



**OREGON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES  
OREGON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE**

**DIVISION 045  
DEFINITIONS**

**635-045-0000**

**Purpose**

(1) The purpose of these rules is to list definitions pursuant to hunting seasons for big game and game birds.

(2) The documents entitled “2023-2024” Oregon Game Bird Hunting Regulations,” and “ [2023] **2024** Oregon Big Game Regulations”, are incorporated by reference into these rules. These documents are available at hunting license vendors and regional, district and headquarters offices of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

[Publications: Publications referenced are available from the agency.]

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

**DIVISION 60  
GAME MAMMAL AND GAME BIRD  
CONTROLLED HUNT REGULATIONS**

**635-060-0000**

**Purpose and General Information**

(1) The purpose of these rules is to describe the requirements and procedures for controlled hunts pursuant to ORS Chapter 496.162.

(2) The documents entitled “2023-2024” Oregon Game Bird Hunting Regulations,” and “[2023] **2024** Oregon Big Game Regulations,” are incorporated by reference into these rules. These documents are available at hunting license agents and regional, district, and headquarters offices of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

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1    **635-060-0005**

2    **Application Eligibility and Procedures**

3    (1)(a) An applicant for game mammal controlled hunts shall have a current adult hunting license or  
4    youth combination license.

5    (b) Licenses are nonrefundable, whether or not an applicant is successful in the drawing.

6    (2)(a) A valid controlled hunt application is required to participate in a controlled hunt drawing. The  
7    purchase price of the application shall be a nonrefundable fee of \$6.00 per game mammal  
8    application, and a nonrefundable \$2.00 license agent processing fee.

9    (b) Department license agents authorized to sell applications for controlled hunts shall be connected  
10   to the Department's computerized licensing system.

11   (3) Each controlled hunt is assigned a hunt number. The hunt number shall be entered on the  
12   application indicating area of choice and shall match the type of application purchased. All hunt  
13   numbers listed on an application shall have the same first digit or letter, which indicates a species or  
14   group of hunts as listed below:

15   (a) 100 series for controlled buck deer.

16   (b) 200 series for controlled elk.

17   (c) 400 series for pronghorn antelope.

18   (d) 500 series for bighorn sheep.

19   (e) 600 series for controlled antlerless deer.

20   (f) 700 series for controlled black bear.

21   (g) 900 series for controlled Rocky Mountain goat.

22   (h) L series for Premium deer.

23   (i) M series for Premium elk.

24   (j) N series for Premium pronghorn antelope.

25   (4) If successful in the drawing, party members shall receive the same hunt choice as the party  
26   leader. Party size limits are as follows:

27   (a) 100 series hunts, no limitation.



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- 1 (b) 200 series hunts, no limitation.
- 2 (c) 400 series hunts, no limitation.
- 3 (d) 500 series hunts, no parties allowed.
- 4 (e) 600 series hunts, no limitation.
- 5 (f) 700 series hunts, no limitation.
- 6 (g) 900 series hunts no parties allowed.
- 7 (h) L series hunts no parties allowed.
- 8 (i) M series hunts no parties allowed.
- 9 (j) N series hunts no parties allowed.
- 10 (5) Controlled Hunt applications, along with the proper fees, must be submitted online, through the
- 11 Department or its agents no later than midnight of the deadline dates described in OAR 635-060-
- 12 0008 (1)-([5]4). Applications received after the specified deadline dates may be considered
- 13 disqualified as described in OAR 635-060-0018(4).
- 14 (6) To apply for a controlled youth hunt for spring bear, pronghorn, deer or elk a youth must be 12-
- 15 17 years old at the time they hunt.
- 16 (7) The purchase price of applications for controlled game bird hunts shall be a nonrefundable fee of
- 17 \$2.00 per application, and a nonrefundable \$2.00 license agent processing fee. Game bird controlled
- 18 hunt application procedures are listed in the current Oregon Game Bird Hunting Regulations.
- 19 Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162
- 20 Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

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22 **DIVISION 065**  
23 **GAME MAMMAL**  
24 **GENERAL SEASONS AND REGULATIONS**  
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26 **635-065-0001**

27 **Purpose and General Information**

28 (1) The purpose of these rules is to establish license and tag requirements, limits, areas, methods and  
29 other restrictions for hunting game mammals pursuant to ORS Chapter 496.



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1 (2) OAR Chapter 635, Division 065 incorporates, by reference, the requirements for hunting game  
2 mammals set out in the document entitled [~~2023~~] **2024** Oregon Big Game Regulations,” into Oregon  
3 Administrative Rules. Therefore, persons must consult the ”[~~2023~~] **2024** Oregon Big Game  
4 Regulations” in addition to OAR chapter 635, to determine all applicable requirements for game  
5 mammals. The annual Oregon Big Game Regulations are available at hunting license agents and  
6 regional, district, and headquarters offices, and website of the Oregon Department of Fish and  
7 Wildlife.

8 (3) Additional regulation information is available on the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife  
9 website at [www.odfw.com](http://www.odfw.com).

10 [Publications: Publications referenced are available from the agency.]

11 Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

12 Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

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14 **635-065-0011**

15 **Mandatory Reporting Deadlines and Penalty**

16 All big game tag holders, except for bighorn sheep and Rocky Mountain goat, and all turkey tag  
17 holders are required to report hunting effort and harvest.

18 (1) Reporting deadlines for [~~2021-2022~~] **2022-2023** seasons are as follows:

19 (a) January 31, [~~2022~~] **2023**: For hunts ending between April 1 and December 31, [~~2021~~] **2022**.

20 (b) April 15, [~~2022~~] **2023**: For hunts ending between January 1 and March 31, [~~2022~~] **2023**.

21 (2) Any person with any deer or elk tag for hunts and seasons listed in the [~~2022~~] **2023** Oregon Big  
22 Game Regulations pamphlet, issued through the Electronic Licensing System, that fails to report by  
23 deadlines established in OAR 635-065-0011(1) will not be able to obtain a license to hunt game  
24 mammals or game birds in Oregon without paying a penalty.

25 (a) The penalty will be assessed beginning December 1, [~~2022~~] **2023** with purchase of a [~~2023~~]  
26 **2024** license.

27 (b) The penalty fee amount is \$25.

28 (3) Reporting deadlines for [~~2022-2023~~] **2023-2024** seasons are as follows:

29 (a) January 31, [~~2023~~] **2024**: For hunts ending between April 1 and December 31, [~~2022~~] **2023**.



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- 1 (b) April 15, [2023] **2024**: For hunts ending between January 1 and March 31, [2023] **2024**.
- 2 (4) Any person with any deer or elk tag for hunts and seasons listed in the [2023] **2024** Oregon Big  
3 Game Regulations pamphlet, issued through the Electronic Licensing System, that fails to report by  
4 deadlines established in OAR 635-065-0011(1) will not be able to obtain a license to hunt game  
5 mammals or game birds in Oregon without paying a penalty.
- 6 (a) The penalty will be assessed beginning December 1, [2023] **2024** with purchase of a [2024] **2025**  
7 license.
- 8 (b) The penalty fee amount is \$25.
- 9 Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162  
10 Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162  
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- 12 **635-065-0015**  
13 **General Tag Requirements and Limits**
- 14 (1) Big Game Tags: Any person hunting game mammals for which a tag is required must have on  
15 their person a valid tag for the dates, area and species being hunted.
- 16 (2) Any person 12 years of age or older may purchase game mammal tags if they possess an adult or  
17 juvenile hunting license.
- 18 (3) A person may obtain and possess during an annual hunting season only:
- 19 (a) One valid black bear general season fall tag;  
20 (b) One valid black bear additional general season fall tag;  
21 (c) One valid black bear spring controlled hunt tag in addition to general season bear tags issued  
22 under subsections (a) and (b) above; or  
23 (d) One valid black bear “leftover” spring controlled hunt tag;  
24 (e) One valid cougar general season tag;  
25 (f) One valid cougar additional general season tag;  
26 (g) One valid controlled pronghorn antelope tag except as provided in OAR 635-073-0100.



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- 1 (4) Except as provided in OAR Chapter 635, Division 090, and in OAR 635-075-0010, and in OAR  
2 635-073-0100, a person may obtain and possess only one of the following tags during an annual  
3 hunting season:
- 4 (a) One valid buck deer general season archery tag; or
  - 5 (b) One valid buck deer general season western Oregon any legal weapon tag; or
  - 6 (c) One valid buck deer controlled hunt 100 series tag; or
  - 7 (d) One valid buck deer “left over” controlled hunt 100 series tag; and
  - 8 (e) In addition to one of (4)(a), or (4)(b), or (4)(c), or (4)(d) one valid antlerless deer controlled  
9 hunt 600 series tag; or
  - 10 (f) One valid antlerless deer “left over” controlled hunt 600 series tag; and
  - 11 (g) One valid “Take a Friend Hunting” Contest deer tag, season dates, bag limit, and hunt area are as  
12 in OAR 635-090-0150 for deer and elk auction tags;
- 13 (5) Except as provided in OAR Chapter 635, Division 090, and OAR 635-073-0100, a person may  
14 obtain and possess only one of the following tags during an annual hunting season:
- 15 (a) One valid general season elk west Cascades tag; or
  - 16 (b) One valid general season elk western Oregon Coast first season tag; or
  - 17 (c) One valid general season elk western Oregon Coast second season tag; or
  - 18 (d) One valid general season elk Eastern Oregon Rocky Mountain second season tag; or
  - 19 (e) One valid elk general archery season tag; or
  - 20 (f) One valid elk controlled hunt 200 series tag; or
  - 21 (g) One valid General Season Antlerless Elk Damage Tag; or
  - 22 (h) One valid elk “leftover” controlled hunt 200 series tag.
- 23 (6) In addition to the tags described in OAR 635-065-0015 (3), (4), and (5), a person during an  
24 annual hunting season may obtain or possess only one valid “Mandatory Hunter Reporting Incentive  
25 Tag” per annual hunting season. If the Department awards a hunter such a tag through the controlled  
26 hunt draw authorized by OAR 635-060-0030(5), the following requirements will apply:



