



**RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY  
OF THE  
THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES  
OF THE  
FORT BERTHOLD INDIAN RESERVATION**

**A Resolution Entitled: “*Approval of the 2020-21 Hunting Proclamations.*”**

**WHEREAS,** This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, and the authority under said Act and having adopted a Constitution and By-laws pursuant to said Act; and

**WHEREAS,** Article III of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes, also known as the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation (“Tribes” or “MHA Nation”), provides that the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the Tribes; and

**WHEREAS,** The Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities on behalf of and in the interest of the welfare and benefit of the Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and

**WHEREAS,** Article VI, Section 5 (l) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes provides that the Tribal Business Council has the power to adopt resolutions regulating the procedure of the Tribal Business Council and other Tribal agencies and Tribal officials on the Reservation; and

**WHEREAS,** Article VI, Section 5 (d) of the Constitution provides that the Tribal Business Council has the power to regulate hunting and fishing on all lands within the jurisdiction of the Tribes; and

**WHEREAS,** The Tribal Fish & Wildlife Department has developed hunting and fishing proclamations for authorized hunting and fishing on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation for 2020 and 2021 and has presented said proclamations to the Tribal Business Council for approval.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby approves the following Fish & Wildlife Proclamations for 2020-2021:

1. 2020 Deer Bow Proclamation
2. 2020 Moose Bow Proclamation
3. 2020 North American Elk Proclamation
4. 2020 Moose Proclamation



- 5. 2020 Fall Turkey Proclamations
- 6. 2020 Deer Gun Proclamation
- 7. 2020 Youth Hunting Seasons
- 8. 2021 Spring Turkey Proclamation.
- 9. No Pronghorn Season; and
- 10. No Bighorn Sheep Season

**CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of 7 members of whom 5 constitute a quorum, 5 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 5 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 2 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman [ X ] voting. [ ] not voting.

Dated this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020.

**ATTEST:**

Handwritten signature of Fred W. Fox in blue ink.

Tribal Secretary, Fred W. Fox  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes

Handwritten signature of Mark N. Fox in blue ink.

Tribal Chairman, Mark N. Fox  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes



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## 2020-2021 TRIBAL GAME DATES

### January 2020

- 05: Deer Bow season closes
- 05: Pheasant seasons closes
- 05: Fall Wild Turkey season closes
- 05: Sharp-tailed Grouse season closes
- 05: Hungarian Partridge season closes
- 05: Tree Squirrel season closes

### February 2020

- 16: Spring light goose season opens

### March 2020

- 08: Spring Crow season opens
- 08: Daylight Savings Time begins – set clocks ahead 1 hour
- 15: Spring Light Geese Season opens
- 15: Weasel hunting, trapping, and cable device seasons close
- 15: Bobcat hunting, trapping and cable device seasons close
- 15: Badger/Coyote/Fox cable device seasons close
- 15: Fish house removal deadline
- 16: Beaver/Raccoon cable devices on land must be within 50 ft. of water
- 16: Mink/Muskrat colony traps must be under at least two inches of water and trapping on the outside of any muskrat house or structure of any size is prohibited
- 31: Mountain Lion season closes (*unless quota of 10 is reached beforehand*)
- 31: Fishing (2019-20) season closes
- 31: Badger/Coyote/Fox hunting and trapping (2019-20) seasons close
- 31: Beaver/Raccoon hunting and trapping (2019-20) seasons close

### April 2020

- 01: 2020-21 Fishing season opens—new licenses required
- 01: Beaver and Raccoon hunting, trapping and underwater cable device seasons opens—*open year round from April 1 to March 31*
- 01: Badger/Coyote/Fox hunting, trapping, pursue with dogs season opens—*open year round from April 1 to March 31*
- 04: Spring Turkey season opens
- 19: Spring Crow season closes



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## 2020-2021 TRIBAL GAME DATES

### May 2020

- 01: Mink/Muskrat float trap sets must have protective covering
- 10: Beaver/Raccoon cable device within 50ft of water restriction close
- 10: Mink & Muskrat hunting, trapping, and cable device seasons close
- 10: Spring Light Goose season closes
- 17: Spring Turkey Closes

### July 2020

- 3-5: Free fishing for Enrolled TAT Tribal Members

### August 2020

- 15: Early Canada Goose season opens
- 15: Crow (Fall) season opens
- 21: Mountain Lion season opens
- 28: Deer Bow season opens

### September 2020

- 01: Dove season opens
- 05: Sharp-tailed Grouse season opens
- 05: Hungarian Partridge season opens
- 12, 13: Youth Waterfowl season (legally licensed youth 15 years of age or younger)
- 12: Tree Squirrel season opens
- 12: Sandhill Crane season opens
- 12: Snipe season opens
- 12: Woodcock season opens
- 15: Early Canada Goose season closes
- 18: Youth Deer season opens (legally licensed youth 14 & 15 years of age)
- 19: Ducks, Merganser, Coot season opens
- 19: Canada Goose season opens
- 19: Light Geese (Fall) season opens
- 19: White-fronted Geese season opens
- 25: Elk season opens
- 26, 27: Youth Pheasant season (legally licensed youth 15 years of age or younger)
- 27: Youth Deer season closes



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## 2020-2021 TRIBAL GAME DATES

### October 2020

- 02: Moose season opens
- 03: Pheasant Season opens
- 03: Fall turkey season opens
- 17: Mink, Muskrat, and Weasel trapping season opens
- 31: Bobcat hunting & trapping season opens

### November 2020

- 01: Moose season closes
- 01: Daylight Savings Time ends—set clocks back 1 hour
- 02: Fall Crow season closes
- 02: Woodcock season closes
- 06: Deer Gun season opens
- 08: Sandhill Crane season closes
- 16: Mountain Lion pursue with dogs season opens
- 16: Bobcat cable device and pursue with dogs season opens
- 16: Mink, Muskrat, and Weasel hunting & cable device seasons open
- 23: Beaver & Raccoon cable device on land season opens
- 23: Fox, Coyote and Badger cable device seasons open
- 29: Deer Gun Season closes
- 29: Dove season closes
- 29: Duck, Merganser, Coot season closes

### December 2020

- 05: Duck, Merganser, Coot season re-opens
- 06: Snipe season closes
- 06: White-fronted goose season closes
- 19: Canada goose season closes
- 27: Light Geese (Fall) season closes
- 27: Duck, Merganser, Coot season closes
- 31: Elk season closes

### January 2021

- 03: Deer Bow season closes
- 03: Pheasant seasons closes
- 03: Fall Wild Turkey season closes
- 03: Sharp-tailed Grouse season closes
- 03: Hungarian Partridge season closes

### February 2021



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## 2020-2021 TRIBAL GAME DATES

- 13: Spring light goose season opens
- 27: Tree Squirrel season closes

### March 2021

- 13: Spring Crow season opens
- 14: Daylight Savings Time begins – set clocks ahead 1 hour
- 15: Weasel hunting, trapping, and cable device seasons close
- 15: Bobcat hunting, trapping and cable device seasons close
- 15: Badger/Coyote/Fox cable device seasons close
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## 2020-2021 TRIBAL LICENSE FEES

### DEFINITIONS:

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**TRIBAL MEMBER:** One who is enrolled with the Three Affiliated Tribes.

**NON-MEMBER RESIDENT:** One who is living within the boundaries of the Fort Berthold Reservation but is not an enrolled member of the Three Affiliated Tribes.

**NON-MEMBER NON-RESIDENT:** One who is neither an enrolled member of the Three Affiliated Tribes nor lives within the boundaries of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation.

*\*Proof of enrollment and residency is required.*

### 2020 BIG GAME & TURKEY:

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#### 2020 SPRING TURKEY:

TAT TRIBAL MEMBERS.....\$10.00

NON-MEMBER RESIDENTS.....\$50.00

NON-MEMBERS/NON-RESIDENTS..... \$75.00

#### 2020 FALL TURKEY:

TAT TRIBAL MEMBERS.....\$10.00

NON-MEMBER RESIDENTS.....\$50.00

NON-MEMBERS/NON-RESIDENTS..... \$75.00

#### 2020 DEER GUN:

TAT TRIBAL MEMBERS.....\$25.00

NON-MEMBER RESIDENTS..... \$125.00

NON-MEMBERS/NON-RESIDENTS..... \$500.00

#### 2020 DEER BOW:

TAT TRIBAL MEMBERS.....\$25.00

NON-MEMBER RESIDENTS..... \$125.00

NON-MEMBERS/NON-RESIDENTS..... \$300.00

#### 2020 MOOSE & ELK:

RAFFLE TICKETS..... \$10.00 (per chance)

*If drawn, the permit fees are as follows:*

TAT TRIBAL MEMBERS.....\$150.00

NON-MEMBER RESIDENTS..... \$500.00

NON-MEMBERS/NON-RESIDENTS..... \$500.00

### ADDITIONAL FEES

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- **UNCOMPLETED HARVEST REPORT:** Any persons with an uncompleted 2019 Deer Bow and/or 2019 Deer Gun questionnaire must pay a \$20.00 fee before they are eligible to participate in any subsequent hunting and/or fishing seasons.
- **DUPLICATE TAGS:** Duplicate tags will be at the cost of the original price.



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### 2020-2021 SMALL GAME AND FURBEARER:

#### MEMBERS OF THE THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES:

One who is enrolled with the Three Affiliated Tribes

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Small Game	\$10.00/person \$0.00/Seniors 55+
Turkey (Spring & Fall)	\$10.00/person \$0.00/Seniors 55+
Furbearer	\$10.00/person \$0.00/Seniors 55+
Small Game/Furbearer Combo	\$18.00/person
Waterfowl	\$10.00/person \$0.00/Seniors 55+
Deer Gun	\$25.00/person Antlered \$10.00/person Antlerless





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### NON-MEMBER RESIDENT:

A Non-member Resident is one who is living within the boundaries of the Fort Berthold Reservation but is not an enrolled member of the Three Affiliated Tribes.

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*For the following fees, seniors (65+) subtract \$6.00 and disabled veterans subtract \$10.00 from the regular price of all licenses except for the waterfowl habitat and furbearer permits.*

Small Game/Upland Habitat	\$50.00/person \$44.00/Seniors 65+
Turkey	\$50.00/person \$44.00/Seniors 65+
Furbearer	\$50.00/person
Small Game/ Furbearer Combo	\$80.00/person
Waterfowl Habitat <i>(Need to purchase Fed. Duck Stamp)</i>	\$30.00/person
Small Game/Waterfowl Combo	\$70.00/person
Sportsman Package <i>(Small Game/Upland Habitat, Furbearer, and Waterfowl)</i>	\$100.00/person



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*For the following fees, seniors (65+) subtract \$6.00 and disabled veterans subtract \$10.00 from the regular price of all licenses except for the waterfowl habitat and furbearer permits.*

*All non-members non-residents who do not reside in North Dakota must obtain an annual conservation permit along with other licenses.*

Conservation Permit	\$0.00/person
Small Game/Upland Habitat	\$75.00/person \$69.00/Seniors 65+
Turkey	\$75.00/person \$69.00/Seniors 65+
Furbearer	\$50.00/person
Small Game/Furbearer Combo	\$105.00/person
Waterfowl Habitat (Need to purchase Fed. Duck Stamp)	\$30.00/person
Small Game/Waterfowl Combo	\$95.00/person
Sportsman Package (Small game/Upland Habitat , Furbearer, and Waterfowl)	\$125.00/person



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## 2020 DEER BOW PROCLAMATION

Pursuant to Chapter 18 Code of Law of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation and the authority of the Three Affiliated Tribal Business Council; The Director of the Three Affiliated Tribes Fish & Wildlife Division hereby declares an open season on Deer as described in the following proclamation.

Except as provided hereafter or otherwise by law, no person shall hunt, trap, kill, harass, take, and attempt to take, or possess any deer or parts thereof.

### 1. SEASON:

The season for taking Deer with a bow shall be from one-half (½) hour before sunrise to one-half (½) hour after sunset each day from August 28, 2020 through January 03, 2021. Hunters must cease any hunting activity, leave any stand or blind and must be in the process of leaving the field at the close of shooting hours (one half (½) hour after sunset).

### 2. LIMIT:

One Deer regardless of sex, species, or age, may be taken per license holder during the Deer Bow season.

### 3. LICENSES AND PERMITS:

Persons eligible to partake in the 2020 Deer Bow Season are: Tribal Members and Non-Members.

Licenses and special permits shall be issued in a manner and form prescribed by the TAT Fish & Wildlife Director and in accordance with applicable laws. Such licenses and permits shall be in the form of tags that must be endorsed in ink with the licensee's signature and affixed to the 2020-2021 General License Certificate. Tags are issued at a first come first serve basis. There shall be no designation of hunters for the deer bow season.

NORTH DAKOTA STATE LICENSES ARE NOT VALID ON THE FORT BERTHOLD INDIAN RESERVATION. ANYONE HUNTING ON TRUST OR ALLOTTED LANDS WITHIN THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES OF THE RESERVATION WITH A STATE DEER LICENSE AND NOT A TRIBAL LICENSE WILL BE CITED FOR HUNTING WITHOUT A PROPER LICENSE.

### 4. FEES:

The following fees below are for a Deer Bow permit only.

