AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 20-12-080, filed 6/1/20, effective 7/2/20)

WAC 220-415-130 ((2020)) 2021 Mountain goat seasons ((and)), permit quotas, and areas. (1) Hunters must comply with the provisions of this section. A violation of species, sex, size, number, area, season, or eligibility requirements is punishable under RCW 77.15.410 Unlawful hunting of big game—Penalty.

(2) Mountain Goat Permit Hunts

(a) Who May Apply:

(i) Mountain goat special permit category: Anyone may apply, except those who harvested a mountain goat in Washington state after 1998. ((Except for auction and raffle permitted hunts,)) <u>An</u> individual may only harvest one mountain goat during his or her lifetime. <u>However</u>, these restrictions are waived for hunters who have previously harvested a mountain goat under an auction, raffle, or conflict reduction permit, as well as for applications for an auction, raffle, or conflict reduction permit.

(ii) **Conflict reduction special permit category:** Anyone may apply.

(b) **Bag Limit:**

(i) Mountain goat special permit category: One (1) adult goat of either sex with horns 4 inches or longer, except where otherwise permitted by department rule even if permits are drawn for more than one mountain goat hunt category.

(ii) Conflict reduction special permit category: Two (2) goats of either sex. No minimum horn length or age requirements.

(c) It is unlawful for a person who kills a mountain goat in Washington to fail, within ten days after acquisition, to personally present the horns attached to the head for inspection at a department office or location designated by a departmental representative. After inspection, the head/horns of a mountain goat lawfully killed in Washington may be kept for personal use. A violation of this subsection is punishable under RCW 77.15.280 (1)(b).

(d) Applicants drawn for a permit may only purchase their license after successfully completing the WDFW mountain goat gender identification training (online or at a participating WDFW office). <u>However,</u> <u>this requirement is waived for applicants drawn for a permit in the</u> conflict reduction special permit category.

Goat Hunt Area Name (Number)	Permit Season	Special Restrictions	Permits	
Mountain goat special permits				
North Lake Chelan (2-1)	Sept. ((15)) <u>1</u> - Nov. 30((^a))	Any Legal Weapon	2	
South Lake Chelan (2-3)	Sept. ((15)) <u>1</u> - Nov. 30((^a))	Any Legal Weapon	1	
Naches Pass (3-6)	Sept. ((15)) <u>1</u> - Nov. 30	Any Legal Weapon	((2)) <u>1</u>	
Bumping River (3-7)	Sept. ((15)) <u>1</u> - Nov. 30((^a))	Any Legal Weapon	((2)) <u>1</u>	
Boulder River North (4-8a)	Sept. ((15)) <u>1</u> - Nov. 30((^a))	Any Legal Weapon	1	
Chowder Ridge (4-3)	Sept. ((15)) <u>1</u> - Nov. 30((^a))	Any Legal Weapon	1	
Lincoln Peak (4-4)	Sept. ((15)) <u>1</u> - Nov. 30((^a))	Any Legal Weapon	2	
Avalanche Gorge (4-7)	Sept. ((15)) <u>1</u> - Nov. 30((^a))	Any Legal Weapon	3	
Goat Rocks West (5-4)	Sept. ((15)) <u>1</u> - Nov. 30((^a))	Any Legal Weapon	((2)) <u>1</u>	
Goat Rocks East (5-5)	Sept. ((15)) <u>1</u> - Nov. 30((^a))	Any Legal Weapon	2	

Goat Hunt Area Name (Number)	Permit Season	Special Restrictions	Permits
Mt. Margaret Backcountry (5-6)	Oct. 1 - Nov. 30	Any Legal Weapon	1
Mt. St. Helens South (5-7)	Oct. 1 - Nov. 30	Any Legal Weapon	1
Conflict reduction special permits			
East Olympic Mountains A (6-1) ^a	<u>Sept. 1-26</u>	Any Legal Weapon	<u>5</u>
East Olympic Mountains B (6-1) ^a	<u>Sept. 27 - Oct. 22</u>	Any Legal Weapon	<u>10</u>
East Olympic Mountains C (6-1) ^a	<u>Oct. 23 - Nov. 30</u>	Any Legal Weapon	<u>10</u>

^a((Permit holders hunting with archery equipment may start hunting September 1.)) The conflict reduction special permit category is reinstated. Points previously accrued for the conflict reduction special permits will apply. Points accrued or spent on this hunt do not apply to other mountain goat hunts.

