

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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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.

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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 chapters 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 by highways, the boundary shall be the center line of the highway except as otherwise provided.

(1) MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS AND WATERFOWL.

Kind of animal	Locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Possession limit
(a) <i>Canvasback and redhead duck</i>	The following lakes including a strip of land 100 yards wide adjacent to the shorelines thereof: Lakes Winneconne and Butte des Morts in Winnebago county including the connecting waters thereof, Lake Poygan in Winnebago and Waushara counties, and all that part of the state lying west of the Burlington Northern railway and extending southerly from Prescott in Pierce county to the Wisconsin-Illinois line (Mississippi river).	No open season	None	None

Kind of animal	Locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Possession limit
(b) 1. <i>All species of wild duck</i>	Entire state, except for canvasback and redhead ducks as provided in (a).	October 1 at 12:00 noon through October 9, and October 15 through November 19.	The daily bag limit is reached when the point value of the last bird taken plus the total value of birds already taken during that day equals or exceeds 100 points.	The possession limit is the maximum number of species and sex which could have legally been taken in 2 days.
<i>Point Values</i>	100 points, canvasback, redhead, black duck and hen mallard.	October 1 at 12:00 noon through October 9.		
	70 points, wood duck, hooded merganser and drake mallard.			
	25 points, ring-neck, ruddy duck, goldeneye, bufflehead, wigeon and all other ducks not otherwise listed.			
	15 points, pintail, blue-wing teal, green-wing teal, gadwall, shoveler, scaups and other mergansers.			
<i>Point Values</i>	100 points, canvasback, redhead and black duck.	October 15 through November 19.		
	70 points, hen mallard, wood duck and hooded merganser.			
	25 points, drake mallard, ringneck, ruddy duck, goldeneye, bufflehead, wigeon and all other ducks not otherwise listed.			
	15 points, pintail, blue-wing teal, green-wing teal, gadwall, shoveler, scaups and other mergansers.			

Kind of animal	Locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Possession limit
2. Scaup (special season)	Lake Michigan, Shawano lake, lake Pepin, the waters of the Mississippi river in Grant county, that part of the state north of hwy. 64; and beyond 500 feet from the shoreline in the waters of Green Bay, lake Superior and lake Winnebago.	November 20 through December 5.	5	10
(c) <i>Coot and gallinules</i>	Entire state.	Concurrent with the open season for ducks as established in section NR 10.01 (1) (b)	15	30
(d) <i>Sora and Virginia rails</i>	Entire state.	Concurrent with the open season for ducks as established in section NR 10.01 (1) (b)	25	25
(e) <i>Wilson's snipe (jacksnipe)</i>	Entire state.	Concurrent with the opening date for duck hunting as established in section NR 10.01 (1) (b) and continuing through December 11.	8	12
(f) <i>Woodcock</i>	Entire state.	Beginning on the Saturday nearest September 15 and continuing for 65 consecutive days.	5	10
(g) <i>Geese</i>				
1. Canada geese and its subspecies				
	a. Horicon zone	October 15 through November 30.	1	1 when season bag is 1; 2 when season bag is 2.
	b. East Central zone	October 1 at 12:00 noon through October 9, and October 15 through November 30.	1	2
	c. Brown county zone	October 1 at 12:00 noon through October 9, and October 15 through November 19.	1	2
	d. Burnett county zone	None	—	—
	e. New Auburn zone	None	—	—

Kind of animal	Locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Possession limit
	f. Rock Prairie zone	October 1 at 12:00 noon through October 9, and October 15 through October 31.	1	2
	g. Remainder of the state.	October 1 at 12:00 noon through October 9, and October 15 through November 30.	1	2
2. All other species	Entire state.	October 1 at 12:00 noon through October 9, and October 15 through November 30.	A total of 5, including not more than 1 Canada goose or its subspecies and 1 white-fronted goose, or 2 white-fronted geese.	A total of 5, including not more than 2 Canada geese or its subspecies (except as otherwise provided in (g)) or 1 Canada goose and 1 white-fronted or 2 white-fronted geese.

(h) The daily bag limit on Canada geese statewide is not more than that permitted in any one zone within the state and no person may possess or transport more than the daily bag limit or aggregate daily limit, whichever applies, or migratory game birds, tagged or not tagged, at or between the place where taken and either the person's personal abode or temporary or transient place of lodging; or a commercial preservation facility.

