

Chapter NR 10

GAME AND HUNTING

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(ss. 29.085 and 29.174, Stats.)

NR 10.001 Definitions. (1) "Antlerless deer" means any deer without antlers or with an antler less than 3 inches in length.

(1h) "Accompanied by", for the purposes of s. 29.227, Stats., means within sight and voice contact, without the aid of any mechanical or electronic amplifying device other than a hearing aid.

(1m) "Assisting", for the purpose of bear hunting, means helping a bear harvest permittee hunt a bear by handling dogs, tracking, trailing or locating the bear, or otherwise aiding while with the permittee or baiting.

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

(3) "Bearded turkey" means a turkey with a bristle-like appendage protruding from the upper part of the breast.

(3m) "Black bear hunting zone" means a zone established in s. NR 10.30.

(3s) "Blind", for the purpose of goose hunting in zones established in s. NR 10.31, means any framed enclosure or pit not more than 15 feet in its greatest dimension and camouflaged to provide concealment to hunters.

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

(5) "Buck deer" means any deer with an antler not less than 3 inches in length.

(5m) "Canada goose management zones and subzones" means those established in s. NR 10.31.

(5r) "Class A permit" means a permit as defined in s. 29.09 (9) (a) 2., Stats.

(5t) "Class C permit" means a permit issued to the visually handicapped as defined in s. 29.09 (9) (a) 5., Stats.

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

(6m) "Current validated deer carcass tag", for purposes of s. 29.40 (2), Stats., means an unused tag of the current year validated according to the requirements of s. NR 10.103 (2).

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

(7m) "Deer management unit" means a zone established in s. NR 10.28.

(8) "Department" means the department of natural resources.

(9) For the purposes of ss. 29.224 (2), 29.56, 29.565 (2), 29.57 (4) and 350.06, Stats., "enclosed within a carrying case" for firearms means completely contained in a gun case expressly made for that purpose which is fully enclosed by being zipped, snapped, buckled, tied, or otherwise fastened, with no portion of the firearm exposed.

Note: Subsection (9) does not remove the requirement of ss. 29.224 and 350.06, Stats., to enclose bows or crossbows in carrying cases. The rule does not apply to bows or crossbows only because the natural resources board recognizes that certain designed bow cases may allow portions of the bow, for instance the handle, to be exposed and yet still render the bow inoperable.

(9e) "Established range" means an existing facility that has target shooting with firearms as its major purpose.

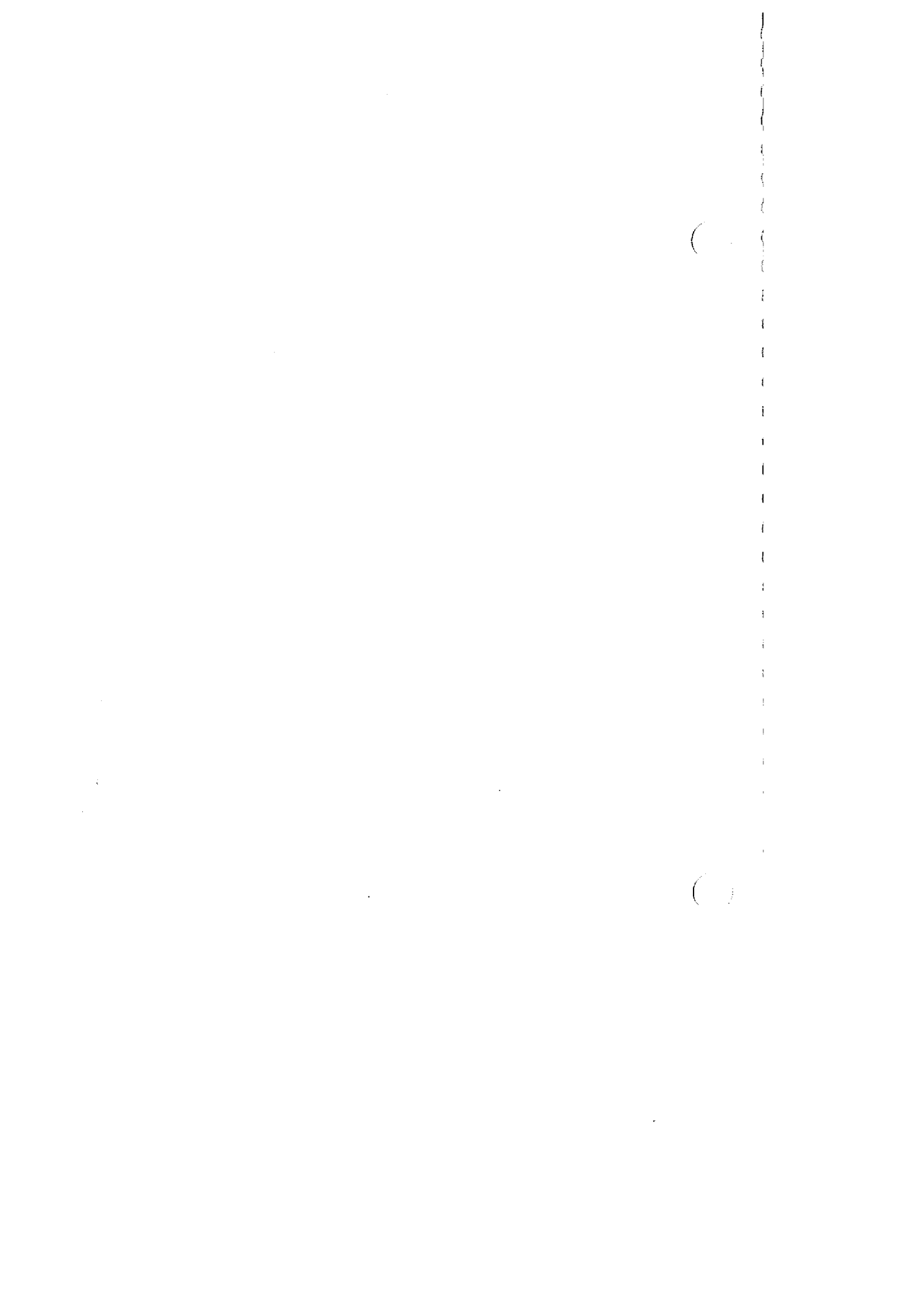
(9m) For the purpose of administering the Canada goose hunting permit system, "Exterior goose management zone" or the "Exterior zone" means all that part of the state outside of the Collins, Horicon, Pine Island and Theresa goose management zones described in s. NR 10.31, and includes the Mississippi River, Brown County, Burnett County, New Auburn and Rock Prairie subzones which shall be treated as separate management subzones for other purposes.

(10) "Firearm season" means an open season for hunting with any of the following firearms loaded with a single slug or ball: rifle, muzzle-loader, shotgun or handgun for deer hunting described in s. NR 10.09 (1) (c) 1. c..

(10m) "Fully automatic firearm" means any firearm which continues to fire or is manufactured to continue to fire as long as the trigger is depressed.

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Note: This definition does not include a semi-automatic firearm which fires a single shot with each pull of the trigger, then ejects the spent cartridge case and reloads without effort on the part of the shooter.

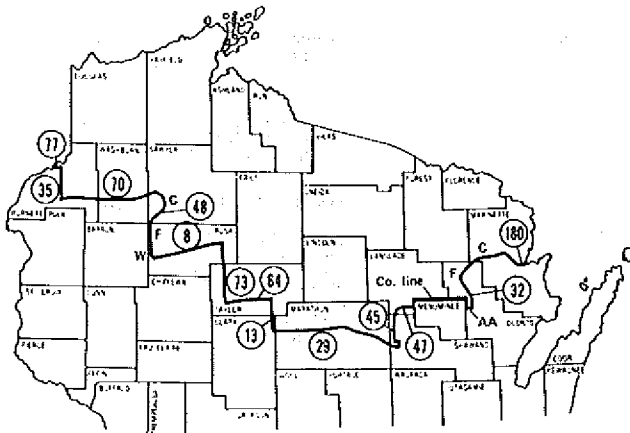


Kind of animal Locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Limit
b. The Pierce county portion of deer management unit 61.	Shotgun season beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 2 consecutive days.	One deer per season, either sex.
	Shotgun season beginning on the day immediately after the shotgun season described above and continuing for 7 consecutive days.	One buck deer per season.
c. Deer management until 61B (Trempealeau national wildlife refuge)	Shotgun season beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 2 consecutive days.	One deer per hunter's choice permit per season.
d. Deer management unit 61C except during closed periods established by s. NR 11.031 (2) (b)	Shotgun season beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 2 consecutive days.	
	Firearm season beginning on the day immediately after the shotgun season described above and continuing for 7 consecutive days.	One buck deer per season or hunter's choice permit limit.
e. The Vernon county portions of deer management units 59D and 74A, and the Vernon and Crawford county portion of unit 74B	Firearm season beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 2 consecutive days.	One deer per season, either sex.
	Firearm season beginning on the day immediately after the firearm season described above and continuing for 7 consecutive days.	One buck deer per season.
f. The Pepin county portion of deer management unit 61.	Shotgun season beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 2 consecutive days.	One deer per season, either sex.
	Firearm season beginning on the day immediately after the shotgun season described above and continuing for 7 consecutive days	One buck deer per season.
3. Zone "C"		

