

Chapter NR 10

GAME AND HUNTING

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(ss. 29.085 and 29.174, Stats.)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(13) "Liquid" means a substance, neither solid or gaseous, that flows freely and takes the shape of its container at a temperature of 70°F.

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

(15) "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)).

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

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

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

(19) "Nontoxic shot" means steel shot and copper or nickel plated steel shot with the plating not exceeding .0002 inches or 1% or less of shot by weight.

(20) "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.

(21) "Permanent abode" means a person's principal or ordinary home or dwelling place as distinguished from a temporary abode.

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

(23) "Preservation facility" means any permanent abode, cold storage facility, locker plant, taxidermy establishment, hunting club or place of business which receives or possesses any game belonging to another person for the purposes of picking, cleaning, freezing, processing, storage or shipment.

(24) "Shotgun season" means an open season for hunting with any of the following firearms, as provided in s. NR 10.09, loaded with a single slug or ball:

(a) For hunting deer, muzzle-loader, shotgun and handgun; or

(b) For hunting other game, muzzle-loader or shotgun.

(25) "Sight exposed bait" means any bait which can be seen from above the bait.

(26) "Temporary abode" means a transient place of abode or dwelling such as a hunting club, or any clubhouse, cabin, tent, or trailer used as a hunting club, or any hotel, motel or roominghouse used during a hunting trip.

(27) "Unforked antler" means a polished antler consisting of a single spike without branches or tines.

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

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

(31) "Wild turkey hunting zone" means a zone established in s. NR 10.29.

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NR 10.01 Open and closed seasons. A closed season is established year-round for each species of wild animal named in this section, except during the specified open season. Seasons open to legal hunting and trapping apply to the entire locality described, except as otherwise provided in chs. NR 11 and 15. Whenever open and closed season areas are defined by highways, the boundary shall be the highway center line.

(1) MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS.

Kind of animal	Locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Possession limit
(b) <i>All species of wild duck</i>	1. Entire state	As established by zone	The daily bag limit is reached when the last bird taken plus the total value of birds already taken during that day equals or exceeds 100 points	Double the daily bag limit through the entire open season, except opening day when it is the same as the daily bag limit
	2. North zone - All that part of Wisconsin lying north of a line beginning at the junction of the center line of the western state boundary on the Mississippi river and the center line of the Chippewa river, then north on the center line of the Chippewa river to its junction with state highway 35, then east on state highway 35 to its junction with highway 25, then north on highway 25 to its junction with U.S. highway 10, then east on U.S. highway 10 to the city of Manitowoc, and continuing east to the state boundary in Lake Michigan	Oct. 1 at 12:00 noon - Nov. 9	Point values - 100 points: black duck and hen mallard 70 points: red-head, wood duck, and hooded merganser 35 points: drake mallard, ringneck, ruddy duck, goldeneye, bufflehead, pintail, and all other ducks not specifically listed 20 points: scaup, blue-winged teal, green-winged teal, wigeon, gadwall, shoveler, and all other mergansers	

Kind of animal	Locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Possession limit
	3. South zone - Remainder of the state	Oct. 1 at 12:00 noon - Oct. 11; Oct. 21-Nov. 18	Point values - 100 points: black duck and hen mal- lard 70 points: redhead, wood duck and hooded merganser 35 points: drake mallard, ringneck, ruddy duck, goldeneye, bufflehead, pintail, and all other ducks not specifi- cally listed 20 points: scaup, blue-winged teal, green-winged teal, gadwall, wigeon, shoveler, and all other mergansers	
(c) <i>Scaup</i>	1. Within the north zone as de- scribed in par. (b), Shawano Lake, Lake Pepin, all state waters north of state highway 64 including Lake Superior and all that part of Lake Michigan located in the north zone and beyond 500 feet from the shoreline in the waters of Green Bay	Beginning the day after the season established in par. (b) 2. and con- tinuing for 16 days	5	10
	2. Within the south zone as de- scribed in par. (b), the waters of the Mississippi river in Grant county, all that part of Lake Michigan lo- cated in the south zone except waters adjacent to Mil- waukee county, and from shore or beyond 1,000 feet from the shoreline in Lake Winnebago	Beginning the day after the season established in par. (b) 3. and con- tinuing for 16 con- secutive days	5	10
(d) <i>Coot and gallinules</i>	Entire state	Concurrent with the open season for ducks as estab- lished in par. (b)	15	30

Kind of animal	Locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Possession limit
(e) <i>Sora and Virginia rails</i>	Entire state	Concurrent with the open season for ducks as established in par. (b)	25	25
(f) 1. <i>Snipe</i>	Entire state	Concurrent with the opening season for ducks as established in par. (b)	8	16
2. <i>Woodcock</i>	Entire state	Beginning on the Saturday nearest Sept. 15 and continuing for 65 consecutive days	5	10
(g) <i>Geese</i> , 1. Canada geese and its subspecies	a. Within the northwest zone except for subpars. b.-d. - All that part of Wisconsin lying north and west of a line beginning at the junction of the center line of the western state boundary or the Mississippi river and the center line of the Chippewa river, then north on the Chippewa river's center line to its junction with state highway 35, then east on state highway 35 to its junction with state highway 25, then north on state highway 25 to its junction with U.S. highway 10, then east on U.S. highway 10 to its junction with the east boundary of Clark county, then north along the east boundary of Clark county and continuing north along the east boundaries of Taylor, Price and Iron counties to the north state boundary.	Oct. 1 at 12:00 noon - Oct. 20	1	2
	b. Mississippi river zone as described in par. (s) north of a line extending from the centerline of the Chippewa river	Oct. 1 at 12:00 noon - Nov. 15; Nov. 25-Dec. 18	1 2	2 4

Kind of animal	Locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Possession limit
	c. Burnett county zone as described in par. (m)	None	None	None
	d. New Auburn zone as described in par. (o)	None	None	None
	e. Within the northeast zone except for those areas described in subpar. f., all that part of Wisconsin lying east of the northwest zone described in subpar. a. and north of U.S. highway 10 and a line extending east from the city of Manitowoc to the state line.	Oct. 1 at 12:00 noon-Oct. 12	1	2
	f. Brown county zone as described in par. (n)	Oct. 1 at 12:00 noon - Oct. 12; Dec. 1-31	1 2	2 4
	g. Within the southeast zone except for those areas described in subpars. h.-L., all that part of Wisconsin lying south of the northeast zone described in subpar. e. and east of the boundaries of Clark, Jackson, Monroe, Vernon, Richland, Iowa, and Lafayette counties.	Oct. 21-Nov. 1	1	2
	h. Horicon zone as described in par. (j)	Two permit periods: Oct. 1 at 12:00 noon - Oct. 20; Oct. 12-Nov. 9	The daily and possession limits are restricted by a season limit of one	

Kind of animal	Locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Possession limit
	i. Central zone as described in par. (k)	Oct. 1 at 12:00 noon - Nov. 9	The daily and possession limits are restricted by a season limit of one	
	j. Theresa zone as described in par. (t)	Oct. 1 at 12:00 noon-Nov. 19 or until registered harvest reaches 2,000, whichever occurs first	Limited to one goose per 5-day period	The possession and season limits are 4
	k. Rock prairie zone as described in par. (p)	Oct. 21-Nov. 1; Nov. 7-Dec. 6	1	2
	l. Combined Horizon and Central zones	Dec. 1-10	The daily and possession limits are restricted by a season limit of 2	
	m. Within the southwest zone except those areas described in sub-par. n., all that part of Wisconsin lying south of the northwest zone described in sub-par. a. and west of the southeast zone described in sub-par. g.	Oct. 1 at 12:00 noon - Oct. 11; Oct. 21-Oct. 29	1	2
	n. Mississippi river zone as described in par. (s) south of a line extending from the centerline of the Chippewa river	Oct. 1 at 12:00 noon - Oct. 11; and Oct. 21 - Nov. 24; Nov. 25-Dec. 18	1 2	2 4
2. All other species	a. Entire state	Concurrent with the wild duck and Canada goose seasons established in pars. (b) and (g)	A total of 5 including 2 white-fronted geese and not more than the established daily limit for Canada geese or its subspecies during the open season on Canada geese	A total of 10 including 4 white-fronted geese and not more than the established possession or season limit on Canada geese or its subspecies during the open season on Canada geese

Note: Migratory bird rules, including seasons, limits, hours and areas where authorized, are established by emergency rule procedure in September of each year. The emergency rules will be published in their entirety in the official state newspaper and published in summary form in the current year migratory bird regulation pamphlet. Copies of the emergency rules may be obtained by contacting: State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Bureau of Wildlife Management, P.O. Box 7921, Madison, Wisconsin 53707.

