

2019 Gray Wolf Hunting Seasons

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Commission



To determine status of hunt area closures,
call the Gray Wolf Mortality Limit Hotline.
1-800-264-1280
See page 15.

DON'T FORGET YOUR CONSERVATION STAMP

Hunters and anglers must purchase a conservation
stamp to hunt and fish in Wyoming.
See page 4.

Department Website: <https://wgfd.wyo.gov>

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LICENSE/STAMP FEES

Resident Gray Wolf.....	\$21.00
Nonresident Gray Wolf.....	\$187.00
Annual Conservation Stamp	\$12.50
Lifetime Conservation Stamp.....	\$185.50
Wildlife Damage Management Stamp.....	\$10.00

Gray wolf licenses are available at the Cheyenne Headquarters, Department Regional Offices, designated license selling agents throughout the state and on the Department website.

IMPORTANT HUNTER INFORMATION

DISCLAIMER. The following sections are a condensed summary of applicable wildlife laws and other important information. This summary is in no way intended to alter the content or statutory intent of those laws. If you have any questions regarding the precise language, you can view a copy of the State Statutes (Title 23) and Wyoming Game and Fish Commission (Commission) Regulations, available at the Cheyenne Headquarters, Department Regional Offices, the Department website or consult the following websites: <https://soswy.state.wy.us> or <https://wyoleg.gov>.

ACCESS ON LANDS ENROLLED IN THE DEPARTMENT'S WALK-IN AREAS OR HUNTER MANAGEMENT AREAS. Access to private lands enrolled in the Walk-in or Hunter Management Program is granted only for the species of wildlife and for the time periods specified in Department publications. Travel by motorized vehicle is prohibited, except as otherwise stated. Hunters wishing to use enrolled private lands for any other wildlife species, activity or time period must obtain permission from the landowner or person in charge of the property. Department publications or signs shall serve as official regulations of the Commission and may advise of additional restrictions. The landowner or person in charge of the property may grant permission for motorized vehicle travel contrary to that specified by Department signs or publications.

ACCESS YES PROGRAM. The Access Yes Program was established to help address the difficulties of finding places to hunt and fish. Hunters and anglers can voluntarily donate any whole dollar amount to Access Yes when they purchase or apply for a license. Contributions are used to secure additional public hunting and fishing access on private lands and inaccessible public lands. Donating helps support the program, but does not provide or imply access to all private or inaccessible public lands in Wyoming.

AGE RESTRICTIONS; BIG OR TROPHY GAME. The minimum age to take any big or trophy game animal is twelve (12) years. Youths under fourteen (14) years of age shall at all times be

accompanied by an adult who possesses and can exhibit a hunter safety certificate, or who has been issued a Wyoming big game hunting license within the last five (5) years. If the accompanying adult is not the youth's parent or guardian, the youth shall have in their possession a permission slip signed by their parent or guardian allowing them to hunt under supervision. Each accompanying adult shall supervise not more than one (1) hunter under fourteen (14) years of age.

ARCHERY EQUIPMENT. Archery equipment is legal to take game animals. When hunting antelope, bighorn sheep, black bear, deer, mountain goat, mountain lion, or gray wolf where designated as a trophy game animal, an archery hunter shall use a longbow, recurve bow or compound bow of not less than forty (40) pounds draw weight. When hunting elk or moose, an archery hunter shall use a longbow, recurve bow or compound bow of not less than fifty (50) pounds draw weight. A crossbow hunter shall use a crossbow having a peak draw weight of at least ninety (90) pounds and a bolt of at least sixteen (16) inches in length. The broadhead used on arrows or bolts shall not pass through a seven-eighths (7/8) inch solid ring when fully expanded.

ARCHERY LICENSES AND SPECIAL ARCHERY SEASONS. No person shall hunt big game or trophy game animals with archery equipment during a special archery hunting season without first obtaining an archery license and the appropriate hunting license. No person holding an archery license shall take big game or trophy game animals during a special archery hunting season or limited quota archery season by the use of any type of firearm. Upon request by a game warden or other Wyoming law enforcement officer, a person who has taken a big or trophy game animal during a special archery hunting season or limited quota archery only hunting season shall allow testing of the animal's tissue for confirmation of compliance with this section.

ARTIFICIAL LIGHT FOR HUNTING PROHIBITED; EXCEPTION. No person shall take any wildlife with the aid of or by using any artificial light or lighting device except that predators may be taken with the aid of an artificial light or lighting device by:

(i) A public officer authorized to and conducting predator control;

(ii) A landowner, resident manager or person with the landowner's or a resident manager's written permission to take predators, on land under the landowner's control for the protection of their property.

It is prima facie evidence of a violation if a person uses an artificial light in an area that may be inhabited by wildlife while having in their possession and control any device for taking wildlife. This shall not prohibit the hunting on foot of raccoon with the aid of a handlight, provided the hunter is accompanied by a raccoon hunting dog and, if hunting on private land(s), has the written permission of the landowner or their agent.

AUTOMATIC WEAPON AND SUPPRESSORS. No person shall take any wildlife with any fully automatic weapon. Firearm suppressors may be used during the legal taking of any game animal.

BAG LIMITS AND NUMBER OF LICENSES. No person shall apply for or receive more than one (1) license valid for each big or trophy game species during any one (1) calendar year, except as otherwise allowed by Commission regulations. The maximum bag limit is one (1) big or trophy game animal per each valid license held, and in accordance with age, sex, species, and antler or horn development limitations as specified by Commission regulation.

BAIT RESTRICTIONS. No person shall take a game animal, game bird or game fish and use any part thereof for bait to hunt, trap or poison any wildlife of Wyoming.

CARCASS COUPONS; DATING AND DISPLAY. When any big game animal, trophy game animal or wild turkey is killed under a license, or sandhill crane is killed under a limited quota sandhill crane permit, **the licensee shall detach, sign and date the proper carcass coupon and attach the coupon to the carcass in a readily visible manner before leaving the site of the kill. When dating a carcass coupon, the entire day and month of the kill shall be completely cut out and removed.** (See page 19.) The carcass coupon shall remain on the game animal, wild turkey or sandhill crane carcass at all times until the meat undergoes processing, or on the trophy game animal hide until it reaches the hunter's home or a taxidermist, except that during transportation of the carcass or hide, **the validated carcass coupon may be removed to prevent its loss.** If the carcass coupon is removed for transportation of the carcass or hide, it must be completely filled out and in the possession of the person accompanying the carcass or hide at all times. While quarters or pieces of an animal are being packed from the field, the carcass coupon shall remain with the person transporting the animal.

