**Major Regulation Changes for 2018-2020**

1. Closure of the Nov 1 - Nov 10 youth and Nov 25 - Dec 10 bow only mule deer buck seasons
2. Refined no hunting boundaries in the vicinity of Silver Star Recreation Area
3. Establishment of Motor Vehicle Prohibitions on Joss, Tsuius, and Mabel Mountains

**Compulsory Inspection Centres**

Qualified Compulsory Inspectors will provide this service at the locations listed below. Please see the Ministry website at [www.gov.bc.ca/hunting](http://www.gov.bc.ca/hunting) or contact the regional office for more information.

**CI Locations:** Penticton, Grand Forks, Kelowna

Ministry Regional Office, Penticton: (250) 490-8200

**Conservation Officer Service District Offices**

Please call 1-877-952-7277 for recorded information or to make an appointment at any of the following Field Offices:

Grand Forks, Kelowna, Penticton and Summerland

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For information on Wildlife Permits and Commercial Licences, please see page 24.

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**Report All Poachers/Polluters (RAPP)**

See Notice on page 26 for details.

For more information consult the BC Recreational Atlas, 6th edition.
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT REGION 8

BAG LIMITS

- Deer: The aggregate bag limit for deer is 3. 2 deer may be antlerless but only one antlerless deer of each species may be taken. The bag limit for mule deer is 1. Antlerless mule deer are available only through LEH. The bag limit for white-tailed deer is 2, only one of which may be a buck, and one of which may be antlerless.

- Grouse: The daily aggregate bag limit for grouse: blue, (dusky) spruce (Franklin), and ruffed is 5.

- Turkey: The regional aggregate bag limit for turkey is 2. Only 1 turkey may be taken during each open season.

ACCESS MANAGEMENT AREAS

- Information signs are posted at the points of closure for the benefit of hunters, but it is the hunter’s responsibility to recognize the closures whether a sign is in place or not.

- Symbol Key: Use the following symbols to determine what type of motor vehicle prohibition is in place in the following regional areas (see also Site and Access Restrictions section, pages 11-12):

  - **Motor Vehicle Closed Areas**: The operation of all motor vehicles is prohibited year round in these areas unless otherwise indicated.

  - **Motor Vehicles for Hunting Closed Areas**: The operation of all motor vehicles for the purpose of hunting, to transport wildlife, to transport equipment, firearms and supplies which are intended for or in support of hunting or to transport hunters to and from the location of wildlife is prohibited in these areas.

  - The operation of all motor vehicles, excluding snowmobiles is prohibited in Region 8 above 1,700 metre elevation, except on existing roads and trails. See page 3 for definition of existing road or trail.

  - **Oliver Mountain Area (MU 8-1)**: See Map J5.
  - **Crater Mountain Area (MU 8-3)**: See Map J2.
  - **Placer Mountain to Border Lake area (MU 8-3, 8-4)**: See Map J2.
  - **Garnet Valley (MU 8-8)**: An authorized trapper is exempt from this restriction with respect to the trapping of furbearing animals. See Map J9.
  - **Osoyoos Oxbows except established roadways (MU 8-1)**: See Map J1.
  - **Underdown Creek (MU 8-1)**: See Map J2.
  - **Lawless - Jacobson Lake FSR (MU 8-5)**: south of the point where it crosses Vuich Creek.
  - **Skaha Lake Eastside (MU 8-9)**: in that portion east of Skaha Lake described as Lot A & Lot B of Sublot 48, DL 2710, Plan 27801, SDYD, & Sublot 48, DL 2710, Plan 1189, SDYD.
  - **Garnet Fire area (MU 8-9)**: See Map J1.
  - **Granby (MUs 8-14, 8-15)**: The area is closed 600 m north of the 5 km mark of Burrell-Young Lake FSR, 300 metres north of a 2 km mark on Arrow Neck FSR, east of the 22 km mark of Grano FSR, east of the 8 km mark on Arthurs Rd, and 500 metres east of the 10 km mark on the Goatkin-Rendall FSR, Snowmobiles allowed Nov. 1 to May 31. See Map J14.
  - **Galloping Hills (MU 8-15)**: from June 1 to October 31 except for the primary roads leading to Lightning Peak and Mt. Scaia. See Map J14.
  - **Osoyoos-Mabel Mountain (MU 8-23, 8-24)**: The operation of vehicles is restricted to permitted forest service roads from May 1 to Nov 30. Snowmobiles allowed. See Map J22.

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COMPULSORY INSPECTION & REPORTING

- In addition to those species requiring Compulsory Inspection or Compulsory Reporting provincially, all moose taken in Region 8 must be Compulsory Inspected within 30 days of the date of kill. See page 21 for requirements.

NOTICE TO HUNTERS

- White-tailed jackrabbit, Nuttall’s cotton-tail, badger and other species are protected under the authority of the Wildlife Act (hunting is prohibited).