(i) The following described area is established as the Horicon Intensive Management Zone:

All that part of the counties of Dodge and Fond du Lac enclosed by a line beginning at the junction of state highway 26, with the east-west center line of sections 9, 10, 11 and 12 in township 12 north, range 15 east, thence eastward along said center line and continuing eastward along the east-west center of sections 7, 8, 9 and 10 in township 12 north, range 16 east to its junction with county highway TW, thence north and east on said highway TW to its junction with county highway Y, thence northerly on said highway Y to its junction with county highway YY, thence northerly on said highway YY to its junction with county highway Y, thence northerly on said highway Y to its junction with county highway B, thence southwesterly on said highway B to its junction with county highway D, thence westerly on said highway D to its junction with highway AS, thence westerly on said highway AS to its junction with U.S. highway 151, thence southwesterly on said highway 151 to its junction with the C.M.St.P. and Pacific railroad, thence southerly along said C.M.St.P. & Pacific railroad to its junction with state highway 26, thence north on said highway 26 to its junction with the east-west centerline of sections 9, 10, 11 and 12 in township 12 north, range 15 east, which is the point of beginning.

(j) The following described area is established as the Horicon zone: All that part of the counties of Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Washington and Dodge enclosed by a line beginning at the intersection of county highway N and state highway 175 in Fond du Lac county, thence southerly on said highway 175 to its intersection with state highway 33, thence westerly on said highway 33 to the city of Beaver Dam, thence northerly on said highway 33 to its intersection with county highway A, thence northerly on county highway A to its intersection with county highway S, thence easterly on county highway S to its intersection with county highway E, thence northerly on county highway E to its intersection with county highway N, thence easterly on county highway N to the point of beginning.

(k) The following described area is established as the East Central zone: All that part of Fond du Lac, Winnebago, Green Lake, Marquette, Columbia and Dodge counties enclosed by a line beginning in Winnebago county at the intersection of state highway 21 and U.S. highway 45, thence southerly on said highway 45 to its intersection with state highway 175 at North Fond du Lac, thence northerly on said highway 175 to its intersection with county highway N, thence westerly on said highway N to its intersection with county highway E, thence southerly on said highway E to its intersection with county highway S, thence westerly on said highway S to its intersection with county highway A, thence southerly on said highway A to its intersection with state highway 33, thence southeasterly on said highway 33 to its intersection with U.S. highway 151, thence southwesterly on said highway 151 to its intersection with state highway 73, thence northerly on said highway 73 to its intersection

with state highway 33, thence westerly on said highway 33 to its intersection with state highway 22, thence northerly on said highway 22 to its intersection with state highway 23, thence northeasterly on said highway 23 to its intersection with state highway 49, thence northerly on said highway 49 to its intersection with state highway 116, thence easterly on said highway 116 to state highway 21, thence easterly on said highway 21 to the point of beginning.

(1) Horicon and East Central zone restrictions. 1. Canada goose permit and tag or seal requirement. It is unlawful to hunt Canada geese without being in possession of a valid Canada goose hunting permit, Canada goose tag or seal and state hunting license.

2. Permit application procedures. Application forms supplied by the department shall be completed and submitted by the applicant. Applications for the Horicon zone must be received by the department no later than September 10 of each year. Applications for the East Central zone must be received by the department no later than September 25 of each year. Application forms will be available at most department and county clerk offices.

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

b. Only one zone may be selected by an applicant except that individuals applying for the Horicon zone may indicate their desire to receive a permit for the East Central zone if they are unsuccessful in their application for the Horicon zone.

c. In the Horicon zone, applicants may indicate preference for one of 2 time periods:

- 1) October 15-31, or
- 2) November 1-30.

d. In the Horicon zone, if 2 or more persons wish to hunt together, each must fill out an application form and submit them together in one envelope clearly marked "group application" on the outside. Group applications will be considered as one application.

3. Permit and tag or seal issuance procedures. a. Permits and tags or seals are not transferable or replaceable and shall not be reused, altered or defaced.

b. Horicon zone. 1) If applications for permits exceed the number of permits available, successful applicants will be randomly selected and priority given to persons who applied for permits and were unsuccessful the previous year pursuant to section 29.174, Wis. Stats.

2) If applications for permits are less than the number of permits available, at least one permit per applicant shall be issued and a random selection will be made for the remaining permits.

3) Unsuccessful applications will be retained by the department and notice will be mailed to such applicant in advance of the following year's season. The notice will establish application priority for issuance of permits and tags for that season.

c. East Central zone. All qualified applicants shall receive a permit and 3 seals.

4. Permits and tags or seals issued. a. Horicon zone - 52,000.

b. East Central zone - unlimited.

