

HUNT YEAR 2024



FOR SALES OF PERMITS SEE:

HUALAPAI GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT
P.O. BOX 249
PEACH SPRINGS, AZ 86434
928-769-2227 or 928-769-1122

HUALAPAI TRIBE

FOR WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT SEE:

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
WILDLIFE, FISHERIES, AND PARKS PROGRAM
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APPROVED BY TRIBAL COUNCIL: 2/8/2024

HUALAPAI TRIBE 2024 HUNT REGULATIONS

It is the hunter's responsibility to thoroughly read and understand these regulations prior to obtaining permit or going afield.

The Hualapai Tribe and its agents are not responsible for injuries, theft, accidents, or deaths to Hunters, which may occur while hunting or fishing on the Hualapai Indian Reservation.

PROCESS TO PURCHASE SPECIAL HUNTS

Exclusive Elk Tag – Each year, this tag is either sold by sealed bid, auction, or by raffle. Please contact Hualapai Game and Fish Department (928-769-2227/1122) for more information.

Scholarship Elk Tag – By Tribal Council action, the sale of one Trophy Bull Elk tag to be designated to generate revenue for a Scholarship Fund for the benefit of tribal member students who want to further their education in natural resources related fields. Each year, this tag is either sold by sealed bid, auction, or by raffle. Please contact the Hualapai Game and Fish Department (928-769-2227/1122) for more information.

PROCESS TO PURCHASE A GENERAL TAG

1. To be considered "Booked" and your name placed on a hunt priority list, you must pay a 1/3 deposit for the species and hunt, that you want to hunt. The deposit does not guarantee price or time of the hunt. The deposit is nonrefundable.
2. The full balance of the hunt, must be paid at least sixty (60) days prior to the hunt, or the permit will be canceled and the next person on the list will be notified.
3. In a calendar year this list shall not extend further than (5) five years.

GUIDE SELECTION PROCESS

1. You must select a Hualapai Guide. By Tribal Law, a Hualapai Tribal Guide is required for all big-game hunts on the reservation.
2. A list of eligible guides and a history of their past Boone and Crockett scores for the species guided are available upon request. The Hunter has the ultimate decision for the selection of a Guide.
3. Beginning January of each year, the Hunter must send a written letter stating the selection of his/her Guide to the Hualapai Game and Fish Department, for that years hunt.
4. If the Hunter does not select a Guide, the Hualapai Game and Fish Department will appoint one.
5. Minimum Guide Fees established for each hunt. Higher fees will be negotiated between the Guide and Hunter.

The maximum number of Clients (Hunters) per Guide are as follows:

<u>Game Species</u>	<u>Number of Clients per Guide</u>	<u>Guide Fee (minimums)</u>
Management Elk (5pts or less, Deformed Antlered Elk, & Spike)	2	Management - \$1,500 Deformed Antlered Elk - \$1,500
Antelope	1	\$1,000
Exclusive Trophy Bull Elk	1	\$3,500 - 380" & below \$4,000 - 381"-390" \$4,500- 391" & over
Scholarship Trophy Bull Elk	1	Negotiated w/Guide
General Trophy Bull Elk	1	\$3,000 - 370" & below \$3,500 - 371"- 380" \$4,000 - 381"-390" \$4,500 - 391" & over
Desert Bighorn Sheep	1	\$4,000 - 140"-149" \$5,000 - 150"-159" \$6,000 - 160"-169" \$7,000 - 170" & over
Antlerless Elk and Turkey	2	\$150/day per client and negotiable per group
Mountain Lion	1	Negotiated w/ Guide

- A Tribal Guide recommended for Antlerless Elk and Turkey and available upon request.

2024 NON-TRIBAL HUNT DATES AND PERMIT FEE INFORMATION
BIG GAME*

(All hunts are Reservation Wide unless specified.)

