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## The Director's Message

By Bob McDowell

In last year's message I remarked on the success of New Jersey's deer management program and the fantastic hunting opportunities available here. This past year hunters continued to harvest record numbers of deer, effectively managing our deer population and improving the quality of the deer herd. Restricting the harvest of bucks through season limits, antler point restrictions and "Earn-A-Buck" regulations have dramatically increased the harvest of does, a necessity to control the population. And although it is still too early to evaluate the effects of Quality Deer Management (QDM) and "Earn-A-Buck" on the age structure of our buck population, reports from the field are encouraging. This season we move further towards QDM as the buck tag concept takes full effect. The Fish and Game Council has decided to limit hunters to six bucks per year. This will help distribute the buck harvest more equitably among all hunters while allowing some bucks to get older and develop larger racks. Although the definition of "trophy" is in the eye of the beholder, most agree that allowing more bucks to reach their full potential will improve the quality of the deer hunting experience in New Jersey.

Even more important than our own evaluation of our management is the fact that the farming community, local officials, environmental organizations and the courts of New Jersey have acknowledged the benefit of our system of managing deer. Last year, the Fish and Game Council adopted deer season regulations designed to reduce the deer population in 74% of the deer range. With the success of this strategy the reduction effort is now reduced to only 70% of the range. Populations on the remaining 30% are in the desired range and will be managed for stabilization at this level.

Many hunters have reported seeing less deer afield in the last few years. This is by design. While our department is aggressively purchasing open space and steering development toward smart growth, it is a fact that New Jersey continues to suburbanize. Therefore, everyone must learn to live with fewer deer. Our dwindling habitat can not support the populations that existed a decade ago.

For years the Division, the Fish and Game Council and wildlife professionals around the country have been promoting sport hunting and trapping as a conservation tool. The concept that recreational sportsmen can manage wildlife populations more efficiently and more economically than any other non-lethal or lethal alternative is the foundation of North American wildlife management and is referred to as the North American Wildlife Management Plan. It is important to note that the farming community has long been our partner in this effort. In New Jersey, this is evidenced not only by farmer representation on the Fish and Game Council, but also by the close cooperation and support we receive on most wildlife issues by the New Jersey Department of Agriculture and the New Jersey Farm Bureau. So while we pat ourselves on the back for a great job, remember to thank our farmer friends, many of whom are fellow hunters.

Reports from the farm community indicate fewer deer related problems as populations in agricultural areas are reduced. It's equally encouraging that many private environmental groups have recognized that species such as deer, Canada geese and beaver are species which when left uncontrolled, can negatively affect the plant and wildlife composition where they live. Control of these species through sport hunting, to the benefit of many species of plants and wildlife, is receiving increasing support.

Because hunting is such an effective management tool, many sportsmen and sportswomen cannot understand the need for paid culling agents as part of the Community Based Deer Management Program. This topic is discussed more thoroughly in the article "Community-based Deer Management in New Jersey" on page 60. However three points are worth mentioning here. First, the decision to grant Community Based Deer Management permits rests with the Division and the Council, therefore, wildlife professionals and hunters are at the helm. Secondly, the high costs of controlling deer by non-traditional means are encouraging local officials to take another look at sport hunting. Several townships closed to hunting for many years have recently opened their lands. Thirdly, and perhaps most importantly, recent legal challenges to the Community Based Deer Management Program have had historic consequences. Animal rights groups challenged the make up of the Council, the Division's and Council's authority to determine deer

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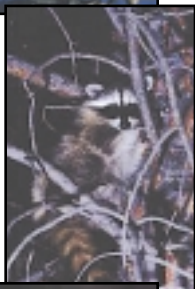
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New Jersey Sporting licenses are valid for the calendar year.**

All persons hunting or trapping must be properly licensed. It is unlawful for any person age 10 or older to hunt without a hunting license. It is unlawful for any person age 12 or older to trap without a trapping license. See below for youth license information. All hunters and trappers must openly display their license or permit on their outer clothing and must show their license to any police officer or any person requesting to see it.

Licenses and stamps may be purchased from participating county or municipal clerks, license agents and selected Division of Fish and Wildlife offices.

**Lost Licenses** Lost licenses can be replaced at all Division regional offices, the Trenton office and the Pequest Natural Resource Education Center. To replace a lost license, either mail or hand deliver the carbon copy issued with the license along with a \$2.00 check to any Division law enforcement office, the Trenton office, or Pequest. Duplicate stamps will not be issued, but may be purchased separately.

**License Revocation** Anyone convicted of a second fish and game violation within a period of 5 years will have their New Jersey hunting and fishing privileges revoked for 2 years. Certain violations carry greater periods of revocation, ranging from 3 years to lifetime revocation. Two convictions of the following will result in lifetime revocation: safety zone violation; causing damage to real or personal property; and negligent use of a firearm or bow.

**Resident Licenses** Resident licenses may be purchased if one has resided in the state for 6 months immediately prior to application.

**Non-Resident Licenses** Non-residents must show either a resident license from their state or proof of successfully completing an appropriate hunter education course, in order to obtain a license to hunt or trap in New Jersey.

**Youth Licenses, Resident & Non-Resident** Properly licensed youth hunters aged 10–13 may

hunt only when accompanied by a properly licensed adult aged 21 or older. Youths, 15 years of age and under, are able to hunt, fish, and trap for free, provided they have passed a Hunter Education course. Youth hunters who have passed a hunter education course should have received their new Youth Firearm or Youth Bow and Arrow license. The Youth Firearm, Bow and Arrow or Trapping License is valid from time of issuance until end of the year that he or she turns 16. Resident and nonresident youths who have not received their license can obtain licenses by calling the Division's Pequest, Trenton, Northern, Central or Southern region offices.

**Licenses for Non-Resident Servicemen** Any person on active duty in the armed services may buy a resident hunting license upon presenting a previous resident license (from this or any other state) of the appropriate type or proof of successfully completing the appropriate hunter education course to the agent.

**Licenses for National Guard Members** Eligible National Guard personnel are entitled to free licenses, permits, and stamps. Further information can be obtained by writing to: NJ Department of Military/Veteran Affairs, 101 Eggert Crossing Rd., Lawrenceville, NJ 08648, Attn: 1st Sgt. Turrien, or call 609-530-6866.

**Special One-Day License** A one-day license may be issued for hunting on a licensed commercial shooting preserve. This license may be obtained at the shooting preserve and is valid only on the day issued for the species covered by the preserve's license. Hunter Education requirements still apply.

**Farmer License Exemption** A farmer and the immediate members of the family who also reside on the farm may hunt, trap and fish on the farm without being licensed or possessing a valid rifle permit (a farm is defined as an area of at least 5 acres and having gross income of at least \$500, and tax assessed as farmland).

This exemption does not apply to a tenant or employee who is not an immediate family member. Also: See *Farmer Deer Permits* section.

## The Director's Message

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population goals and to have goals based upon local needs (cultural carrying capacity) and the Division and Council's authority to manage deer and other wildlife through lethal means. The Superior Court rejected all of these challenges.

The science of wildlife management using sportsmen conservationists is finally receiving the recognition it deserves. It has been another good year! So hunt safely, hunt responsibly because *you* are an ambassador for all hunters who participate in the most effective wildlife management strategy for game animals on this great planet—the North American Wildlife Management Plan.



## Disabled Veteran's Licenses and Permits

**Free hunting licenses and permits are available for resident disabled veterans.**

For the purposes of this program, the legislation defines Disabled Veterans as: "...any resident of New Jersey who has been honorably discharged or released under honorable circumstances from active service any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States and who has been declared by the United States Department of Veteran Affairs, or its successor, to have a service-connected disability of any degree..."

Disabled Veteran hunting licenses are available at the Division's Trenton office, as well as all Division field offices. For questions, call (609) 292-2965.

Disabled Veterans are entitled to **one free permit for the Permit Bow Season, and one free firearm permit (your choice), for either the Permit Shotgun or the Permit Muzzleloader Seasons.** Disabled Veterans cannot receive free permits at license agents. These free permits **only** can be obtained through the Division. In order ensure inclusion on our database, Disabled Veterans are encouraged to apply for free deer permits by mail using the special Disabled Veteran application (see below). In the event that the deadline is missed, Disabled Veterans may obtain their free permits at Division offices.

### Disabled Veteran Applicants:

1. Documentation of currently receiving benefits for a service-connected disability must be presented to obtain a free disabled veteran license.
2. In order to obtain the free Disabled Veteran Deer permits one must first have a Disabled Veteran hunting license.
3. Those applying for free deer permits must fill out **one** 2002 Disabled Veteran Deer Permit Application. Applications will be sent to all Disabled Veterans who are currently listed in our database. If you do not receive an application, one can be obtained at all Division Offices, on the Division website ([www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com)) or by calling (609) 292-2965. **Do not** complete the regular application found in this Digest.
4. Disabled Veteran applications will be accepted for **all zones** that are open for deer hunting; this includes zones sold only at license agents and zones which still have a lottery system. If a Disabled Veteran wishes, additional permits may be purchased at the regular price of \$28.

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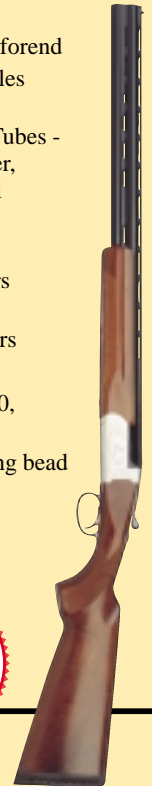


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#### Captive Wildlife Permits

The possession, ownership and release of wildlife is regulated and only for limited purposes. The public is urged to leave wildlife in the wild where it belongs. You may not possess or liberate any game, nongame, or exotic mammal, bird, reptile or amphibian without a permit from the Division. Permits are required for the possession of most non-game species and all game species.

Wildlife from wild origin cannot be kept in captivity by the general public. Certain species of wildlife bred in captivity may be purchased and possessed from licensed breeders and dealers. Information and applications may be obtained by calling:

Nongame and Exotics—609-292-9591

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#### Coyote, Red and Gray Fox Hunting Permits

Coyotes may be hunted during the seasons open for fox and are subject to the same regulations as fox during those seasons. A special February Hunting Season for Coyote, Red and Gray Fox will be held statewide February 1–17, 2003. A special permit is required to hunt coyote, red and gray fox during this special February season. A three by five inch index card containing the applicant's name, mailing address, date of birth and evening telephone number must be submitted to: NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife, Coyote Permits, PO Box 003, Trenton, NJ 08625-0003, between October 15 and November 15. Applicants should write 'Special February Coyote/Fox Season' at the bottom of the card. A \$2.00 processing fee must accompany the application. Make check or money order payable to "NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife". See coyote and fox regulations on page 49. Permits are not required to hunt coyote or fox during the regular coyote/fox seasons. For the regular coyote and fox seasons, see page 49.

#### Deer Season Permits

Permits are required to hunt during the Permit Bow, Permit Muzzleloader and Permit Shotgun seasons. Most permits will be sold at participating license agents. Only a few zones will have a permit lottery. The application period ends August 31. See Deer Season Permits section, page 8 for further details. Hunters may *purchase* a muzzleloader permit without possessing a rifle permit, but it is not valid in the field unless accompanied by both a rifle permit and a valid firearm hunting license. Remember to apply for the rifle/muzzleloader hunter education course as early as possible.

#### Falconry Permits

Hunting with raptors (birds of prey) is only allowed with a Falconry Permit and a hunting license. See the section on falconry for hunting rules, page 14.

#### Field Trial Permits

Field trials are allowed on designated WMAs with the appropriate permit. Call 609-259-2132.

#### Horseback Riding Permits

Horseback riding is allowed on designated WMAs with an appropriate permit. Call 609-259-2132.

#### Rifle Permits

A valid rifle permit is required for coyote, deer, squirrel and woodchuck hunting with a muzzle-loading rifle; raccoon and opossum hunting with a .22 caliber rifle; and for dispatching trapped animals other than muskrat with a .22 caliber rifle. Initial rifle permit applicants must be at least 10 years old and have successfully completed a rifle hunter education course. Applications for rifle permits may be obtained at the Division's Trenton Office. Rifle permits for 10 to 17 years olds will be valid only for muzzleloader. No persons under 18 years old may hunt with centerfire or rimfire rifles.

#### Road-Killed Deer Permits

Deer which have been accidentally killed by motor vehicles may be possessed for private consumption only by obtaining a free permit from the local police department or from a Division regional law enforcement office. The permit only authorizes the possession of the meat for consumption and is only good for 90 days. The possession of all other parts, such as antlers, under terms of this permit are expressly prohibited. Wrapped packages of the venison must be labeled with the permit number. The permit only authorizes the possession of the meat for consumption and prohibits the possession of any other parts.

#### Revocation of Permits

The Division may revoke any permit or other authorization issued for violation or due cause.

#### Turkey Hunting Permits

A permit is required for both spring and fall turkey hunting. Applicants will apply for both the spring and fall seasons on one application form available in late-January. For spring 2003, turkey hunting information and application forms will be available at license agents and Division offices in late-January. Completed forms must be mailed back to Trenton between February 1 and February 22, 2003.

#### Fall Turkey Permits

The permit lottery for this Fall, 2002 Turkey Season, (October 28–November 2, 2002) has been completed. The Division will offer unclaimed turkey permits beginning **Monday, September 23, 2002**. This special over-the-counter sale will enable hunters who did not apply for a permit, were not selected in the lottery, or who wish to obtain an extra permit an opportunity to do so. **Permits are available only for the following Turkey Area's: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 10.**

Unclaimed permits will be available **ONLY** at the following **three offices: Northern Region**

**Office** located on Rt. 173 in Hampton, Hunterdon County, **Pequest Trout Hatchery**, Pequest Rd, Oxford, Warren County, and the **Main Office**, 501 E. State St, Trenton, Mercer County. Sales will be held weekdays between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, and between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. for as long as the supply lasts. Adults interested in purchasing an unclaimed permit must bring their 2002 hunting license along with cash or check for \$21.00 per permit. Youth hunters must bring their youth license, hunter education certificate or previous year's youth license and cash or check for \$12.00 per permit.

### Permits for Farmers

#### Farmer Deer Season Permits

There are two types of applications to obtain a free farmer deer permit. The farmer applicant can decide for which permit it is easiest to qualify. Farmers may only apply with one application. The first is for the farmer and his family who reside on their farm (occupant). He must have at least 5 acres of land that is also tax-assessed as farmland. The permit will be valid only for the farm property where the applicant resides.

The second application is for the farmer who does not reside on his farm (non-occupant). The farmer must actively farm at least 30 tilled acres. Woodlots can not be used to qualify. A copy of all leases authorizing the agricultural and hunting uses of the land must be attached to the application. No more than 5 people may receive permits for the same farm. The permit will be valid for the entire zone applied for. An applicant who lives on the farm and actively tills at least 30 acres may also apply with this form.

**This year all farmer applicants will be required to pass a re-evaluation process by the Bureau of Law Enforcement.** This process takes time, and is dependant upon the accuracy and completeness of the application. Farmer Deer Permit Applications will be sent to all farmers who are currently part of our database. Farmer applications will also be available from county agricultural agents, Division offices, our website and conservation officers.

**The application period is June 1–August 31.** However, farmers have until October 1, 2002 to file their applications. Due to the application review process, **farmers who file applications after October 1 may not receive their permits for opening day.**

**To ensure inclusion in our database, farmers are strongly urged to send in their completed applications as early as possible since the application review process does take time.** Farmers and their families may also apply for (or purchase at license agents) regular deer permits in addition to the free farmer deer permits. Farmers will be able to receive their permits **only** through the **Trenton** office.

### Permits for Hunters with Disabling Conditions

Information about permits for hunters with disabling conditions should be requested in

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## Deer Season Permits

Permit hunting seasons play a major role in the Division's deer management program. The three permit seasons provide a means to control hunting pressure, and thereby harvest, in each deer management zone in order to meet specific deer management objectives. Since the majority of the permit season's harvest is antlerless deer, white-tailed populations can be controlled effectively. In those zones where significant agricultural damage occurs, the Division will continue to apply a management strategy to reduce the deer population through permit seasons. This control is established by setting specific permit quotas and season lengths for each zone. In 2002, hunters will be able to take one buck during each of the permit seasons **regardless** of the number of permits they have.

Permits are required to hunt during the Permit Bow, Permit Muzzleloader and Permit Shotgun seasons. **Permits are zone specific and are valid for the duration of the specified zone's permit season.** Hunters are limited to purchasing one permit per zone for each of the permit seasons (permit bow, permit muzzleloader, permit shotgun). Hunters may *purchase* a muzzleloader season permit without possessing a rifle permit, but the season permit will not be valid in the field unless accompanied by both a rifle permit and a valid firearm hunting license. Remember to complete the home study rifle/muzzleloader hunter

## 2002–2003 Hunting Permits and Stamps

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writing from the Division's Trenton office, PO Box 400, Trenton, NJ 08625-0400.

### Permits for Physically Challenged Hunters

A permit for certain physically challenged persons may be issued to use alternative methods/equipment for taking game during the prescribed seasons. The application period is January 1 to August 31 of each year.

### Permits to Shoot from a Standing Vehicle

A permit to shoot or hunt from a standing vehicle that is parked off the road may be issued to licensed hunters who are paraplegics (paraplegia is defined by paralysis of the legs and lower half of the body due to spinal injury or disease), suffer from cardiovascular disease and are classified as class 3 or 4 heart patients according to American Heart Association standards, or suffer from chronic lung disease.

Individuals hunting with a permit to hunt or shoot from a motor vehicle must mark the vehicle being used for the purpose of hunting either with handicapped license plates issued by the Division of Motor Vehicles or by displaying the sign, provided by Fish and Wildlife, in the rear window of the vehicle being used.

### Bow Use Permit

A special bow use permit may be issued to disabled hunters who cannot use a conventional bow as describes in the Game Code. This permit will allow the alteration of a long bow, recurved bow or compound bow with a mechanical device that will enable the archer to draw and cock the bow at full or partial draw length or in cases of demonstrated need a permit to use a crossbow

education course as early as possible.

With the additional harvest and recreational opportunity these seasons provide, a \$28 fee is charged for each adult permit. A regular hunting license with a separate charge is a prerequisite for purchasing and/or filing an application for deer permits. The cost for youths possessing a valid youth hunting license is \$12 per permit. A free youth hunting license is a prerequisite for purchasing and/or filing an application for deer permits. Free resident youth licenses have been mailed to all youths now aged 15 or under who have completed a New Jersey hunter education course in the past. These youth licenses are also available at Division offices. For more information regarding youth licenses see page 4.

The Child Support Program Improvement Act was passed by the legislature in March 1998 (P.L. 1998 c.1) to comply with federal law. The Act requires the collection of social security numbers on applications for all commercial and recreational licenses, including hunting and fishing licenses. To maintain your privacy, this number will not be printed on your permit.

### Over-the-Counter Deer Permit Sales

Permit quotas for most deer management zones have been greatly increased over the past several years to curb the burgeoning deer popula-

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may be issued. These permits will only be issued if the need is certified by a licensed physician and a copy of the testing protocol is included with the application.

Information about permits for hunters with disabling conditions can be requested in writing from the Division's Trenton Office, PO Box 400, Trenton, NJ 08625 or downloaded directly from our website: [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com)

## Stamps

Stamps are not transferable to another person and are not valid unless signed across the face in ink.

### Pheasant & Quail Stamp

Anyone aged 16 and over hunting or possessing pheasant or quail on the following designated Wildlife Management Areas shall have in possession a current Pheasant and Quail Stamp (free youth hunting licenses include pheasant & quail stamp): Assunpink, Berkshire Valley, Millville, Black River, Clinton, Colliers Mills, Dix, Flatbrook-Roy, Glassboro, Greenwood (including Pasadena-Howardsville), Heislerville, Tuckahoe, Mad Horse, Manahawkin, Manasquan River, Medford, Nantuxent, Peaslee, Pequest, Port Republic, Stafford Forge, Walpack, Whittingham and Winslow. Other designated areas include the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area and Fort Dix.

### New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp

Anyone 16 or older wishing to hunt waterfowl must possess a New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp in addition to the Federal Duck Stamp. An HIP number is also required. See page 54 for details.

## APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS (Application postmark deadline—AUGUST 31, 2002)

**Note:** A rifle permit is required while muzzleloader hunting. Hunters are limited to purchasing one permit per zone for each of the permit seasons (permit bow, permit muzzleloader, permit shotgun). Blank applications may be photocopied. Print clearly. Follow instructions carefully.

- HUNTER INFORMATION:** Complete the hunter's name, birth date, mailing address, Social Security number and daytime telephone number.
- HUNTING LICENSE NUMBER:** Please be aware that we no longer have permit ID Stubs on hunting

licenses. Bow applicants must include their 2002 Archery or 2002 All-Around license number. Shotgun or muzzleloader applicants must include the number from their 2002 Firearm or 2002 All-Around license. Those who applied for a hunter education course by August 31, should enter "8888888888" in the license box.

- PERMIT BOW SECTION:** To apply for a bow permit, write your zone choices next to the "B" under the first lottery section. For a second bow permit, write your zone choices next to

the "B" under the second lottery section. Reminder: Hunters will only be able to take one buck during each of the permit seasons regardless of the number of permits they have.

- PERMIT FIREARM SECTION:** To apply for a shotgun or muzzleloader permit, place an "S" (shotgun) or "M" (muzzleloader) in the box and write your zone choices under the first lottery section. For an additional firearm (shotgun or muzzleloader) permit, place an "S" (shotgun) or "M" (muzzleloader) in the box and write your

zone choices under the second lottery section. Reminder: Hunters will only be able to take one buck during each of the permit seasons regardless of the number of permits they have.

- PERMIT FEE:** A \$28.00 fee (\$26.00 permit fee plus a \$2.00 nonrefundable application fee) per adult permit or a \$12.00 fee (\$10.00 permit fee plus a \$2.00 nonrefundable application fee) per youth permit must accompany your application. You must enclose with your application a check or money order payable to "NJ Division

of Fish and Wildlife". Include your name and address on checks and money orders. Applications not chosen to receive permits will receive a refund for permit fee only (\$26.00 or \$10.00 per permit in late January).

- Cut out application along dotted line and mail with all fees to the address below. Envelopes must be postmarked by August 31.

NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife, PO Box 003, Trenton, NJ 08625-0003  
Use **Business-Sized Envelope**  
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# 2002 DEER PERMIT APPLICATION

Public Law 1998c.1 "The Child Support Program Improvement Act" requires that we collect your Social Security Number on this application. No permit will be issued without it.

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<h3 style="text-align: center;">PERMIT BOW SEASON</h3> <p><b>First Lottery</b>  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 40px; margin: 0 auto; text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 2em;">B</div>                 1st Zone Choice <input style="width: 40px;" type="text"/> 2nd Zone Choice <input style="width: 40px;" type="text"/> 3rd Zone Choice <input style="width: 40px;" type="text"/></p> <p><b>Second Lottery</b>  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 40px; margin: 0 auto; text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 2em;">B</div>                 1st Zone Choice <input style="width: 40px;" type="text"/> 2nd Zone Choice <input style="width: 40px;" type="text"/> 3rd Zone Choice <input style="width: 40px;" type="text"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Apply for these Zones Only:                  57                  58                  59                  61</p>	<h3 style="text-align: center;">ADULT PRICE</h3> <p><b>Bow 1st Lottery</b>                  Price: \$28.00                  Amt. Paid \$ <input style="width: 80px;" type="text"/></p> <p><b>Bow 2nd Lottery</b>                  Price: \$28.00                  Amt. Paid \$ <input style="width: 80px;" type="text"/></p> <p><b>Firearm 1st Lottery</b>                  Price: \$28.00                  Amt. Paid \$ <input style="width: 80px;" type="text"/></p> <p><b>Firearm 2nd Lottery</b>                  Price: \$28.00                  Amt. Paid \$ <input style="width: 80px;" type="text"/></p> <p>Total Amount Adult \$ <input style="width: 80px;" type="text"/></p> <p>1 Permit = \$ 28.00                  2 Permits = \$ 56.00                  3 Permits = \$ 84.00                  4 Permits = \$112.00</p>
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 \_\_\_\_\_ Hunting License Number  
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# Deer Season Permits *(continued from page 8)*

tion. Based on the quota numbers and the total number of permits sold in these zones during the last deer season, the Division anticipates these zones will not sell out.

For the 2001–2002 deer season the Division of Fish and Wildlife instituted a trial over-the-counter deer permit sales program. This program’s tremendous success results in the program’s continuation this year, with 7 additional zones being made available. Therefore, most zones will be available for purchase at participating license agents listed on page 13. Deer permits may also be purchased at the Division’s main office in Trenton. This Division office will only sell permits Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 12 noon, and again from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m.

Bow, shotgun and muzzleloader permits will be available for sale beginning **September 7, 2002**. License agents will be selling permits through **February 15, 2003**. To purchase a permit at a license agent, a hunter must present their valid 2002 hunting license (2003 license if purchasing permits after December 31, 2002) and \$28 for each adult permit or \$12 for each youth permit. Hours of operation and accepted types of payment vary according to license agent. While hunters may purchase a muzzleloader season permit without possessing a 2-year rifle permit, the season permit will not be valid in the field unless accompanied by both a valid hunting license and a valid 2-year rifle permit. For information regarding 2-year rifle permits see page 7. Hunters may send someone to purchase over-the-counter permits on their behalf if the person produces the absent hunter’s applicable license. However, a hunter on line is limited to purchasing permits for a total of three individuals. Photocopies of licenses are not acceptable.

To avoid long lines, the Division does not advise purchasing your permit on the first day of permit sales or the day before a particular season opens. Hunters are urged to know what zone they are requesting and review their permit(s) **before** leaving the license agent. Once a permit has been paid for and leaves the store **they are not returnable, exchangeable or refundable**. As with licenses, hunters are reminded to keep the purchaser’s copy in a separate, safe location. This is your receipt and proof of permit, should you lose the original.

## Military Zones

Military base zones include the following: Picatinny Arsenal (Zone 54), Earle NWS (Zones 39 & 40), Lakehurst NAES (Zone 53), FAA Tech Center (Zone 66) and Fort Dix (Zones 37 & 52). All have lower quotas and a limited amount of

permits will be made available. Due to heightened security measures, permits for military base zones will be available for purchase only at each base location. Permits will be available beginning September 7, 2002, however please refer to the Special Area Section on page 36 for complete details. At the time of this printing the status of zone 66, FAA Tech. Center, is still unknown—prospective hunters should refer to the information on Zone 66 in the Special Area Section.

## Lottery Permit Sales

The following zones still have low quotas which necessitate a lottery: zones 38, 56, 57, 58, 59, 61, 64 and 67. Applications for the deer permit lottery can be found on page 9. The **DEADLINE** for lottery submissions is **August 31, 2002**. Refer to the Special Area section on page 36 for detailed information on season dates and regulations for these zones. In the event of leftover permits from this lottery, they will be sold at **Division offices only**. See ‘Over-the-Counter Sales of Leftover Lottery Permits’ on this page.

## Before You Apply: Application Instructions

The application deadline is August 31. Follow the application instructions carefully and *read this entire section before completing your permit application*. Application errors may cause you to miss the opportunity to receive a permit. Permits cannot be exchanged. Be sure to have a place to hunt in a particular zone before applying. Use only one application for all deer permit requests.

Deer management objectives rely on the proper use of deer permits. Each permit issued is valid only for one season, one zone and one hunter. It is illegal to use a permit for a different zone or season, or to transfer the permit to another hunter. Deer permit violators are subject to a fine of \$100 to \$500 for each offense.

Hunters are limited to purchasing one permit per zone for each of the permit seasons (permit bow, permit muzzleloader, permit shotgun). Hunters may apply for a total of four deer permits (two bow, two firearm) through the mail-in lottery. Two random lotteries will be conducted. The first lottery will choose applicants from the first lottery section of the permit application. The second lottery will assign permits leftover from the first lottery. These permits will be assigned, where available, to applicants completing the second lottery section of the application.

The second permit lottery is an alternative to over-the-counter sales. This reduces the need for hunters to wait in long lines, and saves thousands of dollars in administrative costs for the Division.

**WARNING:** Do not submit a second application if you realize a mistake was made on the application already mailed. If we can not correct your application, it will be returned. You will be given additional time to correct the error and resubmit your application.

## Second Lottery—Zones Available

The purpose of the second lottery is to award permits left over from the first lottery to hunters applying for **additional permits**. It is **NOT a continuation of the first lottery**. The computer seeks to fill the first, second, or third choices of applicants in the second lottery **independent** of any previous request in the first lottery. **Since hunters are limited to buying one permit per zone this year, hunters will no longer be allowed to purchase more than one bow, shotgun or muzzleloader permit for the same zone and season.**

## Notification

Application materials will be returned to persons filing incorrect, incomplete or late applications. Any applicant not selected to receive a permit will receive a notice of non-selection. A refund, minus the \$2 application fee, will be issued at a later date. In the past, refunds have been sent in later January as a mass mailing when all permit problems have been resolved. All applicants will receive notification by October 15 for bow permits and October 22 for shotgun and muzzleloader permits. If you have not received notification by these dates, contact the Division after these dates have passed. Persons not notifying the Division by the end of the appropriate season will not receive a refund for permits which were not deliverable or lost in the mail. Permits are not transferable or exchangeable.

For questions concerning the permit process, call the 24 hour automated permit hotline: (609) 292-9192. However, questions about the status of your permit cannot be answered before October 15 (bow) and October 22 (shotgun and muzzleloader).

## Why You May Not Have Received A Permit in the Past

In 2001, virtually all hunters who filed a correct application received a permit. Common filing errors include applying for closed zones, failure to include correct fees or hunting license stubs, selecting the wrong season, and filing incomplete applications. Division staff will make every effort to correct obvious mistakes or return your application for correction. However, it is the hunter’s responsibility to submit a correct application in a timely manner.

## Over-the-Counter Sales of Leftover Permits

All hunters are eligible to purchase permits left over after the mail-in lotteries, even those who received permits through the mail. Leftover permits will be sold on a “first-come, first-served” basis at select Division offices. **There will be NO WEEKEND SALES**. Sales for permits will be Monday through Friday, beginning Monday, October 28. Information on these remaining permits and sale locations can be found on the permit hotline **after** the lotteries are conducted in

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2002 Permit Quotas for Lottery Zones			
ZONE	Permit BOW Quota	Permit SHOTGUN Quota	Permit MUZZLELOADER Quota
38	0	290	10
56	0	25	0
57	40	40	40
58	50	50	50
59	35	75	25
61	30	80	30
64	0	100	0
67	0	0	350



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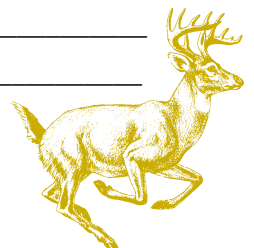
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# General Hunting Regulations

**This is not the full law. Consult the Division of Fish and Wildlife for further details. All persons are reminded that the statutes, code and regulations are the legal authorities.**

No person shall hunt except as prescribed by law. See section "Permits for Hunters with Disabling Conditions", page 7, for special rules.

Persons required by law to wear corrective lenses to operate a motor vehicle (as noted on a valid driver's license) must wear corrective lenses when hunting with a bow or firearm of any kind.

## .22 Rifles

A valid rifle permit must be possessed while hunting with a .22 caliber rifle.

It is unlawful to possess and use .22 caliber rifle except while hunting woodchuck, [no rifle hunting on Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs)] hunting raccoon and opossum with hounds, and dispatching trapped animals other than muskrat.

.22 caliber rifles must be loaded with short cartridges only, except when hunting woodchuck.

.22 caliber rifles need not be plugged, but must be loaded with no more than 3 shells. No 10-17 year olds may hunt with any rimfire or centerfire rifle.

## Bow and Arrow

"Bow" means any long bow, recurve bow or compound bow that is hand held and hand drawn, with no mechanical device built into it or attached to it that will enable the archer to lock the bow at a full or partial draw. All draw locking and draw holding devices are prohibited. Hand held release devices are permitted.

All bows must have a minimum draw weight of 35 pounds at the archer's draw length, except compounds, which must have a minimum peak draw weight of 35 pounds. All arrows used for hunting deer, turkey, coyote, or woodchuck must be fitted with a well-sharpened metal head with a minimum width of 3/4 inches.

Arrows fitted with heads other than specified for deer, turkey, coyote or woodchuck, may be carried in the woods and fields during the small game season or other seasons which overlap with the bow and arrow deer season.

### It is unlawful to:

- use a crossbow or variation,
- use or possess a poison arrow or one with an explosive tip,
- use a bow one-half hour after sunset until one-half hour before sunrise during any season,
- use a bow and arrow from any vehicle, moving or stationary,
- have both a firearm and bow in possession or under control while hunting.

## Dogs—Hunting and Training

Allowing dogs to run at large is prohibited.

Persons may train dogs without firearms in daylight at any time except during any open firearm deer season.

No person shall train a raccoon or opossum hunting dog on WMAs other than during the per-

iods of September 1 to October 1, 2002 and from March 1 to May 1, 2003. Training hours shall be one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise.

It is illegal to use dogs to pursue or run black bear, or to track wounded deer.

Note: For special areas and regulations for dog training on WMAs see the section of Wildlife Management Area Regulations, page 58.

## Falconry

No person shall use a raptor for hunting without a falconry permit and a valid hunting license. No person under 14 years of age may hunt by means of a raptor.

Falconry permits will be issued only to persons who pass a comprehensive examination and who can provide proper facilities for housing a raptor.

Beginning falconers must be sponsored by an experienced falconer.

No person shall possess a firearm while hunting with raptors.

For additional information, write to the Division of Fish and Wildlife, or call 908-735-8793.

### SPECIFICALLY PROHIBITED:

- Carrying a loaded firearm or nocked arrow within 450 feet of a building or school playground without possessing written permission from the owner or lessee.
- Discharging a firearm or a bow and arrow on or across highways or roads. Discharging a firearm or a bow and arrow from a motor vehicle.
- Hunting for or shooting any wildlife by aid of a light, except when hunting raccoon, coyote or opossum while on foot.
- Hunting or shooting with the aid of a light attached to or carried in a vehicle.
- On National Wildlife Refuges, the distribution of bait and/or hunting over bait is prohibited.
- Hunting with arrows, darts or any other device propelled by any means that is used for the purpose of injecting or delivering any type of drug into an animal.
- Using electronic calling devices except when hunting for fox, raccoon, crow and coyote.
- Loaded firearms in a motor vehicle. Possession of a loaded firearm in or upon a vehicle is considered proof of pursuing or taking of wildlife.
- Transporting an uncased firearm in a motor vehicle.
- Shooting into a squirrel's nest.

### The Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, the following apply:

- Baiting is prohibited.
- No permanent tree stands or screw-in steps are permitted.
- You cannot possess a loaded firearm while on any publicly traveled roadway within the area.

## Farmer Regulations

The occupant of a farm may allow his dog to run at large on land he occupies, except during the firearm deer seasons.

Farmers and their lessees occupying or farming their land, members of their immediate families, or their farming employees may kill crows, woodchuck, and fox on farm property at any time when found destroying livestock or

crops. However, they must use legal firearms, ammunition and other lawful procedures.

Farmers may trap foxes destroying poultry, crops or property at any time, subject to state law and local ordinances. Farmers or their agents may shoot or trap coyotes by lawful procedures at any time when found destroying livestock or crops. A regional Division law enforcement office must be notified within 24 hours of killing a coyote.

## Firearms and Missiles

A person may not go into the woods or fields with a firearm except during prescribed seasons.

Airguns are not legal hunting firearms.

It is unlawful to possess in the woods and fields shot larger than #4 fine shot except for hunting deer, waterfowl, woodchuck (farmers only) or coyote.

For hunting, shotguns must be plugged so it is not capable of holding more than three shells at one time. Rifles need not be plugged but may not be loaded with more than three rounds.

## Hunter Orange

Hunters must wear a cap made of daylight fluorescent orange or an outer garment containing at least 200 square inches of fluorescent orange material visible from all sides at all times while engaged in hunting. A camo orange hat alone is not adequate.

This applies to all persons while hunting deer, bear, rabbit, hare, squirrel, fox, railbirds, and game birds including while in a tree stand.

Exceptions: this law does not apply to waterfowl, crow, wild turkey, coyote, woodchuck nor bow-hunters except that a bow hunter using a deer decoy must wear hunter orange, as described above, while transporting the decoy into and out of the woods and fields.

## Hunting & Trapping Education Requirements

New Jersey requires that anyone applying to hunt with a shotgun, rifle or bow show a previous resident license of the appropriate type from this or any state, or a course completion card of the appropriate hunter education course.

The New Jersey Hunter Education course is now offered as a home study video-based program. Students can obtain course materials at most license agents and Division field offices. After completing an extensive homework assignment, the student may choose from a list of testing facilities and dates to complete their Hunter Education course. More details on the program, including course material availability, facility locations and dates, can be found on the Division's web page [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com) or by calling 877-2HUNTJ.

## Muzzleloading Rifles

It is unlawful to use smokeless powder in a muzzleloader while hunting in New Jersey.

Properly licensed and permitted hunters 10 years and older may hunt with a muzzleloading

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## Highlights of Important Changes in the 2002–2003 Hunting Regulations

Hunters can anticipate another outstanding season as the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's Division of Fish and Wildlife continues to modify and improve its wildlife management programs.

Last year's deer regulation changes have proven to be very successful in achieving antlerless harvest goals. To further enhance antlerless deer harvest objectives while maximizing recreation, many important changes in the hunting regulations have been made for the 2002-03 deer seasons.

- Hunters are limited to buying *one* permit per *zone* this year. Hunters will no longer be allowed to purchase more than one bow, shotgun or muzzleloader permit for one zone.
- Buck Stubs—All 2002 and 2003 licenses include antlered buck stubs. After taking an antlered buck, the hunter must attach a buck stub to the deer before transporting it to the deer check station. Upon checking the deer, the hunter must surrender *both* the buck stub and transportation tag to the check station operator, who must attach both of these to the data form. Buck stubs valid for the permit muzzleloader and permit shotgun season that are not used by

December 31, 2002 **WILL** be valid to be used during the January and February, 2003 permit muzzleloader and January and February, 2003 permit shotgun days.

