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### **Firearm Licenses**

Resident Firearm Hunting (16–64 years) \$27.50
Senior Resident Firearm
Hunting (65 years & older)\$15.50
Non-Resident Firearm Hunting\$135.50
Non-Resident Two-Day Small
Game Firearm Hunting\$36.50
Special One-Day Hunting\$12.50
(On Commercial Preserves Only)
Youth (10–15, <i>see page 10</i> )FREE
Bow and Arrow Licenses
Resident Bow & Arrow Hunting\$31.50

Senior Resident Bow
& Arrow Hunting (65 years & older)\$16.50
Non-Resident Bow & Arrow Hunting\$135.50
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Trapping Licenses
Resident Trapping
Non-Resident Trapping\$200.50
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Permits
Deer Permits for Bow, Shotgun
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# **Commissioner's Message**



By Lisa P. Jackson

Year after year, hunters visit New Jersey state parks, forests and wildlife management areas to enjoy some of the best hunting in the state. As fans of our state's open spaces, hunters appreciate the importance of maintaining these lands.

Unfortunately, for far too long, regular maintenance and desperately needed capital improvements at our state parks, wildlife management areas and historic sites have been deferred in the state's annual budgeting. Today, the inventory of projects needing attention is estimated to cost approximately \$250 million. They include \$1.1 million in upgrades for range pens, an egg handling facility and storage buildings at Rockport State Game Farm and \$1.4 million in infrastructure and building repairs at Pequest State Trout Hatchery. In Warren County, the Hackettstown State Fish Hatchery has been closed to the public since 1985 because deferred maintenance has created safety concerns. In Belleplain State Forest, capital funds are needed to extend water lines to guarantee the future safety of the park's water supply.

This past July, Governor Corzine signed a budget, which provides a down payment of \$9 million to address the most egregious problems facing these lands we hold in public trust. Even more important, the legislature authorized a constitutional amendment that the Governor and I helped craft, which will appear on the ballot this November. If passed, this amendment will provide a dedicated source of funds for these maintenance and capital needs.

The amendment would rededicate environmental funds generated by the Corporate Business Tax. It would provide \$15 million a year until 2015 and \$32 million annually beginning in 2016. Because it is a rededication of existing revenues, it would supply this funding without any additional taxes.

New Jersey's Wildlife Management Area System, along with our state parks and forests, offer countless outdoor recreational opportunities for residents and visitors. The number of people taking advantage of these opportunities has grown significantly in the past 35 years. In 2001, more than 3.2 million people took part in wildlife-associated activities like hunting, fishing and wildlife watching in New Jersey, generating \$2.2 billion in revenue for our state.

While the popularity of these activities has grown immensely, our ability to keep our parks and wildlife management areas in top condition has not. Without a stable source of funding it is virtually impossible to effectively plan and implement longrange resource management or facility development projects. Years of neglect have led to a decline in the services provided at these locations, denying the public the enjoyment of all the opportunities our sites have to offer. This November's ballot question offers the opportunity to rectify this wrong, but, despite unanimous legislative support for placing this proposal before the voters, success cannot be taken for granted. The future of our parks and wildlife management areas will be in voters' hands. We need the public's support on this question to undertake urgently needed repairs and provide the public with open spaces that make our state proud.

New Jersey's sportsmen and women have always been strong advocates for our parks, forests and wildlife management areas. As we approach election day, I am counting on you, once again, to educate your friends and family about what is at stake with the parks ballot question and I thank you in advance for your anticipated support.

> Lisa P. Jackson is Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

# **Director's Message**



BY DAVE CHANDA

The Division of Fish and Wildlife has a rich heritage dating back to 1892, when three commissioners were appointed, along with the first salaried Fish and Game Protector to oversee the conservation of the State's fish and wildlife resources. Today, the Division

of Fish and Wildlife employs approximately 270 people in 16 field locations and one main office in Trenton.

The Division has nine specific programs for the management of the State's marine fisheries, shellfisheries, and inland fish and wildlife species. All of these programs share the role of managing and protecting the nearly 800 species of fish and wildlife in this state—as well as the land and waters on which they depend—for the benefit of all citizens. This includes conserving the variety of fish and wildlife species at stable, healthy levels and educating the public about the needs and values of these natural resources to foster a positive human/wildlife relationship.

Public support is a critical component of successful wildlife management programs.

In an effort to gauge public support for the initiatives and policies of State fish and wildlife agencies, the Northeast Conservation Information and Education Association recently conducted a study to determine public opinion on fish and wildlife management issues. The study also examined agency reputation and credibility in each of the 13 member states in the Northeast.

A statewide telephone survey showed that New Jerseyans have a high participation rate in outdoor recreation activities. Half of those surveyed had gone out to observe wildlife in New Jersey. Fishing and birdwatching were popular pursuits of the residents surveyed. Hiking was also a popular outdoor recreation activity.

In addition, the survey showed that New Jerseyans strongly support efforts to control sprawling development, protect open space, upgrade protection for high-quality waterways, increase pro-

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tection for endangered and non-game species and protect and manage landscapes on a regional basis. Finally, the survey also revealed that residents strongly support the professional management of the state's fish and wildlife resources by the Division of Fish and Wildlife.

There is no question that New Jerseyans enjoy the outdoors and what's more, have come to trust the Division as a credible source for information on fish and wildlife and outdoor recreation in our state. New Jersey conservation officers and biologists had the highest credibility rating of all wildlife-oriented organizations listed (83% and 82%, respectively). Furthermore, most residents agree that hunting and fishing activities are part of the scientific management of healthy fish and wildlife populations.

Being the primary stewards of New Jersey's fish and wildlife resources is an all-encompassing responsibility requiring the talents of the dedicated group of wildlife professionals that work for the NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife. I am very proud of that work and more importantly, so are the residents of New Jersey.

> Dave Chanda is the Acting Director of the Division of Fish and Wildlife

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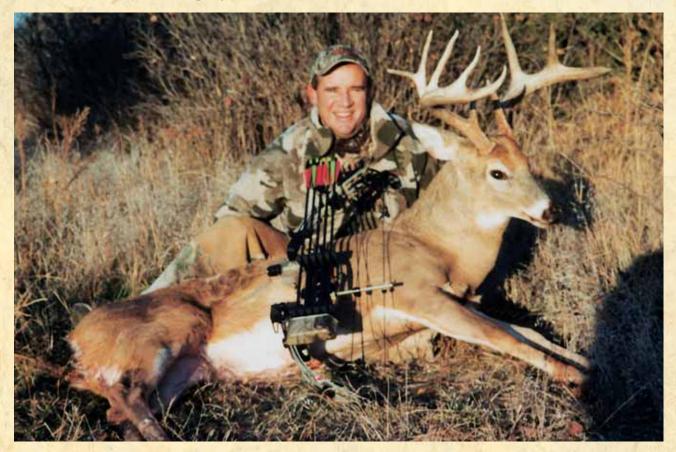
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To protect and manage the state's fish and wildlife to maximize their long-term biological, recreational and economic value for all New Jerseyans.

### **Our Goals**

- To maintain New Jersey's rich variety of fish and wildlife species at stable, healthy levels and to protect and enhance the many habitats on which they depend.
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# Licenses, Permits & Stamps

### LICENSE INFORMATION

### Deer Permits are valid for the 2006–2007 hunting season. 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 page 1 for license and permit fees. See page 10 for youth license information. All hunters and trappers must openly display their license *and* any applicable deer, turkey or bear permit in the middle of the back on their outer clothing and must show their license to any law enforcement officer or any person requesting to see it.

For details on New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife's *new* Integrated Electronic Licensing System, see the article on page 7.

Licenses, permits and stamps may be purchased using Fish and Wildlife's Internet sales site (www.NJFishandWildlife.com) or from approved license agents listed on page 17. A small shipping and handling fee will be added when a license, permit or stamp is purchased through the Internet sales site and must be sent to the purchaser through the mail. There is no additional fee for a license, permit or stamp that is eligible for self-printing.

Do NOT heat laminate the new, durable license or permit. High temperature will destroy these waterproof documents.

### **Child Support Certifications**

The "Child Support Program Improvement Act" requires Fish and Wildlife to collect and maintain Social Security Numbers and a child support obligation certification from license applicants and to make the collection of this information part of the license application. To comply, Fish and Wildlife, working with the Division of Law in the Office of the Attorney General, created the Supplemental License Application available on the Fish and Wildlife Web site at www.NJFishandWildlfe.com or at license agents.

The online child support application allows individuals to certify themselves in the privacy of their homes. Once completed—over the Internet or at a license agent equipped with the new electronic licensing system — the certification remains valid for the calendar year in which the certification was completed.

### **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 five 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 *Permits for Farmers*, page 10; *Farmer Regulations*, page 25.

### Hunter and Trapper Education Requirements

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

The New Jersey Hunter Education Program is offered as a home study videobased course. Students can obtain course materials at most license agents and Fish and Wildlife 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. For more Hunter Education Program details, including course material availability, facility locations, dates, and course registration, go to Fish and Wildlife's Web site at www.NJFishandWildlife.com or call (877) 2HUNTNJ.

Trapper education courses are offered four times throughout the state in the months of September and October. To enroll in a trapper education course go to the Fish and Wildlife's Web site or call (877) 2HUNTNJ to register.

### Lost Licenses Handwritten Licenses, Permits, and Stamps

A lost handwritten license or permit may be replaced at all Fish and Wildlife regional offices, the Trenton office and the Pequest Natural Resource Education Center. For replacement, either mail or hand deliver the carbon copy issued with the license along with a \$2 check to those Fish and Wildlife offices listed. A duplicate stamp will not be issued but may be purchased separately

### Licenses, Permits, and Stamps Issued through the Integrated Electronic Licensing System

A lost *electronically generated* license, permit or stamp—excluding any license or permit that contains transportation tags—can be replaced at any license agent or at Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site, www.NJFishandWildlife.com. Licenses and permits that contain transportation tags can be duplicated at license agents or on the Internet sales site only *one* time. All subsequent duplicates of these license and permit types must be handled in person at: Fish and Wildlife regional offices, the Trenton office or the Pequest Natural Resource Education Center.

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# Disabled Veteran Licenses, Stamps and Permits

### Free hunting and fishing licenses, stamps 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 from 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 ..."

New applicant disabled veterans may obtain their hunting and fishing licenses and stamps at Fish and Wildlife's Trenton office, as well as selected 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 of their choice for either the Permit Shotgun or the Permit Muzzleloader seasons. Disabled Veteran Applicants:

- 1. Documentation of current benefits for a service-connected disability and proof of honorable discharge (such as a copy of your DD-214, VA card or monthly check stub) must be presented to obtain a free disabled veteran license.
- 2. Applicant must provide a hunter education course (archery, shotgun or rifle) certificate applicable to the license for which he or she is applying or previously issued resident archery or firearm license or rifle permit. Resident licenses from other states issued to hunters prior to establishing residency in New Jersey will be accepted if the license indicates the sporting arm for which it was valid. Non-resident licenses from other states are not acceptable.
- 3. To obtain the free disabled veteran deer permits one must first have a disabled veteran hunting license.
- 4. Fish and Wildlife is restructuring the disabled veteran deer permit application process; however, at press time the new application process was not finalized. All disabled veterans already on Fish and Wildlife's database should have received a letter in early August detailing the disabled veteran deer permit issuing process. This information will also be posted on Fish and Wildlife's Web site: www.NJFishandWildlife.com

# Versatile Permit and Licensing System Unvieled

### By Barbara Stoff, Principal Biologist and Jeff Smith, Technology Coordinator

The long-anticipated upgrade of New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife's licensing and permitting system is now in motion. During the spring of 2006, Fish and Wildlife began installing the first Integrated Electronic Licensing System (IELS) terminals at select license agents. By summer's end all agents should be operational for the 2006-2007 hunting season.

The IELS is a key link to Fish and Wildlife. With this powerful system you can apply for a lottery permit, register for a hunter education course, check the status of your lottery application, plus purchase hunting and fishing licenses, stamps and over-the-counter permits. To access these features, visit a Fish and Wildlife license agent listed on page 17 or use any computer to access the new, secure Internet License and Permit Sales Site through the link in our Web site at www.NJFishandWildlife.com. Select features will be available also by calling toll-free (888) 277-2015.

Hunters will be guided through the process step-by-step whether the purchase is made at a license agent, over the phone or via the Internet. First, you will create a user profile with the option to be identified by your driver's license number, Social Security Number or the assigned **Conservation Identification Number (CID)**.

For a smooth transition to the new electronic licensing system, here are answers to frequently asked questions:

Q: What is my nine-digit Conservation ID Number (CID)?

A: The IELS will automatically assign each customer a unique, nine-digit Conservation ID Number (CID). This number is printed prominently on every license and permit purchased using the IELS. Your CID number combined with your date of birth is the best way to identify yourself to the system. The CID number is assigned to you for life.

Q: Can I purchase everything online? What can't I do using the Internet site?

A: Your *first* **hunting** license purchased with the IELS must be made *in person* at a Fish and Wildlife license agent. State regulations require proof, in hand, of a previous resident hunting license of the appropriate type or a Hunter Education course completion card before issuing a hunting license. Next year your license can be purchased through the Internet sales site. Non-residents can still purchase a hunting license directly from Fish and Wildlife by mail.

Q: I don't have a computer! Can my friend purchase my license or submit my lottery permit application?

A: Yes, with your permission and user profile information. Computer access at your local library or an Internet café would be another option. Of course, you can also visit a Fish and Wildlife license agent to apply.

Q: How do I apply for a lottery permit for deer, turkey, beaver, otter or black bear?

A: Apply for a lottery permit only 1.) at a Fish and Wildlife license agent (hours of operation and payment methods vary), 2.) using our Internet license sales site anytime - day or night. **There is no option for telephone or paper permit applications.** Bring your current hunting license when applying at a license agent. Hunters with a paper 2006 hunting license must enter that number when applying online. Pay only the \$2 application fee at this time (if applicable).

# Q: Can I apply for a permit by using the Division's toll-free Telephone Sales System at (888) 277-2015?

A: No. You may only apply at an agent location, Division office, or by using the Internet sales site.

### Q: What if I made a mistake on my application?

A: One of the many advantages of eliminating paper lottery applications is that all customers, no matter how they applied, may edit their lottery application free of charge by using the Internet sales site. License agents and Fish and Wildlife offices **do not** have the capability to change your application once submitted.

To make a correction, access your record from the Internet sales site then select the *Edit* option. Note that **all** edits must be completed *during* the application period, *which ends at* **midnight Sept. 10, 2006** for deer permits. No changes can be made after the application deadline. *No* **exceptions.** Take care when completing your application to ensure accuracy.

Q: May I call the IELS telephone sales number to change my lottery

### application?

A: No, IELS telephone sales cannot changes your lottery application. You may change your lottery application any time, 24 hours a day, seven days a week only by visiting our Internet license sales site.

### Q: How do I pay for my permit?

A: When you *apply* for a permit, you need only pay the \$2 *application* fee. If you apply online, you must make your payment by credit card or "electronic" check. If you apply at a license agent, the payment method is determined by the license agent. Some license agents do not accept credit cards for license/permit purchases.

### Q: How will I be notified once the lottery selections are completed?

A: At the time of application hunters are given a choice of how they want to be notified of their lottery status: via e-mail or by postcard. (See *Deer Permits*, page 13 for details on the deer permit lottery process.) Fish and Wildlife will post the results on our Internet license sales site. All hunters, no matter how they applied, may check their status via the Web site. Hunters who choose e-mail notification are responsible for setting their e-mail program to accept bulk e-mail (spam or junk mail).

Hunters successful in the lottery will have **two weeks** to claim his or her permit by returning to the Internet license sales site, visiting a Fish and Wildlife license agent or by calling IELS telephone sales at (888) 277-2015. All winning lottery deer permits must be claimed before midnight on Sunday, Oct. 8, 2006.

Unlike the 2006 Spring/Fall turkey lottery, if you apply online and are successful in the lottery, your credit card will *not* automatically be charged for the permit at that time. Instead, winners must either return to the Internet sales site to complete the payment process, **or** pick up the permit at any license agent for payment of the actual permit fee. Have your payment information ready before you claim your permit. Remember, license agent hours of operation and forms of payment vary by location.

**Important!** If you do not accept your awarded permit during the two week claim period ending Oct. 8, 2006 your permit will be forfeited and returned to the permit quota. These permits will then be available for anyone to purchase over-the-counter!

Q: How do I purchase an over-the-counter permit for deer, turkey, beaver, otter, coyote/fox or bear?

A: As in the past, leftover or unclaimed deer permits will be available to purchase over-the-counter (OTC). Beginning with the 2006-2007 deer permit sales, **all** OTC permits may be purchased either at Fish and Wildlife license agents, through the Internet sales site or by calling, toll-free, the IELS telephone sales number at (888) 277-2015.

Fish and Wildlife does not plan to hold a special OTC Saturday sale date for deer or turkey permits. Any special OTC sale dates will be posted on the Fish and Wildlife Web site.

Q: If I purchase a permit using the Internet sales site, can I print from my computer so I can hunt right away?

A: No. State regulations restrict your ability to print permits at home. Hunting licenses and permits ordered online are fulfilled by our contractor, Automated License Systems (ALS). Your permit document(s) will be shipped from Nashville, Tennessee and will normally arrive in 7-10 business days. ALS offers a next-day shipping option for an additional fee. Note that some items such as many fishing and shellfish-related licenses available through Internet license sales *can* be self-printed for immediate use.

Q: How do I change my address in the system?

A: Any time you purchase a license or permit (whether at a license agent, via the IELS telephone sales or through Fish and Wildlife's Internet sales site) you can change your address for free. Address changes may be made at anytime; no purchase necessary.

Q: Who should I contact if I need assistance while using the Internet sales site?

# Licenses, Permits & Stamps

### LICENSES & PERMITS

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A: To resolve a problem during your transaction, contact Automated License Systems (ALS) who administers the Internet sales site. Contact information appears at the bottom of each Web page.

**Note:** Fish and Wildlife cannot assist with Internet license sales problems or payment processing information. Similarly, ALS cannot answer regulatory questions about permit seasons, hunting zones or legal requirements to purchase a license and permit. See elsewhere in this Digest for answers to these questions or contact Fish and Wildlife using the *Telephone Directory* on page 88.

Although the new Integrated Electronic License System may seem challenging at first, once you work through the process, the time and effort saved will be well worth the effort. Join us in welcoming this 21st century convenience!

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### National Guard Licenses

Eligible National Guard personnel are entitled to free licenses, permits and stamps. Further information can be obtained by visiting http://www.state.nj.us/military/cio/fishing.html or writing to: NJ Department of Military/Veteran Affairs, 101 Eggert Crossing Rd., Lawrenceville, NJ 08648, Attn: 1st Sgt. Turrien, or call (609) 530-6866.

### **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. Non-immigrant aliens who temporarily import firearms to the United States must first obtain a Form 6 Import Permit from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF). The approval may take up to 12 weeks. Contact ATF's Explosives Imports Branch at (202) 927-8320 or download a form from their Web site at www.atf.treas.gov.

### Non-resident Servicemen Licenses

Any person on active duty in the armed services, regardless of their current residency, may buy a New Jersey resident hunting license. Present a previous resident license (from this or any other state) of the appropriate type or show proof to the license agent of successful completion of the appropriate hunter education course along with proof of your current active duty status in the armed services.

### **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.

### **Resident Licenses**

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

### **Revocation of Licenses**

Anyone convicted of a second fish and game violation within a period of five years will have their New Jersey hunting and fishing privileges revoked for two years. Certain violations carry greater periods of revocation, ranging from three years to lifetime revocation. Two convictions of any wildlife management

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# Licenses, Permits & Stamps

PERMITS

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area regulation results in a five-year 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. Fish and Wildlife may revoke any permit or other authorization issued for violation or due cause.

# Youth Licenses, Resident and Non-Resident

See *Take a Kid Hunting*, pages 21-23. Properly licensed youth hunters ages 10-13 may hunt only when under the direct supervision of a properly licensed adult age 21 or older. Youths 15 years of age and under are able to hunt, and trap for free, provided they have passed a Hunter Education course.

Youth hunters who pre-registered and successfully completed a hunter education course will receive their youth license at the course. The Youth Firearm, Youth Trapping or Youth Bow and Arrow License is valid from the time of issuance until end of the year that he or she turns 16.

### Permits

### **Beaver and Otter Permits**

• Beaver and otter trapping is allowed by special permit only.

• Apply for beaver and otter trapping permits electronically at all license agents or on Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site www.NJFishandWildlife.com.

• Additional information including the zone map and descriptions, will be available beginning Sept. 18 on Fish and Wildlife's Web site, www.NJFishandWildlife.com.

• Application period is Oct. 1--31.

• Leftover permits, if available, will be sold at all license agents and at Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site. For updates on availability see our Web site or call the Permit Hotline at (609) 292-9192 during the week of Nov. 20, 2006.

• For trapping season information including regulations, season dates and bag limits see *Trapping Regulations*, page 64.

### **Black Bear Hunting Permits**

• A total of 10,000 black bear hunting permits, allocated by black bear hunting areas, will be available to properly licensed hunters who have completed a mandatory black bear hunting seminar. A random lottery will be conducted if the demand exceeds the allocation in any black bear hunting area.

· Permit application can be made at license

agents or via Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site, www.NJFishandWildlife.com • Black bear permit applications must be entered by midnight of Oct. 30.

• Black bear permits will be awarded only to hunters who have completed a mandatory bear hunter orientation session.

• For details on the black bear hunting season and hunter orientation requirements, see *Black Bear Hunting*, page 57.

• The Web site and Permit Hotline messages will be updated when needed.

### **Captive Wildlife Permits**

The possession, ownership and release of wildlife is regulated and only for limited purposes. Information and applications may be obtained by calling: Nongame and Exotics-(609) 292-9591; Game birds and Mammals-(609) 292-2966 or from our Web site, www.NJFishandWildlife.com.

### Coyote, Red and Gray Fox Hunting Permits

• A \$2 permit may be required to hunt coyote, red or gray fox from Jan. 15- Feb. 19, 2007.

• Permits will be available at any license agent or via Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site beginning Dec. 1, 2006. A 2007 hunting license must be purchased prior to or in conjunction with the purchase of a 2007 Coyote/Fox Permit.

• For season details, see coyote and fox hunting regulations, pages 60 and 62.

### **Deer Road-Kill Permits**

Deer 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 Fish and Wildlife regional law enforcement office. The permit only authorizes the possession of the meat for consumption and is good only for 90 days. The possession of all other parts, such as antlers, under terms of this permit, are expressly prohibited. Wrapped venison packages must be labeled with the permit number.

### **Deer Hunting Permits**

• Permits are required to hunt during the Permit Bow, Permit Muzzleloader and Permit Shotgun seasons.

• Permits may be purchased either at a license agent, at Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site www.NJFishandWildlife.com or through a lottery system for select zones. For details, see *Deer Season Permits*, page 13.

### **Falconry Permits**

Hunting with raptors (birds of prey) is

allowed only with a falconry permit and a hunting license. For hunting regulations see *Falconry*, page 25.

### **Rifle Permits**

A valid rifle permit is required, in possession, while hunting for coyote, deer, squirrel and woodchuck hunting with a muzzleloading rifle; raccoon and opossum hunting with a .22 caliber rifle; and for dispatching trapped animals. (.22 not legal for 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.

Rifle permits may be purchased at license agents or at Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site. Youths, under age 16 are eligible for a youth rifle permit. Rifle permits for 10- to 17-years-olds will be valid only for muzzleloaders. No persons under 18 years old may hunt with a centerfire or rimfire rifle.

### **Turkey Hunting Permits, General**

• Turkey hunting is by permit only. For turkey season details, see page 67.

Beginning with the 2007 turkey seasons, spring and fall permit applications will now be made on two separate applications; only one application may be made for each season.
Complete instructions will be detailed in the 2007 Wild Turkey Hunting Season permit supplement, available in late January at license agents, Fish and Wildlife offices, and on our Web site at www.NJFishandWildlife.com.

### **Turkey Permits, 2006 Fall Season**

Fall turkey hunting is by permit only.
The 2006 Fall Turkey Permit Lottery has been completed. Turkey permits were mailed in late July to permit winners. Leftover permits will go on sale beginning at 10a.m. Monday October 2, 2006 at license agents and at Fish and Wildlife's Internet sales site www.NJFishandWildlife.com.

• For more detailed information including the status of available permits, check the Web site or call the 24-hour automated Permit Hotline at (609) 292-9192.

### **Permits for Farmers**

### **Farmer Deer Permits**

 Approved farmers are eligible for one free bow, shotgun and muzzleloader permit for the applicable deer management zone. See *Farmer License Exemption*, page 6. See also *Farmer Regulations* under *General Hunting*, page 25.
 Farmers may submit only one application.

• Preferred farmer application period:

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PERMITS AND STAMPS

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• For applications received after Oct. 1, Fish and Wildlife cannot guarantee you will receive your permit in time for opening day.

• Farmers already in the Fish and Wildlife farmer database were sent an application in July with permit-claiming instructions.

• Farmers already in Fish and Wildlife's database who have returned their applications by Sept. 10 may pick up their permit at license agents beginning Oct. 10.

• To ensure inclusion in our database, farmers are strongly urged to submit completed applications early.

• Two types of farmer permits — occupant and non-occupant — allow the applicant to decide for which permit it is easiest to qualify; see below.

• Only a qualified farmer or the spouse or children of that farmer who reside in the farmer's household, are eligible to apply for occupant and non-occupant farmer deer permits.

• Farmer Deer Permits are contingent upon approval by Fish and Wildlife's Bureau of Law Enforcement.

• Licensed farmers may also apply for (or purchase at license agents for full price) regular deer permits to hunt land other than their qualified farm.

### **Occupant Farmer Deer Permits**

Applicant must be the owner, lessee or immediate family (spouse and children only) who actually resides on the farm property.
Land must be at least five acres, tax-assessed

as farmland.Occupant permits are valid only on the farm property where the applicant resides.

### **Non-Occupant Farmer Deer Permits**

• Applicants are not required to live on the farm property.

• Farmer(s) and their immediate family members (spouse and children only) may qualify, up to a total of five people.

• Must actively till at least 30 acres of land which is tax-assessed as farmland.

Woodlots do not qualify.

• To apply for hunting leased farmland, a copy of all leases authorizing the agricultural and hunting uses of the land must be attached to the application.

• Non-occupant permits are valid in the entire zone for which the permit was applied.

• An applicant who lives on a farm and actively tills at least 30 acres may apply either as an occupant or a non-occupant.

### **Farmer Turkey Permits**

• Qualified farmers may apply only if their land is in a turkey hunting area open to hunting.

• Approved farmers will receive a permit valid for both the entire spring and fall seasons if they apply for both permits on their Farmer Turkey Permit Application.

• Applications will be made available at Fish and Wildlife offices, our Web site, and county agricultural agents.

• Farmer turkey permits are available only to the farmer and immediate family who reside on the farm.

Complete turkey hunting season information and application instructions will be available in the 2007 Wild Turkey Hunting Season Permit supplement, due out in late January.

# Permits for Hunters with Disabling Conditions

### 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 Jan. 1 to Aug. 31 of each year.

### Permits to Shoot from a Standing Vehicle

A permit to hunt or shoot from a standing vehicle that is parked off the road may be issued to licensed hunters who 1.) have a permanent or irreversible physical disability that limits their ambulatory ability, 2.) suffer from cardiovascular disease and are classified as Class 3 or 4 heart patients according to American Heart Association standards, or 3.) suffer from chronic lung disease. This permit will be issued if the need is certified by a licensed physician or chiropractor.

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 described in the Game Code. This permit will allow the alteration of a long bow, recurve 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 may be issued.

Special Bow Use Permit applicants must have a disability that meets any one of the following criteria: amputation or other loss of one or both arms above the wrist; an amputation or other loss of index or middle finger on the hand used to draw and release the bow; permanent, substantial loss of function or range of motion in one or both arms, one or both hands, or one or both shoulders; or suffer from cardiovascular disease and are designated as a Class 3 or 4 heart patient according to the American Heart Association standards. These permits will be issued only if the need is certified by a licensed physician.