HUNT	SEASON	PERMITS	TOTAL DOES NOT INCLUDE 8.5% TAX	FEE DUE DATE
Early Spring Turkey	April 12-19, 2024	10	\$600.00	
Late Spring Turkey	April 20-27, 2024	10	\$600.00	
Deformed Antlered Elk	August 17-25, 2024	15	\$4,000	
Antelope (1 East/1 West)	August 30-Sep. 1, 2024	2	\$7,000	
Scholarship Bull Elk (Any 16 days)	August 1 - December 31, 2024	1	By Auction, Bid, or Raffle	
Exclusive Bull Elk (Any 16 days)	August 1 - December 31, 2024	1	By Auction, Bid, or Raffle	
First Trophy Bull Elk**	September 14-19, 2024	5	\$28,000	
Second Trophy Bull Elk**	September 21-26, 2024	5	\$28,000	
Trophy Bull Elk - Westside	September 14-19, 2024	1	\$28,000	
Trophy Bull Elk - Westside	September 21-26, 2024	1	\$28,000	
Management Bull Elk - Eastside	September 28-Oct. 3, 2024	5	\$6,500	
Management Bull Elk - Westside	October 5-10, 2024	5	\$6,500	
Cow Elk East	October 12-17, 2024	5	\$1,500	
Cow Elk West	October 12-17, 2024	5	\$1,500	
Desert Bighorn	October /December	1E/1W	\$45,000	
Non-Tribal Javelina	30 Day intervals (Jan 1-March 31, 2024)	Unlimited.	\$150.00	
Mountain Lion		10	BAG LIMIT (per day)	PERMIT FEE
Game Fish	Year Round	Unlimited	8	\$10.00
Small Game (squirrels/rabbits/prairie dogs)	Year Round	Unlimited	5sm game Unlimited prairie dogs	\$10.00

*For Elk, Antelope, and Desert Bighorn Sheep Hunts: Permit price includes a mountain lion, javelina and prairie dog.

Reminder: Mandatory Check Out: ALL HUNTERS must check out with a Ranger, at the Game and Fish Department, or with a Tribal Biologist. Failure to check out will result in a loss of hunting privileges for one year.

**2024 TRIBAL HUNT DATES AND PERMIT FEE INFORMATION
BIG GAME***

All Hunts Require a Tribal Hunting Permit
and are Reservation Wide unless specified

HUNT	SEASON	PERMITS	TOTAL DOES NOT INCLUDE 8.5 TAX	FEE DUE DATE
Tribal Turkey (Toms only)	April 12-25, 2024	10 by Draw	\$45.00	at time of draw
Tribal Antelope (Westside) (Any 9 consec. days)	September 2-30, 2024	1	\$10 a ticket	at time of draw
Tribal Trophy Bull Elk (any 16 consecutive days)	September 14-December 31, 2024	3	\$10 a ticket	at time of draw
Tribal Cow Elk** - Eastside	October 19-27, 2024	5 Adult	\$50.00	at time of draw
Tribal Cow Elk Junior Eastside	October 19-27, 2024	2 Juniors	\$50.00	at time of draw
Tribal Cow Elk** - Westside	October 19-27, 2024	5 Adults	\$50.00	at time of draw
Tribal Cow Elk Junior Westside	October 19-27, 2024	2 Juniors	\$50.00	at time of draw
Tribal Spike	October 21 - November 5, 2023	20 by Draw	\$60.00	at time of draw
Management Elk - East	October 12-20, 2024	5	\$70.00	at time of draw
Management Elk - West	October 12-20, 2024	5	\$70.00	at time of draw
Tribal Javelina	Apr. 1 - Dec. 31 w/30 day permit	Unlimited	\$20.00	at time of draw
Tribal Deer***	November 1-24, 2024	1 per household	\$25.00	
Trapping	October 1, 2023 - March 31, 2024	Unlimited		
Mountain Lion	January 1 - December 31, 2024	Unlimited		
Game Fish	Year Round	Unlimited	BAG LIMIT (per day)	PERMIT FEE
Small Game (squirrels and rabbits)	Year Round	Unlimited	8	
Small Game (prairie dogs)	Year Round	Unlimited	12	
			No Bag Limit	

