MIGRATORY WATERFOWL AND UPLAND GAME SEASONS

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2004-05 Hunting License Fees

Licenses are issued on a uniform April 1 through March 31 cycle rather than by calendar year. You may purchase a hunting license at hunting and fishing license dealerships, by using a toll free telephone number 1-866-246-9453, or through the internet at www.fishhunt.dfw.wa.gov. Fees below include a 9.5% transaction fee. The hunting package is divided into big game and small game licensing options.

Big Game - The big game package contains five options. All prices include license and tags. Forest grouse and unclassified wildlife (including coyote) may be hunted with either a small game or big game license purchase.

Small Game - The small game license allows the holder to hunt for wild animals and wild birds, except big game. The small game license includes one transport tag for turkey and includes a prorated surcharge for eastern Washington pheasant enhancement. There are additional charges for the second and third turkey tags, western Washington pheasant permits, and migratory bird validations.

	Res Adult/Sr.	Non-Res.	Youth (under 16) & Disabled Vet
Big Game License Options			
#1 Deer+elk+cougar+bear	$72.27	$722.70	$36.14
#2 Deer+elk	$61.32	$613.20	$30.66
#3 Deer or elk+cougar+bear	$50.37	$503.70	$25.19
#4 Deer or elk	$39.42	$394.20	$19.71
#5 Bear+cougar	$21.90	$219.00	$10.95
Small Game License Options			
Small Game	$32.85	$164.25	$16.43
w/proof of big game package purchase	$17.52	$87.60	$8.76
3-day Small Game	n/a	$54.75	n/a
Each additional turkey tag	$19.71	$65.70	$9.86
Other Licenses, Tags, & Permits	**Resident Adult**	**Non-Res.**	**Youth (under 16)**
Trapping license*	$36.00	$180.00	$15.00
Taxidermy license*	$180.00	n/a	n/a
Pheasant permit (Western WA)			
Westside full season	$39.42	$39.42	$18.00
Westside 3-day option	$21.90	$21.90	n/a
Migratory bird validation	$10.95	$10.95	Free
Migratory bird stamp (state) w/validation**	Free	Free	Free

* Sold only at the WDFW Olympia Office, License Division. No other license sales at WDFW offices.

** Available free by sending proof of validation purchase and self-addressed stamped envelope to WDFW Olympia office, License Division, by March 31, 2005.

License Dealer fees will be charged - $2 for licenses and 50¢ for tags, stamps, and permits.

MIGRATORY BIRD HUNTING LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

Species	Adult	Youth (under 16)
Duck, goose	Small game license, federal stamp, state validation	Small game license, free state validation
Dove, band-tail, coot, snipe	Small game license, state validation	Small game license, free state validation

In addition to a small game license, all hunters of migratory game birds (ducks, geese, doves, coots, and snipe) are required to complete a Harvest Information Program (HIP) survey at a license dealer, and possess a state migratory bird validation as evidence of compliance with this requirement when hunting migratory game birds. All duck and goose hunters 16 and over must also possess a federal migratory bird stamp, signed in ink across the front. Federal stamps can be purchased at selected license dealers, all post offices, all National Wildlife Refuges, by calling 1-800-STAMP24, or ordered online at www.duckstamps.fws.gov. State migratory bird validations and stamps can be purchased through license dealers.

2004 Migratory Bird Stamps and Prints

Duck Stamp Artwork by Daniel Smith

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Proceeds from the sale of Washington migratory bird validation stamps, and limited edition artwork are used to improve habitat for waterfowl and other migratory birds in Washington. Prints are available through the WDFW website and stamps are sold through WDFW license vendors. For more information on the state migratory bird stamp program, see pages 26 & 27 or: www.wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/game/water/duckstmp.htm

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This pamphlet is a summary of the hunting seasons and regulations (chapters 232-12, 232-16, and 232-28 of the Washington Administrative Code) adopted by the Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission. This pamphlet does not contain nor is it intended to contain all department regulations. Regulations specific to the hunting seasons described in this pamphlet are found in sections 232-28-428 and 232-28-341 of the Washington Administrative Code.

CAUTION: Emergency regulation changes may occur while the seasons described in this pamphlet are in effect and will supersede information contained herein. Area news media will be informed of changes as they occur.

Summary of Migratory Game Bird Seasons

	AREA	SEASON DATES (inclusive)	DAILY BAG LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT
Ducks	Statewide	Sept. 18-19, 2004 (Youth Hunting Only)(a)	7 (b)	14 (b)
(See new sea duck authorization requirements on p. 8)		Oct. 16-20, 2004 and Oct. 23, 2004-Jan. 30, 2005, except pintail and canvasback season closed Oct. 23 - Dec. 6, 2005.	7 (b)	14 (b)
Coots	Same as duck seasons	Same as duck seasons (including Youth Hunt)(a)	25	25
Snipe	Same as duck seasons	Same as duck seasons (except Youth Hunt)	8	16
Geese (except Brant & Aleutian Canada Geese)	Goose Mgmt. Areas 1 and 3	Sept. 11-15, 2004	5 Canada geese	10 Canada geese
	Goose Mgmt. Area 2A	Sept. 11-15, 2004	3 Canada geese	6 Canada geese
	Goose Mgmt. Area 2B	Sept. 1-15, 2004	5 Canada geese	10 Canada geese
	Goose Mgmt. Areas 4 & 5	Sept. 11-12, 2004	3 Canada geese	6 Canada geese
	Statewide, except Goose Mgmt. Areas 2A & 2B	Sept. 18-19, 2004 (Youth Hunting Only)(a)	4 Canada geese	8 Canada geese
	Goose Mgmt. Area 1 (see authorization requirements on p. 8)	Oct. 16-29 and Nov. 6, 2004-Jan. 30, 2005, except snow, Ross, or blue geese may only be taken Oct. 16, 2004-Jan. 9, 2005.	4 (c)	8 (d)
	Goose Mgmt. Area 2A (see authorization requirements on p. 8)	8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sat. only, Nov. 27, Dec. 4, 11, 14, 18, 21, 26, 28; Jan. 1, 4, 8, 11, 15, 18, 22, 2005 Ridgefield NWR - Sat., Tues., and Thurs only, Nov. 27, 2004-Jan. 22, 2005.	4 (e)	8 (e)
	Goose Mgmt. Area 2B (see additional requirements on p. 8)	8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Oct. 16, 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 20, 27, Dec. 4, 11, 18, 26, 2004; Jan. 2, 8, 15, 2005.	4 (e)	8 (e)
	Goose Mgmt. Area 3	Oct. 16-29 and Nov. 6, 2004-Jan. 30, 2005	4 (c)	8 (d)
	Goose Mgmt. Area 4	Oct. 16-18 and Sat., Sun., Wed. only, Oct. 23, 2004 - Jan. 23, 2005; Nov. 11, 25, 26, Dec. 27, 28, 30, 31, 2004; and every day Jan. 24-30, 2005	4 (c)	8 (d)
	Goose Mgmt. Area 5	Oct. 16-18 and Oct. 23, 2004-Jan. 30, 2005	4 (c)	8 (d)
Brant (see authorization requirements on p. 10)	Skagit and Pacific Counties	Nov. 20, 21, 23, 25, 26, 2004. Jan. 22, 23, 26, 29, 30, 2005. If the pre-season wintering population in Padilla/Samish/Fidalgo Bays is below 6,000 (as determined by the January survey) the January 2005 brant season in Skagit County will be canceled.	2	4
Band-tailed Pigeon Statewide (see authorization requirements on p. 10)		Sept. 15-23, 2004	2	4
Mourning Dove Statewide		Sept. 1-15, 2004	10	20
Aleutian Canada Geese, Swans		Closed Statewide		

Summary of Migratory Game Bird Season Dates and Requirements

	September	October	November	December	January	License
Duck, coot, snipe (statewide)						
Youth hunt (except snipe)	18-19					s, sm
General season (except pintail and canvasback)		16-20 23			30	s, fm, sm
Goose (except brant & Aleutian Canada goose)						
September Canada goose Area 1, 2A & 3	11-15					s, fm, sm
September Canada goose Area 2B	1 15					s, fm, sm
September Canada goose Areas 4 & 5	11-12					s, fm, sm
Youth Canada goose (exc. closed in Areas 2A & 2B)	18-19					s, sm
Mgmt. Area 1 snow, Ross', blue geese		16			9	s, fm, sm, sn
Mgmt. Area 1 other geese		16 29	6		30	s, fm, sm
Mgmt. Area 2A			27	selected dates	22	s, fm, sm, cg
Mgmt Area 2B		16	selected dates		15	s, fm, sm, cg
Mgmt. Area 3		16 29	6		30	s, fm, sm
Mgmt. Area 4		16-18 23	selected dates		30	s, fm, sm
Mgmt. Area 5		16-18 23			30	s, fm, sm
Brant (Skagit and Pacific Co.)			selected dates 20-26		selected dates 22-30	s, fm, sm, br
Band-tailed Pigeon (statewide)	15-23					s, sm, bt
Dove (statewide)	1 15					s, sm

Key to license and other requirements: bt=band-tailed pigeon authorization; br=brant authorization; cg=Canada goose authorization; fm=federal migratory bird stamp (not required for youth hunters); s=small game license; sm=state migratory bird validation (free for youth hunters); sn=snow goose authorization.

Summary of Upland Game Seasons

	AREA	SEASON DATES (inclusive)	DAILY BAG LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT
Forest Grouse (Blue, Ruffed, and Spruce)	Statewide	Sept. 1-Dec. 31, 2004	3 of any species	9 of any speces
Sage and Sharp-tailed grouse, Ptarmigan		Closed statewide		
Pheasant (see additional requirements on p. 11)	Western Washington	Sept. 18-19, 2004 (Youth Hunting Only)(a)	2 either sex	4 either sex
		Sept. 20-24, 2004 (Only for hunters 65 years of age or older).	2 either sex	10 either sex
		8 a.m.-4 p.m. Sept. 25-Nov. 30, 2004 except Dungeness Recreation Area site starting Oct. 2.	2 either sex	15 either sex
		8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Dec. 1 - Dec. 15, 2004 ONLY at Skookumchuck, Fort Lewis, Kosmos, Scatter Creek, Belfair, and Lincoln Creek release sites (no pheasants released).	2 either sex	15 either sex
	Eastern Washington	Sept. 18-19, 2004 (Youth Hunting Only)(a)	3 cocks only	6 cocks only
		Oct. 23-Dec. 31, 2004	3 cocks only	15 cocks only
California (Valley) Quail and Northern Bobwhite	Western Washington	Oct. 2-Nov. 30, 2004	10 mixed bag	30 mixed bag
	Eastern Washington	Sept. 18-19, 2004 (Youth Hunting Only)(a)	10 mixed bag	20 mixed bag
		Oct. 2, 2004-Jan. 17, 2005	10 mixed bag	30 mixed bag
Quail (Mountain)	Western Washington	Oct. 2-Nov. 30, 2004	2	4
	Eastern Washington	Season closed		
Partridge (Chukar & Gray)	Eastern Washington	Sept. 18-19, 2004 (Youth Hunting Only)(a)	6 chukar & 6 gray	18 chukar & 18 gray
		Oct. 2, 2004-Jan. 17, 2005	6 chukar & 6 gray	18 chukar & 18 gray
Cottontail and Snowshoe Hare	Statewide	Sept. 1, 2004-Mar. 15, 2005	5 mixed bag	15 mixed bag
Jackrabbit and Pygmy Rabbit		Closed Statewide		
Crow	Statewide	Oct. 1, 2004-Jan. 31, 2005	no limit	no limit
Turkey (see additional requirements on p. 11)	Statewide	April 9-10, 2005 in selected areas (Youth Hunting Only)(a)	1	1
		April 15- May 15, 2005	See Spring Turkey pamphlet	See Spring Turkey pamphlet
	Select Units (See p. 11)	Sept. 25-Oct. 1, 2004	1	1

Summary of Upland Game Season Dates And Requirements

	September	October	November	December	January	License
Forest Grouse (statewide)	1			31		s or b
Pheasant (westside)						
Youth hunt	18-19					s, p
65 & older	20-24					s, p
General season	25		30	selected areas 1 15		s, p
Pheasant (eastside)						
Youth hunt	18-19					s
General season		23		31		s
California Quail and Bobwhite (westside)		2	30			s
California Quail, Bobwhite, Chukar and Gray Partridge (eastside)						
Youth hunt	18-19					s
General season		2			17	s

Key to license and other requirements: b=big game; p=westside pheasant permit; s=small game license.

Additional Limits And Restrictions

a) Special youth hunting season open to hunters under 16 years of age (must be accompanied by an adult at least 18 years old who is not hunting).

b) Daily bag limit: 7 ducks – to include not more than 2 hen mallard, 1 pintail, 4 scaup, 1 canvasback, 2 redhead, 1 harlequin, 4 scoter, and 4 long-tailed duck. See limited season dates for pintails and canvasbacks.

Possession limit: 14 ducks – to include not more than 4 hen mallard, 2 pintail, 8 scaup, 2 canvasback, 4 redhead, 1 harlequin, 8 scoter, and 8 long-tailed duck. See limited season dates for pintails and canvasbacks.

Season limit: 1 harlequin (see sea duck authorization requirement on p. 8).

c) Daily bag limit: 4 geese - to include not more than 3 snow, Ross', or blue geese.

d) Possession limit: 8 geese - to include not more than 6 snow, Ross', or blue geese.

e) Daily bag limit: 4 geese - to include not more than 1 dusky Canada goose, and not more than 3 snow, Ross', or blue geese.

Possession limit: 8 geese - to include not more than 1 dusky Canada goose, and not more than 6 snow, Ross', or blue geese.

Season limit: 1 dusky Canada goose. (A dusky Canada goose is defined as a dark-breasted [Munsell 10 YR, 5 or less] Canada goose with a culmen [bill] length of 40-50 mm)

DECOY RESTRICTIONS

It is unlawful to hunt waterfowl with the use or aid of battery powered or other electronic devices as decoys.

Additional Requirements 2004-05 Migratory Waterfowl Seasons

SEA DUCKS

WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION REQUIRED TO HUNT SEA DUCKS. All persons hunting sea ducks (harlequin, scoter, long-tailed duck) in western Washington are required to obtain a written authorization and harvest report from WDFW. Hunters must fill out an application (available at WDFW Olympia and regional offices). Application forms must be delivered to a department office no later than September 25 or postmarked on or before September 25 in order for applicants to be mailed a 2004-05 authorization before the season starts, but authorizations will be issued throughout the season. Immediately after taking a sea duck into possession, hunters must record in ink the information required on the harvest report. Return of the harvest report is mandatory. By February 15, 2005, hunters must return the harvest report to WDFW, or report harvest information on the department's Internet reporting system. Hunters failing to comply with reporting requirements will be ineligible to participate in the 2005-06 sea duck season.

