



DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

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Wildlife Programs Branch

Upland Game

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Hunters must possess a valid 2014 2015 California hunting license and upland game bird stamp. Hunters possessing a junior hunting license do not need an upland game bird stamp and must be accompanied by a non-shooting adult 18 years of age or older. All shooters and non-shooters must wear shooting safety glasses, blaze orange, and initial and sign the enclosed waiver.

Please come prepared and wear appropriate gear for the hunt; we strongly recommend you bring water, a hat, sturdy shoes/boots, sweater/jacket, mosquito repellent and a cooler with ice for your birds. For safety, Apprentice hunters must have a properly fitted shotgun. Please note if you are not prepared for the hunt or your gear is deemed unsafe you may be asked to withdraw from the hunt.

Also,

**** YOU MUST BE THERE ON TIME!**

**** IF YOU ARE MORE THAN 30 MINUTES LATE FOR CHECK-IN, WITHOUT NOTIFICATION, YOUR SPOT MAY BE FILLED BY ANOTHER HUNTER.**

****IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS HUNT, YOU MUST NOTIFY **NICK BECHTEL** WITHIN 48 HOURS AT (562)254-8969. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY MAKE YOU INELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN NEXT SEASON'S HUNTS.**

****NOTE: IF YOU OR ANY OF YOUR GUEST HUNTERS ARE IN NEED OF SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS DUE TO A DISABILITY, CONTACTING ME NO LESS THAN 7 DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THE HUNT DATE WILL BE NECESSARY.** Thank You

You may bring your own hunting dog, but are asked to obey hunter etiquette and maintain control of your dog. Your dog must obey commands and be in your control. If your dog does not remain in your control, you will be asked to leave your dog in your vehicle. This is not a training opportunity for dogs.

The Upland Game Bird Special Hunt Program is pleased to offer you this opportunity. Practice good sportsmanship, enjoy your hunt and most of all, be a safe hunter.

There is no fee for this hunt; it is being sponsored by California Department of Fish and Game/Upland Game Bird "Special Hunt" Program. Your comments concerning the hunt (in writing) would be appreciated and should be sent to the address above. If you have any questions please call Nicholas Bechtel at (805) 962-4698. Congratulations and good Luck.

Sincerely,
Nicholas A. Bechtel
Upland Game Bird Special Hunt Program

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING SPECIAL HUNTS AND JUNIOR HUNTERS

*Please arrive for check-in on time.

Each participant must provide the following:

- An adult that is legally responsible for the participating Junior Hunter. If the parent or guardian cannot walk with the junior hunter and they have signed the waiver included with the permit, a volunteer will accompany the junior hunter.
- A valid hunting license (adults need an upland game bird stamp).
- Junior hunters are required to wear shooting safety glasses with an ANSI rating of Z87.1 or above and all participants in the hunting field **MUST** wear shooting safety glasses. Glasses will be available for loan.
- Appropriate hunting attire including thick jeans to ward off the vegetation. **A blaze orange hunting vest or similar safety apparel is required for all person's in the field.** If the hunter does not bring one, an orange vest will be provided.
- The hunt will be held rain or shine, so please be prepared.
- Bring low-base or high-base shot shells, size 6, or 7 ½ shot only. **No magnum loads** are allowed. Junior hunters may have **only ONE shot shell** in the magazine or chamber while hunting.
- Bring your own food and drinks, and water for your dog.
- A good attitude and willingness to participate and follow instructions.

You may bring your own hunting dog. You must obey hunter etiquette and maintain control of the dog. **ALL DOGS MUST BE KEPT ON A LEASH! This rule must be obeyed until you are out in your respective hunting areas.** If your dog will not perform well around other dogs then it is best to leave the dog at home. Several volunteers with trained hunting dogs may be available to assist the hunting groups. Please leave your dog and your weapon in your vehicle until after the hunter orientation and assignment to the hunting field. If you have any questions or cannot attend at the scheduled time, please contact DFG Wildlife Habitat Assistant 1, Nicholas Bechtel at (562) 254-8969 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

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Upland Game Bird Special Hunt Program

MONITOR AND JUNIOR HUNTER SAFETY INFORMATION

The purpose of a junior hunt is to give young hunters the opportunity to hunt game in a more relaxed atmosphere and to provide them with a greater chance to bag game.