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- 1 (a) On or before July 15, [2023] **2024** the hunter must inform the Department which species the tag  
2 is to be issued for (pronghorn antelope, deer, or elk) and purchase the tag. Tags not purchased by  
3 July 15 will be offered to an alternate hunter with a tag sale deadline of July 31, [2023] **2024**.
- 4 (b) Hunting hours, hunt dates, and hunt area for Mandatory Hunter Reporting Incentive Tags will be  
5 the same as those listed in OAR 635-090-150 (3) for deer or (4) for elk , or 635-067-0028 (2) for  
6 pronghorn.
- 7 (c) Bag limit: one pronghorn antelope or one deer or one elk.
- 8 (d) Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife employees are not eligible for a Mandatory Hunter  
9 Reporting Incentive Tag.
- 10 (7) Except through the opportunity provided in OAR 635-067-0032 thru 635-067-0034, a person  
11 may obtain and possess only one bighorn sheep ram tag in a lifetime.
- 12 (8) Except through the opportunity provided in OAR 635-067-0036 and 635-067-0041, a person may  
13 obtain and possess only one Rocky Mountain goat tag in a lifetime.
- 14 (9) It is unlawful for any person to issue or to possess any game mammal tag which has been  
15 backdated.
- 16 (10) Any game mammal tag having an issue date subsequent to the last day authorized for issue of  
17 such tag as listed in “Oregon Big Game Regulations” for the current season is a void tag. Exception:
- 18 (a) Members of the uniformed services returning to the state after the deadline shall be permitted to  
19 purchase general season tags for themselves at the Salem headquarters and regional offices of the  
20 Department.
- 21 (b) Notwithstanding the deadlines for tag purchases provided by rule and in the hunting regulation  
22 synopses, any person who qualifies to purchase a tag but fails to make the purchase by the deadline,  
23 may purchase the tag late if the person:
- 24 (A) Submits an attestation to the Department’s Licensing Services Office certifying that the person  
25 has not yet hunted during the season for which the tag is sought;
- 26 (B) The request must be received by the Department before the end of the season for the particular  
27 tag; and
- 28 (C) Pays the Department the fee as provided in OAR 635-010-0019 for a tag issued after the tag sale  
29 deadline in addition to the usual tag fee.



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(D) A tag purchased for a season that has not begun may be canceled and exchanged for a tag for an ongoing season using the process outlined in 635-065-0015(10)(b)(A and B) provided the original tag is surrendered with the attestation and the fee for a tag issued after the tag sale deadline is paid to the Department.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

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**635-065-0401**

**Deadline for Purchase of General Season Tags**

Except as provided in OAR 635-065-0015 (10):

(1) No buck deer general season western Oregon any legal weapon tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, October ~~6~~4, ~~2023~~ 2024.

(2) No buck deer general season archery tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, ~~September 1~~ August 30, ~~2023~~ 2024.

(3) No black bear general season fall tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, October ~~6~~4, ~~2023~~ 2024.

(4) Black bear additional general season fall tags may be purchased anytime during the bear hunting season, after a black bear general season fall tag has been purchased. An unused bear tag must be in the hunter's possession at the time they are hunting.

(5) No general season cougar tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, October ~~6~~4, ~~2023~~ 2024.

(6) Additional general season cougar tags may be purchased anytime during the cougar hunting season, after a general season cougar tag has been purchased. An unused cougar tag must be in the hunter's possession at the time they are hunting.

(7) No general season elk eastern Oregon Rocky Mountain second season tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, November ~~10~~8, ~~2023~~ 2024.





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- 1 (8) No general season elk western Oregon Coast first season tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm,  
2 Pacific Time, November [~~17~~]15, [~~2023~~] 2024.
- 3 (9) No general season elk western Oregon Coast second season tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm,  
4 Pacific Time, November [~~24~~]22, [~~2023~~] 2024.
- 5 (10) No general season elk west Cascade tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, November  
6 [~~10~~]8, [~~2023~~] 2024.
- 7 (11) No elk general archery season tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, [~~September~~  
8 ~~1~~]August 30, [~~2023~~] 2024.
- 9 (12) No General Season Antlerless Elk Damage Tag shall be issued after legal shooting hours end on  
10 March 31, [~~2024~~] 2025.
- 11 Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162  
12 Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

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14 **635-065-0635**

15 **Winter Range Closure Areas**

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

- 17 (1) Tumalo Winter Range: December 1 through March 31, -- That part of the Upper Deschutes Unit  
18 as follows: 125 square miles in Townships 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19 South, Ranges 10 and 11 East.
- 19 (2) Bear Valley: Closed to motor vehicle use year round -- That part of the Keno Unit as follows: six  
20 square miles in Township 40 South, Ranges 7 and 8 East.
- 21 (3) Lost River: December 1 through April 15 -- That part of the Klamath Falls Unit as follows: 6  
22 square miles in Township 39 South, Ranges 11, 11-1/2, and 12 East.
- 23 (4) Lost River: December 1 through April 15 -- That part of the Interstate Unit as follows: 6 square  
24 miles in Township 41 South, Range 14 East.
- 25 (5) Cabin Lake-Silver Lake: December 1 through March 31 -- That part of the Paulina Unit as  
26 follows: 342 square miles in Townships 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, and 29 South, Ranges 11, 12, 13, 14,  
27 15, and 16 East.
- 28 (6) Spring Creek Winter Range: December 15 through April 30 -- That part of the Starkey Unit as  
29 follows: 14 square miles in Townships 2 and 3 South, Range 36 East.



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1 (7) McCarty Winter Range: December 15 through [~~April 30~~] **March 31** -- That part of the Starkey  
2 Unit as follows: 12 square miles in Townships 4 and 5 South, Ranges 34 and 35 East.

3 (8) Metolius Winter Range: December 1 through March 31-- That part of the Metolius Unit as  
4 follows: 101 square miles in Townships 11, 12, 13, and 14 South and Ranges 11 and 12 East.

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

7 Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

8 Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

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10 **635-065-0705**

11 **Muzzleloading Rifles — Requirements**

12 During controlled muzzleloader only seasons:

13 (1) Hunters shall use any long gun that:

14 (a) Is fired from the shoulder;

15 (b) Is loaded from the muzzle;

16 (c) Is a single shot except for muzzleloading shotguns that may be double barreled;

17 (d) Scopes (permanent or detachable), and sights that use batteries, artificial light or power, are not  
18 allowed during muzzleloader-only seasons or during 600 series hunts where there is a weapon  
19 restriction of “shotgun/muzzleloader only” or “archery/muzzleloader only”. However, this restriction  
20 does not apply to a visually impaired hunter who has a visual acuity of  $\leq 20/200$  with lenses or visual  
21 field of  $\leq 20$  degrees, provided that the hunter holds an Oregon Disabilities Hunting and Fishing  
22 Permit. Open and peep sights made from alloys, plastic, or other materials that do not have the  
23 properties described above are legal. Open or iron sights that make use of fiber optics or fluorescent  
24 paint are also legal.

25 (2) During muzzleloader-only seasons and 600 series hunts where there is a weapon restriction of  
26 shotgun/muzzleloader only or archery/muzzleloader only, it is illegal to hunt with or have in  
27 possession while hunting, sabots, or bullets with plastic or synthetic parts. Cloth, paper or felt  
28 patches are allowed.

29 (3) Hunters shall use only flint or percussion caps as a source of ignition.



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1 (4) Hunters shall use only loose or granular black powder or black powder substitutes as propellants.

2 (5) Any .40 calibers or larger muzzleloader as described in OAR 635-065-0705(1)–(4) to hunt  
3 pronghorn antelope, black bear, cougar, bighorn sheep, Rocky Mountain goat, or deer.

4 (6) Any .50 caliber or larger muzzleloader as described in OAR 635-065-0705(1)–(4) to hunt elk.

5 (7) Hunters shall use only number 1 or larger buckshot or bullets as described in OAR 635-065-  
6 0705(2) for hunting deer, black bear or cougar.

7 (8) Hunters shall use only single projectiles as described in OAR 635-065-0705(2) for hunting  
8 pronghorn antelope, elk, bighorn sheep, or Rocky Mountain goat.

9 (9) Hunters may only use a legal muzzleloading firearm as described in OAR 635-065-0705. During  
10 [~~centerfire firearms~~] **any legal weapon** seasons where muzzleloaders are also a legal firearm,  
11 hunters may:

12 (a) Use any .40 caliber or larger muzzleloading firearm to hunt pronghorn antelope, black bear,  
13 cougar, bighorn sheep, Rocky Mountain goat, or deer.

14 (b) Use any .50 caliber or larger muzzleloading firearm to hunt elk.

15 (c) Use any muzzleloader ignition type (excepting matchlock), any sight, any propellant, or any  
16 bullet type.

17 Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

18 Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

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20 **635-065-0720**

21 **Bows and Arrows**

22 Hunters shall use:

23 (1) Any long, recurve, or compound bow with 40-pound or heavier pull rating to hunt pronghorn  
24 antelope, black bear, cougar, bighorn sheep, Rocky Mountain goat, deer, or elk.

25 (2) Any long, recurve, or compound bow to hunt western gray squirrels.

26 (3) Only unbarbed broadheads at least 7/8-inch wide to hunt game mammals. Broadheads with  
27 moveable blades that fold/collapse when withdrawn are not considered barbed. Western gray  
28 squirrel may also be hunted with small game arrow points/heads.



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- 1 (4) A long, recurve, or compound bow and shall not possess any crossbow while hunting within an  
2 authorized bowhunting area or season.
- 3 (5) Only a long, recurve, or compound bow during any authorized pronghorn antelope, deer or elk  
4 bowhunting season to hunt pronghorn antelope, deer, or elk.
- 5 (6) For hunting seasons designated as bowhunting, hunters shall only use the bows legal for the  
6 species being hunted. Bows may be used during game mammal any legal weapon seasons [~~in which~~  
7 ~~centerfire firearms are legal~~].
- 8 (7) For hunting seasons designated as traditional bow, hunters shall use only long or recurve bows  
9 legal for the species being hunted.
- 10 (8) Hunters shall not use any electronic device(s) attached to bow or arrow except lighted arrow  
11 nocks that have no function other than to increase visibility of the arrow and cameras that have no  
12 other function (such as range-finding) are allowed.
- 13 (9) Hunters shall not use any device secured to or supported by the bow for the purpose of  
14 maintaining the bow at full draw (Persons unable to comply because of a disability may be eligible  
15 for a temporary permit from the Department).

16 Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

17 Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

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19 **635-065-0740**

20 **Hunting Prohibited**

21 It is unlawful:

- 22 (1) To hunt with a centerfire rifle during the deer and elk seasons and dates in the Wildlife  
23 Management Units listed in Table 1 below without a used or unused deer, elk, pronghorn, antelope,  
24 bighorn sheep, or Rocky Mountain goat tag valid for the dates and area being hunted.

