

Chapter NR 10

GAME AND HUNTING

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(Sections 29.085 and 29.174, Wis. Stats.)

NR 10.001 Definitions. (1) "Department" means the department of natural resources.

(2) For the purposes of this chapter, "bait" means honey and any solid or nonliquid material attractive to wildlife.

(3) "Open water" means any water beyond a natural growth of vegetation rooted to the bottom and extending above the water surface of such height as to offer whole or partial concealment for the hunter. Dead stumps and dead trees in water do not constitute a natural growth of vegetation.

(4) "Waterfowl" means any migratory game bird of the family *Anatidae* including wild ducks, geese and brant.

(5) "Migratory game birds" means any bird which is migratory and on which an open season has been prescribed in this chapter and belonging to one of the following families:

(a) *Anatidae* (wild ducks, geese and brant),

(b) *Rallidae* (rails, coots and gallinules),

(c) *Scolopacidae* (woodcock and Wilson's snipe (jacksnipe)).

(6) "Liquid scent" means any nonsolid material except honey.

(7) For the purpose of hunting bear:

(a) "Hunter" means any person shooting, shooting at, taking, catching, killing or pursuing a bear and any person who aids, assists, abets or acts in concert with such a person in the pursuit of the bear whether or

not such person possesses a weapon or other means capable of reducing a bear to possession.

(b) "Pursuit" means the activity by a person or persons in concert designed or for the purpose of overtaking and reducing a bear to possession.

(8) "Bow" means any bow, drawn and held by and through the effort of the person releasing it, but does not include crossbow.

(9) "Crossbow" means any device using a bow which, once drawn, is held solely by means other than the effort of the person firing it.

(10) "Molest" means any activity which results in physical damage or destruction of an object.

(11) "Firearm season" means an open season for hunting with any of the following firearms loaded with a single slug or ball: rifle, muzzle-loader or shotgun.

(12) "Shotgun season" means an open season for hunting with either of the following firearms loaded with a single slug or ball: muzzle-loader or shotgun.

(13) For the purpose of hunting deer and bear, "muzzle-loader" means any smoothbore muzzle-loading firearm of not less than .45 caliber and any rifled muzzle-loading firearm of not less than .40 caliber, discharged from the shoulder.

(14) For the purpose of hunting wild animals other than deer and bear, "muzzle-loader" means any caliber of any muzzle-loading firearm discharged from the shoulder.

(15) "Daily bag" or "bag limit" means the maximum number of game species which may be reduced to the possession of a person in one day.

(16) "Possession limit" means the maximum number of game species which may be reduced to the possession of a person in 2 days or more.

(17) "Water set" means any trap which is set or staked in such a manner as to permit the trap or trapped animal to reach water at any point.

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NR 10.01 Open and closed seasons. A closed season is established for each species of wild animal and bird named herein extending during all the time of each year except the open season period embraced within the specified dates both inclusive. Such open season shall apply to all of the area described in each locality except as otherwise provided in Wis. Adm. Code chs. NR 11 and NR 15. Except as otherwise expressly provided, no person shall take, catch, kill, hunt, pursue, shoot, or trap any wild animal or bird at any time other than the open season and the established hunting hours therefor, nor in the open season in excess of the daily bag limit designated for each species, nor have any such protected wild animal or bird in his possession or under his control in excess of the possession limit. Whenever open and closed seasons are defined

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Limit
3. Jackrabbit in all counties of the state, except Clark, Lincoln, Marathon, Taylor and Wood counties	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 1 through October 31	3 each day, 6 possession
(d) Bobcat (wildcat; hunting and trapping)		
1. All that part of the state lying north of state highway 64	Beginning on the Saturday nearest November 1 and continuing through December 31	One per season by permit
2. Remainder of the state	None	None
(e) Deer gun season		
1. ZONE "A"		
In all portions of the state not otherwise listed in season zones, "B" through "H".		
a. In the counties or parts of counties of Brown, Buffalo (north of U.S. highway 10), Calumet, Chippewa (south of state highway 64 and west of U.S. highway 53), Dane (west of state highway 78 and north of U.S. highway 18), Dodge, Door, Dunn (south of state highway 64), Fond du Lac, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Outagamie, Pepin (north of U.S. highway 10), Pierce (north of U.S. highway 10), St. Croix (south of state highway 64), Sheboygan, Shawano (south of state highway 29), Waupaca and Winnebago.	Beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 9 consecutive days	One buck deer per season with an antler not less than 3 inches in length or permit limit
<i>Shotgun season</i>		
b. All other parts of Zone "A"	Beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 9 consecutive days	One buck deer per season with an antler not less than 3 inches in length or permit limit
<i>Firearm season</i>		
2. ZONE "B"		
The counties or parts of counties of Buffalo, (south of U.S. highway 10), Crawford, Jackson (south of state highways 54, 71 and 108), La Crosse, Monroe (south of state highway 71 and west of state highway 27), Pepin (south of U.S. highway 10), Pierce (south of U.S. highway 10), Trempealeau (west and south of state highways 93 and 121, U. S. highways 10 and 53 and state highway 64), Vernon (west of U.S. highway 61 and state highway 27).		
a. In Vernon county west and north of state highway 27 and state highway 82.		

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Limit
<i>Firearm season</i>	Beginning on Saturday preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 9 consecutive days	One buck deer per season with an antler not less than 3 inches in length.
b. In the counties of Crawford and that part of Vernon south of state highway 82 and U.S. highway 61.		
<i>Firearm season</i>	Beginning on Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 2 consecutive days	One deer per season, either sex.
c. In counties of Jackson (south of state highways 54, 108 and 71), La Crosse, Monroe (south of state highway 71 and west of state highway 27), and Trempealeau (west and south of state highways 93 and 121, U.S. highways 10 and 53 and state highway 54).		
<i>Shotgun season</i>	Beginning on Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 2 consecutive days.	One buck deer per season, with an antler not less than 3 inches in length.
<i>Firearm season</i>	Beginning on the day immediately after the season described above and continuing for 7 consecutive days.	One buck deer per season with an antler not less than 3 inches in length.
d. All other parts of Zone "B"		
<i>Shotgun season</i>	Beginning on Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 9 consecutive days	One buck deer per season with an antler not less than 3 inches in length.
3. ZONE "C"		
The counties of Grant, Green, Lafayette		
a. In Grant county.		
<i>Firearm season</i>	Beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 3 consecutive days	One buck deer per season, with an antler not less than 3 inches in length, plus quota limit
b. In Lafayette and Green counties		
<i>Shotgun season</i>	Beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 3 consecutive days	One buck deer per season with an antler not less than 3 inches in length, plus quota limit

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Limit
4. ZONE "D"		
The counties of Dane (east of state highway 78 and south of U. S. highway 18), Jefferson, Kenosha, Milwaukee, Racine, Rock, Walworth and Waukesha		
a. Milwaukee county	None	None
b. All other parts of Zone "D"		
<i>Shotgun season</i>	Beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 5 consecutive days	One deer per season, either sex
5. ZONE "E"		
In Ozaukee and Washington counties		
<i>Shotgun season</i>	Beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 4 consecutive days	One deer per season, either sex
	Beginning on the day immediately after the season described above and continuing for 5 consecutive days	One buck deer per season with an antler not less than 3 inches in length
6. ZONE "F"		
a. Governor Dodge and Blue Mounds state parks in Iowa county and Perrot state park in Trempealeau county except areas posted as closed to hunting		
<i>Firearm season</i>	Beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 9 consecutive days	One deer per season, either sex, taken under the authority of a valid, variable quota permit for management unit 61A (Perrot), 70C (Governor Dodge) and 70D (Blue Mounds)
b. Blue Mounds state park in Dane county		
<i>Shotgun season</i>	Beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 9 consecutive days	One deer per season, either sex, taken under the authority of a valid, variable quota permit for management unit 70D
7. ZONE "G"		
Fort McCoy military reservation in Monroe county		
a. <i>Muzzle-loader season</i>	November 3-9	One deer per season, either sex

