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CHAPTER 635
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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FILING CAPTION: 2023 Big Game Controlled Hunt Tag Numbers, Season Dates and Regulations

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The Agency requests public comment on whether other options should be considered for achieving the rule's substantive goals while reducing negative economic impact of the rule on business.

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HEARING(S)

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DATE: 09/16/2022

TIME: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

OFFICER: ODFW Commission

ADDRESS: The Historic Central Hotel
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Burns, OR 97720

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NEED FOR THE RULE(S)

This action is necessary to set 2023 hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for game mammals.

DOCUMENTS RELIED UPON, AND WHERE THEY ARE AVAILABLE

1. Staff report prepared for the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission hearing on 9/16/2022.

A copy of the rules and the other documents relied upon for this rulemaking are available from the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, Wildlife Division, 4034 Fairview Industrial Drive SE, Salem, Oregon 97302-1142. Contact Roxie Borisch at 503-947-6314 or Roxann.b.borisch@odfw.oregon.gov to view by appointment between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., on normal working days, Monday through Friday.

STATEMENT IDENTIFYING HOW ADOPTION OF RULE(S) WILL AFFECT RACIAL EQUITY IN THIS STATE

The Department solicits input from representatives of underrepresented communities likely to be affected on whether the proposed rule will have a fiscal impact on the community, the extent of the fiscal impact, and whether the rules will have significant impact on underrepresented communities. For a complete list of persons, the department has invited to provide pre-notice comments please contact Roxie Borisch at 503-947-6314 or Roxann.b.borisch@odfw.oregon.gov.

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT:

These regulations are not expected to result in significant economic or fiscal impacts to local governments or the public.

COST OF COMPLIANCE:

(1) Identify any state agencies, units of local government, and members of the public likely to be economically affected by the rule(s). (2) Effect on Small Businesses: (a) Estimate the number and type of small businesses subject to the rule(s); (b) Describe the expected reporting, recordkeeping and administrative activities and cost required to comply with the rule(s); (c) Estimate the cost of professional services, equipment supplies, labor and increased administration required to comply with the rule(s).

(1) Identify any state agencies, units of local government, and members of the public likely to be economically affected by the rule(s).

State agencies that could be affected by these rules are the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (wildlife management costs) and the Oregon State Police (enforcement costs). No major changes from the current levels of these agencies' operations or expenditures are expected as a result of adoption of these particular rules.

No units of local government are expected to be significantly affected by these rules. No significant changes from the current levels of any local agencies' operations or expenditures are expected as a result of the establishment of these hunting seasons and regulations.

The public is affected by the rules relating to the hunting seasons. Various sectors of the public economy (hunters, suppliers of hunters, and the general economy) will experience varying impacts. The economic impact of changes in hunting rules depends primarily on the changes in hunting opportunities associated with the rule changes and related effects on direct expenditures by hunters. These effects are best measured by estimating the magnitude of changes in the number of hunter days and estimating the resulting changes in expenditures made by hunters, and the associated effects on personal income.

In general, no significant changes in hunter participation levels are anticipated in 2023 compared to 2022, assuming adverse weather and environmental conditions or pandemic issues are not experienced between now and the 2023 seasons.

The total (direct, indirect and induced) effects on personal income in the areas surrounding the associated hunting areas and statewide are the result of the direct expenditures on goods and services made by hunters during their hunting trips. Through the "multiplier process", there is a resulting increase in economic activity and personal income in the general economy of the area and the entire state. A summary of studies that review hunting expenditures is presented below to provide a background on the economic impact of hunting in Oregon.

Survey data from 1989 - 1991 from Starkey Experimental Forest hunts in Eastern Oregon indicate average overall trip expenditure by elk and deer hunters of about \$285, with nearly \$150 of the total made in Eastern Oregon. This is equivalent to an average expenditure of \$52.36 per hunter day, of which an average of \$27.52 per hunter day was made in Eastern Oregon. In inflation adjusted 2021 dollars, the average expenditure per hunter day would amount to about

\$106 per hunter day, with an average of \$55.92 spent in Eastern Oregon (base year 1991).

The relationship between direct, indirect and induced personal income from the direct trip expenditures per hunter day can be estimated based on response coefficients developed from an economic input-output model. Using the 1989 - 1991 Starkey Experimental Forest data and information on the relationship between expenditures and the personal income associated with the spending, the state-level personal income impact per hunter day for Eastern Oregon deer and elk was about \$39; the personal income impact in Eastern Oregon was about \$13 per hunter activity day. Adjusting for inflation since 1991, the personal income impacts in 2021 dollars would be about \$81 per hunter day at the state level, and about \$27 per hunter day in Eastern Oregon.

A 2008 survey conducted for the Department and Travel Oregon by Dean Runyan Associates found that hunting-related direct expenditures were \$517.94 million for all of Oregon. This is equivalent to \$641.86 million in 2021 dollars. This spending includes trip costs, such as food, lodging/camping, gasoline, guide fees, and equipment expenditures. The equipment category represents the majority (about 62%) of those expenditures. A 2021, study by Earth Economics provide updated figures on hunting-related expenditures (using 2019 data). The survey findings estimate Oregon's total hunter related expenditures to be \$225.9 million in 2019 dollars with a per-person, in 2021 dollars this is \$245.29 million, per-day breakdown of \$111.23 (\$120.78 in 2021 USD).

Total hunter expenditures are not currently estimated annually at a statewide level for Oregon. However, there are some figures available that provide context on hunter expenditures. According to data from the 2011 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting and Wildlife-Associated Recreation, total hunter expenditures in Oregon were about \$238.7 million in 2011. In 2021 dollars, this would mean \$302.19 million in expenditures.

The estimates above will be reasonably good measures of the impact on total personal income per hunter day to the extent that the dollars spent for the hunting trips would not have been spent on other activities or commodities in Oregon had there been no hunting seasons. The economic impacts of hunters' expenditures on durable equipment associated with hunting are not included in the estimates above. These equipment expenditures are not necessarily related to hunter use in a simple linear fashion, and hence, may not be significantly affected by marginal changes in seasons. However, there is probably a positive relationship between hunting opportunities and equipment expenditures, particularly in the long run.

The effect of changes in numbers of hunters and hunter activity on personal income in the regions and at the state level can be estimated using the personal income impact per day estimates. However, the aggregate impact depends on the magnitude of the changes in the number of hunters and hunter days. As indicated above, there are relatively minor changes expected to the number of hunters and net hunting days due to changes in game mammal regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 compared to 2022. However, depending on the weather next winter and other environmental factors affecting survival, there may be changes in the amount of controlled hunt tags available in 2023, especially for deer hunts. Obviously, the magnitude of these changes cannot be predicted, but should a hard winter occur, the effects on tag availability could possibly be greater than the effects of any changes in these proposed regulations.

The current restrictions in some of the hunting seasons for game mammals can be viewed as restricting opportunities and reducing positive economic impacts in the short run. However, conservation through adjustment of these and other game mammal hunting seasons is intended to perpetuate the resources at optimum levels over the long run. Failure to restrict harvests of game animals to allow escapement for reproduction would result in reduced hunting opportunities in the future. The proposed regulations strike a balance that will sustain game mammal population levels and maintain future benefits.

References

Dean Runyan Associates. Fishing, Hunting, Wildlife Viewing, and Shellfishing in Oregon, 2008. Prepared for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, May 2009.

Mojica, J., Cousins, K., Madsen, T., 2021. Economic Analysis of Outdoor Recreation in Oregon. Earth Economics. Tacoma, WA.

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. Unpublished Analysis of Hunter Expenditure Data Collected from Hunters on the Starkey Experimental Forest, 1989 - 1991.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and U.S. Census Bureau. 2011 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation, 2011.

(2) Effect on Small Businesses: (a) Estimate the number and type of small businesses subject to the rule(s);

The types of business subject to the rule are primarily those that supply goods or services to hunters. These may include taxidermy services, hunting guides, private hunting preserve operators, food and beverage stores, gasoline stations, sporting goods stores, general merchandise stores, accommodation businesses, food services and drinking places. Big game hunting occurs in myriad locations throughout the state and thus the number of small businesses subject to the rule cannot be estimated. During the first year of any new controlled hunt the Department does not issue outfitters and guide tags for non-residents which may impact these specific small businesses during the initial year of the proposed hunting.

(b) Describe the expected reporting, recordkeeping and administrative activities and cost required to comply with the rule(s);

None expected.

(c) Estimate the cost of professional services, equipment supplies, labor and increased administration required to comply with the rule(s).

None expected.

DESCRIBE HOW SMALL BUSINESSES WERE INVOLVED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THESE RULE(S):

The Department has been conducting a Big Game Regulation Review Project in efforts to update the regulations to clarify regulatory language and provide fair and consistent opportunity while ensuring biological objectives are met. Public input to help inform these changes includes feedback from stakeholders collected at 17 public meetings held at various locations around the state, an online public forum conducted in 2020, and recent 2019 and 2020 surveys of over 4,000 randomly selected resident deer and elk hunters. Final reports of the Forum comments and Deer and Elk Hunter Survey are online at <https://myodfw.com/articles/big-game-hunting-season-review>

WAS AN ADMINISTRATIVE RULE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSULTED? NO IF NOT, WHY NOT?

The draft administrative rules were developed without a committee of interested or affected persons. These rules are amended annually to administer an existing program. Interested and affected persons are generally aware of this rulemaking schedule. The Department provides information and Draft proposals to, and receives comments from,

interested and affected persons. In addition, affected persons have been guided to provide feedback to the Department through an online form. The Department District Biologists also conducted outreach efforts at local levels. At the Commission hearing, public correspondence and testimony is accepted into the record as part of the rulemaking process.

RULES PROPOSED:

635-008-0053, 635-008-0170, 635-045-0000, 635-060-0000, 635-060-0005, 635-060-0008, 635-060-0018, 635-060-0040, 635-065-0001, 635-065-0011, 635-065-0015, 635-065-0090, 635-065-0101, 635-065-0201, 635-065-0401, 635-065-0635, 635-065-0700, 635-065-0720, 635-065-0740, 635-065-0760, 635-065-0765, 635-066-0000, 635-066-0010, 635-067-0000, 635-067-0004, 635-067-0029, 635-067-0032, 635-067-0034, 635-067-0041, 635-068-0000, 635-068-0022, 635-069-0000, 635-070-0000, 635-071-0000, 635-072-0000, 635-073-0000, 635-073-0100, 635-075-0005, 635-075-0026, 635-075-0029, 635-090-0140

AMEND: 635-008-0053

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-008-0053

Procedures for Issuance and Enforcement of Parking Permits for Department Wildlife Areas ¶¶

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife hereby adopts the following procedures relating to issuance and enforcement of parking permits for certain vehicles on Department Wildlife Areas where parking permits are required:¶¶

(1) Parking may be limited to designated parking areas. A parking permit is required at all times for parking at all designated wildlife areas where a Wildlife Area Parking Permit is required. Refer to specific wildlife area regulations listed in these rules.¶¶

(2) Fee parking areas are designated by ODFW approved signs.¶¶

(3) One of the following permits is required: an annual permit or a daily permit.¶¶

(4) The fee for parking permits is \$8.00 (plus \$2.00 agent fee) for permits issued on a daily basis or \$28.00 (plus \$2.00 agent fee) for permits issued on an annual basis beginning each January 1. Any annual hunting license (including Combination and Sports Pac) will include a free annual parking permit.¶¶

(5) Permits are issued by selected local agents, Department offices that sell licenses and the Department's Online License Sales website to a party upon payment and may be transferred from vehicle to vehicle.¶¶

(6) The permits must be visible from outside the vehicle and be displayed in the front or rear window of the vehicle.¶¶

(7) No parking permits will be required for those vehicles which are owned or operated by government agencies. Notwithstanding paragraph (5), the Department reserves the right to issue free administrative parking permits for private vehicles used by volunteers while participating in official Department-related activities or to participants involved in a Department sponsored hunter recruitment event. Parking permits will not be required for individuals arriving in private vehicles to address fire, health or safety emergencies.¶¶

(8)(a) A person who parks a motor-propelled vehicle in violation of restrictions established and posted under OAR 635-008-0051 through 635-008-0053 commits an offense punishable as provided in ORS 496.992;¶¶

(b) The procedure for a peace officer (or other person authorized to enforce the wildlife laws) to follow upon finding a non-government vehicle parked in a designated fee parking area without a permit shall consist of the issuance of a citation which shall be either delivered to the defendant or placed in a conspicuous place upon the vehicle in the violation.¶¶

(c) A person who is the registered owner of an unattended motor-propelled vehicle parked in violation of the restrictions established and posted under OAR 635-008-0051 through 635-008-0053 shall be presumed to have violated OAR 635-008-0053(8)(a). It is an affirmative defense to a prosecution of the registered owner of a vehicle under subsection (8)(a) of this section that the use was not authorized by the owner, either expressly or by

implication [for the owner was not present when the vehicle was parked].

