

**LUMMI NATION
REGULAR (SUBSISTENCE) Upland Game Bird and Small Game**

HUNTING REGULATION #2025-26

Hunting Year (HY) 09/01/2025 – 08/31/2026

Upland Game Birds

Forest Grouse (sooty, ruffed, dusky and spruce), partridge, quail (mountain and California), ring-necked pheasant, and wild turkey * photos provided from www.birdweb.org/BIRDWEB/bird/ Seattle Audubon Society

Ruffed Grouse Spruce Grouse

Dusky Grouse

Sooty Grouse



Mountain Quail

California Quail

Ring-necked pheasant

Wild Turkey

Closed Year-Round



Greater Sage-Grouse

Sharp-tailed Grouse

White-tailed Ptarmigan

Small Game

Raccoon, opossum, coyotes, fox, squirrel, chipmunk, beaver, river otter, badger, mink, muskrat, marten, weasel, skunk, porcupine, yellow-bellied marmot, snowshoe hare, cottontail rabbit, introduced rabbits, mountain beaver, nutria, moles, and rats.

Closed year round: pygmy rabbit, jackrabbit, pika, western gray squirrel

Carnivorous Small Game

Raccoon, fox, coyotes, and opossum can be hunted at night with the use of spotlights.

There is no bag limit for small game, see below for additional information.

Closed year round: fisher, wolverine, cascade red fox, lynx

No tags are required for hunting upland game birds or small game

Hunters must also have a valid Tribal ID with them at all times when hunting.

AREAS OPEN FOR UPLAND GAME BIRDS/SMALL GAME

AREAS OPEN Hunting under these regulations is allowed within the boundaries of Washington Department of Fish and 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 national monuments, or; d) closed due to extreme fire danger. Hunting on small private lands is prohibited unless the hunter has prior written permission from the landowner granting access. Any violation of these conditions will be considered a violation of Title 10 Ordinance sections 10.17.140 and 10.06.080.

REGIONS 4&6 UPLAND GAME BIRD

GMU - Name	Open	Closes	Allowed Harvest
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407 - North Sound	09/01/2025	03/01/2026	Either Sex
418 - Nooksack	09/01/2025	03/01/2026	Either Sex
426 - Diablo	09/01/2025	03/01/2026	Either Sex
437 - Sauk	09/01/2025	03/01/2026	Either Sex
448 - Stillaguamish	09/01/2025	03/01/2026	Either Sex
450 - Cascade	09/01/2025	03/01/2026	Either Sex
460 - Snoqualmie	09/01/2025	03/01/2026	Either Sex
454 - Issaquah	09/01/2025	03/01/2026	Either Sex
466 - Stampede	09/01/2025	03/01/2026	Either Sex
472 - White River	09/01/2025	03/01/2026	Either Sex
485 - Green River	09/01/2025	03/01/2026	Either Sex
490 - Cedar River	09/01/2025	03/01/2026	Either Sex
653 - White River	09/01/2025	03/01/2026	Either Sex

AREAS OPEN FOR SMALL GAME

REGIONS 4&6 SMALL GAME

GMU - Name	Open	Closes	Allowed Harvest
407 - North Sound	Year-Round	N/A	Either Sex
418 - Nooksack	Year-Round	N/A	Either Sex
426 - Diablo	Year-Round	N/A	Either Sex
437 - Sauk	Year-Round	N/A	Either Sex
448 - Stillaguamish	Year-Round	N/A	Either Sex
450 - Cascade	Year-Round	N/A	Either Sex
460 - Snoqualmie	Year-Round	N/A	Either Sex
454 - Issaquah	Year-Round	N/A	Either Sex
466 - Stampede	Year-Round	N/A	Either Sex
472 - White River	Year-Round	N/A	Either Sex
485 - Green River	Year-Round	N/A	Either Sex
490 - Cedar River	Year-Round	N/A	Either Sex
653 - White River	Year-Round	N/A	Either Sex

Special Opening on Lummi Indian Reservation: Until further notice the Lummi Indian Reservation is open to all eligible Lummi tribal hunters for coyote hunting. There are no daily or season limits for this hunt.