Enrolled TAT Tribal Member..... \$25.00  
Non-Member Residents ..... \$125.00  
Non-Member Non-Residents..... \$300.00

## 5. FIREARMS AND ARCHERY EQUIPMENT:

A bow must be pulled, held and released by hand. Any release aid may be used providing it is hand operated, the shooter supports the draw weight of the bow, and the release is not attached to any part of the bow other than at the bowstring. A compound bow used for hunting deer must have at least 35 pounds of draw at 28 inches or less draw length. Recurve and long bows used for hunting deer must have at least 35 pounds of draw at 28 inches. Arrows must be at least 24 inches long, tipped with a metal broadhead, with at least two sharp cutting edges, and have a cutting diameter of at least 3/4 inch (i.e., not able to pass through a 3/4 inch ring). It is illegal to hunt big game with barbed arrows (barbed refers to an arrowhead with any fixed portion of the rear or trailing edge of the arrowhead forming an angle less than 90 degrees with the shaft). Broadheads with mechanical or retractable blades are legal. Telescopic sights, range finding devices, battery- powered or electronically lighted sights or other electronic devices attached to the bow, or the arrow, are not permitted (exception: a lighted nock and recording devices which do not aid in range finding, sighting or shooting the bow are permitted). Handheld range finding devices are legal. Arrows capable of causing damage or injury in excess of that inflicted by the cutting edges of the broadhead are prohibited (e.g., explosive arrow points, arrows tipped with drugs or chemicals, and pneumatic or hydraulic shafts are illegal). No firearms, except handguns, may be in the hunter's possession while hunting with a deer bow license. However, handguns may not be used in any manner to assist in the harvest of a deer with an archery license.

Crossbows are legal for TAT Tribal Members ONLY during the 2020 Deer Bow season.

Crossbows are legal for Non TAT Members who are disabled or handicapped (i.e. Paraplegics and/or having lost the use of one or both arms) in which they need to apply for and possess a permit from the TAT Fish & Wildlife Department Director.

### **Crossbow Restrictions:**

Crossbows must: a) have a peak draw weight of at least 75 pounds, b) be equipped with a working safety to prevent accidental firing, c) have a stock at least 14 inches long, d) use arrows or bolts at least 14 inches in length, e) crossbow hunters must comply with all other archery equipment regulations listed above.

Other Firearm and Archery Equipment Restrictions – it is illegal to go afield with a firearm or bow and arrow while intoxicated.

## 6. HUNTING AREA RESTRICTIONS:

Hunters will only be allowed to fill their permit within the unit designated on their license.

It is unlawful to leave open any gates, bars, or other device used to enclose any lands upon entry or exit.

It is unlawful in any way to cut, remove, or lay down any fence to gain entry to any land for the purpose of hunting.

It is unlawful to shoot, destroy, molest, mutilate, or remove any signs.

**POSTING:** It is unlawful to hunt on lands legally posted without first obtaining written permission from the owner or tenant. It is unlawful for anyone but the owner or tenant to post land. Legal signs shall give notice that no hunting is permitted and shall display: NAME, ADDRESS OF OWNER OR TENANT and DATE OF POSTING. Signs must be every eighty (80) rods on unfenced lands and at every corner and access point on fenced areas.

PLEASE OBTAIN WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM THE LAND OWNER OR TENANT EVEN IF LAND IS NOT POSTED.

The MHA Tribal Ranch/Buffalo Project is NOT WITHIN the exterior boundaries of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation – tribal tags are not valid outside the boundaries of the reservation.

## 7. AREAS CLOSED TO HUNTING:

It shall be unlawful to hunt or pursue game in the following areas:

- 1) The buffalo pasture located in Unit #1 (Mandaree Area) known as Range Unit 904 in the Skunk Creek Bay Area—this unit is designated as a Wildlife Reserve Area and no hunting is allowed.

## 8. HUNTING BIG GAME OVER BAIT:

Hunting big game over bait on TAT public tribal land or ND Game & Fish Department’s Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) is prohibited. Hunting big game over bait is defined as the placement and or use of bait(s) for attracting big game and other wildlife to a specific location for the purpose of hunting. Baits include but are not limited to grains, minerals, salts, fruits, vegetables, hay or any other natural or manufactured foods. The designation does not apply to the use of scents and lures, water, food plots, standing crops, or livestock feeds being used in standard practices.

## 9. AGE REQUIREMENTS:

To purchase a Deer Bow license, persons must be 14 years of age or older on the opening day of the season. Persons under age 15 afield with archery equipment must be under direct supervision of parent, guardian or adult authorized by their parent or guardian.

**Hunter’s Education Requirement:** Hunters born after December 31, 1961 must complete a certified tribal or state hunter education course and PRESENT the certification card earned to the license vendor in order to purchase a Fort Berthold hunting license. EXCEPTION: Veterans of the United States Armed Forces that have been honorably discharged – persons applying for this exemption MUST present a copy of form DD214 to the TAT Fish & Wildlife office to be eligible.

## 10. AIRCRAFT, MOTOR-DRIVEN VEHICLES, LIGHTS:

It shall be illegal to use all types of aircraft, manned or unmanned (i.e. drones), for spotting game 72 hours prior to and during the hunting season. A licensee cannot hunt the same day they are airborne over their hunting unit, except on a scheduled passenger airline flight. It is illegal to drive, concentrate, rally, raise, stir up, spot or disturb game with all types of aircraft, manned or unmanned, and any motorized vehicle.

Motor-driven vehicles may not be used to pursue game. Motorized vehicles may not be used to retrieve a big game animal until the animal has been taken into possession and legally tagged.

It is illegal to shoot with bow and arrow or firearm while in or on a motor-driven vehicle or boat.

**No person may carry a firearm with a cartridge in the chamber in or on a motor-driven vehicle while hunting big game animals.** The entire cylinder of a revolver is considered the chamber, requiring the revolver to be completely unloaded. Handguns with removable magazines must have the magazine removed from the firearm if the magazine contains any loaded shells. It is illegal to carry any muzzleloading firearm in or on a motor-driven vehicle with a percussion cap or primer on the nipple or powder in the flash pan.

**Motor-driven vehicles may be used only on established roads or trails.** Exception: After a deer has been killed and properly tagged, a motor-driven vehicle may be used to make the retrieval by leaving the

established road or trail and proceeding to the carcass by the shortest accessible route, and returning to the road or trail immediately by the same route. Except for persons having a special disability permit, no person may use a motor-driven vehicle while in the process of hunting deer or aid another in the process of hunting deer including travel to and from the hunting location unless the motor-driven vehicle is on an established road or trail. Persons with a disability permit may not have any other passenger within the vehicle nor the driver, is someone other than the permittee, may be the hunter, unless such other person is also a permittee with their own permit.

ESTABLISHED ROADS OR TRAILS DO NOT INCLUDE TEMPORARY TRAILS ACROSS CULTIVATED LAND AND PASTURES USED FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES.

It is illegal to engage in shining for big game with any artificial light for the purpose of locating or observing big game between sunset of one day and sunrise of the next.

The use of night vision equipment, electronically enhanced light gathering optics or thermal imaging equipment for locating or hunting game is illegal.

### **11. MANNER OF TAKING:**

It is legal to use a horse in the process of hunting Deer.

It is illegal to use a dog as an aid to hunting Deer.

It is illegal to take or attempt to take a Deer by dragging a wire, rope, or other contrivance.

### **12. TAGGING:**

IMMEDIATELY after an animal has been killed and before moving the animal, the hunter must indicate the date of kill by cutting out the appropriate month and day from the tag provided with the license and attach it to the base of the antler on antlered deer or in a slit in the ear on antlerless deer as illustrated on the tag backing to prevent its removal. The tag, placed immediately upon the antler or slit in ear, shall remain with the antlers or head until March 31, 2021. After the antlers, head, or hide have been removed from the carcass, the carcass tag shall remain with the carcass or processed meat until consumed or until March 31, 2021. No person may re-use or attempt to re-use any tag issued. When any part of an animal is mounted, if the tag is removed from the antlers or ear, the tag must be securely fastened to the back or bottom of the mount and remain there. Tags are not transferable.

### **13. TRANSPORTING AND PROCESSING:**

License holders must accompany their game animal, or parts thereof, (excluding hide) during transportation. Except that a permit for the transportation of game may be issued by the TAT Fish & Wildlife Department upon request. Game may be shipped by public carrier in receipt of a proper bill of lading. A deer carcass or boned out meat must be accompanied by the head to the final place of storage. It is illegal to possess or transport another's game animal or parts thereof (excluding hides) without the license holder accompanying or as otherwise permitted. Processed and packaged meat of legally harvested game may only be gifted to another (but not sold, bartered). Un-processed, un-packaged meat of legally harvested game may be gifted (but not sold, bartered) as follows: 1) Prior to reaching the licensee's permanent residence, a transportation permit must be obtained and accompany the game meat. 2) After reaching the licensee's permanent residence if accompanied by the carcass tag of the person who harvested the game.

Commercial processors and common carriers may possess any person's legally taken possession limit of game. The carcass tag from the individual's license shall accompany the carcass through processing and be returned to the individual to be kept until the meat is consumed or until March 31, 2021.

#### **14. CLOTHING REQUIREMENTS:**

All Deer bow hunters are required to wear legal orange clothing while the Deer Gun (November 6-November 29, 2020) season is in progress. Legal orange clothing is a head covering and outer garment above the waistline of solid daylight fluorescent orange color totaling at least 400 square inches.

#### **15. WANTON WASTE:**

No person shall kill or cripple any big game animal without making a reasonable effort to retrieve and retain the big game animal in his/her actual custody. No person shall waste, destroy, spoil or abandon the edible flesh of any big game animal at the place where taken or between that place or either (a) his/her permanent residence (b) a taxidermist (c) a common carrier or (d) a commercial processor.

"Edible Flesh" (Big Game Animals) is both front quarters, both hind quarters and back straps but does not include meat ruined by bullet or natural causes.

#### **16. HUNTER QUESTIONNAIRES:**

Complete and accurate information on the hunter questionnaires will greatly assist the Fish & Wildlife Division in determining the number of deer harvested and the optimum number of permits that can be issued to maintain a stable and healthy deer population on the Reservation lands for future generations. Hunter's are required to hand them in or send them to the Three Affiliated Tribes Fish & Wildlife Division.

**This is mandatory and must be submitted within 30 days of the end of the 2020 Deer Bow season. Failure to comply with this statute will result in an extra fee and must be paid before a hunter will be eligible to participate in any subsequent hunting and/or fishing seasons.**

#### **17. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:**

- 1) Possess a valid general game license.
- 2) Possess a hunter's safety certificate if born after 12/31/1961. (see Sect. 9 for exemptions)
- 3) Complete your 2020 Deer Bow Application and make payment in full.
- 4) Non-member non-residents who do not reside in the state of North Dakota must also possess a Tribal Conservation permit.
- 5) Receive Deer Bow license via computer generated page and endorse in ink at the bottom where indicated.
- 6) Maintain your Deer Bow tag and license at all times while you hunt.
- 7) Hunt only in the unit for which the tag is issued.
- 8) Follow all weapons, vehicle and other hunting restrictions.
- 9) Abstain from hunting in closed areas.
- 10) Wear the appropriate amount of hunter orange while in the field.
- 11) Fill out and return a 2020 Deer Bow Hunter Questionnaire within 30 days of end of the 2020 Deer Bow Season.

*Pursuant to Chapter 18-6-1 Tribal Proclamations Have Force of Law—Penalty: Any tribal proclamation issued at the request of the Natural Resources Board or the Director of the Tribal Fish & Wildlife Division shall have the force of law. Any persons violating a provision of such order or proclamation is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined for not more than five hundred (\$500.00). In addition to any fine imposed in this chapter, the person shall be subject to forfeiture of his license, the privilege to hunt and fish for a period of one year, and confiscation of his vehicle, guns, boat, fishing equipment or anything used in connection with the violation*

**PLEASE NOTIFY THE FORT BERTHOLD FISH & WILDLIFE DIVISION OF ANY VIOLATIONS.**

**CALL 627-4760 BETWEEN 8 AM AND 4:30 PM MONDAY THRU FRIDAY.**

**After hours please call that TAT Police Department 627-3617**

**NOTIFY THE TAT FISH & WILDLIFE DIVISION OF ANY VIOLATIONS**

**“All information is confidential.”**





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## 2020 MOOSE BOW PROCLAMATION

Pursuant to Chapter 18 Code of Law of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation and the authority of the Three Affiliated Tribal Business Council; the Director of the Three Affiliated Tribes Fish and Wildlife Division hereby declares an open season on Moose as described in the following proclamation.

Except as provided hereafter or otherwise by law, no person shall hunt, trap, kill, harass, take, and attempt to take, or possess any Moose or parts thereof.

### 1. SEASON:

The season for taking Moose with archery equipment shall be from one half (1/2) hour before sunrise to one half (1/2) hour after sunset each day from September 4, 2020 through September 27, 2020.

### 2. LIMIT:

One Moose regardless of age or sex may be taken per license holder per year.

### 3. LICENSES AND PERMITS:

Licenses and special permits shall be issued in a manner and form prescribed by the TAT Fish and Wildlife Director and in accordance with applicable laws. Such licenses and permits shall be in the form of tags that must be endorsed in ink with the licensee's signature and affixed to the back of the General License.