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Limit
b. <i>Firearm season</i>	Beginning on Saturday preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 2 consecutive days	One buck deer per season with an antler not less than 3 inches in length plus quota permit
	Beginning on Monday preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 2 consecutive days	One deer per season either sex
	Beginning on Wednesday preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 5 consecutive days	One buck deer per season with an antler not less than 3 inches in length plus quota permit

8. ZONE "H"

In the part of Adams county (south of state highway 23), Columbia county (north of the north bank of the Wisconsin river, south of state highway 23 and west of U.S. highway 51) and Marquette county (south of state highway 23 and west of U.S. highway 51).

Firearm season

Beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 3 consecutive days	One deer per season, either sex
Beginning on the day immediately after the season described above and continuing for 6 consecutive days	One buck deer per season with an antler not less than 3 inches in length

9. Deer quotas. a. The department will issue party permits or hunter's choice permits in sufficient numbers to assure the harvest of the number of deer for each quota area indicated in subd. e.

b. Quota areas are composed of single management units or parts of units, the boundaries of which are established in s. NR 10.28, Wis. Adm. Code.

c. In each quota area, the number of party permits or hunter's choice permits to be issued to harvest the indicated number of deer is determined by an average of the hunter success rates from the most recent 3 previous seasons or by an average of fewer seasons where a 3-year average is not available. In establishing a quota for an area without an adequate history of party permits or hunter's choice permits, the average success rates of similar quota areas are applied or the department shall estimate an anticipated success rate.

d. Party permit or hunter's choice permit success rates used to compute the number of permits to be issued for each quota area are those published by the department in annual deer season reports except where no previous history of success rates exist.

e. Deer management units and 1980 deer quotas:

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Management Unit	1980 Deer Quota	Management Unit	1980 Deer Quota
1	150	53	700
2	500	54A	700
3	100	54B	400
4	100	55	2,200
5	200	56	300
6	150	57A	300
7	100	57B	150
8	550	57C	250
9	500	58	750
10	500	59A	200
11	500	59B	350
12	450	59C	2,500
13	450	60	300
14	200	61A Perrot state park	25
15	500	62A	700
16	350	62B	1,300
17	300	63A	1,300
18	400	63B	300
19	400	64	250
20	250	65	700
21	200	66	800
22	200	67	3,000
23	350	68 except Columbia and Washington counties	350
24	150	69A except Washington county	350
25	500	70A	2,300
26	400	70B	700
28	150	70C Governor Dodge state park	150
29A	100	70D Blue Mounds state park	50
30	250	70E	300
31	350	71 except Crawford county	1,000
32	450	72	800
33	100	73	500
35	150	75 except Dane county	550
36	100	76 Dodge county portion only	100
37	350	77A Green county portion only	75
38	300	78	50
39	200	80	400
42	400	81 Chambers Island	20
43	100		
44	150		
46	100		
48	300		
47	200		
48	100		
49	600		
51	700		
52	400		
		85 units	39,170

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Limit
(em) Deer (Bow and arrow season) There shall be an open season for hunting deer with bow and arrow in all counties of the state	Beginning on the 3rd Saturday in September and continued through the Sunday immediately prior to the opening of the deer gun season	One deer per season, either sex
	Beginning on the Saturday immediately following the close of the gun deer season through December 31	One deer per season, either sex
(f) Fox, all species		
1. Hunting and trapping season		
In all counties of the state	Beginning on the Saturday nearest November 1 through January 31	None
(g) Bear		
1.	The open season for hunting bear with bow and arrow shall be concurrent with the open season established for hunting deer with bow and arrow, except there shall be no open season for hunting bear with bow and arrow during the month of December	*The state-wide bag limit for bear is one adult bear per person per year
2. An open season for hunting bear with firearms and bow and arrow is established in that portion of the state north of highway 29	Beginning on the 2nd Saturday in September and continuing for 16 consecutive days thereafter	
(h) Coyote. 1. Hunting		
a. Deer management units 1, 4, 8 and 32 as described in section NR 10.28, Wls. Adm. Code	Beginning on the day following the close of gun deer season as described in NR 10.01 (3) (e) and continuing through the day preceding the gun deer season.	None
b. All other parts of the state	All year	None
2. Trapping. In all counties of the state	Beginning on the Saturday nearest November 1 and continuing through January 31	None

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Limit
(4) Fur bearing animals		
(a) Muskrat and mink		
1. All that part of the state lying northerly of state highway 64	Beginning on that Saturday nearest October 25 and continuing through December 31	None
2. All that part of the state lying southerly of state highway 64 and northerly of the line beginning at the junctions of U. S. highway 18 with the western boundary of the state, thence easterly along said highway 18 to its junction with U. S. highway 51, thence northerly along said highway 51 to its junction with state highway 60, thence easterly along said highway 60 to its junction with Ozaukee county highway "Q" extended easterly to Lake Michigan except that part of Dodge county lying northerly of state highway 60, and Fond du Lac, Outagamie, Waupaca, Waushara and Winnebago counties	Beginning on the Saturday nearest November 1 and continuing through December 31	None
3. All that part of Buffalo, La Crosse, Trempealeau and Vernon counties lying westerly of state highway 36, that part of Crawford county beginning with the junction of state highway 36 and the Vernon county line, thence southerly along said highway 36 to its junction with U. S. highway 18, thence westerly along said highway 18 to its junction with the Burlington Northern railroad, thence southerly along the Burlington Northern railroad to its junction with the Grant county line and that part of Grant county lying westerly of the Burlington Northern railroad	Beginning on the day following the close of the open season for hunting ducks as established under NR 10.01 (1) (b) 1. through January 15.	None
4. All other parts of the state	Beginning on the Saturday nearest November 8 and continuing through December 31	None
5. All that part of Dodge county lying northerly of state highway 60, Fond du Lac, Outagamie, Waupaca, Waushara and Winnebago counties	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 25 and continuing through March 15.	None

(b) Trapping muskrats. There shall be an additional open season for trapping muskrats for salvage purposes concurrent with the beaver season and with no bag limit in the portions of the state open to beaver trapping as described in s. NR 10.01 (4) (c).

Kind of animal and locality	Special season (both dates inclusive)	Regular season (both dates inclusive)	Limit
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(c) Beaver.

