



OREGON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OREGON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

DIVISION 065 GAME MAMMAL GENERAL SEASONS AND REGULATIONS

635-065-0001

Purpose and General Information

- (1) The purpose of these rules is to establish license and tag requirements, limits, areas, methods and other restrictions for hunting game mammals pursuant to ORS Chapter 496.
- (2) OAR Chapter 635, Division 065 incorporates, by reference, the requirements for hunting game mammals set out in the document entitled "2009 Oregon Big Game Regulations," into Oregon Administrative Rules. Therefore, persons must consult the "2009 Oregon Big Game Regulations" in addition to OAR Chapter 635, to determine all applicable requirements for game mammals. The annual Oregon Big Game Regulations are available at hunting license agents and regional, district, and headquarters offices of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

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General License Requirement

A person may obtain and possess only one valid annual hunting license per calendar year.

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General Tag Requirements and Limits

- (1) Big Game Tags: Any person hunting game mammals for which a tag is required must have on their person a valid tag for the dates, area and species being hunted.
- (2) Any person 12 years of age or older may purchase game mammal tags if they possess an adult hunting license.
- (3) A person may obtain and possess during an annual hunting season only:
- (a) One valid general season black bear tag;
 - (b) one valid additional general black bear tag valid in management units 20-30;
 - (c) one valid controlled black bear tag in addition to general season bear tags issued under subsection (a) and (b) above;
 - (d) one valid 700 series "leftover" controlled bear tag;
 - (e) one valid cougar (mountain lion) tag;
 - (f) one valid eastern additional general cougar (mountain lion) tag;
 - (g) one valid pronghorn antelope tag.
- (4) Except as provided in OAR Chapter 635, Division 090, and except as provided in OAR 635-075-0010, a person may obtain and possess only one of the following tags during an annual hunting season:
- (a) One valid deer bow tag;
 - (b) one valid western Oregon deer tag;
 - (c) one valid 100 series controlled buck hunt tag;
 - (d) one valid 600 series controlled antlerless deer tag in addition to one of (4) (a)-(4) (c) and (4) (e);



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- (e) one valid 100 series “left over” controlled deer tag;
- (f) one valid 600 series “left over” controlled deer tag;
- (5) Except as provided in OAR Chapter 635, Division 090, a person may obtain and possess only one of the following tags during an annual hunting season:
 - (a) One valid Cascade elk tag;
 - (b) one valid Coast First Season elk tag;
 - (c) one valid Coast Second Season elk tag;
 - (d) one valid Rocky Mountain elk - first season tag,
 - (e) one valid Rocky Mountain elk - second season tag;
 - (f) one valid elk bow tag;
 - (g) one valid controlled elk hunt tag;
- (6) In addition to the tags described in OAR 635-065-0015 (5), a person during an annual hunting season may obtain or possess only one valid 200 series “leftover” controlled elk tag.
- (7) Except as provided in OAR 635-067-0032 thru 635-067-0034, a person may obtain and possess only one bighorn sheep ram tag in a lifetime.
- (8) A person may obtain and possess only one Rocky Mountain goat tag in a lifetime.
- (9) It is unlawful for any person to issue or to possess any game mammal tag which has been backdated.
- (10) Any game mammal tag having an issue date subsequent to the last day authorized for issue of such tag as listed in “Oregon Big Game Regulations” for the current season is a void tag. Exception: Members of the armed forces returning to the state after the deadline shall be permitted to purchase general season tags for themselves at the Salem headquarters and regional offices of the department.

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Disabled Hunter Seasons and Bag Limits

- (1) ORS 496.018 provides that in order to be considered a person with a disability under the wildlife laws, a person shall provide to the Fish and Wildlife Commission either written certification from a licensed physician, certified nurse practitioner, or licensed physician assistant of certain specified disabilities or written proof that the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs or the Armed Forces shows the person to be at least 65 percent disabled. To implement that statute, this rule provides for the issuance of an “Oregon Disabilities Hunting and Fishing Permit” by the Department.
- (2) To obtain an “Oregon Disabilities Hunting and Fishing Permit,” a person shall submit to the Department a completed form specified by the Department. If the completed form accurately provides all required information, the Department shall issue an “Oregon Disabilities Hunting and Fishing Permit”. Permits are valid for two calendar years. To renew a permit, the holder must submit a new, updated application form.
- (3) The Department may revoke, suspend or decline to issue or renew an “Oregon Disabilities Hunting and Fishing Permit” for failure to submit accurate information. The holder or applicant may request a contested case hearing to appeal such an action.
- (4) A person who possesses an Oregon Disabilities Hunting and Fishing Permit issued by the department is qualified for expanded bag limits as follows:

<u>Season/Tag</u>	<u>Bag Limit</u>
General or controlled buck deer	One deer –

In the following units: Alsea, Biggs, Columbia Basin (except: That portion of the Columbia Basin Unit described as follows shall be closed to all bowhunting: Beginning at Heppner, north and



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west on State Highway 74 to Lexington; north and east on State Highway 207 to Butter Creek Junction; south on Butter Creek Road to Highway 74 at Vinson; west on Highway 74 to Heppner, point of beginning.), Hood, Indigo, Maupin, McKenzie, Melrose, Saddle Mountain, Santiam, Scappoose, Siuslaw, Stott Mountain, Trask, Willamette, Wilson.

General or controlled bull elk

Legal bull or antlerless elk –

In the following units: Alsea, Applegate, Beatys Butte, Beulah, Biggs, Columbia Basin (except: That portion of the Columbia Basin Unit described as follows shall be closed to all bowhunting: Beginning at Heppner, north and west State Highway 74 to Lexington; north and east on State Highway 207 to Butter Creek Junction; south on Butter Creek Road to Highway 74 at Vinson; west on Highway 74 to Heppner, point of beginning.), Desolation, Dixon, Evans Creek, Fort Rock, Fossil, Grizzly, Hood, Imnaha, Indigo, Juniper, Lookout Mountain, Malheur River, Maupin, McKenzie, Melrose, Murderers Creek, Northside, Ochoco, Owyhee, Paulina, Pine Creek, Rogue, Saddle Mountain, Santiam (within the exterior boundary of Mt. Hood National Forest, antlerless elk cannot be harvested), Scappoose, Silvies, Siuslaw, Sled Springs, Steens Mountain, Stott Mountain, Sumpter, Tioga, Trask, Wagontire, White River, Whitehorse, Willamette, Wilson.

Controlled pronghorn antelope

Buck only hunts

One pronghorn –

In the following units: Beatys Butte, Biggs, Fort Rock, Grizzly, Juniper, Keating, Lookout Mountain, Malheur River, Maupin, Maury, Murderers Creek, Ochoco, Paulina, Silver Lake, Silvies, Steens Mountain, Sumpter, Wagontire, Warner.

For hunts with bag limits other than one buck or one bull, the bag limit remains as shown in the Oregon Big Game Regulations.

(5) The Oregon Disabilities Hunting and Fishing Permit is valid only with a general season or controlled bull elk, buck deer, or pronghorn antelope tag for the area and time period being hunted. The permit must be carried on the person while hunting.

(6) An able-bodied companion may accompany a person with an Oregon Disabilities Hunting and Fishing Permit and kill any animal wounded by the permit holder. The wounded animal must be killed using a legal weapon for the season and species designated on the tag. The companion must immediately attach the permit holder's tag to the carcass of the animal. The companion is not required to possess a hunting license or tag.

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Buck Deer Seasons

(1) A person hunting deer during the general buck season in the open area listed under the western Oregon deer season described in OAR Chapter 635, Division 068 shall have on their person a western Oregon Deer Rifle Tag.

(2) A person hunting in a season authorized by a controlled hunt tag shall have on their person the deer tag required for that area.