Of utmost importance is **SAFETY**. Safety is stressed at ALL times. Safety is more important than bagging game.

JUNIOR HUNTERS - Now is the time to show everything you have learned in your Hunter Education class!

SAFETY MONITOR - Please ask a few questions of the group:

- What do you mean by "zone of fire"?
 - The space or area into which a hunter may safely shoot.

- In what position should you keep the firearm safety while hunting?
 - In the "on" position until you have shouldered your gun and are pointing at your target. Never put your finger on the trigger until you are ready to shoot.
 - Remember, you are the best safety. Do not rely upon the gun's safety because it could fail to work. Always keep the firearm pointed in a safe direction.

- How do you know if the firearm is loaded or unloaded?
 - You must personally check it yourself. Never take any person's word for it - check it yourself.

- If you stumble or fall, when you get up what is the first thing you should do?
 - Check and make sure the gun is emptied and then check the barrel.

- When you do fall, what is the most important thing to do?
 - Hang on to your firearm to control the muzzle and make sure it is pointing in a safe direction.

The field you are going to hunt has been pre-planted with several pheasants. TAKE YOUR TIME. Pheasants love to hide. We want you to take at least an hour to make 2 passes through the field.

Be aware of where you are in relation to other in the group. Remember **YOUR ZONE OF FIRE!** Do not get in front of another hunter and **DO NOT SHOOT** if someone or dog is in front of you.

If you, your dog, or accompanying adult get in front of the line and create a safety hazard, you will be asked to leave the field.

Your dog or dogs must be under control at all times. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** If your dog is not under control, the dog must be taken from the field by its handler.



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Upland Game Bird Special Hunts Program

2014 2015 Liability Waiver: Adult Participants



READ, INITIAL AND SIGN BEFORE HUNT DAY

Waiver of Potential Claims and Release of Liability

I, _____, as a condition of my being able to participate in hunting activities on State property acknowledge and represent to the State of California each of the following:

1. Hunting is an inherently dangerous activity that can result in serious injuries or death caused by myself or other people who are present, participating in or watching such activities. _____.

Initial

2. Hunting also includes an inherent risk of serious injury or death caused by conditions of the land, including both defects in or improvements thereto, or natural conditions including animals (whether those being hunted or not) on the property. The State has not made any representations that the conditions of the property are suitable for hunting or that the property is free from defects. _____.

Initial

3. I acknowledge that in allowing me to participate in hunting activities on State property, the State owes me no duty to supervise the activity or the persons participating in or watching the activity. I further acknowledge that by providing rules, signs, guides, chaperones or other volunteers to assist in hunting activities, neither the State, its agents, employees and/or volunteers owe me any duty whatsoever to supervise or control the actions of myself or other persons participating in, watching the activity or on the property. _____.

Initial

4. Waiver And Release Of Claims: I hereby expressly waive any right that I might have to sue the State, its agents, employees and/or volunteers for any physical or emotional injuries, illnesses, death or other damages that I might suffer as a result of participating in hunting activities on State property. _____.

Initial

5. Waiver And Release Of Claims Based On Negligence: In addition to the inherent dangers involved in hunting on State property described above, I further acknowledge that serious injuries or death may be caused by the negligent acts of State employees, its agents, volunteers or other persons which increase the risk of injury beyond those normally anticipated while hunting. I hereby expressly agree to assume the risk that I may be seriously injured or killed through the negligent acts of others. I agree to waive any right I may have to sue the State, its agents, employees and/or volunteers for injuries or death that I may suffer arising out of participating in hunting or related activities including physical or emotional injuries, illnesses or death caused by the negligent acts of the State, its agents, employees, volunteers or other persons. _____.

Initial

Prior to executing this waiver and release of liability, I was given the opportunity to thoroughly read the entire document and to consult my own legal counsel regarding the potential effect of signing this agreement. I hereby consent to be bound by its terms and conditions.

