

**Hunting License, to Indians. Indians, Hunting License To.
License, to Indians to Hunt.**

A hunter's license may be issued to an Indian.

Oct. 7th, 1911.

Hon. Charles L. Crum,
County Attorney,
Forsyth, Montana.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 4th inst, enclosing a letter from J. R. Eddy, Superintendent and S. D. A. of the Tongue River Agency, submitting the question:

"Can a hunting license be lawfully issued to an Indian?"

This office has twice heretofore held that under the provisions of Section 1976 of the Revised Codes, as amended by Chap. 130, Laws of 1909, a hunters license may be issued to an Indian.

Opinions Attorney General, 1905-06, 91 and 274.

A discussion of the question may be found in the opinions referred to. Your attention, however, is called to the provisions of Section 1970, which requires a six months residence within the State, or on an Indian Reservation that is within the state before the Indian would be entitled to a bona-fide resident's license. However, the provisions of Sec. 8590 of the Revised Codes, if strictly enforced, would render nugatory any license issued to an Indian, but this does not prevent the issuance of the license. I return herewith the letter addressed to you by Mr. Eddy.

Yours very truly,

ALBERT J. GALEN,

Attorney General.