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146

AMEND: 635-008-0170

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-008-0170

Wenaha Wildlife Area (Wallowa County) ¶¶

The Wenaha Wildlife Area is open to wildlife-oriented public use compatible with goals and objectives contained in the 2007 (updated 2017) Wenaha Wildlife Area Management Plan unless otherwise excluded or restricted by the following rules:¶¶

- (1) The area is open to the public from April 1 through December 31, ~~except by access permit issued by ODFW.~~ Exceptions: Year-round public access is permitted at designated camping areas, (headquarters and Griz Flat), on department land along the Wenaha River, and between the Grande Ronde river road and the Grande Ronde River from the Redmond grade bridge below Troy to the mouth of Wildcat Cr.¶¶
- (2) Motorized vehicle travel is only allowed on open roads or parking areas and up to 300 feet off open roads for the purpose of moving to and from designated campsites.¶¶
- (3) Camping is prohibited except in designated campsites and shall not exceed a total of 14 days during any 30-day period.¶¶
- (4) Campfires or open burning is prohibited except at campsites. Open fires are prohibited during designated fire closures.¶¶
- (5) Discharging of firearms is prohibited except while hunting during authorized game bird and game mammal seasons, or at the Griz Flat muzzleloader range in accordance with posted rules.¶¶
- (6) Domestic sheep and goats are prohibited.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146

AMEND: 635-045-0000

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

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 "2022-2023" Oregon Game Bird Regulations," and "2022~~2~~3 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

AMEND: 635-060-0000

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

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 "2022-2023" Oregon Game Bird Regulations," and "202223 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. ¶¶

[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

AMEND: 635-060-0005

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-060-0005

Application Eligibility and Procedures ¶¶

(1)(a) An applicant for game mammal controlled hunts shall have a current adult hunting license or ~~juvenile hunting license. A current and complete hunting license number shall be entered on the application for the controlled hunt.~~ youth combination license. ¶¶

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

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

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

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

(a) 100 series for controlled buck deer. ¶¶

(b) 200 series for controlled elk. ¶¶

(c) 400 series for pronghorn antelope. ¶¶

(d) 500 series for bighorn sheep. ¶¶

(e) 600 series for controlled antlerless deer. ¶¶

(f) 700 series for controlled black bear. ¶¶

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

(h) L series for Premium deer. ¶¶

(i) M series for Premium elk. ¶¶

(j) N series for Premium pronghorn antelope. ¶¶

(4) If successful in the drawing, party members shall receive the same hunt choice as the party leader. ~~If a party application exceeds the allowed party size, all applicants in the party shall be considered as individual applicants in the drawing.~~ Party size limits are as follows: ¶¶

(a) 100 series hunts, no limitation. ¶¶

(b) 200 series hunts, no limitation. ¶¶

(c) 400 series hunts, no limitation. ¶¶

(d) 500 series hunts, no parties allowed. ¶¶

(e) 600 series hunts, no limitation. ¶¶

(f) 700 series hunts, no limitation. ¶¶

(g) 900 series hunts no parties allowed. ¶¶

(h) L series hunts no parties allowed. ¶¶

(i) M series hunts no parties allowed. ¶¶

(j) N series hunts no parties allowed. ¶¶

(5) Controlled Hunt applications, along with the proper fees, must be submitted online, through the Department or its agents no later than midnight of the deadline dates described in OAR 635-060-0008 (1)-(5). ~~Applications along with proper fees submitted by U.S. Postal Service must be postmarked by the application deadline.~~

Applications received after the specified deadline dates may be considered disqualified as described in OAR 635-060-0018(4). ¶¶

(6) To apply for a controlled youth hunt for spring bear, pronghorn, deer or elk a youth must be 12-17 years old at the time they hunt. ¶¶

(7) The purchase price of applications for controlled game bird hunts shall be a nonrefundable fee of \$2.00 per application, and a nonrefundable \$2.00 license agent processing fee. Game bird controlled hunt application procedures are listed in the current Oregon Game Bird Regulations.

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

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

AMEND: 635-060-0008

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-060-0008

Application Deadline Dates ¶¶

(1) The application deadline for spring black bear controlled hunts is February 10, each year.¶¶

(2) The application deadline for pronghorn antelope, bighorn sheep, Rocky Mountain goat, deer and elk controlled hunts is May 15, each year.¶¶

~~(3) Applications for the controlled hunts listed in OAR 635-060-0005(1)-(5) above that are hand-delivered by the specified deadline dates will be considered on time (see 635-060-0005(5)).¶¶~~

(4) In the event that tags remain from undersubscribed controlled hunts after the game mammal controlled hunt drawing ("leftover tags"), the department may issue remaining tags for sale online through the Department's Electronic Licensing System. Tags issued in this manner may be exchanged for a general season tag only as authorized by OAR 635-010-0019. A person may only purchase one leftover tag per hunt series. ¶¶

(5) Leftover tags are not available as an additional tag. Beginning the next business day after leftover tags are made available to the public a hunter who was selected for a tag of their choice through the original game mammal controlled hunt drawing process may exchange that tag for a remaining leftover tag while tags remain available. Exchanges may be ~~obtained through~~ completed on-line or in person at the department's license agents regional offices, designated district offices, or the Salem headquarters office of the department and must be made before the start of the seasons for which the tags are issued. The tag being exchanged shall not be reissued.

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

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

AMEND: 635-060-0018

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-060-0018

Applicant Disqualification ¶

If an applicant violates any of the following restrictions, their individual application shall be removed from the drawing. If an applicant is a member of a party application and is removed from the drawing, the other party members may remain as a party provided they commit no violation of the following restrictions and apply without error.¶

(1) An applicant may submit only one application per hunt number series referenced in OAR 635-060-0005(3)(a)-(j).¶

(2) An application receipt shall not be altered from what was originally issued by the license agent.¶

(3) An applicant shall not violate the wait period established in OAR 635-060-0022 for bighorn sheep ram or Rocky Mt. goat hunts.¶

(4) An application shall have correct and complete information.

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

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

AMEND: 635-060-0040

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-060-0040

Active Member of the Uniformed Services Controlled Hunt Tags ¶¶

(1) Each Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (Department) Wildlife District office is authorized to issue, for hunts at least partially within their Wildlife District, up to 20 controlled hunt tags for deer, 20 controlled hunt tags for elk, and 20 controlled hunt ~~or limited tags~~ for spring bear tags to Oregon residents who are active members of the Armed Forces currently stationed outside of Oregon, but in Oregon on Temporary Leave.¶¶

(2) Active members of the uniformed services Controlled Hunt Tags or Limited Tags will be issued first come first served beginning July 1 until the authorized number has been issued.¶¶

(3) To purchase the tag the active members of the uniformed services must provide the following information to the Department District office responsible for issuing the tag:¶¶

(a) A copy of an active duty military ID.¶¶

(b) A copy of current leave papers to document they are currently stationed outside of Oregon.¶¶

(c) A valid Oregon resident hunting license.¶¶

(4) Controlled or limited hunts for which active members of the uniformed services controlled hunt tags can be issued include:¶¶

(a) Controlled ~~or limited~~ spring bear hunts, controlled deer or elk hunts with a bag limit of "antlerless", or "spike only", that have a minimum of 20 tags authorized by the Commission.¶¶

(b) Controlled deer or elk hunts with a bag limit that allows buck deer or bull elk with two or more points on one antler, not counting the brow tine, to be harvested, that have a minimum of ~~6~~100 tags authorized by the Commission. ¶¶

(c) Additional tags for active members of the uniformed services for each controlled hunt will not exceed 10% of the tag number authorized by the Commission.¶¶

(5) Active members of the uniformed services Controlled Hunt Tags cannot be authorized for controlled hunts occurring on the Starkey Experimental Forest, Hart Mountain NAR, or Umatilla NWR.¶¶

(6) All hunt specific regulations adopted by the Commission for hunts where tags are issued (dates, bag limits, boundaries, etc.) will apply.¶¶

(7) Tag recipients must pay the standard resident price for the tag. Any additional fee for purchasing a tag after the tag sale deadline will be waived.¶¶

(8) The hunter must provide harvest and effort information to the issuing office within five business days after the closing date of the hunt printed on the tag.

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

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

AMEND: 635-065-0001

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-065-0001

Purpose and General Information ¶¶

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

(2) OAR Chapter 635, Division 065 incorporates, by reference, the requirements for hunting game mammals set out in the document entitled "2022~~3~~ Oregon Big Game Regulations," into Oregon Administrative Rules. Therefore, persons must consult the "2022~~3~~ Oregon Big Game Regulations" in addition to OAR chapter 635, to determine all applicable requirements for game mammals. The annual Oregon Big Game Regulations are available at hunting license agents and regional, district, and headquarters offices, and website 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.¶¶

[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

AMEND: 635-065-0011

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-065-0011

Mandatory Reporting Penalty ¶

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

(1) Reporting deadlines for 2021-2022 seasons are as follows: ¶

(a) January 31, 2022: For hunts ending between April 1 and December 31, 2021. ¶

(b) April 15, 2022: For hunts ending between January 1 and March 31, 2022. ¶

(2) Any person with any deer or elk tag for hunts and seasons listed in the 2021 Oregon Big Game Regulations pamphlet, issued through the Electronic Licensing System, that fails to report by deadlines established in OAR 635-065-0011(1) will not be able to obtain a license to hunt game mammals or game birds in Oregon without paying a penalty. ¶

(a) The penalty will be assessed beginning December 1, 2022 with purchase of a 2023 license. ¶

(b) The penalty fee amount will be \$25. ¶

(3) Reporting deadlines for 2022-2023 seasons are as follows: ¶

(a) January 31, 2023: For hunts ending between April 1 and December 31, 2022. ¶

(b) April 15, 2023: For hunts ending between January 1 and March 31, 2023. ¶

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

(a) The penalty will be assessed beginning December 1, 2023 with purchase of a 2024 license. ¶

(b) The penalty fee amount will be \$25.