CHECK STATIONS. Every hunter, angler or trapper entering or leaving areas for which check stations have been established shall stop and report at the check station if the check station is on the hunter's, angler's or trapper's route to and from the hunting or fishing area. This requirement applies even if the person does not have wildlife in possession. Game and fish licensees shall produce their licenses, permits or stamps as required by regulation for any game animals, game birds, fish or furbearing animals in their possession for inspection upon request by any authorized department representative.

CLOSED AREAS. All areas within the state of Wyoming not opened by specific order of the Commission shall be closed to the taking of game animals, furbearing animals and game birds.

CLOTHING REQUIREMENTS; HUNTERS REQUIRED TO WEAR FLUORESCENT ORANGE OR FLUORESCENT PINK CLOTHING. All persons hunting big or trophy game during an open firearm season, shall wear in a visible manner one (1) or more exterior garments of a fluorescent orange or fluorescent pink color that shall include at least one of the following: a hat, shirt, jacket, coat, vest or sweater. Fluorescent orange or fluorescent pink camouflage is legal. Hunters participating in limited quota muzzle-loading seasons are also required to meet the fluorescent orange or fluorescent pink requirements. Archers and crossbow hunters hunting during a special archery season or limited quota archery only Type 9 season are exempt from this requirement.

CONSERVATION STAMP REQUIRED; EXEMPTIONS. Each person licensed to hunt or fish in Wyoming shall possess a valid conservation stamp while hunting or fishing. Conservation stamps include an actual stamp sold manually or a conservation stamp authorization sold through the Department's Electronic Licensing Service (ELS). The stamp shall be signed in ink and shall be in possession of the person while HUNTING OR FISHING. Hunters or anglers who acquire a lifetime conservation stamp or a conservation stamp authorization from the (ELS) shall not be required to meet the signature provision.

Persons holding the following licenses are exempt from the requirement to purchase a conservation stamp while exercising privileges under THESE licenses:

- Daily hunting or fishing license;
- Nonresident five (5) consecutive day fishing license;
- Special limited fishing permit holders; or,
- Wyoming fifty (50%) percent disabled veteran fishing license.

Persons holding the following licenses are exempt from the requirement to purchase a conservation stamp while exercising hunting or fishing privileges under ANY Wyoming license. The person shall, at all times, be in possession of the license allowing the conservation stamp exemption while in the field:

- Any Wyoming pioneer hunting or fishing license;
- Wyoming one hundred (100%) percent disabled veteran game bird, small game and fishing license;
- Military combat general elk or general deer license;
- Military combat game bird or small game license;
- Licenses reissued to a veteran with disabilities or a person with a permanent disability who uses a wheelchair; or,
- Resident United States Military Purple Heart Medal recipients.

Conservation stamps may be purchased from the Cheyenne Headquarters, Department Regional Offices, license selling agents throughout the state and the Department website. A lifetime conservation stamp may be purchased by applying to the Cheyenne Headquarters or through any Department Regional Office.

CREDIT CARD FEE. Effective January 1, 2019, the Department shall charge a two point five percent (2.5%) credit card processing fee of the cost of any license, permit, stamp, tag, preference point or competitive raffle chance applied for or purchased by the use of a credit card.

DEFINITIONS:

“Accompanied by a mentor” means being directly supervised at all times by a mentor who is within sight and direct voice contact.

“Aircraft” means any machine or device (including but not limited to airplane, helicopter, glider, dirigible or unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) capable of atmospheric flight.

“Artificial light or lighting device” means any man-made light or lighting device which projects a visible light outside the device, or any electronic device that provides an enhanced ability to see in the dark.

“Bag limit” means the maximum number of big game or trophy game animals that may be taken by an individual possessing a proper license.

“Certificate of Competency and Safety in the Use and Handling of Firearms” means a certification issued for the completion of an approved hunter safety course.

“Domicile” means that place where a person has his true, fixed and permanent home to which whenever the person is temporarily absent the person has the intention of returning. To prove domicile as required by Wyoming Statutes § 23-1-102 and § 23-1-107 a person shall be able to establish that he: physically resides in Wyoming; has made his permanent home in Wyoming; is not residing in Wyoming for a special or temporary purpose; and, has abandoned his domicile in all other states, territories or countries.

“General licenses” means big or trophy game or wild turkey licenses valid in any hunt area in which licenses have not been totally limited in number. General licenses shall be valid only under species, sex, age class and harvest limitations that are in effect for each hunt area.

“Handgun” means a firearm that has a barrel length of less than sixteen (16) inches, has a short stock, and is designed to be fired by the use of a single hand without shoulder support.

“Hunt area” means the area within a defined geographic boundary where a license shall be valid.

“License” means a document issued by the Department, through the authority of the Commission, to a qualified individual that grants certain privileges to take fish or wildlife in accordance with statutory or regulatory provisions.

“Mentee” means a person who has received special authorization from the Department to take wildlife and who has

not received a certificate of competency and safety in the use and handling of firearms.

"Mentor" means a person who is at least eighteen (18) years of age, can demonstrate they have a certificate of competency and safety in the use and handling of firearms, possesses a valid Wyoming hunting license and is directly supervising not more than one (1) mentee, other than immediate family members, at a time while in the field.

"Motorized vehicle" means any vehicle powered by an internal combustion or electric engine.

"Nonresident" means any person not a resident.

"Off national forest" means lands other than those administered by the U.S. Forest Service.

"Orders" means orders, rules and regulations.

"Predacious bird" means English sparrow and starling.

"Predatory animal" means coyote, jackrabbit, porcupine, raccoon, red fox, skunk or stray cat. "Predatory animal" also means gray wolf located outside the Wolf Trophy Game Management Area and Seasonal Wolf Trophy Game Management Area as described in W. S. § 23-1-101 (a) (xii) (B) (I) and (II).

"Protected animal" means black-footed ferret, fisher, lynx, otter, pika or wolverine.

"Public road or highway" (except as otherwise provided) means any roadway that is open to vehicular travel by the public. The road surface, the area between the fences on a fenced public road or highway, and an area thirty (30) feet perpendicular to the edge of the road surface on an unfenced public road or highway shall be considered the public road or highway. Two-track trails on public lands are not public roads.