Additional information about permits for hunters with disabling conditions can be requested in writing from: NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife, Handicapped Permits, P.O. Box 400, Trenton, NJ 08625 or downloaded directly from our Web site: www.NJFishandWildlife.com

### Stamps

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

### Pheasant and Quail Stamp

Anyone aged 16 and over (except 16 year olds whose youth license remains valid through the end of the year in which they turn 16) 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 license includes pheasant and quail stamp): Assunpink, Berkshire Valley, Black River, Clinton, Colliers Mills, Dix, Flatbrook, Glassboro, Greenwood Forest, Howardsville, Heislerville, Mad Horse, Manahawkin, Manasquan River, Medford, Millville (Bevan), Nantuxent, Peaslee, Pequest, Port Republic, Stafford Forge, Tuckahoe (MacNamara), Walpack, Whittingham and Winslow. Another designated area includes the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area. Pheasant and quail stamps are valid for the calendar year, January-December.

### New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp

Anyone 16 or older who hunts waterfowl must possess a New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp in addition to the Federal Duck Stamp. Both stamps are valid for the fiscal year, July 1-June 30. A Harvest Information Program (HIP) certification is also required. For HIP details, see *Migratory Bird Regulations*, page 68.

# **Deer Season Permits**

PERMIT INFORMATION

# er Season Permits

Permit hunting seasons play a major role in Fish and Wildlife's deer management program. The three permit seasons provide a means to control hunting pressure, and thereby harvest, in each deer management zone to meet specific deer management objectives. With the additional harvest and recreational opportunity these seasons provide, an additional fee is charged for each permit.

For information and frequently asked questions about New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife's new Integrated Electronic Licensing and the sale of deer permits, see the article on page 7.

• Permits are required to hunt during the Permit Bow, Permit Muzzleloader and Permit Shotgun deer seasons.

• Farmer deer permit information is detailed on page 10.

• Deer permits are zone-specific and are valid for the duration of the specified zone's permit season, *even when that season extends into the* 2007 calendar year.

· Hunters are limited to purchasing one permit

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per zone for *each* of the permit seasons. Example: If you hunt only in Zone 19, you are limited to purchasing one muzzleloader, one bow and one shotgun permit for Zone 19. If you hunt in more than one zone you may purchase one muzzleloader, one bow and one shotgun permit for *each* zone. • Regardless of how many permits one has, hunters are limited to taking **one** buck during *each* of the permit seasons. (See *Deer Hunting Regulations, Licenses and Permits* for details, page 29.)

### Deer Permit Application Deadline midnight, Sept. 10, 2006

• Either a resident, non-resident or youth hunting license is a prerequisite to purchasing a deer permit. See page 6 for hunting license information.

• Muzzleloader season permits are not valid unless accompanied by both a valid rifle permit and a Firearm or All-around Hunting License.

• Permits are valid only for the season and zone indicated, are **non-transferable** and **non-refundable**.

It is illegal to use a permit for a zone or season or hunter other than what is written on the permit. Deer permit violations are subject to a fine of \$100-\$500 for each offense.
The cost per permit is \$28 for each adult and \$12 for each youth permit.

### Permits Available at Participating License Agents

• The deer management zones listed below all have permit quotas which currently far exceed the hunter demand. Those permits will be available without a lottery on a firstcome, first-served basis. In the rare instance that the demand reaches the permit quota for a specific zone and season combination, then those permits will no longer be available for purchase.

• Permits may be purchased at license agents listed on page 17 and on Fish and Wildlife's Internet sales site www.NJFishandWildlife.com for the following zones: 1-19, 21-31, 34-36, 41-43, 45-51, 55, 63 and 65. See *Lottery* 

*Permits*, below, for zones with lower quotas. • Bow, muzzleloader and shotgun permits will be available for sale beginning Oct. 10, 2006 and continue until Feb. 11, 2007.

• Hours of operation and types of payment accepted vary according to license agent.

• To purchase a permit at a license agent a hunter MUST present his or her valid current year's hunting license.

• A person may purchase a permit for an absent hunter only when the following conditions are met: 1.) the absent hunter has already completed his or her Child Support Certification through the Integrated Electronic Licensing System via the Internet or at a license agent using the electronic system and 2.) the buyer shows the absent hunter's valid hunting license and identifying information

### 2006 Deer Permit Quotas for Lottery Zones

Hunters can gauge their chance of winning a deer permit in any zone by comparing the 2006 permit quota (number of permits allotted) with the number of permits requested last year as the first choice in the first lottery.

ZONE	2005 Permit Bow Quota	1 <sup>st</sup> Choice Bow Requests 2005	2006 Permit Bow Quota	2005 Permit Shotgun Quota	1 <sup>st</sup> Choice Shotgun Requests 2005	2006 Permit Shotgun Quota	2005 Permit Muzzleloader Quota	1 <sup>st</sup> Choice Muzzleloader Requests 2005	2006 Permit Muzzleloader Quota
37	300	181	300	100	16	100	480	330	480
38	0	N/A	0	390	279	390	10	11	10
56	0	N/A	0	25	18	25	0	N/A	0
57	40	19	40	40	19	40	40	11	40
58	50	41	50	75	114	75	50	16	50
59	35	33	35	75	15	75	25	17	25
61	40	28	40	80	24	80	40	26	40
64	0	N/A	0	100	125	100	0	N/A	0
67	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	350	224	350

# **Deer Season Permits**

PERMIT INFORMATION

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(date of birth and Conservation ID Number or Social Security Number). Photocopies of licenses are not accepted.

The hunter is responsible to know in what zone and season he or she wants to hunt.
Hunters are urged to review their permit before leaving the license agent.

# • Once a permit has been paid for and the buyer leaves the store, there will be no

returns, exchanges or refunds. No exceptions. • Permits purchased online over the Internet will take 7 - 10 days for delivery. Hunters will have the option to pay extra for express delivery.

### **Special Area Deer Management Zones**

• Special Areas include federal military installations, certain state and county parks and national wildlife refuges.

• Select zones have specific qualifying criteria which hunters must meet before obtaining a permit. Certain zones are not open to the public. It is the hunters' responsibility to ensure property access prior to applying for or purchasing a permit.

• Refer to the *Special Areas Hunting Seasons* section on page 49 for specific details.

### **Military Zones**

Military base deer management zones include the following: Picatinny Arsenal (Zone 54), Earle NWS (Zones 39 and 40), Lakehurst NAES (Zone 53), FAA Tech Center (Zone 66) and Fort Dix (Zones 37). All have lower quotas with a limited number of available permits. Due to heightened security measures hunters must be sure to have proper security clearance and access prior to applying for or purchasing permits for military base zones.

Permits for Fort Dix, Zone 37 must be applied for in the lottery.

### **Lottery Permit Zones**

Zones which have a limited deer permit quota necessitate a lottery. Hunters may apply for a total of four deer permits (two bow, two firearm) through the lottery. Lottery applications may be submitted at license agents and on Fish and Wildlife's Internet sales site, www.NJFishandWildlife.com. Two random lotteries will be conducted. The first lottery will randomly select applicants only from the first lottery section of the application. The computer attempts to fill the applicant's first choice zone in the first lottery. If the first choice zone is no longer available, the computer then attempts to fill the second choice zone. The third choice zone is considered only when the first two choices are unavailable. Entering a second or third choice zone on the application is optional. If no zone choice(s) are available the applicant will receive a non-selection notice.

The second lottery will assign deer permits leftover from—and independent of—the first lottery. The method of permit assignment is identical to the first lottery. The applicant pool will include only those who have filed for the second lottery. After conducting both computerized lotteries, permits which remain will be available for purchase over-the-counter at selected Fish and Wildlife offices.

• Permits will be available by lottery for the following zones: 37, 38, 56, 57, 58, 59, 61, 64 and 67.

# • Deadline: Applications must be submitted before midnight on Sept. 10, 2006.

• Only ONE application per hunter.

• Applicants can edit their permit zone choices in the lottery by viewing the "Lottery Status" page via Fish and Wildlife's Internet sales site, www.NJFishandWildlife.com. Edits



must be completed prior to the application deadline. No request for changes will granted after the application deadline.

• Consult the *Permit Quotas for Lottery Zones* table, page 13, to determine your chances of winning a permit.

### **Lottery Permit Notification**

Late applications will not be accepted.
Once the lottery has been conducted and verified, applicants will receive notification of their permit status via e-mail or postcard.
Applicants will select their prefered means of notification at the time of application.

• Applicants will also have the ability to retrieve their permit status through the Web site.

• Winning permit applicants may choose to claim their permit at a license agent or via the Internet. A shipping and handling fee of \$1.50 plus 2.5% of the transaction is added for those claimed via the Internet.

# • All permits won in the lottery must be claimed before midnight on Sunday, Oct. 8, 2006 or they will be forfeited. *No exceptions.*

• Permits not claimed by the deadline (Oct. 8, 2006) will be considered "unwanted" and will be returned to the lottery pool to be made available for over-the counter sales of leftover permits.

If you have not received notification by Sept.28, contact Fish and Wildlife.

• For questions concerning the permit process, call the 24-hour automated Permit Hotline: (609) 292-9192.

### Over-the-Counter Sale of Leftover Lottery Permits

• Beginning at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2006 permits which remain unclaimed will be sold over-the-counter at license agents and at Fish and Wildlife's Internet sales site, www.NJFishandWildlife.com.

• Leftover permits will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

• A list of unclaimed permits will be available on Fish and Wildlife's Web site.

NOTE: Not all Special Areas will be sold overthe-counter. It is recommended that hunters apply for a permit in the lottery instead of waiting for possible leftover permits. See the *Special Areas Information* beginning on page 49.



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# 2006 New Jersey Duck Stamp Print



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The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's Division of Fish and Wildlife's Waterfowl Stamp Advisory Committee is proud to announce its 23rd edition waterfowl stamp painted by artist, Roger Cruwys. This 23rd edition is the fourth in the Retriever Puppy Series and features the Golden Retriever puppy and the wood duck decoy crafted by New Jersey decoy carver Jode Hillman.

Proceeds from sales of New Jersey's duck stamps and prints are used to acquire wetlands for waterfowl habitat and public use. To date, funds raised total more than \$4 million. Over 13,000 acres of waterfowl habitat have been acquired already, and the stamp advisory committee will continue working to enhance thousands of additional acres to benefit wildlife.

The stamp artist is an avid sportsman and self-taught awardwinning artist. A former pilot and guide, Cruwys holds both undergraduate and graduate degrees in landscape architecture/urban design from Syracuse University and the University of California at Berkeley, respectively. Cruwys' realistic depictions of wildlife, dogs and angling are the focal point of several major galleries, exhibitions and private collections. His works have appeared in many national sporting publications including *Fly Fisherman, Field & Stream*, and *Gray's Sporting Journal*. Cruwys has the honor of numerous state trout, salmon and waterfowl stamps to his credit, four of which feature dogs.

Carver Jode Hillman is a professional woodworker who carved his first decoy in 1999. His magnificent painting ability is attributed to countless hours of practice and a sheer sense of determination. Hillman's characteristic painting style is the most distinctive feature of his decoys. He has competed in several decoy competitions earning numerous awards, including a "Best of Show" at the 2005 Ocean County Decoy and Art Show. Hillman is an active member of the New Jersey Decoy Collectors Association and routinely conducts carving demonstrations at Tuckerton Seaport.

Limited edition, signed and numbered prints of the 23rd New Jersey waterfowl stamp can be purchased directly from the Division of Fish and Wildlife. To order a print, visit our Web site at www.NJFishandWildlife.com or send a self-addressed, stamped #10 envelope to: Waterfowl Prints, NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife, Northern District Office, 26 Route 173 West, Hampton, NJ 08827.





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# 2006-07 Highlights of Changes

# Highlights of Important Changes in the Hunting and Trapping Regulations

New Jersey sportsmen and women can look forward to another fabulous year of hunting and trapping. The Fish and Game Council, in response to your requests and after consultation with the Division of Fish and Wildlife, annually adopts regulatory changes which enhance hunting opportunity and further our wildlife management efforts. The following are highlights of the regulatory revisions and calendar changes.

### 2006 - 2007 Deer Seasons

Deer Management Zone boundary description only correction for Zone 5. See Zone Descriptions page 39 for specific boundary information.

### Winter Bow Season

At press time, proposed regulation amendments are in the final adoption process. These changes, *if adopted by the Fish and Game Council for inclusion in the 2006-2007 Game Code*, will affect the January 2007 Winter Bow Season. Prior to hunting the Winter Bow Season on or after January 1, 2007, visit our Web site at www.NJFishandWildlife.com to confirm if these regulation changes were approved into regulation.

Beginning in 2007, new hunting licenses will contain a separate transportation tag for winter bow antlerless and antlered deer. Buck stubs will be eliminated for antlered deer during all seasons on the **2007** license. When checking in an antlered buck with the Winter Bow Season antlered transportation tag, no supplemental tag will be issued. Supplemental tags will be issued only for antlerless deer.

Note that when an antlered deer is taken during the January or February 2007 segment of the *Permit Shotgun* or *Permit Muzzleloader* seasons, the buck stub from the 2006 license should be used along with the permit transportation tag. In other words, the procedure for these seasons **does not change**.

For specific information on deer season dates, bag limits and other regulations according to zone, see the *Deer Regulations Sets* p. 46 and *Deer Hunting Regulations* p. 29.

# The Perfect Deer Feed!

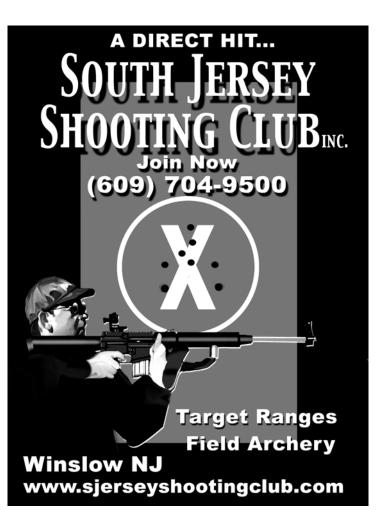
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ivision of Fish and Wildlife, may I help vou?"

"Yes, I'd like to report a wolf-like animal that just walked through my yard."

"It was probably a covote, where do you live?

"We have coyotes in New Jersey?"

"Yes, they occur in all 21 counties." "I didn't know that, when will you come out to trap it?"

"We will respond if the animal has caused damage or is acting aggr ... "

"But there are children in this neighborhood!"

population is increasing. However, reports of coyote damage have remained fairly stable in recent years. Although coyotes are fairly common, they do not cause a great deal of physical damage. Most calls fielded by WSS staff involve questions or fears about what a coyote might do.

Coyotes are typically secretive animals not often seen or heard. Yet there are times during the year when they are more visible and more vocal. Although usually nocturnal, coyotes can be seen any time of day, especially during the breeding season from late January into early March. Vocalizations, consisting of howls, yips and barks, also increase

at this time.

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Eastern coyotes differ from their western counterparts with a larger average size and various color phases, including blonde and black. This black female is from Worthington State Forest, Warren County.

This conversation is typical of many calls received on coyotes and coyote damage by the Wildlife Services Section (WSS) of the Division of Fish and Wildlife. The WSS fields thousands of calls every year concerning many wildlife species which come into contact with people. On average, the WSS receives about 100 coyote-related calls annually, with the majority of calls from concerned people seeing a coyote for the first time.

The latest statewide coyote population estimate from Fish and Wildlife's Furbearer Research Project is 3,000 animals and the

Fish and Wildlife then followed up with an educational presentation about covotes to over 200 concerned Denville residents.

In late winter of 2005, Lower Township in Cape May County was the site of a fatal coyote attack on a poodle. Coyotes became very visible and vocal at this time, and WSS staff fielded several complaints. Fish and Wildlife worked in the area attempting to call in and shoot the marauding animals, but were unsuccessful. WSS personnel again conducted an information session for concerned

residents from the area. Fatal attacks on dogs are not reported very often in New Jersey. Cats are more often victims of covote attacks, especially free-ranging and feral cats.

Coyotes occasionally attack and consume livestock and poultry. Several times each year reports are received of coyote attacks on sheep. Coyotes typically kill sheep by biting down on the animal's throat and windpipe and then hanging on until the sheep suffocates. Coyotes are efficient sheep killers and a farmer rarely knows his sheep were attacked at night until the carcasses are discovered the following morning. In fact, the farmer's dogs will often sleep through the incident.

Coyote attacks on livestock typically peak during two times of the year. Spring is the first peak when coyotes are busy providing food for their young. At this time, sheep are especially attractive to covotes as a food source because they are easy to kill and provide plentiful food for the growing pups. The second rise in livestock attacks occurs in the fall when parent coyotes are teaching their pups how to hunt. Skills learned dragging down sheep in the fall by the young coyotes are used in the spring to take deer fawns.

Coyote attacks on humans are rare in the northeast. The only recorded coyote attack on a human in New Jersey occurred in September 1999. A Boonton Township, Morris County woman was walking several dogs when a coyote attacked the dogs. The woman fell during the struggle and broke her leg. The coyote then approached her and bit her on the arm and did not run away until an onlooker beat the covote with a stick.

Coyote nuisance and damage situations are managed using an integrated approach. This means that several methods are employed to achieve the maximum effect and reduce the likelihood of continued problems. These control measures include offering the complainant technical advice on which preventative measures can be taken to make a property less hospitable to coyotes. Technical advice includes how to install or fortify fencing to prevent access by covotes and how to use sound deterrent devices or motion lights to scare coyotes. The WSS also uses either trapping or calling and shooting

wooded area adjacent to the school, then hazed them with pyrotechnics.



The Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area is home to this blonde male coyote. It is theorized that past interbreeding between gray wolves and coyotes may be responsible for the larger size and color variations in our eastern coyote.

when necessary to offer relief from individual problem animals.

Several preventive measures can be taken to reduce coyote-human interactions and the likelihood of continued problems with nuisance coyotes. Since coyotes are opportunistic feeders, removing potential food sources such as garbage and birdfeed will keep coyotes looking elsewhere for sustenance. Pets should not be fed outdoors.

Homeowners are also advised to keep their yards well manicured. Coyotes feed primarily on small mammals such as rabbits, mice and voles. Backyard debris or wood piles, as well as weedy and shrubby areas, can harbor these prey animals that attract coyotes.

Coyotes can be discouraged with motion lights outside homes. Leaving radios on at night also deters them. Sheep owners are advised to keep a well-maintained, electrified fence to prevent coyotes from entering the enclosure. Devices are available with lights and sirens that cycle periodically during the night and can be placed in sheep pastures to deter coyotes.

For situations where coyotes are actively returning to a farm to kill sheep, or are behaving aggressively towards people, the WSS will respond to the scene and use a predator call to attract the marauding animals. Depending on the situation, approaching coyotes are either shot with a firearm or hazed with pyrotechnics to frighten them from the area and discourage their return. Farmers may also destroy coyotes when they are found attacking sheep or causing other damage.

As the population increases, coyote sightings will become more common. Sightings alone should not cause alarm but are a signal to take the preventive measures described here. Significant damage and nuisance coyote problems should be reported to the Wildlife Services Section at (908) 735-8793.

# TAKE A KID HUNTING

# Youth Upland Bird Hunt Day Saturday, November 4, 2006

Youth hunters with a valid youth license, under the direct supervision of a New Jersey-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, Nov. 4, 2006 from 8 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.



Charles Fenwick, 13, took this 21 pound turkey with a 10inch beard on the youth turkey hunt day.

# Youth Turkey Hunt Day April 14, 2007

### 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 14, 2007. Youth must be under the direct supervision of an adult 21 years or older who possesses a valid New Jersey hunting license.

# TAKE A KID HUNTING Pheasant Hunt: November 4, 2006

The 2006 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, Nov. 4, 2006. In a cooperative effort between the Division of Fish and Wildlife and the New Jersey 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 guided hunt participants must preregister 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 below to:

Take a Kid Hunting, NJ Div. of Fish & Wildlife, Northern Region Hunter Education, 26 Rt.173 W, Hampton, NJ 08827. All entries must be postmarked by Oct. 20, 2006. Information will be mailed around Oct. 25, 2006. Selected Wildlife Management Areas for the Youth Pheasant Hunt:

WMA	Guided Morning	Open After 1 pm	Open All Day
Whittingham	Х	Х	
Black River	Х	Х	
Flatbrook			Х
Clinton	Х	Х	
Assunpink	Х	Х	
Colliers Mills	Х	Х	
Glassboro			Х
Millville	Х	Х	
Peaslee	Х	Х	

Guided: Pre-registration required.

**Open—Afternoon:** Any youth hunter with a valid youth hunting license under the direct supervision of a licensed, non-shooting adult (aged 21 or older), will be permitted to hunt on the listed Wildlife Management Areas on Nov. 4, 2006 from 1 p.m. until sunset. No registration required.

**Open—all day:** Any youth hunter with a valid youth hunting license under the direct supervision of a New Jersey-licensed, non-shooting adult (aged 21 or older), will be permitted to hunt on the listed Wildlife Management Areas on Nov. 4, 2006 from 8 a.m. until sunset. No registration required.

		Youth	Hunter	
Name:				
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# Youth Deer Hunting Days Youth Bow Hunt, Saturday, Sept. 23, 2006 Youth Firearm Hunt, Saturday, Nov. 18, 2006

Youth hunters with a valid youth hunting license corresponding to the season hunted may hunt statewide for one deer on each of the above dates. The youth hunter MUST be under the direct supervision of a person who is at least 21 years old and who has a valid New Jersey firearm or bow and arrow license corresponding to the season hunted. For the purpose 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. The adult CANNOT hunt or possess a firearm or bow. The adult may grunt call or rattle for the youth. In addition to the youth, the adult accompanying the youth should wear the required hunter orange during the youth firearm deer hunt.

During the Youth Firearm Deer Hunt, youths may 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 these days for the youth hunter. These hunts are extensions of the Fall Bow and Six-day Firearm seasons, 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 Fall Bow (or Six-day Firearm) Season Youth Hunt." The youth hunter will not be given a supplemental tag when the deer is checked.

The bag limit for each youth hunt day is only ONE deer of either sex. Youth hunters may still harvest two antlered deer during the Six-day Firearm Season and one antlered deer during the Fall Bow Season. Take this great opportunity to introduce youth hunters to deer hunting!



This 8-point buck was harvested during the permit shotgun season by Tommy Augustyniak, 16, in Hunterdon County.

# Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days

Youth hunters with a valid youth hunting license and under the direct supervision of a non-shooting New Jersey-licensed adult hunter (age 21 or older) will be permitted to hunt for waterfowl from 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset on the following dates by zone:

North Zone	Sept. 30
South Zone Nov.	10 and 11
Coastal Zone	Oct. 28

Ecologically, New Jersey's three waterfowl zones are quite different, each with unique patterns of waterfowl migration. The unique date by waterfowl zone allows the youth days to be held during periods of higher waterfowl abundance within each zone thus enhancing the waterfowl hunting experience for youths and their mentors.

Each youth hunter may participate on all three days. See the New Jersey 2006-07 Migratory Bird Regulations for further details including written zone boundary descriptions and species bag limits. Non-toxic shot is required. Federal and state waterfowl stamps are not required on these youth days. Daily bag limits for ducks, Canada geese (South Zone and Coastal Zone), brant, snow geese, coots, moorhens and gallinules will be the same as those allowed during the regular season. In the North Zone, the daily bag limit for Canada geese is 15 birds.



Better Ways to Bait Deer

ince 1999, when baiting deer became legal for hunting, many hunters have taken advantage of this technique to bring deer within their effective shooting range. Each year, more

hunters set out bait to help them harvest deer. Of course, hunters should check with the landowner or administrative agency before placing bait. Here are several guidelines to improve your hunting success this season without harming wildlife.

### **Bait in Moderation**

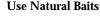
Use the smallest amount possible. The key word is *baiting* not *feeding*. The idea of baiting is to use a small treat to attract the deer into your area. Deer do not gain much, if any, nutrition from most bait because the bacteria in their stomachs is geared for specific, low carbohydrate, natural foods which change with the seasons. If part of your bait remains after a few days, you've put out too much.

### Broadcast Bait over a Large Area

Anytime you concentrate wildlife in one small location, you run the risk of spreading disease. Diseases like chronic wasting disease, which has made headlines in other states but has not been found in New Jersey, might be spread through noseto-nose contact or even by food of s contaminated from the saliva of bal an infected animal. To reduce the risk of spreading wildlife diseases, one should disperse the food over a large area rather than use tube-style feeders or piles of bait.

### Keep Bait Dry

Fungi grow on corn and other grains, when wet. A common grain mold, *aspergillus*, found especially in corn, produces aflatoxin, which can be lethal to wildlife. Birds eating infected bait could contract *aspergillosis*, a lung infection, which can kill wild turkey and other birds. Store bait in a dry location to discourage mold. By using a spin-style or gravity feeder with a cover, bait stays drier reducing the chance of fungal growth.



During the early fall much of the deer's diet consists of acorns. Deer will travel great distances to feed on acorns from

> white oaks, which they prefer over red oaks. During the few weeks when acorns are falling to the ground, large quantities can be collected. This natural bait can be strewn around your tree stand later in the season when most of the natural acorns have been eaten. Deer might avoid a pile of acorns, but when scattered around, deer will return to the site for days. This technique works best when hunting around oak trees.

### Don't Hunt Directly over Bait

Hunting directly over bait can make deer associate a bait site with danger. Once that happens, they are likely to shift their activity patterns to visit bait sites during the night. This can be avoided and hunting success increased by hunting the travel corridors leading to and from the bait. Remember when selecting your stand location that deer most often will approach the bait from downwind.

### Stop Baiting after the Season

There is no reason to bait throughout the year. Once you are done hunting for the season, it's time to remove the bait pile. Feeding corn, which is high in carbohydrates, to yearling deer in the late winter and early spring can cause chronic gas-

trointestinal disorders. If you want to feed deer on your land, consider planting food plots.

When done properly, baiting deer for hunting can increase hunter success without compromising the health of local deer and other wildlife populations. Consider these suggestions if you choose to bait deer.

Broadcast smaller amounts of bait over a larger area to reduce the risk of spreading wildlife diseases. Remember, most deer will approach bait from downwind.

### Cut Firewood in the Winter

Cutting trees in the wintertime, especially when there is snow cover, offers deer the tender tops of the trees normally out of reach. Cuttings from both softwoods such as cedar and pine or hardwoods such as oak and hickory provide native nutritional food, which will attract deer to your property. Be sure to secure the landowner's permission before cutting. Cutting vegetation is prohibited on state land.

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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 documents.

No person shall hunt except as prescribed by law. See section Permits for Hunters with Disabling Conditions, page 12, 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.

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

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

See chart on page 63 for details on small caliber rifle ammunition legal for hunting woodchucks.

### 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

# **General Hunting**

• 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 periods of Sept. 1 to Oct. 1 and from Mar. 1 to May 1 each year. Training hours shall be one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise.

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

Note: Regulations for dog training on Wildlife Management Areas Regulations are on page 70.

### 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. Hunting migratory birds with raptors on Sunday is prohibited.

**General Hunting** 

REGULATIONS

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 New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife, PO Box 400, Trenton, NJ 08625-0400 or call (908) 735-8793.

### **Farmer Regulations**

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

# For farmer hunting opportunities, see *Farmer License Exemption*, page 6; see also *Permits for Farmers*, page 10.

Farmers and their lessees occupying or farming their land, members of their immediate

### Specifically Prohibited:

- Carrying a loaded firearm or nocked arrow within 450 feet of an occupied building or any school playground is prohibited, except the owner or lessee of a building and persons specifically authorized by him in writing may hunt within 450 feet of the building. Note: persons authorized to hunt within 450 feet of a building must be in the possession of the written permission when hunting.
- 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.
- · Sights which project a spot or light onto the game animal.
- Hunting for or shooting any wildlife by aid of a light, except when hunting raccoon, opossum while on foot or when hunting coyote/fox during the special coyote/fox season.
- 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.
- 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.

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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. See also *Wildlife Damage Control*, page 27.

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 Fish and Wildlife Law Enforcement office must be notified within 24 hours of killing a coyote. See telphone directory page 88.

### 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, bear, waterfowl, woodchuck (farmers only) and coyote/fox during the Special Permit Coyote and Fox Season.

- Rimfire and centerfire rifles are not legal to hunt deer.
- See sections on specific game animals for permitted firearms and ammunition.

• No person shall use a shotgun capable of holding more than three shells at one time or that may be fired more than three times without reloading.

### Hunter Orange

Firearm hunters must wear a cap made of solid 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 with a firearm for 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 bowhunters 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.