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

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

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-065-0015

General Tag Requirements and Limits ¶¶

- (1) Big Game Tags: Any person hunting game mammals for which a tag is required must have on their person a valid tag for the dates, area and species being hunted.¶¶
- (2) Any person 12 years of age or older may purchase game mammal tags if they possess an adult or juvenile hunting license.¶¶
- (3) A person may obtain and possess during an annual hunting season only:¶¶
 - (a) One valid black bear general season fall tag;¶¶
 - (b) One valid black bear additional general season fall tag;¶¶
 - (c) One valid black bear spring controlled hunt tag in addition to general season bear tags issued under subsections (a) and (b) above; or¶¶
 - (d) One valid black bear "leftover" spring controlled hunt tag;¶¶
 - (e) One valid cougar general season tag;¶¶
 - (f) One valid cougar additional general season tag;¶¶
 - (g) One valid controlled pronghorn antelope tag except as provided in OAR 635-073-0100.¶¶
- (4) Except as provided in OAR chapter 635, division 090, and in OAR 635-075-0010, and in OAR 635-073-0100, a person may obtain and possess only one of the following tags during an annual hunting season:¶¶
 - (a) One valid buck deer general season archery tag; or¶¶
 - (b) One valid buck deer general season western Oregon any legal weapon tag; or¶¶
 - (c) One valid buck deer controlled hunt 100 series tag; or¶¶
 - (d) One valid buck deer "left over" controlled hunt 100 series tag; and¶¶
 - (e) In addition to one of (4)(a), or (4)(b), or (4)(c), or (4)(d) one valid antlerless deer controlled hunt 600 series tag; or¶¶
 - (f) One valid antlerless deer "left over" controlled hunt 600 series tag; and¶¶
 - (g) One valid "Take a Friend Hunting" Contest deer tag. Season dates, bag limit, and hunt area are as in OAR 635-090-0150 for deer and elk auction tags.¶¶
- (5) Except as provided in OAR chapter 635, division 090, and OAR 635-073-0100, a person may obtain and possess only one of the following tags during an annual hunting season:¶¶
 - (a) One valid general season elk west Cascades tag; or¶¶
 - (b) One valid general season elk western Oregon Coast first season tag; or¶¶
 - (c) One valid general season elk western Oregon Coast second season tag; or¶¶
 - (d) One valid general season elk Eastern Oregon Rocky Mountain second season tag; or¶¶
 - (e) One valid elk general archery season tag; or¶¶
 - (f) One valid elk controlled hunt 200 series tag; or¶¶
 - (g) One valid general season Antlerless Elk Damage Tag; or¶¶
 - (h) One valid elk "leftover" controlled hunt 200 series tag.¶¶
- (6) In addition to the tags described in OAR 635-065-0015(3), (4), and (5), a person during an annual hunting season may obtain or possess only one valid "Mandatory Hunter Reporting Incentive Tag" per annual hunting season. If the Department awards a hunter such a tag through the controlled hunt draw authorized by OAR 635-060-0030(5), the following requirements will apply:¶¶
 - (a) On or before July 15, 2022~~3~~ the hunter must inform the Department which species the tag is to be issued for (pronghorn antelope, deer, or elk) and purchase the tag. Tags not purchased by July 15 will be offered to an alternate hunter with a tag sale deadline of July 31, 2022~~3~~.¶¶
 - (b) Hunting hours, hunt dates, bag limit and hunt area for Mandatory Hunter Reporting Incentive Tags will be the same as those listed in OAR 635-090-0150(3) for deer or (4) for elk, or 635-067-0028(2) for pronghorn.¶¶
 - (c) Bag limit: one pronghorn antelope or one deer or one elk.¶¶
 - (d) Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife employees are not eligible for a Mandatory Hunter Reporting Incentive Tag.¶¶
- (7) Except as provided in OAR 635-067-0032 thru 635-067-0034, a person may obtain and possess only one

bighorn sheep ram tag in a lifetime.¶

(8) Except as provided in OAR 635-067-0036 and 635-067-0041 a person may obtain and possess only one Rocky Mountain goat tag in a lifetime.¶

(9) It is unlawful for any person to issue or to possess any game mammal tag which has been backdated.¶

(10) Any game mammal tag having an issue date subsequent to the last day authorized for issue of such tag as listed in "Oregon Big Game Regulations" for the current season is a void tag. Exception:¶

(a) Members of the uniformed services returning to the state after the deadline shall be permitted to purchase general season tags for themselves at the Salem headquarters and regional offices of the Department.¶

(b) Notwithstanding the deadlines for tag purchases provided by rule and in the hunting regulation synopses, any person who qualifies to purchase a tag but fails to make the purchase by the deadline, may purchase the tag late if the person:¶

(A) Submits a ~~written affidavit~~ attestation to the Department's Licensing Services Office certifying that the person has not yet hunted during the season for which the tag is sought ~~to the Department's Licensing Services Office;~~¶

(B) The request must be received by the Department before the end of the season for the particular tag; and¶

(C) Pays the Department the fee as provided in OAR 635-010-0019 for a tag issued after the tag sale deadline in addition to the usual tag fee.¶

(D) A tag purchased for a season that has not begun may be canceled and ~~replaced with~~ exchanged for a tag for an ongoing season using the process outlined in 635-065-0015(b)(A) and (B) provided the original tag is surrendered with the affidavit 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

AMEND: 635-065-0090

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-065-0090

Disabled Hunter Seasons and Bag Limits ¶¶

(1) A person who possesses an Oregon Disabilities Hunting and Fishing Permit issued by the Department is qualified for expanded bag limits as follows: Season/Tag - Bag Limit ¶¶

(a) General or controlled buck deer - One deer ¶¶

(b) In the following units: Biggs, Columbia Basin, Indigo, Maupin, McKenzie, Melrose, Santiam, Willamette. ¶¶

~~(b)~~ General or controlled bull elk - Legal bull or antlerless elk in the following units: Applegate, Beatys Butte, Beulah, Biggs, Catherine Creek, Chesnimnus, Columbia Basin, Dixon (outside National Forest Lands within the unit), Evans Creek (outside National Forest Lands within the unit), East Fort Rock (that portion east of Hwy 97), Fossil, Grizzly, Hood, Imnaha, Indigo (outside National Forest Lands within the unit), Juniper, Keating, Lookout Mountain, Malheur River, Maupin, McKenzie (outside National Forest Lands within the unit), Melrose, Minam, Murderers Creek, Northside, Ochoco, Owyhee, Paulina, Pine Creek, ~~Ritter portion of the Heppner unit (that part of unit 48 south and east of the North Fork John Day River)~~, Rogue (outside National Forest Lands within the unit), Santiam (outside National Forest Lands within the unit), Silvies, Siuslaw, Sixes, Sled Springs, Steens Mountain, South Sumpter (that part of Unit 51 south of Burnt Rvr Canyon Rd from Durkee to junction State Hwy 245 and Hwy 245 from junction Burnt Rvr Canyon Rd to Unity), Wagontire, White River, Whitehorse, and Willamette. ¶¶

~~(c)~~ Controlled pronghorn antelope, ~~b~~ ¶¶

(e) Buck only hunts- One pronghorn ¶¶

(f) In the following units: Beatys Butte, Biggs, Catherine Creek, Columbia Basin, Fossil, Grizzly, Heppner, Juniper, Keating, Lookout Mountain, Maupin, Maury, Murderers Creek, Northside, ~~Ochoco~~, Paulina, Pine Creek, ~~Silver Lake, Silvies~~, Steens Mountain, Sumpter, Wagontire, Warner. ¶¶

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

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

(3) An able-bodied companion may accompany a person with an Oregon Disabilities Hunting and Fishing Permit and kill any animal wounded by the permit holder. The wounded animal must be killed using a legal weapon for the season and species designated on the tag. The companion must immediately validate and attach the permit holder's tag or required information described in OAR 635-065-0765 if validated electronically to the carcass of the animal. The companion is not required to possess a hunting license or tag.

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

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

AMEND: 635-065-0101

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CHANGES TO RULE:

635-065-0101

Buck Deer Seasons ¶

(1) A person hunting deer during the general buck season in the open area listed under the western Oregon deer season described in OAR 635, division 068 shall have on their person a ~~western Oregon Deer Rifle Tag~~ General Any Legal Weapon Westrn Oregon tag.¶

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

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

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

AMEND: 635-065-0201

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CHANGES TO RULE:

635-065-0201

Elk Seasons ¶

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

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

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

(4) A person hunting antlerless elk during the general antlerless elk season in an open area listed under the General Season Antlerless Elk Damage Tag shall have on their person a General Season Antlerless Elk Damage Tag.

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

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

AMEND: 635-065-0401

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

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, ~~September 30~~October 30, 2022~~3~~.¶¶
- (2) No buck deer general season archery tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, ~~August 26~~September 1, 2022~~3~~.¶¶
- (3) No black bear general season fall tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, ~~September 30~~October 30, 2022~~3~~.¶¶
- (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, ~~September 30~~October 30, 2022~~3~~.¶¶
- (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 ~~4~~10, 2022~~3~~.¶¶
- (8) No general season elk western Oregon Coast first season tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, November ~~17~~17, 2022~~3~~.¶¶
- (9) No general season elk weastern Oregon Coast second season tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, November ~~18~~24, 2022~~3~~.¶¶
- (10) No general season elk west Cascade tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, November ~~4~~10, 2022~~3~~.¶¶
- (11) No elk general archery season tag shall be issued after 11:59 pm, Pacific Time, ~~August 26~~September 1, 2022~~3~~.¶¶
- (12) No General Season Antlerless Elk Damage Tag shall be issued after legal shooting hours end on March 31, 202~~3~~4.

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

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

AMEND: 635-065-0635

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-065-0635

Winter Range Closure Areas ¶¶

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

- (1) Tumalo Winter Range: December 1 through March 31, - That part of the Upper Deschutes Unit as follows: 125 square miles in Townships 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19 South, Ranges 10 and 11 East.¶¶
 - (2) Bear Valley: Closed to motor vehicle use year round - That part of the Keno Unit as follows: six square miles in Township 40 South, Ranges 7 and 8 East.¶¶
 - (3) Lost River: December 1 through April 15 - That part of the Klamath Falls Unit as follows: 6 square miles in Township 39 South, Ranges 11, 11-1/2, and 12 East.¶¶
 - (4) Lost River: December 1 through April 15 - That part of the Interstate Unit as follows: 6 square miles in Township 41 South, Range 14 East.¶¶
 - (5) Cabin Lake-Silver Lake: December 1 through March 31 - That part of the Paulina Unit as follows: 342 square miles in Townships 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, and 29 South, Ranges 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16 East.¶¶
 - (6) Spring Creek Winter Range: December 15 through April 30 - That part of the Starkey Unit as follows: 14 square miles in Townships 2 and 3 South, Range 36 East.¶¶
 - (7) McCarty Winter Range: December 15 through ~~March~~ April 31 - That part of the Starkey Unit as follows: 12 square miles in Townships 4 and 5 South, Ranges 34 and 35 East.¶¶
 - (8) Metolius Winter Range: December 1 through March 31 - That part of the Metolius Unit as follows: 101 square miles in Townships 11, 12, 13, and 14 South and Ranges 11 and 12 East.¶¶
 - (9) Bryant Mountain: November 1 through April 15 - That part of the Klamath Falls Unit as follows: 50 square miles in Townships 39, 40, and 41 South and Ranges 12 and 13 East.
- Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.162
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.162

AMEND: 635-065-0700

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-065-0700

Rifles - Requirements ¶¶

Hunters shall only use:¶¶

- (1) Any .24 caliber or larger centerfire rifle that is not fully automatic to hunt elk. Semiautomatics shall have a magazine capacity of no more than five cartridges.¶¶
 - (2) Any centerfire rifle .22 caliber or larger that is not fully automatic to hunt pronghorn antelope, black bear, cougar, bighorn sheep, Rocky Mountain goat, or deer. Semiautomatics shall have a magazine capacity of no more than five cartridges.¶¶
 - (3) Any rifle that is not fully automatic to hunt western gray squirrels.¶¶
 - (4) For hunting seasons designated as rifle any legal weapon hunts, hunters shall use only firearms or bows and arrows legal for that species:¶¶
 - (a) A person hunting deer with either a western Oregon deer rifle any legal weapon tag or eastern Oregon deer rifle any legal weapon tag shall use a legal centerfire or muzzleloading rifle, or shotgun, or centerfire handgun, or bow.¶¶
 - (b) A person hunting elk with any elk rifle any legal weapon tag shall use a legal centerfire or muzzleloading rifle, or shotgun, or centerfire handgun, or bow.¶¶
 - (5) Hunters shall not use tracer ammunition or full metal-jacket bullets.
- Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.162
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.162

