

2022

# SAGE-GROUSE SEASONS & RULES

*September 17 – October 31*



A Sage-Grouse Tag is now required to hunt sage-grouse in Idaho. A hunter may harvest only as many sage-grouse as he or she has legal tags for in that season.

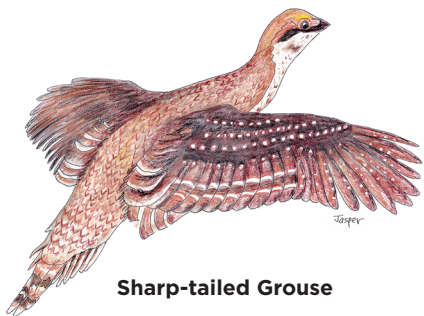
Sage-grouse tags will be available for purchase at 10AM on August 1, on a first-come, first-served basis until tag quotas are reached. Sage-grouse tags are distributed across twelve hunting zones with a tag quota for each zone, **and tag purchase is specific to that zone.** A hunter may purchase two sage-grouse tags in any zone.

Tags are available at any Fish and Game license vendor, by telephone (1-800-554-8685) or the Fish and Game online license vendor website: **[GoOutdoorsIdaho.com](http://GoOutdoorsIdaho.com)**.

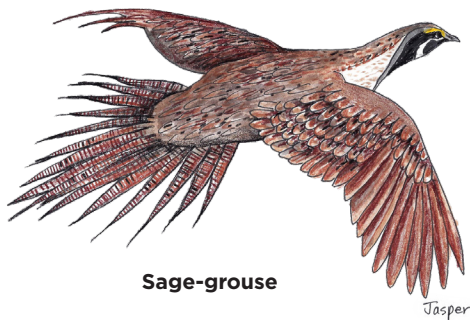
## **Identify Your Target! Is it a Sage-grouse or a Sharp-tailed Grouse?**

Sage-grouse and sharp-tailed grouse can occur in the same areas in south-central and eastern Idaho. Hunting seasons for these species overlap. The sharp-tailed grouse hunting season is October 1 to October 31.

