



Resolution No. 09-2005-257

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

**(Approving the Tribal Member Hunting Regulations for 2005-2006, as amended herein)**

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Wildlife & Outdoor Recreation Division has come before the Tribal Council this date and requested approval of the Tribal Member Hunting Regulations for 2005-2006, copies of which are attached hereto; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council has reviewed recommended changes to the Tribal Member Hunting Regulations designed to provide sustainable management of Tribal wildlife resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the hunting seasons, bag limits and regulations are based on sound biological principle, survey and methods; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council concludes that the Tribal Member Hunting Regulations for 2005-2006, as amended herein, be approved.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the attached Tribal Member Hunting Regulations for 2005-2006, as amended herein.

The foregoing resolution was on SEPTEMBER 14, 2005, duly adopted by a vote of SIX and ZERO by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1(a), (f), (h), (i), (t) and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe September 30, 1993, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 12, 1993, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

**ACTING** Chairman of the Tribal Council

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Secretary of the Tribal Council

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**WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE**

**WILDLIFE & OUTDOOR RECREATION DIVISION  
PROPOSED TRIBAL-MEMBER HUNTING REGULATIONS  
2005-2006**

**Big Changes This Year:**

- The tag transfer fee has increased to \$50.00 per transfer.
- The Unit 8 Trophy Deer season ends 7 days later.
- The General Elk season ends 7 days later.
- The Junior Raghorn Bull season ends 7 days later.
- There are an additional 5 tags each for the Zones 1 & 2 Fall Bull Hunts.
- All of the Fall Bull Hunts have the same season length.
- The Bag Limit for Spring Gobbler is now 1 per tag, 2 per year.

**1. DEER**

**A. WHITETAIL DEER**

**SEASON DATES:**

Dec. 10, 2005 through Jan. 8, 2006.

**BAG LIMIT:**

One (1) per tag holder per year.

**LEGAL DEER:**

Antlered Whitetailed Deer (Buck) only.

**NUMBER OF PERMITS:**

560 issued on a first-come-first-served basis, (refer to section H2.B for details).

	<u>Total</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Junior</u>
Zone 1:	200	180	20
Zone 2:	225	205	20
Zone 3A:	<b>CLOSED</b>		
Zone 3B:	115	95	20

**SPECIAL REGULATION:**

**Rifle hunters may hold either a Whitetail tag OR a Unit 8 Trophy Deer tag OR a 55+ Deer tag, but ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO HOLD ANY COMBINATION OF THESE TAGS IN THE SAME YEAR.**

**LEGAL TAKING DEVICE:**

Any legal firearm or bow & arrow as described in section R1.B.

**PERMIT COST:**

\$20.00.

**OPEN AREAS:**

Reservation Zone for which tag is issued.

**B. MULE DEER**

**SEASON DATES:**

Nov. 12, 2005 through Nov. 27, 2005.

**BAG LIMIT:**

One (1) per tag holder per year.

**LEGAL DEER:**

Antlered Mule Deer (Buck) only.

**NUMBER OF PERMITS:**

180 issued by Draw, (refer to section H2.A. Exhibit I for details).

	<u>Total</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Junior</u>
Zone 1:	55	50	5
Zone 2:	80	75	5
Zone 3A:	<b>CLOSED</b>		
Zone 3B:	45	40	5

**LEGAL TAKING DEVICE:**

Any legal firearm as described in R1.B.

**PERMIT COST:**

\$20.00/\$5.00 Draw Application Fee.

**UNIT 8 TROPHY ELK - ARCHERY TAGS WILL BE SOLD BEGINNING AUGUST 31, 2005.**

**J. LATE SEASON ELK**

**SEASON DATES:** Dec. 10, 2005 through Dec. 18, 2005.  
**BAG LIMIT:** One (1) per tag holder per year.  
**LEGAL ELK:** Cow, Calf or Spike.  
**NUMBER OF PERMITS:** 250, issued on a first-come-first-served basis beginning December 2, 2005, (refer to section H2.B. for details).  
**LEGAL TAKING DEVICE:** Any legal firearm and/or bow & arrow as described in R1.B.  
**PERMIT COST:** \$5.00. Free to Tribal Members handicapped or 55 years of age & older.  
**OPEN AREAS:** Reservation wide.

