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OREGON GAME BIRD

HUNTING REGULATIONS



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For all Migratory Game Bird, Upland Game Bird and Crow hunting seasons from September 1, 2025 through May 31, 2026 and other associated regulations

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Indoors



Soft ticks hide out in rodent nests at elevations over 1,500 feet, and can bite briefly and painlessly at night while you sleep. These ticks can transmit soft tick relapsing fever.

- » Avoid staying in dwellings with rodent infestations (including chipmunks or squirrels nesting under the house or in the attic).
- » For home or cabin owners, consult a pest control professional to safely remove nests, treat for ticks, and seal up any cracks or crevices where ticks can pass.
- » Wear an EPA-registered insect repellent.

Outdoors



Hard ticks hide out in forested areas and tall grasses where they search for their next meal. They can latch on and remain attached for days. These ticks can transmit several tickborne diseases in Oregon, including Lyme disease and Rocky Mountain spotted fever.

- » Check your whole body and your clothing for ticks daily. If found, remove ticks as soon as possible.
- » Wear an EPA-registered insect repellent.
- » Check pets for ticks, and use tick prevention for your dog.



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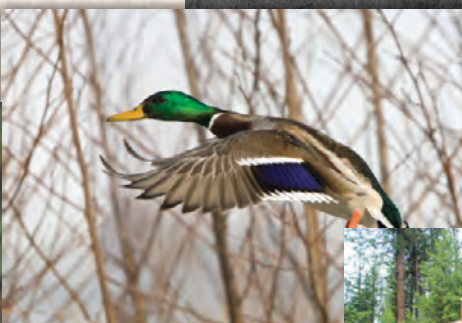


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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



Exciting news for duck hunters—the daily bag limit for pintail, an abundant wintering species in the Pacific Flyway, will increase to three this season!

ODFW and our partners across the flyways worked with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) to revise the national harvest strategy that led to the increase in the pintail bag limit this season, and future seasons if supported by the data. The many years of data collected by USFWS Waterfowl Breeding Population and Habitat Survey helped inform the decision. This survey is one of the largest and longest-running wildlife surveys in the world, ongoing since 1955!

The good news also continues for upland bird populations. Many of Oregon's populations have flourished in recent years, particularly chukar and quail in southern and eastern Oregon, thanks to the above average precipitation seen in recent years. Sage-grouse have also benefited from the respite in drought conditions. This spring, we recorded some of the highest lek counts we've seen in Oregon since 2005. It's thanks to sage-grouse hunters that we can estimate annual productivity (i.e., chicks per hen and proportion juveniles in the harvest), by using hunter-returned wings.

From returning wings and tails that help us monitor upland bird populations, to the purchase of hunting licenses, products and equipment that fund wildlife management, hunters continue to be the backbone of wildlife conservation. I want to take a moment to say thank you to hunters for all you do to support conservation. Be sure to get outdoors with your friends, family and your hunting dog this season and make the most of Oregon's many bird hunting opportunities!

Debbie Colbert, Director

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Because season dates and hunting regulations change annually, significant changes from last year's season dates and hunting regulations are in **yellow highlight**.

Significant regulations and information are highlighted in bold.

Abbreviations Key

The following abbreviations are used throughout this document in Hunt Descriptions, Unit Descriptions and regulations. The abbreviations will be used in upper and lower cases.

| | | |
|--|---|---|
| Ave = Avenue | ID = Identification | RHA = Regulated Hunt Area |
| ATV = All terrain vehicle | Lk = Lake | Rd = Road |
| BLM = Bureau of Land Management | Ln = Lane | Rvr = River |
| Blvd = Boulevard | Mi = Mile | Sq Mi = Square Miles |
| Co = County | Mtn = Mountain | T = Township |
| Cos = Counties | NF = National Forest | UCAP = Upland Coop. Access Program |
| Cr = Creek | NWR = National Wildlife Refuge | USFS = U.S. Forest Service |
| Dr = Drive | ODF = Oregon Dept. of Forestry | USFWS = U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service |
| FR = Forest Road | ODFW = Oregon Dept. of Fish & Wildlife | WA = Wildlife Area |
| HIP = Harvest Information Program | R = Range | WMU = Wildlife Management Unit |
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WHAT'S NEW FOR 2025-26

- Some fees will change in 2026, please visit myodfw.com
- Increased the pintail bag limit. See page 16.
- Adjusted the season dates and bag limit in the Northwest Goose Permit Zone. See pages 17-18.
- Combined the Western and Eastern Oregon Fall Turkey tags. See page 23.
- Expanded the boundary of the fall turkey hunt. See page 23.
- Expanded the boundary and dates of the Beardless Turkey Permit hunt. See page 24.



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The information in the tables below is for 2025 licenses, tags, and permits. Please note that some fees will change starting in Jan. 2026. Fees for game bird validations will not change until Jul. 1, 2026. Please visit our website at myodfw.com.

GAME BIRD LICENSES, TAGS, AND PERMITS

| DESCRIPTION | RESIDENT | NONRESIDENT |
|---|----------|-------------|
| ANNUAL LICENSES | | |
| Hunting | \$34.50 | \$172.00 |
| Combination Hunting and Angling | \$73.00 | N/A |
| Sports Pac — Includes Hunting, Angling and Shellfish Licenses, Combined Angling Harvest Tag, Upland Game Bird and Waterfowl Validations, plus a General or Controlled Deer, General or Controlled Elk, Cougar, General or Controlled Bear, and Spring or Fall Turkey Tag. | \$196.50 | N/A |
| Landowner (valid only for game birds on their own property see page 6) | Free | N/A |
| 3-DAY LICENSE | | |
| Three-Day Hunting License for Game Birds and Crows (age 18 and older). See page 7 for applicable game bird validations, permits, and tags required in addition to this license. Cannot be used to apply for controlled hunts. | N/A | \$32.50 |
| PERMITS AND VALIDATIONS | | |
| HIP Validation (valid July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026) | Free | |
| Upland Game Bird Validation (age 18 and older) (valid July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026) | \$10.00 | N/A |
| Waterfowl Validation (age 18 and older) (valid July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026) | \$13.50 | N/A |
| Nonresident Game Bird Validation (age 18 and older) (valid July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026) | N/A | \$44.50 |
| Band-tailed Pigeon Permit | \$2.00 | |
| Sage-Grouse Permit | \$2.00 | |
| Brant Permit | \$2.00 | |
| Sea Duck Permit | \$2.00 | |
| Northwest Oregon Goose Permit | \$2.00 | |
| Western Oregon Fee Pheasant Permit | \$25.00 | |
| Beardless Turkey Permit | \$26.50 | \$90.00 |
| TAGS | | |
| Turkey (Spring or Fall) | \$26.50 | \$90.00 |

OTHER PERMITS AND APPLICATIONS

| DESCRIPTION | RESIDENT | NONRESIDENT |
|--|---|-------------|
| *Duplicate (Paper Licenses, Tags, Permits) | \$2.00 | |
| Wildlife Area Parking Permit — Daily | \$10.00 | |
| Wildlife Area Parking Permit — Annual | \$30.00 | |
| Controlled Hunt Application — Game Birds | \$4.00 | |
| **Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Permit — Motorized Boats | N/A | \$22.00 |
| Waterway Access Permit (All non-motorized boats 10 feet or longer, including drift boats, rafts, stand up paddleboards, inflatables, etc.)** | \$7.00 weekly/7 day, \$19.00 annual, \$32.00 two-year | |
| Oregon Disabilities Hunting and Fishing Permit — Contact ODFW Salem HQ | Free | |

YOUTH

| DESCRIPTION | RESIDENT | NONRESIDENT |
|--|----------|-------------|
| LICENSES | | |
| Combination License (12-17 years old) — Includes Hunting, Angling, Shellfish and Columbia Rvr Basin Endorsement | \$10.00 | |
| Youth Sports Pac — includes Hunting/ Angling/Shellfish Licenses, Combined Angling Harvest Tag, Upland Game Bird and Waterfowl Validations, plus a General or Controlled Deer, General or Controlled Elk, Cougar, General or Controlled Bear, Spring or Fall Turkey Tag and Columbia Rvr Basin Endorsement. | \$55.00 | N/A |
| Youth Game Bird Hunting License for age 11 and younger | Free | |
| PERMITS AND VALIDATIONS | | |
| Youth Upland Game Bird Validation (age 12-17) (valid July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026) | \$4.00 | |
| Youth Waterfowl Validation (age 12-17) (valid July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026) | \$4.00 | |
| Youth Western Oregon Fee Pheasant Permit | \$10.00 | |
| Youth Beardless Turkey Permit | \$10.50 | |
| TAGS | | |
| Youth Turkey (Spring or Fall) | \$10.50 | |

DISABLED VETERAN AND UNIFORMED SERVICE MEMBER

| DESCRIPTION | RESIDENT | NONRESIDENT |
|--|----------|-------------|
| LICENSES | | |
| Uniformed Services Hunting | \$17.00 | \$34.50 |
| Disabled Veteran Combination Angling and Hunting — Includes Columbia Rvr Basin Endorsement | Free | N/A |
| TAGS AND PERMITS | | |
| Uniformed Services Turkey | \$26.50 | |

RESIDENT SENIOR AND PIONEER

| DESCRIPTION | RESIDENT | NONRESIDENT |
|--|----------|-------------|
| LICENSES | | |
| Senior Hunting (age 70 and 5 years Oregon residency) | \$22.00 | N/A |
| Senior Combination Angling and Hunting (age 70 and 5 years Oregon residency) | \$47.50 | N/A |
| Pioneer Combination — Angling, Hunting and Columbia Rvr Basin Endorsement (age 65 and 50 years Oregon residency) | \$6.00 | N/A |

All fees are non-refundable.

* Tags cannot be exchanged after the season starts. The fee charged for the tag that was lost, destroyed or stolen is \$2.00.

** All non-motorized boats 10 ft. or longer must carry a valid Waterway Access Permit; all out-of-state motorized boats must carry an AIS Permit. Oregon registered motorboats pay with valid registration decals.



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LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

All Hunters

- Every hunter must have in their possession a valid hunting license (see page 4 for license types).
 - » See exceptions for youths participating in the Mentored Youth Hunter Program on page 28 and youth 11 years of age and under in the Youth section (below).
- Annual hunting licenses are valid beginning Jan. 1, or from the time of purchase if after Jan. 1 through Dec. 31 of the document year.
- No person may possess more than one valid annual hunting license, except a youth between 9 and 11 years of age may hold both a Free Youth Game Bird Hunting License and a Youth Combination License.
- Depending on the species of game bird you are hunting, your age, and your residency status, you must have a signed federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp (Federal Duck Stamp) or its electronic version (E-Stamp), HIP Validation, game bird validations, permits, and/or turkey tags to hunt (page 7).
 - » Federal Duck Stamps and Upland Game Bird, Waterfowl, Nonresident Game Bird, and HIP Validations are valid from Jul. 1 through Jun. 30 of the following year.
 - » **Before hunting but after Jul. 1, Sports Pac License holders must redeem Sports Pac vouchers for current game bird and HIP Validations. Sports Pac vouchers are not valid for hunting.**
- Any documents in possession, either electronic or paper, must be accessible immediately upon request by Department staff or law enforcement.

Columbia and Snake River Boundary

- To hunt the Oregon portion of the Columbia Rvr, including that portion of the Lewis and Clark NWR and other islands in

Oregon in the Columbia Rvr, hunters must possess a valid Oregon Resident or Oregon Nonresident Hunting License.

- To view a map of the boundary between Oregon and Washington in the Columbia Rvr visit, oregonhuntingmap.com.
- Any hunter with a valid Oregon or Idaho hunting license may hunt in the waters or on the islands of the Snake Rvr, where the Rvr forms the boundary between the two states. All laws and rules of the respective states apply.

Oregon Residency Requirements

- A resident is any person who:
 - a. Has physically resided in Oregon for not less than six consecutive months immediately prior to making application for a license, tag, or permit.
 - b. Members of the uniformed services of the United States who: (i) Are permanently assigned to active duty in this state, and their spouse and dependent children, (ii) Reside in this state while assigned to duty at any base, station, shore establishment or other facility in this state, (iii) Reside in this state while serving as members of the crew of a ship that has an Oregon port or shore establishment as its home port or permanent station.
 - c. Aliens attending school in Oregon under a foreign student exchange program.
 - d. Except for persons who qualify as a resident in (b) or (c), a "Resident" does not include a person who merely owns real property or pays property taxes in this state, or who claims resident privileges in another state or country for any purpose.
- Submitting a false application is a crime.

Youth (Resident and Nonresident)

- All youths 17 years of age and younger must have a Hunter Education Certificate or a Department issued document which includes their Hunter Education Certificate Number in their possession to hunt anywhere except on their own land or land owned by their parent or legal guardian. For Hunter Education information, call the Hunter Education office in Salem at 503-947-6028.
- Youth 11 years of age and under do not need a license to hunt game birds, small game, or unprotected wildlife except:
 - » A Free Youth Game Bird License or a Youth Combination License is required to obtain Band-tailed Pigeon, Brant, Sea Duck, Northwest Goose, Fee Pheasant Permits, HIP Validations or turkey tags

WHERE TO BUY A FEDERAL DUCK STAMP

A Federal Duck Stamp can be purchased at most U.S. Post Offices, a variety of sporting goods stores, and some ODFW offices. You can order the stamp or its electronic version (E-Stamp) through duckstamp.com. E-Stamps may be carried on a mobile device or proof of purchase can be printed. E-Stamps purchased from another state are valid for hunting in Oregon.

and to hunt for those species for which the tag, validation, or permit is required.

- » A Youth Combination License is required to apply for a Controlled Sage-Grouse Permit or a Wildlife Area Reservation Hunt.
- Youths 13 years of age and under while hunting on property other than their own must be accompanied by an adult 21 years of age or older.
- See exceptions for the Mentored Youth Hunter Program (page 28).

Nonresidents

- Nonresidents choosing to purchase a Three Day Bird Hunting License must also purchase applicable game bird validations, permits, and/or turkey tags (page 7).
- Three Day Bird Hunting Licenses are valid for three consecutive days.
- Multiple Three Day Bird Hunting Licenses may be purchased during a season.
- A Three Day Bird Hunting License is not valid to apply for Controlled Sage-Grouse Permits or Wildlife Area Reservation Hunts. To apply for these, a regular hunting license is required.

Landowners

- Resident landowners can obtain a Free Landowner Hunting License to hunt game birds on their own property, except for brant, band-tailed pigeon, sea duck, sage-grouse and turkey. For these hunt types, a regular hunting license and applicable tags and permits are required for landowners hunting on their own property.
- Landowners choosing to obtain a Free Landowner Hunting License must still purchase applicable validations to hunt for game birds (dependent on species, see page 7).

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TAG, VALIDATION, STAMP AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Use this table to determine what documents, in addition to a hunting license, you need to hunt each species of game bird. Various classes of hunting licenses, turkey tags and permits, and game bird validations are available depending on the age, residency status, and military service status of the hunter. See page 6 for categories.

| HUNTING SEASON | HUNTER CATEGORY | TAG, VALIDATION, STAMP, AND/OR PERMIT REQUIRED IN ADDITION TO A HUNTING LICENSE ^a |
|---|--|--|
| Ruffed Grouse, Blue Grouse, Chukar, Hungarian (Gray) Partridge, Rooster Pheasant, California Quail & Mountain Quail | Residents 18 years and older and any hunter 12-17 years old | Upland Game Bird Validation |
| | Nonresidents 18 years and older | Nonresident Game Bird Validation |
| | Any hunter 11 years and younger | No license required |
| Sage-Grouse ^b | Residents 18 years and older and any hunter 12-17 years old | Upland Game Bird Validation & Sage-Grouse Permit |
| | Nonresidents 18 years and older | Nonresident Game Bird Validation & Sage-Grouse Permit |
| | Any hunter 11 years and younger | Sage-Grouse Permit |
| Western Oregon Fee Pheasant | Residents 18 years and older and any hunter 12-17 years old | Upland Game Bird Validation & Fee Pheasant Permit |
| | Nonresidents 18 years and older | Nonresident Game Bird Validation & Fee Pheasant Permit |
| | Any hunter 11 years and younger | Fee Pheasant Permit |
| Spring Turkey | All hunters | Spring Turkey Tag |
| Fall Turkey | All hunters | Fall Turkey Tag |
| Beardless Turkey Permit Season | All hunters | Beardless Turkey Permit |
| Mourning Dove & Wilson's Snipe | All hunters | HIP Validation |
| Band-tailed Pigeon | All hunters | HIP Validation & Band-tailed Pigeon Permit |
| Coot | Residents 18 years and older and any hunter 12-17 years old | HIP Validation & Waterfowl Validation |
| | Nonresidents 18 years and older | HIP Validation & Nonresident Game Bird Validation |
| | Any hunter 11 years and younger | HIP Validation |
| Duck & Goose (excluding Sea Duck, Brant & Northwest Permit Goose Season) | Residents 18 years and older and any hunter 16 or 17 years old | HIP Validation, Waterfowl Validation & Federal Duck Stamp |
| | Nonresidents 18 years and older | HIP Validation, Nonresident Game Bird Validation & Federal Duck Stamp |
| | Any hunter 12-15 years old | HIP Validation & Waterfowl Validation |
| | Any hunter 11 years and younger | HIP Validation |
| Sea Duck | All hunters | Same as Duck & Goose + Sea Duck Permit |
| Brant | All hunters | Same as Duck & Goose + Brant Permit |
| Northwest Permit Goose Season | All hunters | Same as Duck & Goose + Northwest Goose Permit |
| Crow | All hunters 12 years and older | None |
| | All hunters 11 years and younger | No license required |

^a In addition to the documents listed above, all hunters 17 years and younger must have a Hunter Education Certificate or a Department issued document which includes their Hunter Education Certificate Number in their possession to hunt anywhere except on their own land or land owned by their parent or legal guardian.

^b Falconers are not required to obtain a sage-grouse permit to hunt sage-grouse. See page 25.

HUNTERS — WE NEED YOUR GROUSE WINGS AND TAILS

Wings and tails from ruffed grouse, blue grouse, and mountain quail provide biologists important data about populations. To request bags and return envelopes, call 503-947-6301.

What to Do:

1. Remove one entire wing and whole tail including small rump feathers.
2. Place in PAPER bags provided by ODFW or use your own PAPER bag (1 bird per bag).
3. Mark the bag with the date and general location of harvest.
4. Drop bag off at designated collection sites located around the state or at ODFW offices. A map of collection sites is available at myodfw.com.
5. If there will be a delay in dropping off your bag, please freeze it.

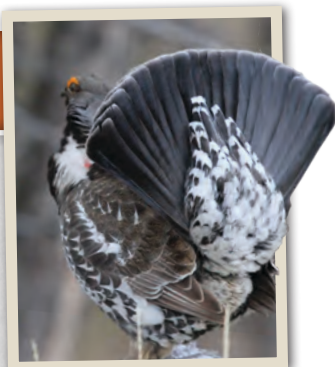


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SHOOTING HOURS

Legal shooting hours for game birds are listed in the table below except for the following:

1. Fee pheasant hunt shooting hours begin at the time listed in this table and end at 5:00 p.m. at E.E. Wilson and Fern Ridge WAs. Sauvie Island WA ends at 6:00 p.m. Denman WA shooting hours follow the table below.
2. Youth upland hunts, refer to pages 26-27.
3. Northwest Permit Goose Season refer to page 18.
4. Some state or federal areas may have specific shooting hours; refer to pages 34-42.
5. Legal spring wild turkey season shooting hours are ½-hour before sunrise to sunset.

ZONE A: All of Clatsop, Columbia, Tillamook, Washington, Multnomah, Yamhill, Clackamas, Lincoln, Polk, Marion, Benton, Linn, Lane, Douglas, Coos, Curry, Josephine and Jackson Cos.

ZONE B: All of Hood River, Wasco, Sherman, Gilliam, Jefferson, Wheeler, Deschutes and Crook Cos.

ZONE C: All of Klamath and Lake Cos.

ZONE D: All of Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Grant, Baker, Harney and *Malheur Cos.



*A portion of Malheur Co is included in the Mtn Time Zone — plan accordingly.

2025-26 GAME BIRD SHOOTING HOURS

| | | ZONE A - WESTERN OR | | ZONE B - CENTRAL OR | | ZONE C - KLAMATH & LAKE COS | | ZONE D - EASTERN OR | | ZONE D - *MOUNTAIN TIME | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---------|------------------------|---------|--------------------------------|---------|------------------------|---------|----------------------------|---------|
| DATES | | AM | PM | AM | PM | AM | PM | AM | PM | AM | PM |
| Daylight Saving Time (DST) | Sept. 1 - Sept. 5 | 6:07 AM | 7:46 PM | 5:57 AM | 7:37 PM | 6:00 AM | 7:36 PM | 5:48 AM | 7:26 PM | 6:43 AM | 8:21 PM |
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YOUR OREGON GAME BIRD STAMP DOLLARS AT WORK

Oregon game bird stamps have been providing funds to maintain healthy game bird populations in the state for more than 35 years. The Oregon migratory waterfowl stamp began in 1984 and the upland bird stamp followed in 1990. The stamps (now called validations) are purchased by game bird hunters in conjunction with the general hunting license. Collectively, sales of game bird stamps and related artwork generate nearly \$1 million each year. Funds are used to accomplish a variety of program-related activities, such as game bird research and banding, equipment purchases, and habitat improvement and conservation projects.