- The fall bow season will open on September 7, 2002 in selected deer management zones. The early part of the fall bow season, September 7–27, 2002, is now Earn-A-Buck. Last year hunters were allowed to shoot only antlerless deer during this period. This year, hunters who harvest an antlerless deer may begin to hunt for the one buck allowed during the fall bow season. See the Regulation Sets on page 29 for further descriptions of bag limits and regulations.
- The permit bow season dates have been changed. Unlike last year, the permit bow season is now closed during the first three days of the early permit shotgun and muzzleloader season in November. However, it will be open for the three day Thanksgiving segment, Thursday–Saturday. See the Regulation Sets on page 29 for further descriptions of bag limits and regulations.
- The Earn-A-Buck regulation ends after December 14, 2002. If a hunter has not satisfied the antlerless deer requirement by this date, the

one legal buck may be taken during the Permit Muzzleloader and/or Permit Shotgun seasons without first taking an antlerless deer. There are no Earn-a-Buck requirements during the Winter Bow Season. See the Regulation Sets on page 29 for further descriptions of bag limits and regulations. Deer management zone boundaries have changed between Zones 22 and 51. See page 43.

- Zone 22 has changed from “Regulation Set 5” to “Regulation Set 4” this year. This change includes a reduction from a 26 day permit shotgun season to a seven day permit shotgun season. See the Regulation Sets on page 30 for the season dates and bag limits for Zone 22.

And changes for other hunting opportunities:

- The woodchuck shotgun season opens with the grouse and squirrel season. See page 52
- Red and Gray fox are legal game during the February Coyote season. See page 49
- Vehicles used by physically challenged hunters possessing a permit to shoot from a standing vehicle must display handicapped license plates or a special placard available from the Division. See page 7.



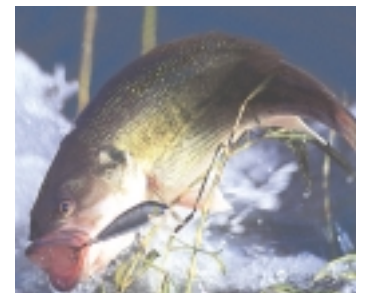
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# General Hunting Regulations

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rifle. A valid rifle permit must be possessed while hunting with a muzzleloading rifle.

It is unlawful to hunt with a muzzleloading rifle on WMAs, except for deer and squirrel hunting during the special season in certain zones. For muzzleloader rifle squirrel hunting, see page 50. For muzzleloader deer hunting, see page 22. For rifle permit information, see page 7.

## Non-Resident Game Removal

A non-resident licensee may remove from the state each day a daily bag limit of game. However, a non-resident may not take more than two day's bag limit from the state after one week's stay (Sunday to Saturday inclusive). This does not apply to game raised or killed at a licensed commercial preserve and legally tagged.

## Sunday Hunting

No person may hunt with firearms or any other weapon or carry a gun in the woods or fields or on the waters on Sunday: except on semi-wild & commercial shooting preserve lands for the purpose of shooting stocked game; and when using a .22 rifle for dispatching trapped animals.

Persons are allowed to hunt raccoon or opossum between midnight on Saturday and one hour before sunrise on Sunday during the prescribed season.

## Trespass Law

Hunters and trappers are required to secure permission prior to entering private lands to hunt. On agricultural lands, the law provides that these lands need not be posted to enforce the trespass law. Hunters must ask permission to recover a deer.

Hunters must not hunt in unharvested crops without first obtaining permission from the owner. Anyone causing damage to cultivated crops, orchards, fences, buildings or livestock may be arrested without warrant by the owner, occupant, lessee, or any officer of the law. Violators are liable for a fine of up to \$2,000 and restitution to the property owner in addition to the loss of hunting privileges for a period of 2 years.

## Wildlife

**Taxidermists note:** the sale of wild birds and game animals or parts thereof is prohibited in New

## Deer Season Permits

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mid-October (609-292-9192). Information will also be available via news releases and on our website at [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com). Hours for all over-the-counter sales are 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Hunters may send someone to purchase over-the-counter permits on their behalf if the person produces the absent hunter's applicable license. However, a hunter on line is limited to purchasing permits for a total of three individuals. Photocopies of licenses are *not* acceptable. Hunters on line cannot purchase permits for other hunters on line in order to circumvent the "first-come, first-served" rule.

A list of available zones will be posted at the entrance of the over-the-counter sales locations.

Jersey. Legally trapped furbearers may be sold. Questions concerning the above should be directed to regional Division law enforcement offices.

It is illegal to capture, kill, injure or have in possession any wild bird other than a game bird.

No one may rob a bird's nest.

The removal of the skin or feathers or mutilation of any wild bird or mammal in the woods or fields for the purpose of concealing sex or identity is illegal.

All nongame mammals, reptiles, birds and amphibians are protected. Penalties for taking these species range from \$250-\$5,000.

There is no open season on bobcats or bears. It is illegal to kill, attempt to kill or possess bobcats or bears, except parts of bobcats or bears legally taken in other states may be possessed but not sold in New Jersey.

## Wildlife Damage Control

Property owners or their agents, and occupants of dwellings that are suffering damage from squirrel, raccoon, opossum, skunk, woodchuck or weasel may control them by lawful means at any time subject to local ordinances.

## Attention: Canadian Hunters and Other Nonimmigrant Aliens

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) enacted a regulation requiring all nonimmigrant aliens who temporarily import firearms or ammunition into the United States to first obtain an ATF Form 6 Import Permit. This regulation applies to those entering the U.S. for legitimate hunting or lawful sporting purposes. Nonimmigrant aliens must possess a valid hunting license or an invitation/registration to a legitimate shooting event in addition to the ATF approved import permit to enter this country with firearms or ammunition.

The approval process may take from 6 to 12 weeks, so plan accordingly. Permits are valid only for one year and covers only a single entry. Hunters and shooters who plan to make several trips into the United States with firearms or ammunition may secure multiple permits in advance to cover those entries.

To obtain an ATF Form 6 application, call the ATF's Explosives Imports Branch at 202-927-8320 or download one from the ATF website at [www.atf.treas.gov](http://www.atf.treas.gov).

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms reminds nonimmigrant aliens that they are generally prohibited from possessing or receiving firearms or ammunition in the United States. The exception to this applies to those possessing a valid U.S. hunting license or permit.

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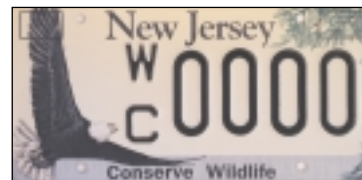
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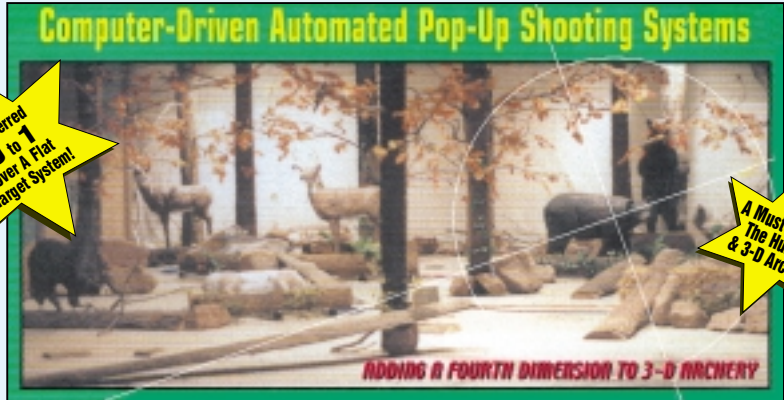
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**Legal Deer Hunting Hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset**

## Licenses and Permits



- **Buck Stubs**—All 2002 hunting licenses include tear-off antlered buck stubs. Three buck stubs are found on each of the bow and firearm licenses and 6 buck stubs are found on the all-around license. A hunter who takes an antlered buck must date, initial and attach a buck stub to the deer before transporting it to the deer check station. Upon checking the deer, *the buck stub must be surrendered to the check station operator along with the transportation tag.* The buck stub must be attached to the data form at the check station. **Buck stubs valid for the permit muzzleloader and permit shotgun season which are not used by December 31, 2002 WILL be valid for use during the January, 2003 and February, 2003 permit muzzleloader and January, 2003 and February, 2003 permit shotgun days.**
- See pages 4, 7 and 14 for details on license, permit and Hunter Education requirements.
- Additional hunting licenses may not be purchased in order to harvest additional deer.
- Additional special season permits may not be purchased in order to harvest additional antlered deer.
- Although hunters may purchase multiple deer permits, they are limited to only ONE permit from a given zone during each of the permit seasons. For example a hunter may buy a muzzleloader permit for zones 18, 21 and 24, however he/she may not purchase 2 muzzleloader permits for zone 24. A hunter may purchase a bow permit, a muzzleloader permit and a shotgun permit for zone 24, however he/she may not purchase 2 bow permits (or 2 shotgun permits or 2 muzzleloader permits) for zone 24.
- It is unlawful to use a bow and arrow for hunting deer using a firearm license or shotgun or muzzleloader deer permit.

## Key Definitions

- “Antler length” is defined as the maximum length of a deer antler measured from the lowest outside edge of the antler burr along the outer curve to the most distant point of what is or appears to be the main antler beam. For the purposes of this definition, the antler length does not include the pedicel or portion of skull between the skull plate and base of the antler point.
- “Antler Point” is defined as any point at least one inch long from its tip to its base line, and the length must exceed the width at some location at least one inch down from the tip.

- “Antlered deer” is defined as any deer with at least one antler measuring at least three inches in length as described above.
- “Antlerless deer” is defined as any deer which does not have any antler measuring at least three inches in length. For the purposes of this definition, shed antlered deer are considered antlerless deer.
- “Youth Hunter” status applies to the possessor of a valid Youth Hunting License (or the immediate member of a qualified occupant farmer who is at least 10 years of age) and continues until December 31 of the year in which he or she turns 16 years of age. The **Youth Deer Hunt Day is Saturday, November 23, 2002.** The bag limit for youth hunters on this day is ONE deer of either sex. Point restrictions do not apply to deer taken on this day by youth hunters. See page 67.

## Firearms, Ammunition and Sights

- See page 14 for general hunting regulations which also apply to deer hunting.
- **All Firearms must be cased and unloaded while being transported in vehicles.** A muzzleloader is considered unloaded when, in the case of a percussion cap rifle or shotgun, the percussion cap has been removed from the nipple; in the case of a flintlock, when the powder is removed from the pan and a boot or cover made of nonmetallic material is placed over the frizzen.

- Hunters using or possessing **any shotgun slug** in the field during the deer seasons must have a shotgun with adjustable open iron or peep **sights** or a scope affixed to the shotgun.
- **Telescopic sights** of any magnification (scope power) are permitted for deer hunting on **all** firearms, including muzzleloader rifles and smoothbore muzzleloader shotguns. No permits are required for telescopic sights.
- Shotgun shells containing single spherical projectiles referred to as **pumpkin balls are prohibited.**
- While deer hunting with a shotgun, it is illegal to have in possession any ammunition not authorized for deer hunting.
- **Special Area Hunting Seasons** may have regulations which **differ** from the statewide regulations. See page 36 for details.
- Only **one** muzzleloading rifle or smoothbore muzzleloader may be in possession while deer hunting.
- Only **black powder or black powder equivalents**, including Clean Shot, GOEX Clear Shot and Pyrodex, may be used with a muzzleloading firearm when engaged in hunting. Modern smokeless powder is strictly prohibited while hunting game with a muzzleloading firearm.

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## Firearms, Bows and Ammunition Legal for Deer Hunting:

Season(s)	Weapon Type	Gauge, Caliber or Weight	Projectile(s)	Firearm sights; Bow releases
Fall bow Permit bow Winter bow	Bow long, recurve or compound	35 pounds pull at archers draw length (long and recurve bows) or peak weight (compound bow)	Arrows must be fitted with a well-sharpened metal broadhead with a minimum width of 3/4"	Hand-held release devices are permitted
Permit muzzleloader	Muzzleloader—rifle or smoothbore, single-barrel, single-shot. Flintlock, percussion and in-line ignitions permitted. Double-barrel firearms prohibited	Rifle—not less than .44 caliber Smoothbore—not smaller than 20 gauge and not larger than 10 gauge	Must be loaded with a single projectile only	Telescopic sights permitted
Six-day firearm	Shotgun—single or double barrel, rifled bore or smoothbore	Not smaller than 20 gauge and not larger than 10 gauge, capable of holding no more than 3 shells	Slugs—lead, lead alloy or copper rifled slug or sabot slug Buck shot—sizes not smaller than #4 (0.24") nor larger than #000 (0.36")	Shotgun must have an adjustable open iron or peep sight or a scope affixed if hunter is hunting with or in possession of slugs
	Muzzleloader—single-shot, single barrel rifle OR single or double-barrel smoothbore shotgun. Flintlock, percussion and in-line ignitions permitted	Muzzleloading rifle—single shot not less than .44 caliber Smoothbore—single or double-barrel not smaller than 20 gauge and not larger than 10 gauge	Muzzleloading rifle—single projectile Smoothbore—buck shot not smaller than #4 (0.24") nor larger than #000 (0.36")	Telescopic sights permitted
Permit shotgun	Shotgun—single or double barrel, rifled bore or smoothbore	Not smaller than 20 gauge and not larger than 10 gauge, capable of holding no more than 3 shells	Slugs—lead, lead alloy or copper rifled slug or sabot slug Buck shot—sizes not smaller than #4 (0.24") nor larger than #000 (0.36")	Shotgun must have an adjustable open iron or peep sight or a scope affixed if hunter is hunting with or in possession of slugs
	Muzzleloader—single or double-barrel smoothbores only (no rifles). Flintlock, percussion and in-line ignitions permitted	Not smaller than 20 gauge and not larger than 10 gauge	Buck shot—sizes not smaller than #4 (0.24") nor larger than #000 (0.36")	Telescopic sights permitted

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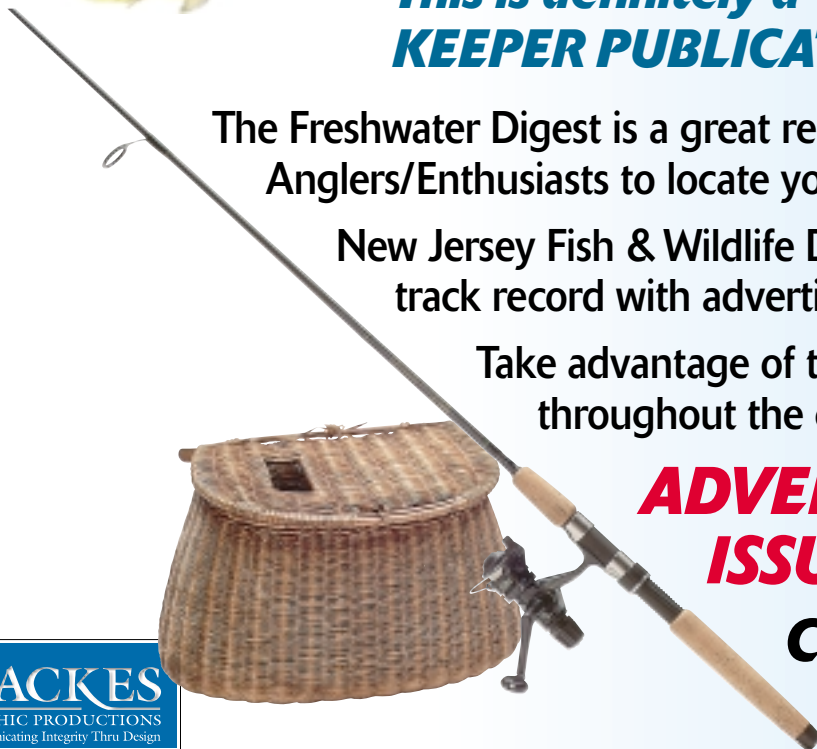
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## Deer Hunting Regulations *(continued from page 22)*

### • What Do I Do If I Recovered My Deer Too Late and/or The Deer Check Station Is Closed and I Cannot Get To Another Station In Time?

#### 1. Go home and immediately call the nearest NJ Fish & Wildlife Law Enforcement Office.

For deer harvested in these counties:

Bergen	Hudson	Somerset
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Call the Northern Region Law Enforcement Office at (908) 735-8240

For deer harvested in these counties:

Burlington	Monmouth
Mercer	Ocean
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Call the Central Region Law Enforcement Office at (609) 259-2120

For deer harvested in these counties:

Atlantic	Cumberland
Camden	Gloucester
Cape May	Salem

Call the Southern Region Law Enforcement Office at (856) 629-0555

#### 2. Leave a message on the recorder with your name, phone number, hunting license number and what deer management zone the deer was taken in.

#### 3. Check your deer the following morning at the nearest deer check station. If weather conditions necessitate butchering the deer immediately, you must bring the head and hide to be checked the next day.

**Note:** During the early part of the Fall Bow Season, September 7 through 27, 2002, in Zones 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 36, 41, 42, 49, 50 and 51, only deer check stations located in these zones and within a 10 mile radius will be checking deer. No other check stations will be authorized to check deer during this period.

### After checking your deer— Possession/Sale

- Metal possession seals (affixed to deer at check stations) **must** be kept until all venison is consumed **and** as long as you keep any part or parts, including antlers, are kept. Persons with deer mounts should write their name, legal possession seal number, date of kill, and season of harvest on back of the mounting plate for future reference.
- It is illegal to sell deer meat, deer antlers or any part of a deer **except** deer hides. However, nonprofit organizations conducting wild game dinners for social and fundraising events may offer game or furbearer meat (the sale of which is otherwise prohibited) provided that the meat had been harvested, stored and processed in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

### Spotlighting

- Spotlighting deer during hours of darkness from a vehicle is illegal while in possession of a weapon capable of killing deer, whether the

weapon is cased or uncased or in a locked compartment. This does not apply to the regular use of headlights when traveling in a normal manner on public or private roads.

### Decoys and Electronic Devices

- **Persons may hunt with the aid of deer decoys statewide in those zones open for deer hunting during the Fall Bow, Permit Bow and Winter Bow Seasons only.** When carrying or moving deer decoys for the purpose of hunting, persons must wear a fluorescent orange hat or other garment consisting of at least 200 square inches of fluorescent orange material, which shall be visible from all sides as currently required for firearm deer hunting.
- It is unlawful to hunt for deer with the aid of an electronic calling device or any device, which casts a beam of light upon the deer.

### Baiting Regulation

- Baiting is allowed for deer hunting. Hunters may hunt for deer while in a tree, on the ground, or in a structure and from any height and any distance from the bait pile. Hunters should check with the landowner or administrative agency before placing bait on their hunting area as baiting is not allowed on properties such as National Wildlife Refuges.

## What To Do With Those #%&\*! Antlered Buck Stubs!

**Example 1:** It's an either-sex deer season (i.e., NOT the Six-day Firearm "Buck" Season—See Example 3 for this season), and you've just taken your **first** deer of the season.

If your first deer is an antlered male (one antler at least 3" in length):

- Completely fill in the transportation tag from your license or permit, including the "Antlered Buck Stub" (dated and initialed); and, attach them to the deer.
- Register the deer at the nearest official check station. Inform the station operator that you have an antlered male deer to check. Give him or her the transportation tag and "Antlered Buck Stub" and indicate on the map the deer management unit from which the deer was taken.
- Upon registration, the proprietor will issue you a "Supplemental Transportation Tag" valid for taking a 2nd deer during the balance of the season. The tag is valid immediately. Since only one antlered deer may be taken during any either-sex season (and you've just taken it), this Supplemental Tag is valid only for antlerless deer.
- A metal possession seal will be affixed to the harvested deer. It is ultimately **your** responsibility to confirm the deer is correctly sealed before leaving the check station.

**Reminder:** Any antlered buck taken from Zones 3, 6, 9, 13, 27, 29, 35, 37, 40, 59, 63, 66 and 67 must have at least three (3) antler points on one side of the deer's rack.

If your first deer is antlerless (a female or male fawn, for example):

- Completely fill in the transportation tag from your license or permit and attach it to the deer.
- Register the deer at the nearest official check station. Inform the station operator that you have an antlerless deer to check. Give him or her the transportation tag and indicate on the map the deer management unit from which the deer was taken.
- Upon registration, the proprietor will issue you a "Supplemental Transportation Tag" valid for taking a 2nd deer during the balance of the season. The tag is valid immediately. Since only one antlered deer may be taken during any either-sex season (and you've only taken an antlerless deer), this Supplemental Tag is valid for either an antlered buck or another antlerless deer.
- A metal possession seal will be affixed to the harvested deer. It is ultimately **your** responsibility to see that the deer is correctly sealed before leaving the check station.

**Note:** Supplemental Tags for the second deer are valid statewide during the fall or winter bow seasons, but during the permit bow, permit muzzleloader or permit shotgun season are only valid in that zone for which the special season permit was issued.

**Example 2:** It's the same either-sex deer season (i.e., NOT the Six-day Firearm "Buck" Season), and you've just taken your **second** deer of the season.

If your second deer is an antlered male (i.e., you had previously harvested an antlerless deer):

- Completely fill in the back of the Supplemental Transportation Tag, and the "Antlered Buck Stub" from your license (dated and initialed); and, attach them to the deer.
- Register the deer at the nearest official check station. Inform the station operator that you have an antlered male deer to check. Give him or her the transportation tag and "Antlered Buck Stub" and indicate on the map the deer management unit from which the deer was taken.
- Upon registration, the proprietor will issue you a "Supplemental Transportation Tag" valid for taking a 3rd deer during the balance of the

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## What To Do With Those #%&\*! Antlered Buck Stubs! *(continued from page 24)*

season. The tag is valid immediately. Since only one antlered deer may be taken during any either-sex season (and you've just taken it), this Supplemental Tag is only valid for antlerless deer.

- A metal possession seal will be affixed to the harvested deer. It is ultimately **your** responsibility to see that the deer is correctly sealed before leaving the check station.
- Reminder:** Any antlered buck taken from Zones 3, 6, 9, 13, 27, 29, 35, 37, 40, 59, 63 and 67 must have at least three (3) antler points on one side of the deer's rack.

If your second deer is antlerless (a female or male fawn, for example):

- Completely fill in the back of the Supplemental Transportation Tag and attach it to the deer.
- Register the deer at the nearest official check station. Inform the station operator that you have an antlerless deer to check. Give him or her the transportation tag and indicate on the map the deer management unit from which the deer was taken.
- Upon registration, the proprietor will issue you a "Supplemental Transportation Tag" valid for taking a 3rd deer during the balance of the season. The tag is valid immediately. Only one antlered deer may be taken during any either-sex. If you still possess your "Antlered Buck Stub" then the Supplemental Tag is valid for either an antlered buck or another antlerless deer. If you have already taken an antlered deer, then the Supplemental Tag is only valid for taking antlerless deer.
- A metal possession seal will be affixed to the harvested deer. It is ultimately **your** responsibility to confirm the deer is correctly sealed before leaving the check station.

**Note:** Supplemental Tags marked "valid" for the taking of a 3rd or more deer are **not** valid in Zones 1, 3, 4, 6, 18, 21, 23, 24, 30, 34, 37, 43, 45, 46, 52, 53, 55 or 65 during the **regular** fall

or winter bow seasons. The bag limit in these zones during the **permit bow** and permit **muzzleloader** is two deer per permit. The bag limit in these zones during the permit **shotgun** season is either one or two deer, according to the regulations for that zone. Additional Supplemental Tags must not be issued in these zones once the season bag limit is reached. Possession of a Supplemental Tag marked "valid" for the taking of a hunter's 3rd, 4th, 5th, etc., deer within those zones listed above is a violation of the Game Code. Hunters may purchase only one permit for any zone during any special permit season. The bag limit in all other zones not listed above and which are open for the special permit seasons is one antlered deer and unlimited antlerless deer. Subsequent Supplemental Tags for unlimited antlerless zones will be valid only in that zone for which the permit is issued and is valid until the season concludes.

**Example 3:** It's the Six-day Firearm "Buck" Season, and you've just taken your **first** antlered buck (one antler at least 3" in length).

**Reminder:** Any antlered buck taken from Zones 3, 6, 9, 13, 27, 29, 35, 37, 40, 59, 63, 66 and 67 must have at least three (3) antler points on one side of the deer's rack.

- Completely fill in the transportation tag from your license, including the "Antlered Buck Stub" (dated and initialed); and, attach them to the deer.
- Register the deer at the nearest official check station. Inform the station operator that you have an antlered male deer to check. Give him or her the transportation tag and "Antlered Buck Stub" and indicate on the map the deer management unit from which the deer was taken.
- Upon registration, the proprietor will issue you a "Supplemental Transportation Tag" valid for the taking of a 2nd deer during the balance of the season. The tag is valid immediately.
- A metal possession seal will be affixed to the

harvested deer. It is ultimately **your** responsibility to confirm the deer is correctly sealed before leaving the check station.

**Note:** The bag limit during the Six-day Firearm "Buck" Season is two antlered bucks. If you harvest a second buck during this season, you must use the "Antlered Buck Stub Second 6-Day Firearm or Permit Shotgun Season Only". (You may not take any antlered deer during the permit shotgun season if you harvested two antlered deer during the Six-day Firearm Season).

**Example 4:** It's the Six-day Firearm "Buck" Season, and you've just taken your **second** antlered buck (one antler at least 3" in length).

- Completely fill in the back of the Supplemental Transportation Tag from your license, **and** the "Antlered Buck Stub Second 6-Day Firearm or Permit Shotgun Season Only" (dated and initialed); and, attach them to the deer.
- Register the deer at the nearest official check station. Inform the station operator that you have a second antlered male deer to check. Give him or her the transportation tag and "Antlered Buck Stub" and indicate on the map the deer management unit from which the deer was taken.
- Since the season bag limit has been reached, an additional Supplemental Tag must not be issued.
- A metal possession seal will be affixed to the harvested deer. It is ultimately **your** responsibility to confirm the deer is correctly sealed before leaving the check station.

**Note:** The bag limit during the Six-day Firearm "Buck" Season is a maximum of two antlered bucks. Since you harvested a second buck during this season and used your "Antlered Buck Stub Second Six-day Firearm or Permit Shotgun Only" tag, you may not take any antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun season and any permit for that season in your possession will be valid only for harvesting that zone's bag limit of antlerless deer.

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# 2002-2003 Deer Harvest Summary

New Jersey has one of the most intensively managed deer programs in the country. Maintaining a healthy deer herd, maintaining a deer density tolerable to residents of the state, and maximizing the recreation associated with the deer herd are the key objectives of the deer program. New Jersey deer hunters had yet another excellent season in 2001, harvesting 69,970 deer during the six seasons (fall bow, permit bow, six-day firearm, permit muzzleloader, permit shotgun and winter bow). The 2001 harvest is the third highest total and is surpassed only by the 1999 (75,398) and 2000 (77,444) totals.

Total harvests for each of the six seasons were as follows: fall bow—13,037; permit bow—9,726 (record); six-day firearm—10,707 (including the youth day harvest of 730); permit muzzleloader—12,357; permit shotgun—23,060; and winter bow—1,083. The total harvest consisted of 20,734 antlered bucks and 49,236 antlerless deer.

Hunterdon County continued to rank first in terms of the total number of deer harvested (12,576) followed by Warren (7,520) and Sussex (7,185). A new total season record was set in Atlantic County (4,043).

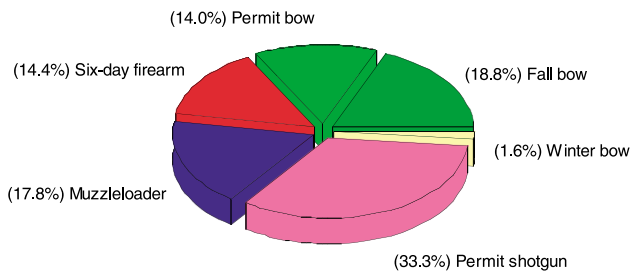
Most importantly, New Jersey's hunters harvested 49,236 antlerless deer, the third highest total in the state's history. The harvest of antlerless deer is the key to reducing deer populations, which was the Division's objective on nearly three-quarters of the state's deer range in 2001. The antlerless harvest by weapon type was as follows: shotgun—21,520 deer (43.7%); archery—17,850 deer (36.3%); and muzzleloader—9,866 deer (20.0%).



## The 2001-02 Total Deer Harvest By Season and Zone

ZONE	DEER SEASONS							Totals
	Fall Bow	Permit Bow	Six-day Firearm	Muzzle loader	Permit Shotgun	Winter Bow	Youth Hunt	
1	132	114	186	176	39	23	11	681
2	455	339	499	638	1003	33	37	3004
3	125	89	115	189	19	11	10	558
4	81	210	217	396	57	42	19	1022
5	1016	684	899	769	2280	37	57	5742
6	204	202	158	203	91	42	19	919
7	511	404	351	376	1019	15	22	2698
8	1317	923	867	711	2242	71	50	6181
9	458	307	92	163	380	68	7	1475
10	887	597	538	561	1394	44	25	4046
11	499	358	299	295	899	8	11	2369
12	1187	770	553	612	2017	67	31	5237
13	566	413	115	124	385	102	6	1711
14	624	387	280	224	1137	52	18	2722
15	269	179	181	215	892	11	18	1765
16	222	184	251	251	473	22	17	1420
17	152	124	174	208	459	7	15	1139
18	101	87	165	168	5	27	12	565
19	335	292	281	365	770	31	22	2096
21	114	108	334	320	12	20	19	927
22	129	88	85	131	345	10	9	797
23	169	158	374	408	36	31	20	1196
24	63	50	205	233	10	19	11	591
25	258	202	190	261	942	10	22	1885
26	287	202	386	563	734	16	22	2210
27	164	152	127	272	275	25	22	1037
28	370	244	173	374	335	21	32	1549
29	177	137	107	300	362	10	14	1107
30	56	67	64	168	66	9	14	444
31	130	107	57	152	103	12	8	569
34	148	136	193	384	132	35	16	1044
35	200	190	155	265	754	10	26	1600
36	163	85	19	13	77	13	4	374
37	18	7		39	1	4		69
38					189			189
39	14	20	40	57	138	1	2	272
40	5	7			22	1		35
41	278	212	202	189	624	7	7	1519
42	88	55	79	97	294	3	3	619
43	41	43	75	101	4	9	6	279
45	61	64	125	213	7	8	11	489
46	48	46	194	189	15	17	7	516
47	62	47	82	103	155	6	7	462
48	120	120	160	150	706	10	14	1280
49	48	42	19	12	60	4	2	187
50	398	230	126	130	576	28	4	1492
51	140	94	41	74	261	15	3	628
52	8	7	15	58	2	1		91
53	10	11	4	11	5	4	1	46
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55	25	26	31	58	3	5	6	154
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59		11		9	20			40
60					26			26
61		4	8	7	21			40
63	50	44	18	44	59	2	5	222
64					66			66
65	45	40	47	94	3	4	6	239
67				223				223
Totals	13037	9726	9977	12357	23060	1083	730	69970

2001-02 Deer Seasons Summary



## The 2001-02 Total Deer Harvest by County and Season

COUNTY	Deer Seasons							Totals
	Fall Bow	Permit Bow	Six-day Firearm	Muzzle loader	Permit Shotgun	Winter Bow	Youth Hunt	
Atlantic	475	349	768	1006	1358	39	48	4043
Bergen	21	10	10	6	6	2		55
Burlington	777	684	1088	1207	1740	92	72	5660
Camden	151	126	137	180	176	12	10	792
Cape May	117	109	161	297	101	28	14	827
Cumberland	626	520	534	1094	614	65	67	3520
Essex	36	31	2	7	18	6	2	102
Gloucester	369	346	298	452	1065	22	36	2588
Hunterdon	2847	1927	1533	1597	4466	123	83	12576
Mercer	544	350	284	273	1019	21	18	2509
Middlesex	346	206	186	173	745	12	10	1678
Monmouth	796	539	454	581	1810	64	35	4279
Morris	1032	766	490	480	1467	113	30	4378
Ocean	436	364	679	769	710	75	45	3078
Passaic	100	73	63	132	4	11	9	392
Salem	580	476	337	777	1060	45	62	3337
Somerset	1329	920	511	531	1927	185	27	5430
Sussex	1116	908	1275	1699	1966	123	98	7185
Union	3	6	9		2		1	21
Warren	1336	1016	1158	1096	2806	45	63	7520
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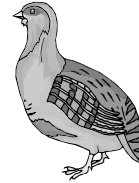
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## The 2001–02 Deer Harvest per Square Mile of Deer Range

Deer Mgmt. Zone	Deer Range (sq mi)	Antlered Buck Harvest per sq mi	Total Deer Harvest per sq mi
1	64.4	5.7	10.6
2	170.0	6.5	17.7
3	160.0	1.8	3.5
4	64.0	7.1	16.0
5	239.0	5.5	24.0
6	160.0	3.0	5.7
7	110.0	5.7	24.5
8	225.0	6.7	27.5
9	75.0	3.1	19.7
10	120.0	8.2	33.7
11	75.0	7.2	31.6
12	172.0	6.6	30.4
13	90.0	3.4	19.0
14	190.0	2.9	14.3
15	88.0	6.3	20.1
16	139.7	4.2	10.2
17	92.3	4.4	12.3
18	74.7	4.0	7.6
19	164.1	4.1	12.8
21	81.3	3.0	5.1
22	31.0	7.8	25.7
23	171.0	3.8	7.0
24	171.7	2.0	3.4
25	151.0	3.3	12.5
26	126.6	6.2	17.5
27	102.0	3.5	10.2
28	105.0	4.9	14.8
29	67.0	5.0	16.5
30	48.3	3.3	9.2
31	43.0	3.6	13.2
34	112.0	4.1	9.3
35	160.0	2.7	10.0
36	34.0	2.2	11.0
37	21.0	0.8	3.3
38	10.0	2.2	18.9
39	15.0	6.2	18.1
40	1.0	5.0	35.0
41	42.0	8.8	36.2
42	43.0	4.1	14.4
43	27.0	4.7	10.3
45	62.0	3.9	7.9
46	69.0	4.2	7.5
47	58.0	2.8	8.0
48	90.0	4.3	14.2
49	5.0	15.6	37.4
50	123.0	2.1	12.1
51	65.0	1.4	9.7
52	20.0	2.5	4.6
53	8.0	2.5	5.8
54	5.0	5.6	11.8
55	5.0	12.4	30.8
56	1.0	6.0	22.0
57	1.0	6.0	11.0
58	4.0	1.3	3.8
59	2.0	2.5	20.0
60	2.5	1.6	10.4
61	4.6	3.5	8.7
63	19.0	4.6	11.7
64	2.3	7.8	28.7
65	16.0	6.6	14.9
66	3.3	0.0	0.0
67	15.6	2.1	14.3
<b>STATE</b>	<b>4717.4</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>14.8</b>

## 2002–03 NJ Deer Season Regulation Sets Reference Chart

Deer Mgmt. Zone	Season dates and bag limits can be found under the indicated set of regulations	Deer Mgmt. Zone	Season dates and bag limits can be found under the indicated set of regulations
1	Regulation Set #3	35	Regulation Set #5
2	Regulation Set #4	36	Regulation Set #8
3	Regulation Set #2	37	Fort Dix Military Reservation (Western portion) See Special Area Hunting Season Information - p.37
4	Regulation Set #1	38	Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge See Special Area Hunting Season Information - p.42
5	Regulation Set #8	39	Earle Naval Weapons Station See Special Area Hunting Season Information - p.36
6	Regulation Set #2	40	Earle Naval Weapons Station (Waterfront Property) See Special Area Hunting Season Information - p.36
7	Regulation Set #8	41	Regulation Set #8
8	Regulation Set #8	42	Regulation Set #7
9	Regulation Set #8	43	Regulation Set #2
10	Regulation Set #8	45	Regulation Set #2
11	Regulation Set #8	46	Regulation Set #2
12	Regulation Set #8	47	Regulation Set #5
13	Regulation Set #8	48	Regulation Set #5
14	Regulation Set #8	49	Regulation Set #7
15	Regulation Set #6	50	Regulation Set #8
16	Regulation Set #3	51	Regulation Set #8
17	Regulation Set #5	52	Fort Dix Military Reservation (Eastern portion) See Special Area Hunting Season Information - p.37
18	Regulation Set #2	53	Lakehurst Naval Air Engineering Station See Special Area Hunting Season Information - p.38
19	Regulation Set #5	54	Picatinny Arsenal See Special Area Hunting Season Information - p.39
21	Regulation Set #2	55	Regulation Set #3
22	Regulation Set #4	56	Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge See Special Area Hunting Season Information - p.42
23	Regulation Set #2	57	Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge See Special Area Hunting Season Information - p.42
24	Regulation Set #2	58	Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge See Special Area Hunting Season Information - p.42
25	Regulation Set #6	59	Supawna Meadows National Wildlife Refuge See Special Area Hunting Season Information - p.43
26	Regulation Set #5	61	Atlantic County Park System See Special Area Hunting Season Information - p.36
27	Regulation Set #4	63	Regulation Set #4
28	Regulation Set #4	64	Monmouth Battlefield State Park See Special Area Hunting Season Information - p.38
29	Regulation Set #4	65	Regulation Set #2
30	Regulation Set #3	66	Federal Aviation Administration Technical Center See Special Area Hunting Season Information - p.36
31	Regulation Set #4	67	High Point State Park See Special Area Hunting Season Information - p.37
34	Regulation Set #3		

# Regulation Sets For The 2002–03 Deer Seasons

## Regulation Set #1

*Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset*

### ZONE: 4

**Fall Bow**—(24 days) Sept. 28–Oct. 25, 2002

Bag limit: 2 deer—only ONE antlered deer may be taken during the fall bow season, regardless of what zone it is taken from. Deer taken in other zones during the early fall bow season, September 7–27, count toward this bag limit. You cannot hunt in this zone after you have harvested your 2nd deer during the fall bow season.

**Permit Bow**—(28 days) Oct. 26–Nov. 23 and Nov. 28–30, 2002

Bag limit: 2 deer per permit—only ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit bow season, regardless of the number of permits purchased.

**Permit Muzzleloader**—(9 days) Dec. 2, 3, 16, 17, 21, 23, 24, 26 & 27, 2002

Bag limit: 2 deer per permit—only ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit muzzleloader season, regardless of the number of permits purchased.