GOOSE MANAGEMENT AREA 1

WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION REQUIRED TO HUNT SNOW GEESE. All persons hunting snow geese in this management area are required to obtain a written authorization and Harvest Report from WDFW (snow goose hunters in other parts of the state are exempt from this requirement). Hunters who held a 2003-04 authorization and returned the Harvest Report prior to the deadline will be mailed a 2004-05 authorization in early October. Hunters who did not possess a 2003-04 authorization must fill out an application (available at WDFW Olympia and regional offices). **Application forms must be delivered to a Department office no later than September 25 or postmarked on or before September 25 in order for applicants to be mailed a 2004-05 authorization before the season starts. No applications will be accepted after October 31, 2004**. Immediately after taking a snow goose into possession, hunters must record in ink the information required on the Harvest Report. By January 31, 2005, hunters must return the harvest report to WDFW, or report harvest information on the department's Internet reporting system. Hunters failing to comply with reporting requirements will be ineligible to participate in the 2005-06 snow goose season.

GOOSE MANAGEMENT AREAS 2A AND 2B

The Canada goose season for Western Washington Goose Management Areas 2A and 2B will be closed early if dusky Canada goose harvests exceed area quotas which collectively total 80 geese. The Fish and Wildlife Commission has authorized the Director to implement emergency area closures in accordance with the following quotas: A total of 80 duskys, to be distributed 10 for Zone 1 (Ridgefield NWR); 25 for Zone 2 (Cowlitz County south of the Kalama River); 20 for Zone 3 (Clark County private lands); 10 for Zone 4 (Cowlitz County north of the Kalama River and Wahkiakum County); 10 for Zone 5 (Pacific County); and 5 for Zone 6 (Grays Harbor County). Quotas may be shifted to other zones during the season to optimize use of the statewide quota and minimize depredation.

Goose hunting is only permitted by written authorization from WDFW. Authorization is not required for the September goose season. Hunters who maintained a valid 2003-04 written authorization will be mailed a 2004-05 authorization card prior to the 2004-05 season. New hunters, those who do not have a WILD ID, and those who did not maintain a valid 2003-04 authorization must review goose identification training materials and demonstrate adequate performance on a goose identification test to receive written authorization. Information on training materials and testing dates/locations is on page 9.

With written authorization, hunters will receive a Harvest Report. Hunters must carry the authorization card and Harvest Report while hunting. Immediately after taking a Canada goose (dusky, lesser/Taverner, cackling, or other subspecies) into possession, hunters must record in ink the information required on the Harvest Report. Hunters must go directly to the nearest check station and have geese tagged when leaving a hunt site, before 6:00 p.m. Due to budget reductions, the Longview check station will not be in operation for 2004-05, and hunters must check geese at Woodland or Cathlamet. If a hunter takes the season bag limit of one dusky Canada goose or does not comply with requirements listed above regarding checking of birds and recording harvest on the Harvest Report, written authorization will be invalidated and the hunter will not be able to hunt in Western Washington Goose Management Areas 2A & 2B for the remainder of the season and the Special Late Canada Goose Season. It is unlawful to fail to comply with all provisions listed above for Western Washington Goose Management Areas 2A & 2B.

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GOOSE MANAGEMENT AREA 2A SPECIAL LATE CANADA GOOSE SEASON

Open to Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Advanced Hunter Education (AHE) program graduates and youth hunters (15 years of age or under, who are accompanied by an AHE hunter) possessing a valid 2004-05 southwest Washington Canada goose hunting authorization. Hunters qualifying for the season will be placed on a list for participation in this hunt. WDFW will assist landowners with contacting qualified hunters to participate in damage control hunts on specific lands incurring goose damage. Participation in this hunt will depend on the level of damage experienced by local landowners.

Open in goose damage areas in Western Washington Goose Management Area 2A on selected dates within the following period from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.: Saturdays and Wednesdays, Feb. 5-March 9, 2005.

Daily bag limit: 4 Canada geese, to include not more than 1 dusky Canada goose.

Possession limit: 8 Canada geese, to include not more than 1 dusky Canada goose.

Season limit: 1 dusky Canada goose.

A dusky Canada goose is defined as a dark-breasted Canada goose (as shown in the Munsell color chart 10 YR, 5 or less) with a culmen (bill) length of 40-50 mm.

The Special Late Canada Goose Season will be closed by emergency action if the harvest of dusky Canada geese exceeds 85 for the regular and late seasons. All provisions listed above for Western Washington Goose Management Area 2A regarding authorization, harvest reporting, and checking requirements also apply to the special Late Canada Goose Season, except hunters must confirm their participation at least 24 hours in advance, and hunters must check out by 5 p.m. each day, regardless of success.

BIRD BAND REPORTING

You can now report federal migratory bird bands by calling a toll-free number: 1-800-327-BAND. Calls can be made 24 hours a day, and you will receive information on when and where the bird was banded. Please use this number to report federal migratory bird bands only (no upland birds or private bands). Bands can also be reported to www.pwrc.usgs.gov/bbl.

WASHINGTON WATERFOWL ADVISORY GROUP

The Washington Waterfowl Advisory Group (WAG) was formed by WDFW in early 2003 to increase citizen involvement in the management of Washington's waterfowl resources. WDFW received over 40 applications for participation on the group, and selected 21 members from a broad representation of waterfowl hunters throughout the state. The group has semiannual meetings to provide advice to the department on a variety of topics, including planned expenditures of 2003-05 state migratory bird stamp revenues waterfowl seasons, public access, and other topics. To learn more about the WAG or to contact a representative in your area, please contact the WDFW Waterfowl Section at (360) 902-2515.

GOOSE MANAGEMENT AREAS 2A & 2B GOOSE IDENTIFICATION TRAINING MATERIALS AND TESTING SCHEDULE

Training materials necessary to pass the goose identification test required for Goose Management Area 2A and 2B consist of a home study booklet and a one hour videotape, both titled "Pacific Northwest Goose Management." The booklet is available at the Olympia and regional offices of WDFW, and the videotape is available through Videoland Productions, Inc., 805 College Street SE, Lacey, WA 98503. Videoland Productions, Inc. accepts major credit cards, checks, and money orders. Their toll free number is 1-800-861-1342, the commercial number is 1-360-491-1332, the fax is (360) 491-1333, or website cco.net/~vland.

Goose identification testing will be conducted at designated locations throughout western Washington. New hunters and those who had 2003-04 hunting authorizations invalidated for Goose Management Area 2 will be expected to attend one of these testing sessions and pass an exam with a minimum of 80% to receive their 2003-04 hunting authorization. Hunters who fail a test must wait 28 days before retesting, and will not be issued a reciprocal authorization until that time.

NOTE: These requirements do not apply to the September goose season.

Region	Date	Time	Location	City
4	10/1-12/30	By appt. only, call for schedule, all tests begin at 3 p.m.	Region 4 Office	Mill Creek
5	10/12	7 p.m.	Cowlitz PUD	Longview
5	Wednesdays only 10/20-12/8	12 p.m.-3:00 p.m.	Wahkiakum Conservation District Office	Skamokawa
5	10/19	7 p.m.	Region 5 Office	Vancouver
5	Tuesdays only 10/19-12/14	3 p.m.	Region 5 Office	Vancouver
6	10/5	7 p.m.	Natural Resources Bldg.	Olympia
6	10/6	7 p.m.	Region 6 Office	Montesano
6	10/7	7 p.m.	Pacific Co. Transit Authority	Ilwaco

For directions to testing sites contact the appropriate regional office (see page 5).

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BRANT

WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION REQUIRED: All hunters participating in this season are required to obtain a written authorization and Harvest Report from WDFW. Hunters who held a 2003-04 authorization and reported harvest prior to the deadline will be mailed a 2004-05 authorization. Hunters who did not possess a 2003-04 authorization, must fill out an application (available at WDFW offices). **Application forms must be delivered to a WDFW office no later than 5:00 p.m. on November 8 or postmarked on or before November 8; after which applicants will be mailed a 2004-05 authorization. Late applications will not be accepted.** Immediately after taking a brant into possession, hunters must record in ink the information required on the Harvest Report. By February 15, 2005, hunters must return the harvest report to WDFW, or report harvest information on the department's internet reporting system. Hunters failing to comply with reporting requirements will be ineligible to participate in the 2005-06 brant season.

BAND-TAILED PIGEON

WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION REQUIRED: All persons hunting band-tailed pigeons in this season are required to obtain a written authorization and harvest report from WDFW. Hunters who held a 2003 authorization and returned the Harvest Report prior to the deadline will be mailed a 2004 authorization before the season. Hunters who did not possess a 2004 authorization must fill out an application (available at WDFW Olympia and regional offices)**. Application forms must be delivered to a department office no later than August 28 or postmarked on or before August 28 in order for applicants to be mailed a 2004 authorization before the season starts.** Immediately after taking a band-tailed pigeon into possession, hunters must record in ink the information required on the harvest report. By September 30, 2004, hunters must return the harvest report to WDFW, or report harvest information on the department's internet reporting system. Hunters failing to comply with reporting requirements will be ineligible to participate in the 2005 band-tailed pigeon season.

NONTOXIC SHOT REQUIREMENT

It is unlawful to possess shot (either in shotshells or as loose shot for muzzle-loading) other than nontoxic shot when hunting for waterfowl, coot, or snipe. **Nontoxic shot includes steel shot, bismuth-tin shot** (97% bismuth: 3% tin), **tungsten-iron shot** (40% tungsten: 60% iron or 22% tungsten: 78% iron), **tungsten-polymer shot** (95.5% tungsten: 4.5% nylon 6 or 11), **tungsten-matrix shot** (95.9% tungsten: 4.1% polymer), **tungsten-iron-nickel-tin (TINT) shot** (65% tungsten; 10.4% iron; 2.8% nickel; 21.8% tin), **tungsten-nickel-iron shot** (50 % tungsten: 35% nickel: 15% iron), **tungsten-bronze shot** (51.1% tungsten: 44.4% copper: 3.9% tin: 0.6% iron), or **tungsten-tin-bismuth** shot (49-71% tungsten: 29-51% tin: 0.5-6.5% bismuth); all with <1% residual lead. See additional requirements on p. 11.

HUNTER ORANGE

Anyone hunting upland birds (pheasant, quail, and partridge), rabbits, or hares with a modern firearm during any upland game bird season is required to wear hunter orange clothing. Those hunting forest grouse, rabbits, or hares during modern firearm deer or elk hunting seasons must also wear hunter orange clothing. A minimum of 400 square inches of fluorescent hunter orange exterior clothing, worn above the waist and visible from all sides, is required to comply with this regulation.

HUNTING WITH AN AUTHORIZATION NUMBER

Under the automated licensing system, licenses may be purchased over the telphone at 1-866-246-9453 or via the Internet at www.fishhunt.dfw.wa.gov. At the conclusion of a telephone or Internet sale, an authorization number will be issued. That authorization number may be used as your license if you are hunting for animals not requiring a transport tag.

Big Game Licenses - Forest grouse and unclassified wildlife such as: coyote, opossum, nutria, porcupine, skunk, and yellow-bellied marmot are the only species that may be hunted with a big game authorization number until your appropriate tags and license have arrived.

Small Game Licenses - All animals hunted with a small game license, including unclassified wildlife, may be hunted with a small game authorization number (except wild turkey and western Washington pheasant) until the valid license and tags have been received in the mail.

Migratory Bird Validation - All migratory birds may be hunted with a small game authorization number that includes a migratory bird validation until the valid license is received in the mail. A federal migratory bird stamp is required for hunters 16 years and older to hunt ducks and geese.

Additional Requirements For 2004-05 Upland Game Seasons

RING-NECKED PHEASANT

A Western Washington Pheasant Permit is required to hunt pheasant in western Washington, in addition to a current small game hunting license. Upon taking a pheasant, the holder of a Western Washington Pheasant Permit must immediately enter on the corresponding space the date and location of kill.

There are three options available:

(1) **Full Season Option:** Allows the harvest of eight (8) pheasants.

(2) **3-Day Option:** Allows the harvest of four (4) pheasants during three consecutive days.

(3) **Juvenile Option:** Allows the harvest of eight (8) pheasants.

It is unlawful to purchase an additional permit until all the pheasants allowed on the current permit are taken.

A hunter shall select one valid option at the time they purchase their permit.

Every person possessing a Western Washington Pheasant Permit must return the permit to WDFW by December 31 or report hunting activity via the Internet at www.wdfw.wa.gov (Western Washington Pheasant Harvest Report Form). The number of permits purchased per year is not limited.

Western Washington pheasant hunters must choose to hunt on either odd-numbered or even-numbered weekend days from 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. at all units of Lake Terrell, Tennant Lake, Snoqualmie, Skagit, Skookumchuck, Scatter Creek Wildlife Areas, and all areas on Whidbey Island and the Dungeness Recreation Area, and must indicate their choice on the Western Washington Pheasant Permit by choosing "odd" or "even." Hunters who select the 3-day option, hunters 65 years of age or older, and youth hunters 15 or younger may hunt during either weekend day morning. Youth hunters must be accompanied by an adult at least 18 years old (if hunting, adults must have an appropriately marked pheasant permit).

Note: Contact the Adventure Center at Fort Lewis (253) 967-6263 and the Environmental Affairs Office at the Whidbey Island Naval Air Station (360) 257-1009 prior to hunting at these locations.

TURKEY

Mandatory harvest reporting requirements are listed on page 11 of Big Game Hunting Seasons and Rules Pamphlet. By January 31, 2005, hunters must report their hunting activity for each turkey tag acquired by calling toll free 1-877-945-3492 or via Internet at www.fishhunt.dfw.wa.gov.

NONTOXIC SHOT

It is unlawful to possess shot (either in shotshells or as loose shot for muzzle-loading) other than nontoxic shot for any purpose in the following areas:

- Bridgeport Bar segment of Well's Wildlife Area
- Cowlitz Wildlife Area
- Lake Terrell Wildlife Area (including Tennant Lake and other segments)
- Shillapoo Wildlife Area
- Skagit Wildlife Area (all segments)
- Snoqualmie Wildlife Area (all segments)
- Sunnyside Wildlife Area
- The Driscoll Island, Hegdahl, and Kline Parcel segments of the Sinlahekin Wildlife Area
- Vancouver Lake Wildlife Area

It is unlawful to possess shot (either in shotshells or as loose shot for muzzleloading) other than nontoxic shot when hunting for game birds or game animals in the following areas:

- Chehalis River pheasant release site
- Dungeness Recreation Area
- Hunter Farms pheasant release site
- Raymond Airport pheasant release site
- All Whidbey Island pheasant release sites

Many U.S. Fish and Wildlife refuges require the use of non-toxic shot. Please refer to specific refuge rules for requirements.

