

SPOKANE TRIBE OF INDIANS

TRIBAL MEMBERS

2021 HUNTING SEASONS AND REGULATIONS

SPOKANE TRIBAL RESOLUTION 2021-340

Hunting and fishing within the boundaries of the Spokane Indian Reservation is open only to enrolled members of the Spokane Tribe. As a privilege, spouses of enrolled Spokane Tribal members and first-generation descendants of enrolled Spokane Tribal members are allowed to hunt deer after FIRST obtaining a **Courtesy Permit** and **Hunting Permits** and ONLY during designated seasons. Violations will be subject to confiscation of materials used in an unlawful act and will be prosecuted in Tribal court as a civil or criminal offense. Any question about enforcement should be directed to the Tribal Law Enforcement at (509) 258-4569, West End Wildlife Office (509)722-6570, Derek Abrahamson – Wildlife Bio – 626-4405.

RED DENOTES CHANGES FROM 2020 SEASONS – Please be aware there are changes for 2021.

SPOKANE INDIAN RESERVATION

2021 DEER HUNTING SEASON AND REGULATIONS

Spokane Tribal Members (Enrolled)

White-tail Deer: Cayuse Burn Area OPEN for deer hunting

White-tail Buck Open July 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021

White-tail Antlerless Open October 1, 2021 through October 31, 2021

Mule Deer: Limit 1 buck/1 antlerless- No more than 2 mule deer per household.

Mule Deer Buck October 1, 2021 through October 14, 2021-Limit ONE buck

Mule Deer Antlerless October 1, 2021 through October 14, 2021-Limit ONE antlerless

It is **MANDATORY** that All Mule Deer harvested-are reported to Wildlife dept. for data collection (Derek Abrahamson 626-4405), **DO NOT HARVEST COLLARED MULE DEER.**

Bag Limit: No more than six (6) deer, either sex, per Tribal member during the 2021 hunting season. No more than six (6) deer per household, total combined with Tribal member, spouse, and descendants in a single household. No more than two (2) deer carcasses in any one person's possessions at any one time. Bucks must have visible antlers. Black-tail, including the possibility of White-tail/mule deer hybrid will be considered a mule deer.

SPOKANE INDIAN RESERVATION

2021/2022 BEAR HUNTING SEASONS AND REGULATIONS

Spokane Tribal Members (Enrolled)

Season: Open year-round.

Bag Limit: Total of six (6), either sex, per Tribal member per calendar year. No more than two (2) carcasses in any one person's possession at one time.

SPOKANE INDIAN RESERVATION

2021/2022 TURKEY HUNTING SEASON AND REGULATIONS

Spokane Tribal Members (Enrolled)

Season: Gobbler and hen open year-round.

SPOKANE TRIBE OF INDIANS DESCENDANT AND SPOUSE 2021 HUNTING SEASONS AND REGULATIONS

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SPOKANE INDIAN RESERVATION 2021 DEER HUNTING SEASON AND REGULATIONS

First Generation Spokane Descendants and Spouses of Enrolled Spokane Tribal Members
Hunting for all species CLOSED from November 4, 2021 to November 14, 2021.

White-tail Deer:

White-tail Buck: Open October 1, 2021 through October 31, 2021.

- **Mandatory check in for CWD (chronic wasting disease) testing.**

White-tail Antlerless: Open October 1, 2021 through October 14, 2021.

- **Mandatory check in for CWD (chronic wasting disease) testing.**

Mule Deer:

Mule Deer: **CLOSED FOR 2021 SEASON**

Mule Deer Antlerless: **CLOSED FOR 2021 SEASON**

Bag Limit: No more than two (2) deer only one (1) of which may be antlerless, per household as established for the 2021 season. Bucks must have visible antlers. Black-tail, including the possibility of White-tail/mule deer hybrid will be considered a mule deer.

