

\$2,500 Fine and Hunting Suspension for Illegal Moose Hunting

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A Winnipeg man has been convicted of hunting moose in Ontario without a licence.

Barry C. Arnason was charged under the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act and fined \$2,500 for hunting moose in Ontario without the authority of a licence. Arnason is also prohibited from hunting in Ontario for two years. His firearm was seized and will be returned once his fine is paid.

Court heard that on October 3, 2008, a Ministry of Natural Resources conservation officer contacted Arnason during an aerial patrol of remote lakes, approximately 180 kilometres north of Red Lake. Arnason was travelling east in a powerboat on Sparrowhawk Lake, with a high-powered rifle, ammunition, moose call and moose lure. Arnason possessed a Manitoba moose hunting licence, which only authorized him to hunt on the part of the lake falling within Manitoba.

Justice of the Peace Marj Pasloski heard the case in the Ontario Court of Justice in Red Lake, on August 19, 2009 and made her ruling on November 25, 2009.

To report a natural resource violation, call 1-877-TIPS-MNR (847-7667) toll-free any time or contact your ministry office during regular business hours. You can also call Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).