**SPECIAL REGULATION:**

**PERSONS ENTERING THE RODEO/CHEDISKI and/or THE KINISHBA BURN AREAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF HUNTING DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK. IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT PERSONS HUNTING THESE AREAS UTILIZE THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE GROUND FOR ENTERING, EXITING AND PARKING. DUE TO THE POTENTIAL FOR FLASH FLOODING, PERSONS ENTERING THESE AREAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF HUNTING SHOULD ALWAYS BE AWARE OF CURRENT AND POTENTIAL WEATHER CONDITIONS AND PLAN THEIR TRAVEL ROUTES ACCORDINGLY. THE W&ORD ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY PROPERTY LOSS, DAMAGE OR BODILY HARM INCURRED IN THESE AREAS.**

**3. PRONGHORN ANTELOPE**

**SEASON DATES:** Oct. 8, 2005 through Oct. 16, 2005.  
**BAG LIMIT:** One (1) per tag holder per year.  
**LEGAL ANTELOPE:** Any Buck not marked with an identification collar and/or ear tag.  
**NUMBER OF PERMITS:** Four (4), issued by Draw, (refer to section H2.A. Exhibit I for details).  
Zone 1 – 2  
Zone 2 – 2  
**LEGAL TAKING DEVICE:** Any legal firearm and/or bow and arrow as described in R1.B.  
**PERMIT COST:** \$50.00/\$5.00 Draw Application Fee.  
**OPEN AREAS:** Reservation Zone for which tag is issued.

**SPECIAL REGULATIONS:**

**ALL ANTELOPE HUNTERS MUST CHECK IN AT THE W&ORD OFFICE IN WHITERIVER AT THE CONCLUSION OF THEIR HUNT REGARDLESS OF SUCCESS. ANTELOPE HUNTERS WHO FAIL TO COMPLY WILL BE INELIGIBLE FOR ANY 2006 – 2007 BIG GAME HUNTS. Information packets containing all pertinent information will be provided to all successful applicants at the time of their tag purchase. The Payment Deadline for the Pronghorn Antelope tags is Friday, September 29, 2005.**

**4. BIGHORN SHEEP**

**SEASON DATES:** Oct. 1, 2005 through Dec. 31, 2005.  
**BAG LIMIT:** One (1).  
**LEGAL SHEEP:** Any Ram.

**NUMBER OF PERMITS:** ONE (1) issued by Draw (refer to section H2.A. Exhibit 1 for details).

**LEGAL TAKING DEVICE:** Any legal firearm and/or bow and arrow as described in R1.B.

**PERMIT COST:** \$400.00/\$5.00 Draw Application Fee.

**OPEN AREAS:** Reservation wide:

**SPECIAL REGULATIONS:** **Bighorn Sheep permits are ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME, wherein all successful applicants will remain ineligible for future Bighorn Sheep hunt permits. SUCCESSFUL APPLICANT MUST CHECK IN AT THE W&ORD OFFICE IN WHITERIVER AT THE CONCLUSION OF HIS/HER HUNT REGARDLESS OF SUCCESS. SUCCESSFUL APPLICANT WHO FAILS TO COMPLY WILL BE INELIGIBLE FOR ANY 2006– 2007 BIG GAME HUNTS. An information packet containing all pertinent information will be provided to the successful applicant at the time of their tag purchase. The Payment Deadline for the Pronghorn Antelope tags is Friday, September 29, 2005.**

## 5. **TURKEY**

### **A. FALL TURKEY**

**SEASON DATES:** Nov. 5, 2005 through Nov. 27, 2005.

**BAG LIMIT:** Two (2) per tag holder per year.

**LEGAL TURKEY:** Any Turkey.

**NUMBER OF PERMITS:** 700, issued on a first-come-first-served basis, (refer to section H2.B. for details).

**LEGAL TAKING DEVICE:** Any legal firearm or bow & arrow as described in section R1.A.

**PERMIT COST:** \$5.00 per tag. Limit of two (2) tags per season. Free to Tribal Members handicapped or 55 years of age & older.