(3) Mountain Goat Hunt Area Descriptions. The following areas are defined as mountain goat hunt areas:

Chelan North 2-1 ((Permit Area)): Beginning at the mouth of Fish Creek on Lake Chelan (Moore Point); then NE up Fish Creek and USFS Trail 1259 to the Sawtooth crest near Deephole Spring; then SE along the Sawtooth crest, which separates Chelan and Okanogan counties, to Horsethief Basin and the headwaters of Safety Harbor Creek; then S along Safety Harbor Creek to Lake Chelan, then NW along the north shore of Lake Chelan to the mouth of Fish Creek at Moore Point and the point of beginning.

Methow 2-2 ((Permit Area: Okanogan County within following described boundary)): Begin at Twisp, W along Twisp River Rd (County Rd 4440) to Roads End; W up Twisp Pass Trail 432 to Twisp Pass and Okanogan County line; N on Okanogan County line through Washington Pass to Harts Pass; SE down Harts Pass (Rd 5400) to Lost River; along Lost River-Mazama Rd to Mazama; SW to State Hwy 20; SE on State Hwy 20 to Twisp and point of beginning.

South Lake Chelan 2-3 ((Permit Area)): GMU 246

Naches Pass 3-6 ((Permit Area - Naches: Yakima and Kittitas counties within the following described boundary)): Beginning at Chinook Pass; then N along the Pacific Crest Trail to Naches Pass; then E to USFS Road 19 and continuing to State Highway 410; then W along State Highway 410 to Chinook Pass and point of beginning.

Bumping River 3-7 ((Permit Area)): Beginning on US Forest Service Trail 2000 (Pacific Crest Trail) and SR 410 at Chinook Pass; NE on SR 410 to US Forest Service Rd 1800 (Bumping Lake Rd); SW on the US Forest Service Rd 1800 (Bumping Lake Rd) to US Forest Service Trail 973 (Richmond Mine Rd); SE on US Forest Service Trail 973 (Richmond Mine Rd) to the north fork of Rattlesnake Creek; SE down the north fork of Rattlesnake Creek to US Forest Service Rd 1502 (McDaniel Lake Rd); SE on US Forest Service Rd 1502 (McDaniel Lake Rd) to US Forest Service Rd 1500; S on US Forest Service Rd 1500 to US Hwy 12; W on US Hwy 12 to US Forest Service Trail 2000 (Pacific Crest Trail) at White Pass; N on the US Forest Service Trail 2000 (Pacific Crest Trail) to SR 410 at Chinook Pass and the point of beginning. (Lands within the boundary of Mt. Rainier National Park along the Pacific Crest Trail are not open to hunting.) **Blazed Ridge 3-10** ((Permit Area: Kittitas and Yakima counties within the following described boundary)): Beginning at the mouth of Cabin Creek on the Yakima River; then W along Cabin Creek to the headwaters near Snowshoe Butte; then S along the Cascade Crest separating the Green and Yakima River drainage to Pyramid Peak; then SE along the North Fork, Little Naches, and Naches River to the Yakima River; then N along the Yakima River to the mouth of Cabin Creek and point of beginning.

Chowder Ridge 4-3: ((Hunt Area: Whatcom County within the following described boundary:)) Beginning at the confluence of Wells Creek with the North Fork Nooksack River; then up Wells Creek to the confluence with Bar Creek; then up Bar Creek to the Mazama Glacier; then SW on Mazama Glacier to the summit of Mount Baker; then NW between Roosevelt Glacier and Coleman Glacier to the headwaters of Kulshan Creek; then down Kulshan Creek to the confluence with Glacier Creek; then down Grouse Creek to the confluence with Glacier Creek; then down Glacier Creek to the confluence with the North Fork Nooksack River; then up the North Fork Nooksack River to Wells Creek and the point of beginning.

Lincoln Peak 4-4 ((Hunt Area: Whatcom County within the following described boundary)): Beginning at the confluence of Glacier Creek and the North Fork Nooksack River; then up Glacier Creek to the confluence with Grouse Creek; then up Grouse Creek to the confluence with Kulshan Creek; then up Kulshan Creek to headwaters; then SE between Coleman and Roosevelt glaciers to the summit of Mount Baker; then SW on Easton Glacier to Baker Pass; then W on the Bell Pass Trail (USFS Trail 603.3) to the intersection with Ridley Creek Trail (Trail No. 696); then W on Ridley Creek Trail to Ridley Creek; then down Ridley Creek to the Middle Fork Nooksack River; then down the Middle Fork Nooksack River to the confluence with Clearwater Creek, then up Clearwater Creek to the confluence with Rocky Creek, then up Rocky Creek to the Washington DNR boundary; then along the National Forest-Washington DNR boundary to Hedrick Creek; then down Hedrick Creek to the North Fork Nooksack River; then up the North Fork Nooksack River to Glacier Creek and the point of beginning.

