



Department of
Environmental
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2007 NJ Wild Turkey Hunting Season Information and Permit Application



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Application Period Closes February 23, 2007

Important Turkey Permit Application Process Changes

◆ *Separate Application Periods for Spring and Fall*

The New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife is pleased to announce more exciting changes to the application process for 2007 Spring and Fall Turkey Permits. There are now two separate application periods—one for the Spring Permit Hunting Season and one for the Fall Permit Hunting Season. Hunters no longer need to apply for the Fall Turkey Permit Hunting Season months in advance.

◆ *No More Paper*

In addition to separating the two application periods, use of paper applications has been completely eliminated. All applications must be filed electronically, either through a computer or at a participating license agent. Paper applications will not be accepted.

Details inside.

Dates and Deadlines to Remember:

Spring Turkey Permit Season

- Application Period: Until February 23
- Award Notification and Permit Pickup: Begins March 12
- All permits awarded in the lottery will be held in reserve until claimed or the season ends.
- Over-the-counter sale of leftover permits: Monday, April 2 at 10 a.m. until permits sell out or the season ends, whichever is first.

Fall Turkey Permit Season

- Application Period: August 1—September 9
- Award Notification and Permit Pickup: Begins September 24
- All permits awarded in the lottery will be held in reserve until claimed or the season ends.

- Over-the-counter sale of leftover permits: Tuesday, October 9 at 10 a.m. until permits sell out or the season ends, whichever is first.

Apply by visiting any participating license agent or simply go online at www.njfishandwildlife.com and click on the link to purchase licenses and permits. You will be prompted to submit the necessary information. The site accepts most major credit cards and electronic checks as payment, using proven security technologies to ensure that your transaction is secure.

An application fee of \$2.00 for each permit applied for will be charged. You must pay the remainder of the fee (\$19 for adults; \$10 youths) when claiming the permit(s). Those who are unsuccessful in the lottery are no longer required to wait for their refund since the only payment made was the non-refundable \$2.00 application fee.

Permits won via the lottery system and leftover permits available for over-the counter sale may be purchased at participating license agents or online. If paying via the Internet, applicants will receive their permits by mail (additional shipping charges apply).

2007 Wild Turkey Season Dates

Spring Season: There are six segments (Hunting Periods) in the Spring Season. Hunters must decide in which period they would like to hunt. Permits are Hunting Area and Hunting Period specific (i.e., 5A, 8G, etc.).

Youth Hunting Period (Y): April 14 (Youth Turkey Hunting Day) to May 25, 2007 (last day of the spring season). This is exclusively applicable to youth hunters aged 10–16 who can still hunt using their youth hunting license. The first permit a youth receives will be designated Period Y.

Hunting Periods	Dates
A.	Monday, April 16–Friday, April 20, 2007
B.	Monday, April 23–Friday, April 27, 2007
C.	Monday, April 30–Friday, May 4, 2007
D.	Monday, May 7–Friday, May 11, 2007
E.	Monday, May 14–Friday, May 18 and Monday, May 21–Friday, May 25, 2007
G.	Saturdays: April 21 and 28 and May 5, 12 and 19, 2007

Fall Turkey Season: There is one Hunting Period for the Fall Season. Permits are Hunting Area specific (i.e., 5N, 8N, etc.).

N .	Monday, October 29–Saturday, November 3, 2007
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The special statewide Youth Turkey Hunting Day is Saturday, April 14, 2007

- All youth turkey hunters 10 to 16 years of age must possess a valid spring turkey hunting permit
- Must be accompanied by a properly licensed, non-shooting adult age 21 or older who may not shoot on this youth day (See page 2)
- Considered an **extension** of the regular season permit held by the youth
- If youth hunter harvests a turkey on this youth hunting day, that permit is no longer valid for future hunting
- All other spring turkey hunting regulations apply

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Youth Turkey Hunting Program

A special youth turkey hunting program is designed to ensure all applicants 10 to 16 years of age will receive their first choice permit request in the first lottery for the Spring and Fall Turkey Seasons. Permits awarded to youth hunters will not be counted as part of the permit quota. The Fish and Game Council and the Division of Fish and Wildlife recognize that a quality hunting experience, such as turkey hunting with a properly licensed adult, will be fondly remembered for years and has a positive influence toward maintaining our hunting heritage in New Jersey.



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The **first** spring turkey permit issued to a youth (designated Period **Y**) is valid to hunt all weeks A through G for the zone designated. Note that a juvenile hunter (aged 10–13) **MUST** be directly supervised by a properly licensed adult aged 21 or older, not only on Youth Turkey Hunting Day, but at **ALL** times. Youth hunters (aged 14–16) need only be directly supervised by a properly licensed adult aged 21 or older on Youth Turkey Hunting Day. **Additional** youth permits are valid only for the designated week.

When licensed adult hunters are only supervising, they need *not* be in possession of a turkey permit for that hunting area and/or week.

After taking their first spring turkey on their **first** permit, youths are then restricted to hunt only the week designated on any **additional** permit purchased.

For the purposes of this section, direct supervision is defined as both the youth permittee and the adult set up together at the same location, hunting as a unit, not hunting independently for different birds. The season bag limit for the youth permit remains at one turkey. For additional information on the Youth Turkey Hunting Program, please call the turkey permit hotline at 609-292-9192.

Spring Gobbler Season

Hunters are limited to filing only one application. This application allows for up to two permits, one in the first lottery and one in the second lottery. For each permit, you will be given the option of inserting three different choices (first preference, second, etc.).

First Lottery:

- Selects applicants from the Spring Season First Lottery.
- Refer to the “2007 Wild Turkey Season Dates” section for important information on the structure of turkey hunting segments.
- The Youth Turkey Hunting Program is designed to ensure that all applicants aged 10 to 16 (those still eligible to hunt

using their Youth License) will receive their first choice permit request in the first lottery for the spring season. This permit is guaranteed and will be designated with Period **Y**. These permits will not be counted as part of any permit quota.

Second Lottery:

- Gives each applicant an opportunity to win/receive a second permit for the Spring Season.
- Selects applicants independently of the first lottery.
- Assigns permits not issued (leftover) from the first lottery to applicants who applied for a permit in the second lottery.
- Youth permit requests for the second lottery will receive the same treatment as all other permit requests. Permits are **not** guaranteed and will be selected independent of the first lottery. A youth's second permit (and more) will be valid for one hunting period only: A, B, C, D, E or G.