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Bull Elk Seasons



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(1) A person hunting bull elk during either the first or second period of the general bull season in the open area listed under Rocky Mountain elk seasons in the Big Game Regulations shall have on their person a corresponding Rocky Mountain elk rifle tag.

(2) A person hunting bull elk during general bull season in the open areas listed under the Coastal elk seasons in the Big Game Regulations shall have on their person a corresponding Coastal elk rifle tag.

(3) A person hunting bull elk during the general bull elk season in the open area listed under the Cascade elk season in the Big Game Regulations shall have on their person a Cascade elk rifle tag.

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Black Bear Season

Any person hunting bear during the general black bear season in the open area listed under general black bear season described in OAR Chapter 635, Division 066 shall have on their person a general season black bear tag.

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Deadline for Purchase of General Season Tags

(1) No western Oregon deer rifle tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, October 2, 2009.

(2) No deer bow tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, August 28, 2009.

(3) No bear tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, October 2, 2009.

(4) No cougar (mountain lion) tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, October 2, 2009.

(5) No Rocky Mountain Elk Rifle First Season Tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, October 27, 2009.

(6) No Rocky Mountain Elk Rifle Second Season Tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, November 6, 2009.

(7) No Coast First Season Elk Tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, November 13, 2009.

(8) No Coast Second Season Elk Tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, November 20, 2009.

(9) No Cascade Elk Rifle Tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, October 16, 2009.

(10) No elk bow tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, August 28, 2009.

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Exchange of Deer and Elk Tags

(1) Tags may be exchanged only prior to the seasons for which both of the tags to be exchanged are valid. No tag may be exchanged after the start of the season for which it is valid.

(2) Exchanges of tags and duplicate tags may be obtained only through the department's regional offices or Salem headquarters.

(3) The fee to replace or exchange a tag is \$6.50.



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(4) A “leftover” controlled hunt deer tag may only be exchanged for a general season deer tag, but only if the person does not already possess a deer tag authorized by OAR 635-065-0015 (4) (a), (b), or (c).

(5) A “leftover” controlled hunt elk tag may only be exchanged for a general season elk tag but only if the person does not already possess an elk tag authorized by OAR 635-065-0015 (5) (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g) or (h).

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Regulations on State Wildlife Areas, Refuges and Special Areas

State wildlife areas, refuges and special areas shall be open to hunting during authorized seasons, subject to the following special regulations and exceptions:

(1) Bear Valley National Wildlife Refuge (Klamath County): Closed to all public entry except walk-in deer hunting prior to November 1.

(2) Bridge Creek Wildlife Area (Umatilla County): Open to public access and hunting. Motorized vehicle travel restricted to open roads. Entry is by permit only December 1 through April 30.

(3) Cascade Head– Lincoln City Area: The Cascade Head - Lincoln City Area shall be closed to hunting with centerfire rifles, muzzleloaders, or handguns. Hunting shall be restricted to archery and shotguns only during authorized seasons, except for Department approved emergency hunts. Hunters using shotguns for elk shall use slugs (single projectile) only. The Cascade Head – Lincoln City Area boundaries shall be defined as follows: Beginning at the Pacific Ocean and Siletz River mouth, east along the north shoreline of the Siletz River to Drift Cr. Rd. (mile post 1 on Hwy 229); north on Drift Cr. Rd. to Anderson Cr. Rd.; north on Anderson Cr. Rd. to Schooner Cr. Rd.; west on Schooner Cr. Rd. to Forest Rd. 2200; north and east on FR 2200 to FR 1726; west on FR 1726 to FR 2100; northeast on FR 2100 to the power line crossing; north along the power line to State Hwy. 18; west on Hwy 18 to Old Scenic Hwy 101; north on Old Scenic Hwy 101 to Three Rocks Rd.; west on Three Rocks Rd. to U.S. Hwy 101; north on Hwy 101 to FR 1861; west on FR 1861 to Harts Cove trailhead; west on Harts Cove trail to the Pacific Ocean; south along the coastline to the Siletz River, point of beginning.

(4) Cold Springs Refuge (Umatilla County): The Cold Springs Refuge shall be closed to deer and elk hunting.

(5) Dean Creek Elk Viewing Area (Douglas County): All Bureau of Land Management lands within or contiguous to BLM lands within T22S R11W (including Spruce Reach Island located adjacent to Hwy. 38 and between the outlets of Koapke and Hinsdale Sloughs) are closed to hunting. Also, other lands located within the following boundary are closed to hunting during all elk and deer seasons that pertain to this area: beginning at the intersection of Schofield Rd. and Hwy. 38, south on Schofield Rd. to its intersection with Hakki Ridge Rd., east on Hakki Ridge Rd. to the crest of Hakki Ridge., east along the crest of Hakki Ridge to its intersection with the BLM boundary located in T22S, R11W Section 4, easterly along the BLM boundary to Hwy. 38, west on Hwy 38 to point of beginning.

(6) Denman Wildlife Area (Jackson County): The Denman Wildlife Area shall be open to hunting only during game mammal and game bird seasons. Use of rifles and handguns is prohibited at all times.

(7) Dunes National Recreational Area: Use of rifles and handguns is prohibited for all hunting in that portion of the Siuslaw Unit west of Highway 101 and north of Tahkenitch Creek.

(8) North Bank Habitat Management Area (NBHMA; previously known as the Dunning Ranch Area in Douglas County): 6,500 acres located approximately eight miles northeast of Roseburg. Area: All BLM lands located in T25S, R5W, Sections 35,36; T26S, R5W, Sections 1,2,11,12,13,14; T25S, R4W, Sections 31,32,33; T26S, R4W, Sections 4,5,6,7,8,18. This area shall be closed to all big game hunting except for and during controlled hunts specific to the management area NBHMA by hunters possessing a controlled hunt tag for the area. Elk hunting will be allowed by hunters who possess a valid NBHMA controlled hunt tag in addition to a valid elk tag.



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(9) E.E. Wilson Wildlife Area (Benton County): This area is open to deer hunting during authorized seasons, except closed to bow hunting for deer when juvenile pheasant hunts are in progress. Rabbit hunting is permitted from November 1 through February each year. Hunting is by permit only. Permits are available at area headquarters and shall be filled out and returned each day hunted. Use of rifles, handguns, and crossbows shall be prohibited at all times.

(10) Elkhorn Wildlife Area (Baker/Union counties): Closed to all entry December 1 through April 10 annually. The Roth Tract is closed to all hunting. The Roth Tract is closed to public entry except by entry permit; an entry permit is required at all times of the year.

(11) Enterprise Wildlife Area (Wallowa County): Open to hunting seven days a week. No entry permit is required. Posted portions of the area lying south of the Union Pacific Railroad line and the entire Marr Tract are closed to all hunting.

(12) Fern Ridge Wildlife Area (Lane County): Open to black-tailed deer hunting during authorized seasons, except that East and West Coyote units are closed after October 31, and hunting in Fisher Butte Unit after October 31 is limited to Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesdays, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, and Veteran's Day only. A free daily hunting permit is required for East Coyote, West Coyote, Fisher Butte, and Royal Amazon units. Permits are available at check stations located at area access points. Hunters are limited to shotguns and archery equipment only. The discharging of rifles and handguns within the wildlife area is prohibited.

(13) William Finley National Wildlife Refuge (Benton County):

(a) Portions of the refuge shall be open to deer hunting August 29 through September 27, 2009 under the regulations for bowhunting seasons.

(b) Portions of the refuge shall be open to hunting for buck deer October 3 through October 31, 2009 under regulations for the general western Oregon deer buck season. Use of rifles is prohibited.

(c) All hunters shall obtain a refuge permit and check in and out of the refuge daily. Information on open areas and special regulations are available at the refuge.

(14) Gods Valley Wildlife Area (Clatsop County): Vehicles shall be restricted to county roads.

(15) Government Island State Recreation Area (Multnomah County): Use of rifles, handguns, and shotguns with slugs or buckshot, and bows is prohibited at all times.