**Six-day Firearm**—(6 days) Dec. 9–14, 2002

Bag limit: 2 antlered deer. Deer taken in other zones during the six-day firearm season count towards this bag limit. Once you have harvested your second buck during the six-day firearm season, your hunting must stop for this season.

**Permit Shotgun**—(1 day) Dec. 18, 2002

Bag limit: 1 deer per permit—ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. However, if 2 antlered deer were taken in the six-day firearm season, the permit shotgun season bag limit is one antlerless deer.

**Winter Bow**—(27 days) Jan. 1–31, 2003

Bag limit: 2 deer—only ONE antlered deer may be taken during the winter bow season, regardless of what zone it is taken from. Deer taken in other zones during the winter bow season count towards this bag limit. You cannot hunt in this zone after you have harvested your 2nd deer during the winter bow season.

**Reminder: Hunters must have a valid BUCK STUB whenever taking an antlered deer. Earn-A-Buck requirement ends after Dec. 14, 2002. Use the 2002 buck stub for permit shotgun and permit muzzleloader seasons which continue into January and February 2003. For the 2003 winter bow season, use the 2003 winter bow buck stub.**



## Regulation Set #2

*Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset*

### ZONES: 3\*, 6\*, 18, 21, 23, 24, 43, 45, 46 & 65

*\* Any antlered bucks taken in zone 3 or 6 must have at least one antler with at least 3 points.*

**Fall Bow**—(24 days) Sept. 28–Oct. 25, 2002

Bag limit: 2 deer—only ONE antlered deer may be taken during the fall bow season, regardless of what zone it is taken from. Deer taken in other zones during the early fall bow season, September 7–27, count toward this bag limit. You cannot hunt in these zones after you have harvested your 2nd deer during the fall bow season.

**Permit Bow**—(28 days) Oct. 26–Nov. 23 and Nov. 28–30, 2002

Bag limit: 2 deer per permit—ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit bow season, regardless of the number of permits purchased.

**Permit Muzzleloader**—(21 days) Dec. 2, 3, 16, 17, 21, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 2002 and Jan. 1–4, and 6–10, 2003

Bag limit: 2 deer per permit—only ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit muzzleloader season, regardless of the number of permits purchased.

**Six-day Firearm**—(6 days) Dec. 9–14, 2002

Bag limit: 2 antlered deer. Deer taken in other zones during the six-day firearm season count towards this bag limit. Once you have harvested your second buck during the six-day firearm season, your hunting must stop for this season.

**Permit Shotgun**—(1 day) Dec. 18, 2002

Bag limit: 1 deer per permit—ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. However, if 2 antlered deer were taken in the six-day firearm season, the permit shotgun season bag limit is one antlerless deer.

**Winter Bow**—(27 days) Jan. 1–31, 2003

Bag limit: 2 deer—only ONE antlered deer may be taken during the winter bow season, regardless of what zone it is taken from. Deer taken in other zones during the winter bow season count towards this bag limit. You cannot hunt in these zones after you have harvested your 2nd deer during the winter bow season.

**Reminder: Hunters must have a valid BUCK STUB whenever taking an antlered deer. Earn-A-Buck requirement ends after Dec. 14, 2002. Use the 2002 buck stub for permit shotgun and permit muzzleloader seasons which continue into January and February 2003. For the 2003 winter bow season, use the 2003 winter bow buck stub.**

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### Regulation Set #3

**Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset**

#### ZONES: 1, 16, 30, 34 & 55

**Fall Bow**—(24 days) Sept. 28–Oct. 25, 2002

Bag limit: 2 deer—only ONE antlered deer may be taken during the fall bow season, regardless of the zone from which it is taken. Deer taken in other zones during the early fall bow season, September 7–27, count toward this bag limit. You cannot hunt in these zones after you have harvested your 2nd deer during the fall bow season.

**Permit Bow**—(28 days) Oct. 26–Nov. 23 and Nov. 28–30, 2002

Bag limit: 2 deer per permit—only ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit bow season, regardless of the number of permits purchased.

**Permit Muzzleloader**—(21 days) Dec. 2, 3, 16, 17, 21, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 2002 and Jan. 1–4, and 6–10, 2003

Bag limit: 2 deer per permit—only ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit muzzleloader season, regardless of the number of permits purchased.

**Six-day Firearm**—(6 days) Dec. 9–14, 2002

Bag limit: 2 antlered deer. Deer taken in other zones during the six-day firearm season count towards this bag limit. Once you have harvested your second buck during the six-day firearm season, your hunting must stop for this season.

**Permit Shotgun**—(3 days) Dec. 18–20, 2002

Bag limit: 2 deer per permit—ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. However, if 2 antlered deer were taken in the six-day firearm season, the permit shotgun season bag limit is 2 antlerless deer.

**Winter Bow**—(27 days) Jan. 1–31, 2003

Bag limit: 2 deer—only ONE antlered deer may be taken during the winter bow season, regardless of the zone from which it is taken. Deer taken in other zones during the winter bow season count towards this bag limit. You cannot hunt in these zones after you have harvested your 2nd deer during the winter bow season.

**Reminder: Hunters must have a valid BUCK STUB whenever taking an antlered deer. Earn-A-Buck requirement ends after Dec. 14, 2002. Use the 2002 buck stub for permit shotgun and permit muzzleloader seasons which continue into January and February 2003. For the 2003 winter bow season, use the 2003 winter bow buck stub.**



### Regulation Set #4

**Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset**

#### ZONES: 2, 22, 27\*, 28, 29\*, 31 & 63\*

\* Any antlered bucks taken in zones 27, 29 & 63 must have at least one antler with at least 3 points.

**Fall Bow**—(24 days) Sept. 28–Oct. 25, 2002

Bag limit: Unlimited antlerless deer, only ONE antlered deer may be taken during the fall bow season regardless of the zone from which it is taken. Antlered deer taken in other zones during the early fall bow season, September 7–27, count toward this bag limit.

**Permit Bow**—(28 days) Oct. 26–Nov. 23 and Nov. 28–30, 2002

Bag limit: Unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit bow season, regardless of the number of permits purchased.

**Permit Muzzleloader**—(21 days) Dec. 2, 3, 16, 17, 21, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 2002 and Jan. 1–4, and 6–10, 2003

Bag limit: Unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit muzzleloader season, regardless of the number of permits purchased.

**Six-day Firearm**—(6 days) Dec. 9–14, 2002

Bag limit: 2 antlered deer. Deer taken in other zones during the six-day firearm season count towards this bag limit. Once you have harvested your second buck during the six-day firearm season, your hunting must stop for this season.

**Permit Shotgun**—(7 days) Dec. 18–20, 2002 and Jan. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2003

Bag limit: Unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. However, if 2 antlered deer were taken in the six-day firearm season, the permit shotgun season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer.

**Winter Bow**—(27 days) Jan. 1–31, 2003

Bag limit: Unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the winter bow season, regardless of the zone from which it is taken. Deer taken in other zones during the winter bow season count towards this bag limit.

**Reminder: Hunters must have a valid BUCK STUB whenever taking an antlered deer. Earn-A-Buck requirement ends after Dec. 14, 2002. Use the 2002 buck stub for permit shotgun and permit muzzleloader seasons which continue into January and February 2003. For the 2003 winter bow season, use the 2003 winter bow buck stub.**

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### Regulation Set #5

**Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset**

#### ZONES: 17, 19, 26, 35\*, 47 & 48

\* Any antlered bucks taken in zone 35 must have at least one antler with at least 3 points.

##### **Fall Bow**—(24 days) Sept. 28–Oct. 25, 2002

Bag limit: Unlimited antlerless deer, only ONE antlered deer may be taken during the fall bow season, regardless of the zone from which it is taken. Deer taken in other zones during the early fall bow season, September 7–27, count toward this bag limit.

##### **Permit Bow**—(28 days) Oct. 26–Nov. 23 and Nov. 28–30, 2002

Bag limit: Unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit bow season, regardless of the number of permits purchased.

##### **Permit Muzzleloader**—(21 days) Dec. 2, 3, 16, 17, 21, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 2002 and Jan. 1–4, and 6–10, 2003

Bag limit: Unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit muzzleloader season, regardless of the number of permits purchased.

##### **Six-day Firearm**—(6 days) Dec. 9–14, 2002

Bag limit: 2 antlered deer. Deer taken in other zones during the six-day firearm season count towards this bag limit. Once you have harvested your second buck during the six-day firearm season, your hunting must stop for this season.

##### **Permit Shotgun**—(27 days) Dec. 18–20, 2002 and Jan. 4–31, 2003

Bag limit: Unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. However, if 2 antlered deer were taken in the six-day firearm season, the permit shotgun season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer.

##### **Winter Bow**—(27 days) Jan. 1–31, 2003

Bag limit: Unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the winter bow season, regardless of the zone from which it is taken. Deer taken in other zones during the winter bow season count towards this bag limit.

**Reminder: Hunters must have a valid BUCK STUB whenever taking an antlered deer. Earn-A-Buck requirement ends after Dec. 14, 2002. Use the 2002 buck stub for permit shotgun and permit muzzleloader seasons which continue into January and February 2003. For the 2003 winter bow season, use the 2003 winter bow buck stub.**



### Regulation Set #6

**Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset**

#### ZONES: 15 & 25

##### **Fall Bow**—(24 days) Sept. 28–Oct. 25, 2002

Bag limit: Unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the fall bow season, regardless of the zone from which it is taken. Deer taken in other zones during the early fall bow season, September 7–27, count toward this bag limit.

##### **Permit Bow**—(25 days) Oct. 26–Nov. 23 and Nov. 28–30, 2002

Bag limit: Unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit bow season, regardless of the number of permits purchased.

##### **Permit Muzzleloader**—(45 days)

Dec. 9–14, 2002—ANTLERLESS DEER ONLY  
Dec. 2, 3, 16, 17, 21, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 2002 and Jan. 1–31, 2003  
Unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit muzzleloader season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. Two deer may be taken at one time.

##### **Six-day Firearm**—(6 days) Dec. 9–14, 2002

Bag limit: 2 antlered deer. Deer taken in other zones during the six-day firearm season count towards this bag limit. Once you have harvested your second buck during the six-day firearm season, your hunting must stop for this season.

##### **Permit Shotgun**—(37 days)

Nov. 25, 26, 27, 29, Dec. 9–14, 2002—ANTLERLESS DEER ONLY  
Dec. 18–20, 2002 and Jan. 4–31, 2003

Unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. However, if 2 antlered deer were taken in the six-day firearm season, the permit shotgun season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer. Two deer may be taken at one time.

##### **Winter Bow**—(27 days) Jan. 1–31, 2003

Bag limit: Unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the winter bow season, regardless of the zone from which it is taken. Deer taken in other zones during the winter bow season count towards this bag limit.

**Reminder: Hunters must have a valid BUCK STUB whenever taking an antlered deer. Earn-A-Buck requirement ends after Dec. 14, 2002. Use the 2002 buck stub for permit shotgun and permit muzzleloader seasons which continue into January and February 2003. For the 2003 winter bow season, use the 2003 winter bow buck stub.**

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### Regulation Set #7

**Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset**

#### ZONES: 42 & 49

**Fall Bow**—(42 days) Sept. 7–Oct. 25, 2002

**Earn-A-Buck during Sept. 7–27, 2002 only:** An ANTLERLESS deer must be taken first from any Earn-A-Buck zone.

**Sept. 28–Oct. 25, 2002:**—Unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the fall bow season, regardless of the zone from which it is taken. Deer taken in other Earn-A-Buck zones during the early fall bow season, September 7–27, count toward this bag limit.

**Permit Bow**—(53 days) Oct. 26–Nov. 23 and Nov. 28–30; Dec. 2–24 and Dec. 26–31, 2002

Bag limit: Unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit bow season, regardless of the number of permits purchased.

**Permit Muzzleloader**—(58 days)

Dec. 9–14, 2002—ANTLERLESS DEER ONLY

Dec. 2, 3, 16, 17, 21, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 2002 and Jan. 1–31 and February 1–15, 2003

Bag limit: Unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit muzzleloader season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. Two deer may be taken at one time.

**Six-day Firearm**—(6 days) Dec. 9–14, 2002

Bag limit: 2 antlered deer. Deer taken in other zones during the six-day

firearm season count towards this bag limit. Once you have harvested your second buck during the six-day firearm season, your hunting must stop for this season.

**Permit Shotgun**—(50 days)

Nov. 25, 26, 27, 29, Dec. 9–14, 2002—ANTLERLESS DEER ONLY  
Dec. 18–20, 2002 and Jan. 4–31 and Feb. 1–15, 2003—Unlimited antlerless deer regardless of the number of permits purchased. However, if 2 antlered deer were taken in the six-day firearm season, the permit shotgun season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer. Two deer may be taken at one time.

**Winter Bow**—(40 days) Jan. 1–31 and Feb. 1–15, 2003

Bag limit: Unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the winter bow season, regardless of the zone from which it is taken. Deer taken in other zones during the winter bow season count towards this bag limit.

**Reminder: Hunters must have a valid BUCK STUB whenever taking an antlered deer. Earn-A-Buck requirement ends after Dec. 14, 2002. Use the 2002 buck stub for permit shotgun and permit muzzleloader seasons which continue into January and February 2003. For the 2003 winter bow season, use the 2003 winter bow buck stub.**



### Regulation Set #8

**Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset**

#### ZONES: 5, 7, 8, 9\*, 10, 11, 12, 13\*, 14, 36, 41, 50 & 51

\* Any antlered bucks taken in zones 9 & 13 must have at least one antler with at least 3 points.

**Fall Bow**—(42 days) Sept. 7–Oct. 25, 2002

**Earn-A-Buck during entire Fall Bow Season—September**

**7–October 25, 2002:** An ANTLERLESS deer must be taken first from any Earn-A-Buck zone.

Bag limit: Unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the fall bow season, regardless of the zone from which it is taken. Deer taken in other Earn-A-Buck zones during the early fall bow season, September 7–27, count towards this bag limit.

**Permit Bow**—(53 days)

Oct. 26–Nov. 23 and Nov. 28–30 and Dec. 2–14, 2002—**Earn-A-Buck:** An ANTLERLESS deer must be taken first.

Dec. 16–24 and Dec. 26–31, 2002—**Earn-a -Buck** not in effect after Dec. 14. Unlimited antlerless and ONE antlered deer (if ONE wasn't taken prior to Dec. 16, 2002) may be taken during the permit bow season, regardless of the number of permits purchased.

**Permit Muzzleloader**—(62 days)

Nov. 25, 26, 27, 29, 2002—ANTLERLESS DEER ONLY

Dec. 2 and 3, 2002—**Earn-A-Buck:** An ANTLERLESS deer must be taken first on each permit. Except that Antlerless deer taken during Nov. 25–29, 2002 count toward this requirement.

Dec. 9–14, 2002—ANTLERLESS DEER ONLY

Dec. 16, 17, 21, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 2002 and Jan. 1–31 and Feb. 1–15, 2003—**Earn-a-Buck** not in effect after Dec. 14. Unlimited antlerless and ONE antlered (if ONE wasn't taken on Dec. 2 or 3, 2002) may be taken during the permit muzzleloader season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. Two deer may be taken at one time.

**Six-day Firearm**—(6 days) Dec. 9–14, 2002

Bag limit: 2 antlered deer. Deer taken in other zones during the six-day firearm season count towards this bag limit. Once you have harvested your second buck during the six-day firearm season, your hunting must stop for this season.

**Permit Shotgun**—(50 days)

Nov. 25, 26, 27, 29 and Dec. 9–14, 2002- ANTLERLESS DEER ONLY  
Dec. 18–20, 2002 and Jan. 4–31 and Feb. 1–15, 2003—Unlimited antlerless and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. However, if 2 antlered deer were taken in the six-day firearm season, the permit shotgun season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer. Two deer may be taken at one time.

**Winter Bow**—(40 days) Jan. 1–31 and Feb. 1–15, 2003

Bag limit: Unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer may be taken during the winter bow season, regardless of the zone from which it is taken. Deer taken in other zones during the winter bow season count towards this bag limit.

**Reminder: Hunters must have a valid BUCK STUB whenever taking an antlered deer. Earn-A-Buck requirement ends after Dec. 14, 2002. Use the 2002 buck stub for permit shotgun and permit muzzleloader seasons which continue into January and February 2003. For the 2003 winter bow season, use the 2003 winter bow buck stub.**

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### Examples Of Regulations

#### Fall Bow Examples

1. Sportsman Ed bow hunts in Zone 50 during the early fall bow season. He kills an antlerless deer on Sept. 14, 2002 in Zone 50. Sportsman Ed is now eligible to shoot any antlered deer in any Earn-A-Buck zone. He also has property in Zone 16 and decides to hunt there when the fall bow season opens on Sept. 28, 2002. He kills an antlered deer on Sept. 28, 2002 and tags it with his buck stub. Sportsman Ed can no longer hunt on his property in Zone 16 during the remainder of the fall bow season because he has reached the bag limit of two deer. He can, however, hunt with his bow in any zone that has a bag limit of unlimited antlerless deer. He is only allowed to shoot antlerless deer because he has already taken his ONE antlered buck for the fall bow season.
2. Sportswoman Debbie has property to hunt in Zone 12 and hunts during the early fall bow season. She kills an antlerless deer on September 7, 2002. She is now eligible to shoot an antlered deer. She goes hunting on September 9, 2002 and kills a 4 pointer and tags it with her buck stub which reads "valid for the fall bow season". Sportswoman Debbie also has property to hunt in Zone 21. She is not allowed to hunt during the fall bow season in Zone 21 because she has already reached the statewide bag limit of two deer for the fall bow season. She can however, continue hunting the remainder of the fall bow season for antlerless deer in any zones with an unlimited antlerless deer bag limit. She can only hunt antlerless deer because she has no valid buck stub remaining.

#### Permit Bow Example

Sportsman Tucker would like to bow hunt on his property in Zone 18 and buys a Zone 18 bow permit. He shoots an antlered deer on October 29, 2002 in Zone 18. Sportsman Tucker tags the antlered deer with his buck stub which reads "valid for the permit bow season". He also has property to hunt in Zone 50 and buys a Zone 50 bow permit. If he chooses to hunt in Zone 18 he is allowed to shoot one additional antlerless deer. If he chooses to hunt in Zone 50, he is only allowed to shoot unlimited antlerless deer. He is only allowed to shoot antlerless deer because he already shot his ONE antlered deer allowed for the permit bow season.

#### Permit Muzzleloader Example

Sportsman Shawn has property to hunt in Zone 8. He buys a muzzleloader permit for Zone 8. He hunts in Zone 8 on November 25, 2002 and shoots an antlerless deer because Zone 8 is "ANTLERLESS ONLY" during November. He goes back out hunting in Zone 8 on December 2, 2002. He can now shoot an antlered buck because he fulfilled the Earn-A-Buck regulation on November 25. Sportsman Shawn shoots an antlered buck on December 2, 2002 and tags it with his buck stub which reads "valid for the permit muzzleloader season". He can continue to hunt the remainder of the permit muzzleloader season. However, he is only allowed to shoot antlerless deer because he already shot his ONE antlered deer in the permit muzzleloader season.

#### Six-Day Firearm Example

Sportsman Bill hunts in Zone 9 on opening day of the six-day firearm season. He shoots a 5 point antlered deer because Zone 9 has an antler point restriction of 3 points on at least one side. Sportsman Bill tags the 5 pointer with his buck stub which reads "valid for the six-day firearm season". He decides to go out and hunt the second day of the six-day firearm season in Zone 9. Sportsman Bill shoots his second antlered deer, an 8 pointer, and tags it with the buck stub which reads "valid for either six-day firearm season or permit shotgun season". He is now finished hunting during the six-day firearm season because he has reached the bag limit for the six-day

firearm season of two antlered deer. Sportsman Bill wants to hunt in Zone 9 for the permit shotgun season the next week and bought a Zone 9 shotgun permit. He will only be allowed to shoot antlerless deer during the remainder of the permit shotgun season because he has no valid buck stub remaining.

#### Permit Shotgun Example

Sportswoman Amy has property to hunt in Zone 41 and buys a Zone 41 shotgun permit. She goes out to hunt on November 29, 2002 but doesn't see any antlerless deer. She is only allowed to shoot antlerless deer prior to December 18 in Zone 41. Sportswoman Amy doesn't go hunting again until December 19, 2002. She sees a 8 point antlered buck and takes it. She is able to shoot an antlered buck as her first deer in Zone 41 because the Earn-A-Buck regulation ends on December 15, 2002. Sportswoman Amy tags the 8 pointer with the buck stub which reads "valid for either six-day firearm season or permit shotgun season". She saved this buck stub by not taking a second deer during the six-day firearm season. Sportswoman Amy can continue to hunt for the remainder of the permit shotgun season but only for antlerless deer. She can only shoot antlerless deer because she already shot her ONE antlered deer allowed in the permit shotgun season. Additionally, she has no valid buck stub remaining.

#### Winter Bow Example

Sportsman John has property to hunt in Zone 8. He goes out to hunt on January 1, 2003. He sees a 6 point buck and takes it. Sportsman John is able to take an antlered buck as his first deer during the winter bow season because the Earn-A-Buck regulation is no longer in effect after December 15, 2002. He tags the buck with his buck stub which reads "valid for the winter bow season". Sportsman John can continue to hunt for the remainder of the winter bow season, but only for antlerless deer as he has already taken his ONE antlered buck.



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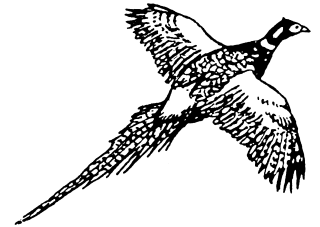
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## Atlantic County Park System (Zone 61):

**Hunters wishing to hunt Atlantic County Park System will need to apply for a Zone 61 permit through the mail. Please use the enclosed permit application.**

*Zone 61 is not open on Christmas Day.*

**Permit Bow Season**—October 26, 2002 to January 31, 2003 (78 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit bow season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. A total of 30 permits will be available.

**Permit Muzzleloader Season**—December 2, 3, 16, 17, 21–24 and 26–31, 2002; and, January 1–10, 2003 (21 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit muzzleloader season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. A total of 30 permits will be available.

**Six-day Firearm Season**—December 9–14, 2002—**bag limit**—two antlered deer.

**Permit Shotgun Season**—December 9–14 and 18–20, 2002 (9 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. A total of 80 permits will be available.

## Bayside Tract:

The Nature Conservancy currently manages this PSE&G property, located within Greenwich Township in Cumberland County. Deer hunting opportunities are available on the 4,500-acre site. The Bureau's Deer Research Project recommends that deer season dates, bag limits, and state hunting regulations for Deer Management Zone 29 apply on the Bayside Tract. An access permit issued by The Nature Conservancy is required (there is no charge for the access permit). Permit applications, maps and site-specific regulations may be obtained by calling The Nature Conservancy at (609) 861-0600.

## Earle Naval Weapons Station Depot (Zones 39 and 40):

Not open to the general public. Unless you are a Civilian Employee or Military assigned to the Base, you are NOT eligible to hunt at Earle NWS. Bring your completed applications to the Station's annual Hunter Orientation. **Permits for Zones 39 and 40 will only be sold at Earle NWS.** If you have any questions please contact Ray Green—Station Game Warden at (732) 866-2708. Earle NWS allows hunting on Christmas and New Year's Days.

**Earle Naval Weapons Station (Zone 39) will be open for deer hunters as follows:**

**Fall Bow Season (Zone 39)**—September 28–October 25, 2002—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the fall bow season.

**Permit Bow Season (Zone 39)**—October 26–December 31, 2002 (57 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit bow season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. The permit quota is set at 110 permits.

**Six Day Firearm Season (Zone 39 only)**—December 9–14, 2002—**bag limit**—two antlered deer.

**Permit Muzzleloader Season (Zone 39)**—December 2–7, 16–21, 23–28, 30–31, 2002; January 1–31, 2003 (47 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit muzzleloader season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. Two deer may be taken at one time. The permit quota is set at 60 permits.

**Permit Shotgun Season (Zone 39)**—December 7, 21, 28, 2002; January 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2003 (7 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. Two deer may be taken at one time. The permit quota is set at 180 permits.

**Winter Bow Season (Zone 39)**—January 1–31, 2003—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the winter bow season.

**Earle Naval Weapons Station (Zone 40) will be open for deer hunters as follows:**

**Fall Bow Season (Zone 40)**—September 7–October 25, 2002—**bag limit**—unlimited number of antlerless deer. The first deer must be antlerless. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the fall bow season. Any antlered buck taken in Zone 40 must have at least one antler with at least three points.

**Permit Bow Season (Zone 40)**—October 26–December 31, 2002 (57 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit bow season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. The first deer must be antlerless. Any antlered buck taken in Zone 40 must have at least one antler with at least three points. The permit quota is set at 80 permits.

**Permit Muzzleloader Season (Zone 40)**—November 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 and Dec. 16–21, 2002 (11 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit muzzleloader season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. The first deer must be antlerless. Any antlered buck taken in Zone 40 must have at least one antler with at least three points. Two deer may be taken at one time. The permit quota is set at 50 permits.

**Permit Shotgun Season (Zone 40)**—Dec. 16–21, 2002 (6 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered

deer may be taken statewide during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. The first deer must be antlerless. Any antlered buck taken in Zone 40 must have at least one antler with at least three points. Two deer may be taken at one time. The permit quota is set at 50 permits.

**Winter Bow Season (Zone 40)**—January 1–31, 2003—**bag limit**—unlimited number of antlerless deer. The first deer must be antlerless. Only ONE antlered buck may be taken statewide during the winter bow season. Any antlered buck taken in Zone 40 must have at least one antler with at least three points.

## Federal Aviation Administration William J. Hughes Technical Center (Zone 66):

The FAA Technical Center had cancelled its deer management program for the 2001–02 season as a result of the national tragedy of September 11, 2001. It is hoped that a deer management program will be reinstated in time for the 2002–03 seasons. For further information contact FAA Technical Center at (609) 485-4938.

**Fall Bow Season**—September 28 to October 25, 2002—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer. Only ONE antlered buck may be taken per season. Any antlered buck taken in Zone 66 must have at least one antler with at least three points.

**Permit Bow Season**—October 26 to December 31, 2002 (56 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered buck may be taken statewide during the permit bow season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. Any antlered buck taken in Zone 66 must have at least one antler with at least three points. Some areas may be closed during days of firearm deer hunting. A total of 100 permits will be available.

**Permit Muzzleloader Season**—December 2–7 and December 14, 21 and 28, 2002 (9 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered buck may be taken statewide during the permit muzzleloader season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. Any antlered buck taken in Zone 66 must have at least one antler with at least three points. A total of 10 permits will be available.

**Permit Shotgun Season**—December 2–7 and December 14, 21 and 28, 2002 (9 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered buck may be taken statewide during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. Any antlered buck taken in Zone 66 must have at least one antler with at least three points. A total of 55 permits will be available.

**Winter Bow Season**—January 1–31, 2003—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered buck may be taken statewide during the winter bow season. Any antlered buck taken in Zone 66 must have at least one antler with at least three points.

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The Quality Deer Management program will continue in Deer Management Zone 66. Antlered bucks must have at least one antler with at least three points to be harvested during all open seasons.

### Fort Dix Military Reservation (Zones 37 and 52):

Persons interested in hunting on Fort Dix Military Reservation should call (609) 562-6667 or (609) 562-4676 for general information and fee schedules. Hunters must comply with all Fort Dix regulations. Persons hunting on Fort Dix must pay an annual fee of \$18.50. When hunting, hunters must sign in and out at Range 14 on a daily basis. Military training will take precedence over hunting. Hunters should be familiar with several hunting areas in case their preferred area is closed on a given day. As a result of September 11, 2001 and increased security measures, up to 50% of Zone 37 will remain closed until further notice. Contact Fort Dix directly for further information.

### Permits for Zones 37 and 52 will be sold only at the Fort Dix Recreation Center.

The Quality Deer Management Program will continue during the 2002-03 deer hunting seasons in **Zone 37**. The program will include a point restriction on all antlered deer taken in this zone. Specifically, *Fort Dix will require that any ANTLERED buck taken in Zone 37, during any season, must have at least one antler with at least three points.* An antler point is defined as at least one inch long from its tip to its base line, and the length must exceed the width at some location at least one inch down from the tip. Fort Dix is closed to hunting on Christmas and New Year's Day.

Fort Dix Military Reservation (**Zone 37** and **Zone 52**) will be open for deer hunting to properly licensed hunters as follows:

**Fall Bow Season**—September 28–October 25, 2002—**bag limit**—two deer—only one antlered deer may be taken statewide during the fall bow season.

**Permit Bow Season**—October 26–November 23 and November 28–30, 2002 (28 days)—**bag limit**—two deer per permit—only one antlered deer statewide during the permit bow season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. The permit quota is set at 116 permits for Zone 37 and 65 permits for Zone 52.

**Six-day Firearm Season**—December 9–14, 2002—**bag limit**—two antlered deer.

**Permit Muzzleloader Season**—November 4–8, December 9–14, 16–21, 23, 24, 26, 27, 2002 (21 days)—**bag limit**—two deer per permit—only one antlered deer may be taken during the permit muzzleloader season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. The permit quota is set at 100 permits for Zone 37 and 180 permits for Zone 52.

**Permit Shotgun Season**—December 28, 2002 (Saturday),—**bag limit**—one deer per permit—only one antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased.

The permit quota is set at 100 permits for Zone 37 and 25 permits for Zone 52.

**Winter Bow Season**—January 1–31, 2003—**bag limit**—two deer—only one antlered deer may be taken statewide during the winter bow season.

Fort Dix Military Reservation (Zones 37 and 52) will be CLOSED to all hunting on December 25, 2002 and January 1, 2003.

### High Point State Park (Zone 67)

High Point State Park (Zone 67) will be open for deer hunting to properly licensed hunters during the Permit Muzzleloader season only. The Park will be closed to hunting at all other times. **Hunters wishing to hunt High Point State Park will need to apply for a Zone 67 permit through the mail. Please use the enclosed permit application.**

**Permit Muzzleloader Season**—November 11, 12, 13, 14, 18, 19, 20, 21, 2002 (8 days)—**bag limit**—Unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only one antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit muzzleloader season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. The permit quota is set at 350 permits. All hunters are required to harvest an antlerless deer first. *Hunters that successfully harvest an antlerless deer may then harvest an antlered deer with at least three points on one side.* Antlered deer that do not have at least three points on one side may not be harvested in High Point State Park at any time.

All deer hunters will be restricted to that portion of High Point State Park located north and east of Route 23 during the first four days of the hunt (November 11, 12, 13, and 14, 2002). Both sides of Route 23 will be open November 18, 19, 20, and 21, 2002. No hunters are permitted in the park before 6:00 am or after 6:00 p.m.

Maps of High Point State Park and regulations will be distributed with all Zone 67 permits. In addition to a valid rifle permit, hunting license, and Zone 67 muzzleloader permit, the Division of Parks and Forestry will charge each hunter a non-refundable \$15.00 administration fee. A receipt will be issued to each hunter when the fee is collected. This receipt must be carried while hunting.

The High Point State Park Office is located at 1480 Route 23 South, in Sussex. For additional information contact the High Point State Park office at 973-875-4800.

### Hunterdon County Park System:

Parks within the Hunterdon County Park System that are open to hunting require an access permit, in addition to the necessary hunting license and/or deer permit. Applications are available at the Hunterdon County Park office on Route 31, Flemington. Call (908) 782-1158 for more information.

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## Lakehurst Naval Air Engineering Station (Zone 53):

All sportsman considering hunting on Lakehurst NAES for any season should contact John Joyce, Naval Air Engineering Station, Code 872, Route 547, Lakehurst, NJ, 08733-5065 or call 732-323-2911. There will be VERY limited public hunting for hunters who are sponsored by current members of the Navy Lakehurst Rod and Gun Club. Zone 53 state permits for the three permit seasons (bow, muzzleloader and shotgun) will be sold only at Lakehurst.

**Fall Bow Season**—September 28—October 25, 2002—**bag limit**—two deer—only one antlered deer may be taken statewide during the fall bow season.

**Permit Bow Season**—October 26—November 23 and November 28—30, 2002 (28 days)—**bag limit**—two deer per permit—only one antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit bow season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. The permit quota is set at 35 permits.

**Six-day Firearm Season**—December 9—14, 2002—**bag limit**—two antlered deer.

**Permit Muzzleloader Season**—November 30; December 2—7, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 2002; Jan 1—10, 2003 (29 days)—**bag limit**—two deer per permit—only one antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit muzzleloader season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. The permit quota is set at 60 permits.

**Permit Shotgun Season**—Saturday, January 11, 2003—**bag limit**—one deer per permit—only one antlered deer may be taken during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. The permit quota is set at 31 permits.

**Winter Bow Season**—January 1—31, 2003—**bag limit**—two deer—only one antlered deer may be taken statewide during the winter bow season.

## Lizard Tail Swamp Preserve:

The Nature Conservancy manages this 400-acre preserve, located within Middle Township in Cape May County. Approximately 340 acres are jointly owned by the Division and The Nature Conservancy, and are open to deer hunting. The Bureau's Deer Research Project recommends that deer season dates, bag limits and state hunting regulations for Deer Management Zone 34 apply on Lizard Tail Swamp. An access permit issued by The Nature Conservancy is required (there is no charge for the access permit). Permit applications, maps and site-specific regulations may be obtained by calling The Nature Conservancy at (609) 861-0600.

## Mercer County Parks:

**Baldpate Mountain**, located in Hopewell Township, Mercer County (Zone 41) will most likely be open for some portions of the 2002-03 deer hunting season. The details of the 2002-03 hunting program including season dates, bag limits, access permits, fees and parking information have not been finalized. Persons

wishing to hunt Baldpate Mountain should contact the Mercer County Park Commission at (609) 989-6540 in the beginning of September 2002. *Deer hunting in Baldpate Mountain is prohibited at all other times.*

**Howell Living History Farm**, located in Hopewell Township, Mercer County (Zone 41) will be open for limited permit muzzleloader and winter bow hunting. Additional information including, season dates, maps and access permits **MUST** be obtained by calling the Howell Living History Farm at (609) 737-3299 prior to purchasing a deer permit. There is a \$5 processing fee. *Deer hunting in Howell Living History Farm is prohibited at all other times. Those hunters interested in hunting Baldpate Mountain should call 609-989-6540.*

## Monmouth Battlefield State Park (Zone 64):

The Permit Shotgun season will be four days. Hunt dates are scheduled for Wednesday, January 15; Friday, January 17; Wednesday, January 22; and Friday, January 24, 2003. The bag limit for Zone 64 is unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. Two deer may be taken at one time. The park is closed to hunting at all other times.

*The permit quota for Zone 64 for the 2002-03 hunting season will be 100 permits. Successful applicants will be permitted to hunt all four days of the hunt dates.* In addition, hunters are required to attend a hunter orientation session. **All hunters MUST attend the session. The orientation session will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 8, 2003. There are NO EXEMPTIONS for hunters who have attended an orientation in the past. This is due to changes in safety zones and regulations because of increased development around the park.** The orientation will be held at the Monmouth County Library Headquarters, 125 Symmes Drive (off U.S. Hwy. Rt. 9), in Manalapan Township. Additional information regarding special regulations, and directions regarding orientation sessions will be mailed to successful applicants by January 1, 2003. If hunters can not attend the orientation session, it is recommended that they do not apply for a Zone 64 shotgun permit. Zone 64 permittees will NOT be given a refund. Hunters wishing to hunt Monmouth Battlefield State Park will need to apply for a Zone 64 permit through the mail. Please use the enclosed permit application. Any left over permits will ONLY be sold at the Central Region Office.

Permit holders must comply with State Park regulations. *Only shotgun slugs, number 4 buckshot or number 000 buckshot will be permitted for use during the permit shotgun season at Monmouth Battlefield State Park (Zone 64).*

## Morris County Park System:

The Black River County Park located in Chester Township, Schooley's Mountain County Park located in Washington Township, Silas

Condict County Park located in Kinnelon, and the Mahlon Dickerson Reservation, located in Jefferson Township, under the stewardship of the Morris County Park Commission will be open for deer hunting during portions of the Permit Shotgun season only.

Hunters will be required to have a Zone 8 permit as well as an access permit from the Park Commission to hunt in the Black River County Park in Chester Township and the Schooley's Mountain County Park in Washington Township. It is recommended that you have permission to hunt in an alternative location in Zone 8, as you may not be selected in the Park Commission's lottery. The program is filled on a first-come basis.

The Mahlon Dickerson Reservation in Jefferson Township and the Silas Condict County Park in Kinnelon will be open for a controlled hunt during the Permit Shotgun season. Hunters will be required to have a Zone 6 permit as well as an access permit from the Park Commission. It is recommended that you have permission to hunt in an alternative location in Zone 6, as you may not be selected in the Park Commission's lottery. The program is filled on a first-come basis.

## Black River County Park

**Permit Shotgun Season**—Nov. 26 and Dec. 18, 2002 and Jan. 7 and 23, and February 6, 2003—**bag limit**—Unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. Hunters in the Black River Park are required to take two antlerless deer prior to taking an antlered deer.

## Mahlon Dickerson Reservation and Silas Condict County Park

**Permit Shotgun Season**—Dec. 18, 2002—**bag limit**—one deer per permit—only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. Hunters at Mahlon Dickerson and Silas Condict are required to take two antlerless deer prior to taking an antlered deer, regardless of the Zone 6 season bag limit. Because the season bag limit for Zone 6 is one deer, any hunter wishing to harvest an antlered buck at Mahlon Dickerson Reservation or Silas Condict County Park must purchase two Zone 6 shotgun permits. Any antlered buck taken from Zone 6, including Mahlon Dickerson Reservation and Silas Condict County Park, must have at least one antler with at least three points.

## Schooley's Mountain County Park

**Permit Shotgun Season**—Nov. 26 and Dec. 18, 2002 and Jan. 9 and Feb. 4, 2003—**bag limit**—Unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. Hunters are required to take two antlerless deer prior to taking an antlered deer.

