

**LUMMI NATION
CEREMONIAL BIG GAME
HUNTING REGULATION # 2021-22
Hunting Year (HY) 09/01/2021 – 08/31/2022
Effective 09-01-2021**

AUTHORITY This regulation is issued pursuant to Paragraph 10.17.090, Hunting Regulations of the Lummi Code of Laws, Title 10. Violation of this regulation constitutes a violation of Title 10 Ordinance of the Lummi Code of Laws, and is punishable under Chapter 10.06.070, and Chapter 10.17. **Hunters must comply with all requirements of Title 10 and this regulation.**

GENERAL CLOSURE The Lummi Reservation and all other areas within the territory under the Lummi Nation's hunting jurisdiction are closed to the hunting of big game animals unless those areas are specifically opened by regulation. Areas opened by regulation are only open to hunting of big game in accordance with Title 10 of the Lummi Code of Laws, and all applicable regulations. Any animals found to have been taken in violation of this regulation are subject to confiscation from, and forfeiture by, the hunter.

PERMIT / IDENTIFICATION All persons hunting under the authority of the Lummi Nation must comply with Title 10 of the Lummi Code of Laws. The following are authorized to issue and validate permits: 1) Lummi Fisheries and Natural Resources Commission Officers, 2) Director of Natural Resources, 3) Deputy Director of Natural Resources and, 4) Natural Resources Administrative Assistant. Permits shall be issued when there is a ceremonial need in the community.

GAME TAGS A Lummi tribal ceremonial tag is required for hunting under this regulation. Tags are obtained from the Natural Resources Department and each tag consists of two parts: the carcass tag and the reporting form tag. They are issued as a joined pair and are required for hunting deer, elk or goat under this regulation.

BAG LIMITS The permit is limited to a maximum of four (4) deer **or** one (1) elk and one (1) deer. Permits shall be good for two days hunting only. The hunting days shall be specified in the permit, but if no days are specified, the permit shall expire one hour after sunset two days after the date the permit is issued.

TAGS/HARVEST REPORTS TO BE RETURNED Successful hunters must immediately remove from the carcass tag the designated notches corresponding to the month and day of the kill. Reporting form tags, with the harvest report filled in by the hunter, and the date of the kill notched out must be returned to the Natural Resources Department main office before another tag will be issued. All tag reports, whether an animal was bagged or not, must be returned within 1 weekday of the expiration date of the hunt. Failure to return tags is subject to a fine of not less than \$100, and will jeopardize the ability of the permittee to obtain ceremonial tags in the future. A permittee who loses a tag will be relieved of a monetary penalty if they timely file an affidavit of tag loss, including a harvest report, within 1 weekday of the expiration date of the hunt. Failure to report a lost tag in a timely manner will result in withholding further issuance of tags to the permittee until the all applicable fines are paid and affidavit(s) of lost tag(s), and harvest reports are filed.

TRANSPORTING BIG GAME A valid Lummi Tribal Ceremonial tag with the date of the kill notched out must be attached to the animal prior to and during transport. The head of the animal must accompany the carcass during transportation.

HUNTERS UNDER AGE 18 Persons under the age of 12 may accompany a hunter but are not allowed to use a weapon of any kind. Persons 12 to 17 years of age must be accompanied by an adult 18 years or older while hunting. **All hunters under the age of 18 must provide proof of successful completion of an approved hunters / firearm safety course prior to obtaining a hunting permit or tags.**

AREAS OPEN Hunting under these regulations is allowed within the boundaries of Washington Department of Wildlife Game Management Units (GMUs) listed in this section except on lands within those units which are: a) conspicuously posted “NO HUNTING”; or, b) within 1,000 feet of an occupied building or area; or, c) national, state, county, or municipal parks; or, d) national monuments; or, e) closed due to extreme fire danger.

AREAS OPEN FOR ELK AND DEER CEREMONIAL USE

REGIONS 4 & 6 ELK

GMU - Name	Opens at 00:00	Closes at 24:00	Allowed Harvest
407 – North Sound	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex
418 - Nooksack *	09/01/2021	03/01/2022	CLOSED
426 - Diablo	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex

437 – Sauk #	Year-Round	Year-Round	Bull Preferred #
448 - Stillaguamish	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex
450 - Cascade	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex
460 - Snoqualmie	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex
454 - Issaquah	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex
466 - Stampede	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex
485 - Green River	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex
490 - Cedar River	Year-Round	Year-Round	Bull Only
653 - White River	Year-Round	Year-Round	Bull Only

*** Open by special tag drawing only**

GMU 437 is open for either sex; hunters are REQUESTED to take bulls

NOTES: Hunters are NOT permitted to shoot or take cows with collars; Eye teeth of elk taken in GMUs 466, 485, 653 must be turned in to the Lummi Natural Resources Department representative.