25 Table 1. Wildlife Management Units and dates requiring a valid deer, elk, pronghorn antelope,  
26 bighorn sheep, or Rocky Mountain goat tag to hunt with a centerfire rifle. (*See attached table*)

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



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

4 (4) Notwithstanding section (3) of this rule, controlled antlerless elk hunts are permitted within the  
5 south city limits of Seaside if the herd should become a serious problem.

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

7 (6) To hunt protected wildlife except:

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

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

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

14 (8) To engage in computer-assisted hunting (Internet hunting) or provide or operate facilities for  
15 computer-assisted hunting in Oregon. As used in this act, "computer-assisted hunting" (Internet  
16 hunting) means the use of a computer or any other device, equipment, or software to remotely  
17 control the aiming and discharge of a firearm, bow, or any other weapon to hunt any game bird,  
18 wildlife, game mammal, or other mammal, and "facilities for computer-assisted remote hunting"  
19 means real property and improvements on the property associated with hunting, including hunting  
20 blinds, offices and rooms equipped to facilitate computer-assisted remote hunting. Nothing in  
21 subsection (8) of this section prohibits the use of computer-assisted hunting by employees or agents  
22 of county, state or federal agencies while acting in their official capacities.

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- 1 *Table 1. Wildlife Management Units and dates requiring a valid deer, elk, pronghorn antelope,*  
 2 *bighorn sheep, or Rocky Mountain goat tag to hunt with a centerfire rifle.*

Season ( <del>2023</del> 2024 Dates)	Wildlife Management Units
Eastern OR Controlled Buck Deer (Oct. <del>[7-18]</del> <b>5-16</b> )	31-77
West Cascade Bull Elk (Nov. <del>[11-17]</del> <b>9-15</b> )	16, 19, 21, 22, 29, 30
Rocky Mtn. Bull Elk 1 <sup>st</sup> Season ( <del>[Nov. 1-5]</del> <b>Oct. 30- Nov. 3</b> )	31-39, 41, 42, 45-64, 66. 69, 72, 74-77
Rocky Mtn. Bull Elk 2 <sup>nd</sup> Season (Nov. <del>[11-19]</del> <b>9-17</b> )	32, 35-38, 40-64, 66, 69, 72, 74-76, portions of 33 and 77 E of Hwy 97
Coast Bull Elk 1 <sup>st</sup> Season (Nov. <del>[18-21]</del> <b>16-19</b> )	10-15, 17, 18, 20, 23-27
Coast Bull Elk 2 <sup>nd</sup> Season (Nov. <del>[25]</del> <b>23</b> - Dec. <del>[3]</del> <b>1</b> )	10-15, 17, 18, 20, 23-27

3 Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

4 Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

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7 **Other Restrictions**

8 It is unlawful:

9 (1) To take or hold in captivity the young of any game mammal.

10 (2) To hold in captivity any wildlife of this state for which a permit is required without first securing  
 11 a permit.

12 (3) To release without a permit any wildlife brought from another state or country, or raised in  
 13 captivity in this state.

14 (4) To resist game law enforcement officers.

15 (5) To refuse inspection of any license, tag or permit, and any wildlife taken, by an employee of the  
 16 Department; any person authorized to enforce the wildlife laws; or a landowner or agent of the  
 17 landowner on his or her land while on that property.



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1 (6) To refuse inspection, by an employee of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, or any  
2 person authorized to enforce wildlife laws, of any gear used for the purpose of taking wildlife.

3 (7) To take or attempt to take any game mammals, game birds, migratory waterfowl or any protected  
4 wildlife species of any size or sex or amount, by any method or weapon, during any time or in any  
5 area not prescribed in these rules.

6 (8) To disturb, damage, remove, alter or possess any official Department signs.

7 (9) To sell, lend, or borrow any big game tag.

8 (10) It is unlawful to operate or to be transported in a motor-propelled vehicle in violation of  
9 Cooperative Travel Management Areas. "Motor-propelled vehicle" includes aircraft not landing on  
10 designated airstrips. Through cooperative agreement, motor vehicle use is limited to specific roads  
11 during the dates for the areas listed below. There are two methods of posting road access  
12 information; negative marking in which closed roads are marked by signs, gates, berms, or other  
13 similar indicators, or positive marking in which open roads are marked by round green reflectors,  
14 orange carsonite posts, or similar indicators. Unit descriptions may be found in OAR 635-080-0000  
15 through 635-080-0077. The following closures shall be effective during the specified periods each  
16 year:

17 (a) North Coast Access Area: Three days prior to opening of general archery season through the  
18 close of all bull elk any legal weapon seasons. Applies to all gated, posted, and/or barrier closed  
19 roads within the Saddle Mountain, Scappoose, Trask and Wilson wildlife management units.  
20 Cooperators require: day use only on private lands, no ATV use on private and designated state  
21 lands, no vehicle may block any road or gate.

22 (b) Upper Tualatin-Trask: Three days prior to the opening of buck deer any legal weapon season  
23 through the close of all bull elk any legal weapon seasons. That part of the Trask Unit as follows: 60  
24 square miles in Townships 1 and 2 North and 1 South, and Ranges 5 and 6 West;

25 (c) Mid-Coast: Permanent Closure. That part of the Alsea Unit as follows: Open roads in the Siuslaw  
26 NF lands south of US Hwy 20 and north of State Hwy 126 are designated on the Siuslaw NF Motor  
27 Vehicle Use Map. However; additional roads may be posted as closed as part of the Cooperative  
28 TMA or for administrative purposes.

29 (d) Smith Ridge: Permanent Closure. That part of the McKenzie Unit as follows: 8 square miles in  
30 Townships 13 and 14 South, Ranges 6 and 7 East;



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- 1 (e) Chucksney Mountain: September 1 through November 30 annually -- That part of the McKenzie  
2 Unit as follows: 6 square miles in Township 19 South, Range 5 1/2 East;
- 3 (f) Skookum Flat: Permanent Closure. That part of the McKenzie Unit as follows: 8 square miles in  
4 Townships 19 and 20 South, Range 6 East;
- 5 (g) Scott Creek: Permanent Closure. That part of the McKenzie Unit as follows: 51 square miles in  
6 Townships 14, 15, and 16 South, Ranges 6 and 7 East;
- 7 (h) Coos Bay BLM: Permanent Closure. That part of the Tioga Unit as follows: Individual posted  
8 roads on lands administered by BLM, Coos Bay District.
- 9 (i) Upper Rogue: Three days prior to the general West Cascade any legal weapon elk season through  
10 the close of the general West Cascade elk any legal weapon season. That part of the Rogue Unit as  
11 follows: High Cascades Ranger District, Rogue River National Forest;
- 12 (j) Jackson: October 15 through April 30 annually. That part of the Rogue, Dixon, and Evans Creek  
13 units as follows: 116 square miles in Townships 32, 33, 34, and 35 South, Ranges 1 and 2 West and  
14 1 and 2 East; off-road motor vehicle travel is prohibited at all times;
- 15 (k) Pokegama: November 20 through March 31 annually. That part of the Keno Unit as follows: 97  
16 square miles in Townships 40 and 41 South, Ranges 4, 5, and 6 East;
- 17 (l) Lower Klamath Hills: Permanent Closure. That part of the Klamath Unit as follows: 3 square  
18 miles in Township 40 South, Range 9 East;
- 19 (m) Goodlow Mountain Area Closure: December 1 through March 31 annually. That part of the  
20 Klamath Unit as follows: 17 square miles in Townships 38 and 39 South, Ranges 12 and 13 East;
- 21 (n) Sun Creek: November 1 through June 30 annually. That part of the Sprague Unit as follows: 14  
22 square miles in Township 32 South, Ranges 6 and 7 1/2 East;
- 23 (o) Fox Butte: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season  
24 through the close of the controlled buck deer any legal weapon season. That part of the Paulina Unit  
25 as follows: 230 square miles in Townships 20, 21, 22, 23, and 24 South, Ranges 14, 15, and 16 East;
- 26 (p) Timbers: Permanent Closure. That part of the Paulina Unit as follows: 25 square miles in  
27 Townships 23 and 24 South, Ranges 9 and 10 East;
- 28 (q) Rager: August 20 through November 20. That part of the Ochoco Unit as follows: 352 square  
29 miles south of U.S. Highway 26 and west of the South Fork John Day River.





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- 1 (r) White River Wildlife Area: December 1 through March 31 annually. That part of the White River  
2 Unit as follows: 59 square miles along the eastern edge of the Mt. Hood National Forest in the  
3 southern half of the White River Unit;
- 4 (s) Lower Deschutes: Permanent Closure. That part of the Biggs Unit as follows: 12 square miles  
5 along lower 17 miles of Deschutes River except the county access road to Kloan;
- 6 (t) Murderers Creek-Flagtail: Three days prior to the opening of the controlled archery deer and elk  
7 seasons through the close of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season and from three days prior  
8 to the first controlled Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season through the close of the  
9 second Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season. That part of the Murderers Creek Unit as  
10 follows: 185 square miles in Townships 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17 South, Ranges 26, 27, 28, and 29  
11 East;
- 12 (u) Camp Creek: Three days prior to opening of controlled archery deer and elk season through the  
13 close of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season and from three days prior to the first  
14 controlled Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season through the close of the second Rocky  
15 Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season. That part of the Northside Unit as follows: 54 square  
16 miles in Townships 10, 11, and 12 South, Ranges 31, 32, and 33 East;
- 17 (v) Bridge Creek Wildlife Area: December 1 through April 14 annually except by permit. That part  
18 of the Ukiah Unit as follows: 20 square miles in Townships 5 and 6 south, Ranges 31 and 32 East in  
19 the Southwest corner of Ukiah Unit;
- 20 (w) Meacham: Permanent Closure. Approximately 41 square miles in Units 49, 52 and 54 in  
21 townships 1 and 2 south, township 1 north, ranges 34, 35, and 36 east;
- 22 (x) Dark Canyon: [~~August 20 through November 20~~] **3 days prior to opening of controlled buck**  
23 **deer season through the close of the last elk season.** That part of the Sumpter Unit as follows: 20  
24 square miles in Townships 11 and 12 South, Ranges 40 and 41 East;
- 25 (y) Patrick Creek: [~~August 20 through November 20 and from May 1 to July 1~~] **3 days prior to**  
26 **opening of controlled buck deer season through the close of the last elk season and May 1**  
27 **through June 30.** That part of the Sumpter Unit as follows: 8 square miles in Townships 10 and 11  
28 South, Ranges 35 1/2 and 36 East;
- 29 (z) Dry Beaver/Ladd Canyon: Permanent Closure. That part of the Starkey Unit as follows: 125  
30 square miles in Townships 4, 5 and 6 South, Ranges 35, 36, 37 and 38 East;



