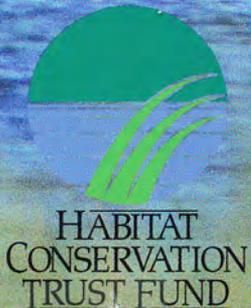


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HUNTING & TRAPPING REGULATIONS SYNOPSIS



MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, LANDS AND PARKS



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A Message from the Director of Wildlife

Living as we do in one of the most biologically diverse regions of North America, with a growing population and ever-changing economy, British Columbians are very much aware that our abundant wildlife and wilderness areas are priceless natural wonders to be carefully conserved and passed on to future generations.

Rapid growth can seriously threaten plant and animal species, however, and the province has expanded our network of parks and protected areas, setting aside critical wildlife habitats, and developed new legislation to protect fish and wildlife species at risk.

Maintaining the diversity and abundance of native species and their habitats throughout B.C. is the primary objective of the provincial Wildlife Program. B.C.'s hunting regulations are designed to achieve a careful balance of sustainable wildlife management with appreciation of the diverse values of wildlife for the many British Columbians who enjoy participating in hunting and trapping opportunities through sport, recreation and traditional activities.

It is important to acknowledge B.C.'s hunters and trappers for their contribution towards wildlife conservation, including their support of habitat protection initiatives funded by the Habitat Conservation Trust Fund; their participation in our hunter information collection and CORE training programs, and their significant efforts in the successful Observe – Record – Report (ORR) program.

As with the many visitors who come to the province each year, most hunters, trappers, anglers and guides relate that their greatest enjoyment comes from just being able to visit B.C.'s magnificent wilderness areas.

One hundred years ago, B.C. possessed abundant resources and an unrivalled diversity of life. One hundred years from now, with our diligent use of our wildlife resources, it still will.

By keeping in mind that wildlife conservation and sustainability demands a commitment from all of us, together with the importance of developing partnerships with all wildlife users, we can continue to enjoy living in harmony with wildlife and know that future generations will realise the same wilderness experience.

Doug Dryden
Director

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- **BC Environment Web Page**
(contains access to BC Wildlife Federation CORE examiners list)
www.elp.gov.bc.ca/wld/
- **Web page access to BC Hunting and Trapping Synopsis:**
www.monday.com/hunting
- **Enquiry BC**
For more information on the hunting and trapping regulations, call a BC Environment Regional Office, Wildlife Branch HQ Victoria, or the Conservation Officer Service using the numbers listed in the regional portions of the synopsis. Enquiry BC can provide toll free access to provincial government telephone numbers. Simply call Enquiry BC and request a transfer to the number you wish to call:
from Vancouver660-2421
from Victoria387-6121
elsewhere in BC1-800-663-7867

MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES FOR 2000-2001

PROVINCE-WIDE

◆ **Waterfowler Heritage Days (WHDs)** are being introduced in Regions 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6 for the hunting of ducks and geese. Only young hunters between the ages of 10 and 18 who have met all provincial requirements are permitted to hunt and they must be accompanied by a licensed adult hunter. The adult hunter can accompany a maximum of 2 youth hunters. The adult hunter can guide and advise the young hunter but is not permitted to hunt. WHDs will last two days in all regions except Region 4, where the WHD will be for 1 day. See individual regions for season dates. General open seasons in the affected regions will be reduced by 2 (or 1) days so that the overall number of hunting days for migratory game birds remains unchanged. Federal regulations are being amended to exempt young hunters from having to purchase the federal Migratory Game Bird Hunting Permit (\$17.00) when participating in WHDs.

◆ **Compulsory Reporting** is no longer required for mule (blacktailed) deer or white-tailed deer. **DO NOT SEND DEER TEETH** (except for some seasons in Region 3). Deer teeth will no longer be aged nor will aged information be returned. The Wildlife Branch will continue to rely on mailed hunter questionnaires for needed management data concerning harvest and hunter effort. For information on compulsory inspection and reporting for other species of animals see page 14 & 15.

◆ **Harlequin Ducks** - The provincial bag limit for Harlequin Ducks is reduced to 2 and the possession limit is reduced to 4.

◆ **Raptors** - It is illegal to hunt game, other than small game or wildlife listed in Schedule C on page 25, with a raptor.

◆ **Falconry** - A person who lawfully possesses raptors under a permit for the purpose of falconry may use a raptor to hunt small game during a bow only season or a regular open season as set out in each management region.

◆ **Migratory Game Birds** - The provincial possession limit for migratory game birds applies at all times (including at your residence), not just while hunting or returning from hunting. (see page 12)

This makes the provincial regulations the same as the federal regulations.

◆ **Possession of Carcass** - Regulations regarding the possession and transportation of the carcass or part of the carcass of big game have changed. See Possession and Transportation page 25.

◆ **Handguns** - No person shall hunt wildlife with a handgun. See page 7 and definition on page 5.

◆ CITES export permits are no longer required for Sandhill Crane or Black Bear hunting trophies in a fresh, frozen or salted state being exported to the US by the hunter who must be a Canadian or American resident. Animals (or parts) that do not accompany the hunter on his/her trip home will still require a CITES export permit. NOTE: A cancelled Black Bear species licence will still be required for legal export under the *Wildlife Act*.

◆ CITES species exported from Canada (dead animals or parts only) that are part of a household move, are a personal belonging or a personal item of clothing, will not require a CITES export permit provided the person lawfully owns and possesses the items. Several species are excluded from this exemption, including: Sea Otters, Burrowing and Spotted Owls, Wood Bison, Peregrine Falcons (anatum), Whooping Cranes and Eskimo Curlew. NOTE: *Wildlife Act* export permit requirements still apply.

◆ **BC Hunter Number** - All persons applying for a BC Hunter Number for the first time must produce proof that they have completed a hunter safety training course somewhere in North America, or C.O.R.E as well as proof of BC residency. (see page 11)

◆ **Shot** - A definition of "Shot" has been added (see page 6) making it an offense to

use slugs or other single projectiles that have been cut into more than one piece (creating a multiple projectile) in areas where the use of a single projectile is prohibited."

◆ **Duplicate Licences** - duplicate licences are now available to replace lost or destroyed guide outfitter, assistant guide, trapping or fur traders' licences at a cost of \$4.00. The cost of the sworn affidavit attesting to the loss or destruction of the original is still \$10.00. If the original licence is found it must be returned to the Wildlife Branch.

* See individual regions for changes to hunting season dates and regional bag limits, etc.

NOTICE TO GOAT HUNTERS

Restrictive regulations and reduction in harvest of mountain goats will likely occur within 1 or 2 years unless hunters ensure that they harvest more males instead of females.

Mountain goats are sensitive to harvest of females. The female harvest is too high and must be reduced to avoid the need for further legal harvest restrictions. 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. See page 28 for more details

PERMIT REGULATIONS

Permits are issued under the *Wildlife Act* for a variety of reasons including:

Importing and exporting wildlife, Transporting live wildlife within BC, Hunting or trapping wildlife on private property that is damaging property or crops, Practicing falconry, Conducting field dog trials with live game, Accompanying a non resident hunter while hunting big game, Possessing live or dead wildlife or parts for personal use to name a few.

The current regulation, created in 1982, is out of date and portions are obsolete. The Ministry of Environment, Lands & Parks will

be putting a new Permit Regulation into place for the fall of 2000. Highlights of the new regulation include:

- ◆ Applicants for permits must be 10 years or older
- ◆ Minors applying for a permit must have parental consent
- ◆ Permits issued must not be contrary to proper wildlife management
- ◆ Permits valid for a maximum 5 year term (some exceptions)
- ◆ Permits will not be required to possess:
 - ◆ Cast antlers
 - ◆ Bird feathers (some exceptions)
 - ◆ Wildlife processed or manufactured into another product
 - ◆ Wildlife that the possessor lawfully owns
- ◆ Most fees for permits will not change, but HCTF surcharges (\$5 - \$30 in most cases) will be added to permits that are not "free"

Anglers and hunters contribute to conservation through HCTF surcharges on hunting and fishing licences. By adding surcharges to wildlife permits, all users of wildlife will help preservation. The new surcharges will raise an estimated \$32,000 this year for the HCTF.

- ◆ Public safety plans will be required for certain classes of permits involving possession, import or transport of live wildlife
- ◆ Wildlife "zoos" will require public liability insurance
- ◆ Certain wildlife species will be prohibited from live import into BC
- ◆ Convictions for certain offences will make a person ineligible for some permits

The Wildlife Branch will be producing a brochure on the new regulation this summer and will post information on the Wildlife Branch website www.elp.gov.bc.ca/wld

For further information contact the Wildlife Branch in Victoria at (250) 387-9717.

THIS SYNOPSIS IS NOT THE LAW.

- ◆ It is a summary of the B.C. Hunting and Trapping Regulations made under the Wildlife Act (British Columbia) that has been prepared for the convenience of hunters and trappers.
- ◆ If you have any questions about the information in this synopsis, please contact the BC Environment regional office or District Conservation Officer Service office in the area you wish to hunt.

DEFINITIONS

Accompany - means to remain in the company of the other person, able to see the other person without the aid of any device other than ordinary corrective lenses and able to communicate by unamplified voice with that person.

All Terrain Vehicle or ATV - means a wheeled vehicle or tracked vehicle propelled by motorized power, and capable of travel on or off a highway, including motor cycles but not including a snowmobile or motor vehicle that is licensed 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 whose only or primary residence is in British Columbia and is a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada and has resided in British

Columbia for seven (7) months in the last twelve (12) immediately before doing anything under the Wildlife Act, or if not a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada has resided in British Columbia for the twelve (12) month period immediately before doing a thing under the Wildlife Act. Only or primary residence means permanent residency identified by drivers licence, income tax return, health care card, vehicle registration, etc.

Big Game - means any mountain sheep, mountain goat, bison, caribou, elk, moose, deer, grizzly bear, black bear, cougar, wolf, bobcat, lynx, wolverine or other animal designated by regulation.

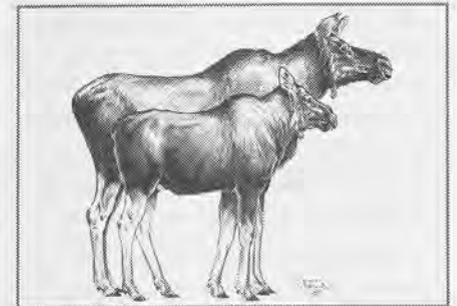
Bolt - means a shaft or missile designed to be shot from a crossbow or catapult.

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.

Caribou - 5 Point Bull - has one antler which bears at least 5 tines (points), including the tip of the main beam above the rear point.

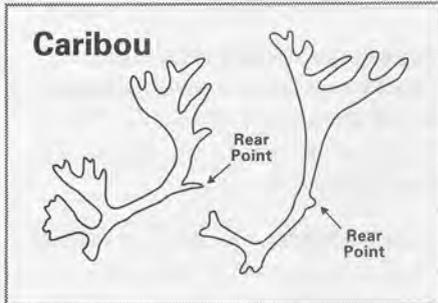
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Caribou - Mature Bull - has a main beam which is at least 75 cm (30) inches in length or one antler which bears 5 tines (points) including the tip of the main beam above the rear point. *If the rear point is missing, the first rear facing point will be used as rear point.



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

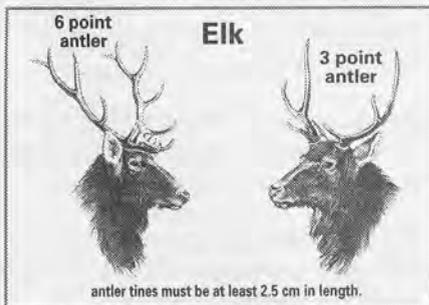
Crossbow - means a bow fixed across a stock with a groove for the arrow or bolt and a mechanism for holding and releasing the string. (NOTE: The use of crossbows is permitted during special Bow only seasons unless otherwise indicated under the regional schedules.)

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.

Edible Portions - with respect to big game, excluding grizzly bear, cougar, wolf, lynx, bobcat and wolverine means the edible portions of the four quarters and the loins of the animal and with respect to game birds, means the edible portions of both breasts of the bird.

Elk - Six Points or Greater Bull - means any bull having at least six tines on one antler.



Elk - Three Points or Greater Bull - means any bull having at least three tines on one antler.

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.

Fur-Bearing Animal - means a fox, beaver, black bear, marten, fisher, lynx, bobcat, mink, muskrat, river otter, raccoon, striped and spotted skunk, northern flying squirrel, red and Douglas' squirrel, ermine, weasel, wolverine, wolf or coyote.

Game Bird - means any grouse, partridge, quail, pheasant, ptarmigan, migratory game bird, or wild turkey.

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

Handgun - is a firearm that is designed, altered or intended to be aimed and fired by the action of one hand or that has a barrel less than 305 mm (12in.) in length.

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

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

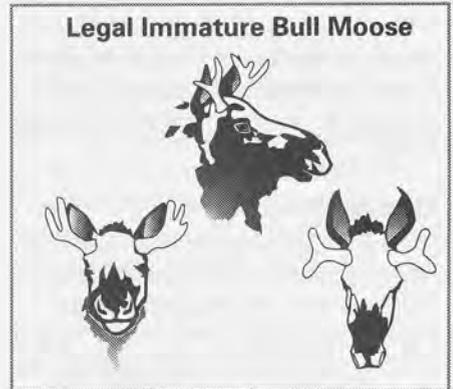
Licence Year - Hunting and Guide Licences - means the period from April 1 to March 31 of the following year. Trapping and Fur Trading Licences - means the period from July 1 to June 30 of the following year.

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. Muzzle loaders - see page 5

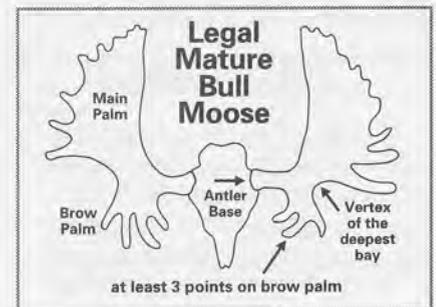
Migratory Game Birds - for which there may be an open season in B.C. and for which a Canadian Migratory Game Bird hunting permit is required are: waterfowl (ducks and geese, including brant); coot; snipe; band-tailed

pigeon and mourning dove.

Moose - Legal Immature Bull - means a bull moose having no more than two tines on one antler. (Includes tines on main antler and brow palms).



Moose - Legal Mature Bull - 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.



Motorcycle - means a motor vehicle that runs on 2 or 3 wheels and has a saddle or seat for the driver to sit astride.

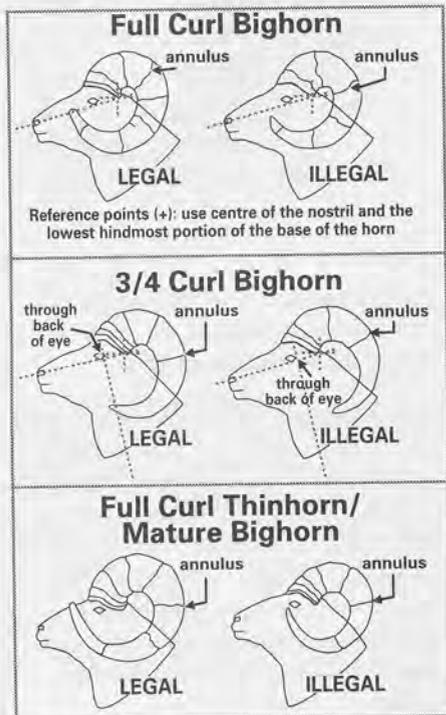
Motor Vehicle - means a device in, on or by which a person or thing is being or may be transported or drawn, and which is designed to be self propelled, and includes an ATV or snowmobile, but does not include a device designed to be moved by human, animal or wind power; a device designed to be used exclusively on stationary rails or stationary tracks; or a boat propelled by motorized power.

Mountain Sheep - Full Curl Bighorn Ram - means any male bighorn mountain sheep, the head of which, when viewed squarely from the

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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 horns in alignment, at least one horn tip extends upward beyond a straight line drawn through the lowest hindmost portion of the horn base and the lowermost edge of the eye socket.

Mountain Sheep - 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 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.



Mountain Sheep - Mature Bighorn Ram - means any bighorn ram mountain sheep that has attained the age of 8 years as evidenced

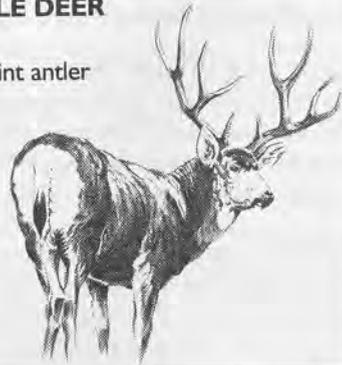
by true horn annuli as determined by the regional manager or designate, or whose horn tip, when viewed squarely from the side extends upwards beyond the forehead-nose bridge.

Mountain Sheep - 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 designate, or whose horn tip extends upwards beyond the forehead-nose bridge when viewed squarely from the side.

Mule (Black-tailed) Deer - Four Points or Greater Buck - means any buck having at least four tines, excluding the brow tine, on one antler.

MULE DEER

4 Point antler



No Hunting Area - means a designated area in which hunting (see Definition) is prohibited.

Non-resident - means a person who is not a resident but who is a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada, or a person who is not a resident but whose only or primary residence is in Canada and has resided in Canada for the last twelve (12) months before doing a thing under the Wildlife Act.

Non-resident alien - means a person who is neither a resident nor a non resident.

Non-toxic Shot - means shotgun pellets consisting of, by weight, not more than one percent lead.

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 (including crossbows) unless specifically restricted under hunting regulations.

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, pages 23 to 25.

Shot - means a cartridge manufactured so that it contains 8 or more roughly spherical projectiles.

Small Game - includes fox, raccoon, coyote, skunk, snowshoe hare and game birds.

Snowmobile - means a vehicle designed primarily for travel on snow or ice, having one or more steering skis, self propelled and using one or more endless belts or tracks driven in contact with the ground.

Spike Buck - means a male deer having antlers that are composed of a main beam from which there are no bony projections greater than 2.5 cm in length.

Tine or "point" - 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. To measure the length of a tine measure the tine from the centre of its base to the tip. The base of the tine is the nearest edge of the part of the antler commonly known as the main beam.

Traffic or Trafficking - means to buy, sell, trade or distribute for gain or consideration or to offer to do so.

Vehicle - means a wheeled or tracked device in, on or by which a person or thing is or may be transported or drawn on a highway.

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

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.
 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 in which the seasonal bag limit for that species of game has been taken.
 7. to hunt moose, elk, mountain sheep, mountain goat, caribou, bison or grizzly bear with a shotgun. (Shotguns may be used only for the hunting of deer, black bear, cougar, coyote, bobcat, lynx, wolverine, wolf, game birds and small game.)
- NOTE:** A person using a shotgun for hunting deer, bobcat, lynx, wolverine, coyote, 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. Rifles other than centre-fire rifles are permitted for hunting turkey.
 9. to possess or use shot other than non-toxic shot for the purpose of hunting a migratory game bird, except a band-tailed pigeon or mourning dove.
 10. to hunt migratory game birds using a rifle, or a shotgun loaded with a single projectile, or any other weapon except a bow or a shotgun not larger than 10 gauge.
 11. to use, while hunting migratory game birds, more than one shotgun, unless each shotgun in excess of one, is disassembled or unloaded and encased.
 12. to hunt with a set gun, or to hunt wildlife with a pump, repeating or auto-loading shotgun with a magazine capable of holding more than two shells.
 13. to use full metal jacketed, non-expanding, tracer, incendiary or explosive bullets for hunting or trapping game.
 14. to use rimfire cartridges for hunting big game, other than bobcat, lynx or wolverine.
 15. to hunt bison with a weapon other than a centrefire rifle and ammunition other than

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 and 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!

ammunition constructed with a 175 grain or larger bullet which retains 2800 joules (2000 foot pounds) or more energy at 100 metres.

16. to hunt with a firearm that is designed, altered or intended to be aimed and fired by the action of one hand or that has a barrel less than 305 mm (12in) in length.
17. to hunt migratory birds from a power boat.
18. to shoot wildlife from a motor vehicle or a boat propelled by a motor.
19. to discharge, carry or have in possession a firearm containing live ammunition in its breech or in its magazine attached to the firearm, in or on a railway car, motor vehicle, sleigh, aircraft, or bicycle.
20. to carry a cocked crossbow in or on a vehicle, or to discharge a bow from a vehicle of any kind.
21. to hunt wildlife by the use of, or with the aid of, a light or an illuminating device.
22. to hunt or transport hunters or wildlife by a helicopter.
23. to hunt wildlife from an aircraft.
24. to hunt wildlife within six (6) hours of being airborne in an aircraft other than a regularly scheduled commercial aircraft.
25. to use a power boat, aircraft, or motor vehicle or other mechanical device to disturb or harass wildlife.
26. to hunt game, except migratory game birds, from one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise.
27. to hunt migratory game birds from 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour before sunrise.
28. to hunt, take, wound or kill big game while it is swimming unless it has been previously wounded.
29. to use poison for the hunting, trapping, taking or killing of any wildlife.
30. to use recorded or electronic calls to hunt wildlife (no exemption for trappers).
31. to capture, possess or keep in captivity any live wildlife without a permit.
32. 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 egg or nest).
33. to buy or sell migratory birds (or their eggs or nests).
34. to offer for sale the pelt or skin from a fur-bearing 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. **A person who kills a furbearing animal under the authority of a licence to hunt wildlife is exempt from paying a royalty in relation to the pelt or skin if he or she sells the pelt or skin to a licensed fur trader. (See Royalty Fees section on page 95).**
35. to traffic in live wildlife, wildlife meat or offer to do so except as authorized by permit.

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36. to traffic in dead wildlife or a part of wildlife except when the wildlife was lawfully killed in BC during an open season under the *Wildlife Act* or lawfully brought into BC, or when trafficking in cast antlers or when the wildlife or part of wildlife has been processed into a product that no longer resembles the original wildlife or part.
37. to kill wildlife (with the exception of grizzly bear, cougar or a fur bearing animal other than a black bear) and fail to remove from the carcass the edible portions of the four quarters and loins to the person's normal dwelling place or to a meat cutter or the owner or operator of a cold storage plant. A person who kills wildlife is exempted from the requirement to remove the edible portions if that person transfers possession of the wildlife to a recipient who complies with the requirement. Of grizzly bear, cougar or a fur bearing animal other than a black bear, the hide must be removed to the person's normal dwelling place or to a meat cutter, the owner or operator of a cold storage plant or to a taxidermist, tanner or a fur trader. A person who kills wildlife is exempted for the requirement to remove the hide if that person transfers possession of the wildlife to another person who complies with the requirement.
38. to hunt migratory game birds within 400 metres of any place where bait has been deposited unless that place has been free of bait for at least 7 days.
39. to use live birds as decoys or recorded bird calls to hunt game birds.
40. to discharge, dump, discard or dispose of litter.
41. to shoot, hunt or capture any hawk, falcon, owl or eagle except under permit.
42. to deface any notice posted under authority of the *Wildlife Act*.
43. to damage or interfere with a lawfully set trap.
44. to act as, or offer to act as, a guide for fish or game for compensation or reward unless licenced to do so.
45. to hunt black bear or grizzly bear by placing bait or using a dead animal or a part of it as bait.
46. to hunt a grizzly bear or black bear less

than 2 years old or any bear in its company.

47. to hunt the white (Kermode) or blue (Glacier) colour phases of the black bear.
48. to possess or transport a big game animal that was killed unintentionally by accident or collision, or was illegally killed.
49. to kill wildlife by accident or to protect life or property and fail to promptly report the killing to an Officer.

LEAD SHOT BAN

The use of toxic (lead) shot for hunting waterfowl has been prohibited in British Columbia since 1995 and in Canada since 1997. The ban applies to all ducks, geese, coots and snipe. It does not apply to upland gamebirds (grouse, ptarmigan, quail, partridge, pheasants and turkey), migratory upland gamebirds (pigeons, doves), ravens (where seasons exist), or target shooting, although a local restriction may be implemented if there is a conflict with an important wetland.

Federal regulations currently identify steel shot, bismuth shot, tungsten-iron shot, tin shot, tungsten - matrix shot, and tungsten - polymer shot as the only non-toxic shot permitted for use on waterfowl, coot and snipe. Hunters are advised to contact the CWS Canadian Wildlife Service in Delta (604-940-4710) for more details.

50. to possess or import a) bear genitalia separate from the carcass or hide or b) bear gall bladders; to import or export bear paws separate from the carcass or hide; or to traffic in a) bear gall bladders, b) bear genitalia or c) bear paws that are separate from the carcass or the hide. Gall bladders include any portion or derivative of the gall bladder. Hunters are not committing an offense if they remove the gall bladder from the carcass and leave the gall bladder at the kill site.
51. to trap, dispose of wildlife parts, or discharge a firearm, bow or crossbow

within the developed portion of a BC Forest Service Recreation site or Interpretive Forest site as defined in the Forest Recreation Regulation.

52. for the holder of a resident hunter number to change their name or residential address and fail within 30 days to notify the Director of the Wildlife Branch of the change. In the case of a legal name change, a document must be submitted evidencing the legal name change.
53. for the holder of a resident hunter number to fail to deliver their hunter number card to the director of the Wildlife Branch within 30 days of ceasing to be a BC resident.
54. to apply for, obtain, or use more than one resident hunter number.
55. to use ATVs any time on forest service roads unless the operator and vehicle are covered by \$200,000.00 public liability insurance.
56. to operate an ATV or snowmobile in such a manner as to drive, harass, chase, run over, injure, or kill wildlife or a domestic animal.
57. to kill wildlife while in the process of committing offences against any statute including, but not limited to, the *Wildlife Act*. Examples would be wildlife taken while trespassing on private property or on mine property in violation of the *Mine Safety Code*. Wildlife killed while in the commission of an offence, regardless of the statute, is not legally taken and remains the property of the Crown.
58. to use an ATV or Snowmobile for hunting or trapping purposes at any time on any road to which the public has access. ATVs and Snowmobiles may only be used for farming or industrial activities on public roads if the operator has obtained a permit to do so from the RCMP.
59. to export wildlife from BC unless you have a valid export permit, or are exempted from holding an export permit.
60. to intentionally feed or attempt to feed dangerous wildlife (cougar, coyote, wolf and bear) except when lawfully engaged in hunting or trapping.

– PENALTIES –

Violators Be Warned!

- ◆ We will be tough with violators of our conservation laws and invaluable wildlife resource!
 - ◆ As described below, in addition to or apart from any action that may have been taken by the courts, last year the Director, Wildlife Branch, notified 441 hunters that their licences were cancelled or suspended.
 - ◆ If you are convicted of an offence under the *Wildlife Act* or regulations, or the *Migratory Birds Convention Act, 1994* (Canada), the *Criminal Code* (respecting the possession or use of firearms while hunting), or another cause considered sufficient by the Director 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 which would run sequentially should there be more than one cancellation.
 - 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 up to thirty years or suspended;
 - be liable to a fine which for certain offences will range between a) up to \$25,000 and/or 6 months imprisonment for the majority of offences under the *Wildlife Act* (\$500 to \$50,000 and /or 1 year imprisonment for subsequent offences, b) up to \$50,000 and /or 6 months imprisonment for offences that could harm the wildlife resource or that reflect serious unethical practices related to illegal hunting or trapping (\$1,000 to \$100,000 and/or 1 year imprisonment for subsequent offences) and c) \$1,000 to \$100,000 and/or 1 year imprisonment for offences related to the illegal trade in live wildlife or killing endangered species (\$2,000 to \$150,000 and/or 18 months imprisonment for subsequent offences)
- You should also be aware that:
- ◆ If you are convicted of an offence under the *Migratory Birds Convention Act, 1994* (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 and firearm licences 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 automatically cancelled and you will be ineligible to obtain new licences until the fine(s) is/are paid.

- ◆ Persons who have had their hunting licence privileges suspended or cancelled are ineligible to apply for LEH.

B.C.'S BEAR PARTS TRADE BAN

- ◆ To protect grizzly and black bears, the B.C. government imposed a ban on the commercial trade in certain bear parts effective February 1, 1993. The regulation forbids the possession, trafficking, importing and exporting of bear galls, including any part or derivative of the gall bladder, and genitalia. It also bans trade in bear paws separated from the carcass or hide, although possession of bear paws is still permitted to allow for personal use and for ceremonial use by aboriginal people.
- ◆ B.C.'s ban on the trade in bear parts represents an important step toward reducing the illegal killing of these animals. Many jurisdictions in western North America have similar bans in place.
- ◆ Contact a BC Environment regional or district office for more information.

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 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, compulsory reporting and the voluntary tooth return program (voluntary tooth return temporarily suspended) 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, and other important information about the animal taken.

ABORIGINAL HUNTING

- ◆ The first 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 that Indian people have aboriginal rights to harvest wildlife for sustenance (food, social and ceremonial purposes) in their traditional areas. Such uses of wildlife must be sustainable, and harvesting methods must not jeopardize safety or the use and enjoyment of property. Any hunting of wildlife species for sale or barter, in whole or in part, is not legal, except as authorized by regulation or where there is a demonstrated aboriginal or treaty right to do so.
- ◆ Under the *Wildlife Act* 'Indian' means a person who is defined as a status Indian under the *Indian Act* (Canada).
- ◆ Indians who are residents of British Columbia are not required to obtain any type of hunting licence under the *Wildlife Act*. Indians who are residents of BC and are exercising an aboriginal right to hunt for sustenance purposes within a traditionally-used area are required to comply with hunting regulations related to public health and public safety. In situations where conservation of a particular species is of concern and compliance with hunting regulations is required by Indians belonging to a First Nation group, there will be prior consultation with the affected First Nation in accordance with Ministry policy and procedures. These restrictions may include the requirement for Limited Entry Hunting (LEH) authorizations. Prior to undertaking any hunting activity, individuals should inquire with their appropriate First Nation officials or with the Regional Fish and Wildlife Office with respect to any specific requirements that may apply to them.
- ◆ Indians who are residents of BC and wish to hunt outside their traditionally-used areas must do so in accordance with the *Hunting Regulations*. This includes making application for a LEH authorization via the LEH draw. If an individual is in doubt regarding a traditional hunting area or practice, they should be in contact with the appropriate First Nations officials and the regional Wildlife Program staff to discuss specific situations. For further information contact the Wildlife Branch at 250-387-9784.

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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!

FEDERAL FIREARMS LEGISLATION

- ◆ Effective January 1st, 2001, all owners of firearms must hold a Firearm Licence under the Firearms Act (Canada). This is NOT the same as a Firearm Licence issued under the Wildlife Act.
- ◆ The Wildlife Branch is pursuing an amendment to the Wildlife Act that will exempt the holder of a Canada Firearm Licence from the requirement to hold a BC Firearm Licence while carrying a firearm. This change is expected before December 31, 2000.
- ◆ For more information on the Canadian Firearm Licence contact the Ministry of Attorney General at 1-800-731-4000.
- ◆ For more information on the proposed BC Firearm Licence exemption, contact the Wildlife Branch at (250) 387-9717.

CONSERVATION AND OUTDOOR RECREATION EDUCATION

C.O.R.E.

- ◆ Since 1974, C.O.R.E. has been an educational program designed to ensure that prospective new hunters meet acceptable standards of knowledge and skill for safe and ethical participation in hunting. As of March 1, 1998, the BC Wildlife Federation (BCWF) has accepted the responsibility for the delivery of the program and graduate record keeping. CORE graduates who are not a BCWF or affiliated club member are entitled to apply for a complimentary BCWF direct membership, including the Outdoor Edge magazine and liability insurance.

- ◆ 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 course advertisements. The written examination is based on: Ethics, Firearms Safety, Regulations, First Aid and Survival, and Animal and Bird Identification chapters found in the CORE manual. There is a \$10.00 fee for each of the practical firearms handling and written examinations payable to the examiner. There is also a graduate fee of \$30.00 payable to the examiner at the time of program completion used for BCWF program delivery support.

- ◆ The course requires about 21 hours of self study and firearm handling practice based upon the C.O.R.E. manual. Information on how to obtain the C.O.R.E. manual and list of certified C.O.R.E. examiners is available from Access Centre offices of the Government Agent, BC Environment, the BCWF office in Surrey, at 1-800-533-2293 or the BC Environment web page at www.elp.gov.bc.ca/wild/

- ◆ For a Bowhunter Education Program course recognized throughout North America contact:

B.C. Archery Association
87 Okanagan St. Kitimat, B.C. V8C1Z6
250-632-6424 or
Rick Paquette
48 Fairview Drive, Williams Lake, B.C.
V2G 3T1
250-392-6470

B.C. RESIDENT HUNTER NUMBER

- ◆ A B.C. resident may only have and use one hunter number. If you lose your hunter number card, contact a government agent in your area or the Wildlife Branch, Victoria to obtain a duplicate. DO NOT obtain a new hunter number, as this violates the Wildlife Act Regulations.
- ◆ It is important that the Wildlife Branch maintain accurate records of hunter addresses and hunter numbers particularly as they relate to Limited Entry Hunting, wildlife harvest and hunter effort data requested from hunters through reporting, inspection and surveys.
- ◆ The following changes concerning BC resident hunter number cards have been made to support the hunter number system. If the holder of a hunter number card changes his or her legal name, residential address or ceases to be a resident, he or she within 30 days of the address or name change or date at which they

cease to be a resident, must notify the Director of the Wildlife Branch of the address change, provide a document evidencing the legal name change or on ceasing to be a resident, surrender their hunter number card to the director of the Wildlife Branch. If a person who holds a BC resident hunter number card ceases to be a BC resident, the hunter number card is suspended as long as the person is not a resident. For correspondence, please inform us of changes by writing quoting your Resident Hunter Number, at Wildlife Branch, BC Environment, PO Box 9374, STN PROV GOV, VICTORIA BC V8W 9M4. See pages 79 and 83 for name and address change forms.

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 licencing 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 licence year.
- ◆ The B.C. resident applying for this permit must be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada who has held a BC 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 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 licence year. (fee will increase Sept. 1, 2000).
- ◆ 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 licences.

♦ A non-resident who is not a resident of Canada and is not a Canadian citizen, may also be eligible under the permit to accompany procedure providing that they qualify 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 excludes cousins).

♦ 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.

♦ **In addition, it is illegal to hunt with a handgun in BC. See page 5 for definition.**

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 (includes game birds).

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 produce a document evidencing that he/she makes his/her home in British Columbia and has had their permanent residence in the Province for seven months in the 12 months immediately before applying for the licence. A member of the Canadian Armed Forces enrolled in continuing full-time military service, is eligible to obtain a resident hunting licence after making his/her permanent residence 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.

♦ B.C. Resident Hunter Number Cards are available only at government agents' offices, or selected BC Environment Regional offices.

1. A Hunter Number Card may only be obtained by an applicant who produces a document issued by a province or state evidencing the successful completion of

the C.O.R.E. (Conservation and Outdoor Recreation Education) examinations in B.C. or another North American government sponsored hunter safety training program completed while resident in that state or province.

2. 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. A person who causes or allows a person under the age of 10 to hunt wildlife commits an offence.

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

3. 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 under the close personal supervision of an adult who carries the proper licences. Wildlife taken by the junior under this licence is included in the bag limit of the accompanying licenced adult. No species licences may be purchased with the junior licence. However, during a hunting season, a licenced junior hunter may accompany and hunt with an adult holding a valid Limited Entry Hunting authorization and a valid species licence.

4. 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.

♦ For Information regarding Aboriginal Hunting, refer to page 9.

♦ All licences issued under the Wildlife Act are non-transferable and non-refundable.

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	20.00★	130.00★
Bobcat* ▼	8.00	25.00
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*	80.00★	530.00★
Lynx*	8.00	25.00
Moose	25.00	150.00
Mountain Goat *	30.00	200.00
Mountain Sheep *	50.00	400.00
Wolf	No Licence	25.00
Wolverine*	8.00	25.00

Required

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

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

▼ Licence cancellation is not required for Bobcat licence. (Scheduled to change for the 2001 Hunting season)

▲ Mule deer licence also valid for black-tailed and fallow deer.

★ includes surcharge for the HABITAT CONSERVATION TRUST FUND

~ SMALL GAME ~

	B.C. Resident	Non-B.C. Resident
Upland Game	No Licence	25.00
Birds	Required	
All hunting and species licences expire March 31, 2001.		

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. 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 animals which a hunter may take in the province in one licence year (April 1 to March 31). 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
Caribou	1★
Coyote	NBL★
Raccoon	NBL★
Skunk	NBL
Wolverine	1
Lynx	1★
Bobcat	5★
Turkey	1
Snowshoe Hare	10/day

- ★ See regional schedules for regional bag limit.
- ♦ The daily bag limit for ducks in aggregate is 8, except for restricted species:
 - pintail, goldeneye, harlequin and canvasback.
- ♦ The daily bag limit for canvasback is 1, northern pintail is 4, goldeneyes is 2 and harlequins is 2. Please also see Regional Schedules.
- ♦ The daily bag limit for all geese in aggregate is 5, except in Region 2.
- ♦ Please also see Regional bag limit.
- ♦ **The possession limit for all migratory game birds at all times (including while hunting, returning from hunting or at a residence) is two times the daily limit.**
- ♦ The possession limit for all upland game birds while hunting or returning from hunting is three times the daily limit except for mourning doves, sharp-tailed grouse and pheasants (Region 4 only) where the possession limit is two times the daily limit.

MIGRATORY BIRDS

- ♦ When hunting 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.
- ♦ The Bird Banding Laboratory in Maryland collates all North American bird banding records. If you find a banded migratory bird, please report it to their toll free number at 1-800-327-BAND (2263).

BOWHUNTERS

- ♦ Bowhunters are asked to ensure that the box on their resident hunting licence counterfoil, indicating that they are bowhunters, is filled in at the time of issue by the licence issuer.

LICENCE AVAILABILITY

- ♦ Resident hunting licences are available at all Government Agents' Offices, and other commercial outlets and sporting goods stores. Non-resident hunting licences are only available from some Regional B.C. Environment Offices, Government Agents, and Wildlife Branch, PO Box 9374 STN PROV GOV, 4th Floor, 2975 Jutland Road, VICTORIA, BC V8W 9M4. Non-residents may also obtain their licences by mail.
- ♦ Duplicates for misplaced, lost, stolen or accidentally destroyed licences are only available from Government Agents' offices for a fee of \$10.00 for the declaration of the 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 the Wildlife Act.

HUNTING LICENCE FEES

- ♦ The following fees apply province-wide. Additional licence requirements are indicated under certain regional schedules.
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| A person to carry a firearm, (5 year)* | \$20.00 |
| **A resident of British Columbia to hunt all game and carry firearms | 21.00★ |
| A BC Resident 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 non-resident to hunt all game and carry firearms \$145.00★
- A person to hunt in the Fraser Valley Special Area See Map B25 \$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 \$17.00▲
- Q.C.I. Deer \$15.00
- Duplicate Hunting and Species Licences *(No duplicate firearms licence available)
- ♦ To a person who can satisfactorily prove his hunting and/or species licences have been lost or destroyed (an affidavit is required) For:
 - Senior Citizens, Gulf Islands and Junior \$1.00
 - All Others \$4.00

★includes surcharge for the HABITAT CONSERVATION TRUST FUND
prices do not include G.S.T

▲There is no charge for a Canada Migratory Game Bird Hunting Permit for a youth hunting during Waterfowlers Heritage Days.

*Holders of a federal fire licence are scheduled to be exempt from the requirement of holding a BC firearm licence starting January 1, 2001

** includes a person 10 years of age or older and under 14 who is purchasing a resident hunting licence.

OPEN SEASONS

- ♦ There is No Open Season for Any Wildlife - Except as Indicated in this Synopsis.
- ♦ To define open seasons for big game, small game and game birds the province is divided into Management Units (MUs). Hunting seasons are shown in regional schedules on the following pages. All season dates shown are inclusive.
- Where an open season does not apply to the entire Management Unit a reference is given to maps showing the area and describing the applicable regulation. Published seasons in this Synopsis cease to be in effect in any area closed by the Ministry of Forests and are in effect for

the duration of the forest closure order. Hunting season dates may only be changed by order of the Minister in unusual circumstances. Such changes will be given local publicity.

WATERFOWLERS HERITAGE DAYS (WHDS)

♦ **Waterfowlers Heritage Days (WHDs)** are being introduced in Regions 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6 for the hunting of ducks and geese. Only young hunters between the ages of 10 and 18 who have met all provincial requirements are permitted to hunt and they must be accompanied by a licensed adult hunter. The adult hunter can accompany a maximum of 2 youth hunters. The adult hunter can guide and advise the young hunter but is not permitted to hunt. WHDs will last two days in all regions except Region 4, where the WHD will be for 1 day. See individual regions for season dates. General open seasons in the affected regions will be reduced by 2 (or 1) days so that the overall number of hunting days for migratory game birds remains unchanged. Federal regulations are being amended to exempt young hunters from having to purchase the federal Migratory Game Bird Hunting Permit (\$17.00) when participating in WHDs.

HUNTING METHODS

Handguns

♦ **No person shall hunt wildlife with a handgun.**

Bow 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 when hunting 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, bobcat, lynx and wolverine 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, bobcat, lynx, wolverine 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 Bows

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

Falconry

- ♦ Licenced falconers may hunt small game by the use or with the aid of raptors throughout the Province during the regular open season or during bow only seasons subject to the applicable bag limits as indicated in the regional schedules.

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) is not considered a loaded firearm under the Criminal Code (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 deer, elk, moose, mountain sheep, mountain goat and caribou. Unleashed 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.

Retrieval

- ♦ No person shall kill, cripple or wound game without making all reasonable effort to retrieve and include it in his/her bag limit. The retrieved game shall be killed immediately and included in the hunter's bag limit.
- ♦ 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.

LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING

- ♦ Limited Entry Hunting seasons are open only to hunters who have drawn the appropriate Limited Entry Hunting authorization. Limited Entry Hunting seasons and 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.
- ♦ Species licences are required in addition to an LEH authorization.
- ♦ Maps showing LEH zones for seasons that coincide with open seasons are included in this Synopsis for reference. Hunters should refer to the Limited Entry Hunting Synopsis published each spring for specific LEH maps.

DEER LICENCE ENTITLEMENT

- ♦ A person must not possess more than 10 of any current deer licences. The combination of deer licences may include a maximum of 3 mule deer and/or 3 white-tailed deer licences.

QUEEN CHARLOTTE ISLANDS DEER LICENCE

- ♦ These special deer licences 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).

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 BC Environment staff if, when a hunter disposes of a trophy, the licences and other documentation are transferred with the trophy, to the new owner.

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COMPULSORY INSPECTION AND REPORTING

For Designated Compulsory Inspection Centres, see Regional Map pages.

Information required for Compulsory Reporting and Inspection include:

1. the hunter's name, address, telephone number; and Hunter Number;
2. the location where the animal was taken,
3. the date the animal was taken,
4. the sex of the animal taken, and
5. the licences under which the animal was taken.

See LEH synopsis for additional requirements.

COMPULSORY INSPECTION

Except as noted, all compulsory inspected species must be submitted to an official of BC Environment for the purpose of taking measurements or parts of the animal required for management (ie. tooth) within 15 days of the kill.

The following species of game must be submitted to a regional or sub-regional compulsory inspection centre:

- grizzly bear
- mountain goat
- cougar
- mountain sheep
- caribou
- bison
- elk taken in Region 8 (Southern Interior)

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 15 days after the last day of the hunt.
2. Persons who use the services of a licenced

guide for the purpose of hunting a grizzly bear, caribou, bison, mountain goat, a mountain sheep or an elk in Region 8 can submit such animals for inspection within 15 days after the last day of the continuous season in which the animal was taken (i.e. a grizzly bear killed in the fall must be submitted after the end of the fall hunting season).

3. Persons who take a cougar in the Kootenay Region must submit the animal for inspection to an official of BC Environment in the Kootenay Region within 4 days of the kill.

- Parts Required -

For grizzly bear and for cougar:

- the skull and the hide bearing
- in the case of males, a testicle or part of the penis, or
- in the case of females, a portion of the teats or mammary gland.

For mountain sheep (ie. Dall's, Stone's, California or Rocky Mountain):

- the portion of the skull including the nasal bones, the entire eye-socket, the horns and the associated connective bone structure, and
- the horns for insertion of a numbered aluminum plug by an officer.

For mountain goat:

- the horns.



