



## TROPHY STONE OUTFITTING LTD.

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### INFORMATION LETTER

#### *To Our Valued Guests,*

Thank you for choosing Trophy Stone Outfitting Ltd. for your hunt. We welcome back our returning guests, and look forward to meeting our new hunters. Take the time to read through all information and do not hesitate to contact us with any questions. **Please email your flight itineraries to [tso@yukonhunting.com](mailto:tso@yukonhunting.com)**

**Temporary Canada Gun Registration/Possession Licence:** Customs will require you to purchase a temporary Gun Registration/Possession Licence for your guns while you have them in Canada. At home fill out the 3-part form (or three copies of the form) and **DO NOT SIGN OR DATE**. At the point you go through Canada customs you will pay \$25.00 Canadian (VISA accepted), sign and date your licence. You must retain one copy of the licence with your gun. For further information contact call the Canada Firearms Centre at 1 800 731-4000 in Canada and the USA, (506) 624-5380 outside Canada and the USA, or visit their web site at: <http://www.cfc-cafc.gc.ca> before you come to Canada.

**Reservation Contract** Complete (in clear handwriting) and review your contract if you have not done so, and return ASAP as these are needed for your hunting licenses. It is important that you fill out ALL the information on the contract.

**Harvest Fees** are due upon completion of your hunt. Cash, or traveller's cheques accepted. Personal Cheques will be accepted if trophies are left in the Yukon under the care of TSO Ltd.

**Yukon Government Trophy Fees** are due at the end of your hunt on each animal harvested. Please bring the maximum amount of funds with you to Whitehorse.

**Hunting Licence and Tags** Fishing Licences are included in the price.

There has been a change in the way the Yukon is selling nonresident hunting licenses. You must purchase them on line. **Hunting license only, as we will supply your seals and tags and also your fishing license.** Once you have your license, I will require a copy in order to buy the seals.

Step 1: go online <https://env.services.gov.yk.ca/pub/signin.aspx> and purchase your hunting license.

Step 2: send me a copy to [tso@yukonhunting.com](mailto:tso@yukonhunting.com)

Step 3: Make a copy for yourself and bring it with you this fall

If you have any issues call Environment Services 867-393-7197

**Air Charter Fee:** The bush plane air charter fee is payable to Trophy Stone Outfitting. Your air charter fee covers yourself, your gun and 100lbs of gear into hunting camp, as well as your return with gun, gear, trophies and meat. In Whitehorse please recheck your gear weight that is packed in two soft bags for the bush plane flight. **Any additional unscheduled flights will be at an additional cost paid for by the hunter. (This includes leaving early or late from your hunt dates)**

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**Hotel & Other Expenses:** Visa and MasterCard is widely accepted in Whitehorse. You may incur expenses for meals and drinks, your hotel room in Whitehorse and shipping fees for your trophies. When booking your hotel we recommend **Days Inn** (867) 668-4747, **Westmark Whitehorse** (867) 393-9700 or **The Gold Rush Best Western** (867) 668-4500. Shuttle service to all hotels from the airport is available. Email us your reservations so we can contact you for flight times, travel and licencing needs. If you enjoy soda or cocktails on your hunt, you will need to bring them with you on the air charter flight into camp.

**Gratuities:** Please thank and treat all our employees fairly; guides, packers, cooks and expeditors. We are trying to do our best for each one of you. Please tip if you are satisfied with our services. 10-20% of you hunt base price seems to be the average amount divided between all.

**Fishing:** We encourage you to enjoy the great fishing the Yukon has to offer. The amount of time available for fishing will vary greatly for each hunter and location of hunt. You could have next to no time or a few days for fishing. A collapsible lightweight spinning rod is what most hunters bring. A Canadian seasonal non-resident fishing licence is included in the cost of your hunting licences.

**Expediter:** When you arrive in Whitehorse, our expeditor may meet you and take you and your gear to the hotel. However, if the expeditor is not available, there is a **free shuttle** provided by the hotel. Please use this shuttle if you do not see our expeditor with a TSO sign. The expeditor will meet you in Whitehorse and review all details of your hunt, take you to the float base, and pick you up after your hunt is completed.

