

Chapter 9.20
HUNTING RESTRICTIONS WITH HIGH POWERED RIFLES*

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9.20.010 Areas closed to use of high powered rifles.

During any special or regular deer or elk high powered rifle hunting season in Kittitas County, the following areas in Kittitas County shall be closed to use of high powered rifles:

1. **Area No. 1 - West Side, Lower Kittitas Valley.**

That area of Kittitas County bounded by a line, commencing at a point where the Taneum Creek enters the Yakima River, following the said Taneum Creek up stream to a point where the south branch of the Highline Canal crosses ~~over~~ said Creek, thence southeasterly along the south branch of the Highline Canal to the intersection of the north line of Section 21, T. 17 N., R. 18, E. W.M. Umptanum Canyon, thence from said section line Umptanum Canyon in an easterly direction following along the south boundaries of all irrigated lands to the Yakima River and thence westerly upstream along the Yakima River to the point of beginning.

2. **Area No. 2 - Cle Elum, Roslyn and Ronald.**

The south one-half of Section 30, Township 20 North, Range 16 E.W.M. That portion of Section 36 which lies north of highway Interstate 90; that portion of Section 25, 26, 27 and 22 which lies south of the Maple Valley Rocky Reach power line; the northwest one-quarter and the east one-half of Section 28; the south one-half and the northwest one-quarter of Section 21, the southwest one-quarter and the west one-half of the northwest one-quarter of Section 16; the north one-half and the southeast one-quarter of Section 18; and the southwest one-quarter of Section 7, all in Township 20 North, Range 15 E.W.M. The east one-half of the east one-half of the south one-half of Section 12 and the east one-half of the northeast one-quarter of Section 13, all in Township 20 North Range 14 E.W.M.

3. **Area No. 3 - South Cle Elum, PeohPoint.**

That portion of Section 33 which lies east of the Yakima River. All of Sections 34 and, 35 and that portion of Section 36 which lies south of the north R/W of Interstate 90, Township 20 North, Range 15 E.W.M. All of Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 12, Township 19 North, Range 15 E.W.M., and all of Section 6, Township 19 North, Range 16 E.W.M.

4. **Area No. 4 - North Side, Lower Kittitas Valley.**

That area of Kittitas County bounded by a line, commencing at a point on the Yakima River at the intake of the Cascade Canal in Section 1828, Township 1849 N., Range 1847 E.W.M., thence following the Cascade Canal until it intersects US 97 the Dry Creek Road, also known as State Highway 24 in Section 8, Township 18 North, Range 18 E.W.M.; thence northerly along US 97 the said Dry Creek Road until it intersects with the north branch of the Highline Canal in Section 25, Township 19 North, Range 17 E.W.M., thence southeasterly along the centerline of the north branch of the Highline Canal until it intersects with the west R/W line of Wilson Creek Road; thence

north along said west R/W line of Wilson Creek Road to the intersection with the north R/W line of the ~~Charlton Farrel~~ Road; thence east along the north R/W line of the ~~Farrel Road and~~ Charlton Road to its intersection with the west section line of Section 27, T. 19 N., R. 19 E.W.M.; thence south along the west section line of Section 27, and 34, T. 19 N., R. 19, E.W.M., to the intersection with the north R/W line of the ~~Thomas Carlson~~ Road; thence easterly along the north R/W line of the ~~Thomas Carlson~~ Road to the intersection of the east R/W line of the Fairview Road; thence south along the east R/W line of the Fairview Road to the intersection with the centerline of the north branch of the Highline Canal; thence southeasterly along the said centerline of the north branch of the Highline Canal to the intersection with the north line of the SW 1/4 SE 1/4, Section 11, T. 18 N., R. 19 E.W.M.; thence east along the 1/16 line to a point intersecting the west R/W line of the Cooke Canyon Road; thence north along the west R/W line of the Cooke Canyon Road to the intersection with the 1/4 line of Section 6, T. 18, R. 20 W.M. Thence east along said 1/4 line to the intersection of the east section line of said Section 6, thence south along the said section line to the SE corner of said Section 6. Thence east along the south section line of Section 5, T. 18 N., R. 20 E.W.M. to a point intersecting the east R/W line of the Colockum Road; thence south along the east R/W line of the Colockum Road to the centerline of the north branch of the Highline Canal; thence southeasterly along the centerline of said north branch of the Highline Canal to the intersection with the ~~Vantage Highway in Section 3, T. 17 N., R. 20 E.W.M. Turbine Ditch in Section 33, T. 17 N., R. 20 E. W.M.~~, thence southerly along the Turbine Ditch to a point where the Turbine Ditch intersects the north line of Section 4, Township 16, Range 20 E.W.M.; thence east along said north line of Section 4 and along the north boundary of Section 3 to the northeast corner of Section 3, thence south along the east boundary of Sections 3, 10, 15 and 22 to a point where the east line of said Section 22 intersects the pump lateral of the Kittitas County Reclamation District; thence northwesterly along the pump lateral to a point where said pump lateral intersects the east line of Section 4, Township 16 North, Range 19 E.W.M.; thence north along the east line of said Section 4, to the northeast corner of said Section 4, thence west along the north line of Sections 4, ~~and 5 and 6~~ to the ~~southeastnorthwest~~ corner of Section ~~315~~, thence north along the east line of Section 31, Township 17 North, Range 19 E.W.M., to the northeast corner of the southeast one-quarter of Section 31; thence west along the north line of the south one-half of Section 31 to a point where it intersects the Yakima River, thence up stream along the Yakima River to the point of beginning.

(Ord. 99-09, 1999; Ord. 73-1 § 1, 1973).

9.20.020 Carrying loaded rifles unlawful.

During the deer and elk hunting season it is unlawful to carry loaded rifles of legal caliber for said hunting in said areas by any person or persons. (Ord. 99-09, 1999; Ord. 73-1 § 2, 1973).

9.20.030 Big game hunting exempt.

This chapter shall not apply to the hunting of big game under such seasons as may be established by the Washington State Department of ~~Fish and Wildlife Game~~ for bow and arrow hunting and further shall not apply to the lawful use of shotguns for big game hunting. (Ord. 99-09, 1999; Ord. 73-1 § 3, 1973).

9.20.040 Penalty for violations.

Any violation of this chapter is a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by not more than 30 days in the county jail and/or a fine of not more than \$250.00, or both. (Ord. 99-09, 1999; Ord. 73-1 § 5, 1973).