(16) Irrigon, Coyote Springs, Power City, and Boardman wildlife management areas (Morrow and Umatilla counties): Use of rifles and handguns are prohibited at all times.

(17) Hart Mountain National Antelope Refuge (Lake County): Portions of the refuge shall be open for hunting as prescribed under chukar season, controlled pronghorn antelope and bighorn sheep hunts, deer bowhunting season, and muzzleloader deer season. The refuge is open for pronghorn antelope and bighorn sheep auction and raffle tag holders but is closed for Access and Habitat deer and elk auction and raffle tag holders.

(18) Heppner Regulated Hunt Area: Bowhunting, open fires and camping prohibited in posted areas. Approximately 63 square miles in Townships 2, 3, 4, and 5 South, Ranges 25, 26, 27 and 28 East;

(19) Jewell Meadows Wildlife Area (Clatsop County): The Beneke Tract and the Humbug Tract shall be open to hunting only during authorized game mammal and game bird seasons. The Beneke Tract is closed to all public entry during any open Saddle Mountain elk season. It is unlawful to shoot rifles and bows from or across open fields during any open Saddle Mountain Unit or Wilson Unit elk seasons. The Fishhawk Tract is closed to public access. Posted lands of Cavenham Forest Industries, Inc., in T5N, R7W, Sections 2, 3 and 4, 9, 10 and 11 and T6N, R7W, Sections 33 and 34, are closed to all hunting. All areas posted as Refuge are closed to public access. Entry for other purposes is only by permit obtained at the Jewell Wildlife Area Headquarters.

(20) John Day Fossil Beds National Monument: Those parts of the National Monument in the Grizzly, Biggs, Fossil, and Northside Units are closed to all hunting and trapping.

(21) John Day River Refuge: All land within 1/4 mile of the John Day River mean high water line from the Columbia River upstream to Thirty Mile Creek. The area shall be open to hunting of upland game birds during authorized seasons only between September 1 and October 31 annually but closed to all waterfowl hunting. Hunting of big game is allowed during authorized seasons.



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- (22) Klamath Wildlife Area (Klamath County): This area is closed to all deer hunting.
- (23) Klamath Marsh National Wildlife Refuge: Closed to deer and elk hunting.
- (24) Ladd Marsh Wildlife Area (Union County): All land north and east of Foothill Road shall be closed to all deer and elk hunting except during controlled youth deer hunts and closed to all rifle and handgun shooting.
- (25) Long Ranch (Linn County): Forty-eight acres in T13S, R4E, and S32 shall be closed to all hunting.
- (26) Lower Deschutes Wildlife Area: Open to hunting of big game, game birds, and waterfowl during authorized seasons. Discharge of firearms prohibited the remainder of the year. Access by foot, boat or bicycle only.
- (27) Malheur National Wildlife Refuge (Harney County): Portions of the refuge in Blitzen Valley lying west of State Highway 205 shall be open during authorized rifle and bow deer seasons.
- (28) McDonald Forest-Dunn Forest Area (Benton County): The area is closed to all hunting except during controlled hunts as authorized by the commission.
- (29) McKay Creek Refuge (Umatilla County): This refuge is closed to deer and elk hunting.
- (30) Metolius Wildlife Refuge (Jefferson County). All hunting, injuring, taking, killing, or destroying any wild bird or mammal on public land is prohibited on public lands within T12 and T13S, R9E, bounded by USFS road 1420 and 1419 on the west; road 1400 on the south and east; and road 1420-400, Metolius River, and posted boundary from the Metolius River to road 1400 on the north (approximately five square miles). 36 CFR 261.58(v).
- (31) Mill Creek Watershed (Umatilla County): This watershed is closed to all access and hunting except by holders of a Mill Creek Watershed controlled elk tag and a Forest Service entry permit.
- (32) Newberry Crater Wildlife Refuge (Deschutes County). All hunting, injuring, taking, killing, or destroying any wild bird or mammal on public land is prohibited on public lands within the rim of Newberry Crater in: T21S, R12E; T22S, R12E; T21S, R13E; T22S, R13E (approximately 15 square miles).
- (33) Rimrock Springs Wildlife Area (Grizzly Unit): This area is closed to all hunting.
- (34) Rogue River Area:
- (a) All land within one mile of the Rogue River between Grave Creek and Lobster Creek is closed to bear hunting.
- (b) All land within 1/4 mile of the Rogue River in the wild river section from Grave Creek downstream to Watson Creek is closed to all hunting except during authorized seasons.
- (35) Saddle Mountain Unit (White-tailed Deer Area): That portion of Saddle Mountain Wildlife Unit north of Burlington Northern railroad tracks to Astoria is closed to all deer hunting.
- (36) Sauvie Island Wildlife Area (Multnomah-Columbia counties): This area shall be open to bowhunting for black-tailed deer August 29 through September 27, 2009, except Oak Island (Multnomah-Columbia Cos) is closed to deer hunting and Sturgeon LK Refuge is closed to all hunting. Daily permits are required. Hunters shall check in and out daily. This area shall be closed to deer hunting after September 27, 2009. Closed to hunting for furbearers, predators, unprotected and protected wildlife (except black-tail deer and game birds). Use of rifles, handguns and crossbows shall be prohibited at all times. Parking permits are required.
- (37) Phillip W. Schneider Wildlife Area (Grant County): Open to public access and hunting. Motorized vehicle travel restricted to open roads. Some roads closed seasonally from December 1 through April 30, or year-round; including BLM land within the exterior boundaries of the Wildlife Area.
- (38) Snake River Islands (Malheur County): Closed to hunting with centerfire rifles and centerfire handguns.
- (39) South Slough National Estuarine Reserve: Specific areas are closed to hunting due to public health and safety. Contact reserve headquarters office for specific closures.
- (40) Starkey Experimental Forest Enclosure (Union County): That portion of The Starkey Experimental Forest within the eight foot elk-proof fence enclosure is closed to all hunting during deer and elk season except for persons possessing a controlled hunt tag for the area. A posted 1/4 mile buffer zone on the National Forest lands surrounding the enclosure is closed to all hunting with a centerfire rifle. The enclosure is open to deer and elk hunting only by permit during controlled hunts. The 12-foot right-of-way along each side of all 8-foot-high perimeter and internal game fences is closed to all motorized travel. Public entry is allowed only through the main



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gate. The Experimental Forest is closed to all public entry during the winter closure, which runs from the day after the controlled antlerless elk hunt until May 1 annually. Access and Habitat auction or raffle tag holders are not eligible to hunt in the Starkey Experimental Forest enclosure.

(41) Summer Lake Wildlife Area (Lake County): Open to public access and hunting during authorized mule deer and game bird hunting seasons. Closed to deer hunting during any pheasant, quail or waterfowl hunting seasons and posted refuge areas are closed to hunting. Motorized vehicle travel restricted to open roads. Some roads may be closed seasonally from Mar. 15-Aug.15 and 3 days prior to and during waterfowl hunting seasons. Hunters must obtain a daily hunting permit and check out at the end of the day. Permits and Area maps are available at Headquarters (1.3 mi. south of the town of Summer Lake). It is unlawful to discharge firearms except during deer and game bird hunting seasons or by permit. Centerfire rifles and handguns are prohibited for deer hunting.

(42) Umatilla Refuge (Morrow County): This refuge shall be closed to deer and elk hunting except during controlled hunts specific to the refuge and emergency hunts as provided in OAR Chapter 635, Division 078.

(43) Wallowa Lake (Wallowa County): All land on or within 1/4 mile of the Wallowa River from Wallowa Lake upstream to the falls and within 1/4 mile along the west side of Wallowa Lake from the Wallowa Lake State Park to the Wallowa River outlet is closed to all big game hunting.

(44) Wenaha Wildlife Area (Union County): Open to public access and hunting. Motorized vehicle travel restricted to open roads.