MIGRATORY BIRD HUNTERS: DON'T SKIP HIP

The Harvest Information Program (HIP) is a legally required validation for migratory bird hunters that helps biologists manage migratory birds.



Migratory game birds include ducks, geese, brant, doves, band-tailed pigeons, coots, and snipe.



KNOW BEFORE YOU GO: CHECK FIRE RESTRICTIONS!

It is a hunter's responsibility to check fire restrictions before heading afield. Check with the land manager where you plan to hunt. To see a list of industrial forestland closures/restrictions visit oregon.gov/ODF and click fire restrictions & closures, then click Check industrial fire restrictions button.

Most common fire restrictions

- No smoking
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- “Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Permit”, required for all motorized boats.
- Oregon resident, Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Permit is automatically included with motorboat registration
- Non-residents motorized boats cost is \$22
- “Waterway Access permit”, required for all non-motorized boats (drift boats,

kayaks, rafts, stand-up paddleboards, canoes, etc.); 10 feet in length or longer for both resident and non-residents.

- » \$7.00 weekly/7 days,
- » \$19.00 annual,
- » \$32.00 two-years.

- One permit required per boat that is on the water; permit is transferable.
- Purchase where hunting/fishing licenses are sold or the Electronic License System or online at the Boat Oregon Store website.

All boats, regardless of size, are required to stop at inspection stations when stations are open.

The Oregon Legislature established the **Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Program** in an effort to keep Oregon’s lakes, rivers and streams free of destructive aquatic invasive species like quagga mussels. See myodfw.com/boater-permits or oregon.gov/osmb/boater-info/Pages/AIS-FAQs.aspx for more information

SUPPORT WILDLIFE — BUY A HABITAT CONSERVATION STAMP

Buy an annual stamp to benefit conservation of Oregon’s native species.

Proceeds are used for restoration of the habitats that are home to the state’s fish and wildlife. The Habitat Conservation Stamp is available anywhere fishing and hunting licenses are sold.



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NEW TO HUNTING?

Game bird hunting is available across Oregon and is a great way to begin hunting. ODFW has a resource webpage to help you start hunting game birds. On the page, you’ll discover: where to hunt, when to hunt, various game species, and the basic gear and equipment you’ll need to get started.

Scan the QR code or type in the URL to visit the resource page now: myodfw.com/articles/start-hunting-game-birds



NOTICE TO HUNTERS

In an effort to make these regulations easier to understand, at times simplified language is used. ODFW’s intention is for these summarized regulations to be consistent with the actual language in Oregon Statutes and Administrative Rules, but in the event of an inconsistency the statutes and administrative rules take precedence. The actual wording of relevant Oregon Revised Statutes and Oregon Administrative Rules can be found at: odfw.com/oars and secure.sos.state.or.us/oard/processLogin.action.

Violation of state migratory game bird hunting regulations is a violation of federal regulations. Each hunter should consult the actual federal regulations in Title 50 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 20. Also, more restrictive regulations may apply to NWRs open to public hunting. For additional information on federal regulations, contact Resident Agent in Charge, USFWS, 9025 SW Hillman Ct, Suite 3134, Wilsonville, OR 97070; Phone: 503-682-6131.



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GENERAL HUNTING REGULATIONS

For a complete copy of all state laws and federal regulations consult Oregon Administrative Rules, the Oregon Revised Statutes and Federal Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations (Title 50 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 20).

Definitions

- **Blue Grouse:** Dusky grouse (*Dendragapus obscurus*) and sooty grouse (*Dendragapus fuliginosus*).
- **Canada Goose:** Any Canada goose (*Branta canadensis*) or cackling goose (*Branta hutchinsii*) including but not limited to the following subspecies; western (*B. c. moffitti*), Vancouver (*B. c. fulva*), dusky (*B. c. occidentalis*), lesser (*B. c. parvipes*), Taverner's (*B. h. taverneri*), Aleutian (*B. h. leucopareia*), and cackling (*B. h. minima*).
- **Dusky Canada Goose:** Any dark-breasted (Munsell 10 YR color value 5 or less) Canada goose with a bill length between 40 and 50 millimeters.
- **Eastern Oregon:** All cos east of the summit of the Cascades, including all of Klamath and Hood Rvr cos.
- **Forest Grouse:** Ruffed grouse and blue grouse.
- **Game Birds:** Any waterfowl, snipe, band-tailed pigeon, mourning dove, pheasant, quail, partridge, grouse, or wild turkey.
- **Migratory Game Birds:** Ducks (including mergansers), geese, coots, snipe, mourning dove, and band-tailed pigeon.

- **Motor Vehicle or Motor-Propelled Vehicle** is any land vehicle or device which has a motor, either permanently or temporarily affixed, is capable of either motor-assisted-propulsion or self-propulsion and is capable of transporting a person or persons or any material or cargo.
- **Raptor:** Any vulture, kite, eagle, hawk, caracara, falcon, or owl listed in 50 CFR 10.13 or hybrid thereof.
- **Sea Ducks:** Harlequin, scoters, long-tailed and eider ducks.
- **Shotgun:** A smooth bore firearm, including muzzleloaders, designed for firing birdshot and intended to be fired from the shoulder, with a barrel length of 18 inches or more, with an overall length of 26 inches or more.
- **Upland Game Birds:** Pheasant, quail, partridge, grouse, and wild turkey.
- **Waterfowl:** Ducks (including mergansers), geese and coots.
- **Western Oregon:** All cos west of the summit of the Cascades, except Klamath and Hood Rvr cos.
- **White Geese:** Snow and Ross' geese.

Hunter Orange

No person younger than 18 years of age shall hunt with any firearm for any game mammal or upland game bird (excluding wild turkey) unless the person is wearing in a manner visible from all directions a hat or exterior garment of hunter orange. "Exterior garment" means a shirt, jacket, coat, vest, or sweater. Hunter orange camouflage patterns are acceptable. "Hat" means any head covering.

Decoys and Calls

It is unlawful to:

- Hunt game birds or crows by the use or aid of any live birds for decoys.
- Hunt game birds (except for crows) by the use or aid of recorded or electrically amplified bird calls or sounds, or recorded or electrically amplified imitations of bird calls or sounds.
- Hunt game birds with the use of decoys powered by motor, battery, or other self powered methods. Quiver magnets are also illegal. Decoys with parts that are moved solely by human actions (for example, via a cable or pull-string) or the wind are allowed.

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GENERAL HUNTING REGULATIONS

Legal Weapons & Ammunition for Hunting Game Birds, Crows, and Western Gray Squirrels

Below are the requirements for weapons that can be used to hunt game birds, crows, and western gray squirrels. In addition to these restrictions some WAs, NWRs, RHAs and other special areas may have further weapon restrictions.

Game Birds, including Wild Turkey, and Crows (except Ruffed and Blue Grouse) may only be hunted with:

- Shotguns, including muzzleloading shotguns, (see definition on page 12) that are 10 gauge or smaller, and which are incapable of holding more than three shells (plugged), or
- Any recurve, long, or compound bow¹ using any type of arrow or point.

Ruffed and Blue Grouse may only be hunted with:

- Any of the weapons listed in the previous section, or
- Any rimfire firearm.

Western Gray Squirrel may only be hunted with:

- Any rifle, handgun or shotgun that is not fully automatic, or
- Any non-matchlock muzzleloader, or
- Any recurve, long, or compound bow¹ using any type of arrow, or small game point or broadhead, except if broadheads are used they must be unbarbed and at least 7/8" wide. Broadheads with movable blades that fold/collapse when withdrawn are not considered barbed.

Additionally, game birds and crows may be taken by licensed falconers using raptors (see Falconry Regulations).

Game birds and crows may not be hunted with airguns. Game birds, crows, and western gray squirrels may not be hunted with crossbows or any other method not listed in the previous sections.

Ammunition Restrictions:

- Game birds, except wild turkey, may not be hunted with steel shot larger than F or shot composed of other material larger than BB.
- Wild turkey may not be hunted with shot (any material) larger than No. 2.
- Tracer shells may not be used to hunt game birds, crows, or western gray squirrel.
- Game birds may not be hunted with shotgun slugs.
- Western gray squirrel may not be hunted with full-metal jacket bullets.
- Waterfowl and snipe may not be hunted with lead shot or while lead shot is in the hunter's possession. Shot used for hunting waterfowl and snipe must be federally approved nontoxic shot. Additionally, on certain WAs, NWRs, and RHAs (pages 29, 34-42) all hunters using shotguns must use federally approved nontoxic shot.

¹ Hunters shall not use any electronic device(s) attached to bow or arrow except lighted arrow nocks that have no function other than to increase visibility of the arrow and cameras that have no other function (such as range-finding) are allowed.

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Shooting Hours

All game birds may only be hunted between times specified in the shooting hours table on page 8, except as noted. Western gray squirrels may only be hunted from 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.

Trespass

It is unlawful to hunt on private property without permission from the landowner. See ORS 105.700 and 498.120.

Aircraft, Boats, Drones, and Motor Vehicles

It is unlawful to:

- Hunt or shoot game birds from a motor driven land conveyance or aircraft of any kind.
- Hunt or shoot game birds with use of a sink box or any other type of low floating device having a depression affording the hunter a means of concealment beneath the surface of the water.

- Drive, rally, or chase any game bird from any motor driven land, water, or air conveyance or sailboat.
 - Use drones for the following purposes related to the pursuit of wildlife:
 - » Hunting, trapping, or angling.
 - » Aiding hunting, trapping, or angling through the use of drones to harass, track, locate or scout wildlife.
 - » Interfering in the acts of a person who is lawfully hunting, trapping, or angling.
 - Shoot game birds from or with the help of any motorboat or sailboat unless the motor has been shut off and/or sail furl and its progress therefrom has ceased. Sail and motor-propelled craft may be used only to pick up dead or crippled birds. Crippled birds may not be shot from such craft under power.
 - Hunt or harass any wildlife from a motor propelled vehicle.
 - Operate a snowmobile or ATV, unless firearms and bows are unloaded except for the following circumstances:
 - » A person who is licensed to carry a concealed handgun in Oregon
 - » A current or honorably retired law enforcement officer
- For this regulation "unloaded" means:
- » Revolver — no live cartridge in the chamber that is aligned with the hammer

- » Muzzleloader — not capped or primed
 - » Bow — all arrows in the quiver
 - » All Other Firearms — no live cartridge in the chamber
- See ORS 821.240 for complete statute language.

Protected Birds

All birds except European starling, house sparrow, Eurasian collared-dove, and rock pigeon are protected by federal and/or state laws and may not be taken without authorization. Contact the law enforcement branch of the USFWS for Federal regulations regarding take at 503-682-6131.

Baiting

It is unlawful to hunt game birds by aid of baiting, or on, or over a baited area where a person knows or reasonably should know that the area has been baited. A baited area is considered to be baited for 10 days after complete removal of any bait. Baiting includes placing, exposing, depositing, distributing, or scattering of salt, grain, or other feed that could serve as a lure or attraction for game birds to, on, or over areas where hunters are attempting to take them.



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GENERAL HUNTING REGULATIONS

Disguising Sex

It is unlawful to disguise the sex or kind of any wildlife while in the field or in transit from the field. The head or one fully feathered wing must be left attached to all game birds in the field or while in transit to the place of permanent residence of the possessor.

NOTE: Private hunting preserves are excluded from this regulation. Further restrictions apply to the Northwest Oregon Permit Goose Zone, see page 18.

Retrieval/Waste

All game birds killed or crippled must be retrieved immediately, if possible, and kept by the hunter in the field except for internal organs. All crippled birds reduced to possession must be immediately killed.

It is unlawful to waste any game birds or edible portions thereof. Waste means to allow any edible portion of any game bird to be rendered unfit for human consumption, or to fail to retrieve game birds from the field. "Edible portions" of game birds means, at a minimum, the meat of the breast associated with the sternum. The duty to retrieve and to not waste does not justify otherwise criminal conduct including but not limited to trespass.

Tags and Permits

There are two options for tagging or recording harvest on a permit: paper or electronic. Hunters must choose one option at the time of purchase.

Paper

The owner of a tag/permit that kills a turkey/fee pheasant for which a tag/permit is issued, shall immediately record such taking on the tag/permit in ink. For spring and fall turkey, the tag must be attached in plain sight securely to the turkey.

- To keep the tag legible, one option is to place it in a plastic bag to protect it.
- Paper tags must be signed upon purchase or prior to use in the field.
- It is unlawful to have in possession an unsigned, altered (including laminated), reproduced, photocopied, and/or resized tag/permit.

Resized: In relation to permits and tags, resized means to change the dimensions of a permit or tag, either electronically or physically, from the original size as printed on 8.5" x 11" (letter) paper; trimming to the border of the document itself after printing to original size is allowed.

Electronic

When the owner of any tag/permit kills a turkey/fee pheasant for which an electronic tag/permit is issued, the owner shall immediately record the harvest by pressing the "Validate"/"Add Harvest" button in the MyODFW mobile application. Follow the prompts and complete the process by clicking "Save".

- After spring or fall turkey tag validation, a confirmation number will become visible. The tag owner's name, date of birth, ODFW ID number, harvest date, and confirmation number must be written in ink on material of the tag owner's choice (options include flagging tape, duct tape, and paper in a plastic bag to protect it) and attached in plain sight securely to the turkey.

All Tags/Permits

- Tag, permit, and electronic tag validation information must be maintained in legible condition at all times.
- The electronic tag validation information or paper tag, must be kept attached to the carcass or remain with any parts as long as any parts are preserved.
- All hunters who purchase a turkey tag or beardless turkey permit are required to report. See page 22 for more information.

Possession and Transport

Possession limit means the maximum number of birds that a person may lawfully possess (includes fresh, frozen, or otherwise processed) in the field or in transit to place of permanent residence (see pages 16, 17, 20, 21, and 25 for possession limits). Game birds shipped or given to another person for transport during the season or within 48 hours after the season closes must be accompanied by a written note listing the number and kinds; date killed; name and address of possessor; and signature, address and hunting license number of the hunter. Birds transported more than 48 hours after the season closes must bear a shipping permit or metal seal from ODFW. Shipping permits or metal seals are available at any ODFW regional or district office and any Oregon State Police office.

Field Possession Limit: No person may possess, have in custody, or transport more than the daily bag limit or aggregate daily bag limit, whichever applies, of migratory game birds, tagged or not tagged, at or between the place where taken and either (a) automobile or principal means of land transportation; or (b) personal abode or temporary or transient place of lodging; (c) migratory bird preservation facility; (d) Post Office; or (e) common carrier facility.

Hunting Prohibited

It is unlawful to:

- Hunt on any refuge closed by state or federal government.
- Hunt within corporate limits of any city or town (unless otherwise authorized, see OAR 635-051-0048); public park or cemetery; or on any campus or grounds of a public school, college, or university.
- Hunt or shoot from or across a public Rd, Rd right-of-way or railroad right-of-way, except persons legally hunting on Rds closed to use of motor vehicles by the public.
- Hunt in any safety zones created and posted by ODFW.

Other Restrictions

It is unlawful to:

- Take furbearers, except in compliance with furbearing mammal regulations.
- Disturb or remove the traps or snares of any licensed trapper while that person is trapping on public lands or on other land by landowner's permission.
- 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, including scopes with electronic rangefinders and scopes that receive information from a rangefinder or any electronic device. This does not include battery operated sights which only light the reticle.
- Sell, trade, barter, exchange, or offer for sale, trade, barter, or exchange any game bird parts, or game bird feathers thereof EXCEPT as identified in OAR 635, Division 200.
- Disturb, damage, remove, alter, or possess any official ODFW sign.
- Knowingly provide false information to the Department or Commission on any report required by law.
- Counsel, aid, or assist in any violation of the wildlife laws, or share in any of the proceeds of such violation by receiving or possessing any wildlife. Any person who violates this rule shall incur the penalties provided for the person guilty of such violation.
- Release without a permit any wildlife brought from another state or country, or raised in captivity in this state.
- Refuse inspection of any license, tag, or permit, and any wildlife taken, by an employee of ODFW, any person authorized to enforce wildlife laws, or a landowner or agent of the landowner on their land.
- Refuse inspection of any gear used for the purpose of taking wildlife by an employee of the ODFW, or any person authorized to enforce wildlife laws.

UPLAND GAME BIRD EMERGENCY CLOSURES

- When snow is deep, upland game birds can concentrate in high numbers, leaving them vulnerable to unethical hunters. ODFW has procedures in place to allow early closure of the season in unusually severe winter weather.
- Emergency closures will only take effect on either the 15th or the last day of the month.
- For example, if winter conditions do not warrant the closure of chukar season on Dec. 31st, the season will extend at least through Jan. 14th.
- Closures will be by Co and publicized as widely as possible.

FIELD DRESSING OF GAME BIRDS — WHAT'S LEGAL?

Hunters understand the importance to care for meat while in the field to protect it from spoiling. However, what is not understood by many is the legal requirements necessary to transport dressed birds from the field. Some hunters commonly practice “breasting” birds out and discarding the rest of the carcass before getting home. This is not legal and hunters need to note the following:

The head or one fully feathered wing must be left attached to all game birds in the field or while in transit to the place of permanent residence of the possessor. Further restrictions apply to the Northwest Oregon Permit Goose Zone, see pages 18.

So why is this necessary? There are many restrictions on sex and species of birds that can be included in your daily bag. Leaving a head or wing attached allows law enforcement personnel to identify the birds taken by a hunter. You can be cited if it is not possible to determine the types of birds in your possession.

The edible portion of a game bird means, at a minimum the meat of the breast associated with the sternum. However, the Department encourages hunters to consume meat from the leg (drumstick), thigh, and wing when practicable. Many hunters don't realize how much meat is lost when just the breast is consumed. On most game birds, 25% to 35% of the meat is found on just the legs and thighs, with only 55% to 60% found on the breast.

Pages 11-14 of this booklet outlines the important regulation for hunting game birds in Oregon. Please familiarize yourself with all these regulations.

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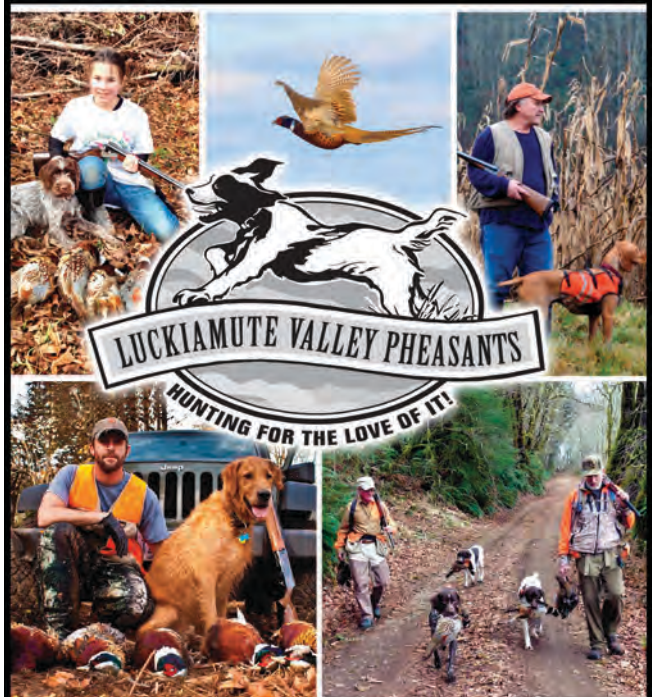


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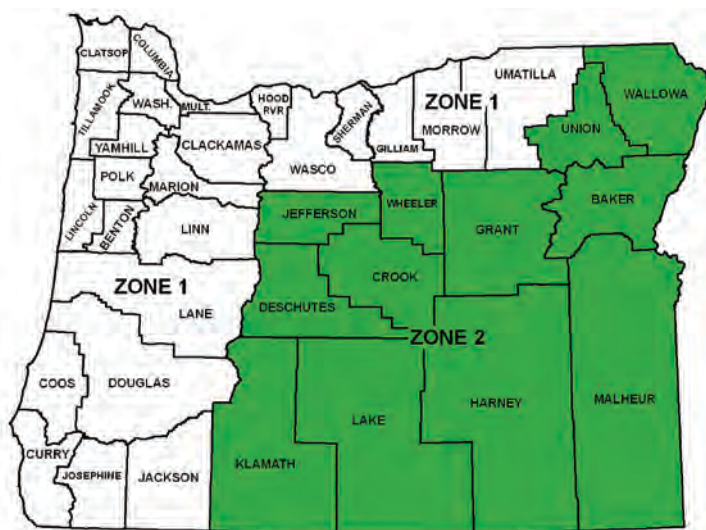
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| Migratory Game Birds and Crows | Open Area | Open Season (All Dates Inclusive) | Daily Bag Limit | Possession Limit |
|--|--------------|---|------------------|------------------|
| Mourning Dove | Zone 1 | Sept. 1 - Sept. 30 & Nov. 15 - Dec. 14 | 15 | 45 |
| | Zone 2 | Sept. 1 - Oct. 30 | | |
| Band-tailed Pigeon ^a | Statewide | Sept. 15 - Sept. 23 | 2 | 6 |
| Duck ^a (including Merganser) | Zone 1 | Oct. 11 - Oct. 26 & Oct. 30 - Jan. 25, 2026 | See footnote (b) | See footnote (b) |
| | Zone 1 Scaup | Nov. 1 - Jan. 25, 2026 | | |
| | Zone 2 | Oct. 11 - Nov. 30 & Dec. 4 - Jan. 25, 2026 | | |
| | Zone 2 Scaup | Oct. 11 - Nov. 30 & Dec. 4 - Jan. 7, 2026 | | |
| Coot | Statewide | Concurrent with duck seasons listed by zone | 25 | 75 |
| Wilson's Snipe | Zone 1 | Nov. 1 - Feb. 15, 2026 | 8 | 24 |
| | Zone 2 | Oct. 11 - Jan. 25, 2026 | | |
| Crow | Statewide | Oct. 1 - Jan. 31, 2026 | No Limit | No Limit |
| Special Seasons | | | | |
| Youth Waterfowl | Statewide | Sept. 27 - 28 | See page 26 | |
| Veterans and Active Military Personnel Waterfowl | Statewide | Jan. 31, 2026 | See page 19 | |

^a Permits are required for band-tailed pigeons and sea ducks. See page 7 for details.