5. Tagging requirements. When a Canada goose is killed and before it is carried by hand or transported in any manner, the hunter shall:

a. In the Horicon zone, attach and lock the metal tag through the nostrils of the goose.

b. In the East Central zone, completely attach the seal by its own adhesive to one leg of the goose.

c. Validate the permit by tearing or cutting out notches on such permit or seal designating the month, day and time of kill. Failure to follow the validation procedure in this manner invalidates the permit.

d. Transport the goose in a motor vehicle in such a manner that the tag or seal attached to the goose cannot be handled or manipulated by any occupant of the vehicle.

e. Keep the tag or seal attached to the goose until it reaches the personal abode of the person taking it.

6. Reporting requirements. Permit holders may be required to provide the department a goose hunting report. Such report forms will be mailed to certain hunters prior to the hunting

season. The selected hunter shall be required to complete the report and mail such report within 12 hours after the close of the goose season.

(m) The following described area is established as the Burnett county zone:

All that part of Burnett county lying northerly and westerly of a line beginning at the junction with state highway 70 with the west boundary of said county, thence easterly along said highway to its junction with county highway N, thence northerly along said highway to its junction with county highway D, thence northerly along said highway and continuing northerly along a town road to the south line of section 16, township 39 north, range 17 west, town of Lincoln, thence westerly along a town road to the southwest corner of said section, thence northerly along a town road on the west line of said section and continuing northerly along the west line of section 9, township 39 north, range 17 west to the west bank of the Clam river, thence westerly along the west bank of said river to its intersection with the west boundary of said county.

(n) The following described area is established as the Brown county zone: All that part of Brown county lying north of state highway 29.

(o) The following described area is established as the New Auburn zone: All those parts of Chippewa, Barron and Rusk counties enclosed by a line beginning at the intersection of state highway 40 and state highway 64 in Chippewa county, thence westerly on said highway 64 to its intersection with U.S. highway 53, thence northerly on said highway 53 to its intersection with county highway D in Barron county, thence easterly on said highway D to its intersection with state highway 40 in Rusk county, thence southerly on said highway 40 to the point of beginning.

(p) The following described area is established as the Rock Prairie zone: All those part of Rock and Walworth counties enclosed by a line beginning at the intersection of interstate 90 and the Illinois state line in Rock county, thence northerly on said interstate 90 to its intersection with county highway A, thence easterly on said highway A to the intersection with U.S. highway 12, thence southerly on said highway 12 to its intersection with state highway 50, thence southwestly on said highway 50 to its intersection with state highway 120, thence southerly on said highway 120 to its intersection with the Illinois state line, thence westerly to the point of beginning.

(q) No person shall hunt migratory waterfowl or coot in open water, except as provided in NR 10.12, Wis. Adm. Code, in the waters of the Mississippi river lying westerly of the Burlington Northern railway wherein it borders on Vernon county during the period beginning October 15 and continuing through the end of the waterfowl season.

(2) UPLAND GAME BIRDS

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Bag limit
(a) Ruffed grouse (partridge)		
1. In the counties of Adams, Buffalo, Columbia, Crawford, Grant, Iowa, Jackson, Juneau, La Crosse, Lafayette, Monroe, Pepin, Pierce, Richland, Sauk, Trempealeau and Vernon	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 1 and continuing through January 31	5 each day 10 possession
2. Remainder of the state except Waukesha county	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 1 and continuing through December 31	5 each day, 10 possession
3. Waukesha county	None	None
(b) Sharp-tailed grouse		
1. All that part of Wisconsin lying northerly of a line beginning at the junction of state highway		

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Bag limit
64 extending westerly to the west boundary of said state thence easterly along said highway 64 to its junction with state highway 13 thence southerly along said highway 13 to its junction with state highway 29, thence easterly along said highway 29 ending in the city of Green Bay	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 1 and continuing for 23 consecutive days	3 each day 6 possession
In all other parts of the state	None	None
(c) Pheasants		
1. In all counties of the state	Cocks only Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 27, at 12:00 noon and continuing for 44 consecutive days	The bag limit for the first 2 days of the season is one each day with a possession limit of 2; thereafter the bag limit is 2 each day with a possession limit of 4.
(d) Hungarian partridge		
1. All that part of Wisconsin lying southerly and easterly of a line beginning at the junction of the Mississippi and Wisconsin Rivers, thence upstream along said Wisconsin River to its junction with state highway 64, thence easterly along said highway 64 to its junction with the east boundary of the state	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 27 at 12:00 noon and continuing for 44 consecutive days	3 each day, 6 possession
2. Remainder of the state	None	None
(e) Bobwhite quail		
1. All that part of Wisconsin lying southerly and westerly of a line beginning at the junction of state highway 54 and the west boundary of Trempealeau county, thence easterly on said highway to its intersection with state highway 108, thence southwesterly on said highway to its intersection with state highways 27 and 71, thence southeasterly on said highways to their intersection with interstate highway I-90, thence southeasterly on said highway to its intersection with state highway 82, thence easterly on said highway and continuing easterly on state highway 23 to its intersection with state highway 73, thence southerly on said highway to its intersection with state highway 60, thence westerly on said highway to its intersection with state highway 78, thence southerly on said highway to its intersection with state highway 18, thence westerly on said highway to its intersection with state highway 80, thence southerly on said highway to the Illinois state line.	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 27 at 12:00 noon and continuing for 44 consecutive days	2 each day 4 possession
2. Remainder of the state	None	None