Three permits will be issued after the recipients are determined by a random draw of tickets sold in a raffle manner. Sales for Moose Bow raffle tickets go on sale on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020. Sales will close one hour before drawing.

The drawing to determine eligible applicants will be held at the TAT Fish and Wildlife office in New Town on August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. A completed application and full payment must be received prior to issuance. Licenses are non-transferable. No person may give, barter, or sell an issued license to another person.

Any persons successfully drawn and received a 2020 Moose Bow Permit shall not be eligible for the 2020 Regular Moose season; license holders are limit to one moose per year.

Persons who successfully draw any moose permits shall not be eligible to apply for any moose seasons for three subsequent years.

In addition to the Moose Bow license, each applicant will be issued a Moose Bow tag indicating the unit that he/she may legally hunt.

2 Bull Moose Bow permits..... (Reservation - Wide); Unit 4 closed to Moose Bow Season

1 Cow Moose Bow permits..... Unit 3 (Parshall/White Shield) only.

**NORTH DAKOTA STATE LICENSES ARE NOT VALID ON THE FORT BERTHOLD INDIAN RESERVATION. ANYONE HUNTING ON TRUST OR ALLOTTED LANDS WITH A STATE MOOSE LICENSE AND NOT A TRIBAL LICENSE WILL BE CITED FOR HUNTING WITHOUT A PROPER LICENSE.**

#### **4. FEES:**

The raffle tickets will be sold at the TAT Fish and Wildlife Office in New Town at the cost of \$10.00 per chance. The raffle ticket is non-refundable. The Tribal Moose Bow Permit will cost \$25.00 per tag for Tribal Members. This is payable to the TAT Fish and Wildlife Office when you have drawn a winning ticket. There will be no use of the designated hunter for the 2020 Moose Bow Season.

*Persons using another's license to hunt, or the act of loaning out one's license for another to hunt for you is a violation of Section 18-3-6 of the Chapter 18 Code of Laws and is punishable by a mandatory fine of \$100 and loss of hunting privileges for a period of one (1) year.*

#### **5. WEAPONS RESTRICTIONS:**

Nonlicensees – A moose licensee hunting in the field may be accompanied by no more than three(3) nonlicensees given they are not carrying any type of firearms or archery equipment in the field while assisting the legally licensed hunter.

Moose may only be taken with the following weapons during the archery season:

##### **E) Legal Archery Equipment:**

A bow must be pulled, held, and released by hand. Any release aid may be used providing it is hand operated, the shooter supports the draw weight of the bow and the release is not attached to any part of the bow other than the bowstring. The bows used for hunting moose must have at least 50 pounds of draw at 28 inches or less draw length. Arrows must be at least 24 inches long, tipped with a metal broad head, with at least two sharp cutting edges, and have a cutting diameter of at least ¾ inch (i.e., not able to pass through a 3/4 inch ring). Broadheads used for hunting moose must be unbarbed and have fixed blades (i.e., broad heads with mechanical or retractable blades not manufactured to stay open are legal). Telescopic sights, range finding devices, battery-powered or electronically lighted sights or other electronic devices attached to bow, or the arrow, are not permitted. Exception: a lighted nock and recording devices which do not aid in range finding, sighting or shooting the bow are permitted. Handheld range finding devices are legal. Arrows capable of causing damage or injury to the animal in excess of that inflicted by the cutting edges of the broad head are prohibited while hunting big game with a bow (ex. explosive arrow points, arrows tipped with drugs or chemicals, and pneumatic or hydraulic shafts are illegal). No firearms, except handguns, may be in the hunter's possession while hunting with a moose bow license. However, handguns may not be used in any manner to assist in the harvest of a moose with an archery license.

E) Crossbows are illegal, except if disabled or handicapped (i.e. Paraplegics and/or having lost the use of one or both arms) with a permit from the TAT Fish and Wildlife Department Director. When permitted, crossbows must: a) have a peak draw weight of at least 75 pounds, b) be equipped with a working safety to prevent accidental firing, c) have a stock at least 14 inches long, d) use arrows or bolts at least 14 inches in length, e) battery-powered and electronic-lighted sight pins and telescopic sights not exceeding a maximum power of four by thirty-two millimeters may be attached to crossbows used for hunting, and f) crossbow hunters must comply with all other archery equipment regulations listed above.

#### **6. HUNTING AREA RESTRICTIONS:**

Hunters will only be allowed to fill their permit within the unit designated on their license and tags.

It is unlawful to leave any open gates, bars or other device used to enclose any lands, upon entry or exit.

It is unlawful in any way to cut, remove, or lay down any fence to gain entry to any land for the purpose of hunting.

It is unlawful to shoot, destroy, molest, mutilate, or remove any signs.

It is unlawful to hunt or discharge a firearm within 440 yards of any occupied buildings, schools, medical facilities, or residence.

It is illegal to hunt in unharvested cereal and oilseed crops without the owner's consent. Crops also include alfalfa, clover, and other grasses grown for seed.

POSTING: It is unlawful to hunt on lands legally posted without first obtaining written permission from the owner or tenant. It is unlawful for anyone but the owner or tenant to post land. Legal signs shall give notice that no hunting is permitted and shall display: NAME, ADDRESS OF OWNER OR TENANT and DATE OF POSTING. Signs must be every eighty (80) rods on unfenced lands and at access point on fenced areas.

PLEASE OBTAIN WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM THE LANDOWNER OR TENANT EVEN IF LAND IS NOT POSTED.

*Please use good judgement when hunting during the 2020 Moose Bow Season. Fort Berthold ranchers will still be utilizing the Range Units and cattle will be present. Ranchers will be busy moving cattle during this season. HUNTER SAFETY must be practiced at all times. Close all gates and verify your targets before shooting.*

## **7. HUNTING BIG GAME OVER BAIT:**

Hunting big game over bait on TAT public tribal land or ND Game and Fish Department's Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) is prohibited. Hunting big game over bait is defined as the placement and or use of bait(s) for attracting big game and other wildlife to a specific location for the purpose of hunting. Baits include but are not limited to grains, minerals, salts, fruits, vegetables, hay or any other natural or manufactured foods. The designation does not apply to the use of scents and lures, water, food plots, standing crops, or livestock feeds being used in standard practices.

## **8. AREAS CLOSED TO HUNTING:**

It shall be unlawful to hunt or pursue game in the following areas:

- 1) The buffalo pasture located in Unit #1 (Mandaree Area) known as Range Unit 904 in the Skunk Creek Bay Area—this unit is designated as a Wildlife Reserve Area and no hunting is allowed.
- 2) Unit 4—Twin Buttes Area closed to Moose Bow season.
- 3) The MHA Tribal Ranch/Buffalo Project is NOT WITHIN the exterior boundaries of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation – tribal tags are not valid outside the boundaries of the reservation.

## **9. AGE REQUIREMENTS:**

To purchase a Moose Bow license, persons must be 14 years of age or older on the opening day of the season. A parent, guardian or a person authorized by the parent or guardian, must accompany persons under 15 years of age, afield with a gun.

**Hunter's Education Requirement:** Persons born after December 31, 1961 must complete a certified Reservation or State Hunter Safety Program and PRESENT the certification card earned to the license vendor in order to purchase a Fort Berthold hunting license. EXEMPTION: Veterans of the United States Armed Forces that have been honorably discharged. Persons applying for this exemption MUST present a copy of form DD214 to the TAT Fish and Wildlife Division to be eligible.



## **10.MANNER OF TAKING:**

It is legal to use a horse in the process of hunting Moose.

It is illegal to use a dog as an aid to hunting Moose.

It is illegal to take or attempt to take a Moose by dragging a wire, rope, or other contrivance.

It is illegal to use any artificial light for the purpose of locating or observing Moose between sunset of one day and sunrise of the next.

## **11.TAGGING:**

**Hunters are required to contact the TAT Fish and Wildlife Division within 24 hours of their harvest to aide in the collection of scientific data.**

Immediately after a moose had been killed, the hunter must indicate the date of kill by cutting out the appropriate month and day from the tag provided with the license and securely attach it to the antler on an antlered moose or in a slit in the ear on an antlerless moose to prevent its removal. The tag, placed immediately upon the antler or slit in ear shall remain with the antlers or head until March 31, 2021. After the antlers, head or hide have been removed from the carcass, the carcass tag shall remain with the carcass or processed meat until consumed or until March 31, 2021.

In no case is it legal to possess or transport a moose unless it is properly tagged. The carcass tag must remain with the carcass until it is cut up and packaged as food. The carcass tag must be kept for inspection until all the meat is consumed or until March 31, 2021. No person may reuse or attempt to reuse any tag issued. Tags are non-transferrable.

When any part of an animal is mounted, if the tag is removed from the antlers or ear, the tag must be securely fastened to the back or bottom of the mount and remain there.

## **12.TRANSPORTING AND PROCESSING:**

License holders must accompany their game animal, or parts thereof, (excluding hide) during transportation, unless a permit for the transportation of game is issued by the TAT Fish & Wildlife Department upon request. Game may be shipped by common carrier in receipt of proper bill of lading. A moose carcass must be accompanied by the head to the final place of storage. It is illegal to possess or transport another's moose, or parts thereof, (excluding hide) without the license holder accompanying or as otherwise permitted. Processed and packaged meat of legally taken moose may be gifted to another. Unprocessed, unpackaged game meat may be gifted as follows: 1) Prior to reaching the licensee's personal residence a transportation permit must be obtained and accompany the moose meat. 2) After reaching the licensee's personal residence if accompanied by the name and address of the licensee.

Commercial processors and common carriers may possess any person's legally taken possession limit or game.

## **13.AIRCRAFT, MOTOR-DRIVEN VEHICLES, LIGHTS:**

It is illegal to use all types of aircraft, manned or unmanned (i.e., drones), for spotting game 72 hours prior to and during the hunting season. A licensee cannot hunt the same day they are airborne over their hunting unit, except on a scheduled passenger airline flight. It is illegal to drive, concentrate, rally, raise, stir up, spot or disturb game with all types of aircraft, manned or unmanned.

Motor-driven vehicles may not be used to pursue game and may not be used to retrieve a big game animal until the animal has been taken into possession and legally tagged.

It is illegal to shoot with bow and arrow or firearm while in or on a motor-driven vehicle.

**No person may carry a firearm with a cartridge in the chamber in or on a motor-driven vehicle while hunting big game animals.** The entire cylinder of a revolver is considered the chamber, requiring the revolver to be completely unloaded. Handguns with removable magazines or clips must have the magazine or clip removed from the firearm if the magazine or clip contains any loaded shells. It is illegal to carry any muzzleloading firearm in or on a motor-driven vehicle with a percussion cap or primer on the nipple or powder in the flash pan.

**Motor-driven vehicles may be used only on established roads or trails.** "Established Road or Trail" means any public highway or road, improved or otherwise, dedicated for public ingress or egress. This does not include temporary trails across cultivated land used for agricultural purposes. Exception: After a moose has been killed and properly tagged, a motor-driven vehicle may be used to make the retrieval by leaving the established road or trail and proceeding to the carcass by the shortest accessible route, and returning to the road or trail immediately by the same route. Except for persons having a special disability permit from Fish & Wildlife Director, no person may use a motor-driven vehicle while in the process of hunting moose or aid another in the process of hunting moose including travel to and from the hunting location unless the motor-driven vehicle is on an established road or trail. Persons with a disability permit may not have any other passenger within the vehicle nor the driver, is someone other than the permittee, may be the hunter, unless such other person is also a permittee with their own permit.

ESTABLISHED ROADS AND TRAILS DO NOT INCLUDE TEMPORARY TRAILS ACROSS CULTIVATED LAND AND PASTURES USED FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES.

It shall be illegal to engage in shining for big game with any artificial light for the purpose of locating or observing big game between sunset of one day and sunrise of the next.

Use of night vision equipment, electronically enhanced light gathering optics or thermal imaging equipment for locating or hunting game is illegal.

#### **14.WANTON WASTE:**

No person shall kill or cripple any moose without making a reasonable effort to retrieve and retain the big game animal in his or her actual custody. No person shall waste, destroy, spoil, or abandon the edible flesh of a moose at the place where taken or between that place and either (a) his or her permanent residence, (b) a taxidermist, (c) a common carrier, or (d) a commercial processor.

#### **15.HUNTER QUESTIONNAIRES:**

Complete and accurate information on the hunter questionnaires will greatly assist the Fish and Wildlife Division in determining the number of Moose harvested and the optimum number of permits that can be issued to maintain a stable, healthy Moose population on the Reservation lands for future generations. Successful hunters may call in their information.

#### **16.GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Possess a valid general game license.
2. Possess a hunter safety certificate if born after 12/31/61. (see Sect. 9 for exemptions)
3. Once selected, complete your 2020 Moose Bow Application and make payment in full.

