

RESOLUTION OF THE  
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE  
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION

WHEREAS, Phillip Stago, Jr., General Manager of the White Mountain Apache Recreation Enterprise, has presented for approval by the Tribal Council, proposed Hunting Regulations for Tribal members of the Tribe for the 1985/86 Hunting and Fishing Season, and

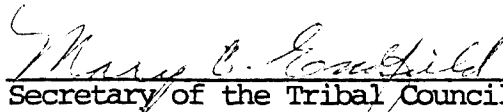
WHEREAS, after a thorough review of the proposed regulations, the Tribal Council concurs with Mr. Stago's recommendations as attached hereto.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves Tribal-member Hunting and Fishing Regulations for 1985/86 in the form attached hereto.

The foregoing resolution was on September 11, 1985 duly adopted by a vote of 6 for and 0 by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (f,h,i) of the Amended Constitution and By-Laws of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe June 27, 1958 and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on May 29, 1958, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).



Chairman of the Tribal Council



Secretary of the Tribal Council

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE  
TRIBAL MEMBER HUNTING REGULATIONS 1985-86

1. DEER

A. WHITETAIL DEER

SEASON DATES: December 7 - 29, 1985  
BAG LIMIT: One (1) per tag holder per year  
LEGAL DEER: Antlered Whitetail Only  
NUMBER OF PERMITS: Unlimited  
LEGAL TAKING DEVICE: Any legal firearm or bow and arrow  
as described in 10.

B. MULEDEER

SEASON DATES: October 26 thru November 10, 1985  
BAG LIMIT: One (1) per tag holder per year  
LEGAL DEER: Antlered Mule Deer Only  
NUMBER OF PERMITS: 250 (Bona fide Tribal Members  
Only) \*  
LEGAL TAKING DEVICE: Any legal firearm or bow and arrow  
as described in 10.

\* Mule Deer permits are issued by a drawing of applicants.  
Applications must be received by September 27, 1985. Tribal  
Hunters drawn for Mule Deer in 1984 are ineligible  
the 1985 Mule Deer drawing.

2. TURKEY

A. FALL TURKEY SEASON

SEASON DATES: November 2 - 24, 1985  
BAG LIMIT: Two (2) per tag holder per year  
One (1) turkey per tag  
LEGAL TURKEY: Any Turkey, either sex  
NUMBER OF PERMITS: Unlimited  
LEGAL TAKING DEVICE: Any legal firearm or bow and arrow  
as described in 10.

3. ELK

A. FALL ELK SEASON

SEASON DATES: November 2 - 24, 1985  
BAG LIMIT: One (1) per tag holder per year  
LEGAL ELK: Any Elk, either sex  
NUMBER OF PERMITS: 1900 \*  
LEGAL TAKING DEVICE: Any legal firearm or bow and arrow  
as described in 10.

\* Permits will be issued on a first come first serve  
basis with limited access according to the following:

Zone 1 - 500 Permits - Comprised of Units 1,2,3,& 8  
Zone 2 - 700 Permits - Comprised of Units 4,5,& 6  
Zone 3 - 700 Permits - Comprised of Units 9,11,& 12

#### 4. BEAR

SEASON DATES: Year Long  
BAG LIMIT: One (1) Bear per tag, Two (2) Bears per calendar year  
LEGAL BEAR: Any Bear  
NUMBER OF PERMITS: Unlimited  
LEGAL TAKING DEVICE: Any legal firearm or bow and arrow as described in 10.

#### 5. LION

SEASON DATES: Year Long  
BAG LIMIT: One (1) Lion per tag, Two (2) Lions per calendar year  
LEGAL LION: Any Lion  
NUMBER OF PERMITS: Unlimited  
LEGAL TAKING DEVICE: Any legal firearm or bow and arrow as described in 10.

#### 6. ANTELOPE

SEASON DATES: To Be Determined  
BAG LIMIT: One (1) Antelope per tag holder  
LEGAL ANTELOPE: To Be Determined  
NUMBER OF PERMITS: To Be Determined (Bona fida tribal members only) \*  
LEGAL TAKING DEVICE: Any legal firearm or bow and arrow as described in 10.  
PERMIT COST: \$20.00

\* Antelope permits are issued by a drawing of applicants. Applications must be received by September 27, 1985. Hunters drawn for Antelope in 1984 are ineligible the Antelope drawing for a period of three (3) years.