Wild Turkey Fall Hunts

Who may participate: Anyone who has a valid turkey transport tag and did not harvest two (2) turkeys in eastern Washington during the previous spring season.

Bag Limit: One (1) turkey of either sex taken during either the general or permit season.

Season: September 25-October 1, 2004 - Shotgun or archery only.

General Fall Season Hunt Area: GMUs 105-124.

FALL PERMIT HUNT UNITS:

Hunt Choice No.	Hunt Name	Hunt Area	2004 Permits
3001	Sherman	GMU 101	250
3002	Roosevelt	GMU 133	150
3003	Southeast	GMUs 145-186	50
3004	Klickitat	GMUs 382, 568-588	75

Additional Requirements For 2004-05 Upland Game Seasons

BIRD DOG TRAINING SEASON

Aug. 1, 2004-Mar. 31, 2005.

Dog training may be conducted year-around on posted portions of: Region One-Espanola (T 24 N, R 40 E, E 1/2 of Sec. 16); Region Three-South L.T. Murray Wildlife Area; Region Four-Skagit Wildlife Area, Lake Terrell Wildlife Area, and Snoqualmie Wildlife Area; Region Five-Shillapoo/Vancouver Lake Wildlife Area; Region Six-Scatter Creek Wildlife Area, and Fort Lewis Military Base. A valid small game license is required to train dogs on wild birds at any time. A small game license AND a Western Washington Pheasant Permit is required to train dogs on wild pheasants in western Washington. Only youth and seniors may train dogs during their respective seasons on designated western Washington pheasant release sites.

FOREST GROUSE

Forest grouse may not be killed with centerfire rifles or centerfire pistols during modern firearm deer or elk seasons unless appropriate deer or elk tags are on the hunter's person. Forest grouse may be taken with shotguns or .22 rimfire rifles and pistols during the entire grouse hunting season.

FALCONRY SEASONS

A falconry license and a current small game hunting license are required for hunting with a raptor. In addition, a Western Washington Pheasant Permit is required to hunt pheasant in western Washington; and federal and state migratory bird stamps are required to hunt migratory birds.

If a raptor captures any species of wildlife (quarry) in a closed season, the falconer must release the quarry if it is not seriously injured. If the quarry is seriously injured or killed, the quarry must be left at the site, but the raptor may feed on the kill. If the accidentally killed wildlife is a Washington State Candidate species (including jackrabbit), the falconer must immediately record on a WDFW form or facsimile: the falconer's name, falconry permit number, date, species and sex (if known) of the quarry, and the location of the kill (as accurately as possible). Total accidental take of Candidate species cannot exceed 5/season; falconers must cease hunting for the day if a candidate species is taken. All reports of accidental take must be submitted to the WDFW falconry permit coordinator by April 1 each year. Released quarry are not considered "take." Take of species protected under federal or state endangered or threatened species laws is not permitted.

Falconry Seasons

SPECIES	AREA	SEASON DATES (inclusive)	DAILY BAG LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT
Upland Game Birds and Forest Grouse	Statewide	Aug. 1, 2004-Mar. 15, 2005 (falconry)	2 pheasants (either sex), 6 partridge. 5 CA quail or bobwhite, 2 mountain quail (W.WA only),and 3 forest grouse	Twice the daily bag
Mourning Dove	Statewide	Sept. 1-15, 2004 and Oct. 1-Dec. 31, 2004 (falconry)	3 mourning doves, straight or mixed bag with snipe, coots, ducks, and geese during established seasons	Twice the daily bag
Cottontail and Snowshoe hare	Statewide	Aug. 1, 2004-Mar. 15, 2005 (falconry)	5 cottontail or snowshoe hares, straight or mixed bag	Twice the daily bag
Ducks, Coots and Snipe	Statewide	Oct. 16-20, 2004 and Oct. 23, 2004-Jan. 30, 2005 (falconry)	3, straight or mixed bag with geese and mourning doves during established seasons	Twice the daily bag
Geese	Goose Mgmt Area 1	Oct. 16, 2004-Jan. 9, 2005 (falconry)	3, (except Brant, Aleutian Canada Geese) straight or mixed bag with ducks,coots, snipe, and mourning doves during established seasons	Twice the daily bag
	Goose Mgmt Area 2A	Nov. 27, Dec. 4, 11, 14, 18, 21, 26, 28, 2004; Jan. 1, 4, 8, 11, 15, 22, 2005; Feb. 5-Mar. 9, 2005	3, (except Brant, Aleutian Canada Geese) straight or mixed bag with ducks,coots, snipe, and mourning doves during established seasons	Twice the daily bag
	Goose Mgmt Area 2B	Oct. 16, 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 20, 27, Dec. 4, 11, 18, 26, 2004; Jan. 2, 8, 15, 2005	3, (except Brant, Aleutian Canada Geese) straight or mixed bag with ducks,coots, snipe, and mourning doves during established seasons	Twice the daily bag
	Goose Mgmt. Areas 3-5	Oct.16-18, 2004 Nov. 6, 2004-Jan. 30, 2005. (falconry)	3, (except Brant, Aleutian Canada Geese) straight or mixed bag with ducks, coots, snipe, and mourning doves during established seasons	Twice the daily bag
Jackrabbit, pygmy rabbit, sage grouse, sharp-tailed grouse, ptarmigan	Closed Statewide			

Summary of Washington State Regulations For Waterfowl and Upland Game

EASTERN, WESTERN WASHINGTON DEFINED

EASTERN Washington includes all areas lying east of the Pacific Crest Trail and east of the Big White Salmon River in Klickitat and Skamania Counties, while WESTERN Washington refers to all areas west of the Pacific Crest Trail and west of (and including) the Big White Salmon River in Klickitat and Skamania Counties.

FIREARM REGULATIONS

IT IS UNLAWFUL TO HUNT:

–Game birds with a shotgun capable of holding more than three shells.

–Game birds or game animals in a manner other than with a firearm, a bow and arrow, or by falconry. Bullfrogs in a manner other than by angling, hand dip netting, gigging, or bow and arrow.

–Game birds or game animals with a shotgun larger than 10 gauge.

–Wildlife with a crossbow.

–Game birds with a rifle or pistol, except forest grouse. (See page 12 for restrictions)

–Wildlife with a fully automatic firearm.

HUNTING RESTRICTIONS

IT IS UNLAWFUL TO:

–Place waterfowl decoys prior to 4:00 a.m.; allow or permit waterfowl decoys to be unattended or not in your immediate control for a period greater than one hour; or fail to remove waterfowl decoys within two hours after the close of established daily hunting hours on days open to waterfowl hunting on lands or waters controlled by WDFW.

–Place waterfowl decoys on lands or waters controlled by WDFW except as authorized by permit of the director, on days closed to waterfowl hunting on lands or waters controlled by WDFW.

–Hunt waterfowl or wild turkeys using live birds as decoys.

–Hunt waterfowl with the use or aid of battery-powered or other electronic devices as decoys.

–Hunt game birds over bait or baited areas, or areas posted as upland bird feeding sites. A baited area is where corn, wheat, or other grain or feed have been placed, exposed, deposited, distributed, or scattered to attract game birds for hunting. This does not prohibit the hunting of game birds on or over standing crops flooded croplands, or grain crops properly harvested on the field where grown, or grains scattered as the result of normal agricultural planting or harvesting. Areas are considered baited for ten days following the complete removal of all grain or other feed.

–Destroy or possess the nests or eggs of game birds or protected wildlife.

–Allow game animals or game birds you have taken to recklessly or intentionally be wasted.

–Hunt wildlife from a vehicle (except authorized disabled hunters) or from a boat propelled by a motor, unless the boats motor is shut off and progress due to the motor has stopped.

–Use a vehicle (including ATVs), aircraft, or boat to pursue, concentrate or harass wild animals or wild birds.

–Possess wildlife taken by another person unless you have in possession a written statement showing name, address, license and/or tag number, date, county and area it was taken in, and the signature of the hunter who killed it.

–Possess in the field or transport game birds unless a feathered head is left attached to each carcass, except falconry-caught birds.

–Avoid or fail to stop and report at a WDFW established check station, and produce hunting equipment, wildlife in your possession, and licenses, permits, tags, or stamps required.

PROPERTY LAWS

Hunters are welcome on most state-owned lands, although some lands leased to private owners may be posted closed to protect livestock, equipment, or crops. Courtesy shown while hunting and respect for property rights will prevent the closing of more of these lands to hunting.

It is unlawful to:

–Remove, possess, or damage printed material or signs placed by authority of the Fish and Wildlife Commission.

–Place or leave litter on any land, either public or private, which is not your own.

–Post signs against trespass or otherwise prevent hunting on lands not owned or leased by that person.

–Operate a motor vehicle on lands owned, controlled, or managed by the WDFW, except as authorized. (Off-road travel on Department lands is usually prohibited.)

–Take a wild animal from another person's trap without permission or to damage or destroy a trap, except a trap may be removed by the property owner.

–Hunt or trap on state park lands.

SAFETY VIOLATIONS

It is unlawful to:

–Carry, transport, convey, possess, or control in or on any motor vehicle, a rifle or shotgun containing shells or cartridges in either the chamber or magazine, or a muzzleloading firearm that is loaded and capped or primed.

–Shoot a firearm from, across, or along the maintained part of any public highway.

–Hunt while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs.

–Shoot at wild animals or wild birds while they are on any utility line, pole, its crossarm, or insulator.

–Hunt upland birds with a modern firearm unless you are wearing hunter orange.

LICENSE AND TAG VIOLATIONS

It is unlawful to:

–Buy, possess, or attempt to obtain any license, tag, or permit by using false information, or to buy, possess or attempt to obtain a license, tag, or permit when such license privilege has been revoked.

–Purchase or possess more than one of each license, tag, permit, or stamp during the same year, unless it is a legally obtained duplicate or authorized by the Fish and Wildlife Commission.

–Transfer, loan to, or borrow from another person any license, tag, permit, or stamp.

–Refuse to show a license, tag, or permit, or to refuse to display wildlife taken when asked to do so by a fish and wildlife officer or other law officer.

–Purchase a hunting license for the first time if you were born after Jan. 1, 1972, unless you have successfully completed Hunter Education training. A Washington hunting license from the preceding year is considered legal proof of successful completion if a previous year license has the hunter ed certificate number or previous year license number entered.

USE OF DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE LANDS

It is unlawful to use WDFW-owned or controlled lands or waters in a manner or for a purpose contrary to signs or notices posted on those lands or to refuse or neglect to obey directions by a fish and wildlife officer regarding use of such property. It is unlawful to use Department-owned or controlled lands or waters for a commercial purpose without a permit issued by the Director of WDFW.

IMPORT AND RETENTION OF DEAD WILDLIFE

It is unlawful to possess or import into Washington wildlife taken in another state or country, unless the wildlife was acquired lawfully. Proof of legal acquisition must be retained during the period of retention of the edible parts.

AGE REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS

Anyone, regardless of age, must have in their possession a valid hunting license and any required tags, permits, or stamps to hunt wildlife.

MOUNT ST. HELENS

Game Management Unit 522 (Loo-wit) is designated as a "CLOSED AREA" to the hunting of all wild animals and wild birds except by special permit. In addition, U.S. Forest Service maintains a firearm restriction on portions of the Mt. St. Helens National Monument.

For more complete information on regulations affecting wildlife, hunting and firearm safety, see the 2004 Big Game Hunting Seasons and Rules pamphlet, available from license dealers throughout the state.

Summary of Federal Rules For Migratory Game Birds and Upland Game

In addition to a small game hunting license and state migratory bird validation, all waterfowl hunters 16 years of age and older must carry on their person a valid Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp (Duck Stamp), signed in ink across the face. The stamp is not required for hunters under 16, or for those only hunting dove, band-tailed pigeon, coot, or snipe.

Below is a summary of the most commonly violated federal regulations. Federal regulations related to migratory bird hunting are located in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 20. For a complete list of federal regulations pertaining to migratory bird hunting, hunters should visit the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's website at www.hunting.fws.gov/ prior to going afield.

No persons shall take migratory game birds: (a) With a trap, snare, net, rifle, pistol, swivel gun, shotgun larger than 10 gauge, punt gun, battery gun, machine-gun, fish hook, poison, drug, explosive, or stupefying substance;
(b) With a shotgun of any description capable of holding more than three shells, unless it is plugged with a one-piece filler, incapable of removal without disassembling the gun, so its total capacity does not exceed three shells.
(c) From or by means, aid, or use of a sinkbox or any other type of low floating device, having a depression affording the hunter a means of concealment beneath the surface of the water;
(d) From or by means, aid, or use of any motor vehicle, motor-driven land conveyance, or aircraft of any kind, except that paraplegics and persons missing one or both legs may take from any stationary motor vehicle or stationary motor-driven land conveyance;
(e) From or by means of any motorboat or other craft having a motor attached, or any sailboat, unless the motor has been completely shut off and/or the sails furled, and its progress therefrom has ceased:
Provided, that a craft under power may be used to retrieve dead or crippled birds; however, crippled birds may not be shot from such craft under power;
(f) By the use or aid of live birds as decoys; although not limited to, it shall be a violation of this paragraph for any person to take migratory waterfowl on an area where tame or captive live ducks or geese are present unless such birds are and have been for a period of 10 consecutive days prior to such taking, confined within an enclosure which substantially reduces the audibility of their calls and totally conceals such birds from the sight of wild migratory waterfowl;
(g) By the use or aid of recorded or electrically amplified bird calls or sounds, or recorded or electrically amplified imitations of bird calls or sounds.
(h) By means or aid of any motor driven land, water, or air conveyance, or any sailboat used for the purpose of or resulting in the concentrating, driving, rallying, or stirring up of any migratory bird;
(i) By the aid of baiting, or on or over any baited area, where a person knows or reasonably should know that the area is or has been baited. However, nothing in this paragraph prohibits:

(1) The taking of any migratory game bird, including waterfowl, coots, and cranes, on or over the following lands or areas that are not otherwise baited areas—(i) Standing crops or flooded standing crops (including aquatics); standing, flooded, or manipulated natural vegetation; flooded harvested croplands; or lands or areas where seeds or grains have been scattered solely as the result of a normal agricultural planting, harvesting, post-harvest manipulation or normal soil stabilization practice;(ii) From a blind or other place of concealment camouflaged with natural vegetation;(iii) From a blind or other place of concealment camouflaged with vegetation from agricultural crops, as long as such camouflaging does not result in the exposing, depositing, distributing or scattering of grain or other feed; or (iv) Standing or flooded standing agricultural crops where grain is inadvertently scattered solely as a result of a hunter entering or exiting a hunting area, placing decoys, or retrieving downed birds.