AMEND: 635-065-0720

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-065-0720

Bows and Arrows - Requirements ¶¶

Hunters shall use: ¶¶

- (1) Any long, recurve, or compound bow with 40-pound or heavier pull rating to hunt pronghorn antelope, black bear, cougar, bighorn sheep, Rocky Mountain goat, deer, or elk. ¶¶
- (2) Any long, recurve, or compound bow to hunt western gray squirrels. ¶¶
- (3) Only unbarbed broadheads at least 7/8-inch wide to hunt game mammals. Broadheads with moveable blades that fold/collapse when withdrawn are not considered barbed. Western gray squirrel may also be hunted with small game arrow points/heads. ¶¶
- (4) A long, recurve, or compound bow and shall not possess any crossbow while hunting within an authorized bowhunting area or season. ¶¶
- (5) Only a long, recurve, or compound bow during any authorized pronghorn antelope, deer or elk bowhunting season to hunt pronghorn antelope, deer, or elk. ¶¶
- (6) For hunting seasons designated as bowhunting, hunters shall only use the bows legal for the species being hunted. Bows may be used during game mammal seasons in which centerfire firearms are legal. ¶¶
- (7) For hunting seasons designated as traditional bow, hunters shall use only long or recurve bows legal for the species being hunted.¶¶
- (8) Hunters shall not use any electronic device(s) attached to bow or arrow except lighted arrow nocks that have no function other than to increase visibility of the arrow and cameras that have no other function (such as range-finding) are allowed. ¶¶
- (89) Hunters shall not use any device secured to or supported by the bow for the purpose of maintaining the bow at full draw (Persons unable to comply because of a disability may be eligible for a temporary permit from the Department).

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

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

AMEND: 635-065-0740

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-065-0740

Hunting Prohibited ¶¶

It is unlawful: ¶¶

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

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

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

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

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

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

(6) To hunt protected wildlife except: ¶¶

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

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

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

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

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

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

RULE ATTACHMENTS DO NOT SHOW CHANGES. PLEASE CONTACT AGENCY REGARDING CHANGES.

635-065-0740
Hunting Prohibited

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

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

AMEND: 635-065-0760

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CHANGES TO RULE:

635-065-0760

Other Restrictions ¶

It is unlawful:¶

- (1) To take or hold in captivity the young of any game mammal.¶
- (2) To hold in captivity any wildlife of this state for which a permit is required without first securing a permit.¶
- (3) To release without a permit any wildlife brought from another state or country, or raised in captivity in this state.¶
- (4) To resist game law enforcement officers.¶
- (5) To refuse inspection of any license, tag or permit, and any wildlife taken, by an employee of the Department; any person authorized to enforce the wildlife laws; or a landowner or agent of the landowner on his or her land while on that property.¶
- (6) To refuse inspection, by an employee of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, or any person authorized to enforce wildlife laws, of any gear used for the purpose of taking wildlife.¶
- (7) To take or attempt to take any game mammals, game birds, migratory waterfowl or any protected wildlife species of any size or sex or amount, by any method or weapon, during any time or in any area not prescribed in these rules. ¶
- (8) To disturb, damage, remove, alter or possess any official Department signs. ¶
- (9) To sell, lend, or borrow any big game tag.¶
- (10) It is unlawful to operate or to be transported in a motor-propelled vehicle in violation of Cooperative Travel Management Areas. "Motor-propelled vehicle" includes aircraft not landing on designated airstrips. Through cooperative agreement, motor vehicle use is limited to specific roads during the dates for the areas listed below.¶ There are two methods of posting road access information; negative marking in which closed roads are marked by signs, gates, berms, or other similar indicators, or positive marking in which open roads are marked by round green reflectors, orange carsonite posts, or similar indicators. Unit descriptions may be found in OAR 635-080-0000 through 635-080-0077. The following closures shall be effective during the specified periods each year:¶
 - (a) North Coast Access Area: Three days prior to opening of general archery season through the close of all bull elk any legal weapon seasons→. Applies to all gated, posted, and/or barrier closed roads within the Saddle Mountain, Scappoose, Trask and Wilson wildlife management units. Cooperators require: day use only on private lands, no ATV use on private and designated state lands, no vehicle may block any road or gate.¶
 - (b) Upper Tualatin-Trask: Three days prior to the opening of buck deer any legal weapon season through the close of all bull elk any legal weapon seasons→. That part of the Trask Unit as follows: 60 square miles in Townships 1 and 2 North and 1 South, and Ranges 5 and 6 West;¶
 - (c) Mid-Coast: Permanent Closure→. That part of the Alsea Unit as follows: Open roads in the Siuslaw NF lands south of US Hwy 20 and north of State Hwy 126 are designated on the Siuslaw NF Motor Vehicle Use Map. However; additional roads may be posted as closed as part of the Cooperative TMA or for administrative purposes.¶
 - (d) Smith Ridge: Permanent Closure→. That part of the McKenzie Unit as follows: 8 square miles in Townships 13 and 14 South, Ranges 6 and 7 East;¶
 - (e) Chucksney Mountain: September 1 through November 30 annually→. That part of the McKenzie Unit as follows: 6 square miles in Township 19 South, Range 5 1/2 East; ¶
 - (f) Skookum Flat: Permanent Closure→. That part of the McKenzie Unit as follows: 8 square miles in Townships 19 and 20 South, Range 6 East; ¶
 - (g) Scott Creek: Permanent Closure→. That part of the McKenzie Unit as follows: 51 square miles in Townships 14, 15, and 16 South, Ranges 6 and 7 East; ¶
 - (h) Coos Bay BLM: Permanent Closure→. That part of the Tioga Unit as follows: Individual posted roads on lands administered by BLM, Coos Bay District. ¶
 - (i) Upper Rogue: Three days prior to the general West Cascade any legal weapon elk season through the close of the general West Cascade elk any legal weapon season→. That part of the Rogue Unit as follows: High Cascades

Ranger District, Rogue River National Forest; ¶

(j) Jackson: October 15 through April 30 annually—, That part of the Rogue, Dixon, and Evans Creek units as follows: 116 square miles in Townships ¶

32, 33, 34, and 35 South, Ranges 1 and 2 West and 1 and 2 East; off-road motor vehicle travel is prohibited at all times; ¶

(k) Pokegama: November 20 through March 31 annually—, That part of the Keno Unit as follows: 97 square miles in Townships 40 and 41 South, Ranges 4, 5, and 6 East; ¶

(l) Lower Klamath Hills: Permanent Closure—, That part of the Klamath Unit as follows: 3 square miles in Township 40 South, Range 9 East; ¶

(m) Goodlow Mountain Area Closure: December 1 through March 31 annually—, That part of the Klamath Unit as follows: 17 square miles in Townships 38 and 39 South, Ranges 12 and 13 East; ¶

(n) Sun Creek: November 1 through June 30 annually—, That part of the Sprague Unit as follows: 14 square miles in Township 32 South, Ranges 6 and 7 1/2 East; ¶

(o) Fox Butte: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season through the close of the controlled buck deer any legal weapon season -- That part of the Paulina Unit as follows: 230 square miles in Townships 20, 21, 22, 23, and 24 South, Ranges 14, 15, and 16 East; ¶

(p) Timbers: Permanent Closure -- That part of the Paulina Unit as follows: 25 square miles in Townships 23 and 24 South, Ranges 9 and 10 East; ¶

(q) Rager: ~~Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season through the close of antlerless elk any legal weapon season~~ August 20 through November 20 -- That part of the Ochoco Unit as follows: 352 square miles south of U.S. Highway 26 and west of the South Fork John Day River. ¶

(r) White River Wildlife Area: December 1 through March 31 annually -- That part of the White River Unit as follows: 59 square miles along the eastern edge of the Mt. Hood National Forest in the southern half of the White River Unit; ¶

(s) Lower Deschutes: Permanent Closure—, That part of the Biggs Unit as follows: 12 square miles along lower 17 miles of Deschutes River except the county access road to Kloan; ¶

(t) Murderers Creek-Flagtail: Three days prior to the opening of ~~the~~ controlled archery deer and elk seasons through the close of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season and from three days prior to the first controlled Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season through the close of the second Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season—, That part of the Murderers Creek Unit as follows: 185 square miles in Townships 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17 South, Ranges 26, 27, 28, and 29 East ¶

(u) Camp Creek: Three days prior to opening of controlled ~~buck~~ archery deer any ~~legal weapon~~ and elk season through the close of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season and from three days prior to the first controlled Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season through the close of the second Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season—, That part of the Northside Unit as follows: 54 square miles in Townships 10, 11, and 12 South, Ranges 31, 32, and 33 East ¶

(v) Bridge Creek Wildlife Area: December 1 through April 14 annually except by permit—, That part of the Ukiah Unit as follows: 20 square miles in Townships 5 and 6 south, Ranges 31 and 32 East in the Southwest corner of Ukiah Unit; ¶

(w) Meacham: ~~Three days prior to the opening of the controlled archery deer and elk seasons through May 31~~ Permanent Closure. Approximately 41 square miles in Units 49, 52 and 54 in townships 1 and 2 south, township 1 north, ranges 34, 35, and 36 east. ¶

(x) Dark Canyon: ~~Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season through the close of the last elk season encompassing this travel management area.~~ That part of the Sumpter Unit as follows: 20 square miles in Townships 11 and 12 South, Ranges 40 and 41 East; ¶

(y) Patrick Creek: ~~Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season through the close of the last elk season encompassing this travel management area~~ August 20 through November 20. That part of the Sumpter Unit as follows: 20 square miles in Townships 11 and 12 South, Ranges 40 and 41 East; ¶

(y) Patrick Creek: August 20 through November 20 and May 1 through June 30. That part of the Sumpter Unit as follows: 8 square miles in Townships 10 and 11 South, Ranges 35 1/2 and 36 East; ¶

(z) Dry Beaver/Ladd Canyon: Permanent Closure—, That part of the Starkey Unit as follows: 125 square miles in Townships 4, 5 and 6 South, Ranges 35, 36, 37 and 38 East; ¶

(aa) Clear Creek: ~~Three days prior to opening of controlled archery deer and elk seasons through close of the second Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season~~ August 20 through November 20. That part of the Starkey Unit as follows: 21 square miles in Township 5 South, Ranges 37 and 38 East; ¶

(bb) Trail Creek: ~~Three days prior to opening of the first Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season through close of the second Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season~~ August 20 through November 20. That part of the Starkey Unit as follows: 29 square miles in Townships 6 and 7 South, Ranges 35 1/2 and 36 East; ¶

(cc) Indian Creek-Gorham Butte: ~~Three days prior to opening of controlled archery deer and elk seasons through~~

close of the second Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season--August 20 through November 20. That part of the Starkey Unit as follows: 24 square miles in Townships 6 and 7 South, Ranges 36 and 37 East;¶

(dd) Elkhorn Wildlife Area: Permanent Closure--. Those parts of the Starkey and Sumpter units as follows: 7 square miles in Township 6 South, Range 38 East;¶

(ee) Starkey Experimental Forest Enclosure: Permanent Closure--. That part of the Starkey Unit as follows: 40 square miles in Townships 3 and 4 South, Range 34 East;¶

(ff) ~~HBall Ranch: Three days prior to the opening of the first Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season through April 30--~~Angel: April 30 through December 1. That portion of the Catherine Creek and Keating Units as follows: ~~359~~ 359 square miles in Townships 5, 6 and 7 South, Ranges 41, 42 and 43 East;¶

(gg) Little Catherine Creek: ~~Three days prior to the opening of controlled archery deer and elk season through May 31--~~Permanent Closure. That part of the Catherine Creek Unit as follows: 22 square miles in Townships 3, 4 and 5 South, Ranges 40 and 41 East;¶

