will not detract from the appearance of the skull.

If both the upper premolars are unsuitable, a lower premolar will also be acceptable. If the bear is an old bear and has lost all four premolars, a canine tooth will be accepted. Please turn in the teeth from younger bears as well as old ones. Every tooth is important.

DATA COLLECTION

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 licence in the previous year are sent a questionnaire referring to the species for which a particular licence was purchased. Hunters who have purchased several species licences



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may receive questionnaires for more than one species and are asked to respond. Replies from those who did not hunt that season, or who were unsuccessful, are just as valuable to wildlife managers as the information from hunters who did. In addition to the standard questionnaire procedure, the Wildlife Branch will contact some hunters by telephone this season.

Periodic game checks, compulsory inspection and the voluntary tooth return program for deer, moose, elk and black bear all provide valuable information for wildlife managers across the province. From this information, managers can determine who is hunting, where they are hunting, how long they have hunted for and other important information about the animal taken. This accurate information enables managers to set very specific hunting regulations on a year to year basis, reducing heavy harvests in some areas and extending the season in others to balance the needs of the animal population against the needs of the public.

Without adequate information, managers must set very conservative harvest levels to ensure that an overharvest does not occur. The manager's choices are then limited to restricting harvest by closing areas, reducing season lengths, or applying Limited Entry Hunting. In this situation, open hunting is unacceptable as it risks overharvesting and possible long term damage to the resource.

Good information makes for good game management and good hunting!

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* 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 licence under which the wildlife or part of it was taken.

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

- his or her hunting licence.
- the species licence booklet with the appropriately

CARIBOU ANTLER



5-POINT BULL: has one antler which bears at least 5 points (tines), including the tip of the main beam above the rear point. * Each point must be at least 2.5cm (1 inch) in length.

MATURE BULL: has a main beam which is at least 75cm (30 inches) in length or one antler which bears 5 points (tines) above the rear point. *each point at least 8cm (3 inches) in length.

**If the rear point is missing, the first rear facing point will be used as rear point.*

cancelled species licence.

- 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 BC Environment, where such an inspection is required.
- his or her trapping licence, 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.

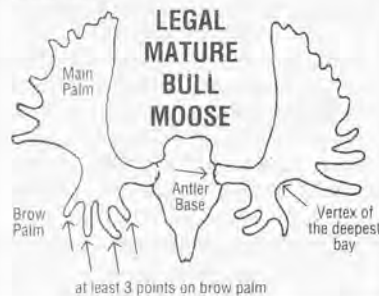
Normally a hunter would not be required to have either a trapping licence or permit for a big game animal, in addition to items 1 to 4.

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, as agents for their clients, 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 that 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 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 the kill, either the species licence or (where compulsory inspection is required) the Compulsory Inspection Data Sheet may serve as an export permit. In the case of an animal

For management units 7-35, 7-42, 7-57, 7-58. (Note: includes parts of Sikanni-Muskwa Foothills Moose Special Area)



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, black bear, wolf, 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 to a taxidermist in the province, 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 BC Environment as soon as possible.

BEAR AND COUGAR MEAT

To prevent possible infection by trichinosis, bear meat or cougar 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 degrees C (150 degrees F).

TAKE CARE OF YOUR GAME MEAT

For many people the opportunity to dine on flavourful wild meat is one of the prime benefits of hunting. Others, out of sorry past experience, consider game meat quite unpalatable. Which will it be - gourmet or "gamey"? The difference depends much less on the skill of the qualified butcher who may cut the steaks and roasts for your table than it does on the care you take as a hunter in your initial treatment of the carcass. The basic rules:

- place your shot carefully for a quick, clean kill with little damaged meat.
- clean the animal as soon as possible.
- 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.

For a free illustrated pamphlet giving detailed instructions on field dressing deer, write the Wildlife Branch, BC Environment, 3rd Floor - 780 Blanshard Street, Victoria, B.C., V8V 1X4 requesting "Care of Game Meat".

B.C. has specific regulations on the construction and use of campfires in wilderness areas. Please contact the local Forest District Office for this information.