**OPEN AREAS:** Reservation wide.

**SPECIAL REGULATION:** **PERSONS ENTERING THE RODEO/CHEDISKI and/or THE KINISHBA BURN AREAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF HUNTING DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK. IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT PERSONS HUNTING THESE AREAS UTILIZE THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE GROUND FOR ENTERING, EXITING AND PARKING. DUE TO THE POTENTIAL FOR FLASH FLOODING, PERSONS ENTERING THESE AREAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF HUNTING SHOULD ALWAYS BE AWARE OF CURRENT AND POTENTIAL WEATHER CONDITIONS AND PLAN THEIR TRAVEL ROUTES ACCORDINGLY. THE W&ORD ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY PROPERTY LOSS, DAMAGE OR BODILY HARM INCURRED IN THESE AREAS.**

### **B. SPRING GOBBLER**

**SEASON DATES:** Apr. 8, 2006 through Apr. 23, 2006.

**BAG LIMIT:** One (1) per tag. Two (2) per year.

**LEGAL TURKEY:** Bearded (Gobbler) Turkey only.

**NUMBER OF PERMITS:** 250, issued on a first-come-first-served basis, (refer to section H2.B. Exhibit I for details).

**LEGAL TAKING DEVICE:** Any legal firearm or bow & arrow as described in section R1.A.

**PERMIT COST:** One (1) for \$10.00 or Two (2) for \$15.00. Spring gobbler tags may be purchased beginning March 17, 2006.

**OPEN AREAS:**  
**SPECIAL REGULATIONS:**

Reservation wide.

All Spring Gobbler tag holders are required to submit a completed hunter questionnaire to the W&ORD office in Whiteriver at the conclusion of their Spring Gobbler hunt. **PERSONS ENTERING THE RODEO/CHEDISKI and/or THE KINISHBA BURN AREAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF HUNTING DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK. IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT PERSONS HUNTING THESE AREAS UTILIZE THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE GROUND FOR ENTERING, EXITING AND PARKING. DUE TO THE POTENTIAL FOR FLASH FLOODING, PERSONS ENTERING THESE AREAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF HUNTING SHOULD ALWAYS BE AWARE OF CURRENT AND POTENTIAL WEATHER CONDITIONS AND PLAN THEIR TRAVEL ROUTES ACCORDINGLY. THE W&ORD ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY PROPERTY LOSS, DAMAGE OR BODILY HARM INCURRED IN THESE AREAS.**

**6. JAVELINA**

**SEASON DATES:**

Jan. 21, 2006 through Feb. 19, 2006.

**BAG LIMIT:**

One (1) per tag holder per year.

**LEGAL JAVELINA:**

Any Javelina.

**NUMBER OF PERMITS:**

100, issued first-come-first-served basis, (refer to section H2 Exhibit I for details).

**LEGAL TAKING DEVICE:**

Any legal firearm or bow and arrow as described in section R1.A.

**PERMIT COST:**

\$5.00. Javelina tags may be purchased beginning December 2, 2005.

**OPEN AREAS:**

Reservation wide.

**7. BLACK BEAR**

**SEASON DATES:**

Apr. 1, 2006 through June 30, 2006.

**AND**

Oct. 8, 2006 through Nov. 30, 2006.

**BAG LIMIT:**

One (1) Bear per tag, two (2) Bears per hunter per calendar year.

**LEGAL BEAR:**

Any Bear, except sow with cubs.

**NUMBER OF PERMITS:**

Unlimited, (refer to section H2.B. for details).

**LEGAL TAKING DEVICE:**

Any legal firearm or bow and arrow as described in section R1.A.

**PERMIT COST:**

\$5.00. Free to Tribal Members handicapped or 55 years of age & older.

**OPEN AREAS:**

Reservation wide.

