



Sage-grouse Distribution

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This native grouse is widely distributed in areas with large blocks of sagebrush habitat throughout southern Idaho. Sagebrush is a crucial winter food for sage-grouse and also provides them with nesting and roosting cover during the rest of the year. Wet places, including agricultural lands, are important feeding areas for hens with chicks and are heavily used by sage-grouse during the fall in dry years.

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Sage-grouse Seasons and Rules 2015

*Sage-grouse season open
September 19 through September 25*

September 19 through September 25, one-bird daily limit, two in possession:

Statewide in sage-grouse range *except* designated closed areas.

Closed:

- Southeastern part of the state: east of Interstate 84, south of Interstate 86, east of Interstate 15, and south of U.S. Highway 26
- Washington, Adams, Payette and Gem counties
- Elmore County

Sage/Sharp-tailed Grouse Permit Validation: Any person hunting sage- or sharp-tailed grouse must have in possession a valid hunting license with a sage/sharp-tailed grouse permit validation at \$4.75.

Identify Your Target! Is it a Sage-grouse or a Sharp-tailed Grouse?

Sage-grouse and sharp-tailed grouse can occur in the same areas in south-central and eastern Idaho. Hunting seasons for these species do not overlap. The sharp-tailed grouse hunting season is October 1 to October 31.

Be sure of your target!

See inside for details.

Refer to the 2014 and 2015 Upland Game, Furbearer and Turkey Seasons and Rules for general upland gamebird rules, license and permit information. See Page 11-12 for important grouse identification information.



Area Boundary Descriptions

Area 1

- All parts of the state **not** included in Area 2; **closed**.

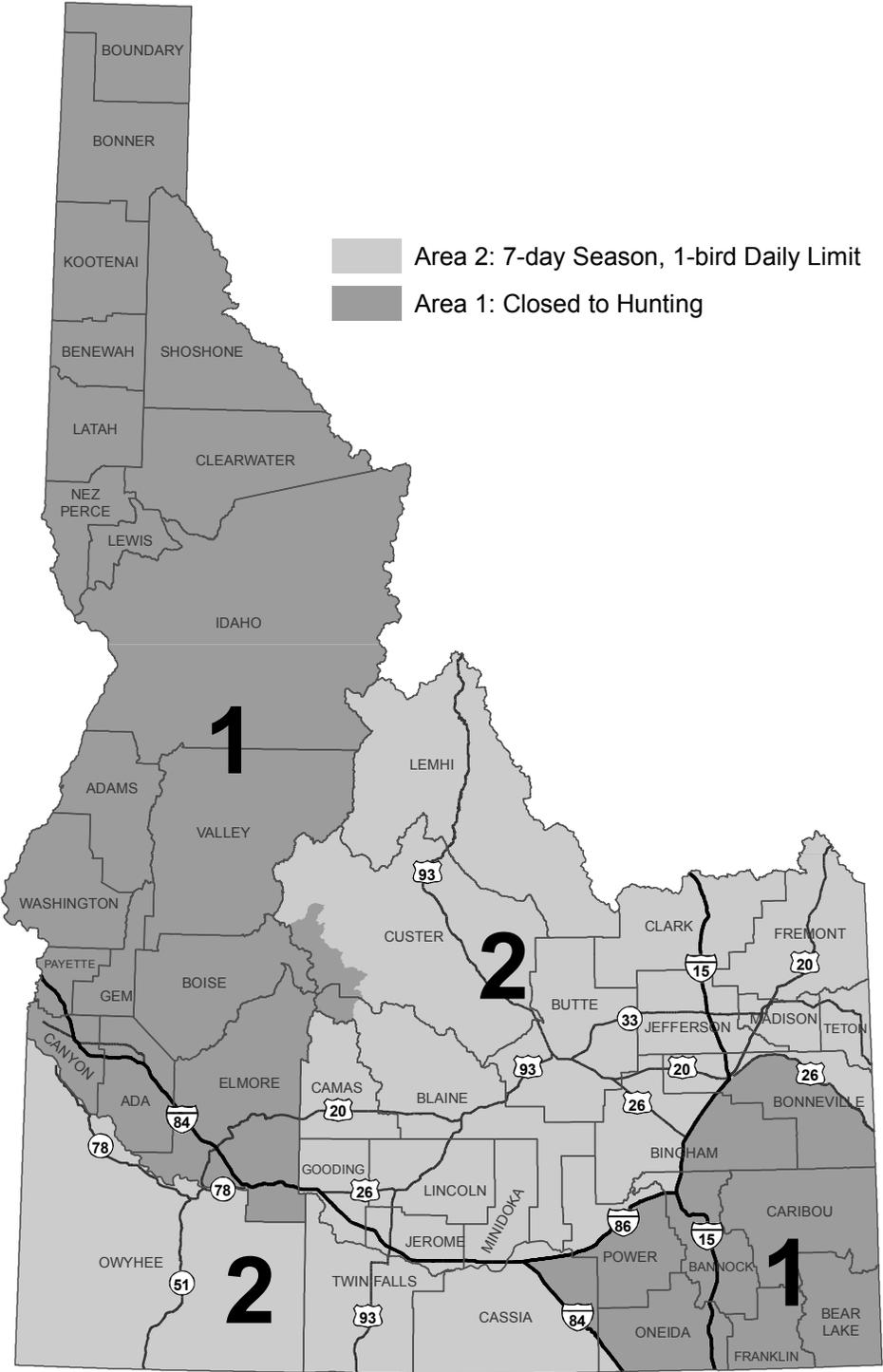
Area 2

2015 Season: September 19 through September 25

Daily Bag Limit: 1

Possession Limit: 2

- Butte, Camas, Clark, Fremont, Gooding, Jefferson, Jerome, Lemhi, Lincoln, Madison, Minidoka, and Teton counties
- Bannock and Power counties north of Interstate 86
- Bingham County west of Interstate 15
- Blaine County, except within the Salmon River drainage
- Bonneville County west of Interstate 15 and north of U.S. Highway 26
- Cassia County west of Interstate 84 and north of Interstate 86
- Custer County, except within the Salmon River drainage upstream from and including Valley Creek
- Oneida County west of Interstate 84
- Owyhee County and Twin Falls County



Wings collected from harvested birds provide important biological data. If you see a wing barrel, please deposit one wing from each bird you harvest. We also collect wings at check stations and through a mail-in wing survey. If you would like to participate in our wing envelope program, call 208 334-2920.

