



NETUGULIMGEWE'L ET'PLUTAGANN

HUNTING GUIDELINES

We encourage our people to conduct themselves in a manner that will not bring shame but rather bring pride to the community by respecting our hunting code. In doing so we strengthen our community and our people and make sure that we are doing our part to pass on to our future generations this precious resource given to us by the Creator.

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Hunting regulations
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1. Only the Gesgapegiag First Nation Government will protect the Micmac hunting under these guidelines.
2. Micmac hunting under these guidelines must be members of the Gesgapegiag First Nation unless the individual has specific permission signed by the Chief of the Gesgapegiag First Nation and is a member of a First Nation.
3. Without limiting the concept of netugulim, the objective of these guidelines includes achieving adequate standards of community nutrition without . jeopardizing the integrity, diversity of productivity of our native environment.
4. Independent of any privileges you may have under federal or provincial regulations or licenses, every Micmac has the free liberty to hunt with the following guidelines.
 - > This right may be exercised without regards to provincial restrictions relating to seasons, quotas, licenses and tagging.
 - > This right must be exercised with due regards to the safety of others, **and not on** or adjacent to any road surfaces, or in proximity to residential property.
 - > Hunters using rifles must make sure that the orange florescent safety vest is visible at all times.
 - > This right may be exercised within the traditional territories of the Micmac nation.
 - > Micmac youth of the age of 12 to 17 years may hunt with a firearm provided they are accompanied by either an elder or family member that is no less than the age of 21 years.

5. To ensure that wildlife is not over

C Species, we request that all animals harvested be reported to the designate of the Gesgapegiag First nation.

6. For reasons of safety, it is prohibited to hunt after dark.
7. It is prohibited to shoot from a moving vehicle. (Except a canoe or bOat with a non - ignited motor.)
8. Should a non-aboriginal enforcement officer stop you in the exercise of your hunting rights, identify yourself as a member of the Gesgapegiag Micmac First Nation and that you are exercising your ancestral right to hunt, fish, or trap under the Gesgapegiag First Nation Government Authority. Show the Gesgapegiag First Nation License.

9. It is prohibited to consume alcohol or drugs (unless for medical reasons) during the exercise of your hunting rights.

10. It is required that rifles used to hunt big game be no smaller than the 30-30 caliber center fire cartridges and preferably larger grain for moose.

11. As a practice Gesgapegiag Micmac will not shoot any large game that is evidently not one year of age.

I 12. It is prohibited to hunt species that have been declared endangered by recognized institutions.

13. The Micmacs of Gesgapegiag hunting season begins on the first full moon of September and ends with the new moon of November every year.

14. Gesgapegiag Band members will stop hunting for the period of the non-native gun hunting season for big game. (moose, deer)

15. For every ten male killed, one female will be killed.

Note; The Micmacs of Gesgapegiag First Nation Government may organize or sanction a hunt for community and cultural purposes between December and the end of March if it deems so necessary.

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Francis Gideon **Motion Carried. 09-
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Big Game Registration and Procedure Fall 2002

It is important that any big game (moose or deer) that band members may kill be registered. This may be done with Mr. Harry Condo who is designated for the purpose of registering all big game killed.

Upon reporting the animal killed Mr. Condo will register the animal and take steps to complete the registration information as accurately as possible.

Gesgapegiag Meat Sharing Program

If a band member wishes to share the meat with the community and benefit from the bands community meat-sharing program, the band will reimburse the band member for the cost of the meat cut, providing the following steps are followed, no exceptions.

- 1. You must advise the designate upon registration of your desire to share with the community.**
- 2. A minimum of 50% of the meat cut must be given to the community to qualify.**
- 3. Only one hunter per household may qualify to the meat-sharing program, however should another member of the same household wish to give away 100% of the meat to the community, the band may reimburse.**
- 4. A proper receipt is required from the butcher confirming payment.**
- 5. Hunters will be responsible for paying the butcher, not the band.**
- 6. Meat distribution and delivery registration will be done by the designate.**

Note; The band and its designate reserve the right to refuse payment if financial resources are no longer available for this purpose, or if abuse is suspected.

**Proposed by: Councillor Luc Martin
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