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For caribou:

• the lower jaw including the incisor teeth, the antlers, and for a caribou without at least one main beam measuring over 60 cm (24 inches) in length, the hide with evidence of sex attached.



For elk taken in Region 8 (Southern Interior):

• an incisor (front) tooth, and - for males, the antlers attached to a portion of the upper skull, or - for females, the upper portion of the skull or a portion of the teats or mammary gland.

For bison

• an incisor (front) tooth

COMPULSORY REPORTING

A person who takes or kills the following species in any Management Unit:

- lynx • wolverine • bobcat
- moose in Regions 3, 4, 5, 6, 7A (Omineca), or 8
- wolf in MUs 1-1 to 1-13 or in Region 4
- elk in Region 1,4, or in MUs 7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, and 7-42 to 7-58
- mule (black-tailed) deer or white-tailed deer in MUs 3-12 to 3-14, 3-17 to 3-31 and 3-34 to 3-44 during the September 1 to September 9 youth and bow only seasons

must, within 30 days after the date of the kill, report in person or by mail:

1. their name, address, telephone number and Hunter Number; and
2. the location where the animal was killed, and
3. the date the animal was killed, and
4. the sex of the animal taken, and
5. by submitting for a moose or an elk, an incisor (front) tooth in a Harvest Data

Tooth return envelope to a BC Environment regional office and for a mule (black-tailed) deer or white-tailed deer in MUs 3-12 to 3-14, 3-17 to 3-31 and 3-34 to 3-44 during the September 1 to September 9 youth and bow only seasons, an incisor (front) tooth in a Harvest Data Tooth return envelope to the Kamloops Regional office.

Other than for Region 3 deer seasons above, PLEASE DO NOT SEND DEER TEETH.

Note:

◆ A person authorized to trap is exempt from the requirements noted above with respect to fur bearing animals taken by trapping. Compulsory Reporting of fur bearing animals taken by trapping is on page 93.

Notice

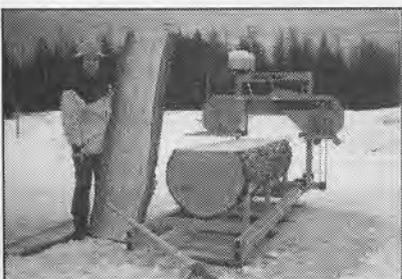
Hunters are reminded that the antlers or horns of male big game animals must accompany the carcass to a residence, a meatcutter or a cold storage plant, where a season is based on antler or horn size.

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GENERAL HUNTING INFORMATION

SITE RESTRICTIONS

National Parks

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

♦ 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.

National Wildlife Areas and Migratory Bird Sanctuaries

♦ Hunting is prohibited in National Wildlife Areas (NWAs) and Migratory Bird Sanctuaries (MBSs) unless a special federal permit is granted or notices to the contrary are posted. Blue signs depicting a loon mark the boundaries of NWAs and MBSs. Contact the Canadian Wildlife Service in Delta for more information (604) 940-4710.

Provincial Parks and Recreation Areas

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

♦ When a Provincial Park or Recreation Area is closed to hunting or there is no open season for any species, both the possession and discharge of a firearm, or bow are prohibited except when authorized by a park officer. Possession is only allowed when 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 Provincial 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, or bow 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. A park road is a road in a park or recreation area that is designated and developed for licenced motor vehicles. Contact any district office of B.C. Parks for further information, or consult the Park and Recreation Area Regulations.

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

♦ Note: Protected areas that have been established since the deadline for changes to the hunting regulations for 2000/01 (February 2000) will have no change to their status unless specified in these regulations.

Ecological Reserves

♦ Hunting, trapping and angling are prohibited in Ecological Reserves in British Columbia. The possession or discharge of a firearm, or bow is prohibited. A complete list of Ecological Reserves including detailed maps and legal descriptions is available from any district office of BC Parks, or from BC Parks headquarters at PO Box 9398 Stn. Prov Gov Victoria, BC V8W 9M9.

♦ Most ecological reserves are also referenced in the BC Recreational Atlas, 4th Edition.

MUNICIPAL RESTRICTIONS

♦ Most municipalities have local bylaws restricting and controlling the use of firearms and bows within their boundaries. Consult municipal clerks for details of closures.

♦ **Municipal bylaws that affect the discharge of firearms and/or bows are NOT included in this synopsis.**

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

ACCESS RESTRICTIONS TO 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 39) - 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 owner, 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 109, 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 108, Wildlife Act) - B.C. 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 109, 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.

SECTION B

(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 400m 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 on the following page under the heading 400m Single Projectile Prohibited Areas.

◆ It is unlawful to hunt or discharge a firearm within 100 metres of a church, school building, school yard, playground, regional district park, dwelling house, or farm or ranch building that is occupied by persons or domestic animals. Owners and occupiers or their employees or agents are exempted near dwelling houses or farm or ranch buildings in order to protect crops and livestock.

◆ 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!

NOTE: 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) on either side of the road allowance of following portions of the highways and roads in British Columbia listed below:

Hwy 5 (Coquihalla Highway) between Hope and the junction of Highways 1 and 5 at Kamloops;

Hwy 6 between Bench Creek and Banting Creek;

Hwy 16 between the boundary of the City of Prince Rupert and the British Columbia - Alberta interprovincial boundary;

Hwy 20 between Bella Coola and the westerly boundary of Tweedsmuir Park;

Hwy 27 from the junction with Route 16 (Yellowhead) west of Vanderhoof to Fort St. James;

Hwy 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;

Hwy 35 between Francois Lake and Burns Lake;

Hwy 37 between the intersection of Highway 37 with Highway 16 and the boundary of the District of Kitimat;

Hwy 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;

Hwy 37A between the intersection of said highway and Highway 37 at Meziadin Junction and the boundary of the District of Stewart at Bitter Creek;

Hwy 39 from the junction with Highway 97 north of McLeod Lake to its intercept with the municipal boundaries of the City of Mackenzie;

Hwy 97 including those portions of the Caribou 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:

In all Provincial Parks

Hwy 3 (Crownsnest Highway) between Hope and Manning Park, Manning Park and Princeton.

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, RSBC 1996, Chapter 488. 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. (Hunting these species requires a hunting licence).

Schedule B

(a) *Scapanus orarius* - coast mole

(b) *Lepus americanus* - snowshoe hare

(c) all of the species of the sub family Arvicolinae and lemmings, except *Ondonatra zibethicus* - muskrat.

(d) *Neotoma cinerea* - bushy-tailed woodrat

(e) all species of the genus *Peromyscus* - deer mice

(f) *Erethizon dorsatum* - porcupine

(g) *Thomomys talpoides* - northern pocket gopher

(h) *Marmota flaviventris* - yellow-bellied marmot

(i) *Marmota monax* - woodchuck

(j) *Spermophilus columbianus* - Columbian ground squirrel

(k) *Mephitis mephitis* - striped skunk

(l) *Procyon lotor* - raccoon

(m) *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 & fox 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 (Domestic Pigeon)
- (m) *Molothrus ater* - Brown-headed Cowbird

and the nests or eggs of these bird species may be destroyed.

Collared or Ear-tagged Wildlife

◆ Please avoid shooting any collared, implanted or ear-tagged wildlife. Collared animals carry radio transmitters for research purposes. If you inadvertently kill a collared, implanted or ear-tagged animal, contact the local BC Environment regional office immediately because the meat may or may not be fit for human consumption. The collar must be returned.

Royalty Fees

◆ Every holder of a valid hunting licence who lawfully kills a furbearing animal is exempt from paying the prescribed royalty fee unless he offers the pelt for sale. See current Trapping Regulations on page 95 for royalty fees. Payment of a royalty fee is required only upon the initial sale of the pelt. Furbearing animals may only be hunted where an open hunting season is declared.

◆ If the hunter sells the pelt of a fur bearing animal to a licensed Fur Trader, they are exempt from paying the royalty.

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

Hwy 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.

Hwy 118 Discharge of Firearms Prohibited Area

◆ The discharge of firearms is prohibited within 400 m on either side of the road allowance of Highway 118 (Topley Landing Road) between the intersection of Highway 118 and Highway 16 at Topley Landing and Granisle in the Skeena region.

POSSESSION AND TRANSPORTATION**Game Birds**

◆ Anyone who possesses or transports a game bird must leave attached to the carcass one feathered wing.

Big Game

- 1) Anyone who possesses or transports the carcass or part of the carcass of elk, moose, caribou, mule (black-tailed) deer, white-tailed deer or fallow deer must leave attached to the carcass or part of the carcass a readily identifiable part of the hide that is not less than 6 cm².
- 2) Anyone who possesses or transports the whole carcass of an elk, moose, caribou, mule (black-tailed) deer, white-tailed deer or fallow deer shall leave attached to the carcass
 - (a) to identify the sex of a male, either a testicle or part of the penis, or that portion of the head which bears the antlers, and
 - (b) to identify the sex of a female, a portion of the udder or teats, or that portion of the head which in males normally bears antlers.
- 3) Anyone who possesses or transports the whole carcass or part of the carcass of big game, other than that described in 2) above, must leave attached to the carcass:
 - (a) to identify the sex of a male, either a testicle or part of the penis, and
 - (b) to identify the sex of a female, a portion of the udder or teats.

- 4) Anyone who possesses or transports only the hide or part of the hide of a grizzly bear or cougar must leave attached to the hide:
 - (a) to identify the sex of a male, either a testicle or part of the penis, and
 - (b) to identify the sex of a female, a portion of the udder or teats.
- 5) Despite sections 3 and 4 above, a person who is in possession of a portion of a carcass or hide does not commit an offence if
 - (a) the person did not kill the wildlife they possess,
 - (b) the person received the wildlife from the person who killed it,
 - (c) the person possesses the portion of the carcass or hide for a purpose contemplated in section 36 (2) (is taking it to their residence, a meat cutter, etc) of the *Wildlife Act*, and
 - (d) the person is transporting the portion of the carcass or hide in compliance with section 37 (has a record of receipt, see Transporting Wildlife next page) of the Act.

◆ See also compulsory reporting and compulsory inspection requirements, page 14

Removing Evidence of Sex and Species

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

- ◆ after it arrives at a person's normal dwelling place and is butchered and stored there for consumption on the premises.
- ◆ after it is taken to a meat cutter or the owner or operator of a cold storage plant, or
- ◆ after it has been inspected by an official of BC Environment.

NOTE: It is not an offence to possess bear genitalia attached to the hide or carcass and after it is no longer needed on a bear carcass as evidence of sex, the genitalia may be removed from the hide at the above locations if immediately destroyed and disposed of at that location. Leaving evidence of species and sex on the carcass will not spoil or in any way contaminate the meat.

Transporting Wildlife

♦ All persons who possess, transport or ship 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 that person.

Or, if the animal was taken by another person:

- ♦ A record of receipt (see page 22) 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 sex of the animal taken.

Game Check

♦ All hunters, with or without game, when encountering temporary checking stations operated by an officer, are required by law to stop and report. Their compliance with wildlife and firearms laws will be determined.

EXPORT FROM THE PROVINCE

♦ 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 covered under C.I.T.E.S. (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Fauna and Flora) a C.I.T.E.S. permit is also required for grizzly bear, black bear, wolf, cougar, lynx or bobcat exported out of Canada.

♦ **A person who is ordinarily a resident of the United States may export a black bear hunted by the person, if it is in a fresh, frozen or salted condition and the person is exporting only the hide, the**

hide with paws and claws attached, the skull, or the meat excluding any organs, without obtaining a C.I.T.E.S. export permit.

- ♦ Hunters planning to hunt in M.U.s 7-19 or 7-20 and accessing BC 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.
- ♦ 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. 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 BC Environment and a numbered plug inserted in one of the horns before the animal can be exported, or re-exported if the animal originated outside the province.
- ♦ Where a hunter or taxidermist, tanner or meatcutter has any doubt or questions about how to proceed under any circumstances which are not covered in the foregoing, he or she should contact the Wildlife Branch or Conservation Officer Service as soon as possible.
- ♦ 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 for this purpose.

C.I.T.E.S.

♦ 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 leaving Canada directly from British Columbia may be obtained by making an appointment during normal working hours at some BC Environment offices. The offices that issue these permits are listed on the regional map pages at the beginning of each regional section.

Note: Persons leaving Canada may NOT be able to obtain a C.I.T.E.S. permit in Alberta and should obtain a permit in British Columbia before leaving.

For more information on C.I.T.E.S. contact Wildlife Branch in Victoria at (250) 387-9739

TAXIDERMISTS, TANNERS, MEATCUTTERS, FUR TRADERS AND COLD STORAGE PLANT OPERATORS

♦ Many hunters wish to have 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 or cold storage plant operator. These businesses are required under the Wildlife Act and regulations to keep records of their transactions.

♦ The regulations state that the following information must be recorded:

- (a) the total number of wildlife or parts of them of each species acquired.
- (b) the date of receipt of the wildlife or parts of them.
- (c) the name and address of the person from whom wildlife or parts of them were acquired, and
- (d) 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:

1. his or her hunting and species licences with the appropriately cancelled species licence.
2. Limited Entry Hunting Authorization, if such was required in order to hunt the animal.
3. Compulsory Inspection Data Sheet, which confirms that the animal has been inspected by a *Wildlife Act* officer, where such an inspection is required.
4. his or her trapping licence, if the animal was taken under that authority.
5. 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 3.

♦ 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 a **Wildlife Act** officer, 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 a conservation officer or constable 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.

A TOOTH FOR THE TRUTH

◆ The Harvest Card Tooth Return Program is temporarily suspended and hunters are asked not to voluntarily provide teeth and harvest information on the harvest card return envelope this year. Any teeth received from hunters this year as part of the voluntary "Tooth For The Truth" program will not be aged nor will age information be returned. As a source of needed management data concerning harvest and hunter effort, the Wildlife Branch will continue to rely on the mailed hunter questionnaires, compulsory reporting and inspection, including teeth where specified, for both limited entry and general open season hunts.

◆ Tooth returns are still required for compulsory reporting and inspection where specified for either LEH or general open season hunts.

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.

◆ **In addition, Regional Fish and Wildlife managers may conduct administrative hearings under the Wildlife Act for guide outfitters and assistant guides and remove their guiding privileges if they have violated the Wildlife Act or regulations or for another cause considered sufficient by the regional manager.**

PACKERS

"Packing" is defined by the Wildlife Branch as a service that is provided to a resident hunter for a fee by a person who provides transportation, camp facilities and/or accompanies the resident (related to hunting). This activity is currently not regulated by the Wildlife Act. Unregulated packing has led to increased hunter densities in some parts of the province, which can result in negative impacts on wildlife populations, damage to wildlife habitat and a less positive hunting experience. The Wildlife Branch has been reviewing this situation in conjunction with the BC Wildlife Federation, the Guide Outfitters Association of BC and the Packer's Association. As a result the Wildlife Branch will be making a recommendation that packing activities become regulated in future, possibly as early as the fall of 2001. It is expected the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks will be making a decision by the late fall of 2000 with a public announcement of any changes. Interested hunters are invited to contact the Wildlife Branch in Victoria (250) 387-9717 AFTER November 2000.

UNAUTHORIZED USE OF CABINS

• While in the back country you may have occasion to encounter cabins of various sorts. These belong to someone engaged in a legitimate business such as trapping or guiding. They are private and are not to be entered, damaged or disturbed. Hunter ethics, courtesy and respect are relied upon so that additions to the regulations imposing severe sanctions are not necessary.

To access the
BC Hunting and Trapping
Regulations, go to
www.monday.com/hunting

Hunting in Parks

If the season within a provincial park, certain park regulations may apply (specifically with regards to access). Please contact the BC Parks office in the area in which you want to hunt to determine if any special conditions apply.

NOTICE Grizzly Bear or Black Bear

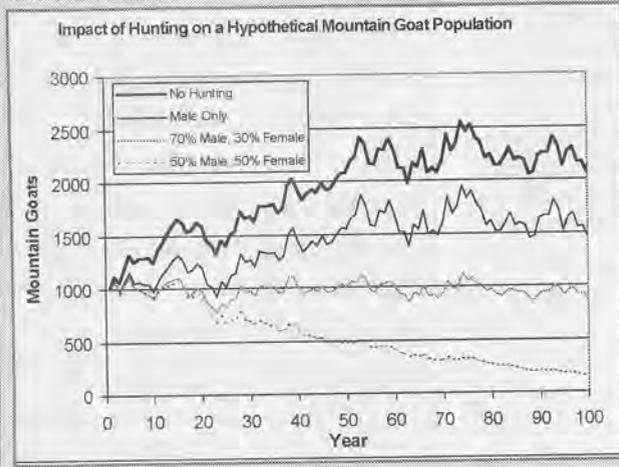
There is no open season on any bear (grizzly bear or black bear) less than two years old or any bear in its company. Do not shoot any grizzly bear or black bear when observed in a family unit. There is no open season on white (Kermode) or blue (Glacier) colour phases of the black bear. If you shoot an ear-tagged or radio collared bear, contact a BC Environment Office immediately for important information. All Grizzly bear hunting is on LEH See LEH Synopsis for information

IMPORTANT NOTICE – TO ALL MOUNTAIN GOAT HUNTERS

BC is home to about 50,000 mountain goats, or 90% of the goats in Canada. Goat numbers declined in a number of areas from 1950 to 1975, primarily because of over-hunting associated with increased access and high harvests of female goats. Recent hunting restrictions and reintroductions have largely reversed that trend, and today most mountain goat populations in the province are considered stable.

In recent years there has been a trend towards an increasing harvest of female goats in some areas. The Wildlife Program is attempting to address this concern through voluntary compliance among hunters to select a male mountain goat (billy) while hunting. If high female harvests continue, more restrictive hunting regulations will need to be implemented.

Mountain goats are very sensitive to over-harvest, and even a small harvest of adult females can tip the balance between increasing and declining populations. The graph below shows just how sensitive mountain goats are to female harvest. In this example, an unhunted mountain goat population, while fluctuating yearly in response to weather and predators, increases from 1000 to over 2000 goats in 100 years. The same population of 1000 mountain goats is then harvested at 5% per year, but under 3 different hunting schedules: (1) only adult males are harvested, (2) 70% of the harvest is males and 30% are females; and (3) 50% of the harvest is males and 50% is females. When only adult males are harvested, goat numbers also increase. When the harvest is distributed as 70% males and 30% females,



goat numbers are stable. But when the harvest composition is increased to 50% females and 50% males, the goat population rapidly declines.

Currently, the provincial mountain goat harvest from resident and non-resident hunters is comprised of about 70% males and 30% females. However, the resident harvest has averaged about 65% males and 35% females in recent years, and in 1998 the resident harvest was 60% males and 40% females. In some areas of the province it is close to 50% males and 50% females. Thus, mountain goat hunters are reminded that:

Mountain goat populations are sensitive to harvest. Hunters are requested to select a male mountain goat.

In order to ensure that you select a male mountain goat, please pay careful attention to the following criteria when viewing mountain goats: group composition, urination posture, genitalia, pelage, body size, and most importantly horn shape and size. While only one of these criteria may not allow you to reliably distinguish a male mountain goat, usually a combination of these features will:

1. Female and juvenile goats are found in groups throughout the year. They are rarely by themselves. Adult males generally live alone for most of the year. However, from late October to mid December, males seek out females, so both sexes can be found together at this time of year.

2. During urination, the male stretch forward with the front legs while keeping the hind legs stationary. The female, on the other hand,

will move the hind legs apart, and then squat to situate her rump closer to the ground.

3. If you are at close range, you may be able to observe the genitalia in males, or observe the black vulval patch of the female if the tail is raised.

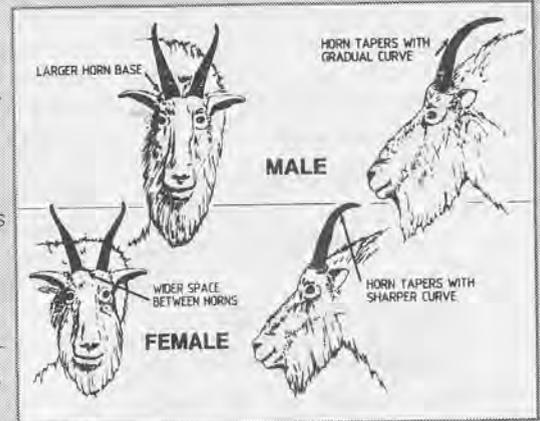
4. Males tend to have a bigger beard and pantsalons and longer hair over the top of the

shoulders than do females.

5. Older males are usually larger than females, standing 3 to 6 inches higher at the shoulder and slightly longer in body length.

6. Adult males have longer, thicker horns and the circumference of the horn at the base is greater. Careful observation will show that there is less space between the horns of males than females. Generally, the space between the base of the horns of an adult male is less than the diameter of the horn base, while the space between the horns of an adult female or juvenile is greater than the diameter of the horn base. Horn curvature is the single, most important characteristic to look at. For males, the horn curves back in a more uniform arch; while for females, the horn tends to curve more abruptly near the tip.

Remember, pack a spotting scope and take your time to observe each goat before you select an animal to shoot. Try to identify the sex of the goat using at least two of the above criteria. If you are hunting with a partner, check to make sure you are both in agreement. If you are not sure, don't shoot!



For more information on mountain goats, see our brochure "Mountain Goat in British Columbia – Ecology, Conservation and Management" available through Fish and Wildlife Regional Offices or Wildlife Branch Headquarters (PO Box 9374 Strn Prov Govt, Victoria, BC V8W 9M4).

BAG LIMITS

Deer: The bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer is two, of which 1 may be antlerless from MU 1-1 or special seasons. See Maps A13, A15, A16, A22, A23, and A35. On Sidney Island outside the exterior boundaries of Sidney Spit Provincial Park and during the LEH deer hunt in the park the bag limit is 3 deer (antlered or antlerless) and are in addition to the provincial limit. Hunters must obtain the permission of the landowner before hunting on Sidney Island outside the park.

•Grouse: The daily bag limit for blue and ruffed grouse is 5 each. See page 11 & 12 for additional information on bag limits.

LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING (LEH)

• The seasons shown in the attached tables are for general open seasons only. If you are hunting under an LEH authorization, the species, class of animal (age/sex) or time period during which you are authorized to hunt may be different than those shown in this publication.

VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS

A person commits an offence if he or she uses or operates a motor vehicle in the following areas:

- The Parksville-Qualicum Wildlife Management Area in MU 1-5 (see map A23)
- Willow Creek in MU 1-6 (see map A20)
- Block 1392 of MU 1-5 on Green Mountain
- Snowmobiles & ATV's are prohibited in Zone B of MU 1-5 (Nanaimo River) from Sept 1 to Dec 31 (map A17)

COMPULSORY INSPECTION & REPORTING

- See page 14 & 15 for requirements.

NOTICE TO HUNTERS

• No Shooting or No Hunting Areas: Hunters should be aware of these areas as outlined on page 23-25. Hunters are also responsible for identifying and complying with community/municipal No Shooting by-laws

• The discharge of rifles is prohibited in MU 1-1 except on Valdes Island, Sidney Island and James Island (and except by permit elsewhere) See Map A1. Note No Shooting or Hunting areas in MU 1-1. See Maps A2 to A6.

• 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: 604-946-8546).

• The Vancouver Island Marmot is protected and must 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.

• The use of raptors for hunting small game is per-

mitted in Vancouver Island Region during all open seasons, including archery only seasons. Licenced falconers may hunt waterfowl, pheasant and quail on the Saanich Peninsula during the regular open seasons for MU 1-1.

• On Sidney Island outside the exterior boundaries of Sidney Spit Marine Provincial Park the open season for antlered and antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer and fallow deer is August 26 to February 28/01. Hunters must obtain permission from landowners before hunting on private land on Sidney Island. See Map A1.

• Deer hunting is prohibited within the exterior boundaries of Sidney Spit Marine Provincial Park (situate in MU 1-1) except for LEH and native sustenance hunt for fallow/black-tailed deer. See Map A1.

• 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). See Map A10.

• Gulf Islands Special Licence Hunting Area: All persons, 19 years of age or older, hunting on an island in MU 1-1 (except Vancouver Island), are required to purchase a Gulf Islands Special Licence. Persons under the age of 19 must be accompanied by someone over the age of 19 who holds a Gulf Island Special Licence. Evidence of \$100,000 Public Liability and Property Damage insurance valid while hunting is 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.

• Hunters planning to hunt on Galiano Island should be aware that the majority of the island is now comprised of private lots - large blocks of industrial forest lands no longer exist. Prior to hunting on private land, hunters must obtain permission from the owner of the property they intend to hunt.

NATIONAL PARKS

- Hunting is prohibited in all National Parks

REGIONAL DISTRICT PARKS

- Hunting and the discharge of firearms is prohibited in all Regional District Parks
- Contact the Regional District in the locality you wish to hunt for information on new parks.

MUNICIPALITIES

- Municipal bylaws that affect the discharge of firearms and/or bows are not included in this synopsis. For more information, contact individual municipalities.



H & H GUNS & SPORTING SUPPLIES

- Hunting/Fishing Licenses
- Ammunition
- Camping Equipment
- Fishing Gear

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PROVINCIAL 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:

- Bligh Island Prov. Park(MU 1-12)
 - Brooks Peninsula Prov. Park(MU 1-12)
 - Cape Scott Prov. Park (waterfowl only)*(MU 1-13)
 - (the drainage area of the Nahwitti Shushartie only (MU 1-13) is open to all hunting)
 - Carmanah Walbran Prov. Park(MU 1-3)
 - Catala Island Marine Prov. Park(MU 1-12)
 - Claude Elliot Prov. Park(MU 1-10)
 - Clayoquot Arm Prov. Park(MU 1-8)
 - Clayoquot Plateau Prov. Park(MU 1-8)
 - Dawley Passage Prov. Park(MU 1-8)
 - Epper Passage Prov. Park(MU 1-8)
 - Flores Island Prov. Park(MU 1-8)
 - Gibson Marine Prov. Park (waterfowl only)* (shotguns only)(MU 1-8)
 - God's Pocket Marine Prov. Park(MU 1-13)
 - Gold Murchat Provincial Park(MU 1-9)
 - Hesquiat Lake Prov. Park(MU 1-8)
 - Hesquiat Peninsula Prov. Park(MU 1-8)
 - Lower Nimpkish Prov. Park(MU 1-11)
 - McBride Creek addition to Strathcona Provincial Park only(MU 1-7)
 - Main Lake Prov. Park(MU 1-15)
 - Marble River Prov. Park(MU 1-13)
 - Megin Talbot area only of Strathcona Prov. Park(MU 1-8)
 - Nimpkish Lake Prov. Park(MU 1-11)
 - Nuchatlitz Prov. Park(MU 1-12)
 - Octopus Island Marine Prov. Park (waterfowl only)* (shotguns only)(MU 1-15)
 - Quatsino Prov. Park(MU 1-13)
 - Sandy Island Prov. Park (waterfowl only)* (shotguns only)(MU 1-6)
 - Schoen Lake Prov. Park(MU 1-10, 1-11)
 - Sidney Spit Marine Prov. Park (waterfowl)* LEH (during the period Nov 13 - Feb 28/01) and native sustenance hunt for fallow/black-tailed deer (Oct 16- Nov 12/00 and Mar 1 - Mar 16/01 (MU 1-1) See Map A1.
 - Sooke Mountain Prov. Park(MU 1-2)
 - Sulphur Passage Prov. Park(MU 1-8)
 - Sydney Inlet Prov. Park(MU 1-8)
 - Tahshish-Kwois Prov. Park(MU 1-12)
 - Thurston Bay Marine Prov. Park (waterfowl only)* (shotguns only)(MU 1-15)
 - Tranquil Creek Prov. Park(MU 1-8)
 - Vargas Island Prov. Park(MU 1-8)
 - White Ridge Prov. Park(MU 1-9)
 - Woss Lake Prov. Park(MU 1-11)
- *Waterfowl includes ducks, coots, common snipe, snow geese, Ross' geese, White-fronted geese and Canada geese.

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.

The following parks are closed to hunting and the discharge of firearms. However hunters are permitted to carry unloaded firearms or bows only when in transit to an open area outside the park during a lawful hunting season:

Chemainus River Prov. Park(MU 1-5)

Koksilah River Prov. Park(MU 1-4)

Little Qualicum Falls Prov. Park ... (MU 1-5)

Morton Lake Prov. Park(MU 1-10)

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.

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SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNITS	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT
MULE DEER (Black-Tailed)	1-1 to 1-15	Bucks	Sept 9 - Dec 10	2
	▲1-1	Antlerless	Nov 1 - Nov 10	1
	★1-1 to 1-15	Bucks	Aug 26 - Sept 8	
▲ Excludes Saltspring Island and Gabriola Island. ★ 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. Portion MU 1-6 restricted to two point or greater mule deer; keep antlers with species. See Special Area Map A29.				
Bow Only Season				
MOUNTAIN GOAT	1-14, 1-15		Sept 10 - Nov 30	1
BLACK BEAR	1-1 to 1-15		Sept 9 - Dec 10	2
	1-1 to 1-15		Apr 1/2001 - June 15/2001	2
Bow Only Season	1-1 to 1-15		Aug 26 - Sept 8	
There is no bow only season on the Gulf Islands in MU 1-1 or in zone B of MU 1-5. See Map A17.				
WOLF	1-1 to 1-15		Sept 9 - March 31/2001	3
	1-1 to 1-15		April 1/2001 - June 15/2001	3
All wolf taken in MUs 1-1 to 1-13 must be reported to a BC Environment office in Region 1 within 30 days of the date of kill.				
COUGAR	1-1 to 1-15		Sept 9 - March 31/2001	2
	1-1 to 1-15		April 1 - June 15/2001	2
RACCOON	1-1 to 1-15		Apr 1 - Mar 31/2001	10
SNOWSHOE HARE	1-14, 1-15		Aug 1 - March 31/2001	10 (daily)
	1-14, 1-15		April 1/2001 - April 30/2001	10 (daily)
OPOSSUM, SKUNK	1-1 to 1-15		Apr 1 - Mar 31/2001	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.				
BLUE and RUFFED GROUSE	1-1 to 1-15		Sept 2 - Dec 31	5 of each(15 of each)
Bow only Season	1-1 to 1-15		Aug 26 - Sept 1	5 of each(15 of each)
There is no bow only season on the Gulf Islands in MU 1-1 or in zone B of MU 1-5. See Map A17.				
PTARMIGAN	1-14, 1-15		Sept 10 - Nov 30	5(15)
CALIFORNIA QUAIL	1-1 to 1-5		Oct 1 - Nov 30	5(15)
			No open season on mountain quail.	
PHEASANT (COCKS ONLY)	1-1 to 1-9		Oct 1 - Nov 30	2(6)
RAVEN	★1-1		Apr 1 - Mar 31/2001	5
★Private lands on Saltspring Island only; Hunters must obtain permission from landowners before hunting on private land.				
COOTS, COMMON SNIPE	★1-1 to 1-15		Oct 7 - Jan 19/2001	10(20)
★In Sidney Spit Marine Provincial Park, open season is Oct 15 - Jan 19/2001.				
DUCKS	★1-1 to 1-15		Oct 7 - Jan 19/2001	8(16)
Restricted daily bag limits of 4 Pintails, 1 Canvasback, 2 Goldeneye & 2 Harlequin are in effect - see page 11 & 12. ★In Sidney Spit Marine Provincial Park, open season is Oct 15 - Jan 19/2001.				
SNOW GEESE, ROSS'S GEESE	★1-1 to 1-15		Oct 7 - Jan 19/2001	5(10)
The aggregate daily bag limit for all geese is 5 - see page 11 & 12. ★In Sidney Spit Marine Provincial Park, open season is Oct 15 - Jan 19/2001.				
CANADA GEESE	1-3, 1-7 to 1-15		Oct 7 - Jan 19/2001	5(10)
	1-1, 1-2, ▲1-4, 1-5, 1-6		★Sept 15 - Oct 25	5(10)
	1-1, 1-2, ▲1-4, 1-5, 1-6		★Dec 15 - Jan 25/2001	5(10)
	1-1, 1-2, ▲1-4, 1-5, 1-6		★Feb 15 - Mar 10/2001	5(10)
▲For Cowichan Bay and Ex-Dinsdale property seasons in MU 1-4, see page 32.				
★In Sidney Spit Marine Provincial Park, the open season is Dec 15 to Jan 25.				

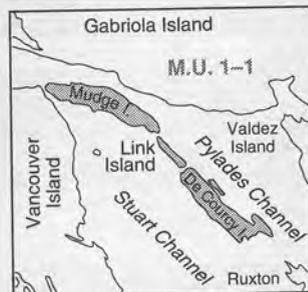
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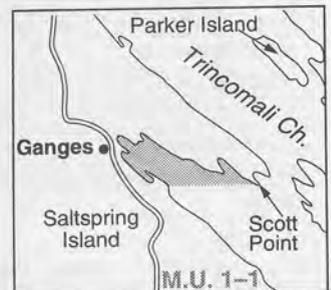
SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNITS	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT
CANADA GEESE	▲ I-4 (Cowichan Bay)		Oct 7 - Oct 25	5(10)
			Dec 15 - Jan 25/2001	5(10)
			Feb 15/2001 - Mar 10/2001	5(10)
	▲ I-4 (Ex-Dinsdale property)		Sept 25 - Oct 6	5(10)
			Jan 10/2001 - Jan 25/2001	5(10)
			Feb 15/2001 - Mar 10/2001	5(10)
▲ See Map A10.				
WATERFOWLERS HERITAGE DAYS				
DUCKS, SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE, WHITE-FRONTED GEESE, CANADA GEESE				
	I-1 to I-15		★ Sept 30 - Oct 1	5(10)
★ Waterfowlers Heritage Days are restricted to hunters under the age of 19. (see page 13 for details)				
The aggregate daily bag limit for all geese is 5 - see page 11 & 12.				



Map A1 Sidney Spit Marine Park exterior boundaries (situate in MU I-1).



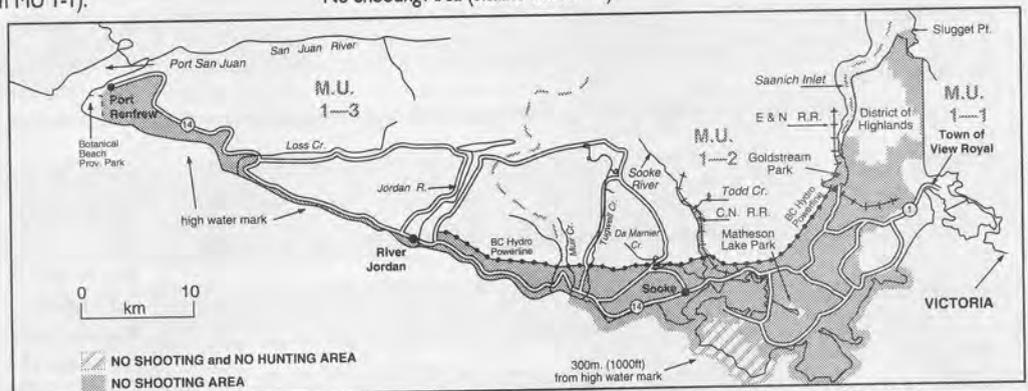
Map A2 Mudge and DeCourcy Islands No Shooting or Hunting Area and Link Island No Shooting Area (situate in MU I-1)



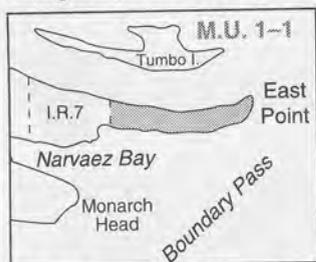
Map A3 Ganges No Shooting Area (situate in MU I-1).



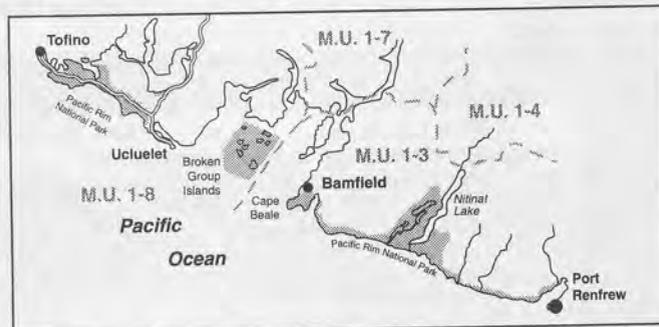
Map A4 Mayne Island No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU I-1).



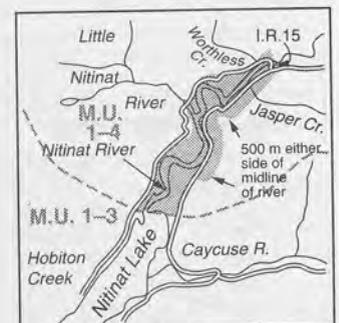
Map A5 Sooke - Metchosin. No Shooting Area and No Shooting or Hunting Areas (situate in MUs I-1, I-2 and I-3).



Map A6 Saturna Island No Shooting or Hunting Area (Situate in MU I-1).

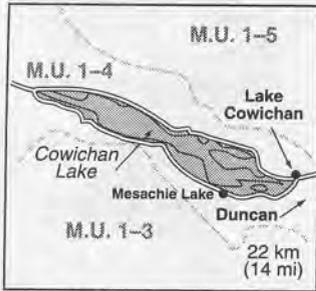


Map A7 Pacific Rim (West Coast) National Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MUs I-3 and I-8).

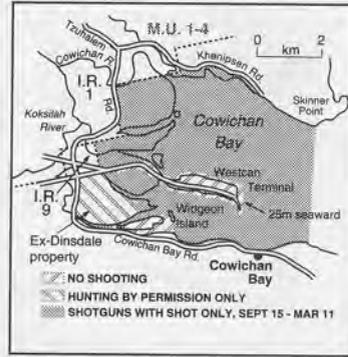


Map A8 Nitinat River No Shooting or Hunting Area. (situate in MU I-4).

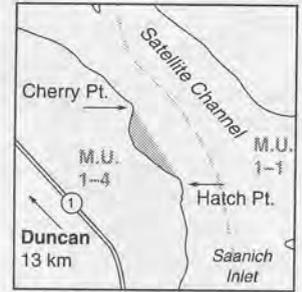
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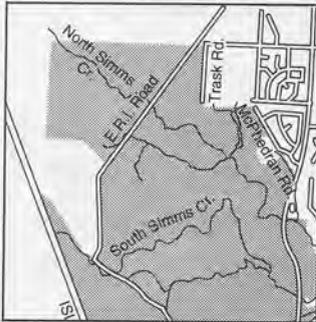
Map A9 Cowichan Lake No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 1-4).



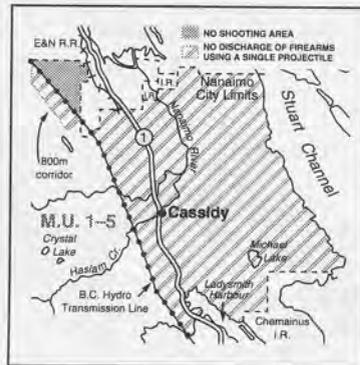
Map A10 Cowichan Bay Area (situate in MU 1-4) Seasonal No Shooting Area & Shotgun with Shot Only Area. Hunting by Permission Only Area (Ex-Dinsdale property) is closed to Hunting except for Canada Geese. See page 32 for season dates.



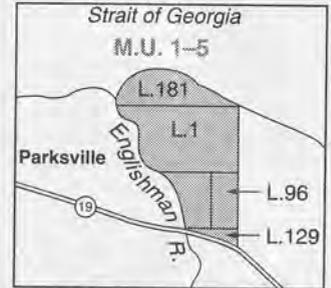
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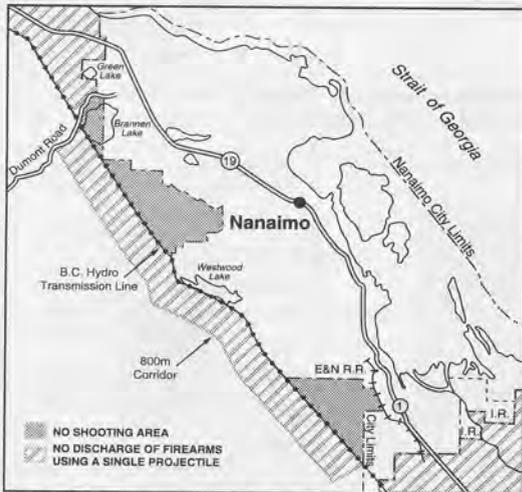
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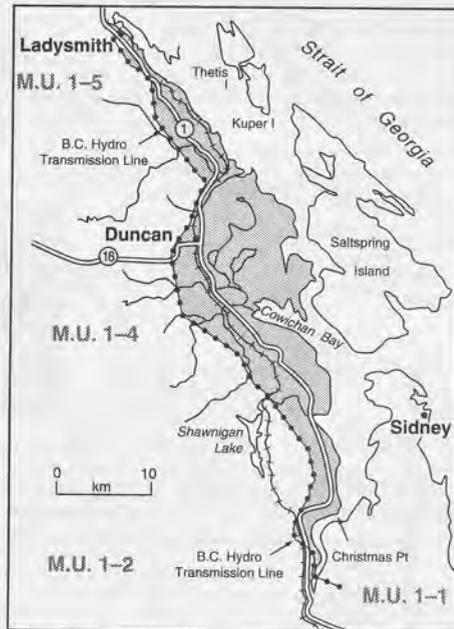
Map A13 Nanaimo-Ladysmith No Shooting and Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 1-5). Hunting with, or the discharge of a rifle or shotgun using a single projectile is prohibited. Michael Lake: No Shooting on Michael Lake to the high water mark. A special season east of the powerline for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Sept 9 to Dec 10. A special bow and arrow only season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Aug 26 to Sept 8. Bag limit = 2(1).



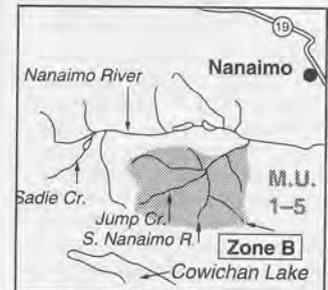
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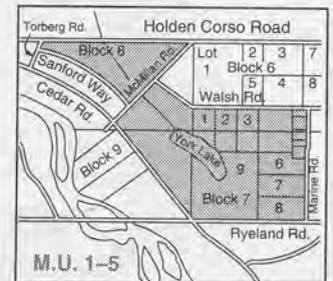
Map A15 Nanaimo - No Shooting and Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 1-5). Hunting with, or the discharge of a rifle or shotgun using a single projectile is prohibited. A special season east of the powerline for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Sept 9 to Dec 10. A special bow and arrow only season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Aug 26 to Sept 8. Bag limit = 2(1).



Map A16 Ladysmith - Malahat Shotgun with Shot Only Area (situate in MUs 1-2, 1-4 & 1-5). 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 9 to Dec 10. A special bow and arrow season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Aug 26 to Sept 8. Bag limit = 2(1).



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



Map A18 York Lake No Shooting Area (situate in MU 1-5).

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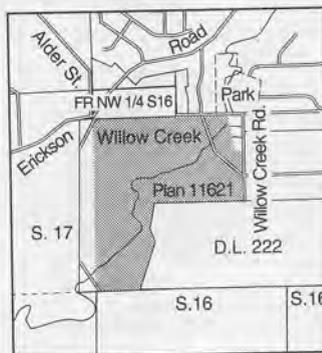
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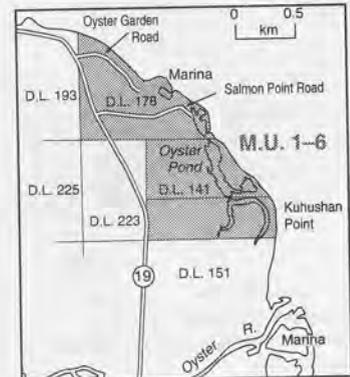
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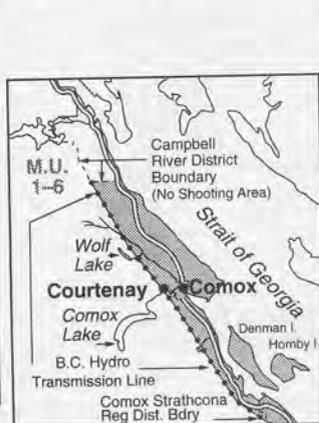
Map A19 Parksville-Qualicum Wildlife Management Area (WMA) Access Management Area (situate in MU 1-5) Closed year round to the operation of all motor vehicles.



