

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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Kind of animal and locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Limit
(c) Pheasants		
1. Cocks only — In all counties of the state except the properties specified in subd. 2 and s. NR 10.24	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 17 at 12:00 noon and continuing for 54 consecutive days	The bag limit for the first 14 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
2. Cocks and hens — Within the following named properties as posted with department signs: a. Avoca (Iowa county) b. Blackhawk (Iowa county) c. Collins (Manitowoc county) d. Holland (Brown county) e. Little Scarboro and Kewaunee (Kewaunee county) f. Mazomanie (Dane county) g. New Munster (Kenosha county) h. Pine River (Richland county) i. Theresa (Dodge-Washington counties) j. Witwen (Sauk county) k. Yellowstone (Lafayette county)	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 17 at 12:00 noon and continuing for 54 consecutive days	The bag limit for the first 14 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

3. Permit and tag requirement. No person may hunt cock or hen pheasants within the posted areas established in subd. 2. without possessing a current pheasant hunting permit decal, pheasant tags and valid Wisconsin hunting license. Permits and tags are valid only for the year of issue.

4. Permit application procedure. Application forms supplied by the department shall be completed and submitted by the applicant. No person may submit more than one application per year or an application containing false information.

5. Permit and tag issuance procedure. Permits and tags are not transferable or replaceable and may not be reused, altered or defaced. The department shall issue a numbered pheasant hunting permit and 10 tags to each applicant.

6. Permit validation. The numbered pheasant hunting permit decal shall be attached to the applicant's current year Wisconsin hunting license to be valid for use as described in this paragraph. Failure to follow the validation procedure invalidates the permit and tags.

7. Tagging requirement. When a cock or hen pheasant is killed on any lands described in subd. 2 and before it is carried by hand or transported in any manner, the hunter shall completely attach and seal the carcass tag, utilizing its own adhesive, around the leg of the pheasant.

Note: Special rules for the Bong state recreation area are established in s. NR 10.24.

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Limit
(d) Hungarian partridge		
In all counties of the state	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 17 at 12:00 noon and continuing for 54 consecutive days.	Daily bag 3; possession 6
(e) Bobwhite quail		
In all counties of the state	Beginning on Saturday nearest October 17 at 12:00 noon and continuing for 54 consecutive days	Daily bag 5; possession 10
(f) Wild turkey		
1. Zones 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9 and 10 as described in s. NR 10.29 are open zones. Zones 6, 7 and 8 are closed zones.	Beginning on the Thursday nearest April 21 and continuing Thursday through Monday for 3 consecutive time periods shown in subd. 2.	One male or bearded turkey per season by permit.

2. Hunting zones and 1986 permits:

Hunting Zones	Permits for April 24-28	Permits for May 1-5	Permits for May 8-12
1	150	150	150
2	175	175	175
3	150	150	150
4	150	150	150
5	100	100	100
6	None	None	None
7	None	None	None
8	None	None	None
9	100	100	100
10	150	150	150
In all other parts of the state	None	None	None

(3) UPLAND GAME ANIMALS

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Limit
(a) Gray and fox squirrels		
In all counties of the state	Beginning on the Saturday nearest September 15 and continuing through January 31	Daily bag (total of both species) 5; possession 10
(b) Raccoon (resident hunting and trapping)		
In all counties of the state	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 17 and continuing through January 31.	None
(bm) Raccoon (nonresident hunting)		
In all counties of the state	Beginning on the Saturday nearest November 1 and continuing through January 31.	None

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Limit
	Beginning on the Saturday immediately following the close of the gun deer season through December 31	One deer per season, either sex, except on Chambers island in Door county where the limit shall be one buck deer with an unforked antler or one antlerless deer.
(f) Fox, all species		
1. '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
2. '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
(g) Bear		
1. 'Firearm season' — In all counties of the state	None	None
2. 'Bow and arrow season' — In all counties of the state	None	None
(h) Coyote		
1. 'Hunting' — In all counties 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
(4) Fur bearing animals		
(a) Muskrat and mink		
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