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- 1 (aa) Clear Creek: [~~August 20 through November 20~~] **3 days prior to the opening of deer and elk**  
2 **archery season through the close of Rocky Mtn bull elk second season.** That part of the Starkey  
3 Unit as follows: 21 square miles in Township 5 South, Ranges 37 and 38 East;
- 4 (bb) Trail Creek: [~~August 20 through November 20~~] **3 days prior to the opening of Rocky Mtn**  
5 **bull elk first season through the close of Rocky Mtn bull elk second season.** That part of the  
6 Starkey Unit as follows: 29 square miles in Townships 6 and 7 South, Ranges 35 1/2 and 36 East;
- 7 (cc) Indian Creek-Gorham Butte: [~~August 20 through November 20~~] **3 days prior to the opening of**  
8 **deer and elk archery season through the close of Rocky Mtn bull elk second season.** That part of  
9 the Starkey Unit as follows: 24 square miles in Townships 6 and 7 South, Ranges 36 and 37 East;
- 10 (dd) Elkhorn Wildlife Area: Permanent Closure. Those parts of the Starkey and Sumpter units as  
11 follows: 7 square miles in Township 6 South, Range 38 East;
- 12 (ee) Starkey Experimental Forest Enclosure: Permanent Closure. That part of the Starkey Unit as  
13 follows: 40 square miles in Townships 3 and 4 South, Range 34 East;
- 14 [~~(ff) Bald/Angel: April 30 through December 1. That portion of the Catherine Creek and Keating~~  
15 ~~Units as follows: 59 square miles in Townships 5, 6 and 7 South, Ranges 41, 42 and 43 East;]~~
- 16 ~~(gg)~~ **(ff)** Little Catherine Creek: Permanent Closure. That part of the Catherine Creek Unit as  
17 follows: 22 square miles in Townships 3, 4 and 5 South, Ranges 40 and 41 East;
- 18 ~~(hh)~~ **(gg)** Wenaha Wildlife Area: Permanent Closure. That part of the Wenaha Unit as follows: 17  
19 square miles in Townships 5 and 6 North, Ranges 42 and 43 East along eastern edge of Umatilla  
20 Forest in northeast corner of Wenaha Unit;
- 21 ~~(ii)~~ **(hh)** Noregaard: Permanent Closure. However, roads will be open to permit removal of camping  
22 equipment during a time period extending through two Sundays following the end of the last  
23 antlerless elk any legal weapon season. That part of the Sled Springs Unit as follows: 175 square  
24 miles in west one-third of Sled Springs Wildlife Unit;
- 25 ~~(jj)~~ **(ii)** Shamrock: Permanent Closure. However, roads will be open to permit removal of camping  
26 equipment during a time period extending through two Sundays following the end of the last  
27 antlerless elk any legal weapon season. That part of the Sled Springs Unit as follows: 20 square  
28 miles in Township 4 North, Range 44 East;



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- 1 ~~(kk)~~ **(jj)** Chesnimnus: [~~August 20 through November 20~~] **3 days prior to 1<sup>st</sup> Chesnimnus any legal**  
2 **weapon bull elk season through the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Chesnimnus any legal weapon bull elk**  
3 **season.** That portion of the Chesnimnus Wildlife Unit within the boundaries of the Wallowa-  
4 Whitman National Forest;
- 5 ~~(H)~~ **(kk)** Cemetery Ridge Road: Permanent Closure. That part of the Chesnimnus Unit as follows:  
6 Cemetery Ridge Road north of the south boundary of Section 4, Township 3 North, and Range 48  
7 East;
- 8 ~~(mm)~~ **(ll)** Lord Flat Trail (#1774): Three days prior to controlled archery deer and elk season through  
9 the close of all elk any legal weapon seasons -- 15 miles of road in Townships 1 South and 1 and 2  
10 North, Ranges 49 and 50 East;
- 11 ~~(nn)~~ **(mm)** Grouse-Lick Creeks: [~~August 20 through December 1~~] **3 days prior to opening of**  
12 **Rocky Mtn bull elk first season through close of Rocky Mtn bull elk second season.** That part of  
13 the Imnaha Unit as follows: 100 square miles in Townships 2, 3, 4, and 5 South, Ranges 46, 47 and  
14 48 East;
- 15 ~~(oo)~~ **(nn)** Clear Lake Ridge: Three days prior to opening of controlled archery deer and elk season  
16 through December 1 annually. That part of the Imnaha Unit as follows: Five square miles in  
17 Township 2 South, Range 47 East, Sections 3 and 4 and Township 1 South, Range 47 East, Sections  
18 28, 15, 33, 34 and 22;
- 19 ~~(pp)~~ **(oo)** Mehlhorn: Permanent Closure: That part of the Pine Creek and Keating Units as follows:  
20 26 square miles in Township 6 South, Ranges 45 and 46 East;
- 21 ~~(qq)~~ **(pp)** Lake Fork-Dutchman: [~~August 20 through November 20 and from May 1 to July 1~~] **3 days**  
22 **prior to opening of archery season to end of all ALW seasons and from May 1 to July 1.** That  
23 part of the Pine Creek Unit as follows: 42 square miles in Townships 6 and 7 South, Ranges 46 and  
24 47 East;
- 25 ~~(rr)~~ **(qq)** Okanogan-Fish: [~~August 20 through November 20 and from May 1 to July 1~~] **3 days prior**  
26 **to opening of buck deer any legal weapon season to end of all elk any legal weapon seasons and**  
27 **from May 1 to July 1.** That part of the Pine Creek Unit as follows: 20 square miles in Township 6  
28 and 7 South, Ranges 46 and 47 East;
- 29 ~~(ss)~~ **(rr)** Summit Point: Permanent Closure: That part of the Keating Unit as follows: 14 square miles  
30 in Townships 6 and 7 South, Ranges 44 and 45 East;



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- 1 ~~(tt)~~ **(ss)** Eagle Creek: December 1 to April 15: That part of the Keating Unit as follows: 17 square  
2 miles in Townships 7 and 8 South, Range 44 and 45 East;
- 3 ~~(uu)~~ **(tt)** Conroy Cliff: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer any legal weapon  
4 season through the close of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season and from three days prior  
5 to the controlled Rocky Mountain bull elk first season through the Rocky Mountain bull elk second  
6 season. That part of the Malheur River Unit as follows: 46 square miles in Townships 16, 17, and 18  
7 South, Ranges 32 1/2, 34, and 35 East;
- 8 ~~(vv)~~ **(uu)** Devine Ridge-Rattlesnake: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer any  
9 legal weapon season through the close of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season and from  
10 three days prior to the first controlled Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season through the  
11 close of the second Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season. That part of the Malheur  
12 River Unit as follows: 59 square miles in Townships 20 and 21 South, Ranges 31, 32, 32 1/2 East;
- 13 ~~(ww)~~ **(vv)** Dairy Creek: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer any legal weapon  
14 season through the close of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season and from three days prior  
15 to the first controlled Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season through the close of the  
16 second Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season. That part of the Silvies Unit as follows:  
17 98 square miles in Townships 19, 20, 21, and 22 South, Ranges 24, 25, and 26 East;
- 18 ~~(xx)~~ **(ww)** Burnt Cabin: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer any legal weapon  
19 season through the close of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season and from three days prior  
20 to the first controlled Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season through the close of the  
21 second Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season. That part of the Silvies Unit as follows:  
22 22 square miles in Townships 18 and 19 South, Ranges 26 and 27 East;
- 23 ~~(yy)~~ **(xx)** Walker Rim; Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer any legal weapon  
24 season through the close of the controlled buck deer any legal weapon season. That part of the Fort  
25 Rock Unit as follows: 113 square miles in Townships 24, 25, and 26 South, Ranges 8, 9, and 10  
26 East;
- 27 ~~(zz)~~ **(vv)** North Paulina: Permanent Closure. That part of the Fort Rock Unit as follows: 12 square  
28 miles in Townships 25 and 26 South; Range 8 East;
- 29 ~~(aaa)~~ **(zz)** Sugarpine Mountain: Permanent Closure. That part of the Fort Rock Unit as follows: 40  
30 square miles in Township 28, Ranges 9 and 10 East;



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- 1 ~~(bbb)~~ **(aaa)** Spring Butte: Permanent Closure. That part of the Paulina Unit as follows: 30 square  
2 miles in Township 23 South, Range 11 East;
- 3 ~~(eee)~~ **(bbb)** Wildhorse Ridge/Teepee Butte: Three days prior to the opening of controlled archery  
4 deer and elk season through the close of all elk any legal weapon seasons. Posted and gated roads  
5 north of 46 roads in Chesnimnus Unit are closed;
- 6 ~~(ddd)~~ **(ccc)** Hells Canyon National Recreation Area: Permanent Closure. Those parts of the  
7 Chesnimnus, Imnaha, Snake River, and Pine Creek Units in Eastern Wallowa County that are closed  
8 by the National Recreation Area;
- 9 ~~(eee)~~ **(ddd)** PO Saddle Road: Three days prior to opening of controlled archery deer and elk season  
10 through June 15~~[th]~~, annually. Three miles of road in Townships 3 and 4 South, Range 48 East;
- 11 ~~(fff)~~ **(eee)** Whiskey Creek: Permanent Closure. However, roads will be open to permit removal of  
12 camping equipment during a time period extending through two Sundays following the last  
13 antlerless elk season. That part of the Sled Springs unit as follows. 45 square miles in Townships 2  
14 and 3 North, Ranges 43, 44, and 45 East;
- 15 ~~(ggg)~~ **(fff)** South Boundary: Permanent Closure. That part of the Ochoco Unit as follows: 47 square  
16 miles in Townships 15 and 16 South, Ranges 20, 21, and 22 East;
- 17 ~~(hhh)~~ **(ggg)** Green Diamond Travel Management Area: Permanent Closure. Applies to all gated,  
18 posted, or barrier-closed roads within the Rogue, Keno, Klamath Falls, Sprague, Interstate, Silver  
19 Lake, and Fort Rock Units within the land holdings of Green Diamond Resource Company;
- 20 ~~(iii)~~ **(hhh)** Prineville Reservoir Wildlife Area: From November 15 or December 1 (as posted at each  
21 gate) through April 15 annually. That part of the Ochoco and Maury Units as follows: 5 square miles  
22 in Township 16 South, Range 17 East;
- 23 ~~(jjj)~~ **(iii)** Mid Coast Access Area: Year round. All gated, posted and/or barrier closed roads within  
24 Alsea, Stott Mtn. and Trask Units. Access limited to walk in only at fire level 3. No public access at  
25 fire level 4 and during active operations. Cooperators require day use only on private lands, no ATV  
26 use, no e-bikes, no vehicles may block any road or gate, no fires, no camping. Private lands closed to  
27 the public 1 hour after sunset to 1 hour before sunrise.
- 28 ~~(kkk)~~ **(iii)** East Lane TMA: Opening day of General Any Legal Weapon Buck Deer season until the  
29 close of General Any Legal Weapon Elk season. Approximately 62 square miles in the McKenzie  
30 and Indigo Units comprised of properties owned by Giustina Land and Timber and Giustina



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1 Resources. Motorized vehicle access allowed on roads posted with orange carsonite posts, except  
2 closed to all access during certain Industrial Fire Protection Levels and active operations. Day use  
3 only, open one hour before sunset to one hour after sunset. No Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) use, no  
4 camping, no vehicle may block any road or gate and no fires allowed.