**SPECIAL REGULATION:**

**PERSONS ENTERING THE RODEO/CHEDISKI and/or THE KINISHBA BURN AREAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF HUNTING DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK. IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT PERSONS HUNTING THESE AREAS UTILIZE THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE GROUND FOR ENTERING, EXITING AND PARKING. DUE TO THE POTENTIAL FOR FLASH FLOODING, PERSONS ENTERING THESE AREAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF HUNTING SHOULD ALWAYS BE AWARE OF CURRENT AND POTENTIAL WEATHER CONDITIONS AND PLAN THEIR TRAVEL ROUTES ACCORDINGLY.**

**THE W&ORD ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY PROPERTY LOSS, DAMAGE OR BODILY HARM INCURRED IN THESE AREAS.**

**8. MOUNTAIN LION**

**SEASON DATES:** Jan. 1, 2006 through Dec. 31, 2006.  
**BAG LIMIT:** One (1) Lion per tag, two (2) Lions per hunter per calendar year.  
**LEGAL LION:** Any Lion, except female with kittens.  
**NUMBER OF PERMITS:** Unlimited, (refer to section H2.B. for details).  
**LEGAL TAKING DEVICE:** Any legal firearm or bow and arrow as described in section R1.A.  
**PERMIT COST:** Free.  
**OPEN AREAS:** Reservation wide.  
**SPECIAL REGULATION:**

**PERSONS ENTERING THE RODEO/CHEDISKI and/or THE KINISHBA BURN AREAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF HUNTING DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK. IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT PERSONS HUNTING THESE AREAS UTILIZE THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE GROUND FOR ENTERING, EXITING AND PARKING. DUE TO THE POTENTIAL FOR FLASH FLOODING, PERSONS ENTERING THESE AREAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF HUNTING SHOULD ALWAYS BE AWARE OF CURRENT AND POTENTIAL WEATHER CONDITIONS AND PLAN THEIR TRAVEL ROUTES ACCORDINGLY. THE W&ORD ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY PROPERTY LOSS, DAMAGE OR BODILY HARM INCURRED IN THESE AREAS.**

**9. PREDATORS & FUR-BEARING ANIMALS**

**PERMIT NOT REQUIRED:**

**A. COYOTE, FOX, SKUNK, RINGTAIL CAT, RACCOON and BADGER**

**SEASON DATES:** Yearlong.  
**BAG LIMIT:** Unlimited.  
**PERMIT COST:** None.  
**LEGAL TAKING DEVICE:** Any legal weapon described in section R1.D.  
**OPEN AREAS:** Reservation wide.

**B. BOBCAT**

**SEASON DATES:** Nov. 1, 2005 through March 31, 2006.  
**LEGAL BOBCAT:** Any bobcat, except female with kittens.  
**NUMBER OF PERMITS:** The reservation combined harvest quota for bobcat is 50.  
**PERMIT COST:** Refer to Special Regulation.  
**LEGAL TAKING DEVICE:** Any legal weapon described in section R1.D.  
**OPEN AREAS:** Reservation wide.  
**SPECIAL REGULATION:** **All bobcats harvested on the reservation must have an export tag attached to them. Export tags can be purchased at the W&ORD office for \$5.00.**

**C. TRAPPING**

**SEASON DATES:** Nov. 1, 2005 through Mar 31, 2006.  
**BAG LIMIT:** The reservation combined harvest quota for bobcat is 50.  
**PERMIT COST:** Refer to Special Regulation.  
**LEGAL TAKEN:** Please refer to the 2005 - 2006 trapping regulations.  
**OPEN AREAS:** Reservation Wide.

**SPECIAL REGULATION:**

**A valid trapping permit must be obtained from the W&ORD. All bobcats harvested on the reservation must have an export tag attached to them. Export tags can be purchased at the W&ORD office for \$5.00.**

**10. SMALL GAME**

**SMALL GAME PERMIT NOT REQUIRED:**

**A. COTTONTAIL RABBITS**

**SEASON DATES:** Oct. 29, 2005 through Feb. 19, 2006.  
**BAG LIMIT:** Ten (10) per day.  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** Twice Daily bag limit after opening day, of which no more than 10 may be taken in one day.  
**LEGAL TAKING DEVICE:** Any legal weapon described in section R1.C.  
**OPEN AREAS:** Reservation wide.

**B. TREE SQUIRRELS**

**SEASON DATES:** Oct. 29, 2005 through Nov. 27, 2005.  
**BAG LIMIT:** Ten (10) per day.  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** Twice Daily bag limit after opening day, of which no more than 10 may be taken in one day.  
**LEGAL TAKING DEVICE:** Any legal weapon described in section R1.C.  
**OPEN AREAS:** Reservation wide.

