2018-2020 Caribou Hunting Permit Regulations for Unit 26A

FEDERAL SUBSISTENCE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM









What You Need to Know

A new Federal regulation is in effect to track harvest of caribou in Unit 26A by a State Registration Permit. This regulation was initiated due to declines in the Western Arctic and Teshekpuk caribou herds, and the need for better informed management to support both the health of the herd and to ensure continued subsistence opportunity. The permit requirement was adopted by the Federal Subsistence Board at their April 2018 meeting and went into effect on October 9, 2018. Reporting harvest of caribou will increase understanding of subsistence needs and provide data for more accurate management.



Permits are free

All caribou hunters hunting on Federal public lands under the Federal Subsistence Regulations in Unit 26A must have a **State Registration Permit (RC907)** in their possession and report their caribou harvests by July 15th of each year. State registration permits are free and may be obtained from Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) Offices in Utqiagvik. Permits are available through local vendors in many communities. For more information, call Carmen Daggett, regional ADF&G biologist based in Utqiagvik at (907) 852-3464. Registration permits are also available on the ADF&G website: www.hunt.alaska.gov.

Rural residents age 18 and older must also possess a State of Alaska resident hunting license to hunt under Federal Subsistence Regulations. Residents age 60 or older may get a free permanent identification card issued by ADF&G. Hunting licenses can be purchased at the ADF&G office in Utqiagvik. Many stores also sell hunting licenses, or they can be purchased online at: www.admin.adfg.state.ak.us/license

*See page 2 of this flyer for current Unit 26A Federal Subsistence caribou regulations and contacts for more information. A Frequently Asked Questions flyer is also available for distribution.

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Harvest limits	Open season
Caribou:	
Unit 26A—that portion of the Colville River drainage upstream from the Anaktuvuk River, and drainages of the Chukchi Sea south and west of, and including the Utukok River drainage—5 caribou per day by State registration permit as follows:	
Calves may not be taken.	July 1-Oct. 14.
Bulls may be harvested	Dec. 6-June 30.
Cows may be harvested; however, cows accompanied by calves may not be taken July 16–Oct. 15 Unit 26A remainder—5 caribou per day by State registration permit as follows:	July 16–Mar. 15.
Calves may not be taken.	July 1-Oct. 15.
Bulls may be harvested	Dec. 6-June 30.
Up to 3 cows per day may be harvested; however, cows accompanied by calves may not be taken July 16–Oct. 15	July 16–Mar. 15.

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