^b The daily bag limit of ducks (including mergansers) is seven. Within the daily bag limit, you may not have more than: three pintails, two hen mallards, two redheads, two canvasbacks, two scaup (during open season), and one harlequin duck. The possession limit is triple the daily bag limit.

Duck, Snipe, and Mourning Dove Hunting Zones



Zone 1

 **Zone 2**

Note: The general duck season in each zone plus the youth season and the veterans and active military personnel season may not exceed 107 days within the federal framework. The split seasons (maximum of one per zone) allow optimizing hunting opportunity throughout the state in consideration of resident waterfowl and flyway migration patterns.

2025-26 MIGRATORY GAME BIRD SEASONS

| MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS AND CROWS | OPEN AREA | OPEN SEASON (ALL DATES INCLUSIVE) | DAILY BAG LIMIT | POSSESSION LIMIT |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Brant ^a | Statewide | Nov. 29 - Dec. 14 | 2 | 6 |
| September Canada Goose Season | Northwest Permit Zone | Sept. 6 - Sept. 20 | 5 | 15 |
| | Note: A Northwest Goose Permit is not needed to hunt during this season. | | | |
| | Southwest Zone | Sept. 6 - Sept. 10 | | |
| | High Desert and Blue Mtn Zone | Sept. 6 - Sept. 10 | | |
| | Mid-Columbia Zone | Sept. 6 - Sept. 10 | | |
| | Note: South Coast Zone is closed during this season. See pages 34-42 for other area closures. | | | |
| Regular Canada Goose Seasons | Northwest Permit Zone ^b | Oct. 18 - Oct. 26 & Nov. 22 - Jan. 9, 2026 & Jan. 31 - Feb. 15, 2026 | 2^b | 6^b |
| | Southwest Zone | Oct. 11 - Oct. 26 & Nov. 4 - Jan. 25, 2026 | 4 | 12 |
| | South Coast Zone | Oct. 4 - Dec. 7 & Dec. 20 - Jan. 9, 2026 & Feb. 21 - Mar. 10, 2026 | 6 | 18 |
| | High Desert and Blue Mtn Zone | Oct. 11 - Nov. 30 & Dec. 9 - Jan. 25, 2026 | 4 | 12 |
| | Mid-Columbia Zone | Oct. 11 - Oct. 26 & Nov. 4 - Jan. 25, 2026 | 4 | 12 |
| Regular White-fronted and White Goose | Northwest Permit Zone ^b | Oct. 18 - Oct. 26 & Nov. 8 - Jan. 25, 2026 & Jan. 31 - Feb. 15, 2026 | 10 ^d White-fronted & 20 White | 30 ^d White-fronted & 60 White |
| | Southwest Zone | Oct. 11 - Oct. 26 & Nov. 4 - Jan. 25, 2026 | | |
| | South Coast Zone | Oct. 4 - Dec. 7 & Dec. 20 - Jan. 9, 2026 & Feb. 21 - Mar. 10, 2026 | | |
| | High Desert and Blue Mtn Zone | Oct. 11 - Nov. 30 & Jan. 16 - Mar. 10, 2026 ^c | | |
| | Mid-Columbia Zone | Oct. 11 - Oct. 26 & Nov. 4 - Jan. 8, 2026 & Jan. 31 - Feb. 22, 2026 | | |

Note: Definitions for Canada and white geese can be found on page 11. White-fronted geese are also known as specklebelly geese.

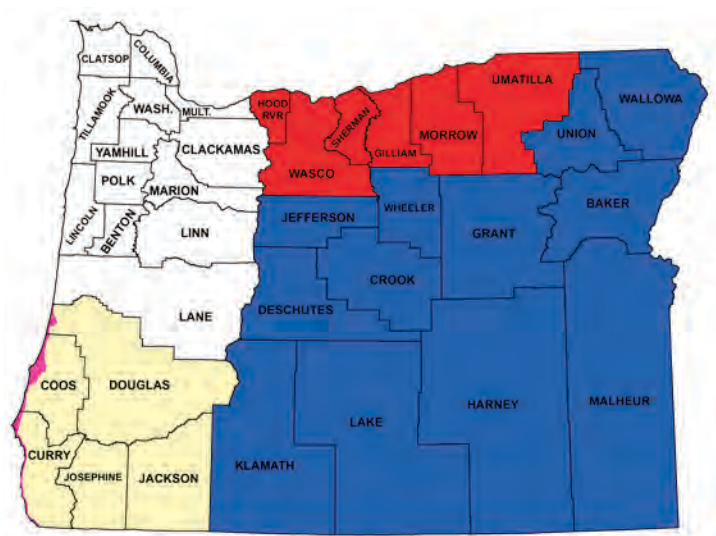
^a A permit is required for brant. See page 7 for details.

^b During the regular season the season for dusky Canada geese is closed in the Northwest Permit Zone and all hunters must see page 18 for important regulations regarding this goose season.

^c From Jan. 26 - March 10 goose hunting is closed on the Miller Island Unit of Klamath WA, Summer Lake WA, Ladd Marsh WA, and all units of the Klamath NWR Complex, except for hunters participating in the Veterans and Active Military Personnel Waterfowl Hunt.

^d Within Lake Co only, the daily bag limit is one white-fronted goose and the possession limit is three white-fronted geese.

Goose Hunting Zones



- Northwest Permit Zone**
(During regular goose season, see permit requirements and shooting hours on page 18)
The season for Dusky Canada geese is closed.
- Southwest Zone**
Those portions of Coos, Curry and Douglas Cos east of Hwy 101 and all of Josephine and Jackson Cos.
- South Coast Zone**
Those portions of Coos, Curry and Douglas Cos west of Hwy 101.
Please note: There is no Sept. Canada Goose Season in the South Coast zone.
- High Desert and Blue Mountains Zone**
(see footnote (c) & (d))
- Mid-Columbia Zone**

NORTHWEST PERMIT GOOSE SEASON

Open Season

Canada Goose

- Oct. 18 - Oct. 26
- Nov. 22 - Jan. 9, 2026
- Jan. 31 - Feb. 15, 2026

Bag limit of 2 Canada Geese (except dusky Canada geese which are closed to harvest, see dusky Canada goose definition on page 11). See exception for Sauvie Island WA below.

White-fronted and White Goose

- Oct. 18 - Oct. 26
- Nov. 8 - Jan. 25, 2026
- Jan. 31 - Feb. 15, 2026

Bag limit of 10 white-fronted geese and 20 white geese.

Exception for Sauvie Island WA: only white geese (bag limit of 20) may be taken in units of the WA open to goose hunting. Open days are WA hunt days (see page 45-46) during the Northwest Permit Goose Season.

All harvested geese must remain intact and fully feathered in the field and while in transit to the place of permanent residence of the possessor.

Boundary

All of Benton, Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, Multnomah, Polk, Tillamook, Washington, and Yamhill Cos. Within this boundary, the following

ODFW WAs are closed to goose hunting during the Northwest Permit Goose Season:

- Fern Ridge WA (including Fern Ridge Reservoir and all Corps of Engineers lands in the Fern Ridge Project)
- E. E. Wilson WA
- Sauvie Island WA, except the Eastside, Westside and Oak Island Units. See open season and bag limit exceptions above.

Permit Requirements

In addition to hunting license and stamp/validation requirements, hunters must possess an annual Northwest Goose Permit while hunting. To be eligible to obtain a Northwest Goose Permit, hunters must have passed a goose identification test provided by the Oregon or Washington Departments of Fish and Wildlife after 1996 and have a valid Northwest Goose Certification on file with ODFW. Hunters who successfully complete a goose test in Washington are eligible to receive a permit in Oregon, please call 503-947-6301 for more information. A permit is not needed to hunt during the September Goose Season.

To obtain study material and take the goose identification test, please visit myodfw.com/articles/hunting-northwest-goose-permit-zone. The test can be taken a maximum of three times per season. If you fail the test a third time in one season you will need to wait until the next season to test again. After passing the test, hunters may obtain a Northwest Goose Permit online or anywhere ODFW licenses are sold.

Dusky Canada geese are closed to harvest, the permit will become invalid for the remainder of the season if the holder takes any dusky Canada goose. In addition, it is a wildlife violation to take or possess a dusky Canada goose. Hunters who have their permit invalidated for taking a dusky Canada goose may obtain a new permit for subsequent seasons by retaking and passing the goose identification test.

Shooting Hours

Legal shooting hours for geese in the Northwest Permit Zone during the Northwest Permit Goose Season.

| DATES | AM | PM |
|-------------------|---------|---------|
| Oct. 18 - Oct. 24 | 7:35 AM | 6:18 PM |
| Oct. 25 - Oct. 26 | 7:44 AM | 6:07 PM |
| Oct. 27 - Nov. 7 | — | |
| Nov. 8 - Nov. 14 | 7:03 AM | 4:49 PM |
| Nov. 15 - Nov. 21 | 7:12 AM | 4:42 PM |
| Nov. 22 - Nov. 28 | 7:21 AM | 4:37 PM |
| Nov. 29 - Dec. 5 | 7:29 AM | 4:34 PM |
| Dec. 6 - Dec. 12 | 7:36 AM | 4:33 PM |
| Dec. 13 - Dec. 19 | 7:41 AM | 4:35 PM |
| Dec. 20 - Dec. 26 | 7:45 AM | 4:38 PM |
| Dec. 27 - Jan. 2 | 7:47 AM | 4:43 PM |
| Jan. 3 - Jan. 9 | 7:47 AM | 4:49 PM |
| Jan. 10 - Jan. 16 | 7:45 AM | 4:57 PM |
| Jan. 17 - Jan. 23 | 7:41 AM | 5:06 PM |
| Jan. 24 - Jan. 25 | 7:35 AM | 5:16 PM |
| Jan. 26 - Jan. 30 | — | |
| Jan. 31 - Feb. 6 | 7:27 AM | 5:25 PM |
| Feb. 7 - Feb. 13 | 7:18 AM | 5:35 PM |
| Feb. 14 - Feb. 15 | 7:08 AM | 5:45 PM |

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VETERANS AND ACTIVE MILITARY PERSONNEL WATERFOWL HUNT



Season Date

Jan. 31, 2026

Shooting Hours

See table on page 8 for legal shooting hours, except in the Northwest Permit Zone legal shooting hours for geese are 7:27 a.m. to 5:25 p.m.

Bag Limit

Hunters may take ducks (including mergansers), coots and geese at the established bag limits (see pages 16-17).

Eligibility

Veterans (as defined in section 101 of title 38, United States Code) and members of the Armed Forces on active duty, including members of the National Guard and Reserves on active duty (other than for training), may participate (federal regulation defines those eligible to participate in this hunt).

Requirements

Each hunter must have in possession:

- A valid hunting license
- A valid state waterfowl or nonresident game bird validation
- A valid HIP validation
- A valid Federal Duck stamp
- Valid proof of veterans or active duty status issued by the U.S. Department of Defense or Veteran's Affairs.

Open Areas

Statewide. However, some public lands may not be open for hunting during this season. Please check with the appropriate management agency before hunting during this hunt. All ODFW WAs, except those with seasonal closures to protect big game (Elkhorn, Bridge Creek, etc.) are open for this hunt. Daily hunt permits, where required during the regular season, are

required. At Fern Ridge WA (East, West, and South Coyote units) and Sauvie Island WA (Eastside, Westside and Oak Island) public hunt permits will be issued through a random drawing conducted at the check stations. For check station locations see pages 34-37.

Hunters wishing to participate in the drawings at Sauvie Island must be in the vehicle line at the Westside check station 1-1/2 hours before shooting time or the reservation vehicle line at the Eastside check station 2 hours before shooting time (page 8). Each hunter will be given the opportunity to draw a random number and hunters in parties (up to four members who must all be eligible to participate in the hunt) will be assigned the lowest random number drawn among the party's members. Hunters will be called via AM Radio Station 1580 to the check station in the order of their draw number (lowest to highest) to choose hunting sites and obtain public hunt area permits. Hunters arriving after random numbers are distributed will be issued remaining public hunt area permits on a first-come, first-served basis. Shooting hours end at 4:00 p.m. and all hunters must check out at check stations by 6:00 p.m.

Hunters wishing to hunt in the East, West, and South Coyote units at Fern Ridge must be present at the check station 1-1/2 hours before shooting time. Each hunter will be given the opportunity to draw a random number. WA staff will then draw from a corresponding set of numbers to determine the order for choosing hunting sites. Hunters successful during the drawing may be accompanied by one hunting guest (must also be eligible to participate in the hunt). Shooting hours close at 1:00 p.m. and close to all public access at 2:00 p.m. Hunters must check out using the self-check out boxes located in the parking lots.



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UPLAND GAME BIRD SEASONS

2025-26 UPLAND GAME BIRD SEASONS

| UPLAND GAME BIRDS ^a | OPEN AREA (SEE DEFINITIONS PAGE 11) | OPEN SEASON (ALL DATES INCLUSIVE) | DAILY BAG LIMIT | POSSESSION LIMIT |
|--|--|-----------------------------------|---|---|
| Youth Upland Hunts | See season dates and hunt requirements on pages 26-27. | | | |
| Ruffed and Blue Grouse | Statewide | Sept. 1 - Jan. 31, 2026 | 3 each species | 9 each species |
| Chukar and Hungarian (Gray) Partridge | Statewide | Oct. 11 - Jan. 31, 2026 | 8 ^b | 24 ^b |
| Rooster Pheasant | Statewide (Additional Special Hunt below) | Oct. 11 - Dec. 31 | 2 | 8 |
| Quail (California and Mountain) ^c | Western Oregon | Sept. 1 - Jan. 31, 2026 | 10 | 30 |
| | Eastern Oregon | Oct. 11 - Jan. 31, 2026 | 10 (may not include more than 2 Mtn Quail) | 30 (may not include more than 6 Mtn Quail) |

^a Please see page 15 regarding emergency closure procedures.

^b Within the posted boundaries of the Lower Klamath Hills Regulated Hunt Area near Klamath Falls, the daily chukar bag limit is two and possession limit is four. See page 40 for Lower Klamath Hills Regulated Hunt Area Information.

^c Bobwhite quail may be taken as part of the quail bag limit.

2025 WESTERN OREGON FEE PHEASANT HUNTS

Special pheasant hunts are scheduled at the following locations. Birds will be stocked throughout the season. To participate in these hunts, each hunter must have in possession a valid hunting license, upland game bird validation, and Western Oregon fee pheasant permit. See license requirements, page 6 for age exceptions. Each permit will allow harvest of two rooster pheasants. Multiple permits may be purchased. Upon taking a pheasant, each hunter shall immediately record such taking on the permit in ink or electronically record harvest. All hunters are required to check in and out of hunt areas at self-service stations located on each area and carry the daily hunt permit while in the field. Hunter numbers will be limited at any one time to 150 on the E.E. Wilson WA and 75 on the Sauvie Island WA. The possession or use of any shot other than federally approved nontoxic shot is prohibited at all times.

| OPEN AREAS | SEASON DATES | DAILY BAG LIMIT | SHOOTING HOURS ^a |
|---|--------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Denman WA | Sept. 22 - Oct. 10 | Two rooster pheasants per day | Follows table on page 8 |
| E.E. Wilson WA | Sept. 29 - Oct. 31 | | Closes at 5 p.m. |
| Fern Ridge WA (Open Areas: East and West Coyote, Fisher Butte and Royal Amazon units) | Sept. 8 - Oct. 5 | | Closes at 5 p.m. |
| Sauvie Island WA (Open Area: Eastside Unit) | Sept. 22 - Oct. 5 | | Closes at 6 p.m. |

^a Shooting hours begin according to table on Page 8

DON'T SHOOT IF IT'S A SPRUCE GROUSE

Spruce grouse are protected in Oregon and are not open to hunting

Spruce grouse only occur in the Willowa Mountains of Baker, Union, and Willowa counties of northeastern Oregon. Our small population of spruce grouse is likely geographically isolated from neighboring birds in Washington and Idaho, so we need to take extra care to protect them.

Spruce grouse are smaller than both blue and ruffed grouse. Male spruce grouse have a red eye comb, a black patch that covers the throat and upper chest, and white spotting on the lower chest. Females are browner and have white barring on the chest. Spruce grouse are often less wary of humans than blue and ruffed grouse. If you are grouse hunting in the Willowa Mountains, please take the time to educate yourself on how to identify a spruce grouse before going out in the field.



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2025 CONTROLLED SAGE-GROUSE SEASON

2025 Permit numbers will be finalized by early August. Please visit myodfw.com

Application Period: July 1 - Aug. 8. Results Available: Aug. 19

See Controlled Hunt Application Procedures on page 44

| OPEN AREAS | SEASON DATES | DAILY BAG LIMIT | SEASON BAG LIMIT |
|-------------|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| See below | Sept. 6-14 | 2 | 2 |
| HUNT NUMBER | OPEN AREA | 2024 PERMITS | 2024 1ST CHOICE APPLICANTS |
| J65 | Beulah Unit | 125 | 144 |
| J66 | Malheur Rvr Unit | 100 | 97 |
| J67 | Owyhee Unit | 50 | 42 |
| J68A | Trout Cr Mtns ^a | 40 | 97 |
| J68B | E. Whitehorse ^b | 100 | 125 |
| J69 | Steens Mtn Unit | 50 | 115 |
| J70 | Beatys Butte Unit | 90 | 151 |
| J72 | Silvies Unit | 20 | 35 |
| J73A | N. Wagontire ^c | 25 | 79 |
| J74 | Warner Unit | 70 | 170 |

Entire WMU is open unless indicated by a footnote. See Big Game Regulations for WMU boundary description.

Hunt Descriptions

^a J68A The part of WMU 68 south of Whitehorse Ranch Rd; west of Hwy 95; and east of Fields-Denio Rd.

^b J68B WMU 68 excluding that area described for Hunt J68A.

^c J73A The part of WMU 73 north of Christmas Valley-Wagontire Co Rd.

PROPOSED 2026-27 UPLAND GAME BIRD SEASONS

| UPLAND GAME BIRDS | OPEN AREA | OPEN SEASON |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Pheasant | Statewide | Oct. 10 - Dec. 31, 2026 |
| Quail (California and Mountain) | Western Oregon | Sept. 1 - Jan. 31, 2027 |
| | Eastern Oregon | Oct. 10 - Jan. 31, 2027 |
| Ruffed and Blue Grouse | Statewide | Sept. 1 - Jan. 31, 2027 |
| Wild Turkey (Fall Season) | Select WMUs | Sept. 1 - Jan. 31, 2027 |
| Wild Turkey (Fall Season) | Select WMUs | Oct. 10 - Jan. 31, 2027 |
| Wild Turkey (Spring Season) | Statewide | Apr. 15 - May 31, 2027 |
| Chukar and Hungarian (Gray) Partridge | Statewide | Oct. 10 - Jan. 31, 2027 |

MOUNTAIN QUAIL LOCATIONS NEEDED

ODFW is tracking the distribution of Mtn Quail in eastern Oregon. Please report any observations including the date, specific location, county of observation and number of Mtn Quail to:

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WILD TURKEY SEASONS

All Hunters

- Hunters may purchase tags and permits through the end of the season.
- Must possess a valid turkey tag or permit (see page 24 for beardless turkey permit hunts).
- If you purchase a Sports Pac, you have the option to select a spring turkey tag or a voucher for a fall turkey tag, which can be redeemed beginning July 1st.
- It is unlawful to use shotguns larger than 10 gauge and shot size larger than No. 2
- See page 12 for additional legal hunting methods.
- Dogs may be used during the fall season, but not during the spring season.
- For shooting hours, see page 8.

Tagging Requirements

The following are the tagging requirements for hunters that purchase a spring, spring youth, or fall turkey tag. Separate rules apply for beardless turkey permit hunts (see page 24).

Tagging

There are two options for tagging a turkey: paper tags or electronic tags. Hunters must choose one option at the time of purchase.

Paper Tags:

- The owner of a turkey tag that kills a turkey for which a paper tag is issued shall immediately validate the tag by writing on the tag, in ink, the date and time of harvest, and the WMU where harvest occurred; and attach the tag in plain sight securely to the turkey.

Electronic Tags:

- When the owner of any turkey tag kills a turkey for which an electronic tag is issued the owner shall immediately validate the tag by pressing the "Validate" button on the image of the tag in the MyODFW mobile application. Follow the prompts and complete the tag validation process by clicking "Save". After validation, a confirmation number will become visible.
 - » In addition to validating a tag electronically, the tag owner's name, date of birth, ODFW ID number, harvest date, and confirmation number must be written in ink on material of the tag owner's choice (options include flagging tape, duct tape, and paper in a plastic bag to protect it), and attached in plain sight securely to the turkey.

