

Deer Hunting Definitions and Concepts

Term	Definition	Example/Explanation
Antlered Deer	Any deer with at least one antler 3 inches or greater	Adult buck or spike 3 inches or greater
Antler Point	Any point at least one inch in length	Measured from tip of point to its base line
Antlerless Deer	Any female deer or any male deer with antlers measuring less than 3 inches	Doe, button buck, shed buck or spike measuring less than 3 inches
Antlered Buck Permit	An optional permit purchased in conjunction with an Antlerless Permit in order to harvest one Antlered Buck. Permit is specific to weapon type license and season (Permit Bow, Permit Muzzleloader and Permit Shotgun).	Valid in any zone in which an Antlerless Permit has been purchased for a permit season.
Antlerless Deer Permit	A permit purchased for a specific zone in order to harvest Antlerless Deer. Permit is specific to weapon type license and season.	Required for the Permit Bow, Permit Muzzleloader and Permit Shotgun seasons.
Antler Point Restriction Zone	A Deer Management Zone where only antlered deer with at least one antler having a minimum of 3 points on one side may be harvested.	Applies to Zones: 3, 9, 13, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 34, 35, 47, 63 and 67
Baiting	Placing agricultural products, salt or other edible lure in the woods, field or wetlands to attract a game animal to approach closer to a hunter. Baiting for deer is legal except where prohibited by the landowner.	Corn, mineral supplements or apple scented grain blends are examples of bait.
Cervid	Any member of the deer family (Cervidae)	Including white-tailed deer, black-tailed deer, mule deer, elk, reindeer, caribou, moose, fallow deer, muntjac, wapiti, red deer, roe deer, etc.
NEW Deer Regulation Set (DRS) Multi-Zone Permit	Available for Regulation Sets 7 and 8 ONLY. A \$56 season-specific antlerless permit valid for ALL zones within Regulation Set 7 or 8 for the season specified	For the price of 2 regular zone permits, a DRS Multi-Zone Permit enables you to hunt antlerless deer in six zones in Set 7 or nine zones in Set 8 for a specific season. A hunter may still purchase an antlerless permit for a specific zone for \$28 if they choose. NOTE: a season antlered buck permit is still required to hunt antlered deer.
Legal Deer Hunting Hours	Half hour before sunrise to half hour after sunset	See <i>Sunrise and Sunset</i> table, page 75
Lures, Deer-Derived	Products derived from deer urine, deer gland secretions or tissues, or other bodily fluid or biological material from deer.	No person shall possess or use natural deer lures.
Regulation Set	A group of deer management zones with the same season dates and bag limits. Reg Sets are numbered 0 through 8 (most restrictive to most liberal).	Example: Reg Set 0 includes DMZs 21, 23, 24, 34, 43, 45, and 46.
Special Area Zone	Military bases, Federal installations, specific public and/or privately owned land requiring special access or not open to the general public.	Includes Zones: 37, 38, 39, 53, 54, 61, 64, 66, 67, and 68. See page 43 and 45 for more information.
Spotlighting	Spotlighting deer during darkness from a vehicle is illegal while in possession of a weapon capable of killing deer, whether the weapon is cased, 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.
Sunday Hunting	Archery Hunting for Deer ONLY. Archery hunting for deer is allowed only on WMAs and private property.	Sunday deer hunting is not allowed on state parks and forests.
Youth Hunter	A hunter between the ages of 10 and 16.	Free license is valid until December 31 of the year the hunter turns 16