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	Governor Dodge (unit 70C), Blue Mound (unit 70D), and Perrot (unit 61A) state parks except areas posted closed to hunting.	Muzzle-loading firearm season beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 9 consecutive days.	One deer per hunter's choice permit per season.
4. Zone "D"			
	Fort McCoy military reservation in Monroe county and Volk field military facility in Juneau county	Firearm, shotgun, muzzle-loader or handgun season as established by military permit approved by the department by August 1 annually.	One deer per season by military permit.
5. Zone "E"			
	Menominee county (unit 48)	Firearm, shotgun, muzzle-loader or handgun as established by the Menominee tribe, for tribal members only.	As established by the Menominee tribe.
6. Zone "G". Milwaukee county.			
(em) <i>Deer bow season</i>			
	Statewide.	Beginning on the third Saturday in September and continuing through the Sunday immediately prior to the opening of the deer gun season. Re-opening on the Saturday immediately following the close of the gun deer season and continuing through December 31.	One deer of either sex or 2 deer as authorized under s. NR 10.11
(f) <i>Fox, all species</i>			
1.	North zone — All that part of Wisconsin north of state highway 64	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 17 and continuing through February 15	None
2.	South zone — All that part of Wisconsin south of state highway 64	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 28 and continuing through February 15	None
(g) <i>Black bear (gun and bow seasons).</i>			
1.	Those portions of bear management zones A and B as described in s. NR 10.30 where the use of dogs for bear hunting is authorized as described in s. NR 10.10 (1) (b).	With aid of dogs only, beginning on the second Saturday in September and continuing for 21 consecutive days in odd-numbered years and beginning on the third Saturday in September for 21 days in even-numbered years.	One adult bear per permit issued under s. NR 10.102.

Kind of animal Locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Limit
2. Those portions of bear management zones A, B and C as described in s. NR 10.30 where the use of dogs for bear hunting is prohibited as described in s. NR 10.10(1)(b).	All methods not utilizing the aid of dogs, beginning on the second Saturday in September and continuing for 21 consecutive days in even-numbered years and beginning on the third Saturday in September for 21 days in odd-numbered years.  All methods not utilizing the aid of dogs, beginning on the second Saturday in September and continuing for 28 consecutive days.	One adult bear per permit issued under s. NR 10.102.  One adult bear per permit issued under s. NR 10.102.
(h) Coyote		
1. Hunting		
a. North of the highways established by subd. 3.	All year except closed during the gun season as established by s. NR 10.01 (3) (e) 1. d.	None
b. Remainder of the state	All year	None
2. Trapping		
a. North zone — All that part of Wisconsin north of state highway 64	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 17 and continuing through January 31	None
b. South zone — All that part of Wisconsin south of state highway 64	Beginning on the Saturday nearest November 1 and continuing through January 31	None
3. Special closure — No person may hunt, shoot, shoot at, take, catch or pursue any coyote in that portion of the state north of the highways shown in the following map during the closed period described in subd. 1.		



Kind of animal Locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Limit
<b>(4) FURBEARING ANIMALS.</b>		
<b>(a) Muskrat and mink trapping.</b>		
1. 'North zone' — All that part of Wisconsin north of state highway 64	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 21 and continuing through December 31	None
2. 'Central zone' — All that part of Wisconsin south of state highway 64 and north of the line beginning at the junction of U.S. highway 18 with the western boundary of the state, then east along highway 18 to its junction with U.S. highway 51, then north along highway 51 to its junction with state highway 60, then east along highway 60 to its junction with Ozaukee county highway "Q" extended east to Lake Michigan except as described in subd. 3	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 28 and continuing through December 31	None
3. 'Winnebago zone' — All that part of Dodge county lying north of state highway 60, Fond du Lac, Outagamie, Waupaca, Waushara and Winnebago counties	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 28 and continuing through March 15	None
4. 'Mississippi River zone' — All that part of Buffalo, Crawford, Grant, LaCrosse, Trempealeau, and Vernon counties lying east of the Chippewa river and west of the Burlington Northern railway	Beginning on the day following the close of the open season for ducks as established under sub. (1) (b) 1. and continuing through January 15	None
5. 'South zone' — All other parts of the state	Beginning on the Saturday nearest November 4 and continuing through December 31	None

**(b) Incidental take of muskrats.** During the closed season for muskrats, licensed trappers may retain for salvage any muskrats taken incidentally while trapping for beaver in the portions of the state open to beaver trapping as described in par. (c).

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Limit
<b>(c) Beaver trapping.</b>		
1. Zone A as described in s. NR 10.35.	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 21 and continuing through March 15.	None
2. Zone B as described in s. NR 10.35.	Beginning on Saturday nearest October 21 and continuing through April 30.	None
3. Zone C as described in s. NR 10.35.	Dec. 1 - Mar. 15	None
4. Zone D as described in s. NR 10.35.	Beginning on the day following the close of the open season for ducks as established under sub. (1) (b) 1. and continuing through March 15.	None



9. e., Register September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 10-1-85; emerg. r. and recr. (1) (g) 1. a. cr. (1) (g) 1. am., eff. 10-19-85; r. and recr. (4) (a) 4., am. (2) (f), Register, January, 1986, No. 361, eff. 2-1-86, except (4) (a) 4. eff. 3-1-86; r. and recr. (1) (b), (g), (l) 2. b. and 5., (tm) 3., am. (1) (u) 1., Register, April, 1986, No. 364, eff. 5-1-86; r. and recr. (3) (g), Register, June, 1986, No. 366, eff. 7-1-86; am. (1) (l) 2. and 3. b., (3) (e) (intro.) and (4) (e) 4., r. and recr. (3) (e) 2. and 6., (3) (em) and (4) (e) 1. b., r. (4) (d) 3. to 5., Register, August, 1986, No. 368, eff. 9-1-86; emerg. r. and recr. (1) (a), (b), (g), (l) 2. b. and 5., (tm) 3. and (u) 1., cr. (1) (e) 3. c., eff. 9-12-86; r. and recr. (3) (e) Intro. and 1. to 6., am. (3) (e) 9. e. and (4) (e) 2. intro., Register, October, 1986, No. 370, eff. 11-1-86; r. and recr. (1) (a), (b), (g), (l) 2. b. and 5., (tm) 3., (u) 1., cr. (1) (l) 3. c., Register, January, 1987, No. 373, eff. 2-1-87; am. (2) (f) 1. and r. and recr. (2) (f) 2., Register, February, 1987, No. 374, eff. 3-1-87; cr. (4) (e) 8., Register, March, 1987, No. 375, eff. 4-1-87; r. (1) (q) and (r), r. and recr. (3) (g) and (4) (c), Register, July, No. 379, eff. 8-1-87; emerg. r. (1) (a), r. and recr. (1) (b), (c) 2., (g), (l) 2. b. and 5., (tm) 2., 3. and 4., (u) 1., eff. 9-25-87; am. (2) (f) 1. and 2., (3) (e) 9. e., r. and recr. (3) (h) 1. and (4) (e) 2., cr. (3) (h) 3., Register, October, 1987, No. 382, eff. 11-1-87; r. (1) (a), r. and recr. (1) (b), (c) 2., (g), (l) 2. b., and 5., (tm) 2. to 5., and (u) 1., Register, December, 1987, No. 384, eff. 1-1-88; r. and recr. (2) (f) 2., Register, January, 1988, No. 385, eff. 2-1-88; r. and recr. (4) (b), am. (4) (c), Register, June, 1988, No. 390, eff. 7-1-88; renum. (1) (h) to be NR 10.125 (6), r. (1) (i) to (tm), (3) (e) 7. and 9., am. (1) (u) 1., r. and recr. (2) (b) 2., Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88; emerg. cr. (1), r. and recr. (1) (b), (c) and (g) eff. 9-21-88; am. (intro.) and (2) (c) 1., Register, October, 1988, No. 394, eff. 11-1-88. cr. (2) (f) 3., Register, October, 1988, No. 394, eff. 1-1-89; cr. (1) (a), r. and recr. (1) (b), (c) and (g), Register, January, 1989, No. 397, eff. 2-1-89; r. and recr. (2) (f) 1. and 2., Register, March, 1989, No. 399, eff. 4-1-89; am. (3) (e) (intro.), r. (4) (e) 1. d., Register, July, 1989, No. 403, eff. 8-1-89; am. (2) (b) 1., (3) (e) 1. intro. and a., 2. intro., a., b., and e., r. and recr. (2) (d), (4) (dm) and (e) 2. d., renum. (3) (e) 1. d. to be 1. e., cr. (3) (e) 1. d., 2. f., 6. and 7., Register, October, 1989, No. 406, eff. 11-1-89; emerg. am. (1) (g) 1. a. and f., eff. 11-26-89; r. and recr. (2) (f) 1. and 2., Register, January, 1990, No. 409, eff. 2-1-90; r. and recr. (1) (b), (c) and (g), Register, March, 1990, No. 411, eff. 4-1-90; am. (4) (b) and (c), Register, May, 1990, No. 413, eff. 6-1-90; r. and recr. (2) (f) 2. and 3., cr. (1) (g) 1. m., Register, July, 1990, No. 415, eff. 8-1-90; am. (3) (f), Register, September, 1990, No. 417, eff. 10-1-90; r. and recr. (2) (a) and (c) 2., am. (3) (e) 2. intro., a. and e., r. (3) (e) 6., renum. (3) (e) 7. to be 6., Register, October, 1990, No. 418, eff. 11-1-90; emerg. r. and recr. (3) (e) and (3) (h) 1. a., eff. 11-15-90; r. and recr. (2) (f) 2., Register, January, 1991, No. 421, eff. 2-1-91; r. and recr. (1) (b) and (g), Register, March, 1991, No. 423, eff. 4-1-91; and recr. (4) (c), Register, May, 1991, No. 425, eff. 6-1-91; r. and recr. (2) (f), Register, June, 1991, No. 426, eff. 7-1-91; r. and recr. (3) (em) and (g), Register, August, 1991, No. 428, eff. 9-1-91.