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If you request the same turkey hunting area and period in both the first and the second spring lotteries you may receive two permits for the identical area and period combination. This might happen if you list the same area and hunting period in the first and second lottery even if listed in a different order. **Permits will not be exchanged if you receive the permits requested on your application.** Consider your requests carefully!

IMPORTANT: If you win two permits in the lottery you must claim both permits at the same time. You will not be able to claim only one of them.

Fall Turkey Season

Hunters are limited to filing only one Fall Season application. It will allow applicants to apply for one Fall Season Permit.

One Lottery Only:

- The application period for the Fall Season is August 1–September 9.
- There is one six-day Fall Season hunting segment (designated Period ‘N’) in Turkey Hunting Areas 1–11, 20 and 21.
- The Youth Turkey Hunting Program is designed to ensure that all applicants aged 10 to 16 (those still eligible to hunt using their Youth License) will receive their permit request in the Fall Season. This permit is guaranteed. Unlike the spring permit, it need not be designated with period **Y** since the season is only a one-week segment). These permits will not be counted as part of the permit quota.

Turkey Permits for Disabled Veterans

Legislation provides for the issuance of free hunting licenses, stamps and permits for New Jersey resident disabled veterans.

For the purpose of this program, legislation defines a Disabled Veteran as “. . . any resident of New Jersey who has been honorably discharged or released under honorable circumstances from active service in 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 . . .”

Obtaining a DV Turkey Permit

If Disabled Veteran status has already been certified by the Division of Fish and Wildlife and an associated DV license has been issued, an individual may apply for a free DV turkey permit at any participating license agent. You may also apply online at www.njfishandwildlife.com if Disabled Veteran status has been previously certified by the Division of Fish and Wildlife and a DV license has been issued.

Obtaining DV Status

For those individuals not already certified in the Division of Fish and Wildlife's electronic system, documentation that one is currently receiving benefits for a service-connected disability must be presented to obtain Disabled Veteran status, **SPECIFICALLY** a copy of the DD-214 indicating honorable discharge along with some proof of service-connected disability. Only individuals with DV Status may obtain free DV licenses, stamps and permits. Once you have achieved DV status and are present in the electronic system, you do not need to be certified again.

Documentation may be presented at the Division's Trenton, Northern, Central or Southern Region offices, or the Pequest

Trout Hatchery and Natural Resource Education Center (see page 11 of this publication for addresses). You may also mail copies of your information to the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife, 26 Rt. 173 West, Hampton, NJ 08827, Attn: Disabled Vet Licensing. Certification **CANNOT** be approved at license agents or through the Internet sales site. For more information visit www.njfishandwildlife.com/dvinfo.htm.

Applying for a DV Turkey Permit

- Disabled Veterans who have filed their paperwork with the Division of Fish and Wildlife are already certified in the electronic system. Individuals will **NO LONGER** be sent applications. Disabled veterans must apply for their turkey permit using the SAME instructions listed here for the general public.
- Applicants must first have a Disabled Veteran License to obtain a free Disabled Veteran Turkey Permit.
- Qualified individuals are entitled to one free Spring Season permit and one free Fall Season permit. An additional (second) spring permit must be purchased at the regular price of \$21.00. You will immediately be charged the initial \$2 application fee if applying for a second permit and must pay the balance upon pickup.
- If applying online, the system will automatically offer a choice for the Free DV Spring First Lottery Turkey Permit Application. You will not be charged for the first lottery.
- If applying at a license agent, you must first indicate that you are a Disabled Veteran and qualify to have your first lottery turkey permit application free. You will not be charged for the first lottery.
- Using Disabled Veteran status does not guarantee a permit for the applicant, nor does it grant preference in the lottery.

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Farmer Turkey Permit Instructions

Only the owner or lessee of a farm, who **resides thereon**, or the immediate members of his family, who also **reside thereon**, may be authorized for one farmer turkey hunting permit for the Spring Gobbler Season and one for the Fall Season.

- Qualified farmers will receive a permit valid for the entire Spring Season (Periods A through G) and the Fall Season providing the Hunting Area the farm is located in is open for both seasons.
- The farmer bag limit is one turkey during the Spring Season and one turkey during the Fall Season.
- A Farmer Turkey Hunting Permit can be used only by the person whose name is on it and valid only for the farm on file.
- All mandatory turkey checking requirements apply.
- Farmers may also apply for *regular* Spring and Fall Turkey Hunting Permits in addition to the Farmer Turkey Hunting Permits.

Receiving a Farmer Turkey Permit

In August 2006, special applications were mailed to all individuals listed in the Division's database of current farmers. If you completed and returned the application and received your 2006 Farmer Deer Permits, then your name and information should already be contained in the system. No additional applications are necessary.

If you did not receive the application or are a new farmer, you must apply. Applications can be found on the Division's Web site at www.njfishandwildlife.com. Click on the Hunting Section and refer to Farmer Information. At the top of this page, select the application link. Deer and turkey hunting permits are now combined in the same application. Please print out both pages. Use the instruction sheet to fill out the application.

If you do not have a computer with Internet access, applications may also be obtained at County Agriculture Extension agents and Division of Fish and Wildlife offices. In order to claim your permits on time, please return applications prior to February 22.

Farmer permits will be available the same time regular leftover permits go on sale over-the-counter. Spring Season permits will be available beginning April 2 and Fall Permits beginning October 9. Permits may be claimed at any license agent as well as online (additional shipping fees apply).

For problems or questions concerning farmer permits, call the Division's Permit Hotline at 609-292-9192 and you will be directed to someone for assistance.

Turkey Hunting Areas

Turkey Hunting Area #1

That portion of Sussex County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Routes 206 and 519 at Branchville; then northwest along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Rt. 560; then west along Rt. 560 to its intersection with the Delaware River at Dingman's Ferry; 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 the point of beginning at Branchville. The islands of Namanock, Minisink and Mashipacong lying in the Delaware River are included in the Hunting Area.

Turkey Hunting Area #2

That portion of Sussex and Warren counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 94 and Bridge Street at Blairstown; then north on Bridge Street to the Blairstown-Millbrook Road; then northwest along the Blairstown-Millbrook Road to Millbrook Village; then northwest along the Millbrook-Flatbrookville Road to its intersection with the Flatbrook at Flatbrookville; then south along the west bank of the Flatbrook to its confluence with the Delaware River; then north along the east bank of the Delaware River to the intersection with Rt. 560 at Dingman's Ferry; then east along Rt. 560 to its intersection with Rt. 206; then southeast along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Rt. 519 at Branchville; then south along Rt. 519 to its intersection with Rt. 94 at Newton; then southwest along Rt. 94 to the point of beginning at Blairstown.

