Alaska has some of the world’s premiere small game hunting. Whether you are a first-time hunter or an avid one, you don’t need to travel far to find fantastic small game hunting opportunities. Southcentral Alaska encompasses Game Management Unit (GMU) 14 which includes Palmer and Wasilla (14A), Willow and Talkeetna (14B), and Anchorage and Eagle River (14C). Despite the presence of large urban centers, the unit contains easy-to-access hunting areas and abundant small game populations.

This guide will help you understand the State of Alaska’s hunting regulations for grouse, ptarmigan, and snowshoe hares in all of GMU 14. Consult current hunting regulations or your local ADF&G office with additional questions.

For more information and maps: hunt.alaska.gov
ADF&G Small Game Hunting Regulations for GMU 14A & 14 B

Note: Additional land regulations such as land access and firearm restrictions may apply.

**Bag Limits (14A/14B)**
- Ptarmigan: 10/day, 20 in possession
- Grouse: 15/day, 30 in possession
  Only 2/day, 4 in possession of which can be ruffed grouse
- Snowshoe Hare:
  - 14A - 5/day, no possession limit
  - 14B - No daily limit, no possession limit

**Species/Dates:**
- Ptarmigan: 8/10 - 3/31
- Grouse: 8/10 - 3/31
- Snowshoe hare: No closed season

Open to: All legal means

**Note:** A diversity of landowners make up much of GMU 14A and 14B. Check with landowners (see the list of landowners on back of brochure) concerning additional information on land access and discharge of firearms.

**14A/14B**

**Species/Dates:**
- Ptarmigan: 8/10 - 3/31
- Grouse: 8/10 - 3/31
- Snowshoe hare: No closed season

Open to: All legal means

**Note:** A diversity of landowners make up much of GMU 14A and 14B. Check with landowners (see the list of landowners on back of brochure) concerning additional information on land access and discharge of firearms.

**Palmer-Wasilla**

**Species/Dates:**
- Ptarmigan: 8/10 - 3/31
- Grouse: 8/10 - 3/31
- Snowshoe hare: No closed season

Open to: Muzzleloader, shotgun, air rifle with rifled barrel, falconry, bow and arrow

**Note:** A diversity of landowners make up much of GMU 14A and 14B. Check with landowners (see the list of landowners on back of brochure) concerning additional information on land access and discharge of firearms.

**Hatcher Pass Youth Hunt**

Youth-Only Hunt Dates: 8/10 - 8/25

After 8/25 regulations from 14A apply

Open to: All legal means

**Note:** Open to youth hunters 17 years old or younger accompanied by a licensed hunter 21 years old or older who has successfully completed a certified hunter education course if the youth has not completed a course. Youth hunter and accompanying adult must wear hunter orange vest or jacket while in the field.
Bag Limits (ALL of 14C)
- Ptarmigan: 10/day, 20 in possession
- Grouse: 5/day, 10 in possession
- Only 2/day, 4 in possession of which can be ruffed grouse
- Snowshoe Hare: 5/day, no possession limit

Areas marked in red are closed to small game hunting.

Note: Additional land regulations such as land access and firearm restrictions may apply.
Landowner Contacts

**GMU 14A /14B**
Matanuska-Susitna Borough • • • • • • • • • • • (907) 861-7801
City of Wasilla • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • (907) 373-9050
City of Palmer • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • (907) 745-0930
City of Houston • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • (907) 892-6869
State of Alaska
Dept. of Fish and Game (Front desk) • • • • • • • • (907) 746-6300
Dept. of Fish and Game (Refuges) • • • • • • • • • (907) 267-2281
Dept. of Natural Resources (Parks - Mat-su) • • • • (907) 745-3975
Dept. of Natural Resources (Forestry) • • • • • • • (907) 761-6300
Mental Health Trust • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • (907) 269-7960

**GMU 14C**
US Dept. of Agriculture Forest Service • • • • • • • • (907) 743-9500
US Dept. of Defense
Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson (JBER) • • • • • • • (907) 552-9453
State of Alaska
Dept. of Fish and Game (Front desk) • • • • • • • • (907) 267-2257
Dept. of Fish and Game (Refuges) • • • • • • • • • (907) 267-2281
Dept. of Natural Resources (Parks- Chugach) • • • (907) 345-5014
Dept. of Natural Resources (Forestry) • • • • • • • (907) 761-6300
Municipality of Anchorage (Police Dept.) • • • • • • (907) 786-8900
Eklutna Corporation • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • (907) 696-2828
Mental Health Trust • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • (907) 269-7960
Cook Inlet Regional Corporation • • • • • • • • • • • (907) 274-8638

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