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TRAPPING REGULATIONS & GENERAL INFORMATION

SECTION D

MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES

1. Some open season dates for trapping have been adjusted for 1994-1995. Please see the open seasons schedule on page 86.
2. Open trapping seasons continue for fisher in Regions 3, 5, 6 and 7 for 1994-1995. Please see FISHER MANAGEMENT on page 85.
3. Trappers should note the 1994-1995 Schedule of Royalties on page 84.
4. The exemption allowing trappers to use recorded or electronic calls to hunt wolf, coyote or fox is eliminated.
5. Trappers must have completed a trapper education course since July 1, 1982 to qualify for a licence.
6. Muskrat and mink seasons in Region 2 are adjusted to allow fur to reach peak primeness before trapping begins.
7. Fisher - compulsory inspection of carcasses is eliminated in Region 5.
8. Squirrel and bobcat - seasons are modified in Region 8 to allow pelts to reach peak primeness.
9. Lynx - the quota in Region 8 is removed and season expanded.

THE FUR MANAGEMENT PROGRAM IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

In British Columbia, some 6,000 trappers actively manage 16 furbearer species, following standards and legislation developed by the Ministry. About half of the province's trappers are Aboriginal. The recent accomplishments of the Fur Management Program include:

- "Management Guidelines For Trappers" are available for mink, marten, fisher, lynx, wolverine, beaver and muskrat.
- Continuing courses for licenced trappers who had not had formal trapper education since before the 1982/83 season.
- Continued research into marten habitat needs and developed marten habitat guidelines for the Montane Spruce biogeoclimatic zone.
- Continued monitoring of lynx and fisher populations in B.C.

TRAPPING AND HUNTING SEASONS FOR FURBEARERS

Trapping and hunting seasons for furbearers have changed little since they were originally set in the 1950s -1970s. For some species, they do not reflect the appropriate

period of primeness or biological criteria. Further, there has been inconsistency across similar geographic areas and even within a region. Appropriate seasons were developed using the following criteria:

1. pelt primeness
2. vulnerability of age and sex classes to harvesting
3. management concern for the species
4. abundance (seasons where numbers are nil or scarce are not warranted unless the objective is to prevent dispersal of a colonizing furbearer)
5. consistency across the province (or in northern / southern areas)
6. consistency across species caught in the same sets and at the same time
7. available and legislated humane harvesting tools.

This review gives the trapper the greatest flexibility within periods of primeness for "Class I" species; those present on a trapline in manageable numbers. These are species such as beaver, muskrat, mink and marten. Note that even within a region, furbearers may prime at different times of year. It is up to the trapper to use his or her local knowledge to properly manage and harvest these furbearers at the appropriate times. "Class II" species move between and among traplines; these are species such as fisher, wolverine and lynx. Greater care is necessary in managing these species and seasons are set to protect vulnerable age groups, in particular the breeding females.

DEFINITIONS

egg trap - means a holding device set in a manner designed to capture a raccoon by a front paw.

foot snare - means a snare that is designed to capture the animal for which it is set by the foot or leg.

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

furbearer - 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 snare - means any trap that is designed to capture the animal for which it is set by the neck.

killing trap - means any trap or trapset that is designed to kill an animal.

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.

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.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

These regulations apply to all ungranted Crown land in the Province.

1. It is an offence to set a trap for, hunt, kill, take or capture a fur-bearing animal in any area of the Province unless you are:
 - (a) the registered holder of the trap-line for that area, or
 - (b) authorized by 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 or she is in possession of a valid licence to trap (or is otherwise authorized to trap) and either
 - (a) carries on active trapping on his or her registered trap-line to the satisfaction of the Regional Manager, or
 - (b) obtains permission from the Regional Manager to temporarily discontinue the use of his or her registered trap-line for a period not exceeding two years.
5. Where the holder of a registered trap-line fails to
 - (a) renew his or her licence annually, or
 - (b) use his or her trap-line, the Regional Manager shall cancel the registration of that trap-line.

A person fails to use a trap-line, where within a year that person fails to take from the trap-line fur-bearing animals of a value of \$200, or 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 in-





terferes 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. It is an offence to have live wildlife in your personal possession except under a licence or permit or as provided by regulation.
Note: a trapping licence does not authorize the possession of live wildlife.
9. The use of electronic or recorded calls is banned for hunting furbearers.
10. A trapping licence will not be issued to a person who has not satisfactorily completed a British Columbia Trapper Education Program course since July 1, 1982.