Turkey Hunting Area #3

That portion of Warren and Sussex counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of the Portland Bridge and the Delaware River at Columbia; then north along the east bank of the Delaware River to its confluence with the Flatbrook; then north along the east bank of the Flatbrook at its intersection with the Millbrook-Flatbrookville Road at Flatbrookville; then southeast along the Millbrook-Flatbrookville Road to Millbrook Village; then south on the Blairstown-Millbrook Road to its intersection with Bridge Street; then south on Bridge Street to Rt. 94 at Blairstown; then southwest along Rt. 94 to the Portland Bridge, the point of beginning at Columbia. The islands of Tocks and Labar lying in the Delaware River are also included within this Hunting Area.

Turkey Hunting Area #4

That portion of Sussex, Warren and Morris counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Routes 94 and 206 at Newton; then south along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Rt. 183 at Netcong; then southeast along Rt. 183 to its intersection with Rt. 46; then west along Rt. 46 to the Delaware River at Manunkachunk; then north along the east bank of the Delaware River to the Portland Bridge at Columbia; then northeast along Rt. 94 to the point of beginning at Newton.

Turkey Hunting Area #5

That portion of Sussex County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Routes 206 and 517 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 its intersection with Rt. 517; then south along Rt. 517 to the point of origin at Andover.

Turkey Hunting Area #6

That portion of Sussex, Passaic and Bergen counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 23 and Rt. 517 at Hardystonville; then north along Rt. 517 to the New York State Line; then east along the New York State Line to its intersection with Rt. 202; then south along Rt. 202 to its intersection with Rt. 23; then west along Rt. 23 to the point of beginning at Hardystonville.

Turkey Hunting Area #7

That portion of Sussex, Passaic and Morris counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Route 23 and Route 517 at Hardystonville; then east along Rt. 23 to its intersection with Rt. 202 at Wayne; then south and west along Rt. 202 to its intersection with Rt. 287; then south along Rt. 287 to its intersection with Rt. 80; then west along Rt. 80 to its intersection with Rt. 183 at Netcong; then east along Rt. 183 to its intersection with Rt. 206; then north along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Rt. 517; then northeast along Rt. 517 to the point of beginning at Hardystonville.

Turkey Hunting Area #8

That portion of Hunterdon and Warren counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the Delaware River at Manunkachunk; then east along Rt. 46 to its intersection with Rt. 31; then south along Rt. 31 to its intersection with Rt. 12 at Flemington; then west along Rt. 12

to its intersection with the Delaware River at Frenchtown; then north along the east bank of the Delaware River to the point of beginning at Manunkachunk.

Turkey Hunting Area #9

That portion of Hunterdon, Warren and Morris counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 31 and 46 at Butzville; then east along Rt. 46 to its intersection with Rt. 80; then east along Rt. 80 to its intersection with Rt. 206; then south along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Rt. 287; then south along Rt. 287 to its intersection with Rt. 202; then south and west along Rt. 202 to its intersection with Rt. 31 at Flemington; then north along Rt. 31 to the point of beginning at Butzville.

Turkey Hunting Area #10

That portion of Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, and Union counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Routes 206 and 80; then east along Route 80 to its intersection with Route 287; then north along Route 287 to its intersection with Route 202; then north and east along Route 202 to the New York State Line; then southeast along the New York State Line to the Hudson River; then south along the west shore of the Hudson River to Upper New York Bay; then south along the shore of Upper New York Bay to the Kill Van Kull; then west along the north shore of the Kill Van Kull to Newark Bay; then west across Newark Bay to its confluence with the Arthur Kill; then south along the west shore of the Arthur Kill to its intersection with Route 440; then west along Route 440 to its intersection with Route 287; then north along Route 287 to its intersection with Route 206; then north along Route 206 to the point of beginning.

Turkey Hunting Area #11

That portion of Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex and Somerset counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Route 12 and the Delaware River at Frenchtown; then east along Route 12 to its intersection with Route 202; then east along Route 202 to its intersection with Route 287; then south and east along Route 287 to its intersection with Route 1; then south and west along Route 1 to its intersection with the Delaware River at Trenton; then north along the east bank of the Delaware River to the point of beginning. The islands of Skyhawks, Rush, Bull, Treasure and Eagle are included in this area.

Turkey Hunting Area #12

That portion of Mercer, Middlesex and Monmouth counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Route 1 and Route 206 at Trenton; then north and east along Route 1 to its intersection with Route 287; then south and east along Routes 287 and 440 to its intersection with the Arthur Kill at Perth Amboy; then south along the west shore of the Arthur Kill to Raritan Bay, then south and east along the shore of Raritan Bay to Sandy Hook; then north along the east shore of Sandy Hook Bay to the tip of Sandy Hook; then south along the Atlantic Ocean to Sixteenth Avenue at Belmar; then west on Sixteenth Avenue to Route 35; then south on Route 35 to Route 138; then west along Route 138 to its intersection with Route 195; then west along Route 195 to its intersection with Route 524; then north along Route 524 to its intersection with Route 206; then north along Route 206 to the point of beginning.

Turkey Hunting Area #14

That portion of Burlington, Mercer, Monmouth and Ocean counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Route 1 and the Delaware River; then east along Route 1 to its intersection with Route 206; then south along Route 206 to its intersection with Route 524; then east along Route 524 to its intersection with Route 195; then east along Route 195 to its intersection with Route 138; then east along Route 138 to Route 35; then north on Route 35 to Sixteenth Avenue; then east on Sixteenth Avenue to the Atlantic Ocean at Belmar; then south along the Atlantic Ocean to Ship Bottom; then north and west along Route 72 to its intersection with Route 70; then west along Route 70 to its intersection with Route 38 at Cherry Hill; then west along Route 38 to its intersection with Route 30; then west along Route 30 to the Delaware River; then north along the east bank of the Delaware River to the point of beginning.

