Check website www.gov.bc.ca/hunting for in-season changes prior to your hunt.



These M.U. boundaries are approximate only. For a more precise definition consult the BC Recreational Atlas, 6th edition.

Major Regulation Changes for 2016-2018

- 1. Compulsory Inspection required for all moose harvested in the Okanagan Region.
- 2. Compulsory Inspection of elk harvested in the Okanagan Region no longer required.
- 3. Lengthened cougar hunting season and closure of the pursuit only cougar season.
- 4. Increased regional bag limit for deer.
- 5. Additional spring hunting opportunities in select Okanagan **Region Provincial Parks.**
- 6. Implementation of the Oliver **Mountain Motor Vehicle Prohibited** Area.

COMPULSORY INSPECTION CENTRES

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

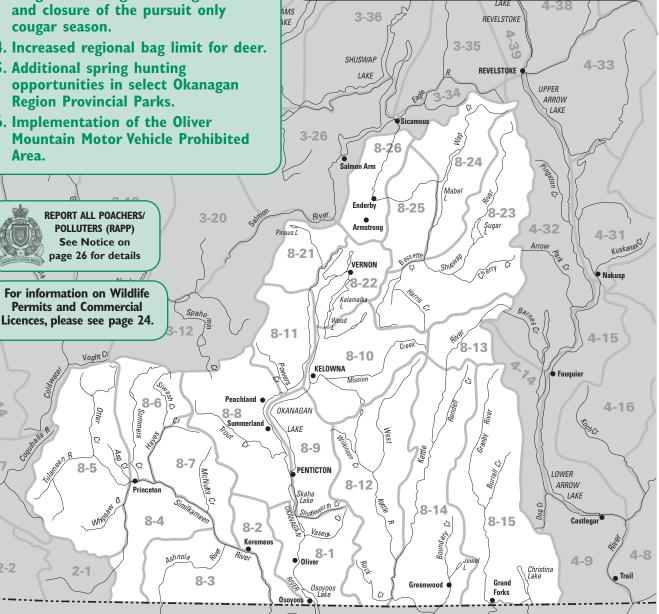
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Conservation Officer Service District Offices

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Grand Forks, Kelowna and Penticton



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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 I 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.
- \bigstar 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 J21.
- ★Placer Mountain to Border Lake area (MU 8-3, 8-4). See Map |21.
- ★ Garnet Valley (MU 8-8). See Map J9.
- ★ Osoyoos Oxbows except established roadways (MU 8-1). See Map J1.
- ★ Underdown Creek (MU 8-1). See Map 12.
- ▲ 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 J I I.
- ★ Granby (MUs 8-14, 8-15). The area is closed 600 m north of the 5 km mark of Burrell-Young Lake FSR, 300 m north of 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 m east of the 10 km mark on the Goatskin-Rendall FSR. Snowmobiles allowed Nov. 1 to May 31. See Map | 14.
- ★ Galloping Hills (MU 8-15) from June I to October 31 except for the primary roads leading to Lightning Peak and Mt. Scaia. See Map | 14.

COMPULSORY INSPECTION & REPORTING

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

NOTICE TO HUNTERS

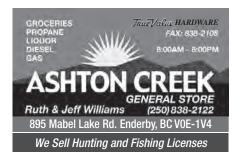
- ▶ White-tailed jackrabbit, Nuttall's cottontail, badger and other species are protected under the authority of the *Wildlife Act* (hunting is prohibited).
- ▶ No Shooting Areas: Hunters should note the Highway No Shooting Areas as outlined on page 13. Note also that the closures for Highway 3 between Manning Park and Princeton and for the Coquihalla Phase III (Okanagan Connector) Hwy 97C are No Shooting and No Hunting Closures.
- ► Hunting is prohibited within the Vaseux Migratory Bird Sanctuary and National Wildlife Areas. For more information visit http://www.ec.gc.ca/ap-pa/default.asp?lang=En&n=82A45B62-1.

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 Fish and Wildlife Branch website at www.gov.bc.ca/hunting.