Descendants and Spouses: You must first obtain your Courtesy Permit and up to two (2) Hunting Tags (with harvest report cards) from Tribal Headquarters before hunting (please see the Enrollment Officer). Each deer harvested must be tagged immediately and a harvest report card must be returned within ten (10) days of harvest to the Enrollment Office. All tags and report cards must be turned back in whether you're successful or not no later than **JANUARY 3, 2022**. Failure to comply will result in the loss of hunting privileges and require a **\$100.00** reinstatement fee by Tribal Resolution 2006-277, **if the fee is not paid within three years there will be a loss of privileges for 10 years.**

SPOKANE INDIAN RESERVATION DESCENDANT AND SPOUSE 2021 ELK HUNTING SEASONS AND REGULATIONS

First Generation Spokane Descendants and Spouses of Enrolled Spokane Tribal Members
Hunting for all species closed from **November 4, 2021 to November 14, 2021.**

Elk

Bulls: CLOSED FOR 2021 SEASON

Antlerless CLOSED FOR 2021 SEASON

***The woods are closed to all non-Tribal members during the general elk hunt for the exception of 17 and under accompanying a parent or legal guardian. ***

SPOKANE INDIAN RESERVATION 2021 MOOSE HUNTING SEASON AND REGULATIONS

First Generation Spokane Descendants and Spouses of Enrolled Spokane Tribal Members
Hunting for all species closed from **November 4, 2021 to November 14, 2021**

Moose:

Bull: CLOSED FOR 2021 SEASON

Antlerless CLOSED FOR 2021 SEASON

SPOKANE INDIAN RESERVATION 2021 BEAR HUNTING SEASON AND REGULATIONS

First Generation Spokane Descendants and Spouses of Enrolled Spokane Tribal Members
Hunting for all species closed from **November 4, 2021 to November 14, 2021**

Season: Open **January 1, 2021** through **October 31, 2021.**

Bag Limit: Total of six (6), either sex, per descendant or spouse per calendar year. No more than two (2) carcasses in any one person's possession at one time.

SPOKANE INDIAN RESERVATION 2021 TURKEY HUNTING SEASON AND REGULATIONS

First Generation Spokane Descendants and Spouses of Enrolled Spokane Tribal Members
Hunting for all species closed from **November 4, 2021 to November 14, 2021**

Season: Gobbler and hen open **January 1, 2021** through **October 31, 2021.**

SPOKANE INDIAN RESERVATION

2021 ELK HUNTING SEASONS AND REGULATIONS

GENERAL ELK SEASON 2021: November 4- November 14, 2021

Non-Permit Holders- Season [November 4, 2021 through November 14, 2021](#)

Any Bull (North ½) Hunt Area: NORTH of the highway from Little Falls west to Wellpinit west to Peters Road west to highway 25 South.

Spike Only (South ½) Hunt Area: SOUTH of highway from Little Falls west to Wellpinit west to Peters Road west to highway 25 South

Senior **65 and above** Antlerless Permits: Season [November 4, 2021 to November 14, 2021](#)

Hunt Area: The Senior antlerless elk permit area is within the boundaries of the Spokane Indian Reservation.

Special Bull Permits (South ½): Season [November 4, 2021 to November 14, 2021](#)

Hunt area: The bull elk permit area includes South of the highway from Little Falls west to Wellpinit west to Peters Road west to highway 25 South

Special Antlerless Permits: Season [November 4, 2021 to November 14, 2021](#)

Hunt area: The cow elk permit area is within the boundaries of the Spokane Indian Reservation.

Archery Either Sex Permits (North ½): Season [September 23, 2021 to September 30, 2021](#)

Hunt Area: The archery either sex permit area includes north of the highway from Little Falls west to Wellpinit West to Peters Road west to Highway 25 South.

Muzzleloader Either Sex Permits (North ½): Season [October 1, 2021 to October 8, 2021](#)

Hunt Area: The muzzleloader either sex permit area includes north of the highway from Little Falls west to Wellpinit west to Peters Road west to Highway 25 South.

Elk Hoof Disease in Washington State (TAHD)

Hoof Lesions



- The disease appears to be highly infectious among elk, however there is no evidence that it affects humans. TAHD can affect hooves of any elk, young or old, male or female.
- Disease is limited to animals' hooves, and does not affect their meat or organs.
- Currently there is no vaccine or proven options of treatment.
- Most cases in Washington have been primarily reported in Southwest corner of the state.
- Please report any observations of healthy elk limping or any elk harvested or found dead with hoof abnormalities.