1. Zone "A"

Kind of animal and locality	Special season (both dates inclusive)	Regular season (both dates inclusive)	Limit
All that part of Wisconsin lying northerly and westerly of a line beginning at the junction of state highway 64 and the west boundary of the state, then easterly on highway 64 to its intersection with state highway 13, then northerly on highway 13 ending at the city of Ashland			
a. Waters classified class I trout waters as published by the department in Wisconsin Trout Streams (Pub. 6-3600 (80)), tributaries thereto and certain problem water areas as published annually by the department	Beginning on the day following the close of the open season for hunting deer as established under NR 10.01 (3) (e) 1. and continuing through the second Sunday in December		None
b. All of Zone "A"		Beginning the third Saturday in December and continuing through the fourth Sunday in March	None
2. Zone "B"			
All that part of Wisconsin lying northerly and easterly of a line beginning at the junction of state highway 64 and the east boundary of the state, then westerly to its intersection with state highway 13, then northerly on highway 13 ending at the city of Ashland			
a. All of Zone "B"	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 26 and continuing through the second Sunday in December		None
b. All of Zone "B"		Beginning on the third Saturday in December and continuing through the fourth Sunday in March	None
3. Zone "C"			
All that part of the state lying south of state highway 64			
a. Waters classified as class I and II trout waters as published by the department in Wisconsin Trout Streams (Pub. 3-3600 (80)), tributaries thereto and certain problem water areas as published annually by the department	Beginning on the day following the close of the open season for hunting deer as established under NR 10.01 (3) (e) 1. and continuing through the fourth Sunday in January		None
b. All of Zone "C"		Beginning the first Saturday in February and continuing through the first Sunday in March	None

(d) Otter. Season. a. There is no open season in that part of the state described in NR 10.01 (4) (a) 3.

b. In all other parts of the state, the opening date for trapping otter shall be concurrent with the season on beaver and continuing through the first Sunday in March.

2. Season bag limit. a. Zone "A" - 2

b. Zone "B" - 2

c. Zone "C" - one

d. It is unlawful for any person to take more than a total combined season bag limit of 2 otter in all the open season zones in the state.

3. Tagging and permits. a. No person shall trap or attempt to trap any otter unless having first applied for and received, from the department, a special otter trapping permit and tag(s).

b. Applications for otter permits and tags must be received by the department no later than the third Friday in October each year.

c. Such permit shall be attached to each person's trapping license before trapping any otter.

d. Each permit shall be numbered to correspond to the applicant's current trapping license and show the applicant's name and otter tag number(s).

4. Tagging procedure. Each person shall immediately upon possessing an otter, affix a valid tag, issued by the department, through the opening of the mouth to the opening of the eye, immediately beneath the skin.

b. No person shall have an otter pelt in possession or under control unless the person trapping such otter attaches such tag as required by this chapter.

c. Such tag shall remain attached to the pelt until removed by a fur dresser or taxidermist at time of preparation.

(e) **Registration of beaver and otter pelts.** 1. **Exhibition required.** Each person who has trapped a beaver or otter during the established open season for such animals shall exhibit each pelt to an authorized representative of the department in the county in which such animal was trapped, or in the adjoining county, but within the area included within the open season in which such animal was trapped, not later than 5 days after the close of said season.

2. **Registration.** The department representative shall inspect the pelt and attach and lock a registration tag to all lawfully taken and possessed animals.

3. **Possession and transfer restrictions.** a. It shall be unlawful for any person to possess raw pelts from such animals beginning 6 days after the close of the season to the opening date of the following seasons without a registration tag attached and locked.

b. No person shall transfer, give, trade, sell or purchase any such pelts without a registration tag being attached and locked to the head of each pelt.

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No. 228, eff. 1-1-76; emerg. am. (4) (d) and cr. (4) (f), eff. -26-76; am. (3) (f), Register, March, 1975, No. 231, eff. 4-1-76; am. (2) (a), (2) (e) 1, (3) (b) 1, (3) (f) 1, and (4) (a) 2, Register, August, 1975, No. 236, eff. 9-1-76; emerg. am. (1) (a) to (e) and (g) (l) and cr. (1) (o), eff. 9-24-75; am. (3) (e) 7, (4) (c) and (d), r. and recr. (3) (e) 8, Register, October, 1975, No. 238, eff. 11-1-76; emerg. am. (3) (e) 8, eff. 11-1-76, emerg. cr. (4) (f), eff. 4-3-76; am. (1) (b), (c), (d), (e), (l) 1. and 3 and cr. (1) (o), (eff. 6-1-76), am. (3) (b), (3) (e) (intro.), (3) (e) 2, (3) (f) and (4) (a), Register, May, 1976, No. 245, eff. 8-15-76; am. (1) (a) to (e), (g), (l) and (o), Register, June, 1976, No. 246, eff. 7-1-76; am. (3) (c) 2, 3, 6, 7 and 8 and r. and recr. (4) (c) and (d), Register, November, 1976, No. 251, eff. 12-1-76; r. and recr. (1), (3) (e) 6 and 8, Register, January, 1977, No. 253, eff. 2-1-77; am. (2) (a) 2, (3) (e) 1 a, (4) (a) 3 and (4) (b), r. (2) (c) 2, and recr. (2) (d) 2, Register, May, 1977, No. 267, eff. 6-1-77; am. (3) (e) 1. a., 2., 7., (4) (c) and (d); r. (3) (e) 6. b.; cr. (3) (e) 9. and r. and recr. (3) (e) 8; Register, October, 1977, No. 262, eff. 11-1-77; r. and recr. (1) (b) to (e), (g), (j) and (k), renum. (1) (l) to (p) to be (1) (m) to (q), cr. (1) (l), Register, February, 1978, No. 266, eff. 3-1-78; am. (1) (m) and (q), (2) (a) 1, (3) (d) and (f), r. and recr. (2) (e) 1, Register, May, 1978, No. 269, eff. 6-1-78; r. and recr. (4) (d) and (e), Register, August, 1978, No. 272, eff. 9-1-78; r. and recr. (3) (e) 9. and (4) (c), Register, October, 1978, No. 274, eff. 11-1-78; r. and recr. (1) (b), (g) and (l) and am. (4) (a) 3, Register, December, 1978, No. 276, eff. 1-1-79; r. and recr. (2) (b) and (3) (a), Register, March, 1979, No. 279, eff. 4-1-79; r. and recr. (2) (e) 1., (3) (e) (intro.) and (4) (d) 1. and am. (3) (e) 1., Register, August, 1979, No. 284, eff. 9-1-79; am. (3) (c) 2., (3) (e) 3. and (4) (d) 4., r. and recr. (3) (e) 6., 7. and 9. e., (4) (c), (4) (d) 1. and 3., Register, September, 1979, No. 285, eff. 10-1-79; emerg. cr. (4) (c) 1. c., eff. 3-24-80; r. (1) (b) to (g), (1) (l) 3. b. intro. and 3. c., r. and recr. (1) (j), (k), (l) intro. 1., 2. and 3., (2) (a) 1. and (3) (b), am. (1) (l) 5. and 6. b. renum. (1) (l) 3. b. 1) to 5) to be (1) (l) 3. b. to f., Register, April, 1980, No. 292, eff. 5-1-80; r. and recr. (3) (e) 9. a. to d., Register, August, 1980, No. 296, eff. 9-1-80; emerg. am. (1) (a), (1) (l) 1., 2. b. and 5.; cr. (1) (b) to (g), eff. 9-12-80; r. and recr. (3) (d), (3) (e) 9. e. and (4) (c), a. (3) (h); am. (4) (d) 2. b. and 3. b., renum. (4) (d) 2. c. to be 2. d. and cr. (4) (d) 2. c., Register, October, 1980, No. 298, eff. 11-1-80; am. (1) (a), (1) (l) 1., 2. b. and 5.; cr. (1) (b) to (g), Register, June, 1981, No. 306, eff. 7-1-81; am. (3) (e) 1. a. and b., r. and recr. (3) (e) 2. a., c. and d., am. (3) (h) 2., Register, August, 1981, No. 308, eff. 9-1-81.