**C. QUAIL**

**SEASON DATES:** Oct. 8, 2005 through Jan. 22, 2006.  
**BAG LIMIT:** Ten (10) quail per day.  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** Twice Daily bag limit after opening day, of which no more than 10 may be taken in one day.  
**LEGAL TAKING DEVICE:** Any legal weapon described in section R1.D.  
**OPEN AREAS:** Reservation wide.  
**LEGAL QUAIL:** Gambel's and Mearns' quail.

**D. BLUE GROUSE**

**SEASON DATES:** Oct. 29, 2005 through Nov. 27, 2005.  
**BAG LIMIT:** Three (3) per day.  
**POSSESSION LIMIT:** Twice Daily bag limit after opening day, of which no more than 3 may be taken in one day.  
**LEGAL TAKING DEVICE:** Any legal weapon described in section R1.D.  
**OPEN AREAS:** Reservation wide.

**E. OTHER MAMMALS & BIRDS**

**SEASON DATES:** Yearlong.  
**BAG LIMIT:** Unlimited.  
**LEGAL ANIMAL:** Crows, sparrows and all mammals **EXCEPT** game mammals, fur-bearing mammals, predatory mammals, ferrets, wolves, jaguars, ocelots, coatis and any other species of bird and/or mammal protected by Federal, State and/or Tribal law.  
**LEGAL TAKING DEVICE:** Any legal firearm and/or bow & arrow described in section R1.D.  
**OPEN AREAS:** Reservation wide.

**11. MIGRATORY BIRDS**

**A. DOVES and PIGEONS:**

**SEASON DATES:**

Generally in September. Specific, Federally approved season dates will be available in August 2005.

**BAG LIMIT:**

Specific, Federally approved bag limits will be available in August 2005.

**POSSESSION LIMIT:**

Specific, Federally approved possession limits will be available in August 2005.

**LEGAL TAKING DEVICE:**

Any legal weapon described in section R1.D.

**OPEN AREAS:**

Specific, Federally approved areas will be available in August 2005.

**B. WATERFOWL:**

**SEASON DATES:**

Generally mid-November 2005 through mid-January 2006. Specific, Federally approved season dates will be available in August 2005.

**BAG LIMIT:**

Specific, Federally approved bag limits will be available in August 2005.

**POSSESSION LIMIT:**

Specific, Federally approved possession limits will be available in August 2005.

**LEGAL TAKING DEVICE:**

Any legal weapon described in section R1.D.

**OPEN AREAS:**

Specific, Federally approved areas will be available in August 2005.

**SPECIAL REGULATION:**

**A Federal Duck Stamp and the use of non-lead shot are required to hunt waterfowl on the reservation. Please check with W&ORD office for additional waterfowl hunting information.**

**HUNTING REGULATIONS AND DEFINITIONS**

The following regulations and procedures apply to all Tribal-members and to Non-Members who have been granted hunting rights by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

**R1. METHODS OF LEGALLY TAKING GAME**

**A. BIG GAME, except Elk** may be legally taken with the following weapons:

- i. Center fire rifles, muzzle-loading rifles, and all other rifles using black powder or pyrodex.
- ii. Center fire handguns and handguns of a caliber not less than .44 Magnum.
- iii. Shotguns shooting slugs.
- iv. Bows having a standard pull of forty or more pounds, using arrows with metal broadheads no less than 7/8-inch width cutting edges.
- v. Javelina may additionally be taken with .22 rimfire magnum rifles and 5mm Rimfire rifles.

**B. ELK** may be legally taken with the following weapons:

- i. Center fire rifles having a caliber of .243 or greater. Illegal calibers include: .22, .22 Magnum, 5mm, .222 and/or .22/250.
- ii. Bows having a standard pull of 50 or more pounds using arrows with metal broadheads having no less than 7/8-inch width cutting edges. **Mechanical broadheads of any type (broadheads having hinged/rotating blades) are prohibited.**



iii. Center fire handguns and handguns of caliber not less than .44 Magnum.