Reporting Requirements

All hunters who purchased a turkey tag or beardless turkey permit are required to report online at huntfishoregon.com by logging in and selecting Mandatory Reporting, or at a license sales agent.

- For 2025 fall tags and beardless turkey permits, the deadline is April 15, 2026.
- For 2026 spring tags, the deadline is Jan. 31, 2027.

REPORTING TURKEY BANDS

Please report turkey bands online at: odfw.wufoo.com/forms/hunters-please-report-banded-turkeys/ or call 503-947-6301.

2026 SPRING WILD TURKEY SEASON

| TAG REQUIRED | OPEN SEASON | DAILY BAG LIMIT | SEASON BAG LIMIT | OPEN AREAS |
|--------------|--|--|------------------|------------|
| Spring | Apr. 15 - May 31, 2026 | One male wild turkey or a wild turkey with a visible beard | 3 ^b | Statewide |
| Youth Spring | Apr. 11 - 12 ^a and Apr. 15 - May 31, 2026 | | | |

^a An adult 21 years or older, who may not hunt, must accompany not more than one youth.

^b It is unlawful to obtain and possess more than three 2026 spring turkey tags. Each tag will allow the harvest of one wild turkey.

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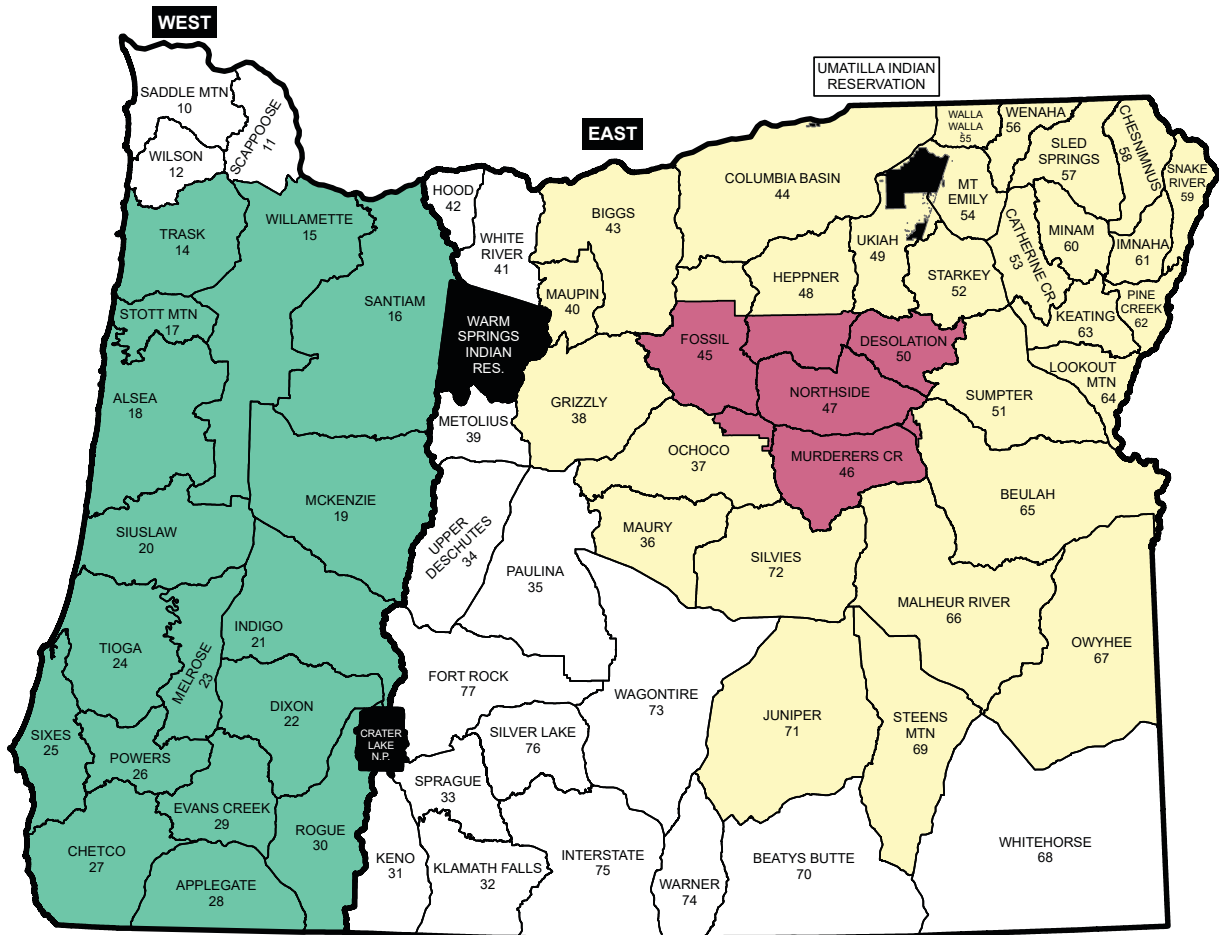


2025-26 FALL WILD TURKEY SEASONS

| OPEN SEASON | | TAG REQUIRED ^b | DAILY BAG LIMIT | SEASON BAG LIMIT | OPEN AREAS |
|---|---|---------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|---|
|  | Sept. 1 - Jan. 31, 2026 | Fall | Two wild turkeys of either sex | 2 | WMUs 14-30 |
|  | Oct. 11 - Nov. 30 and Dec. 1 - Jan. 31, 2026 ^a | Fall | One wild turkey of either sex | 1 | WMUs 36, 37 (west of FR 12 and south of the northern Ochoco NF boundary), 38, 40, 43-44, 45 (north of Wheeler Co line), 48 (north of Grant Co line), 49, 51-64, 65 (eastern of the western Malheur NF boundary), 66, 67, 69, 71, and 72 |
|  | Sept. 1 - Nov. 30 and Dec. 1 - Jan. 31, 2026 ^a | | | | WMUs 37 (east of FR 12 and north of the northern Ochoco NF boundary), 45 (south of Wheeler Co line), 46, 47, 48 (south of Grant Co line), 50, and 65 (west of the western Malheur NF boundary) |

^a From Dec. 1 - Jan. 31, 2026 hunting is allowed only on private lands by permission. Private lands are any lands not owned or controlled by any state, county, or federal agency.

^b It is unlawful to obtain or possess more than two 2025-26 fall turkey tags, of which only one tag can be used to harvest a wild turkey in eastern Oregon units. Each tag will allow the harvest of one wild turkey. See tagging requirements on page 22.



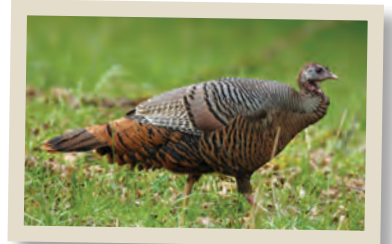
There are no hunting seasons on NP lands or Tribal Lands in these areas. All allotted and/or tribal lands inside the exterior boundary of the Umatilla Indian Reservation are not open to hunting

Closed to fall turkey hunting.

WILD TURKEY SEASONS

Beardless Turkey Permit Hunts

Hunters may obtain a beardless turkey permit. Each permit will allow the harvest of three hen wild turkeys or turkeys without a visible beard, from the open area described below. Up to three permits may be purchased for the 2025-26 season. Upon taking a wild turkey, the hunter shall immediately record such taking on the permit in ink or electronically record harvest. Turkeys harvested on this permit are not required to be tagged. Don't forget that all wild turkey hunters are required to report, see page 22.



2025-26 BEARDLESS WILD TURKEY PERMIT SEASON

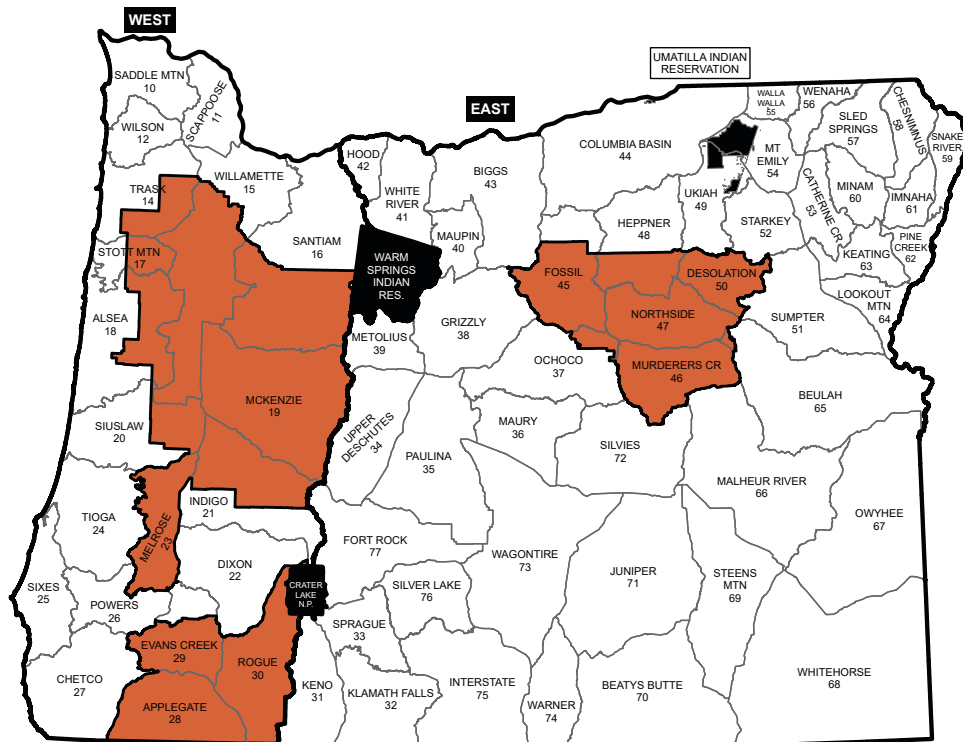
| OPEN SEASON | PERMIT REQUIRED | DAILY BAG LIMIT ^a | SEASON BAG LIMIT ^a | OPEN AREAS |
|---|-------------------------|--|-------------------------------|--|
|  Oct. 1 - Feb. 28, 2026 | Beardless Turkey Permit | 3 hen wild turkeys and/or wild turkeys without a visible beard | 9 (3 permits) | Private lands ^b within WMUs 37 (east of FR 12 and north of the northern Ochoco NF boundary), 45 (south of Wheeler Co line), 46, 47, 48 (south of Grant Co line), 50, and 65 (west of the western Malheur NF boundary). Private lands ^b excluding private industrial forestland ^c within the boundaries of Marion, Polk, Yamhill, Benton, Linn, and eastern Lane ^d Cos (WMUs 14-21) and within WMUs 23, 28, 29 (south of Josephine and Jackson Co line), and 30. |


^a Beardless turkey permit bag limits are in addition to fall turkey season bag limits, see page 23.

^b Private lands are any lands not owned or controlled by any state, county, or federal agency.

^c Private Industrial Forestland is land owned by a company or corporation that owns 5,000 or more acres of land used for growing and harvesting forest tree species in Oregon. A map of private industrial and non-industrial forestland can be found at: odfw.com/maps/odf.

^d That part of WMUs 18 and 20 within the Lane Co boundary east of the Range 7/8 W boundary extending from the northern to the southern border of the Co.



 There are no hunting seasons on NP lands or Tribal Lands in these areas.

 Closed to beardless turkey permit hunts.

FALCONRY REGULATIONS

2025-26 FALCONRY REGULATIONS

Falconers must possess a valid falconry license, an Oregon hunting license and all applicable permits, validations and stamps for wildlife they will be hunting (see page 7). Falconers wanting to hunt on state WAs should refer to specific regulations on pages 34-38 and hunt dates on pages 16-21.

| | OPEN AREA | OPEN SEASON (ALL DATES INCLUSIVE) | DAILY BAG LIMIT | POSSESSION LIMIT |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| UPLAND GAME BIRDS | | | | |
| Pheasant (either sex) | Statewide | Sept. 1 - Mar. 31, 2026 | 1 | 3 |
| California Quail, Chukar, Hungarian (Gray) Partridge, Ruffed and Blue Grouse | Statewide | Sept. 1 - Mar. 31, 2026 | 2 each species | 6 each species |
| Sage-Grouse | Areas open to controlled sage-grouse hunting. See page 21. | Sept. 1 - Jan. 31, 2026 | 1 | 2 ^a |
| MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS & CROWS | | | | |
| Duck (including Merganser) and Coot | Statewide | See dates by zones on page 16. | 3 ^b | 9 ^b |
| Mourning Dove, Band-tailed Pigeon | Statewide | Sept. 1 - Dec. 16 | | |
| Wilson's Snipe | Statewide | See dates by zones on page 16. | | |
| Crow | Statewide | Oct. 1 - Jan. 31, 2026 | | |
| Goose | Statewide, except closed in the Northwest Permit Zone. | See dates by zone on page 17. | | |

^a Season limit is two sage-grouse.

^b Federal law states the following: "Falconry daily bag and possession limits for all permitted migratory game birds shall not exceed three and nine, respectively, singly, or in the aggregate..." When the season for dove, pigeons, crow and/or for snipe overlaps that for waterfowl, the falconer's bag may contain not more than three of all the federally regulated species (dove, pigeon, duck, merganser, geese, coot, crow and snipe). Call law enforcement, USFWS, 503-682-6131 for further information. Additionally, the daily bag may not include more than one goose (brant are closed) and one band-tailed pigeon. The possession limit is three geese and one band-tailed pigeon.

SMALL GAME HUNTING

Small game species provide a variety of hunting opportunities throughout the state and are an excellent way to introduce new hunters to hunting. Only the appropriate hunting license is necessary to hunt small game (no tags or permits). The western gray squirrel is a "game mammal" with specific season dates. Many species of what hunters consider "small game" are "unprotected mammals".

Western Gray Squirrel

A hunting license is required to hunt western gray squirrels. Western gray squirrels can only be hunted during the seasons listed below.

North - Central Oregon

Open Season: Sept. 15 - Oct. 31

Bag Limit: 3 squirrels daily.

Possession Limit: 6 in possession.

Open Area: Units 34, 35, 39, 41 and 42.

Remainder of the State

Open Season: Sept. 1 - Nov. 15

Bag Limit: 5 squirrels daily.

Possession Limit: 15 in possession.

Open Area: Units 10-33, 36-38, 40, 43-77.

Exception: No bag limit or closed season in that part of Unit 30 south of Rogue Rvr and S Fork Rogue Rvr and north of Hwy 140.

See Big Game Hunting Regulations for WMU boundary descriptions.

Unprotected Mammals

Unprotected mammals are not covered under the game mammal, furbearer, or sensitive species rules. For unprotected mammals, there are no closed seasons or bag limits. However, a hunting license is required and all general hunting regulations still apply. Commonly hunted unprotected mammals

include coyote, cottontail rabbits, black-tailed jackrabbit, opossum, nutria, California ground squirrel, and Belding's ground squirrels.

For more information about hunting unprotected mammals scan the QR code below or visit myodfw.com/articles/small-game-hunting-oregon



YOUTH HUNTING OPPORTUNITIES

Youth Waterfowl Hunts

Eligibility

Unless noted, hunters 17 years and younger who are accompanied by a non-hunting adult 21 years of age or older, are eligible to participate. Youth participating in the Mentored Youth Hunter Program (see page 28) are not eligible to participate. **On ODFW managed lands, shooting glasses (eye protection) must be worn by all participants, including adults.**

Requirements

Each youth hunter must have in possession:

- A Hunter Education Certificate (or a Department issued document [ex. hunting license] which includes their Hunter Education Certificate Number).
- Permit for the hunt area (if required).
- Valid hunting license with HIP validation in possession.
- Hunters 12 years of age or older must have a state waterfowl validation in possession.
- Hunters 16 years of age or older must have a valid federal duck stamp in possession.

Statewide Season

Sept. 27-28. Some public lands are not open for hunting during this season, please check with the appropriate management agency for allowance of youth hunting. All ODFW WAs allow youth hunting. Note: only the Westside Unit of Sauvie Island WA is open and this youth hunt will be conducted in the same manner as the Westside Units during general waterfowl season. Hunting at Baskett Slough NWR is by advance reservation.

For application and more information, see fws.gov/refuge/baskett-slough. Applications are accepted Aug. 1-31. Phone: 541-757-7236.

Bag Limit

Hunters may take ducks (including scaup), mergansers, coots and geese at the established bag limits (see pages 16-17).

Additional Wildlife Area / Refuge Youth Days

- **Fern Ridge WA:** Nov. 29 and Dec. 29. The East, West, and South Coyote units are open only to youth hunters. Hunters should apply for a hunt (see page 44 for application procedures).
- **Klamath WA:** Oct. 25. The Miller Island Unit will be open to youth hunters only.
- **Sauvie Island WA:** Oct. 25, Nov. 9, Dec. 7, Dec. 23, and Jan. 11, 2026. The Mudhen, Hunt and Racetrack units will be open, except Mudhen will not be open for the Nov. 9 youth hunt. Youth only until noon. After 12 p.m., Mentored Youth Hunters and adults accompanied by youth hunters, may hunt. Hunters may apply for hunts (see page 44 for application procedures); however, no one over the age of 17 may apply with a youth in a party application. Hunters with reservations will have first opportunities at selecting hunting blinds.
- **Tualatin Rvr NWR:** Nov. 8, Nov. 16, Nov. 22, Nov. 30, Dec. 6, Dec. 14, Dec. 20, Dec. 28, and Jan. 3, 2026 by reservation in the Riverboat Unit. For application and more information, see fws.gov/refuge/tualatin-river/visit-us/activities/hunting. Applications are accepted Aug. 15 - Oct. 1. Phone: 503-625-5944.

- **Umatilla NWR:** Nov. 8, youths must be 10-17 years old to participate in this hunt, and must be accompanied by an adult companion at least 18 years old. Reservation and blind fees are waived for the Youth Hunt Day. Applications for the Youth Hunt Day are accepted through the second Friday in Sept. For online applications, more information, and refuge-specific regulations, see fws.gov/refuge/umatilla. Phone: 509-546-8300.

Youth Upland Bird Hunts

Season Dates

- Sept. 6-7: Fern Ridge WA.
- Sept. 13-14: Ladd Marsh and White River WAs. Central Oregon and John Day.
- Sept. 20-21: Denman, Irrigon (Sept. 20 only), Klamath, and Sauvie Island WAs.
- Sept. 27-28: Coquille Valley and E.E. Wilson WAs.
- Oct. 25: Klamath WA.

Bag Limit

Hunters may take rooster pheasants, quail, chukar, Hungarian partridge, and doves according to statewide bag limits unless otherwise indicated under specific area regulations. Pheasants purchased with upland game bird validation revenue will be stocked.

Eligibility

Hunters age 17 years and younger are eligible to participate. In these hunts an adult 21 years or older, who may not hunt, must accompany not more than one youth hunter. All participants must attend a safety briefing.

Requirements

Each youth hunter must have in possession:

- A Hunter Education Certificate (or a Department issued document [ex. Hunting license] which includes their Hunter Education Certificate Number).
- Permit for the hunt area (if required).
- Hunters 12 years or older must have a valid hunting license with an upland game bird validation.
- **A blaze orange hat, shooting glasses (eye protection) and vest must be worn by all participants, including adults.**

Reservations

Hunting is available by reservation unless noted otherwise. Each hunter may reserve only one day. However, youth hunters without a reservation and those wishing to hunt a second day, may hunt on a standby basis if reservations are underfilled, or as registered hunters check out. Reservations must be made online (myodfw.com) or at a license sales agent. There is no cost to register. The deadline to register is the Thursday before the hunt.

ONLINE HUNTER EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Sign up for a class online: myodfw.com/hunter-safety-education-courses-and-field-days. For more information, call 503-947-6028.

Who Needs to Take Hunter Education?

- Anyone age 17 or under must have proof of hunter education in their possession (certificate or valid license that includes hunter education number) when hunting on land other than their own property, except youths participating in the Mentored Youth Program.
- Many states require ALL hunters to have passed hunter education — plan your out-of-state hunts accordingly.
- There is no minimum age requirement to take a class; however a child must be able to physically handle a firearm safely and understand the concepts of firearm safety and other topics covered in class.

How to Obtain a Duplicate Card?

- Download form from: myodfw.com/articles/get-duplicate-hunter-education-card
- Fax to 503-947-6009 or mail to: 4034 Fairview Industrial Drive SE, Salem, OR 97302

Check In and Out

Hunters and accompanying adults must check in and out at the location specified for each hunt area. Permits will be issued at the check station on the day of the hunt. Unless noted below, check in time and hunting hours will be provided when making a reservation.

Open Hunt Areas and Regulations

- **Central Oregon:** Maximum number of hunters is 80. Only federally approved nontoxic shot may be used. Call 541-447-5111 for more information.
- **Coquille Valley WA:** Maximum number of hunters is 20 per day. Only federally approved nontoxic shot may be used. Call 541-888-5515 for more information.
- **Denman WA:** Maximum number of hunters is 85. Only federally approved nontoxic shot may be used. Call 541-826-8774 for more information.
- **E.E. Wilson WA:** Maximum number of hunters is 70. Only a designated portion of the area will be open. Only federally approved nontoxic shot may be used. Call 541-745-5334 for more information.
- **Fern Ridge WA:** Maximum number of hunters is 75 in the field at any one time. No advanced reservations are required. Hunters check in starting at 7:00 a.m. at a check station located in the Nielson Rd parking lot. Hunting hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. East and West Coyote and Fisher Butte units are open to hunting. Only federally approved nontoxic shot may be used. Call 541-935-2591 for more information.
- **Irrigon WA:** Maximum number of hunters is 30 per day with no more than 15 at any time. Only federally approved nontoxic shot may be used. The shotgun skills clinic will take place on nearby private land. Call 541-276-2344 for more information.
- **John Day Area:** Maximum number of hunters is 30. The hunt will take place on private lands in the John Day Valley. Call 541-575-1167 for more information.
- **Klamath WA:** Sept. 20-21 hunt — Maximum number of hunters is 80. Hunting hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Only federally approved nontoxic shot may be used. Oct. 25 hunt — Miller Island Unit will be open to youth hunters only. Hunting is on a

first-come basis. No reservations are required. The local chapter of Unlimited Pheasants (unlimitedpheasantskfalls.com) provides additional pheasants. Call 541-883-5732 for more information.

