

# Hunting tag applications and guidelines

## Hunting Tags Soon Available

The Fish and Wildlife Department will be issuing 345 deer, 44 elk, and four bear tags to eligible tribal members for the 1994 hunting season.

The following guidelines have been adopted by the Fish and Wildlife Committee to give as many tribal members as possible, the opportunity to use their hunting privileges.

Tribal members must continue to follow Oregon hunting laws, seasons and bag limits. Tags issued by the Tribes are only valid in the Trask Management Unit. Hunters should consult their Tribal Hunting, Fishing and Gathering Handbook for the unit description.

To obtain a 1994 edition of the Tribal Handbook call 879-5522, leave your name, phone number and a mailing address and one will be mailed to you. Tribal members can also stop by the Forestry Department and pick one up.

### Adopted ordinance changes

The Tribal Council for the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon adopted the following resolution on June 2, 1993 by a vote of 6 - 0: ONLY A TRIBAL ELDER OR HANDICAPPED PERSONS MAY TRANSFER A TAG TO ANOTHER LICENSED ENROLLED TRIBAL MEMBER. THE TRANSFERRING MEMBER IS STILL RESPONSIBLE FOR RETURNING THE TAG OR REPORTING THE STATUS OF THEIR TAG.

### Deer tags

Five deer tags will be reserved for cultural gather, the remainder of the deer tags, (general, muzzle loader and bow deer), will be issued to individual tribal members on a first come, first served basis along as the supply lasts. Tribal members may have only one tag in their possession at all times. The status of all deer tags must be reported within 72 hours of the end of each season or within one working day of the date any successfully filled tags in order to be issued any additional tags.

If you do not fill your bow or muzzle loader deer tag and wish to use it in the general deer hunt you must notify the Fish and Wildlife Department that you want to transfer from bow or muzzle loader to a general deer permit.

### Permit system replaces hunters choice season

Permits for the controlled doe season will be issued to interested, licensed tribal members who register for the public tag drawing. Any excess doe permits will be issued on a first come, first served basis.

### Bow elk

Those interested in the bow elk hunt may also submit an application for a general and/or a control/damage elk hunt. If your name is drawn for a bow tag it will disqualify any application submitted to the general elk drawings. Bow elk tag winners will not be eligible for a first or second season elk tag. Bow elk tag winners will be eligible for a control/damage tag.

### General elk

One elk tag will be reserved for cultural gatherings, the remaining elk tags shall be issued to interested, licensed tribal members who register for a public drawing to be held Aug. 8, 1994, 5:30 p.m. at the Community Center. Interested tribal members will be eligible for one general elk tag per person per year. Members must select their preference for the first or second season elk hunt. The preference must be circled on the application form. If no preference is selected or both circled, the application will be invalid.

General season tag winners will be eligible for a control/damage elk tag.

The status of your elk tag must be reported either by phone or by mailing the status card attached to your tag, filled in with the appropriate information.

### Control/damage elk

Bow, first and second season elk tag applicants may also apply for the control/damage hunt of their choice. The preference must be entered on the application form. If no preference is entered the application will be invalid. The number of tags available will depend on hunt conditions within the Trask Unit.

### Application guidelines

The following hunts require that you fill out the appropriate tag application form:

- Bear, four tags available.
- Bow elk, 20 tags available.
- 1st season elk, 45 minus bow tags filled.
- 2nd season elk, 45 minus 1st season and bow tags filled.
- Control/damage elk, number of tags available will depend on hunt conditions within the Trask Unit.
- Control doe permits, 200.

In order to apply for tags that require an application form, tribal members must do the following: Complete only one application per category. Multiple applications will result in all applications being invalid for the individual. Categories are as follows:

1. Bear.
2. Bow Elk.
3. 1st and 2nd Season Elk, choose one.
4. Control/Damage Elk, choose one.
5. Control Deer, doe permits.

All applications must be completely filled out and into the Fish and Wildlife Department by 5 p.m., Aug. 5, 1994. Any applications received after the deadline will not be considered for the drawing and will be put in the applicants file. This will include incomplete tag application forms.

Tag winners will be selected and announced at a public drawing to be held at the Community Center on Aug. 8, 1994 at 5:30 p.m. If you have any questions regarding the 1994 hunting season please feel free to contact Karen Larsen at (503) 879-5522.

