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Non-toxic shot is required for most migratory game birds

Lead shot is toxic to wildlife and the environment.

Environment Canada respects the rights of Aboriginal People through various agreements including land claim settlements. The harmful effects of lead on waterfowl and their predators, however, are the same, no matter who the hunter is. With your help, and the help of all Aboriginal Peoples, hunters can work together to create a healthier environment for all wildlife.

Non-toxic shot will be required for hunting most migratory game birds in all areas of Canada beginning September 1, 1999.

Within National Wildlife Areas, hunters are already required to use non-toxic shot in their shotguns for ALL hunting, including migratory game birds and upland game such as rabbits and grouse.

The following non-toxic shot types have been approved for use in Canada:

> bismuth shot steel shot tin shot

tungsten-iron shot tungsten-matrix shot tungsten-polymer shot

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For more information contact your regional wildlife officer, or if you have access to the internet, you may visit our website at:

http://www.ec.gc.ca/cws-scf/pub/hunting/nontoxic.html