(2) The taking of any migratory game bird, except waterfowl, coots and cranes, on or over lands or areas that are not otherwise baited areas, and where grain or other feed has been distributed or scattered solely as the result of manipulation of an agricultural crop or other feed on the land where grown, or solely as the result of a normal agricultural operation.

Wanton waste of migratory game birds: No person shall kill or cripple any migratory game bird pursuant to this part without making a reasonable effort to retrieve the bird, and retain it in his actual custody, at the place where taken or between that place and either (a) his automobile or principal means of land transportation; or (b) his personal abode or temporary or transient place of lodging; or (c) a migratory bird preservation facility; or (d) a post office; or (e) a common carrier facility.

Field possession limit: No person shall possess, have in custody, or transport more than the daily bag limit or aggregate daily bag limit, whichever applies, of migratory game birds, tagged or not tagged, at or between the place where taken and either (a) his automobile or principal means of land transportation; or (b) his personal abode or temporary or transient place of lodging; or (c) a migratory bird preservation facility; or (d) a post office; or (e) a common carrier facility.

Tagging requirement: No person shall put or leave any migratory game birds at any place (other than at his personal abode), or in the custody of another person for picking, cleaning, processing, shipping, transportation, or storage (including temporary storage), or for the purpose of having taxidermy services performed, unless such birds have a tag attached, signed by the hunter, stating his address, the total number and species of birds, and the date such birds were killed. Migratory game birds being transported in any vehicle as the personal baggage of the possessor shall not be considered as being in storage or temporary storage.

Custody of birds of another: No person shall receive or have in custody any migratory game birds belonging to another person unless such birds are tagged as required above.

Transportation of birds of another: No person shall transport migratory game birds belonging to another person unless such birds are tagged as required above.

Species identification requirement: No person shall transport within the United States any migratory game birds, except doves and band-tailed pigeons (Columba fasciata), unless the head or one fully feathered wing remains attached to each such bird at all times while being transported from the place where taken until they have arrived at the personal abode of the possessor or a migratory bird preservation facility.

Marking package or container: No person shall transport by the Postal Service or a common carrier migratory game birds unless the package or container in which such birds are transported has the name and address of the shipper and the consignee and an accurate statement of the numbers of each species of birds therein contained clearly and conspicuously marked on the outside thereof.

UMATILLA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Designated areas are open to upland game and waterfowl hunting during the waterfowl hunting season. Hunters may not enter or be on refuge land between 1 1/2 hours after sunset and 5 a.m. The *Paterson* and *Whitcom/Crow* Units are open to hunting only on Wednesdays, Saturdays, Sundays, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day. The *Ridge* Unit is open to hunting 7 days/week. Hunting from boats is

prohibited at *Ridge* Unit and adjacent waters. Additional regulations are listed in the Umatilla NWR General and Hunting leaflets; available through Mid-Columbia NWR, P.O. Box 2527, Pasco, WA 99302, (509) 545-8588.

TOPPENISH NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Designated areas of the refuge are open to migratory and upland game bird hunting during the waterfowl season according to the following conditions: The *Halvorson* and *Webb* Units are open Wednesdays, Saturdays, Sundays, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day; The *Robbins Road* Unit is open Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, Sundays, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Years Day; *Pumphouse, Isiri, Petty,* and *Chambers* Units are open seven days/week. Waterfowl hunting on the *Robbins Rd.* and *Pumphouse* Units is by assigned blind only. Hunters may not enter or be on refuge land between 1 1/2 hours after sunset and 5 a.m. For refuge leaflets containing more complete regulations, write: Mid-Columbia River NWR Complex, P.O. Box 2527, Pasco, WA 99302, (509) 545-8588.

MCNARY NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Strawberry Island Division (Snake River) is closed to all hunting. Portions of *McNary Division* are open for geese, ducks, coots, snipe, and pheasant 3 days per week (Saturdays, Sundays, Wednesdays), Thanksgiving Day, and New Year's Day. Slough blinds for ducks and pit blinds for geese are available on a reservation and standby basis. Waterfowl hunters must have daily permits and are required to check in and out. Hunt blind selection is made each hunt day 1 1/2 hours before legal shooting time when daily permit is issued. Pheasant hunting is allowed from noon until the end of shooting hours 3 days per week (Saturdays, Sundays, Wednesdays), Thanksgiving Day, and New Year's Day. Entry is prohibited between 1 1/2 hours after sunset and 5 a.m. All hunters are required to park in designated parking areas. Dove, waterfowl, and upland game hunting is allowed on the *Two Rivers,* and *Wallula Units* seven days a week during State seasons under the following special conditions: a) only non-toxic shot may be used or possessed, b) the Walla Walla Delta is closed to all hunting from February 1st through September 30th. Hunting is allowed on the *Peninsula Unit* during State seasons under the following special conditions: a) dove and waterfowl hunting is allowed seven days a week; b) on Wednesdays, hunting is allowed from the goose pit blinds only; c) hunting on the east side shoreline islands of the peninsula unit and in the goose pits is by assigned blinds on a first-come first-serve basis; d) the west side of the peninsula is a free roam area; e) upland hunting is not allowed until noon on legal goose hunt days; f) Only non-toxic shot may be used or possessed. Additional information on refuge regulations and applications for advance reservations waterfowl hunting can be obtained from: Mid-Columbia River NWR Complex, P.O. Box 2527, Pasco, WA 99302, (509) 545-8588.

COLUMBIA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Designated areas are open to upland game and waterfowl hunting during the regular (beginning in October and ending in January) waterfowl season. Hunters may be on refuge land (except Soda Lake Campground) from one hour before legal sunrise until one hour after legal sunset. In GMU 278 (Wahluke) possession of lead shot is prohibited when hunting game birds.

The Marsh Unit 1 area is open to waterfowl and upland hunting only on Wednesdays, Saturdays, Sundays, federal holidays, and state youth waterfowl hunting season. There are no designated blind sites but hunters are required to space themselves at least 200 yards apart. No upland game hunting is allowed before 12:00 noon.

Waterfowl hunting for ducks and geese on Farm Unit 226-227 is from designated blind (pit) sites by permit only on Wednesdays, Saturdays, Sundays, and federal holidays beginning the second weekend of October. All field hunting is confined to numbered blinds (pits). Hunters are required to apply at least two weeks in advance of the desired hunt date(s). A non-refundable $1.00 fee is required for each date application. Upland game hunting is not permitted. To promote sportsmanship, the use of decoys and camouflage is encouraged whereas "skybusting" is discouraged. Additional regulations are listed in the Columbia NWR General and Hunting leaflets, a available through Columbia NWR, 735 E. Main St., P.O. Drawer "F", Othello, WA 99344, (509) 488-2668.

JULIA BUTLER HANSEN NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Designated areas of the Refuge are open to goose, duck, coot, and snipe hunting in accordance with state migratory waterfowl and upland game season regulations and the following regulations:

Hunting Island: The Refuge-owned portion of Hunting Island is open to hunting of geese, ducks, coot, and snipe. Temporary blinds may be constructed along the shoreline of the island, but they must be made available for public use on a first-come, first-serve basis. Hunters shall possess and use only nontoxic shot.

All other areas of the Refuge, except Hunting Island, are closed to hunting. Additional information is available from the Julia Butler Hansen Refuge Office at P.O. Box 566 Cathlamet, WA 98612, (360) 795-3915

WILLAPA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Designated areas of the Refuge are open to goose, duck, coot, and snipe hunting in accordance with state migratory waterfowl and upland game season regulations and the following regulations:

All Refuge Areas: Migratory waterfowl and upland game hunters shall possess and use only nontoxic shot. Waterfowl hunting is not allowed within the Presidential Proclamation area surrounding Long Island and near the mouth of the Bear River.

Riekkola Unit: Goose hunting from established blinds is open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Wednesdays and Saturdays. Prior to entering the hunt area, hunters are required to obtain a permit, pay a recreation user fee, and obtain a blind assignment. Hunters may take ducks and coots only coincidental to hunting geese. Exclusive hunting of ducks is not permitted. Hunters shall possess and use, while in the field, no more than 25 shell per day. One blind is accessible to disabled persons.

Lewis Unit: Hunting of geese, ducks, and coots is permitted in Lewis Unit.

Long Island: Archery hunting of blue and ruffed grouse is permitted on Long Island. Hunters must obtain and carry a Refuge permit and report game taken, as specified with the permit. Firearms, motorized vehicles, power equipment (e.g. chainsaws and generators) and dogs are not permitted on Long Island at any time. Additional information is available from Willapa National Wildlife Refuge, 3888 SR 101, Ilwaco, WA 98624, (360) 484-3482.

RIDGEFIELD NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Please call the refuge Hunter Hotline at (360) 571-2015 for up-to-date information or visit http://ridgefieldrefuges.fws.gov.

Partial Listing of Current Game Reserves

WAC 232-16-050 Byron Game Reserve. That part of the Byron Ponds segment of the Sunnyside Game Range (department of game lands) east of the Mabton Pressure Pipeline, legally described as that part of the W. 1/2 of Section 12 that is north of U.S. Highway No. 410 and the SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 and the N. 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 12; and that part of Section 11 east of the Mabton pressure pipeline and north of U.S. Highway No. 410; that part of Section 2 that is east of said pipeline; all of the above sections being in Twp. 8N., R.23E.W.M.

WAC 232-16-070 Arthur S. Coffin Game Reserve. Beginning at the point where the Brewton Road crosses the south line of Section 19, Twp. 20, N., R21E.W.M.; thence northwesterly along the Brewton Road to the Colockum Pass Road in Section 13, Twp. 20N., R.20E.; thence northerly on the Colockum Pass Road to its junction with the Naneum Lookout Road in Section 13, Twp. 20N., R.20E.; thence westerly along the Naneum Lookout Road to where it crosses the Bonneville Power Line right of way in Section 16, Twp. 20N., R.20E.; thence southwesterly along the power line to the Colockum Wildlife Recreation Area boundary on the south line of Section 20, Twp. 20N., R.20E.; thence easterly along the south line of Sections 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, Twp. 20N., R.20E., and Section 19, Twp. 20N., R21E.W.M. to the Brewton Road and the point of beginning.

WAC 232-16-140 Banks Lake Game Reserve. In Township 25N, Range 28E, those parts of Sections 9, 10, and 11 and the north ˚ of sections 14, 15, and 16, lying between State Highway 155 and the west wall of Grand Coulee.

WAC 232-16-200 Grimes Lake Game Reserve. Grimes Lake and all lands within one-quarter mile of Grimes Lake.

WAC 232-16-295 Rock Lake Game Reserve. Whitman County: It shall be unlawful to hunt, take or pursue migratory waterfowl, coot and jacksnipe on or within 1/4 mile of Rock Lake, Whitman County, except on the lower one mile and the upper one-half mile, which shall be open to such hunting.

WAC 232-16-340 Skagit Delta Game Reserve. Beginning at a point on the west bank of Albert Slough at the confluence of said slough and Boom Slough; thence southwesterly along the west bank of Boom Slough to the confluence of said slough and Boom-Crooked Cutoff Slough; thence westerly along the north bank of Boom-Crooked Cutoff Slough to the confluence of said slough and Crooked Slough; thence southwesterly along the north bank of Crooked Slough to the confluence of said slough and Deepwater Slough and east Branch Freshwater-Deepwater Cutoff Slough; thence northwesterly along the north bank of east Branch Freshwater-Deepwater Cutoff Slough to the confluence of said slough and the east Branch Freshwater Slough; thence northerly along the east bank of east Branch Freshwater Slough to the confluence of said slough and Gilbert Hansen Slough; thence northeasterly along the south bank of Gilbert Hansen Slough to the confluence of said slough and Deepwater Slough; thence northeasterly along the south bank of Deepwater Slough to the confluence of said slough and Albert Slough; thence southeasterly along the west bank of Albert Slough to the point of beginning.

WAC 232-16-380 Sprague Lake Game Reserve. Beginning at the point where the easterly right of way line of Interstate Highway No. 90 crosses the Lincoln-Adams County line; [then] southwesterly along the easterly right of way line of the freeway to the easterly boundary of Section 11 (T20N, R37E); thence southerly along the section line to Cow Creek; thence southerly along Cow Creek to Danekas Road; thence easterly and northerly along [Danekas Road] to the point where it crosses the Adams-Lincoln County line; thence westerly along said county line across Sprague Lake to the easterly right of way line of the freeway and point of beginning.

WAC 232-16-400 Stratford Game Reserve. Stratford Game Reserve shall include the following described lands in Grant County: In Twp. 22N, R 28 EWM; Sec. 1 north of the Great Northern Railroad right of way; Sec. 2 north of the Great Northern Railroad right of way and State Highway No. 28; and that part of Section 3 lying north of the main canal and east of a line running north and south located 100 yards west of the Washington water power transmission line[;] In Twp. 23N, R. 28 EWM; all of Sections 11, 13, 14[,] 24, and 25[;] the south half of Sections 12, 10 and 9 except the north 300 feet of the S.1/2 of 9 and 10; Section 35 except that part east of north-south lying gravel road and south of cultivated lands; Sec. 36 except the east 500 feet; and those parts of Section 15, lying east of a line running north and south located 100 yards west of the Washington water power transmission line and also those portions of the north half of Sections 15 and 16 lying north of the cultivated lands; and in addition the north 500 feet of the NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Sec. 19, Twp. 23N, R. 29 EWM.

WAC 232-16-420 Lake Terrell Game Reserve. All of Lake Terrell in Sections 15 and 16, Twp. 39 north, Range 1 east except that portion of the lake within 350 feet of the south line of said sections and, in addition, those uplands owned by the fish and wildlife department in the W1/2 of the SW1/4 of said Section 15, and in the SE 1/4 of NE 1/4; the NW1/4 of NE1/4; the E1/2 of E1/2 of NE1/4 NE1/4; and the E1/2 of the SW1/4 SW1/4 except the south 350 feet in Section 16, Twp. 39 north, Range 1 east.

WAC 232-16-440 (1) Toppenish Creek Game Reserve, (Cort Meyer.) Commencing at the NE corner of the SE1/4 of the NW1/4 of Section 26, Township 10, Range 20E.W.M.; thence west one and three-quarters mile to the NW corner of the SE1/4 of the NE1/4 of Section 28, Township 10, Range 20; thence south one-quarter mile; thence east one-quarter mile; thence south three-quarters mile to the SW corner of the NW1/4 of the NW1/4 of Section 34; thence east three-quarters mile; thence south one-quarter mile; thence east three-quarters mile to center of Section 35; thence north one and one-quarter miles to place of beginning. All in Township 10 north, Range 20E.W.M.