Map A20 Willow Creek Access Management Area (situate in MU 1-6). Closed year round to the operation of all motor vehicles.



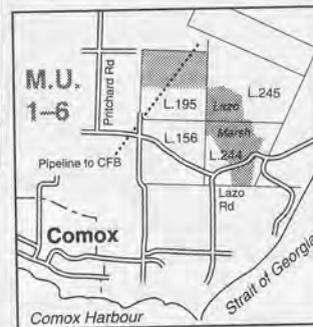
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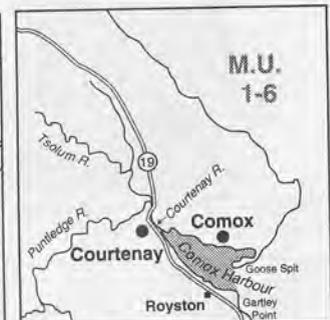
Map A22 Courtenay - Campbell River Shotgun with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 1-6). Hunting with, or the discharge of a rifle or a shotgun using a single projectile is prohibited. The special season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Sept 9 to Dec 10. A special bow and arrow season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Aug 26 to Sept 8. Bag limit = 2(1).



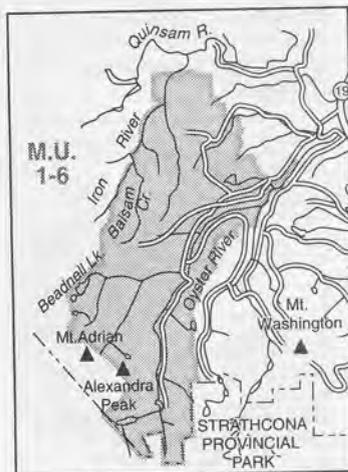
Map A23 Qualicum - Parksville Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MUs 1-5, 1-6). Hunting with, or the discharge of rifles or a shotgun using a single projectile is prohibited. A special season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Sept 9 to Dec 10. A special bow and arrow only season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Aug 26 to Sept 8. Bag limit = 2(1).



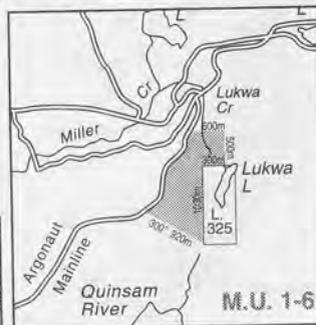
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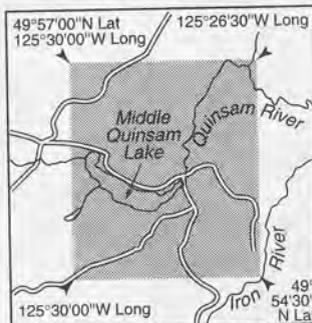
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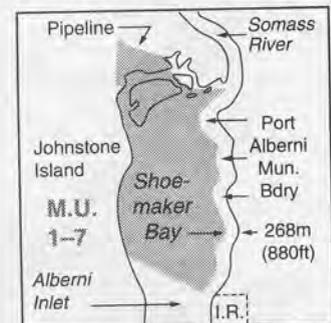
Map A29 Iron River/Oyster River Special Mule Deer Hunting Area (situate in MU 1-6). Special season for 2 point or greater mule deer is Sept. 9 - Dec. 10.



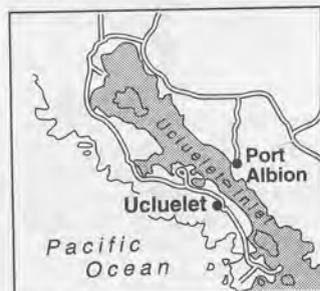
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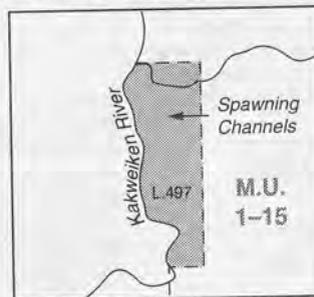
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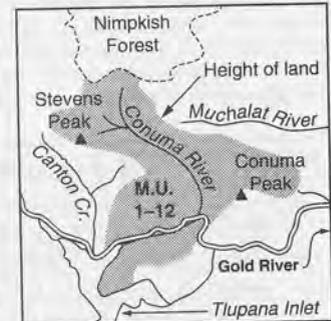
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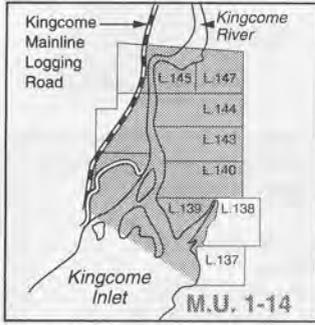
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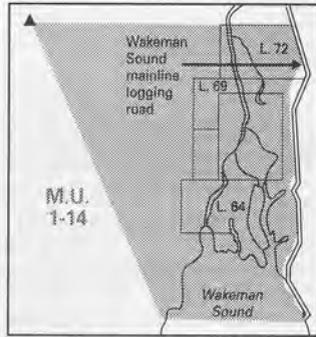
Map A31 Kakweiken River Grizzly Bear and Black Bear Closed Area (situate in MU 1-15).



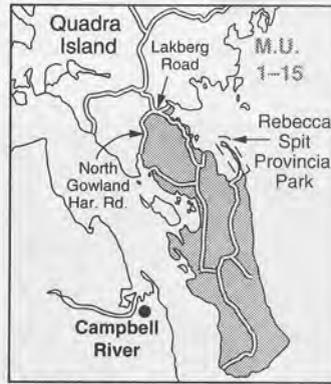
Map A32 Conuma River Bow Only Area (situate in MU 1-12). Open for Bow Only Hunting of all big game with open seasons in MU 1-12.



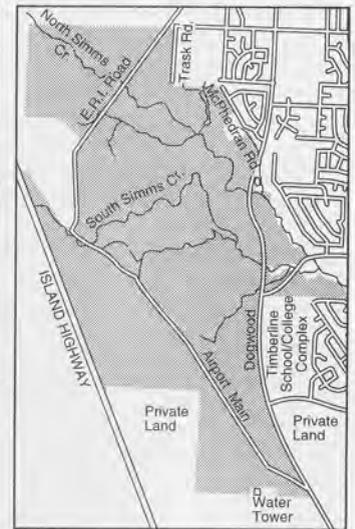
Map A33 Kingcome Inlet Grizzly Bear and Black Bear Closed Area (situate in MU 1-14).



Map A34 Wakeman Sound Grizzly Bear and Black Bear Closed Area (situate in MU 1-14).

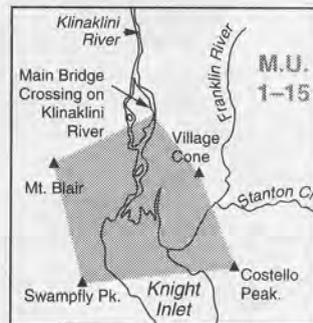


Map A35 Quadra Island Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 1-15). Open for antlerless deer Sept 9 to Dec 10. A special bow and arrow only season for antlerless mule (black-tailed) deer is from Aug 26 - Sept 8. Bag limit = 2(1).

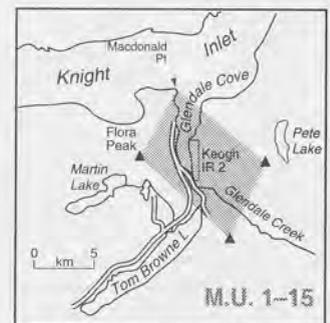


Map A36 Beaver Lodge Trust Lands No Hunting Area (situate in MU 1-6).

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Map A37 Knight Inlet Grizzly Bear and Black Bear Closed Area (situate in MU 1-15).



Map A38 Glendale Cove Grizzly Bear and Black Bear Closed Area (situate in MU 1-15).

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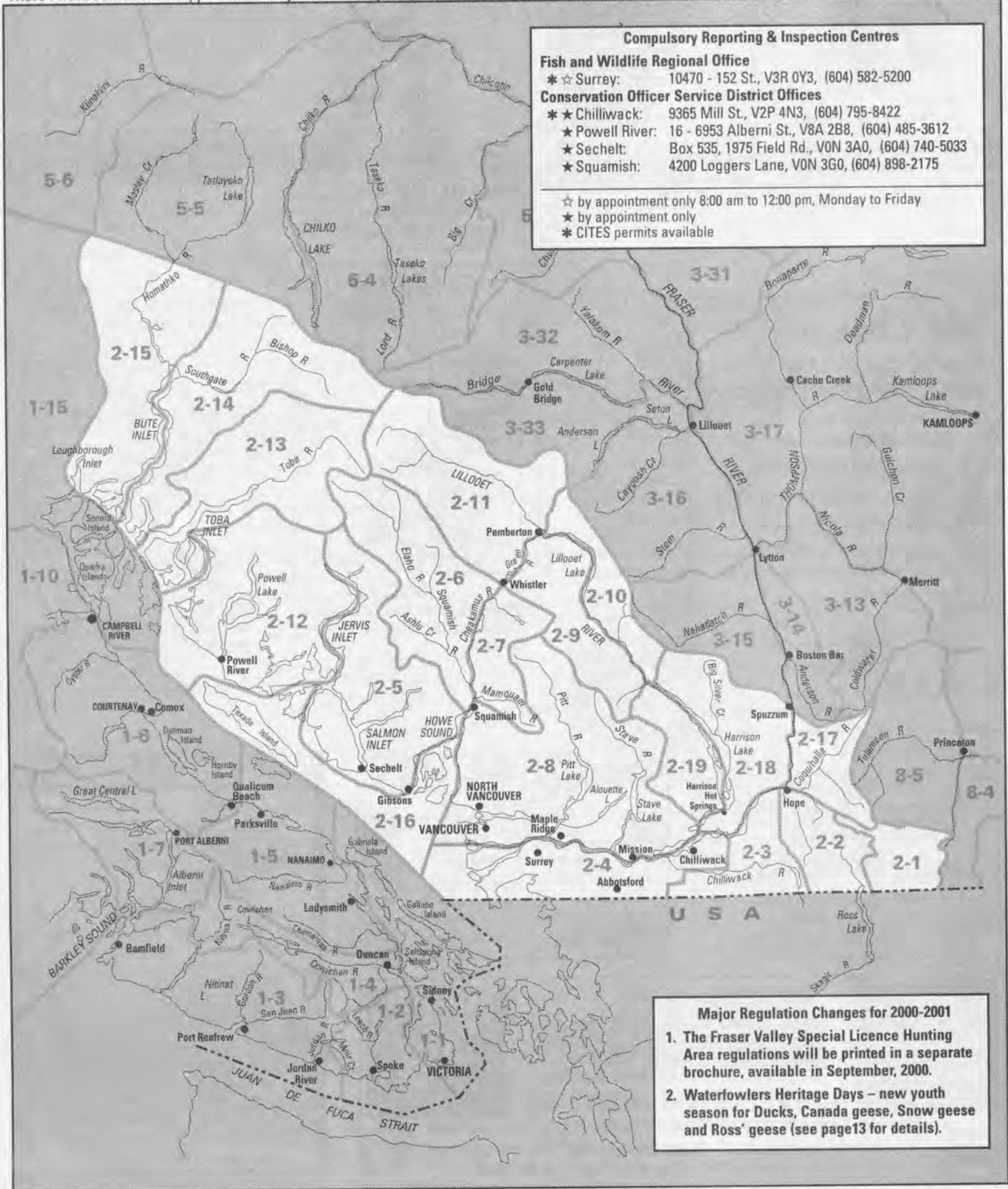
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Major Regulation Changes for 2000-2001

1. The Fraser Valley Special Licence Hunting Area regulations will be printed in a separate brochure, available in September, 2000.
2. Waterfowlers Heritage Days – new youth season for Ducks, Canada geese, Snow geese and Ross' geese (see page 13 for details).

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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).

LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING (LEH)

•The seasons shown in the attached tables are for general open seasons only. If you are hunting under an LEH authorization, the species, class of animal (age/sex) or time period during which you are authorized to hunt may be different than those shown in this publication.

COMPULSORY INSPECTION & REPORTING

• See page 14 & 15 for provincial Compulsory Inspection or Compulsory Reporting requirements. Notice to Hunters

•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 on any foreshore dyke facing Mud Bay in the city of Surrey.

•Fraser Valley Special Area - Hunters should take note of the special licence area in the Fraser Valley. Information (see page 41). These special licences are available through selected private outlets. For further information contact a government agents office.

•No Shooting Areas or No Hunting Areas: Hunters should be aware of these areas as outlined on page 23-25.

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

•A small population of white tailed deer has become resident to the Herrling Island area (MU 2-3) near Hope, B.C. Hunters are reminded that there is no open season for white tailed deer in this area.

•Boundary Bay Wildlife Management Area (MU 2-4) is closed to snipe hunting. This includes all foreshore areas seaward of the dykes surrounding Boundary, Mud and Semiahmoo Bays.

NATIONAL PARKS

•Hunting is prohibited in all National Parks

REGIONAL DISTRICT PARKS

•Hunting and the discharge of firearms is prohibited in and within 100m of all Regional District Parks.

•Contact the Regional District in the locality you wish to hunt for information on new parks.

PROVINCIAL 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:

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Callaghan Lake Provincial Park

..... (MU 2-6)

Cascade Recreation Area .. (MU 2-17, 8-5)

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Campground area and ecological reserve remain closed to hunting.

Coquihalla Summit Recreation Area
..... (MU 2-17)

Homathko Estuary Provincial Park
..... (MU 2-15)

Indian Arm Prov. Park (MU 2-8)

International Ridge Prov. Park
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Mount Richardson Provincial Park
..... (MU 2-5)

Pinecone Burke Provincial Park .. (MU 2-8)

Simson Prov. Park (MU 2-16)

Skagit Valley Prov. Park (MU 2-2)

is only open to the discharge of firearms from September 10 to March 31 during a lawful game hunting season.

South Texada Island Provincial Park
..... (MU 2-16)

Spiipiyus Provincial Park (MU 2-5)

Upper Lillooet River Provincial Park
..... (MU 2-11)

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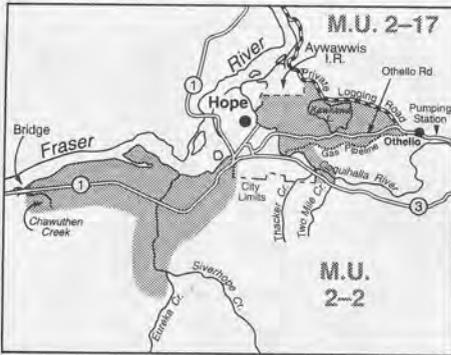
SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNITS	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT
MULE DEER (Black-Tailed)	2-2 to 2-8, 2-12 to 2-15, 2-17 to 2-19	Bucks	Sept 10 - Dec 15	2
	2-9 to 2-11	Bucks	Sept 10 - Nov 30	2
	2-16	*Bucks	Sept 10 - Dec 15	2
	2-16	*▼ Antlerless	Oct 21 - Oct 31	1
	2-16	*Antlerless	Nov 5 - Nov 20	1
	Bow Only Seasons	2-2 to 2-19	*Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	2
	▲2-16	Either Sex	Dec 16 - Jan 15/2001	3(2)
* In those portions of MU 2-16 being Bowen Island and Texada Island, the bag limit for deer is 3(2). See Map B20 for special seasons and restrictions on Bowen Island. - Season dates above do not apply on Bowen Island.				
▼ Hunters must be under the age of 19. ▲Texada Island only.				
MOUNTAIN GOAT	2-5		Sept 10 - Oct 15	1
	*2-6		Sept 10 - Sept 30	1
	▼2-12 to 2-15		Sept 10 - Oct 31	1
*See Map B5. ▼See Maps B13, B14.				
BLACK BEAR	2-3 to 2-17		Sept 10 - Nov 30	2
	2-3 to 2-17		Apr 1/2001 - June 15/2001	2
	2-2, 2-18, 2-19		Sept 10 - Nov 30	1
	2-2, 2-18, 2-19		Apr 1/2001 - June 15/2001	1
	Bow Only Seasons	2-3 to 2-17		Sept 1 - Sept 9
	2-2, 2-18, 2-19		Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
WOLF	2-5, 2-6, 2-11 to 2-16		Sept 10 - Mar 31/2001	3
COYOTE	2-2 to 2-19		Sept 1 - Mar 31/2001	NBL

SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNITS	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT
RACCOON, SKUNK	2-2 to 2-19		Sept 1 - Mar 31/2001	NBL
SNOWSHOE HARE	2-2 to 2-19		Aug 1 - March 31/2001	10 (daily)
	2-2 to 2-19		April 1/2001 - April 30/2001	
BOBCAT	2-2 to 2-19		Nov 15 - Feb 15/2001	5
COUGAR	2-2 to 2-19		Nov 15 - Mar 31/2001	2
GROUSE BLUE, SPRUCE (FRANKLIN) AND RUFFED	2-2 to 2-19		Sept 10 - Dec 15	10(30)
Bow Only Season	2-2 to 2-19		Sept 1 - Sept 9	10(30)
<i>For Blue, Spruce (Franklin's) and Ruffed grouse, the daily aggregate bag limit is 10; the aggregate possession limit is 30.</i>				
PTARMIGAN	2-2, 2-3, 2-5 to 2-19		Sept 10 - Dec 15	5(15)
Bow Only Season	2-2, 2-3, 2-5 to 2-19		Sept 1 - Sept 9	5(15)
PHEASANT (COCKS ONLY)	2-4, 2-8		Oct 7 - Nov 30	2(6)
<i>Hunting permitted from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.</i>				
COOTS, COMMON SNIPE	2-2 to 2-10, 2-12 to 2-19		Oct 7 - Jan 19/2001	10(20)
	2-11		Sept 10 - Dec 23	10(20)
<i>Boundary Bay Wildlife Management Area is closed to Snipe hunting. Consideration is being given to extend this closure to other foreshore areas (ie. Roberts and Sturgeon Banks) in future hunting seasons.</i>				
DUCKS	2-2 to 2-10, 2-12 to 2-19		Oct 7 - Jan 19/2001	8(16)
	2-11		Sept 10 - Dec 23	8(16)
<i>Restricted daily bag limits of 4 Pintails, 1 Canvasback, 2 Goldeneye and 2 Harlequins are in effect - see page 11 & 12. See special area maps.</i>				
BRANT	2-4		Mar 1/2001 - Mar 10/2001	2(4)
<i>The aggregate daily bag limit for all geese is 5 - see page 11 & 12.</i>				
SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE	2-4, 2-5		Oct 7 - Nov 26	5(10)
	2-4, 2-5		Feb 3/2001 - Mar 10/2001	5(10)
<i>The aggregate daily bag limit for all geese is 5 - see page 11 & 12. See special area maps.</i>				
CANADA GEESE	2-5 to 2-7, 2-9, 2-10, 2-12 to 2-17		Oct 7 - Jan 19/2001	5(10)
	★ 2-2 to 2-4, 2-8, 2-18, 2-19		Sept 9 - Sept 17	▲5(10)
	★ 2-2 to 2-4, 2-8, 2-18, 2-19		Oct 7 - Nov 19	▲5(10)
	★ 2-2 to 2-4, 2-8, 2-18, 2-19		Dec 23 - Jan 7/2001	▲5(10)
	★ 2-2 to 2-4, 2-8, 2-18, 2-19		Feb 3/2001 - Mar 10/2001	▲5(10)
	2-11		Sept 10 - Dec 23	5(10)
<i>ⓂIn MU 2-4 in the Municipality of Delta, the open season DOES NOT apply to the area within 100 metres of any dyke. The 100 metre restriction does not apply to that portion of Delta known as Westham Island.</i>				
WATER FOWLERS HERITAGE DAYS:				
DUCKS, CANADA GEESE			▼Sept 30 - Oct 1	▲5(10)
SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE	2-2 to 2-10, 2-12 to 2-19		▼Sept 2 - Sept 3	5(10)
	2-11			
▼ Waterfowlers Heritage Days are restricted to hunters under the age of 19. (see page 13 for details)				
★ The aggregate daily bag limit for all geese is 5 - see page 11 & 12. See special area maps.				
▲The aggregate daily bag limit for all geese is 5, except in MU's 2-2 to 2-4, 2-8, 2-18 and 2-19 where 5 Canada geese may be taken in addition to any other species of geese taken in Region 2.				

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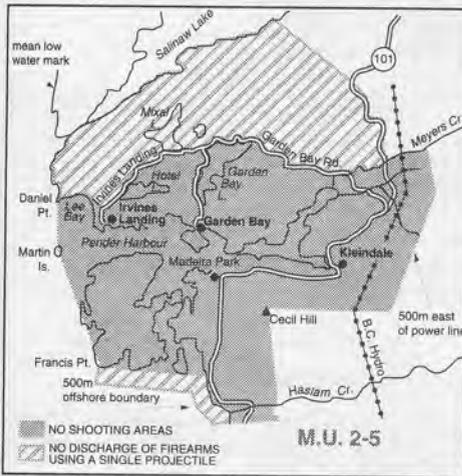
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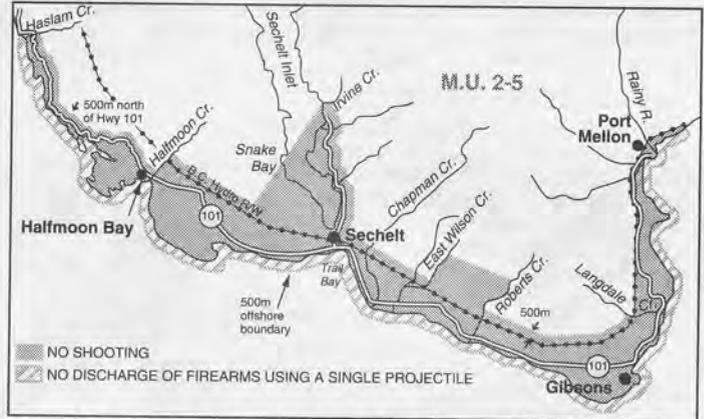


Map B1 Hope No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-2, 2-17).

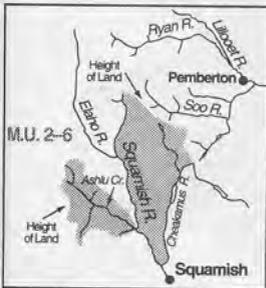
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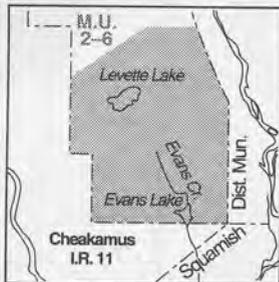
Map B2 Pender Harbour No Shooting Area and Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 2-5).



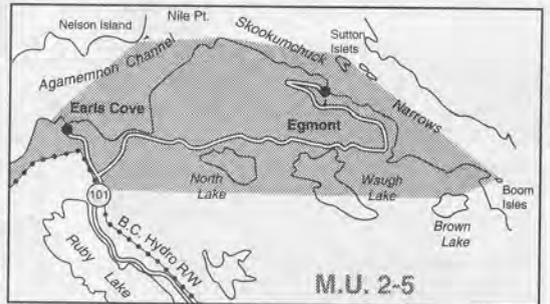
Map B3 Sechtel/Gibsons No Shooting Area and Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 2-5).



Map B5 Ashlu - Squamish Rivers Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 2-6).

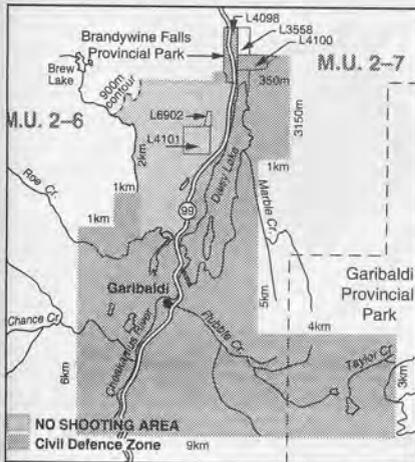


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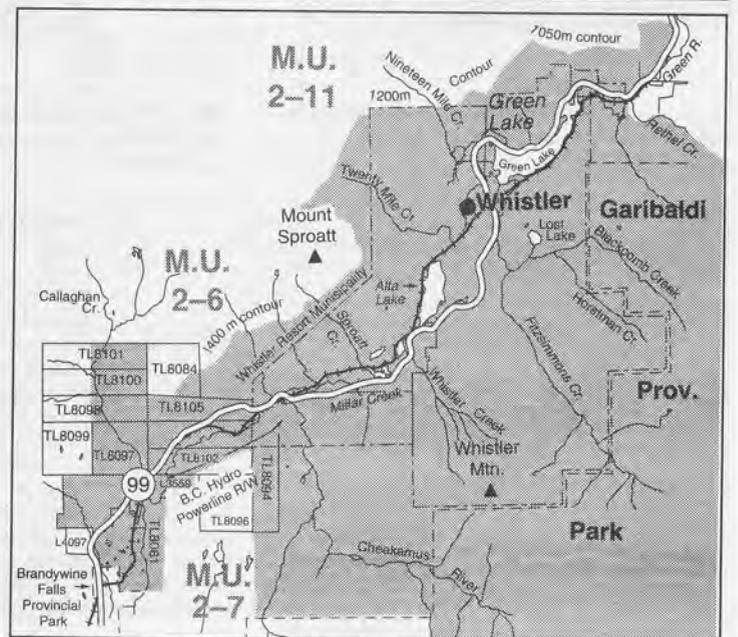


Map B4 Waugh Lake - Skookumchuck No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-5).

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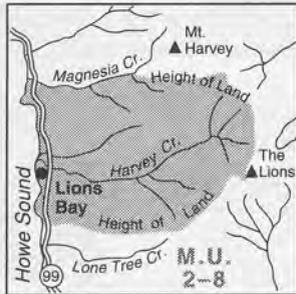
Map B7 Garibaldi No Shooting Area and Garibaldi Civil Defence Zone. This is a high risk slide area. Persons who hunt or trap in this area do so at their own risk (situate in MUs 2-6 and 2-7).



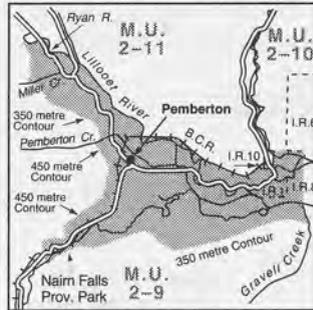
Map B8 Whistler No Shooting Area (situate in MUs 2-6, 2-7, 2-11).



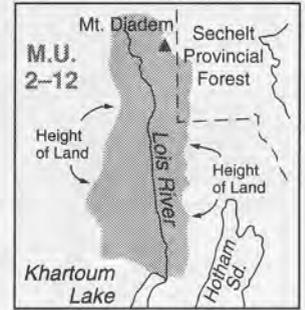
Map B9 Squamish No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-8).



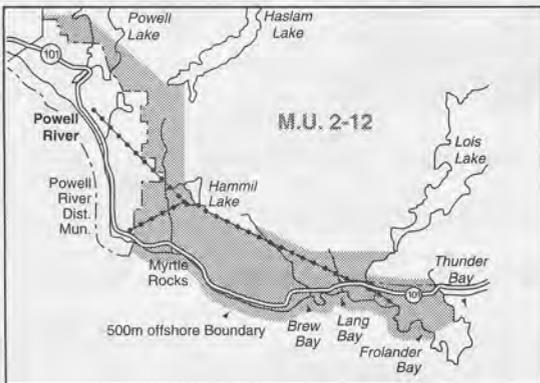
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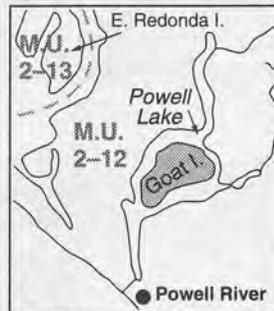
Map B11 Pemberton Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 2-9, 2-10, 2-11). The discharge of firearms using other than shot is prohibited.



Map B13 Lois River Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 2-12)



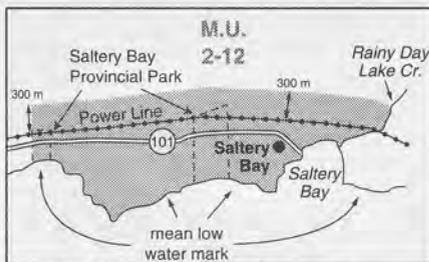
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Map B14 Goat Island Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 2-12).



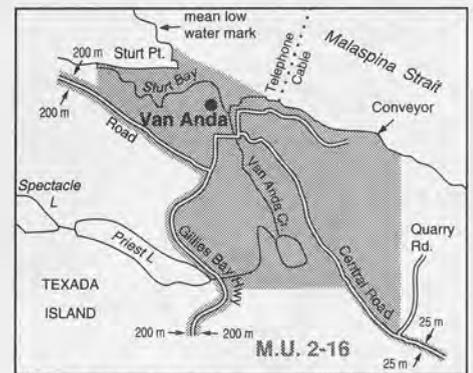
Map B15 Lund No Shooting Area and Savary Island Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 2-12).



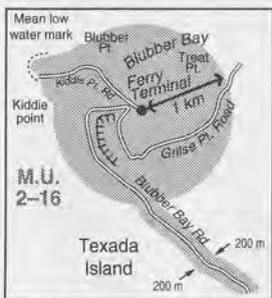
Map B16 Saltery Bay No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-12).



Map B17 Keats Island (situate in MU 2-16). The discharge of rifles is prohibited.



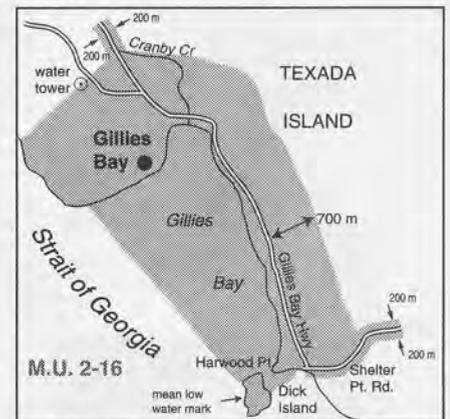
Map B18 Van Anda No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-16).



Map B19 Blubber Bay No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-16).



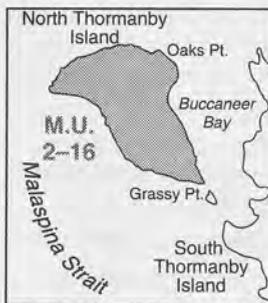
Map B20 Bowen Island No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-16). Special Bow Season for mule (black-tailed) deer (cross-bows prohibited). Bucks: Sept 1 to Dec 15. Antlerless: Nov 5 to Dec 5; Any deer Jan 1 to Jan 15/2001. Bag Limit: 3(2). On Bowen Island hunting is prohibited within 150 metres of any public highway, school building, school yard, public park, playground, church, workshop, place of business, dwelling or farm building. Hunting on private land by owner's permission only. Trespassing is an offence.



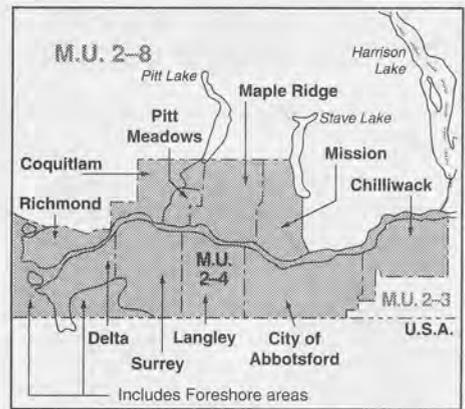
Map B21 Gillies Bay No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-16).



Map B22 Central Road/ Shelter Point Road No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-16).



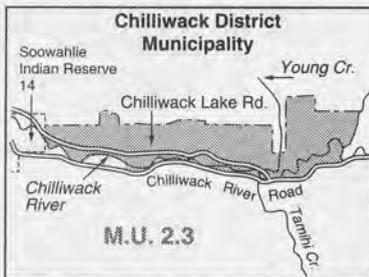
Map B23 North Thormanby Island No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 2-16).



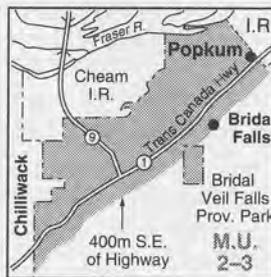
Map B25 Fraser Valley Special Licence Hunting Area (FVSLHA) (situate in MUs 2-4, 2-8). All persons hunting within MU 2-4 & those portions of MU 2-8 within the corporate limits of the corporation of the district of Maple Ridge, the corporation of the district of Pitt Meadows, the district of Mission, the corporation of the district of Coquitlam 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. A FVSLHA brochure will be available September 2000.



Map B24 Yale No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-18).



Map B26 Chilliwack Valley Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 2-3). The discharge of firearms using a single projectile is prohibited.



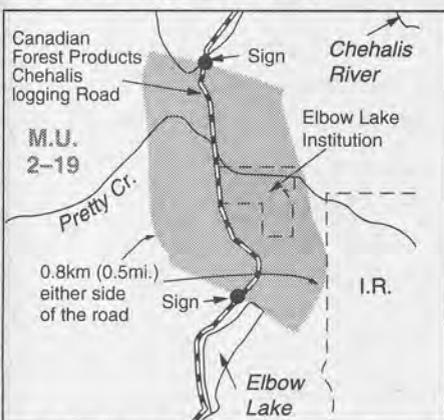
Map B27 Popkum No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-3).



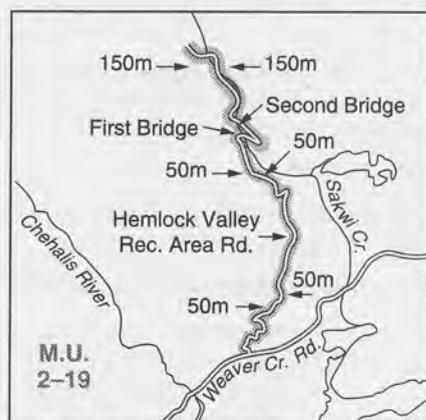
Map B28 Provincial Jail Camp No. 1 No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-3).



Map B29 Buntzen Lake No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-8).



Map B30 Elbow Lake No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-19).



Map B31 Hemlock Valley No Shooting Area (situate in MU 2-19).

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SAFETY GUIDELINES FOR HUNTERS IN BEAR COUNTRY

Reduce Your Risk of Encountering a Bear^{1,3}

Most bears will avoid contact with humans if possible so by following these guidelines you can greatly reduce your chance of having an unwanted close encounter with one.

- Avoid camping on lakeshores, river banks, game trails, berry patches or other sites that may be frequented by bears.
- Keep odors to a minimum on your person and in your camp. Store food, grain, hay, pellets and any smelly materials in containers that keep odors in and bears out. Hang them out of reach of bears and away from sleeping tents.
- Dispose of fish offal in fast moving streams or the deep part of a lake, never along streambanks or lakeshores.
- Avoid places where bear sign (fresh scat, tracks, overturned rocks and logs, large areas of turf dug up, claw marks, bite marks and hair on trees) is abundant.
- If you sense a bear may be in the area shout or make other noise to let it know you're there and/or scare it away.
- Avoid carrion and recent kill sites (gutpiles, heads, bones left in the area). Watch and smell for carrion. Presence of ravens and magpies often indicates a carcass or gutpile is nearby.
- Approach any downed animal or hanging meat carefully if it's been left unattended for any length of time. If a bear has claimed the meat, abandon it. It is not appropriate to destroy a bear under these circumstances unless your safety is directly threatened.
- Keep a reputable brand of pepper spray in easy reach and know how to use it.

After a Kill²

Game meat can be a strong attractant for bears. To avoid problems with bears be sure to handle and store it accordingly.

- Gut, pack and remove the carcass from the areas as soon as possible.
- Immediately separate the carcass from the gut pile.
- Never leave a gut pile or carcass on or near a trail.
- If you have to leave a carcass, hang it out of reach of a bear, at least 4 meters above the ground, 1.5 meters from the top and side

supports and at least 100 meters from any campsite. Cut it into pieces if necessary. Some hunters leave an article of clothing on the carcass to discourage a bear:

- Always leave the carcass where you can see it from a distance and preferably where you can approach it from upwind.

Returning to a Carcass²

- Observe the carcass with binoculars from a safe distance before approaching. If the carcass has been moved or partially buried be extremely cautious and alert to the presence of a bear.
- Make noise and approach from upwind if possible.
- If a bear has claimed the carcass leave it alone. Do not risk your safety or the bear's. It is unethical as well as illegal to kill a bear to defend hunted game.

If You Encounter a Bear³

Bears are very intelligent and complex animals. Each bear and each encounter is unique; there is no single strategy that will work in all situations.

- Stay calm. Most bears don't want to attack you; they usually want to avoid you and ensure you're not a threat. Bears may bluff their way out of an encounter by charging and then turning away at the last second. Bears may also react defensively by growling, snarling, snapping their jaws, and laying their ears back.
- Don't drop your pack. It can provide protection.
- Back away slowly, never run! Bears can run as fast as a racehorse, both uphill and downhill.
- Talk calmly and firmly. If a bear rears on its hind legs and waves its nose about, it is trying to identify you. Remain still and talk calmly so it knows you are a human and not a prey animal. A scream or sudden movement may trigger an attack.
- Leave the area or take a detour. If this is impossible, wait until the bear moves away. Always leave the bear an escape route.

Bear Attacks³

Bears do not like surprises. Try to avoid such encounters by being alert and making noise.

If you surprise a bear and it defends itself:

If you have bear pepper spray, use it. If contact has occurred or is imminent, PLAY DEAD! Lie on your stomach with legs apart. Protect your face, the back of your head and neck with your arms. Remain still until the bear

leaves the area. These attacks seldom last more than a few minutes. While fighting back usually increases the intensity of such an attack, in some cases it has caused the bear to leave. If the attack continues for more than several minutes, consider fighting back. Use of a firearm during this type of encounter may aggravate the situation.

If a bear stalks you and then attacks, or attacks at night:

DON'T PLAY DEAD - FIGHT BACK! First - try to escape, preferably to a building, car or up a tree. If you can't escape, or if the bear follows, use bear spray, or shout and try to intimidate the bear. Do whatever it takes to let the bear know you are not easy prey. If absolutely necessary destroy the bear with a firearm. This kind of attack is very rare but can be very serious because it often means the bear is looking for food and preying on you.

Bear Pepper Spray^{2,3}

Bear pepper spray is no replacement for common sense but is recommended for anyone travelling or working in bear country.

No deterrent is 100% effective, but compared to all others, including firearms, bear pepper spray has demonstrated the most success in fending off threatening and attacking bears and preventing injury to the person and animal involved. The proper use of bear pepper spray will reduce the number of bears killed in self-defense and reduce human injuries caused by bears.

If you plan to carry bear pepper spray, be aware that wind, spray distance, rain and product shelf life can all influence its effectiveness. Carefully read directions on the can prior to your trip.

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SOUTHERN INTERIOR REGION 3

These M.U. boundaries are approximate only. For a more precise definition consult the B.C. Recreational Atlas, 4th edition.

Compulsory Reporting & Inspection Centres

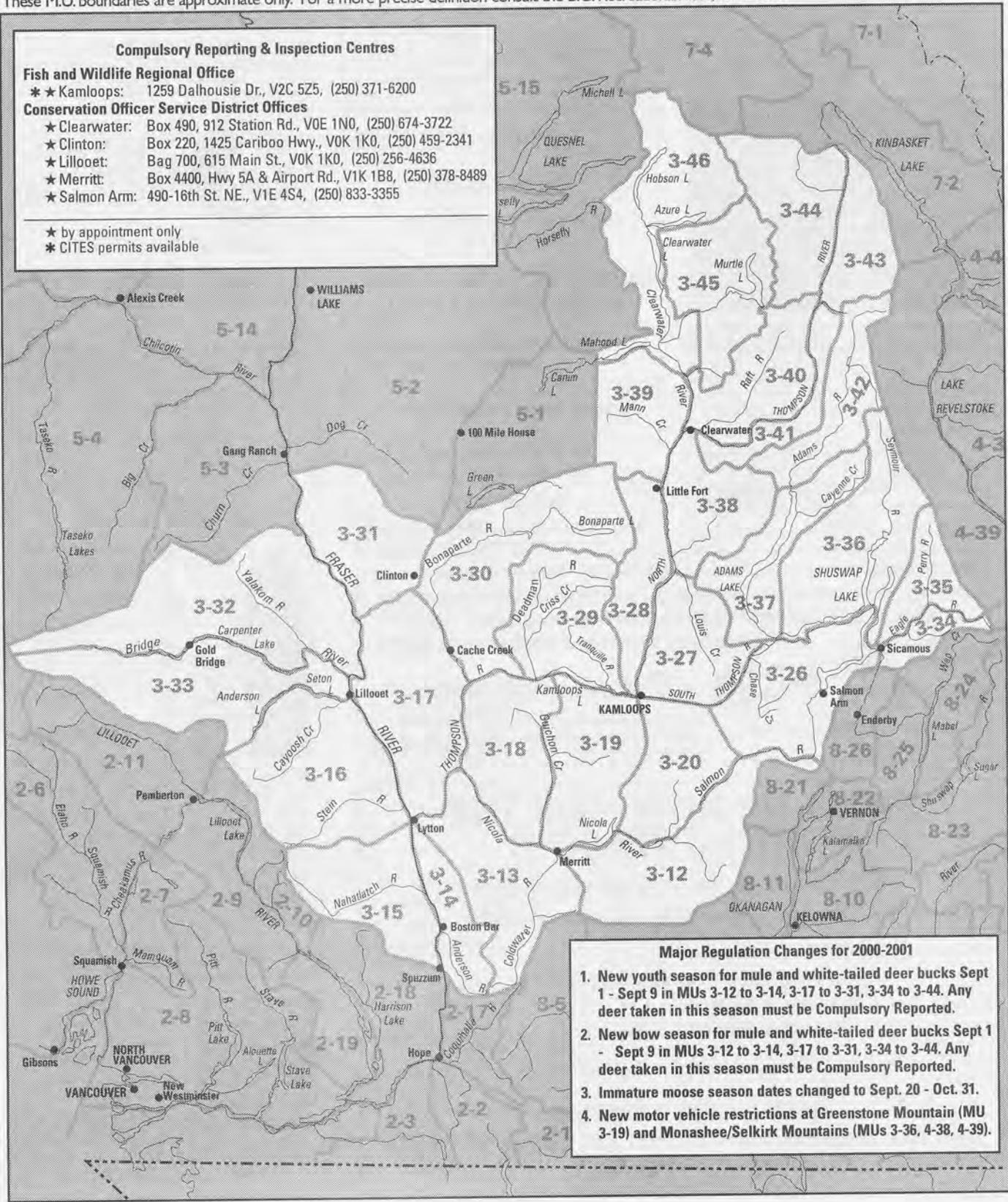
Fish and Wildlife Regional Office

★ ★ Kamloops: 1259 Dalhousie Dr., V2C 5Z5, (250) 371-6200

Conservation Officer Service District Offices

- ★ Clearwater: Box 490, 912 Station Rd., V0E 1N0, (250) 674-3722
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- ★ by appointment only
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Major Regulation Changes for 2000-2001

1. New youth season for mule and white-tailed deer bucks Sept 1 - Sept 9 in MUs 3-12 to 3-14, 3-17 to 3-31, 3-34 to 3-44. Any deer taken in this season must be Compulsory Reported.
2. New bow season for mule and white-tailed deer bucks Sept 1 - Sept 9 in MUs 3-12 to 3-14, 3-17 to 3-31, 3-34 to 3-44. Any deer taken in this season must be Compulsory Reported.
3. Immature moose season dates changed to Sept. 20 - Oct. 31.
4. New motor vehicle restrictions at Greenstone Mountain (MU 3-19) and Monashee/Selkirk Mountains (MUs 3-36, 4-38, 4-39).

BAG LIMITS

• Bag limits shown are specific to Region 3 and may differ from those in Region 8.

• Deer: The aggregate bag limit for deer 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 buck.

LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING (LEH)

• The seasons shown in the attached tables are for general open seasons only. If you are hunting under an LEH authorization, the species, class of animal (age/sex) or time period or area within which you are authorized to hunt will be different than those shown in this publication.

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. See map C-15.

• Watersheds of Miledge, Chappell and Lempriere Creeks above 1700 m in MU 3-44 (snowmobiles are permitted in designated area between December 1 and May 31). See Map C16.

• 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 C14.