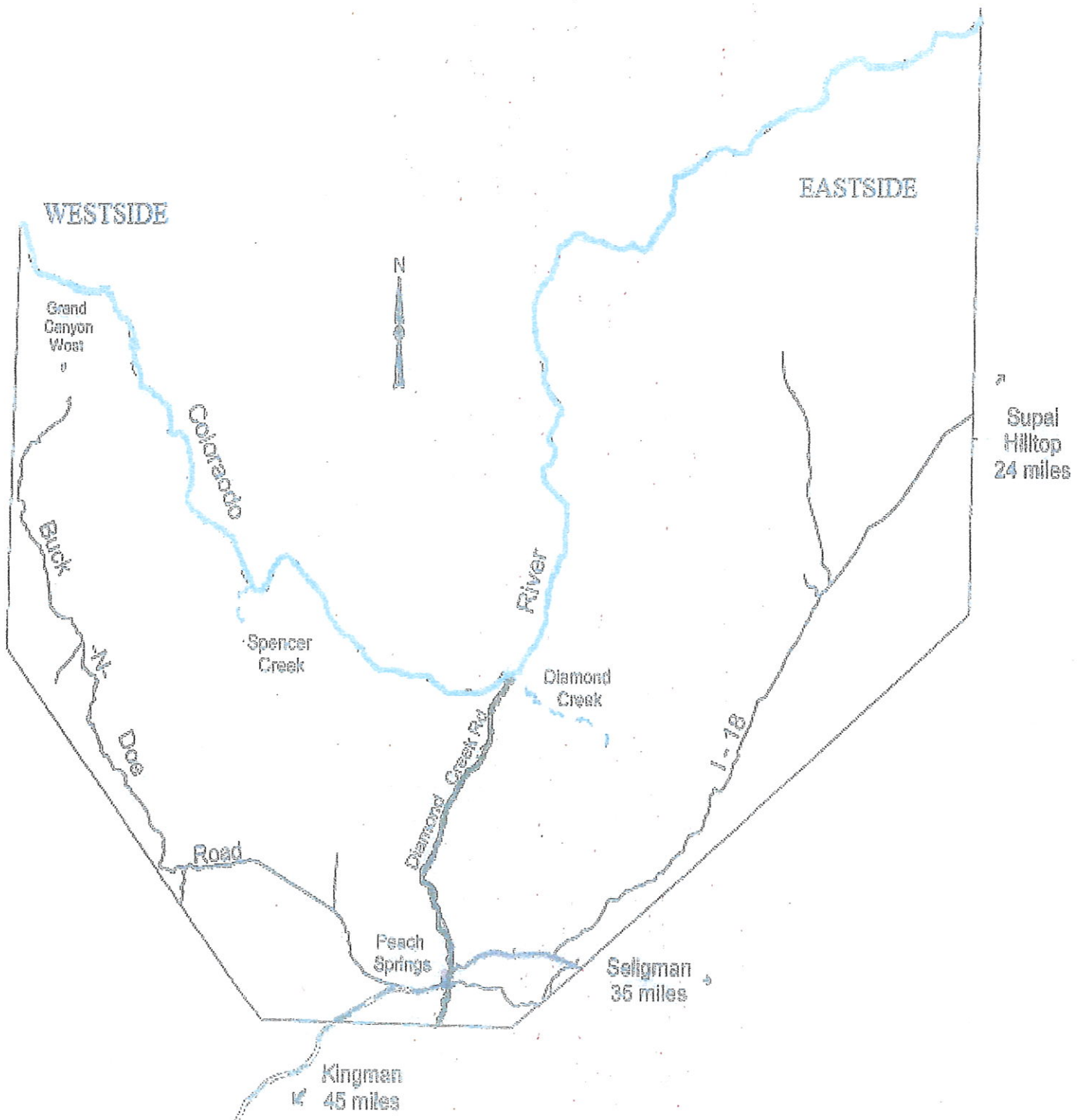
* Any Hualapai Veteran who draws a regular season Turkey, Elk, and/or Deer tag will have their permit fee waived.