(u) *Falconry special season.* Any person possessing a valid falconry permit and hunting license shall be restricted to the following migratory game bird seasons:

Kind of animal	Locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Possession limit
1. All species of wild duck except as provided in par. (a), mergansers and coots	Entire state	Beginning on the first season day established in s. NR 10.01 (1) (b) at 12:00 noon and continuing for 107 consecutive days	3	6
2. Gallinules, Sora rail, Virginia rail, common snipe and woodcock	Entire state	Sept. 1-Dec. 16	3	6

(2) GAME BIRDS

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Limit
<i>(a) Ruffed grouse (partridge)</i>		
1. All that part of Wisconsin lying south of a line beginning at the junction of state highway 64 and the west boundary of St. Croix county, then east on highway 64 to its intersection with U.S. highway 45, then southeasterly on highway 45 to its intersection with U.S. highway 10, then east on highway 10 and continuing east to the junction with the east boundary of the state.	Beginning on the Saturday nearest September 15 and continuing through January 31	Daily bag 5; possession 10
2. Remainder of the state	Beginning on the Saturday nearest September 15 and continuing through December 31	Daily bag 5; possession 10
<i>(b) Sharp-tailed grouse</i>		
1. All that part of Wisconsin lying north of a line beginning at the junction of state highway 64 and the west boundary of the state, then east along highway 64 to its junction with state highway 13, then south along highway 13 to its junction with state highway 29, then east along highway 29 ending in the city of Green Bay, except in the areas described in subs. 2. and 3.	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 17 and continuing for 23 consecutive days	Daily bag 3; possession 6
2. Closed areas established in s. NR 11.08	None	None
3. All that part of Price county enclosed by a line beginning at the intersection of state highway 70 and county highway F, then south on county highway F to its junction with Fleming's Rapids Road, then south on Fleming's Rapids Road to its junction with county highway W, then west on county highway W to its junction with Price Lakes Road, then north on Price Lakes Road to its junction with state highway 70, then east on state highway 70 to the point of beginning	None	None
4. Remainder of the state	None	None

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Limit
(c) <i>Pheasants</i>		
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:	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
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)		

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 (zone hunting)		
1. Zones 1 to 6 and 9 to 12 as described in s. NR 10.29 are open zones. Zones 7 and 8 are closed zones.	Beginning on the Wednesday nearest April 21 and continuing Wednesday through Sunday for 4 consecutive time periods shown in subd. 2.	One male or bearded turkey per season by permit.

2. Hunting zones and 1988 permits:

Hunting Zones	Permits for April 20-24	Permits for April 27-May 1	Permits for May 4-8	Permits for May 11-15
1	300	300	300	300
2	400	400	400	400
3	450	450	450	450
4	550	550	550	550
5	100	100	100	100
6	125	125	125	125
7	None	None	None	None
8	None	None	None	None
9	180	180	180	180
10	280	280	280	280
11	200	200	200	200
12	200	200	200	200
In all other parts of the state	None	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

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Limit
(bm) <i>Raccoon (nonresident hunting)</i>		
In all counties of the state	Beginning on the Saturday nearest November 1 and continuing through January 31.	None
(c) <i>Cottontail, jackrabbit and snowshoe hare</i>		
1. Snowshoe hare in all counties of the state	All year	None
2. Cottontail		
a. All that part of Wisconsin lying north of U. S. highway 10 from Prescott to Waupaca and state highway 54 from Waupaca to Algoma	Beginning on the Saturday nearest September 15 and continuing through February 28	Daily bag 3; possession 6
b. In all other parts of the state	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 17 at 12:00 noon and continuing through February 28	Daily bag 3; possession 6
c. In addition, there shall be an open season for hunting cottontails, except with the use of firearms, in Milwaukee county	All year	None
3. Jackrabbit		
In all counties of the state	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 17 at 12:00 noon and continuing through November 15	Daily bag 3; possession 6
(d) <i>Bobcat (wildcat; hunting and trapping)</i>		
1. All that part of Wisconsin north of state highway 64	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 17 and continuing through December 31	One per season by permit
2. Remainder of the state	None	None
(e) <i>Gun deer season. As established by county and deer management unit (s. 10.28).</i>		
	As established by zone.	The season limit is one deer regardless of the zone taken unless a second permit is issued under s. NR 10.115 (3) (b).
1. Zone "A"		
All that part of the state not otherwise listed in season zones "B" through "E".		
a. In the counties or parts of counties and deer management units of Buffalo (unit 59B portion), Brown, Calumet, Chippewa (unit 59B portion), Dane, Dodge, Door (Detroit, Plum, Rock, and Washington Islands only), Dunn (unit 59B portion), Green, Jefferson, Kenosha, Kewaunee, Lafayette, Manitowoc, Outagamie, Ozaukee, Pepin (unit 59B portion), Pierce (unit 59B, 60 and 60A portions), Racine, Rock, St. Croix (unit 59B and 60 portions), Sheboygan, Shawano (south of highway 29), Walworth, Washington, Waukesha, Waupaca, and Winnebago.	Shotgun season beginning on the Saturday preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 9 consecutive days	One buck deer per season or hunter's choice permit limit
b. Deer management unit 79 except Long island	Muzzle-loading firearm season October 1-31.	One deer per season, either sex.

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Limit
c. Deer management unit 82	Firearm season beginning on the Saturday preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 9 consecutive days.	One buck deer with an unforked antler or hunter's choice permit limit.
d. All other parts of Zone "A".	Firearm season beginning on the Saturday preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 9 consecutive days.	One buck per season or hunter's choice permit limit.
2. Zone "B"		
Deer management units 59D, 61, 61B, 61C, 74A and 74B.		
a. The Buffalo, La Crosse and Trempealeau portions of deer management unit 61, the La Crosse county portion of unit 74A and the Jackson, La Crosse and Monroe county portions of unit 59D.	Shotgun season beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 2 consecutive days. Firearm season beginning on the day immediately after the shotgun season described above and continuing for 7 consecutive days.	One deer per season, either sex. One buck deer per season.
b. The Pepin and Pierce county portion of deer management unit 61.	Shotgun season beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 2 consecutive days.	One deer per season, either sex.
	Shotgun season beginning on the day immediately after the shotgun season described above and continuing for 7 consecutive days.	One buck deer per season.
c. Deer management until 61B (Trempealeau national wildlife refuge)	Shotgun season beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 2 consecutive days.	One deer per hunter's choice permit per season.
d. Deer management unit 61C except during closed periods established by s. NR 11.031 (2) (b)	Shotgun season beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 2 consecutive days. Firearm season beginning on the day immediately after the shotgun season described above and continuing for 7 consecutive days.	One buck deer per season or hunter's choice permit limit.

