

# Moose, Bighorn Sheep and Mountain Goat

## Controlled Hunt Seasons and Rules 2009 and 2010



*Photo courtesy Teri Thiemert*

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- Bureau of Land Management – Idaho Office:  
208-373-4007 or 1-888-246-7523.

### To Buy a License, Tag or Permit:

In person, go to any Idaho Fish and Game office or license vendor.

By credit card, within the United States call 1-800-554-8685, 1-800-824-3729. Outside the U.S., use the Internet or mail. A service fee is added for this transaction.

On the Internet, go online to <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>. A service fee is added for this transaction.

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You may refer to this link for laws pertaining to this rule book:  
Administrative Procedures Act: <http://adm.idaho.gov/adminrules/rules/idapa13/13index.htm>

Cover photo: Teri Thaumert shot this prize moose on September 28, 2007, along the Lemhi River in Unit 29. Its Boone & Crockett score is 144 1/4, with a 42-inch spread. It was her first moose hunt.

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## What's New in 2009?

**Format changes:** The order has changed this year, moving seasons near the front of the book. Rules and license information has been moved to the back of the book. Please consult the Table of Contents for an overview of the order.

### Moose:

The experiment with two-week-long hunts in the Panhandle Region has ended. Applicants may now apply for either a 78-day season from September 15-December 1, with the dates shifted so that the moose season closes concurrent with the Panhandle elk season. Also, for better drawing odds, applicants may choose among two two-week seasons: October 1-14 or November 1-14.

In the Clearwater Region, individual moose hunt areas were combined to create unit-wide hunts in Units 16A, 17, 19 and 20. Permit levels in these hunts, as well as some hunts in Units 10A, 12, 14, 15 and 16, were reduced because of changes in hunter success and antler spread.

In the Upper Snake Region, the number of permits for bull and antlerless moose has been reduced to reflect local declines in hunter harvest and average antler spread of harvested bulls.

### Bighorn Sheep:

Sheep hunt areas 20-1 and 20-2 were combined to create a single hunt. Permit levels in the Unit 11, 19, and 20 sheep hunts were reduced in response to poor lamb recruitment and declines in bighorn sheep numbers.

The one-day overlap between the end of regular seasons for bighorn sheep hunts and the start of late hunts 17, 26 and 27 was eliminated.

A new hunt was designated in Unit 28 (Hunt Area 28-3).

Unit 40 was separated from Hunt 41-1 and 41-2 as a stand-alone hunt, to focus hunting effort on the many small herds found in northern Owyhee County west of Poison Creek Road.