(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

(4) Fur bearing animals**(a) Muskrat and mink**

1. All that part of the state lying northerly of state highway 64
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
3. All that part of Buffalo, La Crosse, Trempealeau and Vernon counties lying westerly of state highway 35, that part of Crawford county beginning with the junction of state highway 35 and the Vernon county line, thence southerly along said highway 35 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 said railroad to its junction with the Grant county line and that part of Grant county lying westerly of the Burlington Northern railroad
4. All other parts of the state

Beginning on that Saturday nearest October 25 and continuing through December 31 None

Beginning on the Saturday nearest November 1 and continuing through December 31 None

Beginning on the Saturday nearest November 1 and continuing through November 30 None

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 section NR 10.01 (4) (c).

(c) **Beaver.** 1. Restrictions. It is unlawful for any person to take: a. in any zone more than the season bag limit established for such zone. b. more than a total combined season bag limit of 50 beaver in all the open season zones in the state.

2. Season.

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Bag limit
ZONE A		
All that part of the state lying northerly of a line beginning at the junction of U.S. highway 8 with the western boundary of the state, then easterly along highway 8 to its junction with U.S. highway 53, then southeasterly along highway 53 to its junction with state highway 64, then easterly along highway 64 to its junction with U.S. highway 45, then southerly along highway 45 to its junction with U.S. highway 10, then easterly along highway 10 to Lake Michigan	Beginning the third Saturday in December and continuing through the fourth Sunday in March	50
ZONE B		
All other parts of the state except there shall be no open season in Adams county and all that portion of Juneau county lying south and east of a line beginning at the intersection of county highway G and the Castle Rock flowage located in the SENE, section 14, township 16 north, range 4 east, then southwesterly on highway G to its intersection with state highway 82, then westerly on highway 82 to its intersection with state highway 71, then westerly on highway 71 to the county line.	Beginning the first Saturday in February and continuing through the first Sunday in March	15

(d) **Otter.** 1. Season. There is no open season for otter in those counties or portions of counties closed to beaver trapping as established in par. (c), and in that part of Buffalo, La Crosse, Trempealeau and Vernon counties lying westerly of state highway 35, that part of Crawford county lying westerly of a line beginning with the junction of state highway 35 and the Vernon county line, thence southerly along highway 35 to its junction with U.S. highway 18, thence westerly along highway 18 to its junction with the Burlington Northern railroad, thence southerly along that railroad to its junction with the Grant county line, and that part of Grant county lying westerly of the Burlington Northern railroad. In the rest of the state, the opening date for trapping season for otter shall be concurrent with the opening date for trapping beaver in all zones established under par. (c) of this section. The open season for trapping otter in all zones shall extend through the last day of the beaver season specified for zone "B".

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

b. Zone "B" - one

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

otter. 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. 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. 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.

History: 1-2-56; am. (3) (c) 3.; renum. (3) (e) and am.; am. (3) (g) 2., Register, August, 1974, No. 224, eff. 9-1-74; am. (3) (e) 8. and am. (4) (c) and (d), Register, October, 1974, No. 226, eff. 11-1-74; emerg. am. (3) (g) 1, eff. 8-2-74; am. (3) (g) 1, Register, December, 1974, No. 228, eff. 1-1-75; emerg. am. (4) (d) and cr. (4) (f), eff. 3-26-75; am. (3) (f), Register, March, 1975, No. 231, eff. 4-1-75; am. (2) (a), (2) (e) 1, (3) (b) 1, (3) (f) 1, and (4) (a) 2, Register, August, 1975, No. 236, eff. 9-1-75; emerg. am. (1) (a) to (e) and (g) (l) and cr. (1) (0), eff. 9-24-75; am. (3) (e) 7., (4) (c) and (d), r. and recr. (3) (e) 8., Register, October, 1975, No. 238, eff. 11-1-75; emerg. am. (3) (e) 8, eff. 11-1-75; emerg. cr. (4) (f), eff. 4-3-76; am. (1) (b), (c), (d), (e), (l) 1. and 3 and cr. (1) (0), (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. 257, 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.