**For Tribal Cow Elk Hunts: 4 tags total will be Juniors (10-17yrs.) only tags. Youth ages 10-13yrs must have Hunters Education Card in possession.

***For Deer Hunts: A legal mule deer buck is a mule deer with 4 points on one side or greater

Tribal Trophy Bull Elk: If Tribal Member is drawn, the Tribal Member cannot be drawn for a period of (5) years.

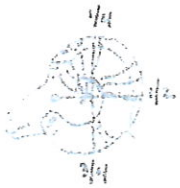
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Failure to check out will result in a loss of hunting privileges for one year.



Diamond Creek Road is the dividing line to separate the east side of the reservation from the west side. A more detailed map of the reservation available at the Hualapai Game and Fish Department.

Definitions

1. **Antelope:** **Legal Buck Antelope:** A male Pronghorn antelope with a horn extending past its ear.
Management Antelope: An antelope with horns greater than the ears, but without prongs (cutters).
2. **Big Game:** Are turkey, deer, elk, antelope, desert bighorn sheep, javelina, and mountain lion.
3. **Booked:** Means the Hualapai Game and Fish Department has received a 1/3 deposit of the total price of the hunt.
4. **Camping Permit:** A permit to camp in designated areas of the Reservation.
5. **Deer:** **Legal Buck Mule Deer:** Any antlered mule deer with 4 points on one side or greater.
6. **Desert Bighorn Sheep:** **Legal Ram:** is greater than six (6) years old.



Sealing of DBS Horns: Every DBS taken or any DBS horns found on the Hualapai Indian Reservation must have affixed to one horn, a plug seal placed by the Hualapai Game & Fish Department prior to transporting off the reservation.

7. **Elk:**
 - Exclusive Trophy Bull Elk:** A 16 day Trophy Bull Elk hunt with only one hunter in the field. Any 16 consecutive days between the dates of August 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024.
 - Scholarship Trophy Bull Elk:** A 16 day Trophy Bull Elk hunt with only one hunter in the field. Any 16 consecutive days between the dates of August 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024. All proceeds go into the Natural Resources Scholarship Fund.
 - Legal Trophy Bull Elk:** an antlered elk with at least five (5) points on one side and scoring 330 Boone and Crockett gross points.
 - Legal Antlerless Elk:** Any antlerless elk.
 - Legal Spike Elk:** A single antler (no points) on one side.
 - Deformed Antlered Elk:** An antlered elk showing abnormal pedicle (1 inch offset) growth resulting from genetic factors, injury, or systematic effects.
 - Management Elk:** A mature antlered elk that has five (5) points or less on each side
 - * Spikes
 - * Deformed Antlered Elk

A five or six point animal with broken tines does not constitute a Management

Elk

8. **Fur-bearing animals:** Are muskrats, raccoons, otters, weasels, bobcats, beavers, badgers, coyotes and ringtail cats.
9. **Game Fish:** Are trout of all species, bass of all species, catfish of all species, sunfish of all species.
10. **Guide:** a person who, for pay, aids or assists any person in taking wildlife.
11. **Hunting Area:** All lands and waters within the boundaries of the Hualapai Indian Reservation that are specifically designated and permitted for hunting wildlife. Includes the Youth Camp area, hunter camps, guide camps, tribal roads

(improved and unimproved), and all public reservation areas intended and

approved for the hunting of wildlife. Also includes any area specifically designated by the Hualapai Tribe or its designees for the sole purpose of hunting wildlife.

12. **Junior:** Youth ages 14-17 yrs. Youth ages 10-13 yrs may hunt big game with a valid Hunters Education Certification Card in possession. All Hunters must have appropriate Hunting Tag.
13. **List:** Once a Hunter has booked a hunt, their name is placed on a priority hunt list, in the order that their hunt was booked.
14. **Migratory Game Birds:** Wild waterfowl, including but not limited to, ducks, geese and swans; sandhill cranes; all coots, all gallinules, common snipe, wild doves and bandtail pigeons.
15. **Mountain Lion:** Legal Mountain Lion: Any Mature Mountain Lion
16. **Negotiated Sale:** Sale of a hunt tag other than by sealed bid, raffle, or auction
17. **Permits:** are written permission by the Tribe for access or to hunt.
18. **Predatory Animals:** Are foxes, skunks, coyotes, and bobcats. Trapping Season: October 1 – March 31
19. **Small Game:** Are rabbits squirrels, prairie dogs, upland game birds and migratory game birds.
20. **Turkey:** Legal Turkey: Any Mature Tom
21. **Upland Game Birds:** Are quail, partridge, grouse and pheasants.