(hh) Wenaha Wildlife Area: Permanent Closure--. That part of the Wenaha Unit as follows: 17 square miles in Townships 5 and 6 North, Ranges 42 and 43 East along eastern edge of Umatilla Forest in northeast corner of Wenaha Unit;¶

(ii) Noregaard: ~~Three days prior to the opening of controlled archery deer and elk season through May 31~~Permanent Closure. However, roads will be open to permit removal of camping equipment during a time period extending through two Sundays following the end of the last antlerless elk any legal weapon season. That part of the Sled Springs Unit as follows: 175 square miles in west one-third of Sled Springs Wildlife Unit.¶

(jj) Shamrock: ~~Three days prior to controlled archery deer and elk season through May 31~~Permanent Closure. However, roads will be open to permit removal of camping equipment during a time period extending through two Sundays following the end of the last antlerless elk any legal weapon season.-- That part of the Sled Springs Unit as follows: 20 square miles in Township 4 North, Range 44 East;¶

(kk) Chesnimnus: ~~Three days prior to the first Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season through the close of the second Rocky Moutain bull elk any legal weapon season--~~August 20 through November 20. That portion of the Chesnimnus Wildlife Unit within the boundaries of the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest;¶

(ll) Cemetery Ridge Road: Permanent Closure--. That part of the Chesnimnus Unit as follows: Cemetery Ridge Road north of the south boundary of Section 4, Township 3 North, and Range 48 East.¶

(mm) Lord Flat Trail (#1774): Three days prior to controlled archery deer and elk season through the close of all elk any legal weapon seasons -- 15 miles of road in Townships 1 South and 1 and 2 North, Ranges 49 and 50 East; ¶

(nn) Grouse-Lick Creeks: ~~Three days prior to opening of the first Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season through the close of the second Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season--~~August 20 through November 20. That part of the Imnaha Unit as follows: 100 square miles in Townships 2, 3, 4, and 5 South, Ranges 46, 47 and 48 East; ¶

(oo) Clear Lake Ridge: Three days prior to opening of controlled archery deer and elk season through December 1 annually -- That part of the Imnaha Unit as follows: Five square miles in Township 2 South, Range 47 East, Sections 3 and 4 and Township 1 South, Range 47 East, Sections 28, 15, 33, 34 and 22. ¶

(pp) Mehlhorn: Permanent Closure: That part of the Pine Creek and Keating Units as follows: 26 square miles in Township 6 South, Ranges 45 and 46 East;¶

(qq) Lake Fork-Dutchman: ~~Three days prior to opening of controlled archery deer and elk season to the close of all elk any legal weapon seasons~~August 20 through November 20 and from May 1 to July 1--. That part of the Pine Creek Unit as follows: 42 square miles in Townships 6 and 7 South, Ranges 46 and 47 East;¶

(rr) Okanogan-Fish: ~~Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season to the close of all elk any legal weapon seasons~~August 20 through November 20 and from May 1 to July 1--. That part of the Pine Creek Unit as follows: 20 square miles in Township 6 and 7 South, Ranges 46 and 47 East;¶

(ss) Summit Point: Permanent Closure: That part of the Keating Unit as follows: 14 square miles in Townships 6 and 7 South, Ranges 44 and 45 East.¶

(tt) Eagle Creek: December 1 --through April 15; That part of the Keating Unit as follows: 17 square miles in Townships 7 and 8 South, Range 44 and 45 East; ¶

(uu) Conroy Cliff: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season through the close of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season and from three days prior to the controlled Rocky Mountain bull elk first season through the Rocky Mountain bull elk second season--. That part of the Malheur River Unit as follows: 46 square miles in Townships 16, 17, and 18 South, Ranges 32 1/2, 34, and 35 East;¶

(vv) Devine Ridge-Rattlesnake: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season through the close of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season and from three days prior to the first controlled Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season through the close of the second Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season--. That part of the Malheur River Unit as follows: 59 square miles in Townships 20 and 21 South, Ranges 31, 32, 32 1/2 East;¶

(ww) Dairy Creek: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season through the

close of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season and from three days prior to the first controlled Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season through the close of the second Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season--. That part of the Silvies Unit as follows: 98 square miles in Townships 19, 20, 21, and 22 South, Ranges 24, 25, and 26 East; ¶

(xx) Burnt Cabin: Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season through the close of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season and from three days prior to the first controlled Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season through the close of the second Rocky Mountain bull elk any legal weapon season--. That part of the Silvies Unit as follows: 22 square miles in Townships 18 and 19 South, Ranges 26 and 27 East; ¶

(yy) Walker Rim; Three days prior to the opening of controlled buck deer any legal weapon season through the close of the controlled buck deer any legal weapon season--. That part of the Fort Rock Unit as follows: 113 square miles in Townships 24, 25, and 26 South, Ranges 8, 9, and 10 East; ¶

(zz) North Paulina: Permanent Closure--. That part of the Fort Rock Unit as follows: 12 square miles in Townships 25 and 26 South; Range 8 East; ¶

(aaa) Sugarpine Mountain: Permanent Closure--. That part of the Fort Rock Unit as follows: 40 square miles in Township 28, Ranges 9 and 10 East; ¶

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

(ccc) Wildhorse Ridge/Teepee Butte: Three days prior to the opening of controlled archery deer and elk season through the close of all elk any legal weapon seasons. Posted and gated roads north of 46 roads in Chesnimnus Unit are closed; ¶

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

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

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

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

(hhh) Green Diamond Travel Management Area: Permanent Closure--. Applies to all gated, posted, or barrier-closed roads within the Rogue, Keno, Klamath Falls, Sprague, Interstate, Silver Lake, and Fort Rock Units within the land holdings of Green Diamond Resource Company. ¶

(iii) Prineville Reservoir Wildlife Area: From November 15 or December 1 (as posted at each gate) through April 15 annually--. That part of the Ochoco and Maury Units as follows: 5 square miles in Township 16 South, Range 17 East. ¶

(jjj) Mid Coast Access Area--; Year round. All gated, posted and/or barrier closed roads within Alsea, Stott Mtn. and Trask Units. Access limited to walk in only at fire level 3. No public access at fire level 4 and during active operations. Cooperators require day use only on private lands, no ATV use, no e-bikes, no vehicles may block any road or gate, no fires, no camping. Private lands closed to the public one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise. ¶

(kkk) East Lane TMA--; Opening day of General Any Legal Weapon Buck Deer season until the close of General Any Legal Weapon Elk season. Approximately 62 square miles in the McKenzie and Indigo Units comprised of properties owned by Giustina Land and Timber and Giustina Resources. Motorized vehicle access allowed on roads posted with orange carsonite posts, except closed to all access during certain Industrial Fire Protection Levels and active operations. Day use only, open one hour before sunset to one hour after sunset. No Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) use, no camping, no vehicle may block any road or gate and no fires allowed. ¶

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

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

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

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

AMEND: 635-065-0765

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-065-0765

Tagging, Possession, Transportation and Evidence of Sex ¶

- (1) ~~¶~~Except for subsection (14), the provisions of this rule do not apply to carcasses or parts thereof from deer or elk salvaged pursuant to a Roadkill Salvage Permit; see OAR 635-043-0175 for deer and elk salvage rules.¶
- (2) When the owner of any game mammal tag kills a game mammal for which a paper tag is issued, the owner shall immediately validate the tag by writing on the tag, in ink, the date and time of harvest, and the Wildlife Management Unit where harvest occurred; and attach the tag in plain sight securely to the game mammal. ¶
- (a) Paper tags are not valid until signed.¶
- (b) It is unlawful to have in possession an unsigned tag and/or reproduction/photocopied tag(s).¶
- (3) When the owner of any game mammal tag kills a game mammal for which an electronic tag is issued the owner shall immediately validate the tag by pressing the validate button on the image of the tag in the Department's Electronic Licensing System mobile application. At the time of validation a confirmation number will become visible. In addition to validating a tag electronically, the tag owner's name, date of birth, ODFW ID number, harvest date, and confirmation number must be written in ink on material of the tag owner's choice, and attached in plain sight securely to the game mammal.¶
- (4) The required information, or paper game mammal tag, must be maintained in legible condition at all times. The tag shall be kept attached to such carcass or remain with any parts thereof so long as the same are preserved. ¶
- (5) It is unlawful to possess the meat or carcass of any deer, elk, pronghorn antelope, bighorn sheep, or Rocky Mountain goat without evidence of sex while in the field, forest, or in transit on any of the highways or premises open to the public in Oregon, except processed or cut and wrapped meat. Hunters must choose one of two options for providing evidence of sex for deer, elk, pronghorn antelope, bighorn sheep, or Rocky Mountain goat:¶
- (a) Option 1: The animals head or scalp from the eyes to the ears for females, and antlers or horns for males, or;¶
- (b) Option 2: A reproductive organ (a testicle, penis, udder or vulva) attached to a major portion of meat. For White-tailed Deer and Mule Deer Only Hunts, the tail must be retained for proof of species. (c) Option 1, ((4)(a)), must be used for hunts with antler point restrictions.¶
- (6) When any game mammal or part thereof is transferred to the possession of another person a written record shall accompany such transfer and include: ¶
- (a) A description of the game mammal or part being transferred; ¶
- (b) The name, address, and ODFW ID number of the person whose tag or required information if an electronic tag was originally attached to the carcass; ¶
- (c) The issued date and time of a paper tag or the confirmation number of an electronic tag; and¶
- (d) The date and time of harvest. ¶
- (e) The written record shall remain with such game mammal or part so long as the same is preserved or until replaced by a tag or seal of the Department. ¶
- (7) All game mammals in possession in the field or forest or in transit more than 48 hours after the close of the open season for such mammal must be tagged with a tag or metal seal by the Department or by the Oregon State Police. ¶
- (8) It is unlawful to receive or have in possession any game mammal or part thereof which: ¶
- (a) Is not properly tagged; ¶
- (b) Was taken in violation of any wildlife laws or regulations; or ¶
- (c) Was taken by any person who is or may be exempt from the jurisdiction of such laws or regulations. ¶
- (9) No person shall possess any game mammal or part thereof which has been illegally killed, found or killed for humane reasons, except lawfully obtained shed antlers, unless he has notified and received permission from the Department or personnel of the Oregon State Police prior to transporting. ¶
- (10) No person shall possess the horns of bighorn sheep or Rocky Mountain goat that were not taken legally during an authorized season. Any horns of bighorn sheep or Rocky Mountain goat obtained by the Department may be made available to scientific and educational institutions and for ceremonial purposes.¶
- (11) Except for the following parts, importation or possession of a cervid carcass or parts of a cervid carcass from

another state or country is prohibited;¶

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

(b) Meat that has been boned out;¶

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(14) The operator of a vehicle that is transporting taken wildlife or parts of taken wildlife shall stop for inspection of the wildlife or parts of wildlife when arriving at a wildlife inspection station.¶

(a) Inspection stations are indentified by a sign stating "Wildlife Inspection Station" or "CWD Check Station".¶

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

(c) As used in this subsection, "taken" means killed or captured, whether inside or outside of Oregon.

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

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

AMEND: 635-066-0000

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-066-0000

Purpose and General Information ¶¶

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

(2) OAR chapter 635, division 066 incorporates, by reference, the requirement and tag numbers for controlled hunts for black bear hunting set out in the document entitled "2022~~23~~ Oregon Big Game Regulations," into Oregon Administrative Rules. Therefore, persons must consult the "2022~~23~~ Oregon Big Game Regulations" in addition to OAR chapter 635, to determine all applicable requirements for the hunting of black bear. The annual Oregon Big Game Regulations are available at authorized license agents and regional, district and headquarters offices and website 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.