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| 4. 'Mississippi River zone' — All that part of Buffalo, La Crosse, Trempealeau and Vernon counties west of state highway 35, that part of Crawford county beginning with the junction of state highway 35 and the Vernon county line, then south along highway 35 to its junction with U.S. highway 18, then west along highway 18 to its junction with the Burlington Northern railway, then south along the Burlington Northern railway to its junction with the Grant county line and that part of Grant county 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. 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) 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 sub. (4) (c).

Kind of animal and locality	Special season (all dates inclusive)	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Limit
(c) Beaver			
1. 'North zone' — All that part of Wisconsin north of state highway 64			
a. Intensive management zones published annually by the department	Concurrent with the open season for muskrat as established in par. (a) and continuing through April 30		None
b. All of the north zone		Beginning on the first Saturday in December and continuing through March 31	None
2. 'South zone' — All that part of Wisconsin lying south of state highway 64			
a. Intensive management zones published annually by the department	Concurrent with the open season for muskrat as established in par. (a) and continuing through April 30		None
b. All of the south zone		Beginning on the first Saturday in December and continuing through the first Sunday in March	None

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Limit
(d) Otter		
1. North zone — All that part of Wisconsin north of state highway 64	Beginning on the first Saturday in December and continuing through the first Sunday in March	2 per season by permit
2. South zone — All that part of Wisconsin south of state highway 64	Beginning on the first Saturday in December and continuing through the first Sunday in March	One per season by permit

3. Exhibition required. Each person who has trapped an otter shall exhibit each pelt to an authorized department representative in the county in which the animal was trapped, or in the adjoining county, but within the area open to otter trapping, no later than 5 days after the close of the otter season.

4. Registration. The department representative shall inspect the pelt, attach and lock a registration tag to the head of all lawfully taken and possessed otter.

5. Possession and transfer restrictions. No person may: a. Take more than a total combined season bag limit of 2 otter.

b. Possess raw otter pelts beginning 6 days after the close of the otter season to the opening date of the following otter season without a registration tag attached to the head of the otter and locked.

c. Transfer, give, trade, sell or purchase any otter pelt without a registration tag being attached and locked to the head of each pelt.

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Limit
(dm) Fisher (trapping)		
1. Management zone A - Units 2, 3, 5 and 9 as described in s. NR 10.28	December 1-11	One per season by permit
2. Management zone B - Units 7, 20, 28, 29A, 29B, 30 and 34 as described in s. NR 10.28	December 1-11	One per season by permit
3. Management zone C - Units 38, 40, 42, 43 and 44 as described in s. NR 10.28	December 1-11	One per season by permit
4. Remainder of the state - In all other parts of the state including the closed areas described in s. NR 11.10	None	None

(e) *Recording of fisher and otter.* 1. Tagging and permits. a. No person may trap or attempt to trap any fisher or otter unless having first applied for and received from the department a trapping permit and tag or tags authorizing such trapping.

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

c. If the number of applications for fisher permits exceeds the number available in subd. 2, successful applicants shall be determined by random selection.

d. The trapper shall attach the permit to his or her trapping license before trapping any fisher or otter.

e. Each permit shall be numbered to correspond to the applicant's current trapping license and show the applicant's name and tag numbers.

f. No person may apply for more than one fisher permit or one otter permit.

2. Permit quota. The department shall issue the following numbers of permits for the 1985 fisher trapping season:

a. Management zone A - 100.

b. Management zone B - 125.

c. Management zone C - 75.

3. Tagging procedure. a. Each person shall immediately upon possessing a fisher or an otter, attach and lock a valid tag, issued by the department, through the opening of the mouth to the opening of the eye, immediately beneath the skin.

b. No person may have a fisher or an otter pelt in possession or under control unless the person trapping the animal attaches the tag as required by this subdivision.