Note: For a complete history of NR 10.01 see history of NR 10.01 as it appeared in Register, November, 1973, No. 216.

NR 10.02 Protected wild animals. (1) Canada lynx, timber wolf, badger, moose, elk, marten, fisher, wolverine and flying squirrel.

(2) Endangered or threatened species listed in ch. NR 27, Wis. Adm. Code

(3) White deer (monocolored).

(4) Woodchuck except as provided in s. 29.24, Stats.

(5) Prairie chicken, Canada spruce grouse (spruce hen), mourning doves, swans, cranes, bitterns, plovers, kingfishers, cormorants, herons, sandpipers and grebes.

(6) Eagles, hawks, falcons, and owls except as provided in ch. NR 18, Wis. Adm. Code.

(7) Hen pheasants except as expressly provided in this chapter.

(8) Any other wild bird not specified in this chapter.

History: 1-2-56; am. (2), Register, August, 1956, No. 8, eff. 9-1-56; am. (1), Register, August, 1957, No. 20, eff. 9-1-57; am. (1) and (2), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; am. (1) emerg. eff. 9-20-58; am. (1), Register, August, 1959, No. 44, eff. 9-1-59; am. (2), cr. (3), Register, September, 1965, No. 117, eff. 10-1-65; am. (2), Register, March, 1966, No. 123, eff. 4-1-66; am. (1), Register, August, 1967, No. 140, eff. 9-1-67; renum. to be NR 10.02; am. (2), Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (1), Register, September, 1972, No. 201, eff. 10-1-72; r. (3), Register, December, 1977, No. 284, eff. 1-1-78; r. and recr. Register, August, 1979, No. 284, eff. 9-1-79.

NR 10.03 Birds causing depredation. (1) APPLICATION. The following named birds have been determined by the department to be birds committing depredation or about to commit depredation at all times to

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and upon ornamental or shade trees, agricultural crops, livestock or wildlife, and when concentrated in large numbers that they may constitute a health hazard or other nuisance:

- (a) Red-winged blackbirds.
- (b) Grackles.
- (c) Crows.
- (d) Cowbirds.

(2) **PERMITS.** Such birds may be taken at all times without need for either a federal or state permit.

(3) **INSPECTION OF PREMISES.** Any person taking such birds shall at all reasonable times, including during actual operation, permit any federal or state game law enforcement officer, free and unrestricted access on the premises over which such operations have been or are being conducted, and shall furnish promptly to such officer whatever information may be required about said operation.

(4) **DISPOSITION.** Birds killed pursuant to this subsection and their plumage shall not be sold or offered for sale.

History: 1-2-56; am. Register, August, 1956, No. 8, eff. 9-1-56; am. Register, August, 1966, No. 128, eff. 9-1-66; r. and recr., Register, August, 1967, No. 140, eff. 9-1-67; renum. to be NR 10.03; r. (1), Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; r. and recr. Register, August, 1979, No. 284, eff. 9-1-79.

NR 10.04 Unprotected wild animals. (1) Opossum, skunk and weasel.

- (2) Starlings, English sparrows, coturnix quail and chukar partridge.
- (3) Any other wild animal not specified in this chapter.

History: 1-2-56; am. (1) Register, August, 1957, No. 20, eff. 9-1-57; am. (2), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; renum. to be NR 10.04; am. (1) and (2), Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (1), Register, August, 1972, No. 200, eff. 9-1-72; r. and recr. Register, November, 1976, No. 251, eff. 12-1-76; r. and recr. Register, August, 1979, No. 284, eff. 9-1-79; am. (1), Register, October, 1980, No. 298, eff. 11-1-80.

NR 10.05 Highways. (1) While hunting it shall be unlawful except by permittees under s. 29.09 (9), Stats., to discharge any firearm or bow and arrow from or across any public road surfaced with concrete or blacktop or to hunt within 50 feet from the centerline of such roads or to the existing fence, whichever distance is shorter. Public roads are defined as those roads shown on the current official county highway map.

(2) It shall be unlawful to hunt waterfowl or coot from any public roads or railroads including the respective rights-of-way along or within the area described as the Horicon zone in s. NR 10.01 (i) (j).

History: 1-2-56; am. (1) and (2), Register, August, 1956, No. 8, eff. 9-1-56; am. (1) and (2), Register, August, 1957, No. 20, eff. 9-1-57; r. (1) and (2) and recr. (1), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; cr. (2), Register, September, 1960, No. 57, eff. 10-1-60; cr. (3), Register, August, 1963, No. 92, eff. 9-1-63; r. and recr. (2), Register, September, 1966, No. 129, eff. 10-1-66; emerg. am. (2), eff. 9-1-67; emerg. am. (2), eff. 9-30-68; emerg. am. (2), eff. 8-30-69; am. (2), Register, November, 1969, No. 167, eff. 12-1-69; renum. to be NR 10.05; cr. (4) and (5), Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; emerg. am. (2), eff. 9-19-73; emerg. am. (2), eff. 9-24-75; am. (2), Register, May, 1976, No. 245, eff. 6-1-76; r. and recr. (1) am. (2) and r. (3), (4) and (5), Register, May, 1977, No. 257, eff. 6-1-77; am. (2), Register, February, 1978, No. 266, eff. 3-1-78; am. (1), Register, September, 1979, No. 285, eff. 10-1-79.

NR 10.06 Hunting hours. (1) All hunting hours, when specified in this chapter, mean Central Standard Time, and the daily opening (a.m.) and closing (p.m.) hours listed shall apply to the entire state.

(2) (a) General hunting hour zones are established as follows:

Zone

- A—all that part of the state lying east of 88°-00' longitude.
- B—all that part of the state lying between 88°-00' and 89°-00' long.
- C—all that part of the state lying between 89°-00' and 90°-00' long.
- D—all that part of the state lying between 90°-00' and 91°-00' long.

(g) *Decoy use.* By the use or aid of decoys which are placed beyond 200 feet from the blind or cover in which the hunter is located. In addition, it is unlawful to:

- a. Place in the water prior to one hour before opening hunting time.
- b. Leave in the water unattended.
- c. Leave in the water more than 20 minutes after the close of hunting time.

(h) *Baiting.* 1. By the use or aid of salt or shelled or shucked or unshucked corn, wheat or other grains or other feed or means of feeding similarly used to lure, attract or entice such birds to, on, or over the area where hunters are attempting to take them.

2. This subsection shall not be construed to apply to propagating, scientific or other operations in accordance with the terms of lawfully issued state and federal permits, or to the taking of birds over salt blocks, properly shocked corn, standing crops (including aquatics), grains found scattered solely as a result of normal agricultural practices, flooded standing crops or flooded harvested crop lands, or to the feeding of migratory game birds at any time not in connection with hunting.

(2) *POSSESSION.* No person shall possess any live or crippled migratory game bird reduced to possession by means of hunting. Such bird shall be immediately killed and become a part of the daily bag limit.

