



Unit 18
Yukon/Kuskokwim
Delta
Region

**Yukon -
Kuskokwim
Delta**

Federal Public Lands Open to Subsistence Use	
FWS Administered Land	Closed to Subsistence
NPS Administered Parks	Special Management & Controlled Use Areas
NPS Administered Preserves	Unit Boundary
BLM Administered Land	Sub-Unit Boundaries
USFS Administered Land	Roads

Unit 18 / Hunting

(See Unit 18 Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta map)

Unit 18 consists of that area draining into the Yukon and Kuskokwim rivers downstream from a straight line drawn between Lower Kalskag and Paimiut, and the drainages flowing into the Bering Sea from Cape Newenham on the south to (and including) the Pastolik River drainage on the north; and Nunivak, St. Matthew, and adjacent islands between Cape Newenham and the Pastolik River.

Special Provisions

- The **Kalskag Controlled Use Area** is closed to the use of aircraft for hunting any ungulate, bear, wolf, or wolverine, including the transportation of any hunter and ungulate, bear, wolf, or wolverine part. The controlled use area consists of that portion of Unit 18 bounded by a line from Lower Kalskag on the Kuskokwim River, northwesterly to Russian Mission on the Yukon River; then east along the north bank of the Yukon River to the old site of Paimiut; and then back to Lower Kalskag. However, this does not apply to transportation of a hunter or ungulate, bear, wolf, or wolverine part by aircraft between publicly owned airports in the Kalskag Controlled Use Area or between a publicly owned airport within the controlled use area and points outside the controlled use area.
- No resident tag is required for taking brown bear in Unit 18, provided that the hunter has a State registration permit prior to hunting. See page 20 for bear sealing requirements.
- You may take caribou from a boat moving under power in Unit 18.
- Prior to Oct. 1 all edible meat from caribou and moose harvested in Unit 18 must remain on the bones of the front quarters and hind quarters until the meat is removed from the field or is processed for human consumption.

CUSTOMARY & TRADITIONAL USE DETERMINATION	HARVEST LIMITS	OPEN SEASONS
BLACK BEAR		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rural residents of Units 18, 19A (living downstream of the Holokuk River), Holy Cross, Stebbins, St. Michael, Togiak, and Twin Hills 	3 bear	July 1–June 30
BROWN BEAR		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residents of Akiachak, Akiak, Eek, Goodnews Bay, Kwethluk, Mountain Village, Napaskiak, Platinum, Quinhagak, St. Marys and Tuluksak 	1 bear by State registration permit only	Sept. 1–May 31
CARIBOU		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 18—Rural residents of Unit 18, St. Michael, Stebbins, Togiak, Twin Hills, Upper Kalskag, and Manokotak <p><i>Federal designated hunter permits are available from the Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge office in Bethel. (See directory at end of this book for address.)</i></p>	Unit 18—3 caribou; however, no more than 1 caribou may be taken from Aug. 1—Nov. 30.	Aug. 1–Mar. 15
MOOSE		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 18, that portion of the Yukon River drainage upstream of Russian Mission and that portion of the Kuskokwim River drainage upstream of (but excluding) the Tuluksak River drainage—Rural residents of Unit 18, Upper Kalskag, Aniak and Chuathbaluk 	Unit 18, that portion east of a line from the mouth of the Ishkowik River to the closest point of Dall Lake, then to the easternmost point of Takslesluk Lake, then along the Kuskokwim River drainage boundary to the Unit 18 border and north of (and including) the Eek River drainage. <i>Federal public lands are closed to the hunting of moose by all users.</i>	No Federal open season

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CUSTOMARY & TRADITIONAL USE DETERMINATION	HARVEST LIMITS	OPEN SEASONS
<p>MOOSE (continued)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 18, that portion north of a line from Cape Romanzof to Kuzilvak Mountain to Mountain Village, and all drainages north of the Yukon River downstream from Marshall—Rural residents of Unit 18, St. Michael, Stebbins, and Upper Kalskag Unit 18 remainder—Rural residents of Unit 18, and Upper Kalskag <p><i>Federal designated hunter permits are available from the local Federal land manager listed in the directory at the end of this book.</i></p>	Unit 18, that portion north and west of a line from Cape Romanzof to Kuzilvak Mountain to Mountain Village, and excluding all Yukon River drainages upriver from Mountain Village—1 antlered bull	Aug. 10–Sept. 30
	Unit 18, that portion north and west of a line from Cape Romanzof to Kuzilvak Mountain to Mountain Village, and excluding all Yukon River drainages upriver from Mountain Village—1 moose. The Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge Manager may restrict the harvest to only antlered bulls after consultation with the ADF&G.	Dec. 20–Jan. 20
	Unit 18—south of and including the Kanektok River drainages to the Goodnews River drainage. Federal public lands are closed to the taking of moose by all users.	No Federal open season
	Unit 18—Goodnews River drainage, and south to the Unit 18 boundary—1 antlered bull by State registration permit. Any needed closures will be announced by the Togiak National Wildlife Refuge Manager after consultation with BLM, ADF&G, and the Chair of the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta Subsistence Regional Advisory Council.	Aug. 25–Sept. 20
	Unit 18 remainder—1 antlered bull	Aug. 10–Sept 30 Dec. 20–Jan. 10
MUSKOX		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Federal subsistence priority 		No Federal open season
BEAVER		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rural residents 	No limit	July 1–June 30
COYOTE		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rural residents 	2 coyotes	Sept. 1–Apr. 30
FOX, ARCTIC (Blue and White Phases)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rural residents 	2 foxes	Sept. 1–Apr. 30
FOX, RED (including Cross, Black and Silver Phases)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rural residents 	10 foxes; however, no more than 2 foxes may be taken prior to Oct. 1	Sept. 1–Mar. 15
HARE		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rural residents 	No limit	July 1–June 30
LYNX		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rural residents 	2 lynx	Nov. 10–Mar. 31
WOLF		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rural residents of Units 6, 9, 10 (Unimak Island only), 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, and Chickaloon 	5 wolves	Aug. 10–Apr. 30
WOLVERINE		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rural residents 	1 wolverine	Sept. 1–Mar. 31
GROUSE		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rural residents 	15 grouse per day, 30 in possession	Aug. 10–Apr. 30
PTARMIGAN		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rural residents 	20 ptarmigan per day, 40 in possession	Aug. 10–May 30