#### 7. JAVELINA

SEASON DATES: January 18 thru February 9, 1986  
BAG LIMIT: One (1) Javelina per tag holder per year  
LEGAL JAVELINA: Any Javelina.  
NUMBER OF PERMITS: 70 \*  
LEGAL TAKING DEVICE: Any legal firearm or bow and arrow as described in 10.

\* Permits will be issued on a first come first serve basis.

8. BIGHORN SHEEP  
NO SEASON

9. SMALL GAME \*

A. COTTONTAIL RABBITS

SEASON DATES: Year Long  
BAG LIMIT: Ten (10) per day  
LEGAL TAKING DEVICE: Bow and arrow, shotguns, or rimfire  
weapons only.

B. TREE SQUIRRELS

SEASON DATES: October 26 thru November 24, 1985  
BAG LIMIT: Five (5) per day  
LEGAL TAKING DEVICE: Bow and arrow, shotguns, or rimfire  
weapons only.

C. QUAIL

SEASON DATES: Oct. 26, 1985 thru Feb. 9, 1986  
BAG LIMIT: Fifteen (15) quail per day  
LEGAL TAKING DEVICE: Bow and arrow or shotgun only.  
LEGAL QUAIL: Gambel, scaled, and mearns quail

D. BLUE GROUSE

SEASON DATES: October 26 thru November 24, 1985  
BAG LIMIT: Three (3) grouse per day  
LEGAL TAKING DEVICE: Bow and arrow or shotgun only.

E. PREDATORY AND FUR-BEARING ANIMALS

SEASON DATES: Year Long  
BAG LIMIT: Unlimited  
LEGAL TAKING DEVICE: Any firearm, or bow and arrow  
as described in 10.  
LEGAL ANIMAL: Coyote, skunks, foxes, ringtail,  
raccoon, and badgers.

F. BOBCATS

1. FIREARMS SEASON

SEASON DATES: Year Long  
RESERVATION QUOTA: 200 Animals\*  
LEGAL TAKING DEVICE: Any firearm, or bow and arrow  
as described in 10.

LEGAL ANIMAL: Any Bobcat  
\*SPECIAL REGULATION: Anyone killing a bobcat must contact  
the Department office by phone  
or in person within 7 days. A  
tooth from the bobcat must be  
submitted to the Department within  
14 days.

## 2. BOBCAT TRAPPING SEASON

SEASON DATES: Nov. 1, 1985 thru March 31, 1986  
RESERVATION QUOTA: 200 Animals \*  
LEGAL TAKING DEVICE: SEE TRAPPING REGULATIONS SHEET  
LEGAL ANIMAL: Any Bobcat  
\*SPECIAL REGULATION: All bobcats trapped on the Reservation must have a bobcat permit tag (export tag) locked thru the mouth or eye opening in a manner such that it cannot be removed. See the Trapping Regulations Sheet for further information.

## G. OTHER MAMMALS AND BIRDS

SEASON DATES: Year Long  
BAG LIMIT: Unlimited  
LEGAL TAKING DEVICE: Any firearm or bow and arrow as described in 10.  
LEGAL ANIMAL: Crows, sparrows, and all mammals EXCEPT game mammals, fur-bearing mammals, predatory mammals, ferrets, wolves, jaguars, ocelots, and porcupines.

SMALL GAME PERMITS NOT REQUIRED FOR TRIBAL MEMBERS

## 9. MIGRATORY BIRDS TO BE ANNOUNCED

WHILE THE TROPHY ELK HUNT IS IN PROGRESS (SEPTEMBER 7 THRU OCTOBER 20, 1985), ALL UNITS EXCEPT UNITS 7 AND 10 ARE CLOSED TO HUNTING.

## 10. TIME AND METHODS OF LEGALLY TAKING GAME

A. Big game may be legally taken with the following weapons:

- 1) Centerfire rifles, muzzleloading rifles, and all other rifles using black powder or Pyradex.
- 2) Centerfire handguns and handguns using black powder

or Pyrodex.