(3) *OPEN WATER RESTRICTIONS.* No person shall hunt waterfowl or coot in open water from any blind which may include any boat, canoe, raft, contrivance or similar device except:

(a) Blinds in any of the waters of the Mississippi river, the St. Croix river, and Lake St. Croix, and their bays, bayous and sloughs wherein they border the counties of Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Pepin, Pierce, St. Croix, Trempealeau and Vernon and in any of the inland lakes of these counties, provided such blinds are set, placed or located not more than 100 feet from any shoreline. Such blinds shall, in all instances, be securely anchored to the place or spot where they are to be used and shall be removed from such location at the conclusion of hunting hours each day.

(b) Blinds in any of the waters of Big Green Lake in Green Lake county and the outlying waters of Lake Superior and Lake Michigan including Green Bay under the jurisdiction of the state of Wisconsin beyond 500 feet of any shoreline of said lakes and beyond 500 feet of any natural growth of vegetation rooted to the bottom and extending above the water surface of such height as to offer whole or partial concealment for the hunter.

(c) Blinds in any waters of the Mississippi river, wherein they border Grant county and Lake Pepin wherein they border Pepin, Pierce and Buffalo counties. Such blinds shall, in all instances, be securely anchored to the place or spot they are to be used, and shall be removed from such location at the conclusion of the hunting hours each day.

(d) Blinds in Calumet, Fond du Lac and Winnebago counties. In any of the waters of Lake Winnebago wherein they border Calumet, Fond du Lac and Winnebago counties it shall be lawful for any person to use blinds that are set, placed or located more than:

1. Fifteen hundred feet from any shoreline, including islands, for the purpose of taking, catching, killing and shooting at migratory game birds during the season prescribed in s. NR 10.01 (1) (b).

2. Five hundred feet from any shoreline, including islands, for the purpose of taking, catching, killing and shooting at scaup ducks during the season prescribed in s. NR 10.01 (1) (c).

3. Such blinds may include any boat, canoe, raft or similar device which shall in all instances be securely anchored to the place or spot where they are to be used, and shall be removed from such location at the conclusion of the hunting hours each day.

(4) HORIZON INTENSIVE ZONE RESTRICTIONS. (a) 1. It shall be unlawful to hunt waterfowl except from a blind during the open season for Canada geese within the area described in s. NR 10.01 (1) (i).

2. No more than 2 hunters shall occupy any blind at one time nor shall any person hunt waterfowl from a blind placed within 200 yards of any other blind occupied by one or more waterfowl hunters or within 100 yards of the boundary of the property on which such blind is located.

3. It is unlawful for any person or persons to hunt from or to permit any other person or persons to hunt from any blind situated on any 20-acre parcel of land, or residuary parcel thereof of less than 20 acres and more than 10 acres, owned, leased, occupied, or controlled by said person, while any other person or persons, whether with or without permission, are hunting from any other blind situated on the same 20-acre parcel of land or on the same residuary parcel thereof. However, the owner, occupant or lessee of a tract of land which is too small to meet the foregoing spacing requirements and which was partitioned by an instrument executed and recorded before January 1, 1961, may place one blind on such tract at the approximate center thereof.

4. No blind shall be placed within 75 yards of the boundary of the Horizon national wildlife refuge.

5. Retrieving downed birds shall be permitted outside blinds.

6. For the purpose of this subsection, "blind" means any framed enclosure or pit not more than 15 feet in its greatest dimension and camouflaged to provide concealment to hunters within.

(5) GUNS AND AMMUNITION RESTRICTIONS. No person shall hunt any migratory bird:

(a) With any shotgun of a larger bore than a no. 10 gauge.

(b) With any automatic-loading or hand-operated repeating shotgun capable of holding more than 3 shells the magazine of which has not been cut off or plugged with a one-piece filler incapable of removal without disassembling the gun so as to reduce the capacity of said gun to not more than 3 shells at one time in the magazine and chamber combined.

(c) By any means other than a shotgun fired from the shoulder or a bow and arrow, or by falconry.

(d) Non-toxic shot requirements. 1. While hunting waterfowl and coot within any area described in part 2 of this subsection, it shall be unlawful to:

a. Take, catch, kill or pursue such game birds with any 12 gauge shotshells loaded with any metal other than steel shot.

b. Possess any 12 gauge shotshell loaded with any metal other than steel shot.

2. Non-toxic shot zones. a. Mississippi river. In that portion of the state lying west of the Burlington Northern railroad in Buffalo, Trempealeau, La Crosse, Vernon, Crawford, Grant, Pierce and Pepin counties.

b. Eastern Wisconsin. 1) On all waters in the counties of Calumet, Columbia, Dane, Dodge, Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Jefferson, Kenosha, Manitowoc, Marquette, Milwaukee, Outagamie, Ozaukee, Racine, Sheboygan, Walworth, Waukesha, Winnebago, Washington, Waupaca and Waushara, all of the Wisconsin river in Juneau and Adams counties, and those portions of Oconto and Marinette counties east of U.S. highway 41, and that portion of Brown county lying northwest of Fox river and east of U.S. highway 141, and the Brown county islands in Green Bay and within a 150-yard zone of land adjacent to the margins of these waters.

2) The waters referred to above include lakes, ponds, marshes, swamps, rivers, streams and seasonally flooded areas of all types.

3) All county boundary waters and lakes partially within a steel shot zone are totally included.

4) Exception: Drainage ditches and temporary sheet water more than 150 yards from the water areas described above and the open water of Lake Michigan are excluded from the non-toxic shot requirements.

c. State wildlife areas. Within the zones described in subd. b., steel shot is required for hunting waterfowl anywhere on state-owned wildlife areas or on waters within the boundaries of such areas and on the following state-owned wildlife areas which are not within zones described in subd. b.: Mead wildlife area in Marathon, Wood and Portage counties, Wood County wildlife area and Sandhill wildlife area in Wood county, Meadow Valley wildlife area in Juneau county.

History: 1-2-56; am. (2) (c), (3) (a), (4), (5) (c), Register, August, 1956, No. 8, eff. 9-1-56; am. (1) (e) and (2) (c) and r. (6) (b), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; am. (1) (b); r. and recr. (1) (d); cr. (1) (f) and (g); am. (5) (a), Register, September, 1960, No. 67, eff. 10-1-60; r. and recr. (1) (f), Register, August, 1961, No. 68, eff. 9-1-61; r. and recr. (1) (f), Register, September, 1963, No. 93, eff. 10-1-63; r. (5) (c) Register, August, 1965, No. 116, eff. 9-1-65; am. (5) (a), Register, September, 1965, No. 117, eff. 10-1-65; am. (1) (f), Register, September, 1966, No. 129, eff. 10-1-66; am. (2) (b); cr. (2) (d), (e) and (f), Register, August, 1967, No. 140, eff. 9-1-67; emerg. am. (1) (f), eff. 9-1-67, am. (2) (b) and (e), Register, August, 1968, No. 152, eff. 9-1-68; emerg. am. (1) (f), eff. 9-30-68; emerg. am. (2) (c), eff. 10-11-68, emerg. am. (1) (f) and (2) (c), eff. 8-30-69; am. (1) (f) and (2) (c), Register, November, 1969, No. 167, eff. 12-1-69; renum. to be NR 10.12, Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (2) (d) and (e), and r. (f) Register, September 1970, No. 177, eff. 10-1-70; am. (2) (b), Register, September, 1971, No. 189, eff. 10-1-71; emerg. am. (1) (f) eff. 10-10-72; emerg. am. (2) (a), eff. 9-24-75, am. (2) (a) Register, June, 1976, No. 246, eff. 7-1-76; am. (2) Register, January, 1977, No. 253, eff. 2-1-77; am. (5), Register, December, 1977, No. 264, eff. 1-1-78; r. (2) (a), r. and recr. (2) (c), and cr. (5) (b), Register, February, 1978, No. 268, eff. 3-1-78; r. and recr. (1) to (4) and (5) (a) cr. (5) (intro.), renum. (5) (b) to be (5) (d), Register, May, 1978, No. 269, eff. 6-1-78; r. and recr. (3) (d) and (5) (d) 2., Register, December, 1978, No. 276, eff. 1-1-79; r. and recr. (1) (g), Register, August, 1979, No. 284, eff. 9-1-79; r. and recr. (3) (b), Register, April, 1980, No. 292, eff. 5-1-80; am. (3) (d) 1. and 2., Register, June, 1981, No. 306, eff. 7-1-81.