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

4. Fisher exhibition. Unless otherwise authorized by the department, each person who has trapped a fisher shall exhibit the pelt separated from the carcass along with the carcass to an authorized department representative in the management unit in which the animal was trapped, or in an adjoining unit, no later than 5 days after the close of the fisher season. The fisher carcass shall be retained by the department.

5. Otter exhibition. Each person who has trapped an otter shall exhibit each pelt to an authorized department representative in the county in which the animal was trapped, or in an adjoining county, but within the area open to otter trapping, no later than 5 days after the close of the otter season.

6. Registration. The department shall inspect the pelt, attach and lock a registration tag to the head of all lawfully taken and possessed fisher and otter.

7. Possession and transfer restrictions. No person may: a. Possess raw fisher or otter pelts later than 5 days after the close of the fisher and otter seasons to the opening date of the following fisher and otter seasons without a registration tag attached and locked to the head of the animal.

b. Transfer, give, trade, sell or purchase any fisher or otter pelt without a registration tag being attached and locked to the head of the pelt.

History: 1-2-56; am. (3) (g), Register, August, 1985, No. 356, eff. 9-1-85; r. and recr. (intro.), (1) (n), (2) (b), (3) (d) 2. c. and (3) (e) 7., am. (2) (f) 1. and 2., (3) (e) 2. intro. and d. and 9. e., Register September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 10-1-85.

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 11-30-73 through 7-31-85 see the history note following s. NR 10.01 published in the July, 1985 Register.

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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) TAKING METHODS. No person shall hunt any migratory bird:

(a) With a trap, snare, net, rifle, pistol, crossbow other than in s. 29.104, Stats., swivel gun, punt gun, battery gun, machine gun, fishhook, poison, drug, explosive, stupefying substance or 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, no person may:

a. Take, catch, kill or pursue waterfowl and coot with any shotshells loaded with any metal other than non-toxic shot.

b. Possess any shotshell loaded with any metal other than non-toxic shot.

2. Non-toxic shot zones. a. Mississippi river. In that portion of the state lying west of the Burlington Northern railway in Buffalo, Crawford, Grant, La Crosse, Pepin, Pierce, Trempealeau and Vernon counties and all federal lands posted by the U.S. fish and wildlife service lying east of the railway in these same counties.

b. Eastern Wisconsin. In the Horicon and Central zones, shotshells containing non-toxic shot shall be required wherever hunting waterfowl and coot. Outside of these 2 zones, shotshells containing non-toxic shot shall be required on all waters and all areas within 150 yards of these waters in the counties of Calumet, Dane, Jefferson, Kenosha, Manitowoc, Milwaukee, Outagamie, Ozaukee, Racine, Sheboygan, Walworth, Washington, Waukesha, Waupaca, and all that part of Waushara county lying east of state highway 49.

c. Green Bay. The west 1,000 feet of Green Bay waters, all Brown county islands in Green Bay, all waters in Brown county west of the Fox river and the Green Bay ship channel and east of U.S. highway 141, all waters of Oconto and Marinette counties east of U.S. highway 41 and all areas within 150 yards of these waters.

d. State wildlife areas. Within the zones described in subpars. b. and c., shotshells containing non-toxic shot are required for hunting waterfowl and coot anywhere on state-owned wildlife areas, all federal lands posted with the U.S. fish and wildlife service signs and on the following state wildlife areas: Mead in Marathon, Wood and Portage counties; Wood County and Sandhill in Wood county; and Meadow Valley in Juneau and Monroe counties.

(6) TAGGING. No person may give, put or leave migratory game birds at any place, other than at that person's permanent abode, or in the cus-

tody of another person unless the birds are tagged individually or collectively with tags bearing the following information:

- (a) The hunter's signature,
- (b) The hunter's address,
- (c) The total number of birds tagged, by species, and
- (d) The dates the birds were killed.