"Regular hunting seasons" means seasons which delineate the dates and hunt areas for the taking of big game or trophy game animals with legal weapons in accordance with the license types and limitations set forth in Section 2 of Chapters 5 (Antelope), 6 (Deer), 7 (Elk) and 8 (Moose); Sections 3 and 7 of Chapter 9 (Bighorn Sheep and Mountain Goat); Section 10 of Chapter 3 (Black Bear); Section 3 of Chapter 42 (Mountain Lion); and, Section 4 of Chapter 47 (Gray Wolf) of the Commission regulations.

"Resident" means a United States citizen or legal alien who is domiciled in Wyoming for at least one (1) full year immediately preceding making application for any resident game and fish license, preference point, permit or tag, shall not have claimed residency in any other state, territory or country for any other purpose during that one (1) year period, and meets the requirements specified in Wyoming Statutes § 23-1-102 and § 23-1-107.

"Site of the kill" means the location where the harvested animal died.

"Take" means hunt, pursue, catch, capture, shoot, fish, seine, trap, kill, or possess, or attempt to hunt, pursue, catch, capture, shoot, fish, seine, trap, kill, or possess.

"Trophy game animal" means black bear, grizzly bear, mountain lion, or any gray wolf within the Wolf Trophy Game Management Area and Seasonal Wolf Trophy Game Management Area as described in W. S. § 23-1-101 (a) (xii) (B) (I) and (II).

DISABLED HUNTER INFORMATION. Contact the Cheyenne Headquarters or any Department Regional Office for specific information.

DUPLICATE AND REPLACEMENT LICENSE ISSUED UPON LOSS OR DESTRUCTION OF ORIGINAL; PURCHASE AND FEES. When any license issued has been lost or destroyed, the licensee may secure a duplicate of the original license from the Cheyenne Headquarters, any Department Regional Office or designated license selling agents. A duplicate license shall be issued if the original license **contained a carcass coupon**. A replacement license shall be issued if the original license **did not contain a carcass coupon**. The licensee may secure a replacement license at the Cheyenne Headquarters, Department Regional Offices or

from ELS agents. The Department shall charge a fee of seven dollars (\$7) for each duplicate or replacement license.

EMERGENCY CLOSURES. The Commission may institute an emergency closure by regulation to shorten the season in any area at any time if a harvest quota is reached or if an emergency arises warranting the closure. Should a closure become necessary after the season opens, no refunds will be given for unused licenses.

FIREARMS CALIBERS FOR HUNTING BIG GAME, BLACK BEAR, MOUNTAIN LIONS OR GRAY WOLF. When hunting **bighorn sheep, elk, moose, mountain goat or black bear** with a firearm, a hunter shall use any center-fire firearm of at least .24 caliber and firing a cartridge of at least two (2) inches in overall length. When hunting **antelope, deer, mountain lion, or gray wolf** where designated as a trophy game animal, a hunter shall use any center-fire firearm of at least .22 caliber (excluding .22 Hornet) and having a bullet weight of at least sixty (60) grains and firing a cartridge of at least two (2) inches in overall length.

Big or trophy game animals may be taken with any other cartridge of at least .35 caliber and at least one and one-half (1.5) inches in overall length, or any shotgun firing "00" or larger buckshot, or a slug. Any muzzle-loading rifle or muzzle-loading handgun of at least .40 caliber using a charge of at least fifty (50) grains of black powder or its equivalent may also be used to hunt big or trophy game animals. Any center-fire firearm or muzzle-loading firearm used to hunt big or trophy game animals shall fire an expanding point bullet.

Wyoming has no restrictive laws concerning firearms that may be legally possessed under the law of one's home state. Firearms may be carried uncased in vehicles; although safety dictates that all firearms in a vehicle should be unloaded with the action open.

GUIDES REQUIRED; EXCEPTIONS. ISSUANCE OF RESIDENT GUIDE LICENSE. No nonresident shall hunt big or trophy game animals on any designated wilderness area, as defined by federal or state law, in Wyoming unless accompanied by a licensed professional guide or a resident guide. There shall be at least one (1) licensed professional guide or resident guide accompanying each two (2) nonresident hunters. A resident guide shall not guide more than two (2) hunters in any calendar year on any wilderness area. Any resident possessing a valid big or trophy game animal license shall apply for and receive a free resident guide license prior to guiding any nonresident in designated wilderness areas. A resident guide license may be obtained at no charge from the Cheyenne Headquarters, Department Regional Offices and game wardens.

HUNTER SAFETY/MENTOR PROGRAM; EXEMPTION. Except as otherwise provided, no person born on or after January 1, 1966, may take wildlife by the use of firearms on land other than that of their own family, unless that person can demonstrate they have obtained a certificate of competency and safety in the use and handling of firearms. Attendance and successful completion of a hunter safety course offered by an association or governmental agency approved by the Commission satisfies the requirements of this section.

- Any active member, honorably discharged past member or veteran of the armed forces of the United States and any active or retired Wyoming peace officer qualified pursuant to W. S. § 9-1-701 through § 9-1-707 may obtain an exemption from the hunter safety requirement. Hunter safety exemption applications are available at the Cheyenne Headquarters and Department Regional Offices. This hunter safety exemption is not valid for hunting elk within Grand Teton National Park (Hunt Areas 75 and 79), or for persons acting as mentors in the Hunter Mentor Program.
- A person who has not received a certificate of competency

and safety in the use and handling of firearms may apply to the Department for a special authorization to take wildlife with the use of a firearm while being accompanied by a person acting as a mentor. A special authorization shall be valid for one (1) year from the date of issue and shall be in the possession of the recipient at all times while in the field. The application process may be completed on the Department website. Any person acting as a mentor shall be at least eighteen (18) years of age, shall possess a valid hunting license, and shall demonstrate they have successfully completed a hunter safety course. A mentor shall not provide supervision for more than one (1) person at a time in the field, other than immediate family members, and shall accompany the mentee at all times to provide constant supervision.

- A person under fourteen (14) years of age who has not yet received a hunter safety certificate may take small game and game birds while being accompanied by a mentor who possesses a valid Wyoming small game or game bird license and conservation stamp.

LICENSE EXPIRATION. Gray wolf licenses expire on the last day of the calendar year for which issued, unless otherwise indicated.