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

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

AMEND: 635-066-0010

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-066-0010

General Season Regulations ¶¶

(1) Open Area: The entire state is open, except that lands within one mile of the Rogue River between Grave Creek and Lobster Creek are closed to all black bear hunting.¶¶

(2) No person shall use dogs to hunt or pursue black bear.¶¶

(3) No person shall use bait to attract or hunt black bear.¶¶

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

(5) When the bear skull is presented at check-in information that must be provided includes:¶¶

(a) ~~Sex of animal~~, date of harvest and location of harvest including Wildlife Management Unit, and¶¶

(b) Complete hunter information including the issued date and time of a paper tag or the confirmation number of an electronic tag; a completed "Wildlife Transfer Record Form" as found in the current year's Oregon Big Game Regulations is an alternative for providing the required information.

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

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

AMEND: 635-067-0000

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-067-0000

Purpose and General Information

- (1) The purpose of these rules is to establish season dates, bag limits, areas, methods, and other restrictions for hunting pronghorn antelope, cougar, bighorn sheep, and Rocky Mountain goat pursuant to ORS Chapter 496.¶
- (2) OAR chapter 635, division 067 incorporates, by reference, the requirements and tag numbers for controlled hunts for hunting pronghorn antelope, cougar, bighorn sheep, and Rocky Mountain goat set out in the document entitled "20223 Oregon Big Game Regulations," into Oregon Administrative Rules. Therefore, persons must consult the "20223 Oregon Big Game Regulations" in addition to OAR chapter 635, to determine all applicable requirements for hunting pronghorn antelope, cougar, bighorn sheep, and Rocky Mountain goat. The annual Oregon Big Game Regulations are available at authorized license agents and regional, district and headquarters offices and website 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.¶
- (4) Controlled hunt tags shall be issued by a controlled hunt drawing following the procedures established in OAR chapter 635, division 060. Permitted weapons and ammunition are established in OAR chapter 635, division 065. Controlled hunt tag numbers for 20223 are listed in the "20223 Oregon Big Game Regulations" and are adopted and incorporated into OAR chapter 635, division 067 by reference.
Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.162
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.162

AMEND: 635-067-0004

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-067-0004

Cougar Hunting Regulations ¶¶

- (1) Tag Requirement: Any person hunting cougar shall have on his/~~their~~ person a general season cougar tag or an additional cougar tag. General season cougar tags may be purchased online or through any authorized license agent;¶¶
 - (2) Hunt Area: Hunt zones, and harvest quotas for each hunt zone, are established in OAR 635-067-0015;¶¶
 - (a) Hunters may hunt within all hunt zones;¶¶
 - (b) Hunt zones will be closed to hunting when individual zone harvest quotas are reached.¶¶
 - (3) ~~The hide, with skull and proof of sex attached, of any harvested cougar must be presented to an ODFW office or designated collection site within ten days of harvest.¶¶~~
 - (a) The person who took the animal is responsible to have it presented for check-in. Any person who takes a cougar is responsible to present for check-in the hide, with skull and proof of sex attached, to the Department within ten days of the date the cougar was taken. ¶¶
 - (a) Check-in must occur during normal business hours (8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday;) at an ODFW office or designated collection site. Hide and skull must be unfrozen when presented for check-in.¶¶
 - (b) Hunters are also required to submit the reproductive tract of any female cougar taken.¶¶
 - (c) When the required parts in (3) and (3)(b) are presented at check-in information that must be provided includes: 1) date of harvest and location of harvest including Wildlife Management Unit, and 2) complete hunter information including the issued date and time of a paper tag or the confirmation number of an electronic tag. A completed "Wildlife Transfer Record Form" as found in the current year's Oregon Big Game Regulations is an alternative for providing the required information.¶¶
 - (4) No person shall hunt or assist another to hunt a cougar during an authorized cougar season unless in possession of an unused cougar tag or accompanied by the holder of a cougar tag which is valid for that area and time period.¶¶
 - (5) No person shall use dogs to hunt or pursue cougar.
- Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.162
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.162

AMEND: 635-067-0029

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-067-0029

Controlled Pronghorn Antelope Raffle Tag ¶¶

- (1) One pronghorn antelope tag will be raffled annually to an individual selected at a public drawing. The Department may contract with a sportsmen's group or organization to conduct the raffle.¶¶
- (2) The pronghorn antelope raffle tag shall be limited as follows:¶¶
 - (a) Bag Limit: One buck pronghorn antelope.¶¶
 - (b) Hunting Hours: One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.¶¶
 - (c) Open Season: The season shall begin on August 1 and shall end on November 30.¶¶
 - (d) Open Area: Any area where pronghorn antelope hunts and tags have been authorized for the current year.¶¶
- (3) Raffle Requirements:¶¶
 - (a) There is no limit on the number of chances in the drawing a person may purchase.¶¶
 - (A) One chance package at a cost of \$9.50 (plus a \$2.00 license agent fee).¶¶
 - (B) Six chance package at a cost of \$49.50 (plus a \$2.00 license agent fee).¶¶
 - (C) Thirteen chance package at a cost of \$99.50 (plus a \$2.00 license agent fee).¶¶
 - (b) Raffle chances will be available to the public during the dates specified in the current Big Game Regulations through the authorized license agents in the state or online. Chances may be sold by Department representatives at various gatherings of sportmen's groups.¶¶
 - (c) Residents and nonresidents shall be eligible to purchase chances.¶¶
 - (d) There shall be no refunds on any purchases of raffle chances.¶¶
 - (e) One winner and two alternate winners will be drawn at a public drawing; time and location to be announced by the Department.¶¶
 - (f) The Department will ~~mail notification to the winner and two alternates~~ notify the winner. If the winner does not claim the tag by 5 p.m., July 1, the winner shall be disqualified and the Department will offer the tag to the first alternate. If the first alternate does not claim the tag within 10 business days of July 1, the second alternate will be contacted. If the tag is not claimed by 5 p.m., July 31, it will not be issued. Notification attempts will be made by phone, email or postal mail, in that order.¶¶
 - (g) License and Tag Requirements: A valid pronghorn antelope tag will be provided to the winner of the raffle and a valid hunting license will be provided if the winner has not already purchased one, so long as the winner is eligible to purchase an adult Oregon hunting license or a juvenile Oregon hunting license.¶¶
 - (h) The pronghorn antelope tag shall be issued in the name of the person who purchased the winning chance provided that person meets all criteria outlined above. The tag may not be sold, assigned, or otherwise transferred.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146

AMEND: 635-067-0032

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-067-0032

Bighorn Sheep Auction Tag ¶¶

(1) One bighorn sheep tag will be auctioned to the highest bidder annually in the manner and at such time as provided by the Department. The Department may contract with a sportsmen's group or organization to conduct the auction.¶¶

(2) The bighorn sheep auction tag and auction shall be limited as follows:¶¶

(a) Bag Limit: One bighorn sheep ram.¶¶

(b) Hunting Hours: One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.¶¶

(c) Open Season: The season shall begin on August 1 and shall end on November 30.¶¶

(d) Open Area: Any ~~area where bighorn sheep hunts and tags have been~~ 500 series controlled bighorn sheep hunt area described in the current Oregon Big Game Regulations where controlled tags are authorized for the current year. The remainder of the state is closed to bighorn sheep hunting.¶¶

(e) Auction Requirements:¶¶

(A) The minimum acceptable bid for a bighorn sheep auction tag shall be \$25,000. The bid price includes the hunting license and tag fee. A valid bighorn sheep tag will be provided to the winning bidder in the auction and a valid hunting license will be provided if the winning bidder has not already purchased one, so long as the winning bidder is eligible to purchase an adult Oregon hunting license or a juvenile Oregon hunting license.¶¶

(B) Any person, resident or nonresident, is eligible to bid.¶¶

(C) If the highest bid is submitted by a person other than the person who is to receive the tag, the Department shall be notified within five business days of the name, address, and phone number of the individual who is to receive the license and tag and his or her position or affiliation with the corporation or organization.¶¶

(D) Acceptance of the highest bid shall be conditional until the full amount of the bid is paid. Payment shall be made to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife by cashier's check or certified check within 60 days of the date of the auction, whether conducted by the Department or by a sportsman's group or organization authorized by the Department to conduct the auction.¶¶

(E) If the full amount is not paid as provided in OAR 635-067-0032(2)(d)(D), the Department may, at its discretion, reject the bid and offer the tag to the next highest bidder. If the Department offers the tag to the next highest bidder, such next highest bidder must make payment to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife by cashier's check or certified check within 30 days of notification of his or her opportunity to obtain the tag.¶¶

(F) The successful bidder may be required to complete a bighorn sheep hunting orientation course prior to their hunt. The hunter shall inform the Department when and where the hunt will be conducted. The successful bidder shall be required to take appropriate steps to assure that any ram taken is marked with an identification pin by Department personnel within five days of being taken.¶¶

(G) The Department shall reserve the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

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

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

AMEND: 635-067-0034

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-067-0034

Bighorn Sheep Raffle Tag ¶¶

(1) One bighorn sheep tag will be raffled during the current year to an individual selected at a public drawing. The Department may contract with a sportsmen's group or organization to conduct the raffle.¶¶

(2) The bighorn sheep raffle tag shall be limited as follows:¶¶

(a) Bag Limit: One bighorn sheep ram.¶¶

(b) Hunting Hours: One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.¶¶

(c) Open Season: The season shall begin on August 1 and shall end on November 30.¶¶

(d) Open Area: Any ~~area where bighorn sheep hunts and tags have been~~ 500 series controlled bighorn sheep hunt area described in the current Oregon Big Game Regulations where controlled tags are authorized for the tube current year. The remainder of the state is closed to bighorn sheep hunting.¶¶

(3) Raffle Requirements:¶¶

(a) There is no limit on the number of chances in the drawing a person may purchase. Raffle chances shall be available for purchase in the following denominations:¶¶

(A) One chance package at a cost of \$9.50 (plus a \$2.00 license agent fee).¶¶

(B) Six chance package at a cost of \$49.50 (plus a \$2.00 license agent fee).¶¶

(C) Thirteen chance package at a cost of \$99.50 (plus a \$2.00 license agent fee).¶¶

(b) Raffle chances will be available to the public during the dates specified in the current Big Game Regulations through the authorized license agents in the state or online. Chances may be sold by Department representatives at various gatherings of sportmen's groups.¶¶

(c) Residents and nonresidents shall be eligible to purchase chances.¶¶

(d) There shall be no refunds on any purchases of raffle chances.¶¶

(e) One winner and two alternate winners will be drawn at a public drawing; time and location to be announced by the Department.¶¶

(f) The Department will ~~mail notification to the winner and two alternates~~ notify the winner. If the winner does not claim the tag by 5 p.m., July 1, the winner shall be disqualified and the Department will offer the tag to the first alternate. If the first alternate does not claim the tag within 10 business days of July 1, the second alternate will be contacted. If the tag is not claimed by 5 p.m., July 31, it will not be issued. Notification attempts will be made by phone, email or postal mail, in that order.¶¶

(g) License and Tag Requirements: A valid bighorn sheep tag will be provided to the winner of the raffle and a valid hunting license will be provided if the winner has not already purchased one, so long as the winner is eligible to purchase an adult Oregon hunting license or a juvenile Oregon hunting license.¶¶

(h) The bighorn sheep tag shall be issued in the name of the person who purchased the winning chance provided that person meets all criteria outlined above. The tag may not be sold, assigned, or otherwise transferred.¶¶

(i) The winner of the bighorn sheep tag may be required to complete a bighorn sheep hunting orientation course prior to their hunt. The hunter shall inform the Department as to where and when the hunt will be conducted.¶¶

(j) If the holder of the raffle bighorn sheep tag is successful in taking a bighorn sheep ram, that person shall present the ram to the Department for permanent marking within five days of taking of the ram.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146