Note: Tagging is required if the birds are being transported by another person for the hunter, or if the birds have been left for cleaning, storage (including temporary storage), shipment, or taxidermy services.

(7) **DRESSING.** No person may completely dress any migratory game bird and then transport the bird from the field. The head or one fully feathered wing shall remain attached to all migratory game birds being transported from the field to the person's permanent abode or a preservation facility.

(8) **SHIPMENT.** No person may ship migratory game birds unless the package is marked on the outside with:

- (a) The name and address of the person sending the birds,
- (b) The name and address of the person to whom the birds are being sent, and
- (c) The number of birds, by species, contained in the package.

(9) **IMPORTATION.** (a) One fully-feathered wing shall remain attached to all migratory game birds being transported between the port of entry and the possessor's permanent abode or to a preservation facility.

(b) No person may import migratory game birds belonging to another person.

Note: Violation of state migratory game bird regulations is also a violation of federal regulations. Importation restrictions do not prohibit the importation of legally taken, fully feathered migratory game birds for mounting purposes by a taxidermist holding a valid federal permit and licensed by the U.S. department of agriculture to decontaminate birds.

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. 167, eff. 12-1-69; renun. to be NR 10.12, Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (2) (d) and (e), and r. (f), Register September 1970, No. 177, eff. 10-1-70; am. (2) (b), Register, September, 1971, No. 189, eff. 10-1-71; emerg. am. (1) (f) eff. 10-10-72; emerg. am. (2) (a), eff. 9-24-75; am. (2) (a), Register, June, 1976, No. 246, eff. 7-1-76; am. (2), Register, January, 1977, No. 253, eff. 2-1-77; am. (5), Register, December, 1977, No. 264, eff. 1-1-78; r. (2)(a), r. and recr. (2)(c), and cr. (5)(b), Register, February, 1978, No. 266, eff. 3-1-78; r. and recr. (1) to (4) and (5) (a), cr. (5) (intro.), renun. (5) (b) to be (5) (d), Register, May, 1978, No. 269, eff. 6-1-78; r. and recr. (3)(d) and (5)(d) 2., Register, December, 1978, No. 276, eff. 1-1-79; r. and recr. (1) (g), Register, August, 1979, No. 284, eff. 9-1-79; r. and recr. (3) (b), Register, April, 1980, No. 292, eff. 5-1-80; am. (3) (d) 1. and 2., Register, June, 1981, No. 306, eff. 7-1-81; emerg. r. and recr. (5) (d), eff. 9-12-81; r. and recr. (5) (d), Register, March, 1982, No. 315, eff. 4-1-82; am. (3) (d) (intro.), Register, April, 1982, No. 316, eff. 5-1-82; am. (5) (d) 2.b., Register, June, 1984, No. 342, eff. 7-1-84; am. (3) (b), cr. (3) (e) and r. and recr. (4) (a) 1., Register, April, 1985, No. 352, Register, September, 1985, No. 357

eff. 5-1-85; am. (1) (b), (f) and (h) 1., (5) (d) 2.c. and d., r. and recr. (5) (a), cr. (6) to (9), Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 10-1-85.

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

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

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

2. Bait or scent. Set out or place any bait or scent for attracting fur-bearing animals during the closed season. During the open season, no person may use sight exposed bait consisting of feathers, animal flesh, fur, hide or entrails within 25 feet of any trap.

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

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

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

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

7. Artificial structures. 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.

8. Killer traps. 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".

9. Steeljawed traps. 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.

10. Toothed traps. It shall be unlawful for any person to set, place or operate any steel jawed trap with teeth except as a water set.

11. Minimum waterset. 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 6¼" x 6¼" for killer traps of the conibear type during the beaver and otter season.