Note: For a complete history of s. NR 10.01 from 1-2-56 through 11-30-73 see the history note following s. NR 10.01 published in November 1973, Register. For a complete history of s. NR 10.01 from 12-1-73 through 7-31-85 see the history note following s. NR 10.01 published in the July, 1985 Register.

**NR 10.02 Protected wild animals.** The following wild animals are designated protected. No person may take, attempt to take, transport or possess any protected wild animal at any time unless expressly authorized by the department.

- (1) Cougar, badger, moose, elk, wolverine and flying squirrel.
- (2) Endangered or threatened species listed in ch. NR 27.
- (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.
- (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. 146, 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. 264, eff. 1-1-78; r. and recr. Register, August, 1979, No. 284, eff. 9-1-79; am. (1), Register, September, 1983, No. 333, eff. 10-1-83; am. (1), Register,

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ter, July, 1985, No. 355, eff. 8-1-85; cr. (intro.) Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 10-1-85.

**NR 10.04 Unprotected wild animals.** The following wild animals are designated unprotected. No closed season, bag limit, size limit or possession limit applies to these 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.

Note: Persons taking unprotected animals must possess a hunting or trapping license and comply with all method of taking requirements of this chapter unless otherwise authorized by the department in writing or exempted under ch. NR 12.

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, 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; cr. (intro.), Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 10-1-85.

**NR 10.05 Highways.** (1) **GENERAL HUNTING.** No person may hunt within 50 feet of a roadway's center except as provided in s. 167.31, Stats.

Note: The exceptions provided by s. 167.31, Stats., allows any person to legally hunting small game with a muzzle-loading firearm or shotgun loaded with shotshells containing shot size BB or smaller if the roadway is surfaced with anything other than concrete or blacktop.

(2) **WATERFOWL AND COOT HUNTING.** 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 10.31 (4).

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. 9-24-76; 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; am. (2), Register, July, 1989, No. 403, eff. 8-1-89.

**NR 10.06 Hunting hours.** (1) **GENERAL HUNTING.** 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) **HUNTING ZONES.** (a) *General.* 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.
- E—all that part of the state lying between 91°-00' and 92°-00' long.
- F—all that part of the state lying west of 92°-00' longitude.

(b) *General prohibition.* Except as provided in subs. (4), (5), (6), (7) and (8), no person may hunt or shoot any game species on which an open season is prescribed on any day during the open season before the a.m. times or after the p.m. times established in sub. (3).

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(3) BEAR, BOW DEER AND SMALL GAME HUNTING. (a) Formula. The hunting hours for pursuing bear, deer with a bow or small game in Zone A are listed in par. (b). The hunting hours for other zones are obtained by adding minutes to the Zone A a.m. and p.m. columns as follows:

Zone - Adjustment

- B - Add 4 minutes
- C - Add 8 minutes
- D - Add 12 minutes
- E - Add 16 minutes
- F - Add 20 minutes

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(b) Bear, bow deer and small game hunting hours (zone A Milwaukee; CST)

- 30 minutes before sunrise through 15 minutes after sunset.

Date	Jan.		Feb.		Mar.		Apr.		May		Sept.		Oct.		Nov.		Dec.	
	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
1	6:53	4:43	6:37	5:19	5:58	5:56	5:04	6:32	4:16	7:07	4:46	6:42	5:18	5:48	5:56	4:59	6:33	4:33
2	6:53	4:44	6:36	5:20	5:56	5:57	5:03	6:34	4:15	7:08	4:47	6:40	5:20	5:47	5:57	4:58	6:34	4:33
3	6:53	4:44	6:35	5:22	5:55	5:58	5:01	6:35	4:13	7:09	4:48	6:38	5:21	5:45	5:58	4:57	6:35	4:33
4	6:53	4:45	6:34	5:23	5:53	5:59	4:59	6:36	4:12	7:10	4:49	6:37	5:22	5:43	5:59	4:55	6:36	4:33
5	6:53	4:45	6:33	5:24	5:52	6:01	4:57	6:37	4:11	7:12	4:50	6:35	5:23	5:41	6:01	4:54	6:37	4:32
6	6:53	4:47	6:31	5:26	5:50	6:02	4:56	6:38	4:09	7:13	4:51	6:33	5:24	5:40	6:02	4:53	6:38	4:32
7	6:53	4:48	6:30	5:27	5:48	6:03	4:54	6:39	4:08	7:14	4:52	6:31	5:25	5:38	6:03	4:52	6:39	4:32
8	6:53	4:49	6:29	5:28	5:46	6:04	4:52	6:41	4:07	7:15	4:53	6:30	5:26	5:36	6:05	4:51	6:40	4:32
9	6:52	4:50	6:28	5:30	5:45	6:05	4:50	6:42	4:06	7:16	4:54	6:28	5:28	5:35	6:06	4:50	6:41	4:32
10	6:52	4:52	6:26	5:31	5:43	6:07	4:49	6:43	4:04	7:17	4:55	6:26	5:29	5:33	6:07	4:48	6:42	4:32
11	6:52	4:53	6:25	5:32	5:41	6:08	4:47	6:44	4:03	7:18	4:56	6:24	5:30	5:31	6:08	4:47	6:42	4:32
12	6:51	4:54	6:24	5:34	5:40	6:09	4:45	6:45	4:02	7:19	4:58	6:23	5:31	5:30	6:10	4:46	6:43	4:32
13	6:51	4:55	6:22	5:35	5:38	6:10	4:44	6:46	4:01	7:20	4:59	6:21	5:32	5:28	6:11	4:45	6:44	4:32
14	6:51	4:56	6:21	5:36	5:36	6:11	4:42	6:48	4:00	7:21	5:00	6:19	5:26	5:26	6:12	4:44	6:45	4:33
15	6:50	4:57	6:20	5:38	5:34	6:13	4:40	6:49	3:59	7:23	5:01	6:17	5:35	5:25	6:14	4:43	6:46	4:33
16	6:50	4:58	6:18	5:39	5:33	6:14	4:39	6:50	3:57	7:24	5:02	6:15	5:36	5:23	6:15	4:43	6:47	4:33
17	6:49	5:00	6:17	5:40	5:31	6:15	4:37	6:51	3:56	7:25	5:03	6:14	5:37	5:21	6:17	4:41	6:48	4:34
18	6:49	5:01	6:15	5:42	5:29	6:16	4:36	6:52	3:56	7:26	5:04	6:12	5:38	5:20	6:19	4:40	6:48	4:34
19	6:48	5:02	6:14	5:43	5:27	6:17	4:34	6:53	3:55	7:27	5:05	6:10	5:39	5:18	6:20	4:39	6:49	4:34
20	6:47	5:03	6:12	5:44	5:26	6:19	4:32	6:54	3:54	7:28	5:07	6:08	5:42	5:15	6:21	4:39	6:49	4:35
21	6:47	5:05	6:11	5:45	5:24	6:20	4:31	6:56	3:53	7:29	5:07	6:06	5:43	5:13	6:22	4:38	6:50	4:35
22	6:46	5:06	6:09	5:47	5:22	6:21	4:29	6:57	3:52	7:30	5:08	6:05	5:44	5:12	6:23	4:37	6:50	4:36
23	6:45	5:07	6:08	5:48	5:20	6:22	4:28	6:58	3:51	7:31	5:10	6:03	5:44	5:10	6:25	4:37	6:51	4:37
24	6:44	5:09	6:06	5:49	5:18	6:23	4:26	6:59	3:51	7:32	5:11	6:01	5:46	5:09	6:26	4:36	6:51	4:38
25	6:44	5:10	6:05	5:51	5:17	6:24	4:25	7:00	3:50	7:33	5:12	5:59	5:47	5:08	6:27	4:35	6:52	4:38
26	6:43	5:11	6:03	5:52	5:15	6:26	4:23	7:01	3:49	7:34	5:13	5:57	5:48	5:06	6:27	4:35	6:52	4:39
27	6:42	5:12	6:01	5:53	5:13	6:27	4:22	7:02	3:48	7:35	5:14	5:56	5:49	5:05	6:28	4:34	6:52	4:39
28	6:41	5:14	6:00	5:54	5:11	6:28	4:20	7:04	3:47	7:36	5:15	5:55	5:51	5:03	6:29	4:34	6:52	4:40
29	6:40	5:15	5:59	5:55	5:10	6:29	4:19	7:05	3:47	7:37	5:16	5:52	5:52	5:03	6:30	4:34	6:52	4:41
30	6:39	5:16	5:58	5:56	5:08	6:30	4:17	7:06	3:46	7:38	5:17	5:50	5:53	5:02	6:32	4:34	6:53	4:42
31	6:38	5:18	5:56	5:58	5:06	6:31	4:17	7:06	3:46	7:38	5:17	5:50	5:53	5:01	6:32	4:34	6:53	4:42