TRAPPING REGULATIONS

1. It is an offence to trap unless you
 - (a) are authorized to trap, or
 - (b) have completed, since July 1, 1982, a trapper education course which is approved by the Director.
2. It is an offence to:
 - (a) use a leg-hold trap, (except a leg-hold trap designed for wolves) which is fastened solidly, if there is more than 30 cm of chain between the trap and the point to which it is fastened,
 - (b) use a leg-hold trap designed to trap wolves which is fastened solidly, if there is more than 60 cm of chain between the trap and the point to which it is fastened,
 - (c) trap beaver, otter, mink or muskrat on land by means of a leg-hold trap, unless the trap is equipped with a submerging device,
 - (d) not use the minimum weight of 150 grams (6 oz), required to be securely attached to all muskrat submerging sets smaller than size no. 1-1/2,
 - (e) use a leg-hold trap which has teeth or other projections on the jaws of the trap,
 - (f) use a killing snare on land unless the snare is
 - (i) equipped with a locking device, or
 - (ii) designed to catch squirrels,
 - (g) trap a wolverine, marten, fisher, weasel, skunk or squirrel except by means of a killing trap, a live box trap or a killing snare,

- (h) set spring poles or running poles unless they are equipped with a killing trap,
 - (i) use a trap equipped with a spearing device,
 - (j) trap, hunt, kill or take a black bear, except by the use of a rifle, shotgun, or bow,
 - (k) trap a wolf, fox, coyote, lynx or bobcat, except by means of a killing trap, a modified leg-hold trap, a live box trap, foot snare or a killing snare,
 - (l) use a snare made of wire heavier than 20 gauge unless licenced or authorized to trap, or
 - (m) use a snare made of braided wire unless licenced or authorized to trap, or
 - (n) use any Conibear trap larger than, but not including #220 for land sets within any municipality in Region 2,
 - (o) trap a fur-bearing animal, and if the animal is alive when you check the trap, fail to immediately release or kill the animal,
 - (p) trap a raccoon except by means of a killing trap, killing snare, live box trap or egg trap.
3. (a) A holder of a licence, permit or other authorization to trap commits an offence unless that person examines the holding or non-killing traps he or she has set on the trap line at least once every 72 hours, and the egg-trap(s) he or she has set for raccoons at least once every 24 hours.
(b) A holder of a licence, permit or other authorization to trap on private property commits an offence unless that person examines the holding or non-killing traps he or she has set on private property at least once every 24 hours.
 4. It is an offence to trap within 200 m of a dwelling, unless you use:
 - (a) if trapping on land, a live box trap, or
 - (b) if trapping on or in water,
 - (i) a Conibear trap not larger than size No. 330, or equivalent
 - (ii) leg-hold traps not larger than size No. 2, or
 - (iii) submarine traps.
 5. It is an offence to trap 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:

1. The jaws must be modified to allow a minimum of 5 mm or 3/16 inch space between the jaws when closed, or
2. A type of shim may be fastened between the jaws (near the sides of the jaws) causing the trap to remain open a minimum of 5 mm or 3/16 inch when in the "closed" position.

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.

A MESSAGE TO THE TRAPPER

1. The ASSIGNED TRAPPER NUMBER (A.T.N.) is required by the Fur Trader when exporting fur, selling fur, and paying fur royalties.
Please remember to write your Assigned Trapper Number on a slip of paper or letter when shipping your fur to a fur trader. This will prevent delays in getting your furs to market and cash returns to you. 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 247 and 446 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 Vancouver Island or on the Queen Charlotte Islands (M.U.'s 6-12 and 6-13) must forward the pelt and the carcass to the local BC Environment Office.
8. Any trapper accidentally capturing a fisher



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COMPULSORY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Any wolf taken by trapping on Vancouver Island or in the Kootenay Region; any bobcat, lynx and wolverine taken by trapping in the Kootenay Region; and any lynx, including the complete carcass, taken by trapping in the Okanagan Region must be submitted for inspection to an official of BC 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.

FUR ROYALTIES

1. When a person is 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, and fails to pay to the Minister of Finance a royalty on each pelt or skin in his or her possession, as prescribed by regulation, that person commits an offence.
2. Section (1) above does not apply to the holder of a trapping licence, or a person exempted from holding a trapping licence when selling pelts, lawfully taken by him or her, to the holder of a fur trader's licence.
3. A person who kills a fur-bearing animal under the authority of a licence to hunt wildlife is exempt from paying a royalty in relation to the pelt or skin of that animal, unless he or she intends to offer the pelt or skin for sale.