**C.** **SMALL GAME (EXCEPT MIGRATORY BIRDS, BLUE GROUSE AND QUAIL)** may be legally taken with the following weapons:

i. Any firearm, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapon, or sling shot not prohibited in section R2.B. (below).

**D.** **MIGRATORY BIRDS and UPLAND GAME BIRDS** may be taken only with the following weapons:

i. Shotguns NOT larger than 10 gauge shooting shot. Waterfowl hunting requires the use of shotguns NOT larger than 10 gauge shooting non-lead shot only.

ii. Bow and arrow not prohibited in section R2.B. (below).

**E.** **PREDATORY AND FUR-BEARING MAMMALS** may be legally taken with any firearm, bow & arrow or trap not prohibited in section R2.B. (below).

**F.** **OTHER MAMMALS AND BIRDS** may be taken during the season by any means not prohibited in section R2.B., except for foothold traps.

## **R2. HUNTING REGULATIONS**

**A.** **HEADS** of all big game species must remain attached to the hide and be transported with the game carcass at all times, for field identification purposes.

**B.** **PROHIBITED WEAPONS, AMMUNITION and DEVICES:** 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.

i. Fully automatic firearms, including firearms capable of selective automatic fire.

ii. Tracer ammunition and full metal-jacketed bullets.

iii. Shotguns larger than 10 gauge; 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.

iv. Semi-automatic centerfire rifles with a magazine capacity of more than five shells.

v. Contrivances designed to silence, muffle, or minimize the report of a firearm.

vi. Poisoned arrows, or arrows with explosive tips.

vii. Crossbows and other bows having devices attached to hold to bow in drawn position are prohibited.

viii. The use of artificial light to spotlight wild animals or birds is illegal.

ix. Rifles and shotguns having total barrel length less than 24 inches.

**C.** **TIME PERIODS FOR THE TAKING OF GAME**

i. Big game, wild mammals, and birds may be taken only during daylight hours, **DEFINED AS:** ½ hour before sunrise through ½ hour after sunset.

- ii. Migratory game birds may be taken only at such times as authorized by Tribal and Federal Laws.
- iii. Nongame mammals, predatory and fur-bearing mammals permitted under Tribal trapping regulations may be taken by trap day or night.

### **R3. SPECIAL REGULATIONS**

- A.** **NON-MEMBERS** (anyone who is not a registered member of the White Mountain Apache Tribe) may not be in the field with Tribal Members during any of the Special Draw hunting seasons. Exempt from this regulation are immediate, non-member relatives of tribal-members such as husband, wife, children, brother or sister (immediate family).
- B.** **DEFINITION OF A JUNIOR:** To qualify for a junior permit the individual must be a bonafide tribal member, between the ages of 10 and through the calendar year of their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday and successfully complete an approved hunter education course.
- C.** **BLAZE ORANGE** At least one (1) of the following items of blaze orange clothing must be worn at all times by all tribal members participating in any of the Tribal Member Big Game hunts: Hat, Bandanna, Vest, Pullover, Jacket, Coveralls, & Pants. Blaze orange is not required for the following hunts: **1E., 2A., 2I. ARCHERY and 5B.**
- D.** **JUVENILES** The minimum age requirement to obtain a Tribal hunting tag or permit of any kind is 10 years old, subject to the Juvenile's mandatory successful completion of an approved hunter education course. All hunters under the age of eighteen (18) years must be accompanied by an adult while in the field.
- E.** **HUNTER EDUCATION COURSE REQUIREMENT:** Tribal-member hunters born after December 31, 1980 may apply for all big game draw hunts, but must present a certificate or other proof of successful completion of an approved Hunter Education Course in order to obtain any Tribal Big Game permits.
- F.** **ALL BIG GAME HUNTING PERMITS** must be validated, by signature, prior to entering the field and conducting any hunting activities on the reservation.
- G.** **GUIDING OR OUTFITTING FOR: TROPHY ELK/BIGHORN SHEEP/ANTELOPE/TURKEY/BEAR/MOUNTAIN LION on the Reservation** is strictly prohibited without proper registration/licensing through the White Mountain Apache Tribe W&ORD office.
- H.** **WHILE THE TROPHY ELK HUNT IS IN PROGRESS (SEPTEMBER 15 THROUGH OCTOBER 7, 2005), ALL UNITS EXCEPT UNITS 8 & 10 ARE CLOSED TO ALL TYPES OF HUNTING.**
- I.** **UNIT 8 IS NO LONGER CONSIDERED PART OF ZONE 1. UNIT 8 IS ONLY OPEN TO PERSONS HUNTING UNIT 8 TROPHY ELK, UNIT 8 TROPHY DEER, GENERAL ELK, FALL TURKEY, SPRING GOBBLER, BLACK BEAR and MOUNTAIN LION. UNIT 8 IS CLOSED TO ALL OTHER BIG GAME HUNTING.**
- J.** **SPOTLIGHTING OF ANY TYPE IS PROHIBITED.**
- K.** **ALL BIG GAME HUNTING PERMITS** must be validated by the Holder, by signing the tag, prior to entering the field and conducting any hunting activities on the reservation. In addition, **all**