(4) **MIGRATORY GAME BIRD HUNTING.** The hunting zones for pursuing migratory game birds are established in par. (2) (a) and hunting hours are established in the following table with the following exceptions:

(a) All waterfowl hunting starts at noon on the first day of the duck hunting season established in s. NR 10.01 (1) (b).

(b) The hunting hours in the Theresa goose management zone close at 1:00 p.m. daily except on the first day of the duck hunting season established in s. NR 10.01 (1) (b) when the hunting hours close as shown in the table.

(c) Hunting hours for rails, snipe and woodcock, begin daily 30 minutes prior to the time listed for a.m. and end with the hours listed for p.m. in the table through November 12 after which the hunting hours are as listed in the table.

#### Migratory Game Bird Hunting Hours C.S.T.

DAY	September		October		November		December	
	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
1	5:16	6:27	5:48	5:33	6:26	4:44	6:33	4:18
2	5:17	6:25	5:50	5:32	6:27	4:43	6:34	4:18
3	5:18	6:23	5:51	5:30	6:28	4:42	6:35	4:18
4	5:19	6:22	5:52	5:28	6:29	4:40	6:36	4:18
5	5:20	6:20	5:53	5:26	6:31	4:39	6:37	4:17
6	5:21	6:18	5:54	5:25	6:32	4:38	6:38	4:17
7	5:22	6:16	5:55	5:23	6:33	4:37	6:39	4:17
8	5:23	6:15	5:56	5:21	6:35	4:36	6:40	4:17
9	5:24	6:13	5:58	5:20	6:36	4:35	6:41	4:17
10	5:25	6:11	5:59	5:18	6:37	4:33	6:42	4:17
11	5:26	6:09	6:00	5:16	6:38	4:32	6:42	4:17
12	5:28	6:08	6:01	5:15	6:40	4:31	6:43	4:17
13	5:29	6:06	6:02	5:13	6:11	4:30	6:44	4:17
14	5:30	6:04	6:03	5:11	6:12	4:29	6:45	4:18
15	5:31	6:02	6:05	5:10	6:14	4:28	6:46	4:18
16	5:32	6:00	6:06	5:08	6:15	4:28	6:46	4:18
17	5:33	5:59	6:07	5:06	6:16	4:27	6:47	4:18
18	5:34	5:57	6:08	5:05	6:17	4:26	6:48	4:19
19	5:35	5:55	6:09	5:03	6:19	4:25	6:48	4:19
20	5:36	5:53	6:11	5:02	6:20	4:24	6:49	4:19
21	5:37	5:51	6:12	5:00	6:21	4:24	6:49	4:20
22	5:38	5:50	6:13	4:58	6:22	4:23	6:50	4:20
23	5:40	5:48	6:14	4:57	6:23	4:22	6:50	4:21
24	5:41	5:46	6:16	4:55	6:25	4:22	6:51	4:22
25	5:42	5:44	6:17	4:54	6:26	4:21	6:51	4:22
26	5:43	5:42	6:18	4:53	6:27	4:20	6:52	4:23
27	5:44	5:41	6:19	4:51	6:28	4:20	6:52	4:24
28	5:45	5:39	6:21	4:50	6:29	4:19	6:52	4:24
29	5:46	5:37	6:22	4:48	6:30	4:19	6:52	4:25
30	5:47	5:35	6:23	4:47	6:32	4:19	6:53	4:26
31			6:24	4:46			6:53	4:27

Note: Times listed for Sept. 1 through Nov. 12 are sunrise and sunset and beginning on Nov. 13 and through Dec. 31, times listed are one half hour before sunrise and sunset.

(6) **PHEASANT HUNTING.** Pheasant hunting hours shall close at 2:00 p.m. daily within the posted boundaries of the following properties beginning the second day of the pheasant hunting season established in s. NR 10.01 (2) (c) and continuing for 13 consecutive days.

- (a) Allenton (Washington county)
- (b) Brooklyn (Dane and Green counties)
- (c) Collins (Manitowoc county)
- (d) Dunnville (Dunn county)
- (e) Goose Lake (Dane county)

- (f) Holland (Brown county)
- (g) Horicon (Dodge county)
- (h) Killsnake (Calumet and Manitowoc counties)
- (i) Little Scarboro — Kewaunee (Kewaunee county)
- (j) Mazomanie (Dane county)
- (jm) Muddy Creek (Dunn county)
- (k) New Munster (Kenosha county)
- (l) Theresa (Dodge and Washington counties)
- (m) Tichigan (Racine county)
- (n) Vernon (Waukesha county)
- (o) White River (Green Lake and Marquette counties)
- (p) Witwen (Sauk county)

(7) **WILD TURKEY HUNTING.** The hunting hours for pursuing wild turkeys shall be the same as the hours established in sub. (3) except that spring hunting hours shall close at 12:00 noon daily.

(8) **EXCEPTIONS.** There are no hunting hour restrictions for pursuing coyote, fox, raccoon and all wild animals for which no closed season is established except as follows:

(a) *Bow bear and deer seasons.* Hunting hours established in sub. (3) shall apply to archers pursuing any species during the bow bear season established in s. NR 10.01 (3) (g) and during the bow deer season established in s. NR 10.01 (3) (em).

(b) *Gun deer season.* Hunting hours established in sub. (3) shall apply to bow and gun hunters pursuing any species during the regular gun deer season established in s. NR 10.01 (3) (e).

Note: The big game hunting hours do not apply to persons hunting coyote, fox, raccoon or other wild animals for which no closed season has been established during the muzzle-loader season or an extended gun deer season.