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(2) Toppenish Creek Game Reserve No. 2, (Upper Toppenish Creek) Yakima County. All of Section 21; the west half of the northwest quarter of Section 22; the southeast quarter of southwest quarter of Section 22; the south half of the northeast quarter of southwest quarter of Section 22; the north half of north half of Section 28; north half of northwest quarter of Section 27; north half of the southeast quarter of northwest quarter of Section 27; all being in Township 10 north, Range 18E.W.M.

WAC 232-16-450 Walla Walla River Game Reserve. A tract of land and water lying within sections 23, 24, 25, and 26 of Township 7, Range 31 E.W.M. in Walla Walla County, Washington, being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point where the Bonneville Power Administration power line between John Day and Lower Monumental Dams crosses the center of the main channel of the Walla Walla River, thence westerly along said center of the main channel to the easterly line of the right of way of US #12-395 Highway, thence northerly along said east line of said right of way to the southerly line of the right of way of the Union Pacific Railroad-Burlington Northern Railway joint Pendleton-Walla Walla track, thence easterly along said south line of said right of way to the center line of said Bonneville Power Administration power line, thence southerly along said center line to the center of the main channel of the Walla Walla River and the point of beginning.

WAC 232-16-540 Yakima River Game Reserve. Beginning in Prosser at the intersection of Tenth Street and Grant Avenue; then west to the Yakima River and Prosser Dam; then west across Prosser Dam and the Yakima River to the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Maintenance Road; then north to Old Inland Empire Highway; then north-easterly on Old Inland Empire Highway to Interstate I-82; then east on the south side of I-82 to the Chandler Canal; then east along the north side of the Chandler Canal to the powerline going across the Yakima River (approximately .4 Miles east of Bunn Road); then south along the powerlines and across the Yakima River to Wine Country Road; then west on Wine Country Road to Tenth Street and the point of beginning.

WAC 232-16-560 Badger Island Game Reserve. That portion of area on or within one-quarter mile of Badger Island lying in Sections 4 and 9, Township 7 north, Range 31E.W.M.

WAC 232-16-570 Foundation Island Game Reserve. That portion of area on or within one-quarter mile of Foundation Island lying in Section 24, Township 8 north, Range 30E.W.M.

WAC 232-16-590 Carnation Farms Game Reserve. Twp. 25N., Rge. 7E.W.M.; that part of Section 5 lying west of the Snoqualmie River; the northeast quarter and that portion of the southeast quarter of Section 6 that lies north and east of the Carnation Farm Road; the north half and the north half of the south half of Section 8; and those portions of government lots 1, 2, and 4 of Section 9 that lie south and west of the Snoqualmie River.Twp. 26N., Rge. 7E.W.M.; those lands lying south of the Snoqualmie River in the east half of Section 31 and the southeast quarter of Section 32.

WAC 232-16-600 North Potholes Game Reserve. Those lands in Grant County within the following described boundary: In T19N, R27E WM; the N.E. 1/4 of Section 32, and the N.E. 1/4 S.E. 1/4 of Section 32, all of Section 33, except the S.W. 1/4 S.W. 1/4 , and all of Section 34. In T18N, R27E WM, all of Section 4, except the N.W. 1/4 N.E. 1/4; all of Section 3; that part of Section 10 north of the Job Corps Dike Rd; that part of Section 9 east of the fenceline, beginning at the N.W. corner of Section 9, and then following said fenceline southeasterly to the fence on the northern section line of Section 16 near Job Corps Dike Road; those portions of sections 15 and 16 north of the above mentioned fence to the west end of the Job Corps Dike; and that part of Section 15 north of the Job Corps Dike Road.

WAC 232-16-610 Snipes Game Reserve. WDFW lands within the following boundary of the Sunnyside Wildlife Area: that portion of T9N, R22E, Section 21 lying north and east of the Yakima River; the SW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 and the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of T9N, R22E, Section 22; and that portion of the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of T9N, R22E, Section 22 lying north and east of the Yakima River.

WAC 232-16-620 Lake Tennant Game Reserve. That portion of Tennant Lake in T 39N, R 2E, Section 29, and that portion north of an east to west line which lies 800 feet south of and parallel to the north line of Section 32 in the N1/2 NE1/4 in T 39N, R 2E.

WAC 232-16-640 Winchester Wasteway Game Reserve. T18N, R25E, Section 12, T18N, R26E and south 1/2 Section 7. 960 acres.

WAC 232-16-660 Frenchmen Hills Wasteway Game Reserve. T17N, R27E, the north 1/2 and the north 1/2 of south 1/2 of Section 17. 480 acres.

WAC 232-16-690 Bayview Game Reserve. It shall be unlawful to hunt wild animals and wild birds within the following described boundary November 16 through March 31, and it shall be unlawful to hunt brant at any time within the following described boundary: Beginning at a point on the Bayview-Edison Road 240 feet north of the intersection of the Bayview Cemetery entrance road; thence 4,000 feet WNW (west-northwest); thence 5,750 feet NNW (north-northwest); thence 3,750 feet ENE (east-northeast) to the northwest corner of Padilla Bay tract no. 532; thence east to the northeast corner of Padilla Bay tract no. 532; thence SSE (south-southeast) to the Bayview-Edison Road; thence southerly along said road to the point of beginning.

WAC 232-16-700 Swinomish Spit Game Reserve. It shall be unlawful to hunt wild animals and wild birds within the following described boundary November 15 through March 31, and it shall be unlawful to hunt brant at any time within the following described boundary: Beginning at the Burlington Northern railroad tracks on the west shoreline of the Swinomish Channel; thence in a northwesterly direction along the west side of the Swinomish Channel to the red channel mark buoy N “20” (as indicated on Navigation Map #18427, 13th Ed., July 16, 1983); thence 6,000 feet ENE (east-northeast); thence 3,300 feet SSE (south-southeast); thence 4,200 feet SW (southwest) to the dike at the south end of Padilla Bay; thence continue westerly along said dike to the intersection of the Burlington Northern railroad tracks and the east shoreline of the Swinomish Channel; thence continue along said railroad tracks (across swing bridge) to the west shoreline of the Swinomish Channel and the point of beginning (Public/private land).

WAC 232-16-720 Duck Lake (Cormana Lake) Game Reserve. Section 19, T23N, R35E.

WAC 232-16-730 Coffeepot Lake Game Reserve. In Lincoln County, all portions of Coffeepot Lake and those lands within one-quarter mile of Coffepot Lake, within the following boundary: T. 23 N., R. 34 E., Section 8, S 1/2; Section 18, north of the centerline of Coffeepot Lake and Lake Creek; and Section 9, NW 1/4; except those portions described as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of Section 9; N 85°29' E a distance of 1,979.01 feet to the true point of beginning, being the northwest property corner; thence S 14°50' W a distance of

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462.39 feet; thence S 05°45' E a distance of 240.35 feet; thence S 64°31' E a distance of 129.31 feet; thence N 72°39' E a distance of 234.96; thence N 87°16' E a distance of 375.86 feet; thence N 32°03' E a distance of 83.27 feet; thence N 63°45' E a distance of 99.49 feet; thence N 33°31' E a distance of 131.75 feet; thence N 15°38' E a distance of 340.15 feet; thence N 83°41' W a distance of 925.64 feet, returning to the northwest property corner which is the true point of beginning. Also, that portion of Lincoln County described in instrument dated January 29, 1980, recorded February 1, 1980, under Auditor's file No. 354421.

WAC 232-16-780 Fir Island Farm Game Reserve. In Skagit County beginning at the intersection of Fir Island Road and the east bank of Brown's Slough; then east along Fir Island Road (96 feet) to the Brown's Slough dike; then southerly and easterly along the Brown's Slough dike to the Fir Island Farm access road; then north along the Fir Island Farm access road to Fir Island Road; then east along Fir Island Road to the northeast corner of Section 22 (T33N, R3E); then south along the east line of Section 22 (T33N, R3E) to Dry Slough; then westerly and south along the west bank of Dry Slough to the intersection with Dike District #22 dike; then westerly along the south side (Skagit Bay side) of the Dike District #22 dike to the intersection of the Dike District #22 dike and the south line of Government Lot #5 (Section 22, T33N, R3E), then west approximately 1900 feet to the east bank of Brown's Slough, then north along the east bank of Brown's Slough to the intersection with the Fir Island Road and the point of beginning.

WAC 232-16-790 Hayton Game Reserve. Beginning at the intersection of the west bank of Dry Slough and the Dike District #22 Skagit Bay dike, then east approximately 1330 feet along the south side of the District #22 dike to the intersection of the District #22 dike and the west bank of McDonald's Slough, then north along the west bank of McDonald's Slough to the point where the adjacent farmed field boundary extends west, then west along the north edge of the farmed field boundary to the point where the farmed field boundary intersects Dry Slough, then across Dry Slough to the west bank of Dry Slough, then south along the west bank of Dry Slough to the point of beginning.

WAC 232-16-800 Johnson/Debay's Slough Game Reserve. In Skagit County, beginning at the intersection of Francis Road and Debay's Slough Road; then south and west along Francis Road (3090 feet) to white corner marker; then north (1265 feet) to the middle of Debay's Slough (white corner marker); then westerly (2087 feet) along the channel of Debay's Slough to the western tip of the farmed portion of Debay's Island; then northerly (1485 feet) to the south bank of the Skagit River (white corner marker); then easterly (1600 feet) along the south bank of the Skagit River to fence line (white corner marker); then south along fence line (855 feet) to corner post; then east along fence line (435 feet) to fence intersection; then south (300 feet) along fence line to existing tree line (white corner marker); then continue south (835 feet) to south shoreline of Debay's Slough (white corner marker); then easterly and southerly along the west shoreline of Debay's Slough (1770 feet) to the south side of Debay's Slough Road (white corner marker); then east along the south side of Debay's Slough Road to the intersection of Francis Road and the point of beginning.

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For Membership Inquiry call Doug Hitchcock (425) 747-4888

Special Closures and Area Restrictions

In addition to these closures and area restrictions, game reserves (closed to all hunting and trapping) occur in many areas of the state. See pages 18-20 for descriptions of selected game reserves.

WAC 232-16-740 Columbia, Snake, and Yakima River Waterfowl, Coot, and Snipe Closures.

Section 1. Waters and land below the mean high water mark of Bachelor Island Slough of the Columbia River in Clark County. Bachelor Island Slough is further defined as those waters starting at the south end of the slough at its confluence with the Columbia River, running north along the eastern shore of Bachelor Island to the confluence with Lake River.

Section 2. Klickitat County-the Columbia River and those lands lying within one-quarter mile of the Columbia River upstream from the railroad bridge at Wishram to the grain elevator at Roosevelt.

Section 3. The Columbia River and its islands between the mouth of Glade Creek (river channel marker 57) and the old town site of Paterson (river channel marker 67), except the hunting of waterfowl, coot and snipe is permitted from the main shoreline of the Columbia River in this area.

Section 4. The Columbia River and those lands lying within one-quarter mile of the Columbia River between the old Hanford townsite (Wooden Tower) powerline crossing in Section 30, T13N, R28E, to Vernita Bridge (Highway 24).

Section 5. The Columbia River between the public boat launch at Sunland Estates (Wanapum Pool) and a point perpendicular in Kittitas County; upstream to the posted marker 200 yards north of Quilomene Bay and a point perpendicular in Grant County, including islands.

Section 6. The Snake River and those lands within one-quarter mile of the Snake River, between the U.S. Highway 12 bridge near Burbank, upstream to a line running between shoreline navigation markers 4 & 5 at Levey and Charbonneau Recreation Areas.

Section 7. The Yakima River and those lands lying within one-fourth mile of the Yakima River from the Sunnyside-Mabton Road bridge downstream to the Euclid Road bridge (4 miles).

Section 8. The Yakima River and those lands lying within one-fourth mile of the Yakima River from the Grant Avenue bridge (steel bridge) north of Prosser downstream 2-1/2 miles, to the powerline.

WAC 232-16-750 Belfair, Hood Canal Hunting Area Restriction It is unlawful to hunt waterfowl, coot, or snipe in Lynch Cove and the Union River except in designated blinds. The western and southern boundaries of this closure are posted with red steel markers. (This includes all of the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife and Thelar Wetlands lands.)

WAC 232-16-760 Northern Puget Sound Hunting Method Restriction It is unlawful to hunt waterfowl, coot, or snipe from a moving boat or any free-floating device that is not in a fixed position which is either anchored or secured to shore in Port Susan Bay, Skagit Bay, Padilla Bay, and Samish Bay.

WAC 232-16-770 Shotgun Shell Restriction Areas It is unlawful to have in possession more than 15 shotgun shells or to fire (shoot) more than 15 shells in one day on the following areas:

Section 1. The farmed island segment of the Skagit Wildlife Area, between the south fork of the Skagit River and Fresh Water Slough in Skagit County. *Section 2.* The Spencer Island Unit of the Snoqualmie Wildlife Area in Snohomish County. *Section 3.* The Welts (West 90) Unit of the Skagit Wildlife Area in Skagit County.

WAC 232-16-810 Port Susan Bay Canada Goose Closure. It shall be unlawful to hunt Canada geese from November 1 through March 31 within the following boundary in Snohomish County: Beginning at the intersection of SR 532 and Marine Drive in Stanwood; then south along Marine Drive to Warm Beach Road; then west along Warm Beach Road to Port Susan Bay; then west to the Island/ Snohomish County line; then north along the Island/ Snohomish County line to SR 532; then east along SR 532 to the point of beginning. Hunting of coot, snipe, and waterfowl other than Canada geese is allowed in this area.

Voice of America Dungeness Recreation Area County Park closed to all hunting except Wednesdays, weekends, and holidays, from the first full weekend in October to the end of January.

UPLAND WILDLIFE RESTORATION PROGRAM

The Upland Wildlife Restoration Program was developed to restore important habitats and wildlife that utilize those habitats. To meet these goals, WDFW: 1) provides incentives for habitat enhancement and public access on private lands, 2) works cooperatively with federal and state agencies with compatible goals, and 3) provides information and technical assistance to improve public education.

Benefits from the Upland Wildlife Restoration Program help perpetuate Washington's wildlife, restore and enhance habitat, and increase recreational opportunities and public support for wildlife. Currently there are over 1,300 private landowners and 3 million acres enrolled in public access and habitat development agreements through the Upland Wildlife Restoration Program.

Several programs and funding sources were combined to create the Upland Wildlife Restoration Program in 1991. In 2003, a major source of Program funding was lost due to a reduction in federal support. Nevertheless, Upland Wildlife Restoration continues to provide some of WDFW's most promising opportunities to work with landowners to improve habitat and public hunting access on private lands.

For additional information please contact your local WDFW office.