- 3) Shotguns shooting slugs.
  - 4) Bows having a standard pull of forty or more pounds, using arrows with metal broadheads no less than 7/8 inch width cutting edges.
  - 5) In addition, Turkey and Javelina may be taken with 22 rimfire magnum rifles and 5mm rimfire rifles. Turkey may also be taken with shotguns shooting shot.
- B. Small game (EXCEPT MIGRATORY BIRDS, BLUE GROUSE AND QUAIL) may be legally taken with any firearm, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapon, or sling shot not prohibited in Section F.
- C. Predatory and fur-bearing animals may be legally taken with any firearm, bow and arrow, or trap not prohibited in Section F.
- D. Migratory birds and upland game birds may be taken only with shotguns shooting shot or bow and arrow not prohibited in Section F.
- E. Other mammals and birds may be legally taken during the season by any means not prohibited in Section F except for foothold traps.
- F. The following devices and ammunition are prohibited for the taking of ANY wildlife on the Reservation and may not be possessed in the field while hunting:
- 1). Fully automatic firearms, including firearms capable of selective automatic fire.
  - 2). Tracer ammunition and full metal jacketed bullets other than those designed for hunting.
  - 3). Shotguns larger than 10 gauge; or shotguns capable of holding more than two shells in the magazine, unless plugged with a one-piece filler, incapable of removal without disassembling the gun.
  - 4). Semi-automatic centerfire rifles with a magazine capacity of more than five shells.
  - 5). Contrivences designed to silence, muffle, or minimize the report of a firearm.
  - 6). Poisoned arrows, or arrows with explosive tips.
  - 7). Crossbows and other bows having devices attached to hold the bow in a drawn position are prohibited.

- 8). The use of artificial light to spotlight wild animals or birds is illegal (except for raccoons).

#### G. TIME PERIODS FOR THE TAKING OF GAME

- 1). Big game, wild mammals, and birds may be taken only during daylight hours (sunrise to sunset).
- 2). Nongame mammals, predatory, and fur-bearing animals may be taken by trap day or night.
- 3). Migratory game birds may be taken only at such times as authorized by the Tribal Council in the Migratory Game Bird Regulations.

#### H. TAGGING OF BIG GAME

- 1). All hunters shall have in their possession a valid tribal hunting tag prior to going into the field to hunt. NO EXCEPTIONS. Anyone found hunting without a valid tag will be cited.
- 2). Tags will be properly affixed to the game species immediately after the kill.

These regulations shall apply to all tribal members and to those non-members who have been granted hunting rights by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

Tags for hunting and trapping must be obtained from the White Mountain Apache Game & Fish Office in Whiteriver prior to hunting.

## TRIBAL MEMBER TRAPPING REGULATIONS

- A. A valid trapping license is required of any person trapping predatory and fur-bearing animals. Traps may be used to take such wildlife only during the trapping season established by the Tribal Council.
- B. Every trapper shall inspect his traps daily and kill or release all predatory and fur-bearing animals. A trapper shall release without additional injury all animals that he 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 by this rule. A trapper, trapping on the Reservation, shall possess a choke restraint device sufficient to release a javelina.
- C. It is unlawful for any person to:
  1. Set a trap within one-fourth mile of a boat launching area, picnic area, camping area, or roadside rest area developed for public use.
  2. Set a trap within one-fourth mile of any occupied residence, or building without permission of the owner or resident.
  3. Set a trap within one-hundred yards of an interstate highway or any other highway maintained by the Arizona Department of Transportation, or within twenty-five yards of any other road maintained for public use by the BIA or any tribal department or enterprise.
  4. Set a trap within thirty feet of a sight exposed bait except for the Tribal Trapper in the performance of his job duties. "Sight exposed bait" means any animal or parts thereof on the ground or suspended in a manner that it can be seen from above. This does not include small amounts of paste type baits or trap flags. "Trap flag" means any attractant made from materials other than animals parts suspended at least three feet above ground.
  5. Use any trap with teeth.
  6. Use any snare.
  7. Use a foot hold steel trap with a jaw spread exceeding seven and one-half inches for any land set.
  8. Use a Conibear or other instant kill trap with an open jaw spread exceeding five inches for any land set.