SCHEDULE OF ROYALTIES

(a)	On each beaver	\$0.52
(b)	On each bobcat	\$2.03
(c)	On each coyote	\$0.99
(d)	On each fisher	\$1.28
(e)	On each fox	\$0.54
(f)	On each lynx	\$2.53
(g)	On each marten	\$1.46
(h)	On each mink	\$0.95
(i)	On each muskrat	\$0.06
(j)	On each otter	\$1.47
(k)	On each raccoon	\$0.24
(l)	On each skunk	\$0.03
(m)	On each Red squirrel	\$0.04
(n)	On each weasel	\$0.13
(o)	On each wolf	\$2.47
(p)	On each wolverine	\$5.11
(q)	On each black bear	\$2.21

FUR TRADING REGULATIONS

1. Licenced fur traders must submit a full and complete return on all wildlife that has been or is in their possession for each calendar month, within 30 days of the last day of the month to which the report relates. A Fur Trader's Return Form is provided for that purpose.
2. The Assigned Trapper Number of every trapper from whom furs are received (except furs taken under a hunting licence, permit or on a reserve) must be recorded on the monthly return.
3. All licenced fur traders are now required to measure any lynx pelt acquired by them at the end of every calendar month and to submit all measurements on prescribed forms.
4. The Fur Trader's Return Forms and Lynx Pelt Survey Forms are available at your BC Environment regional office.

LICENCE FEES

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

1. For a trapping licence issued to a resident in the Province to trap game **\$17.00** (includes surcharge for Habitat Conservation Fund)
2. For a duplicate licence to a person who, upon satisfactory proof, shows that his trapping licence has been lost or destroyed **\$4.00**
3. To transfer registered trap-line rights to a person or group of persons **\$25.00**
4. For a furtrader's licence **\$50.00**
5. For a furtrader to trade from a place of business in another province **\$400.00**

Trapping licences shall be valid from the date of issuance to June 30 following.

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 Resource 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. Cabin applications may take up to six months to process. Contact the Wildlife Branch of BC Environment for further information.

BLACK BEARS AND TRAPPERS

Bag Limits: Two black bear may be taken per year by a licenced trapper on his or her trapping area, during the indicated open seasons.

Teeth: In 1991, black bears were placed on the "A Tooth for the Truth" program. The Wildlife Branch also wishes to collect black bear teeth from trappers. As for black bear harvested by hunters, the orange Harvest Data Card envelopes should be used for the return of black bear teeth. The tooth required is one of the upper premolars. Read the section of the "Tooth for the Truth Program" for more information on how to remove a black bear premolar.

Please see page 10 for regulations concerning bear parts.

THE TRAPPER QUESTIONNAIRE

Over the past 5 years, many of you have received a "Trapper Questionnaire" from the Wildlife Branch. This questionnaire asked about the numbers of furbearers that you trapped, the effort you put into trapping, and what the habitat and prey were like.

How is this information is used?

In conjunction with the information on the numbers of furbearers that are trapped, as monitored by your ATN or Assigned Trapper Number, the results of the trapper questionnaire are used to tell the Wildlife Branch about the status of the populations of furbearers and to indicate to us where we should be concerned and direct our management efforts.

Who gets a questionnaire?

You may be interested to know how trappers are chosen to answer the trapper questionnaire. We can't send a questionnaire to every single trapper in the province because that would be too much work. Instead, we send a questionnaire to a sample of trappers, ensuring that this sample comes from all





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TRAPPER SURVEY



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The Wildlife Branch thanks those trappers who have received and answered the questionnaire over the past 5 years. Many of you also wrote detailed comments; these were also very much appreciated and often provided information we didn't get from the questions. To those who will receive this questionnaire next year, you are urged to fill it out as completely as you can and return it. Your reply is a valuable part of our Fur Management Program. If you want to receive a copy of the results or discuss them further, contact the B.C. Trappers Association or your provincial or regional Wildlife Program staff.

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TRAPPING REGULATIONS & GENERAL INFORMATION

be filled out completely, including your Assigned Trapper Number, date and location of kill, and type of set the fisher was trapped in.

This cooperative effort between trappers and the Wildlife Program is helping to ensure fishers will continue to recover.

HOW TO NOT TRAP FISHERS

When trapping other species:

- Modify your marten box. Make the entry hole smaller, 2 1/2 - 3" in diameter and increase the length of the box.
- Remove your marten and mink traps where you see fisher signs.
- When trapping mink, do so on beaver houses well away from the cover of timber.
- Avoid using bait in lynx sets. Use scents and flashers to attract them instead.
- Do not use trail sets and trail snares where you have fishers.