- No Shooting Areas: Hunters should note the Highway No Shooting Areas as outlined on page 13. Note also that the closures for Highway 3 between Manning Park and Princeton and for the Coquihalla Phase III (Okanagan Connector) Hwy 97C are No Shooting and No Hunting Closures.


BC PARKS

- Please refer to Site & Access Restrictions section for more information.

- Hunting is prohibited in some BC Parks (Parks, Protected Areas, Recreation Areas, and Conservancies) and is permitted in others during an open season and within specific time periods. Hunting is prohibited in Ecological Reserves. Before hunting in a BC Park, hunters must verify that hunting in that area during that time is permitted. For more information on hunting regulations within BC Parks please phone your regional Ministry office or visit the Wildlife and Habitat Branch website at www.gov.bc.ca/hunting.
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Compulsory reporting required. Hunters are requested to avoid shooting lynx with collars.

**COUGAR**

8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Hunters may not hunt a cougar kitten or any cougar in its company. See Definitions section: Cougar kitten. Hunters are requested to select a male cougar.

Excessive harvest of female cougars may result in season closures.

Compulsory Inspection required.

**SKUNK, RACCOON**

8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

No Closed Season

NBL

**SNOWSHOE HARE**

8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Aug 1 - Apr 30

10 (daily)

**GROUSE: DUSKY (Blue), RUFFED, and SPRUCE**

8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Sept 10 - Nov 30

5 (15)

**Youth Season**

8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Sept 1 - Sept 9

5 (15)

**Bow Only Season**

8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Dec 1 - Dec 10

5 (15)

For Dusky, Spruce and Ruffed grouse, the daily aggregate bag limit is 5; the aggregate possession limit is 15.

* Restricted to hunters under the age of 18.

**CHUKAR PARTRIDGE**

8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-9

Oct 1 - Nov 30

5 (15)

**GRAY (HUNGARIAN) PARTRIDGE**

8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-10, 8-15, 8-22, 8-26

Oct 1 - Nov 30

3 (9)

**PHEASANT**

8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-12, 8-14, 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Cocks

Oct 1 - Nov 30

2 (6)

**QUAIL**

8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-11, 8-15, 8-21, 8-22, 8-26

Oct 1 - Nov 30

10 (30)

**TURKEY**

8-1, 8-9, 8-10, 8-12, 8-14, 8-15, 8-22, 8-26

Any Turkey

Oct 1 - Oct 15

1 \( ^{\wedge} \)

8-1, 8-9

Any Turkey

Oct 1 - Nov 30

1 \( ^{\wedge} \)

\( \wedge \) The aggregate regional bag limit is 2 and only one turkey may be taken during each open season.

**DOVE: MOURNING, EURASIAN COLLARED**

8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Sept 1 - Sept 30

5 (15)

**COOTS, COMMON SNIPER**

8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Sept 12 - Dec 25

10 each (30 each)

**Ducks**

8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Sept 12 - Dec 25

8 (24)

Restricted daily bag limits of 4 Pintails, 4 Canvasbacks, 2 Goldeneye and 2 Harlequin are in effect - see page 17.

**GESEES: SNOW and ROSS'S**

8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Sept 12 - Dec 25

5 (15)

**GESEES: WHITE FRONTED**

8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Sept 12 - Dec 25

5 (15)

**GESEES: CANADA & CACKLING**

8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Dec 20 - Jan 5

10 (30)

8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Feb 21 - Mar 10

10 (30)

**WATERFOWLER HERITAGE DAYS:** (Waterfowler Heritage Days are restricted to hunters under the age of 18. See Waterfowler Heritage Days section.)

**Ducks and Geese**

8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26

Sept 1, 2018 - Sept 2, 2018

Sept 7, 2019 - Sept 8, 2019

* Daily bag and possession limits are same as general open seasons described above. See page 17 for more details.
Map J1 Osoyoos Oxbows Motor Vehicle Closed Area and No Shooting or Hunting Area (MU 8-1). The operation of vehicles is restricted to established roadways shown as open lines. No shooting or hunting from Mar 1 - Sept 30, in the restricted area, including the roadways.

Map J2 Underdown Creek Motor Vehicle Closed Area (MU 8-1).

Map J3 Similkameen Mining Co. Ltd. No Shooting or Hunting Area (MUs 8-4, 8-5).

Map J4 Kaleden, and Okanagan Falls No Shooting Areas and Skaha Lake Firearms Using Shot Only Area (MUs 8-1, 8-8, 8-9).

Map J5 Oliver Mountain Motor Vehicle Closed Area (MU 8-1).

Map J6 Similkameen Valley - No Shooting or Hunting Area (MU 8-8).

Map J7 Willow Heights No Shooting Area (MU 8-6).

Map J8 Mascot Gold Mines No Shooting Area (MU 8-7).

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