SPOKANE INDIAN RESERVATION

2021 ELK HUNTING SEASONS AND REGULATIONS

GENERAL ELK SEASON 2021: November 4-November 14, 2021

Eligibility: Enrolled Spokane members only.

Regulations:

1. Application period for permit sign-up will be from: June 1, 2021 to July 31, 2021.
2. Drawing will be held on **August 4, 2021** at the Department of Natural Resources
3. Drawing is open to enrolled Spokane Tribal members who are 16 years of age and older on July 31, 2021, or any enrolled youth who has successfully completed a Hunters Safety Course prior to the date of the drawing.
4. One (1) Special Elk Permit per household.
5. **One (1) elk per Tribal member, per calendar year.** Applicants awarded a 2021 special antlerless elk permit are able to **ONLY** hunt antlerless elk. UNLESS, they choose to forfeit their special permit. **DO NOT HARVEST COLLARED ELK**
6. Special Permits: **137** elk permits (**25** senior antlerless, **4** South half bull, **100** antlerless, **4** muzzleloader either sex, and **4** archery either sex will be determined by special drawing).
7. Special permit holders **under the age of 65** are not eligible for the designated hunter program.
8. Special permits will be considered forfeited if the chosen applicant delivers a written statement to the Wildlife Program prior to the start of the season associated with the forfeited permit.
9. Applicants can sign-up at Dept. of Natural Resources Front entrance, Monday-Friday 8-4pm. Applicants can only sign-up once for each category.
10. Two (2) year moratoriums for permit winners whether successful at filling permits or not. This includes each category (bull, either sex, etc.) and also applies to future categories if established. Senior permits are exempt from this moratorium.
11. Designated hunters will be allowed for seniors or disabled individuals (**65 years and older, or disabled with doctor documentation**), if they are special permit holders, they are eligible for the designated hunter program in 2020. **Designated hunters must be identified prior to the start of the general elk hunt.** Only one designated hunter can be named, and the named designated hunter must be an enrolled Tribal member. **Designated hunter permits have an antler restriction of SPIKE ONLY.** The designated hunters for elders with special antlerless tags may **ONLY** harvest cows for tag holders. Designated hunters for elders with cow tags may **ONLY** harvest cows. Individuals may only act as a designated hunter for one senior. Designated hunter permits are non-transferable. A formal designated hunter policy is available at the Department of Natural Resources front desk, which must be filled out and returned prior to the start of the general elk hunt.
12. Caliber restriction: Firearms with a caliber of less than .243 will not be allowed.
13. Vehicle travel is permitted on **main roads ONLY, including ATV's, unless retrieving game. (Sect. 15-6.01)**
14. **All harvested elk must be checked in within 24 hours to one of the two (2) designated check stations. One at the Department of Natural Resources (Wellpinit), and the second at Anderson field station (West-End). Open from 6am-6pm. Failure to do so will result in a Resolution Violation and a fine of \$300.**
15. Bulls must have visible antlers. Spikes must have one (1) visible antler on either side.
16. Either sex permit holders are allowed to harvest one animal either a bull or a cow during the designated season.
17. Senior special permits are open to enrolled Tribal members **65** years of age or older.
18. Proficiency test for muzzleloader and archery special permits will be held on **June 26th**. Individuals will not be eligible for muzzleloader or archery special permits unless they have successfully passed one of the aforementioned proficiency tests.
19. Archery restriction: Crossbow use is not allowed.
20. Archery and muzzleloader special permit holders are **not eligible** to hunt during the general elk hunt.
21. The woods are **CLOSED to ALL NON-TRIBAL MEMBERS** during the general elk hunt. With the exception of **17 & under** direct descendants who are accompanied by Spokane Tribal member parent or guardian or legally married spouses upon Council approval.

SPOKANE INDIAN RESERVATIONS

2021 MOOSE HUNTING SEASONS AND REGULATIONS

Eligibility: Enrolled Spokane Tribal members only.