Note: For a complete history of NR 10.01 see history of NR 10.01 as it appeared in Register, November, 1973, No. 215.

NR 10.02 Wild animals protected at all times. (1) There shall be no open season on Canada lynx, timber wolf, badger, moose, elk, marten, fisher, wolverine, flying squirrel, or white deer. White deer are only those deer which are monocolored white. Partially white deer are not included in the protected classification.

(2) There shall be no open season on prairie chicken, Canada spruce grouse (spruce hen), mourning doves, swans, cranes, bitterns, eagles, plovers, kingfishers, cormorants, great blue herons, sandpipers, and all species of hawks and owls except as provided in subsection (3) or on any other song birds or wild birds 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, 1977, No. 201, eff. 10-1-72; r. (3), Register, December, 1977, No. 264, eff. 1-1-78.

NR 10.03 Wild animals protected with exceptions. (2) There shall be no open season on hen pheasants unless otherwise expressly provided in this chapter.

(3) There shall be no open season on woodchuck except as provided in section 29.24, Wis. Stats.

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.

NR 10.04 Unprotected wild animals and birds causing depredation. (1) There shall be no closed season on coyotes, opossum, skunk, weasel, and all other wild mammals not specifically mentioned in this chapter.

(2) There shall be no closed season on starlings, English sparrows, coturnix quail and chukar partridge.

(3) The following named birds have been determined by the department to be birds committing depredation or about to commit depredation at all times to 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: red-winged blackbirds, grackles, crows and cowbirds. Such birds may be taken at all times without need for either a federal or state permit. Any person taking such birds shall at all reasonable times, including during actual operations, permit any federal or state game or deputy game agent, warden, protector or other game law enforcement officer, free and unrestricted access over 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. Further, none of said birds killed pursuant to this subsection, nor their plumage shall be sold or offered for sale but may be possessed, transported, and otherwise disposed of or utilized.

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.

NR 10.05 Highways. (1) While hunting it shall be unlawful except by permittees under section 29.09 (9), Wis. Stats., to discharge any firearm or bow and arrow from or across any public road surfaced with concrete, blacktop or gravel or to hunt within 50 feet from the centerline of such roads or to the fenceline, whichever distance is shorter. Public roads are defined as those roads shown on the 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 Wis. Adm. Code section NR 10.01 (l) (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.

Register, October, 1978, No. 274

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.

(6) Second preference for permits shall be given to all other residents duly applying by applications postmarked no later than the first Friday in October.

(7) Validation of applications will be made by random selections from all eligible applications received for each quota area.

(8) All permits remaining unissued for any designated quota area after all applications filed pursuant to subsections (5) and (6) have been processed may be issued by the department on a first-come, first-served basis to deer hunting parties duly applying therefor.

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. 152, 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; 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.

NR 10.12 Migratory game bird hunting. (1) PROHIBITED METHODS. No person shall hunt any migratory game bird by any of the following methods:

(a) *Sinkbox.* From or by means, aid or use of a sinkbox or any other type of low floating device, having a depression affording the hunter a means of concealment beneath the surface of the water.

(b) *Boats.* From any boat or craft other than such as are propelled by paddle, oar or pole.

(c) *Structures.* From any pier, dam, dock or similar structure.

(d) *Rallying.* By the use or aid of any water, air or motor-driven land conveyance used for the purpose of or resulting in stirring up, driving or rallying.

(e) *Bird calls.* By the use or aid of recorded or electrically amplified bird calls or sounds or imitations thereof.

(f) *Live decoys.* By using directly or indirectly any live ducks or live geese for decoy purposes regardless of the distance intervening between any such live decoys and the position of the hunter.

(g) *Decoy use.* By the use or aid of decoys which are:

1. Placed beyond 200 feet from the blind or cover in which the hunter is located.

2. Left in the water unattended.

3. Placed in the water prior to one hour before opening hunting time.

4. Left 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 on 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 Lake Winnebago wherein they border Calumet, Fond du Lac and Winnebago counties set, placed or located more than 500 feet from any shoreline, including islands. 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 the hunting hours each day.

(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) In any water 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.

(4) **HORICON 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 Wis. Adm. Code section 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 Horicon 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. In that portion of the state lying west of the Burlington Northern railroad in Buffalo, Trempealeau, La Crosse, Vernon, Crawford and Grant counties.

b. On all waters of Dodge, Green Lake, Jefferson, Winnebago counties, and that portion of Fond du Lac county lying west of a line formed by the Fond du Lac river and highway 41 and that portion of Lake Winnebago in Calumet and Fond du Lac counties and that portion of Lake Poygan in Waushara county; and within a 150-yard zone of land adjacent to the margins of these waters. The waters referred to above include lakes, ponds, marshes, swamps, rivers, streams and seasonally flooded areas of all types.

bm. *Exception:* Drainage ditches and temporary sheet water more than 150 yards from the water areas described above are excluded from the non-toxic shot requirements.

c. On the following state-owned wildlife areas: Mead wildlife area in Marathon, Wood and Portage counties; Mud Lake wildlife area in Columbia county; Theresa Marsh wildlife area in Dodge and Washington counties.