History: 1-2-56; am. (2); cr. (2m), Register, August, 1956, No. 8, eff. 9-1-56; am. (2m), Register, August, 1957, No. 20, eff. 9-1-57; am. (2), (2m) and (3), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; r. and recr. Register, August, 1959, No. 44, eff. 9-1-59, am. (2), cr. (2m) Register, Sept. 1959, No. 45, eff. 10-1-59; am. (2) and r. (2m), Register, September 1960, No. 57, eff. 10-1-60; am. (2), cr. (2m), Register, September, 1961, No. 69, eff. 10-1-61; r. and recr. (2) and (2m), Register, August, 1962, No. 80, eff. 9-1-62; r. and recr. Register, August, 1965, No. 116, eff. 9-1-65; am. (3), emerg. eff. 9-5-65; am. (2), Register, March, 1966, No. 123, eff. 4-1-66; r. and recr. Register, August, 1966, No. 128, eff. 9-1-66; r. cr. (2); cr. (4) Register, September, 1966, No. 129, eff. 10-1-66; r. and recr. (2) and (3), Register, August, 1967, No. 140, eff. 9-1-67; renum. to be NR 10.06; r. (4), Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (3), Register, August, 1971, No. 188, eff. 9-1-71; am. (3), Register, September, 1972, No. 201, eff. 10-1-72; am. (2), (3), Register, August, 1973, No. 212, eff. 9-1-73; am. (2), Register, September, 1973, No. 213, eff. 10-1-73; am. (3), Register, March, 1975, No. 231, eff. 4-1-75; emerg. am. (2) (d), eff. 9-24-75; am. (3), Register, October, 1975, No. 238, eff. 11-1-75; am. (2) (d) (eff. 6-1-76), am. (2) (c), Register, May, 1975, No. 245, eff. 8-15-76; am. (2) (d) and (3), Register, November, 1976, No. 251, eff. 12-1-76; am. (2) (a), Register, May, 1977, No. 257, eff. 6-1-77; r. and recr. (2) (d), Register, February, 1978, No. 266, eff. 3-1-78; am. (2) (c) and (e), Register, October, 1980, No. 298, eff. 11-1-80; am. (2) (c) and cr. (4) and (5), Register, November, 1982, No. 323, eff. 12-1-82; am. (2) (c) and cr. (6), Register, March, 1984, No. 339, eff. 4-1-84; am. (2) (d), Register, April 1985, No. 352, eff. 5-1-85; cr. (6) (jm), Register, October, 1986, No. 370, eff. 11-1-86; emerg. am. (2) (d), eff. 9-25-97; am. (2) (d), Register, December, 1987, No. 384, eff. 1-1-88; r. and recr. (2) (b), (3) to (5), r. (2) (d), renum. (2) (e) to be (3) (b), cr. (7) and (8), Register, October, 1988, No. 394, eff. 1-1-89; r. and recr. (4), Register, January 1989 No. 397, eff. 2-1-89; r. and recr. (2) (b), (3) (b), (7) and (8) (a) to (c), r. (2) (c) and (5), am. (3) (a), Register, October, 1989, No. 406, eff. 11-1-89; r. and recr. (4), Register, March, 1990, No. 411, Register, August, 1991, No. 428

eff. 4-1-90; am. (8) (b), Register, September, 1990, No. 417, eff. 10-1-90; am. (2) (b) and (3) (a), Register, August, 1991, No. 428, eff. 9-1-91.

NR 10.07 General hunting. (1) PROHIBITED METHODS. No person shall:

(a) *Aircraft*. Hunt with the aid of an airplane, including the use of an airplane to spot, rally or drive wild animals for hunters on the ground.

(b) *Devices*. 1. Place, operate or attend, spread, or set any net, pitfall, snare, spring gun, pivot gun, swivel gun, or other similar contrivance for the purpose of catching or which might catch, take or ensnare wild animals.

2. Use or possess any snare, trap or device designed or used for the purpose of driving rabbits out of their holes or dens.

(d) *Molesting*. Molest the nest or den of any squirrel.

(e) *Ferret*. Use or possess any ferret while hunting.

(f) *Retrieval*. Fail to make every reasonable effort to retrieve all wild animals killed or crippled; and until such effort is made, such wild animals shall be included in the daily bag.

(g) *Baiting*. 1. Place, use or hunt over bait contained within or containing metal, paper, plastic, glass, wood other than hollow stumps or other nondegradable materials.

2. Except as established in s. NR 10.12 (1) (h), use any bait material, liquid or scent for attracting wild animals containing honey, bones, fish, meat, solid animal fat or parts of animal carcasses.

3. Place or hunt over baiting material, liquid or scent within 50 yards of any trail, road or campsite used by the public.

4. Hunt over baiting material, liquid or scent during the archery season without possessing a valid, unused bear harvest permit or archery deer tag.

5. Use or hunt over a baited area containing more than 10 gallons of bait material or liquid scent.

6. This paragraph does not prohibit hunting over bait materials deposited by natural vegetation or found solely as a result of normal agricultural practices.

(i) *Dog use*. Hunt or pursue any free-roaming wild animal with the aid of dog or dogs May 1 to June 30 in that portion of the state north of the highways shown on the following map except for dog trials and training under permit as established by ch. NR 17:

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**NR 10.08 Possession of game. (1) OPENING DAY LIMITS.** On the first day of the open season, no person may possess or control more than one daily bag limit of any game species for which a bag limit is established.

(2) **DAILY BAG.** No person may take, or attempt to take, more than one daily bag limit in any one day.

(3) **POSSESSION LIMIT.** No person may possess more than 2 daily bag limits unless otherwise authorized by the department.

(4) **FIELD POSSESSION LIMIT.** No person may possess more than one daily bag limit while at or between the place killed and the place to which the bag limit is taken.

Note: This rule does not authorize a person to take more than one daily bag limit. Further, it does not prohibit possession of double the daily bag limit when transporting game between a person's temporary abode and his or her permanent abode.

(5) **KILLING REQUIREMENTS.** Except as otherwise provided, no person may possess any live game. All game taken during the open season shall be killed immediately and made part of the daily bag.

History: 1-2-56; r. (2), Register, August, 1956, No. 8, eff. 9-1-56; r. and recr. (3), Register, August, 1968, No. 152, eff. 9-1-68; renun. to be NR 10.21; am. (3)(a) and (b), Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (3) (a), Register, August, 1973, No. 212, eff. 9-1-73; r. and recr. (3), Register, August, 1978, No. 272, eff. 9-1-78; renun. from NR 10.21, Register, September, 1983, No. 333, eff. 10-1-83; r. and recr. Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 10-1-85; am. (2), Register, October, 1990, No. 418, eff. 11-1-90.

**NR 10.09 Guns, ammunition and other devices. (1) PROHIBITED METHODS.** No person shall:

(a) **Shotshells. 1. Slugs or balls.** Possess or have in control, while hunting, any shotshells loaded with single slug or ball except during the open gun season for deer or bear.

2. **Size.** Possess or have in control while hunting, shells containing shot larger than no. BB during the period commencing on June 1 and ending 48 hours following gun deer season closure established in s. NR 10.01 (3) (e) or 10.117, whichever is later, except during the open season established in s. NR 10.01 (1) (b), (c), (d) and (g) when nontoxic shot size BBB and T may be used for hunting migratory game birds.

3. **Game bird hunting. a. General.** Hunt any game bird with a rifle or shotgun loaded with single ball or slug or shot larger than no. BB.

b. **Turkey.** Use or possess shells containing shot larger than no. 4 lead or no. 2 steel while hunting wild turkeys.

(b) **Incendiary shells.** Possess or have in control, while hunting, any shell, cartridge or ammunition known as tracer shells, or incendiary shells or cartridges. Distress flares are exempt from this section.

(c) **Guns and devices. 1. Type.** Hunt with any means other than the use of a gun discharged from the shoulder, bow and arrow or by falconry except:

a. **Muzzleloaders** may be used for hunting, except that any muzzleloader used in the muzzleloading season described in s. NR 10.01 (3) (es) shall have an exposed outside hammer and may not include a telescopic sight.

b. **Hare, rabbit, squirrel, raccoon, fox, coyote, bobcat and unprotected wild animals** may be hunted with .22 rim-fire handguns and pellet guns of .177 caliber or larger.

c. Deer or bear may be hunted with handguns loaded with .357, .41 and .44 magnum caliber cartridges or any other caliber handgun chambered for commercially manufactured cartridges which produce a minimum muzzle energy of 1000 foot pounds. Such handguns shall have a minimum barrel length of 5½ inches measured from the muzzle to the firing pin with the action closed.

Note: Persons under the age of 18 years, pursuant to s. 941.22, Stats., may not hunt with handguns. Hunters using handguns must comply with all state and federal laws respecting handguns, including s. 941.23, Stats., respecting concealment, and s. 29.224, Stats., respecting transportation.

d. Crossbows may be used by disabled individuals issued a permit under s. 29.104 (4), Stats.

2. Deer or bear hunting. Hunt any deer or bear with any .22 rim-fire, 5 mm rim-fire rifle, .17 caliber center-fire rifle, .410 bore shotgun or with ammunition loaded with full metal jacket, nonexpanding type bullets.

3. Possession. Possess any rifle larger than .22 rim-fire in areas wherein there is an open season for hunting deer with shotgun only unless such rifle is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case.

(d) *Automatic firearms.* Hunt with a fully automatic firearm.

(2) **SPECIAL ONE-DAY RESTRICTION.** During the 24-hour period prior to the opening date for hunting deer with guns, no person shall possess a gun wherein there is an open season for deer with guns unless the gun is unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case. Exceptions:

(a) Target shooting at established ranges.

(b) Hunting on licensed game farms and shooting preserves.

(c) Hunting migratory game birds during the open season.

(3) **BOWS AND ARROWS.** No person may:

(b) *Special restrictions.* Use, possess or have under control while hunting, any poisoned or drugged arrow, arrow with explosive tips or any crossbow.

(c) *Arrow standards.* Use, possess or have under control while deer or bear hunting, any arrow with a metal broad-head blade less than seven-eighths of an inch in width. Such broad-head blades must be well-sharpened.