### **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 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, bear, coyote/fox and squirrel hunting during the special season in certain zones. For muzzleloader rifle squirrel hunting, see page 61. For muzzleloader deer hunting, see page 30. For rifle permit information, see page 10. For muzzleloader coyote/fox hunting, see page 60.

### 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.

### Possession Of Certain Wildlife By Persons, Taxidermists & Butchers

No person shall have in possession a deer, bear or turkey that he himself or she herself did not kill unless it has a tag bearing the name, address, telephone number, license and permit numbers of the person who killed the deer, bear or turkey. Those in the business of processing deer, bear or turkey, that is butchers, taxidermists, etc., shall keep a ledger of all of their customers. Each customer's name, current address, day and evening telephone numbers, hunting license number, and possession seal number of any black bear, deer or turkey being processed shall be included in the ledger. The ledger shall be made available for inspection upon request during the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. by any law enforcement officer or employee of the Division of Fish and Wildlife.

Taxidermists note: The sale of wild birds and game animals or parts thereof is prohibited in New Jersey. Legally trapped furbearers may be sold. Questions should be directed to a regional Fish and Wildlife law enforcement office.

### Shotguns

Shotguns larger than 10-gauge are prohibited. Shotguns may not be capable of holding more than three shells. For information on legal shot sizes, see regulations for each game species to be hunted.

### 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 and 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 must have permission (oral or written) from the landowner or lessee prior to entering either posted lands or agricultural lands (which are not required to be posted). Hunters also must obtain permission to enter posted land and agricultural land to recover deer. Hunters and trappers may not enter unposted land after having been forbidden to trespass by the owner, lessee or occupant.

If a hunter or trapper is charged with trespass, they must provide documentation of written permission in court for their defense. See page 71 for the Hunt SMART Courtesy Card.

### **Property Damage**

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 two years.

### Wildlife

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

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these species range from \$250-\$5,000.

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

The sale of wild birds or game animals or parts thereof is prohibited except as described in N.J.S.A. 23:4-27. For more specific information, refer to our website, www.NJFishandWildlife.com

### Wildlife Damage Control

Property owners and occupants of dwellings, or their agents designated in writing, suffering damage from squirrel, raccoon, opossum, skunk, weasel, woodchuck, gray fox, red fox and coyote may control these animals by lawful procedures at any time subject to state law and local ordinances. Farmers or their agents may also control the above species by lawful procedures when found destroying livestock, crops or poultry at any time subject to state and local ordinances. **Note: Persons** who kill a coyote must notify a Fish and Wildlife Regional Law Enforcement Offices within 24 hours.



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# Legal Deer Hunting Hours: half hour before sunrise to half hour after sunset

Hunters must surrender a valid Antlered Buck Stub from their 2006 license for each antlered deer harvested except *for the 2007 winter bow season; see Tagging Requirements* below.

Only one antiered deer may be taken per season statewide, except during the Six-Day Firearm Season, regardless of the number of special season permits in possession. To be legal, all deer harvested must be registered at an official deer check station (see page 54) and have a metal possession seal affixed to the deer. Only after registering the first deer may a hunter take or attempt to take another deer, where legal, unless specifically written as an exception.

### **Licenses and Permits**

• See *Licenses, Permits and Stamps*, page 6, for details and for Hunter Education requirements.

• Additional hunting licenses may not be purchased in order to harvest additional 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 two 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 two bow permits (or two shotgun permits or two 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 Concepts and Definitions**

• **Antiered deer** is defined as any deer with at least one antler measuring at least three inches in length as defined below.

• 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.
Antlerless deer is defined as any deer that does not have an antler length measuring at least three inches. For the purposes of this definition, adult deer that have shed their antlers are considered antlerless deer.

• Earn-A-Buck zones include zones 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 36, 40, 41, 49, 50, 51 and 67. The first deer harvested by the hunter from these zones during the Fall Bow, Permit

Earn-A-Buck regulations end after Dec. 9, 2006 for ALL seasons.

Bow, Permit Muzzleloader and Permit Shotgun seasons through Dec. 9, 2006 must be an antlerless deer as defined above. Earn-A-Buck is a tool to reduce the growth of deer herds in areas where the harvest of antlerless animals under regular harvest guidelines is insufficient to reach desired population levels. The number of antlerless deer harvested, including does, is increased substantially in Earn-A-Buck zones.

• Bank-A-Doe Program is available *only* in Earn-A-Buck (EAB) zones (zones 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 36, 40, 41, 49, 50 and 51 during the Fall Bow Season. Hunters MUST take harvested deer to a participating Bank-A-Doe station to be eligible for this program. To participate in the Bank-A-Doe program:

1. Hunters MUST Complete a Bank-A-Doe Harvest Record Card available only at a participating Bank-A-Doe check stations; see highlighted check station list, p. 54. The completed Bank-A-Doe Harvest Record Card will include the hunter's personal information, harvest date, possession seal number and list the Bank-A-Doe check station(s) used for each of the TWO antlerless deer harvested during the Fall Bow Season.

2. Hunters MUST check in TWO antlerless deer harvested from any Earn-A-Buck Zone during the Fall Bow Season. This qualifies the hunter to harvest an antlered deer on their first tag during the Permit Bow Season. 3. Both of the antlerless deer (harvested during Fall Bow) and the antlered buck (harvested during Permit Bow) **MUST** be checked in **only** at a participating Bank-A-Doe station; see highlighted check station list, p. 54. As in the past, when you harvest only one antlerless deer during Fall Bow in any EAB zone, you are then eligible to harvest one antlered deer during the Fall Bow Season. So take your first Fall Bow deer to a Bank-A-Doe check station and complete the Harvest Record Card. 4. Hunters MUST also check in their qualified, first tag Permit Bow antlered deer at one of

the Bank-A-Doe check stations. Here the

Bank-A-Doe Harvest Record card now MUST be surrendered with the Permit Bow Transportation Tag and the Permit Bow Antlered Buck Stub.

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**Note:** Antlerless deer taken from a non-EAB zone will NOT satisfy the Bank-A-Doe requirement. Antlerless deer checked in at non-participating check stations DO NOT satisfy the Bank-A-Doe requirement. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** 

• Quality Deer Management zones include Zones 3, 6, 9, 13, 27, 29, 35, 37, 40, 59, 63 and 67. The harvest of antlered deer from these zones during any open season is restricted to deer with at least one antler having a minimum of three antler points as defined above. The goal of this antler point restriction strategy as part of Quality Deer Management is to reduce harvest pressure on the 1½-year-old antlered deer in the expectation that they will survive to produce larger antlers as older animals.

• Special Areas Deer Management zones include Zones 37, 38, 39, 40, 53, 54, 56, 57, 58, 59, 61, 64, 66 and 67. They are generally small, publicly owned properties administered by county, federal or state agencies (other than Fish and Wildlife) where deer season dates, bag limits or regulations differ from those of the surrounding deer management zone. See page 49 for details.

• Youth Hunter status applies to the possessor of a valid Youth Hunting License (or the immediate family member of a qualified occupant farmer who is at least 10 years of age) and continues until Dec. 31 of the year in which he or she turns 16 years of age. The Youth Bow Deer Hunt Day is Saturday, Sept. 23, 2006. The Youth Firearm Deer Hunt Day is Saturday, Nov. 18, 2006. The bag limit for youth hunters on this day is one deer of either sex. Antler point restrictions do not apply to deer taken on this day by youth hunters. See page 23.

### Firearms, Ammunition and Sights

• See page 25 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

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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.

• When hunting during the overlapping firearms seasons for deer and when in possession of the proper permits for the current seasons, hunters may carry the firearms legal for the current seasons. For example, when Six-day Firearm and Permit Muzzleloader seasons run concurrently, a hunter may be in possession of a shotgun and a muzzleloading rifle and/or smoothbore muzzleloader.

• 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.
Double-barreled muzzleloading rifles are not

permitted during the Six-day Firearm or Permit Muzzleloader seasons.

• Special Areas Deer Management Zones may have regulations that differ from the statewide regulations. See page 49 for details.

### **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.

### **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, that casts a beam of light upon the deer.

### **Bag Limits**

· Properly licensed hunters are limited to taking one antlered buck per season (regardless of the number of permits purchased) during the Fall Bow, Permit Bow, Permit Muzzleloader, Permit Shotgun and Winter Bow seasons. Two antlered bucks may be taken during the Six-Day Firearm Season. Note: If two antlered bucks are taken during the Six-Day Firearm Season, the antlered buck bag limit for Permit Shotgun Season is then zero. Hunters may choose: take either two antlered bucks during Six-day Firearm Season, or one antlered buck during Six-day Firearm Season and one antlered buck during Permit Shotgun Season. The antlerless bag limit for these seasons will be one, two or unlimited depending on the zone and season.

• Two deer may be taken at a time in Zones 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 19, 25, 36, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 48, 49, 50, 51, 54, 56, 64 and 66 during the Permit Muzzleloader and Permit Shotgun seasons, respectively (in those zones open for those seasons), until the season concludes.

### Tagging Requirements Transportation Tag

Immediately upon harvesting any deer, hunters must complete in ink all information requested on the transportation tag either attached to your license, deer season permit or supplemental tag. Be sure to use the transportation tag corresponding to the hunting season for the deer you harvested. This shall be in addition to the Buck Stub if applicable; see *Buck Stub*, page 31.

1. A valid transportation tag must be detached from your license or permit then securely attached to the deer immediately after it has been killed.

2. Youth and farmer hunters creating a handwritten transportation tag must include the following information: hunting license number

### 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 archer's draw length (long and recurve bows) or peak weight (compound bow)	Arrows must be fitted with a well-sharpened metal broad- head 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 three shells	Slugs-lead, lead alloy or copper rifled slug or sabotted 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 smooth- bore 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 three 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 <i>smoothbores</i> 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")	

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(youths only), Conservation ID number (farmers, if assigned), date, hunting season, gender of deer, number of antler points, county, township and deer management zone.

3. Transportation tags from 2006 permits are valid for the entire length of the Permit Bow, Permit Muzzleloader and Permit Shotgun seasons, including January and February 2007, if the zone specified on the original permit is open for hunting during these dates.

4. All Supplemental Deer Transportation Tags are valid immediately for taking another deer on the day of issuance.

5. See *Highlights of Important Changes* on page 19 for changes to 2007 Winter Bow tagging requirements.

6. See Mandatory Deer Check Station Requirement below.

### **Buck Stub**

Immediately upon harvesting any antlered deer, hunters must initial and date in ink, the buck stub from your hunting license. Be sure to use the buck stub corresponding to the hunting season for the deer you harvested. This shall be in addition to the regular transportation tag; see above.

Buck stubs from 2006 firearms licenses are valid for the entire length of the Permit Muzzleloader and Permit Shotgun seasons, including January and February 2007 if the zone specified on the original permit is open for hunting during these dates.

### After Harvesting a Deer: Mandatory Deer Check Requirement

Immediately upon harvesting a deer, hunters must complete in ink all required tags and/or buck stub. See *Tagging Requirements* above.

1. All hunters are required to register harvested deer. Bring your deer to the closest official deer check station (see page 54), except for Bank-A-Doe, see page 29 for special check station requirements.

2. Be discrete when transporting your deer to and from a check station, butcher or taxidermist.

3. Deer must be taken to the check station **by the hunter who killed the deer**, on the day killed, by 8 p.m. during the regular Fall Bow Season, and by 7 p.m. during all other seasons. See shaded box at right for late deer recovery when check station is closed.

4. Transportation tags and buck stubs, if applicable, must be surrendered to the check station operator. Check station personnel will attach a legal metal possession seal to the deer, and, if applicable, will issue a New Jersey Supplemental Transportation Tag for the harvest of another deer. It is the hunter's responsibility that the seal is attached and locked on the deer.

5. Remember: Bring your hunting license and applicable deer season permit to the deer check station.

### 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. 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, 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.

### Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Guidance

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) affects the central nervous system of deer family species. Most scientists believe the disease is caused by an infectious protein or prion. CWD has been diagnosed in mule deer, whitetailed deer, black-tailed deer and mule deer, white-tailed deer hybrids and North American elk. Moose have been experimentally infected through oral inoculation.

There is no evidence linking CWD to disease in humans; however, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the World Health Organization recommend that people do not consume meat from an apparently sick deer, elk or any animal found dead or known to be positive for CWD. Also, as a precaution What should be done when a deer is recovered too late to register at a check station including Bank-A-Doe stations?

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

### For deer harvested in these counties:

Bergen	Morris	Union
Essex	Passaic	Warren
Hunterdon	Somerset	
Hudson	Sussex	

Call the Northern Region Law Enforcement Office at (908) 735-8240.

For deer harvested in these counties:BurlingtonMonmouthMercerOcean

Middlesex

### Call the Central Region Law Enforcement Office at (609) 259-2120

For deer harvested in these counties:

Cape May	Salem
Call the Sou	thern Region Law
	Office at (856) 629-0555

- 2. Leave a message on the recorder with your name, phone number, hunting license number and from which deer management zone the deer was taken. Mention if you harvested a Bank-A-Doe deer.
- 3. Check your deer the following morning at the deer check station closest to your home or a designated Bank-A-Doe check station, if required. If weather conditions necessitate butchering the deer immediately, the hunter must bring the head and hide to be checked the next day.

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# **Wildlife Heritage Festival** Celebrating National Hunting and Fishing Day

# September 24, 2006

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- Wildlife Artists



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in areas where CWD has been identified, hunters are advised not to eat tissues known to harbor CWD prions (lymph nodes, tonsils, spleen, pancreas, brain, and spinal cord) and to "bone out" the meat.

CWD has been diagnosed in deer and elk in 13 states and two Canadian Provinces:

Colorado <sup>1</sup>	Alberta, Canada <sup>2</sup>
llinois <sup>3</sup>	Nebraska <sup>1</sup>
Kansas <sup>2</sup>	New Mexico <sup>3</sup>
New York <sup>1</sup>	Minnesota <sup>2</sup>
Utah <sup>3</sup>	South Dakota <sup>1</sup>
Montana <sup>2</sup>	Wisconsin <sup>1</sup>
Oklahoma <sup>2</sup>	Wyoming <sup>1</sup> *
Saskatchewan, Car	nada1

<sup>1</sup> CWD in both captive and wild deer

<sup>2</sup> CWD in captive deer only

- <sup>3</sup> CWD in wild deer only
- \* captive research herd

CWD can be transmitted among adult deer, and the prions have been found in the brain, eyes, spinal cord, spleen, tonsils and lymph nodes. Prions in these tissues of infected deer can potentially infect other deer if they are disposed of improperly.

To ensure you do not inadvertently spread CWD prions from the above-listed states: • Follow the rules of the states in which you hunt to ensure you do not spread CWD

• Bring back to New Jersey only hides, capes and boned meat free of spinal cord, brain and associated lymph nodes

• Bring back to New Jersey skull plates free of brain residue and disinfected by soaking in a 30 percent Clorox solution for 15 minutes

• Do not dispose of carcasses (particularly skull, brain, spinal cord, lymph nodes) in the wild when you return to New Jersey. The remains of an eviscerated butchered deer or elk must be disposed of in the household trash where it will be delivered to an appropriate landfill.

• Butchers must use food-waste dumpsters for appropriate disposal of larger quantities of deer remains in landfills.

• Taxidermists must not dispose of curing salts, deer or elk carcasses or body parts in the wild where deer may find them. Taxidermists with larger quantities of animal parts must use foodwaste dumpsters for appropriate disposal.

• For the latest CWD information, visit our Website at www.NJFishandWildlife.com/ cwdinfo.htm.



A recent Hunter Education graduate with only three hunting-days of experience, Tina Pagano, 23, took this Hunterdon County buck with one clean shot. Although hunting with her uncle, Tom Lizzi, Tina field dressed the deer and dragged it from the woods herself.



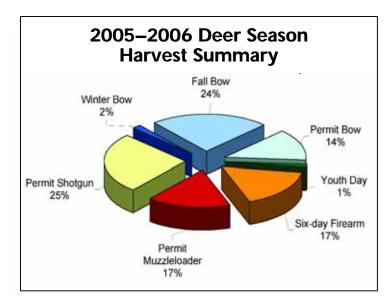
**Deer Hunting** 

REGULATIONS

# 2005-2006 Deer Harvest

### SUMMARIES

New Jersey deer hunters harvested 59,657 deer during the 2005 – 2006 season between September 10, 2005 and February 18, 2006. The harvest for this year's deer season is the second lowest since the institution of Earn-A-Buck regulations in 1999, and is nearly two percent higher than the 58,564 deer taken in 2004. The minimal increase may indicate a stabilization of the deer herd in New Jersey based on current management strategies and objectives. The antlerless portion of the 2005 harvest was 39,145 animals, down four percent from 2004; the antlered portion of the 2005 harvest was 20,508 animals, up almost 14 percent from 2004.



2005-06 Deer Harvest by County and Season

Fall 6 Day Permit Winter Youth Total Permit Permit Firearm Bow Bow Muzzle-Shotgun Bow Day Harvest loader County Atlantic Bergen Burlington Camden Cape May Cumberland Essex Gloucester Hunterdon Mercer Middlesex Monmouth Morris Ocean Passaic Salem Somerset Sussex Union Warren Unknowr Totals 

DEER SEASONS								
	Fall Bow	Permit Bow	Youth Day	6 Day Fire- arm	Permit Muzzle- loader	Permit Shot- gun	Winter Bow	Total Harvest
DMZ 1	81	72	6	173	152	14	9	50
2	497	303	39	428	577	563	39	2440
3	98	99	13	103	206	19	11	549
4	142	128	15	124	280	24	21	734
5	615	428	60	797	463	1151	25	3539
6	126	139	13	126	173	59	31	66
7	502	289	22	391	296	669	24	219
8	1373	691	39	777	558	1527	45	501
9	397	236	7	87	62	274	38	110
10 11	951 509	442 292	38 24	603 284	528 290	884 520	26 11	347: 193
12	1344	593	38	535	585	1179	65	433
13	687	393	4	84	155	277	81	168
14	596	326	12	268	170	630	43	204
15	370	235	13	199	161	604	14	159
16	329	225	18	209	254	252	22	130
17	194	98	12	207	168	614	3	129
18	117	100	13	148	109	92	17	59
19	391	225	26	297	323	677	25	196
21	245	145	21	349	265	29	41	109
22	127	56	7	60	35	41	4	33
23	173	131	28	372	311	30	37	108
24	85	47	14	237	163	16	15	57
25 26	279 386	125 167	35 43	218 420	186	713 214	9 20	156
26	198	132	23	156	370 262	214	13	102
28	327	206	23	194	202	203	13	133
29	222	146	29	169	318	366	13	126
30	49	74	14	96	93	80	7	41
31	148	74	11	53	114	75	12	48
34	146	129	24	207	236	122	32	89
35	293	237	34	204	312	361	20	146
36	196	112	3	64	103	257	34	76
37	75	54	0	23	126	7	9	29
38	0	0	0	0	6	141	0	14
39	33	36	1	24	69	171	1	33
40	4	6	0	0	14	3	2	2
41 42	297 89	143 58	13	197 115	120 85	334 223	6	111 58
43	21	23	4	74	52	1	4	17
45 45	52	49	10	132	136	14	- 4	40
46	68	43	13	191	118	25	11	46
47	59	34	4	67	84	63	7	31
48	153	113	16	166	131	500	9	108
49	72	50	1	19	17	76	15	25
50	511	222	12	149	98	425	50	146
51	240	143	9	80	61	386	30	94
53	19	14	1	4	27	35	6	10
54	8	11 8	0	13 30	9	23 15	2	6 9
55 56	0	8	0	30	25 0	25	0	9
50 57	1	5	0	1	3	25	0	2
58	0	9	0	0	12	10	0	4
59	1	18	3	0	4	18	0	4
61	0	2	0	4	4	14	0	2
63	97	39	12	38	63	53	4	30
64	0	0	0	0	0	38	0	3
65	27	30	5	31	53	9	1	15
66	3	1	0	2	1	15	0	2
67	0	0	0	0	170	0	0	17
Unknown	0	0	0	2	0	2	1	
Totals	14040	8206	839	10001	10040	15533	998	5965

2005–06 Total Deer Harvest

### 2005-2006 Deer Harvest

SUMMARIES

	The 2005-06 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	75	4.0	6.8			
2	149	6.4	16.4			
3	160 71	1.7 4.6	3.4 10.3			
5	215	6.9	16.5			
6	176	1.9	3.8			
7	103 203	6.3 7.1	21.3 24.7			
9	52	3.9	24.7			
10	110	9.8	31.6			
11	68	7.9	28.4			
12 13	152 109	7.2 3.0	28.5 15.4			
14	165	3.3	12.4			
15	86	4.4	18.6			
16	91	5.5	14.4			
17 18	90 70	4.6 4.3	14.4 8.5			
19	159	4.0	12.4			
21	192	3.3	5.7			
22 23	69 178	2.0 3.4	4.8 6.1			
23	169	3.4 2.3	6.1 3.4			
25	164	3.0	9.5			
26	195	3.9	8.3			
27 28	103 125	3.7 4.0	10.2 10.7			
29	98	4.0	12.9			
30	92	2.2	4.5			
31	40	3.8	12.2			
34 35	245 171	1.8 3.4	3.7 8.5			
36	138	1.2	5.6			
37	20	5.6	14.7			
38 39	12 15	0.8 4.2	12.3 22.3			
40	1	6.0	29.0			
41	39	8.6	28.5			
42	90	2.5	6.5			
43 45	27 65	3.8 3.4	6.6 6.2			
46	79	3.8	5.9			
47	54	2.4	5.9			
48 49	86 71	4.4 1.0	12.7 3.5			
50	137	2.6	10.7			
51	138	1.3	6.9			
52	23	1.2	4.6			
53 54	8 10	3.3 5.2	8.3 9.8			
55	6	0.2	4.2			
56	1	2.0	20.0			
57	1 4	18.0	40.0			
58 59	2	3.5 4.0	11.0 12.0			
61	5	23.4	61.2			
63	33	0.5	1.2			
64 65	3 17	25.0 0.8	52.0 1.3			
66	3	6.7	56.7			
67	15	0.2	0.3			
STATE	5248					

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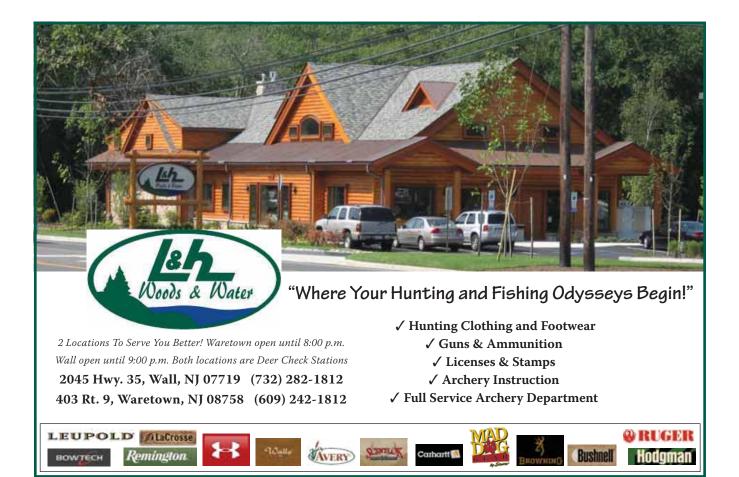
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### Note: Shaded zones represent a change for this year.

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. 633; then south along Rt. 633 to its intersection with Rt. 521; then northwest along Rt. 521 to its intersection with Rt. 206; then northwest on Rt. 521/Rt. 206 to its 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. 287 in Oakland; then south on Rt. 287 to its intersection with Rt. 23 in Riverdale; 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 it's intersection with Rt. 521; then south along Rt. 521 to its intersection with Beavans Rd at the Hampton Twp. - Frankford Twp. border; then northwest along Beavans Rd to its intersection with the base of the Kittatiny Ridge 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 Rt. 521 and Beavans Road at the Hampton Township – Frankford Township border; then southeast on Rt. 521 to its intersection with Rt. 633; then north on Rt. 633 to its intersection with Rt. 206 in Branchville; 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 Beavans Rd. at the Hampton Twp. - Frankford Twp. border; then southeast along Beavans Rd. to its intersection with Rt. 521at 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. 618; then south along Rt. 618 to its intersection with Rockaway Valley Rd.; then southwest along Rockaway Valley Rd. to its intersection with Diamond Spring Rd.; then south along Diamond Spring Rd. with West Main St. in Denville; then south along West Main St. 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.



### **Be Sure of Your Target** and Beyond Be aware of all SAFETY ZONES.

VIOLATION	FIRST OFFENSE	REPEAT OFFENSES
Deer Permit Violations (Hunting without permit, wrong season, wrong zone, permit transfer)	\$100 to \$300 fine	\$300 to \$500 fine Two convictions within five years and two-year loss of license
Hunting within 450 ft. of a school playground or build-ing	\$100 to \$300 fine	\$300 to \$1,500 fine and permanent loss of license
Negligent use of a weapon (Did cause injury or death of another person)	\$500 to \$2,000 fine and five year loss of license	\$1000 to \$4,000 fine and permanent loss of license
Damage or injury to real or personal property of another	Up to \$2,000 fine and five-year loss of license plus restitution for damages	Up to \$2,000 fine and permanent loss of license plus restitution for damages
Careless use of a weapon (shooting into safety zone, handling weapon in unsafe manner)	\$100 to \$500 fine and two-year loss of license	\$100 to \$500 fine and two-year loss of license.
Trespass	\$100 to \$200 fine	\$200 to \$500 fine and five-year loss of license

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**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. 255 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 Rt. 12 to 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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**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 along the 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 206 to the point beginning at Somerville. Rotary and Blauguard Islands lying in the Delaware River 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 Rt. 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 New Jersey 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 Rt. 537 to the intersection with Hawkin Road (Prospertown-Colliers Mills Road: Rt. 640) then southeast along Hawkin Road (Prospertown-Colliers Mills Road: Rt. 640; to the intersection with Colliers Mills Road; then west along Colliers Mills Road

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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 (Prospertown-Colliers Mills Road: Rt. 640); then northwest along Hawkin Road (Prospertown-Colliers Mills Road: Rt. 640) to the intersection with Rt. 537 near Prospertown; 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 inter- section with Soov 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 their 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 (Vincentown-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-Browns 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 Road), 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 (PembertonBrowns 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 (Zone 37) is 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 near Manahawkin; 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 east to the Atlantic Ocean; then north along the Atlantic Ocean to Rt. 72 at Ship Bottom; then west along Rt. 72 to 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 with 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 Nescochague Creek; then northwest along Nescochague 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

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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 inter- section 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 their 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 their 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 (Vincentown-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 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 (Hurfville-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 westward 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 County 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 inter- section 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 Nescochaque 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 Road 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. 332 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; 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. 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 of Rt. 47 at Malaga; then south on Rt. 47 to its intersection of 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.

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**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 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 Ocean at the Great Egg Harbor Inlet; then southwest along the Atlantic Ocean at the Great Egg Harbor Inlet; then southwest 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. 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 Cassbor; then west on Rt. 635 to its intersection with Mantua Creek at Glassboro; then northwest along the Mantua Creek to the Delaware River; the 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 with Rt. 287 in Oakland; then south along Rt. 287 to its intersection with Rt. 23; then rt. 23 northwest to its intersection with Rt. 618; then south along Rt. 618 to its intersection with Rockaway Valley Rd.; then southwest along Rockaway Valley Rd. to its intersection with Diamond Spring Rd.; then south along Diamond Spring Rd. with West Main St. in Denville; then south along West Main St. to its intersection with Rt. 80; then east 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 and Ocean counties.

**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 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 northeast along the Atlantic Ocean to Great Bay; then west along the south shore of Great Bay to the confluence 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 lands (excluding Laurel Memorial Park Cemetery), roads, right of ways and easements within the contiguous boundary of 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 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 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 Milmay; 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) is intersection with Broad Street (Rt. 552 spur), the point of beginning.

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**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 to its intersection with the Tuckahoe River at Milmay; then south along the east bank of the Tuckahoe River at Milmay; 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 by-pass 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 Interstate-295 to its intersection with Rancocas Creek; then east along the Rancocas Creek to its intersection with the New Jersey Turnpike; then southwest along the New Jersey 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-Hurfville 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 the

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), and Naval Weapons Station Earle (Zones 39 and 40), 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 near Manahawkin; then east along Rt. 72 to the Atlantic Ocean at Ship Bottom; 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 to the intersection with Rt. 34; then south on Rt. 34 to the intersection with Tinton Falls Rd. and Rt. 33; then south on Rt. 547 through Farmingdale to the intersection with Rt. 571, the point of beginning.