game must be tagged immediately after the kill in accordance with instructions on the tag.

- L. PORTABLE TREE STANDS** are allowed for archery hunts only. Stands must be completely removed by the hunter at the end of the season for which the stand is being utilized. Permanent stands of any form are strictly prohibited.
- M. ALL FORMS OF BAITING and BAITING CONTRIVANCES ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED.**

**HUNT APPLICATION and TAG/PERMIT  
PURCHASE INFORMATION**

## **H1. TAG/PERMIT INFORMATION**

- A. ALL HUNTING TAGS MUST BE PICKED-UP IN PERSON AT THE W&ORD OFFICE IN WHITERIVER (Office hours are 8am to 5pm, Monday through Friday).** A Tribal I.D. card or Affidavit of Tribal Membership (from B.I.A. or Tribal Council Secretary) must be presented at the time of application, or when tags are purchased.
- B. PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED AND SENIOR CITIZENS (55 and older)** will be issued permits for the following hunts free of charge: **General Elk (2B), Late Elk (2I), Fall Turkey (5A) and Black Bear (7)**. Physically handicapped and senior citizens are eligible for a 50% discount on all Special Draw hunt permits.
- C. DUPLICATE TAGS WILL NOT BE ISSUED.** It is your responsibility to take care of your tags.
- D. TRANSFER OF TRIBAL-MEMBER HUNTING TAGS** is allowed and is subject to a \$50.00 transfer-processing fee. Hunting tag transfers are limited to one (1) per tag. Hunt applications are required of all persons accepting transferred hunt tags. Only the person to whom the tag was transferred will be subject to any applicable waiting period(s). Tag transfers must be completed on or before the day before the start of the hunt for that particular tag.
- E. MULTIPLE ELK TAGS: ARCHERY ELK** hunters are eligible for the following tags: One (1) Archery Elk tag and one (1) Bull tag. **OR** one (1) Archery Elk tag and one (1) General **OR** Late Elk tag. **GENERAL ELK** hunters are eligible for the following tags: One (1) General Elk tag and one (1) Bull tag. **OR** one (1) General Elk tag and one (1) Late Elk tag. **BULL ELK** hunters are eligible for the following tags: One (1) bull tag and one (1) General Elk tag **OR** one (1) Late Elk tag.
- F. HUNTER QUESTIONAIRES** must be completed from the previous years by all 2004 big-game tag applicants before any 2004-2005 Big Game applications are accepted.

## **H2. HUNT APPLICATIONS AND DRAWINGS**

- A. EXHIBIT I** All draw hunts (hunt numbers: 1B, 1C, 2E, 2F, 2G, 2H, 3 and 4).
1. 1B - MULEDEER - 180 tags issued by draw, 55 in Zone 1, 80 in Zone 2 & 45 in Zone 3B.
  2. 1C - TROPHY DEER UNIT 8 - 20 tags issued by draw, Unit 8 only.
  3. 2E - FALL BULL ELK ZONE 1 - 75 tags issued by draw.
  4. 2F - FALL BULL ELK ZONE 2 - 65 tags issued by draw.
  5. 2H - FALL BULL ELK ZONE 3B - 35 tags issued by draw.
  6. 2I - TROPHY BULL ELK UNIT 8 - 15 Rifle tags issued by draw, 18 archery tags issued over the counter, Unit 8 only.
  7. 3 - PRONGHORN ANTELOPE - 4 tags issued by draw, 2 tags in Zone 1 & 2 tags in Zone 2.