Avalanche Gorge 4-7 ((Hunt Area: Whatcom County within the following described boundary)): Beginning on Baker Lake Road and Park Creek; then up Park Creek to headwaters and beginning of Park Glacier; then NW and SW on Park Glacier to Mount Baker summit; then N on the Mazama Glacier to Bar Creek, then down Bar Creek to the confluence with Wells Creek; then SE up Wells Creek to its headwaters; then E about 1 mile to an unnamed peak (indicated elevation 5,831 ft, just W of Ptarmigan Ridge Trail (Trail No. 682.1) (See referenced 1:24k USGS quad map - Shuksan Arm)); then NE to the headwaters of the first tributary of Swift Creek encountered; then SE down said unnamed tributary to the confluence with Swift Creek; then SW along the Baker Lake Road to Park Creek and point of beginning. (Refer to 1:24k USGS quad map - Shuksan Arm).

((Permit Area -))Boulder River North 4-8a: That area within the Boulder River Wilderness of the Mount Baker Snoqualmie National Forest, beginning at the Boulder River trailhead on USFS Rd 2010 (to Boulder Falls), then E along the USFS Boulder River Wilderness boundary to Squire Creek, then southward along the Squire Creek to Squire Creek Pass, then SW up Squire Creek Pass to the headwaters of Copper Creek, then SE down Copper Creek to the unnamed tributary to Copper Creek which heads W up to Windy Pass, then W up said tributary to its headwaters in Windy Pass, then W across Windy Pass to the headwaters of Windy Creek, then W down Windy Creek to the USFS Boulder River Wilderness boundary, then N along the USFS Boulder River Wilderness boundary to the Boulder River trailhead on USFS Rd 2010 and the point of the beginning.

Goat Rocks West 5-4: (({Lewis County).)) Beginning at US Hwy 12 at the US Forest Service Trail 2000 (Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail); S on the Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail to Lewis County line at Cispus Pass; S and W on the Lewis County line to Johnson Creek Rd (US Forest Service Rd 21); N on Johnson Creek Rd to US Hwy 12; E on US Hwy 12 to the Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail and the point of the beginning.

Goat Rocks East 5-5: (((Yakima County):)) GMU 364

((Permit Area 6-1: East Olympic Mountains Unit

Beginning at the intersection of Lake Cushman Rd and Jorsted Creek Rd (USFS Rd 24); W along Jorsted Creek Rd (USFS Rd 24) to Olympic National Park (ONP) boundary at the northern end of Lake Cushman; N and NE along the ONP-Olympic National Forest (ONF) boundary to the Jefferson-Clallam County line; E along the Jefferson-Clallam County line to its intersection with ONF boundary in section 33 of T28N R2W; S along the ONF boundary to the intersection of Lake Cushman Rd and Jorsted Creek Rd (USFS Rd 24) and the point of beginning.

Permit Area -))Mt. Margaret Backcountry 5-6 (({Skamania and Lewis counties})): Beginning at the junction of USFS 99 Rd and USFS 26 Rd; S on USFS 99 Rd to junction of USFS 99 Rd and USFS Trail 227 at Independence Pass trailhead; N on USFS Trail 227 to junction of USFS Trail 227 and USFS Trail 1; W on USFS Trail 1 to junction of USFS Trail 1 and USFS Trail 230; NW on USFS Trail 230 to junction of USFS Trail 230 and USFS Trail 211; NE to Minnie Peak; W to the USFS property boundary in the SE 1/4 of Section 20, T10N, R5E; N along the USFS Rd 2612; E on USFS 2612 to the junction of USFS Rd 2612 and USFS Rd 26; S on USFS Rd 26 to the junction of USFS Rd 26 and USFS Rd 99 and point of beginning.

((Permit Area -))Mt. St. Helens South 5-7 (({Skamania and Cowlitz counties)(awaiting JT input)): Beginning at the junction of USFS Trail 234 and USFS Rd 83; W on USFS Rd 83 to the junction of USFS Rd 83 and USFS Rd 81; NW on USFS Rd 81 to the junction of USFS Rd 81 and USFS Rd 8123; N on USFS Rd 8123 to USFS Trail 238 at Blue Lake; N on USFS Trail 238 to USFS Trail 216; N on USFS Trail 216 to the South Fork Toutle River; Up the South Fork Toutle River to Mt. St. Helens crater's edge; E along Mt. St. Helens crater to Ape Canyon Creek; Down Ape Canyon Creek to USFS Trail 216; E on USFS Trail 216 to USFS Trail 234; SE on USFS Trail 234 to USFS Rd 83 and point of beginning.

East Olympic Mountains 6-1: GMUs 621, 636, and 638.