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Limit
e. Deer management unit 74B and the Vernon county portion of deer management units 59D and 74A	Firearm season beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 2 consecutive days.	One deer per season, either sex.
	Firearm season beginning on the day immediately after the firearm season described above and continuing for 7 consecutive days.	One buck deer per season.
3. Zone "C"		
Governor Dodge (unit 70C), Blue Mound (unit 70D), and Perrot (unit 61A) state parks except areas posted closed to hunting.	Muzzle-loading firearm season beginning on the Saturday immediately preceding the Thanksgiving holiday and continuing for 9 consecutive days.	One deer per hunter's choice permit per season.
4. Zone "D"		
Fort McCoy military reservation in Monroe county and Volk field military facility in Juneau county	Firearm, shotgun, muzzle-loader or handgun season as established by military permit approved by the department by August 1 annually.	One deer per season by military permit.
5. Zone "E"		
Menominee county (unit 48)	Firearm, shotgun, muzzle-loader or handgun as established by the Menominee tribe, for tribal members only.	As established by the Menominee tribe.
(em) <i>Deer bow season</i> In all counties	Bow season beginning on the third Saturday in September and continuing through the Sunday immediately prior to the opening of the deer gun season	
	Bow season beginning on the Saturday immediately following the close of the gun deer season through December 31	One deer per season, either sex.
(f) <i>For, all species</i>		
1. North zone — All that part of Wisconsin north of state highway 64	Beginning on the Saturday nearest October 17 and continuing through 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

Kind of animal and locality	Open season (all dates inclusive)	Limit
(g) <i>Bear (gun and bow seasons)</i> , Zones A, B and C as described in s. NR 10.30.	<p>With aid of bait only, subject to s. NR 10.07 (1) (g) beginning on the second Saturday in September and continuing for 21 consecutive days in even-numbered years and the third Saturday in September for 21 consecutive days in odd-numbered years.</p> <p>With aid of dogs only, in accordance with ss. NR 10.10 (1) (b) and 10.101, beginning on the second Saturday in September and continuing for 21 consecutive days in odd-numbered years and the third Saturday in September for 21 consecutive days in even-numbered years.</p> <p>With other methods of hunting without the aid of dogs or bait, beginning on the second Saturday in September and continuing for 28 consecutive days.</p>	<p>One adult bear per permit issued under s. NR 10.102 taken by bow or firearm.</p>

8. Fisher or bobcat intended for mounting. Persons exhibiting fisher under subd. 4. or bobcat under s. NR 10.145 (3) who intend to have the fisher or bobcat mounted by a taxidermist may exhibit the fisher or bobcat to the department for registration in whole carcass condition without separating the pelt and need not surrender the skinned carcass to the department until after the taxidermist has separated 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; emerg. r. and recr. (1) (g) 1.a, cr. (1) (g) 1. am., eff. 10-19-85; r. and recr. (4) (a) 4., am. (2) (f), Register, January, 1986, No. 361, eff. 2-1-86, except (4) (a) 4. eff. 3-1-86; r. and recr. (1) (b), (g), (1) 2. b. and 5., (tm) 3., am. (1) (u) 1., Register, April, 1986, No. 364, eff. 5-1-86; r. and recr. (3) (g), Register, June, 1986, No. 366, eff. 7-1-86; am. (1) (l) 2. and 3. b., (3) (e) (intro.) and (4) (e) 4., r. and recr. (3) (e) 2. and 6., (3) (em) and (4) (e) 1. b., r. (4) (d) 3. to 5., Register, August, 1986, No. 368, eff. 9-1-86; emerg. r. and recr. (1) (a), (b), (g), (1) 2. b. and 5., (tm) 3. and (u) 1., cr. (1) (e) 3. c., eff. 9-12-86; r. and recr. (3) (e) intro. and 1. to 6., am. (3) (e) 9. e. and (4) (e) 2. intro., Register, October, 1986, No. 370, eff. 11-1-86; r. and recr. (1) (a), (b), (g), (1) 2. b. and 5., (tm) 3., (u) 1., cr. (1) (l) 3. c., Register, January, 1987, No. 373, eff. 2-1-87; am. (2) (f) 1. and r. and recr. (2) (f) 2., Register, February, 1987, No. 374, eff. 3-1-87; cr. (4) (e) 8., Register, March, 1987, No. 375, eff. 4-1-87; r. (1) (q) and (r), r. and recr. (3) (g) and (4) (c), Register, July, No. 379, eff. 8-1-87; emerg. r. (1) (a), r. and recr. (1) (b), (c) 2., (g), (1) 2. b. and 5., (tm) 2., 3. and 4., (u) 1., eff. 9-25-87; am. (2) (f) 1. and 2., (3) (e) 9. e., r. and recr. (3) (h) 1. and (4) (e) 2., cr. (3) (h) 3., Register, October, 1987, No. 382, eff. 11-1-87; r. (1) (a), r. and recr. (1) (b), (c) 2., (g), (1) 2. b., and 5., (tm) 2. to 5., and (u) 1., Register, December, 1987, No. 384, eff. 1-1-88; r. and recr. (2) (f) 2., Register, January, 1988, No. 385, eff. 2-1-88; r. and recr. (4) (b), am. (4) (c), Register, June, 1988, No. 390, eff. 7-1-88; renum. (1) (h) to be NR 10.125 (6), r. (1) (i) to (tm), (3) (e) 7. and 9., am. (1) (u) 1., r. and recr. (2) (b) 2., Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88.

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

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

- (1) Cougar, badger, moose, elk, wolverine and flying squirrel.
- (2) Endangered or threatened species listed in ch. NR 27.
- (3) White deer (monocolored).
- (4) Woodchuck except as provided in s. 29.24, Stats.
- (5) Prairie chicken, Canada spruce grouse (spruce hen), mourning doves, swans, cranes, bitterns, plovers, kingfishers, cormorants, herons, sandpipers and grebes.
- (6) Eagles, hawks, falcons, and owls except as provided in ch. NR 18.
- (7) Hen pheasants except as expressly provided in this chapter.
- (8) Any other wild bird not specified in this chapter.

History: 1-2-56; am. (2), Register, August, 1956, No. 8, eff. 9-1-56; am. (1), Register, August, 1957, No. 20, eff. 9-1-57; am. (1) and (2), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; am. (1) emerg. eff. 9-20-58; am. (1), Register, August, 1959, No. 44, eff. 9-1-59; am. (2), cr. (3), Register, September, 1965, No. 117, eff. 10-1-65; am. (2), Register, March, 1966, No. 123, eff. 4-1-66; am. (1), Register, August, 1967, No. 140, eff. 9-1-67; renum. to be NR 10.02; am. (2), Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (1), Register, September, 1972, No. 201, eff. 10-1-72; r. (3), Register, December, 1977, No. 264, eff. 1-1-78; r. and recr. Register, August, 1979, No. 284, eff. 9-1-79; am. (1), Register, September, 1983, No. 333, eff. 10-1-83; am. (1), Register, July, 1985, No. 355, eff. 8-1-85; cr. (intro.) Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 10-1-85.

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NR 10.03 Birds causing depredation. (1) APPLICATION. The following named birds have been determined by the department to be birds committing depredation or about to commit depredation at all times to and upon ornamental or shade trees, agricultural crops, livestock or wildlife, and when concentrated in large numbers that they many constitute a health hazard or other nuisance:

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

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

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

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

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

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

Note: A valid hunting or trapping license must be obtained before taking any unprotected animal by a gun discharged from the shoulder, handgun, pellet gun, bow and arrow, falconry, steel-jawed traps, Conibear traps or live traps. A department approval is required before any unprotected animal may be taken by any means not specified in this paragraph.

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

History: 1-2-56; am. (1) Register, August, 1957, No. 20, eff. 9-1-57; am. (2), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; renum. to be NR 10.04; am. (1) and (2), Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (1), Register, August, 1972, No. 200, eff. 9-1-72; r. and recr. Register, No. 251, eff. 12-1-76; r. and recr. Register, August, 1979, No. 284, eff. 9-1-79; am. (1), Register, October, 1980, No. 298, eff. 11-1-80; cr. (intro.), Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 10-1-85.

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

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

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(2) WATERFOWL AND COOT HUNTING. It shall be unlawful to hunt waterfowl or coot from any public roads or railroads including the respec-

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(6) BAG LIMIT. Each issued deer hunting permit shall authorize the use of the holder's current valid Wisconsin deer hunting license, back tag and carcass tag for the killing of one deer in the deer management unit designated on the permit as follows:

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

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

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

(a) *Purpose.* The department shall issue party permits, antlerless permits or hunter's choice permits in sufficient numbers to assure maintenance

nance of overwintering deer populations for each deer management unit indicated in par. (d).