- **Ladd Marsh WA:** Maximum number of hunters is 35. No advanced reservations are required. Hunters check in and out at the check station at the Ladd Marsh Headquarters, 59116 Pierce Rd. Check station opens at 7:00 a.m. and hunting hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Only a designated portion of the area will be open. Only federally approved nontoxic shot may be used. Call 541-963-4954 for more information.
- **Sauvie Island WA:** Maximum number of hunters is 50. Hunting will occur only on Eastside hunt units and entry to this area without a valid youth hunt permit is prohibited on hunt days. Only federally approved nontoxic shot may be used. Call 503-621-3488 for more information.
- **White River WA:** Maximum number of hunters is 20 per day. Call 541-296-4628 for more information.

Youth Chukar Hunt

The Klamath Chapter of the Oregon Hunters Association, in cooperation with ODFW, will offer a youth hunting opportunity for chukar in the Lower Klamath Hills Regulated Hunt Area on Oct. 25-26. The bag limit is two chukar. Each youth must be accompanied

by one adult age 21 years or older. The adult will be asked to refrain from hunting and will be required to wear hunter orange. The mentored youth hunter program will apply to this hunt since it is within the general season dates for chukar. Youth hunters will be required to wear hunter orange and safety glasses. Hunting is available by reservation, call Klamath Chapter OHA at 541-883-8326 prior to the hunt. The number of participants for this youth hunt will be limited.

Spring Youth Wild Turkey Hunt

There will be a spring youth wild turkey hunt Apr. 11-12, 2026. Hunters age 17 years and younger are eligible to participate. In these hunts an adult 21 years or older, who may not hunt, must accompany not more than one youth hunter. Youth participating in the Mentored Youth Hunter Program (see page 28) are not eligible to participate in the Apr. 11-12 youth hunt. Hunters must possess a 2026 youth spring turkey tag. Youths with an unfilled tag may also hunt during the Apr. 15 - May 31 spring season (see page 22).

YOUTH SHOTGUN SKILLS CLINICS

The ODFW Hunter Education Program will sponsor free shotgun skills clinics in conjunction with some Sept. Youth Hunts. Clinics are open to anyone 17 years of age and younger. Participants will be taught basic shotgun skills and many will be given the opportunity to shoot sporting clays. Clay targets and shotshells will be provided. The clinics will be from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and individuals can come and leave at any time.

For further information please call your local ODFW office or the Oregon Hunter Education Program 503-947-6028. No pre-registration is required.

LEARN TO HUNT GAME BIRDS

Throughout the year, ODFW hosts several learn-to-hunt workshops designed to teach beginning hunters (or those who need a refresher) how to hunt game birds in Oregon. Participants learn how to handle firearms safely, hunt game birds, and clean birds after harvesting. Focus species include pheasant, waterfowl, and wild turkey. Participants are required to complete an ODFW Shotgun Skills course before participating in a pheasant or waterfowl workshop. To register for ODFW workshops, visit myodfw.com/workshops-and-events. Workshops update seasonally, so be sure to check before your season starts.

Pass It On:

Mentored Youth Hunter Program

Resident and nonresident youth may participate in the Mentored Youth Hunter Program, without first passing an approved Hunter Education Program, provided the youth:

Youth Participation

A youth may participate in the mentored youth hunter program, provided the youth:

- Is 9 through 15 years of age. At age 16, a youth is no longer eligible to participate in the Mentored Youth Hunting Program and must pass an approved hunter education program, possess a Youth License, and appropriate tags/permits/validations.
- Hunts while accompanied by a supervising hunter who is 21 years of age or older and who has a valid license and tag(s) for the dates, area and species being hunted.
- Completes the free annual registration. Register Online at: myodfw.com/articles/mentored-youth-hunter-program or at your local license agent.
- Possesses the registration document while hunting.
- Reviews and acknowledges understanding of material on safe hunting practices provided by the Department by signing form.
- Follows all hunting regulations.
- Remains under the immediate control of the supervising hunter at all times while the youth is in possession of any legal weapon for the hunt.

- Is wearing a hunter orange exterior garment (shirt, jacket, coat, vest, or sweater) or hat when hunting with a firearm for game mammals or upland game birds (except wild turkey). The exterior garment or hat must have hunter orange visible in all directions (360 degrees).

Supervising Hunter

The supervising hunter shall:

- Have a valid hunting license and tag(s) valid for the dates, area and species being hunted.
- Maintain immediate control of the mentored youth hunter at all times while the youth is in possession of any legal weapon for the hunt.
- Ensure that all Oregon hunting regulations are followed. The supervising hunter shall be responsible and accountable for all actions of the mentored youth hunter while engaged in hunting.
- Supervise only one mentored youth hunter at any given time while engaged in hunting.
- Review information on safe hunting practices provided by the Department with the youth.

Safety

While engaged in mentored youth hunting activities:

- The supervising hunter shall maintain immediate control of the mentored youth hunter at all times while the mentored youth hunter is in possession of any legal weapon for the hunt.
- The supervising hunter shall not accompany more than one mentored youth hunter at any given time while engaged in hunting.

- The supervising hunter and the mentored youth hunter shall not collectively possess more than one weapon legal for the hunt at any given time while engaged in hunting.

Seasons and Bag Limits

- Any wildlife harvested by the mentored youth hunter shall be counted towards the supervising hunter's bag limit.
- The mentored youth hunting program is not applicable to designated youth only seasons and hunts.

Mentored Youth Preference Points

- Youth participating in the mentored youth hunting program will receive one mentored youth preference point for each year the youth registers for the program.
- The mentored youth preference points will be "banked" and held in the licensing system with no expiration date. To redeem banked points, see myodfw.com/articles/mentored-youth-hunter-program for more information.
- Points must be used at one time and may not be split among species.
- Once Mentored Youth Preference Points are redeemed, they are converted to the Preference Point System and are subject to the Oregon Administrative Rules that govern preference points.

For Registration and More Information Please Visit:
myodfw.com/mentored-youth-program

Note:

Mentored youth can only take an animal the supervising hunter could legally harvest. Youth Hunts do not qualify under the Mentored Youth Hunter Program because the supervising hunter cannot legally hunt during a Youth Hunt.



ACCESS AREA PROGRAMS

ODFW provides public hunting access to millions of acres of private land through the various access programs described below. These programs involve trust. ODFW trusts landowners to provide a reasonable amount of public access. Landowners trust hunters to remember they are guests on the land, follow the written restrictions, and abide by the spirit of respect and cooperation required to make this program successful. Remember, hunting on private lands is a privilege, not a right.

Access and Habitat Program (A&H)

Through the A&H Program, the Department provides hunting access to approximately 35 “Access Areas” on private land, many of which offer game bird hunting. Enrolled properties can be found at: myodfw.com/articles/hunting-private-lands-access-habitat-program. The A&H Program also administers the Oregon Open Fields program, which expands upland hunting access in the Columbia Basin and provides public goose hunting opportunities in the Willamette Valley. Please visit myodfw.com/open-fields-program for more details or contact the A&H Program Coordinator at 503-947-6087.

Upland Cooperative Access Program (UCAP)

UCAP provides public upland game bird hunting opportunities in Wasco, Sherman, Gilliam and Morrow counties. Most landowners provide “Hunting by Permission” while others opt for “Welcome to Hunt” or Hunt By Reservation. Hunters must take the initiative to locate UCAP properties. The ODFW contacts listed on this page will provide general directions to UCAP properties. However, the hunter is responsible for contacting the landowner to schedule a hunt on “Hunting by Permission” properties. The extra effort ensures landowners that only responsible hunters are guests on their land. **For more information contact:** Heppner District Office: 541-676-5230; The Dalles District Office: 541-296-4628; Upland Game Bird Coordinator: 503-947-6323.

Travel Management Areas

Through cooperative agreement, motor vehicle use, including electric assisted bicycles, is limited to specific roads for dates and areas listed under Travel Management Areas in the current Oregon Big Game Hunting Regulations.

ACCESS PROGRAM REGULATIONS

It is unlawful to hunt or enter any posted area without written permission unless the area is posted as “Welcome to Hunt.” Hunters accessing A&H “Welcome to Hunt” properties are required to follow the area regulations printed on the map produced by ODFW for each Access Area. Specific regulations for each Access Area can be found through the Oregon Hunting Map at: myodfw.com/articles/hunting-access-map.

Heppner RHA

This Regulated Hunt Area (RHA) provides access for big game and upland bird hunting opportunities. Closed to all motor vehicle use year-round unless posted otherwise, open fires and camping prohibited in posted areas. Approximately 23 sq Mi in T3, 4 and 5S and R26, 27, and 28E.

Columbia Rvr RHA

No entry permit required and open seven days-a-week. Hunt area boundary: Beginning at the eastern city limits of Arlington; east on I-84 to Threemile Canyon (Mi post 151); north to the north side of the Union Pacific Railroad right-of-way; east on the railroad right-of-way to the boundary of the Umatilla NWR Boardman Unit; north to the Oregon/Washington state line; west on the Oregon/Washington state line to a point due north of the eastern city limits of Arlington; due south to the point of beginning.

Area is open for game bird, rabbit, and Eurasian collared-doves only during authorized game bird seasons. It is unlawful to use or possess shot other than federally approved nontoxic shot for all game bird hunting. Camping is allowed Apr. 1 - Oct. 31 only at Quesnel Park (Threemile Canyon, Mi post 151) within the posted safety zone; not to exceed 7 days in any consecutive 14-day period.

Port of Morrow RHA

Maps available at RHA entrance located by traveling north on Laurel Rd from exit 165 off I-84, 0.5 Mi east on Columbia Ave and

0.3 Mi southeast on Rippee Rd. No entry permit required and open 7 days per week Oct. 11 - Jan. 25. Area is open for hunting of game birds and Eurasian collared-doves only during authorized game bird seasons. It is unlawful to use or possess shot other than federally approved nontoxic shot. A map can be found here odfw.com/port-of-morrow-map

The Columbia Rvr and Port of Morrow RHAs near Boardman in Morrow Co provide opportunities for public access and hunting for upland game birds and waterfowl. These areas are also subject to year-round rd closures. The following are prohibited:

- Driving or being transported upon any area except for designated open rds.
- Hunting, entering, or shooting across closed areas and safety zones.
- Camping (use between 10 p.m. and 4 a.m.), except at Quesnel Park.
- Discharging rifles, handguns, or shotguns with slugs, except by specific ODFW authorization.
- Placing waterfowl hunting sites closer than 200 yards apart.
- Leaving decoys set out overnight (10 p.m. to 4 a.m.).
- Digging pit blinds.

Because of landowner concerns for safety and maintenance of agricultural operations, some areas may be temporarily closed. Hunter numbers will be limited if crowding occurs.

UCAP

It is Unlawful to:

- Use a motorized vehicle on fields, trails and posted roads.
- Hunt any posted safety zone or enter any “NO PUBLIC ACCESS” area.
- Build or use open fires without landowner permission.
- Use rifles, handguns or shotguns with slugs on any hunt area unless specific authorization has been given by the landowner.

Hunt By Reservation

This private-land access program provides hunters a chance to reserve specific hunting dates in advance through either an online lottery or a first-come, first-served booking calendar. Hunt dates and group size are limited to reduce crowding and emphasize safety in the field. While the program focuses on wild turkey hunting, hunting for other

species is also available. Hunters receive property-specific rules, maps, and landowner contact information during the reservation process. For a list of properties and information about the lottery and first-come, first-served options, visit: myodfw.com/HBR



Species Highlight:

Ring-necked Pheasant

Ring-necked pheasants evolved in Asia over the course of human history to thrive around agriculture. When Judge Owen Denney, U.S. Consul General to Shanghai, China, arranged in 1881 to have a shipment of pheasants trapped near Shanghai, to be released in the Willamette Valley, the pheasants found near perfect habitat in the primitive patchwork of agriculture and weedy hedgerows. The success of Oregon's pheasants triggered similar efforts across North America as hunters experienced the thrill of pursuing this spectacular game bird.

Pheasant populations would rise and fall with U.S. foreign policy and geopolitical events. World War I caused a boom in wheat production across the West, but grain prices collapsed after the war. Farmers walked away from cultivated land, intensifying the effects of drought, leading to the Dust Bowl. Pheasant populations crashed as millions of acres of agriculture eroded in the wind. The creation of the Soil Conservation Service in 1935, now the NRCS, improved soil conservation practices, and pheasants responded.

World War II again increased demand for cereal grains, with farmers now incorporating toxic herbicides, insecticides, and chemical fertilizers, all to the detriment of pheasant populations. After the war when demand again fell, the NRCS responded with programs designed to remove grain fields from production, leading to a pheasant heyday in the U.S. with populations peaking in the 1950s through the 1970s.

In 1973, the U.S. made a huge grain export deal with the Soviet Union, prompting farmers to plant “fencerow to fencerow”, and causing pheasant populations to predictably decline with the lack of escape, nesting, and brooding cover. One year later, OPEC embargoed oil exports to the U.S. due to the Yom Kippur War, causing fuel prices to spike. By 1976, a U.S. embargo on grain exports to the Soviet Union in response to their invasion of Afghanistan caused grain prices to plummet. Pheasants responded to the less intensive agriculture in great numbers.

The Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) was first created by the 1985 Farm Bill to stabilize commodity prices and was quickly

recognized for improving wildlife habitat, including pheasants. The program incentivizes farmers to replant formerly cropped, marginal land back into perennial cover.

After a turbulent century, today's farmers have learned to be very efficient to manage risk. Large field sizes and intense weed control maximize crop values but remove important perennial habitats and field edges. Improvements in irrigation efficiency have eliminated many grassy and weedy areas critical to pheasant production.

Some farming improvements have benefitted pheasants, such as the development of no-till farming. New cold-tolerant varieties of winter wheat can provide ground cover high enough for nesting and brood rearing much sooner than spring wheat. The development of machinery that allows harvest of wheat while leaving taller stubble means better cover after harvest.

Oregon's fertile Willamette Valley, once the core of the state's pheasant populations, became a bastion of grass seed production beginning in the mid-1980s, replacing wheat and other cereal grains. This landscape-level change led to the near collapse of western Oregon pheasants. Pheasants still thrive in eastern Oregon, primarily in the Columbia Basin and other places where they have access to edges of wetlands, crops, grasslands, and weedy ditches and fencerows.

While pheasant populations may have good years and bad years, two rules seem to hold true. First, more habitat equals more pheasants. Second, pheasants occupy an important place in the heart of the American upland game bird hunter.

Despite their status as an introduced species, pheasants are a powerful engine for conservation, from non-profit sporting organizations such as Pheasants Forever, to the highest level of policymakers driving Farm Bill conservation programs. The strong desire to see and pursue this beautiful game bird has motivated generations to conserve and create wildlife habitat while bringing economic benefit to rural communities. Pheasants are truly a “flagship” species in our agricultural ecosystems helping other species benefit from the habitat conserved on their behalf.



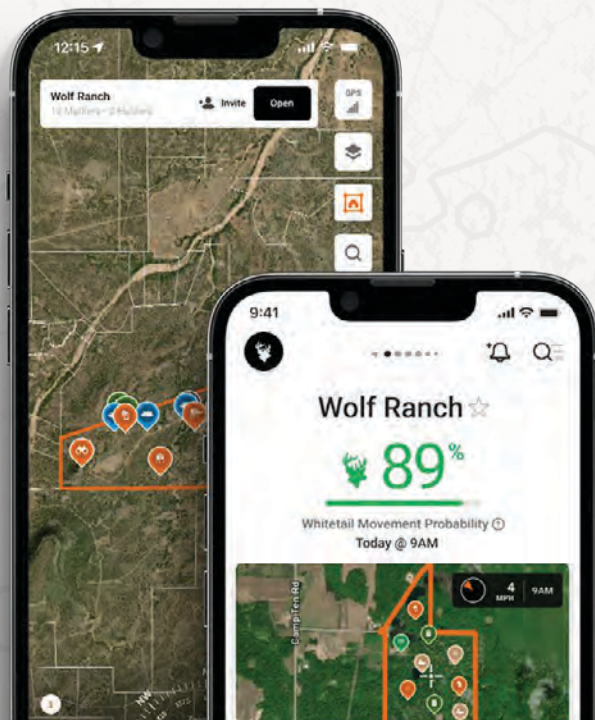
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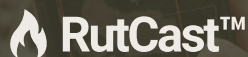
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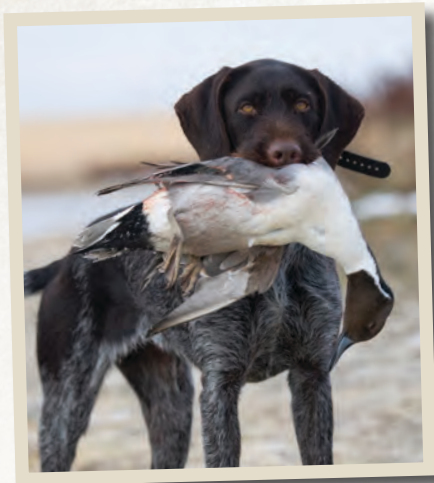
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Protect Your Dog In The Outdoors



Protect Your Dog From Traps

It's rare but it happens, usually during winter when trapping activity is at its peak — a dog gets caught in a trap set for a bobcat or another furbearer. Dogs can be released safely from these traps, but some dogs are injured or die.

To reduce this risk, rules require that traps not be set within 50 feet of trails or 300 feet of campgrounds. But, dogs allowed to roam freely in the outdoors can still be at risk from traps. Here are some steps to take to reduce the risk:

- Remain in close contact with your bird dog.
- Carry a pair of wirecutters to release the dog from a snare.

It is unlawful to disturb or remove the traps or snares of any licensed trapper while that person is legally trapping on public lands or on private lands with landowner permission. If you believe a trap or snare has been illegally set, contact Oregon State Police.

Like hunting, trapping is an important wildlife management tool.

Don't Let Your Dog Chase Wildlife

It's dangerous for your dog, and against the law, because it harms wildlife — especially during the winter, when dogs can put more pressure on vulnerable animals trying to conserve energy.

State law prohibits people from allowing their pets to “harass” (chase, molest, worry, disturb) wildlife, except when hunting or during pursuit seasons. (Pursuit season is Sept. 1 - Jan. 31 for wild hatched upland birds. There is no pursuit season for sage-grouse, sharp-tailed grouse, or spruce grouse.) See wildlife area regulations for information on training dogs at wildlife areas.

Raw Fish and Stagnant Water — Dangerous for Dogs

Don't let your dog eat raw salmon. It can carry the bacteria that causes deadly salmon poisoning disease (SPD) in dogs. Dogs can become severely ill when they eat fish with bacteria.

Signs of SPD in a dog are a high fever within 5-7 days of eating fish, lack of appetite, depression, dehydration, vomiting, and watery/bloody diarrhea. Seek immediate veterinary care if you think your dog has SPD — most dogs die if left untreated. (Care usually requires specific antibiotics to kill the bacteria, a wormer and intravenous rehydration.)

Freeze fish at -4 degrees F (-20 degrees C) for 24 hours or thoroughly cook it to kill the bacteria that cause SPD.

Stagnant water is another threat to dogs as it can harbor the bacteria leptospirosis. Signs of this infection in dogs are fever, reluctance to move due to joint or muscle pain, decreased appetite, weakness, vomiting and diarrhea, discharge from nose and eyes, frequent urination and jaundice.

Antibiotics can treat this infection if it is caught in time. Also talk to your vet about a vaccine that is available for some strains of leptospirosis.

Caution: Wolves and Hunting Dogs

Encounters between wolves and hunting dogs are rare. But wolves are by nature territorial and may act aggressively toward dogs. Hunters who use dogs can take steps to reduce the risk of conflict between dogs and wolves:

- Keep your dogs within view. Place a bell or beeping collar on wider ranging dogs.
- Talk loudly to the dog or other hunters
- Use whistles or otherwise control your dog so that it stays close to you. (You want wolves to associate the dog with a human.)
- If wolves are present or fresh wolf sign is observed, keep dogs close, which may require using a leash.

For more information on wolves in Oregon, please visit ODFW's website at odfw.com/wolves.

Keep Your Dog Up To Date on Vaccinations

Wildlife can carry diseases that affect dogs — like canine distemper virus, parvovirus, adenovirus, and rabies. These pose a threat to unvaccinated pets. Visit your vet and get your dog up to date on vaccinations before outdoors season.