- D. Every licensed trapper shall file a complete written Trapping Report with the Game & Fish Department in Whiteriver by May 15 of each year. The Game & Fish Department will provide a report form at the office for this purpose. Anyone not providing a report by the deadline will not be permitted to trap the following year. A report is required even though no trapping is done.
- E. Persons suffering livestock losses from bear or mountain lion or property damage from predatory, fur-bearing, and non-game mammals will as soon as possible report such losses to the Department Office who will then assign the Tribal Trapper to the incident.
- F. All traps shall be plainly identified with the name and address or registered number of the owner as prescribed by the Game & Fish Department. The name and address or registered number must be legibly marked on a metal tag attached to the trap. A number assigned by the Department or the owners name, address, and phone number are the only acceptable registered number. For the purpose of this rule, "owner" means the person placing, setting, or using the trap.
- G. A trapper's registered number shall be entered upon his trapping license at the time of purchase. A trapper will be assigned a registration number by the Department when he purchases a trapping license. A trapper's registration number is not transferable.
- H. The unskinned carcass of any bobcat trapped on the Reservation or the pelt of any bobcat trapped on the Reservation must have a valid bobcat transportation tag attached, except for a pelt tagged for sale and exportation as provided for in subsection I of this rule.
1. Bobcat transportation tags will be provided by the Department with each trapping license. Additional transportation tags must be obtained by licensed trappers from the Department office at no charge.
  2. Bobcat transportation tags shall be validated by the trapper immediately upon taking the bobcat by legibly and completely filling in all information requested on the tag.
- I. Raw pelts of bobcats taken on the Reservation that are sold, offered for sale or exported from the Reservation must have bobcat permit tags (export tags) locked through the mouth and/or eye openings in a manner such that they cannot be removed. Bobcat permit tags may be obtained as follows:
1. Bobcat permit tags are available for a fee at the Department office during normal office hours.

2. Four hundred bobcat permit tags are available on a first-come, first-served basis from November 1 through April 30 each year.
3. Department personnel shall attach and lock bobcat permit tags only to those pelts presented with validate transportation tags and complete lower jaws identified with labels provided for that purpose with the transportation tags. Transportation tags and jaws shall be collected by the person issuing the bobcat permit tags.
4. The April 30 deadline and the requirement for presentation of lower jaws is waived for pelts consigned to licensed taxidermists for tanning or mounting.
5. Bobcat pelts seized under the provisions of the Game & Fish Code shall be tagged with bobcat permit tags prior to disposal by the Department. The March 31 deadline and the requirement for presentation of lower jaws is waived for pelts tagged under the provisions of this paragraph.

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE  
TRIBAL MEMBER TRAPPING SEASON

SEASON DATES: NOVEMBER 1, 1985 THRU MARCH 31, 1986  
LEGAL ANIMALS: Coyotes, Skunks, Foxes, Ringtail  
Cats, Raccoons, Feral Dogs, and  
Bobcats\*.  
NO. OF PERMITS: Unlimited  
PERMIT COST: \$20.00  
LEGAL TAKING DEVICE: See Trapping Regulations Sheet

\* See Trapping Regulations Sheet for the tagging of bobcat hides  
for sale and the number of bobcats that can be legally trapped  
on the Reservation.

WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE  
TRIBAL MEMBERS FISHING REGULATIONS  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1 THRU DECEMBER 31, 1985

SEASON DATES:  
BAG LIMIT:

YEAR LONG  
TROUT: 10 PER PERSON PER DAY  
CATFISH: 15 PER PERSON PER DAY  
BASS: 15 PER PERSON PER DAY  
SUNFISH: NO LIMIT  
NORTHERN PIKE: NO LIMIT

FISHING PERMITS NOT REQUIRED

SPECIAL REGULATIONS

- 1) Because of the presence of the Apache Trout in the headwaters of most of the Reservations streams, all streams in the Mount Baldy Wilderness Area are closed to fishing. Contact the Game & Fish Department for the list of closed waters.
- 2) Christmas Tree Lake is also closed to fishing due to presence of the Apache Trout. Contact the Department Office for dates when the Lake will be open.