(b) *Permit formula.* In each deer management unit, the number of permits to be issued to harvest the desired number of deer shall be based on the hunter success rate average from the most recent 3 previous seasons or by an average of fewer seasons where a 3-year average is not available. In establishing a harvest quota for a deer management unit without an adequate history of permits, the average success rates of similar deer management unit shall be applied or the department shall estimate an anticipated success rate. The permit number formula is:

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

(c) *Success rate formula.* Permit success rates used to compute the number of permits to be issued for each deer management unit shall be those calculated by the department from annual deer season harvest statistics except where no previous history of success rates exist. The success rate formula is:

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

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

Management Unit	Deer Goal	Management Unit	Deer Goal
1	15	41	20
2	20	42	20
3	10	43	15
4	15	44	15
5	20	45	20
6	10	46	20
7	10	47	20
8	20	48	20
9	20	49	25
10	30	50	15
11	20	51	20
12	20	52	20
13	15	53	30
14	15	54A	30
15	25	54B	25
16	25	54C	25
17	15	55	25
18	20	56	30
19	20	57	15
20	20	57A	30
21	25	57B	25
22	20	57C	30
22A	20	58	25
23	20	59A	15
24	20	59B	15
25	25	59C	25
26	20	59D	15
27	15	60	20
28	10	60A	20
29A	15	61	20
29B	10	62A	30
30	15	62B	30
31	20	63A	30
32	20	63B	25
33	20	64	20
34	10	65A	30
35	15	65B	30
36	25	66	30
37	25	67	30
38	15	67A	35
39	15	67B	35
40	15	68	30

Management Unit	Deer Goal	Management Unit	Deer Goal
69	20	74B	15
70	25	75	15
70A	25	75A	15
70B	30	76	20
70E	30	76A	20
71	20	77A	20
72	20	77B	10
73	20	77C	15
73B	15	78	25
73C	20	80	15
74A	15	81	15

History: Cr. Register, October, 1957, No. 22, eff. 11-1-57; r. (1), (2) and (3) and recr. (1) and (2), Register, August, 1958, No. 32, eff. 9-1-58; am. (2), Register, August, 1959, No. 44, eff. 9-1-59; r. Register, August, 1962, No. 80, eff. 9-1-62; recr. Register, August, 1963, No. 92, eff. 9-1-63; am. (1), (2), (5) and (6), Register, August, 1964, No. 104, eff. 9-1-64; emergency rule cr. (7), eff. 10-17-64; am. (1), (5) and (6); cr. (7), Register, August, 1965, No. 116, eff. 9-1-65; am. (5) and (6), Register, August, 1966, No. 128, eff. 9-1-66; emerg. am. (5), eff. 9-1-67; am. (5) and (6) Register, August, 1968, No. 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; r. and recr. (1), (2) and (4), Register, August, 1979, No. 284, eff. 9-1-79; r. (1), Register, August, 1980, No. 296, eff. 9-1-80; emerg. r. and recr. eff. 9-30-83; r. and recr., Register, October, 1983, No. 334, eff. 11-1-83; r. and recr. (2) to (6), Register, October, 1984, No. 346, eff. 11-1-84; am. (1), (3) (a) and (5), r. and recr. (3) (b) and (6), r. (3) (c), Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 10-1-85; renum from NR 10.115, Register, June, 1986, No. 366, eff. 7-1-86; r. and recr. (2) (c), Register, August, 1986, No. 368, eff. 9-1-86; cr. (7), Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88.

NR 10.105 Transportation of deer and bear. No person may transport any deer or bear in or on any motor-driven vehicle from the time such deer or bear is killed to the time it is lawfully registered pursuant to s. NR 10.106 unless the deer or bear is carried openly exposed and in such a manner so that the deer or bear tag attached to the deer or bear 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; correction made under s. 13.93(2m)(b)7, Stats., renum. to be NR 10.103, Register, September, 1984, No. 345, eff. 10-1-84; renum. from NR 10.103 and am. Register, June, 1986, No. 366, eff. 7-1-86.

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

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

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

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

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

(d) *Archer license deer.* Archer license deer shall be registered within the county in which the deer was killed or adjoining county no later than 5:00 p.m. of the day after it was killed.

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

(3) **REGISTRATION TAGGING.** (a) *Bear.* Upon verification of license information, the station operator shall lock a registration tag to the bear or bear part.

(b) *Deer.* For deer, the operator shall:

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

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

History: Cr. Register, June, 1986, No. 366, eff. 7-1-86.

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

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

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

(b) It is likely that a failure to reduce the deer population to the over-winter population goals in the unit will result in increased deer damage to commercial seedings or crops on agricultural lands, nurseries or orchards or a waste of the resource.

(3) NOTICE. Modification by the secretary under sub. (1) shall become effective upon issuance of an order and publication in the official state newspaper. In addition, a copy of the order shall be provided to newspapers in the area affected and to all legislators.

History: Cr. Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 10-1-85; am. (1) and (2) (a), Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88.

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 those propelled by paddle, oar or pole. When motors or sails are attached to the boat, the motor shall be completely shut off and the sail furled, and the boat's progress stopped before a firearm may be loaded.

(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 tame or captive ducks or geese for decoy purposes regardless of the distance intervening between any such live decoys and the position of the hunter. All live tame or captive ducks and geese shall be removed for a period of 10 consecutive days prior to hunting, and confined within an enclosure which substantially reduces the audibility of their calls and totally conceals these live birds from the sight of migratory waterfowl.

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

a. Place in the water prior to one hour before opening hunting time.

b. Leave in the water unattended.

c. Leave in the water more than 20 minutes after the close of hunting time.

(h) *Baiting.* 1. By the use or aid of salt or shelled or shucked or unshucked corn, wheat or other grains or other feed or means of feeding similarly used to lure, attract or entice such birds to, on, or over the area where hunters are attempting to take them. A baited area is considered to be baited for 10 days after the removal of the bait.

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 may hunt waterfowl in open water from any blind which may include any boat, canoe, raft, contrivance or similar device except:

(a) *Mississippi river.* Blinds in any of the waters of the Mississippi river and adjoining counties provided the blinds are securely anchored and located not more than 100 feet from any shoreline including islands. Blinds in open water in Grant county and the Lake Pepin portions of the Mississippi river are permitted regardless of the distance from shore provided the blinds are securely anchored.

(b) *Great Lakes area.* Blinds in open waters of Lake Superior, Lake Michigan and Green Bay beyond 500 feet of any lake or bay shoreline. Blinds do not have to be anchored in these areas.

(c) *Lake Winnebago and Petenwell flowage.* Blinds in open waters of Lake Winnebago and Petenwell flowage (north of state highway 21 and south of state highway 73) if more than 1,000 feet from any shoreline including islands provided blinds are securely anchored.

(d) *Blind removal.* All open water blinds shall be removed at the close of hunting hours each day.

(4) **SPECIAL BLIND RESTRICTIONS.** The department may restrict hunters to certain blind locations within the Collins, Pine Island and Theresa state wildlife areas by posted notice. If posted, maps shall be provided by the department indicating where blind sites are located. The following blind restrictions apply to goose hunting in the Collins, Horicon and Theresa zones:

(a) *Zone restrictions.* On any land within the Horicon intensive management zone established in s. NR 10.31 (5) and on private land, unless leased by the department for public hunting, within the Collins and Theresa zones established in s. NR 10.31 (3) and (10), no person may hunt geese except from a blind.

(b) *Hunter limits.* No more than 2 hunters may occupy any blind at one time nor may 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 property boundary on which the blind is located.

(c) *Game retrieval.* Downed game birds may be retrieved outside blinds with the aid of guns and dogs or by hand.

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

(a) *Guns and devices.* 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) *Shotgun capabilities.* 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) *Legal means.* By any means other than a shotgun fired from the shoulder or a bow and arrow, or by falconry.