5 ~~(H)~~ **(kkk)** Umatilla NF: Permanent Closure: That part of the Fossil, Heppner, Ukiah, Desolation,  
6 Mt. Emily, Walla Walla, and Wenaha Units within the Umatilla National Forest. Motorized travel  
7 allowed only on open roads as designated by the Umatilla National Forest Motor Vehicle Use Map.

8 (11) In Access Areas funded by the Access and Habitat Program that are Welcome to Hunt, hunters  
9 are required to follow the area regulations printed on the map produced by the Oregon Department  
10 of Fish and Wildlife for each Access Area. Specific regulations for each Access Area can be found  
11 through the Oregon Hunting Map at: <http://www.oregonhuntingmap.com/>.

12 Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

13 Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

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16 **Tagging, Possession, Transportation and Evidence of Sex**

17 (1) Except for subsection (14), the provisions of this rule do not apply to carcasses or parts thereof  
18 from deer or elk salvaged pursuant to a Roadkill Salvage Permit; see OAR 635-043-0175 for deer  
19 and elk salvage rules.

20 (2) When the owner of any game mammal tag kills a game mammal for which a paper tag is issued,  
21 the owner shall immediately validate the tag by writing on the tag, in ink, the date and time of  
22 harvest, and the Wildlife Management Unit where harvest occurred; and attach the tag in plain sight  
23 securely to the game mammal.

24 (a) Paper tags are not valid until signed.

25 (b) It is unlawful to have in possession an unsigned tag and/or reproduction/photocopied tag(s).

26 (3) When the owner of any game mammal tag kills a game mammal for which an electronic tag is  
27 issued the owner shall immediately validate the tag by pressing the validate button on the image of  
28 the tag in the Department's Electronic Licensing System mobile application. At the time of  
29 validation a confirmation number will become visible. In addition to validating a tag electronically,



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1 the tag owner's name, date of birth, ODFW ID number, harvest date, and confirmation number must  
2 be written in ink on material of the tag owner's choice, and attached in plain sight securely to the  
3 game mammal.

4 (4) The required information, or paper game mammal tag, must be maintained in legible condition at  
5 all times. The tag shall be kept attached to such carcass or remain with any parts thereof so long as  
6 the same are preserved.

7 (5) It is unlawful to possess the meat or carcass of any deer, elk, pronghorn antelope, bighorn sheep,  
8 or Rocky Mountain goat without evidence of sex while in the field, forest, or in transit on any of the  
9 highways or premises open to the public in Oregon, except processed or cut and wrapped meat.  
10 Hunters must choose one of two options for providing evidence of sex for deer, elk, pronghorn  
11 antelope, bighorn sheep, or Rocky Mountain goat:

12 (a) Option 1: The animals head or scalp from the eyes to the ears for females, and antlers or horns  
13 for males, or;

14 (b) Option 2: A reproductive organ (a testicle, penis, udder or vulva) attached to a major portion of  
15 meat. For White-tailed Deer and Mule Deer Only Hunts, the tail must be retained for proof of  
16 species. (c) Option 1, ((4)(a)), must be used for hunts with antler point restrictions.

17 (6) When any game mammal or part thereof is transferred to the possession of another person **either**  
18 **an electronic record shall be recorded in the Electronic License System or** a written record shall  
19 accompany such transfer and include:

20 (a) A description of the game mammal or part being transferred;

21 (b) The name, address, and ODFW ID number of the person whose tag or required information if an  
22 electronic tag was originally attached to the carcass;

23 (c) The issued date and time of a paper tag or the confirmation number of an electronic tag; and

24 (d) The date and time of harvest.

25 (e) The written record shall remain with such game mammal or part so long as the same is preserved  
26 or until replaced by a tag or seal of the Department.

27 (7) All game mammals in possession in the field or forest or in transit more than 48 hours after the  
28 close of the open season for such mammal must be tagged with a tag or metal seal by the  
29 Department or by the Oregon State Police.



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1 (8) It is unlawful to receive or have in possession any game mammal or part thereof which:

2 (a) Is not properly tagged;

3 (b) Was taken in violation of any wildlife laws or regulations; or

4 (c) Was taken by any person who is or may be exempt from the jurisdiction of such laws or  
5 regulations.

6 (9) No person shall possess any game mammal or part thereof which has been illegally killed, found  
7 or killed for humane reasons, except lawfully obtained shed antlers, unless [~~he has~~] **they have**  
8 notified and received permission from the Department or personnel of the Oregon State Police prior  
9 to transporting.

10 (10) No person shall possess the horns of bighorn sheep or Rocky Mountain goat that were not taken  
11 legally during an authorized season. Any horns of bighorn sheep or Rocky Mountain goat obtained  
12 by the Department may be made available to scientific and educational institutions and for  
13 ceremonial purposes.

14 (11) Except for the following parts, importation or possession of a cervid carcass or parts of a cervid  
15 carcass from another state or country is prohibited:

16 (a) Meat that is cut and wrapped commercially or privately;

17 (b) Meat that has been boned out;

18 (c) Quarters or other portions of meat with no part of the spinal column or head attached;

19 (d) Hides and/or capes with no head attached;

20 (e) Skull plates with antlers attached that have been cleaned of all meat and brain tissue;

21 (f) Entire skulls that have been processed to remove all meat and brain tissue;

22 (g) Antlers removed in the pedical area or naturally shed with no brain tissue attached;

23 (h) Upper canine teeth (buglers, whistlers, ivories);

24 (i) Finished taxidermy heads and European style skull mounts.

25 (12) The parts and carcass import ban in subsection 11 does not apply to parts or carcasses shipped  
26 to the National Fish and Wildlife Forensics Laboratory (Ashland, Oregon) for the purpose of law  
27 enforcement investigations.





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

3 (a) Brain tissue, spinal columns, and whole heads or heads minus the cleaned skull plate and  
4 attached antlers, shall be disposed of either by incineration at temperatures exceeding 1800° F or at  
5 lined landfills registered by Oregon Department of Environmental Quality capable of accepting  
6 animal carcasses without environmental contamination; rendering is not an allowed means of  
7 disposal.

8 (b) The person(s) who imported parts in violation of the parts and carcass ban in subsection 10 shall  
9 pay for appropriate disposal of cervid carcasses or parts of cervid carcasses.

10 (14) The operator of a vehicle that is transporting wildlife or parts of wildlife , whether taken in  
11 Oregon or in another state, is subject to administrative inspection of the wildlife or parts of wildlife  
12 when arriving at a wildlife inspection station. The purpose of the inspection is limited to collecting  
13 biological samples and inspecting for disease in order to protect and maintain the health of wildlife  
14 in Oregon by preventing diseased wildlife and wildlife parts from entering the state.

15 (a) Inspection stations are identified by a sign stating “Wildlife Inspection Station” or “CWD Check  
16 Station”.

17 (b) This subsection does not apply to the transporting of wildlife parts that have been processed by a  
18 food establishment.

19 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.162 & 496.716

20 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.162 & 496.716

21  
22 **DIVISION 066**  
23 **BLACK BEAR SEASONS**  
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25 **635-066-0000**

26 **Purpose and General Information**

27 (1) The purpose of these rules is to establish season dates, bag limits, areas, methods, and other  
28 restrictions for hunting black bear pursuant to ORS Chapter 496.

29 (2) OAR chapter 635, division 066 incorporates, by reference, the requirement and tag numbers  
30 for controlled hunts for black bear hunting set out in the document entitled [2023] **2024** “Oregon Big



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1 Game Regulations,” into Oregon Administrative Rules. Therefore, persons must consult the [2023]  
2 **2024** “Oregon Big Game Regulations” in addition to OAR chapter 635, to determine all applicable  
3 requirements for the hunting of black bear. The annual Oregon Big Game Regulations are available  
4 at authorized license agents and regional, district and headquarters offices and website of the Oregon  
5 Department of Fish and Wildlife.

6 (3) Additional regulation information is available on the Oregon Department of Fish and  
7 Wildlife website at [www.odfw.com](http://www.odfw.com).

8 [Publications: Publications referenced are available from the agency.]

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

10 Stats. Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

11  
12 **635-066-0020**

13 **Controlled Seasons**

14 (1) Controlled hunt tags shall be issued by a controlled hunt drawing following the procedures  
15 established in OAR chapter 635, division 060. Controlled hunt tag numbers for [2021] **2024** are  
16 listed in the [2021] **2024** “Oregon Big Game Regulations” and are adopted and incorporated into  
17 OAR chapter 635, division 066 by reference.

18 (2) Persons receiving a controlled black bear tag may also purchase a general season black bear  
19 tag and one Oregon Additional Bear Tag.

20 (3) No person shall use dogs to hunt or pursue black bear.

21 (4) No person shall use bait to attract or hunt black bear.

22 (5) The skull of any bear taken must be presented to an ODFW office or designated collection site.  
23 The person who took the animal is responsible to have it presented, within 10 days of the kill, to be  
24 checked and marked. Skull must be unfrozen when presented for check-in. Check-in at ODFW  
25 offices must occur during normal business hours (8–5, Mon–Fri.). Hunters are required to check in  
26 the skull only for the purpose of inspection, tagging and removal of a tooth for aging.