NR 10.13 Fur-bearing animals. (1) PROHIBITED METHODS. No person shall:

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(a) *Hunting*. Hunt any mink, muskrat, beaver, or otter with the aid of any spear, gun or dog.

(b) *Trapping*. 1. Traps. Set out or place traps, whether set or sprung, during the closed season.

2. Bait or scent. Set out or place any bait or scent for attracting furbearing animals during the closed season.

3. Trap limit. Set, place or operate more than 75 traps of any kind for the purposes of capturing furbearing animals.

4. Water sets. Take, capture or kill, or attempt to take, capture, or kill any furbearing animals at any time by means of water sets except during that period when and in those areas where there is an open season for trapping muskrat, beaver, or otter.

5. Trap placement. Set any trap or traps at any time within 50 feet of any beaver house or beaver dam except during the regular or special season for beaver, when it shall be lawful to set traps for beaver not less than 15 feet from any beaver house or beaver dam.

(2) **MOLESTING**. While hunting or trapping, no person shall:

(a) *Raccoon*. Molest any raccoon den or den trees.

(b) *Mink*. Molest any mink den.

(c) *Muskrat and beaver*. Molest any muskrat house, muskrat feeding house, beaver house or beaver dam.

(3) **TRAPPING HOURS**. (a) *Legal time period*. The trapping hours shall be from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (CST).

(b) *Illegal time period*. It shall be unlawful for any person to set or reset any trap or traps or attend any trapline from 7:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. (CST).

(c) *Special checking period*. All dry land sets shall be checked and animals therein removed at least once each day.

History: 1-2-56; am. (1), Register, August, 1962, No. 80, eff. 9-1-62; r. and recr. (1) and (3), Register, August, 1964, No. 104, eff. 9-1-64; r. and recr. (3), Register, August, 1966, No. 128, eff. 9-1-66; renum. to be NR 10.13; am. (3), Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (1), Register, July, 1971, No. 187, eff. 8-1-71; am. (3), Register, August, 1975, No. 236, eff. 9-1-75; emerg. am. (1) eff. 4-3-76; r. and recr. Register, September, 1979, No. 285, eff. 10-1-79; r. and recr. (1) (b) 5., Register, October, 1980, No. 298, eff. 11-1-80.

NR 10.14 Trapping, prohibited methods. (2) It shall be unlawful for any person to set, place, operate or possess while on or adjacent to waters of this state, any trap other than a steel-jawed trap or live traps for the purpose of taking, capturing, or killing fur-bearing animals. Such live traps shall be constructed so that not more than one animal can be taken or captured in any single trap setting.

(3) No person shall construct or place on the ice of any of the waters of this state any artificial house or den for the purpose of taking, catching, or killing any fur-bearing animals, or place or set therein any trap or traps of any kind which might take, catch, or kill fur-bearing animals.

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(4) It shall be unlawful for any person to set, place, or operate except as a waterset any killer type trap of the conibear type that is larger than 7" x 7".

(5) It shall be unlawful for any person to set, place or operate any steel jaw trap with a spread width of more than 8 inches.

(6) It shall be unlawful for any person to set, place or operate any steel jawed trap with teeth except as a water set.

(7) Except when the muskrat and mink season is open, it shall be unlawful for any person to set, place or operate any waterset smaller than 5½" jaw spread for steel jaw traps and 6¾" x 6¾" for killer traps of the conibear type during the beaver and otter season.

History: 1-2-56; cr. (4), Register, August, 1969, No. 164, eff. 9-1-69; renun. to be NR 10.14; am. (1), Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; r. (1), Register, March, 1975, No. 231, eff. 4-1-75; cr. (5), Register, August, 1975, No. 286, eff. 9-1-75; cr. (6), Register, May, 1976, No. 245, eff. 8-15-76; cr. (7), Register, May, 1977, No. 257, eff. 6-1-77; am. (2), Register, May, 1978, No. 269, eff. 6-1-78; am. (7), Register, August, 1978, No. 272, eff. 9-1-78; am. (2) and (7), Register, August, 1981, No. 308, eff. 9-1-81

NR 10.15 Horicon national wildlife refuge. (1) PROHIBITED METHODS. (a) Except as provided in this section, it shall be unlawful for any person to hunt or trap any wild animal or have in possession or under control any firearm unless the same is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case or any bow and arrow unless the same is unstrung or enclosed in a carrying case, upon the area known as the Horicon national wildlife refuge.

(b) Nothing in this section shall prohibit, prevent, or interfere with the U.S. fish and wildlife service, its deputies, agents, or employees in the destruction of unprotected wild animals as listed in s. NR 10.04.

(2) **SHOTGUN SEASON.** A shotgun season shall be established for hunting deer except for posted closed areas, pursuant to NR 10.01 (3).

(3) **BOW AND ARROW SEASON.** An open season for hunting deer with bow and arrow in areas designated by posted notice shall be established pursuant to s. NR 10.01 (3).

(4) **SMALL GAME SEASON.** (a) The open season for hunting upland game birds and rabbits shall begin as established by NR 10.01 (2) and (3), and continue through the end of the pheasant season each year pursuant to NR 10.01 (2) (c), and shall be subject to all other rules covering hunting set forth in this chapter.

(b) With the written approval of the department, such season may be closed at any time upon request by the U.S. fish and wildlife service.

(5) **TRAPPING.** (a) With the written approval of the department, an open season may be declared for trapping muskrat, mink and raccoon.

(b) If permits are required, they shall be issued by the U.S. fish and wildlife service.

(c) The legal number of traps allowed for each trapper shall be prescribed by the U.S. fish and wildlife service.

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(d) All other rules covering trapping are set forth in this chapter.

History: 1-2-56; am. (2) (a) and r. (2) (b) to (c), Register, September, 1971, No. 189, eff. 10-1-71; am. (6), (6) and (7), Register, May, 1976, No. 245, eff. 8-15-76; am. (6), Register, January, 1977, No. 253, eff. 2-1-77; r. and recr. Register, August, 1979, No. 284, eff. 9-1-79.

Note: For a complete history of NR 10.16 see the history note for NR 10.15 as it appeared in Register, August, 1973.