8. 4 - BIGHORN SHEEP - 1 tag issued by draw, reservation wide.

**B. APPLICATION & DEADLINE INFORMATION**

Beginning August 2, 2004 applications will be accepted for draws for all hunt drawings. The close of business on August 17, 2005 is the deadline to return all draw applications. Successful applicants may purchase their tags beginning September 16, 2005. All other non-draw hunt tags may be purchased beginning September 16, 2005 unless otherwise indicated herein.

**C. DRAW TAG PURCHASE DEADLINE INFORMATION**

The **deadline to purchase all draw tags, except Unit 8 Trophy Bull Elk Rifle, Pronghorn Antelope and Bighorn Sheep**, is the close of business **Friday, October 14, 2005**.

**D. HUNT DRAW METHODS**

All hunt tags issued through Draw (hunt numbers: 1B, 1C, 2E, 2F, 2H, 2I Rifle, 3 and 4) are conducted through a live random draw of hunt applications that are mailed or hand-delivered to the W&ORD office in Whiteriver on/before applicable hunt application deadline dates. All draw applications must be accompanied by a **non-refundable \$5.00 application fee**, which is due at the time of application. The drawing will be held on Thursday, August 18, 2005 at the Hon Dah Resort/Casino. Applicants need not be present to be drawn. **The drawing will follow the following order: Bighorn Sheep, Pronghorn Antelope, Unit 8 Trophy Elk, Unit 8 Trophy Deer, Mule Deer and Fall Bull Elk.** A list of all successful applicants and alternates for each respective draw hunt will be posted outside the W&ORD office in Whiteriver on Monday, August 22, 2005.

**E. UNCLAIMED/LEFTOVER SPECIAL DRAW TAGS** will be issued by a alternate draw list for each hunt, **not on a first-come-first-served basis**. The amount of time an alternate or group of alternates has to pick up their tags will be determined by the number of unclaimed/left over tags and the number of alternates for a particular zone. If all available tags for a particular zone hunt are not sold before the first day of the season to all successful applicants and alternates for that zone hunt, alternates from other zones for that particular hunt may purchase any available tags. Hunt applications will be required at the time of purchase of alternate draw hunting tags and will include a \$5.00 fee.

**F.** Only **ONE (1)** application will be accepted for any special draw hunt, i.e., you may not apply for all three zones for the Bull elk and Mule Deer draws.

**G.** If you are successfully drawn for a Fall Bull Elk and/or a Mule Deer permit **YOU MAY NOT SWITCH ZONES!**

This booklet is a synopsis of the White Mountain Apache Tribe hunting regulations and does not contain all of the laws and regulations relating to hunting, fishing and recreation. For complete laws and codes, consult the White Mountain Apache Tribe Game & Fish Code or contact the White Mountain Apache Tribe Wildlife & Outdoor Recreation Division Law Enforcement Department. These regulations apply to all enrolled members of the White Mountain Apache Tribe and those non—members who have been granted Tribal Member hunting rights by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED !!!**  
**POACHERS STEAL FROM US ALL. IF YOU SEE A HUNTING VIOLATION PLEASE REPORT IT. YOUR INFORMATION WILL BE KEPT ANONYMOUS AND**

**YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A CASH REWARD IF  
YOUR INFORMATION LEADS TO AN ARREST.**

**REPORT-A-POACHER (928-338-1023)**

**HOW YOU CAN HELP**

The following is a list of information to look for and make a note of. Often by the time an officer reaches the scene of the crime, the perpetrator has fled.

**\*How many suspects?**

**\*How many Males and/or Females?**

**\*Description of suspect's clothing.**

**\*Description of suspect's vehicle:**

**License plate.**

**Make.**

**Model.**

**Body style.**

**Color.**

**\*Time incident occurred.**

**\*Location where incident occurred.**

Call 928-338-1023 as soon as possible after witnessing a violation. The more information you have and the fresher it is, the more likely a case can be made.