The Wildlife Restoration Program funds projects and programs to enhance your outdoor experience, using an excise tax from purchase on:

- Firearms and ammunition
- Bows and arrow components

Since 1939, Oregon has received over \$250 million to support numerous programs, such as:

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A WILDLIFE AREA PARKING PERMIT IS REQUIRED

Display your parking permit at wildlife areas

Don't forget to display the parking permit that comes with your hunting license on your vehicle at the following wildlife areas:

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| • Coyote Springs | • Fern Ridge | • Ladd Marsh | • Sauvie Island |
| • Ken Denman | • Irrigon | • Phillip W. Schneider | • Summer Lake |
| • E.E. Wilson | • Jewell Meadows | • Power City | • White River |
| • Elkhorn | • Klamath | | • Willow Creek |

You may write your ODFW ID number on any piece of paper and display it on your vehicle's dashboard as valid proof of purchase. A free annual permit comes with the purchase of an annual hunting license or Sports Pac. All other WA users need to purchase a permit. Permits are available where fishing and hunting licenses are sold and on the ODFW website (myodfw.com).

The following language pertains to game bird hunting regulations only. Regulations regarding big game hunting can be found in the Oregon Big Game Regulations. All other rules regarding Department administered WAs can be found online at myodfw.com/visit-odfw-wildlife-areas. Posted Refuges and Safety Zones are closed to hunting. The Department may evict any person from a state WA for violation of any Department rules or regulations or when continued presence of that person could cause a threat to the rights and safety of others or property. A WA parking permit is required at certain WAs.

Columbia Basin WAs

Coyote Springs

Located out of Boardman. Open to hunting during authorized seasons except for big game. Phone: 541-276-2344.

Irrigon

Located on the Columbia Rvr between Irrigon and Umatilla Rvr. Open to hunting during authorized seasons. Phone: 541-276-2344.

Power City

Located between Hermiston and Umatilla. Open to hunting during authorized seasons. Phone: 541-276-2344.

Willow Creek

Located adjacent to I-84 approximately 14 Mi west of Boardman. Access is through Threemile Canyon (exit 151), then follow signs. Open to hunting during authorized seasons. Phone: 541-276-2344.

Rules for the Columbia Basin WAs
Columbia Basin WAs are open seven days a week. No entry permit is required for wildlife-oriented public use unless otherwise excluded or restricted by the following:

- Camping or overnight stay is prohibited.
- Open fires are prohibited.
- Discharging shotguns at Power City and Irrigon is prohibited except during authorized game bird and game mammal seasons.
- Discharging firearms other than shotguns is prohibited except at Willow Creek WA.
- No person shall possess or use any shot other than federally approved nontoxic shot at any time, except for big game hunters using buckshot or slugs.
- Entry into the area between 10 p.m. and 4 a.m. is prohibited except in designated parking areas.
- Leaving decoys set out overnight (10 p.m. through 4 a.m.) is prohibited.
- Placing waterfowl hunting sites closer than 200 yards apart is prohibited.
- Digging, for any purpose including concealment while hunting, is prohibited.

Coquille Valley

Located about 3.5 Mi north of Coquille adjacent to Hwy 42 and North Bank Ln in Coos Co. The area is 687 acres in size and consists of the Beaver Slough and Winter Lk Tracts. Phone: 541-888-5515.

In addition to state and federal laws, the following rules apply to public use of Coquille Valley WA:

- Visitors must possess a Hunting/Access permit at all times. Permits are available at the self-check station located at the parking lot along North Bank Ln.

- Access to the WA must be through the access point located on North Bank Ln.
- Parking is allowed in WA designated parking areas only.
- Hunting/Access permits must be completed and returned to a check out box located at the parking lot by the end of the day.
- The Beaver Slough Tract is open to public use and hunting daily.
- The Winter Lk Tract is open to public use and hunting Wed., Sat., Sun. and state and federal holidays Sept. 1 through Jan. 31.
- Feb. 1 through August 31 the Winter Lk Tract is open to public use and hunting daily.
- The WA is open to public access 4 a.m. to 10 p.m.
- No vehicles or boats with gas powered motors may be used on or launched from the WA except by access permit from ODFW.
- No person shall possess or use shot other than federally approved nontoxic shot at any time, except for big game hunters using buckshot or slugs.
- Camping is prohibited.
- Leaving decoys out overnight (10 p.m. to 4 a.m.) is prohibited.

Denman

Located six Mi north of Medford, just west of White City. Phone: 541-826-8774.

Big game and game bird hunting is allowed during authorized hunting seasons according to the restrictions described below for specific units. All hunters must check in and out each day at self-service check stations located throughout the WA.

In addition to state and federal laws the following are prohibited:

- No person shall possess or use any shot other than federally approved nontoxic shot at any time, except for big game hunters using buckshot or slugs.
- Hunting within posted safety zones surrounding Whetstone Lk and a posted area north of TouVelle Rd.

Hall Tract Unit

ODFW land north and west of East Gregory Rd, east of Table Rock Rd, south of Ave A and west of Agate Rd. Beginning Nov. 1 through the end of waterfowl season, hunting is allowed on Wednesdays, Saturdays, Sundays, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day only.

E.E. Wilson

Located on Hwy 99W, approximately 10 Mi north of Corvallis. Big game, game bird, and rabbit hunting is allowed during authorized seasons from Sept. 1, 2025 - Feb. 28, 2026. Spring turkey hunting is allowed for participants of Department organized

programs. Hunting at other times of the year is prohibited. Phone: 541-745-5334.

In addition to state and federal laws, the following rules apply to E.E. Wilson WA:

- Public use is prohibited between the hours of 10 p.m. and 4 a.m.
- Daily hunting permits are required, must be possessed at all times by hunters, and must be completed and returned at the end of the day. Free daily permits are available at self-service check stations located at area parking lots.
- No person shall possess or use any shot other than federally approved nontoxic shot at any time, except for big game hunters using buckshot or slugs. Federally approved nontoxic shot is required in the trap shooting area.
- Hunting with rifles, handguns, crossbows, and air guns is prohibited.
- In addition to the rules listed in "Dogs on Dept Lands" (page 35), dogs may also be off leash while accompanied by a licensed hunter when being used to hunt rabbits.
- Goose hunting is only allowed during the Sept. Canada goose season and youth waterfowl weekend.
- On Sept. 27 and 28, hunting is prohibited except by participants in the Youth Upland Bird Hunt.
- During Sept. 29 - Oct. 31 all game bird hunters are required to have in possession a Western Oregon fee pheasant permit (page 7). All hunting ends at 5 p.m.
- Rabbit hunting is permitted from Nov. 1 - Feb. 28.

Fern Ridge

Located west of Eugene on Hwy 126. All lands owned or controlled by ODFW and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in and around Fern Ridge Reservoir are closed to all entry with the following exceptions listed below for the units. Phone: 541-935-2591.

No person shall possess or use any shot other than federally approved nontoxic shot at any time, except for big game hunters using buckshot or slugs. Discharging firearms is prohibited except as authorized during game bird and game mammal seasons, or by permit. All garbage generated during hunting activities (including shotgun shells) should be removed. Open fires prohibited. The WA is closed to all public use between 10 p.m. and 4 a.m.

Daily hunting permits are required for all units, must be possessed at all times by hunters, and must be completed and returned at the end of the day. Free daily permits are available at self-service check stations located in parking lots off Hwy 126 (West 11th Ave) Cantrell Rd, Green Oaks Dr, Halderson Rd, Nielson Rd, Royal Ave, Territorial Hwy and east Kirk Park on Clear Lake Rd. For

reservation waterfowl hunt program, see reservation application procedures on page 44.

The WA is open to goose hunting only for the Sept. Canada Goose Season and Sept. youth waterfowl season.

East, West and South Coyote Units

Located south of Hwy 126 (West 11th Ave) and east of Central Rd on the east and west side of Coyote Cr. Marked trail to viewing platform accessible from Nielson Rd parking lot remains open daily year-round. Access is by designated trail only during periods of unit closures.

- **May 1 - Oct. 5:** Open to public use daily; open to hunting during authorized game bird and game mammal seasons. Sept. 6 and 7 are designated for Youth Upland Bird Hunt program (see page 26). A Western Oregon fee pheasant permit is required for pheasant hunting from Sept. 8 - Oct. 5 (see page 20), except the South Coyote Unit is closed to the pheasant hunt and youth upland bird hunt.
- **Oct. 6 - Nov. 14:** Closed to all public access.
- **Nov. 15 - Jan. 24:** Open only for waterfowl hunting by reservation permit on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays until 1:00 p.m. Closed to all public access at 2:00 p.m. Check-in and blind selection will be held 1-1/2 hours before shooting time (see page 8). Permit holders not present at check-in time forfeit their permit for the day. A free drawing for stand-by hunters will be held at the same time to fill blinds left vacant by permit holders who do not arrive for the hunt. Hunters must check in at a check station trailer located at 27733 Ken Nielsen Rd. Permit holder may be accompanied by one guest. Nov. 30 and Dec. 30 are reserved for youth waterfowl hunters only. See Youth Hunts on page 26 and Reservation Application Procedures, page 44.
- **Jan. 25 - Jan. 30:** Closed to all public access.
- **Jan. 31:** Open only for waterfowl hunting for qualified hunters during the Veterans and Active Military Personnel Waterfowl Hunt Day until 1:00 p.m. Closed to all public access at 2:00 p.m. See page 19 for check-in procedures.
- **Feb. 1 - Apr. 30:** Open to public use on Saturdays. Closed to all public access Sunday through Friday. Hunting and the discharge of firearms is prohibited.

Fisher Butte and Royal Amazon Units

Located north of Hwy 126 (West 11th Ave) and south of the Amazon Cr channel. Marked trails to viewing platforms accessible from the Royal Ave and Hwy 126 parking lots will remain open to public use daily, year-round. Designated rd and trail use only during periods of unit closures. Hunting is allowed during the dates and time specified below.

- **May 1 - Oct. 5:** Open to public use daily; open to hunting during authorized game

bird and game mammal seasons. Sept. 6 and 7 are designated for Youth Upland Bird Hunt program (see page 26). Western Oregon fee pheasant permit is required for pheasant hunting from Sept. 8 to Oct. 5 (see page 20).

- **Oct. 6 - Oct. 10:** Closed to all public access.
- **Oct. 11 - Jan. 25:** Open for public use and hunting until 1:00 p.m. daily. Closed to all public access after 2:00 p.m.
- **Jan. 26 - Jan. 30:** Closed to all public access.
- **Jan. 31:** Open only for waterfowl hunting for qualified hunters during the Veterans and Active Military Personnel Waterfowl Hunt Day until 1:00 p.m. (see page 19 for details including check-in procedures). Closed to all public access at 2:00 p.m.
- **Feb. 1 - Apr. 30:** Open to public use on Saturdays. Closed to all public access Sunday through Friday. Hunting and the discharge of firearms is prohibited.

All Other Units at Fern Ridge WA including Fern Ridge Lake

Open to public use daily and open to hunting during authorized game bird and game mammal seasons. Lane Co. and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers parks are closed to hunting and the discharge of firearms.

DOGS ON DEPT LANDS

The following rules apply to all Department owned, managed, or controlled areas:

- All dogs must be kept on a leash except:
 - » While accompanied by a licensed hunter when being used to hunt game birds, including while going to or coming from hunting locations;
 - » In a posted dog training area;
 - » While the dog is under direct control in a posted parking area, designated campground or on a road currently open to public motor vehicle traffic; or
 - » As otherwise specified in 635-008-0112, 0147, 0190, 0211 (see Sauvie Island and EE Wilson sections for additional exceptions.)



STATE WILDLIFE AREA REGULATIONS

Klamath

Located six Mi south of Klamath Falls between Hwy 97 and the Klamath Rvr which forms the western boundary. The area contains 2,680 acres in the Miller Island Unit. In addition to this area, there are three outlying units: Gorr Island, Shoalwater Bay and Sesti Tgawaals, which contain an additional 990 acres.

Gorr Island is located four Mi south of the Miller Island Unit in the Klamath Rvr and is only accessible by boat. Shoalwater Bay and Sesti Tgawaals are both located on the west side of Upper Klamath Lk approximately 10 Mi to the north and west of Klamath Falls. Phone: 541-883-5732.

In addition to general state and federal laws, the following apply to Klamath WA:

- No person shall possess or use any shot other than federally approved nontoxic shot at any time.
- Public use is prohibited between the hours of 10 p.m. and 4 a.m.
- Camping is prohibited.
- Discharging firearms is prohibited except during authorized game bird hunting seasons.

Gorr Island, Shoalwater Bay and Sesti Tgawaals

Open for public use daily. Open for hunting daily during authorized hunting seasons. No permit required. For big game hunting, please see big game regulations.

Miller Island Unit

Miller Island Unit is divided into three subunits: A, B and C. Hunter numbers will be limited to 35 at any one time in each subunit.

- Subunit A: North of Miller Island Rd and east of Delameter Rd.
- Subunit B: West of Delameter and Miller Island Rds.
- Subunit C: East and South of Miller Island Rd.

Public Use

Authorized hunting seasons, hunt days, check station, and daily hunting permit information is listed in the sections below.

- **May 1 - Sept. 30:** Open to public use daily.
- **Oct. 1 - Apr. 30:** Open to public use on designated hunt days during authorized hunting seasons (see below). All other days are closed to all entry, except public rds, parking areas, the boat ramp, the designated birding trail and designated dog training area to minimize disturbance to migrating waterfowl.

Check Station and Daily Hunt Permits

Daily hunting permit is required while hunting at the Miller Island Unit. Hunters shall be in possession of permit while in the field; check out is required. Daily hunt permits are available at the check station located on the North side of Miller Island Rd just west of the railroad tracks.

- **Sept. 1 - Oct. 10:** Check station is self-serve, with permits available starting at 4 a.m.
- **Oct. 11:** Reservation hunting is in effect. Hunters with reservations (see pages 44) will enter the hunt area before hunters without reservations. Hunters with reservations may arrive from 2 hours before the game bird shooting hours (on page 8) until ½ hour before game bird shooting hours. Unfilled reservations are available on a first-come, first-served basis at the check station beginning ½ hour before game bird shooting hours.
- **Oct. 12 - Nov. 30:** Permits available at the check station starting 1 ½ hours before the game bird shooting hours on page 8.
- **After Nov. 30:** Check station is self-serve, with permits available starting at 4 a.m.

Mourning Dove

- Open daily during the authorized season in September. During October, open Mondays, Wednesday, and Saturdays and Oct. 12.
- Sept. 20 - 21, Sept. 27 - 28, and Oct. 25 are reserved for youth hunters only (see pages 26-27).

Pheasant and Quail

- Pheasant is open to youth hunters only on Sept. 20 - 21 (see page 26).
- Pheasant is open Oct. 11 and 12 and every following Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday through Dec. 31.
 - » From Oct. 17 - Nov. 30, pheasants will be released in all three subunits. Pheasants are donated by Unlimited Pheasants.
- Quail is open Oct. 11 and 12 and every following Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday through Dec. 31 and thereafter daily through Jan. 31.
- Oct. 25 is reserved for youth hunters only on a first-come, first-served basis (see page 27).
- **Pheasant and quail shooting hours during the regular season begin at 10 a.m.**

Waterfowl and Snipe

- Open to youth waterfowl hunters only on Sept. 27 - 28.
- Open Oct. 11 and 12 and every following Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday during authorized seasons through Dec. 31. Reservation hunting is in effect on Oct. 11.
- Oct. 25 is reserved for youth hunters only on a first-come, first-served basis (see page 27).
- Jan. 1 - Jan. 25: Open daily to hunting during authorized seasons.
- Open Jan. 31 for eligible hunters during the Veterans and Active Military Personnel Waterfowl Hunt Day (see page 19).

Ladd Marsh

Located five Mi south of La Grande in Union Co, hunting is allowed according to specific regulations listed below. Phone: 541-963-4954.

In addition to general state and federal laws, the following apply to Ladd Marsh WA:

- The area is closed between 10 p.m. and 4 a.m. An entry permit is required at all other times.
- Free daily entry permits are available at self-service check stations located at area parking lots. Hunters and other visitors must check in and out daily.
- Leaving decoys set out overnight is prohibited (10 p.m. - 4 a.m.).
- Motorized boats are prohibited.
- Camping is prohibited.
- No person shall possess or use any shot other than federally approved nontoxic shot at any time, except for big game hunters using buckshot or slugs.
- Discharging firearms is prohibited except when lawfully hunting during authorized game bird and big game hunting seasons.

Lands East of Foothill Rd

Except posted refuge areas and safety zones, areas are open to hunting on Wednesdays, Saturdays, Sundays and federal holidays, Aug. 1 - Jan. 31. Waterfowl hunting on Jan. 31 is only for qualified hunters during the Veterans and Active Military Personnel Waterfowl Hunt Day (see page 19).

Lands West of Foothill Rd

Closed to all entry Feb. 1 - Mar. 31 except by access permit issued by ODFW.

Sauvie Island

Located 10 Mi north of Portland off Hwy 30. The WA includes Westside, Eastside, Oak Island and North units, and the Columbia Rvr Beach area. Maps are available at check stations (Westside, Eastside, North units, and Willow Bar parking lot) and the WA Headquarters (18330 NW Sauvie Island Rd). The Willow Bar parking lot is located at the Multnomah-Columbia Co line on Reeder Rd. Portions of Sauvie Island WA are closed to all entry except when in possession of a valid daily public hunt area permit from Oct. 1 - Apr. 30. A Beginners Guide to Waterfowl Hunting on Sauvie Island WA is available at: myodfw.com/sauvie-waterfowl-hunting. Phone: 503-621-3488.

In addition to general state and federal laws, the following regulations also apply to all ODFW lands on Sauvie Island, including Gilbert Rvr and Sturgeon Lk.

- The WA is closed to hunting of game mammals, furbearers, predators, and unprotected and protected wildlife (except black-tailed deer, rabbit, crow, Eurasian collared-dove, and game birds). For black-tailed deer hunting, please see big game hunting regulations.
- The WA is closed to the public between 10 p.m. and 4 a.m. daily.

- No person shall possess or use any shot other than federally approved nontoxic shot at any time.
- Operation of boats in Sturgeon Lk Refuge is prohibited from Oct. 1 - Apr. 15. Operating boats over 5 mph is prohibited on all area Lks.
- Posted refuges, including Sturgeon Lk and North Oak Island, are closed to all hunting year-round.
- The Columbia Rvr Drainage District Dike is closed to all hunting.
- All dogs must be on leash except while accompanied by a licensed hunter when being used to hunt during authorized season, including while going to or coming from hunting locations or; pursuant to a valid "Competitive Hunting Dog Trial Permit" or "Sauvie Island WA Individual Dog Training Permit".

Youth Hunting

See page 26 for youth hunting opportunities.

Fee Pheasant

Sept. 22 - Oct. 5: In the Eastside Unit only. See page 20 for additional details. Hunters must check in and out at Willow Bar and Eastside self-service check stations only, where ODFW dated public hunt area permits are available. In addition to a valid hunting license and public hunt area permit, all bird hunters are required to have in possession a Western Oregon fee pheasant permit and an upland game bird validation to hunt in the Eastside Unit. All bird hunting ends at 6 p.m.

North Unit and Columbia River Beaches

These areas are open to hunting every day of the authorized seasons for dove, snipe, pheasant, quail, duck, coot, crow, and Sept. Canada goose (pages 16, 17 and 20). Rabbit hunting is allowed in the North Unit only during Sept. 1 - Jan. 31, 2026. Voluntary check in and out at the North Unit parking lot located at the end of Reeder Rd is encouraged.

Westside, Eastside and Oak Island Units

Sept. 1 - Oct. 5: During this time period these units are open to hunting during authorized seasons for dove, quail, crow, and Sept. Canada goose (pages 16, 17 and 20). A free daily public hunt area permit is required in these units. Permits can be obtained at self-service check stations at the WA Headquarters, Westside, Eastside, and Willow Bar parking lot. See exceptions below:

- During the youth pheasant hunt (Sept. 20 & 21) the Eastside Unit is only open to youth hunt participants, see pages 26-27.
- During the Sept. youth waterfowl hunt (Sept. 27 - 28) the Westside Unit is only open to youth hunt participants, see pages 26-27.

- During the fee pheasant hunt (Sept. 22 - Oct. 5) Eastside Unit hunters must follow Fee Pheasant hunt procedures listed above.

Oct. 6 - Oct. 10: These units are closed to all hunting and all public access.

Oct. 11 - Jan. 25: During this time period these units are open to hunting during authorized seasons for dove, snipe, pheasant, quail, duck, coot, crow, and white geese (pages 16-18 and 20), only on reservation hunt days found on pages 45-46. Shooting hours end at 4 p.m. and all hunters must check out at check stations by 6 p.m.

Jan. 31: Open only for duck, coot, and white goose hunting for qualified hunters during the Veterans and Active Military Personnel Waterfowl Hunt Day (see page 19).

A free daily public hunt area permit issued at the Westside or Eastside check stations is required in these units:

- **Westside Unit:** Public hunt area permits will be issued through a random number drawing conducted each hunt day at the Westside check station located at the north end of Sauvie Island Rd. Hunters wishing to participate in the drawing must be in the vehicle line at the Westside check station 1-1/2 hours before shooting time (page 8). Each hunter will be given the opportunity to draw a random number and hunters in parties (up to four members) will be assigned the lowest random number drawn among the party's members. Hunters will be called via AM Radio Station 1580 to the check station in the order of their draw number to choose hunting sites and obtain public hunt area permits. Hunters arriving after 1-1/2 hours before shooting time will be issued remaining public hunt area permits on a first-come, first-served basis.
- **Eastside and Oak Island Units:** Public hunt area permits are issued to hunters holding reservations at the Eastside check station located at the intersection of Reeder and Rentenaar Rds. Reservations must be obtained through the controlled hunt draw process (see pages 44-46) except for the Veterans and Active Military Personnel Waterfowl Hunt Day (see page 19). Reservation hunters must be in line at least 2 hours before shooting time and will be called via AM Radio Station 1580 to the check station by the check-in sequence number on their reservation. Unfilled reservations are available to hunters without reservations on a first-come, first-served basis at the check station beginning 1 hour before shooting time. Separate vehicle lines are designated for reservation and non-reservation hunters. Note: In the Oak Island Unit, water is not available until Columbia Rvr levels at Vancouver reach 15 feet.