(45) Willamette River Greenway Corridor: Hunting is permitted with shotguns or bows and arrows only during authorized season on Willamette River Greenway parcels, except in those parcels where hunting is prohibited.

(45) White River Wildlife Area: Open to hunting during authorized seasons.

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Winter Range Closure Areas

The following winter closures shall be effective during the specified periods each year:

(1) Tumalo Winter Range: December 1 through March 31, - That part of the Upper Deschutes Unit as follows: 125 square miles in Townships 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19 South, Ranges 10 and 11 East.

(2) Bear Valley: Closed to motor vehicle use year round - That part of the Keno Unit as follows: six square miles in Township 40 South, Ranges 7 and 8 East.

(3) Lost River: December 1 through April 15 - That part of the Klamath Falls Unit as follows: 6 square miles in Township 39 South, Ranges 11, 11-1/2, and 12 East.

(4) Lost River: December 1 through April 15 - That part of the Interstate Unit as follows: 6 square miles in Township 41 South, Range 14 East.

(5) Cabin Lake-Silver Lake: December 1 through March 31 - That part of the Paulina Unit as follows: 342 square miles in Townships 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, and 29 South, Ranges 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16 East.

(6) Spring Creek Winter Range: December 15 through April 30 - That part of the Starkey Unit as follows: 14 square miles in Townships 2 and 3 South, Range 36 East.

(7) McCarty Winter Range: December 15 through March 31 - That part of the Starkey Unit as follows: 12 square miles in Townships 4 and 5 South, Ranges 34 and 35 East.

(8) Metolius Winter Range: December 1 through March 31- That part of the Metolius Unit as follows: 40 square miles in Townships 11, 12, and 13 South and Ranges 11 and 12 East

(9) Bryant Mountain: November 1 through April 15 - That part of the Klamath Falls Unit as follows: 50 square miles in Townships 39, 40, and 41 South and Ranges 12 and 13 East.



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Unit Boundary Requirements

Any person hunting in a season which is defined by a unit or units description shall abide by unit boundaries as described by the Oregon Wildlife Unit Map and descriptions under Division 080.

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ARMS AND AMMUNITION REQUIREMENTS

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Rifles

Hunters shall only use: (1) Any .24 caliber or larger centerfire rifle that is not fully automatic to hunt bighorn sheep, Rocky Mountain goat, or elk. Semiautomatics shall have a magazine capacity of no more than five cartridges.

(2) Any centerfire rifle .22 caliber or larger that is not fully automatic to hunt pronghorn antelope, black bear, cougar (mountain lion), or deer. Semiautomatics shall have a magazine capacity of no more than five cartridges.

(3) Any rifle that is not fully automatic to hunt western gray squirrels.

(4) For hunting seasons designated as rifle hunts, hunters shall use only firearms legal for that species:

(a) A person hunting deer with either a western Oregon deer rifle tag or eastern Oregon deer rifle tag shall use a legal centerfire or muzzleloading rifle, a shotgun, or a centerfire handgun.

(b) A person hunting elk with any elk rifle tag shall use a legal centerfire or muzzleloading rifle, a shotgun, or a centerfire handgun.

(5) Hunters shall not use military or full metal-jacket bullets in original or altered form.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162
Stats Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162
Hist.: DFW 82-2000, f. 12-21-00, cert. ef. 1-1-01

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Shotguns

Hunters shall use:

(1) Any shotgun, including those with rifled barrels, with number 1 or larger buckshot or slugs to hunt pronghorn antelope, black bear, cougar (mountain lion), or deer.

(2) Any shotgun, including those with rifled barrels, using slugs (single projectile) to hunt elk.

(3) Any shotgun to hunt western gray squirrels.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162
Stats Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162
Hist.: DFW 82-2000, f. 12-21-00, cert. ef. 1-1-01

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Muzzleloading Firearms



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During controlled muzzleloader only seasons:

- (1) Hunters shall use any long gun that:
 - (a) Is fired from the shoulder;
 - (b) Is loaded from the muzzle;
 - (c) Has an open ignition system;
 - (d) Is a single shot except for muzzleloading shotguns that may be double barreled;
 - (e) Has only open or aperture (peep) sights.
- (2) Hunters shall use only round ball, conical lead or lead alloy bullets whose length does not exceed two times the diameter.
- (3) Hunters shall use only flint or percussion caps as a source of ignition.
- (4) Hunters shall use only loose or granular black powder or black powder substitutes as propellants.
- (5) Any .40 caliber or larger muzzleloader as described in OAR 635-065-0705 (1-4) to hunt pronghorn antelope, black bear, cougar (mountain lion), or deer.
- (6) Any .50 caliber or larger muzzleloader as described in OAR 635-065-0705 (1-4) to hunt bighorn sheep, Rocky Mountain goat, or elk.
- (7) Hunters shall use only number 1 or larger buckshot or bullets as described in OAR 635-065-0705 (2) for hunting deer, black bear or cougar (mountain lion).
- (8) Hunters shall use only single projectiles as described in OAR 635-065-0705 (2) for hunting pronghorn antelope, elk, bighorn sheep, or Rocky Mountain goat
- (9) Hunters may only use a legal muzzleloading firearm as described in OAR 635-065-0705. During centerfire firearms seasons where muzzleloaders are also a legal firearm, hunters may:
 - (a) Use any .40 caliber or larger muzzleloading firearm to hunt pronghorn antelope, black bear, cougar (mountain lion), or deer.
 - (b) Use any .50 caliber or larger muzzleloading firearm to hunt bighorn sheep, Rocky Mountain goat, or elk.
 - (c) Use any muzzleloader ignition type (excepting matchlock), any sight, any propellant, or any bullet type.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Stats Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Hist.: DFW 118-2003, f. 12-4-03, cert. ef. 1-1-04

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Handguns

Hunters shall use:

- (1) Any centerfire handgun .22 caliber or larger that is not fully automatic to hunt pronghorn antelope, black bear, cougar (mountain lion), or deer.
- (2) Any centerfire handgun .24 caliber or larger that is not fully automatic to hunt bighorn sheep, Rocky Mountain goat, or elk.
- (3) Any handgun that is not fully automatic to hunt western gray squirrels.
- (4) Hunters shall not use military or full metal-jacket bullets in original or altered form.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Stats Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Hist.: DFW 82-2000, f. 12-21-00, cert. ef. 1-1-01

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Bows and Arrows

Hunters shall use:



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- (1) Any long, recurve, or compound bow with 40-pound or heavier pull rating to hunt pronghorn antelope, black bear, cougar (mountain lion), or deer.
- (2) Any long, recurve, or compound bow to hunt western gray squirrels.
- (3) Any long, recurve, or compound bow with a 50-pound or heavier pull rating to hunt bighorn sheep, Rocky Mountain goat, or elk.
- (4) Only unbarbed fixed position blade broadheads at least 7/8-inch wide to hunt game mammals other than western gray squirrel. See 635-045-0002 (79). Possession of moveable blade broadheads is prohibited when hunting game mammals, except western gray squirrels may be hunted with moveable blade broadheads.
- (5) A long, recurve, or compound bow and shall not possess any crossbow while hunting within an authorized bowhunting area or season.
- (6) Only a long, recurve, or compound bow during any authorized pronghorn antelope, deer or elk bowhunting season to hunt pronghorn antelope, deer, or elk.
- (7) For hunting seasons designated as bowhunting, hunters shall only use the bows legal for the species being hunted. Bows may be used during controlled antlerless deer seasons. Bows shall not be used during any designated rifle hunt.
- (8) Hunters shall not use any electronic device(s) attached to bow or arrow.
- (9) Hunters shall not use any device secured to or supported by the bow for the purpose of maintaining the bow at full draw (Persons unable to comply because of a disability may be eligible for a temporary permit from the department).
- (10) Hunters shall not use any device secured to or supported by a bow's riser which supports or guides an arrow from a point rearward of a bow's brace height (i.e. the position of the bows string when the bow is undrawn).