Identify fisher habitat:

- Establish refuges in traditional fisher areas which you do not trap at all. This is the best method to maintain a breeding population of fishers.
- Avoid trapping in den sites. These are cavities in large cottonwoods and in large fir snags. Maintain these areas as refuges for female fishers.
- Feed fishers; establish bait piles and do not trap any species around these bait piles. These bait sites should be started early in the season and maintained yearly. Fishers have good memories and will return year after year if the food is still there. To avoid other critters getting to your bait, hang it in a tree.
- Educate your resident, breeding population of fishers to be trap shy. Pre-bait your sets and leave the safety clasps on traps so fishers can set them off and learn to leave traps alone.

Please contact your B.C. Trappers association local, the Trapper Education Coordinator or your Regional or Victoria Fur Biologist if you require additional information.

1994/95 OPEN TRAPPING SEASONS FOR FURBEARERS

NOTE: THE FOLLOWING OPEN SEASONS APPLY TO THE ENTIRE REGION UNLESS SPECIFIC MANAGEMENT UNITS ARE STATED i.e. 1, 2, 4, 5 means all of regions 1, 2, 4 and 5; i.e. 3 (12-15, 18, 20, 26) means only the MUs in the () and should be read as: for region 3 (3-12 to 3-15, 3-18, 3-20 and 3-26).

SPECIES	REGION (Management Units)	TRAPPING SEASON
BEAVER	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 6, 7	Oct 15 - Apr 30 Oct 1 - May 31
MUSKRAT	1, 3, 4, 5, 8 2 6, 7	Oct 15 - Apr 30 Nov 15 - Feb 15 Oct 1 - May 31
RIVER OTTER	1, 2 (2-5, 12-16) 2 (all others), 3, 4, 5 6, 7 8	Nov 15 - Feb 28 Oct 15 - Apr 30 Oct 1 - May 31 Nov 1 - Apr 15
MARTEN	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 6, 7 (1-48, 55-58) 7 (49-54)	Nov 1 - Feb 15 Nov 1 - Feb 28 Nov 1 - Mar 15
MINK	1, 3, 4, 5, 7 (1-48, 55-58), 8 2, 6 (3, 11, 14) 6 (1, 2, 4-10, 12, 13, 15-30) 7 (49-54)	Nov 1 - Feb 15 Nov 15 - Feb 15 Nov 1 - Feb 28 Oct 15 - Feb 15
WEASEL	2, 3, 4, 5, 6 (except 12, 13) 7, 8 1, 6 (12, 13)	Nov 1 - Feb 15 No Season
WOLVERINE	1, 2, 8, 3, 4, 5 6 (except: 3, 11, 14), 7 6 (3, 11, 14)	No Season Nov 1 - Jan 31 Nov 1 - Feb 28 Nov 1 - Feb 15
COYOTE	1 (14, 15), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	Oct 15 - Feb 28
FOX	1 (14, 15), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 8	Oct 15 - Feb 28 No Season
SKUNK	1 (14, 15), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	Oct 15 - Feb 28
WOLF	1 2 (2-4, 7-10, 17-19), 3 (45, 46), 4 (1, 2), 8 2 (5, 6, 11-16), 3 (12-20, 26-44) 4 (3-9, 14-40)*, 5 6, 7	No Season No Season Oct 15 - Feb 28 Oct 15 - Feb 28 Oct 15 - Mar 31
BOBCAT	1, 6, 7 2, 3, 4†, 5 8	No Season Nov 15 - Feb 15 Nov 15 - Jan 31
LYNX	1, 2 3, 6, 7 5 (1-14) 5 (15) 4† 8	No Season Nov 15 - Feb 15 Nov 15 - Jan 15 Nov 1 - Dec 31 Dec 1-Dec 31 Nov 15 - Jan 31
RACCOON	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 (except: 12, 13), 7, 8 6 (12, 13)	Oct 1 - Mar 31 Jan 1 - Dec 31
RED SQUIRREL	1, 2, 3, 4, 5 6, 7 8	Nov 1 - Mar 15 Nov 1 - Mar 31 Nov 1 - Feb 15
FISHER	1, 2, 4, 8 3, 5, 6, 7	No season Nov 1 - Feb 15
BLACK BEAR†	1, 2, 3, 4 5, 6, (3, 11-14), 8 6 (1, 2, 4-10, 15-30), 7	No Season Oct 15-May 15 Oct 15-May 31

* There is no closed season on wolf in the East Kootenay Trench below 3300' elevation.

† Quota: Lynx - 1 in three years; Bobcat - 2 in one year, Black Bear - 2 in one year.