• Porcupine Meadows Provincial Park. See Map C12.

• The operation of all motor vehicles to hunt wildlife, transport wildlife, transport equipment and supplies which are intended for or in support of hunting, or transport hunters to and from the location of wildlife is prohibited in the following areas:

- watershed of Clinton Creek. See Map C13
- Greenstone Mountain Burn (except for Duffy Lake Road, Beaton Lake Road and Greenstone Mountain Road) (MU 3-19) See Map C5.

• The operation of snowmobiles is prohibited in the Chappell Creek Closed Area in MU 3-44 (the Chappell Trail is open to snowmobile use between December 1 and May 31). See Map C17.

• **The recreational use of snowmobiles in the Monashee/Selkirk Mountains area (near Revelstoke) above 1300 m and below 2100 m is prohibited during the period Dec 15 to April 15. (includes use of snowmobiles for hunting and commercial back-country recreation). Use of snowmobiles for industrial access purposes is exempted. (MUs 3-36, 4-38, 4-39) See Map D46.**

• The use of snowmobiles to hunt wildlife, transport wildlife, transport equipment or supplies which are intended for or in support of hunting or

transport hunters to or from the location of wildlife is prohibited in the following areas:

• MUs 3-28, 3-45 and 3-46. An authorized trapper is exempt from this restriction with respect to the trapping of furbearing animals.

• 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.

COMPULSORY INSPECTION & REPORTING

• **In addition to those species requiring Compulsory Inspection or Compulsory Reporting provincially, all moose taken and all mule deer or white-tailed deer taken during the youth or bow only seasons in Region 3 must be Compulsory Reported within 30 days of the date of kill. See page 11 & 12 for requirements.**

NOTICE TO HUNTERS

• No Shooting Areas: Hunters should note Highway No Shooting Areas as outlined on page 23-25.

• Hunting and the discharge of firearms are prohibited in MU 3-45 (Wells Gray Provincial Park)

• Please note that white-tailed deer are present throughout Region 3 and a separate species licence is required. Be sure of the species before you shoot.

NATIONAL PARKS

• Hunting is prohibited in all National Parks

PROVINCIAL 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 only during a lawful game hunting season.

• Parks and Recreation Areas marked with an asterisk (*) are exempt from the No Hunting No Shooting Restriction within 400m of the centre line of park roads. [B.C. Reg. 180/90, s.29(2)].

• These parks are NOT exempt from Highway No Shooting and No Hunting Areas as described on page 23-25.

Arrowstone Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-30)
Banana Island Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-27)
Bedard Aspen Provincial Park*	.....(MU 3-17)
Blue Earth Lake Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-17)
Blue River Black Spruce Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-43, 3-44)
Blue River Pine Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-40, 3-44)

Bonaparte Provincial Park*	.....(MU 3-29, 3-30)
Includes the former Bare Lake Access Management Area	
Caligata Lake Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-40)
Chasm Provincial Park*	.....(MU 3-30)
Chu Chua Cottonwood Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-26, 3-38)
Cornwall Hills Provincial Park*	.....(MU 3-17)
Dunn Peak Protected Area*	.....(MU 3-38, 3-39)
Eakin Creek Canyon Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-28)
Eakin Creek Floodplains Provincial Park*	.....(MU 3-28, 3-29)
Edge Hills Provincial Park*	.....(MU 3-31)
Elephant Hill Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-17, 3-30)
Emar Lakes Provincial Park*	.....(MU 3-39)
Finn Creek Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-40, 3-41)
Harbour Dudgeon Lakes Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-42)
Harry Lake Aspen Provincial Park*	.....(MU 3-17)
High Lakes Basin Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-30)
Lac du Bois Grasslands Provincial Park*	.....(MU 3-28, 3-29)
See Map C15	
Marble Range Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-31)
Mehati Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-15)
Mornich Lakes Provincial Park*	.....(MU 3-37)
Mount Savona Provincial Park*	.....(MU 3-18)
Mud Lake Delta Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-43)
Nahatlatch Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-15)
North Thompson Islands Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-38)
North Thompson Oxbows East Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-44)
North Thompson Oxbows Jensen Island Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-28)
North Thompson Oxbows-Manteau Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-44)
Oregon Jack Provincial Park*	.....(MU 3-17)
Painted Bluffs Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-29)
Porcupine Meadows Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-28, 3-29)
Includes former Porcupine Ridge Access Management Area	
Pyramid Creek Falls Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-42)
Roche Lake Provincial Park*	.....(MU 3-20)
Stein Valley Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-16)
Taweel Provincial Park*	.....(MU 3-39)
Tsintsunko Lakes Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-29)
Tunkwa Provincial Park*	.....(MU 3-18)
Hunting and the discharge of firearms are prohibited within the Tunkwa Lake Sanctuary. This area designated is the largest island in Tunkwa Lake.	
Upper Adams River Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-37, 3-42)
Walhachin Oxbows Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-18)
Wells Gray Provincial Park	.....(MU 3-39*, 3-40*, 3-46, 5-15*);
Those portions of the park within MUs 3-40, 3-46 and 5-15 are only open to the discharge of firearms from September 20 to May 31 during a lawful game hunting season; Stillwater and Battle Mt. and Clearwater River (westside) roads are exempt from No Hunting No Shooting Restriction; Hunting and	

the discharge of firearms are prohibited in MU 3-45.
Wire Cache Provincial Park (MU 3-41)
 Between April 16 and September 19, inclusive, for the purpose of section 26 (1) of the Act, there is no open season in the following Provincial parks:
Cinnemousun Narrows Provincial Park (MUs 3-26, 3-36)
McConnell Lakes Provincial Park (MU 3-19)
Shuswap Lake Marine Provincial Park (MUs 3-36, 3-26)
 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.
 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.

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.

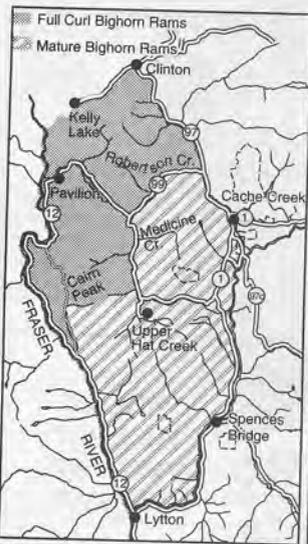
Cool the carcass out, and keep it cool. Don't expose it to heat from a car motor, fumes or road dust.

For free instructions on field dressing deer; write the Wildlife Branch, BC Environment, PO Box 9374 Stn Prov Gov, Victoria, B.C., V8W 9M4 requesting the "Care of Game Meat" brochure or contact a local BC Environment office.

SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNITS	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT	
MULE DEER (Black-Tailed)	3-15, 3-16, 3-32, 3-33	*4 Point Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1	
	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44	*4 Point Bucks	Sept 10 - Sept 30	1	
	3-46	*4 Point Bucks	Sept 20 - Sept 30	1	
	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44, 3-46	Bucks	Oct 1 - Oct 31	1	
	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44, 3-46	*4 Point Bucks	Nov 1 - Dec 10	1	
	Youth Only Season	3-12 to 3-14, 3-17 to 3-31, 3-34 to 3-44	★Bucks	▲Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
Bow Only Season	3-12 to 3-14, 3-17 to 3-31, 3-34 to 3-44	★Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1	
* See definition on Page 6. The antlers must accompany the species licence. ▲ Season restricted to hunters under the age of 19. ★ Successful hunters who kill a deer during the youth or bow season are required to submit, within 30 days of the kill, one of the incisor teeth to the Kamloops Regional Office.					
WHITE-TAILED DEER	3-15, 3-16, 3-32, 3-33	Bucks	Sept 1 - Dec 10	1	
	3-12 to 3-14, 3-17 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-31, 3-34 to 3-44	Bucks	Sept 10 - Dec 10	1	
	3-46	Bucks	Sept 20 - Dec 10	1	
	Youth Only Season	3-12 to 3-14, 3-17 to 3-31, 3-34 to 3-44	▲Bucks	*Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
	Bow Only Season	3-12 to 3-14, 3-17 to 3-31, 3-34 to 3-44	▲Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
* Season restricted to hunters under the age of 19. ▲ Successful hunters who kill a deer during the youth or bow season are required to submit, within 30 days of the kill, one of the incisor teeth to the Kamloops Regional Office.					
MOOSE	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44, 3-46	* Immature Bulls	Sept 20 - Oct 31	1	
* See definition on page 7. Antlers must accompany the species licence. Successful hunters of any bull moose must submit a tooth and kill information. See Compulsory Reporting information on page 14 & 15.					
BIGHORN	**3-17, 3-31, 3-32	Full Curl Bighorn Rams	Sept 10 - Oct 20	1	
MOUNTAIN SHEEP	**3-17	*Mature Bighorn Rams	Sept 10 - Oct 20	1	
*See definition on page 5 & 6. **A portion of 3-17 only. See Map C1.					
BLACK BEAR	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Sept 1 - Nov 30	2	
	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44, 3-46		Apr 1/2001 - June 15/2001	2	
	3-46		Sept 20 - Nov 30	2	
WOLF	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Sept 10 - Mar 31/2001	3	
COYOTE	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Sept 10 - Mar 31/2001	NBL	
COUGAR	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Nov 15 - Mar 31/2001	2	
Hunters are requested not to shoot a lactating cougar or cougar in the company of a lactating cougar.					
BOBCAT	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Nov 15 - Feb 15 /2001	1	
LYNX	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Nov 15 - Feb 15/2001	1	
RACCOON	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Aug 1 - Mar 31/2001	NBL	
	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Apr 1/2001 - Apr 30/2001	NBL	
SNOWSHOE HARE	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Aug 1 - Mar 31/2001	10 (daily)	
	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Apr 1/2001 - Apr 30/2001	10 (daily)	

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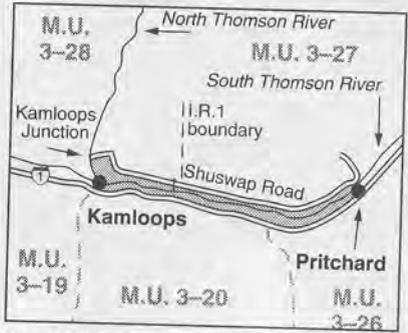
SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNITS	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT
GROUSE BLUE, RUFFED & SPRUCE (FRANKLIN)	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Sept 10 - Nov 30	5 of each (15 of each)
	3-46		Sept 20 - Nov 30	5 of each (15 of each)
<i>For Blue, Spruce (Franklin's) and Ruffed grouse, the daily aggregate bag limit is 10; the aggregate possession limit is 30.</i>				
SHARP-TAILED GROUSE	3-31		Sept 10 - Nov 30	5(10)
PTARMIGAN	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Sept 1 - Nov 30	5(15)
CHUKAR PARTRIDGE	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Oct 1 - Nov 30	5(15)
GRAY PARTRIDGE (Hungarian)	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Oct 1 - Nov 30	3(9)
PHEASANT (COCKS ONLY)	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Oct 1 - Nov 30	2(6)
MOURNING DOVES	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Sept 10 - Dec 25	5(10)
COOTS, COMMON SNIPE	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Sept 10 - Dec 25	10(20)
DUCKS	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Sept 10 - Dec 25	8(16)
<i>Restricted daily bag limits of 4 Pintails, 1 Canvasback, 2 Goldeneye and 2 Harlequin are in effect - see page 11 & 12.</i>				
WHITE-FRONTED GEESE, SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE, CANADA GEESE	3-12 to 3-20, 3-26 to 3-44		Sept 10 - Dec 25	5(10)
<i>The aggregate daily bag limit for all geese is 5 - see page 11 & 12.</i>				



Map C1 Full Curl bighorn and Mature bighorn sheep hunting areas (situate in MU 3-17).



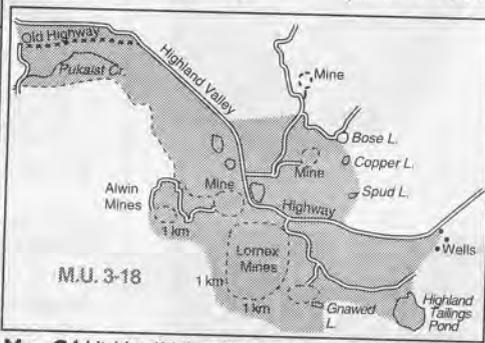
Map C2 Logan Lake No Shooting Area (situate in MU 3-19).



Map C3 Kamloops No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MUs 3-19, 3-20, 3-26, 3-27 and 3-28).



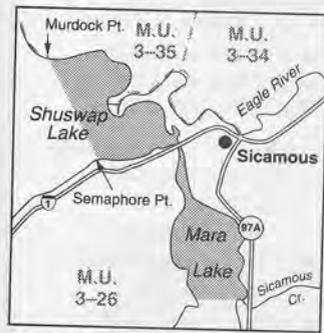
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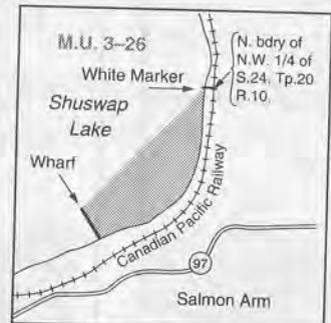
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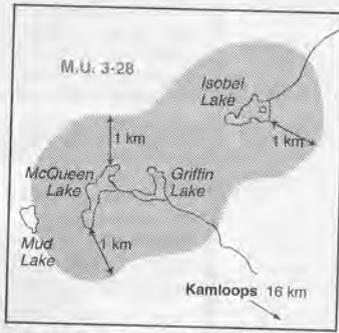
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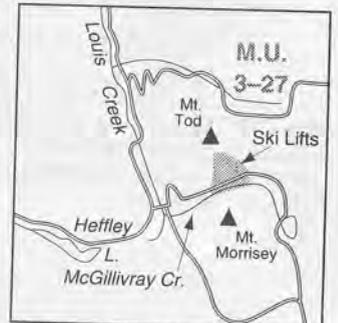
Map C7 Sicamous No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 3-26).



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

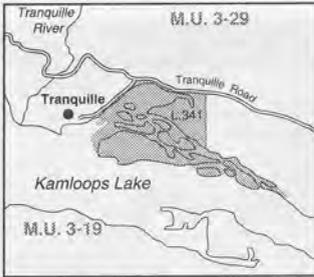


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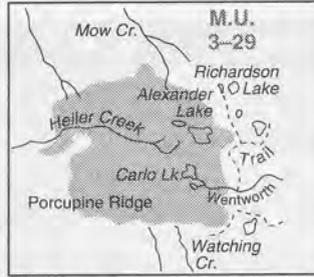


Map C10 Sun Peaks No Shooting or Hunting Area 400m from existing Ski Lifts (situate in MU 3-27).

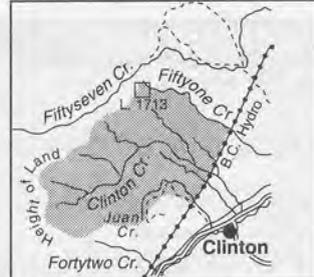
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Map C11 Tranquille Wildlife Management Area No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in within Lac du Bois Grasslands Provincial Park in MU 3-29)



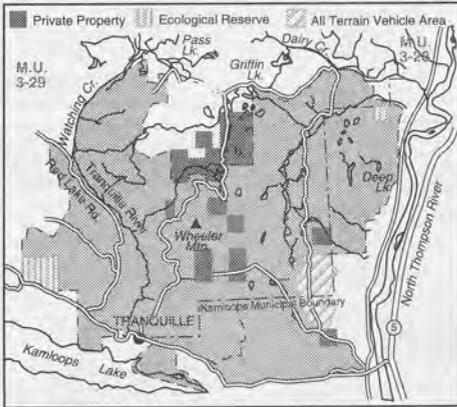
Map C12 Porcupine Meadows Provincial Park (formerly Porcupine Ridge AMA) Closed to motor vehicles. Snowmobiles permitted from Dec 15 to April 15.



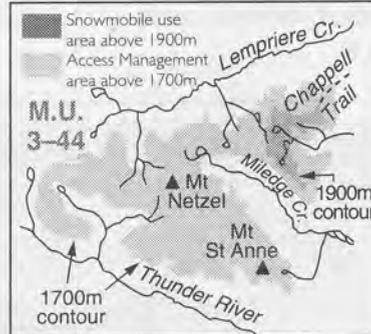
Map C13 Clinton Creek Access Management Closed Area (situate MU 3-31).



Map C14 Spruce Lake Access Management Area (situate in MU 3-32). Closed from June 1 to Nov 30 to the operation of all motor vehicles. Roads shown as open lines open year-round.



Map C15 Lac du Bois Grassland Provincial Park. (situate in MU 3-28, 3-29) Vehicle access restricted to highlighted roads except as posted.



Map C16 Milede, Chappell & Lempriere Creeks Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situate in MU 3-44). Snowmobile use is permitted in area shown (above 1900 m contour) from Dec 1 to May 31.

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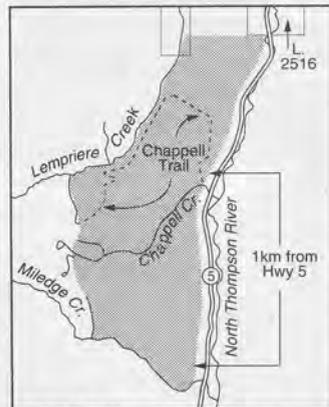
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Map C17 Chappell Creek Snowmobile Closed Area (situate in MU 3-44). Chappell Trail open to snowmobile use from Dec 1 to May 31.

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Major Regulation Changes for 2000-2001

1. Bighorn Sheep seasons in MUs 8-1 and 8-9 are closed.
2. Immature moose season dates changed to Sept. 20 - Oct. 31.
3. Black Bear season opens Sept. 1. There is no bow only season for bears.
4. The mule deer bow only seasons are for bucks only.
5. Specific restriction on hours of hunting removed for Chukar, Quail Gray Partridge and Pheasant.

Compulsory Reporting & Inspection Centres

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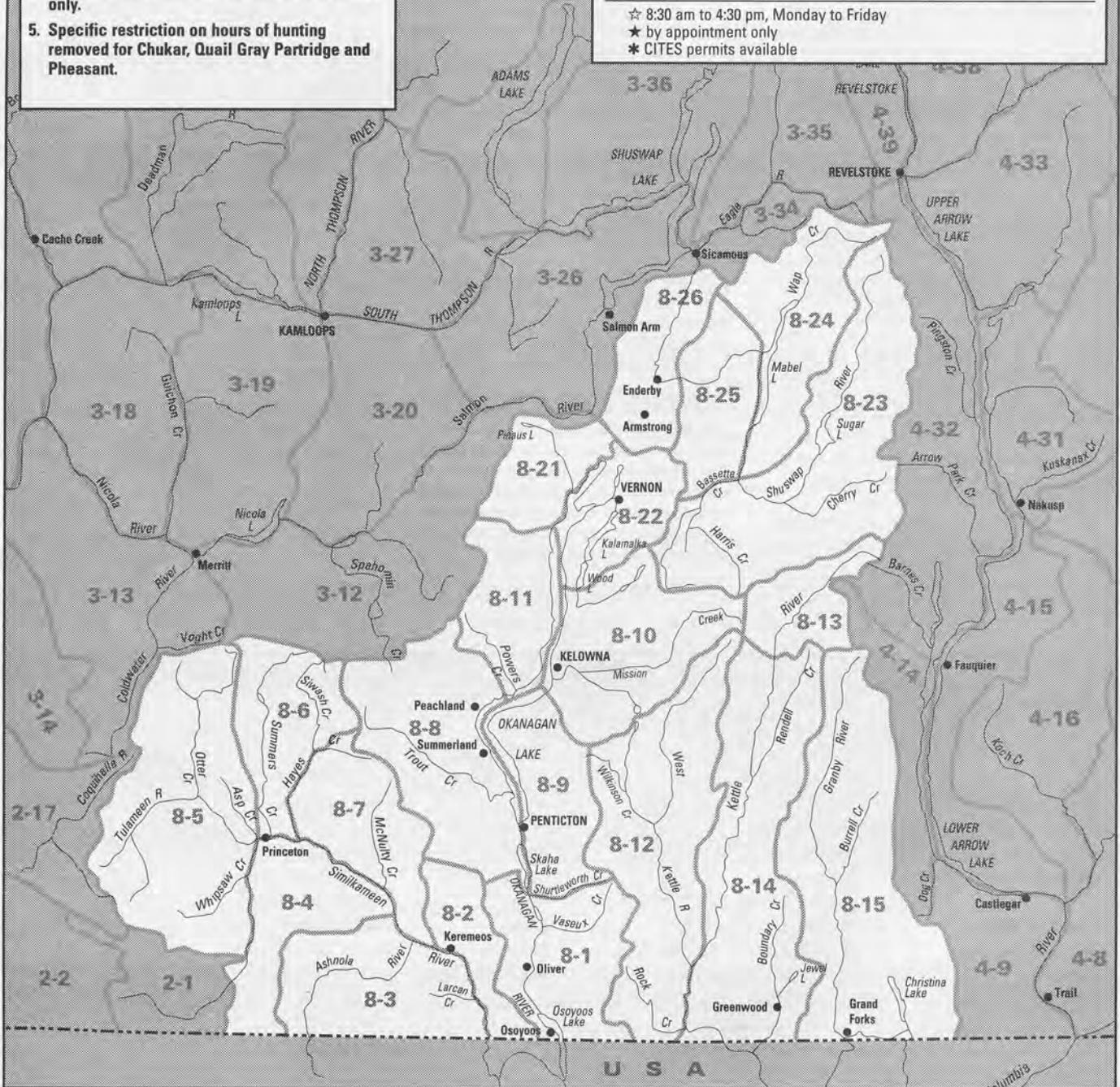
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BAG LIMITS

- The bag limits shown are specific to Region 8 and may differ from those in Region 3.
- Deer: The aggregate bag limit for deer is 2. The bag limit for white-tailed deer is 2, only 1 of which may be a buck. The bag limit for mule deer is 1. Both deer may be antlerless, but only one antlerless deer of each species may be taken. Grouse: The daily aggregate bag limit for grouse (blue, spruce (Franklin), and ruffed) is five (5).

LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING (LEH)

- The seasons shown in the attached tables are for general open seasons only. If you are hunting under an LEH authorization, the species, class of animal (age/sex) or time period during which you are authorized to hunt may be different than those shown in this publication.

VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS

- 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.
- 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 to hunt wildlife, transport wildlife, transport equipment or supplies which are intended for or in support of hunting, or transport hunters to and from the location of wildlife is prohibited in that portion of MU 8-5 on the Lawless-Jacobson Lake Forest Service Road 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 east of Skaha Lake

described as Lot A & Lot B of Sublot 48, DL 2710, Plan 27801, SDYD, & Sublot 48, DL 2710, Plan 1189, SDYD.

- The operation of all motor vehicles is prohibited in the Granby motor vehicle restricted area in MUs 8-14 & 8-15. Snowmobiles are allowed during the period Nov 1 to May 31. 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 the Garnet Fire motor vehicle restricted area in MU 8-09. See Map H9.

COMPULSORY INSPECTION & REPORTING

•In addition to those species requiring Compulsory Inspection or Compulsory Reporting provincially, all elk taken in Region 8 must be Compulsory Inspected within 15 days of the date of kill and all moose taken in Region 8 must be Compulsory Reported within 30 days of the date of kill. See page 11 & 12 for requirements.

NOTICE TO HUNTERS

- White-tailed jackrabbit, Nuttall's cottontail, badger and other species are protected under the authority of the Wildlife Act (hunting is prohibited).
- No Shooting Areas: Hunters should note the Highway No Shooting Areas as outlined on page 23 to 25. Note also that the closures for Highway 3 between Manning Park and Princeton and for the Coquihalla Phase III (Okanagan Connector) Hwy 97C are No Shooting and No Hunting Closures.

NOTICE TO ELK HUNTERS

•A three year study on the population of elk in the Princeton area has been initiated. The objectives of the study includes determining habitat requirements, mortality factors, and herd demographics. Hunters are requested not to shoot any elk fitted with a radio collar or with an ear tag.

NATIONAL PARKS

- Hunting is prohibited in all National Parks

PROVINCIAL 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)
- Cathedral Provincial 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.
- Darke Lake Prov. Park(MU 8-8)
- Eneas Lake Prov. Park(MU 8-8)
- Gladstone Provincial Park(MU 8-15, 4-14)
- Granby Provincial Park(MU 8-15)
- Keremeos Columns Provincial Park(MU 8-2)
- Nickel Plate Prov. Park(MU 8-7)
- Okanagan Mountain Provincial Park(MU 8-9)
- Silver Star Provincial Park(MUs 8-22, 8-25, 8-26)
- No Hunting Area. See Map H18.

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

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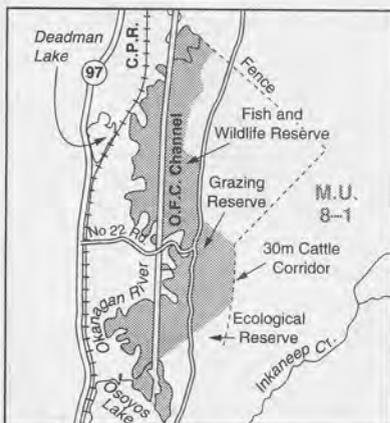
SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNITS	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT
MULE DEER (Black-Tailed)	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	4point Bucks	Sept 10 - Sept 30	1
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Oct 1 - Oct 20	1
	8-12 to 8-15	4point Bucks	Oct 21 - Oct 31	1
	8-1 to 8-11, 8-21 to 8-26	4point Bucks	Oct 21 - Nov 10	1
	Bow Only Seasons	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
Bow Only Seasons	8-1 to 8-3, 8-8 to 8-11, 8-21, 8-22, 8-24 to 8-26	Bucks	Nov 25 - Dec 10	1
WHITE-TAILED DEER	8-3 to 8-7	Bucks	Sept 10 - Nov 15	1
	8-1, 8-2, 8-8 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Sept 10 - Nov 20	1
	Bow Only Seasons	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
Bow Only Seasons	8-1, 8-2, 8-8 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Either Sex	Nov 25 - Dec 10	2(1)
MOOSE	8-1 to *8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	*Immature Bulls	Sept 20 - Oct 31	1

*Granby Provincial Park (MU 8-15) and Gladstone Provincial Park (MU 8-15, 4-14) are closed to moose hunting. See special area maps
 *See definition on Page 6. Antlers must accompany the species licence.
 Successful hunters who kill a bull moose in Region 8 are required to submit, within 30 days of the kill, one of the incisor teeth (including crown and root). See Compulsory Reporting information on page 14 & 15.

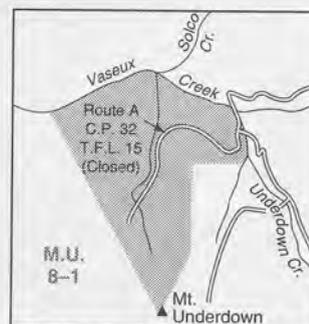
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ELK	8-1, 8-9, 8-10, 8-12, 8-14	▲6Point Bulls	Sept 10 - Oct 20	1
	8-4 to 8-7	▲6 Point Bulls	Sept 25 - Oct 20	1
▲See definition on page 5. The antlers must accompany the species licence. All elk taken in the Okanagan sub-region must be Compulsory Inspected. See page 14 & 15 for Compulsory Inspection information.				
BLACK BEAR	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 1 - Nov 30	2
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Apr 1/2001 - June 15/2001	2
<i>The bag limit for black bears is two per licence year (Apr. 1 - Mar. 31)</i>				
SKUNK, RACCOON	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		No Closed Season	NBL
COYOTE	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 10 - March 31/2001	NBL
LYNX AND BOBCAT	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Nov 15 - Feb 28/2001	1 (of each)
COUGAR	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Nov 15 - Mar 31/2001	2
<i>Hunters are requested not to shoot a lactating cougar, or cougar kittens.</i>				
SNOWSHOE HARE	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Aug 1 - Mar 31/2001	10 (daily)
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Apr 1/2001 - Apr 30/2001	10 (daily)
GROUSE BLUE, RUFFED, SPRUCE (FRANKLIN)	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 10 - Nov 30	5(15)
<i>For Blue, Spruce (Franklin's) and Ruffed grouse, the daily aggregate bag limit is 5; the aggregate possession limit is 15.</i>				
QUAIL	8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-11, 8-15, 8-21, 8-22, 8-26		Oct 1 - Nov 30	10(30)
CHUKAR PARTRIDGE	8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-9		Oct 1 - Nov 30	5(15)
GRAY PARTRIDGE (HUNGARIAN)	8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-10, 8-15, 8-22, 8-26		Oct 1 - Nov 30	3(9)
PHEASANT	8-1 to 8-3, 8-8 to 8-12, 8-14, 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Cocks	Oct 1 - Nov 30	2(6)
MOURNING DOVE	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 1 - Sept 30	5(10)
COOTS, COMMON SNIPE	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 10 - Dec 25	10(20)
DUCKS	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 10 - Dec 25	8(16)
<i>Restricted daily bag limits of 4 Pintails, 1 Canvasback, 2 Goldeneye and 2 Harlequin are in effect - see page 11 & 12.</i>				
WHITE FRONTED GEESE, SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 10 - Dec 25	5(10)
<i>The aggregate daily bag limit for all geese is 5 - see page 11 & 12.</i>				
CANADA GEESE	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 20 - Dec 25 & Feb 20/2001 - Feb 28/2001	5(10)
<i>The aggregate daily bag limit for all geese is 5 - see page 11 & 12.</i>				

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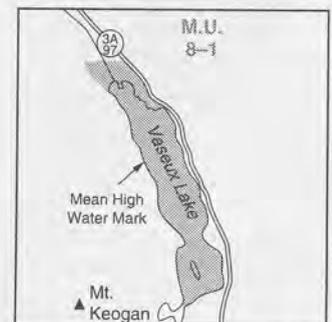
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Map H1 Osoyoos Oxbows Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in MU 8-1). The operation of motor vehicles is restricted to established roadways. Hunting and the discharge of firearms are prohibited from Mar 1 to Sept 30 throughout the restricted area including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



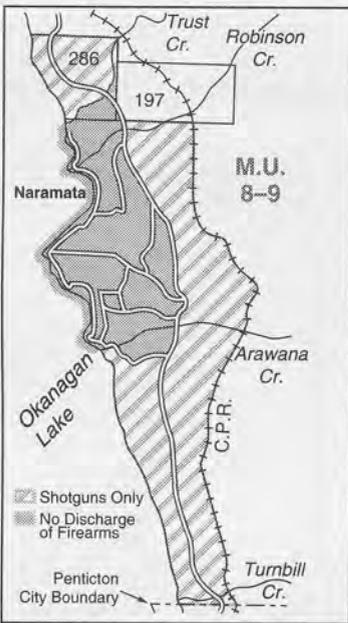
Map H2 Underdown Creek Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in MU 8-1). Closed year-round to the operation of all motor vehicles.



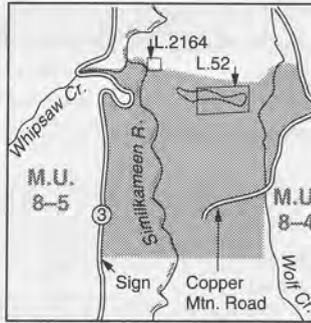
Map H3 Vaseux Lake Migratory Bird Sanctuary (situate in MU 8-1).



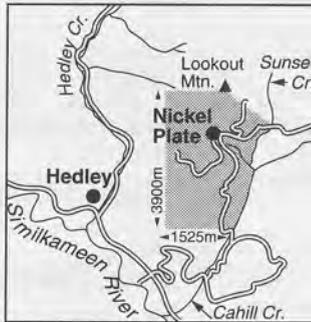
Map H4 Kaleden, Penticton and Okanagan Falls No Shooting Areas and Skaha Lake Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MUs 8-1, 8-8, 8-9).



Map H10 Naramata No Shooting Area and Shotguns with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 8-9).



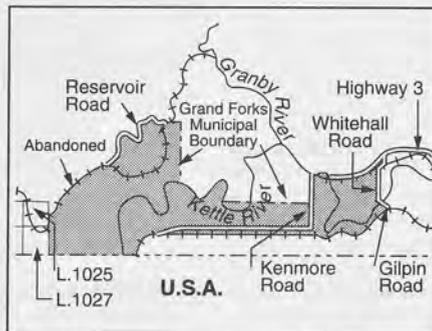
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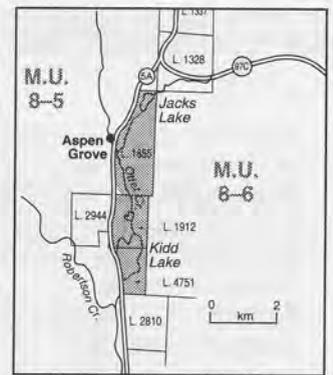
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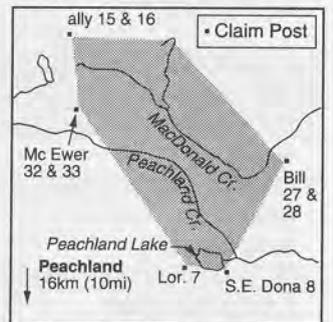
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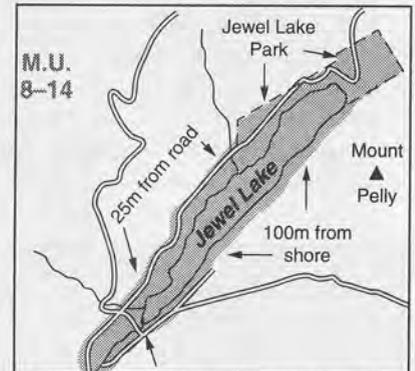
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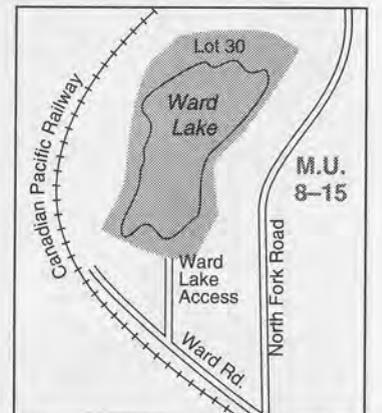
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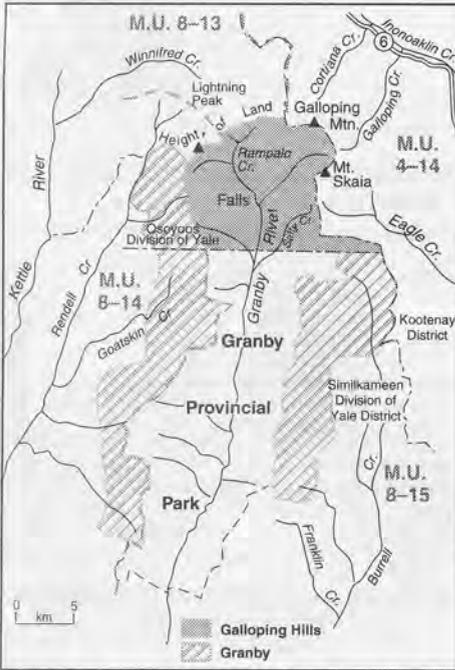
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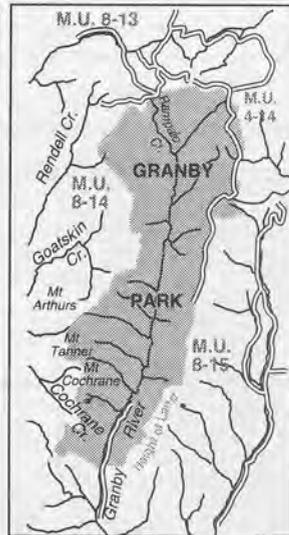
Map H11 Jewel Lake No Shooting and No Hunting Area (situate in MU 8-14).



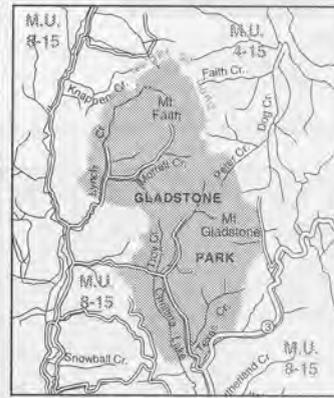
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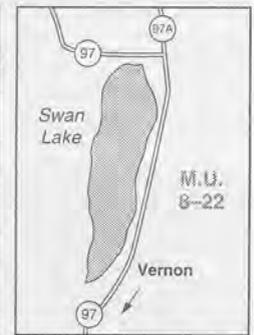
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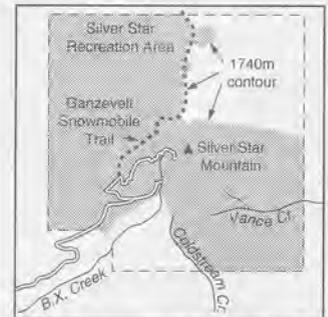
Map H15 Granby Provincial Park Moose Closed Area (situate in MU 8-15).



Map H16 Gladstone Provincial Park Moose Closed Area (situate in MU 8-15).



Map H17 Swan Lake No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 8-22).



Map H18 Silver Star Park No Hunting Area (situate in MUs 8-22, 8-25, 8-26). Contact BC Environment offices in Vernon or Penticton for details.

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MOOSE HARVEST MANAGEMENT IN REGION 3 DURING THE 1980'S AND 1990'S

In 1985 the general open season for antlerless moose in Region 3 was closed due to over-harvest concerns. In 1986 a limited entry hunting (LEH) season was implemented with a total of 513 cow/calf permits available. Prior to 1984, the Region 3 antlerless moose harvest was averaging over 200 animals per year. Since implementation of the LEH season the antlerless moose harvest has averaged approximately 100 per year.

Over the ten year period of 1986 to 1995, successful LEH hunters were required to submit the reproductive tract from any cow moose harvested in Region 3. Over 800 reproductive tract samples were submitted and analyzed during this period, and from this data important information was gained concerning moose reproductive biology, including such information as peak breeding period (conception) dates, pregnancy rates, twinning rates and age of first breeding. Some of this information was crucial in deciding future moose harvest management strategies.

The peak breeding period (first estrus) for moose in Region 3 were determined to be between October 2nd and 11th. Moose managers aim for a minimum 75% breeding within that 10 day period. This can not be attained if there are too few adult bulls in the population, with the result that some cows are not bred in their first estrus, but instead, 3 to 4 weeks later in their second estrus. The end result of second estrus breeding is a smaller calf come winter and reduced calf survival.

Moose managers also strive for a minimum 90% pregnancy rate within the population. Between 1986 and 1992 pregnancy rates averaged 86%. Furthermore, second estrus pregnancy rates were gradually increasing from 4% in 1987 to 8% in 1990. In an effort to reduce the incidence of second estrus pregnancies, a pre-rut bull closure was implemented in 1989. Three years later however, pregnancy rates remained below 90% and second estrus pregnancy rates continued at approximately 8%, therefore further restrictions were required to manage the bull harvest. In 1993 the general open season on bulls was restricted to immature bulls (spike or fork) only and mature bulls were placed on the limited entry hunting system.

Since 1993, pregnancy rates have risen above 90%,

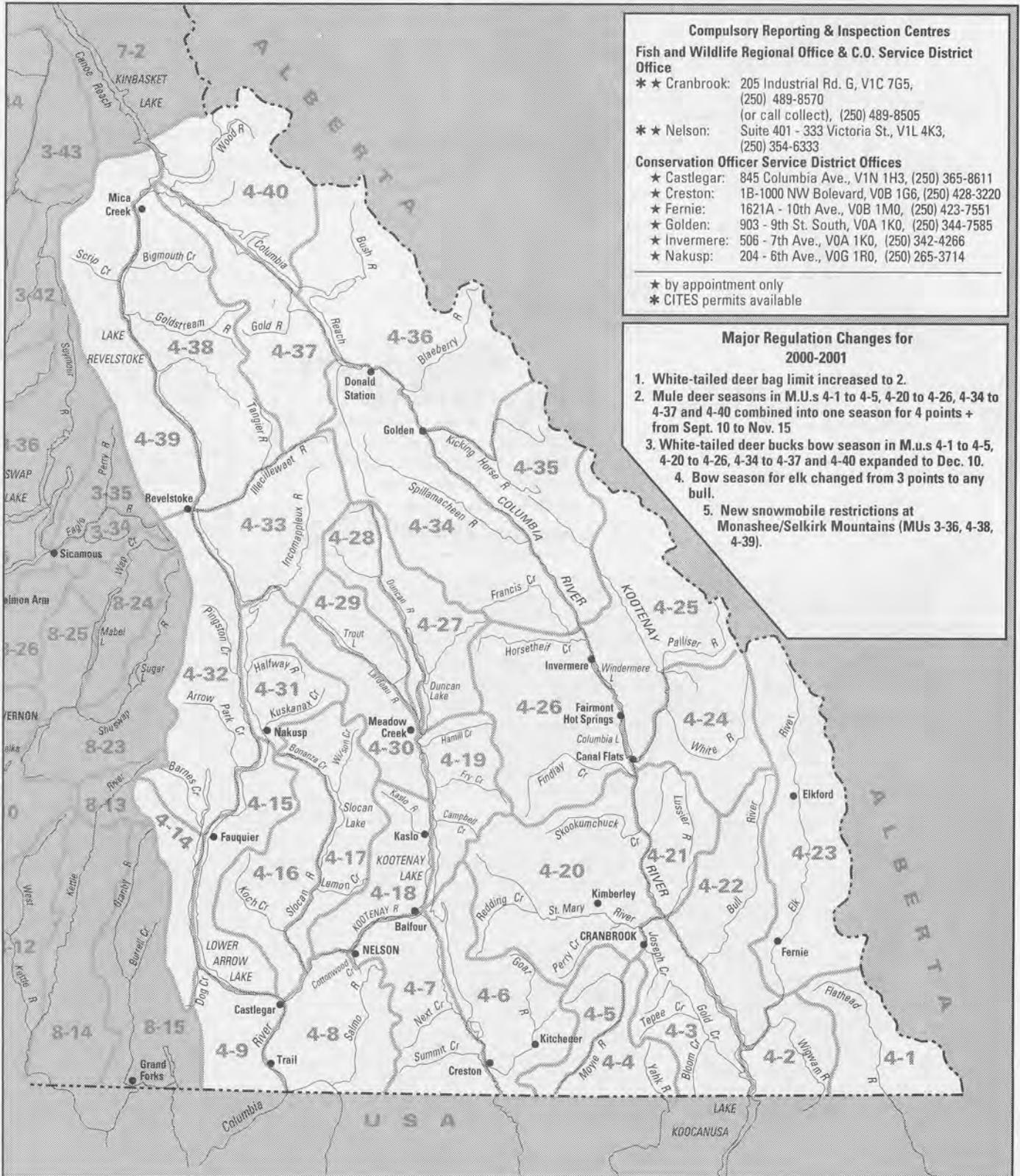
second estrus pregnancy rates have dropped to less than 5%, and twinning rates have risen to 30% in 1995 from a low of 15% in 1992.

Finally, as a result of restricted moose harvests achieved through antlerless moose LEH seasons, immature bull only general open seasons, and mature bull LEH seasons, Region 3 has experienced a significant improvement in the observable bull to cow ratio. The bull to cow ratio through the 1980's averaged 20 to 25 bulls per 100 cows. In the late 1990's this ratio has doubled to approximately 40 to 50 bulls per 100 cows. The moose management strategy currently in place in Region 3 was patterned after the strategy pioneered in Region 7 during the 1980's and has proved to be highly successful in maintaining healthy moose populations while still providing recreational hunting opportunities.

Thank you, BC hunters, for taking part in wildlife data collection programs and taking the time to familiarize yourselves with the various age and sex specific hunting seasons and regulations. Your continued participation and cooperation will ensure future moose hunting opportunities for generations to come.

KOOTENAY REGION 4

These M.U. boundaries are approximate only. For a more precise definition consult the B.C. Recreational Atlas, 4th edition.