### General elk

Tribal members can selected their preference for the first or second season elk hunt. The preference must be circled on the application form. If no preference is selected or both circled, the application will be invalid.

General season tag winners will be eligible for a control/damage tag.

The status of your elk tag must be reported either by phone or by mailing the status card attached to your tag, filled with the appropriate information.

### Bow elk

Those interested in the bow elk hunt may also submit an application for the general elk hunt, but their name will be withdrawn from the general elk drawing if they win a bow tag.

### Control/damage hunts

Bow and general elk season tag applicants may also apply for the control/damage hunt of their choice. The number of tags and hunts available will depends on hunt conditions within the Trask Unit.

Following is a list of the Tentative control/damage hunts available in the Trask Management Unit:

- Banks Dec. 1, 1994 - Feb. 28, 1995
- West Trask No. 1 Dec. 7 1993 - Dec. 27, 1994
- West Trask No. 2 Dec. 28, 1994 - Jan. 17, 1995
- West Trask No. 3 Jan. 18, 1995 - Feb. 7, 1995
- West Trask No. 4 Feb. 8, 1995 - Feb. 28, 1995
- Pike Dec. 8 1994 - Feb. 28, 1995
- Beaver Creek Dec. 8 1994 - Feb. 28, 1995
- Mt. Richmond Dec. 8, 1994 - Feb. 28, 1995

- Trask Mountain Nov. 19, 1994 - Nov. 27, 1994
- Panther Creek Nov. 12, 1994 - Dec. 4, 1994
- Wind River Dec. 8, 1994 - Feb. 28, 1995

### Juvenile control hunt for antlerless elk

- Upper Tualatin Dec. 3-4-10-11-17-18, 1994

The elk hunt listed above is part of anew program to encourage youth participation in big game hunting. This hunt is designed to provide young hunters with a safe, well-supervised, low-stress setting where they can enjoy the hunt while also building fundamental skills. Each young hunter must be accompanied by an adult. An adult at least 21 years of age, who may not hunt or carry a loaded firearm must not accompany not more than two juveniles.

To apply, hunters must be 12 to 17 years of age at the time they hunt, have completed a hunters safety class, and have a Tribal Hunting License.

### Oregon Hunters Safety Course

An Oregon Hunters Safety Course will start at 9 a.m. July 11 in the large meeting room of the Tribal Community Center in Grand Ronde.

All youngsters under the age of 18 must successfully complete the course before they may hunt in Oregon. The course features instruction in not only firearms safety, but wildlife management, hunter ethics, survival and hunting laws and regulations.

Individuals interested in attending the course may register by calling 879-5522 or by signing up at the Tribal Forestry Office, 26930 Salmon River Highway, Grand Ronde. The class is limited to the first 10 students who register.

The following information has been taken from the Tribal Hunting, Fishing and Gathering Handbook

#### 1. General

Each year the State of Oregon shall issue 395 deer and elk tags (not to exceed 45 elk tags and five bear tags to the Tribes for tribal hunting. "Tribal hunting" shall mean hunting pursuant to a hunting license issued by the Tribes.

#### 2. License requirements:

Any tribal members who wishes to exercise tribal hunting, fishing and gathering rights must apply for a tribal license. Tribal members must have the license in their possession when exercising hunting, fishing or gathering rights as well as the required hunting or fishing tag. The license must be shown to any state law enforcement officer upon reasonable demand if the licensee is engaged in or appears to be engaged in the exercise of tribal rights.

#### 3. Who may engage in cultural hunting:

No person shall engage in tribal hunting except a tribal member who possesses a valid Tribal Hunting License and the appropriate deer, elk or bear tag issued by the Tribes. Any tribal member who is by Tribal, State or Federal Law, prohibited from having in possession, or using a firearm shall not be eligible for tribal hunting tags for those hunts which would result in a violation of that prohibition.

#### 4. Eligibility:

No hunting license or tag shall be issued to any young person between the ages of 12 and 18 unless that person possesses a safety certificate approved by the Fish and Wildlife Department. Any State Hunter Safety Certificate is deemed to be an approved safety certificate. The person must have the certificate in his or her possession while hunting. No hunting tags shall be issued to any person below the age of 12 under any circumstances.

#### 5. Seasons:

The seasons for tribal deer, elk and bear hunting shall be those prescribed by the State for all citizens.

#### 6. State regulations to apply:

Weapons, antler regulations, methods of taking and other