

## **Tribal Subsistence Hunting Program Regulations**

The Miluk Coos, Hanis Coos, and Quuiich uł Sha'yuushtł'a peoples have harvested game animals since time immemorial as a means to sustain their communities and their culture. The harvest, preparation, and sharing of traditional foods, including game, is a vital component of the Tribe's traditional and ceremonial practices. The following regulations are meant to ensure that we continue to sustainably harvest these resources and, in the spirit of reciprocity, work with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) to guarantee that the next seven generations will enjoy a harvestable abundance of these resources. Tribal Members are encouraged to harvest only what they needed to sustain their families, and to do so with great reverence and humility.

### **General Regulations**

#### **Effective Dates**

These regulations are effective on June 26, 2024 and shall remain in effect until modified or superseded by updated regulations pursuant to Tribal code.

#### **Tribal Member Harvest Under State Law**

Unless specified otherwise in these regulations, participation in the Tribal Subsistence Hunting Program does not limit a Tribal Member's ability to participate in and harvest animals through Oregon state-regulated hunting and trapping programs.

Migratory game birds, including waterfowl, are subject to federal regulations. As such, the combined harvest of migratory game birds under Tribal and ODFW regulations may not exceed the daily and annual bag limits provided for within the Oregon Game Bird Hunting Regulations.

#### **Eligibility**

All Tribal Members who are currently enrolled pursuant to Title 7 of the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw Indians (CTCLUSI) Tribal Code are eligible to participate in the Tribal Subsistence Hunting Program.

#### ***Youth Participants***

Eligible youth may harvest animals under either of the programs described below:

#### **Mentored Youth Hunts**

Eligible youth aged 9 to 15 years old at the time of the hunt may carry a legal weapon when accompanied by an adult 21 years of age or older who possesses a valid annual Tribal hunting and fishing license and a tag for the species being hunted. Only one lawful hunting weapon may be carried during a mentored youth hunt under this paragraph. Any animal harvested by the youth hunter must be tagged with the accompanying adult's tag.

Eligible youth participating in mentored youth hunts must:

- Follow all hunting regulations.
- Remain under the immediate control of the supervising hunter at all times while the youth is in possession of any legal weapon for the hunt.

- Follow the Hunter Orange for Youth Participants requirements described below.

The supervising adult hunter must:

- Have a valid annual Tribal hunting and fishing license and tag(s) valid for the dates and species being hunted.
- Maintain immediate control of the mentored youth hunter at all times while the youth is in possession of any legal weapon for the hunt.
- Ensure that all Tribal hunting regulations are followed.
- Be responsible and accountable for all actions of the mentored youth hunter while engaged in hunting.
- Supervise only one mentored youth hunter at any given time while engaged in hunting.
- Demonstrate safe hunting practices.
- Ensure no more than one legal weapon for the hunt is possessed collectively by the supervising hunter and the youth being mentored at any time while engaged in hunting.

#### Youth Harvest Tags

Eligible youth aged 12 to 18 years old at the time of the hunt may receive their own harvest tags and when hunting must have on-hand a certificate for completion of an approved Tribal or State hunter's education course. In addition to the hunter safety requirement, eligible youth aged 12 to 13 must also be 1) accompanied by an adult 21 years of age or older or 2) hunting on land owned by their parent or legal guardian.

#### ***Hunter Orange for Youth Participants***

Eligible youth less than 18 years of age are required to wear a hat or exterior garment of fluorescent orange, visible from all directions, when hunting under the Tribal Subsistence Hunting Program. This rule does not apply if the eligible youth hunter is hunting turkey or waterfowl.

#### ***Elder Assistance***

Enrolled Tribal Elders 55 years of age or older can be assisted in all aspects harvesting an animal for which the Tribal Elder has a valid tag. The assisting person may be 1) an enrolled member of CTCLUSI 12 years of age or older; 2) the spouse of the Tribal Elder regardless of enrollment status; or 3) the Tribal Elder's blood related or legally adopted son, daughter, grandson, granddaughter, niece, nephew, or sibling of at least 12 years of age regardless of enrollment status. The CTCLUSI Department of Culture and Natural Resources (CDNR) will issue a Tribal Elder Hunter Assistant card that must be carried by the assisting person. The Tribal Elder and assisting person must remain within 50 feet of one another while hunting.