Compulsory Reporting & Inspection Centres

Fish and Wildlife Regional Office & C.O. Service District Office

- ★ ★ Cranbrook: 205 Industrial Rd. G, V1C 7G5, (250) 489-8570 (or call collect), (250) 489-8505
- ★ ★ Nelson: Suite 401 - 333 Victoria St., V1L 4K3, (250) 354-6333

Conservation Officer Service District Offices

- ★ Castlegar: 845 Columbia Ave., V1N 1H3, (250) 365-8611
- ★ Creston: 1B-1000 NW Bolevard, V0B 1G6, (250) 428-3220
- ★ Fernie: 1621A - 10th Ave., V0B 1M0, (250) 423-7551
- ★ Golden: 903 - 9th St. South, V0A 1K0, (250) 344-7585
- ★ Invermere: 506 - 7th Ave., V0A 1K0, (250) 342-4266
- ★ Nakusp: 204 - 6th Ave., V0G 1R0, (250) 265-3714

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* CITES permits available

Major Regulation Changes for 2000-2001

1. White-tailed deer bag limit increased to 2.
2. Mule deer seasons in M.U.s 4-1 to 4-5, 4-20 to 4-26, 4-34 to 4-37 and 4-40 combined into one season for 4 points + from Sept. 10 to Nov. 15
3. White-tailed deer bucks bow season in M.U.s 4-1 to 4-5, 4-20 to 4-26, 4-34 to 4-37 and 4-40 expanded to Dec. 10.
4. Bow season for elk changed from 3 points to any bull.
5. New snowmobile restrictions at Monashee/Selkirk Mountains (MUs 3-36, 4-38, 4-39).

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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 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 bag limit in the Kootenay Region for cougar is one (1).

LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING (LEH)

•The seasons shown in the attached tables are for general open seasons only. If you are hunting under an LEH authorization, the species, class of animal (age/sex) or time period during which you are authorized to hunt may be different than those shown in this publication.

VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS

• See definition of "motor vehicle", "snowmobile" on pages 5 & 6.

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

◆ 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 and July 1-Aug. 31). An authorized trapper is exempt from this prohibition with respect to the trapping of furbearing animals.

▼ 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 Dec. 1-Mar. 31 and July 1-Aug. 31). An authorized trapper is exempt from this prohibition with respect to the trapping of furbearing animals.

★ 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, during the period Apr. 1-Nov. 30. An authorized trapper is exempt from this prohibition with respect to the trapping of furbearing animals.

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.

MU 4-1

- ★ McDougall Wildlife Sanctuary, (Map D1)
- ◆ Akamina and Kishinena Creek watersheds upstream from the 94 km marker on the Akamina/Kishinena Rd
- ◆ Middlepass Creek watershed

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

MU 4-2

- ★ Galton Range (Map D2)
- ★ Wigwam Flats-Mt. Broadwood /Sportsman Ridge (Map D3)
- ◆ The watershed of an unnamed tributary of Lodgepole Creek (locally known as Windfall Creek) 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

- ★ Elizabeth Lake (Map D4)

- ★ Linklater Creek (Map D5)

MU 4-4

- ★ Lower Cotton Tie Area (Map D7)
- ◆ Yahk River watershed upstream of Norge Creek and below the 1825 m 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 of Hwy 3/95

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 in the Skelly Creek watershed upstream of the 1500 m (4900 ft) contour
- ◆ the easterly half of drainage of Goat River from Leadville Creek to Kamma Creek.

MU 4-7

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

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 5 km point (on each).

MU 4-18

- ★ Marsden Face during the period Dec 1 to April 15 (Map D11)
- ▲ Grohman Creek (Map D11)
- ◆ the watersheds of Smallwood & Garrity Creeks from a point 20 metres southeast of the intersection of the Smallwood Creek and Garrity Creek roads
- ◆ Kokanee Creek Road between northern boundary of L 1144 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 an unnamed creek (locally known as 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
- ★ Premier Ridge (Map D18) from Dec 1 to April 30

MU 4-22

- ★ Powerplant area (Map D22)
- ★ the Pickering Hills and Sheep Mtn. areas shown on Maps D20 and D21
- ★ 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 McDermaid Creek
- ◆ 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-Todhunter area (Map D23)
- ★ Ridgemont area (Map D27)
- ★ Grave Prairie area (Map D30)
- ★ Corbin Creek (Map D31)

- ★ Weigert Creek (except snowmobiles) (Map D25)
- ★ Upper Elk Valley/Fording River (except snowmobiles) (Map D26)
- ★ Alexander Creek Access Management Area. (Map D29)

MU 4-24

- ★ 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

MUs 4-25, 4-26, 4-34 and 4-35

- Use of a conveyance of any description which is powered by a motor which exceeds a rating of 10 horsepower is prohibited within the Columbia Wetlands Wildlife Management Area (MUs 4-25, 4-26, 4-34, 4-35). The following rights of way are excluded from this regulation:

- ◆ Horsethief Creek Forest Service Road # 5467.0 located at Radium
- Plan 22153 of DL 11383 located at Brisco
- Plan 26T1689 of DL 2566 located at Spillimacheen
- Spillimacheen Forest Service Road # 7752.0 located at Parsons
- Canyon Creek Road located at Nichol森
- The Dogtooth road located at Golden (Map D40)

MU 4-25

- ★ Stoddart Creek area (Map D34)
- ★ Columbia Lake 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 Rd
- ◆ the upper watersheds of Madias Creek and Tatley Creek upstream from the easterly boundary of the Columbia Lake Indian Reserve

MU 4-26

- ★ that portion of the watershed of Goldie Creek upstream of 1525 metre elevation
- ★ Dutch Creek-Findlay. (Map D43)
- ◆ the watershed of Brewer Creek upstream of and including the watershed of Thorald Creek
- ◆ Crown land in the watershed of Lavington Creek upstream of the northerly boundary of subplot 137, Kootenay Land District
- ◆ the watershed of Dutch Creek upstream of its confluence with Whitetail Creek

MU 4-29

- ◆ the easterly watershed of the Lardeau River between the northerly boundaries of District Lots 7527 and 9378, Kootenay Land District and

the northerly height of land of Lake Creek (including the Lake Creek watershed), from Oct 20 to Dec 10

MU 4-30

- ★ the Duncan-Lardeau area shown on Map D45

MU 4-32

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

MU 4-35

- ◆ the drainages of Ice River and the easterly watershed of Beaverfoot River upstream of Ice River

MU 4-38

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

MU 4-38, 4-39, 3-36

The recreational use of snowmobiles (includes use of snowmobiles for hunting and commercial backcountry recreation) in the Monashee/Selkirk Mountains area above 1300 m and below 2100 m is prohibited during the period Dec 15 to April 15. Use of snowmobiles for industrial access purposes is exempted. (MUs 3-36, 4-38, 4-39) See Map D46.

COMPULSORY INSPECTION & REPORTING

- In addition to those species requiring Compulsory Inspection or Compulsory Reporting provincially, all cougar taken in Region 4 must be Compulsory Inspected within 4 days of the date of kill, and all moose, wolf and elk taken in Region 4 must be Compulsory Reported within 30 days of the date of kill. See page 14 & 15 for requirements.

NOTICE TO HUNTERS

- Creston Archery Season Special Area for either sex white-tailed deer - See Map D9.
- No Shooting Areas: Please take note of the Highway No Shooting Areas as outlined on page 23-25.
- 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.

NATIONAL PARKS

- Hunting is prohibited in all National Parks

PROVINCIAL 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:

- Akamina-Kishinena Provincial Park(MU 4-1)
- Bugaboo Prov. Park(MU 4-27, 4-34)

- Cummins Lakes Provincial Park(MU 4-40)
- Elk Lakes Prov. Park(MU 4-23)
- Elk Valley Prov. Park(MU 4-23)
- Gilnockie Provincial Park(MU 4-4)
- Goat Range Provincial Park(MU 4-17, 4-30)

- Hamber Prov. Park(MU 4-40)
- Height of the Rockies Prov. Park(MU 4-23, 4-24, 4-25)
- Kianuko Provincial Park(MU 4-6)
- Kikomun Creek Prov. Park(MU 4-22)
- Kokanee Glacier Prov. Park(MU 4-17, 4-18)

is only open to the discharge of firearms from Nov 1 to Nov 30 during a lawful game hunting season.

- Lockhart Creek Provincial Park(MU 4-6)
- Marl Creek Prov. Park(MU 4-36)
- McDonald Creek Prov. Park(MU 4-32)

Open only on west side
 Mount Assiniboine Prov. 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. 250-422-4200).

- Pilot Bay Provincial Park(MU 4-6)
- Premier Lake Provincial 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.

- Purcell Wilderness Conservancy Corridor Protected Area(MU 4-26)
- St. Mary's Alpine Provincial Park(MU 4-20)
- Syringa Provincial Park(MU 4-15)
- Top of the World Provincial Park(MU 4-21, 4-22)

Horse use is restricted to the Coyote Creek, Galbraith and Fish Lake horse trails. Grazing is prohibited except in the vicinity of Nicole Creek and Coyote Creek campsites.

- Valhalla Provincial Park(MU 4-16)
- West Arm Provincial Park(MU 4-7)

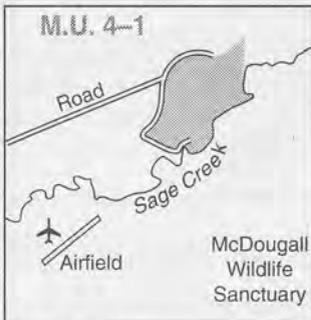
- Whiteswan Lake Provincial Park(MU 4-24)
- Windermere Lake Provincial Park (MU 4-25)

Parks and recreation areas not listed above are closed to the discharge of firearms, bows and crossbows.

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.

SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNITS	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT
MULE DEER (Black-Tailed)	4-1 to 4-5, 4-20 to 4-26, 4-34 to 4-37, 4-40	★4 Point Bucks	Sept 10 - Nov 15	1
	4-6 to 4-9, 4-14, 4-15, 4-32	Bucks	Sept 10 - Oct 31	1
	4-16 to 4-19, 4-27 to 4-31, 4-33, 4-38, 4-39	Bucks	Sept 10 - Nov 15	1
	Bow Only Season 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
See regional bag limit on page 55. ★See definition on page 6. The antlers must accompany the species licence.				
WHITE-TAILED DEER	4-1 to 4-5, 4-20 to 4-26, 4-34 to 4-37, 4-40	▲Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	2
	4-1 to 4-5, 4-20 to 4-26, 4-34 to 4-37, 4-40	Bucks	Sept 10 - Nov 20	2
	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 Only Seasons 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	2
	4-1 to 4-5, 4-20 to 4-26, 4-34 to 4-37, 4-40	*Bucks	Nov 21 - Dec 10	2
▲This season is open to hunters under the age of 19 only. *Hunters are required to submit the antlers and the lower jaw or one of the incisor teeth within 10 days of the kill. See also special season map D9.				
ELK	4-1 to 4-7, 4-19 to 4-30, 4-34 to 4-37, 4-40	▲6 Point Bulls	Sept 10 - Oct 20	1
	4-18	▲6 Point Bulls	Oct 10 - Oct 20	1
	Bow Only Season 4-1 to 4-7, 4-19 to 4-30, 4-34 to 4-37, 4-40	Bulls	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
▲See definitions on page 5. The antlers must accompany the species licence. Successful elk hunters must report a 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, which may be obtained from any licence issuer, Government Agent or BC Environment office. Hunters are required to submit the antlers and an incisor tooth of any bow-killed elk within 15 days of the kill. See the regional bag limit for elk and moose on page 55.				
MOOSE	All moose seasons in Kootenay Region are on the Limited Entry Hunting (LEH) system. Please refer to the LEH synopsis for details.			
BIGHORN	4-1, 4-21 to 4-24, ★4-35	Full Curl Bighorn Rams	Sept 10 - Oct 25	1
MOUNTAIN SHEEP	4-2, ▲4-25	Full Curl Bighorn Rams	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 that portion of MU 4-25 east of the Kootenay River excluding Mt. Assiniboine Park, the season is from Sept 10 - Oct 25. (See Map D37)				
MOUNTAIN GOAT	★4-37, ▲4-39, 4-40		Sept 10 - Nov 30	1
★Open Season Only in that portion of MU 4-37 north and west of Windy Creek. ▲Open Season Only in that portion of MU 4-39 north of Bourne Creek.				
BLACK BEAR	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Sept 10 - Nov 30	2
	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Apr 1/2001 - June 30/2001	2
Bow Only Season	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Sept 1 - Sept 9	2
WOLF	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Sept 10 - Mar 31/2001	2
	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Apr 1/2001 - June 15/2001	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 and MUs 4-6 and 4-7, below 1100 metres in elevation, there is no closed season.				
COYOTE	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Sept 10 - Mar 31/2001	10
WOLVERINE	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Nov 1 - Jan 31/2001	1
LYNX	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Dec 1 - Dec 31	1
COUGAR	4-6 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-19, 4-27 to 4-33, 4-38, 4-39		Sept 10 - Mar 31/2001	1
	4-1 to 4-5, 4-20 to 4-26, 4-34 to 4-37, 4-40		★Sept 10 - Feb 28/2001	1
	Pursuit Only 4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Dec 1 - Feb 28/2001	
Hunters are requested not to shoot lactating cougar, cougar in the company of lactating cougar or cougar kittens. 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. ★Note the cougar season in MUs 4-1 to 4-6, 4-20 to 4-26, 4-34 to 4-37, and 4-40 will close 72 hours after the regional manager has published that since Apr 1, 2000 the total number of female cougars killed in these MUs has reached 35. The cougar season in MUs 4-6, 4-8 west of Salmo River, 4-9, 4-14 to 4-19, 4-27 to 4-33, 4-38 and 4-39 will close 72 hours after the regional manager has published that since Apr 1, 2000 the total number of female cougars killed in these MUs has reached 25.				
BOBCAT	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Nov 15 - Feb 15/2001	2
COLUMBIAN GROUND SQUIRREL	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	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Aug 1 - Mar 31/2001	10 (daily)
	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Apr 1/2001 - Apr 30	10 (daily)
RACCOON	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Sept 10 - Mar 31/2001	NBL

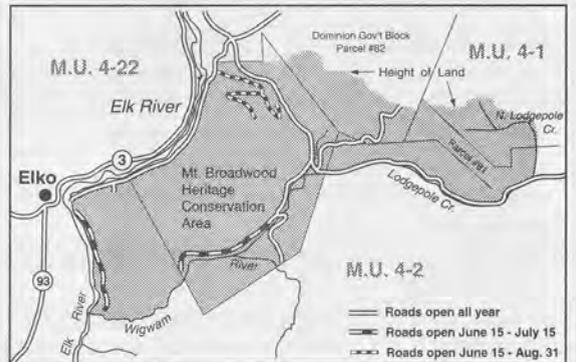
SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNITS	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT
SKUNK	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Aug 1 - Mar 31/2001	NBL
	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Apr 1/2001 - Apr 30/2001	NBL
GROUSE BLUE, SPRUCE (FRANKLIN) AND RUFFED	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Sept 1 - Nov 30	5(15)
<i>For Blue, Spruce (Franklin's) and Ruffed grouse, the daily aggregate bag limit is 5; the aggregate possession limit is 15.</i>				
PTARMIGAN	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Sept 10 - Nov 30	10(30)
PHEASANT (COCKS ONLY)	4-6, 4-7		Oct 15 - Nov 30	Daily Limit: 3 Possession Limit: 6 Season Limit: 12
RAVEN	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		No Closed Season	5
MOURNING DOVES	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Sept 1 - Sept 30	5(10)
COOTS, COMMON SNIPE	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Sept 11 - Dec 25	10(20)
DUCKS	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Sept 11 - Dec 25	8(16)
<i>Restricted daily bag limits of 4 Pintails, 1 Canvasback, 2 Goldeneye and 2 Harlequins are in effect - see page 11 & 12.</i>				
SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE, CANADA GEESE, WHITE FRONTED GEESE	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		Sept 11 - Dec 25	5(10)
WATERFOWLERS HERITAGE DAYS DUCKS, SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE, WHITE-FRONTED GEESE AND CANADA GEESE	4-1 to 4-9, 4-14 to 4-40		*Sept 10	5(10)
*Waterfowlers Heritage Days are restricted to hunters under the age of 19. (see page 13 for details)				
The aggregate daily bag limit for all geese is 5 - see page 11 & 12. See Map D6.				
Hunters please note that the Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area opens to hunting for coots, snipe, ducks and geese on October 1/2000.				
For more information phone 250-428-3260				



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 Access Management Area (situate in MU 4-2). Highlighted roads are open all year.



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

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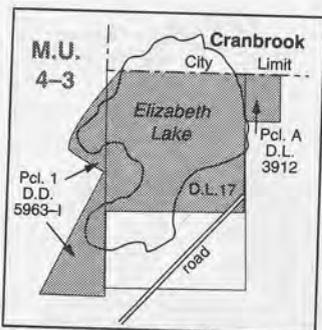


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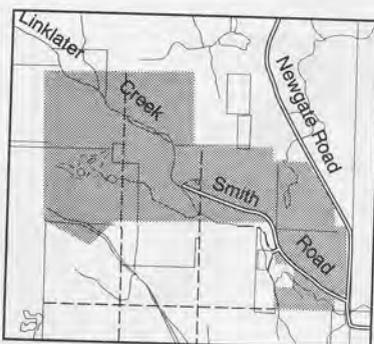
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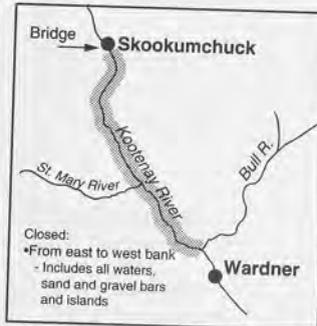
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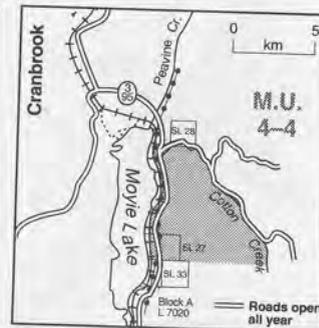
Map D4 Elizabeth Lake No Hunting, No Shooting, No Trapping Area, No Motorized Vehicles (situate in MU 4-3).



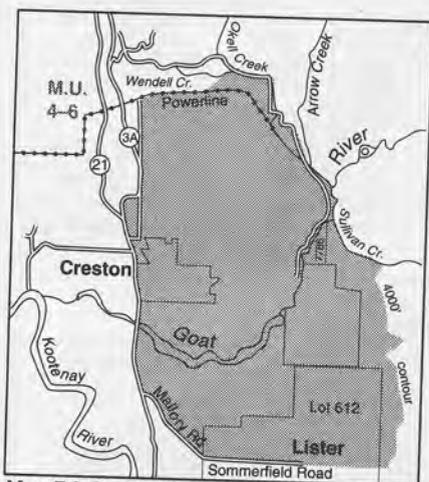
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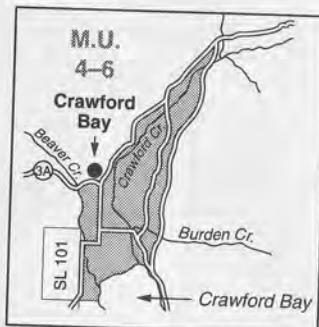
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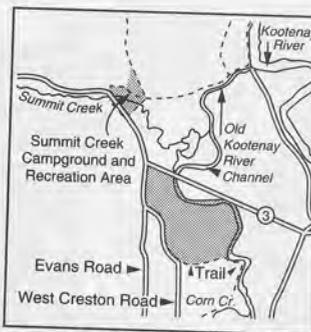
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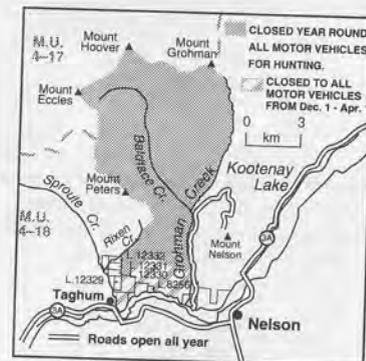
Map D9 Creston Archery Season Special Area for either sex white-tailed deer (situate in MU 4-6). Bow and arrow only season from Dec 1 to Dec 31.



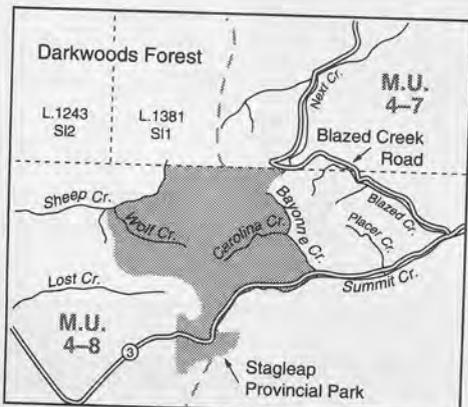
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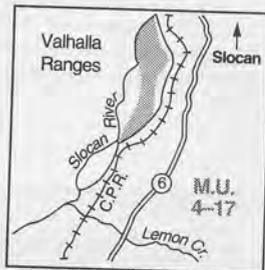
Map D10 Summit Creek Campground and Recreation Area and Corn Creek Marsh No Hunting Areas (situate in MU 4-7).



Map D11 Mardsen Face and Grohman Creek Access Management Area. Shaded area closed year round to use of motor vehicles for the purpose of hunting. Hatched area closed to all motor vehicles at all times from Dec 1 to Apr. 15. (situate in MU 4-18).



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



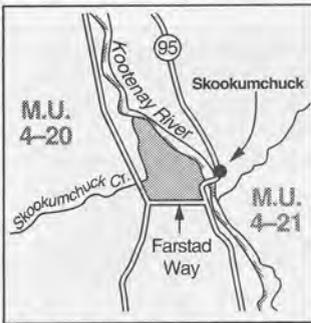
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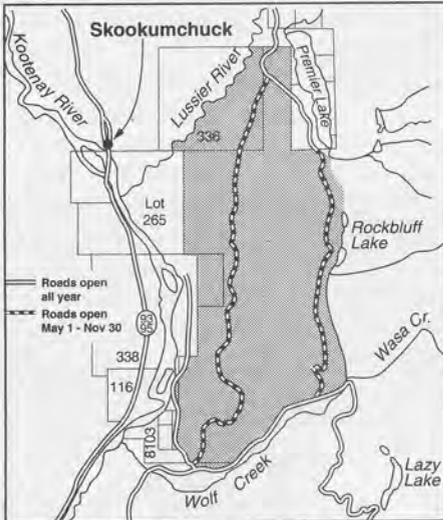
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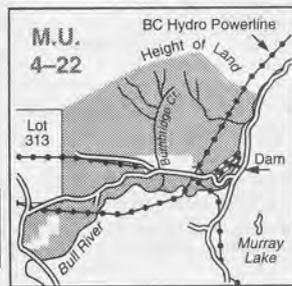
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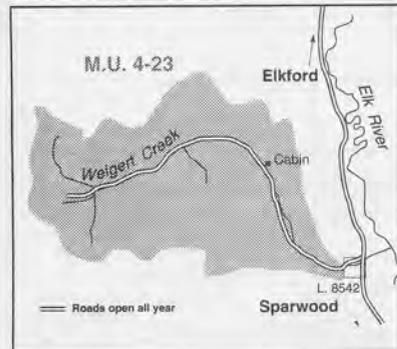
Map D16 Skookumchuck Pulp Mill No Shooting Area (situate in MU 4-20).



Map D18 Premier Ridge Access Management Area (situate in MU 4-21). Roads shown as dashed lines are open May 1 to Nov 30, and roads shown as open lines are open year-round.



Map D22 Powerplant Access Management Area (situate in MU 4-22). Closed year-round to the operation of all vehicles. Roads shown as open lines are open year-round; roads shown as dashed lines are open May 1 to Nov 30.



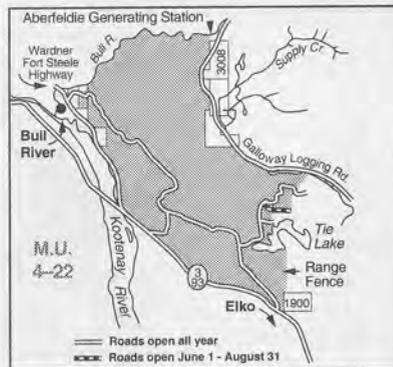
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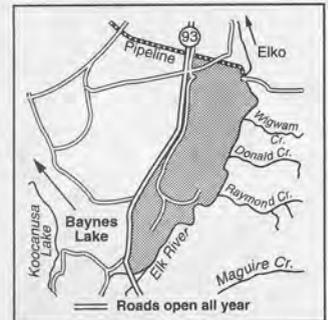
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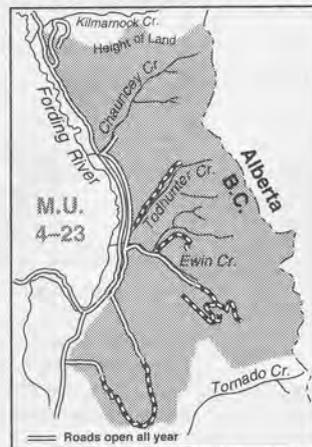
Map D19 Wasa Slough Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in MU 4-21). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.



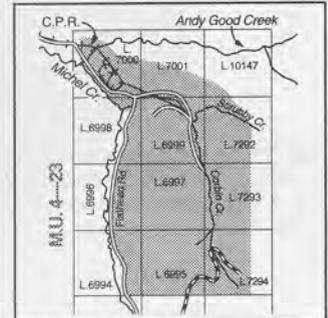
Map D20 Pickering Hills Access Management Area (situate in MU 4-22). Excludes Lot 3, Plan 12040, District Lot 325, Kootenay Land District



Map D21 Sheep Mountain Access Management Area (situate in MU 4-22).

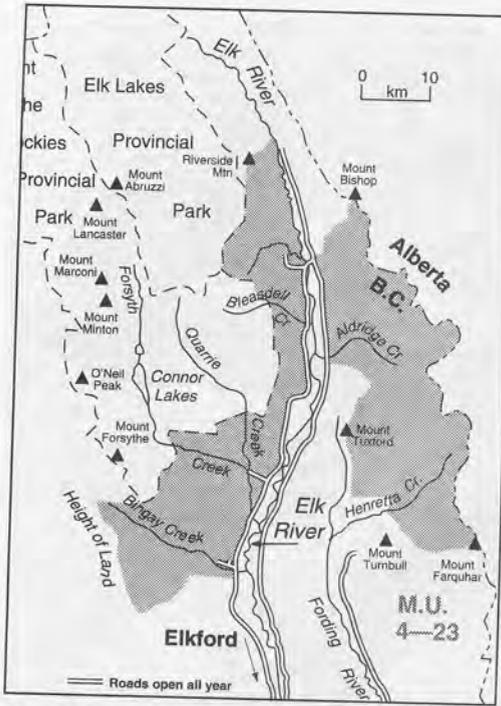


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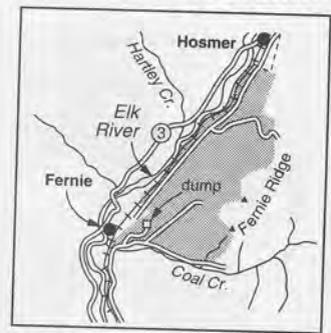
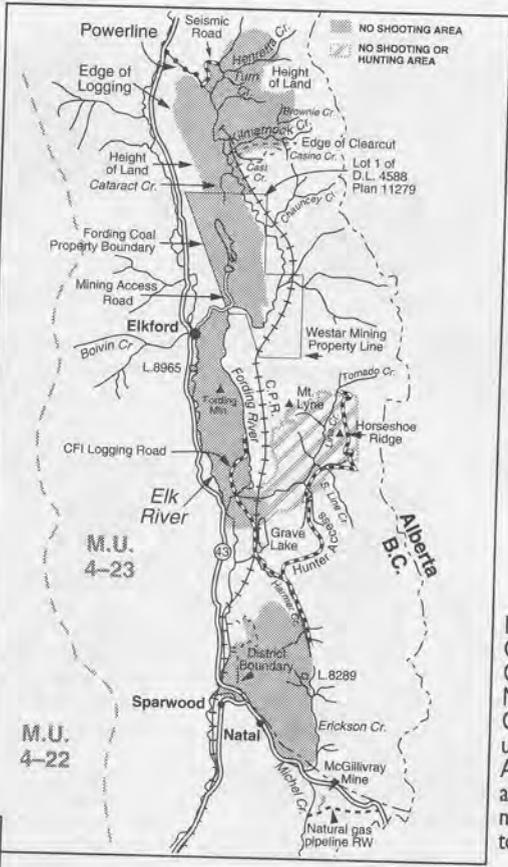


Map D24 Fording Coal Limited Coal Mountain mine. No Shooting Area (situate in MU 4-23).

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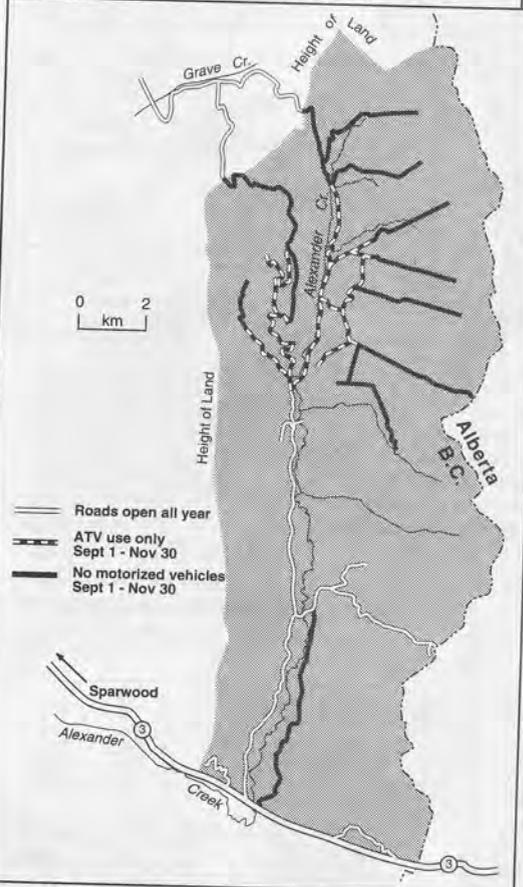


Map D26 Upper Elk Valley - Fording River Access Management Area (situate in MU 4-23). Closed year round to the operation of all vehicles except snowmobiles. Roads shown as open lines are open year-round.

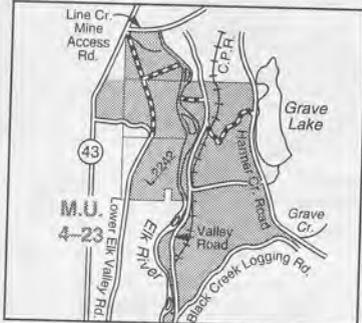


Map D27 Ridgemont Access Management Area (situate in MU 4-23). Roads shown as open lines open year-round.

Map D28 Luscarr, Fording River Operations, Natal Ridge, Sparwood Ridge, Greenhills, Fording Mountain and McGillivray 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.



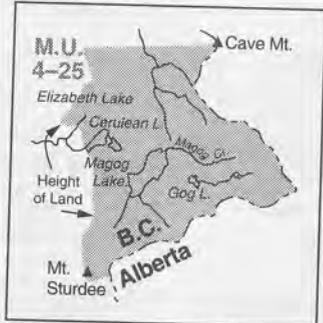
Map D29 Alexander Creek Access Management Area (situate in MU 4-23). Snowmobiles are allowed. See snowmobile restriction on page 34.



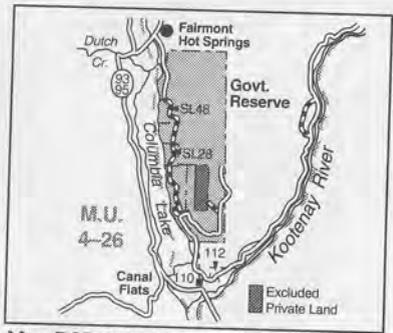
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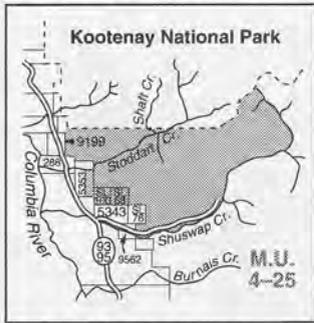
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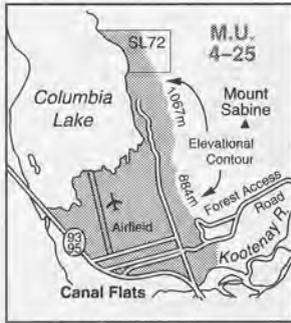
Map D32 Mount Assiniboine Park No Hunting Area (situate in MU 4-25).



Map D33 Columbia Lake Access Management 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 Nov 30; roads shown as open lines are open year-round.



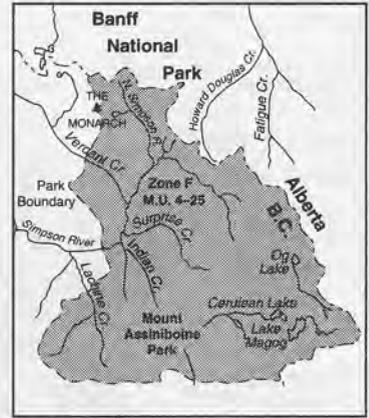
Map D34 Stoddart Creek Access Management Area (situate in MU 4-25). Road shown as open line is open year-round.



Map D35 Canal Flats Shotgun with Shot Only Area (situate in MU 4-25).



Map D36 Sunshine Meadows No Hunting Area (situate in MU-25).



Map D37 Mt. Assiniboine Park Mountain Sheep Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in MU 4-25). See also Maps D35, D39.



Map D38 Fairmont No Shooting Area (situate in MU 4-25)



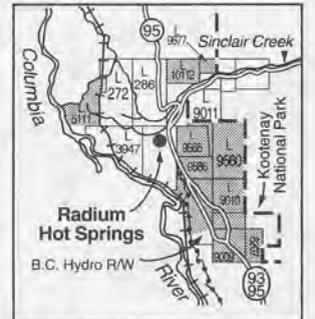
Map D39 Windermere No Shooting Area (situate in MU 4-25)



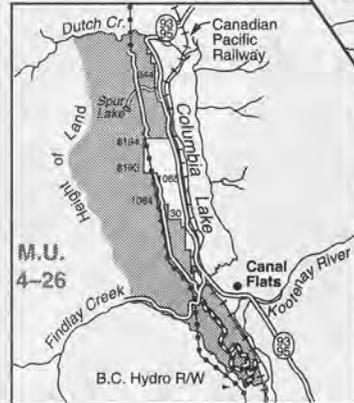
Map D40 Columbia Wetlands Wildlife Management Area. Closed to use of any conveyance of any description which is powered by a motor which exceeds a rating of 10 horsepower. (situate in MU 4-25). Contact Cranbrook Fish and Wildlife office for more information.



Map D41 Columbia Lake and River Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in MUs 4-25, 4-26). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.



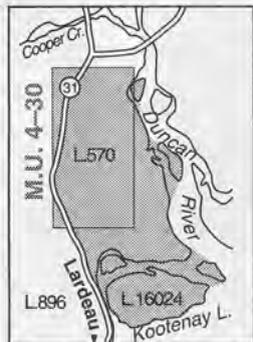
Map D42 Radium No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 4-25 and 4-35)



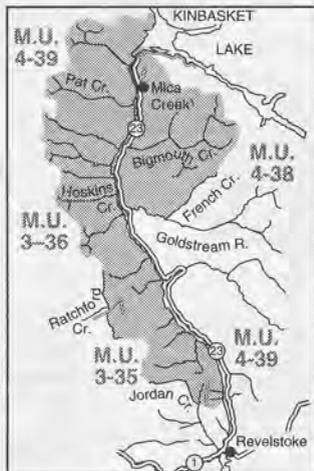
Map D43 Dutch Creek-Findlay Flats Access Management Area (situate in MU 4-26). Roads shown as open lines are open year-round; roads shown as dashed lines are open May 1 to Nov 30.



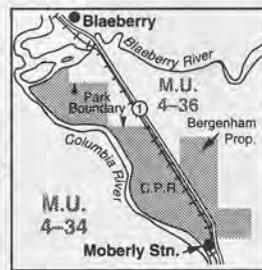
Map D44 Edgewater No shooting or hunting Area. (situate in MU 4-34)



Map D45 Duncan - Lardeau Access Management Area (situate in MU 4-30). The operation of motor vehicles is prohibited except on Highway 31.



Map D46 Monashee/Selkirk Mountains Showmobile Restricted Area. Recreational use of snowmobiles (including for hunting or commercial backcountry recreation) is prohibited above 1300 m and below 2100 m from Dec 15 to Apr 15. Access routes shown as open lines are open year round. (situate in MUs 4-25, 4-26, 4-34, 4-35)



Map D47 Bergenham and Moberly Marsh Wildlife Sanctuaries (situate in MU 4-36). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.

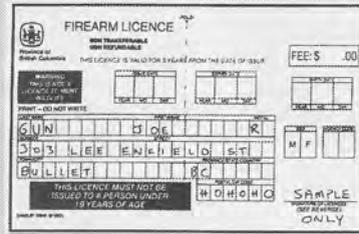
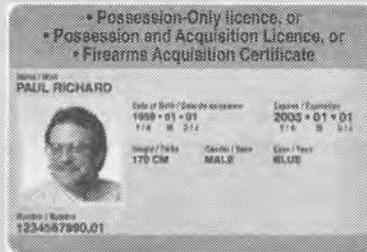
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ALL FIREARM LICENCES ARE NOT THE SAME

Recent ads by the Government of Canada have indicated that you are required to have a federal firearms licence by January 1, 2001. There are three federal firearms licences:

- Possession-Only licence (POL)
- Possession and Acquisition Licence (PAL)
- Firearms Acquisition Certificate (FAC)

A BC Firearm Licence is NOT the same thing.



- Federal Firearm Licence
- Issued under federal law.
- Allows you to possess a firearm.
- Required by January 1, 2001.

- BC Firearms Licence
- Issued under provincial law.
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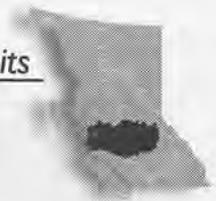
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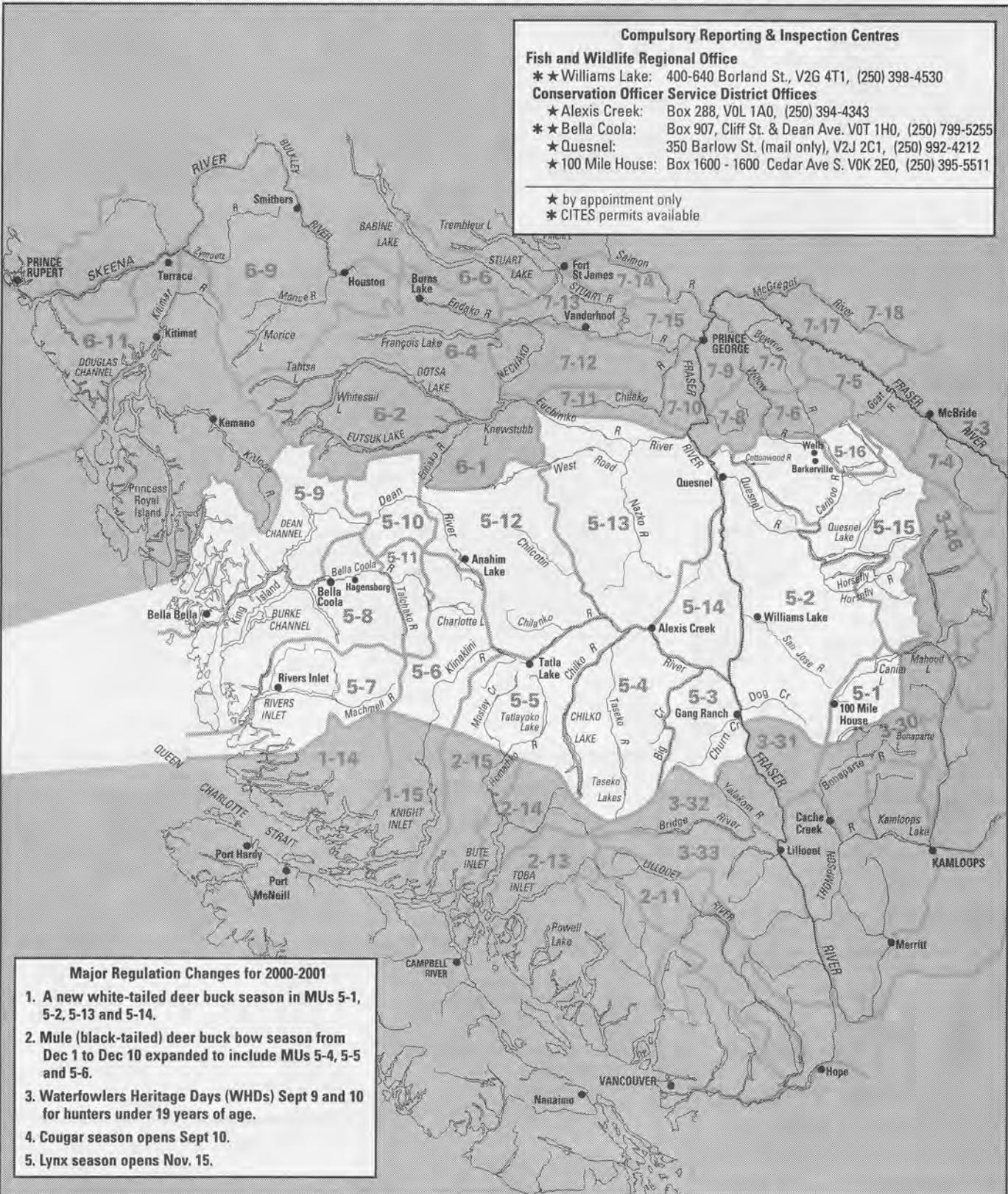
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- Major Regulation Changes for 2000-2001**
1. A new white-tailed deer buck season in MUs 5-1, 5-2, 5-13 and 5-14.
 2. Mule (black-tailed) deer buck bow season from Dec 1 to Dec 10 expanded to include MUs 5-4, 5-5 and 5-6.
 3. Waterfowlers Heritage Days (WHDs) Sept 9 and 10 for hunters under 19 years of age.
 4. Cougar season opens Sept 10.
 5. Lynx season opens Nov. 15.

BAG LIMITS

• Deer: The bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer is two, one of which may be antlerless but only available under LEH. The bag limit for white-tailed deer is one.

Wolf: The bag limit for wolf is 3

Bobcat: The bag limit for bobcat is 1.

LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING (LEH)

• The seasons shown in the attached tables are for general open seasons only. If you are hunting under an LEH authorization, the species, class of animal (age/sex) or time period during which you are authorized to hunt may be different than those shown in this publication.

NOTICE TO MOOSE HUNTERS

• To help aid in population recovery, especially the Bull component of the population, a moratorium on the harvest of Bull Moose during a general open season is in effect throughout Region 5. Factors such as increasing hunter numbers, hunter overcrowding and higher than desired levels of Bull Moose harvest contributed to the decision to implement the moratorium. Bull Moose hunting will continue through Limited Entry Hunting seasons. Population inventories will be used to assess the level of moose population recovery over the next few years.

COMPULSORY INSPECTION & REPORTING

• In addition to those species requiring Compulsory Inspection or Compulsory Reporting provincially, all caribou taken in Region 5 must be Compulsory Inspected within 15 days of the date of the kill. All moose taken in Region 5 must be Compulsory Reported within 30 days of the date of kill in a Harvest Data Tooth return envelope to a BC Environment Regional office in person or by mail. See page 14 & 15 for requirements.

HIGHWAY RESTRICTIONS

No shooting Areas: Please take note of the Highway No Shooting Areas outlined on pages 23-25.

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 pages 23-25).

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.

The operation of ATVs (including motorcycles and snowmobiles) 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 between the hours of 4 a.m. to 10 a.m. in MUs 5-3, 5-4, 5-5, 5-6 and 5-14. Snowmobiles are permitted during the period Dec 1 - May 1.

★ Motor Vehicle Restricted Roads and Areas

The operation of all motor vehicles for the purpose of hunting, to transport wildlife, to transport equipment, firearms 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.

▲ Motor Vehicle Prohibited Areas

The operation of all motor vehicles is prohibited year round.

■ Unlicensed Motor Vehicle Restricted Areas

The operation of unlicensed motor vehicles (including ATVs and snowmobiles) 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

Access to the Mount Polley mine site is prohibited under the Mines and Trespass Act.

▼ 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.

★ Moffat Lake-Spokin FSR (Project #7968-05) and any side roads

★ Sucker Lake FSR and any side roads northerly from the 1 km point

★ 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.