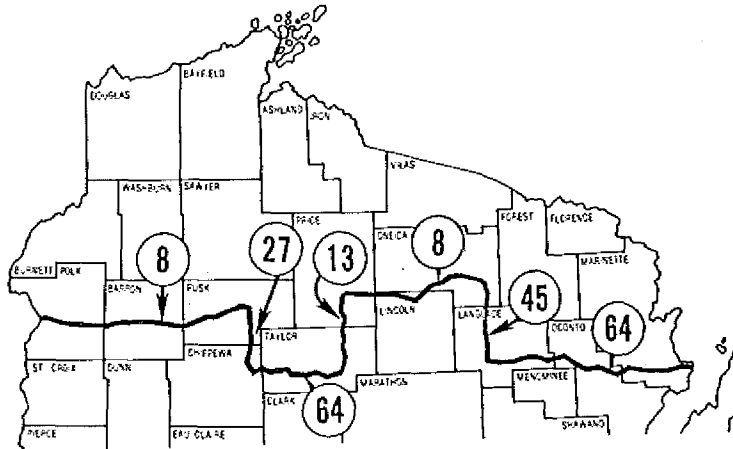
(d) *Bow size.* Hunt deer or bear with a bow having a pull of less than 30 pounds.

History: 1-2-56; am. (6), Register, August, 1956, No. 8, eff. 9-1-56; am. (3), (4), (5), (6), Register, August, 1957, No. 20, eff. 9-1-57; am (4) and (5), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; r. and recr. (4), (5), (6), and r. (7), Register, August, 1959, No. 44, eff. 9-1-59; am. (2), Register, August, 1960, No. 56, eff. 9-1-60; am. (2), Register, August, 1961, No. 68, eff. 9-1-61; r. (1); am. (3); r. and recr. (5), Register, August, 1963, No. 92, eff. 9-1-63; am. (3), Register, August, 1966, No. 128, eff. 9-1-66; renum. to be NR 10.09; am. (6), Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (4) and (5), Register, August, 1973, No. 212, eff. 9-1-73; am. (4), Register, August, 1975, No. 236, eff. 9-1-75; am. (6), Register, May, 1976, No. 245, eff. 8-15-76; r. and recr. (4), Register, May, 1978, No. 269, eff. 6-1-78; r. and recr., Register, August, 1979, No. 284, eff. 9-1-79; r. and recr. (1) (c), Register, April, 1982, No. 316, eff. 5-1-82; cr. (1) (c) 2. and 3. and (3), Register, September, 1983, No. 333, eff. 10-1-83; am. (1) (a) 2. and (c) 1. a., Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 10-1-85; emerg. r. and recr. (1) (a) 2., eff. 9-25-87; am. (1) (c) 1. c., Register, October, 1987, No. 382, eff. 1-1-88; r. and recr. (1) (a) 2., Register, December, 1987, No. 384, eff. 1-1-88; r. (3) (a), Register, October, 1988, No. 394, eff. 1-1-89; am. (1) (a) 2. and (c) 1. c., Register, October, 1989, No. 406, eff. 11-1-89; am. (1) (c) 2. and cr. (1) (d), Register, July, 1990, No. 415, eff. 8-1-90; r. and recr. (1) (a) 3., Register, October, 1990, No. 418, eff. 11-1-90; am. (1) (c) 1. a., Register, August, 1991, No. 428, eff. 9-1-91.

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**NR 10.10 Deer and bear hunting. (1) PROHIBITED METHODS.** No person shall hunt deer or bear by any of the following methods:

(b) *Dogs.* With the aid of dogs, except that dogs may be used for hunting bear during the season established in s. NR 10.01 (3) (g) 2, in that portion of the state north of the highways shown in the following map:



(2) **ILLEGAL GAME.** Any deer killed during the open season for hunting deer with bow and arrow showing evidence that it was shot with a firearm shall be an illegal game animal and no person may have such animal in possession.

History: 1-2-56; am. (2), Register, August, 1963, No. 92, eff. 9-1-63; am. (2), Register, August, 1966, No. 128, eff. 9-1-66; renum to be NR 10.10, Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; r. and recr. Register, August, 1972, No. 200, eff. 9-1-72; emerg. am. (2), and cr. (6) to (11), eff. 8-2-74; am. (2), cr. (6) to (11), Register, December, 1974, No. 228, eff. 1-1-75; am. (7) and r. (9), Register, May, 1976, No. 245, eff. 8-15-76; am. (1), (7) and (8), r. (5) and (6), Register, May, 1977, No. 257, eff. 6-1-77; r. and recr. Register, May, 1978, No. 269, eff. 6-1-78; r. (1) (a), Register, April, 1981, No. 304, eff. 5-1-81; (2) renum. from NR 10.11 (2), Register, September, 1983, No. 333, eff. 10-1-83; r. and recr. (1) (b), Register, September, 1984, No. 345, eff. 10-1-84; am. (2), Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 10-1-85; am. (1) (b), Register, June, 1986, No. 366, eff. 7-1-86.

**NR 10.101 Bear hunting. (1) PROHIBITED METHODS.** No person may:

- (a) *Dennded bear.* Hunt or shoot a bear in a den.
- (b) *Restricted areas.* Hunt bear in any dump or sanitary landfill.
- (c) *Adult bear with cubs.* Shoot, shoot at or kill an adult bear accompanied by a cub or cubs.

(2) **DOG USE RESTRICTIONS.** (a) *Identification.* No person shall hunt or pursue bear with any dog unless such dog is tattooed or wears a collar with the owner's name and address attached.

(b) *Training.* The training of dogs by pursuing wild bear is prohibited except July 1 through August 31.

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(c) *Pack size.* No more than 6 dogs in a single pack may be used to pursue bear regardless of the number of bear hunters assisting the bear harvest permittee and regardless of the dog ownership.

Note: Only a bear hunting licensee with a bear harvest permittee may pursue bear during the open season on bear.

(d) *Dog replacement.* Until the maximum of 6 dogs are released in pursuit of a bear, dogs may be added to the pack. However, no dogs engaged in the pursuit of such bear may be replaced by another dog.

(e) *Bait use.* Persons hunting bear with dogs may use bait in accordance with s. NR 10.07 (1) (g) during the season established in s. NR 10.01 (3) (g) 2.

Note: This rule does not permit a person to hunt bear over bait without using dogs as a hunting aid.

(3) BEAR CARCASS TAGS. (a) *Validation.* Any person killing a bear shall immediately validate the carcass tag by slitting the mark designating the month, day, time of kill and bear sex.

(b) *Attachment.* Immediately following validation, the carcass tag shall be attached to the bear at any location on the bear.

(c) *Removal and retention.* A bear carcass tag attached under par. (b) and department registration tag may be removed from a gutted carcass at the time of butchering or when prepared by a licensed taxidermist, but the person who killed or obtained the bear shall retain all tags until the meat is consumed.

(d) *Exceptions.* Except as provided under par. (c) or s. 29.574 (6) (a) or (c), Stats., no person may possess, control, store or transport a bear carcass unless it is tagged as required under s. 29.1085 (5), Stats., and pars. (a) and (b).

History: Cr. Register, May, 1978, No. 269, eff. 6-1-78; cr. (1) (b)5., Register, August, 1979, No. 284, eff. 9-1-79; r. and recr. (1) (b) and (3) (b), Register, April, 1980, No. 292, eff. 6-1-80; am. (3) (b), Register, July, 1985, No. 355, eff. 8-1-85; am. (intro.), cr. (1) (c), (3) (e) and (4), r. and recr. (3) (c), Register, June, 1986, No. 366, eff. 7-1-86; am. (2) (c) 3., Register, July, 1987, No. 379, eff. 8-1-87; cr. (4) (d), Register, August, 1988, No. 392, eff. 9-1-88; am. (3) (b), Register, July, 1989, No. 403, eff. 8-1-89; r. (2), renum. (3) and (4) to be (2) and (3), Register, October, 1990, No. 418, eff. 11-1-90.

NR 10.102 Bear hunting permits. (1) BEAR QUOTAS. Bear quotas are based on the status of zone black bear populations in relation to established population goals as determined by inventories.

(a) *Purpose.* The department shall issue bear harvest permits in sufficient numbers to assure maintenance of bear populations for each zone indicated in par. (d).

(b) *Permit formula.* In each black bear management zone, the number of permits to be issued to harvest the desired numbers of bear shall be based on 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 permits for a zone without an adequate history of permits, the average success rates of similar zones shall be applied or the department shall estimate an anticipated success rate. The permit number formula is:

$$\text{Permit number} = \frac{\text{Bear to be harvested}}{\text{Hunter success rate}}$$

(c) *Success rate formula.* Permit success rates used to compute the number of permits to be issued for each zone shall be those calculated by Register, August, 1991, No. 428

the department from annual bear season harvest reports except where no previous history of success rates exist. The success rate formula is:

$$\text{Success rate} = \frac{\text{Number of bear harvested}}{\text{Number of permits issued}}$$

(d) *Population goals.* This fall, pre-hunt black bear population goal is as follows:

<u>Zone</u>	<u>Population Goal</u>
A	4,100
B	1,600
C	200

(2) **APPLICATION PROCEDURE.** Application for harvest permits shall be on forms provided by the department. Applicants shall indicate their black bear hunting zone preference. Applications shall be postmarked no later than the Friday nearest January 15 or received by the department license section, 101 South Webster, P.O. Box 7924, Madison, WI 53707 no later than 4:30 p.m. on that Friday each year.