Westside, Eastside and Oak Island Units:

- » Hunters in check station lines must check through in the vehicles in which they arrive.
- » All hunting in units with designated shooting locations will be from the assigned blinds/sites, unless otherwise authorized. No more than four persons (one reservation hunter may bring up to three guest hunters) will be allowed at designated shooting sites in Mud Lk, Steelman, Holman Point, Mudhen, Racetrack, Hunt, Reeder Tract, Oak Island, Seal and Johnson units. In a non-designated shooting site unit (roam unit), only one non hunting person may accompany a permit holder, unless otherwise authorized.

Summer Lake

Located adjacent to Hwy 31 in north Lake Co, 100 Mi southeast of Bend. Over 60 percent of the area's 18,900 acres are open to big game and game bird hunting during authorized seasons (except as indicated below). Hunting is permitted seven days-a-week. Overnight camping is permitted at four designated sites on the area. Hunters must obtain a free daily hunting permit at Area Headquarters prior to hunting. No more than two daily hunt permits, valid for consecutive days, may be possessed at any one time. Hunters must check out at the end of the day or following two consecutive days by depositing their daily hunting permit in a self-check out box. Area maps are available at Area Headquarters, 1.3 Mi south of the town of Summer Lk or online at myodfw.com/summer-lake-wildlife-area-visitors-guide. Phone: 541-943-3152.

In addition to general state and federal laws, the following are prohibited:

- Hunting in or shooting into posted refuges, campgrounds and safety zones.
- Operating motor vehicles on closed Rds or driving cross-country.
- Parking or leaving motor vehicles unattended except in areas designated for that use or in campgrounds.
- Leaving decoys set out overnight (8 p.m. to 4 a.m.).
- Possession or use of any shot other than federally approved nontoxic shot at any time, except for big game hunters using buckshot, slugs, or by permit issued by ODFW.
- Hunting geese during the Sept. Canada Goose Season and from Jan. 26 - Mar. 10, 2026 except for qualified persons during the Jan. 31, 2026 Veterans and Active Military Personnel Waterfowl Hunt (see page 19).
- Driving of motor vehicles on Bullgate and Windbreak dikes, the Work Rd, and a portion of the Wildlife Viewing Loop from Sept. 24 - 28 and Oct. 4 - Jan. 31, 2026.
- From Oct. 4 through 4 a.m. on Oct. 11, entering any portion of the WA south of

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Thousand Springs Lane (Lake County Road 4-17), except the Foster Place unit and open roads and campgrounds.

- Entry into posted refuges during any authorized waterfowl season, except to retrieve lawfully taken wildlife.
- Operating boats with gas-powered motors.

Other Wildlife Areas Open to Game Bird Hunting

Bridge Cr. (Umatilla Co)

Open to public access and hunting Apr. 15 - Nov. 30. Motorized vehicle travel restricted to open rd. Phone: 541-276-2344.

Elkhorn (Baker/Union Cos)

Open to all public access Apr. 11 - Nov. 30, or by permit. Roth Tract closed to all hunting; an entry permit is required at all times of the year. Phone: 541-898-2826.

Enterprise (Wallowa Co)

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. Phone: 541-426-3279.

Gods Valley (Clatsop Co)

Vehicles are restricted to Co rds. Phone: 503-755-2264.

Jewell Meadows (Clatsop Co)

All areas posted as "Wildlife Refuge" are closed to public access (entry). Posted portions of the Beneke Tract are closed to entry during any open Saddle Mtn Unit elk season. See current Oregon Big Game Regulations. It is unlawful to shoot bows or firearms from or across open fields on the Humbug Tract during any open Wilson Unit elk season. Phone: 503-755-2264.

PLANNING YOUR HUNT

Many WAs post daily, weekly, and/or monthly harvest and hunter effort numbers to myodfw.com/articles/game-bird-hunting-statistics-odfw-wildlife-areas

You can also find tips for applying for reservation hunts at Fern Ridge and Sauvie Island.

Lower Deschutes (Wasco/ Sherman Cos)

Open to the discharge of firearms only while hunting of big game and game birds during authorized seasons, except that discharge of firearms is prohibited within the Wild and Scenic waterway boundary from the third Saturday in May through August 31. Access by foot, boat, or bicycle only. Public access to the Woosley tract is only allowed from the Deschutes River through adjacent Bureau of Land Management lands. Phone: 541-544-2126.

Minam River (Wallowa Co)

Open to public access and hunting Apr. 1 - Nov. 30. Exception: Year-round public access is permitted on the Minam Rvr Trail and associated parking area along Hwy 82. Camping is prohibited. The WA is closed to the public between 10 pm and 4 am. ATV and snowmobile use is prohibited on all area lands except for administrative use. Phone: 541-963-4954.

Phillip W. Schneider (Grant Co)

Open to public access and hunting Apr. 15 - Jan. 31. Motorized vehicle travel restricted to open rds. Some rds closed seasonally from Dec. 1 - Apr. 14. Phone: 541-987-2171.

Riverside (Malheur/Harney Cos)

Open to hunting during authorized seasons. Discharge of firearms is prohibited the remainder of the year. Motorized vehicle travel restricted to designated rds. Phone: 541-573-6582.

St. Louis Ponds (Marion Co)

Open for game bird hunting between the beginning of pheasant season and the end

of waterfowl season. The following are prohibited: discharge of rifles and pistols; use any shot other than federally approved nontoxic shot at any time; use of all floating crafts; and use of the area for any purpose between one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise. Phone: 971-673-6000.

Tami Wagner (Lincoln Co)

Open for wildlife-oriented public use unless otherwise excluded or restricted by the following rules: discharge of any firearm is prohibited except as authorized during game bird and game mammal seasons, or by permit. Camping is prohibited. Unauthorized motor vehicle use is prohibited. Phone: 541-867-4741

Wenaha (Wallowa Co)

Open to public access and hunting Apr. 1 - Dec. 31. Motorized vehicle travel restricted to open rds. Phone: 541-828-7721.

White River (Wasco Co)

Open to hunting during authorized seasons, except the WA lands north of FR 27 are closed to the public from Dec. 1 - Mar. 31. Motor vehicles are prohibited except on parking areas, designated campsites, and open rds. No cross country travel or off rd motor vehicle use is allowed, except for administrative use. ATV/OHV and snowmobile use are prohibited on all area lands except for administrative use or by access permit issued by ODFW. Camping is prohibited except in designated campsites and shall not exceed a total of 14 days during any 30 day period. Campfires and open burning prohibited except at designated campsites. Fires are prohibited during designated fire closures. Phone: 541-544-2126.

HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA

Avian influenza, or "bird flu," is a respiratory disease of birds caused by influenza A viruses. Wild birds can carry and spread these viruses but may show no signs of illness.

Although avian influenza viruses rarely infect people, you should still protect yourself:

- Do not harvest or handle wild birds that are obviously sick or found dead.
- Always wear disposable gloves when handling or cleaning game and wash hands with soap and water immediately afterward.
- Dress game birds in a location away from poultry and other birds and bag the carcass for disposal. Disinfect all tools and work surfaces.
- Clothing and boots used in hunting wild birds should be changed before handling live poultry.
- Cook game meat thoroughly.
- Report dead wild birds to ODFW 866-968-2600 or email Wildlife.Health@odfw.oregon.gov

For more information about avian influenza, go to aphis.usda.gov/

Hunter Ethics



As a hunter, you are responsible to adopt and follow a **personal code of ethics** that reflects your values

and your respect for wildlife, hunting and pass on the sport of hunting to those who come after you. Remember the following points to help ensure the future of Oregon's hunting heritage.

Respect Landowners

- Ask for permission to hunt well before you plan on hunting.
- Leave all gates the way you find them.
- Follow all landowner restrictions.
- Offer to share part of your harvest with the landowner.

Respect the Resource

- Leave the land better than you found it.
- Adhere to fair chase rules.
- Know your capabilities and limitations as a marksman.
- Harvest no more than you will use, and take care of what you take.
- Abide by game laws and regulations.

Report hunting violations to the Oregon State Police at 1-800-452-7888 or dial *OSP (*677).

Respect Others

- Follow safe firearm handling practices and insist your hunting partners do the same.
 - Know what is beyond your target. Shot pellets can be fatal to both people and dogs.
 - Don't interfere with another person's hunt.
 - If mentoring a youth hunter, be sure to pass on safe, responsible and ethical knowledge and skills.
 - Wear hunter orange when hunting.
- Be Safe – Be Seen.**

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STATE AND FEDERAL REFUGE AREA REGULATIONS

State Parks

Select state parks are open to game bird hunting. Refer to Oregon Parks and Recreation Department's (OPRD) online Hunting Map (stateparks.oregon.gov/index.cfm?do=v.page&id=115) for location and details. For more information, call 1-800-551-6949.

State Refuges

Columbia Rvr Refuge

Columbia Rvr Refuge from the railroad bridge at Celilo in Wasco Co to 4.3 Mi west of Boardman is open to pheasant, quail, partridge, waterfowl, snipe and rabbit hunting with shotgun and bow with flu-flu arrows only.

John Day Rvr Wildlife Refuge (Sherman and Gilliam Cos.)

Includes all public and private land and water within ¼ Mi of the John Day Rvr mean high water line from the Columbia Rvr upstream to Thirtymile Cr. From Sept. 1 to Oct. 31 only upland game birds may be hunted in that portion of the refuge from the Columbia Rvr to [Tumwater Falls](#) and at all other times of the year this portion of the refuge is closed to game bird hunting. Game bird hunting is allowed in the remainder of the refuge during authorized seasons. Hunting on private lands within this refuge requires landowner permission

State Refuge Closures

Hunting is prohibited for the following:

- Brown's Island and Minto Island refuges
- Carlton Lk Refuge
- Deschutes Rvr Refuge for the first 1/2 Mi above the Hwy 30 bridge.
- Lake Lytle Refuge
- Multnomah-Clackamas Refuge
- Sturgeon Lk Refuge

Note: For refuge descriptions refer to Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS 501.400-501.540).

Area Information

Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument

Located southeast of Ashland, Oregon and administered by the BLM. Open for all hunting during authorized seasons. Within the Monument motorized and mechanized vehicle use off rd is prohibited.

Coos Bay (Coos Co)

That part of Coos Bay described as follows is closed to waterfowl hunting: Beginning on Russell Point at the north end of Hwy 101 Bridge

across Coos Bay in Coos Co; west approximately 3/4 of a Mi on Parallel 43°26' to the Southern Pacific Railway to a point due north of the northeast point of the North Bend airport; south to the northeast point of the North Bend airport; southerly on the west bank of Pony Slough to the Charleston-North Bend Hwy; east on the Charleston-North Bend Hwy to the east bank of Pony Slough; northerly on the east bank of Pony Slough and Coos Bay to the south end of the Hwy 101 Bridge; northerly on the Hwy 101 Bridge to the point of beginning.

Crater Lk National Park (Klamath Co)

Hunting is prohibited within the boundaries of Crater Lk National Park. Phone: 541-594-3000.

Dean Cr Elk Viewing Area (Douglas Co)

All BLM lands within or adjacent to T22S, R11W (including Spruce Reach Island) 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 the point of beginning.

Devils Lk (Lincoln Co)

Closed to all game bird hunting.

Eckman Lk (Lincoln Co)

A Co ordinance prohibits the firing or discharge of any bow and arrow, air rifle, or firearm on or within 150 feet of the Lk.

Gold Island (Malheur Co)

An island in the Snake Rvr, three Mi south of Nyssa. Pheasant season begins Oct. 18. Shooting hours begin at 10 a.m. daily.

John Day Fossil Beds National Monument (Grant/Wheeler Cos)

Hunting is prohibited within the boundaries of the John Day Fossil Beds National Monument. Phone: 541-987-2333.

Lower Klamath Hills RHA

Located 10 Mi south of Klamath Falls. The area is open 7 days a week and is administered cooperatively by BLM and ODFW. A year-round rd closure is in effect. Phone: 541-883-5732. See page 27 for a special youth chukar hunting opportunity.

Metolius Wildlife Refuge

Located in the Metolius Unit. All hunting, injuring, taking, killing, or destroying any wild bird or mammal on public land is prohibited within T12 and T13S, R9E, bounded by USFS Rd 1420 and 1419 on the west; Rd 1400 on the

south and east; and rd 1420-400, Metolius Rvr, and posted boundary from the Metolius Rvr to Rd 1400 on the north (36 CFR 261.58(v)).

Newberry Crater National Monument

Located in the Paulina Unit. All hunting, injuring, taking, killing, or destroying any wild bird or mammal is prohibited on public lands within the rim of Newberry Crater in: T21S, R12E; T22S, R12E; T21S, R13E; T22S, R13E.

Plat I Reservoir (Douglas Co)

The reservoir and adjacent posted lands are closed to the hunting of game birds except on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays between Oct. 11, 2025 and Jan. 25, 2026.

Rimrock Springs WA (Jefferson Co)

Closed to all hunting and trapping.

Sandy Rvr Delta (Multnomah Co)

This area, bounded by the land above the mean high water line on the Sandy Rvr on the west, I-84 on the south and the land above the mean high water line on the Columbia Rvr on the north is owned and managed by USFS. The area is closed to all hunting except the portion of the area north and east of the BPA Powerline, which is open to waterfowl hunting with shotgun only during authorized waterfowl seasons. Phone: 541-308-1700

Siletz Bay (Lincoln Co)

Hunting is prohibited at Siletz Bay within 200 yards of the shoreline in the following described areas:

- Beginning at a posted point near Hwy 101 on the southeast shore of Siletz Bay, west and north the length of Salishan Spit to the mouth of Siletz Bay.
- Beginning at a posted point south of Drift Cr bridge on Hwy 101, west and north to the mouth of Siletz Bay.

South Slough National Estuarine Research Reserve (Coos Co)

Specific areas are closed to hunting. For more information please visit: oregon.gov/dsl/ss/Documents/SouthSlough_HuntingMap.pdf or contact the reserve headquarters at 541-888-5558 for specific closure details.

Starkey Experimental Forest Enclosure (Union Co)

Approximately 20,500 acres within the research enclosure are open to game bird hunting, except from Nov. 15 - May 1. The 1,500-acre Campbell Flat Pasture, 3,600-acre intensive timber management area and 900-acre winter feed ground are closed to all game bird hunting.

Upper Deschutes Rvr (Deschutes Co)

Most of the Deschutes Rvr between the southwest boundary of LaPine State Park and the north end of Sunriver is closed to the discharge of firearms by Co ordinance,

Oregon State Parks regulation and Deschutes NF order. For more information contact the Deschutes Co Sheriff's office at 541-388-6655.

Wanaket WA (Umatilla Co)

Game bird hunting is permitted through the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR) Hunt Program. The Wanaket WA is located on Hwy 730 between Hat Rock and McNary.

- Hunting is in accordance with applicable state and federal regulations. In addition to state and federal regulations, several area regulations apply. Only geese, ducks, coot, pheasant, quail and partridge may be hunted during authorized state seasons.
- Hunting is permitted on Wednesdays and Saturdays only. Upland bird hunting begins at noon. See ctuir.org/departments/natural-resources/wildlife/wanaket/ for information on hunt days and entry.
- All upland and waterfowl hunters must possess a CTUIR Daily Hunt Permit for Wanaket WA. All hunters must return the Daily Hunt Permit.
- Only shotgun or bow with flu-flu arrow hunting is permitted.
- Only federally approved nontoxic shot may be possessed or used. Hunters may not possess more than 25 shells per day.
- Portable blinds and construction of temporary blinds from natural materials is permitted. Digging or using pit blinds are prohibited. Waterfowl hunters must hunt at designated ponds only.
- The use of boats or other watercraft is prohibited.
- Other restrictions may apply. Please contact the CTUIR Wildlife Program, 541-429-7200 or ctuir.org/departments/natural-resources/wildlife/wanaket/, for updated information on areas open to hunting and for information on other hunting opportunities on tribal lands.

Winchester Dam (Douglas Co)

The still water above Winchester Dam at Rvr Mi 7 on the North Umpqua, upstream to the lower end of the island, a distance of 1.5 Mi, is closed to hunting.

Yaquina Bay (Lincoln Co)

Closed to hunting in Newport city limits, map of city limits available at: newportoregon.gov/dept/cdd/LandUseMaps.asp

National Wildlife Refuges

Note: ODFW is not responsible for the accuracy of any information in this section. This information is provided by the USFWS and printed as a courtesy. Portions of the following NWRs posted as public hunting

areas will be open for hunting specified game animals during authorized seasons. Only federally approved nontoxic shot may be used or be in possession while hunting on any refuge, unless otherwise noted.

Bandon Marsh

- **Bandon Marsh Unit:** Waterfowl and snipe may be hunted daily during authorized seasons on that portion west of US Hwy 101 and outside Bandon city limits.
- **Ni-les'tun Unit:** Waterfowl may be hunted on Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesdays on that portion south of a designated east-west line that is south of N. Bank Ln and adjacent to the Coquille Rvr. Hunters may park boats in the marsh while hunting. Boats along the bank of the Coquille Rvr are required to park within signed and designated locations. Foot access to the hunting area from the N. Bank Ln parking lot is allowed through the retrieval zone.

On both units, only portable blinds or blinds constructed of on-site dead vegetation or driftwood may be used. All blinds and decoys must be removed at the end of the day. Entry to refuge lands is prohibited from one hour after sunset to two hours before sunrise. For more information fws.gov/refuge/bandon-marsh/visit-us/activities/hunting or 541-347-1470.

Columbian White-tailed Deer Refuge (Julia Butler Hansen)

The designated areas of refuge-owned shorelines, tidelands and interior sloughs of Wallace and Crims Islands, and the refuge-owned shorelines of the Westport Unit are open to waterfowl and snipe hunting during state authorized seasons. Tenasillahe Island is closed to all hunting. The placement of permanent blinds is prohibited. Phone: 360-795-3915.

Hart Mtn Antelope

Chukar, California quail, and waterfowl may be hunted during state authorized seasons. Sage-grouse hunting is prohibited. Nontoxic shot is not required to hunt chukar or California quail. Contact the refuge headquarters for current regulations at 541-947-2731 or fws.gov/refuge/hart-mountain-national-antelope

Klamath Marsh, Lower Klamath and Upper Klamath

Waterfowl and snipe hunting during authorized seasons, except Sept. Canada goose season is closed on Klamath Marsh and Lower Klamath Refuges. All Refuges are closed to goose hunting after Jan. 25, 2026. A reservation permit is required to hunt waterfowl the first weekend of the season in Lower Klamath Refuge east of the Straits Drain. Information on the reservation draw is available at fws.gov/refuge/lower-klamath/visit-us/activities/hunting. Pheasant hunting is allowed only

on Lower Klamath Refuge during authorized seasons. Some areas may be closed to hunting when water levels are low. Contact the Refuge for more information on current conditions and closures. Phone: 530-667-2231.

Lewis & Clark

Hunting of waterfowl and snipe is permitted on the shorelines and interior sloughs of Refuge islands in accordance with federal and state hunting regulations. Portions of Karlson Island and all of Miller Sands Island, including the partially enclosed lagoon, are closed to hunting. In addition, all other Refuge lands outside the designated portions of the Refuge islands are closed to waterfowl hunting, including the Tongue Point and Brownsmead Units. The placement of permanent blinds is prohibited. Phone: 360-795-3915.

Malheur

When Malheur Lk water level is low (<10,000 acres) Malheur Lk North and South hunt units will be closed to waterfowl hunting. Drive-in access may be difficult during hunt season. The South Malheur Lk unit can only be accessed from the North Malheur Lk unit, access is not available near the Refuge Headquarters. For more information, including current conditions, maps and access locations please visit: fws.gov/refuge/malheur, phone: 541-493-2612 or email malheur@fws.gov.

- **North Malheur Lk Hunt Unit Area:** 22,500 acres open to waterfowl, dove, partridge, pheasant, quail, and snipe during authorized state waterfowl and pheasant seasons, including the state designated statewide youth waterfowl hunt season. Nonmotorized or boats with electric motors are authorized during the hunt season. Temporary blinds may be erected but must be removed on a daily basis.
- **South Malheur Lk Hunt Unit:** 4,600 acres open to waterfowl and snipe during authorized state seasons. Caspian Tern Island is closed to hunting. Nonmotorized or boats with electric motors are authorized during the hunt season. Temporary blinds may be erected but must be removed on a daily basis.
- **Buena Vista Hunt Unit:** 36,200 acres east of Hwy 205 as posted. Open to waterfowl, dove, partridge, pheasant, quail, and snipe during authorized state waterfowl and pheasant seasons. Boats are not permitted. Temporary blinds may be erected but must be removed on a daily basis.
- **Boundary Hunt Unit:** 2,500 acres west of Hwy 205 and Krumbo Cr. hunt area. Open to dove, partridge, pheasant, and quail during authorized state seasons.