Turkey Hunting Area #15

That portion of Atlantic, Burlington, Camden and Gloucester counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Routes 70 and 206 at Red Lion; then south along Route 206 to Hammonton; then south along Route 54 from Hammonton to its intersection with Route 40 at Buena; then west along Route 40 to its intersection with Route 77 at Upper Pittsgrove; then north on Route 77 to its intersection with Route 45 at Mullica Hill; then north along Route 45 to its intersection with Route 322; then west along Route 322 to its

intersection with the Delaware River; then north along the east bank of the Delaware River to its intersection with Route 30 at Camden; then east along Route 30 to its intersection with Route 38; then east along Route 38 to its intersection with Route 70; then east along Route 70 to the point of beginning.

Turkey Hunting Area #16

That portion of Burlington and Atlantic counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Routes 206 and 70 at Red Lion; then east along Route 70 to its intersection with Rt. 72; then southeast along Route. 72 to Ship Bottom and the Atlantic Ocean; then south along the Atlantic Ocean to Sea Isle Boulevard (Route 625) in Sea Isle City; then west along Sea Isle Boulevard to its intersection with Route 9; then north along Route 9 to its intersection with Route 50; then north along Route 50 to its intersection with Route 557; then north and west along Route 557 to its intersection with Route 40; then west

along Route 40 to its intersection with Route 54; then north along Route 54 to its intersection with Route 206; then north along Route 206 to the point of beginning.

Turkey Hunting Area #20

That portion of Cumberland and Salem counties beginning at the intersection of the east bank of the Delaware River and Route 322 near Bridgeport; then southeast on Route 322 to its intersection with Route 45 near Mullica Hill; then south on Route 45 to its intersection with Route 77; then south on Route 77 to its intersection with Route 40; then east along Route 40 to its intersection with Route 553; then south along Route 553 to its intersection with Route 49; then west along Route 49 to Bridgeton and its intersection with the Cohansey River; then south along the west bank of the Cohansey River to its confluence with the Delaware River; then north along the east bank of the Delaware River to the point of beginning.

Turkey Hunting Area #21

That portion of Atlantic, Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Routes 40 and 553; then east along Route 40 to Lincoln Ave. (Route 655) in Buena Vista; then southwest along Lincoln Ave. to its intersection with Route 55 in Vineland; then south along Route 55 to its intersection with Route 49; then west along Route 49 to the Maurice River; then south along the west bank of the Maurice River to its confluence with Delaware Bay; then west along the Delaware Bay shore to the Cohansey River; then north along the east bank of the Cohansey River to its intersection with Route 49 at Bridgeton; then east along Route 49 to its intersection with Route 553; then north along Route 553 to the point of beginning.

Turkey Hunting Area #22

That portion of Atlantic, Cape May and Cumberland counties lying within a

continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 55 and Lincoln Avenue (Route 655); then northeast along Lincoln Avenue to its intersection with Wheat Road (Route 619) at Buena; then east on Wheat Road to its intersection with Route 557; then southeast along Rt. 557 to its intersection with Rt. 50; then southeast along Rt. 50 to its intersection with Rt. 9 at Seaville; then south along Rt. 9 to its intersection with Sea Isle Boulevard; then east along Sea Isle Boulevard to the Atlantic Ocean at Sea Isle City; then south along the Atlantic Coast to the Delaware Bay shore; then north and west along the shore of Delaware Bay to its intersection with the Maurice River; then north along the east bank of the Maurice River to its intersection with Rt. 49 at Millville; then east along Rt. 49 to its intersection with Rt. 55; then north along Rt. 55 to its intersection with Lincoln Avenue (Route 655) the point of beginning.

Turkey Hunting Regulations

Spring Turkey Hunting Regulations

1. Hunting hours are 1/2 hour before sunrise to 12 noon.
2. Hunter orange is **not** required for spring or fall turkey hunting.
3. One male wild turkey may be taken with each special wild turkey hunting permit, BUT only one turkey may be taken in a given day. Bearded hens may not be taken.
4. Wild turkeys may not be chased or driven in any way.
5. No electronic callers may be used during the open season.
6. The use of dogs is prohibited during the spring gobbler season.
7. Live decoys and electronically operated decoys may not be used to hunt wild turkeys.
8. No shot larger than number 4 fine shot or smaller than number 7 1/2 fine shot may be used.
9. No shotgun larger than 10 gauge or smaller than 20 gauge may be used for turkey hunting.
10. When hunting wild turkey with bow, all arrows must be fitted with an edged head of the following specifications:
 - Minimum width 3/4"
 - Cutting edges must be of well-sharpened metal only
11. All bows, except compounds, must have a minimum draw pull weight of 35 pounds at the archer's draw length. Compound bows must have a minimum peak weight of 35 pounds.
12. All turkey hunters must have a non-electronic calling device in possession while turkey hunting.
13. Turkey hunters may not stalk or attempt to take a wild turkey by sneaking up on the bird.
14. Wild turkeys may not be hunted within 300 feet of bait.
15. Turkey hunting groups are limited to five hunters.

Fall Turkey Hunting Regulations

Same as for spring turkey hunting with the following exceptions:

1. The bag limit is one turkey of either-sex.
2. Dogs may be used to hunt turkeys during the fall season only.
3. Hunting hours are 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.
4. Driving turkeys is not permitted; however, an individual hunter may rush turkeys for the purpose of causing the flock to scatter.

Mandatory Turkey Check Requirement

All harvested turkeys must be tagged **immediately** with a completed transportation tag. Turkeys must be taken by the person who killed it, on the day killed, to the nearest turkey check station by 3 p.m. during the spring gobbler season and by 7 p.m. during the fall season. Personnel at the check station will issue a legal possession tag. Consult this publication for a listing of official turkey check stations to locate one nearest your hunting area.



Turkey Hunting Seminar

NJ Fish & Wildlife

Pequest Trout Hatchery & Natural Resource Education Center
Rt. 46, Oxford, 9 miles west of Hackettstown
Warren County
Saturday, March 17, 2007 1:00 p.m.
908-637-4125

The NJ State Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation will host a *Turkey Call Clinic* immediately after the seminar. Learn how to make the most of the call you bring, or purchase one from the federation.