#### ***Proxy Tags***

A proxy tag may be issued to one designated Tribal member to hunt on behalf of a Tribal member who is unable to hunt due to age or disability. The proxy tag shall identify the name of the one eligible person engaging in the harvest and the person who the proxy is hunting on behalf.

A non-tribal family member may be designated as a proxy, but a non-tribal proxy may only hunt on Tribal reservation lands that are open for hunting.

Determination of criteria of a person's ability to hunt as well as the eligibility of a proxy hunter will be determined by the Hunting and Fishing program supervisor or their designee, or the Tribal Council. A proxy hunter must meet all other eligibility guidelines to engage in hunting.

Those who have been found in violation of these regulations, any provision of Chapter 3-4 of the Tribal Code, or applicable state or federal hunting regulations are ineligible to receive a proxy tag.

### **License Requirements**

The license to participate in the Tribal Subsistence Hunting Program shall consist of an original of the eligible hunter's Tribal hunting and fishing photo identification card, issued by CTCLUSI. This card must be in the hunter's possession when hunting or transporting harvested animals.

### **Tag Requirements**

Eligible hunters are required to have physical tags issued by the Tribe for each game animal that they intend to hunt. Tags must be in possession when hunting or transporting harvested animals. Lost or damaged tags may be replaced after the Tribal Member has signed an affidavit attesting that the tag was not used. Tags cannot be sold, gifted, bartered, or transferred in any way.

### **Tagging Requirements**

When an animal is harvested, the tag must be validated upon securing the harvested animal and before processing the animal. Validating the tag consists of marking the tag with the date and time of harvest, the hunter's name, hunter's Tribal ID number, the species and sex of the animal, the ODFW management unit where the animal was harvested, and other information as required by the Tribal Police and specified on the tag. The validated tag must be affixed to the game animal in plain sight. The tag and information contained on the tag must be maintained in good legible condition at all times. The tag or a photocopy of the validated tag must remain with any portions of the harvested animal so long as those parts are preserved.

### **Providing for Inspection of License, Tag, and Harvest**

Eligible Tribal Members shall provide licenses and tags as well as any game harvested for inspection when requested by an authorized employee of the CTCLUSI Tribal Police, ODFW, Oregon State Police, any person authorized to enforce wildlife laws in the State of Oregon, or to a landowner or the authorized agent of a landowner when the eligible Tribal Member is hunting with permission on the land of that landowner.

### **Harvest Reporting**




Annual harvest reporting is required as a condition of participation in the Tribal Subsistence Hunting Program. This data will be shared with ODFW following the end of each reporting period, and will help to inform cooperative management discussions between the state and CTCLUSI. All eligible Tribal

Members who have received a tag during a calendar year are required to report hunting and harvest activities no later than January 31 of the following year. A response is required even if no animals were harvested. Reporting can be completed through the Tribal Portal, via phone, or in-person at the CTCLUSI Administrative Office. Failure to report may result in the denial of future hunting tags, and no tags will be issued to the Tribal Member until reporting has been completed. Animals harvested under state-issued tags must be reported through the ODFW reporting system and not the Tribal reporting system.

### **Authorized Hunting Area**

The authorized hunting area for all species under the Tribal Subsistence Hunting Program consists of the following lands within the Tribe's five-county agreement area: the CTCLUSI Tribal Forest; public lands on which hunting is permitted; and privately-owned lands on which hunting is allowed and permission to hunt under the Tribal Subsistence Hunting Program has been granted by the landowner. Tribal Members are required to verify that they have permission to hunt on private property prior to hunting on such property and are advised to have written documentation of permission to hunt in their possession while hunting. The five-county agreement area includes Lincoln, Lane, Douglas, Coos, and Curry Counties (see map).