## **BE SURE OF YOUR TARGET**



**Sharp-tailed Grouse**

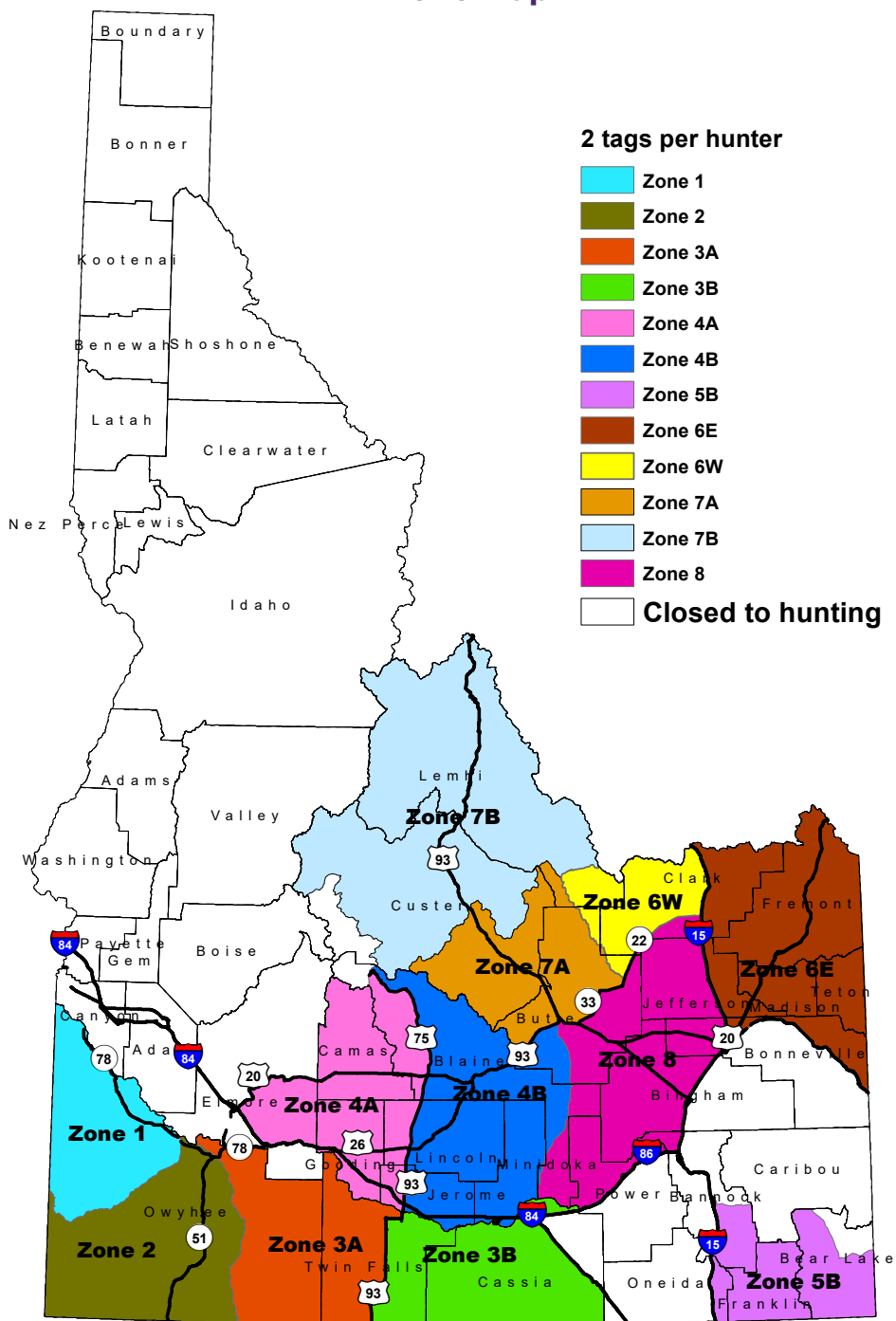


**Sage-grouse**

Refer to the 2022 & 2023 Upland Game, Furbearer and Turkey Seasons and Rules for general upland gamebird rules, license and permit information. See Pages 9 and 14-15 for important grouse identification information.



## Zone Map



Wings

Wings provide important data for population monitoring. All tag holders will be mailed a postage-paid return envelope to submit one wing from each bird harvested.

Tag Fees

Resident Sage-Grouse Tag = \$22.75

Nonresident Sage-Grouse Tag = \$74.25

Tagging

Immediately after any sage-grouse is harvested, the tag must be validated and securely attached to the sage-grouse. The tag must remain attached until the place of final storage or consumption.

| 2022 Season        | Zones  | Daily Bag and Season Limit |
|--------------------|--|----------------------------|
| Sept. 17 - Oct. 31 | 1, 2, 3A, 3B, 4A, 4B, 5B, 6E, 6W, 7A, 7B, 8      | 2                          |
| CLOSED             | All parts of the state not included in zones 1-8 | 0                          |

| Zone | Tag Quota | Number of tags legal for purchase per hunter |
|------|-----------|--|
| 1    | 45        | 2  |
| 2    | 435       | 2  |
| 3A   | 295       | 2  |
| 3B   | 225       | 2  |
| 4A   | 225       | 2  |
| 4B   | 120       | 2  |
| 5B   | 30        | 2  |
| 6E   | 365       | 2  |
| 6W   | 165       | 2  |
| 7A   | 110       | 2  |
| 7B   | 215       | 2  |
| 8    | 280       | 2  |



## Sage-grouse Zone Descriptions

- Zone 1:** Owyhee County north and west of the Mud Flat-Juniper Mountain Road.
- Zone 2:** Owyhee County south of Mud Flat-Juniper Mountain Road and west of the Bruneau River.
- Zone 3A:** Owyhee County, east of the Bruneau River; and Twin Falls County west of US Highway 93.
- Zone 3B:** Cassia County west of Interstate 84 and north of Interstate 86; and Twin Falls County east of US Highway 93.
- Zone 4A:** Elmore County east and south of US Highway 20 and north of Interstate 84 from Exit 95 east to the county line; Gooding and Camas counties; Jerome County west of US Highway 93; Blaine and Lincoln west of US Highway 93 and State Highway 75.
- Zone 4B:** Jerome County east of US Highway 93; Lincoln County east of US Highway 93 and State Highway 75; Blaine County east of State Highway 75 and west of the Arco-Minidoka Road outside of the Craters of the Moon National Monument; Minidoka County west of the Arco-Minidoka road; and Butte County west of the Arco-Minidoka Road outside of the Craters of the Moon National Monument.
- Zone 5B:** Bear Lake County west of US Highway 30 and south of US Highway 89; Franklin County; Bannock County east of Interstate 15 and south of US Highway 30; and Oneida County east of Interstate 15.
- Zone 6E:** Teton, Madison, and Fremont counties; Jefferson and Clark counties east of Interstate 15; and that part of Bonneville County north of US Highway 26 and east of Interstate 15.
- Zone 6W:** Clark County west of Interstate 15 and northwest of State Highway 22; and those portions of Butte, Jefferson, and Lemhi counties within the Birch Creek drainage northwest of State Highway 22.
- Zone 7A:** The Big Lost River drainage upstream of State Highway 20/33 and the Little Lost River drainage upstream of State Highway 33.
- Zone 7B:** The Salmon, Pahsimeroi, and Lemhi river drainages.
- Zone 8:** Bingham, Bonneville, Jefferson counties west of Interstate 15; Power County north of Interstate 86; Blaine, Butte, and Minidoka counties east of the Arco-Minidoka Road; and Clark County south of State Highway 22 and west of Interstate 15.



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