PLEASE READ, SIGN AND BRING WAIVER TO CHECK IN ON THE DATE OF THE HUNT. YOU MUST SUBMIT A WAIVER IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS UPLAND GAME BIRD HUNT

Signature _____ Date _____

Printed Name _____



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Upland Game Bird Special Hunts Program 2014-2015 Liability Waiver: Minor (under the



age of 18) Participant

READ, INITIAL AND SIGN BEFORE HUNT DAY

Waiver of Minor's Potential Claims and Release of Liability

I, _____, am the legal parent/guardian of _____, a minor under the age of 18 years (the "Child"), as a condition of the Child being able to participate in hunting activities on State property, I hereby acknowledge and represent to the State of California each of the following: 1. Hunting is an inherently dangerous activity that can result in serious injuries or death caused by myself, the Child

or other people who are present, participating in or watching such activities. _____.

Initial

2. Hunting also includes an inherent risk of serious injury or death caused by conditions of the land, including both defects in or improvements thereto, or natural conditions including animals (whether those being hunted or not) on the property. The State has not made any representations that the conditions of the property are suitable for hunting or that the property is free from defects. _____.

Initial

3. I acknowledge that in allowing the Child to participate in hunting activities on State property, the State owes the Child no duty to supervise the activity or the persons participating in or watching the activity. I further acknowledge that by providing rules, signs, guides, chaperones or other volunteers to assist in hunting activities, neither the State, its agents, employees and/or volunteers owe the Child any duty to supervise or control the actions of the Child or other persons participating in, watching the activity or on the property. _____.

Initial

4. Waiver And Release Of Claims: I hereby expressly waive any right that the Child might have to sue the State, its agents, employees and/or volunteers for any physical or emotional injuries, illnesses, death or other damages that the Child might suffer as a result of participating in hunting activities on State property. _____.

Initial

5. Waiver And Release Of Claims Based On Negligence: In addition to the inherent dangers involved in hunting on State property described above, I further acknowledge that serious injuries or death may be caused by the negligent acts of State employees, its agents, volunteers or other persons which increase the risk of injury beyond those normally anticipated while hunting. I hereby expressly agree that the Child assumes the risk that the Child may be seriously injured or killed through the negligent acts of others. I agree to waive any right the Child may have to sue the State, its agents, employees and/or volunteers for injuries or death that the Child may suffer arising out of participating in hunting or related activities including physical or emotional injuries, illnesses or death caused by the negligent acts of the State, its agents, employees, volunteers or other persons. _____.

Initial

Prior to executing this waiver and release of liability, I was given the opportunity to thoroughly read the entire document and to consult my own legal counsel regarding the potential effect of signing this agreement. I hereby consent to be bound by its terms and conditions and consent to the Child being bound by its terms and conditions.

PLEASE READ, SIGN AND BRING WAIVER TO CHECK IN ON THE DATE OF THE HUNT. YOU MUST SUBMIT A WAIVER IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS UPLAND GAME BIRD HUNT

Signature _____ Date _____ (Parent/Guardian)

Printed Name _____ (Parent Guardian)

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The Ten Commandments of Firearms Safety:

1. Watch that muzzle! Keep it pointed in a safe direction at all times.
2. Treat every firearm with the respect due a loaded gun.
3. Be sure of your target and what is in front of it and beyond it.
4. Keep your finger outside the trigger guard until ready to shoot .
5. Check your barrel and ammunition.
6. Unload firearms when not in use.
7. Point your firearm only at something you intend to shoot.
8. Don't run, jump, or climb with a loaded firearm.
9. Store firearms and ammunition separately and safely.
10. Don't drink alcohol, use drugs or take medications that might impair your abilities and good judgment before or while handling firearms or archery equipment.



Directions to Peace Valley.



General Directions: Take I-5 Freeway North/South. Exit at **Quail Lake Road**-Coming from the North, turn left, coming from the South, turn right and go South/east on Quail Lake Rd. follow underneath freeway overpass (HWY-138).

Park on the Left or Right hand side of the road; do not drive down through the check in area.