(d) *Non-toxic shot requirements.* While hunting waterfowl and coot within any area of the state, no person may:

1. Take, catch, kill or pursue waterfowl and coot with any shotshell loaded with any material other than nontoxic shot.

2. Possess any shotshell loaded with any material other than nontoxic shot.

Note: Muzzle-loading firearms are not restricted by this rule because shotshells are not part of their mechanism.

(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 custody 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; emerg. am. (1) (f), eff. 9-1-67; am. (2) (b) and (c), Register, August, 1968, No. 152, eff. 9-1-68; emerg. am. (1) (f), eff. 9-30-68; emerg. am. (2) (c), eff. 10-11-68, emerg. am. (1) (f) and (2) (c), eff. 8-30-69; am. (1) (f) and (2) (c), Register, November, 1969, No. 167, eff. 12-1-69; renum. to be NR 10.12, Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (2) (d) and (e), and r. (f), Register September 1970, No. 177, eff. 10-1-70; am. (2) (b), Register, September, 1971, No. 189, eff. 10-1-71; emerg. am. (1) (f) eff. 10-10-72; emerg. am. (2) (a), eff. 9-24-75; am. (2) (a), Register, June, 1976, No. 246, eff. 7-1-76; am. (2), Register, January, 1977, No. 253, eff. 2-1-77; am. (5), Register, December, 1977, No. 264, eff. 1-1-78; r. (2)(a), r. and recr. (2)(c), and cr. (5)(b), Register, February, 1978, No. 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; 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, 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; renum. (2)(d)2.d. to be 2.e. and cr. (2)(d)2.d., Register, January, 1986, No. 361, eff. 3-1-86; emerg. r. and recr. (5) (a) 2. d., eff. 9-12-86; r. and recr. (5) (d), Register, January, 1987, No. 373, eff. 2-1-87; r. and recr. (3), Register, December, 1987, No. 384, eff. 1-1-88; r. and recr. (4), Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88.

NR 10.125 Canada goose hunting. (1) PERMIT REQUIREMENTS. (a) *Permit possession*. No person may hunt Canada geese in any area of the state without having on their person a current, valid Canada goose hunting permit.

(b) *Permit validity*. Permits and any associated carcass tags are valid only in the zones and for the time periods specified on the permit during the open season established for Canada geese.

(c) *Permit quota*. The number of Canada goose permits issued by the department annually shall be based upon the assigned federal quota and distributed within established zones based upon the general distribution of geese within the state and the previous year's hunter success rates.

(d) *Permit application procedures*. 1. Application forms supplied by the department shall be completed and submitted by the applicant together with the appropriate hunting license stub, senior citizen recreation card number, hunter education certificate number or bow license number. Applications shall be postmarked no later than the second Friday in September or hand delivered to the department license section no later than 4:30 p.m. on that Friday each year.

Note: The license section address is 101 South Webster, Box 7924, Madison, WI 53707.

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2. No person may submit more than one application per year or an application containing false information.

3. If 2 or more persons wish to hunt together in the Collins, Horicon or Pine Island zones, each must fill out an application form and submit them together in one envelope clearly marked "group application" on the outside. A group application shall be considered one application.

4. Applicants may indicate preference for any zone and period.

5. Persons not applying by the permit application deadline for Collins, Horicon or Pine Island zones may apply for a Theresa or Exterior zone permit provided the Canada goose season is open in the zone of application.

a. Theresa zone permit applicants shall obtain their permits in person at the on-site department stations from 5:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. during the open season for Canada goose hunting.

b. Exterior zone applicants may complete and submit the department supplied application form by mail or in person to the address identified on the form or hand delivered to the department license section no later than 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday during the open season.

Note: The license section address is 101 South Webster, Box 7924, Madison, WI 53707.

(d) *Permit issuance procedures.* The department shall issue Canada goose hunting permits in the following manner:

1. Permit quantities shall be limited for the Collins, Horicon and Pine Island zones only. All other eligible zone applicants shall receive a permit provided the zone's harvest quota has not been reached.

2. When Collins, Horicon or Pine Island zone applications exceed the number of permits available, successful applicants shall be randomly selected and priority given to persons who applied for a permit, but were unsuccessful the previous year.

3. If the number of Collins, Horicon or Pine Island zone permit applications are less than the number of permits available for any time period, the department may issue the remaining permits to successful applicants by random selection and increase the applicant's season bag limit accordingly.

4. Horicon zone permit holders possessing a current, valid permit with an unused carcass tag may also hunt in the Theresa zone provided:

a. The Theresa zone harvest quota has been reached; and

b. The federally assigned season framework has not been terminated; and

c. Approval is obtained based on subpars. a. and b. from the person in charge of the department goose registration station located adjacent to the village of Theresa Station.

5. Exterior zone permits may be issued to applicants appearing in person at select department offices Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

(e) *Permit validation procedures.* Except in the Theresa zone, when a Canada goose is taken and before it is transported in any manner, the hunter shall validate the permit by slitting or punching the mark indicating the month and day the goose was killed and following the carcass tag marking procedures established in sub. (2) (b). Failure to follow the validation procedure invalidates the permit and renders any goose in possession illegal.

(2) **CARCASS TAG REQUIREMENTS.** The following carcass tag requirements apply to Canada goose hunting in the Collins, Horicon, Pine Island and Theresa zones:

(a) *Tag possession.* No person may hunt Canada geese without being in possession of a valid carcass tag issued by the department.

(b) *Tagging requirements.* When a Canada goose is taken and before it is carried by hand or transported in any manner, the hunter shall:

1. Validate the permit by tearing or cutting out notches on the tag designating the month, day and time of kill. Failure to follow the validation procedure in this manner invalidates the permit and renders any goose in possession illegal.

2. Completely attach and seal the paper tag, utilizing its own adhesive, to the neck of the goose.

3. No person may possess or transport a Canada goose unless it is tagged with a validated tag.

(c) *Transportation restrictions.* The hunter shall:

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

2. Keep the tag attached to the goose until it reaches the personal abode of the person taking it.

(3) **REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS.** Canada geese killed in the Theresa zone shall be registered at on-site department stations no later than 8:00 p.m. on the opening day of the zone's duck season and no later than 3:00 p.m. on the day it was killed during the remainder of the season.

(4) **ADDITIONAL TAGS.** Theresa zone hunters may obtain one additional carcass tag for each consecutive time period provided:

1. The zone harvest quota has not been reached; and

2. The additional carcass tag is used in a valid time period established in s. NR 10.01 (1) (g).

(5) *Reports.* (a) *Report card issuance.* Canada goose harvest reports shall be issued to each successful applicant for the Collins, Horicon, Pine Island and Exterior zones.

1. Collins, Horicon and Pine Island zone permit holders shall be issued one report card for each Canada goose permitted by bag limit during the open season.

2. Exterior zone permit holders shall be issued 5 report cards. Additional report cards may be issued at select department offices to appli-

cants appearing in person. Applicants may receive up to 15 additional report cards for each valid Canada goose hunting permit presented to the department.

(b) *Harvest reports.* Except for Theresa zone permittees, each successful Canada goose hunting permit holder shall complete and submit a harvest report on forms supplied by the department. The report shall be submitted to the department within 48 hours of harvesting a goose.

(c) *Hunting reports.* The department may require any permit holder to provide the department a goose hunting report. The selected hunter shall be required to complete the report and mail it within 48 hours of receipt.

Note: The hunting report forms will be mailed to certain hunters only.

(6) *Canada goose limits.* 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.

History: Cr. (1) to (5), (6) renum. from NR 10.01 (1) (h), Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88.

NR 10.13 Furbearing animals. (1) PROHIBITED METHODS. No person may:

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

1. The owner or occupant of any land and members of their families may shoot or trap beaver on their respective lands without license as established in s. 29.24, Stats.

2. Agents possessing written authorization from the landowner, land lessee or responsible governmental body may use firearms to shoot beaver in damage control areas established in s. NR 19.85.