LICENSE FRAUD PROHIBITED; INVALIDATION BY IMPROPER FEES. Department licenses, permits, stamps, tags or coupons shall not be altered by anyone other than authorized Department personnel. No license, permit, stamp, tag or coupon shall be transferred or used for the purpose of taking wildlife except by the individual to whom it was issued and therein named and while in that individual's possession. No individual shall take or attempt to take any wildlife using another individual's license, permit, stamp, tag or coupon. Any license, permit, stamp, or tag shall not be valid unless the proper fees have been received by the Department. Any Wyoming Game and Fish law enforcement officer may seize as evidence any license, permit, stamp or tag that was obtained in violation of Commission regulations or Wyoming statutes.

OPEN HOURS FOR TAKING BIG GAME AND TROPHY GAME ANIMALS. Big game and trophy game animals may only be taken from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to one-half (1/2) hour after sunset.

OUTFITTER INFORMATION. Hunter responsibility when booking a big or trophy game outfitter or professional guide. No person shall directly or indirectly compensate a person holding them self out as engaging in the business of, or acting in the capacity of, an outfitter or a professional guide unless that person provides proof that they are a licensed outfitter or professional guide as required by statute. Before hiring an outfitter, the Department advises hunters to consult the Wyoming State Board of Outfitters and Professional Guides to verify the outfitter is licensed by the state of Wyoming. Landowners who outfit on their own deeded land, or deeded lands leased to them, are not required to be licensed as outfitters or guides. Contact: Wyoming State Board of Outfitters at 1950 Bluegrass Circle Suite 280, Cheyenne, Wyoming, 82002 or call toll free 1-800-264-0981. Any license holder utilizing the services of an outfitter shall legibly print the name of the outfitter, the outfitter's license number and the type of outfitter license on the back of licensee's big or trophy game license.

PERMISSION TO HUNT, FISH, TRAP OR COLLECT ANTLERS OR HORNS. No person shall enter upon the private property of any person to hunt, fish, trap or collect antlers or horns without the permission of the landowner or person in charge of the property. The license must bear the signature of the landowner, lessee or agent of the landowner on whose private property the person is accessing or other legitimate proof as evidence that permission to hunt has been granted.

PRECAUTIONS WHEN HUNTING IN AREAS OCCUPIED BY GRIZZLY BEARS. Hunters and anglers are reminded grizzly bears occupy many areas in and around the Bridger-Teton, Shoshone and Caribou-Targhee National Forests in northwest Wyoming. The Department strongly recommends individuals working and recreating in these areas take precautions, including carrying bear pepper spray, to avoid conflicts with grizzly bears. Information about human safety and proper storage of food and other attractants in occupied grizzly habitat is available from the Cheyenne Headquarters, Department Regional Offices, U.S. Forest Service Offices and the Department website. Regulations concerning food/carcass storage in occupied grizzly habitat can be obtained from the U.S. Forest Service. Report all conflicts with grizzly bears to the nearest Department Regional Office.

For information about staying safe in bear country, visit the Department bear wise page: <https://wgfd.wyo.gov/wildlife-in-wyoming/more-wildlife/large-carnivore/grizzly-bear-management/bear-wise-wyoming>.

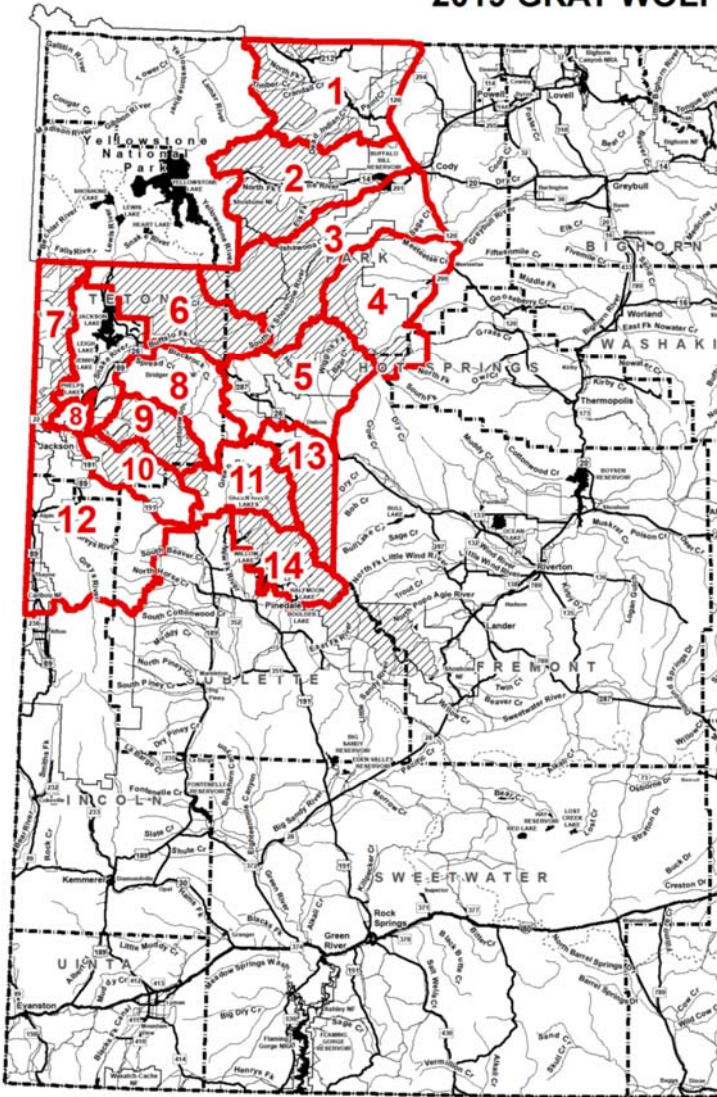
PROHIBITED ACTS. IT IS ILLEGAL TO:

- Shoot or attempt to kill any wildlife from any public road or highway. No person shall fire any firearm from, upon, along or across any public road or highway. No person shall knowingly fire any rifle from the enclosed lands of one person onto or across the enclosed lands of another without the permission of both persons.
- Use any dog to hunt, run or harass any big or trophy game animal, protected animal or furbearing animal except as otherwise provided by statute. The Commission shall regulate the use of dogs to take mountain lions and bobcats during hunting or trapping seasons.
- Use any aircraft with the intent to spot, locate and aid in the taking of any game animal from August 1 through January 31 of the following calendar year. Nothing in this Section shall apply to the operation of an aircraft in a usual manner where there is no attempt or intent to locate any game animal, such as aircraft used for the sole purpose of passenger transport.
- Take and leave, abandon or allow the edible portion of any game bird, game fish or game animal (except trophy game animal) to intentionally or needlessly go to waste.
- Transport illegally taken wildlife across state lines; such transportation is a violation of the Federal Lacey Act.
- Carry a firearm with a cartridge therein, or take any wildlife, while intoxicated or under the influence of any controlled substance.
- Harass, pursue, hunt, shoot or kill any Wyoming wildlife except predatory animals with, from or by use of any flying machine, automotive vehicle, trailer, motor-propelled wheeled vehicle or vehicle designed for travel over snow. The Commission may exempt handicapped hunters from any of these provisions. It is also illegal to shoot waterfowl from a boat under power or sail.