27 (6) When the bear skull is presented at check-in information that must be provided includes: 1)  
28 date of harvest and location of harvest including Wildlife Management Unit, and 2) complete hunter  
29 information including the issued date and time of a paper tag or the confirmation number of an



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1 electronic tag; a completed “Wildlife Transfer Record Form” as found in the current year’s Oregon  
2 Big Game Regulations is an alternative for providing the required information.

3 (7) All land within one mile of the Rogue River between Grave Creek and Lobster Creek is  
4 closed to bear hunting.

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

6 Stats. Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

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8 **DIVISION 067**  
9 **PRONGHORN ANTELOPE, COUGAR,**  
10 **ROCKY MOUNTAIN GOAT, BIGHORN SHEEP**  
11 **REGULATIONS**  
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13 **635-067-0000**

14 **Purpose and General Information**

15 (1) The purpose of these rules is to establish season dates, bag limits, areas, methods, and other  
16 restrictions for hunting pronghorn antelope, cougar, bighorn sheep, and Rocky Mountain goat  
17 pursuant to ORS Chapter 496.

18 (2) OAR chapter 635, division 067 incorporates, by reference, the requirements and tag numbers for  
19 controlled hunts for hunting pronghorn antelope, cougar, bighorn sheep, and Rocky Mountain goat  
20 set out in the document entitled “[2023] **2024** Oregon Big Game Regulations,” into Oregon  
21 Administrative Rules. Therefore, persons must consult the “[2023] **2024** Oregon Big Game  
22 Regulations” in addition to OAR chapter 635, to determine all applicable requirements for hunting  
23 pronghorn antelope, cougar, bighorn sheep, and Rocky Mountain goat. The annual Oregon Big  
24 Game Regulations are available at authorized license agents and regional, district and headquarters  
25 offices and website of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

26 (3) Additional regulation information is available on the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife  
27 website at [www.odfw.com](http://www.odfw.com).

28 (4) Controlled hunt tags shall be issued by a controlled hunt drawing following the procedures  
29 established in OAR chapter 635, division 060. Permitted weapons and ammunition are established in  
30 OAR chapter 635, division 065. Controlled hunt tag numbers for [2023] **2024** are listed in the  
31 “[2023] **2024** Oregon Big Game Regulations” and are adopted and incorporated into OAR chapter  
32 635, division 067 by reference.



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1 (5) Notwithstanding the provisions of the 2022 Oregon Big Game Regulations and the 2023 Oregon  
2 Big Game Regulations, as authorized by department, tag holders for 2022 controlled Rocky  
3 Mountain goat hunts 960B1 and 960B2 that did not hunt in 2022 may hunt during the controlled  
4 hunt season dates described in the 2023 Oregon Big Game Regulations for the respective Rocky  
5 Mountain goat hunt area drawn by the tag holder in 2022.

6 (6) Notwithstanding the provisions of the 2022 Oregon Big Game Regulations and the 2023 Oregon  
7 Big Game Regulations, as authorized by department, tag holder for 2022 controlled Rocky Mountain  
8 goat hunt 959A1 hunt that did not harvest a Rocky Mountain goat and hunted one day or less in  
9 2022 may hunt during the controlled hunt season dates described in the 2023 Oregon Big Game  
10 Regulations for the Rocky Mountain goat hunt area drawn by the tag holder in 2022.

11 Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.162 & 497.112

12 Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.162 & 497.112

**WESTERN OREGON DEER SEASONS**

**635-068-0000**

**Purpose and General Information**

17 (1) The purpose of these rules is to establish season dates, bag limits, areas, methods and other restrictions  
18 for hunting western Oregon deer pursuant to ORS Chapter 496.

19 (2) Controlled hunt tag numbers for [2023] **2024** are listed in the “[2023] **2024** Oregon Big Game  
20 Regulations” and are adopted and incorporated into OAR chapter 635, division 068 by reference.

21 (3) OAR chapter 635, division 068 incorporates, by reference, the requirements for hunting western  
22 Oregon deer set out in the document entitled “[2023] **2024** Oregon Big Game Regulations,” into Oregon  
23 Administrative Rules. Therefore, persons must consult the “[2023] **2024** Oregon Big Game Regulations” in  
24 addition to OAR chapter 635, to determine all applicable requirements for hunting western Oregon deer. The  
25 annual Oregon Big Game Regulations are available at authorized license agents and regional, district, and  
26 headquarters offices of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

27 (4) Additional regulation information is available on the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife website  
28 at [www.odfw.com](http://www.odfw.com).

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

30 Stats. Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162



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**DIVISION 069  
EASTERN OREGON DEER SEASONS**

**635-069-0000**

**Purpose and General Information**

(1) The purpose of these rules is to establish season dates, bag limits, areas, methods and other restrictions for hunting eastern Oregon deer pursuant to ORS Chapter 496.

(2) Controlled hunt tag numbers for ~~[2023]~~ **2024** are listed in the "~~[2023]~~ **2024** Oregon Big Game Regulations" and are adopted and incorporated into OAR Chapter 635, Division 069 by reference.

(3) OAR Chapter 635, Division 069 incorporates, by reference, the requirements for hunting eastern Oregon deer set out in the document entitled "~~[2023]~~ **2024** Oregon Big Game Regulations," into Oregon Administrative Rules. Therefore, persons must consult the "~~[2023]~~ **2024** Oregon Big Game Regulations" in addition to OAR Chapter 635, to determine all applicable requirements for hunting eastern Oregon deer. The annual Oregon Big Game Regulations are available at hunting license agents and regional, district and headquarters offices and website of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

(4) Additional regulation information is available on the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife website at [www.odfw.com](http://www.odfw.com).

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

Stats. Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

**DIVISION 070  
WESTERN OREGON ELK SEASONS**

**635-070-0000**

**Purpose and General Information**

(1) The purpose of these rules is to establish season dates, bag limits, areas, methods and other restrictions for hunting west Cascade and Coast elk pursuant to ORS Chapter 496.

(2) Controlled hunt tag numbers for ~~[2023]~~ **2024** are listed in the "~~[2023]~~ **2024** Oregon Big Game Regulations" and are adopted and incorporated into OAR Chapter 635, Division 070 by reference.

(3) OAR Chapter 635, Division 070 incorporates, by reference, the requirements for hunting western Oregon elk set out in the document entitled "~~[2023]~~ **2024** Oregon Big Game Regulations,"



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1 into Oregon Administrative Rules. Therefore, persons must consult the “[2023] **2024** Oregon Big  
2 Game Regulations” in addition to OAR Chapter 635, to determine all applicable requirements for  
3 hunting western Oregon elk. The annual Oregon Big Game Regulations are available at hunting  
4 license agents and regional, district and headquarters offices of the Oregon Department of Fish and  
5 Wildlife.

6 (4) Additional regulation information is available on the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife  
7 website at [www.odfw.com](http://www.odfw.com).

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

10 Stats. Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

**DIVISION 071  
ROCKY MOUNTAIN ELK SEASONS**

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15 **635-071-0000**

16 **Purpose and General Information**

17 **Temporary Rule: Effective 7-7-23 through 1-22-24**

18 (1) The purpose of these rules is to establish season dates, bag limits, areas, methods and other restrictions  
19 for hunting Rocky Mountain elk pursuant to ORS Chapter 496.

20 (2) Controlled hunt tag numbers for [2023] **2024** are listed in the “[2023] **2024** Oregon Big Game  
21 Regulations” and are adopted and incorporated in OAR Chapter 635, Division 071 by reference.

22 (3) OAR chapter 635, division 071 incorporates, by reference, the requirements for hunting Rocky  
23 Mountain elk set out in the document entitled “[2023] **2024** Oregon Big Game Regulations,” into Oregon  
24 Administrative Rules. Therefore, persons must consult the “[2023] **2024** Oregon Big Game Regulations” in  
25 addition to OAR Chapter 635, to determine all applicable requirements for hunting Rocky Mountain elk. The  
26 annual Oregon Big Game Regulations are available at hunting license agents and regional, district and  
27 headquarters offices of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

28 (4) Additional regulation information is available on the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife website  
29 at [www.odfw.com](http://www.odfw.com).

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**(5) Rocky Mountain elk controlled hunt dates for the controlled hunt areas listed on pages 53, 54 and Table 1 are as follows (see attached table):**

**Table 1.**

<b>Hunt Number</b>	<b>Hunt Name</b>	<b>Open Season</b>
251D1	Elkhorn Mtn No. 1	<del>[Aug. 21—Oct. 29]</del> <b><u>Oct. 21 – Oct. 29</u></b>
264A1	Lookout Mtn Unit No. 1	<del>[Oct. 21—Dec. 06]</del> <b><u>Oct. 21 – Nov. 30</u></b>

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

Stats. Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

**DIVISION 072  
WESTERN GRAY SQUIRREL SEASON**

**635-072-0000**

**Purpose and General Information**

(1) The purpose of these rules is to establish season dates, bag limits, areas, and other restrictions for hunting western gray squirrels pursuant to ORS Chapter 496.

(2) OAR chapter 635, division 072 incorporates, by reference, the requirements for hunting western gray squirrel set out in the document entitled “[2023] **2024** Oregon Big Game Regulations,” into Oregon Administrative Rules. Therefore, persons must consult the “[2023] **2024** Oregon Big Game Regulations” in addition to OAR chapter 635, to determine all applicable requirements for hunting western gray squirrel. The annual Oregon Big Game Regulations are available at hunting license agents and regional, district and headquarters offices of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

(3) Additional regulation information is available on the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife website at [www.odfw.com](http://www.odfw.com).

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

Stats. Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162



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1 635-073-0000

2 Purpose and General Information

3 **Temporary Rule: Effective 7-7-23 through 1-22-24**

4 (1) The purpose of these rules is to establish season dates, bag limits, areas and other restrictions  
5 for bow and muzzleloader hunting, Premium Hunts, and controlled deer and elk youth hunts;  
6 pursuant to ORS Chapter 496.

7 (2) Controlled hunt tag numbers for [2023] **2024** for Premium Hunts, deer and elk bow and  
8 muzzleloader hunting and deer and elk youth hunts are listed in the "[2023] **2024** Oregon Big Game  
9 Regulations" and are adopted and incorporated into OAR chapter 635, division 073 by reference.

