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**2011-2012 HUNTING SEASONS, SHOOTING HOURS AND LIMITS**

**PHEASANTS, GRAY PARTRIDGE AND MIGRATORY WATERFOWL**

**FLATHEAD INDIAN RESERVATION**

**Gray Partridge**

**General Hunting Season:** September 1, 2011 through January 1, 2012.

**Shooting Hours:** Sunrise through sunset of each day of within the period listed.

**Limits:** 8 partridge daily with a possession limit of 32 partridge after the fourth day of the hunting season.

**Pheasants**

**Hunting Season:** October 8, 2011 through January 1, 2012

**Shooting Hours:** Sunrise through sunset of each day of the period listed.

**Limits:** 3 cock pheasants daily with a possession limit of 9 cock pheasants after the third day of the hunting season.

**Ducks, Mergansers and Coots**

**General Hunting Season:** October 1, 2011 through January 13, 2012.

**Shooting Hours:** Sunrise to sunset of each day during the period of October 1, 2011 through January 1, 2012 and one half hour before sunrise to sunset of each day during the period of October 1, 2011 through January 13, 2012.

**Limits:** 7 ducks and/or mergansers daily with a possession limit not to exceed twice the daily bag limit. The daily bag limit shall not include more than 2 hen mallards, 2 pintails, 3 scaup, 2 redheads, and 1 canvasback. Scaup may only be taken during the Youth Pheasant and Waterfowl Hunting Days and during the period of October 1, 2011 through December 23, 2011. The daily bag limit is 3 scaup with a possession limit not to exceed twice the daily bag limit.

The daily and possession limit for coots is 25 coots.

**Special Youth Pheasant and Waterfowl Hunting Days**

**Special Youth Pheasant and Waterfowl Hunting Days** are scheduled for September 24-25, 2011 to encourage youth participation in waterfowl hunting and conservation. Legally licensed hunters 12-15 years of age may hunt pheasants and legal species of ducks, mergansers and geese on these dates. Youth hunters must be accompanied in the field by a non-hunting adult at least 18 years of age. The adult may not hunt pheasants or the species listed on these days, but may participate in other open hunting seasons during these days. Bag and possession limits, shooting hours, hunter education requirements and all other applicable regulations that apply during the regular hunting seasons shall apply.

**Geese**

**Hunting Season:** October 1, 2011 through January 13, 2011

**Shooting Hours:** Sunrise to sunset of each day during the period of October 1, 2011 through January 1, 2012 and one half hour before sunrise to sunset of each day during the period of October 1, 2011 through January 13, 2012.

**Limits:** 6 light geese (snow, blue, Ross') daily and 4 dark geese (Canada geese) daily with a possession limit not exceed twice the daily bag limit.

**Legal Shot:** Use of lead shot is prohibited for pheasants, Gray Partridge, and migratory waterfowl. Only federally-approved non-toxic shot is legal for use on the Flathead Indian Reservation. Approved non-toxic shot includes steel, bismuth-tin, tungsten-bronze, tungsten-iron, tungsten-matrix, tungsten-nickel-iron, tungsten-polymer, tungsten-tin-bismuth and tungsten-nickel-iron shot.

**These regulations are adopted in addition to other applicable regulations listed within the 2011-2012 Flathead Indian Reservation Fish, Wildlife and Recreation Regulations.**

### **TRUMPETER SWAN REINTRODUCTION**

**The Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks, are conducting a Trumpeter Swan Reintroduction Project. Trumpeter swans are the largest species of waterfowl, with a wingspan of up to seven feet. Hunters may encounter trumpeter swans in the field. Most, but not all, swans in this project are fitted with a red neck collar and a red leg band, each with a white alpha-numeric code for identification of the individual swan. Hunters are reminded that no harvest of any swans of any species is allowed on the Flathead Indian Reservation. Hunters are also requested to report any observations of marked swans, including neckband identification numbers if possible, to the Tribal Wildlife Management Program at (406) 883-2888. The cooperation of hunters in this project is greatly appreciated**

### **BE BEAR AWARE!!!**

**Grizzly and black bears inhabit the Mission Valley, especially the areas east of U. S. Highway 93. Bears are also occasionally observed in areas adjacent to Ninepipe and Kicking Horse Reservoirs. Bears generally use heavy cover along streams and wetlands, but may also be found in open fields and shrub thickets. Hunters should be cautious when entering dense cover that limits visibility to avoid surprising a bear. If a bear, bear tracks or bear sign is observed, please report the observation to the Tribal Fish and Wildlife Conservation Office at (406) 675-2700 or (406) 675-4700, or the Ninepipe Wildlife Management Area at (406) 644-2510, or the National Bison Range at (406) 644-2211. To receive information on avoiding bear confrontations, please contact the Tribal Wildlife Management Program at (406) 883-2888.**