SHIPPING GAME ANIMALS AND GAME BIRDS OUT OF STATE. Except as otherwise exempt by state statute, no game animal or game bird, or any part thereof, shall be shipped or transported from the state except by the person who harvested the animal, and in possession of the proper license, stamp and carcass coupon as required, or unless the amount does not exceed twenty-five (25) pounds and is properly tagged with a Wyoming interstate game tag. Not more than twenty-five (25) pounds from any one (1) big or trophy game animal may be exported from the state unless the part to be exported from the state is of a nonedible trophy or hidelike nature and properly tagged with a Wyoming interstate game tag or the big or trophy game animal was legally harvested by a nonresident and is tagged with a Wyoming interstate game tag.

SHIPPING GAME ANIMALS AND GAME BIRDS WITHIN WYOMING. Except as otherwise exempt by state statute, no person shall ship, transport or receive for shipment or transportation within Wyoming any game animal, game bird, or

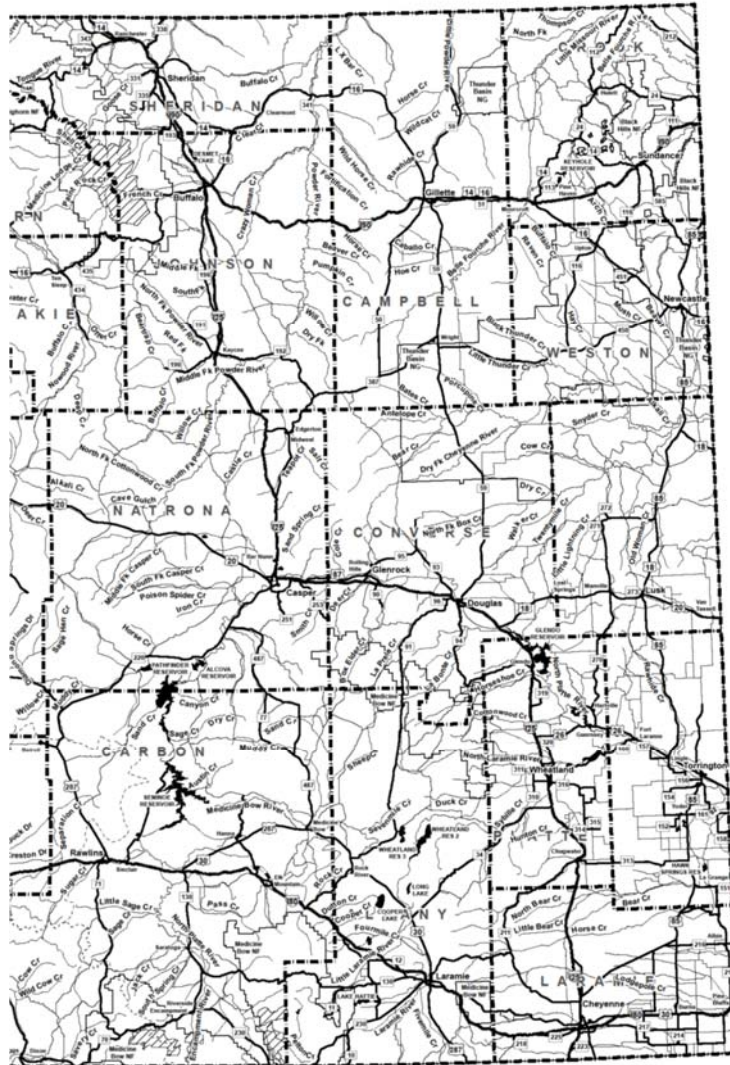
2019 GRAY WOLF



Gray Wolves are designated as predatory animals in all areas of Wyoming **outside** of Hunt Areas 1-11, 13 and 14, except those areas of the state listed in Section 4(a) on Page 13. Gray Wolves **within** Hunt Areas 1-11, 13 and 14, are designated as trophy game animals. For Hunt Area 12, please refer to Section 4(j) on Page 15 for specific information regarding the Gray Wolf designation.

Refer to Section 8 on Page 17 regarding the taking of Gray Wolves designated as predatory animals.

WOLF HUNT AREAS



THIS MAP IS FOR GENERAL REFERENCE ONLY.

Please use the written boundary descriptions in this regulation for detailed boundary information.

NOTE:



Wilderness areas, nonresident gray wolf hunters must have a licensed guide.

any part thereof, unless tagged with a Wyoming interstate game tag, or unless the transportation of a big or trophy game animal is by a person in possession of a proper carcass coupon signed and dated by the person who harvested the animal, or the transportation of game birds or small game is by a properly licensed hunter in possession of not more than the daily bag or possession limit.

TAKING PREDATORY ANIMALS AND PREDACIOUS BIRDS. Predatory animals and predacious birds may be taken without a license.

VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS ON FEDERAL LAND. Sportspersons are advised that many areas of National Forest and Bureau of Land Management lands are subject to travel and vehicle use limitations to protect resources. Maps and additional information regarding these limitations are available at U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management and other agency offices near these public lands.

WILDERNESS AREA. Nonresident big game and trophy game hunters must be accompanied by a professional or resident guide when hunting in designated wilderness areas.

WILDLIFE DAMAGE MANAGEMENT STAMP. The "WILDLIFE DAMAGE MANAGEMENT STAMP" is an optional stamp sportspersons may voluntarily purchase to support activities of the Wyoming Animal Damage Management Board. The Wyoming Legislature originally created the Board to manage rabid wildlife, mitigate crop and livestock damage caused by depredating wildlife, and to protect human health and safety. The legislation developed several sources of funding for the Board to carry out its responsibilities including creation of this management stamp. Purchase of the stamp is not mandatory, but does provide sportspersons a voluntary means to fund predator management.