10 (3) OAR chapter 073 incorporates, by reference, the requirements for bow and muzzleloader  
11 hunting, Premium Hunts, and controlled deer and elk youth hunts set out in the document entitled  
12 "[2023] **2024** Oregon Big Game Regulations," into Oregon Administrative Rules. Therefore, persons  
13 must consult the "[2023] **2024** Oregon Big Game Regulations," in addition to OAR chapter 635, to  
14 determine all applicable requirements for bow and muzzleloader hunting, Premium Hunts, and  
15 controlled deer and elk youth hunts. The annual Oregon Big Game Regulations are available at  
16 hunting license agents and regional, district and headquarters offices and website of the Oregon  
17 Department of Fish and Wildlife.

18 (4) Additional regulation information is available on the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife  
19 website at [www.odfw.com](http://www.odfw.com).

20 **(5) Controlled bow elk hunt dates for the controlled hunt area listed on page 56 and Table 1 are as**  
21 **follows (see attached table):**

23 **Table 1.**

Hunt Number	Hunt Name	Open Season
250R2	N Fork Traditional Bow	[ <del>Oct. 2 – Oct. 6</del> ] <b>Sep. 2 – Oct. 6</b>

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1 —(5) Notwithstanding the provisions of the 2022 Oregon Big Game Hunting Regulations, controlled bow  
2 deer hunt tag numbers for the controlled hunt areas listed on page 35 and Table 1 (see attached table) are  
3 changed as follows:

4 **Table 1.**

<b>Hunt Number</b>	<b>Hunt Name</b>	<b>2022 Tags</b>
175R	Interstate Unit Bow	[413] <b><u>270</u></b>

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

7 Stats. Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

8 **635-073-0100**

9 **Controlled Premium Hunt Regulations**

10 (1) Tags shall be issued by a controlled hunt drawing following the procedures established in  
11 OAR chapter 635, division 060.

12 (2) “L” series Premium Hunt deer tags, “M” series Premium Hunt elk tags, and “N” series  
13 Premium Hunt pronghorn antelope tags are in addition to all other tags and permits approved by the  
14 commission.

15 (a) In addition to the number of deer, elk, and pronghorn antelope tags legally available to an  
16 individual, an individual is allowed one additional deer tag, one additional elk tag, and one  
17 additional pronghorn antelope tag annually provided these tags are Premium Hunt series tags.

18 ~~[(3)(a) N40 Maupin/Biggs, all of units 40 and 43.~~

19 ~~—(b) N70A E Beatys Butte, same hunt area as hunt 470A in the 2021 Oregon Big Game  
20 Regulations;~~

21 ~~—(c) N70B W Beatys Butte, same hunt area as hunt 470B1 in the 2021 Oregon Big Game  
22 Regulations and that part of Hart Mt National Antelope Refuge (NWR) within the Beatys Butte unit;~~

23 ~~—(d) L71 and N71 Juniper, unit 71 including that part of Hart Mt NWR within the Juniper unit,  
24 excluding that part of Malheur NWR north of Foster Flat Rd.]~~



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1 Stat. Auth.: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162  
2 Stats. Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

3 **DIVISION 75**  
4 **LANDOWNER HUNTING PREFERENCE AND OUTFITTERS**  
5 **AND GUIDES TAG ALLOCATION**  
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7 **635-075-0010**

8 **Hunting Area Allowed With Landowner Hunting Preference Tags**

9 (1) A landowner preference tag authorizes the recipient to hunt only on those lands owned and  
10 registered in the Landowner Preference Program by the landowner, and meeting the minimum  
11 acreage requirements for that hunt, during the season dates for which the tag is valid, except as  
12 provided for in OAR 635-075-0010(4) and (5).

13 (2) Except as provided in OAR 635-075-0010(7), Landowner hunting preference tags are valid on the  
14 landowner's registered property in other controlled hunt areas provided the species, bag limits, and  
15 season dates are the same, and the landowner's property in that area either:

16 (a) Meets the minimum acreage requirements for that hunt; or

17 (b) is contiguous to other property owned and registered by the landowner that, if added together,  
18 would meet the minimum acreage requirements for that hunt.

19 (3) A landowner receiving a landowner preference controlled buck deer hunt or controlled elk hunt  
20 tag may not hunt in any other controlled or general buck deer or elk season, except as provided in  
21 OAR division 090 and 635-073-0100 (Premium Hunts).

22 (4) When a landowner is qualified under landowner preference rules adopted by the Commission and  
23 the landowner or an immediate family member receives a deer or elk controlled hunt tag for that unit  
24 and has not harvested an animal, the landowner or immediate family member may use that tag to  
25 take an antlerless deer, except for white-tailed deer in Western Oregon, or elk before, during, or after  
26 the hunting season for which the tags are valid, when approved by the Department, to alleviate  
27 damage that is presently occurring to the landowner's property.

28 (5) Each unfilled landowner preference deer tag may be transferred and used to take two antlerless  
29 animals, except for white-tailed deer in Western Oregon, before, during or after the hunting season



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1 for which the tags are valid, when approved by the Department, to alleviate damage that is presently  
2 occurring to the landowner's property in accordance with the following criteria:

- 3 (a) Transfer must be done by an authorized representative of the Department for no charge;
- 4 (b) Tag(s) is/are to be transferred to someone of the landowner's choice;
- 5 (c) No more than one tag may be transferred to any one person;
- 6 (d) Each tag may only be transferred once;
- 7 (e) Tags shall be issued for a period of no more than 30 days from the date of issuance, and end no  
8 later than March 31. A Department representative may reauthorize an unfilled tag to the same person  
9 for an additional 30 days if damage is presently occurring;
- 10 (f) Persons who have been successful in harvesting a buck and/or antlerless deer in a general and/or  
11 controlled hunt season (excluding "leftover" tags) are also eligible to receive one damage landowner  
12 preference deer tag in a fiscal year of July through June;
- 13 (g) Department personnel shall collect the appropriate fee for the second tag at time of transfer;
- 14 (6) Landowner preference pronghorn antelope tags may only be used during the authorized hunt  
15 season.

16 **(7) Landowner hunting preference tags for other controlled hunt areas are not valid for use in**  
17 **the 254R1, 255R1, 256R1, 254Y1, 255Y1, 256Y1 hunt areas.**

18 Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

19 Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146 & 496.162

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21 **635-075-0020**

22 **Landowner Hunting Preference Tags in Special Seasons**

23 (1)(a) Landowner hunting preference tags are not available for Premium Hunts (series L, M, and N)  
24 or the long duration youth elk hunts (August 1-December 31) or the Melrose 223T (August 1-March  
25 31) youth elk hunt.

26 (b) During controlled elk hunts with a bag limit of spike or better in units where the usual bag limit  
27 for bull elk is spike only, landowner hunting preference tags may be limited to five tags or 10  
28 percent of the total controlled hunt tags whichever is greater; the bag limit for these elk tags shall be  
29 spike or better.



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1 (c) In the following hunts LOP tags will be limited to five tags or 10% of the total controlled hunt  
2 tags, whichever is greater: elk hunts; 254R1, 254Y1, 255R1, 255Y1, 256R1 and 256Y1: buck deer  
3 hunts; **112, 122**, 141C, 142B, 143C, 145A, 148A, 154C, 157A, and 165R2.

4 (2) If landowner preference tags remain from the controlled hunts described in 635-075-0020(1)(b)  
5 after the game mammal controlled hunt drawing, the Department will issue remaining tags to  
6 qualified landowners as described in 635-075-0024.

7 **Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.162

8 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.162

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10 **635-075-0022**

11 **Landowner Hunting Preference Tags for Mule Deer**

12 (1) This rule further implements HB 2027A whereby the 2013 Legislative Assembly directed the  
13 Department through the commission to specify a formula that bases the number of landowner  
14 preference tags available for mule deer on the management, research, and habitat needs set forth in  
15 the wildlife management plan for mule deer.

16 (2) For purposes of this rule, the population management objectives (MOs) for each wildlife  
17 management unit that were adopted by the commission in August 2016 are considered representative  
18 of the management, research, and habitat needs for mule deer.

19 (3) The formula to determine the number of landowner hunting preference tags available for buck  
20 deer in a unit is as follows:

21 (a) In those wildlife management units where the estimated mule deer population is less than 60% of  
22 the established population management objective, the number of landowner hunting preference tags  
23 available for buck deer in that unit may be limited to five tags or 10 percent of the total controlled  
24 buck tags authorized for the public for each hunt in that unit by the commission, whichever is  
25 greater.

26 (b) In those wildlife management units where the estimated mule deer population is equal to or more  
27 than 60% of the established population management objective, but less than 80% of the established  
28 population management objective, the number of landowner hunting preference tags available for  
29 buck deer in that unit may be limited to five tags or 15 percent of the total controlled buck tags  
30 authorized for the public for each hunt in that unit by the commission, whichever is greater.



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1 (c) In the Biggs, Columbia Basin, and Mount Emily wildlife management units, and in the NE  
2 Owyhee 167A hunt area, and in those wildlife management units where the estimated mule deer  
3 population is equal to or more than 80% of the established population management objective, the  
4 number of landowner hunting preference tags available for buck deer in that unit may be issued  
5 based upon a landowner's acreage as set forth in 635-075-0005(8).

6 (d) If conditions such as but not limited to disease or harsh winter weather occur, resulting in  
7 adoption of a Temporary OAR to reduce 100 Series mule deer tags by equal to or more than 25%  
8 from the number authorized by the Commission in areas listed or described in 635-075-0022(3)(c),  
9 Limited Landowner Preference mule deer tags in those areas may be limited as described in 635-  
10 075-0022(3)(b).

11 (4) If landowner preference tags remain from the controlled hunts described in 635-075-0022(3)(a)  
12 or (b) after the game mammal controlled hunt drawing, the Department will issue remaining tags to  
13 qualified landowners as described in 635-075-0024.

14 (5) Landowner Hunting Preference Tag numbers for mule deer in [2022] **2024** will be **set** [adopted  
15 ~~by temporary rule~~] prior to the June [2022] **2024** controlled hunt draw.

16 Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.138, 496.012, 496.146 & 496.162

17 Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.138, 496.012, 496.146 & 496.162

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19 **635-075-0029**

20 **Tag Purchasing Requirements**

21 (1) The department will notify outfitters and guides of the drawing results by December 31 of each  
22 year.

23 (2) On or before March 31 of each year Outfitters and Guides who are successful in the drawing  
24 must:

25 (a) Submit to the department the names, addresses, and ODFW ID number [~~if already purchased~~] of  
26 the nonresidents for whom tags are to be issued, if that information is available.