## 2011 – 2012 Sunrise-Sunset Table

**The table below, including adjustments for Daylight Savings Time, is the official sunrise and sunset table adopted by the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes and Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks for the Flathead Indian Reservation for the 2011 - 2012 Pheasant, Gray Partridge and Migratory Waterfowl Hunting Season.**

<u>September</u>			<u>October</u>			<u>November</u>			<u>December</u>			<u>January</u>		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Sunrise</u>	<u>Sunset</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Sunrise</u>	<u>Sunset</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Sunrise</u>	<u>Sunset</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Sunrise</u>	<u>Sunset</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Sunrise</u>	<u>Sunset</u>
1	6:55	8:16	1	7:35	7:16	1	8:18	6:20	1	8:00	4:49	1	8:21	4:58
2	6:57	8:14	2	7:36	7:14	2	8:20	6:19	2	8:01	4:49	2	8:21	4:59
3	6:58	8:12	3	7:37	7:12	3	8:21	6:17	3	8:03	4:49	3	8:21	5:00
4	6:59	8:10	4	7:39	7:10	4	8:23	6:16	4	8:04	4:48	4	8:21	5:01
5	7:01	8:08	5	7:40	7:08	5	8:24	6:15	5	8:05	4:48	5	8:21	5:02
6	7:02	8:06	6	7:41	7:06	6	7:26	5:13	6	8:06	4:48	6	8:21	5:03
7	7:03	8:04	7	7:43	7:04	7	7:27	5:12	7	8:07	4:48	7	8:21	5:04
8	7:04	8:02	8	7:44	7:02	8	7:28	5:10	8	8:08	4:48	8	8:20	5:05
9	7:06	8:00	9	7:45	7:00	9	7:30	5:09	9	8:09	4:47	9	8:20	5:06
10	7:07	7:58	10	7:47	6:59	10	7:31	5:08	10	8:10	4:47	10	8:20	5:08
11	7:08	7:56	11	7:48	6:57	11	7:33	5:07	11	8:11	4:47	11	8:19	5:09
12	7:10	7:54	12	7:49	6:55	12	7:34	5:05	12	8:12	4:47	12	8:19	5:10
13	7:11	7:52	13	7:51	6:53	13	7:36	5:04	13	8:13	4:47	13	8:18	5:11
14	7:12	7:50	14	7:52	6:51	14	7:37	5:03	14	8:14	4:48			
15	7:13	7:48	15	7:54	6:49	15	7:39	5:02	15	8:14	4:48			
16	7:15	7:46	16	7:55	6:47	16	7:40	5:01	16	8:15	4:48			
17	7:16	7:44	17	7:56	6:46	17	7:42	5:00	17	8:16	4:48			
18	7:17	7:42	18	7:58	6:44	18	7:43	4:59	18	8:16	4:49			
19	7:19	7:40	19	7:59	6:42	19	7:44	4:58	19	8:17	4:49			
20	7:20	7:38	20	8:01	6:40	20	7:46	4:57	20	8:18	4:50			
21	7:21	7:36	21	8:02	6:38	21	7:47	4:56	21	8:18	4:50			
22	7:23	7:34	22	8:04	6:37	22	7:49	4:55	22	8:19	4:50			
23	7:24	7:32	23	8:05	6:35	23	7:50	4:54	23	8:19	4:51			
24	7:25	7:30	24	8:06	6:33	24	7:51	4:54	24	8:20	4:52			
25	7:27	7:28	25	8:08	6:32	25	7:53	4:53	25	8:20	4:52			
26	7:28	7:26	26	8:09	6:30	26	7:54	4:52	26	8:20	4:53			
27	7:29	7:24	27	8:11	6:28	27	7:55	4:52	27	8:21	4:54			
28	7:31	7:22	28	8:12	6:27	28	7:57	4:51	28	8:21	4:54			
29	7:32	7:20	29	8:14	6:25	29	7:58	4:50	29	8:21	4:55			
30	7:33	7:18	30	8:15	6:23	30	7:59	4:50	30	8:21	4:56			
			31	8:17	6:22				31	8:21	4:57			

**The CONSEP 2006 NONTOXIC SHOT  
LETHALITY TABLE is available in the  
printed version of the 2011-2012 Hunting  
Seasons, Shooting Hours and Limits  
Regulations for Pheasants, Gray Partridge  
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