-  Five County Agreement Area
-  ODFW Wildlife Management Units
-  Highways

**CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF COOS LOWER UMPQUA, AND SIUSLAW INDIANS**  
Five County Agreement Area, Oregon



No hunting is allowed within the boundaries of any city, public park, cemetery, or school lands.

Note that additional Tribal, federal, state, and local rules and regulations may restrict access, travel management, permitted weapons, and other activities on Tribal, federal, state, and locally managed public lands. Cities and local governments may restrict the use of weapons within their jurisdictional boundaries. Such rules and regulations apply to Tribal hunters. Tribal hunters are required to know these rules and abide by them. Consult ODFW regulations or contact the Tribal Police for more information.

### **Shooting Hours**

Game mammals may only be hunted from 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.

Game birds may only be hunted from 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset.

### **Prohibitions**

The following activities are prohibited:

#### Possession of Wildlife Killed or Taken in Violation of Tribal Law

It is unlawful for any person to have in their possession any wildlife that said person knows or should under the circumstances know was killed or taken in violation of any of the provisions of Chapter 3-4 of the Tribal Code or these regulations.

#### Trespassing

It is unlawful to hunt or trap on private property without permission from the landowner. The duty to retrieve and to not waste does not justify otherwise prohibited conduct, including but not limited to trespass.

#### Hunting or Trapping While Intoxicated

It is unlawful for any person to hunt, fish or trap while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

#### Interference with Tribal Signs

It is unlawful for any person to destroy, tear down, shoot at, deface or erase any printed matter or signs placed or posted to effectuate the enforcement of Chapter 3-4 of the Tribal Code or these regulations.

#### Possession in Field of Skinned or Plucked Wildlife in a Manner that Prohibits Determination of Sex, Size or Species

It is unlawful for a person to possess in the field or forest, or in transit from the field or forest, the carcass of any wildlife that has been skinned, plucked or mutilated in any manner so that the sex, size or species of the wildlife cannot be determined.

#### Waste of Wildlife

It is unlawful to waste any edible portion of any wildlife.

A person may not remove the following parts from the carcass of any wildlife and utilize only those parts so removed:

- From the carcass of any game mammal or game bird, the head, antlers, horns, hide or plumage;
- From the carcass of a black bear or cougar, the paws, gallbladder, sex organs or bones.

#### Making Toxic Substances Accessible to Wildlife

It is unlawful to place any toxic substance where it is accessible to wildlife unless the substance used and the method of application is approved by the Tribe.

#### Aiming or Shooting a Firearm from a Moving Motor Vehicle

It is unlawful for a person who is an occupant of a motor vehicle that is moving to aim or fire a firearm from the moving motor vehicle.

#### Aiming or Shooting a Firearm from a Motor Vehicle

No person who is the occupant of a motor vehicle that is moving on a road open to the public shall aim or shoot a rifle or other firearm from the motor vehicle at a time when the hunting of wildlife is lawful.

#### Use of Dogs to Hunt or Track Game Mammals or Birds

Any dog that is not wearing a collar with a license issued by the Tribe or the State of Oregon that is found unlawfully hunting, running or tracking any game mammal or game bird may be killed at such time by any person authorized to enforce the wildlife laws.

If a dog that is found unlawfully hunting, running, or tracking any game mammal or game bird is wearing a collar with a license issued by the Tribe or the State of Oregon, the owner of the dog shall be notified by any person authorized to enforce the wildlife laws. If the owner or reputed owner of the dog disclaims ownership of the dog, the dog may be killed at such time by a person authorized to enforce the wildlife laws.

If the owner of a dog has been notified that the dog has been found unlawfully hunting, running or tracking game mammals or game birds and thereafter fails to prevent the dog from unlawfully hunting, running or tracking game mammals or game birds, such dog may be killed by any person authorized to enforce the wildlife laws.