WILDLIFE VIOLATOR COMPACT Wyoming is a member of the Wildlife Violator Compact. The Compact enables a violator from any member state to accept a wildlife citation and proceed on their way without being required to post an appearance bond unless the violation requires MUST APPEAR and NO BOND ACCEPTED. The Compact provides for the suspension of wildlife license privileges in the home state of any person whose license privileges have been suspended by a participating state. If you have had your privileges suspended in any of the participating states, you may lose your privileges in Wyoming, in addition to all the participating Compact states. Additional information about the Compact can be obtained by contacting the Wildlife Law Enforcement Coordinator at (307) 233-6413.

WIND RIVER RESERVATION. Only non-Indian owned, fee title lands are open to the taking of wildlife with a State of Wyoming license. Land status is complicated and lawful access must be investigated thoroughly. Sportspersons are advised it is their responsibility to determine land status prior to entering these areas.

WOUNDING AND RETRIEVING. No person shall wound or kill any game animal without making a reasonable effort to retrieve it and reduce it to possession. Making a reasonable effort shall include a person physically going to the nearest location where the game animal was when a person attempted to take the game animal, in order to search for any sign the game animal was wounded or killed, and take the game animal into possession.

CHAPTER 47 GRAY WOLF HUNTING SEASONS

Section 1. Authority. This regulation is promulgated by the authority of Wyoming Statutes § 23-1-101, § 23-1-102, § 23-1-108, § 23-1-302, § 23-1-304, § 23-2-104, § 23-2-303, § 23-3-111, § 23-3-115 and § 23-3-304.

Section 2. Definitions. For the purpose of this regulation, definitions shall be as set forth in Title 23, Wyoming Statutes and the Commission also adopts the following definitions:

(a) "Mortality" means any legal or illegal human-caused gray wolf death that occurs during an open gray wolf hunting season, excluding gray wolves taken by the Department, gray wolves taken under the authority of W.S. § 23-3-115 (c), gray wolves taken under Lethal Take Permits and known natural and accidental gray wolf deaths.

Section 3. Hunting Seasons Established. There shall be open seasons for the hunting of gray wolves as set forth in this regulation. This regulation shall go into effect from and after the date gray wolves are removed from the federal list of experimental nonessential populations, endangered species or threatened species in Wyoming. This regulation shall remain in effect until modified or repealed by the Commission.

Section 4. Hunting Regulations for Gray Wolves Designated as Trophy Game Animals.

(a) All gray wolves within the Wolf Trophy Game Management Area and Seasonal Wolf Trophy Game Management Area as described in W.S. § 23-1-101(a) (xii) (B) (I) and (II) are designated as trophy game animals. These regulations, and any allowance for hunting, do not apply to lands administered by the National Park Service within Grand Teton National Park or the National Elk Refuge. Gray wolves in Wyoming are designated as predatory animals as defined in W.S. § 23-1-101(a) (viii) (B) except for:

(i) Those areas where gray wolves are designated as trophy game animals; and,

(ii) Yellowstone National Park; and,

(iii) The Wind River Reservation, except on non-Indian owned fee titled lands.

(b) Gray wolves designated as trophy game animals shall only be taken during open gray wolf hunting seasons with legal firearms and archery equipment as set forth in Commission regulation, except as otherwise provided by Wyoming statutes.

(c) **Open hours for the taking of gray wolves.** Gray wolves may only be taken from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to one-half (1/2) hour after sunset.

(d) No person, except as authorized by the Department, shall take a gray wolf with the use of or by the aid of radio tracking equipment.

(e) **Bag and possession limit.** The bag and possession limits for any person with a proper license shall be one (1) gray wolf per license during any one (1) calendar year (January 1 – December 31). A person may purchase up to two (2) gray wolf hunting licenses during any one (1) calendar year. Licensed hunters may take any gray wolf.

(f) **Reporting and registering kills.** Hunters taking a gray wolf in the hunt areas described in Section 6 shall retain the pelt and skull from each gray wolf for registration purposes. Even if the skull is damaged, it shall accompany the pelt for registration purposes. Visible external evidence of sex shall remain naturally attached to the pelt. The pelt and skull shall be presented in an unfrozen condition to allow collection of biological samples and to determine the age and sex of the gray wolf.

(i) Within twenty-four (24) hours after taking a gray wolf, the licensee shall report the taking of a gray wolf by calling toll

free 1-800-264-1280. The report shall include the name and phone number of the person making the report, hunter's name and license number, date of the kill and location of the site of kill to include hunt area.

(ii) Within three (3) days after taking a gray wolf, the licensee taking the gray wolf shall present the pelt and skull to a district game warden, district wildlife biologist or Department personnel at a Game and Fish Department Regional Office during business hours for registration. The licensee shall provide their license number, date of kill and location of the site of kill to include hunt area, section, township and range or UTM coordinates.

(A) A hunter taking a gray wolf in a designated wilderness area shall present the pelt and skull to a district game warden, district wildlife biologist or Department personnel at a Department Regional Office during business hours for registration within three (3) days after returning from the wilderness or within ten (10) days from the date of harvest, whichever occurs first.

(iii) At the time of registration, the licensee shall provide their license number, date of kill and location of the site of the kill to include hunt area, section, township and range or UTM coordinates.

(iv) Any person who makes a false statement on the registration form shall be in violation of this regulation and, such violation shall be punishable as provided by Title 23, Wyoming Statutes for violation of Commission regulations.

(g) **Surrender of electronic radio tracking devices.** Any person taking a gray wolf wearing an electronic radio tracking device within the hunt areas described in Section 6 shall surrender the device to the Department in accordance with registration dates in Section 4(f) (ii).

(h) Hunt Areas, Season Dates, Mortality Limit and Limitations.

Hunt Area	Season Dates		Mortality Limit
	Opens	Closes	
1	Sep. 1	Dec. 31	4
2	Sep. 1	Dec. 31	6
3	Sep. 1	Dec. 31	2
4	Sep. 1	Dec. 31	2
5	Sep. 1	Dec. 31	1
6, 7	Sep. 1	Dec. 31	3 See Section 4(i)
8, 9, 11	Sep. 1	Dec. 31	7
10	Sep. 1	Dec. 31	2
12	Oct. 15	Dec. 31	2 See Section 4(j)
13	Sep. 1	Mar. 31	4
14	Sep. 1	Dec. 31	1

(i) Gray wolf hunting shall be closed in that portion of Hunt Area 6 in the John D. Rockefeller Jr. Memorial Parkway.