AMEND: 635-067-0041

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-067-0041

Rocky Mountain Goat Raffle ¶¶

- (1) One Rocky Mountain goat tag will be raffled annually to an individual selected at a public drawing. The Department may contract with a sportsmen's group or organization to conduct the raffle.¶¶
- (2) The Rocky Mountain goat raffle tag shall be limited as follows:¶¶
 - (a) Bag Limit: One Rocky Mountain goat.¶¶
 - (b) Hunting Hours: One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.¶¶
 - (c) Open Season: The season shall begin on August 1 and shall end on November 30.¶¶
 - (d) Open Area: Any area where Rocky Mountain goat hunts and tags have been authorized for the current year. The remainder of the state is closed to Rocky Mountain goat hunting.¶¶
- (3) Raffle Requirements:¶¶
 - (a) There is no limit on the number of chances in the drawing that a person may purchase.¶¶
 - (A) One chance package at a cost of \$9.50 (plus a \$2.00 license agent fee).¶¶
 - (B) Six chance package at a cost of \$49.50 (plus a \$2.00 license agent fee).¶¶
 - (C) Thirteen chance package at a cost of \$99.50 (plus a \$2.00 license agent fee).¶¶
 - (b) Raffle chances will be available to the public during the dates specified in the current Big Game regulations through the authorized license agents in the state or online. Chances may be sold by Department representatives at various gatherings of sportmen's groups.¶¶
 - (c) Residents and nonresidents shall be eligible to purchase chances.¶¶
 - (d) There shall be no refunds on any purchases of raffle chances.¶¶
 - (e) One winner and two alternate winners will be drawn at a public drawing; time and location to be announced by the Department.¶¶
 - (f) The Department will ~~mail notification to the winner and two alternates~~ notify the winner. If the winner does not claim the tag by 5 p.m., July 1, the winner shall be disqualified and the Department will offer the tag to the first alternate. If the first alternate does not claim the tag within 10 business days of July 1, the second alternate will be contacted. If the tag is not claimed by 5 p.m., ~~August~~ July 31, it will not be issued. Notification attempts will be made by phone, email, or postal mail, in that order.¶¶
 - (g) License and Tag Requirements: A valid Rocky Mountain goat tag will be provided to the winner of the raffle and a valid hunting license will be provided if the winner has not already purchased one, so long as the winner is eligible to purchase an adult Oregon hunting license or a juvenile Oregon hunting license.¶¶
 - (h) The Rocky Mountain goat tag shall be issued in the name of the person who purchased the winning chance provided that person meets all criteria outlined above. The tag may not be sold, assigned, or otherwise transferred.¶¶
 - (i) The winner of the Rocky Mountain goat tag will be required to complete a Rocky Mountain goat hunting orientation course prior to their hunt. The hunter shall inform the Department as to where and when the hunt will be conducted.¶¶
 - (j) If the holder of the Rocky Mountain goat raffle tag is successful in taking a Rocky Mountain goat, that person shall present the animal to the Department for permanent marking within five days of taking of the animal.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146

AMEND: 635-068-0000

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-068-0000

Purpose and General Information ¶¶

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

(2) Controlled hunt tag numbers for 2022~~2~~3 are listed in the "2022~~2~~3 Oregon Big Game Regulations" and are adopted and incorporated into OAR chapter 635, division 068 by reference.¶¶

(3) OAR chapter 635, division 068 incorporates, by reference, the requirements for hunting western Oregon deer set out in the document entitled "2022~~2~~3 Oregon Big Game Regulations," into Oregon Administrative Rules. Therefore, persons must consult the "2022~~2~~3 Oregon Big Game Regulations" in addition to OAR chapter 635, to determine all applicable requirements for hunting western Oregon deer. The annual Oregon Big Game Regulations are available at authorized license agents and regional, district, and headquarters offices 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.

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

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

AMEND: 635-068-0022

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-068-0022

W. High Cascade Buck Deer Hunt, ~~Hood-White River Hunt~~ and Western Oregon Controlled Deer Hunts ¶

(1) Tags shall be issued by a controlled hunt drawing following the procedures established in OAR chapter 635, division 060. Each successful applicant for a W. High Cascade ~~or Hood-White River~~ hunt tag shall receive one tag valid for both the W. High Cascade hunt ~~or Hood-White River~~ and the Western Oregon General deer rifle season. Each hunter may take only one buck deer.¶

(2) A hunter successful in drawing a 600 series tag may also hunt in any general deer season or any 100 series controlled buck deer hunt and as provided in OAR 635-065-0015; if possessing the proper tag(s) for the area and time period being hunted.¶

(3) A hunter drawing a 100 or 600 series deer tag or purchasing a general season western Oregon deer tag, also may possess tags as provided in OAR 635-065-0015.

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

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

AMEND: 635-069-0000

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

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 2022~~2~~3 are listed in the "2022~~2~~3 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 "2022~~2~~3 Oregon Big Game Regulations," into Oregon Administrative Rules. Therefore, persons must consult the "2022~~2~~3 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.¶¶
- (5) Notwithstanding the provisions of the 2022 Oregon Big Game Hunting Regulations, controlled eastern Oregon deer hunt tag numbers for the controlled hunt areas listed on pages 32 and 33 and Table 1 (see attached table) are changed as follows:
Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.138, 496.012, 496.146, 496.162
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.138, 496.012, 496.146, 496.162

AMEND: 635-070-0000

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

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 Cascade and Coast elk pursuant to ORS Chapter 496.¶¶
- (2) Controlled hunt tag numbers for 20223 are listed in the "20223 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 "20223 Oregon Big Game Regulations," into Oregon Administrative Rules. Therefore, persons must consult the "20223 Oregon Big Game Regulations" in addition to OAR Chapter 635, to determine all applicable requirements for hunting western Oregon elk. 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.¶¶
- (4) Additional regulation information is available on the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife website at www.odfw.com.
Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.162
Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.162

AMEND: 635-071-0000

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-071-0000

Purpose and General Information ¶¶

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

(2) Controlled hunt tag numbers for 2022~~3~~ are listed in the "2022~~3~~ Oregon Big Game Regulations" and are adopted and incorporated in OAR Chapter 635, Division 071 by reference.¶¶

(3) OAR chapter 635, division 071 incorporates, by reference, the requirements for hunting Rocky Mountain elk set out in the document entitled "2022~~3~~ Oregon Big Game Regulations," into Oregon Administrative Rules. Therefore, persons must consult the "2022~~3~~ Oregon Big Game Regulations" in addition to OAR Chapter 635, to determine all applicable requirements for hunting Rocky Mountain elk. 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.¶¶

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

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

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

AMEND: 635-072-0000

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

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 "2022~~23~~ Oregon Big Game Regulations," into Oregon Administrative Rules. Therefore, persons must consult the "2022~~23~~ 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.¶¶

[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

AMEND: 635-073-0000

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-073-0000

Purpose and General Information

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

(2) Controlled hunt tag numbers for 2022~~3~~ for Premium Hunts, deer and elk bow and muzzleloader hunting and deer and elk youth hunts are listed in the "2022~~3~~ Oregon Big Game Regulations" and are adopted and incorporated into OAR chapter 635, division 073 by reference. ¶

(3) OAR chapter 073 incorporates, by reference, the requirements for bow and muzzleloader hunting, Premium Hunts, and controlled deer and elk youth hunts set out in the document entitled "2022~~3~~ Oregon Big Game Regulations," into Oregon Administrative Rules. Therefore, persons must consult the "2022~~3~~ Oregon Big Game Regulations," in addition to OAR chapter 635, to determine all applicable requirements for bow and muzzleloader hunting, Premium Hunts, and controlled deer and elk youth hunts. 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. ¶

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

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

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

AMEND: 635-073-0100

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-073-0100

Controlled Premium Hunt Regulations ¶¶

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

(2) "L" series Premium Hunt deer tags, "M" series Premium Hunt elk tags, and "N" series Premium Hunt pronghorn antelope tags are in addition to all other tags and permits approved by the commission. In addition to the number of deer, elk, and pronghorn antelope tags legally available to an individual, an individual is allowed one additional deer tag, one additional elk tag, and one additional pronghorn antelope tag annually provided these tags are Premium Hunt series tags.¶¶

(3)(a) N40 Maupin/ Biggs, all of units 40 and 43;¶¶

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

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

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

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

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

AMEND: 635-075-0005

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-075-0005

Registration, Application and Tag Issuance Procedures and Limits for All Controlled Hunts ¶

(1) A landowner shall submit a landowner preference registration form to be eligible for a landowner preference tag. A one-time fee of \$35.00 is required at the time of registration for new program participants. A landowner can have only one registration form on file with the Department. However, an individual who owns (through business entities, in the individual's own name or a combination thereof) more than one property eligible for the landowner preference program may register each such property. The registration form is an affidavit certifying ownership, number of acres owned, the county and Wildlife Management Unit where the property is located. This registration form registers the individual and remains valid until the individual registered no longer qualifies as a landowner as defined under OAR 635-045-0002, ~~writes to~~ notifies the Department requesting the registration form be deleted, or the Department notifies the landowner that a renewal is required: (generally every three years). After six years of inactivity, a new registration and fees are required. ¶

(2) In addition to having a landowner preference registration form on file with the Department, a landowner or an authorized designee identified by the landowner in writing to the Department shall ~~submit a tag distribution form annually. The tag distribution form shall list~~ provide the Department with the names of the landowner, stockholder(s), partner(s), and their immediate family members to receive tags for pronghorn antelope, and the names of the landowner, stockholder(s), partner(s), their immediate family members, and those persons of the landowners' choosing to receive landowner preference tags for deer and elk. ¶

~~(3) Landowners shall submit registration forms and Named persons provided to the Department will remain listed for receiving landowner preference tags until the landowners or their designee shall submit tag distribution forms prior to September 15 for all controlled 100-series buck deer and bull elk hunts, and through the day prior to the season openings for 600-series antlerless deer, antlerless elk, and either sex or doe/fawn pronghorn antelope hunts. A Landowner Preference Tag Redistribution fee of \$17.00 will be charged per species for amend~~ authorized designee removes them from their list or requests the Department remove them. ¶

(3) Registered landowners or their authorized designee shall provide names of tag recipients prior to the close of business the day before the hunt begins except registration forms and distribution forms must be submitted by close of business on May 15 for special seasons and mule deer hunts as described in ORS 635-075-0020 through 635-075-0022. ¶

(4) Landowners or their designee shall use the Department's made to the original tag distribution forms. ¶

~~(4) Registration forms and tag distribution form~~ electronic licensing system to maintain their list of named persons eligible to receive tags for hunting on the landowner's are available at no charge online and in any office of the Department. ¶

~~(5) Registration forms, tag distribution forms, and applic~~ registered property. Landowners or their designee may submit a written request that the Department make changes to the list with a fee of \$2.00 charged per request form. ¶

(5) The landowner preference registrations shall be receive ~~submitted at~~ by the Salem headquarters office ~~of~~ landowner and approved by the Department prior to issuance of any landowner preference tag, except as provided for in OAR 635-075-0007. Landowners are not required to submit proof of ownership with their registration form. Landowners shall be required to submit proof of ownership at the request of the Department or the Oregon State Police acting on behalf of the Department. ¶

(6) A landowner, stockholder(s), partner(s), and immediate family and those persons of the landowners' choosing wishing to also apply for controlled hunt tags shall apply by the May 15 controlled hunt deadline. Listing a hunt choice other than a landowner preference choice is not required. ¶

(7) Everyone shall follow controlled hunt application procedures and regulations as described in OAR Division 060. ¶

(8) The number of landowner preference tags issued is based upon a landowner's acreage. Landowner Preference tags shall be allocated by the following minimum acreage requirements: (see attached table) ¶