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

2. Bait or scent. Set out or place any bait or scent for attracting furbearing animals during the closed season. 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. In addition, persons removing beaver under s. NR 19.85 may use watersets.

5. Trap placement. Set any trap or traps at any time within 15 feet of any beaver house or beaver dam, except when participating under a beaver damage control subsidy agreement as established in s. NR 19.85 or Register, July, 1988, No. 391

when trapping under the landowner authority established by 29.24, Stats.

Note: The rule exception allows trapping on beaver houses and dams.

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, no person may set, place or operate any waterset smaller than 5½" jaw spread for steel jaw traps and 6¾" x 6¾" for killer traps of the conibear type.

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. However, beaver dams may be altered by persons participating under a beaver damage control subsidy agreement as established in s. NR 19.85 or when participating under the landowner authority established by s. 29.24, Stats.

(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; am. (1) (a) and r. and recr. (1) (b) 5., Register, August, 1986, No. 368, eff. 9-1-86; r. and recr. (1) (a), am. (1) (b) 4., 5., 11. and (2) (c), Register, June, 1988, No. 390, eff. 7-1-88.

NR 10.145 Recording of bobcat. (1) **TAGS AND PERMITS.** (a) *Permit and tag requirement.* 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) *Application deadline.* Applications for bobcat permits and tags shall be postmarked no later than the Friday nearest October 1 or received by the department license section, 101 South Webster, Box 7924, Madison, WI 53707, no later than 4:30 p.m. on that Friday each year.

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

(d) *Permit identification.* 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) *Tag limit.* No person may apply for more than one bobcat tag per season.

(2) **TAGGING PROCEDURE.** (a) *Tag placement.* 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) *Prohibition.* 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) *Tag retention.* 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) *Possession.* It shall be unlawful for any person to possess raw bobcat pelts beginning 6 days Register, July, 1988, No. 391

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) *Transfers*. 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; r. and recr. (1) (b), Register, August, 1986, No. 368, eff. 9-1-86.

NR 10.15 Horicon national wildlife refuge. (1) PROHIBITED METHODS. (a) Firearm and bow possession. 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) *Unprotected animal control*. 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) Game birds and rabbits.** 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) *Season closure*. 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) Furbearers.** With the written approval of the department, an open season may be declared for trapping fur bearing animals.

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

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

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

(6) WATERFOWL SEASON. No person may place a hunting blind within 75 yards of the Horicon national wildlife refuge boundary during the open season for hunting waterfowl.

History: 1-2-56; am. (2) (a) and r. (2) (b) to (c), 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; cr. (6), Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88.

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

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

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

1. Daily bag—one, either sex for the first 14 days; 2, either sex, thereafter.

2. Possession—one the first day and double the daily bag limit thereafter.

(b) *Waterfowl and deer hours.* The daily opening of hunting hours for waterfowl and deer are established in s. NR 10.06.

(c) *Pheasant season exception.* The daily opening of hunting hours shall be in accordance with ss. NR 10.01 and 10.06 except during the pheasant season. During the pheasant season the daily opening of hunting hours shall be as follows:

1. Waterfowl and deer hunting shall be in accordance with ss. NR 10.01 and 10.06.

2. Pheasant hunting and all other species except waterfowl and deer hunting:

a. The Saturday nearest October 17—in accordance with ss. NR 10.01 and 10.06.

b. The Sunday nearest October 17 and running for 13 consecutive days—9:00 a.m.

c. Beginning with the 15th day of the pheasant season and thereafter in accordance with ss. NR 10.01 and 10.06.

(d) *Special closure.* The daily closing of hunting hours for all species is established in s. NR 10.06 except during pheasant season when all hunting shall end at 2:00 p.m. after the Saturday nearest October 17.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

History: Cr. Register, August, 1981, No. 308, eff. 9-1-81; r. and rec. (3) (c), (4) (g) and (6) (a) and (b), am. (3) (g), (4) (a), (d), (e) and (f), renum. (6) (c) to (6) (e), cr. (6) (c) and (d), Register, August, 1984, No. 344, eff. 9-1-84; am. (3) (c) 2. and (6) (c) 2.b., r. (6) (c) 3., Register, June, 1987, No. 378, eff. 7-1-87.

NR 10.25 Wild turkey hunting. (1) **TAGS AND PERMITS.** (a) *Permit requirement.* Except for turkey hunting outside of established zones during the open season for hunting wild turkeys, no person may hunt wild turkey unless they have first applied for and received a valid wild turkey hunting permit and tag from the department.

(b) *Permit preference.* Qualified Wisconsin resident landowners or persons assigned eligibility under s. 29.103 (3) (b), Stats., may request first preference when applying for a wild turkey permit provided the zone applied for:

1. Is open to wild turkey hunting.
2. Contains at least 50 acres in one parcel owned by the Wisconsin resident applicant.

(c) *Permit application procedures.* Any person possessing a valid hunting license authorizing the hunting of game birds may apply for a turkey hunting permit as follows:

1. Application shall be made on forms provided by the department.
2. All applications shall be postmarked no later than the Friday nearest November 1 or received by the department license section, 101 South Webster, Box 7924, Madison, WI 53707, no later than 4:30 p.m. on that Friday to be considered for the succeeding turkey hunting season.
3. If a maximum of 2 persons wish to hunt together, each must complete an application form for individual permits and submit them together in a single envelope clearly marked "group application". Such group application shall be treated as one application for purposes of random selection or consideration for a permit. Preference may be requested by group applicants provided both individuals are eligible under par. (b).

(d) *Random selection.* If the number of applications for permits exceed the available number of permits as determined under this section, successful applicants shall be determined by random selection.

(e) *Permit and tag restrictions.* 1. Permit and carcass tags issued under this section are only valid for the zone and time period indicated on the permit.

2. Permits or carcass tags issued under this section may not be transferred to or used by any person other than the permittee.

(2) **TAGGING PROCEDURE.** (a) *Carcass tag use.* In wild turkey hunting zones, when a wild turkey is killed and before it is carried by hand or transported in any manner, the hunter shall:

1. Validate the permit by tearing or cutting out notches on the carcass tag designating the day of kill. Failure to follow the validation procedure in this manner invalidates the permit.

2. Completely attach and seal the carcass tag, utilizing its own adhesive, around the leg of the turkey.

(b) *Transportation and possession.* No person may possess or transport a wild turkey taken in any wild turkey hunting zone established is s. NR 10.29 unless the person has lawfully killed and tagged it.

(3) **REGISTRATION.** A person who possesses a wild turkey killed in a wild turkey hunting zone shall exhibit and register the bird at a department registration station no later than 1:30 p.m. on the day killed. The department shall affix a registration tag to lawfully taken wild turkeys and the tag shall be kept until the turkey meat is consumed.

(4) **RESTRICTIONS.** No person may hunt wild turkeys:

(a) By any means other than a shotgun or muzzle-loading shotgun fired from the shoulder or a bow and arrow.

(b) With the aid of recorded bird calls or sounds or electrically amplified imitations of bird calls or sounds.

(c) With the aid of dogs.

(d) With live decoys for the purposes of enticing wild turkeys.

History: Cr. Register, March, 1966, No. 123, eff. 4-1-66; r. and recr. Register, March, 1967, No. 135, eff. 4-1-67; am. (3), (5) and (7)(a), Register, March, 1968, No. 147, eff. 4-1-68; renum. to be NR 10.25, Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; r. and recr., Register, November, 1982, No. 323, eff. 12-1-82; am. (1) (c) 2. and (3), Register, March, 1985, No. 351, eff. 4-1-85; r. and recr. (1) (c), Register, August, 1986, No. 368, eff. 9-1-86; am. (1) (a), (2) (a) (intro.), (b) and (3), Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88.

NR 10.27 State park deer hunting. No person may hunt deer on state parks and recreation land except as provided in this section. Portions of the properties listed may be posted closed to deer hunting.