4. Receive Moose Bow license via computer generated page and endorse in ink at the bottom where indicated.
5. Maintain your Moose Bow tag and license at all times while you hunt.
6. Hunt only in the unit for which the tag is issued.
7. Follow all weapons, vehicle and other hunting restrictions.
8. Abstain from hunting in closed areas.
9. Wear the appropriate amount of hunter orange while in the field.
10. Only three (3) persons will be allowed to assist a legally licensed Hunter. However, only the legally licensed hunter is allowed to harvest an animal. All Non-Members Non-Residents who do not reside in the state of ND who accompany a moose hunter must possess a valid Conservation Permit.
11. Those who accompany the legally licensed hunter are not allowed to carry firearms or archery equipment in the field while assisting the legally licensed hunter.
12. Fill out and return a 2020 Moose Bow Hunter Questionnaire within 30 days of end of the 2020 Moose Bow Season.

*Pursuant to Chapter 18-6-1 Tribal Proclamations Have Force of Law—Penalty: Any tribal proclamation issued at the request of the Natural Resources Board or the Director of the Tribal Fish & Wildlife Division shall have the force of law. Any persons violating a provision of such order or proclamation is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined for not more than five hundred (\$500.00). In addition to any fine imposed in this chapter, the person shall be subject to forfeiture of his license, the privilege to hunt and fish for a period of one year, and confiscation of his vehicle, guns, boat, fishing equipment or anything used in connection with the violation.*

**PLEASE NOTIFY THE FORT BERTHOLD FISH & WILDLIFE DIVISION OF ANY VIOLATIONS.  
CALL 627-4760 BETWEEN 8 AM AND 4:30 PM MONDAY THRU FRIDAY.  
After hours please call that TAT Police Department 627-3617**

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## 2020 NORTH AMERICAN ELK PROCLAMATION

Pursuant to Chapter 18 Code of Law of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation and the authority of the Three Affiliated Tribal Business Council; The Director of the Three Affiliated Tribes Fish and Wildlife Division hereby declares an open season on North American Elk or Maadoga (*Cervus elaphus*) as described in the following proclamation.

Except as provided hereafter or otherwise by law, no person shall hunt, trap, kill, harass, take, and attempt to take, or possess any elk or parts thereof.

### 1. SEASON DATES:

The season for taking Elk shall be from one half (1/2) hour before sunrise to one half (1/2) hour after sunset each day from September 25, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

### 2. LIMIT:

One North American Elk regardless of age or sex may be taken per license holder during the season.

### 3. LICENSES AND PERMITS:

Licenses and special permits shall be issued in a manner and form prescribed by the TAT Fish and Wildlife Director and in accordance with applicable laws. Such licenses and permits shall be in the form of tags that must be endorsed in ink with the licensee's signature and affixed to the back of the General License.

Four permits will be issued after the recipients are determined by a random draw of tickets sold in a raffle manner. Sales for Elk raffle tickets go on sale Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020. Sales will close one hour before drawing.

The drawing to determine eligible applicants will be held at the TAT Fish and Wildlife office in New Town on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. A completed application and full payment must be received prior to issuance. Licenses are non-transferable. No person may give, barter, or sell an issued license to another person.

Persons who successfully draw an elk permit shall not be eligible to apply for another elk tag for three subsequent seasons.

In addition to the Elk license, each applicant will be issued an Elk tag indicating the unit that he/she may legally hunt.

2 Bull Elk permits..... Unit 1 (Mandaree/Four Bears) only.

2 Cow Elk permits..... Unit 1 (Mandaree/Four Bears) only.

**NORTH DAKOTA STATE LICENSES ARE NOT VALID ON THE FORT BERTHOLD INDIAN RESERVATION. ANYONE HUNTING ON TRUST OR ALLOTTED LANDS WITH A STATE ELK LICENSE AND NOT A TRIBAL LICENSE WILL BE CITED FOR HUNTING WITHOUT A PROPER LICENSE.**



#### 4. FEES:

Raffle tickets will be sold at the TAT Fish and Wildlife Office in New Town at a cost of \$10.00 per chance. Ticket price is non-refundable. The Tribal Elk Permit will cost \$150.00 per tag for Tribal Members and \$500.00 per tag for Non-Members. This is payable at the TAT Fish and Wildlife Office when you have drawn a winning ticket.

There will be no use of the designated hunter for the 2020 Elk Season.

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#### 5. WEAPONS RESTRICTIONS:

Nonlicensees – An elk licensee hunting in the field may be accompanied by no more than three(3) nonlicensees given they are not carrying any type of firearms or archery equipment in the field while assisting the legally licensed hunter.

Elk may only be taken with the following weapons:

A) Rifles:

- 1) Having a barrel length of 16 inches or greater.
- 2) Firing a centerfire cartridge of .25 caliber or greater.

**RESTRICTIONS:**

- 1) Centerfire rifles of .50 caliber or larger using smokeless powder are prohibited.
- 3) Capable of holding no more than 8 rounds in the clip or magazine.

**RESTRICTIONS:**

- 1) Fully automatic firearms, full metal jacketed bullets which are nonexpanding, as well as altered projectiles are prohibited.

B) Shotguns:

- 1) Having a barrel length of 18 inches or greater
- 2) Rifled slugs of 20 gauge or larger.

C) Handgun:

- 1) Cartridge cases under .40 caliber must be at least 1.285 inches in length and bullets must be at least .257 inches in diameter
- 2) Cartridge cases of .40 caliber or larger must be at least .992 in length.

C) Muzzleloaders or Black Powder Rifles:

- 1) Having a barrel length of 16 inches or greater.
- 2) .5 caliber or larger slug or ball.

**RESTRICTIONS:**

- 1) Muzzleloaders with powder charge and percussion cap in place will be considered loaded and are illegal for transport in that manner.
- 2) Revolvers with bullets in the cylinder will be considered loaded and are illegal for transport in that manner.

- D) Pre-charged pneumatic air guns, charged from an external high compression source such as an air compressor, air tank or an external hand pump are legal for elk but must fire a projectile (excluding air bolts) of at least .45 caliber in diameter and at least 350 grains in weight with a minimum muzzle velocity of 600 feet per second.

E) Legal Archery Equipment:

A bow must be pulled, held, and released by hand. Any release aid may be used providing it is hand operated, the shooter supports the draw weight of the bow and the release is not attached to any part of the bow other than the bowstring. The bows used for hunting elk must have at least 50 pounds of draw at 28 inches or less draw length. Arrows must be at least 24 inches long, tipped with a metal broad head, with at least two sharp cutting edges, and have a cutting diameter of at least ¾ inch (i.e., not able to pass through a 3/4 inch ring). Broadheads used for hunting elk must be unbarbed and have fixed blades (i.e., broad heads with mechanical or retractable blades not manufactured to stay open are legal). Telescopic sights, range finding devices, battery-powered or electronically lighted sights or other electronic devices attached to bow, or the arrow, are not permitted. Exception: a lighted nock and recording devices which do not aid in range finding, sighting or shooting the bow are permitted. Handheld range finding devices are legal. Arrows capable of causing damage or injury to the animal in excess of that inflicted by the cutting edges of the broad head are prohibited while hunting big game with a bow (ex. explosive arrow points, arrows tipped with drugs or chemicals, and pneumatic or hydraulic shafts are illegal).

- E) Crossbows are illegal, except if disabled or handicapped (i.e. Paraplegics and/or having lost the use of one or both arms) with a permit from the TAT Fish and Wildlife Department Director. When permitted, crossbows must: a) have a peak draw weight of at least 75 pounds, b) be equipped with a working safety to prevent accidental firing, c) have a stock at least 14 inches long, d) use arrows or bolts at least 14 inches in length, e) battery-powered and electronic-lighted sight pins and telescopic sights not exceeding a maximum power of four by thirty-two millimeters may be attached to crossbows used for hunting, and f) crossbow hunters must comply with all other archery equipment regulations listed above.

## 6. HUNTING AREA RESTRICTIONS:

Hunters will only be allowed to fill their permit within the unit designated on their license and tags.

It is unlawful to leave any open gates, bars or other device used to enclose any lands, upon entry or exit.

It is unlawful in any way to cut, remove, or lay down any fence to gain entry to any land for the purpose of hunting.

It is unlawful to shoot, destroy, molest, mutilate, or remove any signs.

It is unlawful to hunt or discharge a firearm within 440 yards of any occupied buildings, schools, medical facilities, or residence.

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**POSTING:** It is unlawful to hunt on lands legally posted without first obtaining written permission from the owner or tenant. It is unlawful for anyone but the owner or tenant to post land. Legal signs shall give notice that no hunting is permitted and shall display: NAME, ADDRESS OF OWNER OR TENANT and DATE OF POSTING. Signs must be every eighty (80) rods on unfenced lands and at access point on fenced areas.

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*Please use good judgement when hunting during the 2020 Elk Season. Fort Berthold ranchers will still be utilizing the Range Units and cattle will be present. Ranchers will be busy moving cattle during this season. HUNTER SAFETY must be practiced at all times. Close all gates and verify your targets before shooting.*

## **7. HUNTING BIG GAME OVER BAIT:**

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## **8. AREAS CLOSED TO HUNTING:**

It shall be unlawful to hunt or pursue game in the following areas:

- 1) The buffalo pasture located in Unit #1 (Mandaree Area) known as Range Unit 904 in the Skunk Creek Bay Area—this unit is designated as a Wildlife Reserve Area and no hunting is allowed.
- 2) Unit 2, 3, and 4—these areas are closed to 2020 Elk season.
- 3) The MHA Tribal Ranch/Buffalo Project is NOT WITHIN the exterior boundaries of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation – tribal tags are not valid outside the boundaries of the reservation.

## **9. AGE REQUIREMENTS:**

To purchase an Elk license, persons must be 14 years of age or older on the opening day of the season. A parent, guardian or a person authorized by the parent or guardian, must accompany persons under 15 years of age, afield with a gun.

**Hunter's Education Requirement:** Persons born after December 31, 1961 must complete a certified Reservation or State Hunter Safety Program and PRESENT the certification card earned to the license vendor in order to purchase a Fort Berthold hunting license. EXEMPTION: Veterans of the United States Armed Forces that have been honorably discharged. Persons applying for this exemption MUST present a copy of form DD214 to the TAT Fish and Wildlife Division to be eligible.

## **10. CLOTHING REQUIREMENTS:**

**All big game hunters are required to wear a head covering and an outer garment above the waistline of solid daylight fluorescent orange color, totaling at least 400 square inches.**

## **11. MANNER OF TAKING:**

It is legal to use a horse in the process of hunting Elk.

It is illegal to use a dog as an aid to hunting Elk.

It is illegal to take or attempt to take an Elk by dragging a wire, rope, or other contrivance.

It is illegal to use any artificial light for the purpose of locating or observing Elk between sunset of one day and sunrise of the next.

## **12. TAGGING:**

**Hunters are required to contact the TAT Fish and Wildlife Division within 24 hours of their harvest to aide in the collection of scientific data.**

Immediately after an elk has been killed, the hunter must indicate the date of kill by cutting out the appropriate month and day from the tag provided with the license and securely attach it to the antler on an antlered elk or in a slit in the ear on an antlerless elk to prevent its removal. The tag, placed immediately upon the antler or slit in ear shall remain with the antlers or head until March 31, 2021. After the antlers, head or hide have been removed from the carcass, the carcass tag shall remain with the carcass or processed meat until consumed or until March 31, 2021.

In no case is it legal to possess or transport an elk unless it is properly tagged. The carcass tag must remain with the carcass until it is cut up and packaged as food. The carcass tag must be kept for inspection until all the meat is consumed or until March 31, 2021. No person may reuse or attempt to reuse any tag issued. Tags are non-transferrable.

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### **13. TRANSPORTING AND PROCESSING:**

License holders must accompany their game animal, or parts thereof, (excluding hide) during transportation, unless a permit for the transportation of game is issued by the TAT Fish & Wildlife Department upon request. Game may be shipped by common carrier in receipt of proper bill of lading. An elk carcass must be accompanied by the head to the final place of storage. It is illegal to possess or transport another's elk, or parts thereof, (excluding hide) without the license holder accompanying or as otherwise permitted. Processed and packaged meat of legally taken elk may be gifted to another. Unprocessed, unpackaged game meat may be gifted as follows: 1) Prior to reaching the licensee's personal residence a transportation permit must be obtained and accompany the elk meat. 2) After reaching the licensee's personal residence if accompanied by the name and address of the licensee.

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No person may carry a firearm with a cartridge in the chamber in or on a motor-driven vehicle while hunting big game animals. The entire cylinder of a revolver is considered the chamber, requiring the revolver to be completely unloaded. Handguns with removable magazines or clips must have the magazine or clip removed from the firearm if the magazine or clip contains any loaded shells. It is illegal to carry any muzzleloading firearm in or on a motor-driven vehicle with a percussion cap or primer on the nipple or powder in the flash pan.

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Fish & Wildlife Director, no person may use a motor-driven vehicle while in the process of hunting elk or aid another in the process of hunting elk including travel to and from the hunting location unless the motor-driven vehicle is on an established road or trail. Persons with a disability permit may not have any other passenger within the vehicle nor the driver, is someone other than the permittee, may be the hunter, unless such other person is also a permittee with their own permit.

ESTABLISHED ROADS AND TRAILS DO NOT INCLUDE TEMPORARY TRAILS ACROSS CULTIVATED LAND AND PASTURES USED FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES.

It shall be illegal to engage in shining for big game with any artificial light for the purpose of locating or observing big game between sunset of one day and sunrise of the next.

Use of night vision equipment, electronically enhanced light gathering optics or thermal imaging equipment for locating or hunting game is illegal.