Note: See chapter NR 18 for falconry rules.

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. (5) (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. 57, 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; emer. 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. 187, 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. 263, 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. 266, 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.

NR 10.13 Fur-bearing animals; method of taking. (1) No person shall hunt: any raccoon during the special season for trapping only; any mink, muskrat, beaver or otter with the aid of any spear, gun, or dog; or disturb or molest any raccoon den or den trees; or disturb or molest any mink den; or disturb or molest any muskrat house, muskrat feeding house, beaver house, or beaver dam; or set any trap or traps at any time within 50 feet of any beaver house or beaver dam, except during the open season for beaver, when it shall be lawful to set traps for beaver not less than 15 feet from any such beaver house or beaver dam.

(2) No person shall set out or place any traps for fur-bearing animals, whether set or sprung, or set out or place any bait or scent for attracting fur-bearing animals thereto during the closed season for such animals.

(3) The trapping hours shall be from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (CST) and 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). All dry land sets shall be checked and animals therein removed at least once each day.

(4) It shall be unlawful for any person to set, place, or operate more than 75 traps of any kind for the purpose of capturing wild fur-bearing animals.

(5) It shall be unlawful for any person to take, capture, or kill, or attempt to take, capture, or kill any fur-bearing 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. A waterset is any trap which is set or staked in such manner as to permit the trap or trapped animal to reach the water at any point.

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.

NR 10.14 Trapping, prohibited methods. (2) It shall be unlawful for any person to set, place, or operate 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.

(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 8" x 8" 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. 236, 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.

NR 10.15 Horicon National Wildlife Refuge. (2) **HORICON GUN DEER HUNT.** (a) An open season for hunting deer, and unprotected wild animals as listed in Wisconsin Administrative Code NR 10.04, with smooth-bore muzzle-loading muskets of not less than .45 caliber, rifled muzzle-loading muskets of not less than .40 caliber, and shotguns loaded with a single slug or ball shall be established on the Horicon National Wildlife Refuge (except posted closed areas). Such season shall fall within the season established in Wisconsin Administrative Code Section NR 10.01 (3) (e) for the respective portions of the Horicon National Wildlife Refuge lying in Dodge and Fond du Lac counties. No special permits shall be required, but hunting licenses and deer tag as required by statutes are necessary.

(5) Except as provided in subsections (2), (6) and (7), 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 Horicon National Wildlife Refuge. 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 Wis. Adm. Code section NR 10.04.

(6) **HUNTING AND TRAPPING.** (a) With the written approval of the department, an open season may be declared for trapping muskrat, mink and raccoon and for hunting upland game birds and animals within the Horicon national wildlife refuge. If permits are required they shall be issued by the U.S. fish and wildlife service, and shall be subject to all

other rules covering hunting and trapping set forth in this chapter, except that the use of wet or dry sets, the number of traps, and the trapping of muskrats in or on muskrat houses or feeder houses, may be authorized by such permit.

(7) An open season for hunting deer, and unprotected wild animals as listed in Wis. Adm. Code section NR 10.04, with bow and arrow shall be established on the Horicon National Wildlife Refuge and said season shall fall within the statewide season for bow and arrow established in section NR 10.01 (3) (e). Such open season shall be effective only in those areas on the Horicon 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.

History: 1-2-56; am. (2) (a) and r. (2) (b) to (e), Register, September, 1971, No. 189, eff. 10-1-71; am. (5), (6) and (7), Register, May, 1976, No. 245, eff. 8-15-76; am. (6), Register, January, 1977, No. 253, eff. 2-1-77.

Note: For a complete history of NR 10.15 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 subsections (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 Wis. Adm. Code section 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 Wis. Adm. Code section 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 Wis. Adm. Code section 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 Wis. Adm. Code section 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 Wis. Adm. Code section 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 Wis. Adm. Code section NR 10.01 (3) (e) shall apply.

(4) An open season for hunting wild turkeys as listed in Wis. Adm. Code section 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 section 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. 245, eff. 8-15-76.

NR 10.19 Transportation of deer. It shall be unlawful for any person to transport any deer in or on any motor-driven vehicle from the time such deer is killed to the time it is lawfully registered pursuant to Wis. Adm. Code section NR 10.20, unless the deer is carried openly exposed and in such manner so that the deer tag attached to the deer cannot be handled or manipulated by any occupant of the vehicle.