12. Killer trap placements. No person may set, place or operate any killer trap of the conibear type greater than 6" x 6" or 6" in diameter in the following locations:

- a. Within 3 feet of any federal, state or county road rights-of-way culvert unless completely submerged in water.
- b. Within 3 feet of any woven or welded wire mesh type fence.
- c. Within 100 yards of any building devoted to human occupancy without the owner's consent.

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

- (a) *Raccoon.* Molest any raccoon den or den trees.
- (b) *Mink.* Molest any mink den.
- (c) *Muskrat and beaver.* Molest any muskrat house, muskrat feeding house, beaver house or beaver dam.

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

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

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

History: 1-2-56; am. (1), Register, August, 1962, No. 80, eff. 9-1-62; r. and recr. (1) and (3), Register, August, 1964, No. 104, eff. 9-1-64; r. and recr. (3), Register, August, 1966, No. 128, eff. 9-1-66; renum. to be NR 10.13; am. (3), Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (1), Register, July, 1971, No. 187, eff. 8-1-71; am. (3), Register, August, 1975, No. 236, eff. 9-1-75; emerg. am. (1), eff. 4-3-76; r. and recr. Register, September, 1979, No. 285, eff. 10-1-79; r. and recr. (1) (b) 5., Register, October, 1980, No. 298, eff. 11-1-80; am. (1) (b) 2., Register, May, 1983, No. 329, eff. 6-1-83; am. (1) (intro.) and (b) 2., Register, September, 1983, No. 333, eff. 10-1-83; (1) (b) 6. to 12. renum. from NR 10.14 (2) to (8), Register, September, 1984, No. 345, eff. 12-1-84.

NR 10.145 Recording of bobcat. (1) **TAGS AND PERMITS.** (a) No person shall hunt or trap or attempt to hunt or trap any bobcat (wildcat) unless having first applied for and received, from the department, a special bobcat permit and tag.

(b) Applications for bobcat permits and tags must be postmarked no later than the first Friday in October each year.

(c) Such permit shall be attached to each person's valid hunting or trapping license before hunting or trapping any bobcat.

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

(e) No person may apply for more than one bobcat tag per season.

(2) **TAGGING PROCEDURE.** (a) Each person shall immediately upon possessing a bobcat, affix a valid tag, issued by the department, through the opening of the mouth to the opening of the eye, immediately beneath the skin.

(b) No person shall have a bobcat pelt in possession or under control unless the person hunting or trapping the bobcat attaches the tag as required by this section.

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

(3) EXHIBITION REQUIRED. Unless otherwise authorized by the department, each person who has killed a bobcat shall exhibit the pelt separated from the carcass along with the carcass to an authorized department representative for registration within 5 days of taking. The carcass shall be retained by the department.

(4) REGISTRATION. The department representative shall inspect the pelt and attach and lock a registration tag to the head of each lawfully taken and possessed animal.

(5) POSSESSION AND TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS. a. It shall be unlawful for any person to possess raw bobcat pelts beginning 6 days after the close of the season to the opening date of the following season unless a valid registration tag has been attached and locked by the department.

b. No person shall transfer, give, trade, sell or purchase any bobcat pelt unless a valid registration tag has been attached and locked to the head of each pelt. This subsection does not apply to bobcat taken outside 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; r. and recr., Register, April, 1980, No. 292, eff. 5-1-80; renum. (1) to (3) to be (3) to (5) and cr. (1) and (2), Register, October, 1980, No. 298, eff. 11-1-80; renum. from NR 10.201, Register, September, 1983, No. 333, eff. 10-1-83; am. (1) (b), Register, October, 1983, No. 334, eff. 11-1-83; r. and recr. (3), Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 10-1-85.

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

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

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

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

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

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

(5) TRAPPING. (a) With the written approval of the department, an open season may be declared for trapping fur bearing animals.

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

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

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

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; r. and recr. Register, August, 1979, No. 284, eff. 9-1-79; am. (5) (a), Register, September, 1983, No. 333, eff. 10-1-83.