ADVANCED HUNTER EDUCATION PROGRAM

The AHE program is a voluntary training program designed to improve landowner-hunter relations, increase hunter knowledge, and expand hunting opportunity and hunter access to private lands.

The AHE program combines home study, shooting proficiency, project work, classroom training, and formal testing to help individual hunters improve their knowledge and skills. The program is open to all interested hunters who are willing to roll up their shirt sleeves and devote their time to each of these areas. Individuals who successfully complete the program and pass the examination will be issued a certification card and are then eligible for AHE hunts.

For more information on the AHE program, please contact the Hunter Education Program staff in the Olympia office at (360) 902-8114.

Hunting Area and Harvest Information

Information on lands open to public hunting, including WDFW Wildlife Areas, is available from the WDFW offices for the geographical areas shown (see list of WDFW offices on p. 5). Several National Wildlife Refuges operate regulated hunting programs (see p. 14-15), and thousands of acres of other federal and state lands are open to public hunting. WDFW Wildlife Areas are shown on our website at: www.wdfw.wa.gov/lands/wildarea.htm.

TRIBAL LANDS

Check with appropriate tribal authorities before entering Indian lands. There are tribal rules pertaining to non-Indian activity upon these lands for the purpose of hunting and fishing.

When hunting or fishing within the boundaries of the Colville Indian Reservation, you should contact the Colville Confederated Tribes, Director of Fish and Wildlife Department (509) 634-4711 to determine the tribal permits and regulations applicable to such activities. When hunting or fishing within the Yakama Indian Reservation you should contact the Yakama Indian Nation (509) 865-5121, Ext. 666. The 2004-05 state upland bird seasons within the Colville and Yakima Reservations are the same as the seasons established for these reservations.

YOUTH-MENTOR PHEASANT HUNTS

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife is joining forces with Pheasants Forever and other hunting organizations to offer Youth - Mentor Pheasant Hunts. Often times it is difficult for kids to get into upland bird hunting because their parents or relatives don't hunt upland birds. This is an opportunity for any kids that are interested to have an adult with hunting dogs take them out and teach them how it's done. The hunt takes place during the special youth season on September 18 and 19.

To participate, hunters must be under 16 years old. Interested young hunters or their parents should contact WDFW's Wildlife Program in Olympia at (360) 902-2515. Young hunters will be matched with available mentors depending on which area of the state they would like to hunt.

WDFW would like to thank the following organizations for helping with this event and providing mentors:

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Olympic Chapter
Skagit Valley Chapter
South Puget Sound Chapter
Yakima Valley Chapter

Vancouver Wildlife League

U.S. Army (Fort Lewis)
Adventure Center
253-967-6263

Inland Northwest Wildlife Council
509-487-8552

Whidbey Island Naval Air Station
360-257-1009

Any other organizations interested in providing mentors would be appreciated and should also contact the Wildlife Program at (360) 902-2515.

DISABLED HUNTERS

The Citizen Task Force for the Disabled (advisory to WDFW) has been working cooperatively with the WDFW and various organizations and clubs since 1992 to install barrier-free wildlife viewing/hunting blinds in each WDFW region of the state.

A pocket map called "Regional Maps of Accessible Wildlife Recreation, Waterfowl Viewing and Hunting Blinds" is available from all WDFW regional offices. Also available at regional offices and on the Internet is a pamphlet titled "Accessible Hunting and Wildlife Viewing Opportunities" which includes more information about duck blinds, goose pits, big game hunting, and ATV access hunting areas around the state.

VEHICLE USE PERMITS

WDFW manages 800,000 acres of prime wildlife habitat and 600+ lake and river access sites across the state for your use and enjoyment. A Vehicle Use Permit from WDFW ($10.95 or FREE with an annual hunting or fishing license) is required. More information at www.wdfw.wa.gov or call a Fish and Wildlife office.

Direct involvement with the great outdoors is one of the best ways for young people to learn about natural resources and wild places. It's up to us – today's hunters–to provide supervised, structured activities to help pass the hunting heritage along to the next generation.

"Go Play Outside" is a new WDFW effort to develop partnerships that promote outdoor recreation skills, encourage the ethical use of the outdoors, and provide guidance to those wishing to participate in fishing shellfishing, hunting, sport shooting, and wildlife watching.

If you are interested in sponsoring an event or activity, presenting a workshop, or providing mentoring services please contact WDFW by phone, Internet, email, or by mail.

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REGION	COUNTY	PHEASANT	GROUSE	DOVE	SNIPE	QUAIL	CHUKAR	HUN	DUCK	GOOSE
1	ASOTIN	2038	1036	362	3	2324	3337	1538	1000	274
	COLUMBIA	4967	1703	435	8	4021	150	523	1379	444
	FERRY	450	9026	36	0	354	0	0	987	417
	GARFIELD	6815	157	318	23	3378	835	893	2119	220
	LINCOLN	3709	956	2018	64	3884	127	1258	8695	3281
	PEND OREILLE	163	8546	108	0	48	0	0	6708	1284
	SPOKANE	4689	3121	2330	136	7355	78	1187	7602	2949
	STEVENS	1037	17839	493	0	766	2	0	3616	894
	WALLA WALLA	7835	1397	1797	107	5223	258	188	20888	2759
	WHITMAN	17012	192	1697	280	8788	2113	3138	4158	1011
	REGION 1 TOTAL	**48715**	**43942**	**9593**	**566**	**36141**	**6899**	**8724**	**57151**	**13534**
2	ADAMS	4580	0	3642	40	2743	329	424	11593	2331
	CHELAN	1033	4445	4110	15	13952	4824	448	5487	856
	DOUGLAS	1239	244	4958	11	12115	2840	827	9436	1733
	GRANT	15220	15	17986	492	9906	2256	882	77882	12574
	OKANOGAN	1417	17136	3668	51	14974	1142	814	7228	1328
	REGION 2 TOTAL	**23488**	**21839**	**34366**	**606**	**53689**	**11391**	**3395**	**111626**	**18821**
3	BENTON	3871	0	4252	26	6307	541	312	28611	4266
	FRANKLIN	5912	0	8272	21	5651	67	69	24661	4882
	KITTITAS	1320	3966	705	108	4314	2814	431	5532	896
	YAKIMA	10068	3826	18317	1122	30079	2339	640	32937	2302
	REGION 3 TOTAL	**21170**	**7792**	**31547**	**1277**	**46352**	**5761**	**1452**	**91741**	**12345**
4	ISLAND	1297	5	9	31	43	0	0	5667	179
	KING	2550	1672	73	214	219	0	0	6467	373
	SAN JUAN	23	88	0	0	0	0	0	1687	116
	SKAGIT	1799	2602	85	298	164	0	0	38237	1913
	SNOHOMISH	2138	2034	2	98	16	0	0	22004	1278
	WHATCOM	3047	1183	35	35	102	0	0	23614	1253
	REGION 4 TOTAL	**10850**	**7583**	**187**	**669**	**543**	**0**	**0**	**97676**	**5111**
5	CLARK	2274	1295	243	43	27	0	0	10904	1738
	COWLITZ	467	3779	93	115	14	0	0	4783	918
	KLICKITAT	654	1593	599	0	2317	1096	540	1869	642
	LEWIS	1395	5171	49	29	22	0	0	6996	1210
	SKAMANIA	18	3188	0	0	36	0	0	1431	129
	WAHKIAKUM	88	505	0	105	6	0	0	3600	314
	REGION 5 TOTAL	**4874**	**15532**	**984**	**272**	**2423**	**1096**	**540**	**29583**	**4952**
6	CLALLAM	660	4309	11	16	64	0	0	5222	277
	GRAYS HARBOR	298	5724	14	39	32	0	0	14164	641
	JEFFERSON	38	2325	0	5	10	0	0	2693	191
	KITSAP	223	172	133	116	92	0	0	910	157
	MASON	1946	2743	34	18	193	0	0	3013	211
	PACIFIC	218	2013	0	16	0	0	0	8364	554
	PIERCE	2052	2407	87	31	37	0	0	9409	579
	THURSTON	3477	1679	61	16	175	0	0	9156	487
	REGION 6 TOTAL	**8913**	**21373**	**327**	**218**	**601**	**0**	**0**	**52931**	**3096**
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2004 WASHINGTON DUCK STAMP PRINT

Why purchase a Washington State Duck Stamp Print?

TWO GOOD REASONS!

- **Own a beautiful, collectable, signed & numbered print by one of the Nation's best wildlife artists.**
- **Help preserve Washington's important wetland habitats.**

The Washington State Duck Stamp Print program is important to the people of this state in that a percentage of the purchase price of each print sold goes to the Department of Fish and Wildlife to help preserve precious wetlands for wildlife and future use by outdoor enthusiasts and sports persons.

This year's beautiful image of a Canada goose was created by Daniel Smith, well known and highly respected wildlife artist. Smith's work is found in many corporate and private collections with his birds being central to his reputation. He spends days and weeks studying his subjects, prepares his drawings with meticulous care and then tirelessly paints the image.

THE 2004 DUCK STAMP PRINT
Each limited edition print is signed and numbered by the artist and includes a Mint Washington State Duck stamp with the same number as the print. Each print is enclosed in a presentation folder for protection.
The total number of prints is **150** and are available in two official editions.

Regular Edition - 145 s/n prints - $150.00
This edition includes a signed and numbered print, numbered mint stamp, shipping, handling and tax.

Governor's Edition - 5 s/n prints - $450.00
This edition includes a print signed and numbered by the artist and the governor, stamps signed by the Artist and the Governor, a Mint stamp, shipping, handling and tax.

A Conservation Edition is available only through conservation organizations for fund raising efforts.

For more information contact: WDFW Licensing Section
phone (360) 902-2464
See our website at **www.wdfw.wa.gov** for ordering information.

Migratory Bird Stamp/Artwork Information

WASHINGTON STATE MIGRATORY BIRD STAMP AND ARTWORK PROGRAMS

You can invest in the future of Washington's diverse migratory bird and wetland habitat resources. Your purchase of one or more Washington State Migratory Bird Stamps or Migratory Bird Stamp artwork products represents not only a sound personal financial investment for you, but also an investment in Washington's wetlands, waterfowl, and other migratory bird resources.

Wetlands throughout Washington sustain not only our breeding population, but birds that breed in Alaska, western Canada, and even Russia. Over 35 species and subspecies of ducks, geese, and swans depend on Washington wetlands, which include coastal estuaries, beaver ponds, desert potholes, sloughs and lakes. Other migratory game birds benefitting from the program include mourning doves, band-tailed pigeons, and snipe.

Revenue from the sale of migratory bird validations and stamps to hunters and collectors is used to buy and develop migratory bird habitat in the state and to enhance, protect, and produce migratory birds in the state. Second, revenue from the sale of artwork (limited edition prints, posters, pins, etc.) is used to contract with individuals or nonprofit organizations to develop waterfowl production projects in Washington.

The stamp and artwork program has been responsible for several significant improvements in the quality and quantity of habitat in Washington by:

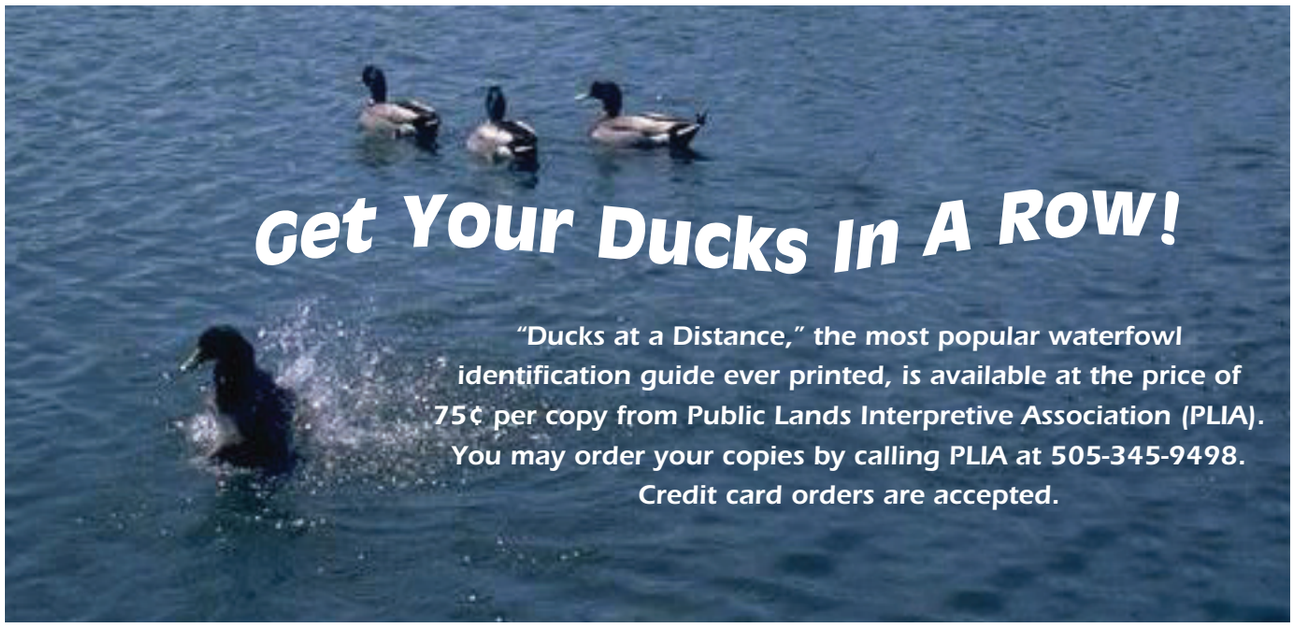
- acquiring migratory bird habitat jeopardized by loss or degradation
- enhancing WDFW Wildlife Area migratory bird habitat
- enhancement of migratory bird habitat on private lands

Examples of many projects completed over the past 15 years include:

- acquiring and enhancing 500 acres on the Samish Flats near Edison.
- excavating hundreds of acres on the Columbia Basin Wildlife Area for breeding waterfowl.
- contracting with landowners in the Chehalis River Valley for habitat enhancement and access.

WDFW has also used revenues from stamps and artwork to fund cooperative habitat projects with Ducks Unlimited, Washington Waterfowl Association, Inc., Audubon Society, and many local sports groups. Funding is available for projects to benefit waterfowl production (contact (360) 902-2522). Development of projects to benefit other migratory birds is underway (e.g. dove projects).