◆ Gibraltar Mines No Shooting Area - see Map E4.

◆ Reidemann Wildlife Sanctuary (Alkali Lake) - no hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms. (See Map E5).

◆ Williams Lake and Williams Lake River No Shooting Area - see Map E3.

◆ Big Lake School - the discharge of firearms is prohibited in Lot 8125, Cariboo District in which Big Lake School is located.

▲ Knife Creek Vehicle Restricted Area - See Map E6.

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.

▲ Churn Creek Protected Area - motor vehicles prohibited except on designated roads. Access for commercial purposes other than hunting is exempt. Snowmobiles allowed Dec 1 to May 1 - see Map E7.

* Gaspard-Churn Creek ATV Restricted Area, except for commercial activities other than hunting; and snowmobiles allowed Dec 1 to May 1 - see Map E8.

▲ Red Mountain & French Mountain - motor vehicles prohibited above the 1920 metre elevation.

MU 5-4

Industrial road closure on the Groundhog FSR from Dec 1 to May 15.

★ Groundhog FSR and any side roads, southerly from the 15.5 km point

★ Rocky Lake-5800 FSR and any side roads, westerly from the intersection of Rocky Lake-5800 FSR and Groundhog Creek

★ Battlement Ridge Mining Road - entire road, Sept 1 to Oct 31 only.

* 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 E9.

MU 5-5

▼ Tatlayoko Road - 400 m (1/4 mile) either side of the mid-line south from Eagle Lake Road to its end.

▼ Horn-Bluff Lakes Road - 400 m (1/4 mile) restriction; see Map E13.

★ Valteau Creek Motor Vehicle Restricted Area - see Map E12.

▲ Potato Mountain Vehicle Restricted Area - this restriction applies to the operation of all motor vehicles for any purpose; snowmobiles are permitted Dec 1 - Mar 31, except in Ts'il'os Park, see Map E11.

MU 5-6

The Halfway South FSR is closed to all non-industrial motor vehicle traffic.

MU 5-7

◆ Nekite River Spawning Channel - Hunting and the discharge of firearms is prohibited within 100 m 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.

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

MU 5-9

◆ Ocean Falls No Shooting Area - see Map E19.
MU 5-12

★ **Upper Dean River Main Haul Road northerly from its intersection with Far Creek.**

★ Klusko-Thunder Mountain Forest Service Road and any side roads - restriction is northwesterly from the junction of this road and the Klusko 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 (Riverside Forest Products) and any side roads - restricted north from Kilometre 43 of this road (this road runs north of Hwy 20 from Chilanko Forks).

★ Chantslar Road - westerly from Kilometre 32 of this road.

★ Jorgensen Road northerly from the junction of Jorgensen Road and Punzi Creek.

★ Beeftail Main Road.

▲ Corkscrew Road - except for industrial forestry purposes.

■ MU 5-12 (entire management unit) Unlicensed Motor Vehicle Restricted Area - the operation of motor vehicles to hunt game, transport game, transport equipment and supplies which are intended for or in support of hunting, or transport hunters to and from the location of wildlife is prohibited Sept 1 to Dec 5.

MU 5-13

★ Michelle-Baezaeko Forest Service Road and any side roads - see description under MU 5-12.

■ MU 5-13 (entire management unit) Unlicensed Motor Vehicle Restricted Area - the operation of motor vehicles to hunt game, transport game, transport equipment and supplies which are intended for or in support of hunting, or transport hunters to and from the location of wildlife is prohibited Sept 1 to Dec 5.

▼ West Fraser Road - 400 m (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). See Map E21.

◆ 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 E18.

MU 5-14

▲ Junction Sheep Range Provincial Park Motor Vehicle Restricted Area - this restriction applies to the operation of all motor vehicles for any purpose; see Map E20.

★ Doc English Vehicle Restricted Area - access is restricted to designated roads; portions of this area are private land and for safety reasons, hunters are requested not to hunt in these areas; see Map E22.

▼ West Fraser Road - 400 m (1/4 mile) restriction; see description under MU 5-13. See Map E21.

MU 5-15

▲ Eureka Peak Motor Vehicle Restricted Area - this restriction applies to the operation of all motor vehicles for any purpose; see Map E23.

★ Spanish No-Name Lake Forest Service Road - northerly and easterly from the No-Name Lake Forest Service Recreational Site.

★ Crooked Lake Forest Service Road and any side roads from its point of commencement to its termination.

◆ Wells No Shooting Area - see Map E25.

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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:

Big Creek Provincial Park*(MU 5-3, 5-4)

Cariboo Mountains Provincial Park*(MU 5-15,)

Cariboo River Provincial Park*(MU 5-15,)

Churn Creek Protected Area*(MU 5-3)
See Map E7

Fiordland Recreation Area(MU 5-9)

Flat Lake Provincial Park*(MU 5-2)

Hakai Recreation Area(MU 5-8)

Homathko River-Tatlayoko Protected Area*(MU 5-5)

Itcha Ilgachuz Provincial Park*(MU 5-12)

Junction Sheep Range Provincial Park*(MU 5-14)

Kluskoil Lake Provincial Park*(MU 5-13)

Moose Valley Provincial Park*(MU 5-2)

Nazko Lake Provincial Park*(MU 5-13)

Nunsti Provincial Park*(MU 5-4)

Schoolhouse Lake Provincial Park*(MU 5-2)

Ts'il'os Provincial Park*(MU 5-4, 5-5)

Tweedsmuir Provincial Park(MU 5-10, 5-11, 6-1, 6-2)
See Maps E16, E17.

White Pelican Provincial Park(MU 5-13, 5-14)

Parks and Recreation Areas marked with an asterisk (*) are exempt from the No Hunting No Shooting Restriction within 400m of the centerline of park roads (BC reg. 180/90 5.82(2)).

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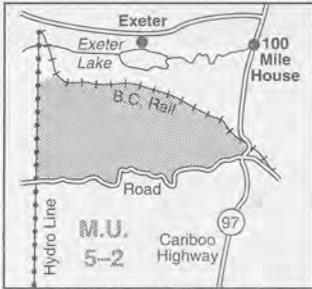
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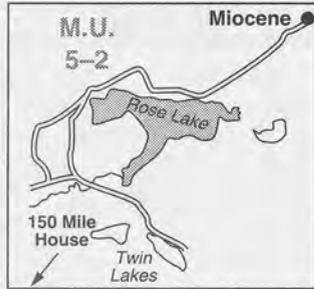


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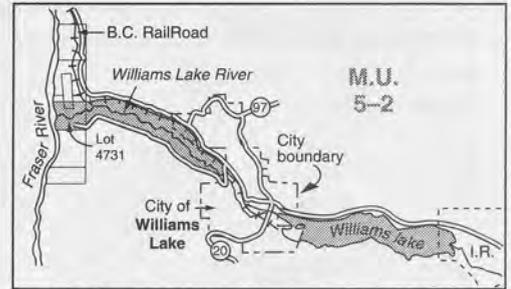
SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNITS	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT
MULE DEER (Black-Tailed)	*5-4, 5-5, 5-6, 5-15	*4 Point Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
	*5-1 to 5-15	Bucks	Sept 10 - Oct 31	1
	*5-1 to 5-15	*4 Point Bucks	Nov 1 - Nov 30	1
	5-1 to 5-3, 5-7 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-14	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
	5-1 to 5-6, 5-13 and 5-14	Bucks	Dec 1 - Dec 10	1
Bow Only Seasons	5-8, ▲5-11	Bucks	Dec 1 - Dec 24	1
*See definition on page 6. The antlers must accompany the species licence.				
*A total of 2 deer may be taken regionally within a licence year, however no more than one buck may be taken in each of the seasons listed above. Please take note of the regional bag limit for deer on page 65.				
▲A portion of 5-11 only. See Map E16.				
WHITE-TAILED DEER	5-1, 5-2, 5-13, 5-14	Bucks	Sept 10 to Nov 30	1
MOOSE	All moose seasons in Cariboo Region are on the Limited Entry Hunting (LEH) system. Please refer to Notice to moose hunters on page 65. (See map E14)			
BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP	5-2, 5-3, 5-4*	Full Curl Bighorn Rams	Sept 10 - Oct 20	1
*see map E10				
MOUNTAIN GOAT	5-5 to 5-9, 5-11, 5-15		Sept 1 - Oct 31	1
Mountain goat populations are sensitive to harvest. Hunters are requested to select male mountain goat. See Maps E9, E11, E15, E24, E26. See LEH Synopsis for LEH goat only areas in MUs 5-5 & 5-6.				
CARIBOU	5-12	*Mature Bulls	Sept 1 - Oct 15	1
*See diagram on page 5. The antlers must accompany the species licence.				
BLACK BEAR	5-1 to 5-10, 5-12 to 5-15		Sept 1 - Nov 30, Apr 1/2001 - June 30/2001	2
	5-11		Sept 10 - Nov 30, Apr 1/2001 - May 31/2001	2
WOLF	5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15		Sept 1 - Mar 31/2001	3
	5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15		Apr 1/2000 - May 31/2001	3
	5-10, 5-11		Sept 1 - Mar 31/2001	3
COYOTE	5-1 to 5-15		Sept 1 - Mar 31/2001	NBL
LYNX	5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15		Nov 15 - Dec 31	1
COUGAR	5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15		Sept 10 - April 30/2001	2
Hunters are requested not to shoot lactating cougar, cougar in the company of lactating cougar, or cougar kittens.				
BOBCAT	5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15		Dec 1 - Dec 31	1
SNOWSHOE HARE	5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15		Aug 1 - Mar 31/2001	10(daily)
	5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15		Apr 1/2001 - Apr 30/2001	10(daily)
COLUMBIAN GROUND SQUIRREL	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	5-1 to 5-15		Sept 10 - Nov 30	10(30)
For Blue, Spruce (Franklin's) and Ruffed grouse, the daily aggregate bag limit is 10; the aggregate possession limit is 30.				
SHARP-TAILED GROUSE	5-2 to 5-6, 5-12 to 5-14		Sept 10 - Nov 30	5(10)
PTARMIGAN	5-3 to 5-6, 5-10 to 5-12, 5-15		Sept 1 - Nov 1	5(15)
CHUKAR PARTRIDGE	5-3		Sept 10 - Nov 20	5
RAVEN	5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15		Mar 1/2001 - Mar 31/2001	5
	5-1 to 5-9, 5-12 to 5-15		Apr 1/2001 - May 31/2001	5
Hunting of raven is limited to private land only.				
COOTS, COMMON SNIPE	5-1 to 5-15		Sept 15 - Dec 25	10(20)
DUCKS	5-1 to 5-15		Sept 15 - Dec 25	8(16)
Restricted daily bag limits of 4 Pintails, 1 Canvasback, 2 Harlequins and 2 Goldeneye are in effect - see page 11 & 12.				
SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE, WHITE-FRONTED GEESE, CANADA GEESE	5-1 to 5-15		Sept 15 - Dec 25	5(10)
The aggregate daily bag limit for all geese is 5 - see page 11 & 12.				
*WATERFOWLERS HERITAGE DAYS				
DUCKS, SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE, WHITE-FRONTED GEESE AND CANADA GEESE	5-1 to 5-15		Sept 9-Sept 10	5(10)
*Waterfowlers Heritage Days are restricted to hunters under the age of 19. (see page 13 for details)				



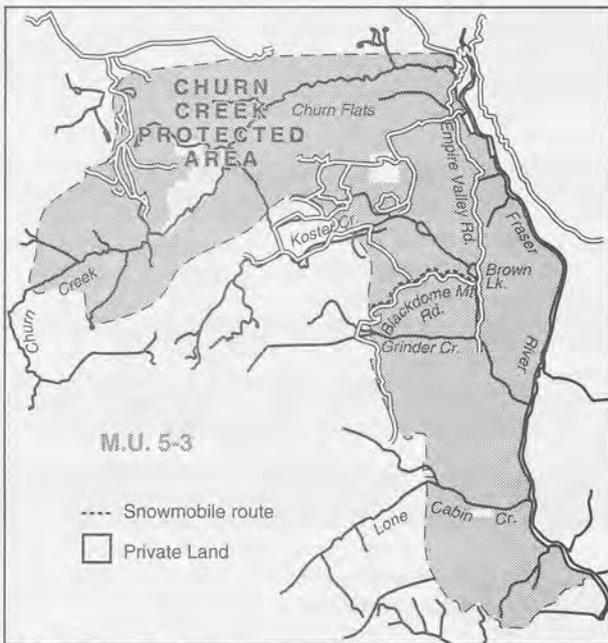
Map E1 100 Mile House No Shooting Area (situate in MU 5-2).



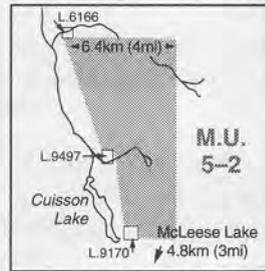
Map E2 Rose Lake No Shooting Area (situate in MU 5-2).



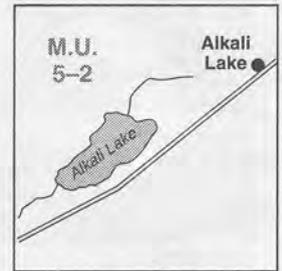
Map E3 Williams Lake and Williams Lake River No Shooting Area (situate in MU 5-2).



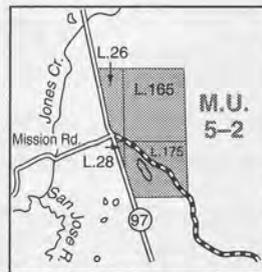
Map E7 Churn Creek Protected Area (situate in MU 5-3). Motor vehicles prohibited except on designated roads.



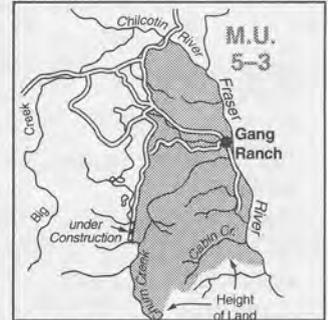
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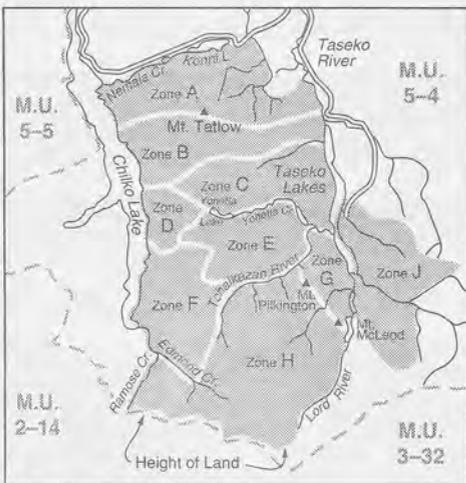
Map E5 Reidemann Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in MU 5-2). No hunting, trapping or discharge of firearms.



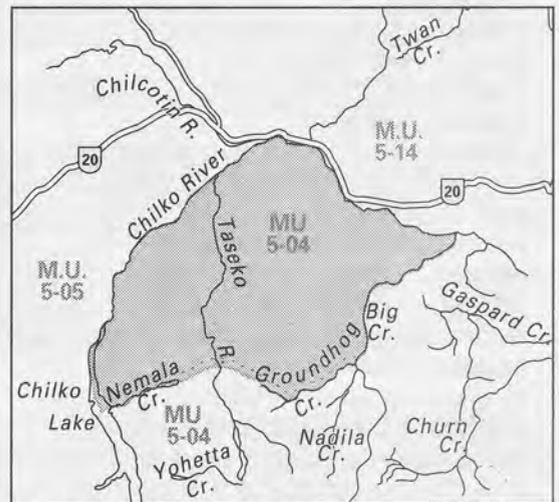
Map E6 Knife Creek Motor Vehicle Restricted Area closed year round (situate in MU 5-2). Road shown in dashed line is open.



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

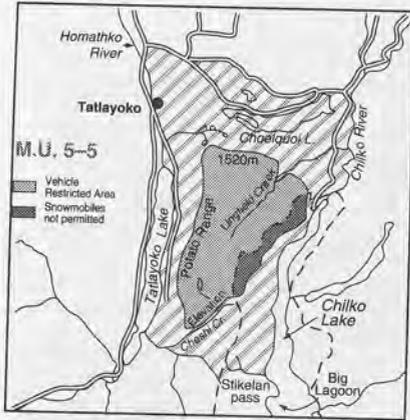


Map E9 Yohetta Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Areas for Mountain Goat MU 5-4, zones A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, J. The operation of all terrain vehicles for the purpose of hunting, to transport equipment or wildlife, or to transport hunters to or from the location of wildlife is prohibited in the Yohetta LEH area.

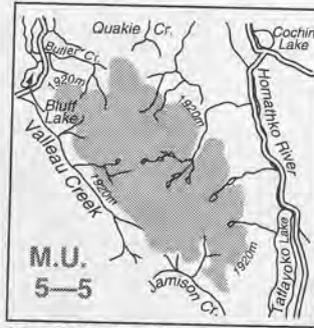


Map E10 Open area for Bighorn Sheep hunting in MU 5-4. The remainder of MU5-4 is closed to Bighorn Sheep hunting.

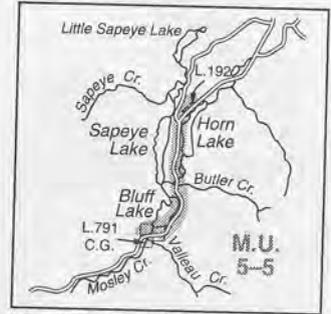
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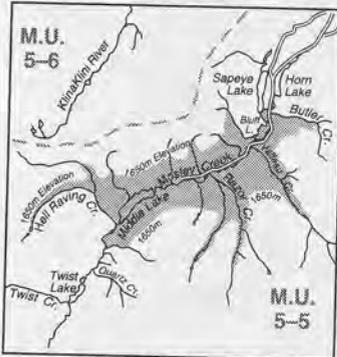
Map E11 Potato Mountain Goat Closed Area and Access Management Area (situate in MU 5-5). Vehicle restriction includes all areas above 1520 m elevation in this area, year round. Snowmobiles permitted Dec 1 - Mar 31 except in Ts'y-l-os Park.



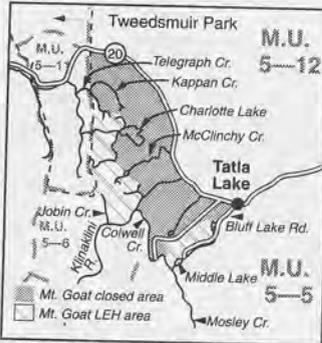
Map E12 Valleau Creek Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in MU 5-5).



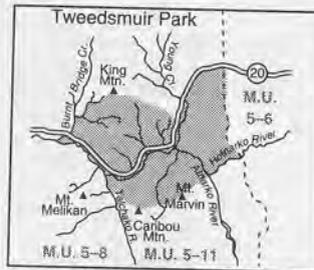
Map E13 Horn-Bluff Lakes 1/4 Mile Road Restriction (situate in MU 5-5). The discharge of single projectiles is prohibited.



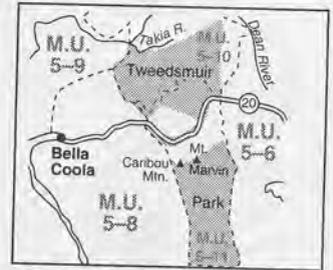
Map E14 Bluff-Middle Lake Moose Closed Area (situate in MU 5-5).



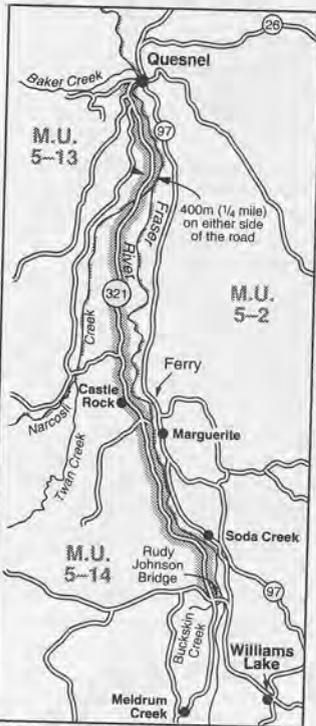
Map E15 Perkins Peak - Kappan Mtn Mountain Goat Closed Area. Jobin-McClinchy & Cherry Creek Mtn. Goat LEH Areas (situate in MUs 5-5, 5-6).



Map E16 Tweedsmuir Park Bow Only Area. The bow and arrow only season for mule (blacked tailed) deer bucks is Dec 1- Dec 24 (situate in MU 5-11). See Map E17 for Tweedsmuir Park No Hunting Areas.



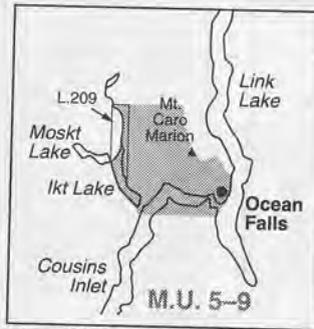
Map E17 Tweedsmuir Park No Hunting Areas (situate in MUs 5-10, 5-11, 6-1, 6-2). See Map F1 on Page 74 for more details



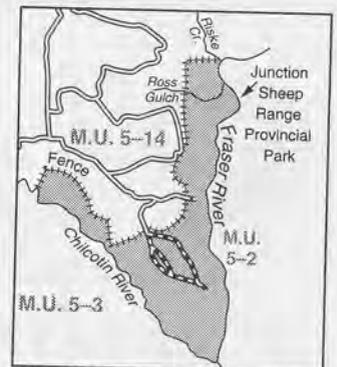
Map E21 West Fraser Road Restricted Area (situate in MUs 5-13, 5-14). The discharge of single projectiles is prohibited.



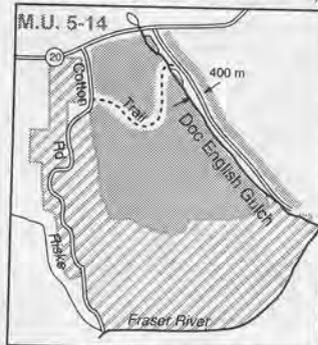
Map E18 Tibbles Road Single Projectiles Prohibited Area (situate in MU 5-13).



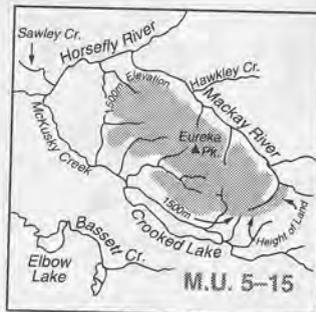
Map E19 Ocean Falls No Shooting Area (situate in MU 5-9).



Map E20 Junction Sheep Range Provincial Park Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in MU 5-14). Closed year-round to the operation of all motor vehicles. Road shown in dashed line open April 1 to Nov 30.



Map E22 Doc English Gulch Motor Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in MU 5-14). Roads highlighted in white are open. Portions of hatched area are private land & for safety reasons, hunters are requested not to hunt in these areas.



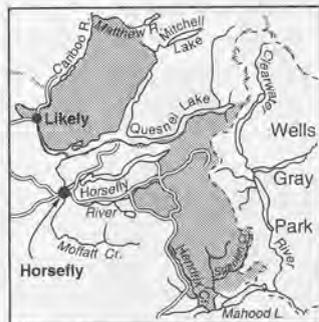
Map E23 Eureka Peak Vehicle Restricted Area (situate in MU 5-15). Closed year-round to the operation of all vehicles. Check the LEH Synopsis for areas open to Limited Entry Hunting



Map E24 Mt. Spranger Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 5-15).



Map E25 Wells No Shooting Area (situate in MU 5-15).



Map E26 Goose Range and Eureka-Deception Mountain Goat Closure Areas (situate in MU 5-15). See LEH Synopsis for area open to LEH.

WHO HUNTS AND HOW MUCH DO THEY SPEND

During the 1999-2000 hunting season, over 96,000 provincial residents purchased licences to hunt. This includes junior and senior hunters. Resident hunters bought over 66,000 mule deer species licences, 34,000 moose licences, 28,000 white-tail deer licences, 15,000 black bear licences and over 11,000 elk licences. It is estimated that residents took about 712,000 hunting trips during the 1999-2000 season and spent \$1,374,000 days in the field hunting. While hunting effort was spread across the Province, 21% of days was spent in the Omineca-Peace Region and 18% in the Kootenays followed by days spent in the Okanagan, Cariboo and Thompson-Nicola regions.

Visitors to the Province purchased almost 5,500 non-resident basic hunting licences during 1999-2000. The species licences most commonly purchased by non-resident hunters were black bear, moose and wolf followed by mule deer, elk and mountain goat. Hunters came to hunt in British Columbia from 5 other provinces, one territory, all 50 states and 20 other foreign countries. The greatest number of non-resident hunters hunted in the north in the Omineca-Peace and Skeena regions followed by the number of hunters in the Kootenay and Cariboo regions.

Hunters are predominantly male with only about 4% of resident hunters being female. Hunters tend to be concentrated in the age categories between 25 and 54 years of age with about 75% of resident hunters in this group. Approximately equal numbers of hunters fall in the younger and older age classes. Hunting waterfowl is more popular among hunters in the older age classes while small game hunting is popular among young hunters. Resident hunters have hunted in British Columbia an average of just over 21 years.

Hunters are much more likely to have grown up in and still live in a town, village or rural area than is a typical member of the provincial population. Rural areas (with a population of under 10,000 inhabi-

tants) are home to 32% of resident hunters but only 15% of the provincial population. The educational attainment of hunters appears to be less spread than that of the provincial population. That is, hunters are less likely to have few or many years of education than is the case for the provincial population. Further, while the average household income of hunters is similar to the average provincial income, it is less likely that a hunter's income will be in a low or high income class.

It is estimated that resident hunters spent almost 64 million dollars on their hunting recreation for the 1999-2000 season. This represents average annual expenditures of \$718 per active hunter. Almost 37% of hunters' expenditures was for transportation related to hunting including the costs of vehicle operation and rental and fares for other travel. Over 21% of spending was for guns, ammunition and equipment and almost 17% for food and beverages. Almost 24% of spending was made by residents hunting in the Omineca-Peace Region and 22% of total expenditures by hunters in the Kootenay Region. Spending by mule deer, moose and white-tail deer hunters represented 31%, 21% and 15% of total resident hunter expenditures.

It is estimated that non-residents spent almost 23 million dollars on their hunting trips in British Columbia during 1999-2000. This represents an average expenditure of \$4,130 for non-resident hunters. The major type of expenditure by non-resident hunters in British Columbia was guide fees representing almost 70% of total spending. Almost 47% of the spending by non-residents was made by hunters in the Omineca-Peace with hunters in the Skeena and Kootenay regions making 20% and 19% respectively.

Spending by hunters supported over 700 person years of employment throughout the Province in 1998-99. A person year of employment is an individual employed for a full working year. Much of the employment supported by hunter expenditures was in rural areas and small towns where employment opportunities are limited. Of the total spending on hunting almost 20 million dollars was returned to government revenue in the form of taxes and fees. In addition to fees for hunting licences, part of hunters' expenditures take the form of sales taxes. Also, individuals whose employment is supported by hunter spending pay part of their earnings to various levels of government in the form of income taxes.

As the figures above indicate, hunting in British Columbia provides a significant amount of recreation to provincial residents and visitors to the Province and makes an important contribution to the provincial economy and rural parts of British Columbia.

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REGION 6



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Major Regulation Changes for 2000-2001

1. Moose season in MUs 6-14 and 6-16 shortened to Oct. 20 to Oct. 26. Balance of season was put on LEH this year.
2. Mule (black-tailed) deer buck season in MUs 6-4 to 6-6, 6-8 and 6-9 changed (see page 72).
3. Bow season for Mule (black-tailed) deer bucks in MUs 6-4, 6-5, 6-8 and 6-9 extended to Sept. 30.
4. Sharp-tailed Grouse season in MUs 6-19 to 6-29 closed.
5. Black Bear season extended to November 30.
6. Klappan Rail Grade (MU 6-19, 6-20) added to list of hunting closures for moose during the rut.

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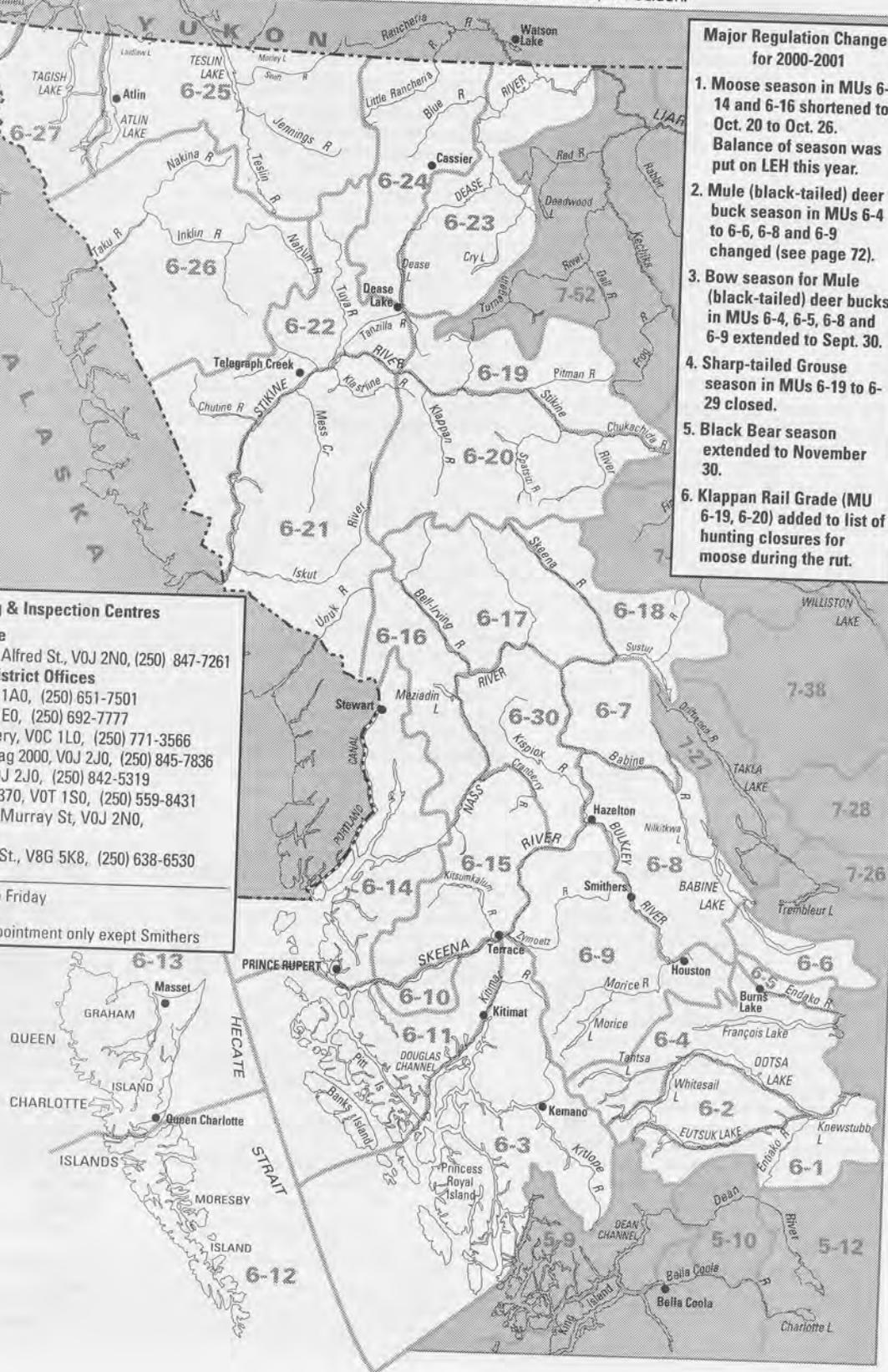
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BAG LIMITS

• Deer: The bag limit for mule (black-tailed) deer is 1, except in MUs 6-12 and 6-13 where the season bag limit is 10. The bag limit for white-tailed deer is 1.

LIMITED ENTRY HUNTING (LEH)

• The seasons shown in the attached tables are for general open seasons only. If you are hunting under an LEH authorization, the species, class of animal (age/sex) or time period during which you are authorized to hunt may be different than those shown in this publication.

VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS

1. 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.
2. The use of snowmobiles to hunt wildlife, transport wildlife, transport equipment, firearms or supplies which are intended for or in support of hunting, or transport hunters to and 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.
3. The use of all motor vehicles to hunt wildlife, transport wildlife, transport equipment, firearms or supplies which are intended for or in support of hunting, or transport hunters to and from the location of wildlife is prohibited beyond 400 metres on either side of the following roads between Aug 1 and Nov 15:
 - Adsit Lake Road and the road leading to Porcupine Lake and including 400m beyond the end of both roads.
 - Todagin Mtn. mining access road, between Coyote Creek and the end of the Todagin Mtn. mining access road in MU 6-20. See Map F26.
 - Hot Lakes Road (MU 6-24) between the junction of Hot Lakes Road and Highway 37 and 400m beyond the north end of Gallic Lake.
 - Cassiar Townsite/Quartzerock Creek access roads (MU 6-24) commencing at the junction of Highway 37 and the Cassiar Townsite access road, then west to Cassiar Townsite, then north along Quartzerock Creek access road to 400m beyond the headwaters of Quartzerock Cr.
 - Goldpan Road (MU 6-23) from the Dease Lake Townsite to its junction with the Little Eagle R, and 400m beyond.
 - Jade/Boulder Road (MUs 6-19 and 7-52) from the junction of Jade/Boulder Road and Highway 37 east to Boulder City Lake, Letain Lake, Wolverine Lake and Elephant Lake, then south along Kutcho Creek to Provencher Lake and back along the road to its junction with Jade/Boulder Road again.
 - Middle Range Road (MU 6-19) from its junction with Jade/Boulder Road to 400m beyond its end.
 - **Midway Mine Access trail (MU 6-24)** Commencing at the junction of Midway Mine Road and an unnamed trail, locally known as the Midway Mine Access Trail, then south along the trail to a point 5 km north of the Little Rancheria River.
4. The use of all motor vehicles to hunt wildlife, transport wildlife, transport equipment, firearms or supplies which are intended for or in support of hunting, or transport hunters to and from the location of wildlife is prohibited above 1400 metres in elevation on Tsatia Mountain (MU 6-20), Klastine Plateau (MU 6-21), Level Mountain (MU 6-22, 6-26) and Gnat Pass (MU 6-19). This

applies to both roads and off-road areas.

COMPULSORY INSPECTION & REPORTING

• In addition to those species requiring Compulsory Inspection or Compulsory Reporting provincially, all moose taken in Region 6 must be Compulsory Reported within 30 days of the date of kill. See page 14 & 15 for requirements.

NOTICE TO HUNTERS

• **Access to the Endako Mines and Huckleberry Mines Sites (MU 6-4) is prohibited under the Mines & Trespass Acts.**

- Hunters should check special area maps for no shooting and no hunting areas that might apply in areas they wish to hunt (pgs 74 - 77).
- No Shooting Areas: Hunters should note the Highway No Shooting Areas as outlined on pages 23-25.
- Hunters should be aware that the discharge of a firearm is prohibited within 400 metres of either side of the road allowance of the Topley Landing Road (Hwy 118) between Topley and Granisle (MU6-8).
- 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.
- 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 wildlife. See p. 25.
- Hunters who harvest a mountain sheep on Todagin Mountain are requested to submit a small sample of the liver to a BC Environment office in the Skeena region. Place sample in a plastic bag, keep cool or frozen, and submit to a BC Environment Office
- Hunters who harvest a black-tailed deer from the Queen Charlotte Islands are requested to submit a 2 cm² piece of muscle tissue. Submit labeled sample wrapped in plastic to the Environment office in Queen Charlotte City. DNA analysis of black tailed deer is being conducted as part of a research project on introduced species.

NOTICE TO MOOSE HUNTERS

- A series of rut closures are in place along various rights of way as set out below:
 1. There is no open season for moose during the period Sept 25 to Oct 10 within 400 meters of:
 - Klappan Rail Grade (MUs 6-19, 6-20).
 - Highway 37, from the Junction of the Dease Lake turnoff to the Yukon border (MUs 6-23, 6-24) See Map F32.
 - the road locally known as Blue River Road, east from Highway 37 to the Blue River Indian Reserve #2 (MU 6-23) See Map F32.
 - the trail locally known as One Ace Mountain Road, west from Highway 37 to One Ace Mountain (MU 6-24) See Map F32.
 - the road locally known as McDame Road, southeasterly from Highway 37 near Good Hope Lake to Atan Lake (MU6-23) See Map F32.

- Adsit Lake Road (MU 6-24)
 - Goldpan Road (MU 6-23)
 - Jade/Boulder Road (MU 6-19)
 - Todagin Mountain Mining Access Road (MU 6-20);
 - the road and trail locally known as the Barrington Burn Road from the junction near Telegraph Creek (MU 6-22) (map F40)
 - Twenty Mile Road (east of the Hyland River), south from the Alaska Highway to the Liard River (MU 6-23) See Map F34
 - the road locally known as Midway Mine/Silvertip Road, south from the Alaska Highway to the mine site (MU 6-24) (map F32)
 - that portion of the Alaska Highway in MU 6-25 (map F41)
 - the road locally known as the Smart River Road, north from the Alaska Highway to the Yukon border (MU 6-25)(map F41)
 - the road locally known as Log Jam Creek Road, north from the Alaska Highway to the Yukon border (MU 6-25) (map F41)
 - Highway 7 from the Yukon border to Atlin (MU 6-25)
 - the road locally known as Surprise Lake Road or Discovery Avenue from Highway 7 to Surprise Lake (MU 6-25) See Map F35
 - the road locally known as Bull Creek/Blue Canyon Road/ Spruce Creek road to the junction with Bull Creek (MU 6-25) See Map F36
 - the road locally known as Warm Bay/O'Donnell Road (MU 6-25) See Map F37
 - the road and trail locally known as Gladys Lake / Rufner / 4th of July Creek road from Highway 7 to Gladys Lake (MU 6-25) See Map F38
2. There is no open season for moose during the period Sept 25 to Oct 10, within 400 m. of the shore of and over that portion of Teslin Lake south of the north end of Shaman Island (also known as Burial Island), and including Shaman Island. (MU 6-25) See Map F39.

NATIONAL PARKS

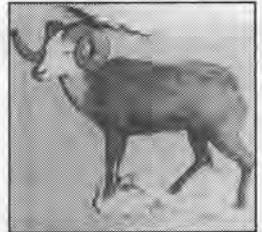
- Hunting is prohibited in all National Parks



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PROVINCIAL 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 open to the discharge of firearms, bows and crossbows only during a lawful game hunting season:

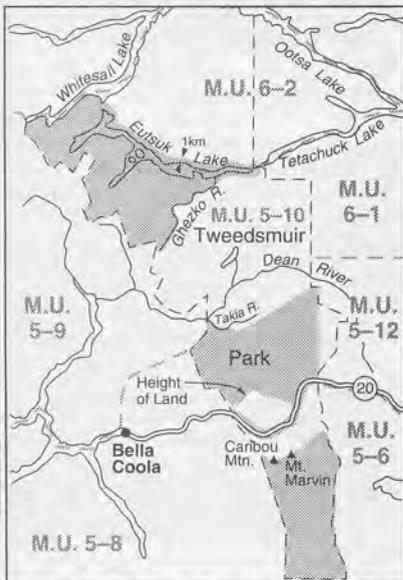
- Atlin Prov. Park and Recreation Area**(MUs 6-25, 6-26, 6-27)
See Maps F29, F30 and F31.
- Babine Mountains Recreation Area**(MU 6-8) See Map F10.
- Babine River Corridor Provincial Park**(MU 6-7, 6-8)
- Boulder Creek Provincial Park**(MU 6-9)
- Boya Lake Prov. Park**(MU 6-23)
No person shall hunt or discharge firearms from April 1 to Sept 30.
- Bulkley Junction Provincial Park**(MU 6-30)

- Entiako Provincial Park**(MU 6-1)(MUs 6-19, 6-20, 6-21, 6-22).
See Maps F22, F23, F24, F26 and F27.
- Francois Lake Provincial Park**(MU 6-4)
- Gitnadoix River Recreation Area**(MU 6-10) See Maps F7 and F10.
- Kitlope Heritage Conservancy Protected Area**(MU 6-3)
- Kitwanga Mountain Provincial Park**(MU 6-15)
- Little Andrews Bay Provincial Park**(MU 6-4)
- Mount Edziza Prov. Park and Rec. Area**(MU 6-21) See Map F27.
- Naikoon Prov. Park**(MU 6-13)
No person shall hunt or discharge firearms from April 1 to Sept 14. See Map F15.
- Netalzul Meadows Provincial Park**(MU 6-8)
- Nilkitwa Lake Provincial Park**(MU 6-8)
- Nisga'a Memorial Lava Bed Prov. Park**(MU 6-15)
- Rainbow Alley Provincial Park**(MU 6-8)
- Spatsizi Plateau Wilderness Prov. Park**(MU 6-20). (Avoid shooting collared wildlife.) See Maps F22 to F24.
- Stikine River Recreation Area**(MU 6-19, 6-20, 6-21, 6-22).
See Maps F22, F23, F24, F26 and F27.
- Swan Lake Kispiox River Prov. Park**(MU 6-30)
- Tweedsmuir Park and Recreation Area**(MUs 5-10, 5-11, 6-1, 6-2, 6-4).
See Map F1.
- Tatshenshini-Alsek Prov. 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 & Recreation Area regulations apply.
Hunting of wildlife is prohibited in the valley below 1,000 meters A.S.L. (above sea level) within Kluane National Provincial Park (MU6-14) See Map F18.
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.