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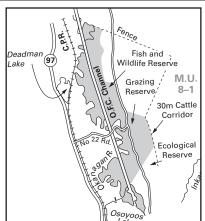
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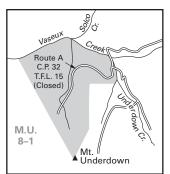
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SPECIES	MANAGEMENT UNIT	CLASS	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT
MULE DEER (Black-tailed)	8-1 to 8-11, 8-21 to 8-26	★4point Bucks	Sept 10 - Sept 30	<u> </u>
	8-12 to 8-15	★4point Bucks	Sept 10 - Nov 10	
	8-1 to 8-11, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Oct 1 - Oct 31	
V	8-1 to 8-11, 8-21 to 8-26	*4 Point Bucks	Nov 1 - Nov 10	1
Youth Season*	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 30	<u> </u>
Youth Season* Bow Only Season	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks Bucks	Nov 1 - Nov 10 Sept 1 - Sept 9	
Bow Only Season	8-1 to 8-11, 8-21, 8-22, 8-24 to 8-26	Bucks	Nov 25 - Dec 10	1
* Restricted to hunters under the age			antlers must accompany the species licence.	•
WHITE-TAILED DEER	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Sept 10 - Nov 30	-
WITTE-TAILED DEEK	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Antlerless	Oct 10 - Oct 31	
Youth Season*	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Sept 1 - Sept 9	i
Youth Season*	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Either Sex	Nov I - Nov 30	i
Bow Only Season	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Bucks	Sept I - Sept 9	I
Bow Only Season * Restricted to hunters under the age	8-I to 8-I5, 8-2I to 8-26	Either Sex	Dec I - Dec 20	2 (1)
MOOSE	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	★Spike-fork Bulls	Nov I - Nov 15	I
ELK	lers must accompany the species licence. Compulsory		S	
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	▲6 Point Bulls	Sept 10 – Oct 20	<u> </u>
Bow Only Season	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	▲6 Point Bulls	Sept I - Sept 9	ı
BLACK BEAR	atlers must accompany the species licence.		S 1 N 20	*2
BLACK BEAK	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 1 - Nov 30 Apr 1 - June 30	*2
	▲ 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Apr 1 - June 30 Aug 1- Aug 31	*2
* The haz limit for black hears is two		tricted to brivate land only		
WOLF	ber licence year (Apr. 1 - Mar. 31). ▲ 8-1 to 8-26 is resi 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	tricted to private land only.	Apr I - June 15	7 mers. 3
COVOTE	0.14.0.15.0.21.4.0.27		Sept 10 – Mar 31	
COYOTE	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept I – June 30	NBL
LYNX and BOBCAT	8-I to 8-I5, 8-2I to 8-26		Nov 15 - Feb 28	I (of each)
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 I - 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-I to 8-I5, 8-2I to 8-26		Sept I - Sept 9	5 (15)
Bow Only Season	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Dec I - Dec 10	5 (15)
	he daily aggregate bag limit is 5; the aggregate possessi	on limit is 15. * Restricted		
CHUKAR PARTRIDGE	8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-9		Oct I - Nov 30	5 (15)
GRAY (HUNGARIAN) PARTRIDGE	8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-10, 8-15, 8-22, 8-26		Oct I - Nov 30	3 (9)
PHEASANT	8-1 to 8-3, 8-8 to 8-12, 8-14, 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Cocks	Oct I - Nov 30	2 (6)
QUAIL	8-1 to 8-4, 8-7 to 8-11, 8-15, 8-21, 8-22, 8-26		Oct I - Nov 30	10 (30)
TURKEY	8-1, 8-9, 8-10, 8-12, 8-14, 8-15, 8-22, 8-26	Bearded	Apr 15 - May 15	
	8-10, 8-12, 8-14, 8-15, 8-22, 8-26	Any Turkey	Oct 1 - Oct 15	
▼The aggregate regional bag limit is 2	8-1, 8-9 and only one turkey may be taken during each open so	Any Turkey eason.	Oct I - Nov 30	I▼
MOURNING DOVE	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept I - Sept 30	5 (15)
COOTS, COMMON SNIPE	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)
	4 Canvasbacks, 2 Goldeneye and 2 Harlequin are in e	tect - see page 17.		
GEESE: SNOW and ROSS'S	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 12 - Dec 25	5 (15)
GEESE: WHITE FRONTED	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 12 - Dec 25	5 (15)
GEESE: CANADA & CACKLING	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Sept 20 – Nov 28	10 (30)
	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26		Dec 20 – Jan 5	10 (30)
WATEREOWIER HERITAGE DAYS A	8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	or the are of 10 C 14/	Feb 21 - Mar 10	10 (30)
DUCKS and GEESE	Vaterfowler Heritage Days are restricted to hunters und 8-1 to 8-15, 8-21 to 8-26	Sept 3, 2016 - Sept	, ,	*
★ Daily bag and possession limits are same as general open seasons described above. See page 17 for more details.				
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Map JI Osoyoos Oxbows Motor Vehicle Closed Area and No Shooting or Hunting Area (situated in MU 8-1). The operation of vehicles is restricted to established roadways shown as open lines. No shooting or hunting from Mar I - Sept 30, in the restricted area, including the roadways.