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River Park, the Mahlon Dickerson Reservation, the Silas Condict park or Schooley's Mountain Park must obtain an application from the Morris County Park Police Headquarters located at 300 Mendham Road (approximately 3 miles west of Morristown). Applications must be picked up in person Monday through Friday, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. A non-refundable, \$15 processing fee for Morris county residents (\$30 fee for non-county residents) must be paid by applicants at that time. Hunters will be offered a \$5.00 rebate for each doe harvested, up to the actual registration fee. Applications must be submitted by September 1. Successful applicants will be notified by October 1. All participants will be required to attend an orientation seminar (date to be announced). Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Morris County Park Police at 973-326-7632.

## Newark Watershed:

Most of Newark Watershed is located in Zone 3 and a portion of the property is located in Zone 6. People interesting in hunting the portion of Newark Watershed property located in either Zone 3 or Zone 6 please refer to the Set Of Regulations—Set 2 for season dates and bag limits. Zone 3 and Zone 6 permits will be available over the counter at select license agents beginning September 7, 2002. Any antlered buck taken in either Zone 3 or Zone 6 must have at least one antler with three antler points.

No deer hunting is permitted in Newark Watershed in the month of January. In addition to the hunting license and/or deer permit, hunters are required to obtain an access permit to hunt on Newark Watershed property. A fee of \$30 will be charged for non-residents of Newark City (other fees apply to Newark residents and senior citizens). Applications for access permits are available at the Newark Watershed office, 223 Echo Lake Rd., Newfoundland, NJ. Please call 973-697-2850 for more information.

## Picatinny Arsenal (Zone 54):

Picatinny Arsenal is **not** open to the general public for hunting. Picatinny Arsenal is open to deer hunting for Picatinny Arsenal employees and designated persons only. Zone 54 bow, shotgun and muzzleloader permits will be available for sale at Picatinny Arsenal. Contact Jonathon Van De Venter at 973-724-4691 for information on applying for a zone 54 permit. Picatinny is open on Christmas and New Year's Days.

**Fall Bow Season**—September 28—October 25, 2002—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the fall bow season.

**Permit Bow Season**—October 26—December 31, 2002 (57 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit bow season, regardless of the number of permits in possession. The permit quota is set at 40 permits.

**Six-day Firearm Season**—December 9–14, 2002—**bag limit**—two antlered deer.

**Permit Muzzleloader**—Dec. 2, 3, 16, 17, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 2002 and Jan. 1–4, and 6–10, 2003. (22 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit muzzleloader season, regardless of the number of permits in possession. The permit quota is set at 25 permits.

**Permit Shotgun**—December 21, 2002 and January 11, 2003 (2 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits in possession. The permit quota is set at 25 permits.

**Winter Bow**—January 1–31, 2003—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the winter bow season.

## Rancocas State Park (Zone 48):

Designated areas of the Park will be open for deer hunting during the Fall Bow, Permit Bow and Winter Bow Seasons. During these seasons, the season dates, bag limits, and State hunting regulations for Deer Management Zone 48 will apply to Rancocas State Park. Detailed maps of the hunt areas and additional information **MUST** be obtained prior to hunting Rancocas State Park. This information can be obtained by calling (609) 726-1191 or by writing to Rancocas State Park, c/o Lebanon State Forest, PO BOX 215, New Lisbon, NJ 08064. *Deer hunting in Rancocas State Park is prohibited at all other times.*

## Round Valley Recreation Area:

**Round Valley Recreation Area is no longer designated as Special Management Zone 60. Hunters wishing to hunt Round Valley Recreation Area must have a Zone 12 permit for the appropriate season and be registered with the Park office.** All regulations applicable to Zone 12 will apply to Round Valley Recreation Area. Park applications will be available at the Park this fall and will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Please call (908) 236-6355 for applications and/or information.

**Fall Bow Season**—A proposed Fall Bow season is planned for a limited number of hunters at portions of Round Valley Recreation Area not open to shotgun hunting.—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the fall bow season. Please call after September 2, 2002 for more information.

**Permit Bow Season**—A proposed Fall Bow season is planned for a limited number of hunters at portions of Round Valley Recreation Area not open to shotgun hunting.—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit bow season, regardless of the number of permits in possession. Please call after September 2, 2002 for more information.

**Permit Shotgun Season**—December 18, 19, 20, 2002 and January 10 & 11, 2003.—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits in possession. Access will be limited to 50 hunters per day. Zone 12 regulations apply.

## Six-Mile Run Reservoir State Park:

Designated portions of the Six-Mile Run Reservoir property will be open for deer hunting during the fall bow, permit bow and winter bow seasons only. Six Mile Run Reservoir State Park is located in Zone 14. Please refer to the Set of Regulations—Set 8 for season dates and bag limits for Zone 14 and contact the Delaware-Raritan Canal State Park office at 732-873-3050 for a map of the areas open for deer hunting.

## Spruce Run Recreation Area:

A proposed fall bow and permit bow season is planned for a limited number of hunters at Spruce Run Recreation Area. Call (908) 638-8572 after September 2, 2002 for more information. Zone 7 regulations will apply.

## Deer Hunting on National Wildlife Refuges in New Jersey

Most State laws relating to deer hunting apply to New Jersey's National Wildlife Refuges. However, special U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service regulations are in effect throughout all authorized deer hunting seasons. Hunters should take notice that the following, additional regulations apply to all National Wildlife Refuges (Refuges) in New Jersey:

1. The State regulation which allows deer hunters to hunt over bait does NOT apply to National

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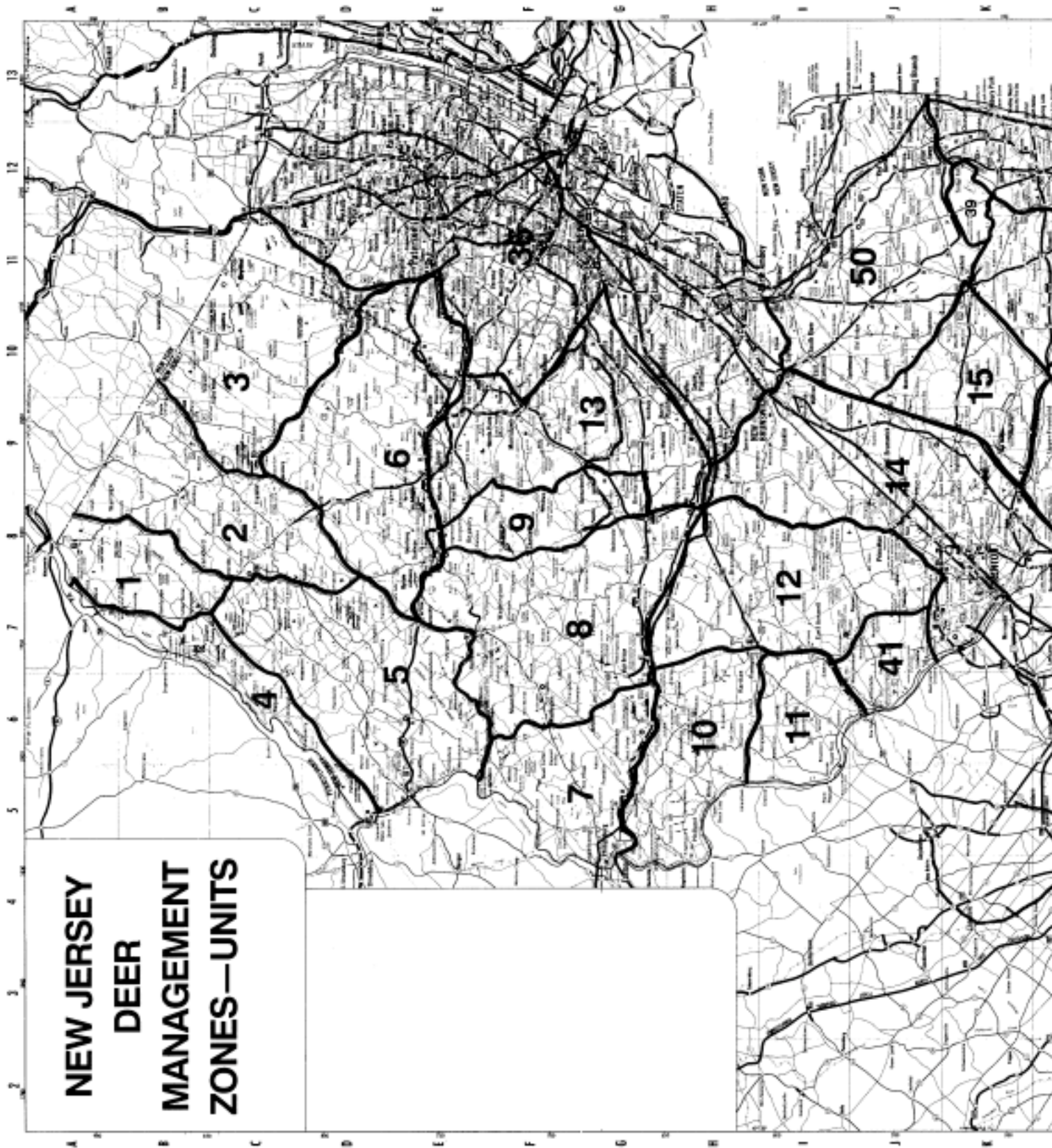
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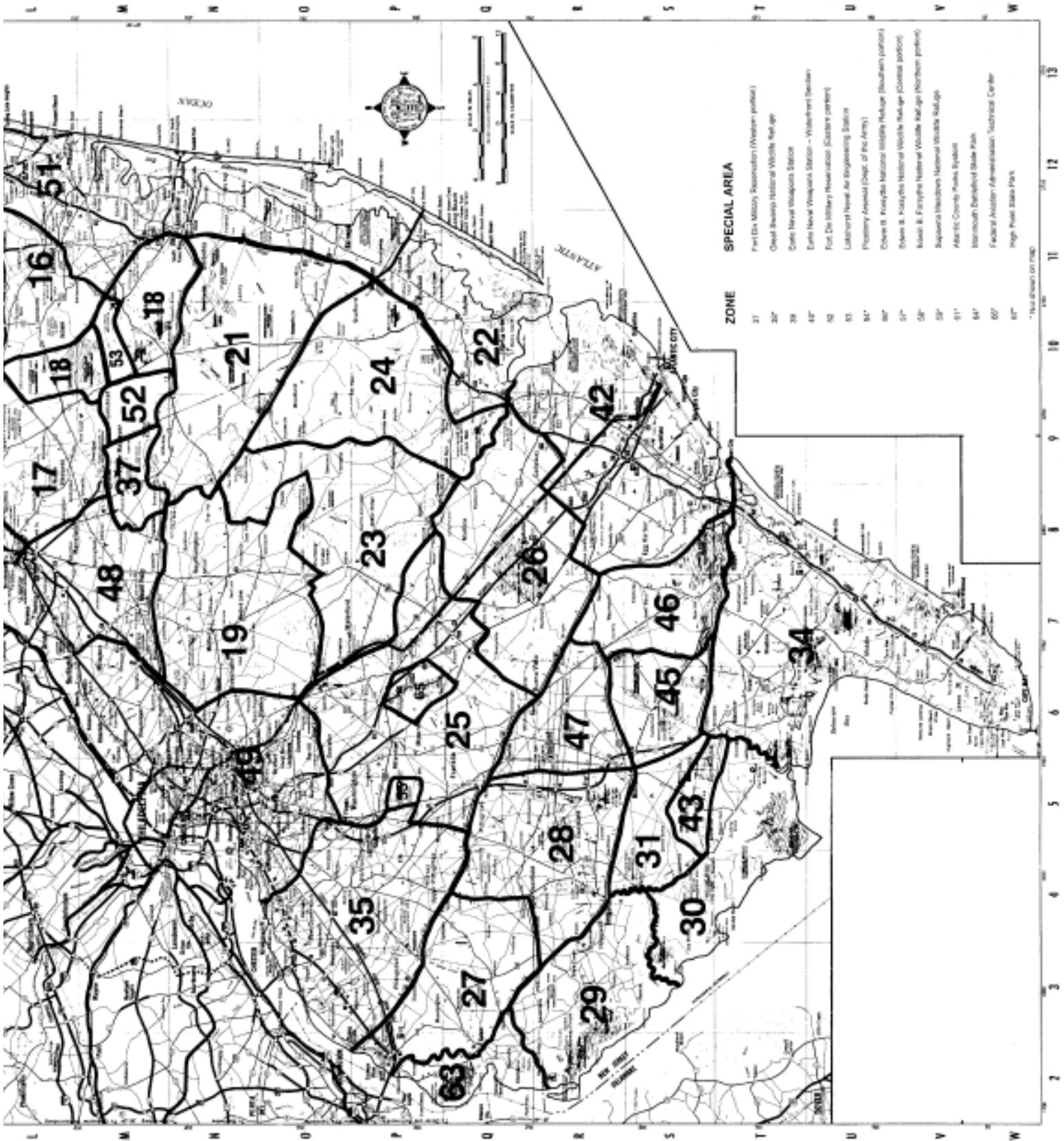
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Wildlife Refuges. **Hunting over bait or distributing bait is prohibited on all National Wildlife Refuges.**

- The use of a spotlight, or other artificial light including automotive headlights, for the purpose of spotting, locating, or taking any wildlife on a National Wildlife Refuge is prohibited. This regulation applies to all persons regardless of *whether or not they have a weapon or firearm in their possession.*
- Firearm hunters (shotgun and muzzleloader) must wear an outer garment consisting of at least **400 square inches** of solid fluorescent orange while deer hunting on national wildlife refuges. The amount of fluorescent orange required to hunt on a national wildlife refuge is double the amount required by New Jersey regulations.
- Entry is prohibited on Refuge lands posted "Area Closed" and on Refuge roadways posted with "Inholders Only" signs.
- The use of nails, wire, screws or bolts to attach a stand to a tree, or hunting from a tree into which a metal object has been driven to support a hunter, is prohibited on National Wildlife Refuges.

Most refuges can accommodate individuals who have obtained a permit for handicapped hunters from the New Jersey Division of Fish & Wildlife, including permits to hunt from vehicles. Interested individuals should contact Refuge in advance of the deer hunting seasons.

In addition to the regulations outlined above the following information is provided about individual Refuges:

## Cape May National Wildlife Refuge:

Cape May NWR be open for all six deer seasons. Season dates, bag limits and state hunting regulations for Deer Management Zone 34 apply on the Refuge in addition to the regulations outlined above.

## Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge (Zones 56, 57, and 58):

**Hunters wishing to hunt on the Edwin B. Forsythe NWR will need to apply for Zone 56, 57 and/or 58 permits through the mail. Please use the enclosed permit application.** Any left over permits for the Edwin B. Forsythe NWR will be purchased as over-the-counter permits from the Nacote Creek Research Station only. Bow, shotgun and muzzleloader permits will be available for sale on or about September 30, 2002. Call the permit hotline in mid-September at (609) 292-9192 for the exact date. Permits will be available for sale until October 16, 2002 or until they are sold out, whichever comes first. Due to the limited availability of shotgun permits for Zone 56, permits will be sold on a first come, first served basis until all permits are sold. **No Exceptions!** **The purchase of a Zone 22, 42, and/or 51 permit does not allow you to hunt anywhere on the E.B. Forsythe NWR!**

For all permit sales, permit purchases must be done in person by the person whose name will be on the permit. All hunters who obtain a deer permit must have their permit validated before they are allowed to scout or hunt on the refuge. Validation of permits must be done at either the Brigantine or Barnegat Divisions during business hours (8:00 am–4:00 p.m., Monday–Friday), at the orientation sessions, or during the first day of the Nacote Creek Research Station over-the-counter sales. Permit validation must be done in person by the person whose name appears on the permit. Those wishing to have their permits validated at the Barnegat Division, please call (609) 698-1387 prior to coming to the station headquarters. Scouting is only permitted on the two Sundays prior to the opening of the permittees corresponding season. Only designated sections of the Edwin B. Forsythe NWR will be open for deer hunting. All other areas are **CLOSED**.

Hunters who will be hunting the Edwin B. Forsythe NWR for the first time are required to attend a hunter orientation session prior to hunting or scouting. Orientation sessions will be held at the Brigantine Division on Sunday, October 6, and Sunday, November 17, 2002. Orientation sessions will be held at the Barnegat Division on Sunday, October 20, and Sunday, November 24, 2002. All sessions begin at 10:00 am. All attendees will be allowed to scout after that days orientation session. For additional and updated hunting information at the Edwin B. Forsythe NWR, please call (609) 652-1665, or by Internet at <http://forsythe.fws.gov/>.

## Edwin B. Forsythe NWR (Zone 56) will be open for deer hunting to properly licensed hunters as follows:

**Permit Shotgun Season**—December 16–20, 2002 (5 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. Successful hunters will be required to register their deer at the Division's Nacote Creek Office, where biologists will collect biological information from refuge deer. Hunters have the option of taking two deer at a time during the permit shotgun season. This will allow a hunter the opportunity of shooting two deer while in the field during the permit shotgun season. This will also allow a hunter the opportunity of shooting two deer before going to the check station. Zone 56 will be closed to deer hunting at all other times. A total of **25** permits will be available.

## Edwin B. Forsythe NWR (Zone 57 & 58) will be open for deer hunting to properly licensed hunters as follows:

**Permit Bow Season**—October 26 to November 23 and November 28–30, 2002 (28 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit bow season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. A total of 40 permits for Zone 57 and 50 permits for Zone 58 will be available.

**Permit Muzzleloader Season**—December 2, 3, 16, 17, 21, 23, 24, 26–31, 2002 and January 1–10, 2003 (21 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit muzzleloader season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. A total of 40 permits for Zone 57 and 50 permits for Zone 58 will be available.

**Permit Shotgun Season**—December 9–14, 2002 and January 11–31, 2003 (24 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. Zones 57 and 58 will be closed to deer hunting at all other times. In addition, all Zone 57 hunters who harvest deer on December 11–13, will be required to check their deer at the Division's Nacote Creek Office, where biologists will collect biological information from refuge deer. A total of 40 permits for Zone 57 and 50 permits for Zone 58 will be available.

## Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge (Zone 38):

The refuge will be open for Permit Shotgun and Permit Muzzleloader hunting only. Great Swamp NWR will be closed to hunting at all other times.

## Permit Shotgun and Permit

**Muzzleloader**—December 4–December 7, 2002—**bag limit**—Unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit shotgun and permit muzzleloader seasons, respectively, regardless of the number of permits purchased. The Refuge emphasizes the harvest of adult does and manages for older age-class bucks. Hunters have the option of taking two deer at a time during the permit shotgun season and permit muzzleloader seasons. This will allow a hunter the opportunity of shooting two deer at once before going to the check station. In addition, one antlered deer per season is allowed for those hunters whose first antlerless deer is an adult doe. The harvest strategy will emphasize the harvest of adult does and hopefully decrease the harvest of fawns. The daily quota of hunters allowed afield is 250. Historically, hunters have had at least three days of hunting. Twenty muzzleloader permits and 480 shotgun permits will be available. **Hunters wishing to hunt Great Swamp Nat'l. Wildlife Refuge will need to apply for a zone 38 permit through the mail. Please use the enclosed application.** Shotgun and muzzleloader permits for Zone 38 leftover after the initial mail-in lottery will be sold at the Great Swamp Refuge Headquarters on Sunday, November 3, from 1–5 p.m., and on Monday, November 4, from 8 a.m.–4 p.m.

In addition to the Zone 38 shotgun and/or muzzleloader permit issued by the NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will charge a \$22 fee (\$11 for those persons with Golden Age or Golden Access passports) for issuance of a federal hunting permit. The federal permit will be issued free of charge to

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# Deer Management Zone Descriptions

*Note: Shaded zones represent a change for this year.*

**Zone No. 1:** That portion of Sussex County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 521 (River Rd.) and Mashipacong Rd.; then west along the northern boundary of the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area to the east bank of the Delaware River; then north along the east bank of the Delaware River to the New York State line; then east along the New York State line to Rt. 519; then south along Rt. 519 to its intersection with Rt. 206 at Branchville; then northwest along Rt. 206 to the intersection with Rt. 560; then west along Rt. 560 to the intersection with Ridge Rd.; then north on Ridge Rd. to the intersection with Rt. 646; then east on Rt. 646 to the intersection with Rt. 645 in Hainesville; then north on Rt. 645 to the intersection with Rts. 206 and 521; then north on Rts. 206 and 521 to Montague; then north on Rt. 521 (River Rd.) to the intersection with Mashipacong Rd., the point of beginning. The island of Mashipacong lying in the Delaware River is included in this zone. High Point State Park (Zone 67) is excluded from Zone 1.

**Zone No. 2:** That portion of Sussex County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 94 and the New York State line; then south along Rt. 94 to its intersection with Rt. 23 at Hamburg, then southeast along Rt. 23 to its intersection with Rt. 517 at Franklin; then south along Rt. 517 to its intersection with Rt. 206 at Andover; then north along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Rt. 519 at Newton; then north along Rt. 519 to the New York State line; then east along the New York State line to Rt. 94 to the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 3:** That portion of Sussex, Morris, Passaic, and Bergen counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 94 and the New York State line; then east along the New York State line to its intersection with Rt. 202 near Suffern; then south along Rt. 202 to its intersection with Rt. 23; then west along Rt. 23 to its intersection with Rt. 94 at Hamburg; then north along Rt. 94 to the point of beginning on the New York State line.

**Zone No. 4:** That portion of Sussex and Warren counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 521 (River Rd.) and New Mashipacong Rd.; then running along Rt. 521 to the intersection with Rt. 206 in Montague; then south on Rt. 206 to the intersection with Rt. 645 (Layton-Hainesville Road); then south on Rt. 645 to the intersection with Rt. 646 in Hainesville (Jagger

Road); then west on Rt. 646 to the intersection with Ridge Rd.; then south on Ridge Rd. to the intersection with Rt. 560 (Dingman's Bridge Road); then southeast along Rt. 560 to its intersection with Rt. 206; then south on Rt. 206 to the intersection with the base of the Kittatinny Ridge at Culvers Inlet; then southwest along the east base of the Kittatinny Ridge to the Delaware River at the Delaware Water Gap north and west of Quarry Road; then north along the east bank of the Delaware River to the northern park boundary of the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area; then east along the northern park boundary of the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area to Rt. 521 (River Rd.), the point of beginning. Namanock, Minisink, Depew, Tocks, Poxono and Labar Islands in the Delaware River are included in this zone.

**Zone No. 5:** That portion of Warren and Sussex counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of the base of the Kittatinny Ridge and Rt. 206 at Culvers Inlet; then southeast along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Rt. 519 at Branchville; then south along Rt. 519 to its intersection with Rt. 206 at Newton; then south along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Rt. 517 at Andover; then south along Rt. 517 to its intersection with Rt. 46 at Hackettstown; then west along Rt. 46 to its intersection with the Delaware River at Manunkachunk; then north along the east bank of the Delaware River to its intersection with the Zone 4 boundary at the Delaware Water Gap north and west of Quarry Road then northeast along the base of the Kittatinny Ridge to its intersection with Rt. 206, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 6:** That portion of Morris, Sussex, Passaic, Warren and Essex counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 80 and Rt. 517 at Allamuchy; then northeast along Rt. 517 to its intersection with Rt. 23 at Franklin; then southeast along Rt. 23 to its intersection with Rt. 80; then west along Rt. 80 to the point of beginning at Allamuchy. Picatinny Arsenal (Zone 54) is excluded from Zone 6.

**Zone No. 7:** That portion of Hunterdon and Warren counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 31 and 78 at Clinton; then north along Rt. 31 to its intersection with Rt. 46 at Buttzville; then west on Rt. 46 to the Delaware River at Manunkachunk; then south along the east bank of the Delaware to its intersection with Rt. 78 at Phillipsburg; then east along Rt. 78 to the point of beginning at Clinton.

**Zone No. 8:** That portion of Hunterdon, Morris, Somerset and Warren counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 22 and 206 near Somerville; then north along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Rt. 80 near Netcong; then west along Rt. 80 to its intersection with Rt. 517 at Allamuchy; then south along Rt. 517 to its intersection with Rt. 46 at Hackettstown; then west along Rt. 46 to its intersection with Rt. 31 at Buttzville; then southeast along Rt. 31 to its intersection with Rt. 22 at Clinton; then east along Rt. 22 to the point of beginning at Somerville.

**Zone No. 9:** Those portions of Morris and Somerset counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 206 and Rt. 80 near Netcong; then east along Rt. 80 to its intersection with Rt. 46; then east on Rt. 46 to the intersection with Rt. 10 in Ledgewood; then east on Rt. 10 to the intersection with Morris Tpk.; then east and south on Morris Tpk. to Calais Rd.; then west on Calais Rd. to Combs Hollow Rd.; then south on Combs Hollow Rd. to Calais Rd.; then south on Calais Rd. to Mountain Ave. in Mendham; then south and east on Mountain Ave. to Hilltop Rd. (Rt. 525); then south on Rt. 525 to the intersection with Rt. 78; then west on Rt. 78 to the intersection with Rt. 206 near Pluckemin; then north on Rt. 206 to the intersection with Rt. 80 in Netcong, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 10:** That portion of Hunterdon and Warren counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 31 and 12 in Flemington; then north along Rt. 31 to its intersection with Rt. 78 at Clinton; then west along Rt. 78 to the Delaware River at Phillipsburg; then south along the east bank of the Delaware River to Rt. 12 at Frenchtown; then east along Rt. 12 to the point of beginning at Flemington.

**Zone No. 11:** That portion of Hunterdon County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Routes 12 and 31 and 202 at Flemington; then southwest along Route 202 to the Delaware River; then northwest along the east bank of the Delaware River to its intersection with Route 12 at Frenchtown; then east along Route 12 to the point of beginning at Flemington. Shyhawks, Treasure, Rush, Bull and Eagle Islands lying in the Delaware River are in this zone.

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hunters under the age of 17. The Refuge will supply specific information regarding this fee, and hunt procedures and regulations, after applicants have received their state permit. For further information, please contact Craig Bitler, Refuge Wildlife Biologist, at 973-425-1222 Extension 15.

### Supawna Meadows National Wildlife Refuge (Zone 59):

**Hunters wishing to hunt Supawna Meadows National Wildlife Refuge will need to apply for a Zone 59 permit through the mail. Please use the enclosed permit application.**

The Quality Deer Management program will continue in Deer Management Zone 59. Antlered bucks must have at least one antler with at least three points to be harvested during all open seasons. Zone 59 will have an 11-day permit muzzleloader season, and a permit shotgun season consisting of three, 3-day segments. **Supawna Meadows NWR (Zone 59) will be open for deer hunting to properly licensed hunters as follows:**

**Permit Bow Season**—October 26 to November 23, 2002 (25 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit bow season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. A total of 35 permits will be available.

**Permit Muzzleloader Season**—December 16–21 and 23, 24, 26–31, 2002 (12 days)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit muzzleloader season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. Two deer may be harvested at a time. A total of 25 permits will be available.

**Permit Shotgun Season**—December 5–7, 2002 (first segment); December 26–28, 2002 (second segment); and January 23–25, 2003 (third segment)—**bag limit**—unlimited antlerless deer per permit per segment. Only ONE antlered deer may be taken statewide during the permit shotgun season, regardless of the number of permits purchased. Two deer may be harvested at a time. A total of 25 permits will be available for each

segment (a total of 75 shotgun permits).

### Walkkill River National Wildlife Refuge:

Designated areas of the Refuge will be open for deer hunting during the Fall Bow, Permit Bow, Permit Muzzleloader, Permit Shotgun and Winter Bow Seasons. *Deer hunting in Walkkill River NWR is prohibited at all other times.* Walkkill River National Wildlife Refuge is located in Zone 2. Please refer to the Set of Regulations—Set 4 for season dates and bag limits for Zone 2. Because hunt areas change each year, new hunt maps are required. Detailed maps of the hunt areas, a list of additional regulations and a signed access permit from the Refuge **MUST** be obtained prior to scouting or hunting the Refuge. The access permit is free and must be carried by the hunter at all times when on Refuge property. The permit is non-transferable. Current hunt maps, information and access permits will be available by August 15th and can be obtained by calling 973-702-7266 or by writing Walkkill River National Wildlife Refuge, 1547 County Route 565, Sussex, NJ 07461.

## Hunters Helping the Hungry

Hunters Helping the Hungry (HHH) is a program that enables hunters to donate venison, providing high quality protein to needy individuals throughout New Jersey. In it's fifth year, HHH will continue to operate with limited funding. **Therefore hunters wishing to donate deer must also donate a minimum of \$20 towards the \$65 processing fee. However, once funding runs out, hunters donating deer will have to pay the entire \$65 fee charged by participating butchers.** Last year hunters donated over 30,000 lbs. of venison, however the general appropriation of \$75,000 received from the legislature was expended by November. This year, no appropriation was granted. The Division of Fish and Wildlife, at the urging of the Fish and Game Council, will match donations from other sources (individuals, clubs, organizations or corporations), up to a total of \$50,000. The Division urges individual deer hunters and hunting clubs to consider donating funds to this worthy cause. Since funding is not expected to meet demand, hunters are urged to check with NORWESCAP, the Food Bank of Monmouth County or one of the participating butchers before harvesting a deer intended for donation.

**In order to satisfy their regular customers, butchers will not accept donated deer during the Six-Day Firearm Buck Season (December 9-15, 2002).**

## Participating Butchers Include:

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Lebanon • (908) 735-4646

### Bishop's Market

Whitehouse Station • (908) 534-9666

### V. Roche & Sons

Whitehouse Station • (908) 534-2006

### A & A Country Butchers

Washington • (908) 689-5537

### Newton High School

Newton • (973) 383-7573 ext. 243

### Mark Godek Butcher Shop

Marlboro • (732) 462-3695

### The Pork Roll Store

(formally the Meat Factory)

Allentown • (609) 259-6335

To donate to the Hunters Helping the Hungry program, make checks payable to either to: NORWESCAP Food Bank Venison Fund, 201 North Broad St., Phillipsburg, NJ 08865 (for questions call Cathy Rummel at 908-454-4322) or Food Bank of Ocean and Monmouth Counties Venison Fund, 516 Passaic Ave., Spring Lake, NJ 07762 (732-974-2265).

## 2002-2003 Mandatory

	Fall Bow	Permit Bow	6-Day Firearm	Permit Muzzle Loader	Permit Shotgun	Winter Bow
<b>Atlantic County</b>						
Muskett's Tavern, 343 W. White Horse Pike, Absecon, 609-646-9726	x	x	3	3	3,4	x
Captain Howard's, 326 Philadelphia Ave., Egg Harbor City, 609-965-7955	x	x	x	x	x	x
Nacote Creek Research Station 1, Rt. 9 North, (2.5 miles north of Smithville), Galloway Twp. 609-748-2058			3		6	
N.E. Hand & Son, 6016 Main St., Mays Landing, 609-625-4941	x	x	3	3	3,4	x
Nesco Package Goods, Rt. 542, Nesco, 609-561-8704	x	x	x	x	x	x
The Port Store, Clarks Landing Rd., Port Republic, 609-652-1616	x	x	x	x	x	x
Railroad Deli, 32 Tuckahoe Road (Rt. 557), Dorothy, 609-476-4006	x	x	x	x	x	X
Sugar Hill Sub & Deli, 153 Somers Pt. Rd. (Rt. 559), Mays Landing, 609-625-0538	x	x	x	x	x	x
Ted's Taxidermy, 713 Rt. 40 (1/10 mile west of Rt. 54), Buena, 609-697-8585	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Bergen County</b>						
Britt's Bait & Tackle, 41 River Rd., Oakland, 201-651-0900	x	x	x	x	x	x
Targeteers Sporting Goods, 101 Rt. 46 West, Saddle Brook, 201-843-7788	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Burlington County</b>						
Green Bank Inn, Rt. 542 & Rt. 563 Jct., Green Bank, 609-965-9799	x	x	x	x	x	x
Hedger House, 4265 Route 563, Chatsworth, 609-726-9006	x	x	x	x	x	x
Indian Mills Texaco, 1231 Rt. 206 South, Shamong, 609-268-0303	x	x	x	x	x	x
Mike's Sporting Goods, 1414 Rt. 38, Hainesport, 609-267-7978	x	x	x	x	x	x
New Gretna Munchies, Rt. 9 and S. Maple Ave., New Gretna, 609-296-8050	x	x	x	x	x	x
Nixon's General Store, Chatsworth Rd & New Rd Jct, Tabernacle, 609-268-9800	x	x	x	x	x	x
Pine Barren Stove & Sport Shop, Rt. 72, Chatsworth, 609-726-1550	x	x	3	2,3	1,3	x
Schneider Supply, 390 Lakehurst Rd. (Rt. 530), Browns Mills, 609-893-2323	x	x	3	2,3	1,3	x
Sportsmen's Center, U.S. Rt. 130 North, Bordentown, 609-298-5300	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Camden County</b>						
Atco Sports, 177 Atco Ave., Atco, 856-767-9446	x	x	x	x	x	x
Creek Keepers, 1130 Black Horse Pike, Blackwood, 856-227-3328	x	x	x	x	x	x
Josh's Bait & Tackle, 1214 Black Horse Pike (Rt. 168), Glendora, 856-939-5900	x	x	x	x	x	x
Russell's PIC-II, 386 White Horse Pike, Ancora, 609-567-9886	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sicklerville Hardware, 540 Williamstown Rd., Sicklerville, 856-728-3800	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Cape May County</b>						
Belleplaine Supply & Gun Center, Hands Mill Rd., Belleplaine, 609-861-2345	x	x	x	x	x	x
Fletcher's Corner, 212 South Rt. 47, Dias Creek, 609-465-4949	x	x	x	x	x	x
Just Sports, 21 Mechanic St., Cape May Court House, 609-465-6171	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Cumberland County</b>						
Busnardo's Sport Center, 886 North Pearl St., Bridgeton, 856-451-6272	x	x	x	x	x	x
Maurice River Sports Center, 329 W. Main St., Millville, 856-825-5500	x	x	x	x	x	x
Neighborhood Deli, jct. Cedarville & Buckshutem Rds., Millville, 856-825-0044	x	x	x	x	x	x
Van Meter Archery, Hopewell Shopping Ctr, Rt. 49, Bridgeton, 856-453-2855	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Essex County</b>						
The Bullet Hole, 78 Rutgers St., Belleville, 973-759-5844	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Gloucester County</b>						
A&M Meats, Wolfert Station Rd., Mullica Hill, 856-478-0370	x	x	x	x	x	x
Paulsboro Lockers, 649 Swedesboro Rd., Gibbstown, 856-423-1015	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sportsmen's Outpost, Fries Mill Rd., Williamstown, 856-881-3244	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Hudson County</b>						
Summit Indoor Archery Lanes, 443-445 Central Ave., Jersey City, 201-653-1443	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Hunterdon County</b>						
Boan's Marine, 1296 Rt. 179, Mt. Airy, 609-397-3311	x	x	x	x	x	x
Brown's Auto Body, 1173 Rt. 579, Quakertown, 908-735-7800	x	x	x	x	x	x
Canyon Creek Grill, 941 Route 12, Kingwood, 908-996-3383	x	x	x	x	x	x
Carousel Deli & Bakery, Rt. 179 & Wertsville Rd. jct., Ringoes, 908-788-5180	x	x	x	x	x	x
Clinton Outfitters, 2020 Rt. 31 North, Glen Gardner, 908-638-9292	x	x	x	x	x	x
Jugtown Mountain Campsites, 1074 Rt. 173 East, West Portal, 908-735-5995	x	x	x	x	x	x
Milford Napa Auto Parts, 1002 Milford-Frenchtown Rd., Frenchtown, 908-996-2288	x	x	x	x	x	x
Person Processing, 1221 Route 31 South, Lebanon, 908-735-4646	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sportsman's Rendezvous, 174 Rt. 31 North (in Sportsman's Plaza), Flemington, 908-788-5828	x	x	x	x	x	x
The Corner Store, Rt. 12 and Rt. 519 jct., Baptistown, 908-996-7648	x	x	3,7	x	1	1
V. Roche & Sons, 9 High St. Whitehouse Station, 908-534-2006	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Mercer County</b>						
Mignella's Hillbilly Hall, N. Greenwood Ave., Hopewell, 609-466-9856	x	x	x	2	1	x
Steve's Bait & Tackle, 21 E. Broad St., Hopewell Boro, 609-466-4611	x	x	3	x	x	x
Trigger and Reel, 60 Arctic Parkway, Ewing, 609-695-2818	x	x	3	2,3	1,3	x
Washington Crossing State Park, Phillips Farm location, Harbourton-Bear Tavern Rd., Washington Crossing, 609-737-0623			5			
<b>Middlesex County</b>						
All Season's Sports & Taxidermy, 1938 Englishtown Rd. (Rt. 527), Jamesburg, 732-521-1616	x	x	x	x	x	x
S & B Sportsman Shop, 2166 Rt. 130, North Brunswick, 732-297-5129	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sayreville Sportsman, 52 Washington Rd., Sayreville, 732-238-2060	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Monmouth County</b>						
Bill's Taxidermy, 70 Rt. 35 North (next to Davy's Auto Repair), Keyport, 732-888-0465	x	x	x	x	x	x
Colts Neck General Store, 38 Rt 537 (west of Rt 34), Colts Neck, 732-462-5185	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sportsman's Shop, Rt. 35 & 3rd Ave., Neptune, 732-775-9044	x	x	x	x	x	x