(3) **PERMIT ISSUANCE.** The department shall select successful applicants and issue permit approval notices no later than February 15 of each year. The department may reissue a permit if the permit is returned undelivered by the postal authorities or if the applicant fails to or cannot comply with s. 29.1085, Stats. Selection shall be by random drawing.

(4) **FEES.** A successful applicant shall submit the appropriate permit fee established by s. 29.092 (2) (kg) or (kr), Stats., to the department before receiving a harvest permit. The fees shall be mailed and postmarked no later than the Friday nearest March 1 or received by the department license section, 101 South Webster, P.O. Box 7924, Madison, WI 53707 no later than 4:30 p.m. on that Friday each year.

(5) **PERMIT ATTACHMENT.** The bear harvest permit shall be attached to the bear hunting license by the applicant immediately upon receipt.

(6) **BEAR PURSUIT.** No licensee may pursue a bear by any method unless that person holds a valid bear harvest permit or is assisting a person who holds a valid bear harvest permit issued under s. 29.1085, Stats.

*History:* Cr. Register, June, 1986, No. 366, eff. 7-1-86; am. (1) (a) to (d), Register, July, 1987, No. 379, eff. 8-1-87; am. (1), Register, June, 1988, No. 390, eff. 7-1-88; r. and recr. (1) (a), renum. (1) (b) to (e) and (2) to be (2) to (6), Register, October, 1988, No. 394, eff. 1-1-89.

**NR 10.103 Deer hunting. (1) TAGS.** A one-piece back and carcass tag shall be issued with each hunting license and shall remain intact until the hunter kills a deer.

(2) **VALIDATION.** Any person who kills a deer shall immediately separate the issued carcass tag from the back tag and validate the carcass tag by slitting the mark designating the month, day, time of kill and type of deer. Failure to completely validate the carcass tag renders possession of the deer illegal and the carcass tag invalid.

*Note:* The carcass tag attachment procedures are also provided in s. 29.40 (2), Stats.

*History:* Cr. Register, Register, September, 1983, No. 333, eff. 10-1-83; r. and recr. Register, September, 1985, No. 367, eff. 10-1-85; renum. from NR 10.102, Register, June, 1986, No. 366, eff. 7-1-86.

**NR 10.104 Deer hunting permits. (1) FINDING.** The natural resources board finds that an additional harvest of deer is necessary to reduce the deer herd to the overwinter population goals established in s. NR 10.01 (3) (e) 9. e. and properly manage the deer herd in the state.

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(2) **APPLICATION PROCEDURE.** Permits shall be in accordance with ss. 29.107 and 29.108, Stats., issued to any person in possession of a valid current Wisconsin deer hunting license applying in the following manner:

(a) *Limit.* No person may submit more than one application.

(b) *Form.* Application forms supplied by the department shall be completed and submitted by the applicant.

(c) *Application deadline.* Applications shall be postmarked no later than the Friday nearest October 1 or received by the department license section, 101 South Webster, Box 7924, Madison, WI 53707, no later than 4:30 p.m. on that Friday each year.

(d) *Group applications.* Group applications up to and including 4 hunters will be honored for deer hunting established in s. NR 10.01 (3)

(e) 3. provided each applicant completes the application form and all forms are submitted in one envelope marked "group application" on the outside.

(3) **PERMIT ISSUANCE.** Upon receipt of proper application, the department shall issue permits in the following manner:

(a) *Initial permit.* Successful applicants for hunter's choice or antlerless permits shall be determined by random selection from all eligible applications received for each deer management unit. Permits remaining unissued for any deer management unit after all initial applications have been processed may be issued by the department on a first-come, first-served basis, in accordance with any statutorily established landowner preference permit issuance system, or as established by par. (b).

(b) *Second permit.* If the number of hunter's choice or antlerless permits in any management unit exceeds the number of applications for such permits, the department may issue the remaining permits available for that unit as antlerless deer hunting permits only to its successful initial deer hunting permit applicants. Permittees to be issued the second permit shall be randomly selected in accordance with any statutorily established landowner preference permit issuance system.

(c) *Unallotted permits.* The department may issue any remaining antlerless deer permits as follows:

1. First step. Issue an additional antlerless permit to interested hunter's choice permit applicants; and may

2. Second step. Issue any remaining permits on a first-come, first-served basis to applicants who possess a valid gun deer hunting license and appear in person at designated department offices.

3. Antlerless permit limit. The department may not issue any applicant more than 2 antlerless deer permits in total.

(4) **PERMIT VALIDATION.** Validation decals numbered to correspond with the permit shall be issued to each successful applicant. The permit holder shall affix a validation decal to his or her current deer registration stub and corresponding back tag immediately upon receipt.

(5) **PERMIT AUTHORITY.** No person may hunt antlerless deer in deer management units described as such in s. NR 10.01 (3) (e) unless he or she possesses a current validated deer hunting permit.

(6) **BAG LIMIT.** Each issued deer hunting permit shall authorize the use of the holder's current valid Wisconsin deer hunting license, back tag and

carcass tag for the killing of one deer in the deer management unit designated on the permit as follows:

(a) *Hunter's choice deer hunting permit.* Valid for the taking of one deer of either sex or age, except on Chambers Island in Door County where the bag limit shall be one antlerless deer or one buck deer with a forked antler as indicated on the permit.

(b) *Antlerless deer hunting permit.* Valid for the taking of one antlerless deer only.

(7) **DEER HARVEST QUOTAS.** Deer harvest quotas are based on deer management unit populations in relation to established population goals as determined by inventories, the past effect of varying antlerless harvest levels on deer management unit populations, and the estimated impact of the previous winter's severity on deer survival and subsequent fawn production.

(a) *Purpose.* The department shall issue party permits, antlerless permits or hunter's choice permits in sufficient numbers to assure maintenance of overwintering deer populations for each deer management unit indicated in par. (d).

(b) *Permit formula.* In each deer management unit, the number of permits issued by the department shall be determined by the following formula:

$$\text{Permit number} = \frac{\text{Antlerless deer to be harvested}}{\text{Predicted hunter success rate}}$$

(c) *Success rate prediction.* The predicted hunter success rates used by the department to compute the number of permits for each deer management unit shall be based upon the percentage of permitted hunters harvesting an antlerless deer in that unit during previous seasons. In new deer management unit or units with significant boundary changes the predicted hunter success rate shall be based upon the harvest history of similar units.

(d) *Overwinter goals.* Overwinter population goals expressed in terms of deer per square mile of deer range by deer management unit are as follows:

Management Unit	Deer Goal	Management Unit	Deer Goal
1	15	9	20
2	20	10	30
3	10	11	20
4	15	12	20
5	20	13	15
6	10	14	15
7	10	15	25
8	20		

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Management Unit	Deer Goal	Management Unit	Deer Goal
16	25	57	15
17	15	57A	30
18	20	57B	25
19	20	57C	30
20	20	58	25
21	25	59A	15
22	20	59B	15
22A	20	59C	25
23	20	59D	15
24	20	60	20
25	25	60A	20
26	20	61	20
27	20	62A	30
28	10	62B	30
29A	10	63A	30
29B	10	63B	25
30	15	64	20
31	20	65A	30
32	20	65B	30
33	20	66	30
34	10	67	30
35	20	67A	35
36	25	67B	35
37	25	68	30
38	20	69	20
39	20	70	25
40	20	70A	25
41	20	70B	30
42	20	70E	35
43	15	70G	30
44	15	71	20
45	20	72	20
46	20	73	20
47	20	73B	20
48	20	73C	25
49A	25	74A	15
49B	25	74B	15
50	20	75	20
51A	20	75A	15
51B	20	76	20
52	20	76A	20
53	30	77A	20
54A	30	77B	10
54B	25	77C	15
54C	25	78	25
55	25	80	15
56	30	81	15

History: Cr. Register, October, 1957, No. 22, eff. 11-1-57; r. (1), (2) and (3) and recr. (1) and (2), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; am. (2), Register, August, 1959, No. 44, eff. 9-1-59; r. Register, August, 1962, No. 80, eff. 9-1-62; recr. Register, August, 1963, No. 92, eff. 9-1-63; am. (1), (2), (5) and (6), Register, August, 1964, No. 104, eff. 9-1-64; emergency rule cr. (7), eff. 10-17-64; am. (1), (5) and (6); cr. (7), Register, August, 1965, No. 116, eff. 9-1-65; am. (5) and (6), Register, August, 1966, No. 128, eff. 9-1-66; emerg. am. (5), eff. 9-1-67; am. (5) and (6) Register, August, 1968, No. 162, eff. 9-1-68; am. (1), (5) and (6), Register, August, 1969, No. 164, eff. 9-1-69; renum. to be NR 10.115, Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70;