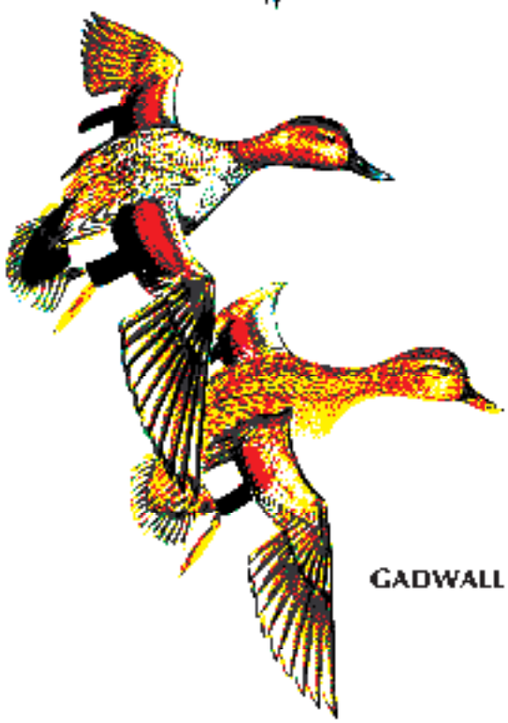
Stamps are a double investment–investing in waterfowl habitat and also in collectible stamps which appreciate significantly in value over the years. Past duck stamps have appreciated from 65 to 175 percent. Even if you purchase a stamp for hunting or your limited-edition print, buying additional stamps is a good investment–both for you and for Washington waterfowl and wetlands. Stamps are available in 30-stamp plate blocks, "mini-sheets", or in a variety of block configurations. You can buy current-year stamps through license dealers or order directly from WDFW at (360) 902-2464.



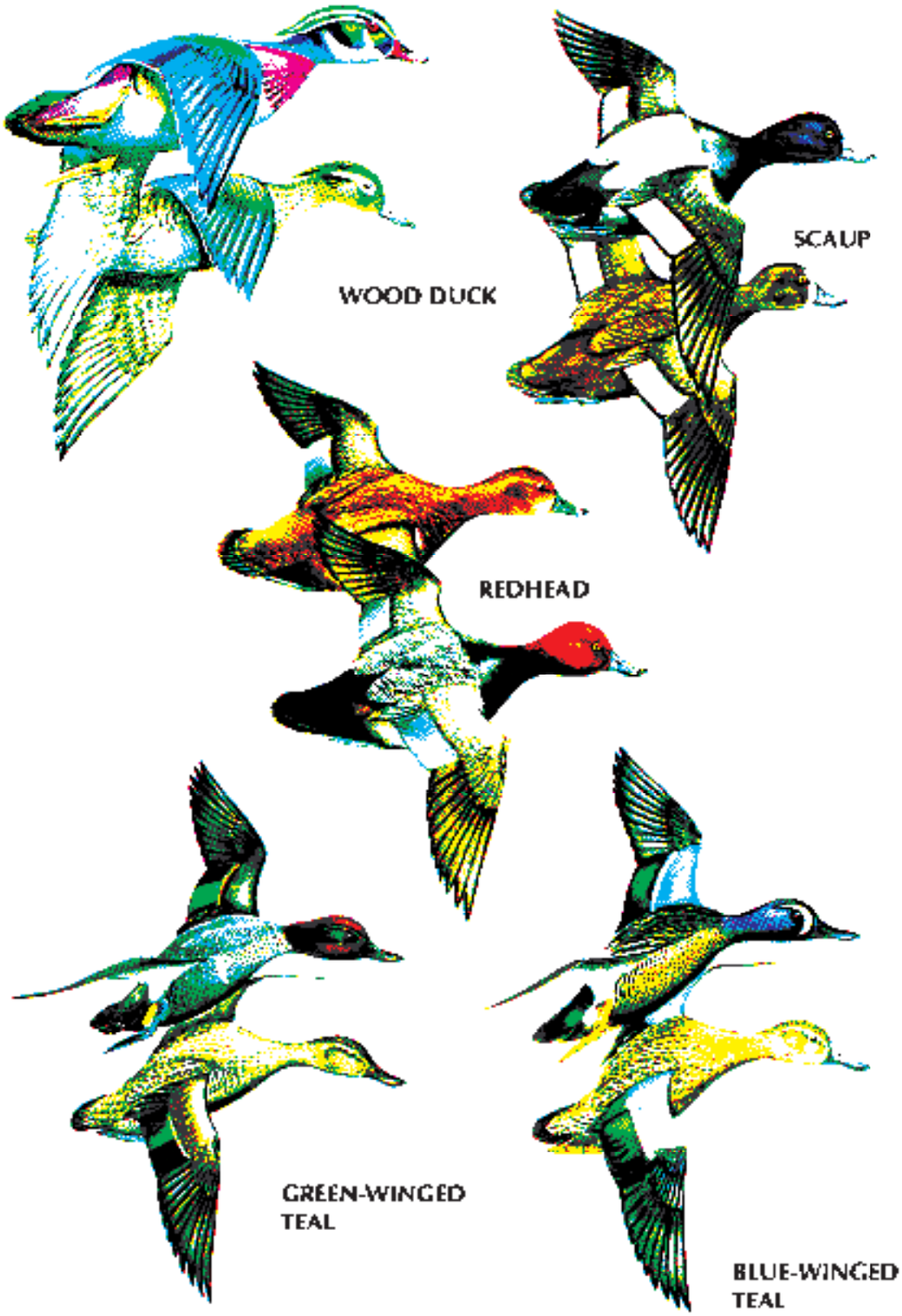
NORTHERN SHOVELER

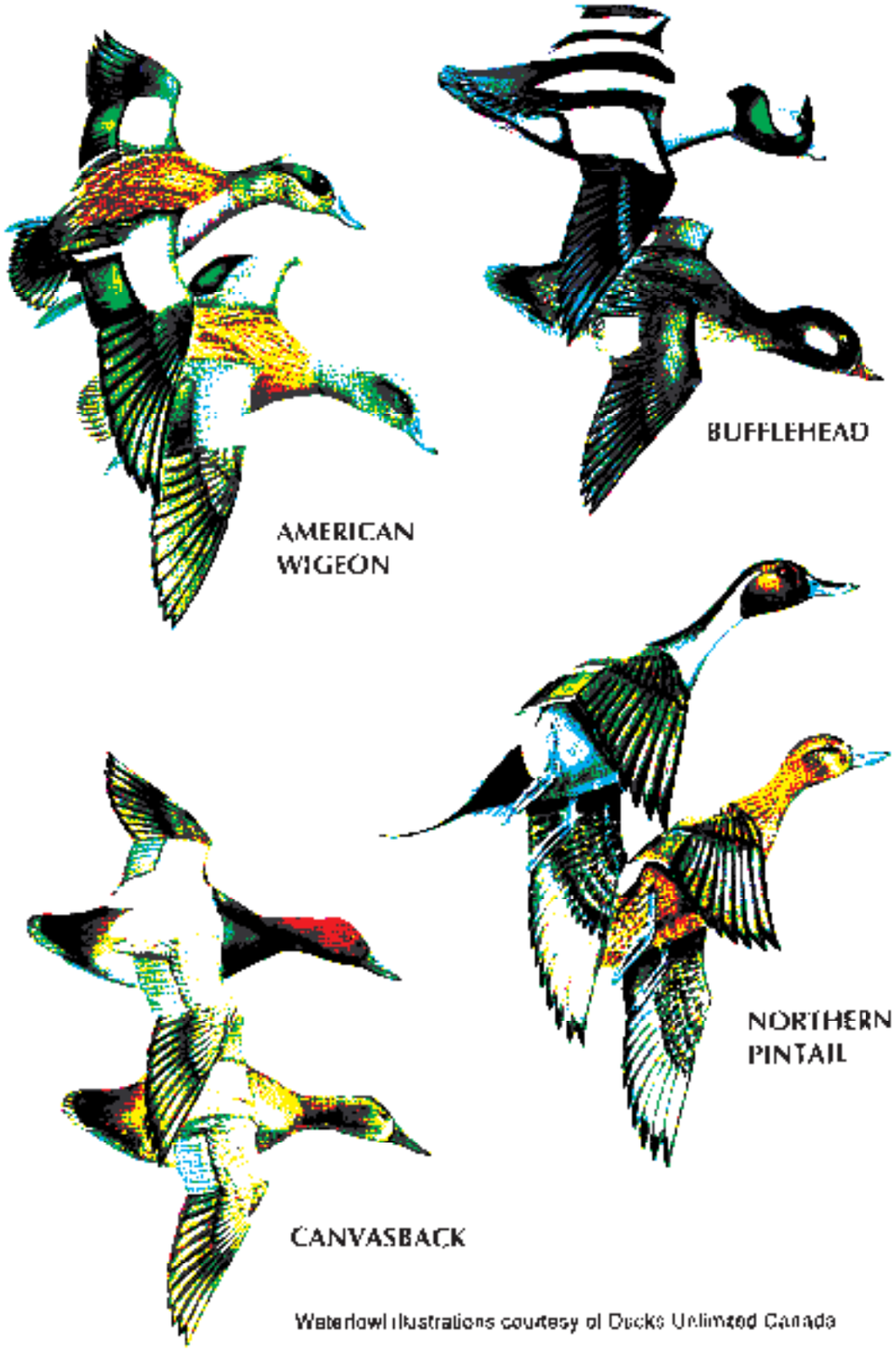
COMMON GOLDENEYE

MALLARD



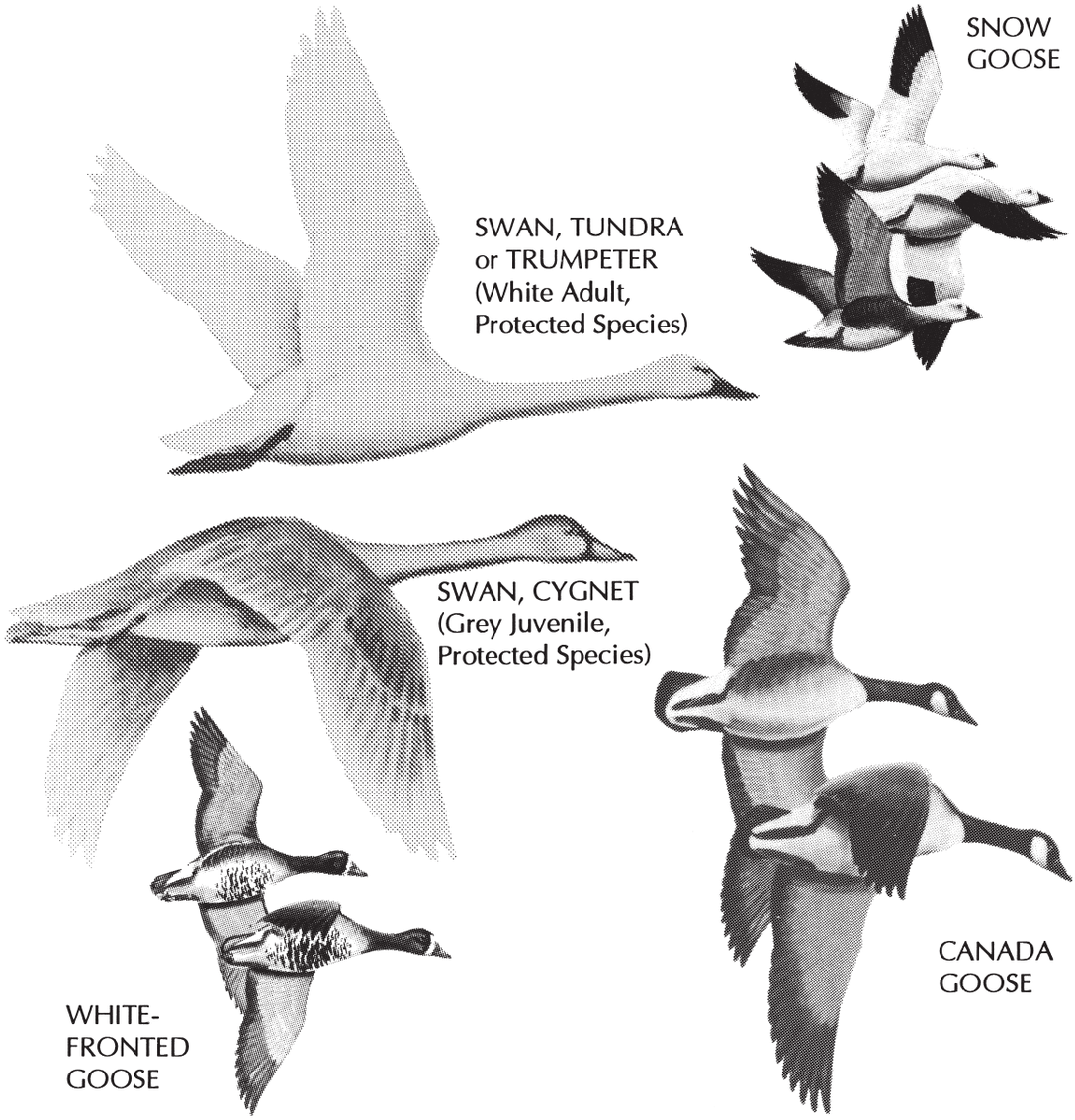
GADWALL


WOOD DUCK
SCAUP
REDHEAD
GREEN-WINGED TEAL
BLUE-WINGED TEAL



Waterfowl illustrations courtesy of Ducks Unlimited Canada

Swans and Ravens Are Protected

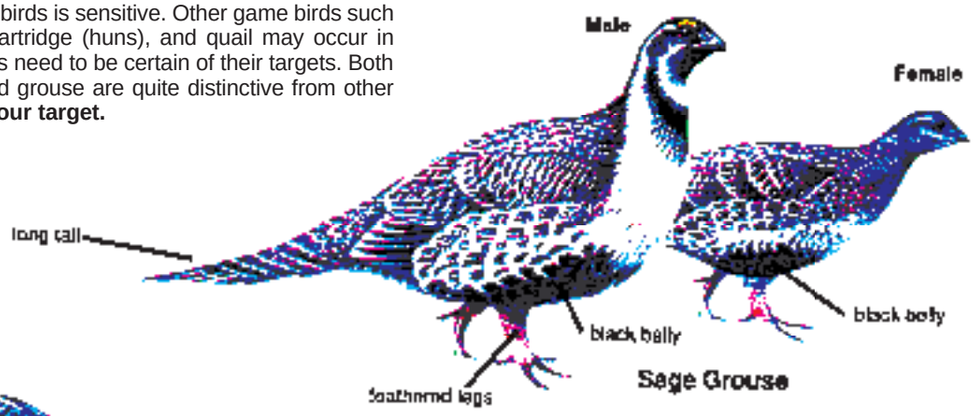


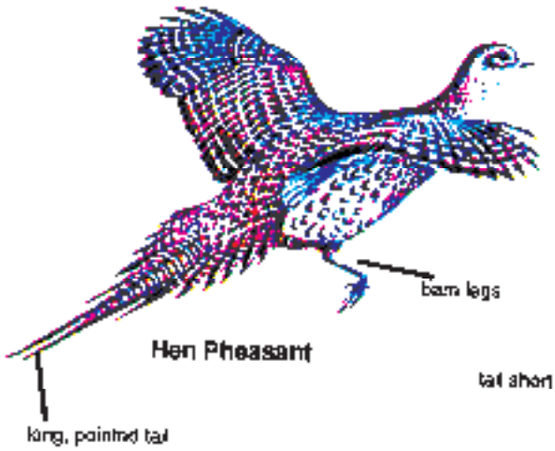
Ravens are protected by state and federal laws, and are often confused with crows.

