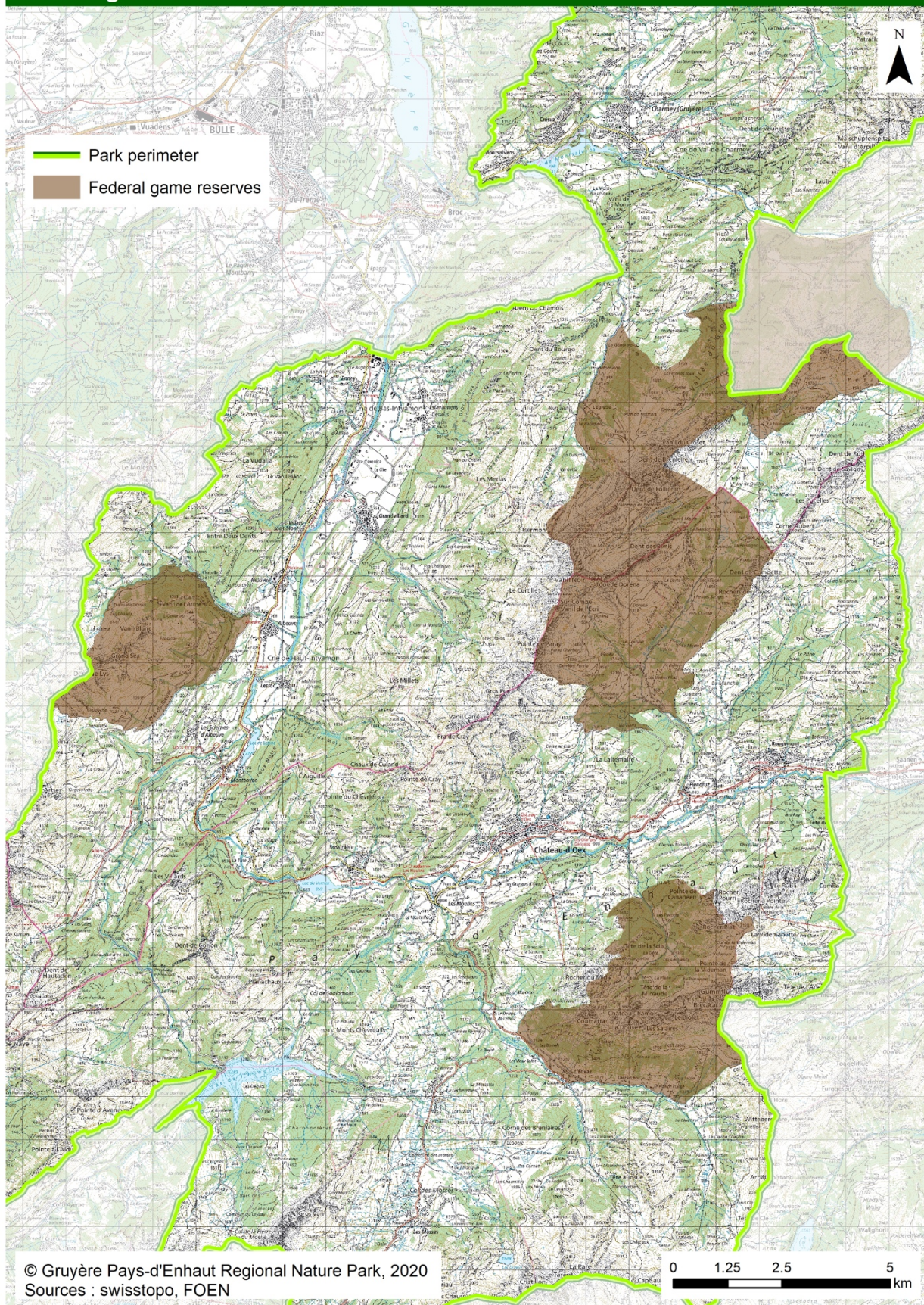


Federal game reserves



Federal Game Reserves

Current regulations

- Hiking with dogs: **art. 5, para c)** of the Federal Game Reserves Ordinance (FGRO)
- Cycling and mountain biking: **art. 5, para h)**, FGRO
- Ski touring and snowshoeing: **art. 5, para b) and g)** FGRO
- Aerial sports (paragliding, delta planes, etc.): **art. 5, para f)** FGRO
- Drones: **art. 5, para f^{bis})**, FGRO

Relevant article from the Federal Game Reserves Ordinance (FGRO)

of 30 September 1991 (last updated: 15 July 2015)

Art. 5 Species protection

1. The following provisions apply generally to game reserves:

a. hunting is prohibited;

b. animals must not be disturbed, pursued or baited to leave the confines of the game reserve; the feeding of wildlife and the introduction of salt licks are prohibited;

c. with the exception of farm dogs, all dogs must be kept on a lead;

d. weapons and traps may not be carried, stored or used on the reserve. The cantons may grant exemptions to individuals residing within the game reserve and for areas under partial protection. Authorised hunters and those fulfilling their military service obligations (obligatory service, firearms training and inspections) may carry weapons on the reserve, insofar as these are not loaded. Game wardens may use weapons and traps.

e. wild camping is prohibited and camping is permitted only on designated camp sites. The cantons may grant exemptions;

f. the take-off and landing of manned civilian aircraft outside existing aerodromes are prohibited; authorised flights are subject to art. 19, para. 3, let. a, and art. 28, para 1, of the Ordinance of 14 May 2014 on Aircraft Taking Off and Landing outside Aerodromes;

f^{bis}. the use of unmanned civilian aircraft is prohibited;

g. off-piste skiing is prohibited;

h. driving on mountain farm and forest tracks is prohibited, as is driving off-road, on forest paths and on dirt tracks. The cantons may grant exemptions.

i. military exercises involving the use of live or practice ammunition are prohibited. The contractually agreed use of shooting ranges and special military facilities are exempt from this rule. Sentry are permitted to carry loaded weapons. The fortification guard and the Swiss Border Guard may also carry arms when carrying out checks.

2. The organisation of sporting and other social events is only permitted insofar as they do not compromise the protective purpose of the reserve. Organisers require prior authorisation from a cantonal authority.

3. Special provisions as set out in Article 2 para 2 and measures stipulated in Articles 8 to 10 and 12 remain unaffected.¹³