Public Turkey Hunting Land In New Jersey

Turkey Hunting Area 1

Delaware Water Gap Nat'l
Recreation Area
Flatbrook-Roy WMA
Hainesville WMA
Stokes State Forest

Turkey Hunting Area 2

Bear Swamp WMA
Delaware Water Gap Nat'l
Recreation Area
Flatbrook-Roy WMA
Paulinskill WMA
Stokes State Forest
Swartswood State Park
Trout Brook WMA
Walpack WMA
White Lake WMA

Turkey Hunting Area 3

Delaware Water Gap Nat'l
Recreation Area
Worthington State Forest

Turkey Hunting Area 4

Allamuchy Mountain State Park
Beaver Brook WMA
Columbia WMA
Honey Run WMA
Jenny Jump State Forest
Stephens State Park
Whittingham WMA

Turkey Hunting Area 5

Kittatinny Valley State Park

Turkey Hunting Area 6

Abram Hewitt State Forest
Hamburg Mountain WMA
Long Pond Ironworks State Park
Norvin Green State Forest
Ramapo Mountain State Forest
Ringwood State Park
Wanaque WMA
Wawayanda State Park

Turkey Hunting Area 7

Berkshire Valley WMA
Farny State Park
Rockaway River WMA

Sparta Mountain WMA
Weldon Brook WMA
Wildcat Ridge WMA

Turkey Hunting Area 8

Buckhorn Creek WMA
Clinton WMA
Musconetcong River WMA
Pohatcong Creek WMA

Turkey Hunting Area 9

Black River WMA
Hacklebarney State Park
Ken Lockwood Gorge WMA
Musconetcong River WMA
Pequest WMA
Rockport WMA
South Branch WMA
Voorhees State Park

Turkey Hunting Area 10

Black River WMA

Turkey Hunting Area 11

Alexauken Creek WMA

Turkey Hunting Area 12

Assunpink WMA
Turkey Swamp WMA

Turkey Hunting Area 14

Colliers Mills WMA
Double Trouble State Park
Forked River Mountain WMA
Greenwood Forest WMA
Brendan T. Byrne State Forest
Manahawkin WMA
Manasquan WMA
Manchester WMA
Medford WMA
Whiting WMA

Turkey Hunting Area 15

Cedar Lake WMA
Elmer Lake WMA
Glassboro WMA
Wharton State Forest
White Oak Branch WMA
Winslow WMA

Turkey Hunting Area 16

Bass River State Forest
Cape May Wetlands WMA
Great Egg Harbor WMA
Hammonton Creek WMA
Makepeace Lake WMA
Maple Lake WMA
Penn State Forest
Port Republic WMA
Stafford Forge WMA
Swan Bay WMA
Tuckahoe WMA
Warren Grove Recreation Area
Wharton State Forest

Turkey Hunting Area 20

Abbotts Meadow WMA
Cohansey River MWA
DOD Ponds WMA
Elmer Lake WMA
Gum Tree Corner WMA
Mad Horse Creek WMA
Maskells Mill Pond WMA
Salem River WMA
Thundergust Pond WMA

Turkey Hunting Area 21

Buckshutem WMA
Cedarville Pond WMA
Cohansey River WMA
Dix WMA
Egg Island WMA
Fortescue WMA
Nantuxent WMA
New Sweden WMA
Millville WMA
Union Lake WMA

Turkey Hunting Area 22

Beaver Swamp WMA
Belleplain State Forest
Cape May Wetlands WMA
Dennis Creek WMA
Heislerville WMA
Higbee Beach WMA
Menantico Ponds WMA
Peaslee WMA
Gibson Creek WMA

TURKEY CHECK STATIONS

* Denotes station also open for fall season

ATLANTIC

N.E. Hand & Son, 6016 Main St., Mays Landing (609) 625-4941
Ted's Taxidermy*, 713 Rt. 40, Buena (856) 697-8585

BURLINGTON

Mike's Sporting Goods, 1414 Rt. 38, Hainesport (609) 267-7978
Nixon's General Store, Chatsworth and New Rd., Tabernacle
(609) 268-9800
Pine Barrens Stove and Sport Shop, Rt. 72, Chatsworth (609) 726-1550
Sportsman's Center*, Rt. 130, Bordentown (609) 298-5300

CAMDEN

Atco Sports Center, 177 Atco Ave., Atco (856) 767-9446

CAPE MAY

Belle Plain Supply, 346 Handsville Ave., Belle Plain (609) 861-2345
Fletcher's Corner, 212 South Rt.47, Cape May Ct. House (609) 465-4949

CUMBERLAND

Big Daddy's Sports Haven*, 595 Sherman Ave., Millville (856) 453-9009
Blackwater Sports Center*, 2228 N. Delsea Dr., Vineland (856) 691-1571

GLOUCESTER

Sportsman's Outpost, 2517 Fries Mill Rd., Williamstown (856) 881-3244

HUNTERDON

Boan's Marine*, 1296 Rt. 179, Lambertville (609) 397-3311
Carousel Deli and Bakery*, Rt. 179 and Wertsville Rd., Ringoes
(908) 788-5180
The Corner Store*, Rt. 12 and Rt. 519, Baptistown (908) 996-7648
Ralph Anthony Automotive*, 1173 Rt. 579, Quakertown (908) 735-7800
Jugtown Mountain Campsites*, 1074 Rt. 173 East, Asbury
(908) 735-5995
Lakeside Deli*, 1878 Rt.31 North, Clinton (908) 638-3354
Sportsman's Rendezvous*, Rt. 31, Speedway Plaza, Flemington
(908) 788-5828

MIDDLESEX

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

MONMOUTH

Bill & Ken's Taxidermy, 389 Rt. 79, Morganville (732) 303-9400
Clarksburg Inn, 465 Stagecoach Rd., Clarksburg (609) 259-2558
Cream Ridge Sports Shop, 445 Rt. 539, Cream Ridge (609) 758-0616

MORRIS

The Country Sportsman*, 63 Hamburg Turnpike, Riverdale
(973) 839-7622
County Line Sport Shop*, #10 Rt. 46, Hackettstown (908) 852-9897
Mount Hope Deli*, 662 Mount Hope Ave., Wharton (973) 328-7259
R&S Sports*, 3 New Street, Budd Lake (973) 347-1944

OCEAN

Brick Armory, 231 Chambers Bridge Rd., Brick (732) 477-0800
Just Plain Jane's, 581 E. Veterans Highway, Jackson
(732) 883-4875
Tips Hardware, 218 Main Street, West Creek (609) 296-3192

PASSAIC

D&D Sport and Paintball*, 1846 Rt.23 North, West Milford
(973) 838-7522
Greenwood Lake Sports Center*, 1745 Greenwood Lake Tnpk., Hewitt
(973) 728-1000

SALEM

Bradway's Farm Market*, Jericho Rd. & Rt. 49, Salem (856) 935-5698
Sam's Super Service*, 290 Rt. 40, Elmer (856) 358-3488