No person shall permit any dog the person owns to unlawfully hunt, run or track any game mammal or game bird.

#### Use of Drones for Pursuit of Wildlife Prohibited

It is unlawful to use drones for the following purposes:

- Fishing;
- Hunting;
- Trapping;

- Aiding angling, hunting or trapping with drones to harass, track, locate or scout wildlife; and
- Interfering in the acts of a person who is lawfully angling, hunting or trapping.

#### Hunting or Assisting Others to Hunt or Locate Game Animals or Birds by Aircraft Prohibited

It is unlawful to:

- Hunt game mammals or game birds from or with the aid of an aircraft.
- Transmit from an aircraft to a person not in the aircraft information regarding the location of any game mammals or game birds.
- Otherwise use an aircraft to assist another person in hunting or locating game mammals or game birds for the purpose of hunting.

It is unlawful to hunt any game mammal within eight hours after having been transported by aircraft to or from any place other than a recognized airport that the Oregon Department of Aviation has licensed as a public use airport, registered as a personal use airport or specifically exempted from licensing or registration.

#### Hunting with Artificial Light Restricted

It is unlawful to hunt wildlife with the aid of any artificial light.

#### Shining artificial light on Game Mammal, Predatory Animal, or Livestock While in or near Motor Vehicle and while in Possession of Weapon Restricted

It is unlawful to cast from a motor vehicle or from within 500 feet of a motor vehicle an artificial light upon any game mammal, predatory animal or livestock while there is in the possession or in the immediate physical presence of the person a weapon with which the game mammal, predatory animal or livestock could be killed.

This restriction does not apply to a person who casts artificial light upon a game mammal, predatory animal or livestock:

- From the headlights of a motor vehicle that is being operated on a road in the usual manner, if that person makes no attempt to kill the game mammal or livestock; or
- When the weapon that person has in the possession or immediate physical presence of the person is disassembled or stored, or in the trunk or storage compartment of a motor vehicle; or
- On land owned or lawfully occupied by that person; or
- On publicly owned land when that person has an agreement with the public body to use that property.

#### Hunting, Fishing, or Trapping in Certain Areas Restricted

It is unlawful to hunt or trap in areas closed to such activities by the Tribe, the State of Oregon, or any federal agency.

Except as provided below, no person shall hunt or trap within the boundaries of any city, public park, cemetery, or on any school lands.



No hunting or trapping shall be allowed on any lands within the boundaries of any city, public park or on any school lands unless:

- The governing body or other agency that administers the affairs of the city, public park or school authorizes such hunting or trapping; and
- The Tribe authorizes uses of such lands.

Use of Dogs or Bait to Hunt Black Bears or Cougars

It is unlawful to use bait to attract or take black bears or use one or more dogs to hunt or pursue black bears or cougars.

“Bait” means any material placed for the purpose of attracting or attempting to attract bears.

**Legal Weapons by Species**

The requirements for weapons that can be used to harvest game animals are shown below:

<b>Deer, Black Bear, Cougar</b>	
Minimum Centerfire Caliber (Rifles and Handguns)	.22 caliber
Minimum Muzzleloader Caliber	.40 caliber: Round ball or legal bullet #1 or larger buckshot allowed for deer, bear, and cougar
Shotgun	#1 or larger buckshot or slugs
Archery - Long, Recurve, Compound Bow	40 pound minimum draw weight
<b>Elk</b>	
Minimum Centerfire Caliber (Rifles and Handguns)	.24 caliber
Minimum Muzzleloader Caliber	.50 caliber: Round ball or legal bullet
Shotgun	Slugs only
Archery - Long, Recurve, Compound Bow	40 pound minimum draw weight
<b>Western Gray Squirrel</b>	
Any rifle; handgun; shotgun; muzzleloader; long, recurve or compound bow.	

