

(2) No person shall hunt deer or bear in the water of any stream, lake, or pond; or with a dog or dogs; or with the aid of artificial light; or with the aid of an airplane, including the use of an airplane to spot, rally, or drive deer for hunters on the ground; nor place any salt in any place for the purpose of enticing deer thereto; nor construct, occupy, or use any tree, elevated scaffold or other elevated device for the purpose of hunting, watching for, or killing deer or bear.

**WCD 10.11 Bow and arrow hunting.** (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to have in possession or under control any gun or firearms at any time while hunting, killing, or pursuing game with bow and arrow during the open season for hunting deer with bow and arrow only.

(2) Any deer killed during such open season showing evidence that it was shot with a firearm shall be an illegal deer and it shall be unlawful for any person to have such deer in his possession.

(3) No person shall use or have in his possession or under his control while hunting any wild animal or bird any poisoned arrow, arrow with explosive tips, or any bow drawn, held or released by mechanical means. Arrows used for hunting deer or bear shall have well-sharpened metal broad-head blades not less than seven-eighths of an inch in width, and not more than one and one-half inches in width.

(4) No person shall hunt deer or bear with a bow having a pull of less than 30 pounds.

**WCD 10.12 Migratory waterfowl.** (1) **PROHIBITED METHODS.** (a) No person shall hunt any wild ducks, geese, coot (mudhen), rails or gallinules by shooting it or at it from any boat, canoe, raft, blind, contrivance or device in open water except as otherwise provided in this section, or from any boat or craft other than such as are propelled by paddle, oars or pole, or with the use of any decoys beyond 200 feet from the blind or covering in which the hunter is located, or leave any decoys in the water unattended, or hunt any game bird with the use of a rifle.

(b) No person shall shoot or shoot at migratory waterfowl from any pier, dam, dock, or similar structure.

(c) No person shall take waterfowl or coot by means, aid or use of cattle, horses or mules.

(d) No person shall use in any manner any airplane, power boat, sailboat, or other floating craft or device for the purpose of concentrating, driving, rallying or stirring up migratory waterfowl and coot.

(e) It shall be unlawful for any person to use in any manner any sink boat or similar blind that is or can be submerged under the water in any manner for the purpose of hunting, taking, catching, killing, molesting or shooting at any wild ducks, wild geese, coot, or any other aquatic or migratory game birds; nor shall any person occupy any blind that is being used or can be used for the purpose of taking, catching, killing or shooting at any aquatic or migratory game birds as hereinbefore mentioned after twenty minutes after the closing time prescribed for the hunting or killing of such birds, or before one hour before the opening time for the shooting of such birds.

(2) **OPEN WATER; EXCEPTIONS.** (a) "Open water" is any water outside or beyond a natural growth of vegetation extending over the water surface and of such height as to offer partial or whole concealment for the hunter.

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(b) Blinds in Buffalo, Crawford, Grant, La Crosse, Pepin, Pierce, St. Croix, Trempealeau and Vernon counties. In any of the waters of the Mississippi river, the St. Croix river, Lake St. Croix and Lake Pepin, and their bays, bayous and sloughs wherein they border on the counties of Buffalo, Crawford, Grant, La Crosse, Pepin, Pierce, St. Croix, Trempealeau and Vernon and in any of the inland lakes of these counties, it shall be lawful for any person to use blinds for the purpose of taking, catching, killing and shooting at wild ducks, wild geese or other aquatic fowl that are set, placed, or located not more than 100 feet from any shoreline during the open season for such game birds. Such blinds shall in all instances be securely anchored to the place or spot where they are to be used.

(c) It shall be lawful for any person to hunt wild ducks, wild geese, and other aquatic fowl during the open season therefor in open water in any of the outlying waters of Lake Michigan under the jurisdiction of the state of Wisconsin excepting Green Bay and the open water area within 500 feet of any shoreline of said lake.

(3) BAITING. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to hunt, catch or kill any waterfowl or migratory game birds under any circumstances by the aid or use 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.

(b) 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.

(4) LIVE DECOYS. It shall be unlawful in the hunting of any migratory waterfowl to use directly or indirectly any live duck or live goose decoys, regardless of the distance intervening between any such live decoys and the position of the hunter.

(5) GUNS AND AMMUNITION. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to take, catch, kill, hunt, or pursue any migratory bird or waterfowl with any shotgun of a larger bore than a No. 10 gauge nor shall any person take, catch, kill, hunt, pursue or shoot at any migratory birds or waterfowl with any automatic-loading or hand-operated repeating shotgun capable of holding more than three shells the magazine of which has not been cut off or plugged with a one-piece metal or wooden filler incapable of removal without disassembling the gun so as to reduce the capacity of said gun to not more than three shells at one time in the magazine and chamber combined nor by any means other than a shotgun fired from the shoulder or a bow and arrow.

(b) No person shall have in his possession or under his control while hunting any migratory game birds any shotgun shells loaded with shot larger than No. BB.

(c) It shall be unlawful for any person to use or have in his possession or under his control more than one gun while hunting migratory waterfowl in any manner.

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