#### Zone No. 52: Not designated.

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

**Zone No. 54:** Those portions of Picatinny Arsenal, U.S. Department of the Army, Installation Management Agency (IMA), 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 Avenue); 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. Department 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. Department 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. Department 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. Department of the Interior, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Salem County.

Zone No. 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.

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**Zone No. 63:** That portion of Salem County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of the Salem 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; 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 east bank of the Delaware River; then northwest along the east bank of the Delaware River; then northwest along the east bank of the Delaware River; then northwest along the east bank of the Delaware River; then northwest 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 Township, Gloucester County; 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; 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 Road; then southwest along Piney Hollow Road 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:** That portion of Atlantic County including lands, roads, right of ways and easements within the contiguous boundary of the Federal Aviation Administration William J. Hughes Technical Center, excluding Laurel Memorial Park Cemetery. Lands open for deer hunting only and persons authorized to hunt deer on the facility shall be determined by the Federal Aviation Administration William J. Hughes Technical Center, the administrative agency.

**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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# 2006-07 Deer Season

REGULATION SETS

### **Regulation Set #1**

### ZONE(S): 4

- Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.
- No deer hunting on Sunday.
- Hunters must surrender a valid ANTLERED BUCK STUB from their 2006 license whenever harvesting an antlered deer.
- Note: Supplemental Deer Transportation Tags marked "valid for the taking of a 3rd or more deer" are not valid in any zone within Regulation Sets # 1, 2 or 3.

**Fall Bow (24 days): Sept. 30** - **Oct. 27, 2006** Season bag limit is two deer, only ONE may be antlered (see **Note** above).

**Permit Bow (25 days): Oct. 28 - Nov. 25, 2006** Season bag limit is two deer, only ONE may be antlered (see **Note** above). Hunters may purchase only one special season bow permit per zone.

Youth Day - Bow (1 day): Sept. 23, 2006

Youth Day – Firearm (1 day): Nov. 18, 2006 Season bag limit is one deer of either sex on each day for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the youth's bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm Season.

Winter Bow (27 days): Jan. 1 - 31, 2007 Season bag limit is two deer, only ONE may be antlered (see Note above). Use 2007 Winter Bow ANTLERED Transportation Tag from 2007 license if an antlered deer is harvested. **Permit Muzzleloader (12 days): Nov. 27, 28 and Dec. 11, 12, 16** - **23 and 26, 2006** Season bag limit is two deer, only ONE may be antlered (see **Note** above). Hunters may purchase only one special season muzzleloader permit per zone.

**Six-day Firearm (6 days): Dec. 4 - 9, 2006** Season bag limit is two antlered deer; however, if hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.

**Permit Shotgun Season (1 day): Dec. 13, 2006** Season bag limit is one deer – which MUST be antlerless if two antlered deer were harvested during the Six-Day Firearm Season (see **Note** above). Hunters may purchase only one special season shotgun permit per zone.

### **Regulation Set #2**

ZONE(S): 1, 3\*, 21, 23, 24, 43, 45, 46 \* Any antlered deer taken in Zone 3 must have at least three antler points on one side of the rack.

- Legal hunting hours :1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.
- No deer hunting on Sunday.
- Hunters must surrender a valid ANTLERED BUCK STUB from their 2006 license whenever harvesting an antlered deer.
- Note: Supplemental Deer Transportation Tags marked "valid for the taking of a 3rd or more deer" are not valid in any zone within Regulation Sets # 1, 2 or 3.

**Fall Bow (24 days): Sept. 30** - **Oct. 27, 2006** Season bag limit is two deer, only ONE may be antlered (see **Note** above).

**Permit Bow (25 days): Oct. 28** - **Nov. 25, 2006** Season bag limit is two deer, only ONE may be antlered (see **Note** above). Hunters may purchase only one special season bow permit per zone.

### Youth Day - Bow (1 day): Sept. 23, 2006

Youth Day – Firearm (1 day): Nov. 18, 2006 Season bag limit is one deer of either sex on each day for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the youth's bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm Season.

Winter Bow (27 days): Jan. 1 - 31, 2007 Season bag limit is two deer, only ONE may be antlered (see Note above). Use 2007 Winter Bow ANTLERED Transportation Tag from 2007 license if an antlered deer is harvested. Permit Muzzleloader (21 days): Nov. 27, 28, and Dec. 11, 12, 16 - 23 and 26 - 30, 2006 and Jan. 1 - 5, 2007 Season bag limit is two deer, only ONE may be antlered (see Note above). Hunters may purchase only one special season muzzleloader permit per zone.

**Six-day Firearm (6 days): Dec. 4** - **9, 2006** Season bag limit is two antlered deer; however, if hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.

**Permit Shotgun Season (1 day): Dec. 13, 2006** Season bag limit is one deer – which MUST be antlerless if two antlered deer were harvested during the Six-Day Firearm Season (see **Note** above). Hunters may purchase only one special season shotgun permit per zone.

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### **Regulation Set #3**

**ZONE(S):** 6\*, 18, 30, 34, 55, 65 \* Any antiered deer taken in Zone 6 must have at least three antier points on one side of the rack. Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.

- · No deer hunting on Sunday.
- Hunters must surrender a valid ANTLERED BUCK STUB from their 2006 license whenever harvesting an antlered deer.
- Note: Supplemental Deer Transportation Tags marked "valid for the taking of a 3rd or more deer" are not valid in any zone within Regulation Sets # 1, 2 or 3.

**Fall Bow (24 days): Sept. 30** - **Oct. 27, 2006** Season bag limit is two deer, only ONE may be antlered (see **Note** above).

**Permit Bow (25 days): Oct. 28** - **Nov. 25, 2006** Season bag limit is two deer, only ONE may be antlered (see **Note** above). Hunters may purchase only one special season bow permit per zone.

Youth Day - Bow (1 day): Sept. 23, 2006

Youth Day – Firearm (1 day): Nov. 18, 2006 Season bag limit is one deer of either sex on each day for a qualified youth hunter only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the youth's bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm season.

Winter Bow (27 days): Jan. 1 - 31, 2007 Season bag limit is two deer, only ONE may be antlered (see Note above). Use 2007 Winter Bow ANTLERED Transportation Tag from 2007 license if an antlered deer is harvested. **Permit Muzzleloader (21 days): Nov. 27, 28 and Dec. 11, 12, 16** - **23 and 26** - **30, 2006 and Jan. 1** - **5, 2007** Season bag limit is two deer, only ONE may be antlered (see **Note** above). Hunters may purchase only one special season muzzleloader permit per zone.

**Six-day Firearm (6 days): Dec. 4 - 9, 2006** Season bag limit is two antlered deer; however, if hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.

**Permit Shotgun Season (3 days): Dec. 13 - 15, 2006** Season bag limit is two deer – which MUST be antlerless if two antlered deer were harvested during the Six-Day Firearm Season (see **Note** above). Hunters may purchase only one special season shotgun permit per zone.

### **Regulation Set #4**

**ZONE(S):** 2, 16, 22, 26, 27\*, 28, 29\*, 31, 35\*, 47, 63\* \* Any antiered deer taken in Zones 27, 29, 35 or 63 must have at least three antier points on one side of the rack.

- Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.
- No deer hunting on Sunday.
- Hunters must surrender a valid ANTLERED BUCK STUB from their 2006 license whenever harvesting an antlered deer.

Fall Bow (42 days):

First deer must be antlerless: Sept. 9 - 29, 2006 First deer may be antlered or antlerless: Sept. 30 - Oct. 27, 2006

Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

**Permit Bow (54 days): Oct. 28 - Dec. 23 and Dec. 26 - Dec. 31, 2006** Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Hunters may purchase only one special season bow permit per zone.

Youth Day-Bow (1 day): Sept. 23, 2006

Youth Day—Firearm (1 day): Nov. 18, 2006 Season bag limit is one deer of either sex on each day for any qualified youth hunter only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the youth's bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm Season.

Winter Bow (27-days): Jan. 1 - 31, 2007 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Use 2007 Winter Bow *(continued)*  ANTLERED transportation tag from a 2007 license if an antlered deer is harvested.

Permit Muzzleloader (21 days): Nov. 27, 28 and Dec. 11, 12, 16 - 23 and 26 - 30, 2006 and Jan. 1 - 5, 2007 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Hunters may purchase only one special season muzzleloader permit per zone.

**Six-day Firearm (6 days): Dec. 4** - **9, 2006** Season bag limit is two antlered deer; however, if hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.

Permit Shotgun Season (10 days): Dec. 13 - 15, 2006 and, Jan. 6 - 13, 2007 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not harvested during the Six-Day Firearm Season). Hunters may purchase only one special season shotgun permit per zone.

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REGULATION SETS

### **Regulation Set #6**

### ZONE(S): 5, 17, 19, 25, 42, 48

- Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.
- No deer hunting on Sunday
- Hunters must surrender a valid ANTLERED BUCK STUB from their 2006 license whenever harvesting an antlered deer.

#### Fall Bow (42 days):

First deer must be antlerless: Sept. 9 - 29, 2006

**First deer may be antlered or antlerless: Sept. 30** - **Oct. 27, 2006** Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

**Permit Bow (54 days): Oct. 28 - Dec. 23 and Dec. 26 - 30, 2006** Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Hunters may purchase only one special season bow permit per zone.

#### Youth Day - Bow (1 day): Sept. 23, 2006

Youth Day - Firearm (1 day): Nov. 18, 2006 Season bag limit is one deer of either sex on each day for any qualified youth hunter only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the youth's bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm Seasons.

Winter Bow (27 days): Jan. 1 - 31, 2007 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Use 2007 Winter Bow ANTLERED Transportation Tag from a 2007 license if an antlered deer is harvested.

Permit Muzzleloader (49 days): Antlerless deer only: Dec. 4 - 9, 2006

Antlered or Antlerless: Nov. 27, 28 and Dec. 11, 12, 16 - 23 and 26 - 30, 2006 and Jan. 1 - 31, 2007 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Hunters may purchase only one special season muzzleloader permit per zone. Two deer may be taken at one time.

**Six-day Firearm (6 days): Dec. 4** - **9, 2006** Season bag limit is two antlered deer; however, if hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.

Permit Shotgun Season (30 days):

Antlerless deer only: Dec. 4 - 9, 2006

Antlered or Antlerless: Dec. 13 - 15, 2006 and Jan. 6 - 31, 2007 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not harvested during the Six-Day Firearm Season). Hunters may purchase only one special season shotgun permit per zone. Two deer may be taken at one time.

### **Regulation Set #8**

ZONE(S): 7, 8, 9\*, 10, 11, 12, 13\*, 14, 15, 36, 41, 49, 50, 51 \*Any antilered deer taken in Zones 9 or 13 must have at least three antiler points on one side of the rack.

- Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.
- No deer hunting on Sunday.
- Hunters must surrender a valid ANTLERED BUCK STUB from their 2006 license whenever harvesting an antlered deer.
- Earn-A-Buck ends after Dec. 9, 2006 for ALL seasons.
- Bank-A-Doe program is an available option for the Fall Bow and Permit Bow seasons. Hunters MUST go only to participating check stations to be eligible for this program. See highlighted check stations p. 54. See page 29 for program details.

Fall Bow (42 days): Sept. 9 - Oct. 27, 2006 Earn-A-Buck: Must take an ANTLER-LESS deer first from any Earn-A-Buck Zone. Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. See Deer Hunting Regulations, page 29, for new Bank-A-Doe option.

Permit Bow (51 days): Oct. 28 - Nov. 18 and Nov. 23 - Dec. 23 and Dec. 26 - 30, 2006 Earn-A-Buck: Must take an ANTLERLESS deer first from any Earn-A-Buck Zone through Dec. 9, 2006. Unless participating in the Bank-A-Doe program, then if two antlerless deer are taken during Fall Bow from a zone in this Regulation Set and BOTH are checked at a participating Bank-A-Doe check station, an antlered deer may be taken as your first deer. Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Hunters may purchase only one special season bow permit per zone.

Youth Day - Bow (1 day): Sept. 23, 2006

Youth Day - Firearm (1 day): Nov. 18, 2006 Season bag limit is one deer of either sex on each day for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the youth's bag limit for the Fall Bow or Six-day Firearm Season.

Winter Bow (42 days): Jan. 1 – Feb. 17, 2007 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless and ONE antlered deer. Use 2007 Winter Bow ANTLERED Transportation Tag from a 2007 license if an antlered deer is harvested.

#### Permit Muzzleloader (62 days)

Antlerless deer only: Nov. 20 - 22, 24 and Dec. 4 - 9, 2006 Antlered or Antlerless: Nov. 27, 28 and Dec. 11, 12, 16 - 23 and 26 - 30, 2006 and Jan. 1 - Feb. 10, 2007 Earn-A-Buck: Must take an ANTLERLESS deer first from any Earn-A-Buck Zone through Dec. 9, 2006. Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Hunters may purchase only one special season muzzleloader permit per zone. Two deer may be taken at one time.

**Six-day Firearm (6 days): Dec. 4 - 9, 2006** Season bag limit is two antlered deer; however, if hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season. Only one buck may be taken at a time.

#### Permit Shotgun Season (44 days):

Antlerless deer only: Nov. 20 - 22, 24 and Dec. 4 - 9, 2006

Antlered or Antlerless: Dec. 13 - 15, 2006 and Jan. 6 - Feb. 10, 2007 Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not harvested during the Six-Day Firearm Season). Hunters may purchase only one special season shotgun permit per zone. Two deer may be taken at one time.

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# Deer Hunting Seasons

### **Tentative—Special Areas Deer Hunting Season Information**

Dates are tentative pending adoption of the 2006-07 Game Code. Check our Web site prior to the season open or permit purchase. Special areas include Federal Military Installments, certain state and county parks and national wildlife refuges where hunter access is controlled. All state game laws and regulations apply to Special Areas.

Only ONE antiered deer may be taken per season, statewide, regardless of the number of permits possessed.

Due to homeland security measures and military actions, NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife cannot quarantee all military installations will be available or open to hunting throughout each deer season. Hunters are reminded that Fish and Wildlife has a "no refund – no exchange" policy for deer permits.

### Special Areas-County and State Parks

### Atlantic County Park System (Zone 61):

To hunt the Atlantic County Park System, hunters must apply for a Zone 61 permit through the lottery. Applications can be made at license agents or via Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site. The application period ends Sept. 10, 2006. See page 7 for instructions on how to use the new electronic licensing system.

Permit Bow Season: Oct. 28, 2006 to Jan. 31, 2007 (81 days)-bag limit: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. A total of 40 permits will be available.

Permit Muzzleloader Season: Nov. 27, 28 and Dec. 11, 12, 16-23, 26-30 2006 and, Jan. 1-5, 2007 (21 days)-bag limit: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. A total of 40 permits will be available.

Six-day Firearm Season: Dec. 4-9, 2006 - bag limit: two antlered deer. Note: If the hunter chooses to harvest two antlered bucks during the Six-day Firearm Season, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest a buck during the permit shotgun season, therefore the bag limit for the permit shotgun season then becomes antlerless deer only.

Permit Shotgun Season: Dec. 4-9 and 13-15, 2006 (9 days)—bag limit: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. (ONLY if two antlered deer were not taken during the Six-day Firearm Season). A total of 80 permits will be available.

Deer hunting is prohibited at all other times. The Atlantic County Park office is located at 6303 Old Harding Highway, Mays Landing, NJ 08330. All applicants must call (609) 625-8219 prior to the lottery for specific rules, restrictions and orientation dates. Hunter Orientation attendance is required for Zone 61. The use of bait is prohibited in Zone 61.

### High Point State Park (Zone 67):

To hunt High Point State Park, hunters must apply for a Zone 67 permit through the lottery. Applications can be made at license agents or via Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site. The application period ends Sept. 10, 2006. See page 7 for on how to use the new electronic licensing system.

Permit Muzzleloader Season: Nov. 6 - 9 and 13 - 16, 2006 (8 days)-bag limit: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. The hunter's first deer must be antlerless. Successful hunters may then harvest an antlered deer. Any antlered deer taken in Zone 67 must have at least one antler with three antler points. A total of 350 permits will be available.

Deer hunting is prohibited here at all other times. Hunters are not permitted in the park before 6 a.m. or after 6 p.m. The High Point State Park office is located at 1480 Route 23 South in Sussex. Call (973) 875-4800 for further information on park regulations and hunter orientation dates before applying for a Zone 67 permit.

### Hunterdon County Park System:

Parks within the Hunterdon County Park System open to deer hunting require a park access permit. Applications are available at the Hunterdon County Park office on Route 31 in Flemington. Call (908) 782-1158 for further information before hunting.

### **Mercer County Parks:**

Sportsmen wishing to hunt deer in Baldpate Mountain in Hopewell Township (Deer Management Zone 41 regulations apply) should contact the Mercer County Park Commission at (609) 989-6532.

Howell Living History Farm in Hopewell Township (Deer Management Zone 41) will be open for limited permit muzzleloader and winter bow hunting. Howell Living History Farm charges a non-refundable \$5 processing fee. Deer hunting in Howell Living History Farm is prohibited at all other times. Call (609) 737-3299 for further information, season dates, maps and access permits before purchasing a Zone 41 permit.

### Monmouth Battlefield State Park (Zone 64):

To hunt the Monmouth Battlefield State Park, hunters must apply for a Zone 64 permit through the lottery. Applications can be made at license agents or via Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site. The application period ends Sept. 10, 2006. See page 7 for instructions on how to use the new electronic licensing system. All hunters must attend a mandatory hunter orientation on Nov. 29, 2006 at 7pm at the Monmouth Battlefield Visitor Center.

Permit Shotgun Season -- Dec. 4-9, 2006 (6 days))-bag limit: unlimited antlerless deer. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 100 permits will be available.

Six-day Firearm Season -- Dec. 4-9, 2006 (6 days) - bag limit: two antlered deer.

Winter Bow Season-- Jan. 1 - Feb. 17, 2007 (42 days) - bag limit: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

Deer hunting is prohibited at all other times. Hunters must comply with all state park regulations that include a mandatory hunter orientation session for all hunters. Call (732) 462-9616 for further information on additional park regulations before applying for a Zone 64 permit.

### Monmouth County Park System:

Portions of specified parks within the Monmouth County Park System will be open to deer hunting. A park system permit is required. Please call (732) 842-4000 or visit www.monmouthcountyparks.com for maps and further information.

#### Morris County Park System:

Parks within the Morris County Park System will be open for limited permit shotgun hunting. The Park System is closed to deer hunting at all other times. Permits will be available from Sept. 11 - 15. Call (973) 326-7632 for further information and season dates.

### **Rancocas State Park:**

Designated areas of the park will be open to deer hunting during the Fall Bow, Permit Bow and Winter Bow seasons (Deer Management Zone 48 regulations apply). The park is closed to deer hunting at all other times. Call (609) 726-1191 or write to Rancocas State Park, c/o Brendan Byrne State Forest, PO Box 215, New Lisbon, NJ 08064 for further information and a detailed map before hunting in Rancocas State Park.

#### **Round Valley Recreation Area:**

Designated sections of the Round Valley Recreation Area will be open to deer hunting during all or portions of the Fall Bow, Permit Bow, Six-day Firearm and Winter Bow seasons. (Deer Management Zone 12 regulations apply.) The area is closed to deer hunting at all other times. Another area administered by Round Valley, not located within Round Valley Recreation Area, is also available for hunting. Contact the Round Valley office for hunting information at (908) 236-6355.

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SPECIAL AREAS INFORMATION

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### Six-Mile Run Reservoir State Park:

Designated areas of the park will be open to deer hunting during the Fall Bow, Permit Bow and Winter Bow seasons. (Deer Management Zone 14 regulations apply). The park is closed to deer hunting at all other times. Call the Delaware-Raritan Canal State Park (609) 924-5705 for further information and a detailed map before hunting in Six-Mile Run Reservoir State Park.

### **Spruce Run Recreation Area:**

Designated portions of the area will be open to deer hunting weekdays during the Fall Bow and Permit Bow seasons. (Deer Management Zone 7 regulations apply). The area is closed to deer hunting at all other times. Hunters must park at the boat launch parking lot. Call (908) 638-8572 for further information.

### Washington Crossing State Park:

Designated areas of the Park will be open to deer hunting during the Fall Bow, Permit Bow and Winter Bow seasons (Deer Management Zone 41 regulations apply). The park is closed to deer hunting at all other times. Hunters must park at the Phillips Farm Day Use Area. Please call (609) 737-9303 for further information.

## Special Areas - Federal Installations (other than National Wildlife Refuges)

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

Not open to the general public. The following information is provided for **civilian employees** or **military personnel** assigned to the base. Permits for Zones 39 and 40 will be available for purchase at Earle NWS. Contact Ray Green, Station Game Warden, (732) 866-2708 for further information. Deer hunting is allowed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day in Zones 39 and 40.

In Zone 40, the hunter's first deer must be antlerless and any antlered deer taken in Zone 40 during all open seasons must have at least one antler with three antler points.

Fall Bow Season (Zone 39): Sept. 30 – Oct. 27, 2006 (24 days)—bag limit: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

Fall Bow Season (Zone 40): Sept. 9 – Oct. 27, 2006 (42 days)—bag limit: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

**Permit Bow Season (Zone 39)**: Oct. 28 - Dec. 30, 2006 (56 days)—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. A total of 110 permits will be available.

Permit Bow Season (Zone 40): Oct. 28 - Dec. 30, 2006 (56 days) - bag limit: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. A total of 80 permits will be available.

Youth Firearm Deer Hunt Day (Zones 39 and 40): Nov. 18, 2006 – bag limit: one deer of either sex.

Six-day Firearm Season (Zone 39): Dec. 4 – 9, 2006 – bag limit: two antlered deer.

Note: If the hunter chooses to harvest two antlered bucks during the Sixday Firearm Season, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest a buck during the Permit Shotgun Season. Therefore the bag limit for the Permit Shotgun Season then becomes antlerless deer only.

Six-day Firearm Season (Zone 40): Closed.

**Permit Muzzleloader (Zone 39)**: Nov. 27 - Dec. 2, 11-30, 2006 and Jan. 1 -31, 2007 (51 days)—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 100 permits will be available.

**Permit Muzzleloader Season (Zone 40)**: Nov. 4, 10, 11, 18 and 20 - 22, 24 and 25, 2006 (9 days)—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered

deer. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 50 permits will be available.

**Permit Shotgun Season (Zone 39)**: Dec. 2, 4-9, 16, 23 and 30, 2006 and Jan. 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2007 (14 days)-—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were **not** taken during the Six-day Firearm Season). Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 160 permits will be available.

**Permit Shotgun Season (Zone 40)**: Nov. 4, 10, 11, 18, 20 – 22 and 24 – 25, 2006 (9 days)-- bag limit: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were **not** taken during the Six-day Firearm Season). Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 50 permits will be available.

Winter Bow Season (Zone 39): Jan. 1-31, 2007 (27 days)—bag limit: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

Winter Bow Season (Zone 40): Jan. 1-31, 2007 (27 days)—bag limit: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

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

The Technical Center is open to deer hunting through a cooperative agreement between the FAATC, New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife, New Jersey State Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs (NJSFSC) and United Bowhunters of New Jersey (UBNJ). Membership in either NJSFSC or UBNJ is required to obtain access to the Technical Center for deer hunting. Call (609) 485-6938 for more information.

#### The use of bait is prohibited in Zone 66.

**Fall Bow Season**: Sept. 9 to Oct. 27, 2006 (42 days)—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

**Permit Bow Season**: Oct. 28 to Dec. 30, 2006 (54 days)—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. A total of 80 permits will be available.

**Permit Muzzleloader Season**: Nov. 25 to Dec. 2, Dec. 8, 9, 2006 and Jan. 6, 13, 2007. (11 days)—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 15 permits will be available.

**Permit Shotgun Season**: Nov. 25 to Dec. 2, Dec. 8, 9, 2006 and Jan. 6, 13, 2007. (11 days)—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not taken during the Six-day Firearm Season). Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 65 permits will be available.

Winter Bow Season: Jan. 1-31, 2007 (27 days)—bag limit: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

### Fort Dix Military Reservation (Zone 37\*):

 $^{\ast}$  Zone 52 is no longer assigned. ALL of Fort Dix Military Reservation is now designated Zone 37.

To hunt Fort Dix Military Reservation, hunters must apply for a Zone 37 permit through the lottery. Applications can be made at license agents or via Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site. The application period ends Sept. 10, 2006. See page 7 for instructions on how to use the new electronic licensing system

A total of five percent of the permit quota will be held in reserve at Fort Dix for special military-related circumstances. Hunters must comply with all Fort Dix regulations. Persons hunting on the base must pay an annual fee of \$18.50 and must sign in and out at Range 14 on a daily basis when hunting. Military training will take precedence over hunting. Please call (609)562-4676 for more information and fee schedules. Deer hunting is not allowed on Christmas Day or New Year's Day in Zone 37.

Any antlered deer taken in Zone 37 during all open seasons must have at least one antler with three antler points.

 Fall Bow Season: Sept. 30 – Oct. 27, 2006 (24 days)—bag limit: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.
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**Permit Bow Season**: Oct. 28 - Dec. 23, Dec. 26 - 30, 2006 (55 days)—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. A total of 300 permits will be available.

Youth Firearm Deer Hunt Day – Nov. 18, 2006 – bag limit: one deer of either sex.

Six-day Firearm Season: Dec. 4-9, 2006—bag limit: two antlered deer. Note: If the hunter chooses to harvest two antlered bucks during the Six-day Firearm Season, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest a buck during the Permit Shotgun Season. Therefore the bag limit for the permit shotgun season then becomes antlerless deer only.

**Permit Muzzleloader Season**: Nov. 6-10 and Dec. 11-23, 26 - 30, 2006 and Jan. 2- 6, 2007 (27 days)—**bag limit**: two deer, either on antlered and one antlerless, or two antlerless. A total of 480 permits will be available.

**Permit Shotgun Season: Dec. 16, 2006 (1 day)—bag limit**: one deer per permit. A total of 100 permits will be available.

Winter Bow Season: Jan. 2- Feb. 17, 2007 (41 days)—bag limit: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

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

Permits for Zones 53 will be available for purchase at Lakehurst NAES. There will be limited public hunting for hunters who are sponsored by the current members of the Navy Lakehurst Rod and Gun Club. Military training will take precedence over hunting. Call (732) 323-2911 for further information or contact John Joyce, Naval Air Engineering Station, Code 872, Route 547, Lakehurst, NJ 08733-5065. Deer hunting is not allowed on Christmas Day in Zone 53.

**Fall Bow Season**: Sept. 9–Oct. 27, 2006 (42 days)—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. First deer **must** be antlerless from Sept. 9–29, 2006.

**Permit Bow Season: Oct. 28-Nov. 25, 2006 (25 days)—bag limit**: two deer, either one antlered and one antlerless or two antlerless. A total of 100 permits will be available.

Youth Firearm Deer Hunt Day: Nov. 18, 2006 – bag limit: one deer of either sex.

Six-day Firearm Season: Dec. 4-9, 2006—bag limit: two antlered deer Note: If the hunter chooses to harvest two antlered bucks during the Six-day Firearm Season, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest a buck during the Permit Shotgun Season. Therefore the bag limit for the permit shotgun season then becomes antlerless deer only.

**Permit Muzzleloader Season**: Nov. 25 – Dec. 2, 11 – 23, 26 – 30 2006 and Jan. 1-6, 2007 (30 days)—**bag limit**: two deer, either one antlered and one antlerless, or two antlerless. A total of 100 permits will be available.

**Permit Shotgun Season**: Dec. 13-15, 2006 and Jan. 6-13, 2007 (10 days) **bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not taken during the Six-day Firearm Season). A total of 100 permits will be available.

**Winter Bow Season**: Jan. 1-31, 2007 (27 days)—**bag limit**: two deer, either one antlered and one antlerless, or two antlerless. Supplemental Deer Transportation Tags marked as valid for the taking of a third or more deer are not valid in Zone 53.