(1) **MUZZLE-LOADER SEASON;** Deer hunting by muzzle-loader is allowed in Blue Mound, Governor Dodge and Perrot state parks during the seasons specified in s. NR 10.01 (3) (e) 3.

(2) **FIREARM SEASON.** Deer hunting by firearm is allowed in Natural Bridge and Wyalusing state parks during the season specified in s. NR 10.01 (3) (e) 1. d.

(3) **EARLY BOW SEASON.** Deer hunting by bow and arrow through November is allowed in Buckhorn state park as specified in s. NR 10.01 (3) (em).

(4) **FIREARM AND BOW SEASONS.** Deer hunting by firearm and bow and arrow is allowed in the Plum Island part of Grand Traverse Islands state park during the seasons specified in s. NR 10.01 (3) (e) 1. d. and (em).

(5) **FIREARM AND LATE BOW SEASONS.** Deer hunting by firearm and bow and arrow is established by s. NR 10.01 (3) (e) 1. d and the December portion of NR 10.01 (3) (em) for the following:

- (a) Big Bay state park
- (b) Devil's Lake state park
- (c) Elroy-Sparta state trail
- (d) Hartman Creek state park
- (e) Interstate state park

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- (f) Kinnickinnic state park
- (g) Mirror Lake state park
- (h) Newport state park
- (i) Rock Island state park
- (j) Tuscobia-Park Falls state trail
- (k) Wildcat Mountain state park
- (l) Willow River state park

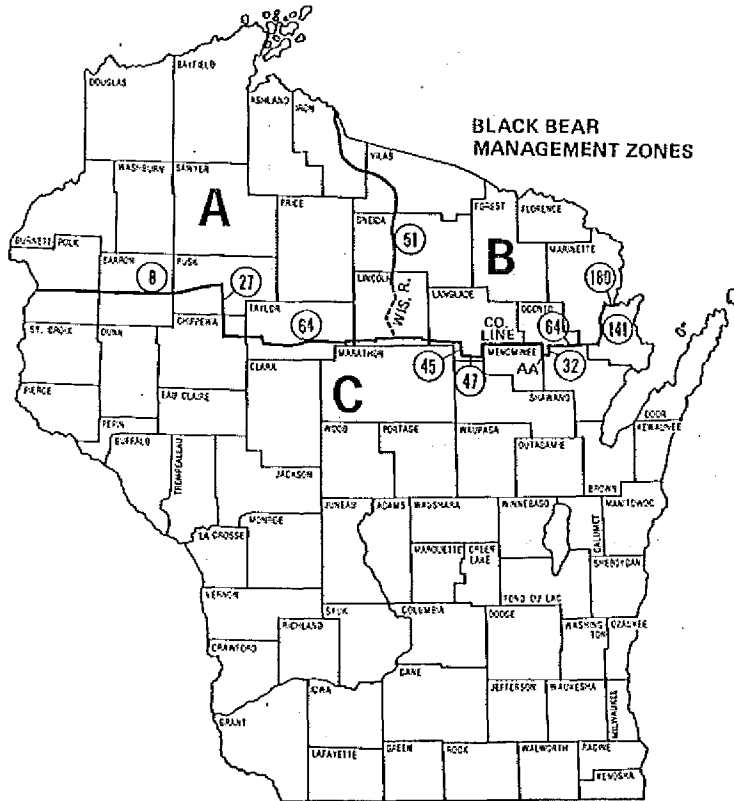
History: Emerg. cr. eff. 10-11-68; cr. Register, August, 1969, No. 164, eff. 9-1-69; renum. to be NR 10.27; am. intro. par., Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (1) Register, August, 1972, No. 200, eff. 9-1-72; am. Register, November, 1972, No. 203, eff. 12-1-72; am. (2), Register, March, 1975, No. 231, eff. 4-1-75; emerg. renum (3) to be (4) and cr. (3) eff. 9-24-75; renum. (3) to be (4), cr. (4), Register, September, 1975, No. 237, eff. 10-1-75; am. (1) and (2), Register, November, 1976, No. 251, eff. 12-1-76; am. (2), Register, May, 1977, No. 257, eff. 6-1-77; am. (3), Register, August, 1978, No. 272, eff. 9-1-78; am. (1), Register, March, 1979, No. 279, eff. 4-1-79; am. (1) and (2), Register, August, 1981, No. 308, eff. 9-1-81; r. and recr. Register, July, 1985, No. 355, eff. 8-1-85; renum. (2) to (4) to be (3) to (5), cr. (2), Register, October, 1985, No. 358, eff. 11-1-85; r. and recr. Register, July, 1987, No. 379, eff. 8-1-87.

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

History: Cr. Register, August, 1964, No. 104, eff. 9-1-64; am. map. Register, August, 1968, No. 152, eff. 9-1-68; r. and recr. Register, August, 1969, No. 164, eff. 9-1-69; renum. to be NR 10.24; am. (1), Register, June, 1970, No. 174, eff. 7-1-70; am. (1), and map Register, August, 1971, No. 188, eff. 9-1-71; am. (1), Register, September, 1972, No. 201, eff. 10-1-72; am. (1), Register, September, 1973, No. 213, eff. 10-1-73; am. (1), Register, May, 1976, No. 245, eff. 8-15-76; am. (1), Register, November, 1976, No. 251, eff. 12-1-76; am. Register, October, 1977, No. 262, eff. 11-1-77; renum. from NR 10.24 and am., Register, September, 1979, No. 285, eff. 10-1-79; r. and recr., Register, October, 1981, No. 310, eff. 11-1-81; emerg. am. eff. 9-9-82; r. and recr. Register, October, 1983, No. 334, eff. 11-1-83; r. and recr. Register, October, 1984, No. 346, eff. 11-1-84; r. and recr. Register, July, 1985, No. 355, eff. 8-1-85; r. and recr. October, 1985, No. 358, eff. 11-1-85; r. and recr. October, 1986, No. 370, eff. 11-1-86.

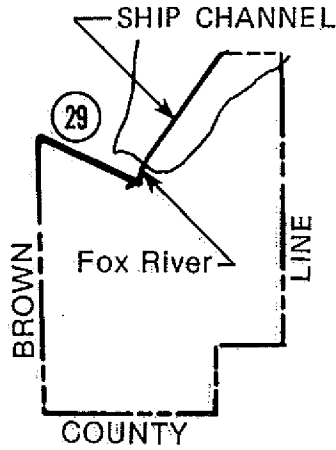
NR 10.30 Black bear hunting zones. Black bear hunting zones are established as designated on the following map:

History: Cr. Register, July, 1987, No. 379, eff. 8-1-87.

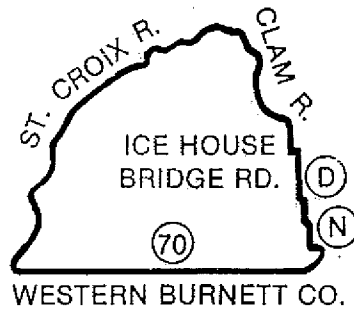


NR 10.31 Canada goose management zones. Canada goose management zones are established by the following maps:

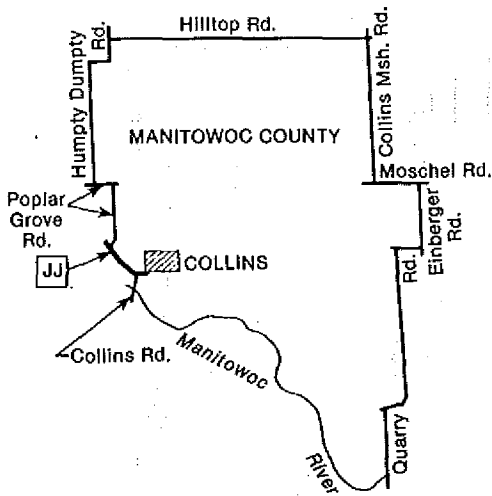
- (1) BROWN COUNTY ZONE.



