



2021-2022 CTWS Hunting Seasons



Off-Reservation and **Reservation** hunting regulations have been approved. Please login to tribal website <https://hunting.warmsprings-nsn.gov/login> or order by email (wildlife.tags@ctwsbnr.org) or phone (5415532001) permits requested by phone come by Natural Resources office to pick up your permits and regulations.

Please take advantage of off reservation hunting tags, these opportunities take hunting pressure off the Reservation due to fire closures, which help improve wildlife populations. Please make sure off reservation hunting takes place on public (unclaimed) lands. It is the HUNTERS' responsibility to know where they are hunting, where they are allowed to hunt, what weapons they are allowed to use and what the bag limit is. For questions regarding hunting please contact the Natural Resources Department at 541-553-2001.

ON RESERVATION HUNTING		
NO DESIGNATED HUNTERS OR TRANSFER OF TAGS IS ALLOWED.		
Reservation Hunt	Open Season	Bag Limit/Regulations
Buck Deer	Oct. 2 – 17	Open to buck deer with visible antler. One tag per lead hunter or head of household. Limit of only one (1) buck deer.
Bull Elk	Nov. 13 – 28	Open to bull elk with visible antler. One tag per lead hunter or head of household. Limit of only one (1) bull ek.
Bighorn Ram: (2 tags)	Oct. 2 – Nov. 28	One bighorn per tag. Tags will be awarded to 3 Tribal members through a public drawing.
Bighorn Ewe: (1 tag)	Oct. 2 – Nov. 28	
Black bear	Sept. 1 - Dec. 31	Either sex; excluding cubs less than one year & sows with cubs.
Cougar	Open season	Either sex; excluding spotted kittens or female cougars with spotted kittens.

Off-reservation hunting is designated for OFF-RESERVATION public open and unclaimed lands (USFS, BLM, & State Lands w/ hunts open in common with tribes). Illegally harvesting wildlife on the Reservation using off reservation tags or harvesting the wrong sex can have great long-term negative impacts to the Tribes wildlife populations. Overharvesting wildlife and illegally harvesting females reduces wildlife population numbers for multiple generations. Please help protect the Tribes wildlife resources by reporting poaching violations to 541-553-2033 or 541-553-1171.

OFF-RESERVATION HUNTING		
Off-Reservation Hunt	Open Season	Bag Limit/Regulations
General Buck Deer	Aug. 1 – Oct. 31 & NEW Dec. 1 – Jan. 31	Open to buck deer with visible antler. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rifle season closed Nov. 1-30 for black tail and mule deer. (Metolius Unit Special Regulations - refer to regs below)
NEW Late Archery Buck Deer	Nov. 1 – 30	
Ceremonial Deer	Open Year Around	
John Day River Buck Deer: Rifle	Nov. 1 - 30	
White-tail Deer	NEW Open Year Around	Open to white-tail deer of either sex
Metolius Unit Buck Deer Hunts Special Regulation Dates		
Metolius Buck Rifle:	Aug. 1– Oct. 15	Open to buck deer with visible antler (weapons restrictions)
Metolius Buck Muzzleloader:	Oct. 16 – Oct. 31	
Metolius Buck Archery:	Nov. 1 – Dec. 31	
ELK OFF-RESERVATION		
General Elk Archery	Aug. 1 – Oct. 1	Open to any elk with archery only.
Early & Late Elk Rifle	Sept. 1 – Oct. 1 & Jan. 1 – Jan. 31	Spike bulls and Antlerless Elk with rifle. Closed to branch antler bulls rifle hunting. Any elk with a bow is allowed.
General Bull Elk Rifle	Oct. 2– Dec. 31	Open to bull elk with visible antler. Only 1 tag at a time allowed with limit of two per month.
SPECIAL ANIMAL HUNTS		
Pronghorn Antelope	Aug. 1 – Oct. 31	Either sex pronghorn antelope.
Bighorn sheep	Sept. 1 – Nov. 30	(5 Ram tags) (4 Ewes) One bighorn sheep per permit.
Black bear	Aug. 1 – Jan. 31	Either sex; excluding cubs less than one year and sows with cubs.
Cougar	Open Season	Either sex; excluding spotted kittens or female cougars with spotted kittens.

There is mandatory reporting of all hunter harvest. Failure to report harvest results for off reservation and reservation hunts will result in a loss of hunting privileges for subsequent tags. Please be honest with your hunter reporting! If you are issued a tag, you have the right to hunt and harvest an animal. Harvest and hunting information are important for the wildlife department in determining wildlife population sizes, herd compositions and hunting pressure. In addition, this information helps us determine where there are and are not animals, which helps focus our habitat restoration efforts on the Reservation. Your continued support and participation with hunter reporting are greatly appreciated. Thank you for your participation!