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.**

HUNTING HOURS Hunting is allowed only from thirty minutes before official sunrise until thirty minutes after official sunset daily (except for species that can be hunted by spotlight, i.e.

carnivorous small game). The official times are posted daily at <https://sunrise-sunset.org/us/bellingham-wa>

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.
 5. 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.
 6. To be accompanied by a dog that harasses or otherwise disturbs wildlife while hunting for deer or elk is prohibited.
 7. No hunting for, possessing, or controlling protected wildlife or endangered species.
 8. No use of aircraft to spot, locate, or report the location of wildlife for the purpose of hunting big game on the same day.
 9. No use of a vehicle, aircraft, or boat to pursue, or harass wild animals.
 10. No hunting wildlife from a boat propelled by a motor, unless the boat's motor is shut off and progress due to the motor has stopped.
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NON-TOXIC SHOT To protect wildlife species from lead exposure, nontoxic shot is requested for all upland game bird hunting to avoid lead poisoning of other birds, other species, and their habitats. Lead poisoning impacts not just bird species but predator and scavenger species as well. Please protect game, non-game species, and the ecosystem by using non-lead bullets. Lead shot can also impact the game meat making it toxic to consume. Please protect our community by using non-lead bullets.

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.

CARCASS DISPOSAL It is the responsibility of the hunter to ensure a harvested big game carcass is disposed of in a manner that is sanitary and out of view of the general public. If a tribal

member needs assistance with proper carcass disposal, please contact the LNR Wildlife Program. Disposal should occur away from public roads, trails, and waterways.

DISEASE SURVEILLANCE Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) can infect wild birds, and they show no signs of illness. Since 2022, HPAI has spread in the Pacific Flyway especially during the spring. The risk to human health is believed to be minimal. Currently there are no known cases of humans contracting HPAI from wild birds and no evidence of people getting sick from properly cooked game birds. If you have concerns about the status of a bird species seen dead or alive, please report it to the LNR Wildlife Program at 360-384-7176. We can swab any freshly dead birds and test them for HPAI. You can take precautions from HPAI by wearing gloves while handling birds, not eating, drinking, or smoking while cleaning game, thoroughly washing hands and work surfaces and thoroughly cooking the game meat.

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" (below) is incorporated into this regulation by reference and includes, without limitation, all terms, conditions, and penalties contained therein.



Lummi Nation Official

08-15-2025
Date

LNR Proprietary Key Check-out Policy, Revised 06-02-2025

Purpose

It is the policy of the Lummi Indian Business Council to support Lummi tribal members in the pursuit of exercising their treaty rights and protecting the Lummi Sche Lang en'. The Lummi Natural Resources (LNR) Department works together with other Point Elliott Treaty Area tribes, federal, state, and local

agencies, and private landowners to secure access to lands where tribal members can continue their traditional practices handed down from one generation to the next since time immemorial.

This policy covers the check-out and use of proprietary keys held by LIBC and LNR for short-term loan and use by eligible persons. Eligible persons include Lummi tribal members in good standing with LIBC and LIBC staff including LNR staff. This policy intends to facilitate the loaning, use, and timely return or recovery of loaned keys. Allowable uses include natural resource management activities by LNR staff and hunting, gathering, and other cultural activities and uses by Lummi tribal members on State regulated forests and private industrial forestlands.

Upon receipt of a key use permit, the eligible person becomes the Permittee. Specific terms and conditions governing the possession and use of keys are covered on the permit issued to the user/Permittee at the time the key(s) are checked out to the Permittee. It is the responsibility of the Permittee to fully abide by all terms, limitations, and conditions of the permit, including, but not limited to, ensuring that all keys checked out are returned to the LNR department by 4:30p.m. on the date scheduled for return. Key(s) checked out to tribal members must be picked up and returned in person and must be returned no later than the first business day after the specified return date on the use permit.

Failure to return the key(s) will result in forfeiture of deposit and suspension of key check-out privileges until the key(s) are returned or full restitution covering all costs of replacing unreturned keys is made to the LNR department and any relevant fines and/or penalties are paid in full. Additional penalties for the misuse of the keys and/or deviation from the conditions of possession and use of the keys may also be applied.

