



Unit 12
Eastern Interior
Region

**Upper Tanana -
White River**

Federal Public Lands Open to Subsistence Use

- FWS Administered Land
- NPS Administered Parks
- NPS Administered Preserves
- BLM Administered Land
- USFS Administered Land
- Closed to Subsistence
- Special Management & Controlled Use Areas
- Unit Boundary
- Sub-Unit Boundaries
- Roads

Unit 12 / Hunting

(See Unit 12 Upper Tanana-White River map)

Unit 12 consists of the Tanana River drainage upstream from the Robertson River; including all drainages into the east bank of the Robertson River and the White River drainage in Alaska, but excluding the Ladue River drainage.

Special Provisions

- You may use bait to hunt black bear between April 15 and June 30; you may use bait to hunt wolves on FWS and BLM lands.
- **National Park Service (NPS) areas**—For subsistence use, national parks and monuments are open only to NPS qualified subsistence users. Subsistence users must be local rural residents of NPS areas. For more information, contact the NPS office in Anchorage at (907) 644-3509.
- One moose without calf may be taken from June 20 - July 31 in the Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve in Units 11 or 12 for the Batzulnetas Culture Camp. Two hunters from either Chistochina or Mentasta Village may be designated by the Mt. Sanford Tribal Consortium to receive the Federal subsistence harvest permit (FM0001). The permit is available from the Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve office at (907) 822-5234.
- A Federal joint permit (FS1204) may be issued to a pair of a minor and an elder to hunt sheep during the August 1 - October 20 hunt. The following conditions apply:
 - The permittees must be a minor aged 8 to 15 years old and an accompanying adult 60 years of age or older;
 - Both the elder and the minor must be Federally qualified subsistence users with a positive customary and traditional use determination for the area they want to hunt;
 - The minor must hunt under the direct immediate supervision of the accompanying adult, who is responsible for ensuring that all legal requirements are met; and,
 - Only one animal may be harvested with this permit. The sheep harvested will count against the harvest limits of both the minor and accompanying adult.
- A  indicates that additional management actions may be taken by the Federal in-season manager. If you are planning to hunt on Federal land, consult the Delegation of Authority Table on page 136 for details. Calling the in-season manager is advisable as in-season closures can occur at any time and may not be reflected in this regulatory publication.

CUSTOMARY & TRADITIONAL USE DETERMINATION	HARVEST LIMITS	OPEN SEASONS
BLACK BEAR		
• All rural residents	3 bear	July 1 - June 30
BROWN BEAR		
• Residents of Unit 12, Chistochina, Dot Lake, Gakona, Mentasta Lake, and Slana	1 bear	Aug. 10 - June 30
CARIBOU 		
• Residents of Unit 12, Chistochina, Dot Lake, Healy Lake, and Mentasta Lake	<p>Unit 12—that portion within the Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve that lies west of the Nabesna River and the Nabesna Glacier. All hunting of caribou is prohibited on Federal public lands.</p> <p>Unit 12—that portion east of the Nabesna River and the Nabesna Glacier and south of the Winter Trail running southeast from Pickerel Lake to the Canadian border —1 bull by Federal registration permit (FC1205) only.</p> <p>Federal public lands are closed to the harvest of caribou except by residents of Chisana, Chistochina, Mentasta, Northway, Tetlin, Tok, Unit 12 along the Nabesna Road (mileposts 25-46), and that portion of Unit 12 east of the Nabesna River and the Nabesna Glacier and south of the Winter Trail.</p>	<p>No Federal open season</p> <p>Aug. 10-Sept. 30</p>

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CUSTOMARY & TRADITIONAL USE DETERMINATION	HARVEST LIMITS	OPEN SEASONS
<p>CARIBOU (continued)</p>	<p>Unit 12 remainder—1 bull during the Sept. season.</p> <p>Unit 12 remainder—1 caribou may be taken by a Federal registration permit (FC1202) during a winter season to be announced. Dates for a winter season to occur between Oct. 1 - Apr. 30 and sex of animal to be taken will be announced by Tetlin National Wildlife Refuge Manager in consultation with Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve Superintendent, ADF&G Area Biologists and Chairs of the Eastern Interior Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Council and Upper Tanana/ Fortymile Fish and Game Advisory Committee.</p>	<p>Sept. 1 - Sept. 20</p> <p>Winter season to be announced</p>
<p>MOOSE </p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 12, that portion within the Tetlin National Wildlife Refuge and those lands within the Wrangell-St. Elias National Preserve north and east of a line formed by the Pickerel Lake Winter Trail from the Canadian border to Pickerel Lake—Residents of Units 12, 13C, Dot Lake, and Healy Lake. 	<p>Unit 12—that portion within the Tetlin National Wildlife Refuge and those lands within the Wrangell-St. Elias National Preserve north and east of a line formed by the Pickerel Lake Winter Trail from the Canadian border to Pickerel Lake—1 antlered bull by Federal registration permit (FM1203).</p>	<p>Aug. 24 - Sept. 20</p> <p>Nov. 1-Feb. 28</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 12, that portion east of the Nabesna River and Nabesna Glacier, and south of the Winter Trail running southeast from Pickerel Lake to the Canadian Border—Residents of Units 12, 13C, and Healy Lake. 	<p>Unit 12—that portion east of the Nabesna River, and the Nabesna Glacier, and south of the Winter Trail running southeast from Pickerel Lake to the Canadian border—1 antlered bull.</p>	<p>Aug. 24 - Sept. 30</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 12 remainder—Residents of Units 11 north of 62nd parallel, 12, 13A, 13B,13C, 13D, and the residents of Chickaloon, Dot Lake, and Healy Lake. 	<p>Unit 12 remainder—1 antlered bull by joint State/ Federal registration permit only.</p>	<p>Aug. 20 - Sept. 20</p>

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SHEEP		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of Unit 12, Chistochina, Dot Lake, Healy Lake, and Mentasta Lake <p><i>Federal permits are available from the Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve offices in Copper Center and Slana. (See directory at the end of this book for addresses.)</i></p>	Unit 12 General Hunt—1 ram with full curl horn or larger. Unit 12 Elder Hunt, that portion within Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve—1 ram with full curl horn or larger by Federal registration permit (FS1201) only, by persons 60 years of age or older. <i>See Special Provisions on the page 59 for information on a joint permit for a pair of a minor and an elder during the Aug. 1 - Oct. 20 hunt.</i>	Aug. 10 - Sept. 20 Aug. 1 - Oct. 20
BEAVER		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rural residents 	Unit 12 Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve—6 beaver per season. Meat from harvested beaver must be salvaged for human consumption. Unit 12 remainder	Sept. 20 - May 15 No Federal open season
COYOTE		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rural residents 	10 coyotes	Aug. 10 - Apr. 30
FOX		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rural residents 	10 foxes; however, no more than 2 foxes may be taken prior to Oct. 1.	Sept. 1 - Mar. 15
HARE		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rural residents 	No limit	July 1 - June 30
LYNX		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rural residents 	2 lynx	Nov. 1 - Mar. 15
WOLF		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of Units 6, 9, 10 (Unimak Island only), 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, and Chickaloon 	10 wolves	Aug. 10 - Apr. 30
WOLVERINE		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rural residents 	1 wolverine	Sept. 1 - Mar. 31
GROUSE		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rural residents 	15 grouse per day, 30 in possession	Aug. 10 - Mar. 31
PTARMIGAN		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rural residents 	20 ptarmigan per day, 40 in possession	Aug. 10 - Apr. 30