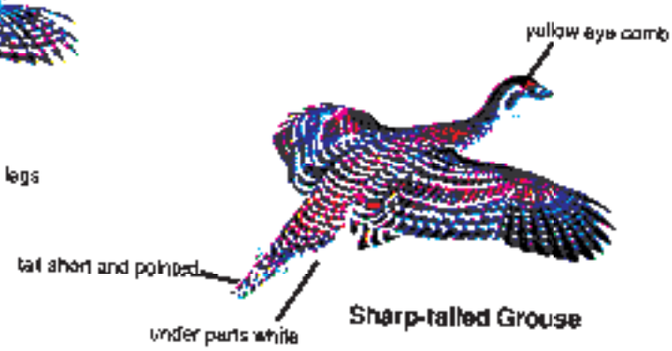
- Crows are smaller than ravens and measure between 17 and 20 inches long, while ravens measure between 24 and 27 inches long.
- Ravens spend much time gliding when in flight, while crows seldom if ever glide and usually fly with a steady wing beat.
- Crows tails are blocky and more squared off while in flight, while ravens have a diamond-shaped tail (see drawing).
- Crows have a more nasal, higher pitched call, where a raven's call is lower, and hoarser.

Sharp-tailed and Sage Grouse Are Protected

The hunting season is CLOSED for both of these game birds. Their sagebrush and grassland habitats in Washington have changed dramatically since the state was settled. The population status of these birds is sensitive. Other game birds such as pheasant, gray partridge (huns), and quail may occur in similar areas. Hunters need to be certain of their targets. Both sage and sharp-tailed grouse are quite distinctive from other game birds. **Know your target.**

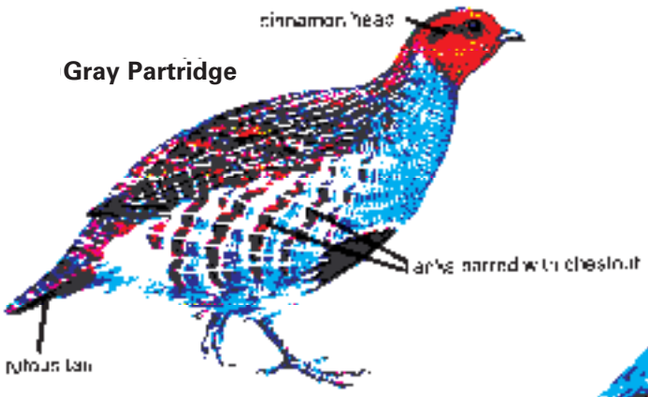


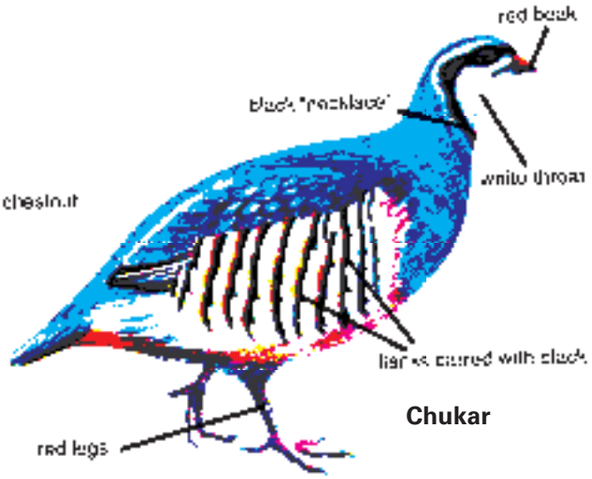


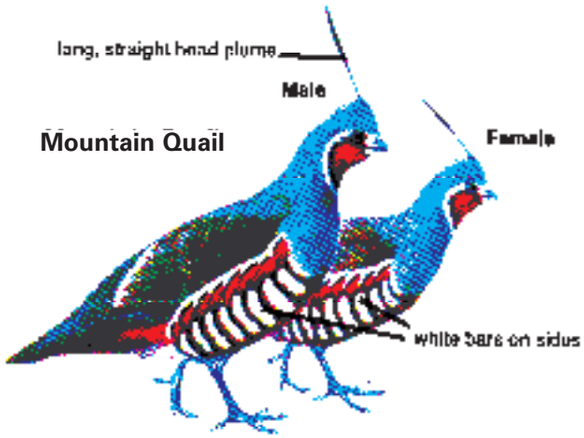


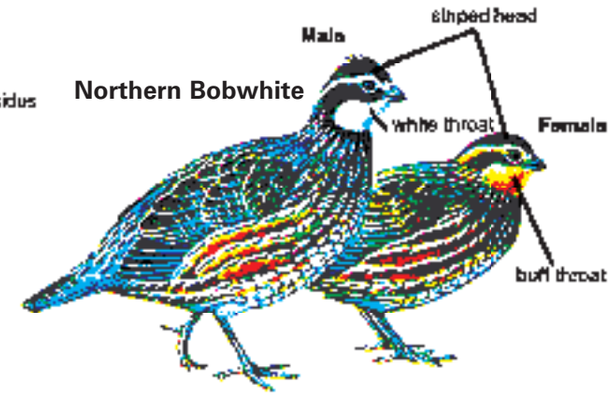
RING-NECKED PHEASANT PRIMARY MANAGEMENT ZONE

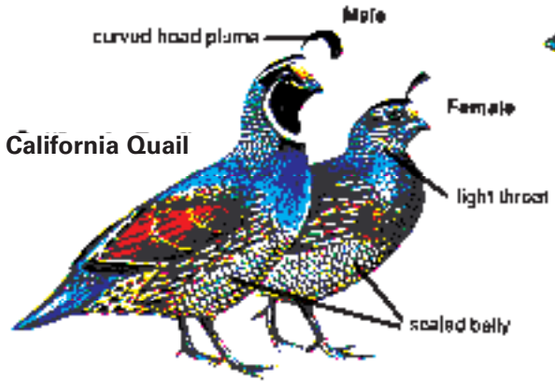
CHUKAR PARTRIDGE PRIMARY MANAGEMENT ZONE



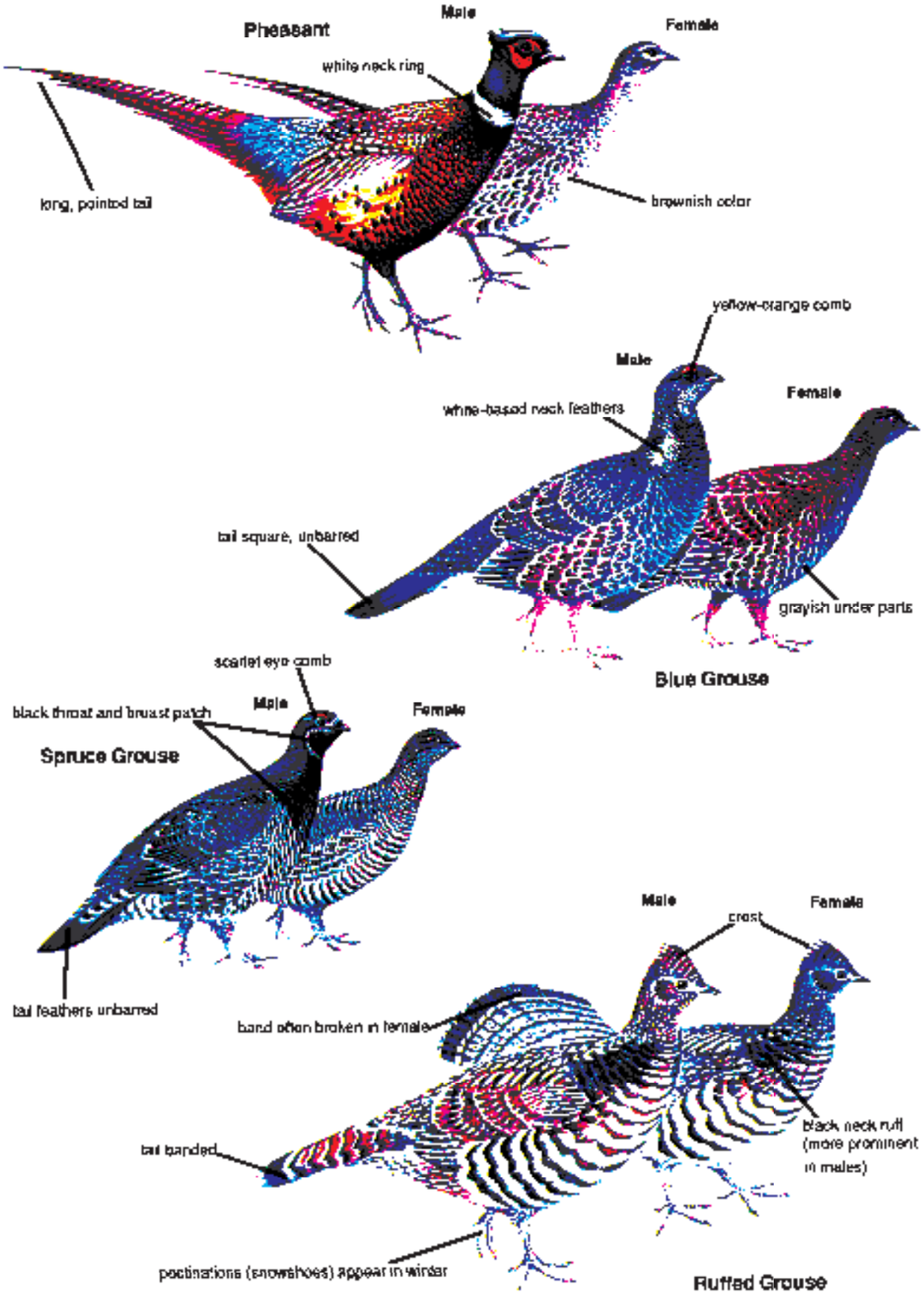








GAME BIRD IDENTIFICATION


Pheasant
Male
Female
white neck ring
long, pointed tail
brownish color
yellow-orange comb
Male
Female
white-based neck feathers
tail square, unbarred
grayish under parts
Blue Grouse
scarlet eye comb
black throat and breast patch
Male
Female
Spruce Grouse
tail feathers unbarred
Male
Female
crest
band often broken in female
black neck ruff
(more prominent
in males)
tail banded
pectinations (snowshoes) appear in winter
Ruffed Grouse

2004-05 Official Hunting Hours*

FOR MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS, UPLAND BIRDS, AND WILD TURKEYS

SEPTEMBER 1, 2004 TO JANUARY 31, 2005

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Dates (Inclusive)					Western Washington from A.M.	to	P.M.	Eastern Washington from A.M.	to	P.M.
Wednesday	Sept. 1	through	Sunday	Sept. 5	6:00		7:45	5:50		7:35
Monday	Sept. 6	through	Sunday	Sept. 12	6:10		7:35	5:55		7:20
Monday	Sept. 13	through	Sunday	Sept. 19	6:15		7:20	6:05		7:10
Monday	Sept. 20	through	Sunday	Sept. 25	6:25		7:05	6:15		6:55
Monday	Sept. 27	through	Sunday	Oct. 3	6:35		6:50	6:25		6:40
Monday	Oct. 4	through	Sunday	Oct. 10	6:45		6:40	6:35		6:25
Monday	Oct. 11	through	Sunday	Oct. 17	6:55		6:25	6:45		6:10
Monday	Oct. 18	through	Sunday	Oct. 24	7:05		6:10	6:55		6:00
Monday	Oct. 25	through	Saturday	Oct. 30	7:15		6:00	7:05		5:45

PACIFIC STANDARD TIME

Dates (Inclusive)					Western Washington from A.M.	to	P.M.	Eastern Washington from A.M.	to	P.M.
Sunday	Oct. 31	through	Sunday	Nov. 7	6:25		4:50	6:15		4:35
Monday	Nov. 8	through	Sunday	Nov. 14	6:40		4:40	6:25		4:25
Monday	Nov. 15	through	Sunday	Nov. 21	6:50		4:30	6:35		4:20
Monday	Nov. 22	through	Sunday	Nov. 28	7:00		4:25	6:45		4:10
Monday	Nov. 29	through	Sunday	Dec. 5	7:05		4:20	6:55		4:10
Monday	Dec. 6	through	Sunday	Dec. 12	7:15		4:20	7:05		4:05
Monday	Dec. 13	through	Sunday	Dec. 19	7:20		4:20	7:10		4:05
Monday	Dec. 20	through	Sunday	Dec. 26	7:25		4:20	7:15		4:10
Monday	Dec. 27	through	Sunday	Jan. 2	7:25		4:25	7:15		4:15
Monday	Jan. 3	through	Sunday	Jan. 9	7:25		4:35	7:15		4:20
Monday	Jan. 10	through	Sunday	Jan. 16	7:25		4:40	7:10		4:30
Monday	Jan. 17	through	Sunday	Jan. 23	7:20		4:50	7:10		4:40
Monday	Jan. 24	through	Monday	Jan. 31	7:10		5:00	7:00		4:50

*These are lawful hunting hours (one-half hour before sunrise to sunset) for migratory game birds (duck, goose, coot, snipe, and mourning dove); upland birds (pheasant, quail, partridge); and turkey during established seasons. Forest grouse hunting hours are the same opening times as listed above, to 1/2 hour after the closing times listed above. **Exceptions:**

1) Western Washington–Pheasant and quail hunting hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in all areas.
2) Clark (except areas south of the Washougal River), Cowlitz, Grays Harbor, Pacific, and Wahkiakum counties–Goose hunting hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., except one-half hour before sunrise to sunset during the September goose season and 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. during the late goose season.
3) Hunting hours for falconry seasons (except migratory game bird seasons) are exempt from these hunting hours, except on designated pheasant release sites.

Duck Hunters **Goose Hunters**

DO YOU KNOW YOUR LIMITS?

Every year, Washington hunters die in boating accidents. The old saying, "Know your limits" has a new meaning in Washington. Limit loading your boat. Limit your boating to safe weather and water conditions. Limit alcohol consumption. Limit movement and keep your weight low. *And remember – wearing a life jacket or float coat will help you survive an accident!*

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Boating Programs