**Travel to Whitehorse:** The airlines that fly into Whitehorse are Air Canada (888-247-2262) and Air North (800-764-0407). Your best bet is to contact your local travel agent for your best connections and prices and book early to reserve your seat. Canada Customs requires that you collect your luggage and buy your gun possession licence for your guns the *first* place you enter Canada. So at the point you do go through customs allow enough time to make your next connection, approximately 2-3 hours. Remember you should book your flight allowing more incoming Whitehorse flights for missing bags to arrive in Whitehorse before you fly into hunting camp.

**Trip Insurance:** You may want to purchase a Trip Cancellation/Interruption Insurance Policy to protect your investment in your hunting trip. If purchased within 15 days of booking your hunt, pre-existing medical conditions are covered. An Emergency Medical Evacuation Policy is also highly recommended. Both policies are available from Sportsman Travel Insurance. Please visit their website at [www.sportsmanstravelinsurance.com](http://www.sportsmanstravelinsurance.com)

**Entry to Canada:** A valid passport is required for air travel when returning to the United States from Canada. Please visit the Canada Border Services website ([www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca](http://www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca)) as well as the US Homeland Security website ([www.dhs.gov/xtrvlsec](http://www.dhs.gov/xtrvlsec)) for the latest information applicable to your trip to Canada. As well, carry documentation of your hunting plans with us, should customs question your purpose in Canada. This letter should serve this purpose. Please keep all documents on your person during your travel. No immunizations are required to enter Canada.

**Guns and Ammo:** We suggest you bring two or three boxes of ammunition which must be stored separate from your gun for travel. Ammunition, knives, your "Leatherman" and so on must be packed in your checked baggage, not your carry on bags. No handguns, mace or bear spray will be allowed to enter Canada. Guns should be packed in hard cases if shipped by airplane. Hard cases will be left in the hotel security room when you are on your hunt. Bring a soft gun case to transport your gun from Whitehorse to camp. Bring a gun that you feel comfortable shooting and be sure to sight your gun in before you leave home.

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**Gear** taken into camp is limited to *two 50lb bags* plus your rifle. It is difficult to predict mountain weather. Be prepared for anything from summer to winter weather. Wool and fleece clothing along with *rugged* waterproof rain gear (top and bottoms) for rain and wind are required and may prove to be an advantage on your hunt. Good quality waterproof insulated boots are a good choice and in the later hunts, insulated pack boots with thin Thinsulate removable liners should be used. Extra gear, suitcases and gun cases you have brought to Whitehorse may be left at the hotel in Whitehorse while you are in camp.

**Trophies:** Crating and shipping of trophies will be by Northfork Taxidermy, Cindy (867) 335 6693. They accept cash, credit card or personal checks for deposits. Trophies will be sent to you COD. Any animal part will need an export permit. To export bears and wolves, a Federal CITES permit is needed. The Federal CITES permit may require a 24-hour notice because of the paperwork involved. Trophy moose and caribou are usually too large for airline transport. **Be sure to leave us your exact full address for Trophy shipments.** Your guide will prepare your trophy before the end of your hunt. **If your trophy is harvested near the end of your hunt, additional work may be required to be done by the taxidermist in Whitehorse before shipping.** This cost is the responsibility of each hunter.

**Meat:** All of the meat is left with the outfit as we donate the meat to First Nations, Yukon communities and local charities. The meat is gratefully received and appreciated by all, and your successful hunt will feed many people.

**Hunter Preservation Fund:** The Yukon Outfitters Association has started this fund to protect the opportunity of non-residents to continue to hunt the Yukon into the future. Each hunter is to contribute \$350 which goes to the Yukon Outfitters Association.

**Communications:** Satellite phones or Delorme inReaches are available in all of our camps. Most hunters bring their own satellite phones on their hunt to make personal calls (*we recommend this*). **THERE IS NO CELL SERVICE OR INTERNET IN OUR CAMPS.**

If there are any changes in your plans or if you have further questions, please contact us at (867) 994 2200 or (867) 336 3326. We are more than happy to help you prepare for your trip. We look forward to seeing you in the Yukon.

Sincerely,

Dean Sandulak, Outfitter  
Trophy Stone Outfitting Ltd.