Mid-Columbia River Refuge Complex

See individual Refuge tear sheets for additional information: fws.gov/mcriver/regulations/. Phone: 509-546-8300.

STATE AND FEDERAL REFUGE AREA REGULATIONS

- **Cold Springs:** Only the southern portion of the Refuge is open to hunting. Waterfowl, snipe, dove and all upland game birds, except wild turkey. Hunting on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, Sundays and federally observed holidays during authorized seasons. All dove hunting only during the authorized mourning dove seasons. Big game hunting may occur under the Emergency Hunt Process. Memorial Marsh waterfowl hunters are required to park in the designated parking lot at the numbered parking space matching the number of the blind they are using.
- **McKay Cr:** Waterfowl, snipe, dove, upland game birds and fall wild turkey. Hunting on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, Sundays and federally observed holidays during authorized seasons. All dove hunting only during the authorized mourning dove seasons. Open to fall wild turkey hunting Oct. 13 to Nov. 30, 2025.
- **Umatilla Boardman Unit:** Waterfowl, dove, snipe and all upland game birds, except wild turkey. Hunting is allowed during authorized seasons. All dove hunting only during the authorized mourning dove seasons.
- **Umatilla McCormack Unit:** Waterfowl, snipe and all upland game birds, except wild turkey. Hunting is allowed Wednesdays, Saturdays, Sundays, Thanksgiving and New Year's Day during the Zone 1 duck season. The McCormack Unit is closed to hunting at all other times, except for controlled deer hunting (see Oregon Big Game Regulations). The check station is open from 1-1/2 hours before legal hunting hours to 8:00 a.m. and from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. An on-site drawing is held each day for non-reservation holders to fill unclaimed reservations; hunters wishing to participate in the daily drawing should be at the Hunter Check Station 1-1/2 hours before legal hunting time. Waterfowl hunters may enter the McCormack lottery or hunt standby and are required to check in and out at the Hunter Check Station. A daily permit and day use fee is required to hunt waterfowl. For the first weekend of upland game bird season only, hunters must enter the lottery and obtain a reservation permit to hunt upland game birds, as well as pay a day use fee. After the first weekend, a free daily permit (available from the Hunter Check Station) is required to hunt upland game birds. Hunting waterfowl and upland game birds on Veteran's Day (Nov. 11, 2025) the permit holder is required to be a veterans and active duty military personnel. For Youth Waterfowl Hunt Opportunities, see page 26. During the waterfowl season, hunting information is available through the Hunter Hotline at 541-922-HUNT. Information and instructions for

reservation permits are at fws.gov/refuge/umatilla/ applications must be received by the second Friday in Sept.

Nestucca Bay

Ducks, geese, and coots may be hunted daily on Brooten Marsh and the mouth of the Little Nestucca Rvr east of its confluence with Nestucca Bay. Only portable blinds or blinds constructed of on-site dead vegetation or driftwood may be used. All blinds and decoys must be removed at the end of the day. Entry to refuge lands is prohibited from one hour after sunset to two hours before sunrise. For more information fws.gov/refuge/nestucca-bay/visit-us/activities/hunting or 541-867-4550.

Siletz Bay

- **Siletz Bay Unit:** Waterfowl may be hunted daily on that portion of the unit that is west of US Hwy 101 south of Drift Cr and north of Millport Slough.
- **Millport Slough Unit:** Waterfowl may be hunted on Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesdays on that portion that is south of Millport Slough and east of US Hwy 101.

On both units, only portable blinds or blinds constructed of on-site dead vegetation or driftwood may be used. All blinds and decoys must be removed at the end of the day. Entry to refuge lands is prohibited from one hour after sunset to two hours before sunrise. For more information fws.gov/refuge/siletz-bay/visit-us/activities/hunting or 541-867-4550.

Snake Rvr Islands of Deer Flat

Waterfowl, mourning dove, pheasant, quail, and partridge hunting during authorized seasons. Closed to all public entry Feb. 1 - June 14. Some islands remain closed thru June 30. Check the islands for posted dates of closures or contact at fws.gov/refuge/deer-flat or Phone: 208-467-9278.

Tualatin Rvr

Open for controlled waterfowl hunting for youth only by reservation. See fws.gov/refuge/tualatin-river/visit-us/activities/hunting or call 503-625-5944 for more information.

Wapato Lk

Open for controlled waterfowl hunting only by reservation. See fws.gov/refuge/wapato-lake/visit-us/activities/hunting for more information.

Willamette Valley Refuges

- **Ankeny:** Closed to all game bird hunting.
- **Baskett Slough:** A portion of the refuge is open for the Sept. Canada goose season and open for controlled waterfowl hunting for youth only by reservation during the Sept. youth weekend. See fws.gov/refuge/baskett-slough or call 503-623-2749 for more information.

- **William L. Finley:** Only Snag Boat Bend unit open to roam waterfowl hunting. See fws.gov/refuge/william-l-finley or call 541-757-7236 for more information.

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DISABILITIES HUNTING AND FISHING PERMIT INFORMATION

Oregon makes hunting and fishing more accessible for people with permanent disabilities.

Who May Apply

In order to be considered a person with a disability under the wildlife laws, a person shall provide either:

- Written certification from a licensed physician, licensed physician assistant or certified nurse practitioner which states that the applicant:
 - » Is permanently unable to walk without the use of, or assistance from, a brace, cane, crutch, prosthetic device, wheelchair, scooter or walker;
 - » Is restricted by lung disease to the extent that the person's forced expiratory volume for one second, when measured by a spirometer, is less than 35 percent predicted, or arterial oxygen tension is less than 55 mm/Hg on room air at rest;
 - » Has a cardiac condition to the extent that the person's functional limitations are classified in severity as Class III or Class IV, according to standards established by the American Heart Association;
 - » Has a permanent, physical impairment that prevents the person from holding or shooting a firearm or bow or from holding a fishing rod in hand; or
 - » Has central visual acuity that permanently does not exceed 20/200 in the better eye with corrective lenses, or the widest diameter of the visual field is no greater than 20 degrees; or

- Written proof that the last official certification of record by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States shows the person to be at least 65 percent disabled (ORS 496. 018).

Accommodations

An "Oregon Disabilities Hunting and Fishing Permit" holder may:

- Hunt from a parked motor-propelled vehicle except on any public road or Hwy, or within Cooperative Travel Management Areas. A public road is the entire right of way of any road over which the public has a right of use. Public roads include, but are not limited to, road related structures that are in the right of way such as tunnels, bridges, or similar structures. Roads on federal, state, or local government lands are public roads. Hunting from a parked motor-propelled vehicle is allowed on private land with the landowner's permission and on public land where offroad travel is permitted.
- Have an able-bodied companion accompany them 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 complete the tagging procedure as described on page 15-16 for the permit holder. The companion is not required to possess a hunting license or tag (OAR 635-065-0090(3)), except a person accompanying a visually impaired

hunter is required to possess a valid hunting license and may shoot a game animal on behalf of the hunter while in the presence of the hunter (ORS 198.170).

Assistance From Others

Disabilities listed above must be permanent. A Disabilities Hunting and Fishing Permit will not be issued for temporary disabilities. Permits are valid for five calendar years. To renew a permit, the holder must submit a new, updated application form.

A person who is not visually impaired and who accompanies a hunter who is visually impaired that possesses an "Oregon Disabilities Hunting and Fishing Permit" may:

- assist the hunter in selecting a game animal or bird;
- assist the hunter aiming or sighting a firearm;
- advise the hunter when to fire a firearm;
- shoot a game animal or bird on behalf of the hunter while in the immediate presence of the hunter; and
- tag and retrieve game animals and birds on behalf of the hunter.

The person accompanying a hunter who is visually impaired is required to possess a valid hunting license and may also hunt game animals or birds if the person possesses the appropriate tags, permits, validations and stamps for the area and time period.

NOTE: FEDERAL MIGRATORY GAME BIRD EXCEPTION: No persons shall take migratory game birds from or by means, aid, or use of any motor vehicle, motor driven land conveyance, or aircraft of any kind, except that paraplegics and persons missing one or both legs may take from any stationary motor vehicle or stationary motor-driven land conveyance.

PERMIT APPLICATION

For more information or to obtain an "Oregon Disabilities Hunting and Fishing Permit" application packet, please visit our website at myodfw.com/articles/oregon-disabilities-hunting-and-fishing-permit-information. Application packets are also available by calling 503-947-6101.



RESERVATION AND CONTROLLED HUNTS

How the Controlled Hunt Drawing Works for Game Birds

Each controlled hunt application is assigned a unique seven-digit random number. A seven-digit seed number is drawn for each hunt series, which serves as a starting point for determining which applications successfully draw a permit/reservation for each hunt within each series.

Hunting parties are maintained by the computer and only the party leader's 7-digit number is used in the drawing.

Permits/Reservations are awarded beginning with the applicant whose 7-digit number matches (or is closest to and above) the start number.

The selection continues with the applicant having the next higher number and continues until all available permits/reservations are awarded.

Permits/Reservations are assigned to first choice applicants as above until all permits/reservations are assigned or all first choices are filled. Permits/Reservations are only assigned to second choice applicants after all first choices have been filled. This sequence is followed for 3rd, 4th and 5th choices.

To Apply

1. Get a hunting license. You must have a valid hunting license to apply, or purchase at the time of application. Nonresidents: A three day bird hunting license is NOT valid to apply for controlled game bird hunts; a regular nonresident hunting license is required.
2. Decide if applying as an individual or in a party. Parties must assign ONE person as the Party Leader. You must indicate whether

you are applying as a party member or party leader. The party leader must apply before the party member(s). Party members must include the party leader's ODFW ID# on their applications, and the party leader's choices will apply to the entire group.

3. Complete your application. Apply online from your own device or visit any license agent. The application period opens July 1. Verify that all information entered is what you requested before the transaction is completed. No permits/reservations will be issued because of agent error. It is the hunter's responsibility to ensure accuracy of applications. The license agent will give you an application receipt showing your hunt choices. You should check it for accuracy prior to leaving the license agent and keep it for proof of application.

Party Size (Includes Party Leader)

- *Fern Ridge WA - 1 (no parties)
- Sauvie Island WA - 4
- Klamath WA - 4
- Sage-grouse - 4

The party leader's hunt choices will be used for the entire party. All members must list the same choices as the party leader on their individual application. If successful, all party members will receive the same hunt choice as the party leader.

- * Fern Ridge successful applicants will receive a permit valid for self and one guest.

Controlled Hunt Information Line

503-947-6102

Licensing

503-947-6101

Results Available

Results (successful or unsuccessful) will be made available by August 19 (Sage-grouse) or by the dates listed in the tables on pages 45-46

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for WA reservation hunts. Check draw results by logging into your ODFW account or visiting a license agent.

If Successful

Sage-grouse permits must be purchased online or anywhere ODFW licenses are sold through the last day of the season

Hunters no longer need to purchase a WA Reservation Hunt Permit after drawing a reservation at Fern Ridge, Klamath, or Sauvie Island WAs. Instead, hunters will be matched to a list of successful applicants at check-in.



WILDLIFE AREA RESERVATION HUNTS

Sauvie Island Wildlife Area Hunts for Eastside and Oak Island Units

Hunt days are shown in the calendars below. Find the date you wish to hunt in the calendar and record the day number. Then decide which unit you wish to apply for. You will use the day number and hunt unit abbreviation to apply for the hunt. For example, if you wish to apply for a hunt on Oct. 11 (Day 01) in the Racetrack unit, you will apply for hunt 01RT. Each hunter may apply once for each of the seven hunt periods. **See tables below and page 26 for information on Youth Hunts.** See page 42 for controlled hunt application procedures. Also see page 34 for Area Regulations. A \$4.00 application fee applies to each hunt period. Sauvie Island recorded information: 503-621-3488 ext 1.

| HUNT PERIOD A | | | | | | |
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| APPLICATION DEADLINE: SEPT. 13 RESULTS AVAILABLE BY SEPT. 29 | | | | | | |
| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
| | | | | | | Oct. 11 Day 01 |
| | Oct. 13 Day 02 | | Oct. 15 Day 03 | | Oct. 17 Day 04 | |
| Oct. 19 Day 05 | | Oct. 21 Day 06 | | Oct. 23 Day 07 | | Oct. 25 Day 08* |

*Signifies youth hunt only (17 years of age and younger) in Hunt, Mudhen, and Racetrack units

| HUNT PERIOD B | | | | | | |
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| APPLICATION DEADLINE: OCT. 2 RESULTS AVAILABLE BY OCT. 17 | | | | | | |
| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
| | | | | Oct. 30 Day 09 | | Nov. 1 Day 10 |
| | Nov. 3 Day 11 | | Nov. 5 Day 12 | | Nov. 7 Day 13 | |
| Nov. 9 Day 14* | | Nov. 11 Day 15 | | | | |

*Signifies youth hunt only (17 years of age and younger) in Hunt and Racetrack units. Please note the Mudhen unit is reserved on Nov. 9 for a Learn to Hunt workshop, see page 27 for workshop information.

| HUNT PERIOD C | | | | | | |
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| APPLICATION DEADLINE: OCT. 16 RESULTS AVAILABLE BY OCT. 31 | | | | | | |
| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
| | | | | Nov. 13 Day 16 | | Nov. 15 Day 17 |
| | Nov. 17 Day 18 | | Nov. 19 Day 19 | | Nov. 21 Day 20 | |
| Nov. 23 Day 21 | | Nov. 25 Day 22 | | | | |

| HUNT PERIOD D | | | | | | |
|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| APPLICATION DEADLINE: NOV. 1 RESULTS AVAILABLE BY NOV. 17 | | | | | | |
| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
| | | | | | | Nov. 29 Day 23 |
| | Dec. 1 Day 24 | | Dec. 3 Day 25 | | Dec. 5 Day 26 | |
| Dec. 7 Day 27* | | Dec. 9 Day 28 | | Dec. 11 Day 29 | | |

*Signifies youth hunt only (17 years of age and younger) in Hunt, Mudhen, and Racetrack units

| HUNT UNITS | |
|--------------|---------------|
| ABBREVIATION | UNIT NAME |
| AA | Aaron |
| DW | Dead Willow |
| FB | Footbridge |
| HT | Hunt+ |
| JO | Johnson+ |
| MK | Malarky |
| MN | McNary |
| MH | Mudhen+ |
| PO | Pope |
| RT | Racetrack+ |
| RR | Rentenaar |
| SZ | Stutzer |
| O1 | Oak Island 1+ |
| O2 | Oak Island 2+ |
| O3 | Oak Island 3+ |
| O4 | Oak Island 4+ |
| O5 | Oak Island 5+ |
| O6 | Oak Island 6+ |
| RE | Reeder Tract |

+ Signifies hunt units with designated shooting sites

Attention Sauvie Island Westside Unit hunters: the dates listed for Eastside reservation hunts on pages 45-46 are also the hunting days for the westside units. See pages 36-37 for more information.

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WILDLIFE AREA RESERVATION HUNTS

HUNT PERIOD E

APPLICATION DEADLINE: NOV. 15 RESULTS AVAILABLE BY DEC. 1

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----|-------------------|-------------------|
| | | | | | | Dec. 13 Day 30 |
| | Dec. 15 Day 31 | | Dec. 17 Day 32 | | Dec. 19 Day 33 | |
| Dec. 21 Day 34 | | Dec. 23 Day 35* | | | Dec. 26 Day 36 | |

*Signifies youth hunt only (17 years of age and younger) in Hunt, Mudhen, and Racetrack units

HUNT PERIOD F

APPLICATION DEADLINE: NOV. 30 RESULTS AVAILABLE BY DEC. 16

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Dec. 28 Day 37 | | Dec. 30 Day 38 | | Jan. 1 Day 39 | | Jan. 3 Day 40 |
| | Jan. 5 Day 41 | | Jan. 7 Day 42 | | Jan. 9 Day 43 | |

HUNT PERIOD G

APPLICATION DEADLINE: DEC. 14 RESULTS AVAILABLE BY DEC. 30

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Jan. 11 Day 44* | | Jan. 13 Day 45 | | Jan. 15 Day 46 | | Jan. 17 Day 47 |
| | Jan. 19 Day 48 | | Jan. 21 Day 49 | | Jan. 23 Day 50 | |
| Jan. 25 Day 51 | | | | | | |

*Signifies youth hunt only (17 years of age and younger) in Hunt, Mudhen, and Racetrack units

HUNT UNITS

| ABBREVIATION | UNIT NAME |
|--------------|---------------|
| AA | Aaron |
| DW | Dead Willow |
| FB | Footbridge |
| HT | Hunt+ |
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| O4 | Oak Island 4+ |
| O5 | Oak Island 5+ |
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| RE | Reeder Tract |

+ Signifies hunt units with designated shooting sites

Attention Reservation Holders:

Reservation holders no longer need to purchase WA Reservation Hunt Permits. Instead, hunters will be matched to a list of successful applicants at the check station at check-in.

FERN RIDGE WILDLIFE AREA HUNTS FOR EAST AND WEST COYOTE UNITS

Each hunter may submit only one application, see page 44 for application procedures. An application fee applies.

*Youth hunt dates are in red (see page 26). The two letters before the date indicate the day of the week.

SELECT THE HUNT NUMBER WHICH FOLLOWS THE DATE YOU WOULD LIKE TO HUNT FROM THE LIST BELOW.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: OCT. 18 RESULTS AVAILABLE BY NOV. 3

| | | | | |
|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
| SA Nov. 15 - H01 | MO Dec. 1 - H08 | WE Dec. 17 - H15 | SA Jan. 3 - H22 | MO Jan. 19 - H29 |
| MO Nov. 17 - H02 | WE Dec. 3 - H09 | SA Dec. 20 - H16 | MO Jan. 5 - H23 | WE Jan. 21 - H30 |
| WE Nov. 19 - H03 | SA Dec. 6 - H10 | MO Dec. 22 - H17 | WE Jan. 7 - H24 | SA Jan. 24 - H31 |
| SA Nov. 22 - H04 | MO Dec. 8 - H11 | WE Dec. 24 - H18 | SA Jan. 10 - H25 | — |
| MO Nov. 24 - H05 | WE Dec. 10 - H12 | SA Dec. 27 - H19 | MO Jan. 12 - H26 | — |
| WE Nov. 26 - H06 | SA Dec. 13 - H13 | MO Dec. 29* - H20 | WE Jan. 14 - H27 | — |
| SA Nov. 29* - H07 | MO Dec. 15 - H14 | WE Dec. 31 - H21 | SA Jan. 17 - H28 | — |

KLAMATH WILDLIFE AREA HUNTS FOR MILLER ISLAND - SUBUNITS A, B, AND C

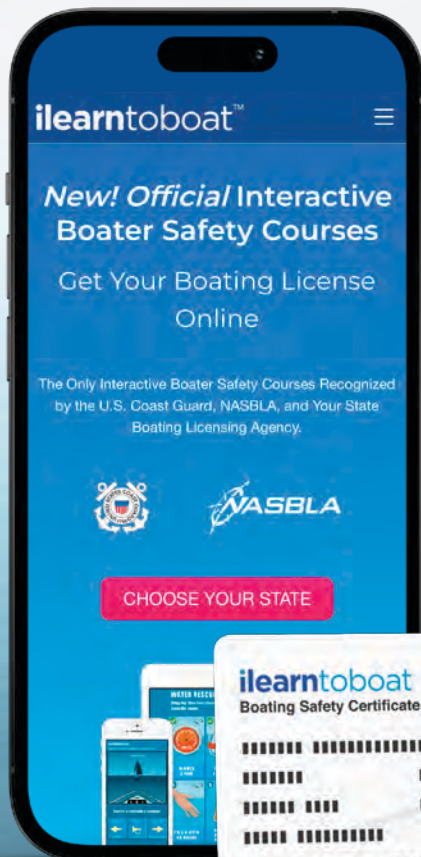
APPLICATION DEADLINE: SEPT. 13 RESULTS AVAILABLE BY SEPT. 29

| | HUNT DATE | SUBUNIT A | SUBUNIT B | SUBUNIT C |
|--|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Detailed reservation hunt application procedures are on page 44. An application fee applies. | SA Oct. 11 | I25A | I25B | I25C |

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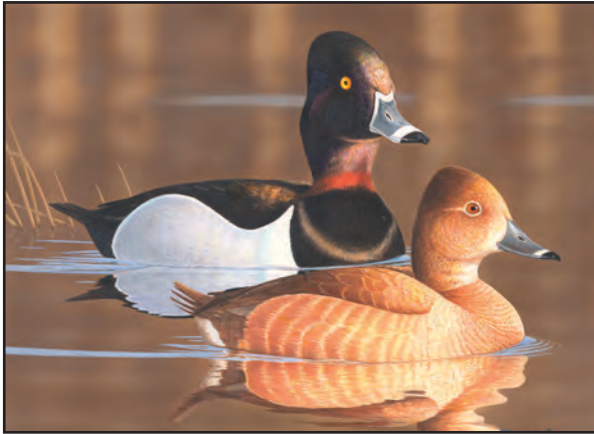
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Game bird stamps are not automatically mailed to hunters. Game bird validations are printed on the hunting license, so it is no longer required that state hunting stamps be carried in the field. As a courtesy for several years ODFW had continued to mail the stamps to hunters each spring. However, some hunters are not interested in receiving the stamps. Hunters with game bird validations can request stamps at no additional charge.

To request your game bird stamp(s), complete the on-line application: dfw.state.or.us/resources/hunting/waterfowl/stamp_order_form.asp

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