### **15. WANTON WASTE:**

No person shall kill or cripple any elk without making a reasonable effort to retrieve and retain the big game animal in his or her actual custody. No person shall waste, destroy, spoil, or abandon the edible flesh of a elk at the place where taken or between that place and either (a) his or her permanent residence, (b) a taxidermist, (c) a common carrier, or (d) a commercial processor.

### **16. HUNTER QUESTIONNAIRES:**

Complete and accurate information on the hunter questionnaires will greatly assist the Fish and Wildlife Division in determining the number of Elk harvested and the optimum number of permits that can be issued to maintain a stable, healthy Elk population on the Reservation lands for future generations. Successful hunters may call in their information.

### **17. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Possess a valid general game license.
2. Possess a hunter safety certificate if born after 12/31/61. (see Sect. 9 for exemptions)
3. Once selected, complete your 2020 Elk Application and make payment in full.
4. Non-member non-residents who do not reside in the state of North Dakota must also possess a Tribal Conservation permit.
5. Receive Elk license via computer generated page and endorse in ink at the bottom where indicated.
6. Maintain your Elk tag and license at all times while you hunt.
7. Hunt only in the unit for which the tag is issued.
8. Follow all weapons, vehicle and other hunting restrictions.
9. Abstain from hunting in closed areas.
10. Wear the appropriate amount of hunter orange while in the field.
11. Only three (3) persons will be allowed to assist a legally licensed Hunter.  
However, only the legally licensed hunter is allowed to harvest an animal.  
All Non-Members Non-Residents who do not reside in the state of ND who accompany an elk hunter must possess a valid Conservation Permit.
12. Those who accompany the legally licensed hunter are not allowed to carry firearms in the field while assisting the legally licensed hunter.
13. Fill out and return a 2020 Elk Hunter Questionnaire within 30 days of end of the 2020 Elk Season.

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## 2020 MOOSE PROCLAMATION

Pursuant to Chapter 18 Code of Law of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation and the authority of the Three Affiliated Tribal Business Council; the Director of the Three Affiliated Tribes Fish and Wildlife Division hereby declares an open season on Moose as described in the following proclamation.

Except as provided hereafter or otherwise by law, no person shall hunt, trap, kill, harass, take, and attempt to take, or possess any Moose or parts thereof.

### 1. SEASON:

The season for taking Moose with firearms shall be from one half (1/2) hour before sunrise to one half (1/2) hour after sunset each day from October 2, 2020 through November 1, 2020.

### 2. LIMIT:

One Bull Moose may be taken per license holder during the season.

### 3. LICENSES AND PERMITS:

Licenses and special permits shall be issued in a manner and form prescribed by the TAT Fish and Wildlife Director and in accordance with applicable laws. Such licenses and permits shall be in the form of tags that must be endorsed in ink with the licensee's signature and affixed to the back of the General License.

Seven permits will be issued after the recipients are determined by a random draw of tickets sold in a raffle manner. Sales for Moose raffle tickets go on sale on Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020. Sales will close one hour before drawing.

The drawing to determine eligible applicants will be held at the TAT Fish and Wildlife office in New Town on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. A completed application and full payment must be received prior to issuance. Licenses are non-transferable. No person may give, barter, or sell an issued license to another person.

Any persons successfully drawn and received a 2020 Moose Bow Permit shall not be eligible for the 2020 Regular Moose season; license holders are limit to one moose per year.

Persons who successfully draw any moose permits shall not be eligible to apply for any moose seasons for three subsequent years.

In addition to the Moose license, each applicant will be issued a Moose tag indicating the unit that he/she may legally hunt.

3 Bull Moose permits..... (Reservation - Wide); Unit 4 closed to Moose Season

4 Cow Moose permits..... Unit 3 (Parshall/White Shield) only.



**NORTH DAKOTA STATE LICENSES ARE NOT VALID ON THE FORT BERTHOLD INDIAN RESERVATION. ANYONE HUNTING ON TRUST OR ALLOTTED LANDS WITH A STATE MOOSE LICENSE AND NOT A TRIBAL LICENSE WILL BE CITED FOR HUNTING WITHOUT A PROPER LICENSE.**

#### **4. FEES:**

The raffle tickets will be sold at the TAT Fish and Wildlife Office in New Town at the cost of \$10.00 per chance. The raffle ticket is non-refundable. The Tribal Moose Permit will cost \$150.00 per tag for Tribal Members and \$500.00 for Non-Members. This is payable to the TAT Fish and Wildlife Office when you have drawn a winning ticket.

There will be no use of the designated hunter for the 2020 Moose Season.

*Persons using another's license to hunt, or the act of loaning out one's license for another to hunt for you is a violation of Section 18-3-6 of the Chapter 18 Code of Laws and is punishable by a mandatory fine of \$100 and loss of hunting privileges for a period of one (1) year.*

#### **5. WEAPONS RESTRICTIONS:**

Nonlicensees – A moose licensee hunting in the field may be accompanied by no more than three(3) nonlicensees given they are not carrying any type of firearms or archery equipment in the field while assisting the legally licensed hunter.

Moose may only be taken with the following weapons:

##### **A) Rifles:**

- 1) Having a barrel length of 16 inches or greater.
- 2) Firing a centerfire cartridge of .25 caliber or greater.

##### **RESTRICTIONS:**

- 1) Centerfire rifles of .50 caliber or larger using smokeless powder are prohibited.
- 3) Capable of holding no more than 8 rounds in the clip or magazine.

##### **RESTRICTIONS:**

- 1) Fully automatic firearms, full metal jacketed bullets which are nonexpanding, as well as altered projectiles are prohibited.

##### **B) Shotguns:**

- 1) Having a barrel length of 18 inches or greater
- 2) Rifled slugs of 20 gauge or larger.

##### **C) Handgun:**

- 1) Cartridge cases under .40 caliber must be at least 1.285 inches in length and bullets must be at least .257 inches in diameter
- 2) Cartridge cases of .40 caliber or larger must be at least .992 in length.

##### **C) Muzzleloaders or Black Powder Rifles:**

- 1) Having a barrel length of 16 inches or greater.
- 2) .5 caliber or larger slug or ball.

##### **RESTRICTIONS:**

- 1) Muzzleloaders with powder charge and percussion cap in place will be considered loaded and are illegal for transport in that manner.
- 2) Revolvers with bullets in the cylinder will be considered loaded and are illegal for transport in that manner.

D) Pre-charged pneumatic air guns, charged from an external high compression source such as an air compressor, air tank or an external hand pump are legal for moose but must fire a projectile (excluding air bolts) of at least .45 caliber in diameter and at least 350 grains in weight with a minimum muzzle velocity of 600 feet per second.

E) Legal Archery Equipment:

A bow must be pulled, held, and released by hand. Any release aid may be used providing it is hand operated, the shooter supports the draw weight of the bow and the release is not attached to any part of the bow other than the bowstring. The bows used for hunting moose must have at least 50 pounds of draw at 28 inches or less draw length. Arrows must be at least 24 inches long, tipped with a metal broad head, with at least two sharp cutting edges, and have a cutting diameter of at least ¾ inch (i.e., not able to pass through a 3/4 inch ring). Broadheads used for hunting moose must be unbarbed and have fixed blades (i.e., broad heads with mechanical or retractable blades not manufactured to stay open are legal). Telescopic sights, range finding devices, battery-powered or electronically lighted sights or other electronic devices attached to bow, or the arrow, are not permitted. Exception: a lighted nock and recording devices which do not aid in range finding, sighting or shooting the bow are permitted. Handheld range finding devices are legal. Arrows capable of causing damage or injury to the animal in excess of that inflicted by the cutting edges of the broad head are prohibited while hunting big game with a bow (ex. explosive arrow points, arrows tipped with drugs or chemicals, and pneumatic or hydraulic shafts are illegal).

E) Crossbows are illegal, except if disabled or handicapped (i.e. Paraplegics and/or having lost the use of one or both arms) with a permit from the TAT Fish and Wildlife Department Director. When permitted, crossbows must: a) have a peak draw weight of at least 75 pounds, b) be equipped with a working safety to prevent accidental firing, c) have a stock at least 14 inches long, d) use arrows or bolts at least 14 inches in length, e) battery-powered and electronic-lighted sight pins and telescopic sights not exceeding a maximum power of four by thirty-two millimeters may be attached to crossbows used for hunting, and f) crossbow hunters must comply with all other archery equipment regulations listed above.

## 6. HUNTING AREA RESTRICTIONS:

Hunters will only be allowed to fill their permit within the unit designated on their license and tags.

It is unlawful to leave any open gates, bars or other device used to enclose any lands, upon entry or exit.

It is unlawful in any way to cut, remove, or lay down any fence to gain entry to any land for the purpose of hunting.

It is unlawful to shoot, destroy, molest, mutilate, or remove any signs.

It is unlawful to hunt or discharge a firearm within 440 yards of any occupied buildings, schools, medical facilities, or residence.

It is illegal to hunt in unharvested cereal and oilseed crops without the owner's consent. Crops also include alfalfa, clover, and other grasses grown for seed.

**POSTING:** It is unlawful to hunt on lands legally posted without first obtaining written permission from the owner or tenant. It is unlawful for anyone but the owner or tenant to post land. Legal signs shall give notice that no hunting is permitted and shall display: NAME, ADDRESS OF OWNER OR TENANT and DATE OF POSTING. Signs must be every eighty (80) rods on unfenced lands and at access point on fenced areas.

PLEASE OBTAIN WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM THE LANDOWNER OR TENANT EVEN IF LAND IS NOT POSTED.

*Please use good judgement when hunting during the 2020 Moose Season. Fort Berthold ranchers will still be utilizing the Range Units and cattle will be present. Ranchers will be busy moving cattle during this season. HUNTER SAFETY must be practiced at all times. Close all gates and verify your targets before shooting.*

## **7. HUNTING BIG GAME OVER BAIT:**

Hunting big game over bait on TAT public tribal land or ND Game and Fish Department's Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) is prohibited. Hunting big game over bait is defined as the placement and or use of bait(s) for attracting big game and other wildlife to a specific location for the purpose of hunting. Baits include but are not limited to grains, minerals, salts, fruits, vegetables, hay or any other natural or manufactured foods. The designation does not apply to the use of scents and lures, water, food plots, standing crops, or livestock feeds being used in standard practices.

## **8. AREAS CLOSED TO HUNTING:**

It shall be unlawful to hunt or pursue game in the following areas:

- 1) The buffalo pasture located in Unit #1 (Mandaree Area) known as Range Unit 904 in the Skunk Creek Bay Area—this unit is designated as a Wildlife Reserve Area and no hunting is allowed.
- 2) Unit 4—Twin Buttes Area closed to Moose season.
- 3) The MHA Tribal Ranch/Buffalo Project is NOT WITHIN the exterior boundaries of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation – tribal tags are not valid outside the boundaries of the reservation.

## **9. AGE REQUIREMENTS:**

To purchase a Moose license, persons must be 14 years of age or older on the opening day of the season. A parent, guardian or a person authorized by the parent or guardian, must accompany persons under 15 years of age, afield with a gun.

**Hunter's Education Requirement:** Persons born after December 31, 1961 must complete a certified Reservation or State Hunter Safety Program and PRESENT the certification card earned to the license vendor in order to purchase a Fort Berthold hunting license. EXEMPTION: Veterans of the United States Armed Forces that have been honorably discharged. Persons applying for this exemption MUST present a copy of form DD214 to the TAT Fish and Wildlife Division to be eligible.

## **10. CLOTHING REQUIREMENTS:**

**All big game hunters are required to wear a head covering and an outer garment above the waistline of solid daylight fluorescent orange color, totaling at least 400 square inches.**

## **11. MANNER OF TAKING:**

It is legal to use a horse in the process of hunting Moose.

It is illegal to use a dog as an aid to hunting Moose.

It is illegal to take or attempt to take a Moose by dragging a wire, rope, or other contrivance.

It is illegal to use any artificial light for the purpose of locating or observing Moose between sunset of one day and sunrise of the next.

## **12. TAGGING:**

**Hunters are required to contact the TAT Fish and Wildlife Division within 24 hours of their harvest to aide in the collection of scientific data.**

Immediately after a moose has been killed, the hunter must indicate the date of kill by cutting out the appropriate month and day from the tag provided with the license and securely attach it to the antler on an antlered moose or in a slit in the ear on an antlerless moose to prevent its removal. The tag, placed immediately upon the antler or slit in ear shall remain with the antlers or head until March 31, 2021. After the antlers, head or hide have been removed from the carcass, the carcass tag shall remain with the carcass or processed meat until consumed or until March 31, 2021.

In no case is it legal to possess or transport a moose unless it is properly tagged. The carcass tag must remain with the carcass until it is cut up and packaged as food. The carcass tag must be kept for inspection until all the meat is consumed or until March 31, 2021. No person may reuse or attempt to reuse any tag issued. Tags are non-transferrable.

When any part of an animal is mounted, if the tag is removed from the antlers or ear, the tag must be securely fastened to the back or bottom of the mount and remain there.

