



## Hunter Safety / Mentor Hunter Summary 1837 and 1842 Ceded Territories of Minnesota and Wisconsin

**Hunter Safety Education Required:** Unless you were born before January 1, 1977 (WI) or January 1, 1980 (MN), you must successfully complete a hunter education and firearm safety course to hunt while possessing a firearm, bow and arrow or crossbow. Qualifying courses include those offered by the Band or by another Band, a state or a province of Canada that are the same as the Band's course. Armed Forces basic training substitutes for a hunter safety course.

**Mentor Hunter:** Members who do not have hunter safety education and wish to try hunting may obtain a **mentor hunter permit**. Under this program a member without a hunter safety card (at any age 10 years or over) may hunt with a licensed hunter as long as the licensed hunter is in compliance with hunter safety education requirements above, is within arms-length of the mentored hunter, and only one gun is possessed between them.

### **Juvenile Hunting:**

- A) Under 10 Years Old. No hunting permitted (WI). A member under 10 years of age may hunt small game and migratory birds if participating in a mentored hunt in Minnesota
- B) 10 - 11 Years Old. Hunting permitted under Mentor Hunter only: unless the person is participating in a Tribal Youth Hunt (WI); OR hunting small game and migratory birds with a parent (MN).
- C) 12 - 13 Years Old. *With Hunter Safety Education* a member may hunt while accompanied by parent, guardian or other adult member designated by a parent or guardian. *Without Hunter Safety Education*, a member may hunt while accompanied by a mentor, a parent, guardian or other adult member designated by a parent or guardian.
- D) 14 – 15 Years Old. *With Hunter Safety Education* a member may hunt unaccompanied. *Without Hunter Safety Education* a member may hunt while accompanied by a mentor, a parent, guardian or other adult member designated by a parent or guardian.
- E) Parental Obligation. It is illegal to allow or encourage a child to violate these age restrictions.

F) Tribal Youth Hunts provide opportunities for members under 16 years of age to hunt outside of regular seasons.

This summarizes various Tribal rules for treaty hunting in the 1837 and 1842 Ceded Territories of Minnesota and Wisconsin. Changes may occur from time to time so check with your tribe to be sure you know the appropriate rules. It does not state your Tribe's entire ordinance. You are responsible for knowing your Tribe's regulations, which could be more restrictive. This summarizes rules that will be enforced in your Tribal court. It does not summarize state or federal criminal laws relating to the use or possession of firearms that may be enforced in other courts.

Check with your Tribe or GLIFWC if you have questions. If you have questions regarding hunting in the ceded territories, contact your Tribe's conservation department or GLIFWC: <http://glifwc.org>