27 (b) Tags purchased for unnamed clients (b) are subject to the price and time limits set forth in OAR 635-  
28 075-0035 (3)(a) and (b).



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(c) Submit to the department all required fees. Outfitters and guides must submit all fees; they will not be accepted from nonresident applicants to whom the tags will be issued. The department shall not issue a tag to any person who does not have a valid nonresident Oregon hunting license. NOTE: Fees for Outfitter and Guides tags are described in ORS 497.112. No later than July 31 the department will issue all requested tags from the December drawing for which the outfitters and guides, and the nonresident applicants, have met requirements.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 497.112 & 496.151

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 497.112 & 496.151

**DIVISION 090**  
**ACCESS AND HABITAT PROGRAM**

**635-090-0150**

**Deer and Elk Auction Tags**

(1) The following tags will be auctioned to the highest bidder annually in such manner and at such time as determined by the department pursuant to OAR 635-090-0140. Hunters successful in bidding for one of the following tags are subject to the provisions of OAR 635-090-0140 and OAR Chapter 635, Division 065.

(2) Governor's Statewide Combination Hunt.

(a) Bag Limit: One elk and one deer **except no take of Columbian white-tailed deer outside of the Douglas county portion of Wildlife Management Units 21, 22, 23 and 24.**

(b) Hunting Hours: As provided in OAR 635-065-0730.

(c) Open Season: August 1 through November 30.

(d) Open Area: Any area within Oregon Wildlife Unit Boundaries as defined in OAR Chapter 635, Division 080 (except federal refuges and specific area closures as defined in OAR Chapter 635, Division 065).

(e) Weapon: Any weapon legal for elk hunting as provided in OAR Chapter 635, Division 065.

(f) Number of tags: One (1) elk and one (1) deer.

(3) Statewide Deer Hunt.



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1 (a) Bag Limit: One deer except no take of Columbian white-tailed deer outside of the  
2 Douglas county portion of Wildlife Management Units 21, 22, 23 and 24.

3 (b) Hunting Hours: As provided in OAR 635-065-0730.

4 (c) Open Season: August 1 through November 30.

5 (d) Open Area: Any area within Oregon Wildlife Unit Boundaries as defined in OAR Chapter  
6 635, Division 080 (except federal refuges and specific area closures as defined in OAR Chapter 635,  
7 Division 065).

8 (e) Weapon: Any weapon legal for deer hunting as provided in OAR Chapter 635, Division 065.

9 (f) Number of Tags: Four.

10 (4) Statewide Elk Hunt.

11 (a) Bag Limit: One elk.

12 (b) Hunting Hours: As provided in OAR 635-065-0730.

13 (c) Open Season: August 1 through November 30.

14 (d) Open Area: Any area within Oregon Wildlife Unit Boundaries as defined in OAR Chapter  
15 635, Division 080 (except federal refuges and specific area closures as defined in OAR Chapter 635,  
16 Division 065).

17 (e) Weapon: Any weapon legal for elk hunting as provided in OAR Chapter 635, Division 065.

18 (f) Number of tags: Four.

19 Statutory Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.232, 496.242

20 Stats. Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.232, 496.242

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23 **Deer and Elk Raffle Tags**

24 (1) The following tags will be issued to individuals selected through a public drawing.

25 (2) Statewide Deer Hunt #AH001.

26 (a) Bag Limit: One deer except no take of Columbian white-tailed deer outside of the  
27 Douglas county portion of Wildlife Management Units 21, 22, 23 and 24.



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1 (b) Hunting Hours: As provided in OAR 635-065-0730.

2 (c) Open Season: August 1 through November 30.

3 (d) Open Area: Any area within Oregon Wildlife Unit Boundaries as defined in OAR Chapter  
4 635, Division 080 (except federal refuges and specific area closures as defined in OAR Chapter 635,  
5 Division 065).

6 (e) Weapon: Any weapon legal for deer hunting as provided in OAR Chapter 635, Division 065.

7 (f) Number of tags: One.

8 (3) Statewide Combination Elk and Deer #AH002

9 (a) Bag Limit: One elk and one deer **except no take of Columbian white-tailed deer outside of**  
10 **the Douglas county portion of Wildlife Management Units 21, 22, 23 and 24.**

11 (b) Hunting Hours: As provided in OAR 635-065-0730.

12 (c) Open Season: August 1 through November 30.

13 (d) Open Area: Any area within Oregon Wildlife Unit Boundaries as defined in OAR Chapter  
14 635, Division 080 (except federal refuges and specific area closures as defined in OAR Chapter 635,  
15 Division 065).

16 (e) Weapon: Any weapon legal for elk hunting as provided in OAR Chapter 635, Division 065.

17 (f) Number of tags: One (1) elk and one (1) deer.

18 (4) Northeast Oregon Deer Hunt #AH003

19 (a) Bag Limit: One deer.

20 (b) Hunting Hours: As provided in OAR 635-065-0730.

21 (c) Open Season: August 1 through November 30.

22 (d) Open Area: Any area open to controlled buck deer rifle hunts within the following wildlife  
23 units as described in OAR Chapter 635, Division 080 (except federal refuges and specific area  
24 closures as defined in OAR Chapter 635, Division 065): Columbia Basin, Walla Walla, Wenaha,  
25 Sled Springs, Chesnimnus, Snake River, Imnaha, Minam, Catherine Creek, Mt. Emily, Ukiah,  
26 Heppner, Fossil, Northside, Desolation, Starkey, Sumpter, Lookout Mountain, Keating, and Pine  
27 Creek.

28 (e) Weapon: Any weapon legal for deer hunting as provided in OAR Chapter 635, Division 065.





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- 1 (f) Number of tags: One.
- 2 (5) Southeast Oregon Deer Hunt #AH004
- 3 (a) Bag Limit: One deer.
- 4 (b) Hunting Hours: As provided in OAR 635-065-0730.
- 5 (c) Open Season: August 1 through November 30.
- 6 (d) Open Area: Any area open to controlled buck deer rifle hunts within the following wildlife  
7 units as described in OAR Chapter 635, Division 080 (except federal refuges and specific area  
8 closures as defined in OAR Chapter 635, Division 065): Murderers Creek, Beulah, Owyhee,  
9 Malheur River, Silvies, Juniper, Steens Mountain, Whitehorse, Beatys Butte, and Warner.
- 10 (e) Weapon: Any weapon legal for deer hunting as provided in OAR Chapter 635, Division 065.
- 11 (f) Number of tags: One.
- 12 (6) Central Oregon Deer Hunt #AH005
- 13 (a) Bag Limit: One deer.
- 14 (b) Hunting Hours: As provided in OAR 635-065-0730.
- 15 (c) Open Season: August 1 through November 30.
- 16 (d) Open Area: Any area open to controlled buck deer rifle hunts within the following wildlife  
17 units as described in OAR Chapter 635, Division 080 (except federal refuges and specific area  
18 closures as defined in OAR Chapter 635, Division 065): Hood, White River, Biggs, Maupin, Grizzly,  
19 Metolius, Ochoco, Maury, Paulina, Upper Deschutes, Fort Rock, Wagontire, Silver Lake, Sprague,  
20 Keno, Klamath Falls, and Interstate.
- 21 (e) Weapon: Any weapon legal for deer hunting as provided in OAR Chapter 635, Division 065.
- 22 (f) Number of tags: One.
- 23 (7) Northeast Oregon Elk Hunt #AH006
- 24 (a) Bag Limit: One elk.
- 25 (b) Hunting Hours: As provided in OAR 635-065-0730.
- 26 (c) Open Season: August 1 through November 30.



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1 (d) Open Area: Any area open to controlled or general season elk rifle hunts within the following  
2 wildlife units as described in OAR Chapter 635, Division 080 (except federal refuges and specific  
3 area closures as defined in OAR Chapter 635, Division 065): Columbia Basin, Walla Walla,  
4 Wenaha, Sled Springs, Chesnimnus, Snake River, Imnaha, Minam, Catherine Creek, Mt. Emily,  
5 Ukiah, Heppner, Fossil, Northside, Desolation, Starkey, Sumpter, Lookout Mountain, Keating, and  
6 Pine Creek.

7 (e) Weapon: Any weapon legal for elk hunting as provided in OAR Chapter 635, Division 065.

8 (f) Number of tags: One.

9 (8) Central/Southeast Elk Hunt #AH007

10 (a) Bag Limit: One elk.

11 (b) Hunting Hours: As provided in OAR 635-065-0730.

12 (c) Open Season: August 1 through November 30.

13 (d) Open Area: Any area open to controlled or general season elk rifle hunts within the following  
14 wildlife units as described in OAR Chapter 635, Division 080 (except federal refuges and specific  
15 area closures as defined in OAR Chapter 635, Division 065): Murderers Creek, Beulah, Owyhee,  
16 Malheur River, Silvies, Juniper, Steens Mountain, Whitehorse, Beatys Butte, Warner, Hood, White  
17 River, Biggs, Maupin, Grizzly, Metolius, Ochoco, Maury, Paulina, Upper Deschutes, Fort Rock,  
18 Wagontire, Silver Lake, Sprague, Keno, Klamath Falls, and Interstate.

19 (e) Weapon: Any weapon legal for elk hunting as provided in OAR Chapter 635, Division 065.

20 (f) Number of tags: One.

21 (9) Western Oregon Elk Hunt #AH008

22 (a) Bag Limit: One elk.

23 (b) Hunting Hours: As provided in OAR 635-065-0730.

24 (c) Open Season: August 1 through November 30.

25 (d) Open Area: Any area within Western Oregon Wildlife Unit Boundaries as defined in OAR  
26 Chapter 635, Division 080 (except federal refuges and specific area closures as defined in OAR  
27 Chapter 635, Division 065).

28 (e) Weapon: Any weapon legal for elk hunting as provided in OAR Chapter 635, Division 065.



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1 (f) Number of tags: One.

2 (10) Statewide Elk Hunt #AH009

3 (a) Bag Limit: One elk.

4 (b) Hunting Hours: As provided in OAR 635-065-0730.

5 (c) Open Season: August 1 through November 30.

6 (d) Open Area: Any area within Oregon Wildlife Unit Boundaries as defined in OAR Chapter  
7 635, Division 080 (except federal refuges and specific area closures as defined in OAR Chapter 635,  
8 Division 065).

9 (e) Weapon: Any weapon legal for elk hunting as provided in OAR Chapter 635, Division 065.

10 (f) Number of tags: One.

11 Statutory Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.232, 496.242

12 Stats. Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.232, 496.242