### **13. TRANSPORTING AND PROCESSING:**

License holders must accompany their game animal, or parts thereof, (excluding hide) during transportation, unless a permit for the transportation of game is issued by the TAT Fish & Wildlife Department upon request. Game may be shipped by common carrier in receipt of proper bill of lading. A moose carcass must be accompanied by the head to the final place of storage. It is illegal to possess or transport another's moose, or parts thereof, (excluding hide) without the license holder accompanying or as otherwise permitted. Processed and packaged meat of legally taken moose may be gifted to another. Unprocessed, unpackaged game meat may be gifted as follows: 1) Prior to reaching the licensee's personal residence a transportation permit must be obtained and accompany the moose meat. 2) After reaching the licensee's personal residence if accompanied by the name and address of the licensee.

Commercial processors and common carriers may possess any person's legally taken possession limit or game.

### **14. AIRCRAFT, MOTOR-DRIVEN VEHICLES, LIGHTS:**

It is illegal to use all types of aircraft, manned or unmanned (i.e., drones), for spotting game 72 hours prior to and during the hunting season. A licensee cannot hunt the same day they are airborne over their hunting unit, except on a scheduled passenger airline flight. It is illegal to drive, concentrate, rally, raise, stir up, spot or disturb game with all types of aircraft, manned or unmanned.

Motor-driven vehicles may not be used to pursue game and may not be used to retrieve a big game animal until the animal has been taken into possession and legally tagged.

It is illegal to shoot with bow and arrow or firearm while in or on a motor-driven vehicle.

**No person may carry a firearm with a cartridge in the chamber in or on a motor-driven vehicle while hunting big game animals.** The entire cylinder of a revolver is considered the chamber, requiring the revolver to be completely unloaded. Handguns with removable magazines or clips must have the magazine or clip removed from the firearm if the magazine or clip contains any loaded shells. It is illegal to carry any muzzleloading firearm in or on a motor-driven vehicle with a percussion cap or primer on the nipple or powder in the flash pan.

**Motor-driven vehicles may be used only on established roads or trails.** “Established Road or Trail” means any public highway or road, improved or otherwise, dedicated for public ingress or egress. This does not include temporary trails across cultivated land used for agricultural purposes. Exception: After a moose has been killed and properly tagged, a motor-driven vehicle may be used to make the retrieval by leaving the established road or trail and proceeding to the carcass by the shortest accessible route, and returning to the road or trail immediately by the same route. Except for persons having a special disability permit from Fish & Wildlife Director, no person may use a motor-driven vehicle while in the process of hunting moose or aid another in the process of hunting moose including travel to and from the hunting location unless the motor-driven vehicle is on an established road or trail. Persons with a disability permit may not have any other passenger within the vehicle nor the driver, is someone other than the permittee, may be the hunter, unless such other person is also a permittee with their own permit.

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#### **17. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Possess a valid general game license.
2. Possess a hunter safety certificate if born after 12/31/61. (see Sect. 9 for exemptions)
3. Once selected, complete your 2020 Moose Application and make payment in full.
4. Non-member non-residents of ND who do not reside in the state of North Dakota must also possess a Tribal Conservation permit.
5. Receive Moose license via computer generated page and endorse in ink at the bottom where indicated.
6. Maintain your Moose tag and license at all times while you hunt.
7. Hunt only in the unit for which the tag is issued.
8. Follow all weapons, vehicle and other hunting restrictions.
9. Abstain from hunting in closed areas.
10. Wear the appropriate amount of hunter orange while in the field.
11. Only three (3) persons will be allowed to assist a legally licensed Hunter.  
However, only the legally licensed hunter is allowed to harvest an animal.

All Non-Members Non-Residents who do not reside in the state of ND who accompany a moose hunter must possess a valid Conservation Permit.

12. Those who accompany the legally licensed hunter are not allowed to carry firearms in the field while assisting the legally licensed hunter.
13. Fill out and return a 2020 Moose Hunter Questionnaire within 30 days of end of the 2020 Moose Season.

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## 2020 FALL TURKEY PROCLAMATION

Pursuant to Chapter 18 of the Code of Law of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, and the authority of the Three Affiliated Tribes Business Council, The Three Affiliated Tribes Fish and Wildlife Division hereby declares an open season on wild turkeys as prescribed in the following proclamation.

Except as provided hereinafter or otherwise by law, no person shall hunt, kill, take, possess, transport, or so attempt to hunt, kill, take, or possess any wild turkeys.

### 1. SEASON DATES, TIMES, UNITS:

Season: Fall  
Opening Date: October 3, 2020  
Closing Date: January 3, 2021  
Units: Unit 1—Mandaree and Four Bears;  
Unit 3—Parshall and White Shield;  
Unit 4—Twin Buttes  
Hours of Hunting: One half hour (1/2) before sunrise to sunset

### 2. LICENSES AND PERMITS:

Members and non-members are eligible.

Licenses—issued on a first-come-first-served basis. Licenses are issued in the form of tags.

Applications—a 2020 Fall Wild Turkey application must be filed with the TAT Fish and Wildlife office.

Other licenses required—all hunters regardless of age must possess a general license certificate. In addition, Non-Member Non-Residents who do not reside in the state of North Dakota must also possess a conservation permit.

### 3. FEES:

The following fees below are for a Wild Turkey permit only; they do not include the cost of a conservation permit required for non-member non-residents who do not reside in the state of ND.

Enrolled TAT Tribal Members..... \$10.00  
Non-Member Residents .....\$50.00  
Non-Member Non-Residents.....\$75.00  
Youth (15 years or younger)..... \$10.00

### 4. WEAPONS:

Shotguns—Shotguns no larger than 10 gauge and capable of holding no more than three shells in the magazine and chamber are legal. Minimum barrel length is 18 inches. Fully automatic weapons are illegal.

Rifles—only muzzle loading long guns are legal. Centerfire rifles and rimfire rifles are illegal for hunting wild turkeys.



Bows and Arrows—a bow must be pulled, held, and released by hand. Any release aid may be used providing it is hand operated, the shooter supports the draw weight of the bow, and the release is not attached to any part of the bow other than at the bowstring. A compound bow used for hunting turkeys must have at least 35 pounds of draw at 28 inches or less draw length. Recurve and long bows used for hunting turkeys must have at least 35 pounds of draw at 28 inches. Arrows must be at least 24 inches long, tipped with a metal broadhead, with at least two sharp cutting edges, and have a cutting diameter of at least 3/4 inches (i.e., not able to pass through a 3/4 inch ring.). It is illegal to hunt turkeys with barbed arrows. Broadheads with mechanical or retractable blades are legal. Telescopic sights, range finding devices, battery-powered or electronically lighted sights or other electronic devices attached to the bow, or the arrow, are not permitted except a lighted nock, which is permitted. Handheld range finding devices are legal. Arrows capable of causing damage or injury to the animal in excess of that inflicted by the cutting edges of the broadhead, are prohibited while hunting turkeys with a bow (e.g., explosive arrow points, arrows tipped with drugs or chemicals, and pneumatic or hydraulic shafts are illegal.).

Handguns – Handguns of .35 caliber and larger with 4 inch or greater barrel length are legal.

Crossbows are illegal, except if disabled or handicapped (i.e. Paraplegics and/or having lost the use of one or both arms) with a permit from the TAT Fish and Wildlife Director. When permitted, crossbows must: a) have a peak draw weight of at least 75 pounds, b) be equipped with a working safety to prevent accidental firing, c) have a stock at least 14 inches long, d) use arrows or bolts at least 14 inches in length, e) battery-powered and electronic-lighted sight pins and telescopic sights not exceeding a maximum power of four by thirty-two millimeters may be attached to crossbows used for hunting, and f) crossbow hunters must comply with all other archery equipment regulations listed above.

## **5. AIRCRAFT AND MOTOR-DRIVEN VEHICLES:**

Aircraft, manned or unmanned (i.e., drones), may not be used to locate, drive, concentrate, rally, raise, stir up, spot, or disturb game.

It is illegal to shoot with bow and arrow or firearm while in or on a motor-driven vehicle or boat.

No person may carry a firearm with a loaded chamber in or on a motor-driven vehicle while hunting turkeys. The entire cylinder of a revolver is considered the chamber, requiring the revolver to be completely unloaded. Handguns with removable magazines must have the magazine removed from the firearm if the magazine contains any loaded shells. It is illegal to carry any muzzle loading long gun or muzzle loading pistol in or on a motor-driven vehicle with a percussion cap or primer on the nipple or powder in the flash pan.

No person may use a motor-driven vehicle while in the process of hunting turkeys or aid another in the process of hunting turkeys including travel to and from the hunting location unless the motor-driven vehicle is on an established road or trail during the deer gun season. A landowner or lessee who actively farms or ranches land and persons having written permission from a landowner or lessee who actively farms or ranches that land may use a motor-driven vehicle on that land other than on an established road or trail to hunt turkeys except during the deer gun season.

## **6. BAG LIMIT:**

Each license holder may take and possess one bearded or male wild turkey per license.

## **7. TAGGING REQUIREMENTS:**

Immediately after a turkey has been killed, the hunter must indicate the date of kill by cutting out the appropriate month and day from the tag provided with the license, and attach it around the leg of the turkey in an exact manner as illustrated on back of tag to prevent its removal. In no case is it legal to possess or transport a turkey unless it is properly tagged. The tag shall remain with the carcass until it is packaged as food. No person may reuse or attempt to reuse any tag issued. All used tags must be kept in possession until the meat is consumed or disposed of.

## **8. TRANSPORTATION:**

License holders must accompany their wild turkey during transportation, except that it may be shipped by licensed public carrier in receipt of proper bill of lading.

## **9. AREAS CLOSED TO HUNTING:**

Unit 2 is closed to Fall Wild Turkey hunting. It is illegal to hunt in unharvested crops without the owner's consent. Crops also include alfalfa, clover, and other grasses grown for seed.

The MHA Tribal Ranch/Buffalo Project is NOT WITHIN the exterior boundaries of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation – tribal tags are not valid outside the boundaries of the reservation.

## **10. HUNTING UNIT DESCRIPTIONS & LICENSES AVAILABLE BY UNIT:**

Unit 1—Mandaree and Four Bears areas; 30 permits available

Unit 2—**Closed for 2020 Fall Turkey season**

Unit 3—Parshall and White Shield Areas; 20 permits available

Unit 4—Twin Buttes area; 10 permits available

## **11. WANTON WASTE OF A WILD TURKEY:**

No person shall kill or cripple any wild turkey without making a reasonable effort to retrieve and retain the wild turkey in his or her actual custody. No person shall waste, destroy, spoil, or abandon the edible flesh of a wild turkey at the place where taken or between that place and either (a) his/her personal permanent residence, (b) taxidermist or (c) a common carrier. Edible flesh means the breast meat of any wild turkey.

## **12. AGE REQUIREMENTS:**

There is no minimum age for hunting turkeys, but all hunters under age 15 afield with firearms must be under direct supervision of a parent, guardian or adult authorized by their parent or guardian.

**Hunter's Education Requirement:** Hunters born after December 31, 1961 must complete a certified tribal or state hunter education course and PRESENT the certification card earned to the license vendor in order to purchase a Fort Berthold hunting license. EXCEPTIONS: youth under age 12 if they have appropriate licenses and are accompanied by a parent or guardian, and Veterans of the United States Armed Forces that have been honorably discharged – persons applying for this exemption MUST present a copy of form DD214 to the TAT Fish and Wildlife office to be eligible.

## **13. HUNTER QUESTIONNAIRES:**

Complete and accurate information on the hunter questionnaires will greatly assist the TAT Fish and Wildlife Division in determining the number of Wild Turkeys harvested and the optimum number of permits that can be issued to maintain a stable, healthy Wild Turkey population on the Reservation lands for future generations. Hunters are required to hand them in or send them to the Three Affiliated Tribes Fish and Wildlife Division.

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## 2020 DEER GUN PROCLAMATION

Pursuant to Chapter 18 Code of Law of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation and the authority of the Three Affiliated Tribal Business Council; the Director of the Three Affiliated Tribes Fish & Wildlife Division hereby declares an open season on Mule Deer (Zilla SHABISHA) and the White-tailed Deer (Zilla DAGI) as described in the following proclamation.

Except as provided hereafter or otherwise by law, no person shall hunt, trap, kill, harass, take, and attempt to take, or possess any deer or parts thereof.

### 1. SEASON:

The season for taking Deer with a gun shall be from one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) hour before sunrise to one half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) hour after sunset each day from November 6, 2020 through November 29, 2020. Hunters must cease any hunting activity and must be in the process of leaving the field at the close of shooting hours.

### 2. LIMIT:

Deer Gun License Holders may take and possess one deer as prescribed on their license.

### 3. LICENSES AND PERMITS:

Persons eligible to partake in the 2020 Deer Gun Season are: TAT Tribal members and Non-Members.

Hunters must be in good standing and in compliance with all Fish & Wildlife rules and regulations. They must be current with all questionnaires, etc. to be eligible for the 2020 Deer Gun Season.

Licenses and special permits shall be issued in a manner and form prescribed by the Fish & Wildlife Director and in accordance with applicable laws. Such licenses and permits shall be in the form of tags that must be endorsed in ink with the licensee's signature and affixed to the 2020 General License Certificate, and Most hunting licenses shall be in the form of a computer generated page. The computer generated license printout must be signed in ink at the bottom where indicated

Licenses and tags issued on a first come, first served basis.