**Tribal Seasons & Bag Limits**

**Roosevelt Elk**

- Season: August 1st to December 31<sup>st</sup>
- Bag Limit: 1 elk per year
- License and Tag Requirements: CTCLUSI Tribal ID Card and CTCLUSI Elk Harvest Tag
- Harvest Reporting: Required by January 31<sup>st</sup>

<b>Open Season</b>	<b>Bag Limit</b>	<b>Weapon Restrictions</b>
Aug. 1 <sup>st</sup> to Aug. 30 <sup>th</sup>	Antlerless Elk or Spike Elk	Any Legal Weapon
Aug. 31 <sup>st</sup> to Sept. 29 <sup>th</sup>	Any Elk (Either Sex)	Archery Only
Sept. 30 <sup>th</sup> to Nov. 30 <sup>th</sup>	Any Elk (Either Sex)	Any Legal Weapon
Dec. 1 <sup>st</sup> . to Dec. 31 <sup>st</sup>	Any Bull Elk	Any Legal Weapon

**Definitions:**

Bull Elk – Male elk with at least one visible antler.

Spike Elk – Male elk with at least one visible unbranched antler. A brow tine is not considered an antler branch. The brow tine in the single lowest antler branch below the length of the ear. Any other tine above a brow tine on the main beam is considered an antler branch.

Antlerless Elk – A cow or calf elk. Tribal hunters are encouraged to avoid harvesting calf elk.

**Deer**

- Season: August 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>
- Bag Limit: 2 deer per year, one of which may be antlerless; upon a showing of need by a Tribal Member, the Tribe may issue 1 additional buck deer tag per Tribal Member; harvest of antlerless Columbian white-tailed deer is prohibited except for eligible youth aged 12 to 17 years of age.
- License and Tag Requirements: CTCLUSI Tribal ID Card and CTCLUSI Deer Harvest Tag
- Harvest Reporting: Required by January 31<sup>st</sup>

Open Season	Bag Limit	Weapon Restrictions
Aug. 1 <sup>st</sup> to Aug. 30 <sup>th</sup>	Bucks (w/ Visible Antler)	Any Legal Weapon
Aug. 31 <sup>st</sup> to Sept. 29 <sup>th</sup>	Any Deer*	Archery Only
Sept. 30 <sup>th</sup> to Nov. 30 <sup>th</sup>	Any Deer*	Any Legal Weapon
Dec. 1 <sup>st</sup> . to Dec. 31 <sup>st</sup>	Bucks (w/ Visible Antler)	Any Legal Weapon

\* Harvest of antlerless Columbian white-tailed deer is prohibited, except for eligible youth 12 to 17 years of age at the time of hunt who are in possession of a valid tag.

**Black Bear**

- Season: Open Year-Round
- Bag Limit: No Daily or Annual Limit
- License and Tag Requirements: CTCLUSI Tribal ID Card and CTCLUSI Bear Harvest Tag
- Harvest Reporting: Required by January 31<sup>st</sup>

**Mandatory Check-In Requirements**

CTCLUSI adopts all regulations published by ODFW regarding the mandatory check-in required after the harvest of bears. Tribal Members shall follow the mandatory check-in procedures published by ODFW and check-in with an ODFW office within 10 days of harvest. Please refer to ODFW requirements for mandatory check-in requirements.

Open Season	Bag Limit Restrictions	Weapon Restrictions
Year-Round	No harvest of cubs less than one year old or sow with cubs less than one year old	Any Legal Weapon

## Cougar

- Season: Open Year-Round
- Bag Limit: No Daily or Annual Limit
- License and Tag Requirements: CTCLUSI Tribal ID Card and CTCLUSI Cougar Harvest Tag
- Harvest Reporting: Required by January 31<sup>st</sup>

### ***Mandatory Check-In Requirements***

CTCLUSI adopts all regulations published by ODFW regarding the mandatory check-in required after the harvest of cougar. Tribal Members shall follow the mandatory check-in procedures published by ODFW and check-in with an ODFW office within 10 days of harvest. Please refer to ODFW requirements for mandatory check-in requirements.