#### Picatinny Arsenal (Zone 54):

At press time the procedure for purchasing Permits for Zone 54 had not been finalized. Information will be available on Fish and Wildlife's Web site and Permit Hotline.

Not open to the general public. The following information is provided for military and federal civilian employees or retirees only. Contact Jonathan Van De Venter at (973) 724-4691 for more information. Deer hunting is allowed

on Christmas Day and New Year's Day in Zone 54, except on Sundays.

Note: Hunters are allowed **ONE** anthered deer **per season** except for the Six-day Firearm Season. If two anthered deer are harvested during the Six-day Firearm Season, then the bag limit for the Permit Shotgun Season is limited to antherless deer only.

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Fall Bow Season: Sept. 30 – Oct. 27, 2006 (24 days)—bag limit: unlimited antlerless deer.

**Permit Bow Season**: Oct. 28 - Dec. 30, 2006 (55 days)—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer. A total of 50 permits will be available.

Six-day Firearm Season: Dec. 4 - 9, 2006 —bag limit: two antlered deer (see *Note*, above).

**Permit Muzzleloader Season**: Nov. 27, 28 and Dec. 11 - 31, 2006 and Jan. 1 - 6, 2007 (26 days)—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 50 permits will be available.

**Permit Shotgun Season**: Dec. 4 - 9 and 23, 2006 and Jan. 13, 2007 (8 days)—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 50 permits will be available.

Winter Bow Season: Jan. 1 - 31, 2007 (26 days)—bag limit: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

# Special Areas - U.S. Fish and Wildlife National Wildlife Refuge System

Special U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) regulations are in effect throughout all authorized deer hunting seasons, in addition to state game laws and regulations. The following federal regulations apply to all national wildlife refuges (NWRs) in New Jersey:

1. Hunting over bait or distributing bait is prohibited on all refuges.

2. The use of a spotlight or other artificial light (including automotive headlights) for the purpose of spotting, locating or taking any wildlife is prohibited on all refuges - regardless of whether one is in possession of a weapon.

3. All firearm hunters (muzzleloader and shotgun) must wear an outer garment consisting of at least 400 square inches of solid fluorescent orange while deer hunting on any refuge (double the state law requirement).

4. Entry is prohibited on all refuge lands posted "Area Closed" and on refuge roadways posted with "Inholders Only" signs.

5. 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 all refuges.

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

#### Cape May NWR:

Cape May NWR will be open for all six deer seasons. Season dates and bag limits for Deer Management Zone 34 will apply. Contact the refuge office for more information at (609) 463-0994.

#### Edwin B. Forsythe NWR (Zone 56, Zone 57 and Zone 58):

To hunt the Edwin B. Forsythe NWR, hunters must apply for the appropriate Zone 56, 57 and/or 58 lottery. Applications can be made at license agents or via Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site. The application period ends Sept. 10, 2006. See page7 for instructions on how to use the new electronic licensing system. The week of Sept. 25, please refer to the Permit Hotline (609) 292-9192 or Fish and Wildlife's Web site for information on the sale of any left over lottery permits for Edwin B. Forsythe NWR The purchase of a Zone 22, 42 or 51 permit *does not* allow hunters to hunt anywhere on the Edwin B. Forsythe NWR!

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All hunters who obtain a Zone 56, 57 and/or 58 deer permit(s) **must** have their permit validated before they are allowed to scout or hunt the refuge. Validation of permits must be done at either the Brigantine or Barnegat Division Office, during business hours (8 a.m. - 4 p.m., Mon.- Fri.), or at the orientation sessions. Permit validation *must* be done *in person* by the hunter 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. 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 prior to hunting or scouting. Orientations will be held at the Brigantine Division on Sunday, Aug. 27, Sunday, Oct. 15 and Sunday, Nov. 12, 2006. Orientation sessions will be held at the Barnegat Division on Sunday, Oct. 29 and Sunday Nov. 19, 2006. All sessions begin at 10 a.m. For additional and updated hunting information, call (609) 652-1665 or at the Web site http://forsythe.fws.gov/.

All refuge deer hunters will be given a Refuge Deer Hunting Report Card. Regardless of hunting success, the report card **must** be completed and returned to the refuge. Failure to do so will result in denial of refuge hunting privileges for the 2007-08 season.

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

**Permit Shotgun Season (Zone 56)**: Dec. 11-15 2006 (5 days) - **bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not taken during the Six-day Firearm Season) Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 25 permits will be available and will be sold on a first come, first served basis. **No Exceptions**.

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

**Fall Bow Season (Zone 57 only)**: Sept. 9 to Oct. 27, 2006 (42 days)—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. An antlerless deer must be taken first from Sept. 9 to Sept. 30, 2006. There will be a limit of 25 hunters allowed to hunt Zone 57. A special access permit will be issued by the Edwin B. Forsythe NWR Office and will be distributed through a mail-in lottery. Permit applications will be available by request mail and on the Edwin B. Forsythe NWR Web site at http://forsythe.fws.gov/. The cost for this refuge permit is \$10 payable by check or money order. Postmarked applications will be accepted until Aug. 24, 2006.

**Permit Bow Season (Zone 57 and Zone 58)**: Oct. 28 to Nov. 25, 2006 (25 days)—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. A total of 40 permits will be available for Zone 57 and 50 permits will be available for Zone 58.

**Permit Muzzleloader (Zone 57 and Zone 58)**: Nov. 27, 28 and Dec. 11, 12, 16 -23, 26 - 30, 2006 and Jan. 1-5, 2007 (21 days)—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. A total of 40 permits will be available for Zone 57 and 50 permits will be available for Zone 58.

**Permit Shotgun Season (Zone 57 and Zone 58)**: Dec. 4-9, 2006 and, Jan. 6-31, 2007 (28 days)—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not taken during the Six-day Firearm Season). A total of 40 permits will be available for Zone 57 and 75 permits will be available for Zone 58.

Zones 56, 57 and 58 are closed to deer hunting at all other times.

### Great Swamp NWR (Zone 38):

Hunters wishing to hunt on the Great Swamp NWR must apply for a Zone 38 permit through the lottery. There will be no over-the-counter sale of leftover permits. Application can be made at license agents or via Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site. The application period ends Sept. 10, 2006. See page 7 for instructions on how to use the new electronic licensing system.

The refuge will be open only for Permit Shotgun and Permit Muzzleloader Season hunting and closed to deer hunting at all other times. Hunters may apply only for a Permit Shotgun **or** a Permit Muzzleloader Season permit, not both. In addition to the state permit, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will charge a \$26 fee (\$13 for holders of Golden Age or Golden Access passports) for the issuance of a federal hunting permit (free of charge to hunters under the age of 17). The refuge will supply additional information on hunt procedures and regulations to those hunters issued a Zone 38 permit. For more information, contact refuge wildlife biologist Craig Bitler at (973) 425-1222, Extension 15.

Great Swamp NWR (Zone 38) will be open for deer hunting to properly licensed hunters as follows:

**Permit Shotgun and Permit Muzzleloader Season (concurrent):** Nov. 11, 15-18, 2006. Nov. 11 (Saturday) will be for youths only, ages 10-15, who possess a Zone 38 permit and who are accompanied by a licensed but non-hunting adult, at least 21 years of age, who also possesses a Zone 38 permit. **Bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and one antlered buck. The refuge emphasizes the harvest of adult does and manages for older age-class bucks. Hunters must check in an adult doe before they may take an antlered buck. The daily quota of hunters allowed afield is 275. A total of 390 shotgun and 10 muzzleloader permits will be available.

Zone 38 is closed to deer hunting at all other times.

#### Supawna Meadows NWR (Zone 59):

To hunt the Supawna Meadows NWR, hunters must apply for a Zone 59 permit through the lottery. Applications can be made at license agents or via Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site. The application period ends Sept. 10, 2006. See page 7 for instructions on how to use the new electronic licensing system.

In addition to the state permit, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will charge a \$20 fee for the issuance of a federal hunting permit (no charge to holders of a youth license under the age of 17). Successful applicants must attend the orientation session to be held at the refuge on Saturday, Oct. 21, 2006. Hunters who cannot attend the orientation should not apply for a permit to hunt on the refuge. Call (856) 935-1487 for more information regarding permit availability, fees and refuge regulations.

Any antiered deer taken in Zone 59 during all open seasons must have at least one antier with three or more antier points.

### Supawna Meadows NWR (Zone 59) is open for deer hunting to properly licensed hunters as follows:

**Permit Bow Season**: Oct. 28 to Nov. 25, 2006 (25 days)—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. A total of 35 permits will be available. **Note:** Permit Bow Season will be closed on Nov. 18, 2006 for the Youth Firearm Deer Hunt.

Youth Firearm Deer Hunt: Nov. 18, 2006—bag limit: one deer of either sex. Permits are available from the refuge office for 25 youth hunters (under the age of 17). If more than 25 applications are received, hunters will be chosen by random selection.

**Permit Muzzleloader Season**: Dec. 11-23, 2006 (12 days)—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 25 permits will be available.

**Permit Shotgun Season**: Dec. 7-9, 2006 (first segment); Dec. 28-30, 2006 (second segment) and Jan. 18-20, 2007 (third segment) (three, 3-day segments)—**bag limit**: unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not taken during the Six-day Firearm Season). Two deer may be taken at one time. Permits are valid for one, three-day segment only. A total of 75 shotgun permits will be available.

Zone 59 is closed to deer hunting at all other times.

SPECIAL AREAS INFORMATION

#### Wallkill River NWR:

Designated areas of the refuge will be open to all six deer seasons. Season dates and bag limits for Deer Management Zone 2 will apply. The annual hunting map, additional regulations and a signed access permit from the refuge must be obtained prior to scouting or hunting. The access permit fee is \$20 (free for youth) and must be signed and carried at all times when hunting on refuge property. Visit our Web site at http://wallkillriver.fws.gov/hunting.htm, call (973) 702-7266 or write Wallkill River National Wildlife Refuge, 1547 County Route 565, Sussex, NJ 07461 for more information.

### **Special Areas - Other Public Lands**

#### **Bayside PSE&G Tract:**

Hunters wishing to hunt this 4,500-acre PSE&G property located in Greenwich Township, Cumberland County may call (888) MARSHES for more information. Season dates and bag limits for Deer Management Zone 29 apply.

#### Lizard Tail Swamp:

This 400-acre property, jointly owned by New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife and The Nature Conservancy (TNC), is located in Middle Township, Cape May County. A TNC access permit is required. Call (609) 861-0600 for permit applications, maps and site-specific regulations. Season dates and bag limits for Deer Management Zone 34 apply.

#### Newark Watershed:

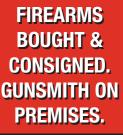
The Newark Watershed, located in Morris, Passaic and Sussex counties, is open to deer hunting from Sept. 30 to Dec. 30. A watershed access permit is required. Call (973) 622-4521 or (973) 697-2850 for access permit applications, maps and site-specific regulations. Season dates and bag limits for Deer Management Zone 3 and Zone 6 (including Quality Deer Management restrictions) apply.



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### 2006-07 Deer Hunting

### DEER CHECK STATIONS



Hunters Helping the Hungry Needs Help with Meat-processing Costs

Hunters Helping the Hungry, an organization that has enabled hunters to donate more than

205,000 pounds of venison to feed New Jersey families since 1997, now needs some help from the public to cover the costs of professional meat processing.

The program, which donated more than 22,000 pounds of venison to food banks and charitable organizations last year alone, operates with limited funding. Butchers who participate in the Hunters Helping the Hungry program receive \$65 to process the donated deer. Currently, hunters who donate deer to feed the hungry must contribute at least \$25 toward that processing fee. If the program's funding runs out, hunters who donate deer will have to cover the entire cost for meat processing.

Hunters should check on funding availability **before** harvesting a deer intended for donation by visiting www.huntershelpingthehungry.org or by calling the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's Division of Fish and Wildlife at (609) 292-6686.

Anyone interested in making a charitable contribution to offset the program's meatprocessing costs may send a check payable to: **Hunters Helping the Hungry, P.O. Box 587, Lebanon, NJ 08833.** 

### **Participating Butchers Include:**

John Person Lebanon (908) 735-4646 Bishop's Market

Whitehouse Station (908) 534-9666 V. Roche & Sons Whitehouse Station (908) 534-2006 County Meats of Washington Washington, Warren County (908) 689-1266

Mark Godek Livestock Marlboro (732) 462-3695 Hometown Butcher 967 Route 524 (Adelphia near Howell)

> (732) 462-8149. Custer's Last Stand 2664 Route 57 Stewartsville (908) 859-1725

Butchers will not accept donated deer during the Six-day Firearm Buck Season, from Dec. 4-9, so they can accommodate their regular customers. Bank-A-Doe Check Station (See Deer Regulations Page 29)

### Hunters: Call before hunting season opens to learn the hours of operation for the check stations near where you hunt!

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Atlantic County	
Captain Howard's, 326 Philadelphia Ave., Egg Harbor City, (609) 965-7955	Open for All Deer Seasons
Muskett's Tavern, 343 W. White Horse Pike, Absecon, (609) 641-9823	Open for All Deer Seasons
N.E. Hand & Son, 6016 Main St., Mays Landing, (609) 625-4941	Open for All Deer Seasons
Nesco Package Goods, Rt. 542, Nesco, (609) 561-8704	Open for All Deer Seasons
The Port Store, 205 Clarks Landing Rd., Port Republic, (609) 652-1616	Open for All Deer Seasons
Sugar Hill Sub & Deli, 153 Somers Pt. Rd. (Rt. 559), Mays Landing, (609) 625-0538	Open for All Deer Seasons
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Ted's Taxidermy, 713 Rt. 40 (1/10 mile west of Rt. 54), Buena, (856) 697-8585	Open for All Deer Seasons
Bergen County	
Britt's Bait & Tackle, 41 River Rd., Oakland, (201) 651-0900	Open for All Deer Seasons
Targeteers Sporting Goods, 101 Rt. 46 West, Saddle Brook, (201) 843-7788	Open for All Deer Seasons
Burlington County	
Green Bank Inn, 1301 Rt. 542, Green Bank, (609) 965-5630	Open for All Deer Seasons
Mighty Joe's Texaco, 1231 Rt. 206 South, Shamong, (609) 268-0303	Open for All Deer Seasons
Mike's Sporting Goods, 1414 Rt. 38, Hainesport, ( 609) 267-7978 Closed Mondays Bank-A-Doe Station	Open for All Deer Seasons
New Gretna Munchies, Rt. 9 and South Maple Ave, New Gretna, (609) 296-8050	Open for All Deer Seasons
Nixon's General Store, Chatsworth Rd. & New Rd. Jct, Tabernacle, (609) 268-9800	Open for All Deer Seasons
Pine Barren Stove & Sport Shop, Rt. 72, Chatsworth, (609) 726-1550	Open for All Deer Seasons
Sportsmen's Center, U.S. Rt. 130 North, Bordentown, (609) 298-5300 Bank-A-Doe Station	Open for All Deer Seasons
	Open for All Deer Seasons
Camden County	
Atco Sports, 2209 Atco Ave., Atco, (856) 767-9446	Open for All Deer Seasons
Creek Keepers, 1130 Black Horse Pike (Rt. 168), Blackwood, (856) 227-1923 Bank-A-Doe Station	Not open in Dec., Jan. & Feb.
Russell's PIC-II, 386 White Horse Pike, Ancora, (609) 567-9886	Open for All Deer Seasons
Sicklerville Hardware, 540 Williamstown Rd., Sicklerville, (856) 728-3800	Open for All Deer Seasons
Cape May County	
Belleplain Supply & Gun Center, Hands Mill Rd., Belleplain, (609) 861-2345	Open for All Deer Seasons
Fletcher's Corner, 212 South Rt. 47, Dias Creek, (609) 465-4949	Open for All Deer Seasons
The Great Outdoors, 108 Rt. 50, Oceanview, (609) 390-0003	Open for All Deer Seasons
Just Sports, 21 Mechanic St., Cape May Court House, (609) 465-6171	Open for All Deer Seasons
Cumberland County	
Big Daddy's Sports Haven, 595 Sherman Avenue, Millville, (856) 453-9009	Open for All Deer Seasons
Frank's Deli & Country Store, 127 Main St. (Rt. 553), Newport, (856) 447-4747	Open for All Deer Seasons
Staas Stables Inc, 5109 Mays Landing, Vineland, (856) 825-9099	Open for All Deer Seasons
Essex County	
The Bullet Hole, 78 Rutgers St., Belleville, (973) 759-3968	Open for All Deer Seasons
Gloucester County	
Angelo's Liquor Store, 65 West Broad St., Gibbstown, (856) 423-3608	Open for All Deer Seasons
A & M Meats, Wolfert Station Rd., Mullica Hill, (856) 478-0370	Open for All Deer Seasons
Sportsmen's Outpost, Fries Mill Rd., Williamstown, (856) 881-3244	Open for All Deer Seasons
Hudson County	1
Summit Indoor Archery Lanes, 443-445 Central Ave., Jersey City, (201) 653-1443	Open for All Deer Seasons
	Open for All Deer Deasons
Hunterdon County	
Boan's Marine, 1296 Rt. 179, Mt. Airy, (609) 397-3311	Open for All Deer Seasons
Ralph Anthony Automotive, 1173 Rt. 579, Quakertown, (908) 735-7800	Open for All Deer Seasons
Carousel Deli & Bakery, Rt. 179 & Wertsville Rd. Jct., Ringoes, (908) 788-5180	Open for All Deer Seasons
Jugtown Mountain Campsites, 1074 Rt. 173 East, West Portal, (908) 735-5995	Open for All Deer Seasons
Lakeside Deli, 1878 Rt. 31 North, Clinton, (908) 638-3354	Open for All Deer Seasons
Milford Napa Auto Parts, 1002 Milford-Frenchtown Rd., Milford, (908) 996-2288	No deer checked during Six-day Firearm
J. Person Game Butcher, 1221 Rt. 31 South, Lebanon, (908) 735-4646 Bank-A-Doe Station	No deer checked during Six-day Firearm
Sportsman's Rendezvous, 174 Rt. 31 North (in Sportsman's Plaza), Flemington, (908) 788-5828	Open for All Deer Seasons
V. Roche & Sons, 9 High St., Whitehouse Station, (908) 534-2006 Bank-A-Doe Station	No deer checked during Six-day Firearm
Mercer County	
Brunswick Sports, 1177 Brunswick Ave., Lawrenceville, (609) 392-4444 Closed Mondays	Open for All Deer Seasons
Mignella's Hillbilly Hall, N. Greenwood Ave., Hopewell, (609) 466-9856 Closed Mondays; Open Tues at 4pm Bank-A-Doe Station	Open for All Deer Seasons
Washington Crossing State Park, Phillips Farm, Harbourton-Bear Tavern Rd., (609) 737-0623	Open December 4, 2006 ONL
Middlesex County	
All Season's Sports & Taxidermy, 1938 Englishtown Rd. (Rt. 527), Jamesburg, (732) 521-1616 Bank-A-Doe Station	Open for All Deer Seasons
Short Lane Café, 155 Church Lane, East Brunswick, (732) 297-5590	Open for All Deer Seasons
Salvatore Automotive Service Inc., 302 Lincoln Blvd., Middlesex (732) 560-0896	Open for All Deer Seasons

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### Bank-A-Doe Check Station (See Deer Regulations Page 29)

Sayreville Sportsman, 52 Washington Rd., Sayreville, (732) 238-2060	Open for All Deer Seasons
Monmouth County	
Bill and Ken's Taxidermy, 389 Rt. 79, Morganville, (732) 591-1116 Bank-A-Doe Station	Open for All Deer Seasons
Builder's General Supply Co., 15 Sycamore Ave., Little Silver, (732) 747-0808	Open for All Deer Seasons
Clarksburg Inn, 465 Stagecoach Rd., Clarksburg, (609) 259-2558	Open for All Deer Seasons
Hometown Butcher in Howell, 967 Rt. 524 (Adelphia-Farmingdale Rd), Adelphia, (732) 462-8149	Open for All Deer Seasons
L & H Woods & Water, 2045 Rt. 35, Wall, (732) 282-1812 Bank-A-Doe Station	Open for All Deer Seasons
Morris County	Open for Air Deer Geasons
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Bordy's Outdoors, 177 Columbia Tpke., Florham Park, (973) 966-8006 Bank-A-Doe Station	Open for All Deer Seasons
Hadley's Auto Repair, 22 Merry Lane, E. Hanover, (973) 386-1805	Open for All Deer Seasons
Mt. Hope Deli, 662 Mt. Hope Ave, Rockaway, (973) 328-7259	Open for All Deer Seasons
New Vernon Coach & Motor Works, 960 Mt. Kemble Ave., Morristown, (973) 425-0700	Open for All Deer Seasons
R & S Sports Center, Rt. 46 & New St. Jct., Budd Lake, (973) 347-1944	Open for All Deer Seasons
The Country Sportsman, 63 Hamburg Tpke., Riverdale, (973) 839-7622 Bank-A-Doe Station	Open for All Deer Seasons
Ocean County	
Al's Grill & Cream Ridge Sporting Goods, 465 Rt. 539 (south of Rt. 537), Cream Ridge, (609) 758-0616	Open for All Deer Seasons
Brick Armory, 231 C Chambers Bridge Rd. (north of Rt. 70 after Ocean Ice Rink), Brick, (732) 477-0800 Bank-A-Doe Station	Open for All Deer Seasons
Grizz's Folked River Bait and Tackle, 232 North Main St. (Rt.9), Forked River, <b>(609) 693-9298</b> Bank-A-Doe Station	Open for All Deer Seasons
Just Plain Jane's, 581 E. Veterans Hwy. (Rt. 528), Jackson, (732) 833-4875	Open for All Deer Seasons
L & H Woods and Water, 403 Rt. 9, Waretown, (609) 242-1812 Bank-A-Doe Station	Open for All Deer Seasons
L & R Sporting Goods, 11 Main St., New Egypt, (609) 752-0090	Open for All Deer Seasons
Lucille's Country Cooking, 1496 Rt. 539, Warren Grove, (609) 698-4474	Open for All Deer Seasons
Scott's Bait & Tackle, 945 Radio Rd., Mystic Island, (609) 296-1300 Closed Tuesdays	Open for All Deer Seasons
Sportsman's Shanty, 420 Chandler Rd., Jackson, (732) 367-0033 Closed Mondays	Open for All Deer Seasons
Tip's Hardware, 218 Main St. (Rt. 9), West Creek, (609) 296-8477	Open for All Deer Seasons
	Open for All Deer Seasons
Space holder. New check station anticipated	
Lakehurst Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10061, 20 Union Ave., Lakehurst, (732) 657-6609	Open for All Deer Seasons
Passaic County	
D & D Sports + Marine, 1846 Rt. 23 North, West Milford, (973) 838-7522	Open for All Deer Seasons
Frank's Tackle, 81 Ringwood Ave. (Rt. 511), Wanaque, (973) 835-2966	Open for All Deer Seasons
Greenwood Lake Sport Center, 1745 Greenwood Lk Tpk., Hewitt, (973) 728-1000	Open for All Deer Seasons
Totowa Bait & Tackle, 10 Albion Ave., Totowa, (973) 956-0825	Open for All Deer Seasons
Salem County	
Bradway's Farm Market, Rt. 49 and Jericho Road, Quinton, (856) 878-0177	Open for All Deer Seasons
Buck Stop, 989 Alvine Road, Norma, (856) 794-1281	Open for All Deer Seasons
Dunham Deer Cut and Wrapped, 115 Compromise Rd., Mannington, (856) 935-3825	Open for All Deer Seasons
Joe & Sandi's Country Store, Main St., Canton, (856) 935-1414	Open for All Deer Seasons
North American Archery & Muzzleloader, Pole Tavern Circle, Monroeville, (856) 358-8180	Open for All Deer Seasons
Sam's Super Service, 290 Rt. 40 (jct. Rt. 553), Elmer, (856) 358-3488	Open for All Deer Seasons
Somerset County	
Gladpack Sunoco, 1 Pottersville Rd., Gladstone, (908) 234-1355 Bank-A-Doe Station	Open for All Deer Seasons
Millstone Sport Shop, 20 North River St., East Millstone, (908) 359-5713	Not open for February seas
Neshanic Station Farm, Home & Garden Center, 101 Fairview Dr., Neshanic Station, (908) 369-5131 Bank-A-Dee Station	Open for All Deer Seasons
Sussex County	
Fireman Dan's Sports Lounge, 766 Rte. 23, Wantage, (973) 875-9428	Open for All Deer Seasons
Garden State Bow & Reel, 2760 Rt. 23N., Stockholm, (973) 697-3727	Open for All Deer Seasons
Hainesville General Store, 283 Rt. 206 South, Hainesville, (973) 948-4280	Open for All Deer Seasons
Jumboland, Rte. 206, Branchville, (973) 948-6802	Open for All Deer Seasons
Layton Hotel, Rt. 560, Layton, (973) 948-0809	Open for All Deer Seasons
Sig Borstad Archery & Hunting Supply, Old Rudetown Rd., McAfee, (973) 827-6527	Open for All Deer Seasons
Simon Peter Sport Company, 660 Rt. 206 South, Newton, (973) 786-5313	Open for All Deer Seasons
Swartswood Country Store, 911 Newton-Swartswood Rd., Newton, (973) 383-5470	Open for All Deer Seasons
Vernon Crossing Tire & Auto, Vernon Crossing Rd., Vernon, (973) 764-6171	Open for All Deer Seasons
Union County	
NJ Firearms Guild, 344 St. George Ave. (Rt. 27), Rahway, (732) 382-4066	Open for All Deer Seasons
Warren County	
57 West Deer Processing, 2664 Rt. 57 West, Stewartsville, (908) 859-1725	Open for All Deer Seasons
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# **Black Bear Hunting**

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# **Black Bear Hunting**

**F**ollowing commencement of the black bear season, the Commissioner of DEP or the Fish and Wildlife Director may, after consultation with the Council Chairman, close the season. The Commissioner or the Director will announce such closure, which will become effective 24 hours from the daily legal closing time of the day on which the decision is made, based upon data obtained and reviewed by Fish and Wildlife. The notification number for season closure is the permit hotline number, (609) 292-9192. Season closure notification will also be announced by news release, radio and Fish and Wildlife's Web site www.NJFishandWildlife.com.

### Black Bear Hunting Season: Dec. 4-9, 2006

Hunting Hours: Legal hunting hours for black bear shall be 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.

**Bag Limit:** Only one bear of either sex and any age may be taken per properly licensed hunter. It is unlawful to take or attempt to take or continue to hunt for more than the number of black bear permitted.

**Special permit requirement:** All black bear hunters must have a current and valid firearm hunting license and a special Black Bear Hunting Area Permit issued by Fish and Wildlife. See *Black Bear Hunting Areas*, below; see also *Black Bear Hunting Permits*, page 10. Hunters are limited to one black bear hunting permit.

Game Care: It is critical to remove the hide and cool the bear immediately after checking the bear. Cooling a bear with ice from inside the body cavity is inadequate to prevent the meat from spoiling. If the hide remains on overnight, the meat may be unsuitable for consumption.

Mandatory Bear Hunter Seminar: All successful permit applicants must successfully complete a bear hunting seminar conducted by Fish and Wildlife. Hunters who completed a seminar in past years need not attend a seminar again. The seminar dates, locations and times will be posted on Fish and Wildlife's Web site, our Permit Hotline and also will be sent to outdoor writers for newspaper publication.

**Youth Bear Hunters:** Youth hunters (aged 10 through 13 on or before Dec. 4, 2006), with a valid hunting license must also possess a black bear hunting permit. Youth hunters

must be under the direct supervision of a properly licensed adult (21 years of age or older) while bear hunting. The adult must also possess a black bear hunting permit. Direct supervision means the youth hunter and the supervising adult are together at the same location. The youth hunter may not hunt independently of the adult.

### Firearms and Ammunition Legal For Bear Hunting

**Shotgun:** not smaller than 20 gauge nor larger than 10 gauge with rifled slugs. Lead, lead alloy or copper rifled slug or sabot slug. Buckshot is prohibited.

**Muzzleloader Rifle:** single-barrel, single shot rifles not less than .45 caliber. Flintlock, percussion and in-line ignitions. Double barrel muzzleloaders prohibited. Persons hunting with muzzleloader rifle must also possess a current and valid rifle-hunting permit.