SOMERSET

Glad-Pack Sunoco*, 1 Pottersville Rd., Peapack-Gladstone
(908) 234-1355
Millstone Sport Shop*, 20 N. River St., Millstone (908) 359-5713

SUSSEX

Garden State Bow & Reel*, 2760A Rt. 23 North, Stockholm (973)
697-3727
Hainesville General Store*, 283 Rt. 206 South, Hainesville
(973) 948-4280
Sig Borstad Hunting Supply*, 7 Old Rudetown Rd., McAfee
(973) 827-6527
Simon-Peter Bait and Tackle*, Rt. 206 and Brighton Rd., Newton
(973) 786-5313
Stokes Sport Shop*, 29 Rt. 206 South, Branchville (973) 948-5448
Swartwood Country Store*, 911 Newton-Swartwood Rd., Stillwater
(973) 383-5470

WARREN

Alpine Meats*, Rt. 94 N., Blairstown (908) 362-8568
Dark Moon Tavern*, 606 Rt. 519, Johnsonburg (908) 459-4487
Hi-Way Sport Shop*, Box 253, Rt. 31 North, Washington (908) 689-6208
The Owl's Nest*, 97 Rt. 519, Warren Glen (908) 995-7903
Smitty's Liquor and Deli*, 89 Rt. 46, Delaware (908) 475-5933

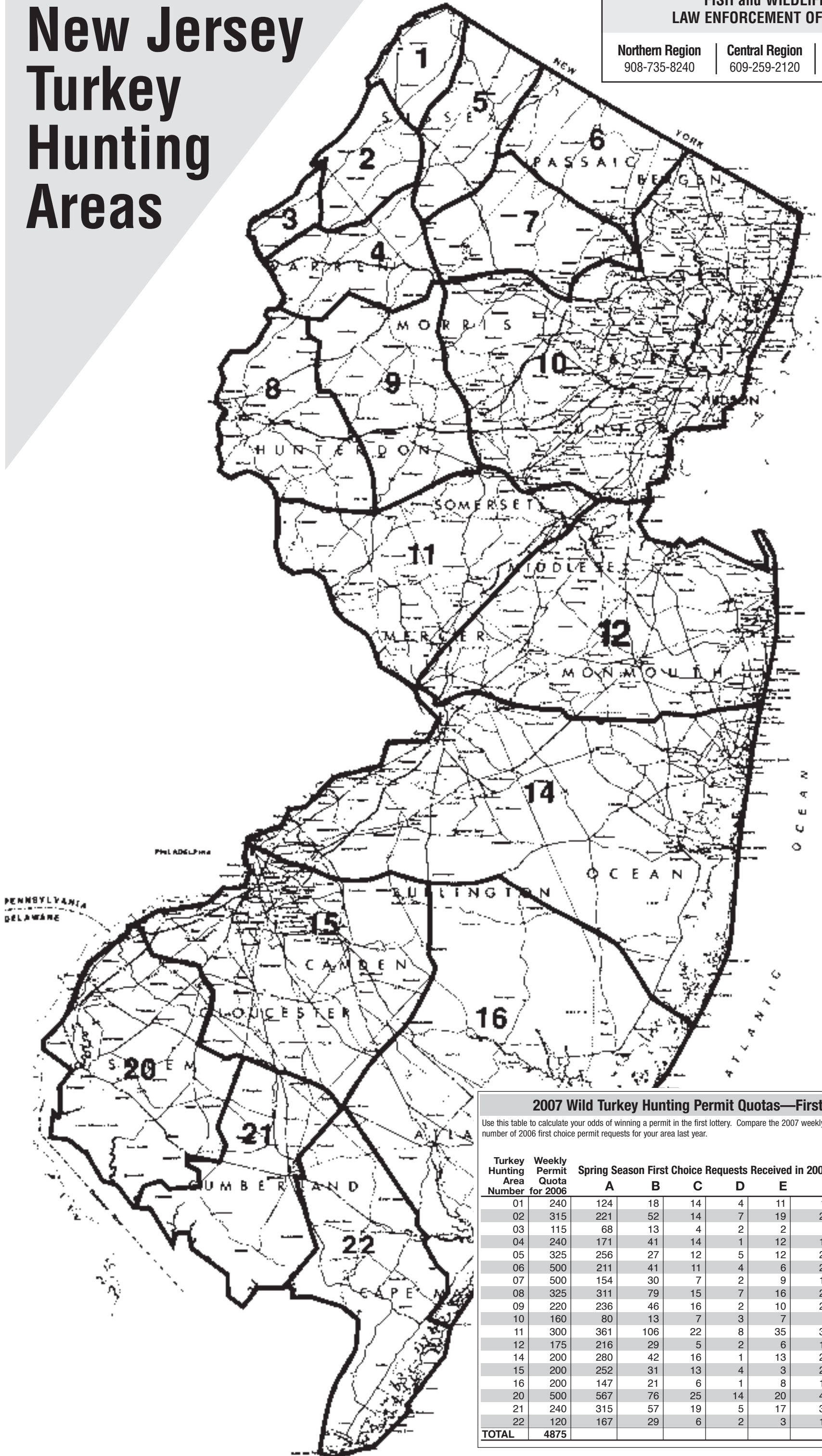
New Jersey Turkey Hunting Areas

FISH and WILDLIFE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICES

Northern Region
908-735-8240

Central Region
609-259-2120

Southern Region
856-629-0555



2007 Wild Turkey Hunting Permit Quotas—First Lottery

Use this table to calculate your odds of winning a permit in the first lottery. Compare the 2007 weekly permit quotas with the number of 2006 first choice permit requests for your area last year.

Turkey Hunting Area Number	Weekly Permit Quota for 2006	Spring Season First Choice Requests Received in 2006						2007 Spring Season Weekly Quota	2007 Fall Quota
		A	B	C	D	E	G		
01	240	124	18	14	4	11	111	240	240
02	315	221	52	14	7	19	215	315	315
03	115	68	13	4	2	2	64	115	115
04	240	171	41	14	1	12	198	240	240
05	325	256	27	12	5	12	264	325	325
06	500	211	41	11	4	6	210	500	500
07	500	154	30	7	2	9	162	500	500
08	325	311	79	15	7	16	297	325	325
09	220	236	46	16	2	10	274	220	220
10	160	80	13	7	3	7	82	160	160
11	300	361	106	22	8	35	354	300	300
12	175	216	29	5	2	6	181	175	0
14	200	280	42	16	1	13	277	200	0
15	200	252	31	13	4	3	265	200	0
16	200	147	21	6	1	8	145	200	0
20	500	567	76	25	14	20	497	500	500
21	240	315	57	19	5	17	367	240	100
22	120	167	29	6	2	3	122	120	0
TOTAL	4875							4875	3840

SUPPORT YOUR SPORT

If you enjoy hunting turkeys in New Jersey, know that the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTf) has played a large part in making that possible. Joining the NWTf will help you to continue to enjoy your sport. If you are not an NWTf member, consider joining and SUPPORT YOUR SPORT.

NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION Membership Application

Membership in the NWTf will help you to help the wild turkey here in New Jersey. Membership Levels start at only \$5.00

The majority of Super Fund monies raised at our banquets help fund wild turkey restoration and conservation efforts in New Jersey in partnership with the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife.

Please Print Clearly

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

E-Mail: _____

Memberships include subscription to either Turkey Call magazine with The Caller Newsletter insert, Women in the Outdoors (WITO) or Wheelin' Sportsmen magazines, gifts, membership cards & decals. Additional membership information and details are available at: <http://turkey-shoppe.nwtf.org/memberships.html>

Please indicate the membership level that you wish to join at:

_____ Membership @ \$30 / Year	_____ Sponsorship @ \$225 / Year
_____ Wheelin' Sportsman @ \$25 / Year	_____ WITO @ \$25 / Year (Women in the Outdoors)
_____ JAKES (To Age 13) @ \$5 / Year	_____ Extreme Jakes (13 -17) @ \$5 / Year
Total Enclosed _____	

Please enroll me as a member in the NWTf at the membership level indicated. I have enclosed a check for the amount due.

Signature Required

Please make check payable to NWTf-Membership Services and mail to NWTf-Membership Services, P.O. Box 530, Edgefield, SC 29824

To get more involved, please consider becoming active in your local chapter. Visit www.njnwtf.org for local chapter information or contact: Scott Hill, State Chapter President
Phone: 973-839-7939 E-mail: turkeyhouse@aol.com

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Quick Summary:

1. Get Certified 2. Get a DV License 3. Get a Permit

You must first present your documentation at one of the five specified Division offices (or mail copies to Hampton) to obtain DV certification. You may then be issued a DV license provided you have the proper hunter education documentation. You only need to be certified once.

Though you may only be certified at a Division office, any participating license agent may issue a DV license provided you have the necessary hunter education documentation or a previous year's DV license.

Once you are certified and have the DV license, you are eligible for a permit.

*Remember that all DV licenses, stamps and permits are free when you visit a participating license agent, but if you choose to obtain them via the Internet sales site, you will incur a small shipping and handling fee.

Application Tips and Procedures

Increase Your Chance of Receiving a Permit

Certain Turkey Hunting Areas and/or Area and Period combinations are extremely popular. These areas are traditionally applied for by more hunters than there are permits available (over-subscribed). A table of permit quotas and first choice requests for each area is provided on the map page inside to assist your decision.

For each permit, you will be given the option of inserting three different choices. The second and third choice options are provided in the event your first choice sells out. In which case, you will have a second (and third) opportunity to win a permit in the lottery. If you only have one Hunting Area and Period in which to hunt, do not fill out the second or third choices.

When deciding on your first, second and third choices, consider where and when you plan to hunt. Choose your favorite area and week (period) as a first choice in the FIRST lottery. **Do not list popular areas or weeks as second or third choices in the first lottery and do not list popular areas or weeks for any choices in the second lottery, as they most likely will not be available.** Permits will NOT be exchanged and money will NOT be refunded for unwanted permits. Give your choices some thought, but in all cases make sure that you have a place to hunt BEFORE submitting your application.

Completing the Application

- Persons whose license privileges are revoked are not eligible to apply.

- Only one application per hunter.
- You must have a 2007 hunting license in order to apply. First time applicants who do not yet possess a valid hunting license may apply for a wild turkey hunting permit provided they apply for a hunter education course prior to submitting an application.
- The second and third choices in each lottery are provided to give you additional chances to win the permit of your choice.

IMPORTANT: If you will only accept a permit for one area and period, leave the second and third choices blank.

- If you made a mistake on your application, it may be edited on the Internet. Applications can be changed during the application period only. Once the application period ends, no corrections will be made.
- Applications can be edited **ONLY** on the Internet at www.njfishandwildlife.com. Click on the link for license and permit sales. Your personal information **MUST** be entered to access your file. Once entered, you will be given the option to edit your application at the bottom of the page. This option applies for **ALL** applicants—it does not matter if you applied at a license agent or online.

Notification

- If applying via the Internet, you have the option of either receiving an e-mail notification or a postcard in the mail. Please note that if applying at a participating license agent, you may or may not be asked to choose a notification mode. Depending on the type of license issuing machine used, certain agents must use the default method of mailing a postcard.

- Award notification and permit pickup for the Spring Turkey Permit Season will begin March 12.
- Award notification and permit pickup for the Fall Turkey Permit Season will begin September 24.
- If you do not receive notification via e-mail or postcard, you can access your file on the Internet at www.njfishandwildlife.com and click on the 'Check Status of a Permit' option.

For questions concerning the permit process, call the 24-hour Permit Hotline at 609-292-9192.

Leftover Permit Sales

When the number of turkey hunting permit applications submitted is less than the allotted quota, leftover permits may be available after the lottery selection process has been completed. If there are a substantial number of permits leftover, they will be sold to hunters on a first-come, first-served basis. Hunters who have already received permits are also eligible to purchase leftover permits should a surplus occur.

- Leftover Spring Gobbler Permits will be available for sale via the Internet sales site and at participating license agents. The sale will begin on Monday, April 2 at 10 a.m. until permits sell out or the season ends, whichever is first.
- Leftover Fall Season Permits will be available for sale via the Internet sales site and at participating license agents. Fall Season Permits will be sold at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, October 9 (the same day deer season permits go on sale).
- **REMEMBER:** the *daily* bag limit is **one** turkey, even if a hunter possesses more than one permit valid for that day.