(j) Gray wolves located in Hunt Area 12 are designated as trophy game animals from October 15 through the last day of February in the subsequent year, but the hunting season shall end on December 31 or when the mortality limit has been reached, whichever occurs first, as set forth in Section 4(h). Gray wolves located in Hunt Area 12 are designated as predatory animals from March 1 through October 14 and during this time period may be taken without a license.

(k) **Hunt area mortality limitation.** The gray wolf hunting season shall close in each gray wolf hunt area when the mortality limit for that area has been reached. If the mortality limit is not reached, the season shall close upon the date specified in Section 4(h). Prior to hunting, it is the hunter's responsibility to confirm the hunt area the person intends to hunt is open. The status of hunt area closures shall be available twenty-four (24) hours a day by calling toll free **1-800-264-1280**.

Section 5. Archery. Gray wolves may be taken with legal archery equipment in all hunt areas as set forth in Section 4 of this Chapter.

Section 6. Hunt Area Descriptions.

(a) Area and number.

Area 1. Clarks Fork. All of the drainage of the Clark's Fork Yellowstone River west of Wyoming Highway 120 and all of the drainage of Soda Butte Creek outside of Yellowstone National Park.

Area 2. North Fork. All of the drainage of the North Fork Shoshone River; all of the north drainage of the Shoshone River west of Wyoming Highway 120; all of the drainage of Mountain Creek outside Yellowstone National park; all of the drainage of Escarpment Creek outside of Yellowstone National Park.

Area 3. South Fork. All of the drainage of the South Fork Shoshone River; all of the south drainage of the Shoshone River west of Wyoming Highway 120; all of the drainage of Thorofare Creek outside Yellowstone National Park; all of the drainage of the Yellowstone River outside Yellowstone National Park; all of the drainage of the Yellowstone River outside Yellowstone National Park and upstream from the confluence with Thorofare Creek.

Area 4. Greybull. Beginning where Wyoming Highway 120 crosses the Greybull River in the town of Meeteetse; southwesterly up said river to the Wood River; southwesterly up said river to the Shoshone National Forest boundary; southerly along said boundary to the Wind River Reservation boundary; northerly along said boundary to the divide between South Fork Owl Creek and the Wind River; northerly along said divide to the Hot Springs County-Fremont County line; northwesterly along said county line to the Park County-Fremont County line; northwesterly along said county line to the divide between the Greybull River and South Fork Shoshone River; northwesterly along said divide to Wyoming Highway 120; southerly along said highway to the Greybull River.

Area 5. Wind River. Beginning where the Union Pass Road (Shoshone National Forest Road 263) crosses the Continental Divide; westerly and northerly along said divide to U.S. Highway 26/287; all of the drainage of the Wind River north of U.S. Highway 26/287 to the west boundary of the Wind River Reservation (WRR); southerly along said boundary to U.S. Highway 26/287; northwesterly along said highway to Soda Spring Drive (Fremont County Road 283A); westerly along said road to the Wildcat Loop Road (Shoshone National Forest Road 554); westerly along said road to the Union Pass Road (Shoshone National Forest Road 263); southerly along said road to the Continental Divide.

Area 6. Pacific Creek. Beginning where the Continental Divide crosses the south boundary of Yellowstone National Park; southeasterly then southwesterly along said divide to U.S. Highway 26-287 at Togwotee Pass; westerly along said highway to the east boundary of Grand Teton National Park; northwesterly along said boundary to the Targhee National Forest boundary; northerly along said boundary to the southern boundary of Yellowstone National Park; easterly along said boundary to the Continental Divide.

Area 7. Targhee. Beginning where Wyoming Highway 22 crosses the Wyoming-Idaho state line; northerly along said line to the southern boundary of Yellowstone National Park; easterly along said boundary to the Caribou-Targhee National Forest boundary with the John D. Rockefeller Jr. Memorial Parkway boundary; southerly along said boundary to the Grand Teton National Park boundary; southerly along said boundary to the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary; southerly along said boundary to Teton Pass and Wyoming Highway 22; westerly along said highway to the Wyoming-Idaho state line.

Area 8. Fish Creek. Beginning where U.S. Highway 26-287 crosses the east boundary of Grand Teton National Park; easterly along said highway to the Continental Divide at Togwotee Pass; southerly along said divide to the Union Pass Road (Bridger-Teton National Forest Road 600); westerly then southerly along said road to the Darwin Ranch Road (U.S.F.S. Road 620); westerly along said road to Kinky Creek; northwesterly down said creek to the Gros Ventre River; northwesterly down said river to the east boundary of Grand Teton National Park east of the town of Kelly; northerly along said boundary to U.S. Highway 26-287. In addition, a noncontiguous area shall be included in the hunt area described as beginning where the Caribou-Targhee National Forest boundary crosses Wyoming Highway 22 at Teton Pass; northerly along said boundary to the Grand Teton National Park boundary; northeasterly then southerly along said boundary to U.S. Highway 26-89-191; southerly along said highway to its junction with Wyoming Highway 22; westerly along said highway to Teton Pass.

Area 9. Crystal Creek. Beginning where the Gros Ventre River crosses the National Elk Refuge boundary near the town of Kelly; southeasterly up said river to Kinky Creek; southeasterly up said creek to the Darwin Ranch Road (U.S.F.S. Road 620); southerly along said road to the divide between the Green River and Gros Ventre River; southwestly along said divide to the divide between the Gros Ventre River and Hoback River north of Hodges Peak; northwesterly along said divide to the divide between Granite Creek and Flat Creek northwest of Pyramid Peak; southwestly along said divide to the divide between Flat Creek and Cache Creek at Cache Peak; northwesterly along said divide to the divide between Twin Creeks and Cache Creek; northwesterly along said divide to the National Elk Refuge boundary; northeasterly along said boundary to the Gros Ventre River.

Area 10. Rim. Beginning where U.S. Highway 26-89-191 crosses Flat Creek at the north edge of the town of Jackson; due east to the National Elk Refuge boundary; easterly along said boundary to the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary and the ridge between Twin Creeks and Cache Creek; southeasterly along said ridge and the divide between Flat Creek and Cache Creek to Cache Peak; easterly along the divide between Flat Creek and Granite Creek to Pyramid Peak; southeasterly along the divide between the Gros Ventre River and the Hoback River to Steamboat Peak; southeasterly along said divide to the divide between the Green River and the Hoback River at Hodges Peak; southerly along said divide to U.S. Highway 189-191 at Hoback Rim; northwesterly along said highway to the intersection with U.S. Highway 26-89-191; northerly along said highway to where it crosses Flat Creek at the north edge of the town of Jackson.