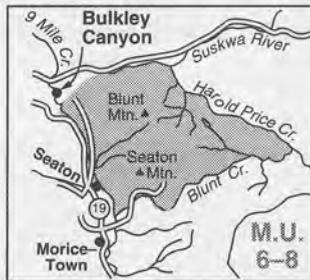
SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNITS	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT	
MULE DEER (Black-Tailed)	6-4 to 6-6, 6-8, 6-9	★4 Point Bucks	Sept 10 - Sept 30	1	
	6-1 to 6-3, 6-7, 6-10, 6-11, 6-14, 6-15, 6-30	Bucks	Sept 10 - Oct 31	1	
	6-4 to 6-6, 6-8, 6-9	Bucks	Oct 1 - Oct 19	1	
	6-4 to 6-6, 6-8, 6-9	★4 Point Bucks	Oct 20 - Nov 20	1	
	6-3, 6-10, 6-11, 6-14	Bucks	Nov 1 - Nov 20	1	
	6-1, 6-2, 6-7, 6-15, 6-30	★4 Point Bucks	Nov 1 - Nov 20	1	
	6-12, 6-13	Bucks	June 1 - Feb 28/2001	◆10(10)	
	6-12, 6-13	Antlerless	Oct 4 - Feb 28/2001		
	Bow Only Seasons	6-1 to 6-3, 6-7, 6-10, 6-11, 6-14, 6-15, 6-30	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
		6-4 to 6-6, 6-8, 6-9	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 30	1
6-1 to 6-11, 6-14, 6-15, 6-30		★4 Point Bucks	Nov 21 - Nov 30	1	
★See definition on page 6. The antlers must accompany the species licence. ◆The possession limit for deer in MUs 6-12 and 6-13 is 3 (See Queen Charlotte Island Mule deer licence information on page 13). See Notice to Hunters.					
WHITE-TAILED DEER	6-1 to 6-11, 6-14, 6-15, 6-30	Bucks	Sept 10 - Nov 20	1	
	Bow Only Season	6-1 to 6-11, 6-14, 6-15, 6-30	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
		6-1 to 6-11, 6-14, 6-15, 6-30	Bucks	Nov 21 - Nov 30	1
MOOSE	▲6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-10, 6-14 to 6-16, 6-30	★Bulls	Oct 20 - Oct 26	1	
	6-3, 6-11	★Bulls	Sept 10 - Nov 15	1	
	▼6-17, 6-18 to 6-29	★Bulls	Aug 15 - Nov 15	1	
	Bow Only Season	6-1 to 6-11, 6-14, 6-15, 6-30	★Bulls	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
		6-1 to 6-11, 6-14, 6-15, 6-30	★Bulls	Nov 16 - Nov 20	1
6-4 to 6-6, 6-8, 6-9	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 30	1		
▲Hunters Note: Parts of Several MUs have special regulations or are open by LEH authorization only. See Maps F1, F7 and F22. ▼Parts of several MUs are closed to hunting of moose during the period September 25 to October 10. See Notice to Moose Hunters on Page 72. See Maps F32, F34 to F41 ★Successful moose hunters must report their kill within 30 days 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, which may be obtained from any licence issuer, Government Agent or BC Environment office.					
ELK	6-13	Bulls	Sept 15 - Nov 15	1	
THINHORN MT SHEEP	6-17, 6-18 to 6-26, ★6-27	Full Curl Thinhorn Rams	Aug 1 - Oct 15	1	
	See Maps F22, F27, F29, F30. ★A portion of 6-27 only. See Map F30.				
MOUNTAIN GOAT	6-3, 6-7, 6-11, 6-17 to 6-30		Aug 1 - Oct 15	1	
	6-14 to 6-16		Aug 1 - Nov 15	1	
See special area maps F10 and F26. Special Bow Only Season. See Map F2. Parts of several MUs have special regulations or are open by LEH authorization only. See Maps F10, F20, F23, F24, F26, F27, F29, F31, F33.					
CARIBOU	6-17 to 6-20, 6-22 to 6-27	★5 point Bulls	Aug 15 - Oct 10	1	
★See definition on page 5. The antlers must accompany the species licence. See special area maps. Parts of MUs 6-19, 6-20, 6-25 and 6-26 are open by LEH authorization only. See Maps F22, F28 and G19					

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SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNITS	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT
BLACK BEAR	6-1 to 6-30		Sept 1 - Nov 30	2
	6-1 to 6-30		Apr 1/2001 - June 30/2001	2
WOLF	6-1 to 6-30		★Aug 1 - Mar 31/2001	3
	6-1 to 6-30		★Apr 1 - June 15/2001	3
★In that portion of MUs 6-1 and 6-2 being Tweedsmuir Park, the open season for wolf is Sept 1 - Mar 31/2001				
COYOTE	6-1 to 6-11, 6-14 to 6-30		Sept 1 - Mar 31/2001	10
WOLVERINE	6-1 to 6-11, 6-14 to 6-30		Sept 15 - Jan 15/2001	1
LYNX	6-1, 6-2, 6-4, 6-9, 6-16 to 6-30		Nov 15 - Feb 15/2001	1
RACCOON	6-12, 6-13		No closed season	NBL
SNOWSHOE HARE	6-1 to 6-30		Aug 1 - Mar 31/2001	10 (daily)
	6-1 to 6-30		Apr 1/2001 - Apr 30/2001	10 (daily)
BLUE, SPRUCE (FRANKLIN) and RUFFED GROUSE	6-1 to 6-30		Sept 10 - Nov 15	10(30)
For Blue Spruce (Franklin's) and Ruffed grouse, the daily aggregate bag limit is 10; the aggregate possession limit is 30.				
PTARMIGAN	6-1 to 6-11, 6-14 to 6-30		Aug 15 - Feb 28/2001	10(30)
COOTS, COMMON SNIPE	6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-10, 6-15 to 6-30		Sept 1 - Nov 30	10(20)
	6-3, 6-11 to 6-14		Oct 1 - Jan 13/2001	10(20)
DUCKS	6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-10, 6-15 to 6-30		Sept 1 - Nov 30	8(16)
	6-3, 6-11 to 6-14		Oct 1 - Jan 13/2001	8(16)
Restricted daily bag limits of 4 Pintails, 1 Canvasback, 2 Goldeneye and 2 Harlequins are in effect - see page 11 & 12.				
SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE	6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-10, 6-15 to 6-30		Sept 1 - Nov 30	5(10)
	6-3, 6-11 to 6-14		Oct 1 - Jan 13/2001	5(10)
The aggregate daily bag limit for all geese is 5 - see page 11 & 12.				
CANADA GEESE, AND	6-1, 6-2, 6-4 to 6-10, 6-15 to 6-30		Sept 1 - Nov 30	5(10)
WHITE-FRONTED GEESE	6-3, 6-11 to 6-14		Oct 1 - Jan 13/2001	5(10)
The aggregate daily bag limit for all geese is 5 - see page 11 & 12.				
★WATERFOWLERS HERITAGE DAYS				
DUCKS, SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE, WHITE-FRONTED GEESE AND CANADA GEESE	6-3, 6-11 to 6-14		Sept 23 - Sept 24	5(10)
★Waterfowlers Heritage Days are restricted to hunters under the age of 19. (see page 13 for details)				



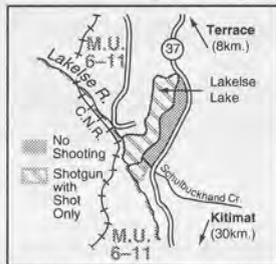
Map F1 Tweedsmuir Park No Hunting Areas (situate in MUs 5-10, 5-11, 6-1, 6-2). The general open hunting season for bull moose in MU 6-2 in Tweedsmuir Park is Oct 20 to Nov 15.



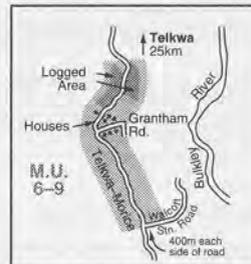
Map F2 Blunt Mountain Special Area (situate in MU6-8). The open season for bow hunting of mountain goat is Aug 15 to Oct 19.



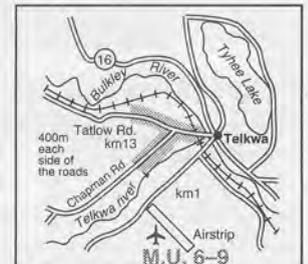
Map F3 Babine River No Shooting Area and Grizzly Bear Closed Area (Sept 1 - Nov 15 only) 1 km on either side of river (situate in MU 6-8).



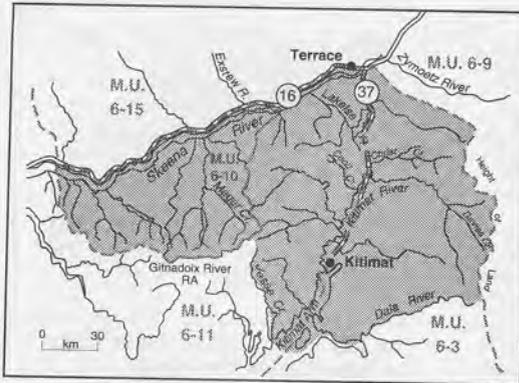
Map F4 Lakelse Lake No Shooting Area and Shotgun Only Area (situate in MU 6-9).



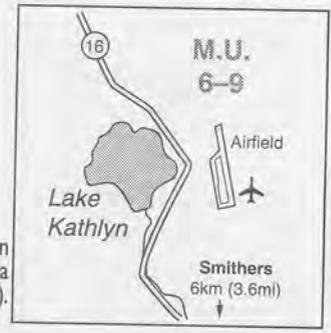
Map F5 Grantham Road Subdivision No Shooting Area (situate in MU 6-9).



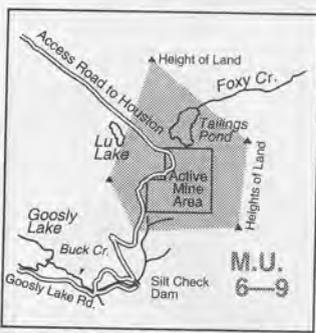
Map F6 Tatlow Road No Shooting Area 0.4 km either side of road (situate in MU 6-9).



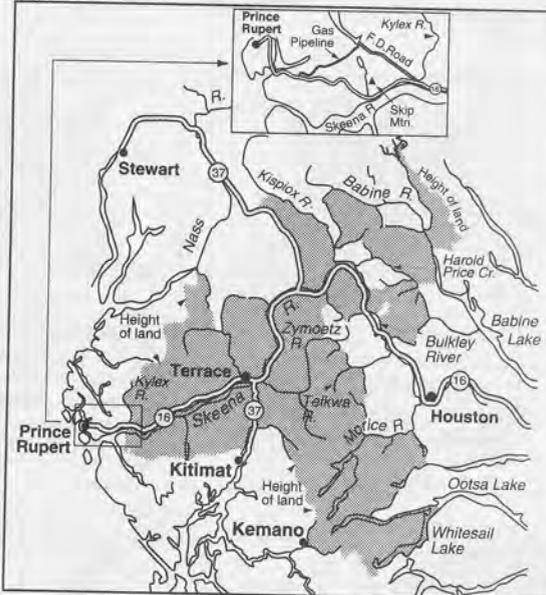
Map F7 Smithers Bull Moose Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in portions of 6-3, 6-10 and 6-11). The general open hunting season for bull moose in this area is from Oct 20 to Oct 26 only. For those portions of MUs 6-3, 6-10 and 6-11 that are outside of the Smithers Bull Moose LEH Area the general open season for bull moose is Sept 10 to Nov 15.



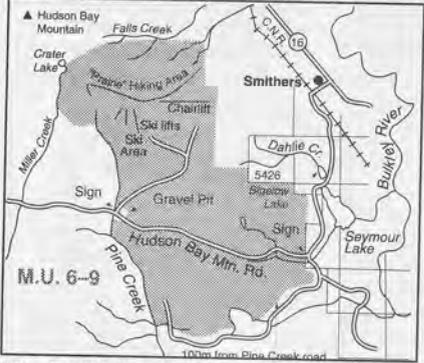
Map F8 Lake Kathlyn No Shooting Area (situate in MU 6-9).



Map F9 Equity Mine Property No Shooting Area (situate in MU 6-9).



Map F10 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, 6-14, 6-15, 6-30). Note: no open season for mountain goats on Skip Mountain (situate in MU 6-14).



Map F12 Hudson Bay Mountain and Smithers Community Forest No Shooting Area (situate in MU 6-9).

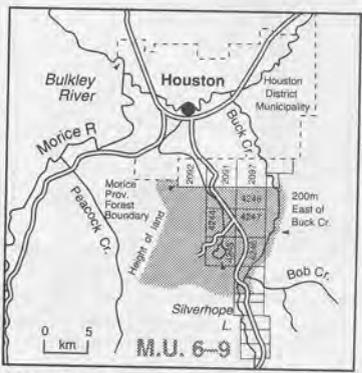
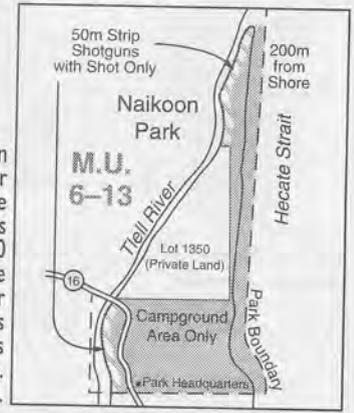


Map F11 Sandspit No Shooting Area (situate in MU 6-12).

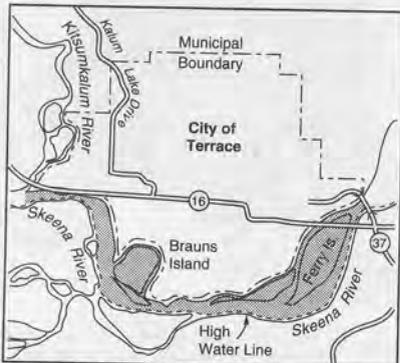


Map F13 Queen Charlotte City No Shooting Area (situate in MU 6-13)

Map F14 Naikoon Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 6-13). Hunters should note the 50 metre strips along the banks of the Tlell River are open for Shotguns with Shot Only as indicated on map. (Closed along Hwy).



Map F15 Houston Community Forest No Shooting Area (situate in MU 6-9).



Map F16 City of Terrace No Shooting Area (situate in MUs 6-9, 6-15).

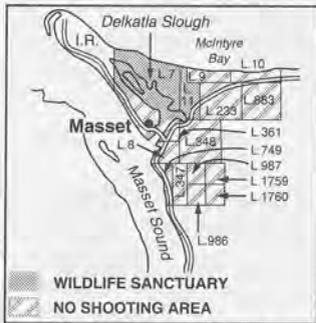


Map F17 Port Clements No Shooting Area and Kumdis Bay Shotgun with shot only area (situate in MU 6-13).



Map F18 Khutzeymateen Provincial Park No Hunting Area (situate in MU 6-14). Hunting of wildlife prohibited in the valley below 1,000 m above sea level.

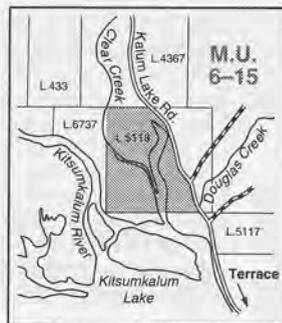
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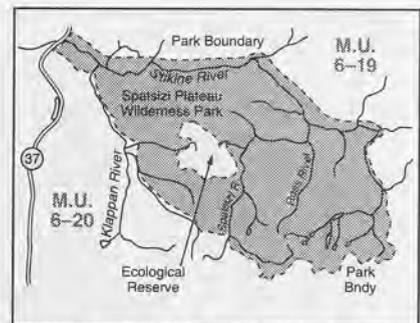
Map F19 Masset No Shooting Area (situate in MU 6-13). Delkatha Slough Wildlife Sanctuary - no hunting trapping or discharge of firearms.



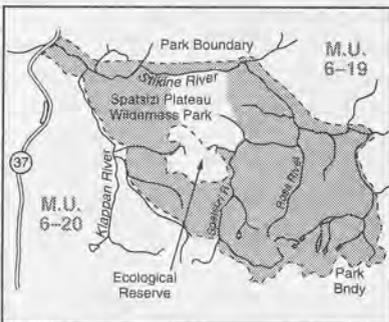
Map F20 Bear Pass Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in MU 6-14).



Map F21 North Kitsumkalum Lake No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 6-15).



Map F22 Spatsizi Caribou, Mountain Sheep and Moose Limited Entry Hunting Areas (situate in MU 6-19, 6-20).



Map F23 Spatsizi Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in MU 6-19, 6-20).



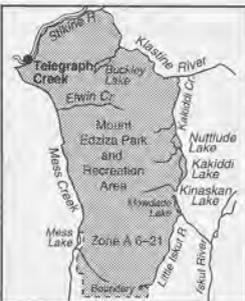
Map F24 Spatsizi Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 6-20).



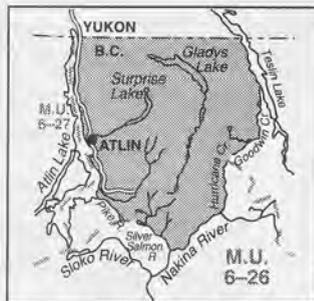
Map F25 Spatsizi (Cold Fish-Gladys Lake) Ecological Reserve No Hunting Area (situate in MU 6-20). Cold Fish Lake Camp No Shooting Area: The discharge of firearms is prohibited within 1 km of Cold Fish Lake Camp.



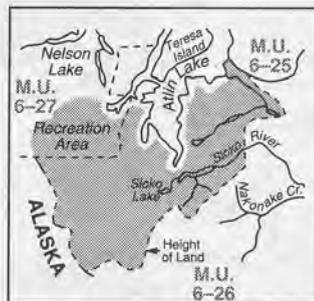
Map F26 Todagin Mountain No Shooting Area, Mountain Goat Closed Area and Motor Vehicle Prohibited Area (situate in MU 6-20). See vehicle restrictions on page 72.



Map F27 Mt. Edziza Park Mountain Sheep and Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Areas (situate in MU 6-21).



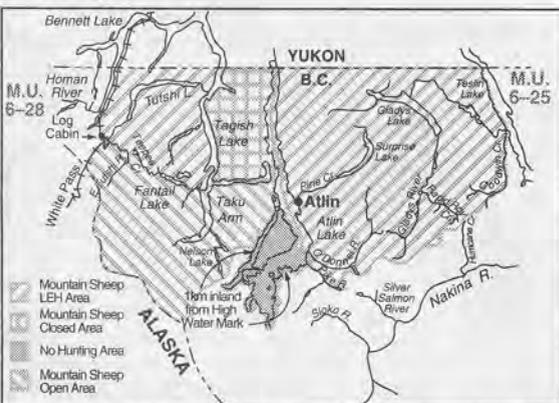
Map F28 Kawdy Caribou Limited Entry Hunting Area (situate in MU 6-25 and 6-26). Caribou hunting is by LEH only.



Map F29 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 F32 Cassiar Road Moose Closed Area (situate in MU 6-23). Hunting of moose is prohibited within 400m of Blue River, One Ace Mountain, Midway Mining and McDame Roads and Highway 37 from the Yukon border to Dease Lake from Sept 25 to Oct 10.

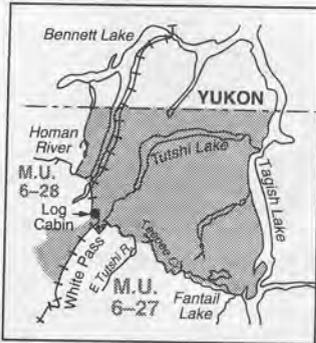


Map F30 Atlin Mountain Sheep Limited Entry Hunting Area and Mountain Sheep Open Area from Aug 1 - Oct 15 (situate in MU 6-25, 6-26, 6-27).

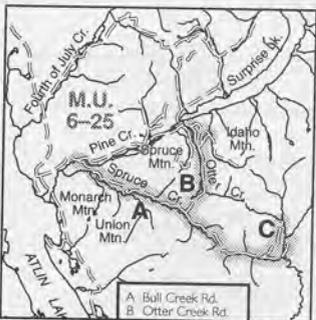


Map F31 Atlin Park Mountain Goat Closed and No Hunting Area (situate in MUs 6-25, 6-26, 6-27).

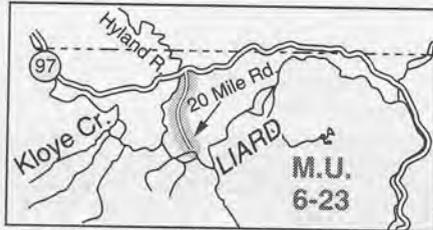
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Map F33 Tagish Highlands Mountain Goat Limited Entry Hunting Area. (situate in MUs 6-27, 6-28).



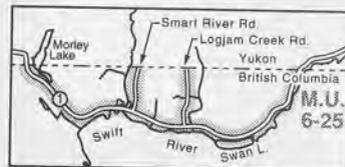
Map F36 Bull Creek Road Moose Closed Area (situate in MU 6-25). Hunting of moose is prohibited on Bull Creek Road from Sept 25 to Oct 10.



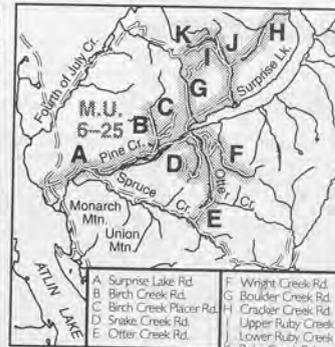
Map F34 Twenty Mile Road Closed Area (situate in MU 6-23). Hunting of moose is prohibited within 400m of Twenty Mile Road from Sept 25 to Oct 10.



Map F37 O'Donnell Road Moose Closed Area (situate in MU 6-25). Hunting of moose is prohibited within 400m of O'Donnell Road from Sept 25 to Oct 10.



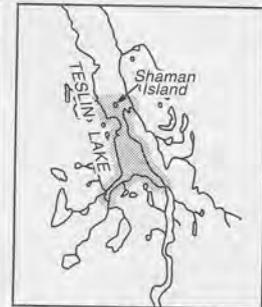
Map F41 Alaska Highway Moose Closed Area (situate in MU 6-25). Hunting of moose is prohibited within 400m of that portion of the Alaska Highway (Highway 1) in MU 6-25, Smart River Road and Logjam Creek Road from Sept 25 to Oct 10.



Map F35 Surprise Lake Moose Closed Area (situate in MU 6-25). Hunting of moose is prohibited from Sept 25 to Oct 10 within 400m of the following roads: A.



Map F38 Gladys Lake Moose Closed Area (situate in MU 6-26). Hunting of moose is prohibited from Sept 25 to Oct 10 within 400m of the following roads:



Map F39 Telsin Lake Moose Closed Area (situate in MU). Hunting of moose is prohibited from Sept 25 to Oct 10 with 400m of the shore of and over the portion of Telsin Lake south of the north end of Shaman Island (Burial Island) and including Shaman Island.

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

▲ from Mar 31 to Dec 15

▲ access road to Kakwa Recreation Area beyond Buchanan Creek (MU 7-18)

MU 7-3

▼ Morkill Forest Road and that part of MU 7-3 it accesses from its crossing Fraser River

MUS 7-7 TO 7-15

◆ 4:30am to 8:00am from Aug 15 to Aug 31

◆ 5:30am to 9:00am from Sept 1 to Sept 30

◆ 6:30am to 10:00am from Oct 1 to Nov 15

MUs 7-38, 7-39

◆ the entire area

MU 7-40

▼ on all side roads of the Finlay Russel Forest Road, including the Selkutz Forest Road, leading towards the Russel Range.

COMPULSORY INSPECTION & REPORTING

• In addition to those species requiring Compulsory Inspection or Compulsory Reporting provincially, hunters are required to submit the front incisor tooth of all moose taken in Region 7A (Omineca) within 30 days of the date of kill in a Harvest Data Card "Tooth Return envelope. See page 14 & 15 for requirements.

NOTICE TO HUNTERS

• Hunters, while returning from hunting, are required to keep (a) an incisor tooth, of a calf moose, and (b) the antlers and an incisor tooth of a bull moose, taken in the Omineca 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 not to shoot a white moose due to their uniqueness and

viewing value to all people who enjoy wildlife.

NATIONAL PARKS

• Hunting is prohibited in all National Parks

PROVINCIAL PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS

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

Carp Lake Prov. Park(MU 7-24)

Finger-Tatuk Provincial Park ... (MU 7-11)

Kakwa Recreation Area . .(MUs 7-18, 7-19)

Kwadacha Recreation Area ... (MU 7-41).

Kwadacha Wilderness Provincial Park
..... (MU 7-41, 7-42, 7-50).

Stuart Lake Provincial Park
.....(MU7-25).

Stuart River Provincial Park (MU 7-13, 7-15)

Tatlatui Provincial Park (No open season for mountain sheep)
.....(MU7-39).

• 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.

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SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNITS	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT
MULE DEER (Black-tailed) Bow Only Season	7-2 to 7-15, 7-17	Bucks	Sept 10 - Nov 20	1
	7-6 to 7-15	★4 Point Bucks	Nov 21 - Nov 30	1
	7-2 to 7-15, 7-17	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
★See definition on page 6. The antlers must accompany the species licence.				
WHITE-TAILED DEER Bow Only Season	7-2 to 7-15, 7-17	Bucks	Sept 10 - Nov 20	1
	7-2 to 7-15, 7-17	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	
MOOSE Bow Only Season	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-38	★Immature Bulls	Sept 10 - Nov 5	1
	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-38	+Calves	Oct 10 - Oct 25	1
	7-37, 7-39 to 7-41	★Immature Bulls	Aug 15 - Nov 5	1
	7-2 to 7-15	★Immature Bulls	Sept 1 - Sept 9	1
★See definition on page 6. Note: for all bull moose taken in Region 7, the antlers and an incisor tooth must accompany the species licence. +Open only for calf moose less than 12 months of age. For calf moose an incisor tooth must accompany the species licence. See special area maps.				
ELK	7-41	★6 Point Bulls	Aug 15 - Oct 31	1
★See definition on Page 5. Antlers must accompany the species licence.				
BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP	7-18	Full Curl Bighorn Rams	Aug 15 - Sept 30	1
THINHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP	7-37, 7-39 to 7-41	Full Curl Thinhorn Rams	Aug 1 - Oct 15	1
Tatlatui Provincial Park in MU 7-39 closed to mountain sheep hunting. See page 79 for information on regional bag limit. See special area maps.				
MOUNTAIN GOAT	7-3 to 7-5, 7-17, 7-18, 7-27 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Aug 15 - Oct 15	1
MUs 7-3, 7-4. (See Map G6). See special area maps. Mountain goat are sensitive to harvest. Hunters are requested to select male mountain goat when hunting.				
CARIBOU	7-30, 7-37 to 7-41	★5 Point Bulls	Aug 15 - Oct 15	1
★See diagram on page 5. See special area maps. For MU 7-39 See Map G19.				
BLACK BEAR	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Aug 15 - Nov 15	2
	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Apr 1/2001 - June 15/2001	2
WOLF	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Aug 1 - Mar 31/2001	3
	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Apr 1/2001 - June 15/2001	3
COYOTE	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Sept 1 - Mar 31/2001	NBL
WOLVERINE	7-3, 7-17, 7-18, 7-37 to 7-41		Oct 15 - Jan 15/2001	1
LYNX	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Nov 15 - Feb 15/2001	1
SNOWSHOE HARE	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Aug 1 - Mar 31/2001	10 (daily)
	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Apr 1/2001 - Apr 30/2001	10 (daily)
COLUMBIAN GROUND SQUIRREL	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		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	7-2 to 7-7, 7-17, 7-18, 7-23, 7-27, 7-28, 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Sept 1 - Nov 15	10(30)
SPRUCE (FRANKLIN) and RUFFED GROUSE	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Sept 1 - Nov 15	10 of each (30 of each)
PTARMIGAN	7-2 to 7-6, 7-17, 7-18, 7-23, 7-27 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Aug 15 - Feb 28/2001	10(30)
COOTS, COMMON SNIPE	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Sept 1 - Nov 30	10(20)
DUCKS	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Sept 1 - Nov 30	8(16)
Restricted daily bag limits of 4 Pintails, 1 Canvasback, 2 Goldeneye and 2 Harlequins are in effect - see page 11 & 12.				
WHITE-FRONTED GEESE, SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE, CANADA GEESE	7-2 to 7-18, 7-23 to 7-30, 7-37 to 7-41		Sept 1 - Nov 30	5(10)
The aggregate daily bag limit for all geese is 5 - see page 11 & 12.				

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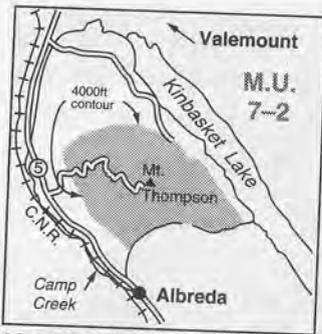
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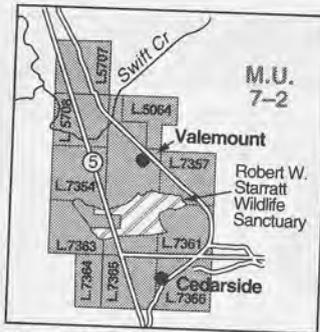
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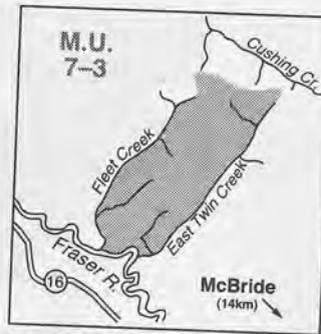
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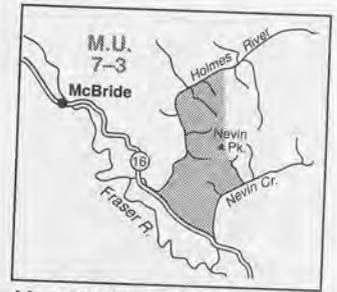
Map G1 Mount Thompson Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-2).



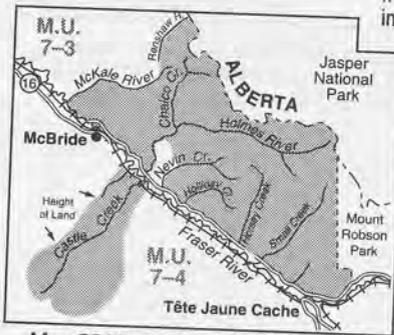
Map G2 Valemount No Shooting Area, Robert W. Starratt Wildlife Sanctuary (situate in MU 7-2). No Hunting, Trapping or the Discharge of Firearms. Lot numbers available from Conservation Officer Service in Valemount & Prince George.



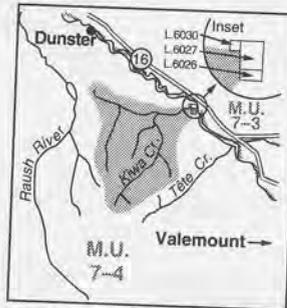
Map G3 East Twin Creek Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-3).



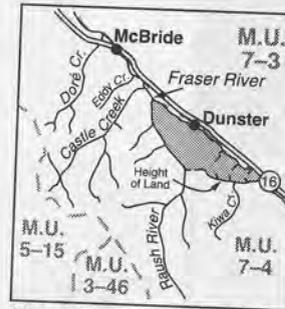
Map G4 Holmes River Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-3).



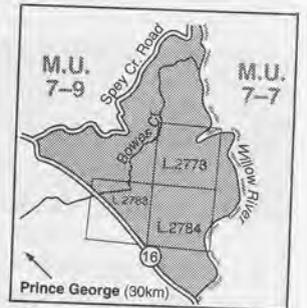
Map G5 Holmes River and Castle Creek Mtn Goat closed areas. Hunting of Mtn. Goat is prohibited except for LEH permit holders (situate in MU 7-3 and MU 7-4).



Map G6 Kiwa Creek Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-4).



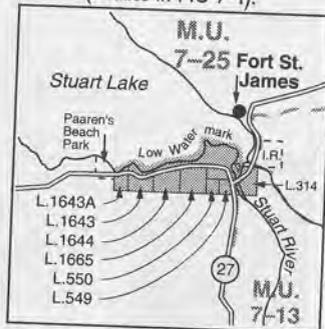
Map G7 Dunster Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-3).



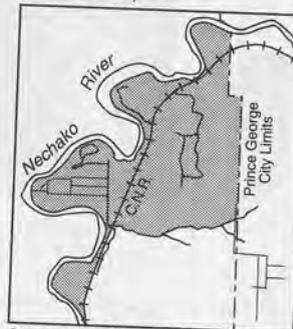
Map G8 Tabor Mountain No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MUs 7-9).



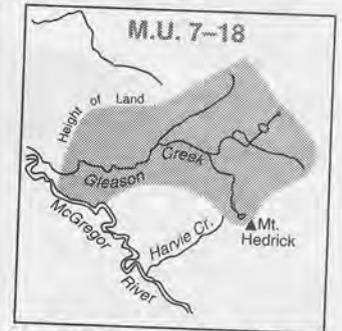
Map G9 Red Rock Seed Orchard No Shooting Area (situate in MU 7-10).



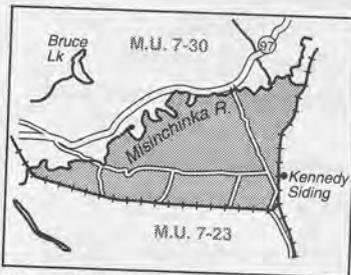
Map G10 Paaren's Beach No Shooting Area (situate in MUs 7-13, 7-25).



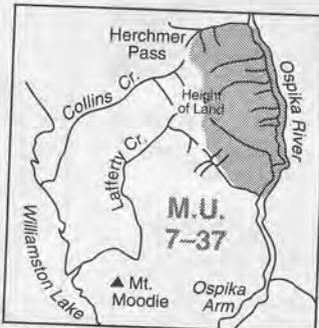
Map G11 Miworth No Shooting Area (situate in MU 7-15).



Map G12 Gleason Creek Mtn Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-18).



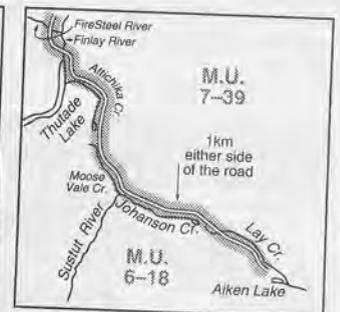
Map G13 Kennedy Siding No Shooting or Hunting Area (MU 7-23). Hunting and discharge of firearms is prohibited from Nov 6 to March 31



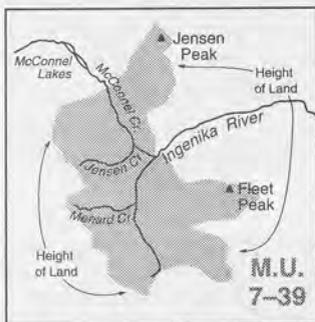
Map G14 Ospika River Mtn Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-37).



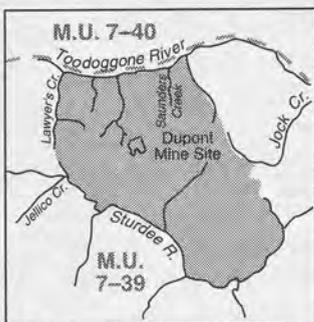
Map G15 Mt. Ogden Mountain Goat and Caribou Closed Area (situate in MU 7-38).



Map G16 Omineca Mining Road Extension No Shooting Area (situate in MUs 6-18, 7-39).



Map G17 McConnell Creek No Hunting Area (situate in MU 7-39).



Map G18 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 G19 Black Lake and Edozadelly Caribou closed areas. Hunting of caribou is prohibited in Zones A to E of 7-39 and in Zone A of 7-40 except for LEH permit holders.

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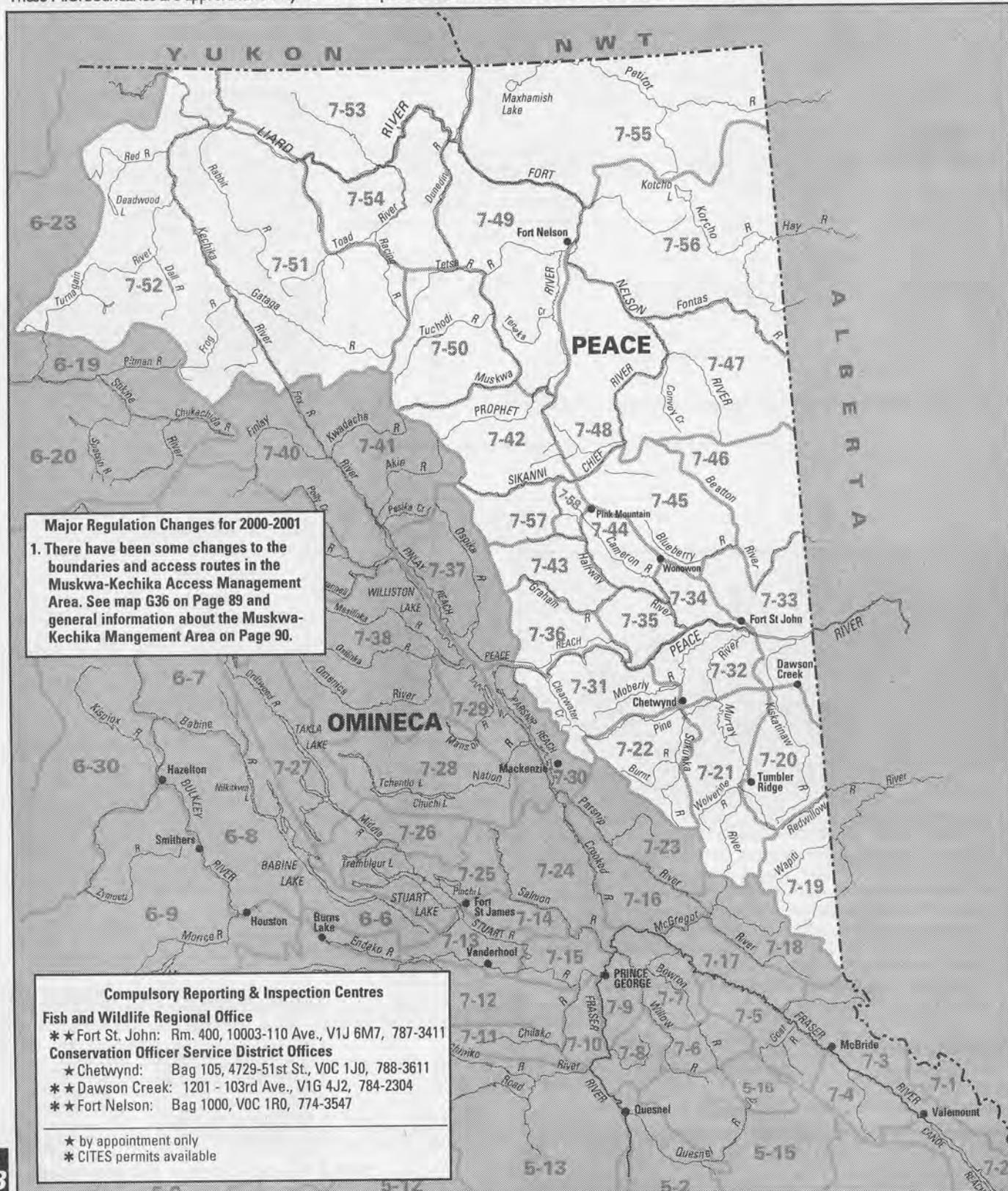
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PEACE REGION 7_B

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Major Regulation Changes for 2000-2001

1. There have been some changes to the boundaries and access routes in the Muskwa-Kechika Access Management Area. See map G36 on Page 89 and general information about the Muskwa-Kechika Mangement Area on Page 90.

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- Note definitions of "Motor Vehicle", "ATV" and "Snowmobile" on page 4-6.

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MUs 7-19, 7-31, 7-35, 7-36, 7-43, 7-53, 7-57 and the Southeast portion of 7-21 (see Map G28)

★ above 1400 metres in elevation. However, the use of snowmobiles (less than 450 kg in weight) is permitted from Nov 1 to April 30. The following trails and roads are open year round: BC Forest Service Onion Lake Trail (MU 7-21)

Talisman et al Murray Road (C-22-E/93-1-15), Talisman PCP Falls (d-86-E/93-0-09), Mt Bickford (MU 7-31)

Contact BCE office in Fort St. John for more information.

MU 7-36

◆ east of Aylard Creek and the unnamed creek due north of Aylard Creek that flows into the Graham River; from Aug 15 to Oct 31.

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. For information and maps showing specific routes and vehicle restrictions within the Muskwa Kechika, contact the BC Environment and Ministry of Forests offices in Fort Nelson and Ft. St. John.

MUs 7-19 to 7-22,

7-31 to 7-36, 7-42 to 7-58

◆ 4:30am to 8:00am from Aug 15 to Aug 31.

◆ 5:30am to 9:00am from Sept 1 to Sept 30.

◆ 6:30am to 10:00am from Oct 1 to Oct 31.

Except for designated trails on Map G36, the Muskwa - Kechika Access Management Area.

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 7-52

★ Beyond 400 metres on either side of Jade/Boulder Road (MUs 6-19 & 7-52) from the junction of Jade/Boulder Road and Hwy 37 east to Boulder City Lake, Letain L, Wolvevne L and Elephant L, then south along Kutcho Creek to Provencher L and back along the road to its junction with Jade/Boulder Road again. This closure applies between Aug 1 and Nov 15

NOTICE TO HUNTERS

•No Shooting Areas: Please note the Highway No Shooting Areas outlined on pages 23-25.

•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 G39.

•The discharge of firearms using single projectiles 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 Dunley 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 G23.

•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.

•The discharge of firearms is prohibited in the Dokie subdivision in the vicinity of Chetwynd (MU 7-22 & 7-31). See Map G29.

COMPULSORY INSPECTION & REPORTING

•In addition to those species requiring Compulsory Inspection or Compulsory Reporting provincially all elk taken in Region 7 (Peace) must be Compulsory Reported within 30 days of the date of kill. See page 14 & 15 for requirements.

NATIONAL PARKS

•Hunting is prohibited in all National Parks

PROVINCIAL PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS

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

Dall River Old Growth Provincial Park	.....(MU 7-52)
Denetiah Provincial Park	.....(MU 7-52)
Graham-Laurier Provincial Park	.....(MUs 7-36, 7-43)
Horneline Creek Provincial Park	(MU 7-51)
Kakwa Recreation Area	.....(MU 7-18 & 7-19) See Map G20.
Kwadacha Wilderness Provincial Park	.....(MU 7-41, 7-42, 7-50).
Kotcho Lake Village Site Provincial Park	.....(MU 7-56)
Liard River Corridor Provincial Park	.....(MUs 7-53, 7-54)
Milligan Hills Provincial Park	.....(MUs 7-46, 7-47)
Muncho Lake Provincial Park	.....(MUs 7-51, 7-54). See Map G44.
Northern Rocky Mountains Provincial Park	.....(MUs 7-42, 7-50, 7-51)
Pink Mountain Provincial Park	.....(MU 7-58)
Prophet River Hot Springs Provincial Park	.....(MU 7-42)
Redfern-Keily Provincial Park	.....(MU 7-42)
Scatter River Old Growth Provincial Park	.....(MUs 7-53, 7-54)
Sikanni Old Growth Provincial Park	.....(MUs 7-47, 7-48)
Stone Mountain Provincial Park	.....(MUs 7-50, 7-51, 7-54) See Map G41.
Toad River Hot Springs Provincial Park	.....(MU 7-54)

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT REGION 7B

Wokkpath Protected Area(MU 7-51).

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

•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.

•Horse users are required to get a Letter of Permission from BC Parks prior to their trip (B.C. Reg. 180/90, s. 18)

•The use of exotics, such as llamas and ostriches is prohibited in provincial parks and protected areas of the Muskwa-Kechika Management Area. These areas

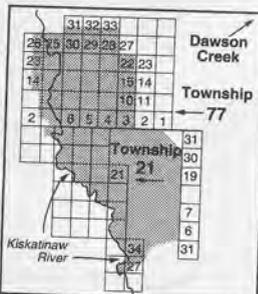
include Muncho Lake Provincial Park, Stone Mountain Provincial Park and Wokkpath Protected Area. Please contact BC Parks Peace/Liard District Office (250-787-3407) or the Fort Nelson BC Parks Office (250-774-7190) for more information.

SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNITS	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT
MULE DEER (Black-Tailed)	7-19, 7-22, 7-31, 7-36, 7-42, ★7-43,	▲4 Point Bucks	Oct 10 - Oct 31	1
	7-48 to 7-52, 7-54, 7-57, 7-58			
	7-20, 7-21, 7-32 to 7-35, ★7-43 to 7-47	▲4 Point Bucks	Nov 1 - Nov 20	1
Bow Only Season	7-20, 7-21, 7-32 to 7-35, 7-44 to 7-47	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 21	1
★ MU 7-43 has been split into Zone A and Zone B. See Map G37 for more information.				
▲ See definition on page 6. The antlers must accompany the species licence.				
WHITE-TAILED DEER	7-19, 7-22, 7-31, 7-36, 7-42	Bucks	Oct 10 - Oct 31	1
	★7-43, 7-48, 7-57, 7-58			
	7-20, 7-21, 7-32 to 7-35, ★7-43 to 7-47	Bucks	Nov 1 - Nov 20	1
Bow Only Season	7-20, 7-21, 7-32 to 7-35, 7-44 to 7-47	Bucks	Sept 1 to Sept 21	1
★ MU 7-43 has been split into Zone A and Zone B. See Map G37 for more information.				
MOOSE	7-19, 7-22, 7-31, 7-36, 7-42 to 7-58	Bulls	Aug 15 - Aug 31	1
	7-19, 7-22, 7-31, 7-36, 7-42 to 7-58	★Bulls	Sept 1 to Oct 31	1
	7-20, 7-21, 7-32 to 7-35	Bulls	Aug 15 - Aug 31	1
	7-20, 7-21, 7-32 to 7-35	★Bulls	Sept 1 - Sept 30	1
	7-20, 7-21, 7-32 to 7-35	★Bulls	Oct 16 - Oct 31	1
	7-20, 7-21, 7-32 to 7-35	★Bulls	Oct 1 - Oct 15	1
Bow Only Season	7-20, 7-21, 7-32 to 7-35	★Bulls	Oct 1 - Oct 15	1
★ Open only for bull moose: (a) having no more than two points (tines) on one antler ("legal immature bull moose") or (b) having antlers with at least three points (tines) on one brow palm ("legal mature bull moose"). See definition on page 6. The antlers and an incisor tooth must accompany the species licence.				
ELK	7-42, 7-57, 7-58	★6 Point Bulls	Aug 15 - Oct 31	1
	7-49, 7-50	★3 Point Bulls	Aug 15 - Sept 9	1
	7-49, 7-50	★6 Point Bulls	Sept 10 - Oct 31	1
	7-48, 7-51, 7-53, 7-54	★6 Point Bulls	Sept 1 - Sept 10	1
	7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-43 to 7-46	★6 Point Bulls	Sept 1 - Oct 31	1
	7-50	▼Antlerless	Aug 20 - Aug 30	1
★See definition on page 5. The antlers must accompany the species licence. See page 14 & 15 for Compulsory Reporting details. ▼Open only in that part of the Tuchodi River watershed above Childers Creek and below the creek 2.5 km east of the mouth of Margison Creek plus the Gattho Creek watershed above Arnell Creek and below Gary Powell Creek. See Map G40.				
BIGHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP 7-19		Full Curl Bighorn Rams	Aug 15 - Sept 30	1
See special area maps.				
THINHORN MOUNTAIN SHEEP	7-36, 7-42, 7-43,	Full Curl Thinhorn Rams	Aug 1 - Oct 15	1
	7-50 to 7-52, 7-54, 7-57			
See page 85 for information on regional bag limit. See special area maps.				
MOUNTAIN GOAT	▲7-36, 7-43		Aug 15 - Oct 15	1
	▲7-42, 7-50 to 7-52, 7-57		Sept 1 - Sept 30	1
▲See special area map G35, G42 to G49 inclusive. Mountain goat are sensitive to harvest. Hunters are requested to select male mountain goat.				
CARIBOU	7-19, 7-21, 7-22, 7-31, 7-36,	Bulls	Aug 20 - Aug 31	1
	7-43, 7-50*, 7-51*, 7-52, 7-53, 7-54*, 7-57			
	7-19, 7-21, 7-22, 7-31, 7-36, 7-42,	★5 Point Bulls	Sept 1 - Sept 30	1
7-43, 7-48, 7-49, 7-50 to 7-57				
Bow Only Season	7-58	★5 Point Bulls	Sept 1 - Sept 30	1
*Closed to the hunting of caribou within 1.6km of Highway 97 during the period Aug 20 to Aug 31 ★See definition on page 5. The antlers must accompany the species licence. See page 14 & 15 for Compulsory Inspection details.				