**Baiting:** No person shall attempt to take or kill a black bear or have in their possession or control any firearm, or other weapon of any kind, while elevated in a standing tree or in a structure of any kind within 300 feet of a baited area. On national wildlife refuges and at the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, the distribution of bait and/or hunting over bait is prohibited. Hunters should also check with the landowner or administrative agency before placing bait on any hunting area.

### Additional Black Bear Hunting Regulations

• Black bear hunters must wear a hat of solid fluorescent hunter orange or an outer garment containing at least 200 square inches of fluorescent orange material visible from all sides at all times while bear hunting.

• It shall be illegal to use dogs to pursue or run black bear.

• Allowable hunting methods: stand hunting, still-hunting or drive hunting.

• Black bears may not be taken from dens.

Hunters using or possessing any shotgun slug in the field during the bear 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 bear hunting on all firearms, including muzzleloader rifles. • Shotgun shells containing single spherical projectiles referred to as pumpkin balls are prohibited.

• While bear hunting with a shotgun, it is illegal to have in possession any ammunition not authorized for bear hunting.

• Only one muzzleloader rifle may be in possession while bear hunting.

• All firearms must be cased and unloaded while being transported in vehicles.

• It is illegal to take or attempt to take a black bear with a bow and arrows.

• It is illegal to take or attempt to take a bear in a den structure.

## After Harvesting a Bear Mandatory Bear Check Requirement

Properly licensed hunters who harvest a black bear shall immediately complete and affix to the bear hide the "Black Bear Transportation Tag" from their Black Bear Hunting Permit. Information included on the black bear transportation tag shall include: the hunter's name, address, current firearm license number; date and time of kill; nearest road, county and municipality of kill; and the sex of the black bear.

When field dressing a black bear, leave the sex organs intact and attached to the body. Remember, it is critical to remove the hide and cool the bear immediately after checking the bear. Cooling a bear with ice from inside the body cavity is inadequate to prevent the meat from spoiling. If the hide remains on overnight, the meat may be unsuitable for consumption.

Successful hunters must take the black bear to a designated check station by 7 p.m. on the day of the kill. Hunters shall surrender the black bear transportation tag and will be issued a legal possession seal.

Any legally killed black bear recovered too late to be brought to a designated black bear check station by 7 p.m. on the date of the kill must be reported immediately by telephone to the Northern Region Office of the Bureau of Law Enforcement (908) 735-8240. Hunters must provide their name, address and a telephone number where they can be reached on the telephone message recording device, if a Fish and Wildlife representative is not available. Said black bear must be brought to a designated black bear check station on the next weekday to be registered and to receive a legal possession seal.

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Mandatory Black Bear Check Stations:

#### Hours: 12 noon to 7 p.m. Warren County

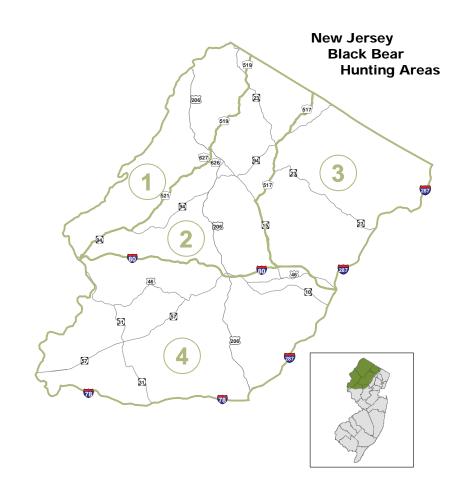
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# Black Bear Hunting Area Descriptions

**Black Bear Hunting Area No. 1**: 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 northward 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. 627; then south along Rt. 627 to its intersection with Rt. 626; then south along Rt. 626 to its intersection with Rt. 521; then southwest along Rt. 521 to its intersection with Rt. 94 in Blairstown; the southwest along Rt. 94 to the Portland Bridge, the point of beginning in



Columbia. The islands of Labar, Tocks, Poxono, Depew, Namanock, Minisink and Mashipacong lying in the Delaware River are also included within this Hunting Area.

Black Bear Hunting No. Area 2: That por-

The Black Bear Hunting Season Permit Quotas by Zone					
Black Bear Hunting Area					
1	2000	Sussex, Warren			
2	3000	Sussex, Warren, Morris			
3	3000	Sussex, Passaic, Morris, Bergen			
4	2000	Warren, Hunterdon, Morris, Somerset, Sussex			
5	0	Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Morris, Passaic, Somerset and Union			
6	0	Warren, Hunterdon, Somerset, Middlesex, Mercer, Monmouth, Burlington, Ocean, Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, Salem, Camden, Gloucester			

tion of Sussex, Warren and Morris counties lying within a continuous line beginning at Portland Bridge in Columbia; then northward along Rt. 94 to its intersection with Rt. 521 in Blairstown; then north along Rt. 521 to its intersection with Rt. 626; then north along Rt. 626 to its intersection with Rt. 627; then north along Rt. 627 to its intersection with Rt. 519 in Branchville; then north along Rt. 519 to the New York state line; then southeast along the New York state line to Rt. 517; then south along Rt. 517 to its intersection with Rt. 94; then south on Rt. 94 to its intersection with Rt. 23 in Hamburg Borough; then south along Rt. 23 to its intersection with Rt. 517 in Franklin; then south along Rt. 517 to its intersection with Rt. 15 in Sparta; then south along Rt. 15 to its intersection with Interstate 80 in Dover; then west along interstate 80 to its intersection with Rt. 94; then south along Rt. 94 to the intersection with the Portland Bridge and the Delaware River located in Columbia, the point of beginning.

Black Bear Hunting Area No. 3: That portion of Sussex, Passaic, Morris and Bergen

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counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 80 and Rt. 15 in Dover; then north along Rt. 15 to its intersection with Rt. 517 in Sparta; then north along Rt. 517 to its intersection with Rt. 23 in Franklin; then north along Rt. 23/ 517 to its intersection with 517 in Hamburg Borough; then north along Rt. 517 to the New York state line; then east along the New York state line 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. 15 the point of beginning in Dover.

**Black Bear Hunting Area No. 4:** That portion of Sussex, Warren, Morris, Somerset and Hunterdon counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Route 78 and the Delaware River; then north along the east bank of the Delaware River to the Portland Bridge at Columbia; then northeast along Rt. 94 to its intersection with Rt. 80; then east along Rt. 80 to its intersection with Rt. 287; then southwest along Rt. 287 to its intersection with Rt. 78; then west along Rt. 78 to the Delaware River the point of beginning.

Black Bear Hunting Area No. 5: That portion of Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, and Union counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Routes 78 and 287; then north along Route 287 to its intersection with 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 northwest along Route 287 to its intersection with Rt. 78 the point of beginning.

Black Bear Hunting Area No. 6: That portion of Warren, Hunterdon, Somerset,

Middlesex, Mercer, Monmouth, Burlington, Ocean, Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, Salem, Gloucester and Camden counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 78 and the Delaware River; then east along Rt. 78 to its intersection with Rt. 287, then southeast along Rt. 287 to its intersection with Rt. 440; then south and east along Routes 287/440 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 the Delaware Bay shore; then north and west along the shore of Delaware Bay to its intersection with the Delaware River; then north along the east bank of the Delaware River to its intersection with Rt. 78, the point of beginning. 1



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# **Small Game Hunting**

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A current and valid hunting license (Bow and Arrow, Firearm or All-around Sportsman) is required to pursue any small game species. See page 25 for *General Hunting Regulations*. The use of dogs, unless specifically stated otherwise, is permitted to pursue any small game species except wild turkey. Hunting for those species shown on page 62 is prohibited during the statewide Six-day Firearm (deer) Season and on the Wednesday of the Permit Shotgun (deer) Season that immediately follows the Six-day Firearm Season. For exceptions, see *Coyote and Fox* and *Semi-wild and Commercial Preserves Hunting* sections below.

Season Dates and Bag Limits: The Small Game Hunting Seasons table on pages 62 lists dates, hunting hours and daily bag limits for all small game species open for hunting. Hunting with firearms is prohibited on Nov. 10, 2006 on state wildlife management areas designated as Pheasant and Quail Stamp Areas (see Pheasants below) except in tidal marshes open to an ongoing waterfowl season.

General Small Game Hunting Methods: Properly licensed hunters may hunt small game with shotguns, bow and arrow and limited hunting with a .22 caliber rifle; see below. See also *General Hunting Regulations*, page 25. • Unless specifically stated otherwise, shotguns for small game hunting may be no larger than 10-gauge or smaller than .410 caliber and capable of holding no more than three shells. Unless specifically stated otherwise, shot size for small game may be no larger than #4 fine shot.

• Compound bow and all other bows must meet the requirements specified in the section on *General Hunting Regulations*, page 25.

• For limited small game rifle hunting, see below for *Coyote and Fox – Special Permit Season, Raccoon and Opossum, Squirrel – Muzzleloading Rifle Season* and *Woodchuck* for restrictions.

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

### Coyote and Fox, General

#### Seasons:

Bow and Arrow only: Sept. 30 to Nov. 10, 2006.

**Firearm or Bow and Arrow:** Nov. 11, 2006 to Feb. 19, 2007.

**Hours:** 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset, except on Nov. 11, 2006 when hunting may not begin until 8 a.m.

Hunting with Dogs: The use of dogs is *not* allowed from Sept. 30 to Nov. 10, nor during the Six-Day Firearm (deer) Season nor on the Wednesday of the Permit Shotgun (deer) Season immediately following the Six-day Firearm Season. Dogs may be used for hunting coyote and fox at all other times.

Hunting Methods: Properly licensed persons hunting deer during the Six-day Firearm, Permit Muzzleloader or Permit Shotgun deer seasons may kill fox or coyote when the person is in possession of a valid deer transportation tag for the applicable deer season (i.e., before harvesting a deer). All hunting must cease immediately upon harvesting a 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 projectiles approved for deer hunting may be used to take fox and coyote incidental to deer hunting during the deer seasons described above. See chart, page 30.

**Bag Limit:** There is no bag limit for fox. The coyote daily bag limit is two. All successful coyote hunters must report any coyote harvested to the regional Fish and Wildlife Law Enforcement Office within 24 hours. Callers must identify themselves by name and daytime phone number.

## Coyote and Fox, Special Permit Season

In addition to the seasons outlined in the previous section, a Special Permit Coyote and Fox Season runs concurrent with the regular small game coyote and fox season. A Fish and Wildlife-issued permit is required to hunt coyote or fox under the provisions of the Special Permit Coyote and Fox Season; see *Permit Requirements* below.

Coyote/Fox permits cost \$2 and will be available for purchase at any license agent or via Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site beginning Dec. 1, 2006. A 2007 hunting license must be purchased prior to or in conjunction with the purchase of a 2007 Coyote/Fox Permit.

## Special Permit Coyote and Fox Season information:

**Firearm or Bow and Arrow:** Jan. 15 to Feb. 19, 2007.

• Shotguns may not be smaller than 12 or larger than 10 gauge.

• Shot size may not be larger than "T" or smaller than #4 fine shot.

• Muzzleloading rifles shall be no less than .44 caliber. Smoothbore muzzleloaders shall be single barreled.

**Hours:** Coyotes and foxes may be hunted by persons in possession of a special permit:

• From 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset, hunters may use a bow, muzzle-loading rifle or shotgun.

• From 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour before sunrise, hunters are restricted to using 10 or 12 gauge shotguns with "T", #2 or #4 fine shot only. The use of bows and muzzleloading rifles is prohibited during these hours.

**Use of dogs:** The use of dogs is prohibited by holders of a special permit during this season.

**Hunting methods:** While hunting under the provisions of the Special Permit Coyote and Fox Season:

• 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, mouthblown 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 but it is recommended to be worn while traveling to and from hunting areas.

Portable lights are allowed.

**Bag Limit**: There is no bag limit for fox. The coyote daily bag limit is two. All successful coyote hunters must report any coyote harvested to Fish and Wildlife Regional Law **Enforcement Office within 24 hours.** Callers must identify themselves by name and daytime phone number.

**Permit Requirements:** A Special Permit Coyote and Fox Season permit is required for hunters pursuing coyote and foxes between Jan. 15 and Feb. 19, 2007 when any of the following conditions apply:

• Hunting between the hours of 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour before sunrise (limited to shotgun hunting only)

• Hunting while in possession of shot sizes larger than #4 fine shot (i.e., #2 fine or "T")

• Hunting with a muzzleloading rifle (must be .44 caliber or greater)

• Hunting with a firearm while not wearing fluorescent orange on outer clothing

### Northern Bobwhite (Quail)

Northern bobwhites (quail) are native to

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the southern half of New Jersey. In recent years, quail populations have declined throughout their range including New Jersey. In an effort to reverse this decline in New Jersey, two quail hunting zones are now delineated. North of Route 33, where wild quail populations are not known to occur, the season length and bag limit is Nov. 11-Dec. 2 and Dec. 11, 12, 14-30, 2006 and Jan. 1-Feb. 19, 2007; the daily bag is seven birds. South of Route 33, the season ends on Jan. 31 and the daily bag limit is four birds. The reduction in season length and bag limit will be monitored to determine any impact on the native quail population.

### **Pheasants**

Pheasant zones were eliminated in 2005. The daily bag limit is two pheasants of eithersex statewide. See exceptions below for *Semi-Wild and Commercial Preserve Hunting*.

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 (WMAs) shall have in possession a current and valid Pheasant and Quail Stamp (Youth hunting licenses include a pheasant and quail stamp): Assunpink, Berkshire Valley, Black River, Clinton, Colliers Mills, Dix, Flatbrook, Glassboro, Greenwood (including Pasadena-Howardsville), Heislerville, Mad Horse, Manahawkin, Manasquan River, Medford, Millville (Bevan), Nantuxent, Peaslee, Pequest, Port Republic, Stafford Forge, Tuckahoe (MacNamara), Walpack, Whittingham and Winslow. A current and valid Pheasant and Quail Stamp is also required at the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area.

The hunter must sign in ink across the face of the phesant and quail stamp.

#### Pheasant and Quail

Fish and Wildlife anticipates pheasant releases to be in excess of 50,000 birds and plans to purchase 5,200 quail for release as follows:

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

Nov. 11, 14, 16, 18, 21, 23, 25, 28 and 30 Dec. 2, 16, 21, 23, 28 and 30

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:

Nov. 11, 18, 23, and 25 Dec. 2, 16, 21, 23, 28 and 30

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

Nov. 11, 14, 16, 18, 21, 23, 25 and 30 Dec. 2, 16, 21, 23, 28 and 30

Fish and Wildlife reminds sportsmen and sportswomen that the pheasant and quail stocking list is tentative until approved by the Fish and Game Council in early October. The schedule is subject to pheasant production and may change due to emergency weather conditions.

### Raccoon and Opossum

Although the Fish and Game Council proposed season dates for hunting raccoon and opossum during the 2006 to 2010 seasons, they were inadvertently omitted from the *New Jersey Register*. Therefore, raccoon hunting regulations (season dates, season bag limit, hunting hours and dog training hours) will revert to those established by N.J.S.A. Title 23, and the opossum hunting season will be closed until the effective date of the 2006-07 Game Code. Fish and Wildlife will announce the Code's effective date on our Web site and by news release. The Title 23 regulations are as follows:

Season: Nov. 1, 2006 to Jan. 15, 2007. Once the 2006-07 Game Code becomes effective, the raccoon and opossum season will be:

**Season:** Oct. 2, 2006 (or the effective date of the 2006-07 Game Code) to March 1, 2007, inclusive.

Hours: Hunting may not begin until one hour after sunset on Oct. 2. On all other days open during the season, the hours of hunting are one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise. Sunday hunting is permitted only between the hours of midnight (Saturday) and one hour before sunrise (Sunday).

**Hunting methods:** Portable lights are permitted. Fluorescent orange is *encouraged but not required* on outer clothing while hunting raccoon and opossum. A current and valid rifle permit is required when possessing a .22 caliber rifle while hunting raccoon and opossum.

**Bag limit:** No daily or season bag limit for either raccoon or opossum.

**Dog Training:** Dogs may be trained during the month of Sept. and from March 2 to May 1, inclusive. The training hours are one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise.

## Semi-Wild and Commercial Preserve Hunting

Youth hunters (in possession of a valid Youth Hunting License and accompanied by a licensed, non-shooting adult) are permitted to hunt pheasant, quail and/or chukar partridge on licensed semi-wild preserves on Saturday, Nov. 4, 2006, the Youth Pheasant Hunting Day.

Hunting for certain species of game birds is allowed from Nov. 11, 2006 to March 15, 2007 on semi-wild preserves and Sept. 1, 2006 through May 1, 2007 on 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 semiwild or commercial shooting preserve lands.

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. There are no daily bag or seasonal limits for pheasant, quail, chukar or mallard taken on commercial preserves. There are no daily bag limits for pheasant, quail or chukar taken on semi-wild properties. Seasonal harvests on semi-wild properties may not exceed the number of birds to be stocked as indicated on the semi-wild permit application.

### Squirrel, Muzzleloading Rifle Season

Persons holding both a current and valid firearm license and rifle permit may hunt for squirrels from sunrise to one-half hour after sunset with a muzzleloading rifle (.36 caliber or smaller loaded with a single projectile) during the periods Sept. 30 to Nov. 10, 2006; and Jan. 6 to Feb. 19, 2007. Hunting for squirrel in the manner described above is restricted to the areas described below:

Those portions of Passaic, Mercer, Hunterdon, Warren, Morris and Sussex 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 inter section 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-

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pecies (alphabetical)	Inclusive Dates	Hunting Hours	Daily Limits	Notes
Bobwhite quail	North of Route 33: Nov. 11, 2006 to Dec. 2; Dec. 11, 12, 14-30, 2006 to Feb. 19, 2007	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	North – 7	8 a.m. start on Nov. 11, 2006
	<b>South of Route 33:</b> Nov. 11, 2006 to Dec. 2; Dec. 11, 12, 14-30 2006 to Jan. 31, 2007		South – 4	Pheasant and Quail Stamp required on designated areas listed under <i>Pheasant,</i> page 61.
Coyote* and Fox	Bow and Arrow only: Sep. 30 to Nov. 10, 2006	½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	Coyote – 2 Fox – No limit	8 a.m. start on Nov. 11, 2006 Closed Dec. 4-9 and Dec. 13, 2006 except as noted under <i>Coyote and Fox</i> , page 60.
	Firearm or Bow and Arrow: Nov. 12, 2005 to Feb. 20, 2006			
Coyote <sup>*</sup> and Fox, Special Permit Season	Firearm or Bow and Arrow: Jan. 15 to Feb. 19, 2007	No restriction on hunting hours while in possession of a Coyote and Fox Special Permit Season permit and hunting under the special season provisions. See Small Game, Coyote and Fox Special Permit Season, page 60	Coyote – 2 Fox – No limit	Calling and stand hunting only. Predator calling device must be in possession. Rifle permit required if hunting with rifle Between the hours of ½ hour after sunset to ½ hour before sunrise, only 10 or 12 gauge shotguns with #- to "T" size shot may be used.
Crow	Aug. 14, 2006 to Mar. 17, 2007 on <b>Mondays and</b> Thurs.–Sat. only.	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	No limit	8 a.m. start on Nov. 11, 2006 Closed Dec. 4 - 9, 2006 See Migratory Bird Regs., p. 68
Gallinule & Rail (Clapper, Sora and Virginia)	See Migratory Bird Regulations, p. 68	½ hour before sunrise to sunset	Gallinule – 10 Rail, Clapper – 10 Rail, Sora – 25 Rail, Virginia – 25	HIP number required. Non-toxic shot required. See Migratory Bird Regs., p. 68
Goose, Canada Resident Early Season)	See Migratory Bird Regulations, p. 68	½ hour before sunrise to sunset	15	HIP number required.Non-toxic shot required. State and Federal migratory bird stamps required if 16 years of age or older.See Migratory Bird Regs., p. 68
Grouse (Ruffed)	Oct. 19 to Dec. 2; Dec. 11, 12, 14-30, 2006	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	2	8 a.m. start on Nov. 11, 2006
Pheasant & Chukar	Nov. 11, 2006 to Dec. 2; Dec. 11, 12, 14-30, 2006 to Feb. 19, 2007	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	Chukar – 7 Pheasant – 2	8 a.m. start on Nov. 11, 2006 Pheasant and Quail Stamp required on designated areas; see page 61.
Rabbit, Hare and Jackrabbit	Nov. 11, 2006 to Dec. 2; Dec. 11, 12, 14-30, 2006 to Feb. 19, 2007	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	Cottontail – 4 Hare – 1 Jackrabbit – 1	8 a.m. start on Nov. 11, 2006
Dpossum & Raccoon (tentative)	Nov. 1, 2006 to Jan. 15, 2007¹	1 hour after sunset to 1 hour before sunrise	No daily limit	5:46 p.m. start on Nov. 1 <sup>1</sup> Rifle permit required if hunting with rifle Closed Dec. 4 - 9 and Dec. 13, 2006
Squirrel (Gray)	Sept. 30 to Dec. 2** Dec. 11, 12, 14-30, 2006 to Feb. 19, 2007	Sunrise to $\frac{1}{2}$ hour after sunset	5	8 a.m. start on Nov. 11, 2006
Squirrel (Eastern Gray) Muzzleloading Rifle (.36 caliber or smaller)	Sept. 30 to Nov. 10, 2006** and Jan. 6 to Feb. 19, 2007	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	5	Rifle permit required. Designated areas only; see Squirrel, Muzzleloading Rifle Season page 61
ſurkey (Fall)	N – Oct. 30 to Nov. 4, 2006	$\frac{1}{2}$ hour before sunrise to $\frac{1}{2}$ hour after sunset.	1, Either sex	Permit required. Turkey Hunting Areas 1 – 11, 20 and 21 only.
ſurkey (Spring)	Apr. 16 to May 25, 2007	1/2 hour before sunrise to noon	1 Male Turkey	Permit required. See details, p. 67
Voodchuck— Bow, Rifle or Shotgun	Mar. 1 to Sept. 27, 2006 Mar. 1 to Sept. 26, 2007	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	No limit	Rifle permit required if hunting with rifle. Rifle hunting prohibited on state properties (see Small Game Regulations page 63).
Voodchuck – Bow or Shotgun	Sept. 30 to Dec. 2** Dec. 11, 12, 14-30, 2006 to Feb. 19, 2007	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	No limit	8 a.m. start on Nov. 11, 2006
Woodcock	See Migratory Bird Regulations, p. 68	Sunrise to sunset	3	HIP number required. 8 a.m. start on Nov. 11, 2006
Youth Turkey Day	Apr. 14, 2007	1/2 hour before sunrise to noon	1 Male Turkey	Permit required.
Youth Upland Bird Day	Nov. 4, 2006	8:00 a.m. to sunset	Pheasant - 2	Selected WMAs & licensed semi-wilds (See page 22)
Youth Waterfowl Day	North Zone: Sept. 30 South Zone: Nov. 10 & 11 Coastal Zone: Oct. 28	½ hour before sunrise to sunset	See notes	HIP number required. See Migratory Bird Regs., p. 68

\* All harvested coyote must be reported to a Fish and Wildlife regional Law Enforcement Office within 24 hours.

Callers must identify themselves by name and daytime phone number. \*\* No firearm hunting is permitted on November 10, 2006 on those WMAs designated as Pheasant and Quail Stamp Areas.

<sup>1</sup> See Small Game, Raccoon and Opossum, page 61 for season changes after effective date of the approved 2006-07 Game Code.

### **Small Game Hunting**

REGULATIONS

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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; and in 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.

### Woodchuck

All persons in possession of a rifle (including a muzzleloading rifle) while hunting must have a current and valid rifle permit in addition to a current hunting license. Rifle hunting (of any kind) for woodchuck is prohibited on state wildlife management areas, state parks and forests or state recreation areas. Farmers and their agents may use shot not larger than #4 buckshot to control woodchucks causing damage. Hours of hunting are sunrise to one half hour after sunset. See chart below for details.

### ATTENTION Upland Gamebird Hunters

If you hunt bobwhite, ruffed grouse, woodcock, ring-necked pheasant or chukar and are willing to participate in a Fish and Wildlife survey of gamebird hunters, please provide us with your name, mailing address, email address and telephone number. Submit this information through our Web site at: www.njfishandwildlife.com or mail to: Andrew Burnett, Principal Wildlife Biologist, NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife, Nacote Creek Research Station, P.O. Box 418, Port Republic, NJ 08241-0418 (609) 748-2058 E-mail: Andrew.Burnett@dep.state.nj.us

Woodchuck Weapon Type Permitted Gauge, Caliber or Weight Projectile(s) Season Dates .25 caliber or less Hollow point, soft point or expanding Mar. 1 to Sept. 27, 2006 lead core bullets of any weight. and Mar. 1 to Sept. 26, 2007 Center-fire rifle Hollow point, soft point or expanding Larger than .25 caliber lead core bullets of any weight not exceeding 100 grains in weight. **Rim-fire rifle** 25 caliber or less Hollow point or soft point Muzzleloading rifle-Must be loaded with a single single-shot, single barrel. projectile, either round ball or No restriction Flintlock, percussion and conical bullet. in-line ignitions permitted. 35 pounds pull at archer's draw Arrows must be fitted with a well-Bow long, recurve or length (long and recurve bows) sharpened metal broadhead with a or peak weight (compound compound minimum width of 3/4" bow) Not larger than 10 gauge, Shotgun-single or double Shot—sizes not larger than barrel, rifled bore or smoothcapable of holding no more #4 fine shot than three shells bore Bow long, recurve or 35 pounds pull at archers draw Arrows must be fitted with a well-Sept. 30 to Dec. 2, compound length (long and recurve bows) sharpened metal broadhead with a Dec. 11, 12 and 14-30, or peak weight (compound bow) minimum width of 3/4" 2006; and Jan. 1 to Feb. 19, 2007 Shotgun-single or double Not larger than 10 gauge, capa Shot-sizes not larger than barrel, rifled bore or smooth ble of holding no more than #4 fine shot bore three shells

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# 2006-07 Trapping

REGULATIONS

· A trapping license is required and a Trapper Education course must be passed. See page 6 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 Fish and Wildlife may be used in lieu of marking with your name and address. You must provide proof of license and a daytime telephone number. To fax your information, photocopy the carbon copy of your current and valid trapping license. Contact the Bureau of Wildlife Management at (609) 292-6685 for more information.

• No traps or trap stakes are to be set prior to times indicated in this section.

· All traps must be checked and tended at least once every 24 hours, preferably in the morning.

• 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 covote must notify a Fish and Wildlife Law Enforcement office within 24 hours.

 Licensed trappers at least 18 years of age and in possession of a valid rifle permit may carry a .22 caliber rifle and use only .22 caliber short rimfire cartridges to kill legally trapped animals other than muskrat. Firearms may not be loaded with more than three rounds.

### **Beaver and River Otter**

Beaver and river otter may be taken only by properly licensed trappers in possession of a beaver/otter season permit valid for an entire beaver/otter management zone, or a beaver site-specific permit valid as designated on the permit. Application can be made at license agents or via Fish and Wildlife's Internet license sales site www.NJFandWildlife.com. Remember to bring your 2006 trapping license to apply.

The application period is October 1-31. A zone map, zone boundaries description and permit quota chart is available on our Web site or call (609) 292-1473. Applicants may apply for only one beaver trapping permit and/or one otter trapping permit. If the number of applications exceeds the permit quota, a random drawing will be held to determine permit holders. Successful beaver permit applicants will be given first opportunity for otter permits in their respective beaver zone.

Beaver trappers can indicate on their application if they wish to be considered for a site-

specific beaver permit within your chosen zone. Site-specific permits are issued for properties

where confirmed beaver damage or nuisance problems exist. A

separate, random drawing will determine site-specific permit holders; however, applicants who did not receive a beaver/otter zone permit will have first opportunity for a site-specific permit.

#### Other rules and regulations:

 Holders of a beaver trapping zone permit may use a maximum of five traps daily.

• Holders of a site-specific permit may use an additional five traps daily only at the location specified on the permit.

· Holders of a river otter trapping permit may use a maximum of three traps daily.

 All beaver and otter trap tags must be clearly visible above the water or ice.

 A Fish and Wildlife-issued Beaver Transportation Tag or Otter Transportation Tag must be affixed to the beaver or otter carcass immediately upon removal from the trap.