In addition to the Deer Gun license, each applicant will be issued a tag indicating the sex and unit that he/she may legally hunt.

A license only allows you the opportunity to hunt. It is not a guarantee to harvest a deer, or to the quality of the animal.

**NORTH DAKOTA STATE LICENSES ARE NOT VALID ON THE FORT BERTHOLD INDIAN RESERVATION. ANYONE HUNTING ON TRUST OR ALLOTTED LANDS WITHIN THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES OF THE RESERVATION WITH A STATE DEER GUN LICENSE AND NOT A TRIBAL LICENSE WILL BE CITED FOR HUNTING WITHOUT A PROPER LICENSE.**

**4. UNIT DESCRIPTIONS:**

- Unit 1 – Four Bears/ Mandaree
- Unit 2 – New Town/ Shell Creek
- Unit 3 – Parshall/ White Shield
- Unit 4 – Twin Buttes

**5. FEES:**

The following fees below are for a Deer Gun permit:

Enrolled TAT Tribal Member.....	\$25.00 Antlered
	\$10.00 Antlerless
Elder TAT Member (55+).....	No Charge Antlered or Antlerless
Non-Member Residents.....	\$125.00 Antlered
	\$50.00 Antlerless
Non-Member Non-Residents.....	\$500.00 Antlered
	\$100.00 Antlerless

Members and Non-Members may use cash, certified checks, or money orders. Personal checks may be accepted through mail-in applications only. If an insufficient fund check is issued, the applicant shall be ineligible for a 2020 and 2021 Deer Gun License.

Duplicate tags/licenses will be charged at the price of the original license.

Elder tribal members will be issued an antlerless tag unless they are able to go afield themselves then they may request an antlered tag.

Elder tribal members who obtain a Deer Gun hunting license may have it assigned to a designated hunter of their choice if they do not wish to hunt or are unable to go afield themselves. Request for assignment of a designated hunter must be made on the application form. Seniors requesting a designated hunter will receive antlerless tags only. Only the designated hunter may fill a permit issued in such a manner.

Designated hunter must be current on and must meet the requirements within the 2020 Deer Gun proclamation. Designated hunter must possess a 2020-2021 general license. Designated hunter may only be assigned to one elder. Each designated hunter will be responsible for handing in 2020 Designated Shooter Hunter Questionnaire.

It is illegal for anyone other than an elder TAT member to assign a designated hunter, and illegal for anyone other than the assigned designated shooter to harvest an elder deer.

**6. WEAPONS RESTRICTIONS:**

Deer may only be taken with the following weapons:

A) Rifles:

- 1) Having a barrel length of 16 inches or greater.
- 2) Firing a center fire cartridge of .22 to .49 caliber.

B) Muzzleloaders or Black Powder Rifles:

- 1) Having a barrel length of 18 inches or greater.
- 2) .45 caliber or larger

C) Shotguns or muzzleloading shotguns:

- 1) Having barrel length of 18 inches or greater
- 2) Rifled slugs or patched round balls of 20 gauge or larger

D) Handguns:

- 1) Having a barrel length of 4 inches or greater
- 2) .35 caliber or larger
- 3) Any centerfire handguns designed to fire a legal rifle cartridge shall be legal
- 4) Muzzleloading handguns must be .50 caliber or larger.

E) **RESTRICTIONS:**

- 1) Fully automatic firearms, full metal jacketed bullets, which are non-expanding, as well as altered projectiles are prohibited.
- 2) Centerfire rifles of .50 or larger using smokeless powder with a case length of greater than 3.5 inches are prohibited.

F) Pre-charged pneumatic air guns, charged from an external high compression source such as an air compressor, air tank or an external hand pump are legal for deer but must fire a projectile (excluding air bolts) of at least .35 caliber in diameter and at least 150 grains in weight with a minimum muzzle velocity of 600 feet per second.

G) All legal bow equipment as listed in the Deer Bow season proclamation – Except for crossbows (unless you have a special permit from the TAT Fish & Wildlife Director) – shall be legal during the Deer Gun season. If using legal bow equipment with the Deer Gun tag, you will be required to wear orange clothing. Please be mindful of other archery hunters as the regular Deer Bow Season will be in progress at this time and some bow hunters may not be wearing the required orange.

H) Use of Crossbows and airbows are illegal. Crossbows are legal for disabled or handicapped (i.e. Paraplegics and/or having lost the use of one or both arms) persons with a permit from the TAT Fish and Wildlife Department Director. When permitted, crossbows must: a) have a peak draw weight of at least 75 pounds and not more than 200 pounds, b) be equipped with a working safety to prevent accidental firing, c) have a stock at least 14 inches long, d) use arrows or bolts at least 14 inches in length, e) crossbow hunters must comply with all other archery equipment regulations listed above.

I) Other Firearm and Archery Equipment Restrictions--It is illegal to go afield with a firearm or bow and arrow while intoxicated.

J) The use of suppressors are legal, and must have proper, legible documentation on person when afield hunting during the 2020 Deer Gun season.

## **7. HUNTING AREA RESTRICTIONS:**

Hunters will only be allowed to fill their permit within the unit designated on their license.

It is unlawful to leave any open gates, bars or other devices used to enclose any lands, upon entry or exit.

It is unlawful in any way to cut, remove, or lay down any fence to gain entry to any land for the purpose of hunting.

It is unlawful to shoot, destroy, molest, mutilate or remove any signs.

It is unlawful to hunt or discharge a firearm within 440 yards of any occupied buildings, schools, medical facilities or residence.

It is illegal to hunt in unharvested cereal and oilseed crops. Crops also include alfalfa, clover, and other grasses grown for seed.

POSTING: It is unlawful to hunt on lands legally posted without first obtaining written permission from the owner or tenant. It is unlawful for anyone but the owner or tenant to post land. Legal signs shall give notice that no hunting is permitted and shall display: NAME, ADDRESS OF OWNER OR TENANT and DATE OF POSTING. Signs must be every eighty (80) rods on unfenced lands and at every access point on fenced areas.

PLEASE OBTAIN WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM THE LAND OWNER OR TENANT EVEN IF LAND IS NOT POSTED.

The MHA Tribal Ranch/Buffalo Project is NOT WITHIN the exterior boundaries of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation – tribal tags are not valid outside the boundaries of the reservation.

## **8. HUNTING BIG GAME OVER BAIT:**

Hunting big game over bait on TAT public tribal land or ND Game and Fish Department's Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) is prohibited. Hunting big game over bait is defined as the placement and or use of bait(s) for attracting big game and other wildlife to a specific location for the purpose of hunting. Baits include but are not limited to grains, minerals, salts, fruits, vegetables, hay or any other natural or manufactured foods. The designation does not apply to the use of scents and lures, water, food plots, standing crops, or livestock feeds being used in standard practices.

## **9. AREAS CLOSED TO HUNTING:**

It shall be unlawful to hunt or pursue game in the following areas:

- 1) The buffalo pasture located in Unit #1 (Mandaree Area) known as Range Unit 904 in the Skunk Creek Bay Area—this unit is designated as a Wildlife Reserve Area and no hunting is allowed.

## **10. AGE REQUIREMENTS:**

To purchase a Deer Gun license, persons must be 14 years of age or older on the opening day of the season. Persons under age 15 afield with firearms must be under direct supervision of parent, guardian or adult authorized by their parent or guardian.

**Hunter's Education Requirement:** Persons born after December 31, 1961 must complete a certified tribal or state hunter education course and PRESENT the certification card earned to the license vendor in order to purchase a Fort Berthold hunting license. EXCEPTIONS: Veterans of the United States Armed Forces that have been honorably discharged – persons applying for this exemption MUST present a copy of form DD214 to the TAT Game and Fish office to be eligible.

## **11. YOUTH DEER SEASON**

Individuals age 14 and 15 are eligible to receive one deer license valid for the youth deer season (September 18-27, 2020). This includes youth who are age 13 providing they will be age 14 before the opening day of the regular gun season. If a 14 or 15 year old is unsuccessful in harvesting a deer during the youth deer season, the license also will be valid during the regular deer gun season (November 6, 2020-November 29, 2020). Anyone applying for these licenses is not eligible to apply for a license for the regular deer gun season. If interested inquire at the main office for an application and more information.

All firearms and archery equipment allowed during the regular deer gun season are legal during the youth deer season. In addition, each youth licensed hunter must be accompanied (able to have unaided verbal contact) by at least one unarmed parent, guardian, or adult authorized by their parent or guardian. (A licensed hunter in the field during the dates of the youth deer season cannot be accompanied by a person carrying a firearm or bow and arrow, unless that person is another licensed youth season hunter.)

## **12. AIRCRAFT, MOTOR-DRIVEN VEHICLES, & LIGHTS**

It is illegal to use all types of aircraft, manned or unmanned (i.e. drones), for spotting game 72 hours prior to and during the hunting season. A licensee cannot hunt the same day they are airborne over their hunting unit, except on a scheduled passenger airline flight. It is illegal to drive, concentrate, rally, raise, stir up, spot or disturb game with all types of aircraft, manned or unmanned.

Motor-driven vehicles may not be used to pursue game and may not be used to retrieve a big game animal until the animal has been taken into possession and legally tagged.

**It is illegal to shoot with bow and arrow or firearm while in or on a motor-driven vehicle.**

It is illegal to use a boat to get to & from hunting spot/area.

**No person may carry a firearm with a cartridge in the chamber in or on a motor-driven vehicle while hunting big game animals.** The entire cylinder of a revolver is considered the chamber, requiring the revolver to be completely unloaded. Handguns with removable magazines must have the magazine removed from the firearm if the magazine contains any loaded shells. It is illegal to carry any muzzleloading firearm in or on a motor-driven vehicle with a percussion cap or primer on the nipple or powder in the flash pan.

**Motor-driven vehicles may be used only on established roads or trails.** "Established Road or Trail" means any public highway or road, improved or otherwise, dedicated for public ingress or egress. This does not include temporary trails across cultivated land used for agricultural purposes. Exception: After a deer has been killed and properly tagged, a motor-driven vehicle may be used to make the retrieval by leaving the established road or trail and proceeding to the carcass by the shortest accessible route, and returning to the road or trail immediately by the same route. Except for persons having a special disability permit from Fish & Wildlife Director, no person may use a motor-driven vehicle while in the process of hunting deer or aid another in the process of hunting deer including travel to and from the hunting location unless the motor-driven vehicle is on an established road or trail. Persons with a disability permit may not have any other passenger within the vehicle nor the driver, is someone other than the permittee, may be the hunter, unless such other person is also a permittee with their own permit.

**ESTABLISHED ROADS OR TRAILS DO NOT INCLUDE TEMPORARY TRAILS MADE FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES.**

It is illegal to engage in shining for big game with any artificial light for the purpose of locating or observing big game between sunset of one day and sunrise of the next.

The use of night vision equipment, electronically enhanced light gathering optics or thermal imaging equipment for locating or hunting game is illegal. (Exception: Lighted nocks on arrows are allowed for big game)



### **13. CLOTHING REQUIREMENTS:**

All deer gun hunters are required to wear orange clothing while the Deer Gun season is in progress. **Legal orange clothing is a head covering and outer garment above the waistline of solid daylight fluorescent orange color totaling at least 400 square inches.**

Please keep in mind the 2020 Deer Bow Season will be in progress during the 2020 Deer Gun Season, so please be mindful of archery hunter's as they may not be wearing the required orange. Remember, identify your target and what is beyond it.

### **14. MANNER OF TAKING:**

It is legal to use a horse in the process of hunting deer.

It is illegal to use a dog as an aid to hunting deer.

It is illegal to take or attempt to take a deer by dragging a wire, rope or other contrivance.

### **15. TAGGING**

IMMEDIATELY after an animal has been killed and before moving the animal, the hunter must indicate the date of kill by cutting out the appropriate month and day from the tag provided with the license and attach it to the base of the antler on antlered deer or in a slit in the ear on antlerless deer as illustrated on the tag backing to prevent its removal. The tag, placed immediately upon the antler or slit in ear, shall remain with the antlers or head until March 31, 2021. After the antlers, head, or hide have been removed from the carcass, the carcass tag shall remain with the carcass or processed meat until consumed or until March 31, 2021. No person may re-use or attempt to re-use any tag issued. When any part of an animal is mounted, if the tag is removed from the antlers or ear, the tag must be securely fastened to the back or bottom of the mount and remain there. Tags are not transferable.

### **16. TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE**

License holders must accompany their game animal, or parts thereof, (excluding hide) during transportation. Except that a permit for the transportation of game may be issued by the TAT Fish & Wildlife Department upon request. Game may be shipped by public carrier in receipt of a proper bill of lading. A deer carcass or boned out meat must be accompanied by the head to the final place of storage. It is illegal to possess or transport another's game animal or parts thereof (excluding hides) without the license holder accompanying or as otherwise permitted. Processed and packaged meat of legally harvested game may only be gifted to another (but not sold, bartered). Un-processed, un-packaged meat of legally harvested game may be gifted (but not sold, bartered) as follows: 1) Prior to reaching the licensee's permanent residence, a transportation permit must be obtained and accompany the game meat. 2) After reaching the licensee's permanent residence if accompanied by the carcass tag of the person who harvested the game.