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.

NR 10.20 Recording or deer and bear. (1) GUN SEASONS. (a) Each person who has killed a deer or bear during the open seasons for hunting such animals with guns shall exhibit such deer with the deer tag attached as required by section 29.40 (1), Wis. Stats., or such bear to an authorized registration station or an authorized department employe within the area included within the open season zone or quota area in which such deer or bear was killed including cities or villages adjoining such areas and in which an official deer registration station is located, not later than 5:00 p.m. of the first day following the close of such season. Such deer or bear shall be wholly intact except that it may be field dressed. Upon approval, the registration officer shall attach a special tag and such tag shall remain attached to such deer or bear or part thereof until such carcass or part thereof is finally consumed. Such deer or bear or part thereof shall not be removed from the area included in the open season zone or quota area in which it was killed unless it has been so exhibited and tagged except that deer taken under a deer hunting party permit may be transported on federal and state highways directly to the nearest authorized registration station in an adjoining quota area.

(b) Any deer taken on any of the islands in the outlying waters of Lake Superior in Ashland and Bayfield counties shall be exhibited and tagged pursuant to subsection (1) (a) at the registration station in the city of Bayfield.

(d) Any person who has killed a bear in any area during the closed season for hunting deer with firearms in such areas shall exhibit and register such bear as provided in subsection (1) (a) except that such carcass shall be exhibited with 24 hours after taking or killing thereof.

(2) Recording of deer and bear taken during the bow and arrow only season. Each person who has killed a deer or bear during the open season for hunting such animals with bow and arrow only shall exhibit and register such deer or bear as provided in subsection (1), except that the carcass of such deer or bear shall be exhibited within the county or adjoining county where killed by 5:00 p.m. of the day after the taking or killing thereof.

History: 1-2-56; am. Register, August, 1956, No. 8, eff. 9-1-56; am. (1), (2), Register, August, 1957, No. 20, eff. 9-1-57; r. (1) (d). am. (1) (a) and (c) and cr. (1) (e), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; cr. (1) (f). Register, August, 1959, No. 44, eff. 9-1-59; r. and recr. (1), Register, August, 1960, No. 56, eff. 9-1-60; am. (1) (a), Register, August, 1963, No. 92, eff. 9-1-63; r. and recr. (1) and (2). Register, August, 1964, No. 104, eff. 9-1-64; r. (1) (c) and am. (2). Register, August, 1965, No. 116, eff. 9-1-65; am. (1) (a). Register, August, 1967, No. 140, eff. 9-1-67; renum. to be NR 10.20. Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (1) (a), Register, May, 1976, No. 245, eff. 8-15-76.

NR 10.201 Recording of wildcat (bobcat). (1) Each person who has killed a wildcat (bobcat) by hunting or trapping during the established open season shall exhibit each animal to an authorized representative of the department in the county in which such animal was taken, or in an adjoining county within 5 days of such taking. Said representatives shall inspect the animal and attach and lock a special tag indicating it has been inspected. 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 season without such tag attached and locked. No person shall transfer, give, trade, sell, or purchase any such pelts without such tag being attached and locked to the head of each pelt. This section shall not apply to wildcat taken outside of the state of Wisconsin.

History: Cr. Register, August, 1973, No. 212, eff. 9-1-73; am. Register, March 1975, No. 231, eff. 3-1-75; am. Register, May, 1976, No. 245, eff. 8-15-76.

NR 10.21 Possession of game. (1) Opening day limits. On the opening day, no person shall have in his possession or under his control more than a daily bag limit of upland game birds, gray or fox squirrels, cottontail rabbits, jackrabbits and snowshoe hares, or migratory game birds for which an open season is prescribed.

(3) (a) Except as otherwise expressly provided, no person shall keep alive in captivity any game animal, fur bearing animal or game bird.

(b) All live fur bearing and game animals and birds taken during the open season for such species shall be killed immediately and made part of the daily bag. It shall be unlawful to keep such game alive after the same has been taken, except as provided in this section.

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; renum. 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.

NR 10.22 Sandhill wildlife demonstration area, Wood county. (1) 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 Sandhill wildlife demonstration area in Wood county, Wisconsin, except as provided in this section.

(2) (a) Except for the first 2 days of deer hunting, daily hunting permits shall be issued to hunters at established check stations on a first-come, first-served basis on the day for which the permit is to be issued. Such permits shall be issued without charge for the purpose of conducting research on hunting methods and success. It shall be unlawful to hunt on such area without a permit.