• All successful trappers (or their agents) must present their beaver and/or otter pelts at a designated check station for examination where pelt tags will be affixed, and otter carcasses will be surrendered. Trappers are strongly encouraged to properly flesh and stretch all pelts for examination. Additional information on check stations will be provided to all permit holders.

• The tentative date for beaver/otter pelt check is Saturday, Feb. 24, 2007. Successful trappers who cannot attend the scheduled date may contact either Joseph Garris at (908) 735-7040 or Andrew Burnett at (609) 748-2058 prior to February 24 to schedule a pelt examination.

### Traps, body gripping restraining type (snares)

• No person shall set, use or maintain any type of snare unless they have first satisfactorily completed a Fish and Wildlife-approved trapper education course and carry on their person appropriate certification thereof.

· 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 at least 30 feet from any trap set.

### Body gripping restraining snares set for mink, muskrat and nutria are subject to the following requirements:

 All such traps must be constructed of aircraft cable or crucible wire measuring 1/32, 3/64 or 1/16 inches in diameter, equipped with a swivel and set within 50 feet of the mean high water line;

• All such traps must be equipped with a stop to prevent the average loop diameter from exceeding 4 inches; and,

· All such traps must be set so that the distance between the ground/walking surface to the top of the loop does not exceed 7 inches

Body gripping restraining snares set for coyote, fox, opossum, raccoon, skunk and weasel shall be subject to the following requirements: • All such traps must be constructed of aircraft cable of crucible wire measuring from 5/64 to 1/8 inches in diameter and be equipped with a swivel;

• All such traps must be equipped with a deer stop locate no less than 6 inches from the beginning of the cable and a loop stop to prevent the average loop diameter from exceeding 12 inches; and,

• All such traps must be set so that the distance between the ground / walking surface to the top of the loop does not exceed 24 inches.

• The above requirements for cable diameters, loops stops and loop sizes do not apply to body gripping restraining snares that are completely submerged underwater at all times (e.g., when set for beaver or river otter).

### 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 10 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, leg-hold

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

# 2006-07 Trapping

Species	Zone	<b>Inclusive Dates</b>	Season Limits	Notes
Raccoon, Red Fox, Gray Fox, Opossum, Skunk, Weasel & Coyote	Statewide (except stocked WMAs)	Nov. 15, 2006 through March 15, 2007	No limit	6 a.m. on Nov. 15
All coyote must be reported within 24 hrs.	Pheasant Stocked State WMAs ONLY*	Jan. 1 to Mar. 15, 2007	No limit	6 a.m. on Jan. 1
Mink, Muskrat & Nutria	Northern Zone**	Nov. 15, 2006 through	No limit	6 a.m. on Nov. 15
	(except stocked WMAs*)	March 15, 2007		
	Southern Zone † (except stocked WMAs*)	Dec. 1, 2006 to March 15, 2007	No limit	6 a.m. on Dec. 1
	Pheasant Stocked State WMAs ONLY*	Jan. 1 to Mar. 15, 2007	No limit	6 a.m. on Jan. 1
Beaver	Statewide (except stocked WMAs)	Dec. 26, 2006 to Feb. 9, 2007	0 /	<b>Permit required</b> . Max. of 5 traps in use‡
	Pheasant Stocked State WMAs ONLY*	Jan. 1 to Feb. 9, 2007	8 / permit	
River Otter	Statewide (except stocked WMAs)	Dec. 26, 2006 to Feb. 9, 2007	1 / season	Permit required.
	Pheasant Stocked State WMAs ONLY*	Jan. 1 to Feb. 9, 2007		Max. of 3 traps in use

\* Pheasant stocked state WMAs are: Assunpink, Berkshire Valley, Black River, Clinton, Colliers Mills, Dix, Flatbrook, Glassboro, Greenwood (including Pasadena-Howardsville), Heislerville, Mad Horse, Manahawkin, Manasquan River, Medford, Millville, Nantuxent, Peaslee, Pequest, Port Republic, Stafford Forge, Tuckahoe, Walpack, Winslow, Whittingham, Fort Dix Military Reservation and the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area

\*\* 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.

<sup>+</sup> 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 Beaver Permit and a special Site-Specific Beaver Permit may use five additional traps per special Site-Specific Beaver Permit provided they are used only on the property or site specified in the special Site-Specific Beaver Permit. The bag limit per Site-Specific Beaver Permit is 10 beaver.



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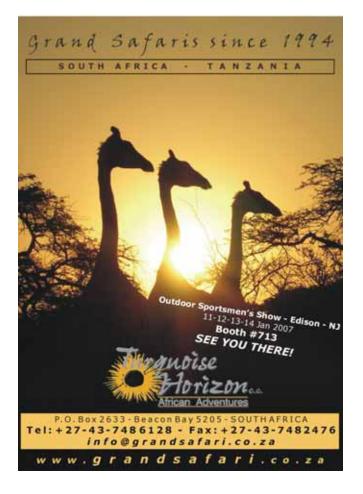
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# Fall & Spring Wild Turkey Hunting

PHOTO GALLERY



- For decades Jim Santoro has been an avid and accomplished deer hunter. Just as he began to explore the challenges of turkey hunting, Santoro's plans were suddenly interrupted when he suffered a major stroke, robbing him of most functions of his right arm and leg. Santoro's past hunting success was largely due to his persistence and adaptability – qualities which proved important both in his vigorous pursuit of rehabilitation and his first turkey hunt this past spring. Much encouragement and support came from Santoro's neighbor and hunting partner, Doug Roscoe, who drove Santoro through the field to a pop-up hunting blind because of his limited mobility.
- After several days of turkey hunting, two gobblers finally responded to Roscoe's calls. The birds zigzagged as they approached the turkey decoy set out beyond the blind. Roscoe adjusted the handle of the cane on which Santoro rested his superposed, 12-gauge shotgun. When one gobbler moved away from the other, Santoro squeezed off the shot. The gobbler when down on the spot.
- 3. Miraculously, the other tom continued to hang around, probably given confidence by the undisturbed decoy. When Roscoe turned his camera on this second gobbler, Santoro cast a look as if Roscoe has lost his senses: on his back was a turkey permit for that zone; in the double-barreled shotgun was a shell ready to fire. Roscoe put down the camera, picked up the gun and shot the other gobbler! Roscoe says that hunting with a disabled partner made the experience much more challenging – and surely more rewarding.





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## Fall & Spring Wild Turkey Hunting

REGULATIONS

Ton-hunting adults accompanying youth turkey hunters need only have in possession a valid hunting license. Turkey hunting is by permit only.

Spring and fall turkey hunting is by permit only. See Turkey Hunting Permits, General, page 10. For farmers, see Farmer Turkey Permits, page 12.

### Fall 2006 Turkey Hunting Regulations

The 2006 fall turkey season consists of one six-day hunting segment, N, from Monday, Oct. 30 through Saturday, Nov. 4, 2006. Fall hunting hours are one-half hour before sunrise until one-half hour after sunset. Turkey Hunting Areas 1-11 and Turkey Hunting Areas 20 and 21 will be open for hunting. Turkey Hunting Areas 12, 14, 15, 16 and 22 are closed to fall hunting.

• Bag Limit: 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, except the use of electronically-operated decoys is prohibited. All hunters are required to possess a calling device while turkey hunting.

• The maximum group size while turkey hunting is five hunters. 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.

• Fluorescent hunter orange is not required to hunt turkey.

· Properly licensed hunters may use archery tackle to hunt turkeys.

• Turkeys may not be hunted within 300 feet of any baited area.

Immediately upon killing a turkey, hunters must complete the transportation tag on their fall hunting permit and affix it to the bird. The turkey must be taken to an official wild turkey check station by 7 p.m. on the day it is killed by the hunter who killed the bird.

### Spring 2007 Gobbler Hunting Regulations

Spring gobbler hunting regulations are published in the 2007 Wild Turkey Hunting Season permit supplement. See Turkey Hunting Permits, General, page 10.

> Youth Turkey Hunt Day April 14, 2007 See page 24

### 2007 Spring Gobbler Hunting Season

Youth Turkey Hunting Day: Sat., April 14 Segment A: Mon., April 16 - Fri., April 20 Segment B: Mon., April 23 - Fri., April 27 Segment C: Mon., Mon, April 30 - Fri., May 4 Segment D: Mon., May7 - Fri., May 11 Segment E: Mon., May 14 - Fri., May 18; Mon., May 21 - Fri., May 25 Segment G: all Saturdays, April 21, April 28,

### May 5, May 12 and May 19

### Turkey Hunting Seminars

The latest turkey hunting techniques are presented at several turkey hunting seminars sponsored by Fish and Wildlife or wildlife conservation organizations. These seminars focus on how to set up, calling techniques and key safety information for turkey hunters. New turkey hunters are especially encouraged to join us at a seminar. Check your newspaper and the 2007 Wild Turkey Hunting Season permit supplement for the seminars scheduled during March and April.



### Fall 2006 Turkey Check Stations

#### ATLANTIC

Ted's Taxidermy, 713 Route 40, Buena, (856) 697-8585 BURI INGTON

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

#### CUMBERLAND

Blackwater Sports Center, 2228 Delsea Dr., Vineland, (856) 691-1571 Big Daddy's Sports Haven, 595 Sherman Ave., Millville, (856) 825-5500

### HUNTERDON

Lakeside Deli, 1878 Rt. 31 N., Clinton, (908) 638-3354 Sportsman's Rendevous, 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

Ralph Anthony Automotive, 1173 Rt. 579, Quakertown, (908) 735-7800 Jugtown Mountain Campsites, 1074 Rt. 173 East, Asbury, (908) 735-5995

#### MIDDLESEX

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

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

Mount Hope Deli, 662 Mount Hope Ave. Wharton, (973) 328-7259 R&S Sports, 3 New Street, Budd Lake, (973) 347-1944 County Line Sport Shop, #10 Route 46, Hackettstown (908) 852-9897

#### PASSAIC

D & D Sport and Paintball, 1846 Route 23 North, West Milford, (973) 838-7522

Greenwood Lake Sports Center, 1745 Greenwood Lake Turnpike, Hewitt, (973) 728-1000

#### SALEM

North American Archery, 439 Rt 77, Monroeville, (856) 358-81808 Bradway's Farm Market, Jericho Rd & Rt 49, Quinton, (856) 935-5698 SOMERSET

Gladpack 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. 23N, Stockholm, (973) 697-3727 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

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

Swartswood Country Store, 911 Newton-Swartswood Rd., Stillwater, (973) 383-5470

### WARREN

Alpine Meats, Rt. 94 N., Blairstown, (908) 362-8568 Hi-Way Sport Shop, Box 253, Route 31 North, Washington,

(908) 689-6208

Smitty's Liguer & Deli, 89 Rt. 46, Delaware, (908) 475-5933 The Owl's Nest, 97 Rt 519, Warren Glen, (908) 995-7903 Dark Moon Tavern, 606 Route 519, Johnsonburg, (908) 459-4487

# 2006-07 Migratory Bird

REGULATIONS

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



- 1. Required to hunt crows: a New Jersey hunting license—See page 6 for hunting license requirements and fees.
- 2. Required to hunt woodcock, rail, snipe, coots or moorhens (gallinule): a New Jersey hunting license and Harvest Information Program (HIP) certification; see below for HIP information.
- 3. Required to hunt ducks, geese or brant: a New Jersey hunting license, HIP certification, 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 (even those still hunting on a youth license) and must be signed in ink across the stamp's face. Federal stamps are available at U.S. post offices and national wildlife refuges. Collentors of waterfowl stamps may purchase State stamps are available from agents who sell hunting licenses. New Jersey stamps through our Trenton office. Call (609) 984-1400.

### Information For Migratory Bird Hunters Important Changes in Obtaining HIP Certification

Hunters must purchase a Harvest Information Program (HIP) certification before hunting ducks, geese, brant, woodcock, rails, snipe, coot or moorhens (gallinules) in New Jersey. Hunters may purchase an HIP certification via three sales outlets:

1. License Agents,

HIP certification may be purchased at any license agent for a \$2 fee. Hunters will have their HIP certifications printed on the new durable, green license stock.

2. Internet Sales Site

Hunters may purchase an HIP certification for a \$2 fee on Fish and Wildlife's Internet sales site (www.NJFishandWildlife.com) then selfprint the HIP certifications.

### 3. Telephone Sales Site

Hunters may purchase their HIP certifications using Fish and Wildlife's telephone sales process (800) 277-2015. Following the sale, hunters will receive a transaction number; write down this number as it may be used immediately for proof of completing an HIP certification. The actual HIP certification will be printed on the durable green license stock and mailed to the hunter's home. **Note: any purchases made using the telephone sales process will incur an additional shipping and handling fee of \$3.00 plus 2.5% of the total sale.** 

Hunters must have proof of HIP certification in possession while hunting migratory birds, whether the document is printed on the durable, green license stock, a computer self-printed certification or a transaction number obtained over the phone. This proof of certification should be carried in the hunter's license holder. The HIP certification is valid from Sept. 1, 2006 to March 10, 2007.

The issuance of an actual HIP number is discontinued; any language on 2006 paper hunting licenses issued no longer applies.

All information collected through the program is kept confidential and is used by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service only to conduct migratory bird harvest surveys. As in the past, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will mail harvest survey information to a small, random group of HIP registrants. Many migratory bird regulations are not confirmed from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service at the time of printing 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 2006–07 Migratory Bird Regulations* available in September at license agents and Fish and Wildlife offices. Migratory bird regulations will also be available on the Fish and Wildlife Web site at

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 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in August:

### Migratory Bird Seasons - Tentative

September Canada Goose	. Statewide	. Sept. 1–30
Rails, Moorhens (Gallinules)	. Statewide	. Sept. 1–Nov. 8
Sea Ducks	. Special Sea	. Sept. 16, 2006–
	Duck Area	. Jan. 16, 2007
Snipe	. Statewide	. Sept. 16–Dec. 30, 2006
Crows* (Mon, Thur, Fri, Sat)	. Statewide	. Aug. 14–Mar. 17, 2007
		(Except closed
		Dec. 4–9, 2006)
Woodcock	. North Zone	. Oct. 19–Nov. 11
	South Zone	. Nov. 11–Nov. 25
		and Dec. 22–Dec. 30, 2006
Mourning Dove	. Statewide	. Closed
Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days	. North Zone	. Sept. 30
	South Zone	. Nov. 10 & 11
	Coastal Zone	. Oct. 28

\* Established in current Game Code

### **Hunters: Report Banded Birds**

Hunters who recover banded migratory birds are asked 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 (800) 327-BAND. Band information also may be reported through the BBL's Web site at www.pwrc.usgs.gov/bbl/.

Banding data plays a critical role in the decision-making process for migratory bird management.

When contacting the BBL, hunters should provide the following information: band number, date the bird was recovered, exact location of the bird's recovery as well as nearest town, and method of recovery, e.g., shot or found dead. Hunters may keep the bands.

The BBL sends a certificate of appreciation to anyone who reports a banded bird, along with information on the date and location of the banding and the age and sex of the bird.

# 2006-07 Migratory Bird

REGULATIONS

### Atlantic Brant Patch Program

The Atlantic Brant Patch Program features five limited-edition patches available to raise public funds for the Susquehanna River Wetlands Trust. The program began in 2000 with the Banding Project patch. These patches promote and support Atlantic brant research. Proceeds from patch sales fund brant research being conducted by the Atlantic Flyway Council. Current research focuses on satellite and conventional radio tracking collars and data analysis.

The 2004 patch is the last in the series. Your continued support is appreciated.

Dave Barnes, wildlife artist and carver, created the artwork for the first two patches. A committee without a specific artist designed the third patch, and the 2003 patch was based on a set of custom decoys carved for the SRWT by talented wildlife carvers Mike and Susan Veasey.



# Each patch is four inches in diameter, with an iron-on backing. Only \$5 each.

### Shipping and Handling Charges:

1–2 patches\$1	
3–5 patches \$2	
6–10 patches\$3	
11–25 patches \$4	
26–50 patches\$5	
51 and up	

### **Atlantic Brant Patch Order Form**

Name		
Street Address		
City	State	Zip
Telephone		
Quantity Ordered:		
2000 patches	2001 patches	2002 patches
2003 patches	2004 patches	
Total # Patches	X § 5 per patch	= \$
Shipping & Handling (per chart above)		= \$

TOTAL \$\_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to SRWT.

Send To: SRWT Brant Patch Program 2500 Hafer Rd. Fayetteville, PA 17222

### FREE! New Jersey Waterfowlers Clinic

Every year, experienced waterfowlers throughout New Jersey join together dedicating their time and energy to present the **New Jersey Waterfowlers Clinic**—an all day, **free** seminar covering "everything you ever wanted to know" about the traditions of waterfowl hunting in New Jersey. This year is no exception!

Thirty years ago, the clinic began as an opportunity to introduce young people to the world of waterfowl hunting. However, with the growing interest among men and women, as well as children, the event has been transformed into an opportunity for anyone 10 and up to spend a fun and interesting day learning about waterfowling!

Our full-day clinic covers waterfowling from A to Z, and includes bird

identification, decoys, calling, guns and ammo, boats, safety, laws and ethics, do's and don'ts, clothing and camo, and even a demonstration by working retrievers! The value of the day is priceless. It's a unique chance to ask any question you've ever had about the sport—to be answered by the most experienced waterfowlers in New



Jersey. Our instructors have a combined 300 years of experience!

Free breakfast and lunch to all attending! Date: Sunday, Oct. 1, 2006 Location: Tip Seaman Park, Tuckerton, NJ Time: 8 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Please *register in advance* so we can plan accordingly. Call George Larson at (732) 870-8473 or Bill Schaf at (732) 928-1275.

We hope you'll join us this year and share our enthusiasm for all that is waterfowling!

### Nontoxic Shotgun Shell Regulation Now in Effect for Rail, Snipe and Moorhen Hunters

To protect wildlife from lead poisoning in New Jersey's wetlands, nontoxic shot is required *at all times* while hunting rails, snipe and moorhens.

Numerous studies have shown that waterbirds and other wildlife either die or are seriously sickened by ingesting spent lead shot deposited in marshes. Further, secondary lead poisoning can occur in predatory or scavenging wildlife, most notably raptors, after they consume animals that have ingested lead shot.

Under the new rule, hunters are permitted to use only shotgun shells containing federally approved nontoxic shot pellets, including steel, bismuth, tungsten-iron, tungsten-polymer, tungsten-matrix, tung-sten-nickel-iron (HEVI-SHOT) and tungsten-iron-nickel-tin (TINT).

These nontoxic shotgun shells have lower velocities and smaller shot sizes suitable for hunting rail, snipe and moorhens, and are now on the market.

Further, hunters are not permitted to possess shotgun shells loaded with lead shot while pursuing rails, snipe or moorhens. Hunters found illegally possessing shotgun shells containing lead shot face a penalty of \$20 for each shotgun shell.

# Wildlife Management Area

REGULATIONS

Regulations for use of wildlife management areas (WMAs) are established by the Division of Fish and Wildlife with penalties of not less than \$50 nor more than \$1,500.

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

Fish and Wildlife 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 and 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 from Fish and Wildlife 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 online at www.fishandwildlife.com or through the mail from New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife, P.O. Box 400, Trenton, NJ 08625, Attn: Boat Ramp Permit. Persons 70 years and older are not required to obtain a boat ramp maintenance permit, but must affix proof of age to the driver's side rear window in their vehicle.

1. Round Valley Angler Access 2. Kingwood

3. Assunpink

4. Dennis Creek 5. Tuckahoe 6. Mad Horse Creek 7. Union Lake 8. Menantico Ponds

9. Prospertown Lake

### Dog Training, Exercising & Hunting

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

1. Assunpink5. Colliers Mills9. Manasquan2. Millville6. Glassboro10. Stafford Forge3. Black River7. Hainesville11. Whittingham4. Clinton8. Tuckahoe

All dogs must be properly licensed. A person may exercise or train dogs on any WMA from Sept. 1 to April 30. There shall be no exercising or training of dogs on any WMA on Nov. 10, 2006, 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 Fish and Wildlife.

### **Higbee Beach**

Higbee Beach WMA is closed to hunting from Sept. 1 to Dec. 10, 2006.

### 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 Nov. 10, 2006 on those WMAs designated as Pheasant and Quail Stamp areas except in tidal marsh open to an ongoing waterfowl season. See *Pheasants*, page 58.

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 dispatching 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, ATVs, trail bikes, or snowmobiles is prohibited on all WMAs unless authorized by Fish and Wildlife.

### **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 p.m. until 5 a.m. unless engaged in lawful hunting, fishing or trapping activities. Special permission may be granted for Fish and Wildlife approved activities.

### **Target Practice**

Only archery, shotgun, muzzleloading shotgun, muzzleloading rifle and .22 caliber, rimfire rifle shooting is allowed in designated hunter training ranges according to regulations posted 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 of fine shot; Archery Range—approved backstops at select ranges, no broadheads allowed; Muzzleloading Rifle and Shotgun Slug Range—for sighting in with shotgun slugs or buckshot, .22 caliber, rimfire rifles and muzzleloaders; no other firearms allowed. See page 67 for a list of ranges.

### Waterfowl Blinds

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

6. Manahawkin

- 1. Assunpink
- Black River
   Colliers Mills
  - 7. Stafford Forge 8. Whittingham
- 4. Hainesville 9. Beaver Swamp
- 5. Tuckahoe 10. Sedge Island

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 Fish and Wildlife.

11. Salem River

12. Prospertown

(Formerly Mannington)

# Wildlife Management Area

REGULATIONS

### 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.wheretoshoot.org

- All WMA regulations apply.
- Ranges are open 8 a.m. to sunset.
- 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).
- Muzzleloading rifle and shotgun 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 (100 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 (732) 842-4000 Archery

### Ocean County

*Colliers Mills WMA* Off Colliers Mills & Hawkins Rds., Jackson Twp. Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (100 yards)

Stafford Forge WMA

Off Route 539, south of Warren Grove,

Little Egg Harbor Twp. Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (100 yards) 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 Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (100 yards)



### HUNT SMART Courtesy Card

#### Visitor's Copy - Not Transferable

I request permission to enter your property for the following purpose:

Dates from: \_\_\_/\_\_/ to \_\_\_/\_/\_\_\_

Limitations: \_

Hunter can hunt within 450 feet of buildings:  $\Box$  Yes  $\Box$  No

Landowner's Name: \_\_\_

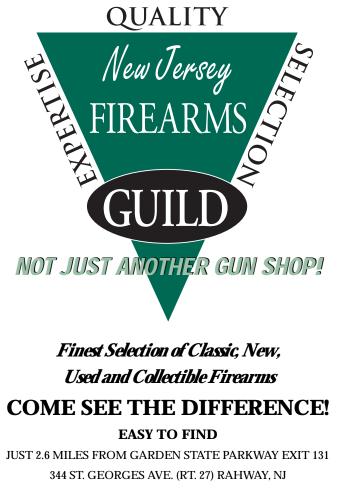
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### LANDOWNER COPY

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Limitations:				
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# Wildlife Programs

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See entry details on page 73.

Brought to you by: NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife NJ Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs United Bowhunters of New Jersey Garden State Outdoor Sportmen's Show

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.

I understand that the laws of New Jersey absolve the landowner from liability for non-paying recreationists engaged in hunting, fishing, trapping, boating, hiking, and certain other activities, except in the case of willful or malicious failure to guard or warn of hazards.

Signed	(visitor)	
	Date//	
ASK PERMISSION SEE LANDOWNER	This card provided by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Division of Fish & Wildlife	HUNT

### HUNT SMART Courtesy Card

I hereby give permission to: (visitor's name)

to enter my property for the purpose listed on the reverse side of this card. He/she has agreed to act safely responsibly, and lawfully and to accept responsibility for his/her actions.

(landowner, lessee, or operator)

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

Outdoor Recreation on Private Property is a Privilege-NOT A RIGHT

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Signed

# Wildlife Programs

OUTSTANDING DEER

# **New Jersey Showcases Outstanding Deer**

 $N_{\rm 1964,\ includes\ categories\ for\ typical\ and\ non-typical\ antlered\ deer\ taken with bow,\ shotgun\ and\ muzzleloading\ rifle,\ in\ addition\ to\ the\ weight\ categories\ listed\ below.\ A\ newer\ velvet\ category\ is\ added\ for\ early\ bow\ season\ deer.$ 

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

In the Antlered Division, New Jersey's Outstanding Deer Program uses the most common system in North America used for rating antlers as developed by the Boone and Crockett Club. This scoring system gives credit to antler length, spread, number of points, massiveness and symmetry. This measurement system also is used by the Pope & Young Club's Bowhunting Big Game Records Program. Deer must have been taken under the rules of fair chase.

In the Weight Division, the program recognizes exceptional body size as determined by the field dressed weight. Those bucks reaching or exceeding 200 pounds (must have proof confirmed on a certified scale\* for bucks) and a category for field dressed does reaching or exceeding 135 pounds (witnessed, non-certified scale at a deer check station or Fish and Wildlife regional office).

Any properly licensed hunter, regardless of residency, is eligible to enter the Outstanding Deer Program. Deer must be taken in accordance with New Jersey wildlife laws and regulations. Additional rules are included on the official application forms. These forms with instructions are available on Fish and Wildlife's Web site or send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife, Outstanding Deer Program, P.O. Box 400, Trenton, NJ 08625-0400. There is no entry fee.

All qualified entries will be added to New Jersey's All Time List. For questions, call (609) 633-7598.

Quality deer management or antler point restriction programs are bound to result in a significant increase in the number of outstanding deer added to the All Time List.

Qualifying deer entries are displayed and recognized at the annual Garden State Deer Classic. Join Fish and Wildlife in celebrating New Jersey's outstanding white-tailed deer at the Deer Classic in January at the Garden State Outdoor Sportsmen's Show. See the ad on page 68 for details.

The table below is a list of the top-scoring deer and the hunters who participated in the 2006 Garden State Deer Classic. **The Classic showcased the outstanding deer taken during the 2004–2005 deer hunting seasons, not this past hunting seasons.** 

\*A certified scale may be available at the following businesses: -Warehouse with shipping department

- -Concrete, sand and gravel company
- -Junk yard or scrap metal recycler
- -Marina with party and charter boat fishing
- Or contact your county weights and measures office

	Deer Ha	rvested During the 2004-	05 Hunting Seasons		
Category	Place	Name	Score / Weight	<b>County Harvested</b>	DMZ
135 Pound Doe Club—Archery	1st	Stan Lysenko	160 lbs.	Somerset	14
	2nd	Jason Reed	136 lbs	Cumberland	31
135 Pound Doe Club-Muzzleloader	1st	Robert Chandler	138 lbs.	Gloucester	35
135 Pound Doe Club—Shotgun	1st	Ryan Stocker	141 lbs.	Warren	5
	2nd	Louis Wieben	140 lbs.	Hunterdon	12
200 Pound Buck Club - Archery	1st	Dan Deveney	223 lbs.	Hunterdon	12
	2nd	Eric S. Price	205 lbs.	Salem	35
	3rd	Gary W. Mood	203 lbs.	Salem	27
Typical Archery	1st	Eugene Donato	146 0/8	Cumberland	28
	2nd	Dan Deveney	144 1/4	Hunterdon	12
	3rd	Joseph Buchanan	143 3/8	Hunterdon	11
Non-Typical Archery	1st	H. Russell Hiles	147 1/8	Salem	29
	2nd	Paul Fenwick	146 1/8	Somerset	12
	3rd	James Mandaglio	138 1/4	Hunterdon	10
Typical Muzzleloader	1st	William Hill	151 1/2	Warren	7
	2nd	Mark Humphreys	140 7/8	Salem	27
	3rd	Steven Fodor	137 7/8	Hunterdon	11
Non-Typical Muzzleloader	1st	Peter Bell	152 7/8	Burlington	37
Typical Shotgun	1st	James Porcelli	175 7/8	Monmouth	50
	2nd	Harry Lombardo, Jr.	143 1/2	Salem	27
	3rd	William Kurman Jr.	141 0/8	Cumberland	29
Non-Typical Shotgun	1st	Jeff Norton	160 5/8	Salem	35
	2nd	M. John Layton	135 7/8	Atlantic	42
Physically Challenged— Typical Crossbow	1st	Amel Balega, Jr.	134	Hunterdon	11

### 2006 Garden State Deer Classic Winners



The buck of a lifetime, says Jim Porcelli, of his deer scoring 175 7/8 in the typical shotgun category, tied for the All Time State Record. The 11-pointer was taken in Zone 50, Monmouth County.