# Deer Check Stations

	Fall Bow	Permit Bow	6-Day Firearm	Permit Muzzle Loader	Permit Shotgun	Winter Bow
<b>Morris County</b>						
Buck & Bass, 15 Weldon Rd., Jefferson Twp., 973-663-4009	x	x	x	x	x	x
Bob Riley Auto Repair, 22 Merry Lane, East Hanover, 973-386-1805	x	x	x	x	x	x
Madison Car Care, 122 Main St. (in the rear of the building), Madison, 973-377-0058	x	x	x	x	x	x
Parsippany Bait, Sport & Tackle, 180 Parsippany Rd., (behind Green Hills Shopping Ctr.), Parsippany, 973-887-3300	x	x	x	x	x	x
R & S Sports Center, Rt. 46 & New St. jct., Budd Lake, 973-347-1944	x	x	x	x	x	x
The Country Sportsman, 63 Hamburg Tpke., Riverdale, 973-839-7622	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Ocean County</b>						
Al's Grill & Cream Ridge Sporting Goods, 465 Rt. 539 (south of Rt. 537), Cream Ridge, 609-758-0616	x	x	x	x	x	x
Brick Armory, 231C Chambers Bridge Rd. (north of Rt. 70 and after Ocean Ice Rink), Brick, 732-477-0800	x	x	x	x	x	x
Grizz's Forked River Bait and Tackle, 232 North Main St. (Rt.9), Forked River, 609-693-9298	x	x	x	x	x	x
Murphy's Hook House, 2701 Rt. 37 East, Toms River, 732-270-3856	x	x	x	x	x	x
Jackson Sporting Goods, 271 S. New Prospect Rd. (north of Rt. 526), Jackson, 732-363-1533	x	x	3	2,3	1,3	x
Just Plain Jane's, 581 E. Veterans Hwy. (Rt. 528), Jackson, 732-928-9854	x	x	x	x	x	x
Lakehurst Veterans of Foreign War Post 10061, 20 Union Ave. (across from Eckerd Drug), Lakehurst, 732-657-6609	x	x	x	x	x	x
Lucille's Country Cooking, 1496 Rt. 539, Warren Grove, 609-698-4474	x	x	x	x	x	x
Point Boro Sports, 3201 Bridge Ave. (south of Rt. 88; Bridge Ave. & Cohocton Ave. Jct.), Point Pleasant, 732-295-2036	x	x	3	2,3	1,3	x
Scott's Bait & Tackle, 945 Radio Rd., Mystic Island, 609-296-1300	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sportsman's Shanty, 420 Chandler Rd., Jackson, 732-367-0033	x	x	x	x	x	x
Tip's Hardware, 218 Main St. (Rt. 9), West Creek, 609-296-8477	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Passaic County</b>						
Frank's Tackle, 81 Ringwood Ave. (Rt. 511), Wanaque, 973-657-9698	x	x	3	3	3,4	x
Monksville Bait, Sport & Tackle, 1141 Greenwood Lake Tpke., Ringwood, 973-728-5154	x	x	x	x	x	x
Frank's Tackle, 1846 Route 23 North, West Milford, 973-657-9698	x	x	3	3	3,4	x
Totowa Bait and Tackle, 10 Albion Ave., Totowa, 973-956-0825	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Salem County</b>						
Bradway's Farm Market, Rt. 49 and Jericho Rd., Quinton, 856-935-0500	x	x	x	x	x	x
Buck Stop, 989 Alvine Rd., Norma, 856-794-1281	x	x	x	x	x	x
Joe & Sandi's Country Store, Main St., Canton, 856-935-1414	x	x	x	x	x	x
North American Archery and Muzzleloader, Pole Tavern Circle, Monroeville, 856-358-8180	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sam's Super Service, 290 Rt. 40 (jct. Rt. 553), Elmer, 856-358-3488	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Somerset County</b>						
Gladpack Sunoco, 1 Pottersville Rd., Gladstone, 908-234-1355	x	x	x	x	x	x
Hillsborough Outdoor Sports Center, 170 Township Line Rd. (in Longships Complex), Belle Mead, 908-359-0837	x	x	x	x	x	x
Millstone Sport Shop, 20 N. River St., Millstone, 908-359-5713	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Sussex County</b>						
Bill's Hideaway, 1284 Rt. 23 South, Colesville, 973-876-4794	x	x	x	x	x	x
Hainesville General Store, 283 Rt. 206 South, Hainesville, 973-948-0809	x	x	x	x	x	x
Jumboland, Rt. 206 North, Branchville, 973-948-6802	x	x	x	x	x	x
Layton Hotel, Rt. 560, Layton, 973-948-0809	x	x	x	x	x	x
Mastodon Sport Center, 34 Highland Lakes Rd. (Rt. 638), Highland Lakes, 973-764-0200	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sig Borstad Archery & Hunting Supply, Old Rudetown Rd., McAfee, 973-827-6527	x	x	x	x	x	x
Simon Peter Fish & Tackle, 660 Rt. 206 South, Newton, 973-786-5313	x	x	x	x	x	x
Stillwater Supply, Stillwater Station Rd., Stillwater, 973-383-4970	x	x	x	x	x	x
Swartswood Country Store, 911 Newton-Swartswood Rd., Swartswood, 973-383-5470	x	x	x	x	x	x
Vernon Crossing Tire & Auto, 7 Vernon Crossing Rd., Vernon, 973-764-6171	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Union County</b>						
Charlie Brenner's Sports Shop, 344 St. George Ave. (Rt. 27), Rahway, 732-382-4066	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Warren County</b>						
57 West Deer Processing, 2664 Route 57, Stewartville, 908-859-1725	x	x	x	x	x	x
County Line Sport Shop, 10 Rt. 46 West, Hackettstown, 908-852-9897	x	x	x	x	x	x
Hi-Way Sport Shop, 253 Rt. 31 South, Washington, 908-689-6208	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sigler's Machine Shop, Island Dragway Rd., Great Meadows, 908-637-8094	x	x	x	x	x	x
Stanley's Marine, 433 Rt. 46, Belvidere, 908-475-2540	x	x	x	x	x	x
The Big K, 606 Rt. 519 (Hope-Johnsonburg Rd.), Johnsonburg, 908-459-4487	x	x	x	x	x	x
The Owl's Nest, 97 Rt. 519, Warren Glen, 908-995-7903	x	x	x	x	x	x

- 1 Deer may not be checked at this station on Monday, Nov. 25, 2002. Please bring deer to another station for registration.
- 2 Deer may not be checked at this station on Monday, Dec. 2, 2002. Please bring deer to another station for registration.
- 3 Deer may not be checked at this station on Monday, Dec. 9, 2002. Please bring deer to another station for registration.
- 4 Deer may not be checked at this station on Wednesday, Dec. 18, 2002. Please bring deer to another station for registration.
- 5 Station will check deer for the opening day of the 6-Day Firearm Season only (Dec. 9, 2002).
- 6 The Nacote Creek Office will be open from 8:30 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. from Dec. 16 through Dec. 20, 2002.
- 7 Deer may not be checked at this station on Saturday, Dec. 14, 2002. Bring deer to another check station.

**Note:** If a station is not listed as open to check deer it may still be open for business.

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5. Smoked Hams

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**Zone No. 12:** That portion of Somerset, Hunterdon and Mercer counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 31 and 22 at Clinton; then east on Rt. 22 to its intersection with Rt. 206 at Somerville; then south along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Rt. 546 at Lawrenceville; then west on Rt. 546 to its intersection with Rt. 31 at the Pennington traffic circle; then north along Rt. 31 to the point of beginning at Clinton. **That portion of Round Valley Recreation Area designated as open to deer hunting is included in Zone 12.**

**Zone No. 13:** That portion of Morris, Somerset and Union counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 22 and 206 at Somerville; then north on Rt. 206 to the intersection with Rt. 78 near Pluckemin; then east on Rt. 78 to the intersection with Rt. 525; then north on Rt. 525 to Mountain Ave. in Mendham; then north and west on Mountain Ave. to Calais Rd.; then north on Calais Rd. to Combs Hollow Rd., then north on Combs Hollow Rd. to Calais Rd.; then east on Calais Rd. to Morris Tpk.; then north and west on Morris Tpk. to Rt. 10; then west on Rt. 10 to Rt. 46 in Ledgewood; then west on Rt. 46 to the intersection with Rt. 80 near Netcong; then east on Rt. 80 to the intersection with Rt. 511; then south on Rt. 511 to the intersection with Rt. 124 in Morristown; then southeast along Rt. 124 to the intersection with Rt. 82; then southwest along Rt. 82 to the intersection with Rt. 22; then southwest along Rt. 22 to the point of beginning at Somerville. The Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge (Zone 38) is excluded from Zone 13.

**Zone No. 14:** That portion of Mercer, Middlesex, Somerset and Burlington counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Routes 22 and 206 at Somerville, then east along Route 22 to its intersection with Interstate 287; then south on Interstate 287 to its intersection with Route 18; then south on Route 18 to its intersection with the New Jersey Turnpike; then southwest along the New Jersey Turnpike to its intersection with Rt. 545; then northwest on Route 545 which becomes Farnsworth Avenue; then continuing northwest on Farnsworth Ave. to its intersection with W. Burlington Street; then southwest on W. Burlington St. to its intersection with Interstate 295; then north on Interstate 295 to its intersection with the Delaware River at Bordentown; then northwest along the east bank of the Delaware River to Route 546 at Washington's Crossing; then east on Route 546 to its intersection with Route 206 at Lawrenceville; then north along Route 206 to the point beginning at Somerville. Rotary and Blauguard Islands lying in the Delaware River are in this zone.

**Zone No. 15:** That portion of Monmouth, Mercer and Middlesex counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of the New Jersey Turnpike and Rt. 522 near Jamesburg; then south on the Turnpike to its intersection with Interstate 195, then east on I-195 to its intersection with Rt. 537 near Holmeson; then northeast on Rt. 537 to its intersection with Rt. 522 in Freehold; then northwest on Rt. 522 to its intersection with the NJ Turnpike, the point of beginning. Monmouth Battlefield State Park is excluded from this zone.

**Zone No. 16:** That portion of Monmouth and Ocean counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 537 and Rt. 571 near Holmeson; then southeast on Rt. 571 to the intersection with Rt. 547; then northeast on Rt. 547 through Farmingdale to the intersection with Tinton Falls Rd.; then north on Tinton Falls Rd. to the intersection with Rt. 33 and Rt. 34; then north on Rt. 34 to the intersection with the fenced boundary of the Earle Naval Weapons Depot property; then westward along the fenced border of the Earle Depot to the intersection with Rt. 33; then west along Rt. 33 to the intersection with Rt. 537 in Freehold; then southwest on Rt. 537 to the intersection with Rt. 571 near Holmeson, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 17:** That portion of Mercer, Monmouth, Burlington and Ocean counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of the New Jersey

Turnpike and Interstate 195; then east along Interstate 195 to the intersection with Rt. 537 near Holmeson; then southwest along Interstate 537 to the intersection with Hawkin Road (Prosperstown-Colliers Mills Road: Rt. 640) then southeast along Hawkin Road (Prosperstown-Colliers Mills Road: Rt. 640 to the intersection with Colliers Mills Road; then west along Colliers Mills Road to its intersection with Woodruff Rd.; then southwest along Woodruff Rd. to the intersection with Rt. 539; then southeast along Rt. 539 to the border of Fort Dix Military Reservation; then westward along the Fort Dix Military Reservation boundary to Rt. 545 near Wrightstown; then northwest along Rt. 545 to the intersection with the New Jersey Turnpike; then northeast along the New Jersey Turnpike to its intersection Interstate 195 the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 18:** That portion of Ocean County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 530 and the Garden State Parkway at South Toms River; then west along Rt. 530 to the intersection with Rt. 70; then west along Rt. 70 to the border of Fort Dix Military Reservation; then northward along the Fort Dix Military Reservation boundary to the northernmost intersection of the Fort Dix Military Reservation border and Rt. 539; then northwest along Rt. 539 to the intersection with Woodruff Rd.; then northeast along Woodruff Rd. to the intersection with Colliers Mills Road; then east along Colliers Mills Road to the intersection with Hawkin Road (Prosperstown-Colliers Mills Road: Rt. 640); then northwest along Hawkin Road (Prosperstown-Colliers Mills Road: Rt. 640) to the intersection with Rt. 537 near Prosperstown; then northeast along Rt. 537 to the intersection with Rt. 571 near Holmeson; then southeast along Rt. 571 to the Garden State Parkway; then south along the Garden State Parkway to the point of beginning near South Toms River.

**Zone No. 19:** That portion of Burlington and Camden counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 530 and Rt. 646 (New Lisbon-Four Mile Rd); then southeast on Rt. 646 to its intersection with Turkey Buzzard Bridge Road; then west on Turkey Buzzard Bridge Rd. to its intersection with Rt. 644 (Buddtown-Ong's Hat Road); then southeast on Rt. 644 to its intersection with Rt. 70 at Four Mile Circle; then west on Rt. 70 to its intersection with Burr's Mill Road; then southwest on Burr's Mill Rd. to its intersection with Avenue Road; then south on Avenue Rd. to its intersection with Sooy Place Road; then south on Sooy Place Rd. to its intersection with Irick's Causeway; then southwest on Irick's Causeway to its intersection with Rt. 532 (Chatsworth Road); then south and southeast on Rt. 532 to its intersection with South Park Rd.; then south on South Park Rd. to its intersection with White Horse-Speedwell Rd.; then south on White Horse-Speedwell Rd. to its intersection with Eagle Rd.; then southwest on Eagle Rd. to its intersection with the railroad tracks; then west following the railroad tracks to its intersection with Carranza Rd.; then northwest on Carranza Rd. to its intersection with Tuckerton Rd.; then north and northwest on Tuckerton Rd. to its intersection with Forked Neck Rd. (Dingletown Rd.); then west along Forked Neck Road to its intersection with Rt. 206; then south along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Rt. 541, Stokes Road; then northwest along Rt. 541 to its intersection with Willow Grove Road; then southwest on Willow Grove Road to its intersection with Atsion Road; then northwest on Atsion Road to its intersection with Rt. 534, Jackson Road; then west along Rt. 534 to its intersection with Rt. 73; then north along Rt. 73 to its intersection with the New Jersey Turnpike; then northeast along the New Jersey Turnpike to its intersection with Rt. 38; then east along Rt. 38 to its intersection with Rt. 530; then east along Rt. 530 to its intersection with Rt. 616 (Vincetown-Pemberton Road); then northeast on Rt. 616, Hanover Street, into the town of Pemberton to its intersection with Elizabeth Street, then east on Elizabeth Street, which becomes Pemberton-Brown's Mills Road (Rt. 687) to its intersection with Rt. 530 (Pemberton-By-Pass Road); then east on Rt. 530 to its intersection with Rt. 646 (New Lisbon-Four Mile Rd), the point of beginning. Fort Dix Military Reservation (Zone 37) is excluded from Zone 19.

**Zone No. 20:** Not designated.

**Zone No. 21:** That portion of Ocean and Burlington counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 530 and the Garden State Parkway near South Toms River; then south along the Parkway to its intersection with Rt. 72; then northwest along Rt. 72 to its intersection with Rt. 644 (Buddtown-Ong's Hat Road) at Four Mile Circle; then northwest on Rt. 644 to its intersection with Turkey Buzzard Bridge Road; then northeast on Turkey Buzzard Bridge Rd. to its intersection with Rt. 646 (New Lisbon-Four Mile Road); then northwest on Rt. 646 to its intersection with Rt. 530 (Pemberton-Brown's Mills Road); then east along the southern border of Fort Dix Military Reservation to its intersection with Rt. 70; then east on Rt. 70 to its intersection with Rt. 539 and Rt. 530 near Whiting; then east along Rt. 530 to its intersection with the Garden State Parkway near South Toms River, the point of beginning. Fort Dix Military Reservation (Zones 37 and 52) are excluded from Zone 21.

**Zone No. 22:** That portion of Ocean and Burlington counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of the Garden State Parkway and Rt. 72; then south along the Garden State Parkway to its intersection with Stage Road; then west along stage Road to its intersection with Leektown Road; then west along Leektown Road (which turns into Rt. 653 to its intersection with the Wading River; then south along the east bank of the Wading River to its intersection with the Mullica River and the Atlantic-Burlington County line; then east along the Atlantic-Burlington County line to the Atlantic Ocean, then north along the Atlantic Ocean to Rt. 72 near Ship Bottom; then west along Rt. 72 to its intersection with the Garden State Parkway, the point of beginning. The Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge (Zone 58) is excluded from Zone 22.

**Zone No. 23:** That portion of Burlington, Atlantic and Camden counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 563 and the Mullica River at the Atlantic-Burlington County line near Green Bank; then north and west along the north bank of the Mullica River to its intersection with Rt. 542 at Pleasant Mills; then west along Rt. 542 to its intersection with Nescocahague Creek; then northwest along Nescocahague Creek to Great Swamp Branch; then westward along Great Swamp Branch to its intersection with Rt. 206 (just south of the intersection of Rt. 206 and Middle Road); then north along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Albertson Brook (about 4 miles north of Hammonton); then westward along Albertson Brook until it becomes Blue Anchor Brook; then westward along Blue Anchor Brook to its intersection with Rt. 30, near Cedar Ave., south of Ancora; then northwest along Rt. 30 to its intersection with Rt. 73; then north on Rt. 73 to its intersection with Rt. 534, Jackson Road; then east along Rt. 534 to its intersection with Atsion Road; then southeast on Atsion Road to its intersection with Willow Grove Road; then northeast on Willow Grove Road to its intersection with Rt. 541, Stokes Road; then southeast along Rt. 541 to its intersection with Rt. 206; then north along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Forked Neck Road; then east along Forked Neck Road (Dingletown Rd.) to its intersection with Tuckerton Rd.; then southeast and south on Tuckerton Rd. to its intersection with Carranza Rd., then southeast on Carranza Rd. to its intersection with the railroad tracks; then east following the railroad tracks to its intersection with Eagle Rd.; then northeast on Eagle Rd. to its intersection with White Horse-Speedwell Rd.; then north on White Horse-Speedwell Rd. to its intersection with South Park Rd.; then north on South Park Rd. to its intersection with Rt. 532 (Chatsworth Rd.); then northwest on Rt. 532 to its intersection with Irick's Causeway; then northeast on Irick's Causeway to its intersection with Sooy Place Road (Vincetown-South Park Road); then northwest on Sooy Place Rd. to its intersection with Avenue Road; then northeast on Avenue Rd. to its intersection with Burr's Mill Road; then northeast on Burr's Mill Rd. to its intersection with Rt. 70; then east on Rt. 70 to its intersection with Rt. 72 at Four Mile Circle; then southeast on Rt. 72 to its

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intersection with Rt. 563; then southwest along Rt. 563 to its intersection with the Mullica River at the Atlantic-Burlington County line, the point of beginning near Green Bank.

**Zone No. 24:** That portion of Burlington and Ocean counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 563 and Rt. 72; then southeast along Rt. 72 to its intersection with the Garden State Parkway; then south along the Parkway to its intersection with Stage Road; then west along Stage Road to its intersection with Leektown Road; then west along Leektown Road (which turns into Rt. 653) to its intersection with the Wading River; then south along the east bank of the Wading River to its intersection with the Mullica River and the Atlantic-Burlington County line; then west along the north bank of the Mullica River to its intersection with Rt. 563 near Green Bank; then north along Rt. 563 to its intersection with Rt. 72, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 25:** That portion of Salem, Gloucester, Atlantic and Camden counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 54 and Rt. 40 near Buena; then west on Rt. 40 to its intersection with Rt. 553; then north on Rt. 553 to its intersection with Rt. 610 (Aura Road); then southeast on Rt. 610 to its intersection with Rt. 655 (Fries Mill Road then north on Rt. 655 to its intersection with Rt. 322; then west on Rt. 322 to its intersection with Rt. 47 at Glassboro; then north on Rt. 47 to its intersection with County Road 635 (Hurville-Grenloch Road); then eastward on County Road 635 to its intersection with County Road 705 (County House Road); then southeast along Rt. 705 to its intersection with County Road 688 (Turnerville-Hickstown Road); then eastward along County Road 688 to its intersection with County Road 689 (Berlin-Crosskeys Road); then northeast along County Road 689 to its intersection with Rt. 73 at Berlin; then south on Rt. 73 to its intersection with Rt. 30; then southeast along Rt. 30 to its intersection with Blue Anchor Brook, just past Cedar Avenue, south of Ancora; then eastward along Blue Anchor Brook until it becomes Albertson Brook at Fleming Pike; then eastward along Albertson Brook to its intersection with Rt. 206 (about four miles north of Hammonton); then south on Rt. 206 to its intersection with Great Swamp Branch (just past the intersection of Rt. 206 and Middle Road); then eastward along Great Swamp Branch to its intersection with Nescochague Creek; then eastward along Nescochague Creek to Nescochague Lake, at Pleasant Mills; then westward along the north and western shore of Nescochague Lake to its intersection with Hammonton Creek; then westward along Hammonton Creek to its intersection with Rt. 30 (White Horse Pike), near Hammonton; then southeast on Rt. 30 to its intersection with Weymouth Road (Rts. 640-559); then southward on Weymouth Rd. to its intersection with the Atlantic City Expressway; then west along the Atlantic City Expressway to its intersection with Eighth Street; then south along Eighth Street to its intersection with Rt. 322; then southwest on Rt. 322 to its intersection with Rt. 54; then southward on Rt. 54 to its intersection with Rt. 40 near Buena, the point of beginning. Zone 65 is excluded from Zone 25.

**Zone No. 26:** That portion of Atlantic and Burlington counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 40 and 54 near Buena; then southeast on Rt. 40 to its intersection with Rt. 50; then north on Rt. 50 to its intersection with Rt. 322; then east on Rt. 322 to its intersection with Cologne Avenue; then north on Cologne Avenue to its intersection with Duerer Street; then east on Duerer Street to its intersection with Rt. 575; then northeast on Rt. 575 to its intersection with the Garden State Parkway; then north along the Garden State Parkway to its intersection with the Mullica River and the Atlantic-Burlington County line; then northwest along the south bank of the Mullica River to its intersection with Rt. 542 at Pleasant Mills; then west on Rt. 542 to its intersection with Nescochague Creek at Pleasant Mills; then south along the west bank of Nescochague Creek to Nescochague Lake; then southwest along the western bank of Nescochague Lake to its intersection with

Hammonton Creek; then westward along Hammonton Creek to its intersection with Rt. 30 (White Horse Pike), near Hammonton; then south on Rt. 30 to its intersection with Weymouth Road (Rts. 640-559); then south on Weymouth Rd to its intersection with the Atlantic City Expressway; then northwest along the Atlantic City Expressway to its intersection with Eighth Street; then southwest along Eighth Street to its intersection with Rt. 322 (Black Horse Pike); then northwest along Rt. 322 to its intersection with Rt. 54; then southwest along Rt. 54 to its intersection with Rt. 40 at Buena, the point of beginning. The Atlantic County Park System (Zone 61) is excluded from Zone 26.

**Zone No. 27:** That portion of Cumberland and Salem counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 77 and 40 at Pole Tavern; then northwest on Rt. 40 to its intersection with Rt. 48; then west on Rt. 48 through Penns Grove to the Delaware River; then south along the east bank of the Delaware River to its intersection with the Salem Canal at Deepwater; then eastward along the south bank of the Salem Canal to its intersection with the Salem River; then southward along the west bank of the Salem River to its intersection with Rt. 49 at Salem; then southeast on Rt. 49 to its intersection with Salem County Rt. 667 (Pecks Corner-Cohansey Rd.) at Pecks Corner; then eastward along Rt. 667 to its intersection with Rt. 540; then east along Rt. 540 to its intersection with Rt. 77; then north on Rt. 77 to its intersection with Rt. 40 at Pole Tavern, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 28:** That portion of Gloucester, Cumberland and Salem counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 77 and 40 at Pole Tavern; then east on Rt. 40 to its intersection with Rt. 47 at Malaga; then south on Rt. 47 to its intersection with Rt. 49 in Millville; then west on Rt. 49 to its intersection with Salem County Rt. 667 (Pecks Corner-Cohansey Road) at Pecks Corner; then eastward along Rt. 667 to its intersection with Rt. 540; then east on Rt. 540 to its intersection with Rt. 77; then north on Rt. 77 to Pole Tavern, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 29:** That portion of Salem and Cumberland counties lying within a continuous line beginning with the intersection of Rts. 77 and 49 at Bridgeton; then northwest on Rt. 49 to its intersection with Alloway Creek at Quinton; then southwest along the northern bank of the Alloway Creek to its intersection with the Delaware River; then south along the east bank of the Delaware River to the Cohansey River; then along the northwest bank of the Cohansey River to Bridgeton, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 30:** That portion of Cumberland County lying within a continuous line beginning at Fairton on the Cohansey River; then west along the south bank of the Cohansey River to the Delaware River; then southeast along the east bank of the Delaware River to the Maurice River; then north along the west bank of the Maurice River to Haleyville-Mauricetown Road (County Road 676); then west on Haleyville-Mauricetown Road to its intersection with the Central Railroad of New Jersey (C.R.R.N.J.); then west along the C.R.R.N.J. line to its intersection with Newport-Centre Grove Road (County Road 629); then southwest on Newport-Centre Grove Road to its intersection with Rt. 553, then northwest on Rt. 553 to Fairton, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 31:** That portion of Cumberland County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersections of Routes 77 and 49 at Bridgeton; then east on Rt. 49 to the Maurice River near Millville; then south along the west bank of the Maurice River near Millville; then south along the west bank of the Maurice River to Buckshutem Creek; then west on the north bank of Buckshutem Creek to its intersection with Buckshutem Road (County Road 670); then northwest on Buckshutem Road to its intersection with Cedarville Road (County Road 610); then southwest on Cedarville Road to its intersection with Newport Centre Grove Road (County Road 629); then southwest on Newport Centre Grove Road to its intersection with Rt. 553; then northwest along Rt. 553 to the Cohansey River

at Fairton; then north on the east bank of the Cohansey River to Bridgeton, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 32:** Not designated.

**Zone No. 33:** Not designated.

**Zone No. 34:** That portion of Cumberland and Cape May counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 47 and Rt. 548 in Port Elizabeth; then east on Rt. 548 to its intersection with Rt. 49; then northwest on Rt. 49 to its intersection with the Tuckahoe River at Head of River; then eastward along the south bank of the Tuckahoe River and Atlantic-Cape May County line to Great Egg Harbor Bay; then continuing eastward along the Atlantic-Cape May County line to the Atlantic Ocean at the Great Egg Harbor Inlet; then southeast along the Atlantic Ocean to Delaware Bay; then north and west along the east bank of Delaware Bay to the Maurice River; then north along the east bank of the Maurice River to Port Elizabeth and Rt. 548, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 35:** That portion of Salem and Gloucester counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the east bank of the Delaware River at Penns Grove; then southeast on Rt. 48 to its intersection with Rt. 40; then southeast on Rt. 40 to its intersection with Rt. 553; then north on Rt. 553 to the intersection with Rt. 610 (Aura Road); then southeast on Rt. 610 to its intersection with Rt. 47 at Clayton; then north on Rt. 47 to its intersection with County Rt. 635 (Lambs Rd.) at Glassboro; the west or Rt. 635 to its intersection with Mantua Creek at Glassboro; then northwest along the Mantua Creek to the Delaware River; then southwest along the east bank of the Delaware River, to Penns Grove, the point of beginning. Chester and Mond's Islands lying in the Delaware River are in this zone.

**Zone No. 36:** That portion of Bergen, Hudson, Essex, Passaic, Morris, Union, Somerset and Middlesex counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 202 and the New York State line near Suffern; then south on Rt. 202 to its intersection with Rt. 23 near Wayne; then south on Rt. 23 to its intersection with Rt. 80; then southwest on Rt. 80 to its intersection with Rt. 511; then south on Rt. 511 to its intersection with Rt. 510; then west on Rt. 510 to its intersection with Rt. 124 at Morristown; then southeast on Rt. 124 to its intersection with Rt. 82; then southeast along Rt. 82 to its intersection with Rt. 22; then southwest on Rt. 22 to its intersection with Rt. 287 near Somerville; then southeast on Rt. 287 to its intersection with Rt. 18 near South Bound Brook; then southeast on Rt. 18 to its intersection with the New Jersey Turnpike; then north on the Turnpike to its intersection with the Raritan River; then east along the north bank of the Raritan River to Raritan Bay and the New York State line; then north along the New York State line to Arthur Kill and west bank of the Hudson River; then west along the New Jersey-New York border to the point of beginning near Suffern.

**Zone No. 37:** That portion of Fort Dix Military Reservation, U.S. Dept. of the Army, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Burlington County.

**Zone No. 38:** That portion of Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Morris County.

**Zone No. 39:** That portion of Naval Weapons Station Earle, U.S. Department of the Navy designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Monmouth County.

**Zone No. 40:** That portion of Naval Weapons Station Earle, Waterfront Section, U.S. Department of the Navy, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Monmouth County.

**Zone No. 41:** That portion of Hunterdon and Mercer counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 31 and Rt. 202 at Ringoes; then south

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along Rt. 31 to its intersection with Rt. 546 at the Pennington traffic circle; then west along Rt. 546 to the Delaware River; then north along east bank of Delaware River to its intersection with Rt. 202; then north along Rt. 202 to the point beginning at Ringoes.

**Zone No. 42:** That portion of Atlantic County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of the south bank of the Mullica River and the Garden State Parkway; then south along the Garden State Parkway to its intersection with Rt. 575; then southwest along Rt. 575 to its intersection with Duerer Street; then west on Duerer Street to its intersection with Cologne Avenue; then south on Cologne Avenue to its intersection with Rt. 322; then west on Rt. 322 to its intersection with Rt. 50; then south on Rt. 50 to its intersection with the Great Egg Harbor River at Mays Landing; then south along the east bank of the Great Egg Harbor River to the Atlantic-Cape May County line in Great Egg Harbor Bay; then eastward along the Atlantic-Cape May County line to its intersection with the Atlantic Ocean at the Great Egg Harbor Inlet; then north-east along the Atlantic Ocean to Great Bay; then west along the south shore of Great Bay to the confluence of Oyster Creek; then west along the south bank of the Mullica River; then west along the south bank of the Mullica River to its intersection with the Garden State Parkway, the point of beginning. The Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge (Zones 56 and 57), the Atlantic County Park System (Zone 61) and the Federal Aviation Administration William J. Hughes Technical Center (Zone 66) are excluded from Zone 42.

**Zone No. 43:** That portion of Cumberland County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Buckshutem Road (County Road 670) and Cedarville Road (County Road 610); then southwest on Cedarville Road to its intersection with Newport Centre Grove Road (County Road 629); then southwest on Newport Centre Grove Road to its intersection with the Central Railroad of New Jersey (C.R.R.N.J.); then east on the C.R.R.N.J. line to its intersection with Haleyville Road (County Road 676) at Mauricetown Station; then east on Haleyville Road to its intersection with the Maurice River at Mauricetown; then north along the west bank of the Maurice River to the north bank of Buckshutem Creek at Laurel Lake; then west along the north bank of Buckshutem Creek to Buckshutem Road; then northwest on Buckshutem Road to its intersection with Cedarville Road, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 44:** Not designated.

**Zone No. 45:** That portion of Cumberland, Atlantic and Cape May counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Broad Street (Rt. 552 spur) and Delsea Drive (Rt. 47); then northeast along Rt. 552 spur to Rt. 552; then continuing northeast along Rt. 552 to its intersection with the Tuckahoe River at Millmay; then south along the west bank of the Tuckahoe River to its intersection with Rt. 49 at Hunter's Mill; then southeast on Rt. 49 to its intersection with Rt. 548; then west on Rt. 548 to its intersection with Delsea Drive (Rt. 47) and the Manumuskin River in Port Elizabeth; then west along the south bank of Manumuskin River to its intersection with the Maurice River; then north along the east bank of the Maurice River to its intersection with Rt. 49 in Millville; then east on Rt. 49 to its intersection with Delsea Drive (Rt. 47); then north on Rt. 47 to its intersection with Broad Street (Rt. 552 spur), the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 46:** That portion of Atlantic County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 49 and the Tuckahoe River at Hunter's Mill; then southeast along Rt. 49 to its intersection with the Tuckahoe River and the Atlantic-Cape May County line at Head of River; then eastward along the north bank of the Tuckahoe River to Great Egg Harbor Bay and the Egg Harbor Township line on the Egg Harbor River; then northwest along the west bank of the Egg Harbor River to its intersection with Rt. 40 at Mays Landing; then west on Rt. 40 to its intersection with Estell Ave; then south on Estell Ave. to its intersection with Rt. 552 then southwest on Rt. 552 to its intersection

with the Tuckahoe River at Millmay; then south along the east bank of the Tuckahoe River to its intersection with Rt. 49 at Hunter's Mill the point of beginning. The Atlantic County Park System (Zone 61) is excluded from Zone 46.

**Zone No. 47:** That portion of Gloucester, Atlantic and Cumberland counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 47 and 40 at Malaga; then southeast on Rt. 40 to its intersection with Estell Ave; then south on Estell Ave to its intersection with Rt. 552; then southwest on Rt. 552 to spur 552; then west on spur 552 to its intersection with Rt. 47 at Millville; then north on Rt. 47 to Malaga, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 48:** That portion of Burlington County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of the New Jersey Turnpike and Route 38 near Moorestown; then east along Route 38 to its intersection with Route 530; then east along Route 530 along the Pemberton bypass to its intersection with the southern boundary of Fort Dix Military Reservation; then northward along the western Fort Dix boundary to its intersection with County Road 670; then east on County Road 670 to its intersection with Route 545 at Wrightstown; then northwest on Route 545 which becomes Farnsworth Avenue; then continuing northwest on Farnsworth Ave. to its intersection with W. Burlington Street; then southwest on W. Burlington St. to its intersection with Interstate 295; then north on Interstate 295 to its intersection with Crosswicks Creek at Bordentown; then west along the south bank of Crosswicks Creek to its intersection with the Delaware River at Bordentown; then southwest along the east bank of the Delaware River to Route 541 at the City of Burlington; then southeast along Route 541 to its intersection with Interstate 295; then southwest along Interstate 295 to its intersection with Rancocas Creek; then east along Rancocas Creek to its intersection with the New Jersey Turnpike; then southwest along the New Jersey Turnpike to its intersection with Route 38, the point of beginning. New Bold and Burlington Islands lying in the Delaware River are in this zone.

**Zone No. 49:** That portion of Gloucester, Camden and Burlington counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the mouth of Mantua Creek on the Delaware River; then northeast along the east bank of the Delaware River to Rt. 541 at the City of Burlington; then southeast along Rt. 541 to its intersection with Interstate 295; then southwest along I-295 to its intersection with Rancocas Creek; then east along the Rancocas Creek to its intersection with the NJ Turnpike; then southwest along the NJ Turnpike to its intersection with Rt. 73; then south along Rt. 73 to its intersection with County Road 689 (Cross Keys Road) at Berlin; then southwest along County road 689 to its intersection with County Road 688 Turnersville-Hickstown Road; then west along County road 688 to its intersection with County Road 705; then northwest along County Road 705 (County House Road) to its intersection with County Road 635 (Grenlode-Hurville Road); then southwest on County Road 635 to its intersection with Mantua Creek; then northwest along Mantua Creek to its mouth at the Delaware River, the point of beginning. Petty Island lying in the Delaware River is in this zone.

**Zone No. 50:** That portion of Monmouth and Middlesex counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of the New Jersey Turnpike and Rt. 522 near Jamesburg; then southeast on Rt. 522 to the intersection with Rt. 537 at Freehold; then southwest on Rt. 537 to the intersection with business Rt. 33; then east on Rt. 33 to the intersection with the western edge of the fenced boundary of the Earle Naval Weapons Depot; then north and east along the fenced boundary of the Earle Depot to the intersection of County Route 38 (Wayside Rd.) and Rt. 547 at the most eastern point of the fenced boundary of Naval Weapons Station - Earle; then northeast on Rt. 547 to [its] intersection with the Garden State Parkway; then north on the Garden State parkway to the intersection with Rt. 36 near Eatontown; then east on Rt. 36 to the Atlantic Ocean; then north along the Atlantic coastline to the Raritan Bay; then south and west along the southern shore of Raritan Bay to the Raritan River; then

continuing west along the south bank of the Raritan River to the intersection with the New Jersey Turnpike; then southwest along the New Jersey Turnpike to the intersection with Rt. 522, the point of beginning. Monmouth Battlefield State Park (Zone 64), Naval Weapons Station Earle (Zones 39 and 40), and Fort Monmouth (Zone 62), are excluded from this zone.

**Zone No. 51:** That portion of Monmouth and Ocean counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 547 and Rt. 571 near Lakehurst; then southeast along Rt. 571 to the intersection with the Garden State Parkway; then south on the Garden State Parkway to its intersection with Rt. 72; then east along Rt. 72 to the Atlantic Ocean; then north along the Atlantic coastline to the intersection with Rt. 36 in Long Branch; then west on Rt. 36 to the intersection with the Garden State Parkway near Eatontown; then south on the parkway to the intersection with 547; then south on Rt. 547 to the intersection with county route 38 (Wayside Road) at the eastern fenced boundary of Naval Weapons Station-Earle; then south along the eastern fenced boundary of Naval Weapons Station-Earle to the intersection with Rt. 34; then south on Rt. 34 to the intersection with Tinton Falls Rd. and Rt. 33; then south on Tinton Falls Rd. to the intersection with Rt. 547 (Asbury Rd.); then south on Rt. 547 through Farmingdale to the intersection with Rt. 571, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 52:** That portion of Fort Dix Military Reservation, U.S. Dept. of the Army, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Ocean County.

**Zone No. 53:** That portion of Lakehurst Naval Air Engineering Center, U.S. Dept. of the Navy, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Ocean County.

**Zone No. 54:** That portion of U.S Army Armament Research and Development Command (ARRADCOM), U.S. Dept. of the Army, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Morris County.

**Zone No. 55:** That portion of Gloucester County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 47 and 322 at Glassboro; then east along Rt. 322 (County Rt. 536) to its intersection with Rt. 655 (Fries Mill Rd.); then south on Rt. 655 to its intersection with Rt. 610 (Academy Ave.); then west on Rt. 610 to its intersection with Rt. 47 (Delsea Drive) at Clayton; then north along Rt. 47 to its intersection with Rt. 322 at Glassboro, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 56:** That portion of Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, located south of Stoney Hill Road, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Atlantic County.

**Zone No. 57:** That portion of Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, located north of Stoney Hill Road and south of the Mullica River, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Atlantic County.

**Zone No. 58:** Those portions of Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge, including the Barnegat Division, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, located north of the Mullica River, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Burlington and Ocean counties.

**Zone No. 59:** That portion of Supawna Meadows National Wildlife Refuge, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Salem County.

**Zone 60:** Not designated.

**Zone No. 61:** Those portions of the Atlantic County Park System, County of Atlantic, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Atlantic County.

