



NOTICE TO HUNTERS IN THE VICINITY OF PRINCE ALBERT NATIONAL PARK

Saskatchewan offers some of North America's most abundant populations of wildlife. When hunting near Prince Albert National Park, hunters should be aware of the following:

National Park Boundaries

Portions of Saskatchewan Wildlife Management Zones 53, 64 and 66 border Prince Albert National Park (PANP). Hunting is prohibited in National Parks. It is the responsibility of the hunter to be aware of his/her location when hunting near the park boundary. The park boundary is well marked with a cut line, as well as boundary marker signs at regular intervals.

Transportation of Game in a National Park

According to National Park Wildlife Regulations, hunters may transport game in or through a national park providing the person in possession of the wildlife produces the following (upon the request of a park warden):

- An export permit as issued pursuant to the Game Export Act
- A hunting license issued by the province of Saskatchewan
- A hunting tag issued by the province of Saskatchewan with the tag properly placed on the animal as required by law

Transportation of Firearms in a National Park

Firearms transported in or through a national park must be:

- Transported in a vehicle
- Unloaded
- Encased or completely covered.

Hunters transporting firearms through a national park must, on the request of a park warden, make the firearm and firearm permit available for inspection. Guides and outfitters for groups or individuals transporting firearms through a national park are responsible for ensuring firearms are transported accordingly.

Communications Regarding Location of Wildlife

No person shall communicate by radio, telephone, walkie-talkie or other means, the location of wildlife within a park to any other person within or outside a park if either person is hunting.

New Wounded Wildlife Retrieval Policy

Wildlife shot legally on provincial lands, that subsequently runs into Prince Albert National Park severely wounded, should be reported to park wardens. When operationally feasible, park wardens will track and destroy severely wounded wildlife and the hunter may retrieve the carcass from within the park. Under no circumstances is a hunter allowed to carry a loaded firearm within the park. Tracking and destruction of wounded wildlife by park wardens will only occur under the following circumstances:

- a) Hunters produce identification or license information upon request of the park warden
- b) Hunters provide detailed information regarding time and location wounded animal entered the park
- c) There is no suspicion that the animal was shot illegally
- d) Hunters retrieve and tag the animal immediately after the park warden destroys it
- e) There is sufficient time and daylight to allow the park warden to respond, track and destroy the animal within legal hunting hours
- f) Park wardens will not compromise other duties to respond to requests for wildlife retrievals
- g) Destruction of the wounded animal will be solely up to the discretion of the park warden responding (e.g. if not seriously wounded, animal will not be destroyed)
- h) As a general rule, animals will be tracked for approximately one hour unless it is evident that the animal will be found soon thereafter

For more information:

Contact the PANP Resource Conservation Office at (306) 663 – 4532

Attend a public meeting to discuss the new retrieval policy

- Monday, September 27 ~ at 7 p.m. ~ Mayview Community Hall
- Wednesday, September 29 ~ at 7 p.m. ~ Ladder Valley Community Hall