Commercial processors and common carriers may possess any person's legally taken possession limit of game. The carcass tag from the individual's license shall accompany the carcass through processing and be returned to the individual to be kept until the meat is consumed or until March 31, 2021.

### **17. WANTON WASTE**

No person shall kill or cripple any big game animal without making a reasonable effort to retrieve and retain the big game animal in his/her actual custody. No person shall waste, destroy, spoil or abandon the edible flesh of any big game animal at the place where taken or between that place or either (a) his/her permanent residence (b) a taxidermist (c) a common carrier or (d) a commercial processor.

“Edible Flesh” (big game animals) is both front quarters, both hind quarters and back straps but does not include meat ruined by bullet or natural causes.

## **18. HUNTER QUESTIONNAIRES**

Complete and accurate information on the Hunter Questionnaires will greatly assist the Fish & Wildlife Division in determining the number of deer harvested and the optimum number of permits that can be issued to maintain a stable, healthy deer population on the Reservation lands for future generations. Hunter’s are required to hand them in or send them to the Three Affiliated Tribes Fish & Wildlife Division.

**This is mandatory and must be submitted within 30 days of the end of 2020 Deer Gun season. Failure to comply with this statute will result in an extra fee and must be paid before a hunter will be eligible to participate in any subsequent hunting and/or fishing seasons.**

## **19. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:**

- 1) Possess a valid general game license.
- 2) Possess a hunter’s safety certificate if born after 12/31/1961. (see Sect. 10 for exemptions)
- 3) Complete your 2020 Deer Gun Application and make payment in full.
- 4) Non-member Non-residents who do not reside in the state of North Dakota must also possess a Tribal Conservation permit.
- 5) Receive Deer Gun license via computer generated page and endorse in ink at the bottom where indicated.
- 6) Maintain your Deer Gun tag and license at all times while you hunt.
- 7) Hunt only in the unit for which the tag is issued.
- 8) Follow all weapons, vehicle and other hunting restrictions.
- 9) Abstain from hunting in closed areas.
- 10) Wear the appropriate amount of hunter orange while in the field.
- 11) Fill out and return a 2020 Deer Gun Hunter Questionnaire within 30 days of end of the 2020 Deer Gun Season.

*Pursuant to Chapter 18-6-1 Tribal Proclamations Have Force of Law—Penalty: Any tribal proclamation issued at the request of the Natural Resources Board or the Director of the Tribal Fish & Wildlife Division shall have the force of law. Any persons violating a provision of such order or proclamation is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined for not more than five hundred (\$500.00). In addition to any fine imposed in this chapter, the person shall be subject to forfeiture of his license, the privilege to hunt and fish for a period of one year, and confiscation of his vehicle, guns, boat, fishing equipment or anything used in connection with the violation.*

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## 2020-2021 YOUTH HUNTING SEASONS

### **Youth Deer Season**

#### **September 18-27, 2020**

Individuals age 14 and 15 are eligible to receive one Deer license valid for the Youth Deer season. This includes youth who are age 13 providing they will be age 14 before the opening day of the regular gun season (November 6, 2020).

If a 14 or 15 year old is unsuccessful in harvesting a deer during the Youth Deer season, the license will also be valid during the regular Deer season. Anyone applying for these licenses is not eligible to apply for a license for the regular Deer seasons.

All firearms and archery equipment allowed during the regular Deer seasons are legal during the youth Deer season. In addition, each youth licensee must be accompanied by at least one unarmed parent, guardian or adult authorized by their parent or guardian during the September Youth Deer Season. (A licensed hunter in the field during the Youth Deer season cannot be accompanied by a person carrying a firearm or bow and arrow, unless that person is another licensed youth season hunter.)

All Youth Deer hunters are subject to the same rules, regulations and fines within the regular 2020 Deer Gun Proclamation, 2020 Deer Bow Proclamation and the Chapter 18 Game, Fish and Recreation Code of the Three Affiliated Tribes.

**Youth Deer Tag Fee: \$10**

### **Youth Waterfowl Season**

#### **September 12-13, 2020**

Legally licensed youth 15 years of age or younger may hunt Ducks, Mergansers, Coots or Geese. An adult of at least 18 years of age must accompany the youth hunter into the field. The adult may not hunt Ducks, Mergansers, Coots or Geese. The daily bag limit, including species restrictions, and all other regulations that apply to the regular Duck and Goose hunting seasons apply to this special season.

**Youth Waterfowl Fee: \$10**

### **Youth Pheasant Season**

#### **September 26-27, 2020**

Legally licensed youth ages 15 and younger may hunt Pheasants reservation wide on September 26-27, 2020. An adult of at least 18 years of age must accompany the youth Pheasant hunter in the field. This adult may not carry a firearm and may not hunt any species of wildlife. Daily limit and hunting hours are the same as the regular season.

**Small Game Fee: \$10**

## **Small Game & Furbearer**

There is no minimum age for hunting small game or furbearer, but anyone under age 15 afield with firearms must be licensed, have their hunter's safety certification if 12 years of age and older and be under the direct supervision of a parent, guardian, or adult authorized by their parent or guardian. All youth small game/furbearer hunters are subject to the same rules, regulations and fines within the regular 2020-2021 Small Game/Furbearer Proclamation and the Chapter 18 Game, Fish and Recreation Code of the Three Affiliated Tribes.

**Small Game Fee: \$10**

**Furbearer Fee: \$10**

**Small Game/Furbearer Combo: \$15**



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## 2021 SPRING TURKEY PROCLAMATION

Pursuant to Chapter 18 of the Code of Law of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, and the authority of the Three Affiliated Tribes Business Council, The Three Affiliated Tribes Fish and Wildlife Division hereby declares an open season on wild turkeys as prescribed in the following proclamation.

Except as provided hereinafter or otherwise by law, no person shall hunt, kill, take, possess, transport, or so attempt to hunt, kill, take, or possess any wild turkeys.

### 1. SEASON DATES, TIMES, UNITS:

Season: Spring  
Opening Date: April 2, 2021  
Closing Date: May 16, 2021  
Units: Unit 1—Mandaree and Four Bears;  
Unit 3—Parshall and White Shield;  
Unit 4—Twin Buttes  
Hours of Hunting: One half hour (1/2) before sunrise to sunset

### 2. LICENSES AND PERMITS:

Members and non-members are eligible.

Licenses—issued on a first-come-first-served basis. Licenses are issued in the form of tags.

Applications—a 2021 Spring Wild Turkey application must be filed with the TAT Fish and Wildlife office.

Other licenses required—all hunters regardless of age must possess a general license certificate. In addition, Non-Member Non-Residents who do not reside in the state of North Dakota must also possess a conservation permit.

### 3. FEES:

The following fees below are for a Wild Turkey permit only; they do not include the cost of a conservation permit required for non-member non-residents who do not reside in the state of ND.

Enrolled TAT Tribal Members..... \$10.00  
Non-Member Residents .....\$50.00  
Non-Member Non-Residents.....\$75.00  
Youth (15 years or younger)..... \$10.00

### 4. WEAPONS:

Shotguns—Shotguns no larger than 10 gauge and capable of holding no more than three shells in the magazine and chamber are legal. Minimum barrel length is 18 inches. Fully automatic weapons are illegal.

Rifles—only muzzle loading long guns are legal. Centerfire rifles and rimfire rifles are illegal for hunting wild turkeys.

Bows and Arrows—a bow must be pulled, held, and released by hand. Any release aid may be used providing it is hand operated, the shooter supports the draw weight of the bow, and the release is not attached to any part of the bow other than at the bowstring. A compound bow used for hunting turkeys must have at least 35 pounds of draw at 28 inches or less draw length. Recurve and long bows used for hunting turkeys must have at least 35 pounds of draw at 28 inches. Arrows must be at least 24 inches long, tipped with a metal broadhead, with at least two sharp cutting edges, and have a cutting diameter of at least 3/4 inches (i.e., not able to pass through a 3/4 inch ring.). It is illegal to hunt turkeys with barbed arrows. Broadheads with mechanical or retractable blades are legal. Telescopic sights, range finding devices, battery-powered or electronically lighted sights or other electronic devices attached to the bow, or the arrow, are not permitted except a lighted nock, which is permitted. Handheld range finding devices are legal. Arrows capable of causing damage or injury to the animal in excess of that inflicted by the cutting edges of the broadhead, are prohibited while hunting turkeys with a bow (e.g., explosive arrow points, arrows tipped with drugs or chemicals, and pneumatic or hydraulic shafts are illegal.).

Handguns – Handguns of .35 caliber and larger with 4 inch or greater barrel length are legal.

Crossbows are illegal, except if disabled or handicapped (i.e. Paraplegics and/or having lost the use of one or both arms) with a permit from the TAT Fish and Wildlife Director. When permitted, crossbows must: a) have a peak draw weight of at least 75 pounds, b) be equipped with a working safety to prevent accidental firing, c) have a stock at least 14 inches long, d) use arrows or bolts at least 14 inches in length, e) battery-powered and electronic-lighted sight pins and telescopic sights not exceeding a maximum power of four by thirty-two millimeters may be attached to crossbows used for hunting, and f) crossbow hunters must comply with all other archery equipment regulations listed above.

## **5. AIRCRAFT AND MOTOR-DRIVEN VEHICLES:**

Aircraft, manned or unmanned (i.e., drones), may not be used to locate, drive, concentrate, rally, raise, stir up, spot, or disturb game.

It is illegal to shoot with bow and arrow or firearm while in or on a motor-driven vehicle or boat.

No person may carry a firearm with a loaded chamber in or on a motor-driven vehicle while hunting turkeys. The entire cylinder of a revolver is considered the chamber, requiring the revolver to be completely unloaded. Handguns with removable magazines must have the magazine removed from the firearm if the magazine contains any loaded shells. It is illegal to carry any muzzle loading long gun or muzzle loading pistol in or on a motor-driven vehicle with a percussion cap or primer on the nipple or powder in the flash pan.

No person may use a motor-driven vehicle while in the process of hunting turkeys or aid another in the process of hunting turkeys including travel to and from the hunting location unless the motor-driven vehicle is on an established road or trail during the deer gun season. A landowner or lessee who actively farms or ranches land and persons having written permission from a landowner or lessee who actively farms or ranches that land may use a motor-driven vehicle on that land other than on an established road or trail to hunt turkeys except during the deer gun season.

## **6. BAG LIMIT:**

Each license holder may take and possess one bearded or male wild turkey per license.

## **7. TAGGING REQUIREMENTS:**

Immediately after a turkey has been killed, the hunter must indicate the date of kill by cutting out the appropriate month and day from the tag provided with the license, and attach it around the leg of the turkey in an exact manner as illustrated on back of tag to prevent its removal. In no case is it legal to possess or transport a turkey unless it is properly tagged. The tag shall remain with the carcass until it is packaged as food. No person may reuse or attempt to reuse any tag issued. All used tags must be kept in possession until the meat is consumed or disposed of.

## **8. TRANSPORTATION:**

License holders must accompany their wild turkey during transportation, except that it may be shipped by licensed public carrier in receipt of proper bill of lading.

## **9. AREAS CLOSED TO HUNTING:**

Unit 2 is closed to Spring Wild Turkey hunting. It is illegal to hunt in unharvested crops without the owner's consent. Crops also include alfalfa, clover, and other grasses grown for seed.

The MHA Tribal Ranch/Buffalo Project is NOT WITHIN the exterior boundaries of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation – tribal tags are not valid outside the boundaries of the reservation.

## **10. HUNTING UNIT DESCRIPTIONS & LICENSES AVAILABLE BY UNIT:**

Unit 1—Mandaree and Four Bears areas; 30 permits available

Unit 2—**Closed for 2021 Spring turkey season**

Unit 3—Parshall and White Shield Areas; 20 permits available

Unit 4—Twin Buttes area; 10 permits available

## **11. WANTON WASTE OF A WILD TURKEY:**

No person shall kill or cripple any wild turkey without making a reasonable effort to retrieve and retain the wild turkey in his or her actual custody. No person shall waste, destroy, spoil, or abandon the edible flesh of a wild turkey at the place where taken or between that place and either (a) his/her personal permanent residence, (b) taxidermist or (c) a common carrier. Edible flesh means the breast meat of any wild turkey.

## **12. AGE REQUIREMENTS:**

There is no minimum age for hunting turkeys, but all hunters under age 15 afield with firearms must be under direct supervision of a parent, guardian or adult authorized by their parent or guardian.

**Hunter's Education Requirement:** Hunters born after December 31, 1961 must complete a certified tribal or state hunter education course and PRESENT the certification card earned to the license vendor in order to purchase a Fort Berthold hunting license. EXCEPTIONS: youth under age 12 if they have appropriate licenses and are accompanied by a parent or guardian, and Veterans of the United States Armed Forces that have been honorably discharged – persons applying for this exemption MUST present a copy of form DD214 to the TAT Fish and Wildlife office to be eligible.

## **13. HUNTER QUESTIONNAIRES:**

Complete and accurate information on the hunter questionnaires will greatly assist the TAT Fish and Wildlife Division in determining the number of Wild Turkeys harvested and the optimum number of permits that can be issued to maintain a stable, healthy Wild Turkey population on the Reservation lands for future generations. Hunters are required to hand them in or send them to the Three Affiliated Tribes Fish and Wildlife Division.



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