<b>Open Season</b>	<b>Bag Limit Restrictions</b>	<b>Weapon Restrictions</b>
Year-Round	No harvest of spotted kittens or females with spotted kittens	Any Legal Weapon

## Game Birds

- Season: See Below
- Bag Limit: See Below
- License and Tag Requirements: CTCLUSI Tribal ID Card
- Harvest Reporting: Required by January 31<sup>st</sup>

### ***Federal Bird Stamps***

A federal migratory bird stamp is required for species requiring a federal stamp. ODFW stamps and validations are not required.

### ***Cumulative Harvest of Migratory Game Birds***

The cumulative harvest of migratory game birds (including waterfowl) under either the ODFW regulations or these Tribal regulations shall not exceed the bag limits specified in the ODFW regulations.

### ***Harvest Logs***

Tribal hunters are required to maintain a harvest log of game birds harvested through the Tribal Subsistence Hunting Program, and report on the total animals harvested during the calendar year prior to January 31<sup>st</sup> of the following calendar year. A blank game bird harvest log will be provided by the Tribal Police.

<b>Season</b>	<b>Bag Limits</b>	<b>Weapons Restrictions</b>
<i>Turkey</i>		
Year-Round	8 birds of any sex per year (hunters are encouraged to voluntarily avoid taking hens with immature poults)	Shotguns 10 gauge or smaller or archery equipment

Ruffed and Blue Grouse		
Aug. 1 <sup>st</sup> to March 31 <sup>st</sup>	No Limit	Shotguns 10 gauge or smaller, archery equipment, or rimfire firearms
California or Mountain Quail		
Aug. 1 <sup>st</sup> to March 31 <sup>st</sup>	No Limit	Shotguns 10 gauge or smaller or archery equipment
Eurasian Collared Dove and Rock Pigeon		
Year-Round	No Limit	None
All other game birds not specifically listed (including waterfowl)		
The Tribal open season, bag limit, and other regulations for all other game bird species shall be the same as those adopted by the ODFW Game Bird Regulations. This shall remain in effect until superseded by future Tribal regulations.		

**Furbearers**

- License and Tag Requirements: CTCLUSI Tribal ID Card
- Harvest Reporting: Required by January 31<sup>st</sup>

***Adoption of ODFW Furbearer Hunting and Trapping Regulations***

CTCLUSI adopts as its own the regulations published by ODFW in its Oregon Furbearer Hunting and Trapping Regulations for July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024. Bobcat and river otters harvested under these regulations must be presented to an ODFW district or regional office for inspection and tagging, as described in the Oregon Furbearer Hunting and Trapping Regulations. This shall remain in effect until superseded by future Tribal regulations.

**Ceremonial & Cultural Use Tags**

The Miluk Coos, Hanis Coos, and Quuiich uł Sha'yuushtł'a peoples have harvested animals since time immemorial as a means to sustain their communities and their culture. The harvest, preparation, and sharing of traditional foods, including deer, elk, and birds, is a vital component of the Tribe's traditional and ceremonial practices. In order to sustain the Tribe's ceremonies and culture, CTCLUSI anticipates that it may issue a limited number of ceremonial and cultural harvest tags to Tribal Members who will be selected to harvest animals for ceremonial and cultural use by the Tribe. Such tags may be issued year-round. If such tags are issued outside of general Tribal hunting seasons, the Tribe will provide at least two-days advance notice to ODFW and the Oregon State Police.

**Tribal Member Hardship Tags**

In an effort to help Tribal Families during these times of food insecurity, the Tribe may issue additional hardship tags to eligible Tribal Members who have demonstrated that they have a legitimate need to provide additional sustenance to themselves or their family. Applications for hardship tags will be provided by the Tribal Police, and must be approved by the Tribal Chair or their designee before a hardship tag is issued. The species, sex, and permitted area and time of harvest will be specified on the hardship tag. If a hardship tag is issued outside of general Tribal hunting seasons, the Tribe will provide at least two-days advance notice to ODFW and the Oregon State Police.