Regulations:

1. Application period for permit sign-up will be from: **June 1, 2021** to **July 31, 2021**.
2. Drawing will be held on **August 4, 2021** at Department of Natural Resources.
3. Drawing is open to enrolled Spokane Tribal members who are 16 years of age and older on July 31, 2020 or any enrolled youth who has successfully completed a Hunters Safety Course prior to the date of the drawing.
4. One (1) special moose permit per household.
5. Special Permits: **24 moose permits** (10 bulls, 6 antlerless and 8 Sand Creek either sex) will be determined by special drawing.
6. Special permit season will be from October 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021.
7. Applicants can apply by signing-up at Tribal Headquarters; see the Enrollment Office or Front Desk. Applicants can only sign-up once for each category.
8. Five (5) year moratoriums for permit winners whether successful at filling permits or not. This includes each category (bull, antlerless, etc.) and also applies to future categories if established.
9. Harvested moose must be reported to Tribal Park Rangers and/or Law Enforcement Officers to validate the harvest site within 24 hours.

Antlerless Moose Permits: Season October 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021

Hunt Area: The antlerless moose permit area is within the boundaries of the Spokane Indian Reservation.

- Cayuse Burn Area OPEN for Antlerless Moose hunting

Bull Moose Permits: Season October 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021

Hunt Area: The bull moose permit area is within the boundaries of the Spokane Indian Reservation.

- Cayuse Burn Area OPEN for bull moose hunting.

Sand Creek Special Area Moose Permits: Season October 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021

Hunt Area: The Sand Creek special area moose permit area starts at the North Boundary (48th Parallel) commences south on Orzada Mine Road (West Boundary) to the intersection of Upper Sand Creek (East Boundary) then north to the North Boundary (48th Parallel) then west to the point of origin (requests for maps of the Sand Creek special area should be made to the Wildlife Program).

SPOKANE TRIBE OF INDIANS 2021/2022 GRAY WOLF HUNTING SEASONS AND REGULATIONS

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GRAY WOLF

Eligibility: Open to enrolled Spokane Tribal Members only

Season: Open year-round, Within the Boundaries of the Spokane Indian Reservation, including Cayuse burn area.

Quota: The 2021/2022 gray wolf hunting season will close once ten (10) individuals are harvested.

Regulations:

1. Trapping and/or snaring will be allowed by special permit only.
2. Trapping and/or snaring season open **October 1, 2021-February 28, 2022**
3. Tracking dogs will **not** be allowed.
4. Individuals outfitted with radio-collars are **not** to be harvested.
5. Radio-telemetry may **not** be used to assist in gray wolf harvest.
6. All gray wolf kills are to be reported **IMMEDIATELY upon recovery of animal**, to either the Department of Natural Resources Biologists (Wellpinit) or the Public Safety Building Law Enforcement/Park Ranger (Wellpinit) for data collection. Failure to do so will result in a **Resolution Violation and a fine of \$300.**
7. Hunters are not required to save the meat from harvested gray wolves.
8. Unintentional takes must be turned into the Spokane Tribe of Indians Department of Natural Resource immediately.

The above seasons and regulations are subject to change at the discretion of the Spokane Tribal Business Council.

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD)

What is it?

- CWD is a central nervous system disease found in cervids: Elk, Deer and Moose.
- It attacks the brain of infected animals, creating small lesions that cause death.
- Transmitted through direct animal-to-animal contact or contact with saliva, urine, feces, blood, or carcass of infected animals
- Currently **IS NOT** found within the STOI boundaries or Washington State.
- No known health risks to humans.

Signs of CWD in Cervids

- ✓ Loss of body condition or emaciation (wasting).
- ✓ Change in behavior such as loss of fear of humans.
- ✓ Loss of bodily control or movements.
- ✓ Excessive drooling and salivating.

What are the Impacts?

- Healthy cervid populations are of the utmost importance to the STOI, established CWD on reservation could significantly reduce served populations.
- CWD can spread through all cervid populations.
- All infected animals die from the disease.
- Hunting traditions are important to the STOI membership, as is monitoring for the disease.
- Monitoring for the disease pre-detection would assist the wildlife program with proper management in the case Washington State becomes CWD Positive.

What should you do?

- ✓ Should you harvest or observe an animal you suspect of having CWD, contact the STOI Wildlife program or tribal rangers IMMEDIATELY.
- ✓ Any and all samples of SUSPECTED CWD animals at this time would be greatly appreciated.
- ✓ **Wildlife Program Contacts:**
 - Derek Abrahamson (509)626-4405, Savannah Walker (509)626-4415 or Chad McCrea (509)626-4420.



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