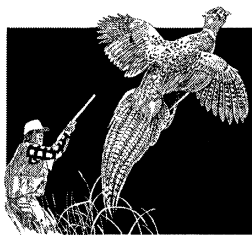
**Zone No. 62:** Not designated.

**Zone No. 63:** That portion of Salem County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of the Salem

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# Small Game Hunting Regulations



A current and valid hunting license (Bow and Arrow, Firearm or All-Around Sportsmen) is required to pursue any small game species. Hunting for those species listed on page 51 is prohibited during the statewide six-day firearm deer season and on the Wednesday of the permit shotgun deer season which immediately follows the six-day buck season. (See exceptions for **Coyote and Fox**,

deer regulations, semi-wild and commercial shooting preserves.)

See 2002–03 Small Game Hunting Seasons chart on page 51 for inclusive dates, hunting hours and daily limits for all small game species open for hunting. Hunting with firearms is prohibited on state Wildlife Management Areas designated as pheasant and quail stamp areas on November 8, 2002 (see **Pheasant** page 50). Note: Woodcock season in the south zone opens one week after opening day of small game. As always, be sure of your target and beyond. Proper wildlife identification is essential.

Properly licensed hunters may hunt small game with shotguns or bow and arrow. Shotguns may be no larger than 10 gauge and hold no more than three shells. Shot size may be no larger than #4 fine shot. Compound bows must have a minimum peak weight of 35 pounds. All other bows must have a minimum draw weight of 35 pounds.

## Coyote and Fox (Red and Gray)

The use of dogs is not allowed during the bow and arrow fox and coyote season, during the six-day firearm buck season, or on the Wednesday of the shotgun permit deer season immediately following the six-day firearm season.

Properly licensed persons hunting deer during the six-day firearm buck, muzzleloader rifle permit or shotgun permit deer seasons may kill fox or coyote, when the person is in possession of a valid deer transportation tag for the applicable deer season. All hunting must cease immediately upon harvesting deer and completing the deer transportation tag(s). Hunting fox or coyote while deer hunting may resume following the issuance of a New Jersey Supplemental Deer Transportation Tag for the applicable deer season (provided the season remains open and the season bag limit of deer has not been reached). Only applicable missiles approved for deer hunting may be used to take fox and coyote incidental to deer hunting during the deer seasons described above (note: fine shot may not be in possession while deer hunting).

There is no bag limit for fox. The coyote daily bag limit is two. All successful coyote hunters must report any coyote harvested to a Division Law Enforcement Office within 24 hours.

## Coyote and Fox (Red and Gray), Special February Season

A Division issued permit will be required to hunt coyote during the special coyote and fox season (February 1–17, 2003). The Division has modified the special coyote season in 2002 on an experimental basis to provide for coyote hunting at night. Other states that allow coyote hunting

at night have not reported significant safety or law enforcement problems (New Jersey already allows raccoon and opossum hunting at night). Reinstatement of coyote permits for the special season will provide the means to closely monitor the regulatory change and will hopefully provide additional information on coyote distribution. The Fish and Game Council decided to extend the season to include the taking of gray and red fox.

Hunting methods are restricted to calling and stand hunting. No person may stalk or attempt to approach a coyote or fox for the purpose of hunting. A predator calling device (electronic, mouth blown or other) must be in possession while hunting during the special season. The use of dogs or bait is prohibited. Fluorescent hunters orange is not *required* on outer clothing while hunting during this special season, but it is *recommended* that it be worn while traveling to and from hunting areas. Coyote and fox may be hunted with bow and arrow, shotgun and single barrel muzzleloader rifles between 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. Between 1/2 hour *after* sunset to 1/2 hour *before* sunrise, only 10 or 12 gauge shotguns and smoothbore muzzleloaders loaded with #2 or #4 fine shot may be used. For details on legal firearms and ammunition refer to the chart below. Portable lights are permitted. All successful coyote hunters must report any coyote harvested to a Division Law Enforcement office within 24 hours.

Permits shall be applied for as follows: A three by five inch index card containing the applicant's name, mailing address, date of birth and evening telephone number must be submitted to the Division of Fish and Wildlife, P.O. Box 400, Trenton, NJ 08625-0400, between October 15 and November 15. Applicants should write "Coyote Hunting Season" at the bottom of the card. A \$2.00 processing fee is required. Make check or money order payable to "New Jersey Division of Fish & Wildlife".

## Sporting Arms and Ammunition for Hunting Coyote and Fox (Red and Gray)

Hunting Hours	Weapon(s) & Type Permitted	Gauge, Caliber or Weight	Projectile(s)
<b>Bow and Arrow only:</b> Sept. 28 to Nov. 8, 2002	<b>Bow</b> —long, recurve or compound	35 pounds pull at archers draw length (long and recurve bows) or peak weight (compound bow)	Arrows must be fitted with a well-sharpened metal broadhead with a minimum width of 3/4"
<b>Firearm or Bow and Arrow:</b> Nov. 9, 2002 to Feb. 17, 2003 (8:00 am start on Nov. 9)  1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	<b>Muzzleloader</b> —single-shot, single barrel rifle OR single barrel smoothbore shotgun. Flintlock, percussion and in-line ignitions permitted	<b>Muzzleloading rifle</b> —single shot not less than .44 caliber <b>Smoothbore</b> —single barrel not smaller than 12 gauge and not larger than 10 gauge	<b>Muzzleloading rifle</b> —single projectile  <b>Smoothbore</b> —Not larger than #2 or smaller than #4 fine shot.
	<b>Shotgun</b> —single or double barrel smoothbore	Not smaller than 12 gauge and not larger than 10 gauge, capable of holding no more than 3 shells	<b>Shot</b> —Not larger than #2 or smaller than #4 fine shot.
<b>February 1–17, 2003:</b> 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour before sunrise (Permit required)	<b>SHOTGUN ONLY</b> —single or double barrel smoothbore	Not smaller than 12 gauge and not larger than 10 gauge, capable of holding no more than 3 shells	<b>Shot</b> —#2 or #4 fine shot only

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Canal and the Delaware River at Deepwater; then eastward along the south bank of the Salem Canal to its intersection with the Salem River; then southward along the west bank of the Salem River to its intersection with Rt. 49 at Salem; then southeastward on Rt. 49 to its intersection with Alloway Creek at Quinton; then southwest along the northern bank of the Alloway Creek to its intersection with the Delaware River; then northward along the east bank of the Delaware River and New Jersey State line to Finns Point and Fort Mott State Park; then northward along the New Jersey State Line through Killcohook National Wildlife Refuge to the Delaware River; then northwest along the east bank of the Delaware River; then northwest ward along the east bank of the Delaware River and New

Jersey State line to its intersection with the Salem Canal at Deepwater, the point of beginning. The Supawna Meadows National Wildlife Refuge (zone 59) is excluded from zone 63.

**Zone No. 64:** That portion of Monmouth Battlefield State Park, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Monmouth County.

**Zone No. 65:** That portion of Camden and Gloucester counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 322 and County Road Rt. 659 (Malaga-New Brooklyn Rd.) in Monroe Twp., Gloucester Co.; then northeast along Rt. 659 to its intersection with County Road Rt. 536 at New Brooklyn; then northward along Rt.

536 to its intersection with County Road Rt. 720 (Brooklyn-Blue Anchor Rd.); then southeast on Rt. 720 to its intersection with Rt. 73 near Blue Anchor; then southward along Rt. 73 to its intersection with Piney Hollow Rd.; then southwest along Piney Hollow Rd. to its intersection with Rt. 322; then west along Rt. 322 to its intersection with County Road Rt. 659, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 66:** Those portions of the Federal Aviation Administration William J. Hughes Technical Center designated as open for hunting, lying within Atlantic County.

**Zone No. 67:** That portion of High Point State Park, located north and east of Deckertown Turnpike (Rt. 650), designated as open to hunting, lying within Sussex County.

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### Pheasants

The daily bag limit is two pheasants of either-sex in Pheasant Hunting Zones 1 and 3, on *all Wildlife Management Areas* and on the Lakehurst Naval Air Engineering Station. Hunters should not take or attempt to take female pheasants elsewhere or to have female pheasants in their possession unless in the areas described above. The daily bag limit is two male pheasants in Pheasant Hunting Zone 2. (See exceptions for semi-wild and commercial shooting preserves.)

**Pheasant Hunting Zone 1:** That portion of Bergen, Morris, Passaic, Sussex and Warren Counties lying north of Route 80 from the Delaware River eastward to its convergence with Route 95 and continuing eastward on Route 95 to the Hudson River at Fort Lee.

**Pheasant Hunting Zone 2:** That portion of Burlington Camden, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Somerset, Sussex and Warren Counties lying south of Route 80 from the Delaware River eastward to its convergence with Route 95 and continuing eastward on Route 95 to the Hudson River at Fort Lee, and north of the Ben Franklin Bridge on the Delaware River and Route 30 in Camden, then eastward on Route 30 to its intersection with Route 38, then east on Route 38 to its intersection with Route 70, then continuing eastward and northeast on Route 70 to its intersection with the Manasquan River near Brielle, then eastward along the Manasquan River to the Atlantic Ocean.

**Pheasant Hunting Zone 3:** That portion of Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, Ocean, and Salem Counties lying south of the Ben Franklin Bridge on the Delaware River and Route 30 in Camden, then eastward on Route 30 to its intersection with Route 38, then east on Route 38 to its intersection with Route 70, then continuing eastward and northeast on Route 70 to its intersection with the Manasquan River near Brielle, then eastward along the Manasquan River to the Atlantic Ocean.

**Pheasant and Quail Stamp Areas:** Anyone aged 16 and over (except 16 year olds whose youth license remains valid through Dec. 31 of the year they turn 16), hunting or possessing pheasant or quail on the following designated Wildlife Management Areas, shall have in possession a current and valid Pheasant and Quail Stamp (Youth Hunting Licenses include a free pheasant and quail stamp): Assunpink, Berkshire Valley, Bevans (Millville), Black River, Clinton, Colliers Mills, Dix, Flatbrook-Roy, Glassboro, Greenwood (including Pasadena-Howardsville), Heislerville, Tuckahoe, Mad Horse, Manahawkin, Manasquan River, Medford, Nantuxent, Peaslee, Pequest, Port Republic, Stafford Forge, Walpack, Whittingham and Winslow. Other designated areas where possession of a current and valid Pheasant and Quail Stamp is required include the Delaware River National Recreation Area and Fort Dix Military Reservation. **The hunter must sign the stamp across the face in ink.**

### Pheasant and Quail Stocking

The Division anticipates game bird stocking levels to be in excess of 50,000 pheasants and 10,000 quail.

The Assunpink, Berkshire Valley, Black River, Clinton, Colliers Mills, Dix, Flatbrook, Glassboro, MacNamara (Tuckahoe), Millville (Bevans), Nantuxent, Pequest, Port Republic, Walpack and Whittingham WMAs will be stocked with pheasants for the following dates:

November 9, 12, 14, 16, 19, 21, 23, 26, 28 and 30  
December 3, 5, 7, 21, 24, 28 and 31

The Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area and the Heislerville, Howardsville, Mad Horse, Manahawkin, Manasquan, Medford, Stafford Forge and Winslow WMAs will be stocked with pheasants for the following dates:

November 9, 16, 23, 28 and 30  
December 7, 21, 24, 28 and 31

The Greenwood Forest and Peaslee WMAs will be stocked with quail for the following dates:

November 9, 12, 14, 16, 19, 21, 23, 26, 28 and 30  
December 3, 5, 7, 21, 24, 28 and 31

### Pheasants, Semi-Wild and Commercial Preserve Hunting

Youth hunters (in possession of a valid Youth Hunting License and accompanied by a licensed, non-shooting adult) will be permitted to hunt pheasant, quail and/or chukar partridge on licensed semi-wild or commercial preserves on Saturday, November 2, 2002. See page 67, 68 for more information on youth hunts. Hunting for certain species of game birds is allowed from Nov. 9, 2002 to March 15, 2003 on semi-wild and commercial shooting preserve lands that are properly licensed for the taking of such species. These species of game may be hunted on Sunday only on semi-wild or commercial shooting preserve lands. Properly licensed youth hunter may also hunt certain game birds on Nov. 2, 2002, provided the semi-wild or commercial shooting preserved is properly licensed.

All game taken on semi-wild or commercial preserves must be properly tagged before transport.

A person may legally hunt on semi-wild or commercial preserves for game species under license during the deer seasons, but no shot larger than #4 fine may be used. Pheasant of either-sex may be taken.

### Squirrel, Muzzleloading Rifle Season

Persons holding a current and valid rifle firearm license and rifle permit may hunt for squirrels from sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset with a muzzleloading rifle (.36 caliber or smaller loaded with a single projectile) during the periods September 28 to November 8, 2002; and, January 4 to February 17, 2003. Hunting for squirrel in the manner described above is restricted to the areas described below:

#### Northern area:

Those portions of Mercer, Hunterdon, Warren, Morris, Sussex and Passaic counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 513 and the New York State line; then south along Rt. 513 to its intersection with Rt. 511; then south along Rt. 511 to its intersection with Rt. 46; then west along Rt. 46 to its intersection with Rt. 80; then west along Rt. 80 to its intersection with Rt. 15; then north along Rt. 15 to its intersection with the Morris-Sussex County line; then south along the Morris-Sussex County line to the Warren County line; then southwest along the Morris-Warren County line to the Hunterdon County line; then southeast along the Morris-Hunterdon County line to the Somerset County line; then south along the Somerset-Hunterdon County line to its intersection with the Mercer County line; then west and south along the Hunterdon Mercer County line to its intersection with Rt. 31; then south along Rt. 31 to its intersection with Rt. 546; then west along Rt. 546 to the Delaware River; then north along the east bank of the Delaware River to the New York State Line; then east along the New York State Line to the point of beginning at Lakeside.

#### Southern area:

That portion of Salem, Gloucester, Camden, Burlington, Mercer, Monmouth, Ocean, Atlantic, Cape May and Cumberland counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 295 and the Delaware River; then east along Rt. 295 to its intersection with the New Jersey Turnpike; then east along the New Jersey Turnpike to its intersection with Rt. 40; then east along Rt. 40 to its intersection with Rt. 47; then north along Rt. 47 to its intersection with Rt. 536; then east along Rt. 536 to its intersection with Rt. 206; then north along Rt. 206 to its intersection with the New Jersey Turnpike; then northeast along the New Jersey Turnpike to its intersection with Rt. 571; then southeast along Rt. 571 to its intersection with the Garden State Parkway; then south along the Garden State Parkway to its intersection with Rt. 9 at Somers Point; then south along Rt. 9 to its intersection with Rt. 83; then west along Rt. 83 to its intersection with Rt. 47; then north along Rt. 47 to its intersection with Dennis Creek; then south along the west bank of Dennis Creek to its intersection with Delaware Bay; then northwest along the east shore of Delaware Bay and the Delaware River to the point of beginning.

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## 2002–2003 New Jersey Small Game Hunting Seasons

Species (alphabetical)	Inclusive Dates	Hunting Hours	Daily Limits	Notes
Coyote and Fox (Red and Gray)	<b>Bow and Arrow only:</b> Sept. 28 to Nov. 8, 2002	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	Coyote—Two Fox—None	8:00 am start on Nov. 9, 2002.
All coyotes must be reported within 24 hours	<b>Firearm or Bow and Arrow:</b> Nov. 9, 2002 to Feb. 17, 2003	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	Coyote—Two Fox—None	Closed Dec. 9–14 and Dec. 18, 2002 except as noted (see page 49)
Coyote and Fox (Red and Gray) <b>Special February Season</b>	Feb. 1 – 17, 2003	1/2 hour <b>after</b> sunset to 1/2 hour <b>before</b> sunrise	Coyote - Two Fox – None	<b>Permit required.</b> Shotgun only, 10 or 12 gauge (#2 or #4 fine shot only)
* Crow	Aug. 5, 2002 to Mar. 15, 2003 on <b>Mondays and Thurs.–Sat. only.</b>	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	None	8:00 am start on Nov. 9 2002 Closed Dec. 9–14, 2002 <b>See Migratory Bird Regs.</b>
* Gallinule & Rail (Clapper, Sora and Virginia)	<b>See Migratory Bird Regulations</b>	1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	Gallinule—10 Rail, Clapper—10 Rail, Sora—25 Rail, Virginia—25	<b>HIP number required.</b> Non-toxic shot regulations in effect after the regular waterfowl season begins. <b>See Migratory Bird Regs.</b>
* Goose, Resident Canada (Early Season)	<b>See Migratory Bird Regulations</b>	1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	5	<b>HIP number required.</b> Non-toxic shot regulations in effect. State and Federal migratory bird stamps required if over 16 years of age. <b>See Migratory Bird Regs.</b>
Grouse (Ruffed)	Sept. 28 to Dec. 7**, Dec. 16, 17 and 19–31, 2002 to Feb. 17, 2003	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	3	8:00 am start on Nov. 9, 2002
Opossum & Raccoon	Oct. 1, 2002 to Mar. 1, 2003	1 hour after sunset to 1 hour before sunrise	Opossum—None Raccoon—None	Closed Dec. 9–14 and Dec. 18, 2002
Pheasant	Nov. 9, 2002 to Dec. 7; Dec. 16, 17 and 19–31, 2002 to Feb. 17, 2003	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	2***	8:00 am start on Nov. 9, 2002 Pheasant and Quail Stamp required on designated areas (See page 50).
Pheasant— <b>Falconry</b>	Sep. 2 to Dec. 7 and Dec. 16, 17, 19–31, 2002; and, Jan. 1 to Mar. 31, 2003	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	2***	<b>Permit required.</b> 8:00 am start on Nov. 9, 2002 Pheasant and Quail Stamp required on designated areas (See page 50)
Rabbit (Cottontail), Hare and Jackrabbit	Nov. 9, 2002 to Dec. 7; Dec. 16, 17 and 19–31, 2002 to Feb. 17, 2003	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	Cottontail—4 Hare—1 Jackrabbit—1	8:00 am start on Nov. 9, 2002
Quail and Chukar partridge	Nov. 9, 2002 to Dec. 7; Dec. 16, 17 and 19–31, 2002 to Feb. 17, 2003	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	Chukar—3 Quail—7	8:00 am start on Nov. 9, 2002 Pheasant and Quail Stamp required on designated areas (See page 50).
Quail and Chukar partridge— <b>Falconry</b>	Sep. 2 to Dec. 7 and Dec. 16, 17, 19–31, 2002; and, Jan. 1 to Feb. 17, 2003	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	Chukar—3 Quail—7	<b>Permit required.</b> 8:00 am start on Nov. 9, 2002 Pheasant and Quail Stamp required on designated areas (See page 50)
Rabbit (Cottontail), Hare and Jackrabbit— <b>Falconry</b>	Sep. 2 to Dec. 7 and Dec. 16, 17, 19–31, 2002; and, Jan. 1 to Feb. 17, 2003	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	Cottontail—4 Hare—1 Jackrabbit—1	<b>Permit required.</b> 8:00 am start on Nov. 9, 2002
Squirrel (Gray)	Sept. 28 to Dec. 7**, Dec. 16, 17 and 19–31, 2002 to Feb. 17, 2003	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	5	8:00 am start on Nov. 9, 2002
Squirrel (Gray)— <b>Falconry</b>	Sept. 2 to Dec. 7 and Dec. 16, 17, 19–31, 2002; and, Jan. 1 to Feb. 17, 2003	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	5	<b>Permit required.</b> 8:00 am start on Nov. 9, 2002

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## 2002–2003 New Jersey Small Game Hunting Seasons

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Species (alphabetical)	Inclusive Dates	Hunting Hours	Daily Limits	Notes
Squirrel (Gray)— <b>Muzzleloading Rifle</b> (.36 caliber or smaller)	Sept. 28 to Nov. 8, 2002** and Jan. 4 to Feb. 17, 2003	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	5	<b>Rifle permit required.</b> Designated areas only (see page 50).
Turkey (Fall, Either-Sex)	N—Oct. 28 to Nov. 2, 2002	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.	1	<b>Permit required.</b> Turkey Hunting Areas 1–11, 20 only.
Turkey (Spring Gobbler)	See Digest page 56	1/2 hour before sunrise to noon	<b>1 Male</b> Wild Turkey	<b>Permit required.</b> See 2003 Turkey Permit Supplement.
Woodchuck— <b>Bow, Rifle or Shotgun</b>	Mar. 1 to Sept. 25; and Sept. 28 to Dec 7** and Dec. 16, 17 and 19-31, 2002 to Feb. 17, 2003; and Mar. 1 to Sept. 24, 2003.	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	None	<b>Rifle permit required if hunting with rifle.</b> Woodchuck rifle hunting prohibited on state properties. 8:00 am start on Nov. 9, 2002
Woodchuck— <b>Falconry</b>	Sept. 2 to Dec. 7 and Dec. 16, 17, 19-31, 2002.	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	None	8:00 am start on Nov. 9, 2002
	Jan. 1 to Feb. 17; and Sept. 1 to Dec. 6 and Dec. 15, 16, 18-31, 2003	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	None	8:00 am start on Nov. 8, 2003
* Woodcock <sup>1</sup>	<b>See Migratory Bird Regulations</b>	Sunrise to sunset	3*	<b>HIP number required. See page 54</b> 8:00 am start on Nov. 9, 2002
<b>Youth Turkey Day</b>	Apr. 12, 2003	1/2 hour before sunrise to noon	<b>1 Male</b> Wild Turkey	<b>Permit required.</b> See 2003 Turkey Permit Supplement.
<b>Youth Upland Bird Day</b>	Nov. 2, 2002	8:00 a.m. to sunset	Pheasant—2***	Selected WMAs & licensed semi-wilds (See page 68)
* <b>Youth Waterfowl Day</b>	<b>See Migratory Bird Regulations</b>	1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset		<b>HIP number required.</b>

1 Note: Woodcock season in the south zone opens one week after opening day of small game. Proper wildlife identification is essential.

\* Tentative at press time. See current Migratory Bird Regulations.

\*\* No firearm hunting is permitted on November 8, 2002 on those WMAs designated as Pheasant and Quail Stamp Areas. See page 50.

\*\*\* The daily bag limit is two pheasants of either-sex in Pheasant Hunting Zones 1 and 3, on all Wildlife Management Areas and on Lakehurst Naval Air Engineering Station. The daily bag limit is two male pheasants in Pheasant Hunting Zone 2. (See page 50).

No Sunday hunting. See exceptions page 16.

## Small Game Hunting Regulations

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### Woodchuck

All persons in possession of a rifle while hunting must have a current and valid rifle permit in addition to the current hunting license. No rifle hunting (of any kind) for woodchuck is permitted on state owned WMAs, parks, forests or recreation areas. Farmers and their agents may use shot not larger than #4 buckshot to control woodchucks causing damage.



### Sporting Arms and Ammunition for Hunting Woodchuck

Weapon Type	Gauge, Caliber or Weight	Projectile(s)
<b>Bow</b> —long, recurve or compound	35 pounds pull at archers draw length (long and recurve bows) or peak weight (compound bow)	Arrows must be fitted with a well-sharpened metal broadhead with a minimum width of 3/4".
<b>Center-fire rifle</b>	<b>.25 caliber or less</b>	Hollow point, soft point or expanding lead core bullets of any weight.
	<b>Larger than .25 caliber</b>	Hollow point, soft point or expanding lead core bullets of any weight not exceeding 100 grains in weight.
<b>Rim-fire rifle</b>	.25 caliber or less	Hollow point or soft point
<b>Muzzleloading rifle</b> —single-shot, single barrel. Flintlock, percussion and in-line ignitions permitted.	No restriction	Single projectile, either round ball or conical bullet.
<b>Muzzleloader</b> —single or double-barrel smoothbores only. Flintlock, percussion and in-line ignitions permitted.	Not larger than 10 gauge	<b>Shot</b> —sizes not larger than #4 fine shot
<b>Shotgun</b> —single or double barrel, rifled bore or smoothbore.	Not larger than 10 gauge, capable of holding no more than 3 shells	<b>Shot</b> —sizes not larger than #4 fine shot

# 2002–2003 Trapping Regulations



## Regulations

A Trapper Education course must be successfully completed and a trapping license is required. See page 4 for license information.

All traps set or used must bear a legible tag of durable material with the name and address of the person setting, using and maintaining the traps. A trap identification number issued by the Division may be used in lieu of a name and address. Contact the Bureau of Wildlife Management at 609-292-6685 for more information.

- When trapping beaver or otter, the tag must be clearly visible above the level of water or ice
- No traps or trap stakes are to be set prior to times indicated in the chart below
- All traps must be checked and tended at least once every 24 hours
- No trap shall be permitted to remain set on any property at the close of the trapping season
- No person shall steal or attempt to take traps of another, or remove a trapped animal without permission of the trap owner

Any person (including a farmer) who traps a coyote must notify a Division law enforcement office within 24 hours.

Licensed trappers who are at least 18 years of age and who are in possession of a valid rifle permit may carry a .22 caliber rifle, and use .22

caliber short rimfire cartridges only, to kill legally trapped animals other than muskrats including on Sundays. Firearms may not be loaded with more than three rounds.

## Traps, body gripping type (snares)

Body gripping restraining snares shall be subject to the following requirements:

1. No person shall set, use or maintain any type of snare unless they have first satisfactorily completed a Division approved Trapper Education course and carry on their person appropriate certification thereof.
2. *Except when submerged under water or when set for mink and muskrat*, all snares of the body gripping type used in trapping must be constructed of aircraft cable or crucible wire measuring 5/64 to 3/32 inches in diameter and be equipped with a swivel. Mink and muskrat body gripping snares must be constructed of aircraft cable or crucible wire measuring 1/32, 3/64 or 1/16 inches in diameter, be equipped with a swivel and set within 50 feet of the mean high water line.
3. *Except when set for mink and muskrat*, no body gripping snare shall be set, used or maintained with the distance between the ground or walking surface to the top of the loop greater than eighteen inches. No *mink or muskrat* body gripping snare shall be set, used or maintained with the distance between the ground or walking surface to the top of the loop greater than seven inches.
4. *Except when submerged under water or when set for mink and muskrat*, no body gripping

snare shall be set, used or maintained unless it is equipped with a stop six inches from the end to restrict loop closure to no less than six inches in circumference and a stop to restrict the average diameter of the loop opening to no greater than eight inches. Mink and muskrat body gripping snares must be equipped with a stop to prevent the average diameter of the loop opening from exceeding four inches.

5. All natural baits consisting of fish, bird or mammal carcasses or flesh used in trapping with body gripping restraining snares must be covered or concealed from view except when placed or located a distance of 30 feet or more from any set snare.

## Traps, Conibear or Killer-type

No Conibear or killer-type trap shall be used in non-tidal waters unless completely submerged underwater when the water is at the normal level. In tidal water, such traps must be completely covered at normal high tide.

It is illegal to use, set or possess a Conibear or killer-type trap having a jaw spread greater than six inches without a permit for beaver or river otter. A Conibear or killer-type trap with a jaw spread of no more than ten inches may be used for beaver or river otter. Jaw spread shall be measured across the trigger of a set trap to the inner edges of the jaws. Beaver and otter trap tags must be placed above the water line and exposed to view.

## Traps, Leghold

It is illegal to possess or use steel-jawed leghold traps anywhere in New Jersey.

# 2002–2003 New Jersey Trapping Zones, Seasons and Bag Limits

Species	Zone	Inclusive Dates	Season Limits	Notes
Raccoon, Red Fox, Gray Fox, Opossum, Skunk, Weasel & Coyote	Statewide (except WMAs)	Nov. 15, 2002 thru Mar. 15, 2003	None	6:00 a.m. on Nov. 15, 2002
	State WMAs	Jan. 1 thru Mar. 15, 2003	None	6:00 a.m. on Jan. 1, 2003
Mink, Muskrat & Nutria	Northern Zone* (except WMAs)	Nov. 15, 2002 thru Mar. 15, 2003	None	6:00 a.m. on Nov. 15, 2002
	Southern Zone** (except WMAs)	Dec. 1, 2002 thru Mar. 15, 2003	None	6:00 a.m. on Dec. 1, 2002
	State WMAs	Jan. 1 thru Mar. 15, 2003	None	6:00 a.m. on Jan. 1, 2003
Beaver	By Special Permit only	Jan. 1 thru Feb. 9, 2003	10 / permit	Max. of 5 traps in use***
River Otter	By Special Permit only	Jan. 1 thru Feb. 9, 2003	1 / season	Max. of 3 traps in use

\* Those portions of Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex, Union and Warren counties lying north of a line beginning at the intersection of US Route 1 and the Delaware River, at Trenton; then north along US Route 1 to its intersection with Interstate Route 287; then south on I-287 to its intersection with Route 440; then east along Route 440 to its intersection with the New Jersey–New York State Line in the Arthur Kill.

\*\* Those portions of the Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Ocean and Salem counties lying south of a line beginning at the intersection of US Route 1 and the Delaware River, at Trenton; then north along US Route 1 to its intersection with Interstate Route 287; then south on I-287 to its intersection with Route 440; then east along Route 440 to its intersection with the New Jersey–New York State Line in the Arthur Kill.

\*\*\* Holders of both a Special Permit and a Special Site Specific Permit may use five additional traps per Special Site Specific Permit provided they are used only on the property or site specified in the Special Site Specific Permit.

## 2002–03 Migratory Bird Regulations

### What Do I Need To Hunt Migratory Birds In New Jersey?

1. To hunt crows you need a **New Jersey hunting license**—See pages 3 and 4 for hunting license requirements and fees.
2. To hunt woodcock, rail, snipe, coots or gallinule you need a **New Jersey hunting license** and **Harvest Information Program (HIP) number**; see below for HIP information.
3. To hunt ducks, geese or brant you need a **New Jersey hunting license, HIP number, Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp and New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp**. Both Federal and State stamps are required for waterfowl hunters 16 years of age and older and must be signed in ink across the stamp's face. Federal stamps are available at U.S. Post Offices. State stamps are available from agents who sell hunting licenses.

### ATTENTION Migratory Bird Hunters

Obtain your HIP number by calling **1-800-WETLAND**, the automated system operational 24 hours a day, 7 days a week or by registering through the Division's website at [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com). The HIP number and phone call are **FREE**. Hunters must first obtain a hunting license before calling HIP and have the license number at hand you call. Then write your assigned HIP number on the front of your hunting license in the space next to "2002/03 Fall/Winter NJ HIP#". Call 888-764-7343 if you need assistance getting your HIP number.

The HIP number is valid from September 1, 2002 until March 10, 2003.

If you hunt migratory birds in another state, you will need to get an HIP number in that state following their HIP procedures.

Many migratory bird regulations are not confirmed at press time for this DIGEST. Watch for press releases in late August for information on season dates and bag limits. When finalized, migratory bird hunting regulations will be published in the "New Jersey 2002–03 Migratory Bird Regulations" available in September at license agents and Division offices. Migratory bird regulations will also be available on the Division website at [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com) as soon as they are finalized. **Migratory bird season dates published in the Migratory Bird Regulations supersede those printed in this DIGEST if there are discrepancies.**

The following dates, although expected to be approved, will not become final until approved by the US Fish and Wildlife Service in August:

#### Tentative Dates

September Canada Goose	Statewide	Sept. 2–30
Rails, Gallinules (Moorhens)	Statewide	Sept. 2–Nov. 9
Sea Ducks	Special Sea Duck Area	Sept. 18–Jan. 20, 2003
Snipe	Statewide	Sept. 20–Jan. 4, 2003
Crows (Mon, Thurs, Fri, Sat)	Statewide	Aug. 5–Mar. 15, 2003 (Except closed Dec. 9–14, 2002)
Woodcock	North Zone	Oct. 17–Nov. 9
	South Zone*	Nov. 16–Nov. 30 & Dec. 23–Dec 31
Mourning Dove	Statewide	Closed
Youth Waterfowl Hunting Day	Statewide	Sept. 21

Duck seasons are expected to remain similar to last year. Migrant Canada goose numbers continue to rise and an increase in the regular Canada goose season is anticipated. Atlantic brant numbers have increased and a similar or perhaps more liberal brant season is expected. Snow goose populations remain very high and liberal bag limits as well as seasons extending to March 10 in some areas, are expected. Check the Migratory Bird Regulations for season dates and bag limits.

\* Woodcock hunting in the South Zone is closed on both opening day and first week of Small Game Season this year.

### Hunters: Report Banded Birds

Individuals recovering banded migratory birds are reminded to report the band number by calling the U.S. Department of the Interior's Bird Banding Laboratory (BBL) in Washington, D.C., toll free at **1-800-327-BAND**. Bands can also be reported via the BBL's website at [www.pwrc.usgs.gov/bbl/](http://www.pwrc.usgs.gov/bbl/) or through a link with the Division's website: [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com). When you contact the BBL, provide the band number, date the bird was recovered, exact location the bird was recovered (including the nearest town) and the method of recovery (for example, shot or found dead). Hunters may keep the bands. In most cases, the operator will be able to keypunch the band number and instantly tell the caller the date and location of banding, as well as the age and sex of the bird at banding. In all cases, the BBL will mail the caller a Certificate of Appreciation with the same information. The information provided by banding data is critical in making management decisions regarding migratory birds.

## Atlantic Brant Patch Program

The Brant Patch is a five patch limited edition series which began in 2000 and is a fund raising project of the Susquehanna River Wetlands Trust (SRWT). Proceeds from Brant Patch sales are provided to the Atlantic Flyway Council to be used for research projects concerning the Atlantic Brant. The 2000 patch was designated Banding Project, while remaining year patches are designated Research Project. This reflects the change where the banding part of the program became completely funded and the research is now centered around satellite and conventional radio tracking collars and data analysis. Dave Barnes created the artwork for the first two patches; the third patch was designed by a committee. An active artist competition is currently being considered to create Brant Patch for 2004.



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### Atlantic Brant Patch Order Form

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**Quantity Ordered:**

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Total # Patches \_\_\_\_\_ X \$ 5.00 per patch = \_\_\_\_\_

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## Wild Places & Open Spaces



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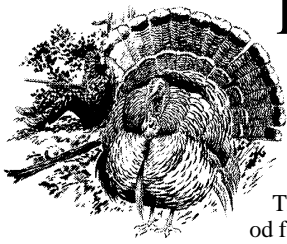
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# Fall and Spring Wild Turkey Hunting Regulations



Full turkey hunting is by permit only. Hunters must apply for fall permits along with their applications for spring gobbler hunting permits.

The application period for fall 2002 permits closed February 28, 2002 and permits were mailed to successful applicants in July. If you did not apply last winter, leftover permits will be sold beginning Monday, September 23, 2002 (There will be no Saturday sales for leftover Fall season turkey permits). Call the permit hotline for more information at (609) 292-9192. The 2002 fall turkey season will consist of one six-day hunting segment, N. The dates for segment N are Monday, October 28 through Saturday, November 2, 2002. Hunting hours are 1/2 hour before sunrise until 1/2 hour after sunset on the six days on which the season is open. Turkey Hunting Areas 1-11 and Turkey Hunting Area 20 will be open for hunting. Turkey Hunting Areas 12, 14, 15, 16, 21 and 22 are not open to fall hunting.

Turkey hunters may take only one wild turkey of either sex per permit during the fall season. However, hunters may only take one turkey per day regardless of the number of permits the hunter holds. Dogs and artificial decoys may be used while turkey hunting in the fall season; however, the use of electronically-operated decoys is prohibited. All turkey hunters are required to have a calling device with them while turkey hunting and turkeys may not be hunted by a group of hunters larger than five individuals. Hunters may not attempt to chase or drive turkeys for the purpose of putting them in range of other hunters. However, hunters may rush a flock of turkeys to cause the flock to scatter. No shot larger than #4 fine shot or smaller than #7 1/2 fine shot may be used for turkey hunting. Hunters may not use shotguns larger than 10 gauge or smaller than 20 gauge for turkey hunting. Properly licensed hunters may use archery tackle for hunting turkeys. Turkeys may not be hunted within 300 feet of any baited area.

Successful fall turkey hunters must complete the transportation tag on their fall hunting permit immediately upon killing a turkey and must take the bird to an official wild turkey checking station by 7:00 PM on the day it is killed. The hunter who killed the bird is the only person who may transport and check the turkey.

## Turkey Hunting Permits

A permit is required for both spring and fall turkey hunting. All Turkey Season permits will be valid on any lands on which hunting is allowed, public or private, within each turkey hunting area. Applicants will apply for both the spring and fall seasons on one application form available in late-January. The application period for next fall, 2003 permits is February 1-22, 2003. For the Spring (2003) season, 29,250 permits will be issued; 3,840 permits will be issued for Fall 2003. Turkey hunting information and application booklets will be available at license agents and Division offices in late-January. Completed forms must be mailed back to Trenton between February 1 and February 22, 2003.

## Spring Gobbler Hunting Regulations

Spring gobbler hunting is by permit only. The entire state is open to spring hunting but only hunters who have received permits for the 2003 spring season may hunt. Hunters with permits for the spring season may hunt only in the Turkey Hunting Area and the Hunting Segment for which their permit is valid. Hunting hours for the spring season are 1/2 hour before sunrise until 12 noon daily. Hunters may take only one male wild turkey on each permit. Hunters who obtain more than one permit may take a turkey on each permit but only one gobbler may be taken per day, no matter how many permits the hunter has.

Dogs may not be used for turkey hunting in the spring. Artificial decoys may be used while spring turkey hunting however, the use of electronically-operated decoys is prohibited. Spring turkey hunters may not stalk or attempt to approach turkeys for the purpose of killing the bird. All hunters are required to have a calling device with them while turkey hunting. Turkeys may not be hunted within 300 feet of any baited area. No shot size larger than #4 fine shot or smaller than #7 1/2 fine shot may be used for turkey hunting. Hunters may not use shotguns larger than 10 gauge or smaller than 20 gauge for turkey hunting. Properly licensed hunters may use archery tackle for taking wild turkeys.

Successful spring turkey hunters must complete the transportation tag on their spring hunting permit immediately upon killing a turkey and must take the bird to an official wild turkey checking station by 3:00 PM on the day it is killed. The hunter who killed the turkey is the only person who may transport and check the turkey.