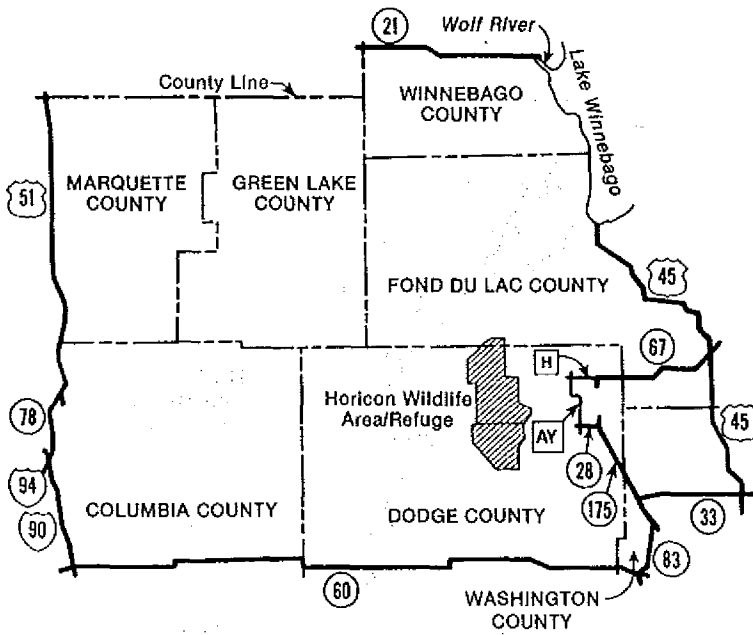
- (2) BURNETT COUNTY ZONE.



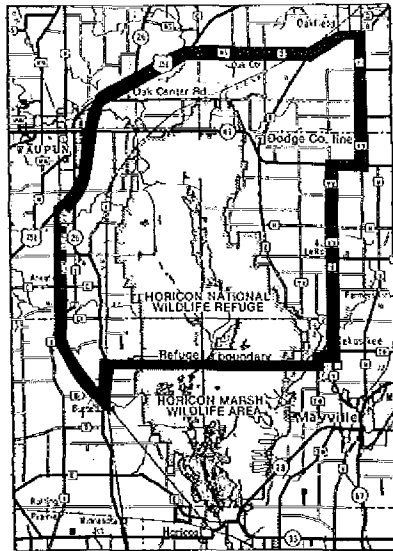
(3) COLLINS ZONE.



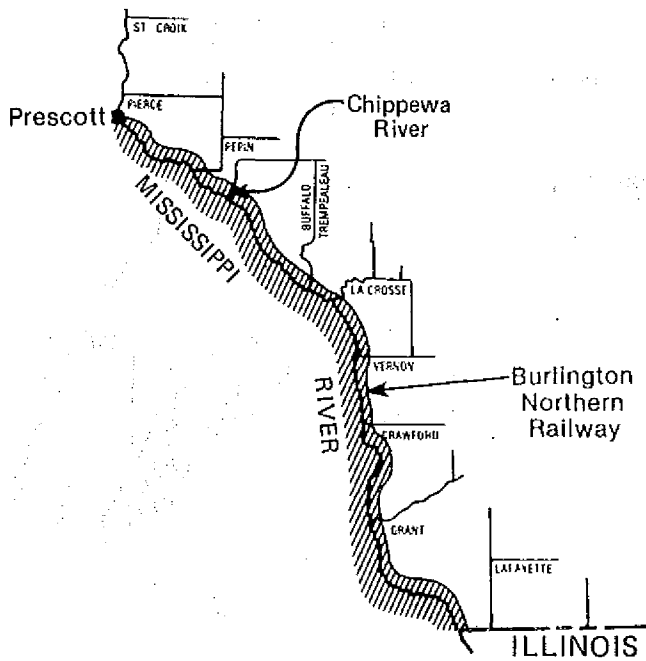
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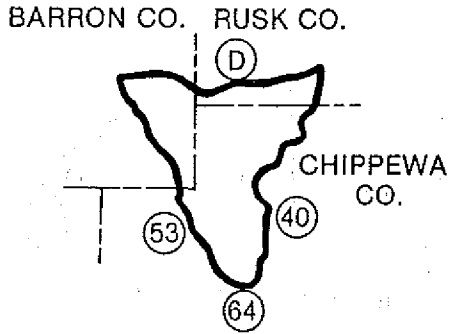
(5) HORICON INTENSIVE MANAGEMENT ZONE.



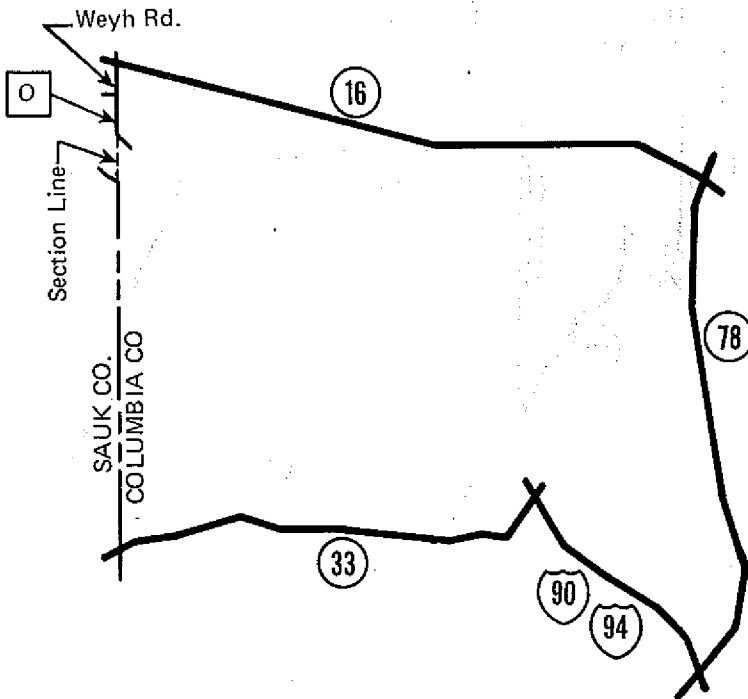
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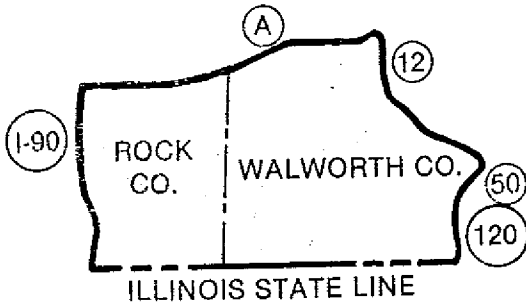
(7) NEW AUBURN ZONE.



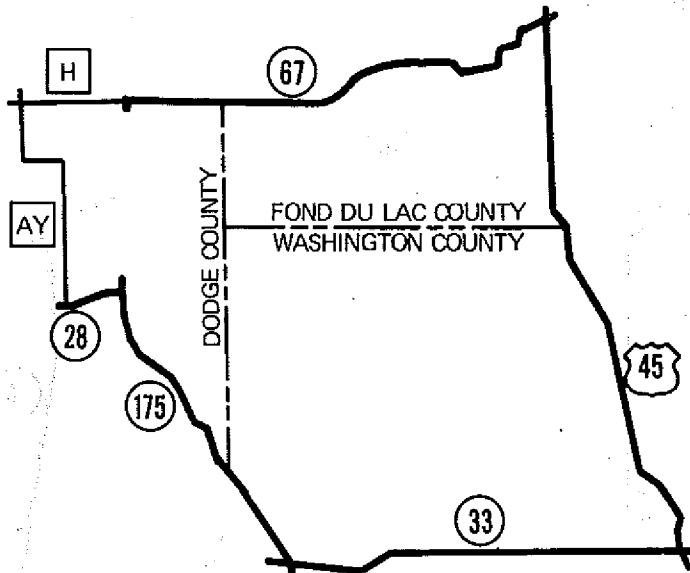
(8) PINE ISLAND ZONE.



(9) ROCK PRAIRIE ZONE.



(10) THERESA ZONE.



History: Cr. Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88.