DIVISION 043
MISCELLANEOUS PERMITS AND RECORDS

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Roadkill Salvage Permit

A Roadkill Salvage Permit allows a person to recover, possess, transport, and use the carcass of a deer or elk killed as a result of an accidental collision with a vehicle for the purpose of salvaging the meat for human consumption.

(1) The person taking possession of the carcass at the site of the collision must acquire a Roadkill Salvage Permit within 24 hours of taking the carcass into possession.

(2) A Roadkill Salvage Permit requires the person taking possession of a carcass to complete an on-line application that provides the Department with:
(a) Name, address of physical residence, and phone number;
(b) Date and time the carcass was removed from the site of the collision;
(c) Location, including road name and mile marker or valid coordinate, where the carcass was collected;
(d) A statement identifying the driver of the vehicle that collided with the deer or elk, if known;
(e) Species and sex of the carcass being salvaged; and
(f) An acknowledgement that the carcass is being salvaged at the permit holder’s own risk and the State of Oregon is not liable for any loss or damage arising out of the recovery, possession, use, transport or consumption of the deer or elk salvaged pursuant to the Roadkill Salvage Permit.

(3) Within five (5) business days of taking possession of the carcass, the entire head of the deer or elk, including the antlers of antlered animals, must be delivered and surrendered to the Department at a District Office or alternative location determined by the Department.

(4) A Roadkill Salvage Permit may not be issued for the recovery, possession, transport or use of any deer or elk that was rendered crippled or helpless as a result of a vehicle collision and then killed pursuant to ORS 498.016, unless the person seeking the Roadkill Salvage Permit accidentally rendered the deer or elk crippled or helpless is the driver of the motor vehicle involved in the collision. Any person that kills a crippled or helpless deer or elk pursuant to ORS 498.016 must immediately report the killing to a person authorized to enforce the wildlife laws.
(5) Any person with authority to enforce the wildlife laws pursuant to ORS 496.605 may
kill any deer or elk rendered crippled or helpless by accidental vehicle collision, and the
Department may thereafter issue a Roadkill Salvage Permit for the carcass.

(6) Salvage of white-tailed deer is prohibited west of the crest of the Cascade Mountains
except within Douglas County.

(7) The entire carcass, including entrails, of any salvaged deer or elk must be completely
removed from the road and road right of way.

(8) No portion of any deer or elk salvaged pursuant to this rule may be sold, bartered, or
exchanged.

(9) Pursuant to this rule, when any part of a deer or elk salvaged is transferred to the
possession of another person, a written record describing the animal or part being transferred
indicating the name and address of the person who obtained the Roadkill Salvage Permit for the
animal and the number or confirmation number of the Roadkill Salvage Permit shall accompany
such transfer and shall remain with such animal or part so long as the same is preserved.

(10) This rule does not authorize the salvage of deer and elk from the reservation lands of
any sovereign tribe.

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