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

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

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

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

(4) An open season for hunting wild turkeys as listed in s. NR 10.01 (2) (f) is established on the Necedah National Wildlife Refuge, and such season shall be concurrent with the open season for hunting turkeys as described in s. 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 10.22 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) **HUNTING.** (a) *Permit restrictions.* No person may hunt on the demonstration area without first obtaining a permit issued by the department. Permits shall be issued without charge.

1. **Effective dates.** Permits are valid only for the date of issue and shall be returned to the established check-out station immediately upon termination of hunting.

2. **Compartment limits.** All hunting is restricted to the compartment designated on the permit.

3. **Quotas.** Daily hunting permits shall be limited by the department based upon environmental conditions and annual research objectives.

4. **Exhibition required.** All harvested game shall be exhibited at the established check-out station as described on the permit.

5. **Limitations.** Permits issued to an individual are not transferrable and may not be altered or defaced.

6. **Reports.** Permit holders may be required to provide hunt information on department forms at the established check-out station.

(b) *Permit application procedures.* Any person possessing a valid Wisconsin hunting license may apply for a hunting permit.

1. **Forms.** Application shall be made on department forms.

2. **Issuance period.** Daily permits may be issued by the department at established check-in stations on a first-come, first-served basis or by ran-

dom selection of mailed applications. Mailed applications are subject to the following restrictions:

a. No person may submit more than one application. Submission of more than one application shall disqualify the application permit eligibility.

b. Group applications up to and including 4 hunters will be honored provided each applicant completes the application form and all forms are submitted in one envelope marked "group application" on the outside.

3. Self-completed permits. Applications for hunting any game species except deer shall be completed by the applicant in person the day of the hunt. The self-completed permit portion of the application shall be retained by the applicant until the hunt is completed.

4. University of Wisconsin research. Permits may be issued to the university of Wisconsin for research purposes under a cooperative agreement with the department.

5. Waiting procedure. Hunters waiting to apply for permits shall form a single line. Each vehicle in line may contain no more than 5 applicants and shall be occupied at all times by all persons applying for permits that day.

c. *Season and bag limits.* The hunting season and bag limits for all game species are established in s. NR 10.01 and may continue no longer than the Sunday immediately prior to the deer season established in subd. 2. with the following exceptions:

1. Rabbits and hares. Snowshoe hare and cottontail rabbit hunting shall open on the Saturday nearest September 15.

2. Deer. Deer hunting shall be established at the discretion of the department and continue until the annual harvest objective is obtained. The sex and type of legal deer shall be established by permit.

3. Season closure. No person may hunt any species except deer during the period established in subd. 2.

4. Extended seasons. The seasons for any game species may be resumed at the discretion of the department and continue through December 31.

(d) *Hunting hours.* The hunting hours for all species shall be the hours established in s. NR 10.06.

(e) *Information.* Information on the availability of hunting and trapping permits, permit application procedures, species which may be taken and other applicable conditions of taking on the demonstration area for each calendar year, except for extended seasons, shall be made available by the department at the demonstration area, district and Madison offices no later than August 1 of that year. Information relating to extended seasons shall be made available in the same manner prior to the extended season opening.

(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; am. (2) (b) (intro.), 1. and 2. and (2) (c), r. and recr. (2) (b) 3., Register, September, 1979, No. 285, eff. 10-1-79; r. and recr. (2) (b) 1. and 2., am. (2) (b) 3. a. and (2) (c), Register, October, 1980, No. 298, eff. 11-1-80; r. and recr. (2) (b) 3.e., Register, October, 1981, No. 310, eff. 11-1-81; am. (2) (a), (b) 3.a. and b., Register, September, 1982, No. 321, eff. 10-1-82; am. (2) (a) and (2) (b) 3.b., r. and recr. (2) (b) 3.a., cr. (2) (i), Register, October, 1983, No. 334, eff. 11-1-83; r. and recr. (2), Register, September, 1984, No. 345, eff. 10-1-84.