Lawful Methods for Taking Game

- A. An individual may use the following method to take big game on the Hualapai Indian Reservation.
 1. To take Antelope, Deer, Desert Bighorn Sheep
 - a. Centerfire rifles of .243 caliber or larger
 - b. Muzzleloading rifles of .40 caliber or larger
 - c. Centerfire handguns of .24 caliber or larger
 - d. Bows with a standard pull of 40 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges.
 2. To take Elk:
 - a. Centerfire rifles of .270 caliber or larger or .243 or larger for antlerless elk
 - b. Muzzleloading rifles of .40 caliber or larger
 - c. Centerfire handguns of .24 caliber or larger
 - d. Bows with a standard pull of 40 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges.
 3. To take Javelina:
 - a. Centerfire rifles of .222 caliber or larger
 - b. Muzzleloading rifles of .40 caliber or larger
 - c. Centerfire handguns of .222 caliber or larger
 - d. Bows with a standard pull of 40 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges.
 - e. .22 Rimfire magnum rifles
 - f. 5 mm Rimfire magnum rifles
 4. To take Turkey:
 - a. Centerfire rifles of .222 caliber or larger
 - b. Muzzleloading rifles of .40 caliber or larger
 - c. Centerfire handguns of .222 caliber or larger
 - d. Bows with a standard pull of 40 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges.
 - e. .22 Rimfire magnum rifles
 - f. 5 mm Rimfire magnum rifles or larger

g. 16 gauge or larger Shotgun

5. To take Mountain Lion

- a. Handgun of .45 caliber or larger
- b. Centerfire rifles of .22-250 caliber or larger
- c. Shotgun shooting shot of 12 gauge or larger
- d. Leghold traps of size No. 4 or larger

B. An individual may use the following method to take small game on the Hualapai Indian Reservation.

1. To take Rabbits and Squirrels:

- a. Shotgun
- b. .17 Rimfire or larger caliber

2. To take Upland Game Birds:

- a. Shotgun
- b. .17 Rimfire or larger caliber

3. To take Migratory Game Birds:

- a. Shotgun
- b. .17 Rimfire or larger caliber

C. An individual may use the following method to take game fish on the Hualapai Indian Reservation.

1. Hook and Line

2. One fishing pole with a maximum of two (2) separate hooks, lures, or flies.

D. To take Coyote:

- a. Centerfire rifles of .222 caliber or larger
- b. Muzzleloading rifles of .40 caliber or larger
- c. Centerfire handguns of .222 caliber or larger
- d. Bows with a standard pull of 40 or more pounds, using arrows with broadheads no less than 7/8 inch in width with metal cutting edges.
- e. .22 Rimfire magnum rifles
- f. 5 mm Rimfire magnum rifles

General Hunting Information and Regulations

1. All Hunters and Guides must abide with Ordinance 24-70 and all Tribal Law
2. Unless a different or other penalty or punishment is specifically prescribed, a person who violates or fails to comply with these Regulations shall be assessed a minimum fine of \$500 up to \$5,000 through Tribal Court.
3. It is recommended that all Hunters hunting on the Hualapai Indian Reservation, obtain a copy of the Natural Resources Wildlife Conservation Ordinance 24-70. This Ordinance is available upon request.
4. The Hualapai Tribe reserves the right to refuse sale of hunting or any other recreational permits to anyone.
5. **ATV's or UTV's are not permitted for recreational use on the Hualapai Reservation.** Signs are posted on Route 18, Diamond Creek, and Buck and Doe Roads.
6. All Hunters and Fishermen are subject to the laws and jurisdiction of the Hualapai Tribe.
7. Wildlife may only be harvested from Dawn to Dusk when there is sufficient light available to safely harvest the animal.
8. An Arizona hunting or fishing license is not valid or required on the Hualapai

Reservation.