## Information

Turkey hunting information, regulations and application forms will be available at license agents and Division offices by late-January 2003. Applicants will apply for both spring and fall seasons on one form. Hunters may file only one application for turkey permits. Duplicate applications will cause all applications to be void.

The latest information on turkey hunting techniques is presented at turkey hunting seminars, some of which are sponsored by the Division. These seminars stress safety, calling techniques and "setting up". New turkey hunters are especially encouraged to attend a seminar. Check your newspaper and the application booklet for seminars scheduled for your area in March and April.

## Fall Turkey Permits

The fall turkey permit lottery has run, with leftover permits available through over-the-counter sales beginning Monday, September 23, 2002. Please call the Permit Hotline at 609-292-9192 for further information. See page 7 for details.

## Spring Gobbler Season-2003

Season Dates for Turkey Hunting Permits

Segment A:	Mon., April 15-Fri., April 18	Segment E:	Mon., May 12-Fri., May 16;
Segment B:	Mon., April 21-Fri., April 25		Mon., May 19-Fri., May 23
Segment C:	Mon., April 28-Fri., May 2	Segment G:	Sat., April 19; Sat., April 26;
Segment D:	Mon., May 5-Fri., May 9		Sat., May 3; Sat., May 10;
			Sat., May 17

## Fall 2002 Turkey Check Stations

### BURLINGTON

**Sportsman's Center**, Route 130, Bordentown, 609-298-5300

### CUMBERLAND

**Busnardo's Sport Center**, 886 North Pearl St, Bridgeton 856-451-6272  
**Van Meter Archery Co.**, 597-5 Shiloh Pike (Rt. 49), Bridgeton, 856-453-2855

### GLOUCESTER

**Paulsboro Lockers**, 649 Swedesboro Rd, Gibbstown, 856-423-1015

### HUNTERDON

**Clinton Outfitters**, 1738 Rt 31 North, Clinton, 908-638-9292

**Sportsman's Rendezvous**, Route 31, Speedway Plaza, Flemington, 908-788-5828

**Boan's Marine**, 1296 Route 179, Lambertville 609-397-3311

**The Corner Store**, Rt. 12 And Rt. 519, Baptistown, 908-996-7648

**Carousel Deli And Bakery**, Rt. 179 And Wertsville Rd., Ringoes 908-788-5180

**Jim Brown's Auto Body**, 1173 Rt. 579, Quakertown, 908-735-7800

**Jugtown Mountain Campsites**, 1074 Rt. 173 East, Asbury, 908-735-5995

### MERCER

**Trigger And Reel Sport Shop**, 60 Arctic Parkway, Ewing, 609-695-2818

**Steve's Bait And Tackle**, 10 Seminary Ave., Hopewell, 609-466-4611

### MIDDLESEX

**Sayreville Sportsmen**, 52 Washington Ave., Sayreville, 732-238-2060

### MORRIS

**Parsippany Bait And Tackle**, 180 Parsippany Road, Parsippany, 973-887-3300

**The Country Sportsman**, 63 Hamburg Turnpike, Riverdale, 973-839-7622

**Buck-n-Bass**, Route 15, Jefferson, 973-663-4009

**R&S Sports**, 3 New Street, Budd Lake, 973-347-1944

**River Run Taxidermy Studio**, 99 West Mill Rd., Long Valley, 908-876-1966

**County Line Sport Shop**, #10 Route 46, Hackettstown 908-852-9897

### PASSAIC

**Newark Watershed Corporation Office**, Echo Lake Rd, Newfoundland, 973-697-2850

**The Great Outdoors**, 1846 Route 23 North, West Milford, 973-838-3729

**Monksville Bait & Tackle**, 1165 Greenwood Lake Tpk., Ringwood, 973-728-5154

### SALEM

**North American Archery**, 439 Rt 77, Monroeville, 856-358-81808

**Joe And Sandy's Country Store**, Main St And Friendship Rd, Canton, 856-935-1414

**Bradway's Farm Market**, Jericho Rd & Rt 49, Salem, 856-935-5698

### SOMERSET

**Hillsborough Shooting Center**, 170 Township Line Rd., Belle Meade, 908-359-0837

**Glad-pack Sunoco**, 1 Pottersville Rd, Sussex-Gladstone, 908-234-1355

### SUSSEX

**Hainesville General Store**, 283 Rt. 206 South, Hainesville, 973-948-4280

**Stokes Sport Shop**, 29 Rt 206 South, Branchville, 973-948-5448

**Simon-Peter Bait And Tackle**, Route 206 And Brighton Rd, Newton, 973-786-5313

**Stillwater Supply**, 90 Stillwater Station Road, Stillwater, 973-383-4970

**Sig Borstad Hunting Supply**, 7 Old Rudetown Road, McAfee, 973-827-6527

**Mastodon Sport Shop**, 34 Highland Lakes Rd. (Rt.638), Vernon, 973-764-0200

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**Hi-Way Sport Shop**, Box 253, Route 31 North, Washington, 908-689-6208

**Red Hawk Outfitters**, 128 Rt. 94, Blairstown, 908-362-7117

**The Owl's Nest**, 97 Rt 519, Warren Glen, 908-995-7903

**The Big K**, 606 Route 519, Johnsonburg, 908-459-4487

**Merrill Creek Sport Shop**, Rt 57, PO Box 105, Stewartville, 908-859-5713

**Oxford Bait And Sport**, Route 31 North, Oxford, 908-453-4294

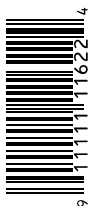




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# Wildlife Management Area (WMA) Regulations

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Information on these regulations and permit applications may be obtained by writing to the Division of Fish and Wildlife, PO Box 400, Trenton, NJ 08625-0400.

The Division may revoke any permit or other authorization issued for violation or due cause.

**THE FOLLOWING ARE PROHIBITED:  
alcoholic beverages; camping; cutting or damaging  
vegetation; dumping; fires; swimming; picnicking.**

## Boat Ramp Maintenance Permit

Any vehicle used to transport or launch a vessel or water conveyance on the following WMAs must have affixed to the lower corner of the driver's side rear window a boat ramp maintenance permit or receipt from a valid hunting, fishing or trapping license. The boat ramp maintenance permit shall be purchased for a fee of \$15.00 from the Division offices at the Pequest Trout Hatchery Natural Resource Education Center, Northern, Central and Southern Region, Nacote Creek, Bivalve, Tuckahoe, Lebanon and Trenton offices. Boat Ramp Maintenance Permits may also be purchased through the mail from N.J. Division of Fish and Wildlife, PO Box 400, Trenton, NJ 08625, Att: Boat Ramp Permit.

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|-----------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Round Valley | 4. Dennis Creek    | 7. Union Lake       |
| Angler Access   | 5. Tuckahoe        | 8. Menantico Ponds  |
| 2. Kingwood     | 6. Mad Horse Creek | 9. Prospertown Lake |
| 3. Assunpink    |                    |                     |

## Dog Training, Exercising & Hunting

A person may exercise or train dogs in designated dog training areas from May 1 to August 31, inclusive only on the following select WMAs:

- |                |                   |                    |
|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Assunpink   | 5. Colliers Mills | 9. Manasquan       |
| 2. Millville   | 6. Glassboro      | 10. Stafford Forge |
| 3. Black River | 7. Hainesville    | 11. Whittingham    |
| 4. Clinton     | 8. Tuckahoe       |                    |

All dogs must be properly licensed. A person may exercise or train dogs on any WMA from September 1 to April 30. There shall be no exercising or training of dogs on any WMA on November 8, 2002, the Friday before the opening day of the regular small game season.

Additional regulations involve the release of game birds for training, the use of pigeons, the use of firearms, frozen game birds, the use of call back pens and the release of foxes, raccoons, rabbits and hares. For more information call 609-984-0547.

## Field Trials

Permits for use of Wildlife Management Areas for running of field trials may be granted by the Division.



## Higbee Beach

Higbee Beach WMA is closed to hunting from Sept. 1 to Dec. 16, 2002.

## Horseback Riding

Horseback riding is allowed by permit only from the Division of Fish and Wildlife on designated areas. Call 609-259-2132. This permit must be displayed on outer clothing while riding.

## Hunting Regulations

Hunting with firearms is prohibited on November 8, 2002 on those WMAs designated as Pheasant and Quail Stamp areas except in tidal marsh open to an ongoing waterfowl season.

It is legal to possess and use a .22 caliber rifle and .22 caliber rimfire short cartridge on WMAs only for hunting raccoon and opossum and displaying trapped animals other than muskrat.

Rifles, including muzzleloading rifles, may not be used to hunt woodchucks on WMAs.

## Motor Vehicles & Other Forms of Conveyances

No person shall operate an unregistered vehicle on any state WMA. All motor vehicles are restricted to established public roads and parking areas.

All motor boats must be properly registered and have all the required safety equipment.

The use of dog sleds and dog carts, off road vehicles, ATV's, trail-bikes, or snowmobiles is prohibited on all WMAs unless authorized by the Division.

## Outboard Motors

Only electric motors are allowed on freshwater areas with the exception of Union Lake where an outboard motor, not exceeding 10 hp, may be used. On Prospertown Lake, only manually operated boats and canoes are allowed.

## Restricted Hours

Wildlife Management Areas are closed from 9 pm until 5 am unless engaged in lawful hunting, fishing or trapping activities. Special permission may be granted for Division approved activities.

## Target Practice

Only bow and arrow, shotgun, muzzleloading shotgun, muzzleloading rifle and .22 caliber rifle shooting is allowed in designated hunter training ranges according to posted regulations at the training area.

The following types of ranges are available on designated WMAs statewide: Shotgun Range—for use with clay birds and the patterning in of fine shot; Bow and Arrow Range—approved backstops at various ranges, no broadheads allowed; Muzzleloading Rifle and Shotgun Slug Range—for sighting in with shotgun slugs, .22 rifle and muzzleloader; no other firearms allowed. See page 59 for a complete list of ranges.

## Waterfowl Blinds

No permanent waterfowl blinds, including pit blinds, shall be constructed, hunted from or used in any manner in any of the following WMAs:

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|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 1. Assunpink      | 5. Tuckahoe       | 9. Beaver Swamp  |
| 2. Black River    | 6. Manahawkin     | 10. Sedge Island |
| 3. Colliers Mills | 7. Stafford Forge | 11. Salem River  |
| 4. Hainesville    | 8. Whittingham    | 12. Prospertown  |

Any blind used in these designated areas must be portable and shall be completely removed at the end of the day. Blinds remaining in WMAs will be subject to confiscation and properly disposed of by the Division.

## Wildlife Management Area (WMA) Ranges

The following information pertains to NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife facilities. Information on privately operated facilities is available at "Where To Shoot," a site maintained by the National Shooting Sports Foundation at [www.nssf.org](http://www.nssf.org).

- All WMA regulations apply.
- At least one member of the shooting party must have a current, valid hunting license in possession.
- Shotgun range: fine shot only.
- Archery range: target or practice tips only (NO broadheads).
- Muzzleloader range: muzzleloading firearms, shotguns with rifled slugs or buckshot and modern rimfire (.22 caliber) rifles only.
- No handguns or centerfire rifles permitted.

### NORTHERN REGION

**Hunterdon County**

**Clinton WMA**

Route 173W, Clinton  
Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (50 yards)

**Morris County**

**Black River WMA**

Route 513 (Dover-Chester Road), Chester  
Shotgun, Archery

Note: Closed weekends from the third Saturday in May through the Sunday of Labor Day Weekend, as well as on the Christmas and Easter holidays. Operating hours are 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. during this summer period, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. for the rest of the year. Hunter education classes will continue to be held at the range and will not be affected by the new hours.

**Sussex County**

**Flatbrook-Roy WMA**

Route 615, Layton  
Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (75 yards)

**Warren County**

**Pequest WMA**

Pequest Road, Oxford  
Archery

### CENTRAL REGION

**Monmouth County**

**Assunpink WMA**

Imlaystown-Hightstown Rd.,  
Upper Freehold Twp.  
Shotgun, Archery

**Turkey Swamp**

Georgia Road, Freehold Twp.  
\*special regulations apply call 908-842-4000  
Archery

**Ocean County**

**Colliers Mills WMA**

Off Colliers Mills & Hawkins Rds.,  
Colliers Mills  
Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (50 & 100 yards)

**Stafford Forge WMA**

off Route 539, south of Warren Grove,  
Little Egg Harbor Twp.  
Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader

### SOUTHERN REGION

**Atlantic County**

**Makepeace Lake WMA**

Elmwood-Weymouth Road, Weymouth  
Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (50 yards)

**Gloucester County**

**Winslow WMA**

Piney Hollow Road, Monroe Twp.  
Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (50 yards)

**Cape May County**

**Tuckahoe WMA**

Off Tuckahoe Road (Route 631), Tuckahoe  
Shotgun, Archery

**Cumberland County**

**Millville WMA**

Ackley Road (Route 718), Millville  
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Dates from: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Limitations: \_\_\_\_\_

Other licenses, tag no.: \_\_\_\_\_

Permission dates from: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Limitations: \_\_\_\_\_

Hunter can hunt within 450 feet of buildings:  Yes  No

# Community-based Deer Management in New Jersey

By Susan Martka, Principal Biologist

White-tailed deer have reached problematic numbers in many suburban communities in New Jersey. In an effort to limit deer populations in those areas of the state where sport hunting is no longer a feasible option, the Division of Fish and Wildlife has enabled alternative methods of controlling deer populations under a program named Community-based Deer Management. Five years after the program was instituted, the Legislature expanded and



Buffalo Inc. Employees of White Buffalo use high-powered rifles and cull deer at pre-baited sites on both private and public lands in the township during day and night time hours. In areas where firearms could not be safely used, White Buffalo trapped deer under a drop net, and euthanized these deer with a captive bolt gun—a method approved by the American Veterinary Association.

Some hunters view the Community-based Deer

Management program as taking hunting opportunities away from sportsmen. However, because of the Community-based Program, many townships have opted to utilize sportsmen during the traditional deer hunting seasons to reduce their deer populations. In addition, several townships have opted to open public land to hunting which previously had been off-limits to hunters. The Fish and Game Council has the authority to modify or reject an application for a Community-based Deer Management program if sport hunting is not used when feasible. In one instance, the Fish and Game Council did not permit a township to hire a company to cull deer on a public property until the deer hunting season ended. In another instance the Council did not approve the use of archery equipment by the paid agent but rather insisted the township open the property to licensed bow hunters.

This year, seven permits were issued to allow various types of Community-based Deer Management Programs. A permit issued to Harding Township in Morris County gave sportsmen in the township four additional days of permit shotgun hunting. The Watchung Reservation in Union County also chose to utilize sportsmen as agents of the county to reduce the deer herd. In this program, four townships applied for a Community-based Deer Management permit that

allowed specially chosen sportsmen to cull deer in the Watchung Reservation during two days in March. In 1995, the first Community-based Deer Management permit was issued to Watchung Reservation. Since that time, up to 30 agents have killed as many as 169 deer annually and have reduced the deer population in Watchung Reservation from 185 deer per square mile to 20 deer per square mile. The deer reduction program in the Watchung Reservation has been so successful that twelve agents (volunteer hunters) operating in two days can maintain the deer population at the desired density.

Millburn Township in Essex County hired a private company, Deer Management Systems, Inc., to shoot deer on four properties that were deemed too small to allow for a public hunt. Deer Management Systems employees use shotguns and operate from tree stands at pre-baited sites. They cull deer only during daylight hours. Millburn also had a permit which allowed deer to be trapped from private and public lands in the township and transferred to a facility at Rutgers University to be used for research or euthanized. Bernards Township, Bridgewater Township and Summit also hired Deer Management Systems, Inc. to cull deer.

Princeton Township in Mercer County opted to hire a Connecticut-based company called White

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The Division of Fish and Wildlife and the Fish and Game Council have a responsibility to manage deer in situations where traditional deer hunting programs are not the best means of effective deer population control. In a rapidly urbanizing state such as New Jersey, alternative solutions to traditional deer management are necessary if the Division and the Council are to manage the state's deer population in a responsible manner and at levels which will benefit all citizens of New Jersey.

I agree to conduct myself safely, responsibly and lawfully, respecting the landowner, property, and others using it. I accept the responsibilities which are part of the activities which I pursue. I agree to comply with the instructions of the landowner while on this property.

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Signed \_\_\_\_\_ (visitor)

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

This card provided by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Division of Fish & Wildlife



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# New Jersey's Outstanding Deer Program

## What is an "Outstanding Deer?"

An "outstanding" deer can be many things to many different people. An outstanding deer can be an individual's first deer, a buck which meets a sportsman's own specifications for a "rack," a veteran hunter's first deer with a different weapon (such as a muzzleloader rifle), or, a deer which meets certain criteria for antler development or weight as determined by New Jersey's Outstanding White-tailed Deer Program.

The most commonly used system for rating antlers in North America was developed by the Boone and Crockett Club in 1949-1950. This scoring method replaced the various systems which involved counting all points that a ring could be hung on, or measuring only main beam length or outside spread. The Boone and Crockett Club system gives credit to antler length, spread, number of points and symmetry. Although the Boone and Crockett Club system has changed slightly in recent years, it is the system used by the New Jersey Outstanding White-tailed Deer Program and is the basis for the Pope & Young Club's Bowhunting Big Game Records Program.

Recognition of exceptional body size as determined by field dressed weight is generally limited to state trophy deer programs. For example, New Jersey's Outstanding White-tailed Deer Program recognizes bucks with field dress weights exceeding 200 pounds. A new category for does exceeding 135 pounds (field dressed) was added during the 1990-91 deer seasons.

New Jersey's Outstanding White-tailed Deer Program was initiated in 1964 and includes categories for typical and nontypical antlered deer taken with bow, shotgun and muzzleloading rifle, in addition to the weight categories listed above. Minimum scores were revised in September 1996 and are as follows:

Category	Minimum score
Typical Firearm	125
Non-typical Firearm	135
Typical Archery	125
Non-typical Archery	135
Typical Muzzleloader	125
Non-typical Muzzleloader	135

Any properly licensed hunter, regardless of residency, is eligible to enter the Outstanding Deer Program. Deer must be taken in accordance with the laws and regulations of the State of New Jersey. Additional rules and requirements are included with official entry forms. Application forms and instructions are available by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife, Outstanding Deer Program, PO Box 400, Trenton, NJ 08625-0400. There is no entry fee. All qualified entries will be added to New Jersey's all-time list.

Quality Deer Management programs are bound to result in a significant increase in the number of outstanding deer added to the all-time list. Perhaps in as little as 3 to 5 years, depending on the area in question, results will be seen.

Be sure to join the Division of Fish and Wildlife in celebrating New Jersey's outstanding white-tailed deer at our *new* location for the Garden State Deer Classic in January at the Garden State Outdoor Sportmen's Show. See the ad on this page for details.

Following is a list of the top scoring deer and the hunter who participated in the 2001 Garden State Deer Classic. The Classic showcased the outstanding deer taken during the 2000-2001 deer seasons. Ranks listed represent placement on the all-time list within each category.

## New Jersey Outstanding Deer Awards Program

All deer harvested during 2000 and officially measured for the 2001 Garden State Deer Classic

Division	Category	Rank	Score	County of Harvest	Hunter	Hometown
Antlered	Archery (Typical)	7	157 5/8	Gloucester	Wayne Foster	Glassboro
		9	154 7/8	Salem	John Morris, Jr.	Vineland
		15	152 4/8	Mercer	Steve Ficarro	Princeton
	Archery (Non-Typical)	1	203 3/8	Cumberland	Darrell T. Capps	Bridgeton
		30	146 5/8	Sussex	Arthur C. L'Hommedieu	Johnsonburg
		35	142 0/8	Essex	Kenneth W. Baker	Morristown
	Muzzleloader (Typical)	11	139 0/8	Cape May	Frank Carini	Milmay
		14	137 5/8	Passaic	Dennis A. Post	Oak Ridge
		19	136 2/8	Warren	Guy F. Gallant	Flanders
	Muzzleloader (Non-Typical)	1	188 7/8	Ocean	Edward Eloie	Eatontown
14		136 7/8	Cumberland	Bob Eisele	Leesburg	
Firearm (Typical)	13	158 0/8	Warren	Walter Ziobro	Washington	
	26	152 1/8	Middlesex	Kai Zimmermann	N. Brunswick	
	66	143 7/8	Warren	David Hamlen	Annandale	
Firearm (Non-Typical)	No entry present					
135 Pound	Bow	No entry present				
	Muzzleloader	No entry present				
Doe	Shotgun	7	142	Salem	Charles R. Wilson	Pitman
200 Pound	Bow	No entry present				
	Muzzleloader	No entry present				
Buck	Shotgun	No entry present				



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## Black Bears in New Jersey

By Patrick C. Carr, Principal Wildlife Biologist, Black Bear Project Leader

Black bears are the largest land mammal in the Garden State and live in forested areas throughout northern and north-central New Jersey. Here in the most densely populated state in the nation, our native black bears are thriving in close proximity to people. As land was cleared for settlements, timber and farms, and bears were killed indiscriminately and their numbers decreased. Although never eliminated, their range shrank to the most remote areas in the northern part of the state, the Kittatinny Ridge area of western Sussex County and the Highlands area of northern Passaic County. The population recovered after being afforded the protective status of game animal and as the habitat improved with the maturing forests. Today, New Jersey's black bear population is increasing as is the number of conflicts between humans and black bears.



Division personnel began a research project on black bears in the late 1970s, handling more than 1,000 bears since 1980. Garden State black bears are ranked among the heaviest in the United States. Adult females (bears aged 4 years and older) average 185 pounds; adult males average 396 pounds. The largest bear handled by Division personnel was a 608-pound male bear which was struck by a vehicle and killed on April 2, 2002 in Frelinghuysen Township, Warren County. Bears can live more than 20 years; Division personnel captured one female that was 22 years old.



Division personnel have weighed and measured 403 cubs-of-the-year in winter dens. Research data has shown that New Jersey bears are very productive. This 9-year-old, 229-pound female produced 5 cubs in January 2002. The average litter size for cubs in New Jersey is about 2.8 cubs per litter, with litter sizes ranging from 1 to 6 cubs. Female bears 7 years old and older produce an average of 3.2 cubs per litter. The cub sex ratio consists of 51% females and 49% males. Generally cubs travel with the female until she breeds again, 16-18 months later. The breeding season spans from late May until August, peaking in June and July. Both sexes are promiscuous.



Prime bear habitat consists of mixed hardwood forests, dense swamps and forested wetlands. Although classified as a carnivore, black bears are omnivorous, eating plant and animal matter. Bears are opportunistic feeders dependent on a seasonally abundant food supply. Approximately 75% of their diet consists of plant material, including skunk cabbage, grasses, forbs, tubers and bulbs, soft mast (blueberries, huckleberries, raspberries, blackberries, wild cherries) and hard mast (acorns, beechnuts, hickory nuts). Animal matter includes bees and other insects (adults, larvae and eggs), small mammals, bird eggs, white-tailed deer fawns, road-killed deer, and carrion. Their diet is supplemented with human-derived food.

Division personnel collected bear hair samples from hair snares set throughout bear habitat. Individual bears were identified using DNA analysis. Personnel also capture bears to mark individuals with eartags and radio-telemetry collars. These mark-recapture studies provide population estimates for the New Jersey bear population.



Black bears are large, powerful wild animals and should be treated with respect. Be alert in areas where bears are active. DO NOT approach any bear in the wild.

# The Challenges Of Managing Canada Geese

By Ted Nichols, Principal Wildlife Biologist

It is a challenging exercise to set hunting regulations for Canada geese as their separate populations each have a different status. Within New Jersey, our three distinct populations of Canada geese are: Atlantic Population (AP), North Atlantic Population (NAP) and Resident Population (RP). AP Canada geese nest in boreal forest and tundra regions of northern Quebec. NAP geese nest further east in Newfoundland and Labrador. Collectively, AP and NAP geese are referred to as "migrant" geese since they breed in northern Canada and migrate to the US to winter. AP geese winter throughout the mid-Atlantic and Delmarva Peninsula (formed by coastal portions of Delaware, Maryland and Virginia). NAP geese have a much more coastal oriented wintering area which includes the coast from New England to New Jersey. RP geese breed in southern Canada and throughout the United States, generally making no — or relatively short — migrations in winter. Although all three populations of geese readily mix in fall and winter, RP geese are also present in the U.S. during spring and summer. RP geese have readily adapted to man's environment and are usually the goose population responsible for nuisance complaints regarding droppings and poor water quality.

Geese are tremendously philopatric, or faithful, to their breeding areas. Available banding data suggest that geese generally remain in the same breeding population through the duration of their lives. Contrary to popular belief, AP and/or NAP geese do not stop migrating or switch to live the leisurely life of RP geese. AP and/or NAP geese hatched in the boreal forest or tundra continue to migrate and return there to breed while RP geese stay in mid-latitude areas to breed.

Geese from these separate populations have very different life histories, given the geographic location of their breeding areas. For AP and NAP geese, young production can vary dramatically from year to year, largely dependent on the timing of snowmelt as well as the frequency and duration of late spring (June) snowstorms. During years when snowmelt is late, migrant geese may completely forego nesting. RP geese, on the other hand, consistently produce a large number of young since they breed in relatively stable, mid-latitude climates. In addition, RP goslings face relatively few predators compared with their sub-arctic breeding cousins who routinely face arctic fox. Arctic fox populations vary considerably, largely dependent on cyclic abundance of small mammals, particularly lemmings. When lemming populations crash, fox must switch to alternate prey, and during these years, fox can have a significant impact on gosling production.

Survival rates of adult geese can be very different as well. AP and NAP geese must face the



rigors of migration both in fall and spring. In addition, sport hunting can have a significant impact on survival rates of long-lived birds such as Canada geese, and as such, must be strictly regulated. AP and NAP geese can be subjected to significant hunting pressure as they pass through 2 countries and several states whose hunting seasons may have staggered dates. In addition, AP and NAP geese encounter considerable hunting pressure from native, subsistence hunters in Canada when the geese return to breeding areas in the spring. Conversely, RP geese spend much of their time in parks, golf courses and corporate grounds where they are relatively inaccessible to hunters. These differences in young production and survival are the key components that create the status of these three populations of Canada geese.

Wildlife biologists have the responsibility to maintain populations of AP and NAP geese for sport hunters in the US and Canada, for subsistence Inuit and Cree hunters in the Canadian arctic as well as for wildlife viewers in both countries. The migratory flights of Canada geese in October, along with changing leaves, apple cider and crisp nights, are among the most treasured of autumn pleasures. AP goose populations are lower than optimum but recovering. NAP geese are believed to be relatively stable but the uncertainty is much higher. Most people agree that RP geese are overabundant through most of their range, including New Jersey, and their population should be reduced.

Some people suggest allowing natural selection to take its course with Canada goose populations. If RP geese are more adaptable to man's environment, some would say to let them prosper, even if it is at the expense of AP and/or NAP geese. Biologists however, have the responsibility to maintain the historic biodiversity of these continental migrant Canada goose populations.

For times when different populations of Canada geese intermingle, as happens in New Jersey during fall and winter, harvest regulations are crafted for the population with the lowest ability to withstand hunting pressure. This is required since geese from different populations cannot

easily be distinguished from one another. In almost all geographic areas of North America, including New Jersey, at least one population of sub-arctic nesting migrant Canada geese will become the limiting factor when setting season length and bag limits for that area. When possible, special seasons with larger bag limits are designed to harvest RP geese. For example, September seasons occur before the onset of migration and therefore only RP geese are harvested. In New Jersey, special winter seasons are held in areas of the state that have relatively low populations of AP and NAP geese during late winter.

About 25,000 geese are harvested in New Jersey during special seasons, most of which are RP geese. Yet the "regular" season, that is, the traditional goose hunting season from November through January, is still the preferred goose hunting period for many waterfowlers. As such, the regular season plays an important role in controlling the growth of RP geese. It is during this autumn and early winter period, however, that AP and NAP geese are also abundantly mixed with RP geese throughout the state. Therefore, it is the regular season length, bag limit and framework dates (earliest and latest dates that these seasons can occur) that are manipulated most often to ensure migrant AP and NAP geese remain healthy.



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## The Eastern Coyote in New Jersey

By Andrew Burnett, Principal Wildlife Biologist

Eastern coyotes are wild canines found throughout northeastern United States and southeastern Canada. They are dog- or wolf-like furbearers; analysis of eastern coyote DNA suggests coyote/wolf hybridization has occurred. Coyotes have been noted in all 21 New Jersey counties in nearly 250 municipalities throughout the state (see map on page 00). Their population, estimated at less than 100 in 1975, is currently estimated at 3,000. Based on available habitat and suggested winter populations for the Northeast, New Jersey could support 5,000 coyotes. The Eastern coyote is the largest canine found in New Jersey. Females average 34 pounds and can weigh as much as 56 pounds, and males average 39 pounds and can weigh as much as 65 pounds. Body lengths vary from 32 to 42 inches, excluding their bushy tails, and shoulder height varies from 22 to 30 inches. Most coyotes are mottled gray in color with lighter bellies, however coloration can range from blonde to charcoal.

Coyotes are monogamous and maintain pair bonds for several years. Although not regarded as "pack animals," young coyotes may remain with



their parents for up to a year and a half, and may help to rear the next litter. Normally, females do not breed until their second winter. Most mating occurs in February and litters are born from mid-April to early May. Young coyotes begin to disperse from the family group during October.

Coyotes are opportunistic predators, feeding on voles, mice, rabbits, muskrats, woodchucks, birds and fawn deer. They also eat carrion, insects, fruits and other vegetable matter, and occasionally kill and eat poultry; livestock (including goats,

sheep and calves); cats and dogs. They are primarily nocturnal, but may hunt during daylight hours, especially in the morning. Coyotes have excellent senses of sight, smell and hearing, making them extremely wary and challenging to harvest.

Coyotes were given game animal status with no open season in 1975. Furbearer status was granted in 1980 thereby allowing trappers to harvest coyotes during the regular trapping season (Nov. 15–Mar. 15). The New Jersey Fish and Game Council authorized winter coyote hunting seasons by permit from 1997 to 2000. Hunters harvested a total of 28 coyotes during this four-year period (archery—1; muzzleloader—7; shotgun—20), a testament to the coyote's elusive and wily nature. Permits were not required for the 2001 hunting season. For 2002, coyote hunting is now permitted concurrent with the regular fox hunting season. During the 2001–02 seasons, hunters reported taking 35 coyotes (archery—5; muzzleloader—4; shotgun—26) while trapper took 6 coyotes.

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## New Jersey's Nineteenth Waterfowl Stamp and Print Third in the Landmark Series

The Division's Waterfowl Stamp Advisory Committee is proud to announce the third print in the Landmark Series "Colors of Fall—Wood Ducks at the Water Gap". This year's artist, Jim Hautman, is also a three-time federal stamp competition winner. At the age of 25, Jim became the youngest artist in history to win the prestigious *Federal Duck Stamp Contest*. His second win in 1995 not only took first prize but he set a new record by receiving a perfect scoring in the final judging as well as the distinguished *People's Choice Award*. Jim captured top honors for the third time receiving a perfect judge's score again in 1999.

The eldest Hautman brother, Joe, created the first print in our Landmark Series. His work featured canvasbacks flying past New Jersey's and America's most recognized landmark, the Statue of Liberty. And brother Bob Hautman created last year's stamp and print set featuring tundra swans at Sedge Island on Barnegat Bay.

These three brothers are the only siblings ever to win the prestigious Federal Duck Stamp Competition and since 1990, they have won it five times! The Hautmans are fast emerging as America's foremost wildlife artists. All three brothers have received numerous honors and awards, which includes dominating many state and national duck stamp competitions. At last count the three brothers have seen their art fea-



tured on more than 34 state and federal stamps. Their unique family talent was mentioned in the major motion picture *Fargo*.

New Jersey annually began requiring a waterfowl hunting stamp in 1984. The Division of Fish and Wildlife administers the program for the purpose of purchasing wetlands for waterfowl habitat. Proceeds from the sale of New Jersey's duck stamps and prints have totaled over \$3,800,000 since 1984, all to acquire wetlands for waterfowl habitat and public use. To date, over 13,000 acres of waterfowl habitat have been purchased or donated to the program.

This year's artwork depicts a pair of wood ducks at the Delaware Water Gap National

Recreation Area. The almost 70,000-acre National Park Service property is located in New Jersey and Pennsylvania along 40 miles of the Delaware River. The area is rich in both cultural and natural history: the ridges and river valley contain fascinating geological features, beautiful streams and waterfalls, a diversity of plants and wildlife and a rich history of past occupants and cultures.

The recreation area was originally planned as land bordering the proposed Tocks Island Reservoir. Early planning, management and land acquisitions were accomplished amid much controversy over the proposed dam project. In 1978, Congress designated the section of the Delaware River within the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area as part of the National Wild and Scenic River System. In 1992, the Tocks Island Dam Project was officially de-authorized.

For more information on how to purchase a print, collector duck stamp, or the souvenir stamp card, please send a self-addressed stamped (first class postage), business-size envelope to the Waterfowl Stamp Advisory Committee, Division of Fish and Wildlife, P.O. Box 400, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0400. Mention that you saw this *Digest* article. Or come visit us on the web at [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com) by clicking on the product section. The important thing to remember is all profits go to preservation of habitat! Buy a stamp or framed print and SAVE AN ACRE!



# Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Of Deer And Elk

## What Is CWD?

Chronic wasting disease of mule deer, rocky mountain elk and white-tailed deer is a new disease which many scientists believe may be caused by an infectious protein, termed a prion. It results in fatal damage to the central nervous system causing the brain to have a microscopic sponge-like appearance, which places it in a group of diseases known as transmissible spongiform encephalopathies (TSEs). Scrapie of domestic sheep and goats, bovine spongiform encephalopathy or "Mad Cow Disease" of cattle and transmissible mink encephalopathy of farmed mink are all different types of TSEs in domestic and captive reared animals. Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, a human TSE, occurs throughout the world with a frequency of approximately one case in one million people each year. Another human TSE is *variant* Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, which causes 10–15 human deaths each year. This variant disease is associated with the large-scale outbreak of mad cow disease in cattle herds in Great Britain. The British consumed beef from among the estimated 200,000 infected cattle since 1986. This resulted in 106 human deaths from variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease as of February 2002.

## What Does CWD Look Like?

The clinical signs are not unique to this disease, but loss of body weight, even as the deer or elk continues to eat, is typical. The animals may walk in the same short path, repeatedly. They may be slightly unsteady, standing with legs separated wider than normal. Some may have subtle head tremors; sick animals may be found near streams or ponds. They may have periods when they appear sleepy or unresponsive or may carry their head down with their ears lowered. Increased salivation and drooling may also occur. Usually, months to years pass from when the animal is infected to when it shows these signs which have not been observed in deer younger than 17 months. Once the signs develop the animal usually survives for months, but occasionally death occurs within just a few days.

## How Does CWD Spread?

Chronic Wasting Disease can be transmitted among adult deer. The prions accumulate only in certain parts of infected animals—the brain, eyes, spinal cord, spleen, tonsils and lymph nodes. This pattern of transmission and association with lymph tissue in the mouth and intestinal tract suggests the CWD prion finds its way through saliva and feces onto grasses and other food. Deer eating contaminated food then contract the disease. Affected organs of deer dying in the wild may be eaten by scavengers, which might disseminate the CWD agent in their feces. The prion is very resistant to traditional disinfectants and persists a long time in the environment. Healthy deer restored to cleaned, disinfected pens developed CWD. The prevalence of CWD in free-ranging deer (13%) has been higher than in elk (1%) in Colorado. Over half the 154 deer in a captive herd in Nebraska tested positive for CWD. The rate of infection in free-ranging deer steadily declined with distance from the captive herd's enclosure. The captive animals were probably the source of infection for wild deer.

## How Do We Test For CWD?

Currently there is no reliable test for this disease in live animals. Microscopic examination of the brain of deer which die or are killed reveals the sponge-like changes typical of CWD. Early in the disease the spongy changes of the brain occur; special chemical stains for the CWD prion will reveal its presence. These stains have also been used to demonstrate the CWD prion in biopsy samples of tonsil from live deer, but these tests require anesthetizing the deer and they don't work well on elk. European investigators have developed tests for the mad cow disease agent. Research is being performed to see if similar tests could be adapted to CWD.

## Where Is CWD Now?

CWD in wild free-ranging deer and elk is known to exist in Colorado, Wyoming, Nebraska, South Dakota, Wisconsin, New Mexico and the Canadian province of Saskatchewan. CWD in game farm elk and deer has

been found in Colorado, Montana, South Dakota, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Alberta and Saskatchewan. CWD infected farmed elk in Korea were traced back to an infected herd in Saskatchewan. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources conducted a survey which detected 14 cases of CWD in a 63 square mile area where the deer population was estimated between 3,774 and 6,382. Wisconsin has initiated a major effort to kill large numbers of deer in a zone around the affected area to prevent spread to the rest of the state's wild deer.



<http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/land/wildlife/whealth/issues/CWD/>

## Is CWD In New Jersey?

Five hundred six deer heads, mostly from hunter-killed deer, were collected in a cooperative survey conducted by the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife, USDA Veterinary Services, and the New Jersey Department of Agriculture during the 1997-98 hunting seasons. Brain was tested for chronic wasting disease and lymph nodes for bovine tuberculosis (TB). No evidence of either disease was found. The statistical analysis indicates that if TB or CWD were present, there is a 99% confidence it would be in less than 1% of the adult deer. Without testing each individual animal in a population, it is statistically impossible to say a disease is not present. Because of the sudden appearance of CWD in wild Wisconsin whitetails, the Division proposes to conduct another hunter survey of New Jersey deer for the CWD agent.