(9) Landowner preference tags for the hunting of deer or elk may be issued to any person of the landowner's

choosing, and shall be used for the taking of antlerless animals except as described in OAR 635-075-0005(10). Season dates of the transferred landowner preference tags shall be the same dates as the original tag.¶

(10) Landowner preference tags for the hunting of antlered deer or elk may be issued to a person of the landowner's choosing who is not a member of the landowner's, partner's, or stockholder's immediate family as follows:¶

(a) A landowner who is issued only one tag may not transfer that tag.¶

(b) A landowner who is issued two or more tags may transfer not more than 50 percent of the tags to a person who is not an immediate family member as defined in ORS 496.146 (4). If calculation of the number of tags eligible for transfer under the provisions of this paragraph results in a fraction, the Commission shall round up the number of tags to the next whole number.¶

(11) A landowner who is qualified to receive landowner hunting preference tags may request two additional tags for providing public access and/or two additional tags for wildlife habitat programs. This request shall be made to the Access and Habitat Board with supporting evidence that the access is significant, and the habitat programs benefit wildlife. The board may recommend that the commission grant the request. These tags may not be applied to the options as defined in OAR 635-075-0005(8).¶

(12) No one shall receive both a controlled hunt tag and a landowner preference tag for the same type of hunt. Landowner hunting preference tags shall not be issued to any person successful in the controlled hunt drawing for the same type of hunt.¶

(13) Landowner preference tags, except as described in OAR 635-075-0007, 635-075-0010, and 635-075-0015 shall only be authorized by the headquarters office of the Department following the controlled hunt drawings.¶

~~[ED. NOTE: Tables referenced are available from the agency.]~~

Statutory/Other Authority: SB 247 (2015), ORS 496.012, ORS 496.138, ORS 496.146, ORS 496.162

Statutes/Other Implemented: SB 247 (2015), ORS 496.012, ORS 496.138, ORS 496.146, ORS 496.162

RULE ATTACHMENTS DO NOT SHOW CHANGES. PLEASE CONTACT AGENCY REGARDING CHANGES.

635-075-0005

Landowner Preference tags shall be allocated by the following minimum acreage requirements:

TAGS	MINIMUM ACREAGE	HUNT TYPE
2	40	All hunts except eastern Oregon buck deer, Eastern Oregon bull elk, either-sex elk, and either-sex or doe/fawn pronghorn antelope hunts
2	160	All hunts
3	1,200	All hunts
4	2,500	All hunts
5	5,000	All hunts
6	10,000	All hunts
8	20,000	All hunts
10	40,000	All hunts
12	80,000	All hunts
14	160,000 and greater	All hunts

AMEND: 635-075-0026

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-075-0026

Application Requirements ¶¶

(1) A valid controlled hunt Outfitter and Guide application shall be purchased from the Department. The purchase price of the application is \$30.00 (plus a \$2.00 agent fee) per specific hunt number applied for regardless of the number of tags applied for.¶¶

(a) No more than 50% of the available tags for a specific hunt number and species may be applied for, except in cases where only one person applies for tags and/or an odd number of tags exists in particular hunt.¶¶

(b) Tags will only be issued for specific hunt units in which the Outfitter and Guide is certified and in which the Outfitter and Guide has provided proof, to the Oregon State Marine Board, they have a valid federally issued Special Recreation Permit or private land lease.¶¶

(c) When physically accompanying a client on an Outfitter and Guide Hunt on federal lands, Outfitter and Guides must be in possession of a valid federally issued Special Recreation/Use Permit and comply with the conditions and requirements of the permit. For purposes of this rule, "Outfitter and Guide Hunt" has the meaning provided in OAR 635-045-0002(51).¶¶

(d) Applications must be complete and include such information as required which will include the six-digit State Marine Board Registration number required under ORS 704.020 or they may be disqualified from the tag allocation drawing.¶¶

(e) Applications, along with the proper fees, must be received by midnight December 1, of each year, at the Department headquarters office. Applications received after the specified deadline dates shall be disqualified.¶¶

(2) No outfitter or guide may receive more than 25 tags per year for any single species of big game from the December Outfitter and Guide tag drawing. Tags received in the first-come, first-serve remaining tag process are in addition to tags drawn by an outfitter and guide in the December Outfitter and Guide tag drawing.

Statutory/Other Authority: SB 247 (2015), ORS 496.012, ORS 496.138, ORS 497.112, ORS 496.151

Statutes/Other Implemented: SB 247 (2015), ORS 496.012, ORS 496.138, ORS 497.112, ORS 496.151

AMEND: 635-075-0029

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-075-0029

Tag Purchasing Requirements ¶¶

- (1) The department will notify outfitters and guides of the drawing results by December 31 of each year.¶¶
- (2) On or before March 31 of each year Outfitters and Guides who are successful in the drawing must:¶¶
- (a) Submit to the department the names, addresses, ~~proof of nonresidency, and hunting license~~ and ODFW ID numbers (if already purchased) of the nonresidents for whom tags are to be issued, if that information is available. ~~For the purpose of these rules: Proper identification for nonresident documents includes an out-of-state driver's license. If an applicant does not have a driver's license, then a combination of three pieces of identification are required including utility bill, rent receipt, passport, birth certificate, social security card, major credit card, medical card, marriage license, voter's registration card, library card, or military ID. One piece must show name and current address outside the state of Oregon.~~¶¶
- (b) Tags purchased for unnamed clients are subject to the price and time limits set forth in OAR 635-075-0035 (3)(a) and (b).¶¶
- (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 to outfitters and guides all requested tags from the December drawing for which they 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~~

AMEND: 635-090-0140

RULE SUMMARY: Set hunting season regulations and controlled hunt tag numbers for 2023 game mammal seasons including licensing and application requirements, and regulation changes to cooperative travel management areas. These amendments include continued results from Big Game Hunt Review Process aimed at developing consistent and simpler big game seasons with opportunity allocated fairly and consistent with hunter preferences.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-090-0140

Deer and Elk Tag Auction and Raffle ¶¶

(1) Notwithstanding ORS 496.146(10), upon the recommendation of the Access and Habitat Board, the Commission may issue each year up to ten elk and ten deer tags to hunt deer or elk. Recommendations from the Board shall include:¶¶

(a) The land on which each tag shall be used;¶¶

(b) The percentage of funds (not to exceed 50 percent) received from the tags that may revert to the landowner if the tag is limited to private land; and¶¶

(c) A written agreement with the Commission which provides public access and habitat improvements.¶¶

(2) The Board may contract with a sportsman's group or other organization to conduct a raffle or an auction to issue the access and habitat deer and elk tags.¶¶

(3) The access and habitat raffle and/or auction deer and elk tags are in addition to all other tags and permits approved by the Commission.¶¶

(a) In addition to the number of deer and elk tags legally available to an individual, an individual is allowed one additional elk and one additional deer tag annually, provided these tags are Access and Habitat auction or raffle tags.¶¶

(b) The Board shall recommend season dates and open area specific to the tag.¶¶

(c) Bag limit: one deer or one elk.¶¶

(4) Access and habitat deer/elk tag raffle requirements:¶¶

(a) There is no limit on the number of chances a person may purchase. Raffle chances shall be available for purchase in the following denominations with the addition of a \$2.00 license agent fee:¶¶

(A) Deer Tags¶¶

(i) One chance at a cost of \$2.50.¶¶

(ii) Six chances at a cost of \$9.50.¶¶

(iii) Fifteen chances at a cost of \$19.50.¶¶

(iv) Forty chances at a cost of \$49.50.¶¶

(v) One hundred chances at a cost of \$99.50.¶¶

(B) Elk tags¶¶

(i) One chance at a cost of \$4.50.¶¶

(ii) Six chances at a cost of \$19.50.¶¶

(iii) Fifteen chances at a cost of \$39.50.¶¶

(iv) Forty chances at a cost of \$99.50.¶¶

(C) Combination Elk and Deer Tags¶¶

(i) One chance at a cost of \$9.50.¶¶

(ii) Six chances at a cost of \$29.50.¶¶

(iii) Fifteen chances at a cost of \$59.50.¶¶

(iv) Forty chances at a cost of \$149.50.¶¶

(b) Raffle chances will be available to the public online and through authorized License Agents during the dates specified in the current Big Game Regulations. Chances may be sold by Department representatives at various public events or meetings of sportsmen and landowners.¶¶

(c) Residents and nonresidents shall be eligible to purchase chances.¶¶

(d) There shall be no refunds for any raffle chance purchases.¶¶

(e) One winner and a minimum of two alternate winners shall be drawn at a public drawing; time and location to be determined by the Board and Department.¶¶

(f) If a person is drawn as the winner of more than one hunt for the same species, the Department will issue the first Access and Habitat raffle deer/elk tag drawn by the person who meets all criteria specified herein.¶¶

(g) The order in which the winner and alternate winners for the deer/elk raffle hunts shall be drawn at the public drawing is as follows:¶¶

(A) Statewide Combination Elk and Deer - #AH002.¶

(B) Statewide Deer Hunt - #AH001.¶

(C) Southeast Oregon Deer Hunt - #AH004.¶

(D) Central Oregon Deer Hunt - #AH005.¶

(E) Northeast Oregon Deer Hunt - #AH003.¶

(F) Statewide Elk Hunt - #AH009.¶

(G) Northeast Oregon Elk Hunt - #AH006.¶

(H) Central/Southeast Elk Hunt - #AH007.¶

(I) Western Oregon Elk Hunt - #AH008.¶

(h) The Department will notify the winner and two alternates by mail. ~~T. If the winner musdoes not claim the tag during regular business hours within 30 days of the drawing or he/she by 5 p.m., July 1, the winner shall be disqualified and the Department will offer the tag to the first alternate. ¶ If the first alternate musdoes not claim the tag within 10 business days of notification or he/she shall be disqualified and the Department will notify the second alternate. The second alternate will be contacted in the same manner and with the same deadlines as the first alternate if the winner or first alternate have not claimed the tag as required. The tag will not be issued if not claimed during regular business hours within 90 days follow July 1, the second alternate will be contacted. If the tag is not claimed by 5 p.m., July 31, it will not be issued. Notification attempts will be made by phone, email or postal mail, ing the drawing at order.~~¶

(i) The access and habitat raffle deer/elk tag winners must have a valid hunting license before they will be issued the tag(s).¶

(j) The Department will issue an access and habitat raffle deer/elk tag to the person who purchased the winning chance and who meets all criteria specified herein. The tag is not transferable.¶

(5) Access and habitat deer/elk tag auction requirements:¶

(a) Residents and nonresidents shall be eligible to bid.¶

(b) The minimum acceptable bid for an access and habitat auction tag shall be \$10,000 for deer and \$15,000 for elk. The bid price includes the tag fee.¶

(c) Individuals, agents, corporations, or others that submit the highest bid shall provide the name, address, phone number, and affiliation of the individual to whom the access and habitat auction deer/elk tag shall be issued to a Department representative or a representative of the organization authorized to conduct the auction immediately upon the conclusion of the auction of such tag.¶

(d) Submittal of the winning bid shall be made to the Department by cashier's check or certified check within 20 working days of the date of the auction (whether conducted by the Department or by a sportsman's group or organization authorized to do so).¶

(e) If the full amount of the bid is not paid as required by OAR 635-090-140(5)(d), the Department may, at its discretion, reject the bid and offer the access and habitat auction deer/elk tag to the next highest bidder. Such next highest bidder must make payment to the Department by cashier's check or certified check within five working days of notification.¶

(f) The access and habitat auction deer/elk tag winner must have a valid hunting license before they will be issued the tag(s).¶

(g) The Department will issue an access and habitat auction deer/elk tag to the winner who meets all criteria specified herein. The tag is not transferable.¶

(h) The Department reserves the right to accept or reject any or all access and habitat auction deer/elk tag bids.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.232, 496.242, 496.112

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.012, 496.138, 496.146, 496.232, 496.242, 496.112