9. Youth ages 10-13 yrs may hunt big game animals if they have a valid hunters education card from their State of Issuance in their possession. A big game permit is required and must be accompanied by an Adult 18yrs or older. Youth may hunt big game at age 14.
10. Mandatory Check-In/Check-Out: All Hunters (Non-Tribal and Tribal) are required to check-in at the Hualapai Game and Fish Department prior to the hunt. Whether successful or not, all hunters must check out at the Hualapai Game and Fish Department or with a Game Ranger or Tribal Biologist. Failure to comply with this regulation will disqualify a hunter from next years hunt.
11. A Hunter may harvest mountain lion during his/her Antelope, Elk, or Desert Bighorn Sheep Hunt. No dogs shall be used when hunting during a Trophy Antelope, Elk or Desert Bighorn Sheep Hunt.
12. During a Management Hunt, the Tribal Guide must declare the animal as a "Management" animal prior to shooting. A Management Elk has 5pts or less on each side. *A five or six point animal with broken tines does not constitute a Management Elk.*
13. All Deformed antlered elk hunters are required to attend an educational workshop provided by HDNR prior to their hunt. Class time and location will be posted upon check-in at the Hualapai Game and Fish Department.
14. All Turkey Hunters and Cow Elk Hunters may only Camp in the Pine Springs, 20 Pines, Laguna, Youth Camp Area, Turkey Tracks, Thorton Tower Turn-Off Areas, Trail Tank, Red Tank, Maverick, North Tank, Rock Quarry, Across from Ranger Cabin and N. Horse Flats.
15. A Guide Trainee may accompany the Master Guides during Elk and/or DBS hunts.
16. The Hunter shall ensure that evidence of legality remains with the carcass or parts of a carcass for
17. Any game species taken until the Hunter has properly followed the check out procedure.
18. A fee of \$15 will be collected for all duplicate permits.
19. *Non-Tribal Outfitters are not permitted to operate on the Hualapai Indian Reservation.*
20. Non-Tribal Members are not permitted to pick up cast antlers or sheep horns. Failure to comply with this Regulation will result in a fine of \$500.
21. No person shall carelessly handle any firearm which may result in human injury, death, or damage to property.
22. *It shall be unlawful for any person to allow for wanton waste (i.e. any edible portion) of wildlife. Failure to comply with this Regulation will result in a fine of \$1,000.*
23. Hunting is not permitted within a ¼ mile of established buildings or occupied residences. Signs will mark ¼ mile boundaries at areas surrounding the Grand Canyon West Facilities. Guide must notify GCW administration/security prior to hunting in the area.
24. Aircraft are not to be utilized during the hunt.
25. The following devices and ammunition are prohibited for taking wildlife (big game) on the Hualapai Indian Reservation:
 - o Semi-automatic center fire rifles with a magazine capacity of more than five (5) shells.
 - o Crossbows
 - o Fully automatic firearms including firearms capable of selective automatic fire -- full jacketed or steel jacketed bullets
26. Successful Hunters are required to attach a big game tag (furnished by the Hualapai Game