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r. (5), and am. (7), Register, August, 1971, No. 188, eff. 9-1-71; cr. (5) and (8), r. and recr. (6) and (7), Register, November, 1976, No. 251, eff. 12-1-76; am. (6), Register, August, 1978, No. 272, eff. 9-1-78; r. and recr. (1), (2) and (4), Register, August, 1979, No. 284, eff. 9-1-79; r. (1), Register, August, 1980, No. 296, eff. 9-1-80; emerg. r. and recr. eff. 9-30-83; r. and recr., Register, October, 1983, No. 334, eff. 11-1-83; r. and recr. (2) to (6), Register, October, 1984, No. 346, eff. 11-1-84; am. (1), (3) (a) and (5), r. and recr. (3) (b) and (6), r. (3) (c), Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 10-1-85; renum from NR 10.115, Register, June, 1986, No. 366, eff. 7-1-86; r. and recr. (2) (c), Register, August, 1986, No. 368, eff. 9-1-86; cr. (7), Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88; cr. (2) (d), Register, July, 1989, No. 403, eff. 8-1-89; am. (7) (d), Register, October, 1989, No. 406, eff. 11-1-89; r. and recr. (7) (b) and (c), Register, August, 1990, No. 416, eff. 9-1-90; am. (7) (d), Register, October, 1990, No. 418, eff. 11-1-90; r. and recr. (2) (d), Register, August, 1991, No. 428, eff. 9-1-91.

**NR 10.105 Transportation of deer and bear.** (1) No person may transport any deer or bear in or on any motor-driven vehicle from the time such deer or bear is killed to the time it is lawfully registered pursuant to s. NR 10.106 unless the deer or bear is carried openly exposed and in such a manner so that the deer or bear carcass tag attached to the deer or bear cannot be handled or manipulated by any occupant of the vehicle.

(2) No person may transport a deer or bear from the time the deer or bear is killed to the time it is registered under s. NR 10.106 that is tagged with the carcass tag of another person unless accompanied by the person issued the carcass tag.

**History:** Cr. Register, August, 1960, No. 56, eff. 9-1-60; renum. to be NR 10.19, Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; correction made under s. 13.93 (2m) (b) 7, Stats., renum. to be NR 10.103, Register, September, 1984, No. 345, eff. 10-1-84; renum. from NR 10.103 and am. Register, June, 1986, No. 366, eff. 7-1-86; renum. to be (1) and am., cr. (2), Register, October, 1988, No. 394, eff. 11-1-88.

**NR 10.106 Recording deer and bear.** (1) **CARCASS CONDITION AND TRANSPORTATION.** Deer shall be intact except they may be field dressed. Bear may be skinned and quartered. These animals or animal parts may not be removed from the area specified in this section unless exhibited, registered and tagged.

(2) **EXHIBITION AND REGISTRATION.** Each person who has killed a deer or if s. 29.405, Stats., applies, the person who has tagged the deer, during the open seasons for hunting deer with guns or bear during the open seasons for hunting bear with guns or bows shall exhibit and register the deer with the deer carcass tag attached as required by s. 29.40 (1), Stats., and s. NR 10.103, or the bear with the bear carcass tag attached as required by s. 29.1085 (5), Stats., and s. NR 10.101(4) at an authorized registration station as follows:

(a) *Gun license deer.* Gun license deer shall be registered within the open season zone in which the deer was killed no later than 5:00 p.m. of the first day following the season's close.

(b) *Special permit deer.* Party permit deer or antlerless deer taken under the authority of a hunter's choice permit shall be registered within the deer management unit in which the deer was killed no later than 5:00 p.m. of the first day following the season's close unless transported on federal or state highways directly to the authorized registration station in an adjoining deer management unit.

(c) *Lake Superior islands deer.* Any gun killed deer taken on any of the islands in the outlying waters of Lake Superior in Ashland and Bayfield counties shall be registered within the deer management unit in which the deer was killed or within the city of Bayfield no later than 5:00 p.m. of the first day following the close of such season.

(d) *Bow killed deer.* 1. Time deadline. A deer killed under an archery deer license shall be registered no later than 5:00 P.M. on the third day after it was killed.

2. Registration station restrictions. Except as provided under subd. 3, bow killed deer may be registered at any department designated registration station.

3. Second deer restrictions. All persons authorized to kill a second antlerless deer shall register it within the deer management unit designated on the deer carcass tag.

(e) *Bear license (bow and gun).* Bear shall be registered within the county in which the bear was killed or adjoining county and within the black bear management zone in which it was killed no later than 5:00 p.m. of the day after it was killed.

(3) **REGISTRATION TAGGING.** Upon verification of license information, the station operator shall:

1. Complete and retain the registration portion of the hunter's license;
2. Lock a registration tag to the carcass or part of the deer or bear; and
3. Remove the validation portion of the carcass tag.

Note: The portion of the carcass tag remaining attached to the animal contains a number corresponding to the registrant's hunting license and backtag.

History: Cr. Register, June, 1986, No. 366, eff. 7-1-86; am. (2) (intro.), r. and recr. (2) (d), Register, July, 1989, No. 403, eff. 8-1-89; am. (1) and (2) (d), r. and recr. (3), Register, August, 1990, No. 416, eff. 9-1-90; r. and recr. (2) (d), Register, August, 1991, No. 428, eff. 9-1-91.

**NR 10.11 Bow deer season bag limit.** The department may authorize a 2 deer bag limit for licensed bowhunters in deer management units meeting the requirements of this section.

(1) **BOWHUNTER ELIGIBILITY.** Eligibility to harvest a second deer is restricted to those bowhunters that legally kill a deer in a deer management unit meeting the requirements of sub. (3) and register that deer at a registration station within a deer management unit designated under sub. (3) without transportation of the deer outside that management unit.

(2) **CONDITIONS OF AUTHORIZATION.** Authorization to harvest a second deer is limited to eligible bowhunters that apply for and receive a second deer carcass tag issued by the department. All persons authorized to harvest a second deer shall comply with the following conditions:

(a) *Type of deer.* Unless authorized by the department, only antlerless deer may be killed. The department shall authorize the harvest of a deer of either sex if the applicant's first deer was antlerless and was killed in a management unit designated under sub. (3).

(b) *Location.* All deer shall be killed within the deer management unit indicated on the permit, except that hunters authorized to take a deer of either sex may harvest a deer in any portion of the state. Hunters issued an antlerless tag may only hunt in the unit specified on the tag.

(3) **UNIT DESIGNATION.** The department may authorize a 2 deer bag limit in any deer management unit meeting the following conditions:

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(a) *Population estimate.* The deer population estimate is at least 20% greater than the overwinter population goals established in s. NR 10.104 (7) (d); and

(b) *Bonus gun deer tags.* In units where hunter's choice permits are issued, all of the anticipated number of hunter's choice applicants will receive a hunter's choice permit. For purposes of determination, the department shall use the number of hunter's choice applications received in the previous year as the anticipated number of hunter's choice applications.

(4) APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR SECOND CARCASS TAG. (a) *Limit.* No person may submit more than one application.

(b) *Forms and fees.* All applications shall be submitted complete on forms supplied by the department and be accompanied by payment of any statutorily established fees. All applications shall include the portion of first carcass tag that was detached by the deer registration station personnel.

(c) *Deadlines and locations.* Applications shall be mailed or delivered to any department office designated on the application form.

Note: Normal business hours are Monday through Friday from 7:45 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

(5) ISSUANCE PROCEDURE. Upon receipt of a complete and valid application, the department shall designate the type of deer authorized for harvest and issue the applicant a second carcass tag and registration stub.

(6) PUBLIC NOTICE. The department shall provide public notice of any deer management units which meet the requirements of sub. (3) and to which this section applies by publication in the official state newspaper prior to July 1 of each year.

History: Cr. Register, August, 1991, No. 428, eff. 9-1-91.

NR 10.117 Deer season modification. (1) **POWERS.** The secretary of the department may, upon making the findings in sub. (2), extend the gun deer season for any deer management unit or any group of deer management units to reduce or maintain the deer population to the overwinter population goals established in s. NR 10.104 (7) (d).

(2) **FINDING.** The secretary shall, prior to exercising powers under sub. (1), find:

(a) It is unlikely the deer population for the deer management unit will be reduced to or maintained at the overwinter population goals established in s. NR 10.104 (7) (d) during the established gun deer season. A minimum of 2 days of the gun deer season have been completed and the harvest data available has been reviewed and considered by the department;

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