Stat. Auth.: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Stats Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Hist.: DFW 127-2006, f. 12-7-06, cert. ef. 1-1-07

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Other Weapons

It is *unlawful* to hunt game mammals with a crossbow or any weapon other than those rifles, handguns, shotguns, muzzleloaders, and bows authorized.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Stats Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Hist.: DFW 1-1999, f. & cert. ef. 1-14-99

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Shooting Hours

It is *unlawful* to hunt any game mammals from one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Stats Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Hist.: DFW 123-2002, f. 10-25-02, cert. ef. 7-1-03

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Decoys



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Except for purposes of law enforcement or wildlife management, the use of decoys with moving parts is prohibited. This prohibition includes, but is not limited to, decoys with parts that are powered by a motor, battery, human action (for example, cable or pull-string) or the wind. Flexible or adjustable parts that permit placement or adjustment of a decoy but do not otherwise move do not constitute “moving parts” for the purpose of this rule. This rule is intended to ban decoys that attract wildlife via movement.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.162 & 498.002

Stats Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

Hist.: DFW 123-2002, f. 10-25-02, cert. ef. 7-1-03

635-065-0735

Vehicles, Boats, Aircraft

It is unlawful:

(1) To hunt any big game from a motor-propelled vehicle. Exception: A qualified disabled hunter may obtain an Oregon Disabilities Hunting and Fishing Permit to hunt from a motor vehicle except while the vehicle is in motion or on any public road or highway. For the purpose of this regulation, “motor vehicle” includes All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs).

(2) To communicate information on the location of game mammals from an aircraft.

(3) To hunt within eight hours after having been transported by helicopter or fixed-wing aircraft to any point other than an established airport adequate for fixed-wing aircraft.

(4) To shoot at pronghorn antelope from a point within 50 yards of a motor-propelled vehicle including aircraft, except for qualified disabled hunters as shown in 635-065-735(1).

Stat. Auth.: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Stats Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Hist.: DFW 142-2005, f. & cert. ef. 12-16-05

635-065-0740

Hunting Prohibited

It is unlawful:

(1) To hunt with a centerfire or muzzleloading rifle during eastern Oregon controlled buck season (October 3 – October 14, 2009 Cascade bull elk season, Coast bull elk seasons, Rocky Mountain bull or either-sex elk seasons, or the standard Rocky Mountain unit’s antlerless elk seasons (Nov. 21 – Nov. 29, 2009) without a valid, unused tag for that species, time period and area on their person. EXCEPTION: Landowners, or their agent, hunting predators on lands they own or lease may use centerfire or muzzleloading rifles to hunt on such lands. EXCEPTION: Hunters may use .22 caliber or smaller centerfire rifles for hunting coyotes (*Canis latrans*) in the Juniper, Beatys Butte, East Beulah, Whitehorse and Owyhee units and in the Wagontire Unit south of the Lake County Road 5-14 during Rocky Mountain bull or either-sex elk seasons, or the standard Rocky Mountain unit’s antlerless elk seasons (Nov. 21 – Nov. 29, 2009).

(2) To hunt on any refuge closed by the state or federal government.

(3) To hunt within the corporate limits of any city or town, public park or cemetery, or on any campus or grounds of a public school, college, or university or from a public road, road right-of-way, or railroad right-of-way.

(4) Notwithstanding section (4) of this rule, controlled antlerless elk hunts are permitted within the south city limits of Seaside if the herd should become a serious problem.

(5) To hunt game mammals outside any area designated by a controlled hunt tag when such tag is required for that hunt season.

(6) To hunt in any Safety Zones created and posted by the department.

(7) To hunt protected wildlife except:



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(a) by a permit or during an authorized season established by the commission.

(b) That crow, blackbirds, cowbirds, and magpies may be taken under Federal regulations for reason of depredation or health hazards as described in the Code of Federal Regulations.

(8) To pursue or assist another to pursue a cougar (mountain lion) during an authorized cougar (mountain lion) season unless in possession of an unused cougar (mountain lion) tag or accompanied by the holder of an unused cougar (mountain lion) tag which is valid for that area and time period.

(9) To engage in computer-assisted hunting (internet hunting) or provide or operate facilities for computer-assisted hunting in Oregon. As used in this act, "computer-assisted hunting" (internet hunting) means the use of a computer or any other device, equipment, or software to remotely control the aiming and discharge of a firearm, bow, or any other weapon to hunt any game bird, wildlife, game mammal, or other mammal, and "facilities for computer-assisted remote hunting" means real property and improvements on the property associated with hunting, including hunting blinds, offices and rooms equipped to facilitate computer-assisted remote hunting. Nothing in subsection (9) of this section prohibits the use computer-assisted hunting by employees or agents of county, state or federal agencies while acting in their official capacities.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Stats Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Hist.: Adopted 6-8-07, ef. 1-01-09

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Prohibited Methods

It is unlawful:

(1) To shoot from or across a public road, road right-of-way, or railroad right-of-way, except that persons legally hunting on closed roads within department Cooperative Travel Management Areas are not violating current prohibitions on shooting from or across a public road.

(2) To hunt for or kill any wildlife for another person except as provided in ORS 498.170 for visually impaired hunters, and OAR 635-065-0090 for hunters with permanent disability permits.

(3) To hunt any game mammal with dogs, except western gray squirrel.

(4) To use an artificial light for hunting any wildlife, except raccoon, bobcat, and opossum provided the light is not cast from or attached to a motor vehicle. This includes laser sights or any other sights which project a beam to the target. This does not include battery operated sights which only light the reticle.

(5) To hunt any wildlife with infrared or any other "night vision" sight.

(6) To cast from or within 500 feet of a motor vehicle an artificial light on game mammals, predatory animals or livestock while having in possession or immediate physical presence a weapon with which the game mammals or livestock could be killed.

(7) To take any game mammals with trap or snare.

(8) To use any poisoning, immobilizing, or tranquilizing drug or chemical to hunt or kill any game mammal.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Stats Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Hist.: DFW 122-2004, f. 12-21-04, cert. ef. 1-1-05

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Disguising Sex, Waste, and Sale

It is *unlawful*:

(1) To disguise the sex or kind of any wildlife while in the field or in transit from the field.

(2) To waste any game mammal or parts thereof, except that the meat of cougar is considered inedible and need not be salvaged. The hide of a cougar must be sealed and retained.



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(3) To sell or offer for sale, barter, or exchange, any game mammals or parts thereof except deer, elk, and antelope hides, and shed or legally taken cervid antlers used for handcrafted items and cervid antlers which have been handcrafted as described in OAR 635-200-0050.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Stats Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Hist.: FCW 9-1997, f. & cert. ef. 2-27-97

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Trespass

It is *unlawful* to hunt on the cultivated or enclosed land of another without permission. Enclosed land may be bounded by a fence, ditch, water, posted line or any other line indicating separation from surrounding territory.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Stats Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Hist.: FWC 43-1985, f. & ef. 8-22-85

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Other Restrictions

It is unlawful:

- (1) To take or hold in captivity the young of any game mammal.
- (2) To hold in captivity any wildlife of this state for which a permit is required without first securing a permit.
- (3) To release without a permit any wildlife brought from another state or country, or raised in captivity in this state.
- (4) To resist game law enforcement officers.
- (5) To refuse inspection of any license, tag or permit by an employee of the department; any person authorized to enforce the wildlife laws; or a landowner or agent of the landowner on his land.
- (6) To take or attempt to take any game mammals, game birds, migratory waterfowl or any protected wildlife species of any size or sex or amount, by any method or weapon, during any time or in any area not prescribed in these rules.
- (7) To disturb, damage, remove, alter or possess any official department signs.
- (8) To sell, lend, or borrow any big game tag.
- (9) It is unlawful to operate or to be transported in a motor-propelled vehicle in violation of Cooperative Travel Management Areas. "Motor-propelled vehicle" includes aircraft not landing on designated airstrips. Through cooperative agreement, motor vehicle use is limited to specific roads during the dates for the areas listed below. There are two methods of posting road access information; 1. signs showing road closed, or 2 round green reflectors marking roads open to motorized travel. Unit descriptions may be found in OAR 635-080-0000 through 635-080-0077. The following closures shall be effective during the specified periods each year:
 - (a) North Coast Access Area: Three days prior to opening of general archery season through December 1 - Applies to all gated, posted, and/or barrier-closed roads within the Saddle Mountain, Scappoose, Trask and Wilson wildlife management units.
 - (b) Upper Tualatin-Trask: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer rifle season through the close of all bull elk rifle seasons - That part of the Trask Unit as follows: 60 square miles in Townships 1 and 2 North and 1 South, and Ranges 5 and 6 West;
 - (c) Rickreall Regulated Hunt Area: November 1 through November 30 annually - That part of Stott Mt. Unit as follows: 12 square miles in Townships 7 and 8 South, Ranges 6 and 7 West;



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- (d) Luckiamute: Permanent Closure - Those parts of the Stott Mt. /Alsea Units as follows: 9 square miles in Townships 8 and 9 South, Ranges 7 and 8 West.
- (e) Mid-Coast: Permanent Closure - That part of the Alsea Unit as follows: posted and barrier closed roads (including bermed) in the Siuslaw National Forest lands south of US Hwy 20 and north of state Hwy 126;
- (f) Smith Ridge: Permanent Closure - That part of the McKenzie Unit as follows: 8 square miles in Townships 13 and 14 South, Ranges 6 and 7 East;
- (g) Chucksney Mountain: September 1 through November 30 annually - That part of the McKenzie Unit as follows: 6 square miles in Township 19 South, Range 5 1/2 East;
- (h) Skookum Flat: Permanent Closure - That part of the McKenzie Unit as follows: 8 square miles in Townships 19 and 20 South, Range 6 East;
- (i) Eagle Creek: Three days prior to opening of general Cascade elk season through close of general Cascade elk season. That part of the McKenzie Unit as follows: 66 square miles in Townships 21 and 22 South, Ranges 5, 5 1/2 and 6 East;
- (j) Scott Creek: Permanent Closure - That part of the McKenzie Unit as follows: 51 square miles in Townships 14, 15, and 16 South, Ranges 6 and 7 East;
- (k) Coos Bay BLM: Permanent Closure - That part of the Tioga Unit as follows: Individual posted roads on lands administered by BLM, Coos Bay District.
- (l) Upper Rogue: Three days prior to the general Cascade elk season through the end of the general Cascade elk season - That part of the Rogue Unit as follows: High Cascades Ranger District, Rogue River National Forest;
- (m) Jackson: Three days prior to the general Cascade elk season through April 30 annually - That part of the Rogue, Dixon, and Evans Creek units as follows: 104 square miles in Townships 32, 33, 34, and 35 South, Ranges 1 and 2 West and 1 and 2 East; off-road motor vehicle travel is prohibited at all times;
- (n) Pokegama: November 20 through March 31 annually - That part of the Keno Unit as follows: 97 square miles in Townships 40 and 41 South, Ranges 4, 5, and 6 East;
- (o) Lower Klamath Hills: Permanent Closure - That part of the Klamath Unit as follows: 3 square miles in Township 40 South, Range 9 East;
- (p) Goodlow Mountain Area Closure: December 1 through March 31 annually - That part of the Klamath Unit as follows: 17 square miles in Townships 38 and 39 South, Ranges 12 and 13 East;
- (q) Sun Creek: November 1 through June 30 annually - That part of the Sprague Unit as follows: 14 square miles in Township 32 South, Ranges 6 and 7 1/2 East;
- (r) Fox Butte: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer season through the close of the controlled buck deer season - That part of the Paulina Unit as follows: 230 square miles in Townships 20, 21, 22, 23, and 24 South, Ranges 14, 15, and 16 East;
- (s) Timbers: Permanent Closure - That part of the Paulina Unit as follows: 25 square miles in Townships 23 and 24 South, Ranges 9 and 10 East;
- (t) Rager: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer rifle season through the close of antlerless elk rifle season - That part of the Ochoco Unit as follows: 352 square miles south of U.S. Highway 26 and west of the South Fork John Day River.
- (u) White River Wildlife Area: December 1 through March 31 annually - That part of the White River Unit as follows: 59 square miles along the eastern edge of the Mt. Hood National Forest in the southern half of the White River Unit;
- (v) Lower Deschutes: Permanent Closure - That part of the Biggs Unit as follows: 12 square miles along lower 17 miles of Deschutes River except the county access road to Kloan;
- (w) Murderers Creek-Flagtail: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer rifle season through the close of controlled buck deer rifle season and from three days prior to the controlled Rocky Mountain bull elk first season through the Rocky Mountain bull elk second season - That part of the Murderers Creek Unit as follows: 185 square miles in Townships 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17 South, Ranges 26, 27, 28, and 29 East;



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- (x) Camp Creek: Three days prior to opening of controlled buck deer rifle season through the close of controlled buck deer rifle season and from three days prior to the controlled Rocky Mountain bull elk first season through the Rocky Mountain bull elk second season - That part of the Northside Unit as follows: 54 square miles in Townships 10, 11, and 12 South, Ranges 31, 32, and 33 East.
- (y) Heppner Regulated Hunt Area: Year-round, unless posted otherwise. That part of the Heppner Unit as follows: Approximately 63 square miles in Townships 2, 3, 4, and 5 South, Ranges 25, 26, 27, and 28 East;
- (z) Bridge Creek Wildlife Area: December 1 through April 30 annually - That part of the Ukiah Unit as follows: 20 square miles in Townships 5 and 6 south, Ranges 31 and 32 East in the Southwest corner of Ukiah Unit;
- (aa) Dark Canyon: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer season through the close of the last elk season encompassing this travel management area. That part of the Sumpter Unit as follows: 20 square miles in Townships 11 and 12 South, Ranges 40 and 41 East;
- (bb) Patrick Creek: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer season through the close of the last elk season and May 1 through June 30 encompassing this travel management area. That part of the Sumpter Unit as follows: 8 square miles in Townships 10 and 11 South, Ranges 35 1/2 and 36 East;
- (cc) Dry Beaver/Ladd Canyon: Permanent Closure - That part of the Starkey Unit as follows: 125 square miles in Townships 4, 5 and 6 South, Ranges 35, 36, 37 and 38 East;
- (dd) Clear Creek: Three days prior to opening of Rocky Mountain bull elk season through close of Rocky Mountain bull elk second season- That part of the Starkey Unit as follows: 21 square miles in Township 5 South, Ranges 37 and 38 East;
- (ee) Trail Creek: Three days prior to opening of Rocky Mountain bull elk season through close of Rocky Mountain bull elk second season- That part of the Starkey Unit as follows: 29 square miles in Townships 6 and 7 South, Ranges 35 1/2 and 36 East;
- (ff) Indian Creek-Gorham Butte: Three days prior to opening of Rocky Mountain bull elk season through close of Rocky Mountain bull elk second season- That part of the Starkey Unit as follows: 24 square miles in Townships 6 and 7 South, Ranges 36 and 37 East;
- (gg) Elkhorn Wildlife Area: Permanent Closure - Those parts of the Starkey and Sumpter units as follows: 7 square miles in Township 6 South, Range 38 East;
- (hh) Starkey Experimental Forest Enclosure: Permanent Closure - That part of the Starkey Unit as follows: 40 square miles in Townships 3 and 4 South, Range 34 East;
- (ii) Hall Ranch: Three days prior to the opening of Rocky Mt bull elk first season through April 30 - that part of the Catherine Creek Unit as follows: 3 square miles in Township 5 South, Range 41 East;
- (jj) Little Catherine Creek: Three days prior to opening of archery season through May 31 - That part of the Catherine Creek Unit as follows: 22 square miles in Townships 3, 4 and 5 South, Ranges 40 and 41 East;
- (kk) Walla Walla: Permanent Closure - Those parts of Walla Walla, Wenaha, and Mt. Emily units as follows: All gated, posted, and closed roads within the Walla Walla Ranger District of the Umatilla National Forest.
- (ll) Wenaha Wildlife Area: Permanent Closure - That part of the Wenaha Unit as follows: 17 square miles in Townships 5 and 6 North, Ranges 42 and 43 East along eastern edge of Umatilla Forest in northeast corner of Wenaha Unit;
- (mm) Noregaard: Three days prior to archery season through May 31. However, roads will be open to permit removal of camping equipment during a time period extending through two Sundays following the end of the last antlerless elk rifle season. That part of the Sled Springs Unit as follows: 175 square miles in west one-third of Sled Springs Wildlife Unit.
- (nn) Shamrock: Three days prior to archery season through May 31. However, roads will be open to permit removal of camping equipment during a time period extending through two Sundays following the end of the last antlerless elk rifle season. - That part of the Sled Springs Unit as follows: 20 square miles in Township 4 North, Range 44 East;