Area 11. Green River. Beginning where the Union Pass Road (Bridger-Teton National Forest Road 600) intersects the Continental Divide; southerly along said divide to Mt. Helen; westerly to Summit Lake and the divide between the Green River and Pine Creek; northwesterly along said divide to the divide

between the Green River and the New Fork River; northerly along said divide to the head of Jim Creek; westerly down said creek to the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary; northwesterly along said boundary to its intersection with U.S. Highway 189-191 at the divide between the Hoback River and the Green River (Hoback Rim); northerly along said divide to the divide between the Green River and the Gros Ventre River at Hodges Peak; northeasterly along said divide to the Darwin Ranch Road (U.S.F.S. Road 620); easterly along said road to the Union Pass Road (Bridger-Teton National Forest Road 600); northerly then easterly along said road to the Continental Divide.

Area 12. Alpine. Beginning where the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary intersects U.S. Highway 189-191 at the divide between the Hoback River and the Green River (Hoback Rim); westerly and then southerly along said forest boundary to its intersection with McDougal Gap Road (U.S.F.S. Road 10125); westerly along said road to Grey's River Road (U.S.F.S. Road 10138); southerly along said road to Sheep Creek; westerly down said creek to Grey's River; southwestly up said river to Bear Creek; southwestly up said creek to the hydrographic divide between Bear Creek and Willow Creek; west from said divide to Willow Creek Road (U.S.F.S. Road 10080); northwesterly along said road to Lincoln County Road 123; southerly along said road to Grover Park Road (U.S.F.S. Road 10081); southerly then westerly along said road to Lincoln County Road 172; westerly along said road to the junction with Wyoming Highway 237; westerly along said highway to Wyoming Highway 238; southerly along said highway to Lincoln County Road 134; westerly along said road to the Wyoming-Idaho state line; north along said state line to Wyoming Highway 22; easterly along said highway to the intersection with U.S. Highway 26-89-191 in the town of Jackson; southerly along said highway to the intersection with U.S. Highway 189-191; southeasterly along said highway to the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary at the divide between the Hoback River and the Green River (Hoback Rim).

Area 13. Whiskey Mountain. Beginning where U.S. Highway 26 crosses the Western Boundary of the Wind River Reservation (WRR); south along said boundary to the Continental Divide; northwesterly along said divide to the Union Pass Road (Shoshone National Forest Road 263); northerly along said road to the Wildcat Loop Road (Shoshone National Forest Road 554); easterly along said road to Soda Springs Drive (Fremont County Road 283A); northeasterly along said road to U.S. Highway 26; southeasterly along said highway to the WRR boundary.

Area 14. Fremont Lake. Beginning at Mt. Helen; westerly to Summit Lake and the Divide between the Green River and Pine Creek; northwesterly along said divide to the divide between the Green River and New Fork River; northerly along said divide to the head of Jim Creek; westerly down said creek to the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary; southerly along said boundary to Boulder Creek; easterly up said creek to the Middle Fork Boulder Creek; easterly up said creek to the Continental Divide; northerly up said divide to Mt. Helen.

Section 7. Area Closures. Areas administered by the U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management or the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission in which human presence is prohibited to protect wintering wildlife shall be closed to gray wolf hunting during the time period for which the areas have been closed to human presence.

Section 8. Take of Wolves Designated as Predatory Animals.

(a) Any person who takes a gray wolf designated as a predatory animal as set forth in Section 4(a) shall be required to report the kill to a district game warden, district wildlife biologist or Department personnel at a Game and Fish Department Regional Office within ten (10) days after the date the gray wolf was killed. The person shall be required to provide their name and address, the date the gray wolf was killed, the sex of the gray wolf and the location of the site of kill (identified by the section, range and township, or UTM coordinates). In addition, the Department may request the person to voluntarily provide a genetics sample from the gray wolf for testing to assess genetic connectivity.

(b) Surrender of electronic radio tracking devices. Any person taking a gray wolf designated as a predatory animal as set forth in Section 4(a) wearing an electronic radio tracking device shall surrender the device to the Department when registering a gray wolf in accordance with registration dates in Section 8(a).

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- Never drink alcohol or use drugs while hunting.
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- Respect the landowner and the game you pursue.
- Know your maximum effective shooting range.
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HOW TO FILL OUT CARCASS COUPON

IMMEDIATELY AFTER Harvesting a Gray Wolf and **BEFORE LEAVING** the Site of the Kill do **ALL** of the following:

STEP 1
Detach carcass coupon from license

STEP 2
Cut out the entire month of the kill

STEP 3
Cut out the entire day of the kill

STEP 4
Sign carcass coupon

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
1	2019 WYOMING NONRESIDENT CARCASS COUPON LICENSE #										31
2											30
3	VALID IN HUNT AREA:										29
4	DETACH FROM LICENSE, DATE BY CUTTING OUT ENTIRE DAY AND MONTH OF KILL. SIGN AND ATTACH TO CARCASS IN A VISIBLE MANNER BEFORE LEAVING SITE OF KILL. DURING TRANSPORTATION OF THE CARCASS, THE COUPON MAY BE REMOVED TO PREVENT ITS LOSS. IF THE COUPON IS REMOVED FOR TRANSPORTATION, IT MUST BE IN THE POSSESSION OF THE PERSON ACCOMPANYING THE CARCASS.										28
5											27
6	DOB:										26
7	DO NOT SIGN OR DETACH BEFORE YOU KILL THE ANIMAL										25
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31	2018 WYOMING CARCASS COUPON				
LICENSE #											
<small>After harvest of animal and prior to leaving the site of the kill, detach carcass coupon from license, validate by cutting out the entire wedge for day and month of harvest, sign and attach to carcass in a visible manner. During transportation of the carcass, the carcass coupon may be removed to prevent its loss. If the coupon is removed for transportation, it must be in the possession of the person accompanying the carcass.</small>											
HUNT AREA: _____ TYPE: _____ SIGNATURE OF LICENSEE: _____											

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Cody Regional Office	1-800-654-1178	1-307-527-7125
Green River Regional Office	1-800-843-8096	1-307-875-3223
Jackson Regional Office	1-800-423-4113	1-307-733-2321
Lander Regional Office	1-800-654-7862	1-307-332-2688
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