- and Fish Department) to all harvested big-game animals (Deer, Elk, Turkey, Desert Bighorn sheep, Antelope, Javelina and Mountain lion).
27. Scouting prior to the hunt is prohibited unless accompanied by a Certified Tribal Guide. A Visitation Permit is required if a Hunter wishes to be in the field prior to his/her scheduled hunt.
 28. All photos and videos taken during the hunt are to be for personal use only. Tribal Council approval and a tribal permit are required for all commercial film and printing, recording, photos, and videos for sale or profit.
 29. To reduce the potential spread of infectious diseases (West Nile, Chronic Wasting, New Castles, etc.) Hunters who have hunted in a foreign country, shall not use those clothing articles worn during their foreign hunt, while hunting on the Hualapai Reservation.
 30. No person shall take or attempt to take any species of wildlife with the use of jacklight, artificial light, or spotlight.
 31. It is unlawful to possess while hunting, any contrivance designed to silence, muffle or minimize the report of a firearm.
 32. All Hunters and Guides must comply with Tribal Law regarding drugs and alcohol.
 33. In the case of a wounded animal during a hunt, a minimum of 48 hours is required for the search of the animal, prior to resuming the hunt. If the search time exceeds the hunt dates, the Client,
 34. Guide and a Ranger must be present during search. If the animal is still alive, the Hunter may dispatch it.
 35. If a Mountain Lion hunt occurs during a Trophy DBS, Trophy Elk, or Trophy Antelope hunt, the Tribal Guides for each hunt shall coordinate with each other.
 36. A Hualapai Guide may contract with a Non-Tribal Houndsman for the purposes of conducting a Trophy Mountain Lion Hunt.
 37. Non-Tribal Members are not eligible to collect Bounties from Coyotes and Mountain Lions.
 38. Anyone buying antlers or other wildlife parts on the Reservation must first obtain a Tribal Buyers Permit from the Hualapai Game and Fish Department. Antler buying is permitted in front of the Hualapai Game and Fish Department and in the Cultural Building Parking Lot. Shed antlers may be purchased only during the dates when Hualapai Tribal members are permitted to collect shed antlers. Any skull with horns or antlers attached must have a Tribal tag attached prior to the sale/purchase. Within 10 (ten) days of the end of each month, the buyer shall provide a report to the Hualapai Game and Fish Department of each transaction in the prior month including: 1) The sellers name and address; 2) a description of items purchased; 3) the quantity of items purchased (in weight or number); and 4) the date of each purchase. All antler selling, or buying is prohibited from January 1 – March 31 of each year, unless such dates are amended by the Tribal Council.
 39. Hunting Blinds must be taken down within 5 days after the hunt. Any Blinds left longer than 5 days shall be considered abandoned and will be confiscated by the Hualapai Game and Fish Department.

The following Regulations pertain only to Tribal Members and their Spouses. Tribal Members and their Spouses must have the appropriate permit in their possession.

exceeding seven and one half (7 1/2) inches for land set.

- It shall be unlawful for a person to disturb the trap of another, unless authorized in writing to do so by the owner.
50. A valid tribal permit is required to trap predatory and fur bearing animals on the Reservation. A Trapper must stay within his/her designated areas and follow the monthly rest rotation pattern set by the Natural Resources Department. Traps may be used to take such wildlife only during the trapping season established by these Regulations.
 51. Every Trapper must inspect his traps daily. A trapper must release, without additional injury, all animals that he/she cannot lawfully take by trap. Every Trapper shall possess, while in the field, a device designed or manufactured to restrain trapped animals so that they can be removed from the traps when their release is required.
 52. At the end of each year, every Trapper must file a complete written Trapping Report to the Hualapai Game and Fish Department. A Complete Trapping Report shall include: daily locations of traps, total traps, species taken, sex, and method of kill (ex. December 1st, 2024, coyote, male, buck and doe rd., leg hold trap). A violation of this Regulation will disqualify a Trapper from trapping the next year.
 53. All Traps must be plainly identified with the name, address, and permit number of the owner and such markings of identification shall be filed with the Hualapai Game and Fish Department.
 54. It is unlawful to possess and/or transport a bobcat hide or carcass without an attached Transportation Tag. Transportation Tags are available free of charge from the Hualapai Game and Fish Department.
 55. All Bobcats must be presented to the Hualapai Natural Resources Department, WFP Program no later than 10 days after close of the furbearer season for CITES tagging. Only WFP personnel are
 56. authorized to tag bobcat pelts harvested on the Hualapai Reservation. CITES tags are required to be attached to all bobcats sold, offered for sell or exported from Arizona. The transportation tag previously completed and attached to the bobcat by the trapper (see #51) will be collected from the pelt or carcass at the time the CITES tag is attached.