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- (oo) Chesnimnus: Three days prior to Chesnimnus rifle bull season through end of Chesnimnus rifle bull season - That portion of the Chesnimnus Wildlife Unit within the boundaries of the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest;
- (pp) Cemetery Ridge Road: Permanent Closure - That part of the Chesnimnus Unit as follows: Cemetery Ridge Road north of the south boundary of Section 4, Township 3 North, and Range 48 East.
- (qq) Lord Flat Trail (#1774): Three days prior to archery season through the end of all elk rifle seasons- 15 miles of road in Townships 1 South and 1 and 2 North, Ranges 49 and 50 East;
- (rr) Grouse-Lick Creeks: Three days prior to opening of Rocky Mountain bull elk first season through the close of Rocky Mountain bull elk second season- That part of the Imnaha Unit as follows: 100 square miles in Townships 2, 3, 4, and 5 South, Ranges 46, 47 and 48 East;
- (ss) Clear Lake Ridge: Three days prior to opening of archery season through December 1 annually - That part of the Imnaha Unit as follows: Five square miles in Township 2 South, Range 47 East, Sections 3 and 4 and Township 1 South, Range 47 East, Sections 28, 15, 33, 34 and 22.
- (tt) Mehlorn: Permanent Closure: That part of the Pine Creek and Keating Units as follows: 26 square miles in Township 6 South, Ranges 45 and 46 East;
- (uu) Lake Fork-Dutchman: Three days prior to opening of archery season to the end of all elk rifle seasons and from May 1 to July 1- That part of the Pine Creek [Unit as follows: 42 square miles in Townships 6 and 7 South, Ranges 46 and 47 East;
- (vv) Okanogan-Fish: Three days prior to the opening of buck deer rifle season to the end of elk rifle seasons and from May 1 to July 1- That part of the Pine Creek Unit as follows: 20 square miles in Township 6 and 7 South, Ranges 46 and 47 East;
- (ww) Summit Point: Permanent Closure: That part of the Keating Unit as follows: 14 square miles in Townships 6 and 7 South, Ranges 44 and 45 East.
- (xx) Eagle Creek: December 1 – April 15: That part of the Keating Unit as follows: 17 square miles in Townships 7 and 8 South, Range 44 and 45 East;
- (yy) Conroy Cliff: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer rifle season through the close of controlled buck deer rifle season and from three days prior to the controlled Rocky Mountain bull elk first season through the Rocky Mountain bull elk second season– That part of the Malheur River Unit as follows: 46 square miles in Townships 16, 17, and 18 South, Ranges 32 1/2, 34, and 35 East;
- (zz) Devine Ridge-Rattlesnake: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer rifle season through the close of controlled buck deer rifle season and from three days prior to the controlled Rocky Mountain bull elk first season through the Rocky Mountain bull elk second season - That part of the Malheur River Unit as follows: 59 square miles in Townships 20 and 21 South, Ranges 31, 32, 32 1/2 East;
- (aaa) Dairy Creek: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer rifle season through the close of controlled buck deer rifle season and from three days prior to the controlled Rocky Mountain bull elk first season through the Rocky Mountain bull elk second season- That part of the Silvies Unit as follows: 98 square miles in Townships 19, 20, 21, and 22 South, Ranges 24, 25, and 26 East;
- (bbb) Burnt Cabin: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer rifle season through the close of controlled buck deer rifle season and from three days prior to the controlled Rocky Mountain bull elk first season through the Rocky Mountain bull elk second season – That part of the Silvies Unit as follows: 22 square miles in Townships 18 and 19 South, Ranges 26 and 27 East;
- (ccc) Walker Rim; Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer season through the close of the controlled buck deer season - That part of the Fort Rock Unit as follows: 113 square miles in Townships 24, 25, and 26 South, Ranges 8, 9, and 10 East;
- (ddd) North Paunina: Permanent Closure - That part of the Fort Rock Unit as follows: 12 square miles in Townships 25 and 26 South; Range 8 East;
- (eee) Sugarpine Mountain: Permanent Closure - That part of the Fort Rock Unit as follows: 40 square miles in Township 28, Ranges 9 and 10 East;



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(fff) Stott Mt.-North Alsea: One day prior to opening of archery season through the bull elk rifle seasons– All gated and/or barrier closed roads within the Alsea Unit north of US Hwy 20 and west of State Hwy 233 (Kings Valley Hwy); and in the Stott Mt. Unit. Cooperators require: day use only on private lands, no ATV use on private lands and designated state lands, no vehicle may block any road or gate. Access may be closed during extreme fire danger;

(ggg) Spring Butte: Permanent Closure – That part of the Paulina Unit as follows: 30 square miles in Township 23 South, Range 11 East;

(hhh) Wildhorse Ridge/Teepee Butte: Three days prior to archery season through the end of all elk rifle seasons. Posted and gated roads north of 46 roads in Chesnimnus Unit are closed;

(iii) Hells Canyon National Recreation Area: Permanent Closure- Those parts of the Chesnimnus, Imnaha, Snake River, and Pine Creek Units in Eastern Wallowa County that are closed by the National Recreation Area;

(jjj) PO Saddle Road- Three days prior to opening of archery season through June 15th, annually- Three miles of road in Townships 3 and 4 South, Range 48 East.

(kkk) Whiskey Creek - Three days prior to archery season through May 31. However, roads will be open to permit removal of camping equipment during a time period extending through two Sundays following the last antlerless elk season. That part of the Sled Springs unit as follows- 45 square miles in Townships 2 and 3 North, Ranges 43, 44, and 45 East.

(lll) South Boundary: Permanent Closure – That part of the Ochoco Unit as follows: 47 square miles in Townships 15 and 16 South, Ranges 20, 21, and 22 East.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

Stats Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

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Tagging, Possession, Transportation and Evidence of Sex

(1) When the owner of any game mammal tag kills a game mammal for which a tag is issued, the owner shall immediately remove in its entirety only the month and day of kill and attach the tag in plain sight securely to the game mammal. The tag shall be kept attached to such carcass or remain with any parts thereof so long as the same are preserved.

(2) It is unlawful to have in possession any game mammal tag from which all or part of any date has been removed or mutilated except when the tag is legally validated and attached to a game mammal.

(3) It is unlawful to possess the meat or carcass of any pronghorn antelope, bighorn sheep, or Rocky Mountain goat without the animal's scalp while in the field, forest, or in transit on any of the highways or premises open to the public in Oregon, except processed or cut and wrapped meat. The scalp shall include the attached eyes and ears, if the animal is female; or ears, horns, and eyes if the animal is male.