REGIONS 4 & 6 DEER

GMU - Name	Opens at 00:00	Closed at 24:00	Allowed Harvest
407 - North Sound	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex
410 - Island	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex
418 - Nooksack	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex
426 - Diablo	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex
437 - Sauk	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex
448 - Stillaguamish	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex
450 - Cascade	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex
460 - Snoqualmie	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex
454 - Issaquah	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex
466 - Stampede	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex
485 - Green River	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex
490 - Cedar River	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex
653 - White River	Year-Round	Year-Round	Either Sex

SPECIAL NOTICES: General closure is in effect for mountain goats in all GMUs. General hunting for Mountain Goats is by special tag drawing only. For any permitted hunting, the information in the table below NOT withstanding, an emergency conservation closure for all hunting of mountain goats south of I-90 is in effect until further notice.

REGIONS 4 & 6 MOUNTAIN GOAT

GMU - Name	Opens at 00:00	Closed at 00:00	Allowed Harvest
418 - Nooksack	09/01/2021	03/01/2022	CLOSED
426 - Diablo	09/01/2021	03/01/2022	CLOSED
448 - Stillaguamish	09/01/2021	03/01/2022	CLOSED
450 - Cascade	09/01/2021	03/01/2022	CLOSED

460 - Snoqualmie	09/01/2021	03/01/2022	CLOSED
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NOTE: As a herd rebuilding measure, hunters are **STRONGLY ENCOURAGED** (but not required) to take billies instead of nannies whenever possible to assist in recovery of chronically depressed stocks in all GMUs.

HUNTING HOURS Except for hunts for funerals, ceremonial hunting is allowed only from thirty minutes before official sunrise until thirty minutes after official sunset daily. The official times are posted daily in The Bellingham Herald. **Ceremonial hunting for funerals is allowed 24 hours a day, the use of artificial lighting (“spotlighting”) is allowed for funerals only.**

FIREARM PROHIBITIONS The following is a synopsis of firearm prohibitions:

1. Fully automatic weapons are prohibited.
2. Shotguns smaller than 20 gauge or shot sizes smaller than #1 buckshot are prohibited.
3. Rifle bore diameter smaller than .240 or barrel lengths less than 16 inches are prohibited.
4. Bullets weighing less than 85 grains are prohibited.
5. Bullets other than mushrooming or expanded type are prohibited.
6. Muzzle loaders other than those described in the ordinance are prohibited.

BOW AND ARROW REGULATIONS The following regulations apply to hunting big game with bow and arrow.

1. A bow shall have a least 40 pound of pull measured at 28 inches or less draw length.
2. Arrows shall have sharp broadhead blade(s) at least 7/8 inches wide. The breadth must be barbless and completely closed at the back end of the blade(s) by a smooth line toward the feather end of the shaft and such line shall have no angle toward the point.
3. Except the use of an Indian type broadhead made out of flint or obsidian (volcanic glass) may be used provided that it does not have a well-defined barb and is slightly sloped or tapered from the widest point toward the feather 3/4 to 7/8 wide.

SAFETY REGULATIONS The following is a summary of safety regulations and requirements. Other regulations are set out in the text of the Lummi Tribal Off-Reservation Hunting Ordinance.

1. No loaded weapons in or on the vehicle.
2. No shooting from vehicles except as allowed for senior or disabled hunters in Title 10.
3. No hunting while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
4. No shooting along or across public roadways.
7. Discharge of firearms intended as a hunting activity within 1,000 feet of any building

frequented by humans is forbidden, except that a pistol may be used to dispatch a downed animal.

ASSISTANCE FORBIDDEN Pursuant to section 10.17.100, It is a violation of this regulation for any member of the Lummi Nation to be accompanied or assisted by any other person while hunting unless that person is also an enrolled member of a federally-recognized treaty tribe with hunting rights in the hunting area and whose hunting rights in that tribe are in good standing.

WASTAGE PROHIBITED Pursuant to section 10.17.180, it is unlawful for any citizen of the Lummi Nation or other member of a federally-recognized tribe who kills, or otherwise possesses, any game or predator animal covered under the Lummi Nation's hunting regulations, to leave any portion of the meat, or other part of the animal customarily retained for use, in the field or otherwise allow wastage or spoilage thereof.

KEY USE POLICY Hunters are advised that pursuant to section 10.06.080 of Title 10 of the Lummi Nation Code of Laws, the "LNR Proprietary Key Check Out Policy" is incorporated into this regulation by reference and includes, without limitation, all terms, conditions, and penalties contained therein.


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Lummi Nation Official

Date