Penalties

Loss of key(s): Forfeiture of deposit

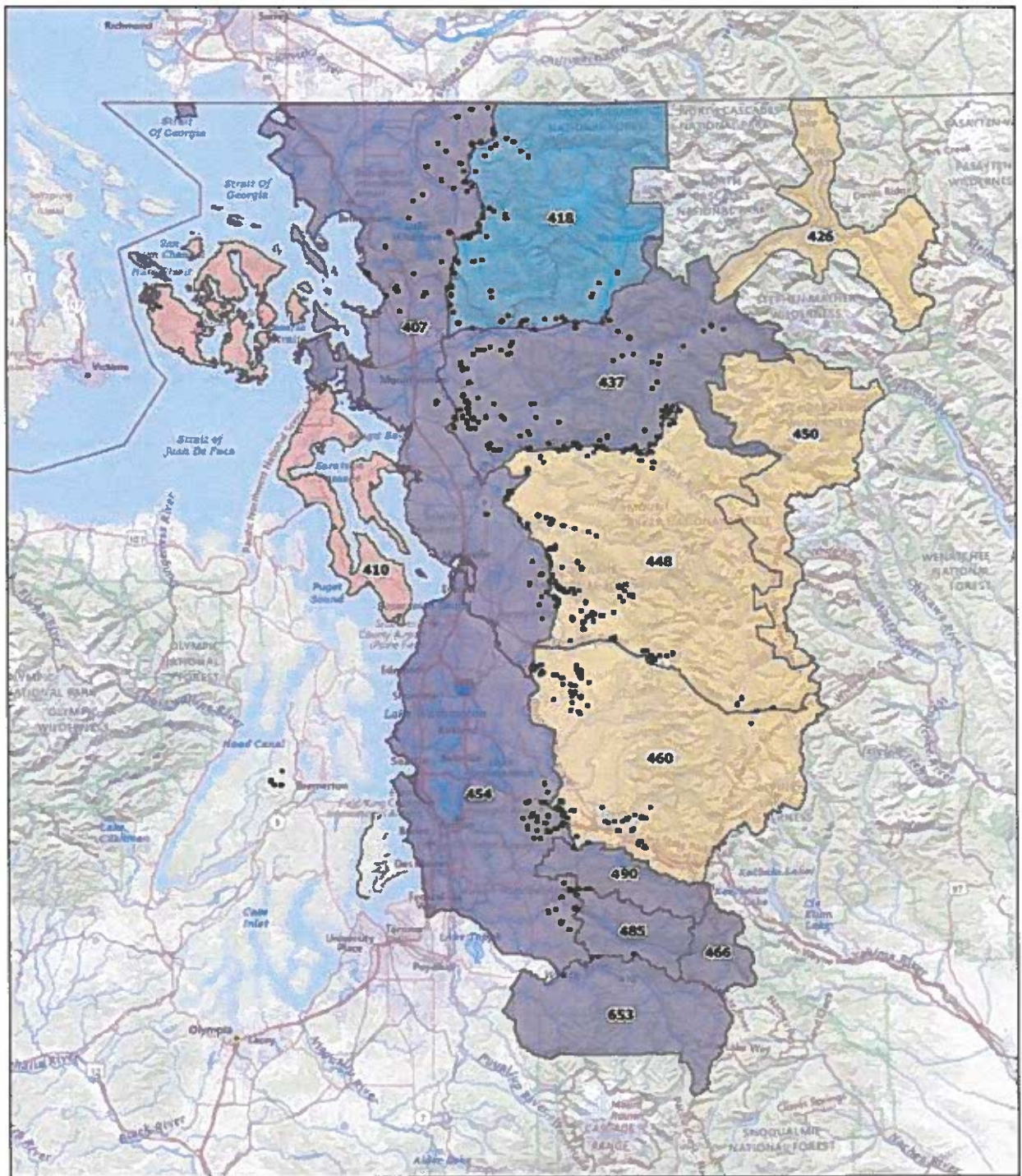
Returned (bounced) check: suspension of privileges until all fines are paid in cash

Late return: \$25 per day late fee and suspension of key privileges until key and placards are returned, and fines are paid

Violation(s) of permit conditions and depending upon the severity of the violation:

- First offense: loss of key check-out privileges for 30 calendar days
- Second offense: loss of key check-out privileges for 1 year
- Third offense: permanent loss of key check-out privileges

Possession and/or use of key(s) without a valid permit: permanent loss of key check-out privileges for 1 year.



**Lummi Nation
Regular (Subsistence) Big Game GMUs
Hunting Regulations #2025-26**

- DNR Gate
- Deer
- Elk and Deer
- Elk, Deer, and Goat
- Special Permit Elk, Deer, and Goat