NR 10.16 Necedah National Wildlife Refuge, Juneau county. Except as provided in subs. (1), (2), (3), and (4) it shall be unlawful for any person to take, catch, kill, hunt, trap, or pursue any species of wild animal or bird at any time, or have in possession or under control any firearm unless the same is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case, or any bow and arrow unless the same is unstrung or enclosed in a carrying case, upon that area known as the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge, Juneau county, Wisconsin. Nothing in this section shall prohibit, prevent, or interfere with the U.S. fish and wildlife service, its deputies, agents, or employes in the destruction of unprotected wild animals as listed in s. NR 10.04.

(1) Within the discretion of the U.S. fish and wildlife service an open season for the taking of fur-bearing animals may be declared within the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge upon written approval of the department, which shall designate the species to be taken and establish opening and closing dates. Trapping on the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge shall be conducted under written permit from the U.S. fish and wildlife service. Such permit shall be subject to all the rules and regulations governing trapping set forth in this chapter.

(2) An open season for hunting deer, and unprotected wild animals as listed in s. NR 10.04, with bow and arrow shall be established on the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge and said season shall be concurrent with the state-wide season for bow and arrow established in s. NR 10.01 (3) (e). Such open season shall be effective only in those areas on the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge designated by posted notices of the U.S. fish and wildlife service. No special permits shall be required, but hunting licenses and deer tag as required by statutes are necessary.

(3) An open season for hunting deer, and unprotected wild animals as listed in s. NR 10.04, with firearms shall be established on the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge and such season shall fall within the season established for the remainder of Juneau county in s. NR 10.01 (3) (e). Such open season shall be effective only on those areas on the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge designated by posted notice of the U.S. fish and wildlife service. No special permits shall be required, but hunting licenses and deer tag as required by statutes under NR 10.01 (3) (e) shall apply.

(4) An open season for hunting wild turkeys as listed in s. NR 10.01 (2) (f) is established on the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge, and such season shall be concurrent with the open season for hunting turkeys as described in NR 10.01 (2) (f). Such open season shall be effective only in those areas on the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge designated by posted notices of the U.S. fish and wildlife service. Hunting on the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge shall be restricted to only those

persons holding a valid principal or guest turkey hunting permit issued by the department.

History: 1-2-56, am. (1) and (2), Register, August, 1956, No. 8, eff. 9-1-56; am. intro. par. (1) and (2), Register, August, 1957, No. 20, eff. 9-1-57; r. intro. par., (1) and (2), and recr. intro. par., (1) and (2), and cr. (3), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; am. (3), Register, September, 1959, No. 45, eff. 10-1-59; r. and recr., Register, August, 1962, No. 80, eff. 9-1-62; am. intro. par. and cr. (4), Register, March, 1967, No. 135, eff. 4-1-67; renum. to be NR 10.16, Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (4), Register, October, 1975, No. 238, eff. 11-1-75; am. Register, May, 1976, No. 246, eff. 8-15-76.

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NR 10.23 Grand river experimental hunting area. (1) **DESCRIPTION.** The area described in s. NR 11.27 (11) and (12), Wis. Adm. Code, shall be called the Grand River experimental hunting area.

(2) **RESTRICTIONS.** (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to take, catch, kill, hunt, trap or pursue any species of wild animal or bird at any time, or have in possession or under control any firearm unless it is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case or any bow unless it is unstrung or enclosed in a carrying case upon that area known as the Grand River experimental hunting area except as provided in this section.

(b) Hunting in the Grand River experimental hunting area shall be from blinds as may be located on the area by the department. The department may further limit the number of blinds to be occupied each day.

(3) **PERMIT AND TAG REQUIREMENT.** In order to hunt Canada geese pursuant to this section, the applicant must comply with NR 10.01 (1) (1) and possess a special goose blind permit issued by the department.

(a) A goose blind application shall be completed and submitted by the applicant on a 3" X 5" post card bearing the name, address and current year hunting license number of each applicant.

(b) Applications must be received by the department no later than September 10 of each year.

(c) No more than 2 persons may apply on a single application card.

(d) It shall be unlawful for any person to submit more than one application per year or an application containing false information.

(4) **REGISTRATION.** (a) Each permit issued shall be validated by the department registration station located on the area prior to occupying any blind.

(b) Registration station hours shall begin one hour before the start of hunting hours. Hunters shall report to such station immediately after the close of hunting hours each day as established in sub. (6).

(c) All blinds will be assigned by one-half hour prior to shooting hours. Permittees numbered 1-20 who do not report prior to this time period shall be assigned blinds as they become available on a first-come, first-served basis.

(d) The department shall assign blinds by random selection at the registration station.

(e) Permits shall be returned to the registration station immediately upon completion of the permittee's hunt and all Canada geese bagged shall be presented for registration.

(5) **GOOSE BLIND PERMIT RESTRICTIONS.** (a) Goose blind permits shall be valid for a single, specified date and entitle each permittee to the daily bag limit of Canada geese.

(b) No more than 2 persons shall hunt from any blind.

(c) It shall be unlawful to hunt from any blind except those assigned to the hunter by the department.

(d) Goose blind permits are not transferable or replaceable and shall not be reused, altered or defaced.

(e) Permits and numbers assigned to such permits shall be issued on a random basis with priority of use as follows:

1. 30 permits shall be issued for each day.

2. Permits numbered 1-20 shall be validated first each day pursuant to sub. (4).

3. Permits numbered 21-30 shall be validated as blinds become available.

(6) SEASON AND HUNTING HOURS. (a) The open season for hunting Canada geese shall begin October 2 and continue through November 16.

(b) The commencement of the daily hunting hours shall conform to those in NR 10.06 except that hunting hours shall terminate at noon each day unless otherwise indicated by signs posted at the registration station.

(7) Dogs are not permitted on the experimental hunting area described in sub. (1).

NR 10.24 Bong state recreation area hunting zone. (1) DESCRIPTION. The area described in s. NR 45.01 (3) (t) 1., Wis. Adm. Code, shall be called the hunting zone.

(2) RESTRICTIONS. (a) No person may take, catch, kill, hunt, trap or pursue any species of wild animal at any time, or have in possession or under control any firearm unless it is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case or any bow unless it is unstrung or enclosed within a carrying case in the hunting zone except as provided in this section.

(b) All rifles and pistols, except starter pistols loaded with blanks, are prohibited except when they are transported unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case in a vehicle or automobile.

(c) Methods of hunting other than by use of rifles and pistols shall comply with those established in this chapter.

(3) PERMIT AND TAGS. (a) No person may hunt or trap within the hunting zone without first obtaining a permit issued by the department.

(b) Permits and associated carcass tags are not transferable or replaceable and are valid only for the date and area specified on the permit.

(c) The number of daily hunting permits issued may not exceed 675 at any one time. Permits returned by hunters may be reissued on a first-come, first-served basis.

(d) Until the pheasant season opens, no more than 16 waterfowl permits may be issued each day for the area north of state highway 142.

(e) The number of seasonal trapping permits may not exceed 10.

(f) Permits are only valid for hunting or trapping the species specified on the permit.

(g) Permits, waterfowl blind markers, and unused carcass tags shall be returned to a department check-out station immediately upon termination of hunting.

(4) RESERVATIONS. (a) Hunting and trapping permit reservations may be obtained by applying on department forms between April 1 and August 31 each year. Forms are available at the Bong state recreation area headquarters.