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

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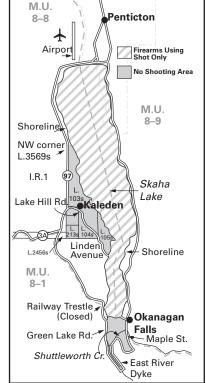
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in MUs 8-4, 8-5).

Map J6 Similkameen Mining Co. Ltd.

No Shooting or Hunting Area (situated

Copper Mtn. Road



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

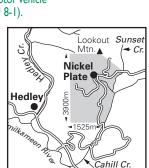


Map J5 Oliver Mountain Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situated in MU 8-1).

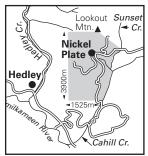
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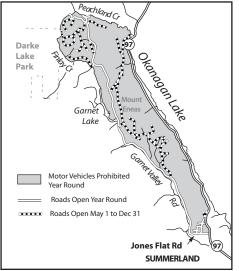
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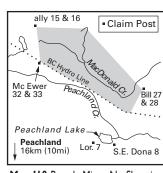
Map J7 Willow Heights No Shooting Area (situated in MU 8-6).



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



Map J9 Garnet Valley - motor vehicle closed area (situated in MU 8-8).



Map J10 Brenda Mines No Shooting Area (situated in MU 8-8).



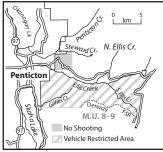
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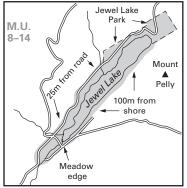
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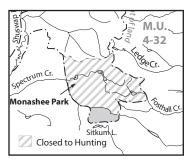
Map J I I Garnet Fire (South Ellis) Motor Vehicles for Hunting Closed Area including the entire Derenzy FSR and Upper Carmi Road No Shooting Area (situated in MU 8-9). The Upper Carmi Road No Shooting Area is almost entirely private land and it is unlawful to hunt private land without consent of the appropriate landowner.



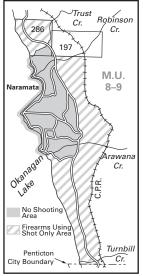
Map J13 Jewel Lake No Shooting or Hunting Area (situated in MU 8-14).



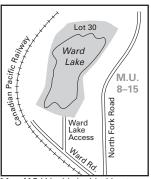
Map J17 Silver Star Park No Hunting Area (situated in MUs 8-22, 8-25, 8-26). Contact Ministry offices in Vernon or Penticton for details.



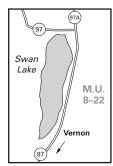
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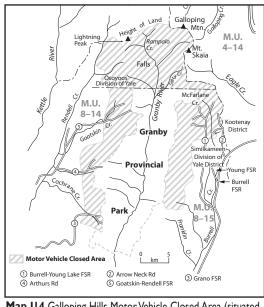
Map J12 Naramata No Shooting Area and Firearms Using Shot Only Area (situated in MU 8-9).



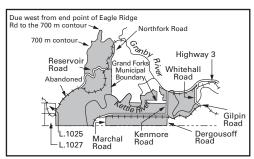
Map J15 Ward Lake No Hunting, Shooting or Trapping Area (situated in MU 8-15).



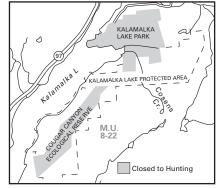
Map J18 Swan Lake No Shooting or Hunting Area (situated in MU 8-22).



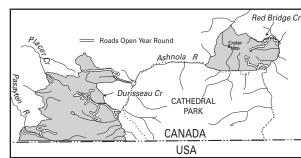
Map J14 Galloping Hills Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situated in MU 8-15) and Granby Motor Vehicle Closed Area (situated in MUs 8-14, 8-15).



Map J16 Grand Forks Closed Area (situated in MU 8-15). Discharge of rifles prohibited.



Map J19 Kalamalka Lake Park and Protected Area (MU 8-22).



Map J21 Placer Mountain and Crater Mountain motor vehicle closed areas (situated in MU 8-3, 8-4). Closed year round to the operation of motor vehicles, except; roads shown as white are open year round.