(4) It is unlawful to possess the meat or carcass of any deer or elk without evidence of sex while in the field, forest, or in transit on any of the highways or premises open to the public in Oregon, except processed or cut and wrapped meat.

Evidence of sex for deer and elk is:

(a) Evidence of sex for deer and elk which will be taken out of Oregon is:

(i) For Bucks and Bulls: Either the head with antlers naturally attached to at least one quarter of the carcass or testicles, scrotum, or penis naturally attached to one quarter of the carcass or to another major portion of meat. For hunts with antler restrictions, if the head is not attached to the carcass, in addition to leaving the testicles, scrotum, or penis naturally attached to one quarter of the carcass or to another major portion of meat, the head or skull plate with both antlers naturally attached shall accompany the carcass or major portions of meat while in the field, forest, or in transit on any of the highways or premises open to the public in Oregon, except processed or cut and wrapped meat.



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- (ii) For Does and Cows: Either the head naturally attached to at least one quarter of the carcass or vulva or udder (mammary) naturally attached to one quarter of the carcass or to another major portion of meat.
- (iii) For Either Sex Hunts: Either the head naturally attached to at least one quarter of the carcass or reproductive organs (testicles, scrotum, penis, vulva, udder, mammary) naturally attached to one quarter of the carcass or to another major portion of meat. For bucks or bulls killed in either sex hunts with antler restrictions, if the head is not attached to the carcass, in addition to leaving the testicles, scrotum, or penis naturally attached to one quarter of the carcass or to another major portion of meat, the head or skull plate with both antlers naturally attached shall accompany the carcass or major portions of meat while in the field, forest, or in transit on any of the highways or premises open to the public in Oregon, except processed or cut and wrapped meat.
- (iv) For hunts where only white-tailed deer and for hunts where only mule deer are legal: in addition to evidence of sex, either the head or tail shall remain naturally attached to one quarter of the carcass or to another major portion of meat as evidence of the species taken while in the field, forest, or in transit on any of the highways or premises open to the public in Oregon, except processed or cut and wrapped meat.
- (b) Evidence of sex for deer and elk which will not be taken out of Oregon is either:
- (i) The animal's scalp while in the field, forest, or in transit on any of the highways or premises open to the public in Oregon, except processed or cut and wrapped meat. The scalp shall include the attached eyes and ears, if the animal is female; or ears, antlers, and eyes if the animal is male, or;
- (ii) the head naturally attached to at least one quarter of the carcass or reproductive organs naturally attached to one quarter of the carcass or to another major portion of meat as described in (4) (a) (i)-(iv) above.
- (5) When any game mammal or part thereof is transferred to the possession of another person, a written record describing the game mammal or part being transferred indicating the name and address of the person whose tag was originally attached to the carcass and the number of that tag shall accompany such transfer and shall remain with such game mammal or part so long as the same is preserved or until replaced by a tag or seal of the department.
- (6) All game mammals in possession in the field or forest or in transit more than 48 hours after the close of the open season for such mammal must be tagged with a tag or metal seal by the department or by the Oregon State Police.
- (7) All game mammals or portions thereof shipped by commercial carrier shall be tagged with a tag or metal seal provided by the department or by the Oregon State Police.
- (8) It is unlawful to receive or have in possession any game mammal or part thereof which:
- (a) Is not properly tagged;
- (b) Was taken in violation of any wildlife laws or regulations; or
- (c) Was taken by any person who is or may be exempt from the jurisdiction of such laws or regulations.
- (9) No person shall possess any game mammal or part thereof which has been illegally killed, found or killed for humane reasons, except shed antlers, unless he has notified and received permission from the department or personnel of the Oregon State Police prior to transporting.
- (10) No person shall possess the horns of bighorn sheep or Rocky Mountain goat that were not taken legally during an authorized season. Any horns of bighorn sheep or Rocky Mountain goat obtained by the department may be made available to scientific and educational institutions and for ceremonial purposes.
- (11) Except for the following parts, importation of a cervid carcass or parts of a cervid carcass is prohibited if the cervid was killed in a state or province with a documented case of Chronic Wasting Disease:
- (a) meat that is cut and wrapped commercially or privately;
- (b) meat that has been boned out;
- (c) quarters or other portions of meat with no part of the spinal column or head attached;
- (d) hides and/or capes with no head attached;
- (e) skull plates with antlers attached that have been cleaned of all meat and brain tissue;
- (f) antlers with no tissue attached;
- (g) upper canine teeth (buglers, whistlers, ivories);



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(h) finished taxidermy heads.

(12) For the purposes of the parts and carcass import ban in subsection (11), the states or provinces with a documented case of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) are Alberta, Colorado, Illinois, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, New York, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Wisconsin, Wyoming, Utah, West Virginia, and Saskatchewan. The Department shall add by temporary rule any additional states or provinces when any new cases of CWD arise.

(13) The parts and carcass import ban in subsection (11) does not apply to parts or carcasses shipped to the National Fish and Wildlife Forensics Laboratory (Ashland, Oregon) for the purpose of law enforcement investigations and also does not apply to parts or carcasses of reindeer/caribou.

(14) Cervid carcasses or parts of cervid carcasses found in Oregon in violation of the parts and carcass ban in subsection (11) shall be disposed of in a manner as follows:

(a) Brain tissue, spinal columns, and whole heads or heads minus the cleaned skull plate and attached antlers, shall be disposed of either by incineration at temperatures exceeding 800° F or at lined landfills registered by Oregon Department of Environmental Quality capable of accepting animal carcasses without environmental contamination; rendering is not an allowed means of disposal.

(b) The person(s) who imported parts in violation of the parts and carcass ban in subsection (11) shall pay for appropriate disposal of cervid carcasses or parts of cervid carcasses.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, and 496.162

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Tags for Terminally Ill Children

(1) "Organization" means a non-profit organization qualified under Internal Revenue Code section 501(c) (3) with the principle purpose of granting hunting and fishing adventures for children that have been diagnosed with a terminal illness by a licensed physician.

(2) "Qualified child" means a terminally ill child sponsored by an organization who provides to the Department supporting documentation demonstrating compliance with the prerequisites provided in this rule.

(3) Annually upon approval by the Director, the Department may issue no more than 25 big game tags free of charge to organizations for use by qualified children. The 25 tags will be distributed across deer, elk, and pronghorn antelope with no more than 10 tags to hunt either-sex deer, no more than 10 tags to hunt either-sex elk, and no more than five tags to hunt either-sex pronghorn antelope.

(a) Each organization is limited to five tags total for all species per year.

(b) An individual tag entitles the holder to only one deer, or one elk, or one pronghorn antelope.

(c) A qualified child may obtain only one tag pursuant to this rule.

(d) Tags issued under this rule may be used to hunt within any Oregon Wildlife Management Unit (as defined in OAR Chapter 635 Division 080), except specific area closures as identified in the current Oregon Big Game Regulations, Hart Mountain Antelope Refuge, or Starkey Experimental Forest enclosure.

(4) A qualified child must be between 12 and 21 years of age at the time of the hunt, and must comply with all requirements concerning:

(a) minimum hunting age (ORS 497.350);

(b) hunter education (ORS 497.360);

(c) hunting hours (OAR 635-065-0730);

(d) holding a valid Oregon hunting license, and

(e) using legal weapon for hunting the species for which the tag is issued.

(5) A qualified child may be either resident or non-resident.

(6) A qualified child under the age of 18 must hunt in the company of an adult 21 years of age or older.



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- (7) For tags issued under this rule, open seasons are as follows:
- (a) for deer and elk: September 1 through November 30 of the year the tag is issued.
 - (b) for pronghorn antelope: August 1 through September 30 of the year the tag is issued.

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