(b) Permits for hunting deer, migratory game birds, squirrels and ruffed grouse shall be issued subject to the following limitations:

1. Migratory game bird hunting will be permitted only from the opening date of the general duck season through the Sunday immediately prior to the opening day of the deer season established in 3. with bag limits the same as those that apply in the remainder of Wood county.

2. Squirrel and ruffed grouse hunting will be permitted only during the same period open for migratory game bird hunting. The daily bag limit on squirrels and ruffed grouse shall be the same as for the remainder of Wood county.

3. A deer season with weapons restricted to smooth-bore muzzle-loading muskets of not less than .45 caliber and rifled muzzle-loading muskets of not less than .40 caliber will be permitted. The hunting of all other animal species shall be prohibited.

a. One hunting period shall be established beginning on the Saturday one week preceding the regular statewide gun deer season opening and continuing for 9 consecutive days or until such time during the 9-day period when approximately 135 animals have been registered.

b. Permits for the first 2 days shall be issued by the department to persons who are in possession of a valid Wisconsin deer hunting license and duly applying by mailed application which must be postmarked no later than the first Friday in October.

c. Validation of such mail applications will be made by random selection from all eligible applications received.

d. Group applications of up to and including 4 hunters will be honored.

e. The season bag limit shall be one deer of either sex.

f. Deer season hunting hours will be from 6:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily.

(c) Daily hunting permits shall be limited to not more than 150 hunters for deer, 75 hunters for squirrels and ruffed grouse at any one time and 102 or less for migratory game birds depending on seasonal water conditions.

(d) Permits shall be issued for and the permittee limited to hunting in a single designated hunting compartment.

(e) Permits shall be issued only to persons possessing a valid Wisconsin hunting license.

(f) All permits shall be valid only for the date issued, and such permit or any other identification issued shall be turned in at a checking station upon leaving the area.

(g) All game taken pursuant to this section shall be exhibited to the department of natural resources or its agents at a checking station for examination, identification and marking before leaving the area.

(h) Hunters waiting to apply for permits must form a single line. Each vehicle in the line may contain no more than 5 applicants and must be occupied at all times by all persons desiring to apply for permits that day.

(3) **TRAPPING.** (a) Trapping will be allowed by permit only and may be issued on a seasonal basis dependent upon furbearer population levels.

(b) Each year the department shall determine:

1. The number of permits to be issued.
2. The number of animals to be harvested.
3. The time when such trapping may take place.
4. The deadline date for receipt of applications.

5. Such additional restrictions as are necessary to preserve, protect and utilize the furbearing resources on this area.

(c) If applications for permits exceed the number of permits available, random selection shall be used to determine successful applicants.

History: Cr. Register, September, 1962, No. 81, eff. 10-1-62; r. and recr. Register, August, 1963, No. 92, eff. 9-1-63; r. and recr. (2), Register, August, 1964, No. 104, eff. 9-1-64; am. (2) (a), Register, August, 1965, No. 116, eff. 9-1-65; am. (2) (a), Register, August, 1966, No. 128, eff. 9-1-66; am. (2) (a), Register, August, 1967, No. 140, eff. 9-1-67; r. and recr. (2) (intro. par.) and (a), Register, August, 1968, No. 152, eff. 9-1-68; r. and recr. (2), Register, August, 1969, No. 164, eff. 9-1-69; renum. to be NR 10.22; r. and recr. (2) intro. par. and (a); cr. (2) (h), Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (1) and (2), Register, July, 1971, No. 187, eff. 8-1-71; r. and recr., Register, August, 1972, No. 200, eff. 9-1-72; am. Register, August, 1973, No. 212, eff. 9-1-73; am. (2) (b), Register, March, 1975, No. 231, eff. 3-1-75; am. (b) and (c), Register, May, 1977, No. 257, eff. 6-1-77; r. and recr. (2) (a), (b) and (c), Register, July, 1977, No. 259, eff. 8-1-77; cr. (3), Register, May, 1978, No. 269, eff. 6-1-78; am. (2) (b) 3.a., Register, October, 1978, No. 274, eff. 11-1-78.

NR 10.24 Deer management units. (1) Deer management units are established as designated on the following map entitled "Deer Management Units" (revised 1977). (See map at the end of this chapter)

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.

NR 10.25 Wild turkey hunting permit. (1) During the open season established under Wis. Adm. Code section 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 two-day period or 340 permits for any five-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.

(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; renun. 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 hereinafter set forth pursuant to s. 29.57 (4), Stats., in accordance with the open season established by Wis. Adm. Code section NR 10.01 (3) (e) in the respective season zone in which such park is located, except for areas closed to deer hunting.

(1) Gun season only; Governor Dodge 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, Lake Wissota 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.

