

## Unlawful Methods of Take for Upland Game Birds

No person shall take upland game birds:

- From one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise. Upland game birds shall not be taken before 10 a.m. on Fort Boise, C.J. Strike, Montour, **Niagara Springs**, Payette River, and **Sterling** WMAs, during the pheasant season. Turkeys shall not be taken from sunset to one-half hour before sunrise.
- With a trap, snare, net, crossbow, slingshot, hand-held or thrown missiles, firearms except a shotgun using shells not exceeding 3 ½ inches maximum length, except forest grouse. Forest grouse shall not be taken with a trap, snare, net or crossbow.
- From any watercraft.
- By the use or aid of any electronic call.
- By the aid of baiting. Bait is defined as any substance placed to attract game.

**Upland Game Possession Limit Definition:** The maximum number of each species of game bird or game animal, that may be lawfully possessed while in the field or being transported.

**Termination of Possession:** The possession of upland game birds/animals taken by any hunter shall be deemed to have ceased when such birds/animals have been delivered by them to:

- Another person as a gift when accompanied by a proxy statement
- Upon reaching the final place of consumption or storage

**Species Identification:** One (1) fully-feathered wing or the head must be retained on all dressed game birds (except turkey) and **Eurasian-collared doves** to permit identification as to species and sex while being transported between the place where taken and the personal abode of the possessor OR between the place where taken and a commercial processing or storage facility. The beard or leg of wild turkey must be left naturally attached to the carcass while being transported.

**Reminder: Shooting hours** for upland game birds are from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset, **except** on the following WMAs, shooting hours are from 10 a.m. to one-half hour after sunset: Fort Boise, C.J. Strike, Montour, **Niagara Springs**, Payette River, and **Sterling** WMAs, during the pheasant season. Shooting hours for turkeys are from one-half hour before sunrise to sunset.



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