Nicholas Diamandas, Sr.

After weeks of pre-season planning and preparation with his dad, Nicholas Diamandas (left), 11, took this New Jersey black bear in Jefferson Township, Morris County. Nick, Sr. (right) is proud and excited for his son's success, and sees how their shared love of hunting has brought them closer together forming memories that will last a lifetime.

# 2005 Black Bear Hunting Season Proves to be a Successful Management Tool

ust as in 2003, the first day of the 2005 bear hunting season greeted hunters with subfreezing temperatures and a blanket of snow over most of the region. This time hunters realized the cold temperatures and snow cover were not a hindrance but rather an opportunity to capitalize on favorable sighting and tracking conditions.

The hunt, held Dec. 5-10, 2005, resulted in a harvest of 298 bears by 5,450 black bear hunters. Both the harvest total and the 7% hunter-success rate were on target with projections from Fish & Wildlife's biologists. Further, it proved to be a safe hunt, in part because every bear hunter had successfully completed a mandatory black bear hunting seminar.

Bears were harvested in five of the seven New Jersey counties open to black bear hunting (see Table 1).

Table 1. New Jersey 2005 Black Bear Harvest By County

County	Total Harvest	Percentage of Harvest	Area, mi <sup>2</sup>	Bears Harvested per square mile
Sussex	196	66 %	537	0.36
Warren	43	14 %	363	0.12
Passaic	32	11%	126	0.25
Morris	26	9%	429	0.06
Bergen	1	0.3 %	35	0.03
Hunterdon	0	0	219	0
Somerset	0	0	74	0
Total	298		1558	Average 0.19 per sq. mi.

# By Patrick Carr, Supervising Biologist & Kelcey Burguess, Principal Biologist

An average of 0.19 bears per square mile were harvested within the area open to hunting. This is well below the pre-hunting season density of about 2.5 bears per square mile, calculated from Fish and Wildlife's black bear population research. Hunters reported bear harvests in 30 of the 105 municipalities open to black bear hunting. Sandyston Township, Sussex County tallied the most with 36 bears taken.

Approximately 90 percent of hunters used a shotgun to harvest their bear, and the majority of bears were taken on private or state land (see Table 2).

Table 2. New Jersey 2005 Black Bear Hunting Season Harvest by Land Ownership

Land Type	Number of Bears	% of Total Harvest
Private Property	115	39%
State Land	120	40%
Federal Land	44	15%
County or Municipal Lar	nd 19	6%

Black Bear Management Zones (BMZ) were designated in 2005. These zones were created in order to determine hunter density, success and impact within certain regions of black bear habitat. Management zones allow Fish and Wildlife biologists to regulate hunting pressure on our black bear population by establishing permit quotas for each zone.

Table 3. New Jersey 2005 Black Bears Harvested by Zone

BMZ	Number of Bears	% of Total Harvest
Zone 1	121	41%
Zone 2	68	23%
Zone 3	101	34%
Zone 4	8	3%

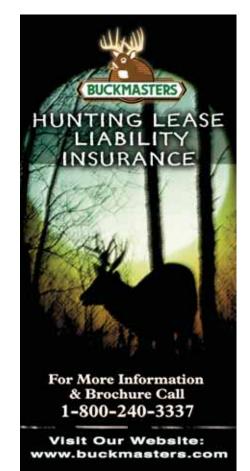
The bear harvest sex ratio (174 females to 124 males) and the age distribution (43% juvenile/ 57% adult) matched those of bears captured during research and control activities. Fish & Wildlife's bear population analysis before the hunt, combined with information collected at mandatory bear check stations, confirms that the current black bear population can support regulated hunting without endangering the species' viability in New Jersey. The biological data on bears and demographic data on hunter success will help refine future management actions.

Since 1980, Fish & Wildlife has used an integrated approach to manage black bear. Today, this strategy includes:

- Researching and monitoring the bear population
- Educating New Jersey residents to reduce human/bear conflicts
- Responding to complaints about nuisance bears to protect public safety and property
- Using other appropriate control measures, including regulated hunting

With careful management, a healthy black bear population can continue to thrive and coexist with New Jersey residents while providing recreational opportunities such as wildlife watching and photography.

For additional details on the results of New Jersey's 2005 bear hunting season, visit www.NJFishandWildlife.com.





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# \_aw Enforcement

PHOTO GALLERY







- Deputy Conservation Officer Harley Simons and his gun and ammo detection dog Shelly, a three year old Field Spaniel. Deputy Simons and Shelly also assist local police in criminal investigations.
- 2. L to R Lt. Donald Cole and Conservation Officers Joseph Kuechler and Frank Panico recently received Teamwork/Achievement Award from the New Jersey Public Service Recognition Awards Program. The award was the result of a Taxidermy Investigation, the evidence seized is displayed in the photograph.
- 3. The responsibilities of NJ Conservation Officers include protections of many non game species. Conservation Officer Doug Ely captured this injured Golden Eagle on the Tuckahoe WMA. The eagle was taken to a state certified rehabilitator and released two months later in the area of capture.

# Continue the Tradition

# Become an instructor with Fish and Wildlife's Hunter Education Program.

Fish and Wildlife's Hunter Education Unit is looking for New Jersey's best sportsmen and sportswomen to become instructors and teach utilizing this exciting home study format. A minimum of six weekend days each year are required.

### Call (856) 629-0552

Leave your name and address to receive an application. Or visit our Web site: www.NJFishandWildlife.com



# Fall and Winter Trout Stocking Program

A different kind of trout fishing experience awaits anglers later this year when Fish and Wildlife begins stocking bigger trout in the fall and winter. Brook, brown and rainbow trout measuring 14 to 16 inches will be stocked instead of the traditional 9- to10-inch rainbows. These fall and winter stocked trout are two-year-old, rather than one-year-old fish. The extra year of growth, with its real gain in size, is guaranteed to test the angler's skill - and their tackle!

Fish and Wildlife anticipates approximately 20,000 larger trout, plus over 1,000 broodstock rainbow trout (18 to 20 inches) will be available for the two-week fall stocking program with about 5,000 trout planned for the winter stocking. With these lunkers swimming about, anglers should think twice before putting away their fishing gear after the summer.

All stocking dates are announced on the Trout Hotline, (609) 633-6765, and on Fish & Wildlife's Web site at www.NJFishandWildlife.com/trtstk06.htm.

### Fall Trout-Stocked Rivers and Lakes

Fall stocking will occur in the weeks beginning Oct. 10 and Oct. 17, 2006. When available, the stocking schedule will be posted on Fish & Wildlife's Web site and the Trout Stocking Hotline.

Atlantic County: Hammonton Lake Bergen County: Ramapo River, Wanague River Burlington County: Crystal Lake, Sylvan Lake Camden County: Oak Pond Cumberland County: Giampetro Park Pond, Mary Elmer Lake, Maurice River Essex County: Verona Park Pond Gloucester County: Grenloch Lake, Greenwich Lake, Iona Lake, Swedesboro Lake Hunterdon County: Musconetcong River, S/Br. Raritan River Mercer County: Colonial Lake, Rosedale Lake Middlesex County: Farrington Lake, Roosevelt Park Pond Monmouth County: Manasquan River Morris County: Black River, Musconetcong River, N/Br. Raritan River, Rockaway River Ocean County: N/Br. & S/Br. Metedeconk River, Toms River

Passaic County: Wanaque River

Salem County: Schadlers Sand Wash Pond

Somerset County: N/Br. & S/Br. Raritan River

- Sussex County: Big Flat Brook, Paulinskill River, Pequest River, Wallkill River
- Warren County: Musconetcong River, Paulinskill River, Pequest River, Pohatcong Creek



### Winter Trout-Stocked Lakes

Stocking dates are Nov. 20 – 22, 2006. When available, the stocking schedule will be posted on Fish & Wildlife's Web site and the Trout Stocking Hotline.

Atlantic County: Birch Grove Park Pond Bergen County: Mill Pond Camden County: Haddon Lake, Rowands Pond Cumberland County: Shaws Mill Pond Essex County: Verona Park Pond Gloucester County: Mullica Hill Pond Hudson County: Woodcliff Lake Hunterdon County: Amwell Lake Middlesex County: Hook's Creek Lake, Monmouth County: Spring Lake, Topenemus Lake Morris County: Mt. Hope Pond, Speedwell Lake Ocean County: Lake Shenandoah Passaic County: Barbours Pond, Shepherd Lake Salem County: Riverview Beach Pond Sussex County: Lake Aeroflex, Lake Ocquittunk, Little Swartswood Lake, Silver Lake Union County: Lower Echo Lake Warren County: Furnace Lake

### Get on the Lists

The Hunting and Trapping e-mail lists that is. This free service will provide you with the latest information about Fish and Wildlife events, public hearings and other matters related to marine resources. And there are six other lists to help you get the most out of New Jersey's fish and wildlife resources. The more, visit Fish and Wildlife's Web site at: www.njfishand wildlife.com/lstsub.htm

### **Migratory Game Bird**

### **Monitoring Programs**

Prepared by: Ted Nichols, Waterfowl Ecology and Management Program

66 The asked and most important questions in wildlife conservation. Migratory game bird populations are challenging to monitor due to their mass movements. However, making informed decisions based on knowledge of the status and trends of a species, its geographical distribution, and annual breeding effort, are critical to responsible management.

Hunting of migratory game birds occurs under the auspices of a harvestable surplus. A harvestable surplus infers that a portion of the population exists in excess of the number of birds required to keep a particular population near a desired level. Harvest statistics including the number of hunters, harvest, and hunting effort is also needed to complete a management program.

There are numerous migratory bird monitoring programs across North America, which are conducted by a myriad of organizations and individuals. In most cases, these monitoring programs are conducted and/or coordinated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), the Canadian Wildlife Service, as well as State and Provincial wildlife agencies including the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife (DFW). Although there are



Nearly 30,000 migratory bird parts are examined annually by federal and state wildlife biologists during the Parts Collection Survey or "Wing-Bee" in the Atlantic Flyway. The species, age and sex composition of the migratory bird harvest is derived from this survey. New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife staff identify migratory bird parts. Left to right: Ted Nichols, Christina Kisiel and Ben Wurst.

too many monitoring programs in place to address them all with this article, key monitoring efforts are outlined below.

### Waterfowl Breeding Population and Habitat Survey

Each spring, survey biologists estimate the numbers and species of waterfowl as well as habitat conditions in principal breeding areas in Canada, the north central US, and Alaska. Major waterfowl habitats include the prairies, boreal forest, parklands (transition area of prairie-boreal forest), and tundra. The majority of the survey effort is conducted using aerial surveys. Portions of some transects are also covered with ground surveys which are used to correct for birds not observed by aerial survey crews. The core area of this survey has been conducted annually for over 50 years and is the most extensive, long-term wildlife survey in the world.

### **Atlantic Flyway Breeding Waterfowl Survey**

Beginning in 1989, biologists in the eastern US and Canada developed a survey to measure population trends for eastern waterfowl. All Atlantic Flyway states from New Hampshire to Virginia participate in this ground survey by recording waterfowl observed in one square kilometer plots during April and early May. Plots are stratified by major physiographic zones since waterfowl breeding densities vary by zone. Plots are allocated across states based on the proportion of each state in a particular zone. Plots have been randomly located within each zone to allow extrapolation of waterfowl population estimates to the landscape scale. In New Jersey, 250 plots are surveyed annually during this survey.

### **Mid-Winter Waterfowl Survey**

Population estimates of several species of ducks, geese, and swans which nest in remote arctic wilderness and outside of existing survey areas are not adequately counted in spring and summer breeding surveys. Abundance indices for these species are more readily obtained from aerial surveys on wintering grounds. Several key species in the Atlantic Flyway including Atlantic brant, tundra swans, and American black ducks are indexed using the Mid-Winter Waterfowl Survey (MWS). Although there are ongoing efforts to use more recent breeding survey indices for black ducks, the MWS still plays a major role in black duck management. New Jersey plays a critical role in the Atlantic Flyway MWS since about 65% of Atlantic brant and 35% of black ducks are counted here.

### **Bird Banding**

Various agencies band over 300,000 migratory game birds annually. Banding provides data on survival, harvest rates and locations and migration routes. The calculation of harvest rates, or the proportion of the annual banded sample that is taken during the hunting season, is one of the most important uses of banding data. The DFW annually bands about 3,000 waterfowl with the help of its volunteer Wildlife Conservation Corps and numerous federal, state, county, and non-government cooperators.

### Harvest Information Program

The migratory bird Harvest Information Program (HIP) is a joint monitoring program of state wildlife agencies and the USFWS. The goal of HIP is to measure harvest and hunter activity for all migratory game birds including ducks, coots, geese, wood-

cock, rails, snipe, and gallinules through hunter surveys. Results of hunters' reports are then used to develop reliable estimates of the total harvest of all migratory birds throughout the country. Some HIP registrants are also selected to submit wings and/or tail feathers of harvested migratory birds to the USFWS. In the Atlantic Flyway, about 30,000 migratory bird parts are examined annually to estimate the species, age, and sex composition of the harvest. The proportion of juveniles to adults in the harvest of a given species is important for quantifying a species' breeding output over time.

### Integrating monitoring programs into management

All the monitoring programs collectively form the basis for the development of comprehensive management programs. Adaptive Harvest Management (AHM) of mid-continent mallards is a prime example. The first input into AHM is mallard population size and habitat (measured as the number of ponds) from the Waterfowl Breeding Population and Habitat Survey in a given year. Next, a hunting season framework of season length, bag limits, and dates are used to estimate a harvest rate for the population. AHM then uses a competing set of mathematical models with hypotheses about population dynamics and the effects of harvest on subsequent population size for comparison. After the hunting season, HIP data provides estimates of harvest and hunting activity and harvest estimates are also obtained from the current year's banding data. Then, model weights of mallard population dynamics are updated based on which models did the best job predicting the actual mallard population that was estimated from breeding surveys in the following year. Population models that predicted closer to what was observed the following year are then favored in future years over models that yielded less accurate estimates.



A hunting and fishing

club used the resources

available from this pro-

gram to purchase, restore

and enhance over 200

acres of land benefiting

grassland-dependant

birds, including the ring-

necked pheasant.

This Warren County property represents the state's largest warm-season grass restoration effort to date.

# Fish and Wildlife Launches New Jersey Habitat Incentive Team

By Andrew Burnett, Principal Wildlife Biologist

The New Jersey Habitat Incentive Team (NJHIT) is a coalition of state, federal, and private organizations working to enhance wildlife habitat on private and public property. NJHIT members include representatives of the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife (Fish and Wildlife), U.S. Department of

Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), US. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), New Jersey Audubon Society, Conservation Resources, Conserve Wildlife Foundation of NJ and the state chapters of Quail Unlimited, Ducks Unlimited, Pheasants Forever, Ruffed Grouse Society, National Wild Turkey Foundation and Trout Unlimited. These form an impressive alliance of natural resource professionals and sporting conservation groups.

The coalition's goal is to enhance wildlife habitat on privately owned lands through conservation programs funded by the federal Farm Bill. Programs such as the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP), Wetland Reserve Program (WRP), Grassland Reserve Program (GRP), Environmental

Quality Incentive Program (EQIP) and Conservation Security Program (CSP) have immense potential to improve habitat for both game and nongame species in New Jersey. Other important conservation programs available to private landowners include the USFWS Partners for Fish and Wildlife (Partners) and the Landowner Incentive Program (LIP).

In addition to restoring, enhancing and creating fish and wildlife habitat, these conservation programs help reduce soil erosion, safeguard streams and rivers, protect valuable groundwater resources and improve air quality – things benefiting all New Jerseyans.

The NJHIT started with an agreement to place Fish and Wildlife biologists at all six NRCS field offices throughout the state. Two positions were filled at the end of 2005 and the other four will be filled as funding becomes available. The biologists guide interested landowners in obtaining assistance for conservation programs on their land. All programs are voluntary and require some degree of cost-sharing on the part of the landowner. The landowner's share can be either actual expenses or in-kind services such as labor and equipment provided and used by the landowner to implement the recommended conservation practices.

Landowners can find information about the numerous federal Farm Bill programs at the New Jersey NRCS Web site: www.nj.nrcs.usda.gov/programs. Information on Partners for Fish and Wildlife can be found at www.fws.gov/northeast/partners/. Information on the Landowner Incentive Program can be found at www.state.nj.us/dep/fgw/ensp/lip\_prog.htm.

A hunting and fishing club in north Jersey successfully used the resources available through these programs for the benefit of both hunters and wildlife. The club purchased a farm in Warren

> County, sold the development rights through the Farmland Preservation Program and used those proceeds to purchase a second farm adjacent to the first. Development rights on the second farm were also sold through the Farmland Preservation Program.

The club then contacted Fish and Wildlife to enroll portions of their properties in various conservation programs (LIP, Partners and WHIP) to restore and enhance existing grasslands. The 10-year management plan includes improvements such as planting warm season grasses on 180 acres, delayed mowing, hedgerow management, thinning red cedar and brush-hogging scrub/shrub areas on 14 acres and controlling invasive plant species.

The total cost of this work is \$408,050 with WHIP, Partners and LIP providing

\$232,725 in funding as various aspects of the plan are completed. The landowner's share of \$175,325 will be provided by in-kind services consisting of labor, equipment, chemical control and accepting a reduced rental rate. Utilizing the various landowner incentive programs allowed this club to make major habitat improvements on its property with little or no out of pocket expenses to the club.

The club's efforts will enhance existing habitat and create new habitat essential for a host of grassland-dependant birds. Some of the notable species that will benefit include the upland sandpiper, vesper sparrow and eastern meadowlark as well as the club's primary game species interest, the ring-necked pheasant.

Landowners interested in learning more about the opportunities available for creating and enhancing wildlife habitat on their land are encouraged to contact a private lands biologist. In northern New Jersey, contact MacKenzie Hall at the NRCS Hackettstown office at (908) 852-2576, ext. 3. In southern New Jersey, contact Ross Shramko at the NRCS Hainesport office at (609) 267-0811, ext. 113. They are eagerly awaiting calls to help landowners enhance habitat and support wildlife conservation.

# Hunter Access

### PUBLIC DEER HUNTING LAND IN NEW JERSEY

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Tew Jersey has more than 750,000 acres of N 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 an access fee or have other special regulations. Refer to the Digest section Special Areas Hunting Season Information or contact the appropriate authority for details. See page 83 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 Deer Hunting

- Bear Swamp WMA
- Flatbrook-Roy WMA
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  - Stokes State Forest

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  - Abram Hewitt State Forest Hamburg Mountain WMA Long Pond Ironworks State Park Newark Watershed (see Special Areas) Norvin Green State Forest

  - Ramapo Mountain State Forest
  - Ringwood State Park
  - Wanaque WMA

  - Wawayanda State Park Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Flatbrook-Roy WMA Stokes State Forest

  - Walpack WMA

  - Worthington State Forest Beaver Brook WMA
    - Columbia WMA

    - Honey Run WMA Jenny Jump State Forest Paulinskill WMA Swartswood State Park

    - Trout Brook WMA

    - White Lake WMA
    - Whittingham WMA
  - Allamuchy Mountain State Park
    - Berkshire Valley WMA
    - Farny State Park
    - Morris County Park System Mahlon Dickerson Reservation, Silas Condict Park (see Special Areas) Newark Watershed (see Special Areas)
  - Rockaway River WMA
  - Sparta Mountain WMA
  - Weldon Brook WMA
  - Wildcat Ridge WMA Clinton WMA

  - Hunterdon County Parks Dept. Union Forge Preserve, Tower Hill Reserve (see Special Areas)
  - Musconetcong River WMA Spruce Run Recreation Area
  - Allamuchy Mountain State Park

  - Black River WMA Hacklebarney State Park
  - Hunterdon County Parks Dept. Cold Brook Preserve, Teetertown Ravine Nature Preserve, Point Mountain Preserve (see Special Areas) Ken Lockwood Gorge WMA

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- Morris County Park System Black River Park, Schooley's Mountain Park (see Special Areas)
- Musconetcong River WMA
- Pequest WMA
- South Branch WMA

- · Voorhees State Park
- Black River WMA Hunterdon County Parks Dept. - Musconetcong Gorge, the Drag Strip Property, Hoffman Park, Schick Reserve, South Branch Reservation, 10
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East of Remsen Mill Rd. (see Special Areas)

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Monmouth Battlefield State Park (see Special

Hughes Technical Center (see Special Areas)

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High Point State Park (see Special Areas)

Maps and information on hunting land is also available

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Wildlife Management Area Maps

Download maps from our Web site at

www.njfishandwildlife.com/wmaland.htm

or create your own map, at i-MapNJ, see page 81.

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# Hunter Access

SAFETY AND HUNTING OPPORTUNITIES

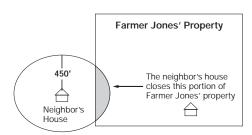
### SAFETY ZONE Awareness: Protecting Your Hunting Privilege

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 land suitable for hunting, 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 2006–2007 Hunting Seasons

Hunting on national wildlife refuges is not permitted unless specifically opened as listed below.

### Cape May NWR

24 Kimbles Beach Road, Cape May Court House, NJ 08210 (609) 463-0994; www.fws.gov/northeast/capemay

 Deer—See "Special Areas Hunting Season Information;" see page 52.
 Migratory game birds except crow—on refuge lands north of Rt. 550 or west of Rt. 47

No refuge permit is required. Special hunting conditions apply. Contact refuge office for information

### Great Swamp NWR

#### 241 Pleasant Plains Road, Basking Ridge, New Jersey 07920-9615 (973) 425-1222; www.fws.gov/northeast/greatswamp

 Deer—See "Special Areas Hunting Season Information;" see page 52. In addition to required state licenses and permits, hunters must obtain a Refuge permit. There is a \$26 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; www.fws.gov/northeast/forsythe

- Deer—See "Special Areas Hunting Season Information;" see page 52.
   Waterford Special Spark Coase Season
- Waterfowl Special Snow Goose Season

A \$10 refuge permit is required for the fall bow season. Hunters wanting to participate in the snow goose hunt must have a reservation. Special hunting conditions apply. Information can be obtained at the refuge, at dispensers, at the headquarters, on the refuge Web site, or through the mail.

### Supawna Meadows NWR

c/o Cape May NWR, 24 Kimbles Beach Rd., Cape May Court House, NJ 08210, (609) 463-0994; www.fws.gov/northeast/nj/spm.htm

- Deer—See "Special Areas Hunting Season Information;" see page 52.
- 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 refuge permits except youths are free. Special hunting conditions apply.

### Wallkill River NWR

#### 1547 County Route 565, Sussex, New Jersey 07461-4013 (973) 702-7266; http://wallkillriver.fws.gov

- Big game—See "Special Areas Hunting Season Information;" see page 52.
- Migratory Birds except crow Spring and Fall Turkey (Zone 5)
- September and Special Winter Canada Goose

In addition to required state licenses and permits, hunters must obtain a refuge permit. There is a \$20 fee for a refuge permit except youths are free. Special hunting conditions apply.

### New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has a new Web-based tool called i-MapNJ.

If you have access to the Web, here is a way to create maps of your favorite Wildlife Management Areas. i-MapNJ also provides a wealth of other environmental information.

This interactive program is updated regularly so most of the latest information is available.

To access i-MapNJ, go to the DEP's Web site at www.state.nj.us/dep. Click the i-MapNJ button in the left column.

If you do not have access to the Web and are interested in a specific Wildlife Management Area, call (609) 984-0547 to request a map.

### Wildlife Management Areas Welcome Recreationists

By Laurie Pettigrew, Principal Biologist

The Wildlife Management Area (WMA) System is administered by the Division of Fish and Wildlife's Bureau of Land Management. The WMA system currently holds over 300,000 acres where the public can enjoy their favorite outdoor pursuits.

Begun in 1932 with the purchase of the Walpack WMA, the system was initially funded through the sale of hunting and fishing licenses to provide "Public Shooting and Fishing Grounds." Since the passage of the first Green Acres Bond Act in 1961, most acquisitions today take place through the Green Acres Program. In addition to Green Acres, funding is provided by the Waterfowl Stamp Program, specifically for the purchase and management of waterfowl habitat. To date, the Waterfowl Stamp Program has acquired more than 14,000 acres of prime waterfowl habitat for WMAs such as Paulinskill, Upper Barnegat Bay and Salem River just to name a few.

The WMA system provides innumerable recreational opportunities throughout the state. Whether you pursue hunting or fishing, birdwatching, photography, hiking or kayaking, there are wildlife management areas where you can enjoy your favorite outdoor pastime.

Thousands of migrating warblers, raptors and shorebirds stop to rest and feed at Higbee Beach WMA in spring and fall making it one of the nation's premier bird watching spots. Some of the state's best warm water fishing can be found on WMAs such as Union Lake, Assunpink, and Menantico, where the state record largemouth bass was caught. If you prefer trout fishing, try angling the colder waters of the South Branch at Ken Lockwood Gorge, or the Little Flatbrook at Flatbrook-Roy.

Some recreationists prefer paddling to angling. There are ample put-in and take-out locations on WMA land that borders many of New Jersey's rivers -such as Black River, Musconetcong and Pequest.

There are thriving herds of deer and flocks of turkey on almost every WMA throughout the state. Waterfowl hunting at Heislerville, Sawmill Creek, or Cape May Coastal Wetlands rivals any on the east coast.

Several WMAs were purchased to provide shoreline access for anglers along many of New Jersey's streams, lakes and tidal areas. A number of these have boating access as well, whether it be a cartop launch for a small pond or lake, or a motor boat ramp for larger waters. Shooting ranges throughout the state provide hunters with places to practice or sight in their gun or bow.

Most WMAs lack marked trails but almost all have numerous unmarked trails that can be navigated with the aid of a good topographic map. In addition, 18 WMAs have been designated as wildlife viewing sites and many have observation platforms at key locations.

The WMA system provides other benefits as well. New Jersey has some of the most diverse and complex ecosystems found in the United States. WMAs help protect these ecosystems and the habitat necessary for healthy wildlife populations. Open space provides environmental and economic benefits too, such as clean water, clean air and increased land values.

To learn more about DEP's Wildlife Management Area System, visit www.NJFishandWildlife.com. In addition to more detailed information about the WMA system, there is a table listing all the WMAs and their acreage along with links to maps of each area. Or create your own map at i-MapNJ; see page 81 for details.



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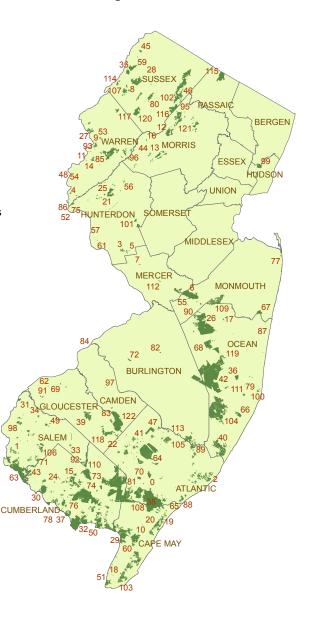
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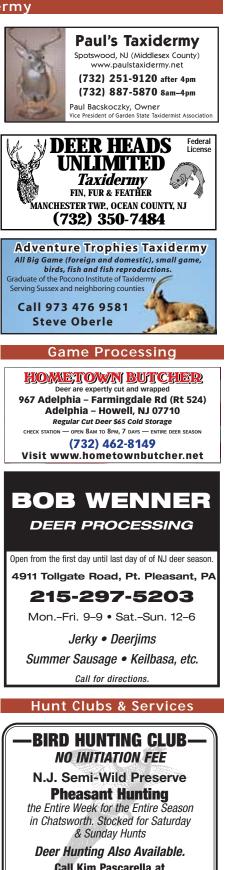


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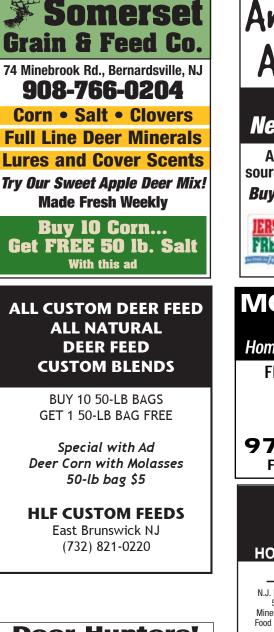
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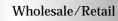


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