NEW JERSEY FISH & WILDLIFE TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Internet Address www.njfishandwildlife.com
 Commercial Preserves &
 Semi-Wild Preserves 609-984-6211

Hunting Permit Hotline 609-292-9192
 DEP ACTION LINE - 24 HOURS . 877-WARNDEP
 Exotic & Nongame Captivity Permits .609-292-9591
 Falconry Permit Information 908-735-8793
 Field Trial Permits 609-259-2132

General Information 609-292-2965
 Horseback Riding Permits 609-259-2132
 Hunter Education 877-2HUNTJ
 Hunting, Fishing, & Duplicate Licenses .609-292-2965
 Operation Game Thief 800-222-0456
 Outstanding Deer Program 609-633-7598
 Pheasant & Quail Stocking Info. . . . 609-984-0547
 Rifle Permit Information 609-984-1400
 Trout Stocking Hotline 609-633-6765
 Wildlife Conservation Corps Info. . . . 856-629-0552
 Wildlife Management Area Info. 609-984-0547

Trenton Office
 501 E. State St., Station Plaza 5, 3rd Floor,
 P.O. Box 400, Trenton, NJ 08625-0400
 Endangered and Nongame Species .609-292-9400
 Freshwater Fisheries 609-292-9450
 Land Management 609-984-0547

Law Enforcement 609-259-2120
 Marine Fisheries 609-292-2083
 Shellfisheries 609-984-5546
 Wildlife Education 908-637-4125
 Wildlife Management 609-292-6685

Lebanon Field Office
 PO Box 394, Lebanon, NJ 08833 . . .908-236-2118

Northern Region Office
 26 Route 173 W., Hampton, NJ 08827
 Wildlife Management 908-735-7040
 Endangered and Nongame Species . .908-735-8975
 Hunter Education 877-2HUNTJ
 Wildlife Control 908-735-8793
 Land Management 973-383-0918
 Law Enforcement (Bergen, Essex, Hudson,
 Hunterdon, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex,
 Union, and Warren counties) 908-735-8240

Pequest Trout Hatchery and Natural Resource Education Center
 605 Pequest Rd., Oxford, NJ 07863...908-637-4125

Central Region Office
 1 Eldridge Rd., Robbinsville, NJ 08691
 Land Management 609-259-2132
 Hunter Education 877-2HUNTJ

Wildlife Control 609-259-7955
 Law Enforcement (Burlington, Mercer, Middlesex,
 Monmouth, and Ocean counties) . . .609-259-2120

Southern Region Office
 220 Blue Anchor Rd., Sicklerville, NJ 08081
 Information 856-629-0090
 Hunter Education 877-2HUNTJ
 Land Management 856-629-5006
 Freshwater Fisheries 856-629-4950
 Wildlife Control 856-629-7224
 Law Enforcement (Atlantic, Camden, Cape May,
 Cumberland, Gloucester,
 and Salem counties) 856-629-0555

Nacote Creek Research Station
 P.O. Box 418, Route 9, Milepost 51
 Port Republic, NJ 08241
 Marine Fisheries 609-748-2020
 Shellfisheries 609-748-2040
 Marine Education 609-748-2031
 Wildlife Management 609-748-2063
 Marine Law Enforcement 609-748-2050

Bivalve Shellfish Office
 P.O. Box 432, Port Norris, NJ 08349.....856-785-0730

Know Before You Go

Whether planning on using the Internet or your local license agent when applying for a permit, claiming permits won in the lottery or purchasing leftovers, make sure you have the necessary information handy to save time and eliminate frustration. Being prepared is especially important when visiting a license agent, as store owners and clerks may have several other customers waiting for assistance. Please take a moment to review this information and know what you want **BEFORE** the transaction is started.

For Online Internet Transactions:

- Know your Conservation ID (CID) number and date of birth or your social security number and date of birth. The system will need this information first in order to access your file. If you are not yet in the system, the computer will ask for additional information to create a personal file and a CID number will be assigned to you.
- Know what you want to apply for or purchase. That means knowing which turkey hunting area(s) and periods you would like to either apply for or purchase. Remember you do not have to fill out the second and third choice sections if you will only accept a permit for one hunting area and period combination.
IMPORTANT: If you hesitate too long, the transaction will time out leaving you to start all over again.
- Have your payment ready. Internet transactions can be paid for either by electronic check or major credit card. You will incur a small additional shipping and handling fee. **REMEMBER:** The transaction will time out if you take too long.
- You will be given several chances to review the transaction prior to completion. Be sure to take advantage of these opportunities and make adjustments as necessary. Once your transaction is complete you may want to print the confirmation page or write down the transaction number.

For Transactions at License Agent Locations:

- Know your Conservation ID (CID) number and date of birth or your social security number and date of birth. The system will need this information first in order to access your file. If you are not yet in the system, the computer will ask for additional information to create a personal file and a CID number will be assigned to you. If you purchased a license or permit in the past, you will see your CID number on the back tag.
- Know what you want to apply for or purchase. That means knowing which turkey hunting area(s) and periods you would like to either apply for or purchase. Remember you do not have to fill out the second and third choice sections if you will only accept a permit for one hunting area and period combination. Note that it is **NOT** the responsibility of the store proprietor or clerk to know what Turkey Hunting Area your hunting property is located in. It is your responsibility. Please review the map

and zone descriptions at home **BEFORE** you arrive at the store. If you are unsure of the area, study a county map and using a pen or highlighter, follow the area descriptions in this booklet.

- To speed up your transaction, consider completing the box(es) below and hand the paper to the owner or clerk to assist them in submitting your application.
- **NOTE:** An agent using a VeriFone machine (a special keypad) has the ability to print out a receipt, but may only do so if you **REQUEST** one. Therefore, you should ask for a receipt of the transaction. This receipt will list what you applied for as well as your transaction number. Agents using Web-based (computer) systems may or may not have the ability to print a receipt for each customer. **ASK FIRST!** If they cannot print a receipt, please have the clerk verbally verify your application choices and provide you with the transaction number for that application. **Write this transaction number down.** Transaction numbers can be helpful in the rare instance a problem occurs with your application.
- Each agent location is different. The owner decides what form of payment will be accepted. Find out ahead of time and have your payment ready when you arrive.



Spring Lottery Application (Remember you do not have to fill in all choices):

First Lottery (one permit only):

1st Choice: _____ 2nd Choice: _____ 3rd Choice: _____

Second Lottery (Optional—allows for one additional permit):

1st Choice: _____ 2nd Choice: _____ 3rd Choice: _____

Transaction # (for your records): _____

Fall Lottery Application: (Remember you do not have to fill in all choices):

One lottery Only:

1st Choice: _____ 2nd Choice: _____ 3rd Choice: _____

Transaction # (for your records): _____