(b) No one may submit more than one application for a single date.

(c) If the number of applications exceeds the number of permits available, a random drawing shall select successful applicants.

(d) Applications received after August 31 shall be approved on a first-come, first-served basis if permits are available.

(e) No person may receive more than 5 reservations per season.

(f) Any person who obtains a hunting permit reservation and fails to arrive at the department's check-in station within one-half hour after the opening of hunting hours shall forfeit such reservation and reservation fee. Such person may obtain a daily permit on a first-come, first-served basis provided a permit is available.

(g) A maximum of 440 permits of which 40 are for waterfowl, shall be reservable each day. The remaining nonreservable permits may be issued for hunting within the special use zone as defined in s. NR 45.01 (3)

(t) 2., Wis. Adm. Code, on a first-come, first-served basis when the zone is not reserved by other groups.

(5) HUNTER IDENTIFICATION. Armbands or other means of identification issued with permits shall be worn on the outermost garment at all times and shall be returned to a department check-out station immediately upon termination of hunting.

(6) SEASON AND HOURS. (a) The open season and limits for hunting and trapping shall be those established in s. NR 10.01, except for the pheasant limits which shall be:

1. Daily—one, either sex for the first 2 days; 2, either sex, thereafter.

2. Possession—one the first day, either sex; 2 the second day, either sex; 4, either sex, thereafter.

(b) Hunting hours for all species shall be the hours established in s. NR 10.06 (2) (e) and (3) except during the pheasant season when hunting shall terminate at 2:00 p.m. on the even-numbered days of the calendar after the Saturday nearest October 27 but not including the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday.

(c) Trapping hours shall be the hours established in s. NR 10.13 (3).

(7) PHEASANT HUNTING. (a) When a pheasant is killed and before it is carried by hand or transported in any manner, the hunter shall completely attach to the bird's leg a carcass tag issued by the department.

(b) The carcass tag shall remain attached to the pheasant until it is prepared for consumption.

(8) **WATERFOWL HUNTING SOUTH OF STATE HIGHWAY 142.** (a) Hunting shall be restricted to blinds constructed, located and assigned by the department except for retrieval of crippled waterfowl.

(b) No more than 2 persons may hunt from any blind.

(9) **TRAPPING.** (a) Trapping permits are valid for the entire season.

(b) Areas shall be determined by the department and no more than one permittee or helper may trap in any one area.

History: Cr. Register, August, 1981, No. 308, eff. 9-1-81.

NR 10.25 Wild turkey hunting permit. (1) During the open season established under s. NR 10.01 (2) (f) it shall be unlawful for any person to hunt wild turkeys unless such person is in possession of a valid principal or guest turkey hunting permit duly issued by the department and is wearing the back tag issued with the permit.

(2) Any person holding a valid license authorizing the hunting of small game may file an application for a principal turkey hunting permit with the department on forms furnished by it. Such application shall be filed by mail and must be postmarked not later than March 29. Principal permits will be issued to applicants selected at random from all eligible applications filed, and will be accompanied by a guest permit which may be used by any person designated by the principal permittee. It is unlawful for any person to file more than one application, and all duplicate applications will be rejected.

(3) Each principal and guest permit shall be valid for either 2 consecutive days or 5 consecutive days as specified on the permit. Not more than a combined total of 220 permits shall be issued for any 2-day period or 340 permits for any 5-day period.

(4) No person may be the guest of more than one principal permittee.

(5) No person may hunt on any more than one of the designated hunting periods.

(6) A service charge of \$1 will be required for each principal permit and each guest permit.

(7) It is unlawful for any person to hunt wild turkeys in any manner in violation of the following wild turkey hunting permit restrictions:

(a) Shooting hours shall be from 5:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., CST.

(b) Weapons shall be restricted to shotguns only loaded with shot not larger than No. BB.

(c) During the open season period there shall be a closed season on all other game.

(d) No person shall use recorded bird calls or sounds or electrically amplified imitations of bird calls or sounds.

(e) All turkeys killed during the open season shall be registered at the Meadow Valley Conservation Headquarters before they are transported from the open season zone, and not later than 1:00 p.m. on the day killed.

(f) No person shall hunt turkeys with the aid of dogs.

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(g) Each permittee shall be required to report information as specified on the permit.

(h) It is unlawful to hunt turkeys without a permit.

(i) It is unlawful to use live decoys for the purposes of enticing wild turkeys.

History: Cr. Register, March, 1966, No. 123, eff. 4-1-66; r. and recr. Register, March, 1967, No. 135, eff. 4-1-67; am. (3), (5) and (7) (a), Register, March, 1968, No. 147, eff. 4-1-68; renum. to be NR 10.25, Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70.

NR 10.27 Deer hunting in state parks. Open seasons for deer are established on state-owned lands in the following state parks as herein-after set forth pursuant to s. 29.57 (4), Stats., in accordance with the open season established by s. NR 10.01 (3) (e) in the respective season zone in which such park is located, except for areas closed to deer hunting.

(1) Muzzle-loader season only; Governor Dodge state park, Blue Mound state park and Perrot state park.

(2) Gun season and December bow and arrow season only: Rock Island state park, Newport state park, Big Bay state park recreation area, Tuscobia-Park Falls state trail, Elroy-Sparta state trail, Mirror Lake state park recreation area; Hartman Creek state park, Devil's Lake state park, Interstate state park, Wildcat Mountain state park and Willow River state park and Kinnickinnic state park.

(3) Bow and arrow season except for the December bow and arrow season; Buckhorn state park.

(4) In all other state parks there is no open season for hunting deer.

History: Emerg. cr. eff. 10-11-68; cr. Register, August, 1969, No. 164, eff. 9-1-69; renum. to be NR 10.27; am. intro. par., Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (1) Register, August, 1972, No. 200, eff. 9-1-72; am. Register, November, 1972, No. 203, eff. 12-1-72; am. (2), Register, March, 1975, No. 231, eff. 4-1-75; emerg. renum (3) to be (4) and cr. (3) eff. 9-24-75; renum. (3) to be (4), cr. (4), Register, September, 1975, No. 237, eff. 10-1-75; am. (1) and (2), Register, November, 1976, No. 251, eff. 12-1-76; am. (2), Register, May, 1977, No. 257, eff. 6-1-77; am. (3), Register, August, 1978, No. 272, eff. 9-1-78; am. (1), Register, March, 1979, No. 279, eff. 4-1-79; am. (1) and (2), Register, August, 1981, No. 303, eff. 9-1-81.

NR 10.28 Deer management units. (1) Deer management units are established as designated on the following map:

History: Cr. Register, August, 1964, No. 104, eff. 9-1-64; am. map Register, August, 1968, No. 152, eff. 9-1-68; r. and recr. Register, August, 1969, No. 164, eff. 9-1-69; renum. to be NR 10.24; am. (1), Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (1), and map Register, August, 1971, No. 188, eff. 9-1-71; am. (1), Register, September, 1972, No. 201, eff. 10-1-72; am. (1), Register, September, 1973, No. 213, eff. 10-1-73; am. (1), Register, May, 1976, No. 245, eff. 8-15-76; am. (1), Register, November, 1976, No. 251, eff. 12-1-76; am. Register, October, 1977, No. 262, eff. 11-1-77; renum. from NR 10.24 and am., Register, September, 1979, No. 285, eff. 10-1-79.

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