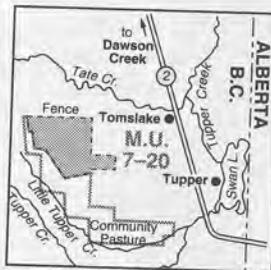
SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNITS	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT
BLACK BEAR	7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-42 to 7-58		Aug 15 - Nov 15	2
	7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-42 to 7-58		Apr 1/2001 - June 15/2001	2
<i>See page 27 for restrictions on bears</i>				
WOLF	7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-42 to 7-58		Aug 1 - Mar 31/2001	3
COYOTE	7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-42 to 7-58		Apr 1/2001 - June 15/2001	3
WOLVERINE	7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-42, 7-43, 7-47 to 7-58		Sept 1 - Mar 31/2001	NBL
LYNX	7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-42 to 7-58		Oct 15 - Jan 15/2001	1
SNOWSHOE HARE	7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-42 to 7-58		Nov 15 - Feb 15/2001	1
BLUE GROUSE	7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-42 to 7-58		Aug 1 - Mar 31/2001	10 (daily)
	7-21, 7-22, 7-31, 7-36, 7-42, 7-43, 7-50 to 7-52, 7-54, 7-57, 7-58		Apr 1/2001 - Apr 30/2001	10 (daily)
SPRUCE (FRANKLIN) and RUFFED GROUSE	7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-42 to 7-58		Sept 1 - Nov 15	10(30)
SHARP-TAILED GROUSE	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	10 of each (30 of each)
PTARMIGAN	7-19, 7-21, 7-22, 7-31, 7-36, 7-42, 7-43, 7-50 to 7-55, 7-57		Sept 1 - Nov 15	3(9)
RAVEN	7-20, 7-21, 7-32 to 7-35, 7-45, 7-46		Aug 15 - Feb 28/2001	10(30)
	<i>Hunting of raven is restricted to private land only.</i>		No Closed Season	5
COOTS, COMMON SNIPE	7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-42 to 7-58		Sept 1 - Nov 30	10(20)
<i>See Map G32</i>				
DUCKS	7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-42 to 7-58		Sept 1 - Nov 30	8(16)
<i>See Map G32. Restricted daily bag limits of 4 Pintails, 1 Canvasback, 2 Goldeneye and 2 Harlequins are in effect - see page 11 & 12.</i>				
CANADA GEESE, WHITE-FRONTED GEESE, SNOW GEESE, ROSS' GEESE	7-19 to 7-22, 7-31 to 7-36, 7-42 to 7-58		Sept 1 - Nov 30	5(10)
<i>See Map G32. The aggregate daily bag limit for all geese is 5 - see page 11 & 12.</i>				



Map G20 Kakwa No Hunting Area (situate in MU 7-19).



Map G21 Bear Mountain Area (situate in MU 7-20). From June 1 to Oct 15 hunting is prohibited.



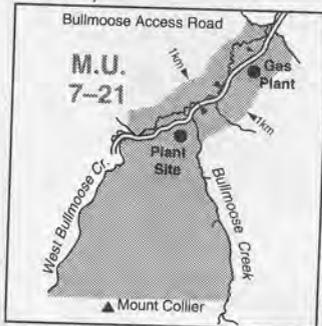
Map G22 One Island Restricted Firearms Area (situate in MU 7-20). Shotguns with Shot Only from June 1 to Oct 15.



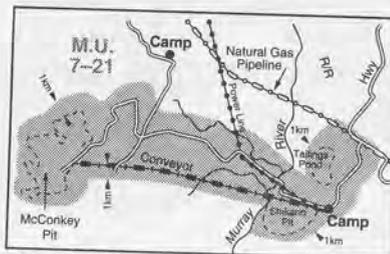
Map G23 Dawson Creek Environmental Demonstration Areas (situate in MUs 7-20, 7-33). The discharge of firearms is prohibited between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. daily.



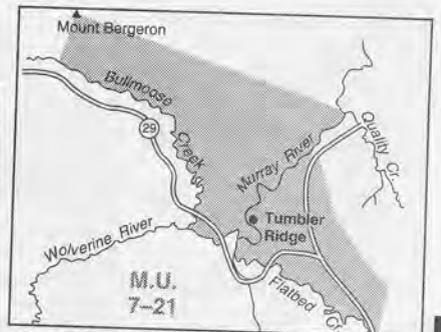
Map G24 Groundbirch Restricted Firearms Area (situate in MU 7-21). Shotguns with shot only from June 1 to Oct 31.



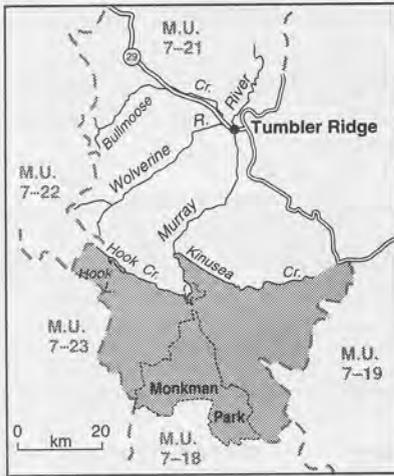
Map G25 Bullmoose Mine No Shooting Area (situate in MU 7-21).



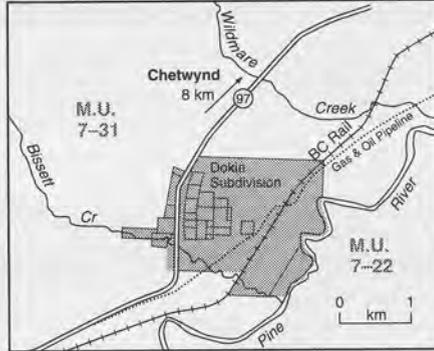
Map G26 Quintette Coal No Shooting Area (situate in MU 7-21).



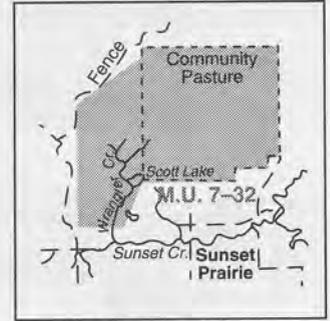
Map G27 Mt. Bergeron-Tumbler Ridge No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MU 7-21).



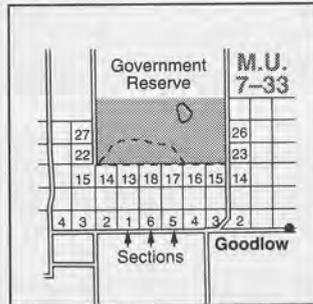
Map G28 Southeast MU 7-21 Vehicle Elevation Closure (situate in MU 7-21)



Map G29 Dokie Subdivision No Shooting Area (situate in MU 7-22 and 7-31).



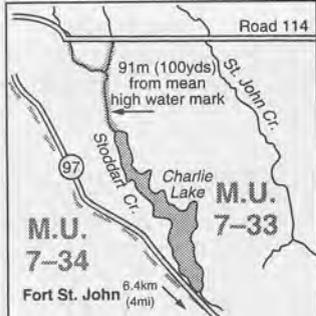
Map G30 Sunset Prairie Restricted Hunting Area (situate in MU 7-32). From June 1 to Oct 31 hunting is prohibited.



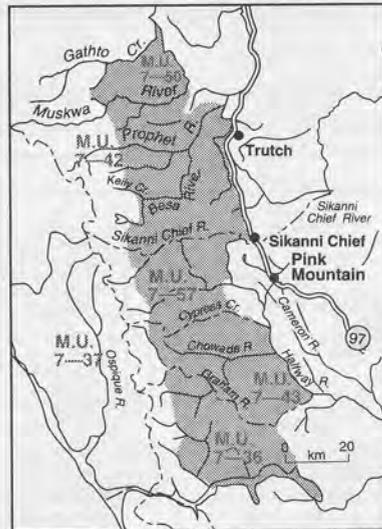
Map G31 Goodlow Restricted Hunting Area (situate in MU 7-33). From June 1 to Oct 15 hunting is prohibited.



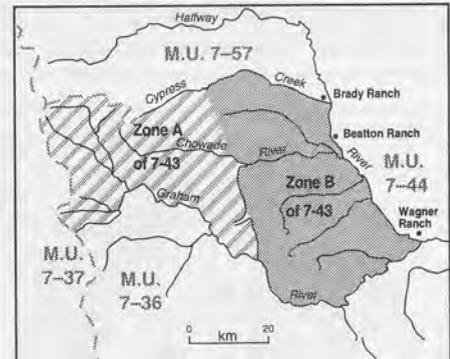
Map G32 Peace River Duck, Coot, Snow Goose, Canada Goose, White-fronted Goose and Common Snipe Closed Area (situate in MU 7-33).



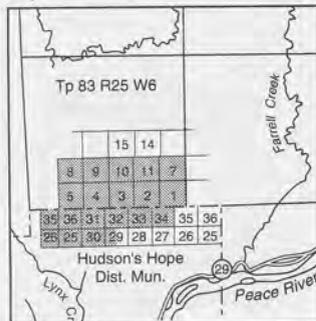
Map G33 Charlie Lake No Shooting Area (situate in MU 7-33).



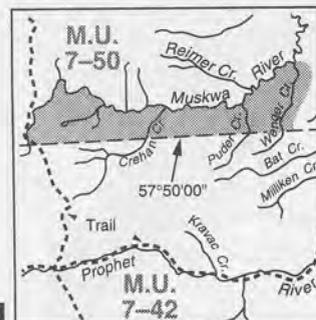
Map G35 Sikanni-Muskwa Foothills Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-36, 7-42, 7-43, 7-50 and 7-57).



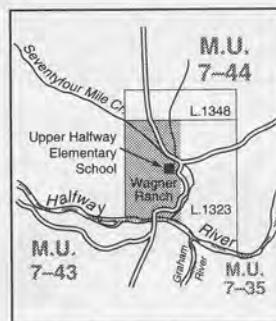
Map G37 MU 7-43 Mule & White-tailed Deer Special Area. Zone A open season is Oct 10 to Oct 31. Zone B open season is Nov 1 to Nov 20.



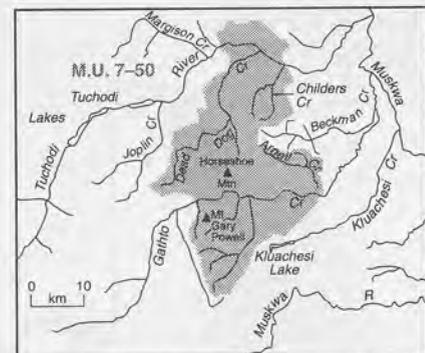
Map G34 Farrell Creek Restricted Firearms Area (situate in MU 7-35). Shotguns with Shot Only from June 1 to Oct 15.



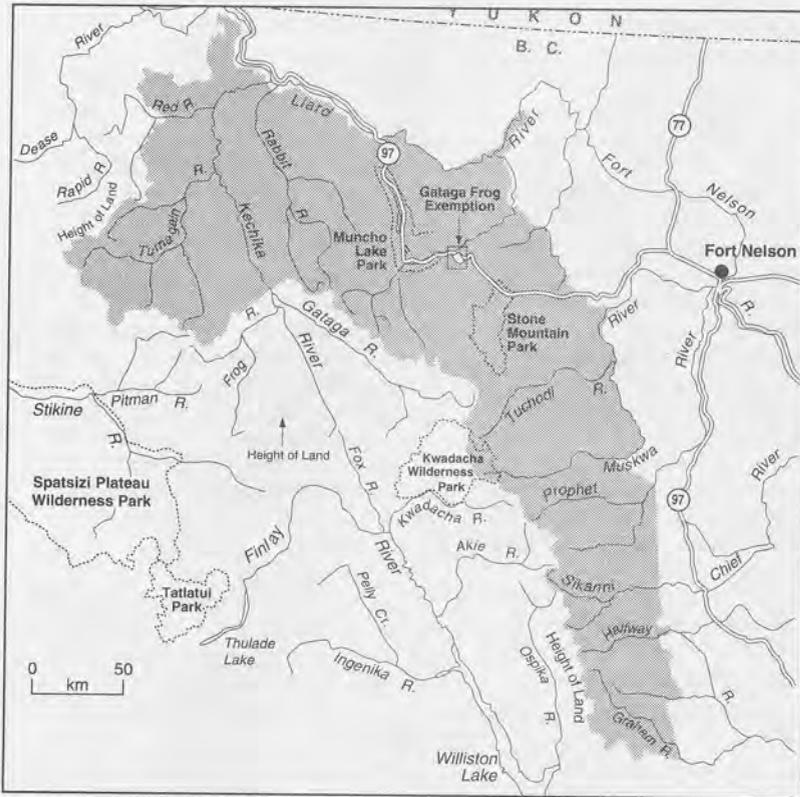
Map G38 Muskwa Flats Special Elk Area (situate in MU 7-42). The open season for hunting three-point elk is from Aug 15 to Sept 9 and six-point elk from Sept 10 to Oct 31: Bag limit = 1



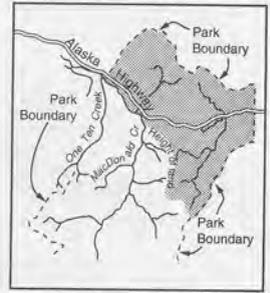
Map G39 Upper Halfway No Shooting Area (situate in MU 7-44).



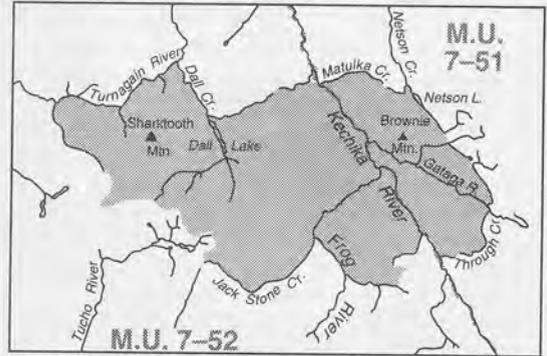
Map G40 Childers Cow Elk Hunting Area (situate in MU 7-50).



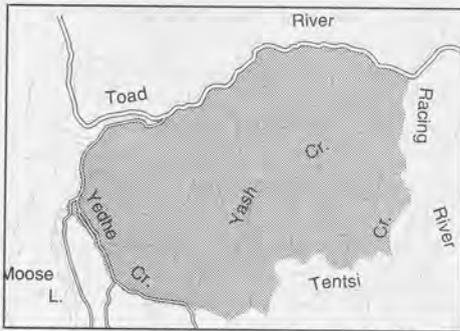
Map G36 Muskwa-Kechika Access Management Area (situate in MUs 7-36, 7-42, 7-43, 7-50, 7-51, 7-52, 7-54, 7-57). Maps showing boundaries and motor vehicle routes within the Muskwa-Kechika AMA can be viewed in the BC Environment and Ministry of Forests offices in Fort Nelson and the BC Environment office in Fort St. John. Larger scale maps can be purchased from McElhanney Associates in Fort St. John [(250) 787-0356]



Map G41 Stone Mountain Provincial Park No Shooting or Hunting Area (situate in MUs 7-50, 7-51, 7-54).



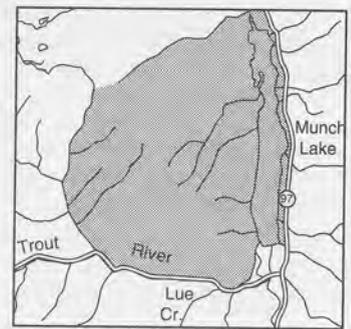
Map G42 Frog River Special Mountain Goat Hunting Area (situate in MUs 7-51, 7-52). The open season for mountain goat is Aug 25 to Oct 5.



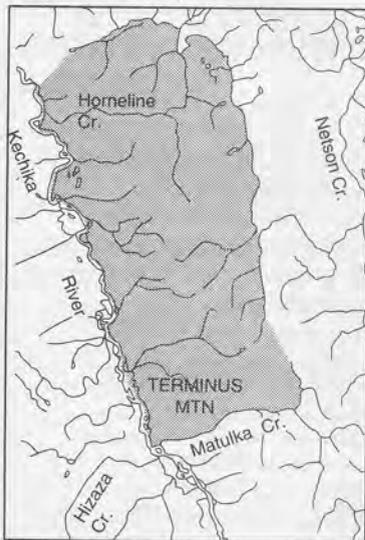
Map G43 Yash - Yedhe Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-51).



Map G44 Muncho Park Mountain Sheep and Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MUs 7-51, 7-54).



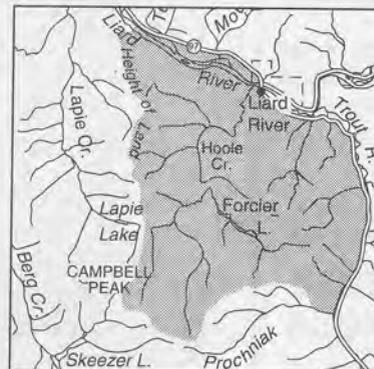
Map G45 Muncho Lake Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-51).



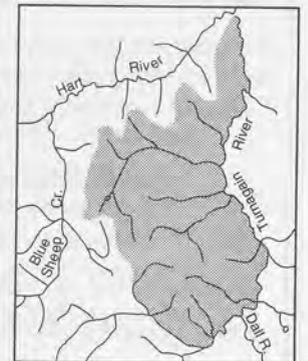
Map G46 Terminus Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-51).



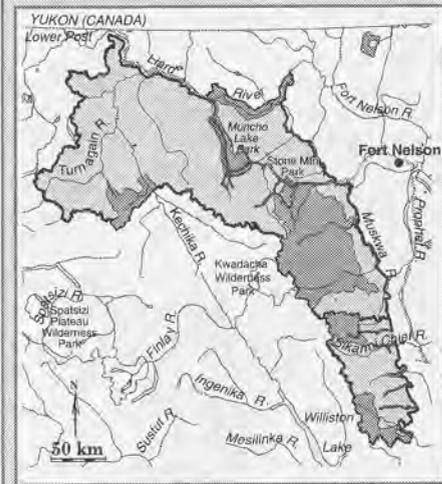
Map G47 Petersen Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-51).



Map G48 Hoole Creek Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-51).



Map G49 Deeh Ridge Mountain Goat Closed Area (situate in MU 7-52).



**MUSKWA-KECHIKA
MANAGEMENT AREA**

• In July, 1998, the Muskwa-Kechika Management Area Act was enacted by government, confirming the area established by Order in Council # 1367 in 1997.

• The Muskwa-Kechika Management Area is located in N.E. British Columbia and comprises some 3.24 million hectares of special management lands and 1.1 million hectares of existing and newly protected areas.

• Objectives for the management of the Muskwa-Kechika Management Area were developed as part of the Fort Nelson and Fort St. John Land and Resource Management Plans. Participants of these processes recommended that the objectives for the Muskwa-Kechika Management Area be formally designated establishing a separate jurisdiction; the Muskwa-Kechika Management Area.

**Muskwa-Kechika
Management Plan:**

• The Muskwa-Kechika Management Plan identifies objectives for the management of the Muskwa-Kechika Management Area and specifies an integrated and co-ordinated planning structure to meet these objectives. The Muskwa-Kechika Management Plan will be implemented by all relevant government agencies through agency-specific management activities, local strategic plans, resource development permits, and Crown land and natural resource dispositions.

• The management intent for the Muskwa-Kechika Management Area is to ensure wilderness characteristics, wildlife and its habitat are maintained over time while allowing resource development and use, including recreation, hunting, trapping, timber harvesting, mineral exploration and mining, oil and gas exploration and development. The integration of management activities especially related to the planning, development and management of road accesses within the Muskwa-Kechika Area is central to achieving this intent.

**Muskwa-Kechika Access
Management Area**

(See Map on Page 89)

• During March of 1999, a number of public meetings were held to review the boundaries of the Muskwa-Kechika Access Management Area (AMA) and the designated routes. The results included:

- making the AMA and Muskwa Kechika Management Area boundaries the same,
- establishing a separate vehicle closed area in the Klingzut Mountain area to protect sensitive wildlife habitat, and
- establishing four types of designated routes (weight restrictions may also apply):
 - vehicle access permitted within 400 meters

- either side of midline of designated routes.
- vehicle access permitted within 10 meters either side of midline of designated routes.
- ATV access permitted within 400 meters either side of midline of designated routes.
- ATV access permitted within 10 meters either side of midline of designated routes and exempting an area around the community of Toad River from the vehicle restrictions.

• **Some amendments to the AMA routes were made in 2000. Maps showing the new boundaries and routes can be viewed in the BC Environment and Ministry of Forests offices in Fort Nelson and the BC Environment office in Ft. St. John. Larger scale maps showing the routes can also be purchased from McElhanney Associates in Fort St John [(250) 787-0356]**

Resident Hunters:

• The designation of the Muskwa-Kechika Management Area does not affect the resident hunters and their activities. A substantial portion of the Muskwa-Kechika Area continues to be protected from vehicular damage by the Muskwa-Kechika Access Management Area regulations.

• **See map G-36 for clarification. Another public review of the routes will take place in 2002. If anyone has suggestions for further revisions, please send them to: Fish & Wildlife Manager, 400-10003-110 Ave, Fort St John BC V1J 6M7.**

• For more information regarding the Muskwa-Kechika Management Area, please contact the Muskwa-Kechika Program Manager at:

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- Continued support to determine winter habitat use of Mountain Goats in coastal forests 80 km north of Campbell River on

Loughborough Inlet on the mainland.

- Support for identifying migration corridors of the Marble Range California Bighorn Sheep herd and assessing types of habitat used by the sheep as they migrate.
- Enhancement of critical ungulate habitat through prescribed burning in the Thompson/Nicola, Okanagan, East and West Kootenay and Peace River regions.
- Study of Cougar movements and distribution relative to ungulate habitats in the South Selkirks.
- Habitat and population assessments of Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep in the East Kootenay to determine habitat preferences, study range conditions and create plans to enhance habitat and populations.
- Support for replacement of old fencing with improved wildlife-safe fencing that will also control cattle grazing on Knife Creek Wildlife Reserve.
- Recovery of the Telkwa caribou herd through transplants, and monitoring of radio-collared caribou to determine movement, distribution, habitat use and mortality.

- Study on the response of marten to alternative forest practices in mixed wood boreal forests of northeastern British Columbia.

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TRAPPING REGULATIONS

MAJOR REGULATION CHANGES FOR 2000-2001

1. Egg traps are added to the list of permitted traps (See 4 (a) below)
2. Duplicate trapping and fur trader's licences are available if the original licence is lost or destroyed. An affidavit is required. (See Licence and Registration Fees section on pages 94)
3. The prohibited hours for trapping wildlife using a firearm are from one hour after sunset on any day until one hour before sunrise of the following day. A person who holds a trapping licence or a person exempted from holding a trapping licence while trapping on a registered trapline may use a firearm during the prohibited hours to kill a fur bearing animal caught in a trap.
4. A person who kills a furbearing animal under the authority of a licence to hunt wildlife is exempt from paying a royalty in relation to the pelt or skin if he or she sells the pelt or skin to a licensed fur trader.
5. See the Trapping Regulations and the Compulsory Reporting and Inspection of Fur Bearing Animals sections below for additional changes.
6. Some open season dates for trapping have been adjusted for 2000-2001. Please see the open seasons schedule on page 96.
7. Trappers should note the 2000-2001 Schedule of Royalties on page 95.

TRAPPING RESTRICTIONS

1. It is an offence to trap unless; you have completed, since July 1, 1982, a trapper education course approved by the Director:
2. It is an offence to:
 - a) use a leghold 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,
 - b) trap beaver, otter, mink or muskrat on land by means of a leghold trap, unless the trap is

equipped with a submerging device,

c) not use the minimum weight of 150 grams required to be securely attached to all muskrat submerging sets smaller than size #1 1/2,

d) use a leghold trap which has teeth or other projections on the jaws of the trap,

e) use a killing snare on land unless the snare is

(i) equipped with a locking device, or

(ii) designed to catch squirrels, or

(iii) a mechanically powered killing snare

f) trap a wolverine, marten, fisher, weasel, skunk or squirrel except by means of a killing trap, a live box trap or a killing snare,

g) set spring poles or running poles unless they are equipped with a killing trap,

h) use a trap equipped with a spearing device,

i) trap a black bear (i) except by the use of a rifle, shotgun or bow, (ii) with a crossbow (except a compound crossbow) having a pull of less than 68 kg, (iii) with a compound crossbow having a pull of less than 45kg at full draw, (iv) with a crossbow having a bolt weighting less than 16.2 g, (v) with a bow having a pull of less than 18kg within the archer's draw length, or (vi) with a bow using an arrow with a broadhead less than 2.2 cm at the widest point

j) trap a wolf, fox, coyote, lynx or bobcat, except by means of a killing trap, a modified leghold trap, a live box trap, foot snare or a killing snare,

k) use a snare made of wire heavier than 20 gauge unless licenced or authorized to trap, or

l) use a snare made of braided wire unless licenced or authorized to trap, or

m) use any Conibear trap larger than, but not including #220 for land sets within any municipality in Region 2,

n) trap a furbearing animal, and if the animal is alive when you check the trap, fail to immediately release or kill the animal,

o) trap a raccoon except by means of a killing trap, killing snare, live box trap or egg trap.

p) use a rat trap unless the bait and trigger are completely covered, with an opening not larger than 4.5 cm wide and 5 cm high.

q) trap with a rifle using a full metal jacketed non-expanding bullet, or a tracer, incendiary, or explosive bullet, or with a shotgun using a tracer or incendiary shot shell.

r) trap a black bear by placing bait, or by using a dead animal or a part of it as bait.

s) trap a black bear, or a wolf not caught in a trap or snare, with a rifle using a rimfire cartridge, or with a shot gun less than 20 gauge, or using a shot shell loaded with shot smaller than the shot size 1 Buck.

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 trapline 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 egg trap, or

b) if trapping on or in water,

(i) a Conibear trap not larger than size #330, or equivalent

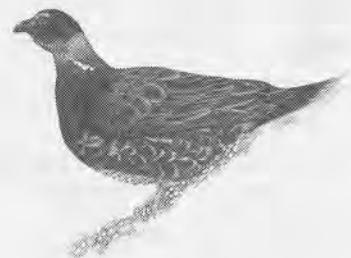
(ii) leghold traps not larger than size #2, or

(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.

6. a) It is an offence to trap wildlife using a firearm from one hour after sunset on any day until one hour before sunrise on the day following.

b) A person who holds a trapping licence, or a person exempted from holding a trapping licence, while trapping on a registered trapline, who uses a firearm to kill a fur bearing animal caught in a trap, is exempt from section 6a).



COMPULSORY REPORTING AND INSPECTION OF FUR BEARING ANIMALS

• In order to better record the harvest of fur bearing animals, the Wildlife Branch requires that certain species be reported or submitted to a BC Environment, office. The information gathered is critical to the management of these populations and trapper compliance is needed to ensure that seasons are properly set. Please review the following requirements and keep accurate records pertaining to them.

NOTE:

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

COMPULSORY REPORTING

• Trappers must report, within 15 days following the end of the trapping season, the capture of:

- (i) a fisher in regions 3, 5, 6, and 7
- (ii) a wolverine in regions 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7
- (iii) a lynx in region 4 and 8
- (iv) a bobcat in M.U.'s 1-14 and 1-15, and region 2, 4, and 8, or
- (v) a wolf from region 1 and 4

• Compulsory reporting forms are available from any BC Environment, Regional office and reporting may be done by mail, phone or in person. The information required is:

- (a) name, address and Assigned Trapper Number (top right corner of license),
- (b) the location and date of kill,
- (c) the type of trap and set used,
- (d) the number of days the trap was set before the animal was killed, and
- (e) the sex and age class of the animal.

COMPULSORY INSPECTION

• Fur Bearing Animals that are killed incidentally in areas with no open season must be compulsory inspected. Trappers must submit, within 15 days following the end of the trapping season, the carcass of:

- (i) a wolverine in regions 1, 2, and 8
- (ii) a fisher in regions 1, 2, 4, and 8
- (iii) a weasel in region 1, and M.U.'s 6-12 and 6-13, or
- (iv) a lynx in M.U.'s 1-14 and 1-15, and region 2

• Trappers must submit the entire carcass and pelt and provide the following information to an officer:

- (a) name, address and Assigned Trapper Number (top right corner of license),
- (b) the location and date of kill,
- (c) the type of trap and set used, and
- (d) the number of days the trap was set before the animal was killed

• Animals submitted may not be reclaimed by the trapper but may be donated by the Wildlife Branch to the Trapper Education Program.

DEFINITIONS

egg trap - means a holding device set in a manner 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.

fur bearing animal - means any fox, badger, beaver, marten, fisher, Canada lynx, bobcat, mink, muskrat, land otter, sea otter, raccoon, skunk, squirrel*, weasel (ermine), wolverine, wolf, coyote and black bear.

* does not include ground squirrels.

killing snare - means any trap that is designed to capture the animal for which it is set by the neck.

killing trap - means a trap or trapset that is designed to kill an animal.

leghold 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.

B.C. FUR MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

• In British Columbia, some 3,500 trappers actively manage 16 fur bearing animal species, following standards, legislation and regulations developed by BC Environment. About half of the province's trappers are Aboriginal.

• The Fur Management Program includes:

• Continuing Trapper Education Program courses for novice and experienced trappers

• "Management Guidelines For Trappers" are available for mink, marten, fisher, lynx, wolverine, beaver and muskrat. Other species guidelines are planned for the future.

• Continued monitoring of fur bearing animal populations and prey/food items through the annual "Trapper Survey" questionnaire.

Regulating Harvest

• In general, appropriate trapping seasons have been developed by considering a variety of criteria including pelt primness, relative vulnerability of age and sex classes to harvesting, abundance and capture technology.

• The registered trapline system continues to be the primary system for setting harvest guidelines and managing fur bearing animals. Harvest levels are guided by species management strategies, with furbearers being divided into three classes.

• Class 1 Species - can be managed on individual traplines. This class includes beaver, fox, marten, mink, muskrat, raccoon, skunk, squirrel and weasel.

• Class 2 Species - move between and among traplines, and thus are not manageable on individual traplines. Harvests will be regulated regionally, in consultation with local trappers. This class includes lynx, bobcat, wolverine, fisher and otter.

• Class 3 Species - also move between and among traplines, but generally are not vulnerable to over trapping. This class includes the wolf and coyote. Trappers will be encouraged to trap these species, especially in areas of chronic animal damage control problems.

Trapper Survey Questionnaire

• Over each of the past 11 trapping seasons about 700 - 1000 trappers received a "Trapper Survey" questionnaire. Each year the random survey of licenced trappers includes all major habitat areas (ecoprovinces) in the province and is representative of trappers and trapping throughout British Columbia. The results of the questionnaires are confidential. The survey provides information on various fur bearing animal population trends, prey and other food

items, habitat changes and relative trapping effort.

•The survey information becomes more useful each year and this information, coupled with the provincial annual fur trading information, helps in making current wildlife management decisions.

TRAPPER EDUCATION PROGRAM

•In cooperation with the BC Trappers Association (BCTA), BC Environment delivers the Trapper Education Program (TEP). This program includes beginner courses and advanced courses for experienced trappers. In addition, BCTA-TEP instructors, along with BC Environment, BC Aboriginal Affairs, and the Federal Dept. of Indian & Northern Affairs have conducted Native Trapper Education courses.

•British Columbia is committed to regulating humane traps as they become available and to ensure that trappers are educated in the use of humane traps. All trappers have a responsibility to ensure they are trained and use the most humane traps available, that fur-bearing animals on their trapping areas are managed wisely and pelts are handled professionally. Approved TEP courses include those obtained in British Columbia (since July 1, 1982), from Quebec since July 1, 1988, and from the Yukon, Alberta and Ontario, since July 1, 1989.

•Beginners and advanced TEP courses are generally 3 and 2 days in length respectively.

•the "British Columbia Trapper Education Manual" is available from the BC Trappers Assn. (who produced and published it) at TEP courses for \$25.00.

•A minimum of 12 persons may be required before a course will be held. The delivery of a course is subject to instructor availability.

•The cost of the advanced TEP course is the same as that of the beginners TEP course, currently \$275.00.

•The demand for TEP courses continues to be high and an instructor may not always be available. Plan in advance!

•Who to contact for TEP courses:

•Requests for TEP courses may be directed to BC Environment regional offices, Conservation Officer Service district offices or the Provincial Trapper Education Coordinator:

Marlene Sharpe, 5- 595 Ongman Road
Prince George, B.C. V2K 4L1
Phone: 250-561-1602

modified leghold trap - means a trap which has a minimum space of 5 mm between the jaws of the trap when in the closed position or has manufactured pads 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 furbearing animal in any area of the province unless you are:
 - (a) the registered holder of the trapline for that area, or
 - (b) authorized by regulation or permit.
2. Registration of a trapline 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 trapline shall be registered to a person. Registration of a trapline does not:
 - (a) give the holder of a trapline any proprietary rights in wildlife, or
 - (b) restricts the rights of another person
 - (i) to hunt, or
 - (ii) capture wildlife where authorized by regulation or a permit.
3. The boundaries of a trapline are defined by the Regional Manager. The relinquishment or transfer of a trapline must be approved by the Regional Manager.
4. No person shall continue to hold a registered trapline unless he or she:
 - (a) carries on active trapping on his or her registered trapline 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 trapline for a period not exceeding two years, or
 - (c) uses or causes the use of his or her trapline by a licenced trapper or a person exempted from holding a licence.

A person fails to use a trap-line, where within a year that person fails to take from the trapline 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 trapline.
5. A person who knowingly damages or interferes with a lawfully set trap commits an offence.

6. A person who leaves a trap set after the last day of the season for the trapping of furbearing animals commits an offence.
7. 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.
8. The use of electronic or recorded calls is banned for hunting furbearing animals or trapping

Licence and Registration Fees

The fees payable for the issuance of the following licences are:

1. For a trapping licence issued to a resident in the Province to trap furbearing animals \$17.00
(includes Habitat Conservation Trust Fund surcharge)
2. For a duplicate licence to a person who, upon satisfactory proof, shows that his/her trapping licence has been lost or destroyed (an affidavit is required)\$4.00
3. To transfer registered trapline rights to a person or group of persons\$25.00
4. For a fur trader's licence\$50.00
5. For a fur trader to trade from a place of business in another province\$400.00
6. For a duplicate licence to a person who, upon satisfactory proof, shows that his/her fur trader's licence has been lost or destroyed (an affidavit is required)\$4.00

Note: Trapping licences shall be valid from the date of issuance to June 30, 2001 .

Fur Royalty Regulations and Schedule

1. When a person is in possession of a pelt or skin of a furbearing 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 or hunting licence, or a person exempted from holding a trapping or hunting licence when selling pelts, lawfully taken by him or her to the holder of a fur trader's licence.
8. (a) A person who kills a furbearing 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.

(b) A person who kills a furbearing animal under the authority of a licence to hunt wildlife is exempt from paying a royalty in relation to the pelt or skin if he or she sells the pelt or skin to a licensed fur trader.

Note: Any raw fur or skin of a furbearing animal shipped out of the Province for commercial purposes must be accompanied by a Royalty Fur Export Permit.

SCHEDULE OF ROYALTIES:

Beaver	\$0.87	Muskrat	\$0.09
Black Bear	\$2.97	Otter	\$2.26
Bobcat	\$1.56	Raccoon	\$0.47
Coyote	\$0.75	Skunk	\$0.08
Fisher	\$1.32	Squirrel	\$0.05
Fox	\$0.56	Weasel	\$0.15
Lynx	\$2.79	Wolf	\$2.73
Marten	\$1.28	Wolverine	\$6.90
Mink	\$0.56		

Royalty per pelt or skin

INFORMATION

Trapline Cabins

• Trappers should register their trapline cabins on Crown Land. Cabin applications may take six months or more to process. Contact the BC Environment Regional Office in the area of the trapline for more information.

Provincial Parks & Recreation Areas

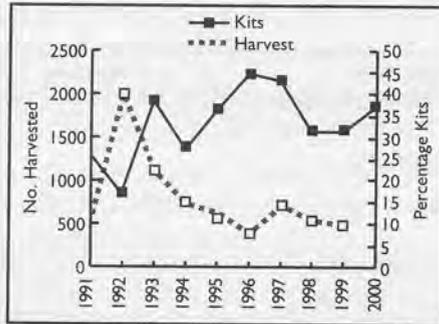
• Registered trapline tenure within Provincial Parks is subject to the provisions of the Park Act and Park regulations. Trappers are required to obtain a Park or Resource Use Permit to trap that part of their trapline occurring within a Provincial Park or Recreation Area. The permit can be obtained by contacting the nearest provincial parks office. The permit fee is \$100.

• Trapline cabins in Parks and Recreation Areas require authorization by a Park or Resource Use Permit. This permit can also be obtained by contacting the nearest BC Parks District office. The permit fee is the greater of \$25 or \$10 per cabin.

Lynx Management Information

• Lynx populations are cyclical, following the approximate 10 year population cycles of the snowshoe hare, its principal food source. Lynx harvest records, the "Trapper Survey" questionnaire and lynx pelt measurements allow the lynx population cycles to be "tracked" or followed.

Knowing the phase of the population cycle can help the trapper to adjust trapping effort (ie. reducing, stopping or increasing) accordingly. More information for the trapper concerning lynx management is contained in the brochure



"Lynx - Management Guidelines For British Columbia".

• Annual lynx harvest and percentage of lynx kittens in the harvest is illustrated in the following graph.

• The proportion of kits in the harvest is an indication of the recruitment rate. Harvest should be restricted when this proportion is low.

Fisher Management by the Trapper

• Since 1991, a cooperative effort between trappers and the Wildlife Branch has helped to ensure viable fisher populations in British Columbia. The effort continues to both reduce unplanned harvest of fisher and enhance populations.

Harvest Reduction Efforts

- Modify marten boxes by making them longer and the entry hole smaller (2.5 - 3" in diameter)
- avoid trapping around fisher den sites near large cottonwoods and fir snags
- avoid trapping marten or mink where fisher sign is evident

Population Enhancement

- establish food sites for fisher (helps marten and weasel also). Hang carcasses in trees to reduce competition by other land predators
- complete fisher and marten trapping as early in the season as possible to help reduce the number of adult female fisher captured
- establish fisher non-trapping or refuge sites on your trapline.

COLLARED, IMPLANTED OR EAR-TAGGED FURBEARING ANIMALS

• Several fur bearing animal research projects are under way within the province. Please report the harvest of any collared, implanted or ear-tagged animal and return collars or implants to the nearest Ministry of Environment regional office. Radio collars and implants are property of the Crown and cannot be retained.

OTHER INFORMATION FOR THE TRAPPER

1. The Assigned Trapper Number (ATN) is required by the Fur Trader when accepting, exporting and selling fur. It is also required when paying fur royalties. Please remember to write your ATN 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 fur without recording your ATN.
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 trapline 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 wilfully cause or permit to be caused unnecessary pain, suffering, or injury to an animal or injury to a 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 trapper accidentally capturing a weasel on Vancouver Island or on the Queen Charlotte Islands must forward the pelt and the carcass to the nearest BC Environment regional office.
7. Any trapper accidentally capturing a fisher in regions 1, 2, 4, or 8 must forward the pelt and carcass to the nearest regional BC Environment office.

If you are interested in advertising in the BC Hunting and Trapping Regs, call 250-382-6188, or send an e-mail to tourism@monday.com

2000/2001 Open Trapping Seasons for Fur Bearing Animals

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 the regions 1, 2, 4, and 5; or 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).



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SPECIES TRAPPING SEASON (MUs)	REGIONS	SPECIES TRAPPING SEASON (MUs)	REGIONS
BEAVER		FOX	
1,2,3,4,5,8	Oct 15 - Apr 30	1(14,15), 2,	
6,7	Oct 1 - May 31	3,4,5,6,7	Oct 15 - Feb 28
MUSKRAT		8	No Season
1,3,4,5,8	Oct 15 - Apr 30	SKUNK	
2	Nov 15 - Feb 15	1(14,15), 2,	
6,7	Oct 1 - May 31	3,4,5,6,7,8	Oct 15 - Feb 28
RIVER OTTER		WOLF	
1,2,(2-5, 12-16)	Nov 15 - Feb 28	1	Nov 1 - Jun 30
2(6-11,17-19),3,4,5	Oct 15 - Apr 30	2(2-4,7-10,17-19),	
6,7	Oct 1 - May 31	3(45,46), 8	No Season
8	Nov 1 - Apr 15	2(5,6,11-16),	
MARTEN		3(12-20, 26-44)	Oct 15 - Feb 28
1,2,3,4,5,8	Nov 1 - Feb 15	4*	Oct 15 - Feb 28
6,7(1-48, 55-58),	Nov 1 - Feb 28	5, 6	Oct 15 - Mar 31
7(49-54)	Nov 1 - Mar 15	7	Oct 15 - May 31
MINK		BOBCAT	
1,3,4,5		1,6,7	No Season
7(1-48, 55-58),8	Nov 1 - Feb 15	2,3,4**,5,8	Nov 15 - Feb 15
2,6(3,11,14)	Nov 15 - Feb 15	LYNX	
6 (except 3,11,14),	Nov 1 - Feb 28	1,2	No Season
7(49-54)	Oct 15 - Feb 15	3,5,6,7,8	Nov 15 - Feb 15
WEASEL		4	Nov 15 - Dec 31
1,6(12,13)	No Season	RACCOON	
2,3,4,5,8	Nov 1 - Feb 15	1,2,3,4,5	
6(except 12,13), 7	Nov 1 - Feb 28	6(except 12,13),7,8	Oct 1 - Mar 31
WOLVERINE		6(12,13)	Jan 1 - Dec 31
1,2,8	No Season	RED SQUIRREL	
3,4,5	Nov 1 - Jan 31	1,2,3,4,5,8	Nov 1 - Mar 15
6, (except 3,11,14),7	Nov 1 - Feb 28	6,7	Nov 1 - Mar 31
6(3,11,14)	Nov 1 - Feb 15	FISHER	
COYOTE		1,2,4, 8	No Season
1(14,15), 2,		3,5,6,7	Nov 1 - Feb 15
3,4,5,6,7,8	Oct 15 - Feb 28	BLACK BEAR**	
		1,2,3,4, 8	No Season
		5,6(3,11-14)	Oct 15 - May 15
		6(except 3,11-14),7	Oct 15 - May 31

* There is no closed season on wolf in the East Kootenay Trench below 3300' elevation.

** Quota: Bobcat - 2 in one year

Black Bear - 2 in one year

(NOTE: Please see page 9, item 46 and page 9 for regulations concerning bear parts.)