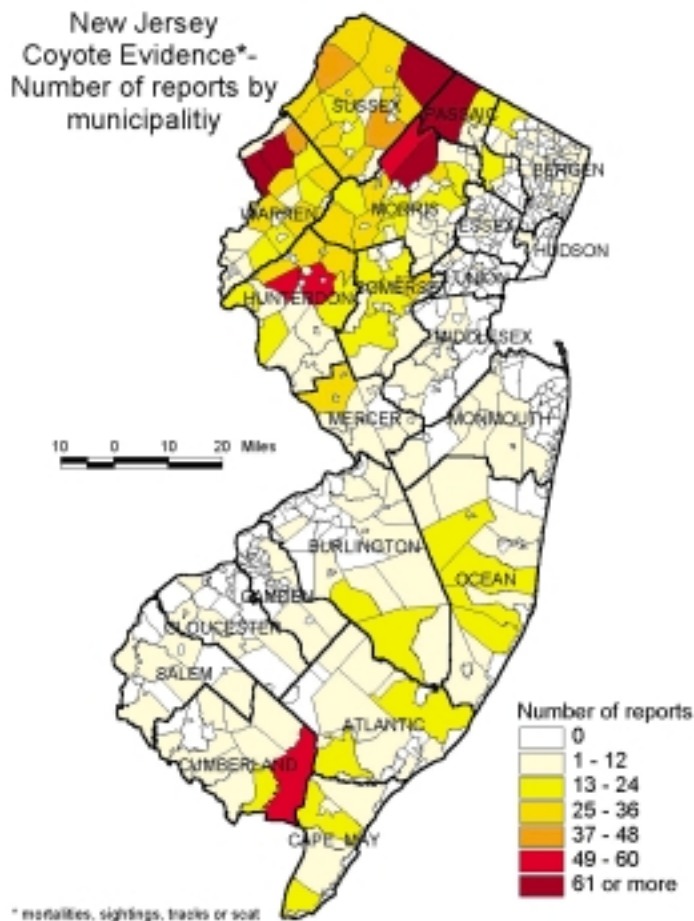
## Can Humans Get CWD?

**NO CASES OF HUMAN CREUTZFELDT-JAKOB DISEASE OR THE VARIANT HAS BEEN LINKED TO CWD OF DEER,** in spite of a widely circulated unfounded story in the popular press alleging 3 young hunters diagnosed with CJD had in some way been exposed to CWD. While the mad cow disease agent has overcome the species barrier, studies have demonstrated dissimilar species pose a significant impediment to transmission of prion-associated disease. There has also been a long history of humans handling and eating sheep including the brain, yet there is no evidence of scrapie posing a human health risk. In Colorado, over 16 years of monitoring has never found disease in people or cattle living in the CWD infected area. Epidemiologists with the Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have conducted extensive studies of human risk from CWD. They were not able to identify any association between human neurological disease and CWD and concluded the risk of infection with the CWD agent among hunters is extremely small, if it exists at all. Nevertheless, there are always uncertainties with poorly understood diseases and in areas where the deer are known to be infected

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## The Eastern Coyote in New Jersey

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Trappers and hunters have reported harvesting 115 coyotes since 1992. They have provided important information on the distribution and status of the Eastern coyote, yet have had no negative impacts on the general population. Disease is probably the biggest mortality factor, followed by vehicular collisions. The Division encourages everyone who observes a coyote to file a sighting report, particularly if noted in areas with little or no previous reports (see map). Sighting forms are available from the Division's website at [www.njfishandwildlife.com/forms.htm](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/forms.htm)

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hunters are advised not to shoot sick behaving deer. The world health organization recommends deer or elk with evidence of CWD should not be eaten by people or other animals.

### How Can CWD Be Prevented Or Controlled?

The strategy which makes most sense is one of surveillance to detect the disease, limit movement of infected animals and slaughter of known infected herds. Twenty-one captive herds of deer and or elk have been identified as infected with the CWD prion in the United States. All but 3 have been depopulated. The USDA Director of Agriculture released \$12 million in funds in February 2002 to indemnify owners of captive deer and elk herds for depopulation due to CWD. In 1999 the US Animal Health Association asked the USDA for a captive elk and deer herd certification process, which could be used to declare a captive herd free of CWD. While drafts of this process are being reviewed the most reliable protection for New Jersey is to prohibit the import or export of members of the deer family. This is accomplished in part under authority of the Director of the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife through restriction of permits to possess captive deer. While this safeguard is already in place, policies on captive herd health surveillance will focus on good record keeping, reporting of unexplained deer or elk deaths, and inspections. Active surveillance through sampling hunter-killed deer and passive surveillance through submissions of sick deer to the Division's Office of Fish and Wildlife Health and Forensics will also comprise the core of the response to the CWD threat to New Jersey. These efforts will be undertaken in cooperation with and assistance from the USDA-APHIS Veterinary Services, Wildlife Services and NJ Department of Agriculture's Division of Animal Health.

### How Can Hunters Help?

Hunters are asked not to shoot sick or abnormally behaving deer, but note the animal's location and report it to the Division's Office of Fish and Wildlife Health and Forensics at 908-735-6398 or a local Division field office with numbers listed in this Digest as soon as possible. Hunters can cooperate in donating the heads of their deer when asked by a Division biologist at selected deer check stations.

Links for chronic wasting disease and its management are listed below:

- <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/land/wildlife/whealth/issues/CWD/> (Wisconsin)
- <http://www.outdoornebraska.org> and click on *wildlife* (Nebraska)
- <http://www.aphis.gov> and click on *alternative livestock industry* (USDA)
- <http://www.cwd.info.org> This site is in the process of development and will have current updates on the status of Chronic Wasting Disease in North America.



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## A Great Day for Youth Turkey Hunters

By Tony McBride, Principal Wildlife Biologist

On Saturday, April 13, 2002, sportsman and child entered the forest and sat, side by side, carefully speaking the language of the bird that approached. The morning had been damp and cool, but it did not matter, the gobbles of the approaching longbeard and the pounding heart of the youth drowned out the effects of the elements. After a few moments that seemed an eternity, the youth aimed, and with the help of the soft, assuring voice of his parent, harvested the beautiful gobbler...an experience always to be remembered.

Such a scenario was played out approximately one hundred and fifty times on New



From left: Joseph (14), Rebekah (13) and Andrew (11) Garris of Sussex County pose with their trophies on Youth Turkey Hunting Day. Their father called in each bird at separate times during the morning.



Collecting biological information from a hen which will be released in Ocean County.

Jersey's very first youth turkey hunting day. The one day hunt open to children 15 and under was a great success. In keeping with a trend that promotes youth hunting experiences, New Jersey's youth turkey hunting day is one of several such days devoted to one of the most important components of our sporting public, our children.

In addition to promoting youth turkey hunting, the Division of Fish and Wildlife is making every effort to ensure that turkeys inhabit all suitable habitat in New Jersey. Part of this process has involved habitat enhancement on our state Wildlife Management Areas in parts of the state where habitat is poor for wild turkeys. This past winter, 80 eastern wild turkeys, the majority of them hens, were captured in Sussex County and transported to

Ocean County, where they were released into enhanced areas. Such habitat improvement involves conducting controlled burns to reduce thick understory growth, and providing plantings of grasses, sunflowers and clovers on existing fields in these pine barrens habitat areas. In the past, similar habitat manipulation, along with turkey releases in Cape May County have helped to create a stable turkey population and also a stable harvest even years after the last release was made. It is believed that a similar effect will take place in Ocean County as a result of these efforts.

Another project, the New Jersey Gobbler Mortality Study, has been in progress since 2000 in the northwestern part of the state. The purpose of this study is to determine the causes of mortality of our male wild turkeys. Wild

turkey males are captured with cannon nets, fitted with radio transmitters, banded, weighed and measured, and released on site to be tracked for up to five years. The radios transmit a special signal (mortality signal) when the bird remains motionless for four hours or more, and the cause of death can usually be determined from visual clues at the scene. Yearly mortality of wild turkeys can be as high as 50% from all causes combined, and hunting mortality should generally not be more than 25%. In the spring of 2000, 3 of 51 marked turkeys were harvested by hunters while 11 of 50 were harvested in 2001. The most significant cause of mortality for turkeys has been predation by coyotes, great horned owls, and red-tailed hawks. Hunting mortality has remained within acceptable limits. If a dead turkey with a transmitter or a leg band is found, please leave the scene intact and call (908)735-8793. Sportsmen and women who harvest a gobbler with a radio or leg band should call immediately after checking the turkey, and will receive a document from the Division which will include information about that particular bird.

## Youth Deer Hunt Day

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2002

TAKE A KID HUNTING!



Youth hunters with a valid youth hunting license will be allowed to hunt statewide for one deer on Saturday, November 23, 2002. The youth hunter MUST be under the immediate supervision of a person who is at least 21 years old and who has a valid firearm license. For the purposes of this section, direct supervision is defined as both the youth hunter and parent/guardian set up together at the same location, hunting as a unit and not hunting independently of each other. The adult CANNOT hunt or possess a firearm. The adult can grunt call or rattle for the youth. In addition to the youth, the adult accompanying the youth should wear the required hunter orange. Youths can hunt with either a shotgun or muzzleloader for one deer of either sex. If the youth is hunting with a muzzleloader, both the youth and the adult must have a valid rifle permit. Neither the Earn-A-Buck requirement nor antler point restrictions will apply on that day for the youth hunter. This hunt will be an extension of the six-day firearm season so no special season deer permit is required. The youth hunter must tag his/her deer with a homemade transportation tag. The tag must include the youth hunting license number, sex of deer, number of antler points, date, zone, county and township from which the deer was taken, and must say "taken during the 6-day firearm season-youth hunt". The youth hunter will not be given a supplemental tag when the deer is checked. The bag limit for the youth hunt day is only ONE deer of either sex. This is a great opportunity to introduce youth hunters to deer hunting!

## Youth Turkey Hunting Day

Youth hunters with a valid youth license who have obtained a turkey permit may begin their spring turkey season on the special youth turkey hunting day, April 12, 2003. Youth must be accompanied and supervised by an adult 21 years or older that has a valid New Jersey hunting license.

TAKE A KID HUNTING

**Youth Pheasant Hunt**

**Saturday, Nov. 2, 2002**

WMA	Guided Morning	Open After 1 pm	Open All Day
Whittingham	X	X	
Black River	X	X	
Flatbrook			X
Clinton	X	X	
Assunpink	X	X	
Colliers Mills	X	X	
Glassboro			X
Millville	X	X	
Peaslee	X	X	

**Guided:** Pre-registration required. See Details, this page.

**Open—Afternoon:** Any youth hunter with a valid youth hunting license accompanied by a licensed, non-shooting adult, will be permitted to hunt on the listed Wildlife Management Areas on November 2, 2002 from 1 p.m. until sunset.

**Open—all day:** Any youth hunter with a valid youth hunting license accompanied by a licensed, non-shooting adult, will be permitted to hunt on the listed Wildlife Management Areas on November 2, 2002 from 8 a.m. until sunset.

**Youth Waterfowl Hunt Day**

**Sept. 21, 2002**

TAKE A KID HUNTING

Youth hunters with a valid youth license and accompanied by a non-shooting adult (21 years of age or older), will be permitted to hunt for waterfowl statewide from 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset on Sept. 21, 2002. See the migratory bird supplement and watch for news releases for further details.

Non-toxic shot required.

Bag limit: Same as regular duck and early Canada goose seasons. No federal or state duck stamp required for youths.

TAKE A KID HUNTING

**Pheasant Hunt:**

**November 2, 2002**



The 2002 Take a Kid Hunting Pheasant Hunt will allow properly licensed hunters with a valid youth license to hunt on one of nine stocked Wildlife Management Areas (WMA) on Saturday morning, November 2, 2002. In a cooperative effort between the Division of Fish and Wildlife and the NJ State Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs, volunteer hunting mentors with trained bird dogs will guide youth hunters on a pheasant hunt. This experience will increase the young hunters' opportunity for harvesting a pheasant in a setting which encourages responsible and safe hunting practices.

All participants must pre-register and be accompanied to the check-in by a parent or guardian. Parents or guardians are welcomed and encouraged to follow the hunters through the fields. All pre-registered hunters will receive an information packet. One session will be offered, starting at 7 a.m.

Only 50 youth hunters will be allowed on each WMA during each session. If the number of applicants exceeds the number of slots available, a random drawing will be held to select participants. To register, please send the application found on this page to the address below. All entries must be postmarked by October 12, 2002. Information will be mailed on October 18, 2002.

Send application to: Take a Kid Hunting, NJ Div. of Fish & Wildlife, Northern Region Hunter Education, 26 Rt. 173 W, Hampton, NJ 08827

Send application to: Take a Kid Hunting, NJ Div. of Fish & Wildlife, Northern Region Hunter Education, 26 Rt. 173 W, Hampton, NJ 08827

**Youth Hunter**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Youth Hunting License # \_\_\_\_\_

1. Select WMA (Check only 1):

- Assunpink     Black River     Clinton     Colliers Mills
- Millville     Peaslee     Whittingham

2. Have you attended the Take a Kid Hunting Pheasant Hunt before?

- NO     YES-2001

3. With what gauge shotgun will you be hunting?

- 12     16     20     28     .410

4. If you have a trained hunting dog and would like to participate as a mentor, enter your daytime phone number.

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**Youth Upland Bird Hunting Day**

**Saturday, November 2, 2002**

Youth hunters with a valid youth license, accompanied by a licensed, non-hunting adult 21 years or older, will be permitted to hunt on licensed semi-wild preserves. Youths can hunt for pheasants, quail, and/or chukars on Saturday, November 2, 2000 from 8:00 a.m. to sunset. This is a great opportunity for hunters belonging to semi-wild preserves to introduce youth hunters to upland bird hunting without competition from adult hunters.

May 6, 2002

Mr. Robert McDowell  
 Director  
 New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife  
 P.O. Box 400  
 Trenton, NJ 08625-0400

Dear Mr. McDowell,

Hello, my name is Nick Zemplachenko and I am eleven years old. I grew up in a family that enjoys the tradition of hunting and fishing. I can remember sharing in the outdoor adventures with my dad when I was only four years old. When I turned 10, I successfully passed my firearms test and now spend even more time outdoors.

I am writing this letter to thank you for creating the Youth Hunt Programs that you've provided this past year. Thanks to this program, I had the privilege of harvesting my first buck as well as my first wild turkey.

On November 17th, I sat in my deer stand with my father while he worked the deer call and rattled antlers, and successfully lured in a magnificent buck. From the first moment that we saw the buck, it took about twenty minutes for him to present the perfect shot. My well placed shot put down one of the most beautiful eleven pointers—at least I felt that way at the check station.

On April 13th, I was ready for the youth hunt of the spring turkey season. The weather certainly didn't seem to cooperate. It was drizzling and foggy. The woods were quiet for most of the morning. My dad and I set up in an area that was within view of my deer stand. My dad began working the hen call when multiple gobblers instantly responded. We were crouched behind a big rock, waiting for a gobbler to appear. Within two minutes, three gobblers appeared within forty yards of our blind. We continued to work the call and the gobblers closed the distance to twenty-five yards. I selected the largest of the three gobblers, and successfully harvested the bird with one shot. The bird had a five inch beard and some impressive spurs.

I will always remember these two hunts, and hope to add to my successes throughout my hunting career. My eleven pointer was recently picked up from the taxidermist and now hangs in my room.

Thank you again for putting together the Youth Hunt Program. I've included some photos of my trophies for you to enjoy.

Sincerely,

*Nick Zemplachenko*

Nick Zemplachenko



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## Hunter Education Volunteer Retires After 44 Years

New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife's Hunter Education Program outstanding volunteer **MaryJane Carter**, will be stepping down as secretary of the Mercer County Hunter Education Instructor Club this year. MaryJane has held the position since 1958. During her tenure, over fifteen thousand students were trained and tested for shotgun, bow and arrow and modern rifle/muzzleloader.

Ms. Carter, a resident of Hamilton Township for the last 71 years, was originally asked to act as club secretary by her late husband Hiram Mount, one of the founding members of the club. Although not a hunter herself, MaryJane has volunteered her time for 44 years and has enjoyed seeing so many youngsters successfully complete the Hunter Education course.

The Mercer County Hunter Education Instructors Club voted Ms. MaryJane Carter as Honorary Club Secretary for Life and honored her at a special dinner on Tuesday, March 19th 2002 in Trenton. Joe Leskie from the New Jersey Division of Fish & Wildlife's Hunter Education Program presented Ms. Carter with a Special Appreciation Award for all of her years of service. She was also recognized for her time and dedication at the Division's Volunteer Awards Dinner on June 22, 2002. Thank you Mary Jane for all your time and dedication and best wishes in your retirement.

## Outdoor Skills Workshop for Women



New Jersey's "Becoming an Outdoors-Woman" (BOW) Program is part of a nationwide effort to help women overcome barriers to participation in outdoor recreation by providing opportunities to try new activities. Since it began at the University of Wisconsin in 1991, the program has exploded in popularity. BOW can be found in 44 states and 8 Canadian Provinces across North America. New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife has been offering BOW workshops since 1995.

Although BOW workshops are designed for women, they offer anyone 18 years old or older opportunities to try new outdoor activities, improve existing skills, and meet other outdoor enthusiasts. The three-day BOW and one-day "Beyond BOW" workshops offer hands-on instruction in hunting, angling, and related outdoor pursuits in a relaxed, non-competitive atmosphere.

All of our instructors have many years of experience afield. They were chosen for their ability to pass on their knowledge and their belief in encouraging anyone who has an interest to get involved in the outdoors.

To find out more about the BOW program, log on to our website at [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com) or mail in the coupon below. Those with an e-mail account can subscribe to the BOW list-serve (electronic mail service). The BOW list-serve will send automatic updates about the BOW program and workshop availability. It's simple to subscribe. Go to the Division's website at [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com) and click on the link for mailing lists located on the left-hand side of the homepage. Fill out the electronic form and click submit. That's it! A confirmation message will ask you to return an authorization code. Once this is done, you'll be ready to receive automatic updates about New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife's BOW Program.

**To be placed on the BOW mailing list, complete this coupon and send to: NJF&W, 220 Blue Anchor Rd., Sicklerville, NJ 08081.**

### Outdoor Skills Workshop

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## Hunter Education—Easier Access For All

March 13, 2001 marked a turning point for New Jersey hunter education with the implementation of a video based home study program replacing the traditional teacher taught classroom sessions. The New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife's hunter education home study course is proving to be a huge success.

Students can now schedule themselves for a one-day hunter education course, from a list of prescheduled dates posted in all license agents and on the Division's web page at [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com). This innovative new course also allows for students to complete courses in basic shotgun, muzzleloading and bow & arrow all in one day if so desired.

To enroll in a course this fall you must first complete a homework assignment which requires viewing a video tape, review of a student manual and completion of a workbook. This free material can be obtained at most license agents and Division field offices. A complete list of locations where course material can be obtained is also on the Division's web page. After completing your homework assignment, course scheduling is as simple as a phone call to 1-877-2HUNTJ informing us of the facility and date you plan to attend. Classes are currently conducted at eight centralized teaching facilities throughout New Jersey.

Your one day field session course includes an extensive field walk where you will be required to make decisions based on safe/unsafe and shoot/don't shoot hunting scenarios along with treestand safety, shot placement, blood trailing and wildlife identification. After successfully completing this segment, it's on to the range for the live fire portion of the course. Here you will be tested on the safe handling of firearms and proficient use of archery equipment. The day concludes with a written examination for each discipline you choose to complete.

Our Hunter Education program is continually recognized as one of the top programs in the country. This new program change ensures that hunting in New Jersey will continue to be one of the safest outdoor recreational activities. For further information please call our hunter education office at 877-2HUNTJ. Remember: Pass on the tradition; invite a friend to enroll in the hunter program with you.

## Respect The Rights Of Others

**By Larry Herrighty, Chief –  
Bureau of Wildlife Management**

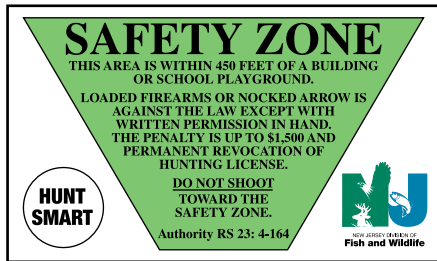
Each of us would prefer to have our own private place to hunt, fish or trap; yet that is not always possible. Because many of us will recreate on public land, with numerous seasons overlapping, those enjoying the wildlife resource will occasionally encounter others in the great outdoors. It is at these times that we must remember to **respect the rights of others!**

For example, when you observe a waterfowl hunter with a setup of decoys, give the waterfowler a wider berth (perhaps 500 yards) as you small game hunt in an adjacent field or while bass fishing the same water body. Any closer and ducks flying near will flare instead of coming into his decoys. Likewise, it is rude behavior to move in on a hunter with dogs working a field for pheasant or quail in hopes of getting a shot at a bird that may be flushed and missed. It is also unsportsmanlike to converge on a trout pool when you observe a fellow angler land a nice fish.

This November on some public land in New Jersey, bow hunters, small game hunters, duck hunters, anglers and hikers will share the same grounds. All can enjoy the outdoors if we show respect and share the land with others. On the salt marsh, clammers and waterfowl hunters often vie for the same location. For some turkey hunting spots, one car in a parking lot may be enough. One unspoken rule of good sporting behavior is: first come – first served! There will always be another place, another day, to enjoy the great outdoors peacefully. **Respect the rights of others;** it is what each of us expect in return.

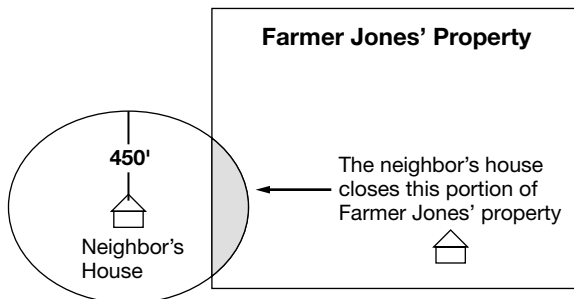
## SAFETY ZONE Awareness: Protecting Your Hunting Privilege

New Jersey hunters enjoy many types of hunting, numerous days afield and generous bag limits. But development and other human encroachment on the forests and fields of the Garden State has changed wildlife habitat and huntable land, such that SAFETY ZONE awareness is even more critical for modern hunters.



### What is a SAFETY ZONE?

- The SAFETY ZONE is the area within 450 feet of a building or school playground, even if not occupied.
- The SAFETY ZONE is the place where you, the hunter, cannot carry a loaded firearm or nocked arrow unless you have written permission in hand.
- The SAFETY ZONE was established by legislation in 1946 as an area to place some physical distance, a buffer, between hunters and homeowners.
- The SAFETY ZONE could be land where there is suitable wildlife habitat for adaptable species, like the white-tailed deer, cottontail rabbit and Canada goose.
- The SAFETY ZONE is not a magic shield which can stop a misdirected bullet from entering the area around a home



### What can you do to heighten your SAFETY ZONE awareness?

1. Post SAFETY ZONE signs.
2. Talk with landowners.
3. Hunt SMART and remind your hunting partners to Hunt SMART.
4. Know the law.

Remember, failure to hunt safely and responsibly is inexcusable. You must always be a responsible hunter, aware of your surroundings, the target and what may lie beyond the target. The principles of hunter education do not disappear at the completion of a course, but are called into practice every time you hunt.

Take special care hunting on "high visibility" property, habitat where our adaptable wildlife species—especially white-tailed deer—are now flourishing. Here, hunter conduct will be watched closely; the image we portray can have a great impact on the tolerance for our sport. So hunting these special areas carries added responsibility for you, as a hunter, to exercise restraint and make superior judgment decisions.

## Hunting Opportunities On New Jersey's National Wildlife Refuges 2002–2003 Hunting Seasons

### Cape May NWR

24 Kimbles Beach Road, Cape May Court House, NJ 08210  
(609) 463-0994; fw5rw\_cpmmwr@fws.gov

- Deer—See "Special Area Hunting Season Information"
- No refuge permit is required. Special hunting conditions apply.

### Great Swamp NWR

152 Pleasant Plains Road, Basking Ridge, New Jersey 07920-9615  
(973) 425-1222; fw5rw\_gsnwr@fws.gov

- Deer—See "Special Area Hunting Season Information"

In addition to required state licenses and permits, hunters must obtain a Refuge permit. There is a \$22 fee for a Refuge Permit. Special hunting conditions apply.

### Edwin B. Forsythe NWR

P.O. Box 72, Great Creek Road, Oceanville, New Jersey 08231-0072  
(609) 652-1665; fw5rw\_fbrnwr@fws.gov

- Deer—See "Special Area Hunting Season Information"
- Waterfowl • Special Snow Goose Season

No specific Refuge permit is required. Hunters wanting to participate in the snow goose hunt must have a reservation. Special hunting conditions apply. Information can be obtained through the mail, at dispensers, or at the Refuge.

### Supawna Meadows NWR

197 Lighthouse Road, Pennsville, New Jersey 08070  
(856) 935-1487; fw5rw\_spmnwr@fws.gov

- Deer—See "Special Area Hunting Season Information"
- Waterfowl • September Canada Goose

In addition to required state licenses and permits, deer hunters must obtain a Refuge permit. There is a \$20 fee for this permit. Special hunting conditions apply.

### Walkkill River NWR

1547 County Route 565, Sussex, New Jersey 07461-4013  
(973) 702-7266; fw5rw\_wrnwr@fws.gov • <http://walkkillriver.fws.gov>

- Deer—See "Special Area Hunting Season Information"
- Waterfowl • Special Winter Canada Goose
- Spring Turkey (Zone 5)

In addition to required state licenses and permits, hunters must obtain a Refuge permit. There is a \$10 fee for a Refuge Permit except youths are free. Special hunting conditions apply.



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# Public Deer Hunting Land in New Jersey

New Jersey has more than 750,000 acres of public land available to the deer hunter. This list is arranged by deer management zone for public land open to deer hunting. Generally, only areas with 100 acres or more of upland habitat are listed. State parks and forests that allow hunting may have some sections which are closed to hunting. Some areas allow deer hunting only during certain seasons, require access fees or have other special regulations. Refer to the section entitled **"Special Area Hunting Season Information"** or contact the appropriate authority for additional information. See, also, page 71 for hunting opportunities on National Wildlife Refuges in New Jersey.

**Remember:** Hunters *must* have permission to hunt agricultural land even if the land is not posted. Hunters should obtain permission before hunting any private property. Hunters are advised not to purchase a deer permit for a zone in which they have no place to hunt.

## Zone Public Land Open to Hunting

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|---|---|----|--|----|--|
| 1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Flatbrook-Roy WMA</li> <li>Hainesville WMA</li> <li>Stokes State Forest</li> </ul>   | 10 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hunterdon County Parks Dept.—Musconetcong Gorge, the Drag Strip Property, Hoffman Park, Schick Reserve, South Branch Reservation, Uplands Reserve (see "Special Areas")</li> <li>Musconetcong River WMA</li> </ul>  | 39 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No public deer hunting land</li> </ul>  |
| 2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kittatinny Valley State Park</li> <li>Wallkill River National Wildlife Refuge (see "Special Areas")</li> </ul>   | 11 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hunterdon County Parks Dept.—Lockatong Nature Preserve, the Case Farm, Wescott Nature Preserve (see "Special Areas")</li> </ul>   | 40 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No public deer hunting land</li> </ul>  |
| 3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Abram Hewitt State Forest</li> <li>Hamburg Mountain WMA</li> <li>Long Pond Ironworks State Park</li> <li>Newark Watershed (see "Special Areas")</li> <li>Norvin Green State Forest</li> <li>Ramapo Mountain State Forest</li> <li>Ringwood State Park</li> <li>Wanaque WMA</li> <li>Waywayanda State Park</li> </ul>   | 12 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hunterdon County Parks Dept.—Cushetunk Mountain Park, Sourland Mountain Nature Preserve, Deer Path Park, South Branch Reservation (see "Special Areas")</li> <li>Round Valley Recreation Area</li> </ul>  | 41 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alexauken Creek WMA</li> <li>Mercer County Parks—Baldpate (Kuser) Mountain</li> <li>Mercer County Parks—Howell Living History Farm</li> </ul>           |
| 4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area</li> <li>Flatbrook-Roy WMA</li> <li>Stokes State Forest</li> <li>Walpack WMA</li> <li>Worthington State Forest</li> </ul>  | 13 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No public deer hunting land</li> </ul>  | 42 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No public deer hunting land</li> </ul>  |
| 5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bear Swamp WMA</li> <li>Beaver Brook WMA</li> <li>Columbia Lake WMA</li> <li>Honey Run WMA</li> <li>Jenny Jump State Forest</li> <li>Paulinskill WMA</li> <li>Swartswood State Park</li> <li>Trout Brook WMA</li> <li>White Lake WMA</li> <li>Whittingham WMA</li> </ul>   | 14 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assunpink WMA (Washington Twp section only)</li> <li>Pigeon Swamp State Park</li> <li>Six Mile Run Reservoir State Park (see "Special Area Hunting Season Information")</li> </ul>  | 43 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Millville (Bevan) WMA</li> </ul>  |
| 6 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allamuchy Mountain State Park</li> <li>Berkshire Valley WMA</li> <li>Fanny State Park</li> <li>Morris County Park System – Mahlon Dickerson Reservation, Silas Condict Park (see "Special Areas")</li> <li>Newark Watershed (see "Special Areas")</li> <li>Rockaway River WMA</li> <li>Sparta Mountain WMA</li> <li>Weldon Brook WMA</li> <li>Wildcat Ridge WMA</li> </ul>   | 15 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assunpink WMA</li> </ul>  | 44 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Menantico Ponds WMA</li> <li>Peaslee WMA</li> </ul>   |
| 7 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clinton WMA</li> <li>Hunterdon County Parks Dept.—Union Forge Preserve, Tower Hill Reserve (see "Special Areas")</li> <li>Musconetcong River WMA</li> </ul>  | 16 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Butterfly Bogs WMA</li> <li>Turkey Swamp WMA</li> </ul>   | 45 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gibson Creek WMA</li> <li>Great Egg Harbor River WMA</li> <li>Tuckahoe WMA</li> <li>Maple Lake WMA</li> <li>Peaslee WMA</li> <li>Peaslee WMA</li> </ul> |
| 8 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allamuchy Mountain State Park</li> <li>Black River WMA</li> <li>Hacklebarney State Park</li> <li>Hunterdon County Parks Dept.—Cold Brook Preserve, Teetertown Ravine Nature Preserve, Point Mountain Preserve (see "Special Areas")</li> <li>Ken Lockwood Gorge WMA</li> <li>Morris County Park System—Black River Park, Schooley's Mountain Park (see "Special Areas")</li> <li>Musconetcong River WMA</li> <li>Pequest WMA</li> <li>South Branch WMA</li> <li>Voorhees State Park</li> </ul> | 17 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No public deer hunting land</li> </ul>  | 46 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rancocas State Park (see "Special Area Hunting Season Information")</li> </ul>  |
| 9 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Black River WMA</li> </ul>   | 18 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Colliers Mills WMA</li> <li>Manchester WMA</li> <li>Whiting WMA</li> </ul>  | 47 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No public deer hunting land</li> </ul>  |
|   |   | 19 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medford WMA</li> <li>Wharton State Forest</li> </ul>  | 48 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allaire State Park</li> <li>Manasquan River WMA</li> </ul>  |
|   |   | 20 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wharton State Forest</li> </ul>   | 49 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fort Dix Military Reservation (see "Special Area Hunting Season Information")</li> </ul>  |
|   |   | 21 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Double Trouble State Park</li> <li>Forked River Mountain WMA</li> <li>Greenwood Forest WMA</li> <li>Lebanon State Forest</li> </ul>   | 50 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No public deer hunting land</li> </ul>  |
|   |   | 22 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bass River State Forest</li> <li>Manahawkin WMA</li> </ul>  | 51 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No public deer hunting land</li> </ul>  |
|   |   | 23 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wharton State Forest</li> </ul>   | 52 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lakehurst Naval Air Engineering Station (see "Special Area Hunting Season Information")</li> </ul>  |
|   |   | 24 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bass River State Forest</li> <li>Green Bank State Forest</li> <li>Penn State Forest</li> <li>Stafford Forge WMA</li> <li>Swan Bay WMA</li> <li>Warren Grove Recreation Area</li> <li>Wharton State Forest</li> </ul>  | 53 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No public deer hunting land</li> </ul>  |
|   |   | 25 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cedar Lake WMA</li> <li>Great Egg Harbor River WMA</li> <li>White Oak Branch WMA</li> </ul>   | 54 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Glassboro WMA</li> </ul>  |
|   |   | 26 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Deep Run WMA</li> <li>Great Egg Harbor River WMA</li> <li>Makepeace Lake WMA</li> <li>Port Republic WMA</li> <li>Hammoncton Creek WMA</li> </ul>  | 55 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge (see "Special Area Hunting Season Information")</li> </ul>   |
|   |   | 27 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Salem River WMA</li> <li>Thundergut Pond WMA</li> </ul>   | 56 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge (see "Special Area Hunting Season Information")</li> </ul>   |
|   |   | 28 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Elmer Lake WMA</li> <li>Union Lake WMA</li> </ul>   | 57 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge (see "Special Area Hunting Season Information")</li> </ul>   |
|   |   | 29 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bayside PSE&amp;G Tract (see "Special Area Hunting Season Information")</li> <li>Cohansey River WMA</li> <li>Gum Tree Corner WMA</li> <li>Mad Horse Creek WMA</li> <li>Maskells Mill Pond WMA</li> </ul>  | 58 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge (see "Special Area Hunting Season Information")</li> </ul>   |
|   |   | 30 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bear Swamp Natural Area (closed Jan. 15–Aug. 1)</li> <li>Dix WMA</li> <li>Egg Island WMA</li> <li>Fortescue WMA</li> <li>Nantuxent WMA</li> <li>New Sweden WMA</li> </ul>   | 59 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Supawna Meadows National Wildlife Refuge (see "Special Area Hunting Season Information")</li> </ul>   |
|   |   | 31 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Millville WMA</li> <li>Buckshutem WMA</li> </ul>  | 60 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not designated</li> </ul>   |
|   |   | 32 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Beaver Swamp WMA</li> <li>Belleplain State Forest</li> <li>Cape Island WMA</li> <li>Cape May Wetlands WMA</li> <li>Cape May National Wildlife Refuge</li> <li>Dennis Creek WMA</li> <li>Heislerville WMA</li> <li>Higbee Beach WMA</li> <li>Tuckahoe WMA</li> <li>Lizard Tail Swamp Preserve (see "Special Area Hunting Season Information")</li> </ul> | 61 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Atlantic County Park System (see "Special Area Hunting Season Information")</li> </ul>  |
|   |   | 33 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DOD Ponds WMA</li> </ul>  | 62 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Abbotts Meadow WMA</li> </ul>   |
|   |   | 34 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No public deer hunting land</li> </ul>  | 63 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monmouth Battlefield State Park (see "Special Area Hunting Season Information")</li> </ul>  |
|   |   | 35 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fort Dix Military Reservation (see "Special Area Hunting Season Information")</li> </ul>  | 64 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Winslow WMA</li> </ul>  |
|   |   | 36 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge (see "Special Area Hunting Season Information")</li> </ul>   | 65 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Federal Aviation Administration William J. Hughes Technical Center (see "Special Area Hunting Season Information")</li> </ul>                           |
|   |   | 37 |  | 66 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>High Point State Park (see "Special Area Hunting Season Information")</li> </ul>  |
|   |   | 38 |  | 67 |  |

Maps and information on hunting land is also available from the following sources:

### USGS Topographic Maps

Maps for all land in New Jersey, \$5.00 per sheet.  
NJ Dept. of Environmental Protection  
Maps and Publications  
Bureau of Revenue  
PO Box 417, Trenton NJ 08625-0417  
609-777-1038

### State Parks and Forests Maps

Maps and information on lands administered by the Division of Parks and Forestry. Please specify park or forest. Free.  
NJ Dept. of Environmental Protection  
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### Wildlife Management Area Maps

Maps and information on lands administered by the Division of Fish and Wildlife. Photocopies of individual WMA maps on USGS base available free. Specify which WMA.  
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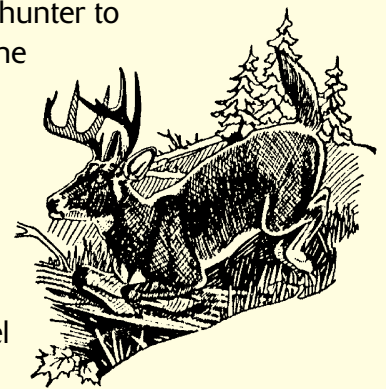
- When hunting on public lands, responsible hunters show the same respect for other users and their possessions as they show for land owners on private land.
- Responsible hunters show consideration for their companions and avoid doing anything that will interfere with another's hunt.
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Mr. Nappen's website at [www.evannappen.com](http://www.evannappen.com) features daily gun news with new headlines and article links continuously updated. From his office in Eatontown, NJ, he provides legal assistance to gun owners from Sussex to Cape May. In addition to being a member of the NJ and PA Bar, Mr. Nappen is admitted to the United States Supreme Court.

Mr. Nappen is a well-known author for his books on New Jersey Gun, Knife and Weapon Law. His current book, *Nappen II: New Jersey Gun, Knife and Weapon Law*, is available at most gun stores (for a dealer listing—check the website). This book explains over 150 topics in an easy-to-read question and answer format with special comments from Mr. Nappen's 15 years of experience handling firearm and weapon cases. His recent articles have appeared in *Blade* magazine concerning knife law and in *Knives 2002* and *Sporting Knives 2003*, published by Krause Publications. His first book, *Nappen on New Jersey*

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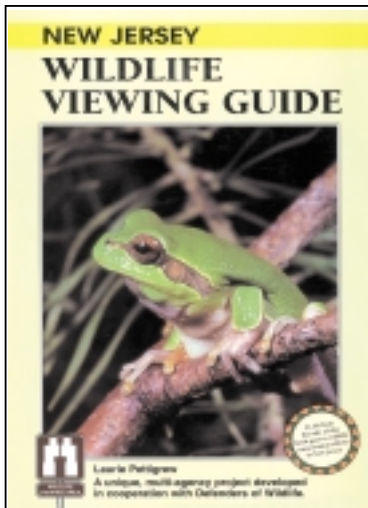
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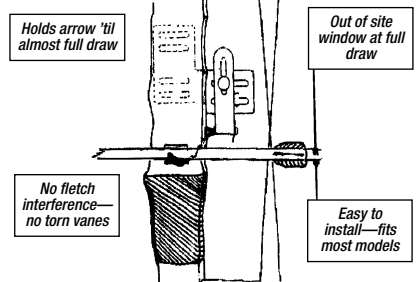
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